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# Eighty-second Annual Session of the Midway Free Will Baptist Association of Free Will Baptists of Georgia





# convened with Patmos Free Will Baptist Church

# October 25, 1980 Baker County, Georgia

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October 25, 1980

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#### **OFFICERS**

Moderator: Rev. Bobby Clyatt (1980) (1) Asst. Moderator: Malcom Freeman (1980) (1) Clerk: Rev. E.R. Corbett (1980) (1) Asst. Clerk: Judy Etheridge (1980) (1) Treasurer: Rev. Ken Bailey (1980) (1) Asst. Treasurer: Mrs. Ken Bailey (1980) (1) Colquitt, Ga. 31737 Jakin, Ga. 31761 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745 Newton, Ga. 31770 Arlington, Ga. 31713 Arlington, Ga. 31713

#### **MISSION BOARD**

Rev. Eddie Riddick (1980) (1) Rev. Curtis Alligood (1980) (2) Mr. Henry Peterson (1980) (2) Rev. Bob L. Jones (1980) (1) Mr. John Grant (1980) (2) Mr. Alvin Day (Honorary Life Member)

Albany, Ga. 31705 Leary, Ga. 31762 Blakely, Ga. 31723 Cedar Springs, Ga. 31732 Colquitt, Ga. 31737 Blakely, Ga. 31723

#### **BUDGET AND FINANCE**

Mr. Murray Haire (1980) (2) Mr. Wiley Girard (1980) (2) Albany, Ga. 31705 Arlington, Ga. 31713

#### **ORDAINING COUNCIL**

Rev. C.R. Houston (1980) (1) Rev. W.F. McDuffie (1980) (2) Rev. Melvin Moody (1980) (2) Rev. Roger Russell (1980) (1) Rev. Coy Watson (1980) (1) Colquitt, Ga. 31737 Blakely, Ga. 31723 Morgan, Ga. 31766 Blakely, Ga. 31723 Blakely, Ga. 31723

#### **RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Mathel Barnes (1980) (2) Mrs. Eva Clenny (1980) (2) Mrs. Leron Clower (1980) (2) Blakely, Ga. 31723 Colquitt, Ga. 31723 Arlington, Ga. 31713

#### **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

Mrs. Jo Franks (1980) (1) Mrs. Vaudine Moody (1980) (2) Bainbridge, Ga. 31717 Morgan, Ga. 31766

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Richard Hays (1980) (1) Mrs. Edith Shiver (1980) (1) E.L. Drinkwater (1980) (1)

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS January 24, 1981 10:00 a.m. April 25, 1981 10:00 a.m. August 1, 1981 10:00 a.m. October 24, 1981 9:30 a.m. Blakely, Ga. 31723 Leary, Ga. 31762 Morgan, Ga. 31766

Travelers Rest Church Albany First FWB Church White Plains Church Arlington Church

# WOMANS AUXILIARY OFFICERS President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Mission Action Chairman Mission Prayer Chairman Mission Study Chairman Field Worker

W.A. SPRING WORKSHOP

W.A. ANNUAL CONVENTION

CTS RALLY President Vice President Secretary/Treasurer

CTS RALLY MEETINGS February May August November Mrs. Myra White Mrs. Mildred Bowen Mrs. Laverne Mock Mrs. Betty Akridge Mrs. Gloria Henley Mrs. Pauline Bush Mrs. Brenda Evans Mrs. Doris Grant

**Bellview Free Will Baptist Church** 

Cedar Springs Free Will Baptist Church

Bill Lofton Horace Johnson Vaudene Moody

Albany First FWB Church Berean FWB Church Travelers Rest FWB Church Bellview FWB Church

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**ROLL CALL OF ORDAINED MINISTERS** Rev. Ken Bailey, Rt. 2, Box 2A, Arlington, Ga. 31713 Rev. Wayne Chambless, P.O. Box 25, Arlington, Ga. 31713 Rev. Bobby Clyatt, Rt. 4, Colquitt, Ga. 31737 Rev. E.R. Corbett, Rt. 3, Donalsonville, Ga. 31745 Rev. William Evans, Rt. 3, Colquitt, Ga. 31737 Rev. David Griffin, Rt. 3, Donalsonville, Ga. 31745 Rev. Neal Harting, Westward Avenue, Blakely, Ga. 31723 Rev. C.R. Houston, Colquitt, Ga. 31737 Rev. Dennis Irvin, 202 Hillside Ave., Albany, Ga. 31701 Dr. Bob L. Jones, P.O. Box 64, Cedar Springs, Ga. 31732 Rev. H.L. Knighton, Albany, Georgia 31701 Rev. James Marvin McDaniel, Rt. 2, Leary, Ga. 31762 Rev. W.F. McDuffie, Central Avenue, Blakely, Ga. 31723 Rev. Melvin Moody, Box 44, Morgan, Ga. 31766 Rev. W.L. Rentz, Newton, Ga. 31770 Rev. Eddie Riddick, 1712 Dawson Rd., Albany, Ga. 31707 Rev. Roger Russell, 115 Perry Avenue, Blakely, Ga. 31723 Rev. S.T. Shutes, Rt. 4, Colquitt, Ga. 31737 Rev. Paul Suggs, Rt. 2, Leary, Ga. 31762 Rev. Coy Watson, Rt. 1, Blakely, Ga. 31723

#### FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

The First Quarterly Session of the Midway District Association convened at Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday, January 26, 1980 with the Moderator, the Reverend Roger Russell, presiding.

Brother Johnny Van Kluyve, song leader for the day, led the

congregation in the opening song "I Am Resolved." Reverend Melvin Moody led in the opening prayer. A warm and cordial welcome was given to the delegation by the host pastor, Reverend Bobby Clyatt. The congregation then sang "A Child of The King." The morning devotion was given by Reverend Bill Evans.

The Reverend Roger Russell called the meeting into session by asking for a motion to adopt the program as developed by the host church with the privilege of making necessary changes. The motion was made and carried by the standing delegation.

When the roll call of ministers was taken, there were eight ministers of the Association present.

A partial report of the credentials committee was given. MSC to seat the delegates from the local churches.

The Moderator reviewed the committees and appointed Mrs. Dorita Suggs and Mrs. Essie Lou Clower to serve on the Resolutions committee for the day. Reverend S.T. Shutes was appointed to serve with the Ordaining Council for the day.

There were several visitors from other associations present.

The Woman's Auxiliary report included the Spring Workshop to be held at the Arlington Church. All ladies were invited to attend this workshop.

There were no reports from the Sunday School convention or Master's Men.

Brother Jim Martin reminded the delegation of the CTS Valentine Banquet to be held February 16, 1980 at the Albany American Legion. He encouraged all churches to support this banquet.

The Youth Camp report was that camp this year will be at Camp Mt. Bethel. The camp board is composed of all ministers of the association. New youth camp officers have been elected. They are

Director - Rev. Bobby Clyatt

Assistant Director - Rev. Bill Evans

Sec/Tr - Rev. Roger Russell

The State Youth Conference is to be held at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Albany on February 22 and 23, 1980.

After these reports, a short recess was held after which we came together for the morning worship hour at 11:00 A.M.

The morning worship service began with the singing of two hymns after which Reverend Roger Russell led in the offeratory prayer. Special music for the service was provided by the Hay Family of Patmos Church. The morning message was preached by the Reverend Paul Suggs of Berean FWB Church. His text was from John 10:1-11, and I Samuel 16:11.

After the morning worship service, we adjourned to the Fellowship Hall for a bountiful and delicious meal.

The afternoon session began with a piano prelude, a congregational hymn, and prayer. The afternoon devotion was given by the Reverend Eddie Riddick who chose his thoughts from II Thessalonians 3:5 "What We Have in the Lord Jesus Christ."

As the afternoon business session began, old or unfinished business came to the floor. There was a proposed amendment to the Constitution (Article V -Meetings) and two proposed amendments to the By-Laws (Article II -Representation and Article VII - Miscellaneous - Section I( were submitted at the annual session by Reverend Roger Russell and had laid on the table the required length of time. Since Reverend Roger Russell was the author and sponsor of the amendments, he yielded the position of Moderator to Brother Leron Clower - Vice Moderator.

After much discussion, the Constitution was amended to read:

#### CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE V - Meetings: The meeting of the Association shall be the Saturday before the fourth Sunday in January, 10:00 o'clock A.M.; April, 10:00 o'clock A.M.; October, 9:30 o'clock A.M.; and the Saturday after the fourth Sunday in July, 10:00 o'clock A.M.

The amendments to the By-Laws were defeated. Brother Clower then turned the meeting back over to Reverend Russell for the remainder of the session.

Reverend Curtis Alligood gave a report on the Children's Home.

Information about Camp Mt. Bethel was given by Reverend Bobby Clyatt. Four items of interest were brought to the attention of those present.

1. Camp session dates.

2. The need for someone to live at the Camp to mow the grass and do minor maintenance.

3. The need for a tractor and mower was stressed. The present mower is just a push mower and there is extensive acreage to be cut. Brother Clyatt asked for money to buy a tractor.

4. A swimming pool will be a reality. \$10,000.00 has been donated to the Camp for a pool. This amount will build a 20 foot by 40 foot pool. Reverend Clyatt suggested that the Midway District try to raise an additional \$5,000.00 to have a larger pool installed.

The following reports were given: Mission Board, Ordaining Council, Resolutions Committee, Credentials Committee, Treasurer's Report, Missions Board Treasury Report. MSC to adjourn.

MISSION BOARD REPORT

The Mission Board reported that the Berean Church has become self-sustaining.

Calvary Free Will Baptist Church in Blakely has decided to close. Calvary Church is deeding its property to the Midway Mission Board to do with as it deems proper.

**ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT** 

The Ordaining Council recommends that Brother William Evans be accepted into the Midway Association.

**Respectfully submitted:** 

Rev. Melvin Moody

Rev. W.F. McDuffie

**Rev. S.T. Shutes** 

**RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE** 

The Resolutions Committee submitted the following resolutions which were adopted by the Association.

1. We, the Resolution Committee, recommend that our minister's list be brought up to date.

2. We resolve that the Midway Association give Macedonia a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and wonderful meal.

**Respectfully submitted:** 

Mrs. Mathel Barnes

Mrs. Dorita Suggs

Mrs. Essie Lou Clower

#### **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT**

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Letters received from Churches - 16 **Representation fees from Churches - 15** Total Representation Fees - \$455.00 Number of Delegates - 43

Reporting 17	Enrollment 1164	Av. Attend. 871
CTS Reporting 15	Enrollment 615	Av. Attend. 505
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY		
Reporting 12	Enrollment 179	Av. Attend. 142
MĀSTER'S MEN		
Chapters 6	Enrollment 70	Av. Attend. 63
PRAYER MEETING 13		Av. Attend. 347
No. of Deacons present		12
No. of Ministers present		10
No. of Delegates present	t se	43
No. of visitors present (le	ocal churches)	30
No. of State Office repre	sentatives	0
No. of National Office re	presentatives	0
No. of visiting ministers	present	0
<b>TOTALS OF ALL PRESI</b>	ENT	95
We recommend that	t on the letter the number of	church members - active
and inactive - be stated	in the statistics reports.	
Respectfully submi	tted:	
Mrs. Edith Shive	r	
Mrs. Vaudine M	oody	
	MIDWAY ASSOCIATION	I
FIRST	SESSION MACEDONIA C	
TREASURER'S REPOR	RT	JANUARY 26, 1980
BROUGHT FORWARD		\$ 32.83
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TOTAL	\$ 594.04
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TOTAL	\$ 735.00
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BALANCE .... \$ 735.00

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YOUTH CAMP	¢ 100.00
BROUGHT FORWARD	
Received today	
TOTAL	
DISBURSED:	
From Oct. Session	
BALANCE	<b>\$</b> 75.00
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MISSIONS TREASURY REPORT	
BROUGHT FORWARD	\$1,410.77
Received since last session	
Received today (40%)	
TOTAL	\$1,635.65
DISBURSED:	
40% Oct. offerings \$ 614.22	
Plus bal	
TOTAL DISBURSED	
BALANCE	\$ 224.88
Shirley Kimbr	el, Treas.
MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REI	PORT
OCTOBER 1 - DECEMBER 31, 1979	
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD OCT. 1, 1979 (Minus) \$	27.64
GENERAL ACCOUNT	<i>_</i> ,
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	27.64
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#### **CONTRIBUTIONS** Ga. State Assn. ..... \$ 297.20 71.07 Macedonia Church ..... Patmas Church 24.00 Myrtle McGlamory (Dublin ..... 15.00 Midway Assn. ..... \$1,410.77 TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR ..... 1,890.40 **EXPENDITURES** Berean church - Support ..... 1,000.00 Ga. State Assn. (Dublin) ..... 15.00 TOTAL EXPENDITURES ..... 1,015.00 BALANCE IN ACCOUNT Dec. 31, 1979 875.40 **BUILDING ACCOUNT** BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD ..... 0.00 **CONTRIBUTIONS** Berean Church ...... 1,000.00 1,000.00

 TOTAL BALANCE IN TREASURY DEC. 31, 1979
 875.40

1,000.00

BALANCE OWED PEOPLES BANK on Berean Bldg. note ...... \$18,445.28 Dec. 31, 1979 (Plus interst).

NOTE: Midway Assn. paid Peoples Bank \$1,563.87 interest in 1979.

Rev. R.H. (Bobby) Clyatt, Treasurer

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#### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

The Second Quarterly Session of the Midway District Association convened with New Enterprise Church on Saturday, April 26, 1980 at 10:00 A.M.

The host pastor, the Reverend W.F. McDuffie, led the singing for the day. "My Savior's Love" was the opening congregational song followed by prayer by Reverend S.T. Shutes. A warm welcome was extended to everyone present by Reverend W.F. McDuffie, after which the congregation sang "He Hideth My Soul."

The morning devotion was delivered by the Reverend William Evans. His thoughts were from John 17:1.

The Association was called to order by the clerk. The clerk then read a letter from the Reverend Roger Russell, Moderator, stating that he would be unable to attend the Quarterly Session and also his resignation as Moderator of the Association. The Vice-Moderator, Brother Leron Clower, acted as Moderator for the day.

The Moderator asked for a motion to adopt the printed program with the privilege of making necessary changes. MSC.

The clerk called the roll of ministers.

A partial report of the credentials committee was given by Mrs. Edith

Shiver. MSC to seat the delegates.

Moderator Clower checked committees and boards to determine if adequate members were present to function.

Brother C.B. Dowdney, State Promotional Secretary, gave a report from the State Office. He shared with the Association some of the upcoming State activities. He gave a brief report on our State Home Missions in Dublin and Atlanta-Marietta. A motion was made and carried to receive this as information.

Brother Jim Martin reported a good CTS Banquet in Albany in February. He announced the date of the competetive activities to be May 3, 1980 at White Plains Church.

The Reverend Bobby Clyatt announced that the Midway Youth Camp would be at Camp Mt. Bethel the week of August 3 thru 8 this year. Check in will be on Sunday afternoon and check out on Friday.

The business session recessed for the morning worship hour. The service began with congregational singing of "Have Faith In God" and prayer by the Reverend Ken Bailey. The second congregational song was "He Is So Precious To Me." The Reverend Bobby Clyatt gave the offeratory prayer. Special music was presented by Mrs. Beverly Whittaker, soloist who was accompanied on the piano by Miss Sharon Coates. The morning message was delivered by the Reverend C.R. Houston, Travelers' Rest Church. His text was Joshua 24:14.

After the worship hour, the congregation was served a delicious and bountiful meal by the host church.

The afternoon session opened with congregational singing. Special prayer for all of the sick was led by the Reverend E.R. Corbett. The afternoon

devotion was brought by Malcom Freeman.

Reports from the following committees and boards were given and acted upon: Mission Board, Budget and Finance, Credentials, Ordaining Council, Resolutions and Nominating committee.

MSC that a committee composed of Reverend William Evans, Reverend Roger Russell and Malcom Freeman study the financial situation of the Association and report back at the Annual Conference in October some recommendations in this area.

The meeting was adjourned.

Recommendations and reports approved at this session:

**MISSION BOARD:** 

1. We met one time since the last quarterly meeting for the purpose of discussing the Calvary Church property. We decided that we should dispose of the property and place the proceeds on savings. However, the property is now in the process of being transferred to the Midway Mission Board.

Rev. Curtis Alligood, Chairman, Bro. John Grant, Bro. Henry Peterson, Rev. Bobby Clyatt, Rev. Roger Russell - Moderator.

**BUDGET AND FINANCE:** 

We recommend that \$150.00 be retained for minutes and that \$100.00 be retained for Midway Youth Camp.

Respectfully submitted:

Robert Lisenby, Murray Haire RESOLUTIONS

We the Resolutions Committee make the following report:

1. We resolve that this body while in session today have a short time of prayer for our Nation and its leaders. Pray especially that God would lead in a way that those who are being held as hostages in Iran would soon be brought home safely. We further ask that each church join in prayer Tuesday with other Christians of our Nation.

2. That we give Enterprise Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality today.

Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. Mathel Barnes, Mrs. Ailene Clower ORDAINING COUNCIL'S REPORT

1. Recommend that Reverend Eddie Riddick, Pastor First Free Will Baptist Church, Albany, be received in full fellowship of the Association.

2. Grant a letter of recommendation to the South Georgia Association from the Midway on behalf of Brother Ernest Barnes.

3. Recommend that Reverend Paul Suggs be received into full fellowship of the Association. (Reverend Suggs is pastor of Berean Church)

4. Recommend that Reverend Ken Bailey, pastor of Arlington Free Will Baptist Church, be received into full fellowship of the Association.

5. We recommend that Reverend Tom McCall be dropped from the ministerial roll of ministers of the Association since he has affiliated with another denomination.

Prayerfully yours,

Rev. W.F. McDuffie, Rev. Melvin Moody, Rev. E.R. Corbett NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

We the Nominating Committee recommend that Brother Leron Clower fill the unexpired term of Reverend Roger Russell, resigned, as Moderator until the October session.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. Wayne Chambless

John A. Grant

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT** 

Letters received from Churches - 16 Representation fees from Churches - 15 Total Representation fees - \$440.50 Number of delegates - 35 SUNDAY SCHOOLS Enrollment 1121 Reporting 16 CTS **Reporting 13** Enrollment 567 **WOMAN'S AUXILIARY** Reporting 12 Enrollment 135 MASTER'S MEN Chapters 6 Enrollment 62 **PRAYER MEETINGS 9** No. of Deacons present No. of Ministers present No. of Delegates present No. of visitors present (local churches) No. of State Office representatives present No. of National office representatives No. of Visiting Ministers present **TOTALS OF ALL PRESENT** 18 Churches in Assn. 1874 Members in Assn. 1304 Resident members 416 Non-resident members Respectfully submitted by: Mrs. Edith Shiver Mrs. Mary Doris Easom

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Av. Attend. 851 Av. Attend. 427 Av. Attend. 62 Av. Attend. 48 Av. Attend. 230 8 12 35 31 1 0 0 87

### MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT January 1, 1980 - March 31, 1980

Balance Brought Forward January 1, 1980	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$ 875.40
General Account		
Balance Brought Forward	•••••	875.40
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Georgia State Association\$	150.00	
Rev. W.F. McDuffie	50.00	
Midway Association	224.88	
New Light Church	509.53	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR		1,809.81
EXPENDITURES	· · · ·	
Farmer's Fertilizer and Milling\$1	,600.00	
(Colquitt) placed on 13% interest		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		
BALANCE		
Building Account		
Balance Brought Foward January 1, 1980		
CONTRIBUTIONS		
Berean Church	•••••	300.00
EXPENDITURES		·
Peoples Bank (Bldg. Note)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	300.00
Balance in Account March 31, 1980	•••••	0.00

### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

The Third Quarterly Session of the Midway District Association convened with New Light Church on Saturday, August 2, 1980, at 10:00 o'clock.

The session began with singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" after which Reverend S.T. Shutes followed with prayer. Reverend Melvin Moody chose Psalm 139 for the morning devotion after the very cordial welcome to the Church given by the pastor.

The Association was called to order by the clerk who then turned the session over to the Moderator, Brother Leron Clower.

Brother Clower asked for a motion to adopt the printed program with the privilege of making necessary changes. MSC.

The clerk called the roll of ministers. There were 13 member ministers present.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given by Mrs. Edith Shiver. MSC to seat the delegates.

The moderator checked committees and boards to determine if a quorum for each was present. Reverend Eddie Riddick was appointed to serve on the Budget and Finance Committee for the day. Reverend Roger Russell was appointed to the Ordaining Council for the day.

Reverend Billy McKinney was present as proxy for Reverend C.B. Dowdney, State Promotional Secretary. Reverend McKinney gave a report from the Home Missions in Georgia. Reverend McKinney told of his plans to establish a Free Will Baptist Church in Gainesville, Ga. He requested that the Association support him in their prayers and in any other way they could.

The Woman's Auxiliary report showed that over 100 attended the Prayer Retreat at Camp Mt. Bethel. The annual convention is to be held at First Free Will Baptist Church of Blakely. All women were encouraged to attend.

There was no Sunday School report.

Mrs. Vaudene Moody reminded everyone of the CTS Rally to be held at Macedonia on August 9, 1980. She requested that members bring suggestions for new officers and places to meet for the Rally.

The Church Camp report was given by Reverend Ken Bailey. He reported that 56 had already registered. Delegates were reminded to encourage other youth from their churches to register and attend. Reverend William Evans is to be camp evangelist.

Reverend Curtis Alligood gave a report on the needs of the Alabama Children's Home. He stressed the dire need for house parents. The Foster Father and Mother plan was discussed.

The business session recessed for the morning worship hour. Reverend W.F. McDuffie, pastor of New Enterprise Church, had as his subject for the morning message "The Touches of Jesus."

After the morning message, the host church served a bountiful and delicious meal to those present.

The afternoon devotion was given by Reverend Ken Bailey. Reverend Bailey's devotion was entitled "Three Reasons for Christians to be Soul Winners."

Reverend Eddie Riddick gave a report on the National Association meeting held in Anaheim, California. He reported that it was a good meeting even though the attendance was down from previous years.

A report of the Georgia Bible Institute was given by Brother Danny Thomas. The next year begins on September 16, 1980. There will be four locations for the classes to be held. They are in Columbus, Albany, Colquitt, and Jesup.

The Mission Board report was given by Reverend Bobby Clyatt. He reported that Calvary Church had withdrawn its offer of the church building to the Midway Association and had given the property to First FWB Church of Blakely. The remainder of the Mission Board report is in the report section of this session.

Reports from the following committees and boards were given and acted upon: Mission Board, Budget and Finance, Credentials, Ordaining Council, and Resolutions.

Revival announcements and special prayer requests were made.

The session ended with prayer.

Recommendations and reports approved at this session.

MISSION BOARD

Midway Mission Board Report and Recommendation submitted August 2, 1980

October 1, 1980 Berean mission became self-supporting, by order of this body. At that time the mission board was behind \$1,000 in support. During that month this defecit was corrected. Because of this the church did receive some outside support during the first quarter of 1979. However, since January of 1980 the Berean church has received no outside support and yet has paid \$1,500 on their building note, to date.

Therefore the mission board recommends:

That the work be recognized as a full-fledge church.

That the group secure a loan sufficient to pay off the balance owed Peoples Bank of Colquitt, on the Berean Bldg.

That at such date as this indebtedness is satisfied, the property be transferred to the Church's name and the Midway Association and mission board sever all ties with the church, except Associational affiliation, as with any other church of the Midway Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Curtis Alligood, Chairman; Rev. Bobby Clyatt, Bro. John Grant,

Bro. Henry Peterson

**ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT** 

At the request of Reverend Tom McCall, the Ordaining Council recommends that a letter be sent to him stating that he was ordained minister in good standing of the Midway Free Will Baptist Association and had been for  $5\frac{1}{2}$  years.

**RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE** 

We, the Resolutions Committee, present the following recommendations:

1. That each pastor and member study the past resolutions that have been accepted in years past and try to put them in practice, as we the Resolutions Committee feel that this has not been done.

2. That we give a rising vote of thanks to New Light Church for their hospitality today.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Mathel Barnes

Mrs. Eva Clenny

Mrs. Ailene Clower

#### **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Letters received from Chur Representation fees from Control Representation fees from Control Representation fees	Churches - 18		. · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Number of delegates - 45			- · · · · ·
SUNDAY SCHOOLS			
Reporting 18 CTS	Enrollment	1207	Av. Attend. 948
Reporting 14	Enrollment	597	Av. Attend. 445
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY	•	•	
Reporting 13	Enrollment	176	Av. Attend. 131
MASTER'S MEN			
Chapters 8	Enrollment	76	Av. Attend. 56
PRAYER MEETING 14	·	·	Av. Attend. 354
Resident Members 1474			Non-Resident Members 522
No. of Deacons present			17
No. of Ministers present			13
No. of Delegates present	•		45
No. of visitors present (loca			24
No. of State Office represer			0
No. of National Office repre			0
No. of visiting Minsters pre	esent		1
TOTAL PRESENT		_	100
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arrive.			
Respectfully submitte	d:		
Mrs. Edith Shiver	•		· ·
Mrs. Vaudine Mood	ıy		

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#### MIDWAY ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT Third Session, August 2, 1980

Inira Session, August 2, 1980		
Brought forward	\$	213.61
Received from churches today	*****	773.00
Offering today		157.41
Special Offering (designated gift)		529.65
Received since last session		
TOTAL		
DISBURSEMENTS		
40% Missions \$ 372.16	:	
Moderator		
Clerk 15.00		
Mrs. B.W. Clenny		
Bro. H.L. Knighton		, L.
Mrs. J.W. Loyless		:
Bro. S.T. Shutes		
Retained for minutes		-
Youth Camp		
Gainesville Mission		•
Children's Home		
Georgia Bible Institute		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Designated gift (Berean)		Í
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		
BALANCE		336.86
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for minutes		•	450.00
	BALANCE	\$	478.80
YOUTH CAMP			
Brought forward		¢	100.00
Drought forward	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
Received today			100.00
	TOTAL		200.00
Disbursed to Camp Board			·
	BALANCE	\$	100.00
MISSIONS	•		
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Brought forward			308.94
Berean Church (designated)			529.65
Received today (40%)			<u>372.16</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	\$1,	210.75
Disbursed to Mission Board	\$ 838.59		
	BALANCE	\$	372.16
Respectfully submitted,			
Shirley Kimbrel, Treasurer			- i
Rev. Eddie Riddick			
Murray Haire, Budget and Finance			,
MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD	TREASURY REP	POR	T
April 1 - June 30, 1980		_ • •	

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BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD APRIL 1, 1980 GENERAL ACCOUNT	. \$ 209.81
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD APRIL 1, 1980 CONTRIBUTIONS	. 209.81
Georgia State Association \$100.00	
Rev. and Mrs. W.F. McDuffie	·
Midway Association	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	449.04
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	
EXPENDITURES	
BALANCE IN ACCOUNT JUNE 30, 1980	. 658.75
BUILDING ACCOUNT	
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD APRIL 1, 1980	. 0.00
CONTRIBUTIONS	
Berean Church \$900.00	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	. 900.00
EXPENDITURES	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Peoples Bank (Bldg. Note) \$900.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	. 900.00
BALANCE IN ACCOUNT JUNE 30, 1980	
TOTAL BALANCE IN TREASURY JUNE 30, 1980	
ON DEPOSIT WITH FARMER'S FERTILIZER	. 1,600.00
BALANCE OWED PEOPLES BANK ON BEREAN BLDG. NOTE	\$17,245.28
June 30, 1980, plus interest.	· · · ·

The Eighty-Second Annual Session of the Midway District Free Will Baptist Association convened with Patmos Free Will Baptist Church, Saturday, October 25, 1980. The theme of this session was "Harvesting for Thee."

The meeting was opened with congregational singing led by Reverend James Marvin McDaniel who was song leader for the day.

The Association was welcomed by Reverend Curtis Alligood, Pastor of the host church. The response to the welcome was given by Reverend C.R. Houston of Travelers Rest Church. The morning devotional was given by Dr. Bob L. Jones, pastor of Cedar Springs Free Will Baptist Church. "Rekindle the Embers" was his topic from II Timothy 1:5-6.

The business session was called to order by the clerk, who then presented Brother Leron Clower, Moderator of the Midway District Association.

The roll call of ordained ministers was answered by fifteen members being present.

A partial report of the credentials committee was given by Mrs. Edith Shiver. After this report, MSC to seat the delegates to the Association by the standing delegation.

Moderator Clower expressed his thanks for the detailed program which had been prepared by Patmos Church. MSC to adopt the program as prepared by the host church with the Moderator having the privilege to make necessary changes.

Recognized as visitors were Dr. Damon Dodd, a visiting minister from the Martin Association and Reverend C.B. Dowdney, State Promotional Secretary.

The Reverend C.B. Dowdney, State Promotional Secretary, gave reports to the Association about the work being carried on in the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptist. He reported that the State Association would meet with Emmanuel Free Will Baptist Church in Columbus rather than Providence Church. Providence Church elected to withdraw its association from the Free Will Baptist Denomination. Brother Dowdney encouraged churches to send delegates to the State Association. Other topics covered by Brother Dowdney included a report on Bemiss Church, State Missions, and Camp Mt. Bethel.

The clerk read a letter to the Association from Missionary Billy McKinney expressing his appreciation for the reception given him at the Third Quarterly Session as well as for the gift of cash presented to him for the work he is to establish in Gainesville.

The Moderator checked to determine if all boards and committees had adequate members present to function. He appointed Reverends Roger Russell and Ken Bailey to be the Budget and Finance Committee for the day. An Obituary Committee composed of Brothers Ray Henley and Willard Tedder and a Placement Committee composed of Reverends Eddie Riddick and C.R. Houston were appointed to function for the day.

Dr. Bob Jones, Cedar Springs Church, spoke to the Association about the "Clean Up TV Campaign" and gave out leaflets to those present.

The report from the Woman's Auxiliary included the past year's workshop and convention. It was announced at this time that the 1981 Spring Workshop would be in Colquitt and the 1981 Convention would be at Cedar Springs.

The Youth Camp report was given by Reverend Ken Bailey. He reported

that the tentative date for the Midway Camp would be the second week in June 1981.

Dr. Damon Dodd gave a report on the Georgia Bible Institute.

Mrs. Vaudine Moody gave the Church Training Service Rally report. She reminded all present of the Rally to be held at Cedar Spring. Church on November 1, 1980, and encouraged everyone to attend.

There were no reports from Master's Men nor Sunday School Convention.

Reverend Curtis Alligood gave a report on the Alabama Children's Home. He reported that house parents have been secured for the present but we should keep these parent positions on our prayer list. For the Annual Harvest Day Drive, he encouraged gifts of cash whenever possible because of the expense of transporting commodities to the Home.

The business session recessed for a short time, after which we reconvened for the morning worship hour. The morning message was brought by Reverend Ralph Lightsey, pastor of New Light Free Will Baptist Church.

After the morning message, the host church served a bountiful and delicious meal.

The afternoon session began with congregational singing after which Reverend Bobby Clyatt brought the afternoon devotional. His remarks came from I Kings 18:1-16, "Harvesting." The afternoon prayer was by Reverend C.R. Houston.

Delegates selected for the State Association which is to be held in Columbus, Ga., November 13, 14, 15 were elected. Those named were Danny Thomas - Albany First, Mrs. Edith Shiver - Patmos, Bill Fortner - Berean, Mathel Barnes - First Blakely, Johnny Van Kluyve - Bellview, J.W. Clower -Arlington.

The committee appointed at the Second Quarterly Session to study the

financial structure of the association reported that the current procedures serve the association adequately.

Reports from the following committees and boards were given and acted upon: Mission Board, Budget and Finance, Credentials, Placement, Ordaining Council, Resolutions, Obituary (Necrology) and Nominating Committee.

A report on the condition of Reverend Dennis Irvin was given to the Association. A special Love Offering was taken to be given to Reverend Irvin.

The Association adjourned with prayer.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We the Placement Committee appointed by the Moderator of the Midway Association wish to make the following report:

First Quarterly Session, January 24, 1981 at Travelers Rest Church at 10:00 A.M.

Second Quarterly Session, April 25, 1981, at First Free Will Baptist Church of Albany at 10:00 A.M.

Third Quarterly Session, August 1, 1981, at White Plains Church at 10:00 A.M.

Annual Session, October 24, 1981 at Arlington Church at 9:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Reverend C.R. Houston Reverend Eddie Riddick

#### **ORDAINING COUNCIL**

We, the Ordaining Council, make the following report and move for its adoption:

1. That Reverend David Griffin be received into full fellowship of the Midway Association pending a letter of recommendation from the South Georgia Association.

2. That Reverend Curtis Alligood be granted a letter of recommendation of good standing to the Little River Association.

3. That Reverend James Marvin McDaniel be received into full fellowship of the Midway Association as an ordained minister.

Prayerfully submitted:

Reverend E.R. Corbett, Chairman

Reverend W.F. McDuffie

Reverend Melvin Moody

#### **BUDGET AND FINANCE**

We, the Budget and Finance Committee, recommend that the following disbursements be made of the dues and offerings received today:

1. To be retained for the printing of Minutes	111.20
2. To be given to the operating fund of Camp Mt. Bethel	100.00
3. State Association dues	90.00
4. Youth Camp on the \$5,000 we are to raise	129.02
5. Gainesville Mission	100.00
TOTAL TO BE DISBURSED\$	530.22
BALANCE to be left in treasury for other expenses	475.38
TOTAL DUES AND OFFERINGS	,005.60
Respectfully submitted:	•
Reverend Roger Russell	
Reverend Ken Bailey	× .
<b>CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT: Annual Session</b>	

October 25, 1980 Number of churches in Association 18 Letters received from churches 18 **Representation fees from churches** 18 \$877.30 Total representation fees received Number of churches with delegates 18 Number of delegates present 51 15 Number of ministers present Number of deacons present 15 Number of lay members present 25 Number of visitors present Number of State Officers present Number of National Officers present 0 TOTAL PRESENT 107 Resident Members - 1451 Non resident Members - 365 SUNDAY SCHOOLS Enrollment 1226 Reporting 18 Av. Attend. 886 CTS Enrollment 723 **Reporting 15** Av. Attend. 450 WOMAN'S AUXILIARY Reporting 14 Enrollment 175 Av. Attend. 130 MASTER'S MEN Enrollment 103 Av. Attend. 61 Reporting 9 **PRAYER MEETINGS 14** Av. Attend. 356 **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS 11** Attendance 607 SUBMITTED BY: Mrs. Edith Shiver Mrs. Vaudine Moody

#### **RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE**

1. We resolve that the Credentials Committee use the words "lay member" instead of visitors to register members from the churches within the association who are not sent as delegates. All those from outside the association will be registered as visitors.

2. We resolve to give Patmos Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and wonderful meal today.

Respectfully submitted:

Mrs. Mathel Barnes

Mrs. Ailene Clower

#### **OBITUARY COMMITTEE**

We, the Obituary Committee, make the following report: God saw fit to call 11 of our members Home since our last Annual Session. They were: From

Albany First Church Mr. Raliegh Johnson Mr. Billy Philmas
First Church of Decatur Co. (Bainbridge) Mrs. Bertha Mallard (Charter Member) Mr. Edward Bailey
Hammock Springs Mrs. Betty Barber
Macedonia Mr. Jake Craft
New Light Mrs. Mary Avera
Patmos Mrs. Bessie Isler

Travelers Rest

Mr. Clinton Musgrove (Deacon)

Mr. Enoch Edwards (Deacon)

White Plains

Mrs. Della Loftin

There have been 45 members lost in our Association plus 11 lost to non-Free Will Baptist churches.

Many churches did not list by death, so maybe 11 are all we've lost by death.

Brother Moderator, we ask that everyone stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of these.

Prayerfully submitted:

Ray Henley

Willard Tedder

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Moderator - Reverend Bobby Clyatt Assistant Moderator - Malcom Freeman Clerk - Reverend E.R. Corbett Assistant Clerk - Ms. Judy Etheridge Treasurer - Reverend Ken Bailey Assistant Treasurer - Mrs. Ken Bailey Mission Board - Reverend Eddie Riddick Reverend Bob L. Jones Mr. Henry Peterson

Mr. John Grant **Reverend Curtis Alligood** Mr. Alvin Day (Honorary Life Member) Budget and Finance - Murray Haire Wiley Girard Ordaining Council - Reverend C.R. Houston **Reverend Roger Russell Reverend Coy Watson** Reverend W.F. McDuffie Reverend Melvin Moody **Resolutions Committee - Mrs. Mathel Barnes** Mrs. Eva Clenny Mrs. Leron Clower **Credentials Committee - Jo Franks** Vaudine Moody Nominating Committee - Richard Hays **Edith Shiver** W.L. Drinkwater Respectfully submitted, **Reverend Wayne Chambliss Glynn Hendley** 

> MIDWAY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT PATMOS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OCTOBER 25, 1980

BROUGHT FURWARD	**********************	5	32.8	53
Received from churches		3,	005.8	30
Offerings received (4 sessions)	* * • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 1	489.8	81
Special Offerings		•	122.0	09
		-	529.0	
	TOTAL	\$4.		
DISBURSEMENTS:				
40% Missions	\$1 308 22			
Moderator	-			
Clerk		,	· ·	
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Mrs. B.W. Clenney				
Mrs. J.W. Loyless	•	. :		÷
Rev. H.L. Knighton		÷.,		
Rev. S.T. Shutes			`	
Minute Account	486.20	. `		
Ga. Association dues	90.00			
Youth Camp				
Children's Home				
Gainesville Mission			• •	
Ga. Bible Institute	50.00	-		
Designated to Berean Church	529.65	А.		
Mt. Bethel Swimming Pool Fund		• •	· .	
Rev. Dennis Irvin				
TOTAL DISBURSED	\$3,980.18			

**MINUTE ACCOUNT** 

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	Total Tithes Offerings, etc.	Amount Borrowed	All Other Receipts	Total Income	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Remodeling and Construction	Paid on Debt Retirement	All Other Local Expenditures	Total Local Expenditures	Current Value of Pastor's Home	Current Value of Church Property	Church Indebtedness End of Year	
Albany First	95,986		22,435	118,420						109,074	60,000	225,000	_0_	
Arlington	14,009				7,680				3,620		60,000	120,000	-0-	·. ·
Bainbridge First	9,007			9,007	5,090			1,730	2,072	8,892		35,000	2,000	
Bellview	59,452	   		59,452	15,176	6,685	3,117	5,481	4,298	44,757	40,000	165,000	14,000	
Berean	18,580			18,580		 	196	2,100	3,051	5,347				· ·
Blakely First		· · · ·								н	20,000	200,000	3,000	. ·
Cedar Springs	26,750			26,750	13,476		· · ·		5,285	18 <b>,</b> 761	45,000	80,000		• • • • • •
Damascus	2,714			2,714	525	 	394		1,277	2,196	 	. <sup>.</sup> .		
Enterprise		 			·									
Hammock Springs	25,342			25,342	9,170		· · ·		2,930	22,100	26,000	65,000		
Macedonia	21,621	 	·	21,621	12,634			· · · ·	8,987	22,636	40,000	110,000		
Mt. Zion	3,860			3,860	2,205		530	- · · ·	963	1,493		7,500	· ·	、
New Enterprise				· · · ·	· · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				· · ·		50,000		• •
New Light	18,053			18,053	9,004		801	· · · · ·	5,959	6,759	40,000	90,000	· 	
Oak Grove	3,586	 		3,586	2,117	 			1,370	3,487			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·
Patmos	23,542			23,542	12,412		2,819	n narring	4,912	20,143	45,000	48,000	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Iravelers Rest	17,884	6,753		17,884	6,500		3,880		3,905	14,283	L. L.		· · · ·	
White Plains	9,285	ز س ب		9,285	5,133.				1,295	1,295		n na SA		:

	Total Membership	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Baptized	Received by Statement/Letter	Members Lost	Members Lost to Non FWB Church	Sunday School Enrollment
Albany	450	450	0	12	15	12	0	300
Arlington	36	28	8	5	1	2	0	30
Bainbridge	80	72	8	5	5	1	3	45
Bellview	244	124	120	4	4	4	1	140
Berean	52	41	11	1	12	5	0	46
Blakely	117	116	1	7	10	6	0	98
Cedar Springs	91	52	39	5	0	0	0	55
Damascus	22	12	10	0	0	3	2	50
Enterprise	33	28	5	0	0	1	0	25
Hanmock Springs	105			5	0	1	0	81
Macedonia	115	92	23	1	1	2	2	49
Mt. Zion	61	39	22	0	1	1	1	• 24
New Enterprise	84	84		1	0	0	0	50
New Light	80	84		2	0	2	0	76
Oak Grove	49	25	24					18
Patmos	135	76	59	3	5	3	2	45
Travelers Rest	96	85	11		 	2	0	50
White Plains	67	43	24	3	0	1	0	43
TOTALS	1917	1451	365	54	54	46	11	L225

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Average Stinday School Attend.	CTS Enrollment	Average CTS Attendance	W.A. Enrollment	W.A. Average Attendance	Master's Men Enrollment	Master's Men Av. Attendance	Prayer Meeting Attendance	VBS Attendance	No. Students Attend FWB College	No. Students Attend other	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Ministers	
185	185	90	19	14	30	20	70	81	1	15	0	2	
28	30	25	7	6	8	8	25		0	1	0	0	
- 50			8	6	5	5	20		0	1	0	2	
115	113	81	17	12	18	7	50	50	1	0	1	1	
34	15	1.2	7	7	7	5	15	45	0	0	0	1	
83	49	41	18	12	10	6	35	75	1	2	0	2	
45	30	24	17	15			25	75	0	3	0	1	-
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17	20	15									2	2	
59	50	39	18	12	· 8	4	23	61	-			1	
43	31	29	10	7	9	5	19	40	1			2	
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40	35	24	10	6	8	6	29	37				1	
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36	40	29	13	9.		<b>.</b> .	10					1	
931	723	450	175	130	103	66	356	607	4	24	3	19	

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	Albany First	4,800		257					272	257	6,811	12,397	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		•
·	Arlington	300		222				,	162	95	3,250				1
•. •	Bainbridge First	44								118	69	231			
	Bellview	3,845		7,481	·			<u>ڊ</u>	552	1,935	76	13,889	,,,,,		
· · · <u>·</u> ·	Berean			75						71	199				
	Blakely First				1		· · ·	<b> </b>				· .	- - 		ı
	Cedar Springs	1,619							93	950	253	1,296	·····	, 	
	Damascus		1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.	· ·					• •	70	100				
	Enterprise	·			· .				· .		<u> </u>			- <u></u>	
a as a constant	Hammock Springs	493				4.						493		w	-
	Macedonia			285	 	64			537	231	522	1,639	· · ·	· ·	٠
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	New Light	1,119			· .					1,039	448		· · · · ·	· · ·	
	Oak Grove	160	·			· · ·	and An an an an An an		2 	81	50	291		:	
-1	Patmos			44			298			552	240	1,134	· · ·		
· · · ·	Travelers_Rest	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		:			. 		75		150				
	White Plains	752		:					1		257	1,009			

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Brought forward	\$ 660.00
Received	486.20
Midway CTS	
Midway CTS Midway Sunday School	
Woman's Auxiliary	60.00
	TOTAL \$1,206.20
DISBURSED:	101AL \$1,200.20
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Donalsonville News (printing)	
	BALANCE \$ 650.00
VOUTU CAND	
YOUTH CAMP	
Brought forward	\$ 100.00
Received	
	TOTAL \$ 475.00
DISBURSED:	
Camp Board	\$ 375.00
	BALANCE \$ 100.00
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MISSION TREASURY REPORT	
Brought forward	\$1,410.77
Received (4 sessions 40%)	
Designated gifts	
	TOTAL \$3,248.64
DISBURSED:	
Mission Board	\$2,846,40
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# Shirley Kimbrel

# MIDWAY DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP HELD AT CAMP MOUNT BETHEL AUGUST 3-8, 1980

FINANCIAL REPORT		an Na san	
BALANCE IN TREASURY JULY 22, 1980		.\$ 8	334.55
RECEIPTS			2 • • •
Campers Fees	\$874.00		
Snack Shon	448.34		
Midway Association	\$100.00	,	
Midway Association		. \$1,4	122.34
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TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	. \$2,2	256.89
EXPENDITURES			н н. Настана Настана
Paid Personnel	\$225.00		•••
Groceries	523.89		
Snack Shop Supplies	389.64		
Rent for Camp	400.00		
Miscellaneous	30.58		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		. \$1,5	568.71
BALANCE IN TREASURY OCTOBER 1, 1980		.\$ (	588.18
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Rev. Ken Bailey, Rev. Bobby Clyatt	, Director		and a second sec		
Rev. Bill Evans, A		• · · ·	2 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
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	SOCIATION MISSIC July 1 - Octo		LEASURI RE	201	
BALANCE BROUG	GHT FORWARD Ju	-		\$	658.7
	GENERAL				
	GHT FORWARD Ju	ly 1, 1980	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	<b>\$</b> -	658.7
CONTRIBUTIONS				, · .·	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	urch, via Assn Berean Church		\$ 529.65	. •	
Midway Assoc	ciation		372.16		
· · ·	.W.F. McDuffie			· · · ·	' .
Georgia State	Association		235.00	•	
TOTAL CONTRIB	UTIONS	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		\$ 1	,166.8
TOTAL TO ACCOU	UNT FOR			\$ 1	,825.5
EXPENDITURES					
Berean Churc	h (earmarked)		529.65	: .	• •
10% interes	lizer (placed on st)				
Postal Service	(Stamps & Env.).	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	10.50		
	TURES				+
BALANCE IN ACC	COUNT OCTOBER 1		•••••	, \$	285.4
		ACCOUNT		:	
BALANCE BROUG	GHT FORWARD JU	LY 1, 1980		•	0.0
Berean Churc	h		\$ 300.00		
	UNT FOR			, \$	300.0
EXPENDITURES					
	(Berean Bldg. Note				
	TURES				300.0
BALANCE IN ACC	COUNT OCTOBER 2	23, 1980		•	0.0
TOTAL BALANCE	E IN TREASURY OC	TOBER 23, 19	80	, \$	285.4
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# **TOTALS FOR THE YEAR**

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BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD OCTOBER 1, 1979 (Minus) \$	27.64
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	6,968.20
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	6,940.56
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	6,655.15
TOTAL BALANCE IN TREASURY OCTOBER 23, 1980 \$	285.41

Rev. Robert H. Clyatt, Treasurer

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# MIDWAY DISTRICT C.T.S. RALLY

The officers elected to serve for the 1979-80 Church year were President - Joe Martin, Vice President - Charles English, Secretary/Treasurer -Vaudene Moody. These officers were elected at the August 1979 meeting at Bellview F.W.B. Church.

Each Rally has been held during the year with an average of six churches participating of the thirteen with C.T.S.

We saw a great film entitled Survival, after which three people came forward to receive Christ as their Savior.

The Valentine Banquet had only four churches attending. A great program called "I Promise to Love" was presented by Daybreak. Each couple in attendance renewed their wedding vows - which was a great blessing indeed.

The Rally voted to have the District Competition at a church and save the money that had been paid to Kolomoki. This year the competitive activities were held at White Plains F.W.B. Church.

President Martin appointed a constitutional committee to come up with a proposed constitution. The proposal was presented by the committee and adopted. The major changes are:

1. Each church can have a maximum of ten (10) members as voting delegates at each Rally.

2. Each local CTS is to send at least \$10.00 to each Rally.

3. The general officers shall be responsible for planning the program for each Rally.

Midway District had some National winners at the National Association. There were three from Albany First Church and one from Bellview. They were:

From Albany: Angie Aycock was given a 1 in music and arts. Melinda Riddick placed third in Bible Memorization. Susie Moore earned a 1 in declamation.

From Bellview: Dee Bailey won a 1 in Adventurers Declamation.

Officers elected for 1980-81 are: President - Bill Lofton; Vice President -Horace Johnson; Secretary/Treasurer - Vaudene Moody. Meetings will be held: February - Albany; May - Berean (for District Competition); August -Travelers Rest; and November 1981 - Bellview.

Treasurer's Report		
Brought forward August 15, 1979		. \$158.37
Total dues and offerings		. 818.32
TOTAL	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	. 976.69
Disbursements:		
American Legion (Albany)	\$558.48	
Randall Book Store (medals and supplies	74.33	
Ga. State Youth Conference	10.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$642.81	642.81
Balance on hand August 13, 1980		. \$333.88

### MIDWAY DISTRICT AUXILIARY MINUTES (Oct. 4, 1980)

The Midway District Woman's Auxiliary Convention met with Blakely Free Will Baptist Church. "Blessed to Be A Blessing" was the theme with the scripture taken from Genesis 12:2b. The convention opened with congregational singing led by Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield, with Mrs. Roger Russell as pianist. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Doris Sheffield.

A very warm welcome was given by Mrs. Mathel Barnes of the Blakely Auxiliary. A skit written by Mrs. Brenda Evans of Bellview was presented. The skit was "Blessed To Be An American Woman." Those taking parts portrayed great American women. They were Shirley Kimbrel as Fanny Crosby, Evera Moye as Abigail Adams, Gloria Henley as Anna Jarvis, Mildred Bowen as Jane Addams, Jean Johnson as Anna Zenger. The women did an outstanding job on each part. They dressed as each lady would have been dressed and gave their story as though it had happened today. This was a very educational as well as an inspiring skit making each of us thankful for our many blessings today.

Mrs. Myra White, President, called the business session to order. The roll call of the churches revealed that we had 13 auxiliaries and 52 delegates at the meeting. There was a move and second to seat the delegates. The Credential, Registration, Finance and Resolution Committees were appointed at this time. A very interesting report from the State Prayer Retreat was given by Mrs. Edith Shiver and Mrs. Laverne Alligood. Nominations for Woman of the Year were given. Each auxiliary was asked to send a nominee's name along with the reports being sent to the district. Mrs. Myra White explained that the selection would be done by secret ballots, the results to be announced in the afternoon. The morning business was then closed.

We entered into the morning worship service with congregational singing. An offering was received. Special music "My Tribute" was given by Mrs. Bobbie Thomas of Albany. Mrs. Fleda Snow, State President, then brought our morning message taken from our theme for the day, "Blessed To Be A Blessing." She reminded us that to be a blessing we have to give of ourselves, prepare and always be willing to learn, plan ahead by teaching our children and loving our husbands, families and neighbors.

After everyone enjoyed a good lunch and the delightful fellowship, we reconvened for the afternoon session. We were taught new songs, Scripture, by Mrs. Myra White. Everyone used their Bibles instead of Hymnals. These songs were carried away by each of us in our hearts and minds. The afternoon business session was opened by reports from the committees. The Credentials report given by Mildred Bowen. (See Report) MSC. The Registration report given by Merlene English. (See Report) MSC. The Finance report was given by Betty Akridge. (See Report) MSC. The Resolutions report was given by Mrs. Doris Sheffield. (See Report) MSC to adopt each resolution. Delegates were then appointed to the State Convention. They were Carolyn Riddick, Dorita Suggs, Evera Moye, Laverne Alligood, Eva Clenny, LaVerne Mock, Shirley Kimbrel, Buna Middleton, Wynelle Clower, Minnie Cleveland, Doris Grant, Myra White. Host church for the Spring Workshop will be Bellview and for the convention Cedar Springs. Mrs. Mathel Barnes was announced winner of the "Woman of the Year." The Nominating Committee was elected as follows, Shirley Kimbrel, Chairman, Eleanor Sheffield, Juanita Houston, Wynelle Clower, Laverne Alligood. LaVerne Mock gave a report from the National Prayer Retreat. She reported that about 26 ladies from our state attended the first prayer retreat. Highlights were given and each was encouraged to attend if at all possible next year. A very refreshing time was had by all attending. Carolyn Riddick gave a report from the National Convention. She impressed upon us to remember that what we give as an individual auxiliary may seem small but when added to gifts from other auxiliaries it can add up to a quite large sum. Georgia ranked fourth in the nation according to gifts sent to the National Headquarters. Gloria Henley, District Mission Action Chairman, thanked the auxiliaries for the gifts brought for the Provision Closet. Mrs. Pauline Bush, District Prayer Chairman, closed with prayer asking that we remember

Charlotte Tallent this month in special prayer. Myra White, President LaVerne Mock, Secretary

**Credentials Committee Report:** 

According to Article IV of the Constitution and Article V of the By-Laws, the following 13 Auxiliaries have reported, Albany, Arlington, Hammock Springs, Bellview, Berean, First Blakely, Cedar Springs, Mt. Zion, Macedonia, New Enterprise, Patmos, Travelers Rest, White Plains. We recommend that this report be accepted.

Respectfully submitted, Mildred Bowen, Chairman **Evera Moye** Ailene Clower

**Registration Committee Report:** 

8 Presidents

4 Vice-presidents

1 Secretary

2 Treasurers

**4** Secretary-Treasurers

3 Mission Prayer Chairmen

7 Mission Action Chairmen

7 Mission Study Chairmen

7 District Officers

3 State Officers

3 Ministers

11 Visitors

79 Total Present Respectfully submitted, Merlene English, Chairman Eilene Bruner Madline Hays

**Resolutions Committee Report:** 

1. That we as an auxiliary be opposed to ERA, which is in opposition to God's Word and that we avail ourselves of every opportunity to learn what the issues are. Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge."

2. That we make ourselves aware of secular humanism, a religion that teaches we are capable in our humanity of controlling our lives and destiny. This is being taught in schools.

a. There are no absolutes. Judges 17:6, "In those days there was no king in Israel but every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

**b.** Situation Ethics

3. That we all vote and be much in prayer for our country and the way we vote.

4. That we consider Halloween as a pagan observance and as Christians be careful how we participate in this.

5. That we as individuals and as a group resolve in our hearts that we are going to be totally committed in every area to God and His Word, to study and pray in these crucial times.

6. That we give this church a rising vote of thanks for the wonderful meal and hospitality shown today. e a construction de la construction La construction de la construction d

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Sheffield
Voncille Musgrove
Nita Tyler
Dorita Suggs
Shirley Kimbrel, Chairman

Compiled Secretary Report:		
Number of auxiliaries	13	
Enrollment beginning yr.	168	· · .
Present enrollment	157	
Attendance at general mt.	121	
Visitors	15	
Extension members	7	
New Members	3	
Members lost	10	

#### MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY WORKSHOP March 1, 1980

The Midway District Auxiliary met with Arlington Church for their annual Spring Workshop. Theme for the day was "How To Be Happy No Matter What." Scripture was taken from Philippians 4:4a. Song leader was Mrs. Laverne Alligood, pianist, Shirley Kimbrel.

Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield brought a very thought provoking devotion. She gave several ways that we can condition our minds and be happy. Count blessings, practice emptying mind of fear, hate, tension, and filling it with good, start day with prayer were just a few of the ways that she said we could start our day out right. Mrs. Hazel Smith of Berean rendered special music after which Mrs. Carolyn Riddick presented a very interesting study on the Book of Philippians. Philippians 1 was presented as the philosophy of Christian living; chapter 2 the pattern of Christian living; chapter 3 pursuit of Christian living; chapter 4 the power of Christian living. The Book of Philippians gives the formula for happiness, she said. Mrs. Riddick ended her study by saying, "Until you're able to be happy in every situation, you can't be really happy in any situation!"

After congregational singing a skit was presented by the White Plains Auxiliary. It depicted the death of an auxiliary through unconcern, neglect and excuses by the members. It was called "The Untimely Death." As Mrs. Pauline Bush, District Mission Prayer Chairman, closed the meeting with prayer, we could all say that we were happy that we came.

### ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OCTOBER 1979 thru SEPTEMBER 1980

General Treasury - Brought Forward October 1979	\$	106.93
Workshop Offering March 1980		
Representation fees received		
Total receipts	\$	398.43
Disbursed:	• • •	
Printed checks and BSC\$	23.13	
Workshop March	40.73	

Representation	n fees	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	198.75	
Total Disbursn	nents			262.61
		30, 1980		\$ 135.82
Designated funds r				
1. First Albany	(20)	8	. Mt. Zion	(7)
2. Arlington	(7)	- 9	. Macedonia	
3. Bellview	(17)	10	. New Enterpr	
4. Berean	(7)		. Patmos	• •
5. First Blakely	(18)	. 12	2. Traveler's Re	
6. Cedar Springs			. White Plains	(13)
7. Hammock Spring	•	· · ·		
HOME MISSIONS			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	§ 955.35
National Home	Missions	\$	621.35	
	is		60.00	
	•••••		30.00	
			129.00	
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		\$		3
FOREIGN MISSION	۹S			<b>52,013.77</b>
		\$		
Jerry Banks			194.00	· · ·
			72.00	· .
			1,253.77	
•	ct		12.00	
	nt		132.00	
			60.00	
Jim Cowart			10.50	
Lizzie McAdam	ns		16.00	
			114.00	
			77.50	
		\$	2,013.77	
WNAC General and	l Emphasis Fund			<b>\$ 183.40</b>
Co-Laborer Fund			•••••	236.32
Dot Harvey Loan Fu	and		•••••	231.00
WNAC Student Loa	n		••••••	44.00
Children's Home	•••••			202.00
F.W.B. Bible Colleg	ge			5.00
State Convention Sp				40.00
Retired Ministers	- 		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	5.00
Provision Closet		•••••	•••••	66.50
Membership Repres				
Total Funds receive				
Balance in general t	÷ <b>–</b>	per 30, 1980	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	135.82
Respectfully		· · ·		
Betty Akridg	ge - Treasurer			

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# FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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Balance in Treasury September 30, 1980	\$135.82
Convention Offering	
Total Receipts	

We, your Finance Committee, recommend the following	• .
disbursements:	
Convention Speaker \$60.00	
Printing Minutes	
Convention Bulletins 4.16	· · ·
Total Disbursements	\$124.16
Balance in Treasury	\$ 73.56
Respectfully submitted,	
Betty Akridge, Chairman	
Wynelle Clower	•
Mathel Barnes	
Jean Parr	· •

#### AN ORDINATION STANDARD GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

#### THE LICENSED MINISTER:

1. A person must be licensed for a period of one year before he can be ordained. He must also be called to the care of one or more churches, or into other service which would require ordination.

**QUALIFICATIONS OF MINISTERS:** 

2. They must possess good, natural and acquired abilities, deep and ardent piety, be especially called of God to the work, and ordained by prayer and the laying on of hands.

#### **DUTIES OF MINISTERS:**

3. These are to preach the word, administer the ordinances of the Gospel, visit their people, and otherwise perform the work of faithful ministers.

#### THE QUESTION OF DIVORCE:

4. No individual shall be ordained to the Gospel ministry who has been married and divorced, and in the process has more than one living companion.

No individual shall be ordained whose wife has been previously married and divorced.

NOTE: These regulations are set forth to comply with the Biblical standard for ministers found in I Timothy 3:1-7.

#### THE ORDINATION OF WOMEN:

5. Traditionally and historically Free Will Baptist in the State of Georgia have not ordained women to the Gospel ministry. So far as we are able to discern, this is still the true sentiment over the state. Therefore, until the thinking of our Free Will Baptist constituency becomes more definitive on this matter, we do not purpose to ordain women.

### THE AUTHORITY TO ORDAIN:

6. Free Will Baptist, committed to the doctrine of congregational church government, understand that the authority to ordain ministers is in the local church.

In practice, however, the Free Will Baptist churches in Georgia work together in the matter of ordination by delegating the authority for ordination to the association of churches in which the local church holds membership. The true source of this authority should never be lost sight of.

#### **PERSONAL PLEDGE OF INTEGRITY:**

7. IF ORDAINED TO THE GOSPEL MINISTRY BY THE .....

ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST OF GEORGIA, I PROMISE BEFORE GOD AND THE

CONSTITUENCY OF SAID .....

..... ASSOCIATION:

- 1. To preach the Word of God in its fulness without fear, favor, or compromise, according to the best of my ability.
- 2. To continue to study and improve myself in every way possible.
- 3. To live a clean, upright, exemplary life, and to surrender any habit or practice unbecoming to a minister of the Gospel.
- 4. To be considerate of my fellow ministers and their rights.

5. To be fair and impartial with those to whom I minister.

6. To abide faithfully by the rules and regulations of the .....

of Free Will Baptist.

7. To preach and teach Free Will Baptist doctrines as set forth in the Articles of Faith of the National Association of Free Will Baptists and

those of the ..... Association of Free Will Baptist.

8. Finally, I promise, that if at any time I can no longer agree with Free Will Baptist doctrine or policy and preach and practice the same fully with the free consent of my heart and mind, or if I should fall into error and sin and depart from the faith, I will freely, without coercion or restraint, surrender my ordination credentials to the Ordaining Council of the association of which I am a member and cease my activities as a Free Will Baptist minister.



SIGNED
WITNESSES:
•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••
APPLICATION FOR ORDINATION TO THE MINISTRY:
8. (Each of the following questions must be answered in full.)
1. Name Birth Date
2. Address City
State
Telephone: Home Business
3. Date of Conversion Home Church
4. Occupation
5. Martial Status: Married Divorced Single
6. Wife's Maiden Name Birth Date

7. Is your wife a Christian? ...... Does she cooperate well with

you in Your work in the church? .....

8. Children and their ages: .....,

9. Have you been married more than once? ...... Do you have a former companion still living? .....

10. Educational level (For purposes of record only. There are no established requirements educationally for Ordination).

Elementary grades completed .....

High School ...... Date graduated .....

Where .....

.................

College ...... Degrees Earned .....

Other (Vocational, Tech, Correspondence)

- - 16. Would you knowingly accept a homosexual into membership in a church of which you are a pastor? .....
  - 17. Do you use drugs habitually? .....
  - 18. Would you knowingly accept a drug-addict into membership of a church of which you are pastor? .....
  - 19. Give three character references:

21. Briefly relate your call to the ministry. (Complete on back of page if necessary.)

Your Signature .....

The Date Today .....

# DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Date Application Received	
Date Processed	
Approved Reason for Approval	••••••
Deferred Reason for Deferral	•••••••••
Examination Score	
Date and Place of Ordination Service	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
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Name of Person Supervising Examination	••••••

**ORDAINING COUNCIL** 

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# **DOCTRINAL EXAMINATION**

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UNDERLINE the correct answer and give two Scripture references for each. This information taken from the Free Will Baptist TREATISE. You may use your Bible for this portion of the examination.

- 1. God is a. One True and Living God, b. Three gods, c. Jesus.
- 2. God depends for His existence a. Upon the created world, b. Angels, c. is self-existent.
- 3. God was a. Created, b. Is in the process of evolution, c. Has always freen.
- 4. Jesus Christ is a. The true Son of Joseph, b. A mere human being, c. The divine Son of God.

- 5. Jesus was a. Born of the Virgin Mary, b. Of a young Hebrew woman, c. - of two human parents.
- 6. Jesus was crucified a. Against His own will, b. because of human stupidity, c. As a freely given ransom for all.
- 7. The Holy Ghost is a. An influence, b. The Third Person of the Trinity, c. A misunderstood myth.
- 8. The Bible a. Was authorized by men, b. Inspired of God, c. Simply recorded history.

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9. The Bible contains two divisions. They are .....

- 10. Inspiration means a. God-breathed, b. Man-given, c. Scholarly Interpretation.
- 11. Man is saved by a. Good works, b. The grace of God, c. Church membership.
- 12. Repentance means a. Godly sorrow for sin, b. Reformation, c. Joining the church.
- 13. Regeneration means a. To make completely new, b. Turning over a new leaf, c. Quitting bad habits.
- 14. God desires to save a. The elect only, b. The Jews only, c. All men.
- 15. Free Will Baptist doctrine teaches a. Once saved always saved, b. Repeated regeneration, c. The possibility of apostasy.
- 16. Men are kept in salvation a. Through good works, b. Church membership, c. Faith in Jesus Christ.
- 17. Free Will Baptist believe in a. Partial inspiration, b. That only the New Testament is inspired, c. Plenary-verbal inspiration.
- Free Will Baptist believe that a. Some parts of the Bible are inaccurate,
   b. There are errors in the original manuscript that have crept into the translation of the Bible, c. The Bible is totally inerrant and infallible.
- 19. What does the term "free will" in our Denominational name mean to you?
- 20. How many Gospel Ordinances do Free Will Baptist believe in? ...... List them.

21. Define the term "Tithe."

Do you believe in this Biblical teaching? ...... Practice it? .....

Will you teach and preach it to your congregation? .....

Give at least two Scriptures that teach tithing. .....

- 22. The resurrection of all men will take place a. At the last day, b. When they are saved, c. When they die.
- 23. The righteous will come forth to a. The resurrection of life, b. Reincarnation, c. A second chance to be saved.
- 24. The unrighteous will come forth to a. The resurrection of damnation, b. A second chance to be saved, c. The millennial kingdom.
- 25. The eternal abode of the righteous will be .....

26. The eternal abode of the unrighteous will be .....

27. Give briefly your belief concerning the baptism of the Holy Ghost as a second work of grace with the accompanying evidence of speaking in other tongues. Be sure to give Scripture in support of your answer. (You may use the other side of this page if necessary.)

## **CHURCH GOVERNMENT AND PRACTICES:**

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- 1. The highest body of authority in the Free Will Baptist Denomination is
  - the .....
- 2. Each local church must elect a ....., who is to preach the Word of God and lead the church in her program of service.

..... and the .....

- 4. The church is to elect ...... to assist the pastor in his work.
- 5. The teaching arm of the church is the .....
- 6. The training arm of the church is the .....

7. The several churches in an area come together to make up the .....

8. The various Districts over the State comprise the ......

9. The several State Associations over the nation make up the .....

10. Answer TRUE or FALSE:

None of these Associations has the right or authority to dictate policy or program to the local church .....

11. Define the following terms:

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

HOME MISSIONS:

**SUPERANNUATION:** 

12. Do you believe in and support Foreign Missions?
13. Do you believe in and support Home Missions?

- 14. Where is our Denominational National Headquarters located?
- 15. Tell what you know about the Cooperative Program of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptist.
- 16. When was the first Free Will Baptist Church organized in North America?

Who was its founder? .....

17. When was the first Free Will Baptist Church organized in the State of

Georgia? ...... By Whom? .....

18. Briefly describe how you would conduct a baptismal service.

YOUR NAME	DATE
HOME TELEPHONE	
YOUR CHURCH	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •

#### **Recommended Reading:**

DOCTRINE: Free Will Baptist Doctrine - By Dr. J.D. O'Donnell
HISTORY: Marching Trhough Georgia - By Rev. Damon Dodd
GOVERNMENT: Free Will Baptist Treatise
HOW WE GOT OUR BIBLE: Biblical Graphics
(Story of the Bible) Dr. R. Reeds
THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY: The Ministers

Mission - By Dr. C.E. Colton

Committee Members: Rev. C.B. Dowdney, Rev. Hurbert Arnold, Rev. Emmett McDuffie, Rev. Adam Scott, Rev. Damon Dodd, Rev. Billy Sharpston, Rev. John Cannon, Rev. Russell Horne, Rev. Garvin Page, Rev. Ronald Wallace.

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#### CONSTITUTION

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Midway District Association

#### of

#### Original Free Will Baptist 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 I

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

#### **ARTICLE II**

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

#### ARTICLE III

**REPRESENTATION:** 

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Section 1. The standing delegation of this association shall consist of all ordained ministers, ordained deacons and officers of this Association.

Section 2: Voting privileges shall extend to all standing delegates and to those duly elected delegates representing the churches of this 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 IV**

#### **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 V**

MEETINGS: The meeting of this Association shall be the Saturdays before the fourth Sunday in January, 10:00 o'clock A.M; April, 10:00 o'clock A.M.; October, 9:30 o'clock A.M.; and the Saturday after the fourth Sunday in July, 10:00 o'clock A.M.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular 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 I**

#### 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 II**

REPRESENTATION: Each church shall be requested to pay a minimum fee per member of 50 cents (50c) per quarterly session and seventy-five cents (75c) per member each annual session.

#### **ARTICLE III**

#### **FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICERS:**

Section 1. The duties of the moderator shall be to preside at all meetings

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 necessary correspondence.

Section 4. The duties of the assistant clerk 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 request of or in the absence of the treasurer and to assist him in any way necessary.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### 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 mission's 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

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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.

Function of this Board shall be:

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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 ordination 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 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 ordination. Six months pastoring during the one year tenure of licensing will be accepted as a pre-requisite for ordination.

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 V**

#### **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 VI**

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 VII**

#### **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 VIII

#### 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 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.



CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT	CTS DIRECTOR	W. A. PRESIDENT	M. M. PRESIDENT	CHAIRMAN DEACON BOARD
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······································	Rev. Eddie Riddick	Mrs. Lolita Seagroves	Bill Loftin	Horace Johnson	Mrs. Carolyn White	Tim Jordan	James Holt
ALBANY FIRST	1712 Dawson Road	1702 Avalon Avenue	2906 Greer Street	P. O. Box 248	2615 Devon Drive	2622 E. Doublegate Dr	Rt. 5, Oliver Drive
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	Rev. Paul B. Suggs	Mrs. Helen Azbill	Murray Haire	Billy Forkner	Mrs. Hazle Smith	J. O. Clark	Murray Haire
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