

**MINUTES
of the
EIGHTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
of the
MIDWAY ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF GEORGIA**



**covenanted with
ARLINGTON
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 24, 1981
CALHOUN COUNTY, GEORGIA**

**1981
MINUTES
of the
MIDWAY FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
of FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF GEORGIA**



convened with

**Travelers Rest Church
First Free Will Baptist of Albany
White Plains Church
Arlington Church**

**January 24, 1981
April 25, 1981
August 1, 1981
October 24, 1981**

OFFICERS

Moderator: Mr. Malcolm Freeman (1981)(1)	Jakin, Ga. 31761
Asst. Moderator: Mr. Danny Thomas (1981)(1)	Albany, Ga.
Clerk: Mrs. Edith Shiver (1981) (1)	Leary, Ga. 31762
Asst. Clerk: Mr. Frank Parker (1981) (1)	Newton, Ga. 31770
Treasurer: Reverend William Evans (1981) (1)	Colquitt, Ga. 31737
Asst. Treas.: Mrs. William Evans (1981) (1)	Colquitt, Ga. 31737

MISSION BOARD

Mr. John Grant (1980 (2)	Colquitt, Ga. 31737
Mr. Henry Peterson (1980) (2)	Blakely, Ga. 31723
Rev. Paul Suggs (1981) (1)	Leary, Ga. 31762
Rev. David Griffin (1981) (1)	Donalsonville, Ga. 31745
Mr. Leron Clower (1981) (1)	Arlington, Ga. 31723
Mr. Alvin Day (Honorary Life Member)	Blakely, Ga. 31723

ORDAINING COUNCIL

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

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Mathel Barnes (1980) (2)	Blakely, Ga. 31723
Mrs. Eva Clenny (1980) (2)	Colquitt, Ga. 31737
Mrs. Leron Clower (1980) (2)	Arlington, Ga. 31713

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. Richard Hays (1981) (2)	Blakely, GA. 31723
Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield (1981) (1)	Blakely, Ga. 31723
Mr. Bill Lofton (1981) (1)	Albany, Ga. 31705

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

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

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President	Mrs. Myra White, Blakely, Ga.
Vice President	Mrs. Ailene Clower, Arlington, Ga.
Secretary	Mrs. Carol Clenny, Colquitt, Ga.
Treasurer	Mrs. Betty Akridge, Albany, Ga.
Field Worker	Mrs. Mathel Barnes, Blakely, Ga.
Mission Action Chair	Mrs. Dorothy Murphy, Colquitt, Ga.
Mission Prayer Chair	Mrs. Emily Harting, Blakely, Ga.
Mission Study Chair	Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield, Blakely, Ga.

C.T.S. RALLY OFFICERS

President	Mr. Bill Lofton, Albany, Ga.
Vice President	Mr. Horace Johnson, Albany, Ga.
Secretary & Treasurer	Mrs. Dorothy Irvin, Albany, Ga.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OFFICERS

President	Mr. Bobby Rish, Arlington, Ga. 31713
Vice President	Mr. Wiley Jarred, Arlington, Ga. 31713
Secretary (Recording)	Miss Teresa White, Blakely, Ga. 31723
Corresp. Secretary	Miss Pam Smith, Morgan, Ga. 31766
Treasurer	Mr. Murray Haire, Albany, Ga. 31705

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Jim Capshaw, Rt. 2 Box 2A, Arlington, Ga. 31713
Rev. Wayne Chambles, Sylvester, Ga.
Rev. E.R. Corbett, Rt. 3 Box 310D Donalsonville, Ga. 31745
Rev. William Evans, Rt. 3, Colquitt, Ga. 31737
Rev. David Griffin, Rt. 3 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745
Rev. Neal Harting, Westward Ave., Blakely, Ga. 31723
Rev. C.R. Houston, Colquitt, Ga. 31737
Rev. H.L. Knighton, Albany, Ga. 31701
Rev. David Langley, Leesburg, Ga.
Rev. James Marvin McDaniel, Rt. 1, Newton, Ga. 31770
Rev. Melvin Moody, Box 44, Morgan, Ga. 31766
Rev. Joe Murkerson, Blakely, Georgia
Rev. W.F. McDuffie, Central Ave., Blakely, Ga. 31723
Rev. Irvin Murphy, Rt. 4, Colquitt, Ga. 31737
Rev. Ken Murphy, P.O. Box 174, Funston, Ga. 31753
Rev. W.L. Rentz, Newton, Ga. 31770
Rev. Roger Russell, 115 Perry Ave., 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

1982 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

ASSOCIATION:

January 23, Bellview Church - 10:00 A.M.
April 24, Bainbridge Church - 10:00 A.M.
July 31, Berean Church - 10:00 A.M.
October 23, Blakely Church - 9:30 A.M.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY:

March 6, Workshop, Hammock Springs at 10:00 A.M.
October 2, Convention, Macedonia at 10:00 A.M.

C.T.S. RALLY:

February 6, Patmos, 7:00 P.M.
May 1, Arlington, 7:30 P.M.
August 7, Travelers Rest, 7:30 P.M.
November 6, Albany, 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION:

June 26, Blakely Church, 10:00 A.M.

1st QUARTER SESSION 1-24-81 TRAVELERS REST.

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

The First Quarterly Session of the Midway Association convened with Travelers Rest Church on Saturday, January 24, 1981 at 10:00 A.M.

The session began with singing "Glory To His Name" and "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" followed with prayer by Reverend S.T. Shutes. A cordial

welcome was extended by Reverend C.R. Houston, Pastor. The response was given by Reverend Melvin Moody. Reverend William Evans, Pastor of Bellview chose John 6:1-13 as the text for the morning devotional.

Reverend C.R. Houston asked Mrs. Myra White to serve as clerk for the meeting today. He then presented the Assistant Moderator, Brother Malcolm Freeman.

Mrs. White read a letter of resignation from Reverend Bobby Clyatt as Moderator.

There were 10 ministers present for the Roll Call. The printed program was adopted with the privilege of making necessary changes.

The Assistant Moderator checked committees and Boards to determine if a quorum for each was present. He appointed the following to serve for the day: Brother Robert Lisenby on the Budget and Finance Committee, Mrs. Pauline Bush and Mrs. June Nichols on the Resolution Committee, and Brother Oliver Houston on the Mission Board.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given. MSC to seat the delegates.

Visitors were recognized. Reverend C.B. Dowdney gave a report on Home Missions and Camp Mount Bethel. Mrs. Vaudine Moody reported on the C.T.S. Rally. Brother Barry Clower reported on the Sunday School Convention.

A thank you note was read from Reverend Dennis Irvin.

The business session recessed for the worship hour. The Congregation was led in singing, "O Happy Day". The offering was received and Reverend Roger Russell led in prayer. The ministers present sang "He is so Precious to Me."

Reverend Dowdney chose Matthew 28:18-20 for the morning message text with the subject of the Great Commission. The message was followed by prayer by Mrs. C.B. Dowdney.

The host church served a delicious meal during the noon hour.

The afternoon session began with singing "To God be the Glory" and "Amazing Grace" with prayer by Reverend Coy Watson. Reverend Weldon Rentz used Revelation 6 for the afternoon devotional.

During the afternoon business session the following reports were given: The Woman's Auxiliary report by Mrs. Myra White. The Credential Committee, Ordaining Council, Resolutions Committee, Nominating Committee, The Budget And Finance Committee-MS to send \$100.00 to Reverend Dennis Irvin as a love offering from the treasury and to receive a love offering. (Amounted to \$149.30) MSC to adopt report.

Reverend Eddie Riddick made motion to add the name of Reverend Dennis Irvin to the retired list with payment to begin today. Motion seconded by Reverend Carlton Houston. Carried.

It was announced Reverend E.R. Corbett has had surgery. Prayer was asked for him and also for all to remember the Wallace Griffin family in the loss of Mrs. Griffin.

It was announced Mrs. Mathel Barnes has been recognized as "Woman of the Year" by the State Woman's Auxiliary.

Brother Malcolm Freeman was elected Moderator and a vote of confidence was given to him as he undertakes the role. Mrs. Barnes asked the Association to support him in this role.

The Mission Board Treasury report was given.

The Treasurer's report was given.

Announcements were made and all were encouraged to attend the meetings of the Association.

The session adjourned with prayer by Reverend David Griffin.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

January 24, 1981

Churches with letters	17
Churches with delegates	17
Churches with checks	17
Number of delegates	38
Number of Lay Members	19
Number of Pastors	16
Number of Visitors	7
Total of checks	678.50
Total Present	91

Submitted by:
Vaudene Moody
Jo Franks

ORDAINING BOARD REPORT

January 24, 1981

Ordaining Board met while the Association was in session on January 24, 1981 at Travelers Rest Church.

Reverend C.R. Houston was elected as chairman. Reverend Roger Russell was elected as secretary.

A letter was received from the South Georgia Association recommending Reverend David Griffin as a minister in good standing to our fellowship. Having previously taken care of all other requirements we recommend that he be received into full fellowship of the Association.

Letters were received from the Florida State Line Association of Alabama and Berean F.W.B. Church in behalf of Reverend David Langley petitioning the Midway Association for membership as minister and pastor. The Board orally examined Reverend Langley to their satisfaction and recommend that he be received into the watch care of the Association with all privileges of the rest of the ministers until the next quarterly meeting when he will be officially received.

Reverend Joe Murkerson petitions the Association for membership coming back to us from the Stateline Association in S. Alabama. Upon the receipt of a letter from them and from the Blakely F.W.B. Church.

Reverend C.R. Houston, Chairman
Reverend Roger Russell, Secretary

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

January 24, 1981

We the Resolution Committee makes the following resolutions. First that we have a prayer of thanks to God for Our citizens who have been freed after being held hostages for 444 days in Iran. Our Moderator will ask someone to lead the prayer.

Second that we give Travelers Rest Church and pastor a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and bountiful meal.

Signed;
Mathel Barnes
June Nichols
Pauline Bush

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

January 24, 1981

Assistant Moderator to be nominated from the floor.

Treasurer

Brother Bill Evans

Assistant Treasurer

Brother Johnny Van Clyde

Mission Board

Brother Paul Suggs

Brother David Griffin

Signed

Brother W.L. Drinkwater

Brother Richard Hays

Sister Edith Shiver

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE Report, Jan. 24, 1981

Received from Churches	\$678.50
Offering	138.11
Designated minutes from CTS Rally	12.00
Designated Rev. Irvin (love offering)	<u>149.30</u>
Total income	\$977.91
Disbursements:	
Mission Board (40 percent of 816.61)	\$326.64
Minute account	135.00
State Missions (50.00 each to Atlanta Land Fund and Gainesville)	100.00
Officers	30.00
Superannuates Clenney, Loyless, Shutes and Knighton	80.00
Gift to Rev. Irvin	<u>249.30</u>
Total disbursements	\$920.94

MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT

November 1, 1980 - January 23, 1981

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward November 1, 1980	\$285.41
CONTRIBUTIONS:	
Mr. and Mrs. W.F. McDuffie	30.00
Midway District Association	402.24
Georgia State Association	<u>130.00</u>
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>562.24</u>
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$847.65
EXPENDITURES:	
Rev. Eddie Reddick (mileage)	<u>11.10</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>11.10</u>
BALANCE IN ACCOUNT Jan. 23, 1981	\$836.55

BUILDING ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward November 1, 1980 00

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Berean Church 300.00

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS 300.00

EXPENDITURES:

The Peoples Bank
Building Note) 300.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES 300.00

BALANCED IN ACCOUNT Jan. 23, 1981 .00

TOTAL BALANCE IN MISSION TREASURY, Jan. 23, 1981 \$836.55

BALANCE OWED PEOPLES BANK ON BEREAN BUILDING
NOTE 16,645.28

Principal owed \$16,645.28

Interest owed 1,868.21

\$18,513.49

ON DEPOSIT FARMERS FERTILIZER AND MILLING
COMPANY \$2,600.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 24, 1981

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward Oct. 25, 1980 \$200.00

Income Jan. 24, 1981:

From Churches \$678.50

General offering 138.11

Special Offering (Irvin) 149.30

C.T.S. Rally for minutes 12.00

Total income 977.91
\$1,177.91

Disbursements:

Midway Missions \$326.64

Minute account 135.00

Georgia State Missions:

\$50 each Atlanta Land Fund
and Gainesville 100.00

Superannuation Fund:

Knighton, Shutes, Loyless,
and Clenney 80.00

Association officers 30.00

Gift to Reverend Irvin 249.30

Total Disbursements 920.94

BALANCE \$256.97

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

The quarterly conference of the Midway District Association was held on April 25, 1981 at the Albany First Free Will Baptist Church. The session was opened with the singing of a hymn led by Brother Danny Thomas. Reverend Melvin Moody presented the Association with a morning devotion taken from Galatians chapter 6, after which the Moderator called the meeting to order.

The program for the day was adopted by MSC as given by the host church.

Due to illness, our clerk is unable to fulfill his obligation and thus has submitted his letter of resignation. Reverend Paul Suggs was appointed by the Moderator to fill in for the office of clerk for the days session.

The Moderator then recognized the credentials committee which reported 18 churches represented by letters and fees, which totalled \$694.50 in representation fees, and a total of 38 delegates. MSC to seat the delegates.

It was discovered that the credentials committee was without a quorum to fulfill its duties for the day, so Mrs. June Nichols was appointed by the Moderator for the days session.

Brother C.B. Dowdney was recognized by the Moderator to report on our state works. Brother Dowdney reported that our Dublin church is without a pastor; however, a prospective pastor is presently considering coming. Brother Ronald Wallace sends a good report from Atlanta. Brother Dowdney emphasized the importance of designating our missions offerings to the Ronald Wallace account or to the Billy McKinney Gainesville account, or to whomever the gift is specifically meant for so that the offerings will go into the correct account. Reverend Billy McKinney also sends a good report from Gainesville. Brother Dowdney emphasized to the pastors the importance of stressing missions giving in our local churches. He noted that our giving to Free Will Baptist Bible College, state wide is behind, and as a whole our national giving to the school is in the red.

The Womans Auxiliary reported that 12 women attended the retreat and other women are encouraged to attend next year's session.

The Masters Men reported being organized state-wide. It was reported that 117 men attended the National retreat at Camp Hillmont, which was termed a real success. Other men are encouraged to attend next year.

CTS reported that this afternoon at 2:00 at the Berean Free Will Baptist Church, that the competitive activities for our district would be held.

The Sunday School report was given by Brother Tim Jordan who used Luke 14:23 to emphasize the need for compelling people to come in to our churches, through our Sunday Schools.

The Moderator announced a 10 minute recess after which time we would enter the morning worship service.

At the conclusion of the recess, Reverend Eddie Reddick delivered the message from I. Cor. 3:1-11 on the subject of Christian structures.

After enjoying a fine meal prepared by the host church, the afternoon session was opened with the singing of a hymn led by Brother Danny Thomas.

Reverend Bill Evans brought the afternoon devotional from II Peter chapter 3.

After the devotional the Moderator recognized the new pastors in the association: Reverend Jim Capshaw, Arlington F.W.B. Church; Reverend Ronnie Adkins, Cedar Springs; Reverend David Langley, Berean; Reverend Ken Murphy, Damascus; Reverend David Griffin, Hammock Springs and Reverend Irvin Murphy, Macedonia.

The dates for District Youth Camp at Mount Bethel were announced as

June 7-12. We were challenged as churches to support our state youth camp. Applications were passed out.

The Mission Board reported the successful planning of the Midway Missions Conference, that the Berean Church is now in the process of securing proper finances to establish themselves as self supporting and the Board is currently investigating the prospects of establishing a Free Will Baptist Church in Leesburg, Georgia. MSC to accept report.

The Budget and Finance Committee made its report. MSC to adopt.

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

April 25, 1981

We recommend the disbursement of funds received today as follows:

Moderator	\$15.00
Clerk	15.00
Superannuates	100.00
Minutes printing	150.00
Youth Camp	100.00
Mission Board, Including \$25.00 designated	<u>338.90</u>
TOTAL	718.90
REC'D TODAY	<u>809.74</u>
General Fund	90.84

William W. Evans
Murray Haire

The Treasurer's report was given as follows: In the general fund - \$256.97 and in the Minutes Fund 294.51, and reports all bills are paid. MSC to adopt.

The Ordaining Council reports and recommends that Reverend Ronnie Adkins, Reverend Joe Murkersons, Reverend Irvin Murphy and Reverend David Langley be received into fellowship and letters be sent to respective associations of Reverend Bob Jones, Reverend Bobby Clytt, and Reverend Curtis Alligood. MSC to adopt.

The Mission Board Treasury report was given. MSC to adopt.

MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT

January 23, 1981 - April 25, 1981

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward February 1, 1981	\$836.55
CONTRIBUTIONS	
Midway District Association	326.64
Georgia State Association	<u>200.00</u>
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	526.64
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	<u>\$1,363.19</u>
EXPENDITURES:	
NONE	
BALANCE IN ACCOUNT April 25, 1981	\$1,363.19

BUILDING ACCOUNT

CONTRIBUTIONS:
NONE
EXPENDITURES:
NONE

BALANCE IN BUILDING ACCOUNT April 25, 1981

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TOTAL BALANCE IN MISSION TREASURY, April 25, 1981 \$1,363.19

BALANCE OWED PEOPLES BANK ON BEREAN BUILDING NOTE -
April 25, 1981

Principal owed \$16,645.28

Interest owed 2,720.71

TOTAL \$19,365.99

ON DEPOSIT WITH FARMERS FERTILIZER AND MILLING
COMPANY \$2,600.00

Interest Earned 291.96

TOTAL \$2,891.96

The Resolutions Committee presented the following resolutions: 1. Any person having resolutions please give them to the committee. 2. A rising vote of thanks be extended to Albany First Free Will Baptist Church for the hospitality today. MSC to adopt.

A final report of the Credentials and registration Committee was given.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

April 25, 1981

Letters from churches 18

Representative fee 18

Total Rep. Fee 694.50

Number of delegates 38

	<u>Reporting</u>	<u>enrollment</u>	<u>average attendance</u>
Sunday Schools	16	1169	852
CCS	14	597	421
Womans Auxiliary	14	181	138
Masters Men	8	89	331
Prayer Meetings	15		
Deacons	12		
Ministers	13		
Delegates	38		
Laymembers	27		
State Off. Rep.	<u>1</u>		
	101		

Respectfully submitted,
Vaudene Moody
June Nichols

The Nominating Committee reported and made the following nominations: Brother Danny Thomas as Assistant Moderator; Mrs. Judy Etheredge as Clerk; and Brother Frank Parker as Assistant Clerk. MSC and all were unanimously elected.

New business was recognized and Brother Murray Haire noted to the body that two separate associational functions commonly conflict and exhorted the Association to be more mindful of this in planning meetings for the

future. Brother Moderator stated that today's conflict was due to an emergency meeting of the CTS.

Brother Eddie Riddick recommended that the ordaining council submit to the body an amendment to delete from our Constitution and By-Laws the 60 days waiting period for new ministers.

Many announcements and prayer requests were given and prayer was offered.

MSC to adjourn with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Suggs, Acting Clerk

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

The Third Quarterly Session of the Midway District Free Will Baptist Association convened with White Plains Church Saturday, August 1, 1981 at 10:00 A.M. Brother Hoyle White served as chorister and Mrs. White as pianist.

The session began with singing, "To God Be the Glory" and "Count Your Blessings" followed with prayer by Reverend C.R. Houston.

A warm welcome was extended by Reverend Melvin Moody. Reverend Roger Russell of Blakely Church brought the devotional using Luke 9 and Phillippians 4:5-9 for his text. The message was very inspiring and challenging us to be more Christ like even in our thoughts.

The business session was called to order by the moderator. Thirteen members answered to the roll call of ordained ministers.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given. MSC to seat the delegates to the Association. MSC to adopt the program as prepared by host church with the privilege to make any necessary changes. Visitors were recognized and welcomed.

The Moderator appointed needed members to the various boards for a quorum on each. Reverend David Langley was appointed on the Budget and Finance Committee, Mrs. Myra White on the Credentials Committee and Mrs. Martha Jenkins on the Resolutions Committee.

The Woman's Auxiliary report was given by Mrs. Myra White. Brother John Grant gave a report from the Masters Men. The Sunday School Convention report was given by Brother Bobby Rish, stating the convention was held in Arlington Church in June. The C.T.S. report was given and the next meeting will be held at Travelers Rest Church tonight, all were encouraged to attend.

Reverend Ronnie Adkins reported there were 72 children attending Youth Camp. The camp was a real success with several accepting Jesus Christ as their Saviour. We were encouraged to support our camp in every way possible - especially financially.

Brother Malcolm Freeman is a member of the State Mission Board and reported on the various activities of churches at Dublin and Marietta. Dublin Church now has a new pastor who began the first of June, 1981. We were encouraged to pray for these churches to be organized, to increase in membership and financial help.

A motion was made to make the following amendment to the By-Laws of the Midway District Association in Article IV section 2 under B, that part 3, which states "That all applications must be made at least 60 days before an associational meeting to the chairman of the Ordaining Council", be deleted

and parts 4 and 5 become parts 3 and 4. After much discussion motion was changed to lay the amendment on the table until the Annual session in October in 1981. (This was necessary for a change to the By-Laws. MSC.)

The business session recessed for the morning worship hour. Worship began by all singing "Glory To His Name," followed with prayer by Reverend Melvin Moody. Special music was presented by Brother and Mrs. Hoyle White as they sang "What a Lovely Name of Jesus."

Reverend Ronnie Adkins, pastor of Cedar Springs Church brought the morning message. His message was taken from Revelation 19 and was very inspiring.

Brother Eddie Riddick gave a report on the National convention. It recommends each church, if possible, send in \$10.00 to help defray the 1981 National convention expenses.

The Moderator called for a few minutes of silent prayer in memory of Reverend Dennis Irvin who passed away in June.

The morning session adjourned with prayer by Reverend Eddie Riddick who asked God's blessings on the noon meal. The host church served a bountiful and delicious meal.

The afternoon session began by all singing "Victory in Jesus" led by Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield. Reverend Paul Suggs led in prayer. The afternoon devotional was given by Reverend W.F. McDuffie, using Chapter 14 of Esther as his message which was inspiring.

The acting clerk read the resignation of the clerk, Mrs. Judy Etheredge, Reverend Eddie Riddick resigned from the Mission Board and Mrs. Edith Shiver from the Nominating Committee.

Reverend Eddie Riddick challenged everyone present to keep up Camp Mt. Bethel and not allow it to run down as he gave the Youth Camp report and recommendations.

MIDWAY YOUTH CAMP REPORT

June 1981

The Midway Free Will Baptist Youth Camp enjoyed a great week of camp this year at Mt. Bethel. Activities began on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock June 7, and concluded at noon on Friday June 12. There were 72 campers present with 12 staff members. Brother Ronnie Adkins was the camp evangelist under whose preaching a number of public commitments were made to Christ during the week. Thanks to all who helped to make this week a success.

Eddie Riddick
Camp Director

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Balance Brought Forward	\$801.10
Campers Fees & Offering	1,308.73
Total	<u>\$2,109.83</u>

Expenditures:

Camp Rental	\$260.00
Damaged Equipment	10.00
Food & Staff	<u>919.02</u>
Total Expenditures	\$1,189.02

Balance

\$920.81

The Camp Board recommends that a letter be sent from the Midway Association to the State Camping Board asking them to set up a "Youth Camp Improvement Fund", and for the fees for Associations to use the Camp be increased to such an amount that the Board may realize a little from them.

Reports from the following Boards and Committees were given and acted upon:

TREASURER'S REPORT

August 1, 1981

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT:

Balance carried forward 1-24-82	256.97
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Income 4-25-81:

From churches	694.50
Offering	75.24
Missions, designated	<u>25.00</u>
Total Income	
4-25-81	794.74

TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$1,051.71
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Disbursements:

Missions	332.90
Minute Account	150.00
Youth Camp	100.00
Officers	30.00
Superannuates: Irvin	
Knighton, Clenney	
Loyless, Shutes	<u>100.00</u>

Total Disbursements	712.90
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Balance in General Fund July 31, 1981- \$338.81

YOUTH CAMP FUND:

Balance 1-24-81	.00
Income 4-25-81	<u>100.00</u>
Disbursements	100.00

Balance July 31	.00
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MINUTE ACCOUNT

Balance 1-24-81	294.51
Income 4-25-81	<u>150.00</u>

Balance 7-31-81	441.51
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MISSIONS ACCOUNT:

Balance 1-24-81	.00
Income 4-25-81	332.90
Disbursed	<u>332.90</u>
Balance 7-31-81	.00

Balance in ALL ACCOUNTS as of 7-31-81 \$783.32

MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT
April 25, 1981 - July 31, 1981 Receipts

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

Balance Forward 5-1-81	1,363.19
From Ga. State Assoc.	<u>150.00</u>
Total to account for:	1,513.19

Disbursement to
Farmers Fertilizer & Milling Co.
(Colquitt) at 14 percent interest 1,000.00
Balance 7-31-81 513.19

On Deposit with Farmers Fertilizer and Milling Co. as follows:

3-24-80	1,600.00 at 13 percent
8-25-80	1,000.00 at 10 percent
5-13-80	1,000.00 at 14 percent
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	3,600.00 Principal
	<u>291.96</u> Interest earned through 4-25-81
	\$3,891.96

Berean Church Note 4-25-81	Principal 16,645.28
	Interest <u>2,720.71</u>

TOTAL OWED: 19,365.99

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
AUGUST 1, 1981

Received today	\$725.00
Offering today	114.51
	839.51
Designated Missions	25.00
Total Today	864.51

Disbursements:	
Superannuates	100.00
Youth Camp	100.00
Minutes	100.00
Clerk and Moderator	30.00
Childrens Home	100.00
National Exec. Dept.	100.00
Mission Board	360.80
Total	890.80

Submitted by:
Rev. William Evans
Rev. David Langley
Bro. Murray Haire

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

August 1, 1981

Letters	18
Rep. Fee	18
Total	\$715.00
Delegates	37

Sunday Schools	<u>Reporting</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Average</u>
	18	1235	875
CTS	16	609	313
Womans Auxiliary	14	175	131
Masters Men	8	90	63
Prayer Meetings	15	326	
Resident Members	928		
Non Resident Mem.	231		
Deacons	19		
Ministers	17		
Delegates	39		
Lay Members	25		
TOTAL	100		

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Vaudene Moody
Mrs. Myra White

ORDAINING COUNCIL

August 1, 1981

I. Recommend that Rev. Eddie Riddick be given a letter of good standing to the S.C. Conference of Free Will Baptist of the State of South Carolina.

II. Recommend that Reverend Ken Murphy be received into our Association as a licensed minister.

III. Reverend Ken Murphy was examined for ordination and found qualified by the Ordaining Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Ordination Board.
Rev. C.R. Houston
Rev. W.F. McDuffie
Rev. Melvin Moody
Rev. Coy Watson
Rev. Roger Russell

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

August 1, 1981

Assistant Treasurer
Mission Board
Nominating Committee
Clerk

Mrs. Bill Evans
Brother Leron Clower
Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield
Mrs. Edith Shiver

Submitted by:
Mrs. Edith Shiver
Brother E. L. Drinkwater

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

August 1, 1981

We, the Resolutions Committee, resolve that we have a moment of silent prayer in memory of Brother Dennis Irvin who passed away since our last meeting and that we give this church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and wonderful meal.

Respectfully submitted,
Mathel Barnes
Martha Jenkins

MSC to receive them as read.

It was announced there are 3 pastors available for service. Reverend Chambless, Reverend Moody and Reverend Rentz.

Revival announcements and special prayer request were made. The annual meeting will be held at Arlington Church Oct. 24, 1981. Everyone was urged to attend.

The session adjourned with prayer by Reverend Wayne Chambless.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank Parker, Assistant Clerk

ANNUAL SESSION

The Eighty Third Annual Session of the Midway District Free Will Baptist Association convened with Arlington Free Will Baptist Church Saturday, October 24, 1981. The theme being, "Building On A Firm Foundation".

Brother Robert Lisenby, chorister for the day, led the congregation in singing, "Faith of Our Fathers", followed with prayer by Reverend Jim Capshaw, Pastor of Arlington Church.

Reverend Capshaw welcomed the congregation. The response was given by Reverend Roger Russell, Blakely's Pastor.

The Hay Family of Patmos Church presented special music in song.

The devotional was given by Reverend Paul Suggs, Patmos Pastor, using scriptures from II Tim. 2:3, I Tim. 6:12 and Romans 10:9. He challenged all to be good soldiers for Christ. Special music was rendered by the male quartet of Arlington Church.

The Clerk, Mrs. Edith Shiver, called the business session to order and presented the Moderator, Brother Malcolm Freeman.

The roll call of ordained ministers was answered by thirteen members.

Mrs. Vaudine Moody gave a partial report of the Credentials committee. Delegates were seated by the standing delegation.

A report of the C.T.S. Rally was given by Brother Bill Lofton. See report (1).

The Sunday School Convention report was handed in. See report (2).

All churches were urged by the clerk to send their "Harvest Drive" funds for the Children's Home in as soon as possible.

The following necessary Committees were named by the Moderator: "Obituary" - Mrs. Juanita Houston and Mrs. Florrie Mae Alexander "Placement" Brothers Glynn Henley, Willard Tedder and Robert Lisenby.

Brother Malcolm Freeman, a member of the State Mission Board, reported: "Brother Ronald Wallace, Pastor of Marietta Church was having to make visits to churches in Georgia to help support the Marietta Church." He thanked all who gave \$4800.00 to help with the paving of the driveway at the Marietta Church, and stated the Dublin Church was improving with the new Pastor. The Georgia Mission Board ask for continued prayers and support.

Reverend Bill Evans read a "thank you" note from Mrs. Dennis Irvin for the monetary gift from the Association.

A motion carried for the Amendment, concerning Pastor's application for membership to the Association, be removed from the table and acted on; A motion carried for an Amendment to the By-Laws of the Midway District Association in article IV section 2 under B which states, "That all applications must be made at least 60 days before an associational meeting to the chairman of the Ordaining Board" be deleted; Parts 4 and 5 become 3 and 4.

Reverend Paul Suggs asked everyone to be in prayer concerning the wording of the recommendation of the Georgia State Association for Representation Fees to the National Association.

Delegates to the State Association Nov. 12,13, 14 at the Corinth Church were appointed as; Mrs. Edith Shiver, Mrs. Dorita Suggs, Mrs. Mathel Barnes, Mrs. Fred Middleton, Brother Rick Polston and Brother Danny Thomas.

The Moderator called for a recess from business for the worship hour.

Worship began with all singing, "How Firm a Foundation", followed with prayer by Brother Robert Lisenby. An offering was received and Reverend Calton Houston led in prayer. The Hay Family sang. Reverend Jim Capshaw brought the morning message, and challenged all "To Build A Christian Life With Jesus Christ As the Foundation". He used I Cor. 3:9-11 as his text and closed the morning session with prayer.

The Arlington church served a bountiful, delicious meal during the noon hour.

The afternoon session opened with all singing "Footprints of Jesus", and enjoyed two numbers in song by the Hay Family. Reverend David Griffin, Hammock Spring's Pastor, delivered the afternoon devotional from Ez. 3:17 and II Kings 17:7 as he stressed "We are to be faithful watchmen". He closed with prayer.

Reverend Paul Suggs gave the MISSION BOARD's report. He stated the Board plans to study the feasibility of establishing a church in Leesburg. See Mission Board Treasury Report (3).

Brother Richard Hays announced the MASTERS MEN'S breakfast will be held again at the State Association.

A final CREDENTIALS Committee and Registration report was given by Mrs. Moody. MSC to accept report. See report (4).

The PLACEMENT Committee report was made by Brother Robert

Lisenby as: MEETING Dates and Places-

1st. Quarter-Jan. 23, 1982- Bellview at 10:00 A.M.

2nd. Quarter-Apr. 24, 1982- Bainbridge at 10:00 A.M.

3rd. Quarter-Aug. 7, 1982- Berean at 10:00 A.M.

Annual Session- Oct. 23, 1982- Blakely at 9:30 A.M. MSC to adopt report.

The ORDAINING COUNCIL'S report was given by Reverend Roger Russell. MSC to adopt report. See report (5).

The Moderator extended words of welcome to Reverend Jim Capshaw into the Association.

The BUDGET and FINANCE Committee's report was given by Brother Murray Haire. MSC to adopt report. See report (6).

Mrs. Mathel Barnes read the resolutions presented by the RESOLUTION Committee as: "We ask this body to give the Arlington Church a rising vote of thanks for being a gracious host for this annual session of the Midway Association; for the good services, delicious and bountiful lunch and the wonderful hospitality." This was carried out.

The OBITUARY Committee's report was given by Mrs. Juanita Hounton and a moment of silent prayer was held in memory of our deceased ones. See report (7).

Reverend Bill Evans, treasurer, handed out copies of the TREASURER'S report. MSC to accept report. See report (8).

The NOMINATING Committee made nominations for State Board members from the Midway Association as:

Brother Bobby Rish to Camping Board.

Reverend Paul Suggs to Retirement Board. MSC to elect those nominated.

Brother E.L. Drinkwater declined from being reelected to the nominating committee. A motion carried to elect Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield, Brother Richard Hays and Brother Bill Lofton to the nominating committee.

Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield gave a report on the WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, MSC. to accept report. See report (9).

The 1981 annual session adjourned with prayer.

C.T.S. RALLY REPORT (1)

The Midway District C.T.S. Rally was held at Travelers Rest Church August 1, 1981 with only 3 churches represented, due to the fact the Association was held today also.

The treasurer's report was given:

Brought forward August 13, 1980	\$333.88
Total Dues and offerings	<u>833.21</u>
TOTAL	\$1,167.09

Disbursements:

Midway District, quarterly minutes	12.00
Bible College	648.83
Medals and materials	<u>99.16</u>
TOTAL SPENT	759.99

Balance on hand August 1981	407.10
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Officers elected for 1981-82 were:

President Bill Lofton
Vice President Horace Johnson
Sec.-Treas. Dorothy Irvin

Meetings of the C.T.S. Rally will be held at the following:

February 6, 1982 Patmos at 7:00 P.M.

May 1, 1982 Arlington at 7:30 P.M.

August 7, 1982 Travelers Rest at 7:30 P.M.

November 6, 1982 Albany at 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION, ARLINGTON F.W.B. CHURCH

June 27, 1981

The Sunday School convention opened with all singing "At Calvary" led by Brother Danny Thomas, of Albany. Brother Jim Capshaw, Arlington pastor, led in prayer and welcomed the crowd. Bro. Danny led the song, "Face To Face".

Bro. Murry Haire rendered the morning Devotional, using Matthew 21: 1-9; Subject being, "What about Christ?". The question being "What are we doing for Christ?"

Bro. Tim Jordon, President of the convention welcomed the people to the convention and thanked Arlington Church for hosting it.

Churches answering to roll call were Albany First Church, Arlington, Bellview, Blakely, Patmos, Travelers Rest, Berean and White Plains.

An offering of \$23.84 was taken and dues of \$60.00 were received. The following committees were named: Placement Committee-Reverend Melvin Moody and Reverend Roger Russell; Nominating Committee-Mrs. Edith Shiver, Marshal Day and Murry Haire.

After some discussion it was voted the host church for the convention be responsible for planning the program. The president should be notified in advance of what type of program is planned for the convention.

Bro. Danny Thomas gave information on the Bible Institute. He stated a Christian Education Course will be offered. It will be of much help to Sunday School Teachers and C.T.S. leaders.

Each church gave a report of the work of its Sunday School. All were inspiring and challenging to everyone. Bro. Jim Capshaw made announcements concerning the noon meal and a recess was held until 1:15.

After a bountiful lunch a song, "Onward Christian Soldiers" was sung by the congregation. The Placement Committee reported the Sunday School Convention will be held at the Blakely F.W.B. Church June 26, 1982 at 10:00 A.M.

The Nominating Committee made its report and the following officers were elected: President- Bobby Rish-Patmos; Vice President-Wiley Jarred-Arlington; Secretary-Teresa White-Blakely; Cor. Secretary-Pam Smith-Morgan, Ga., Treasurer-Murry Haire-Berean.

Brother Tim Jordan summarized the remarks of the day- "We must be consistent in Sunday School with teachers and teaching. Let us not look backward, but look forward to the great things we can do for Jesus Christ. Follow up campaigns with campaigns. Don't be afraid to get ideas from other denominations, use team teaching, not a different teacher every other Sunday. Keep enthusiasm up. Keep a church calendar before the church people. Visit prospects and absentees. Teach the Word in class, let members dig into the Word rather than trying to tell it to them. Many are not listening or do not understand unless they see it. Most of our lacked service is because people are not grounded in Bible Study. Most of all pray for more dedication. It isn't always numbers that count, but doing for Christ with what you have is what matters.

The convention was dismissed with prayer and everyone invited to the 1982 convention in Blakely June 26, at 10:00.

President- Tim Jordon
Act. Sec. - Edith Shiver

MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT **August 1, 1981 - October 24, 1981**

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward September 1, 1981 \$513.19

CONTRIBUTIONS:

Midway District Association	693.70	
Georgia State Association	<u>150.00</u>	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		<u>843.70</u>
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR		\$1,356.89

EXPENDITURES:

None

BALANCE IN ACCOUNT October 24, 1981	\$1,356.89
TOTAL BALANCE IN MISSION TREASURY October 24, 1981	\$1,356.89

ON DEPOSIT WITH FARMERS FERTILIZER AND MILLING COMPANY

	\$3,600.00
Interest Earned	<u>506.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,106.00

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT (4) **MIDWAY ASSOCIATION OF F.W.B. October 24, 1981**

CHURCHES IN ASSOCIATION - 18

Number of churches with letters	18
Number of churches with fees	18
Amount of fees	923.05
Number of churches with delegates	17

Number of Delegates	51
Number of Deacons	15
Number of Pastors	13

Subtotal Present Today 79

STATISTICS REPORT TODAY

Total Membership In Churches	1990	Number of Laymembers present	22
Resident	1527	Number of Visitors Present	2
Non Resident	463	State Office Representatives	0
		National Office Represent	0
		Other Visitors Present	0
		Sub Total Present	24
		Grand Total Present	103

CHURCHES WITH:	Reporting	Enrollment	Average Attendance
Sunday School	18	1235	865
C.T.S.	14	592	425
Woman's Auxiliary	14	176	138
Masters Men	9	99	71
Prayer Meetings	15		353

COMMITTEE: Vaudene Moody

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT (5)

We have examined Reverend Jim Capshaw, and have received his letter of good standing from the Cumberland Association in Tennessee. We recommend him to be received into full fellowship in the Midway Association of Free Will Baptist.

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT (6)

October 24, 1981

Received today \$1043.56 letters and offerings
60.00 for Minutes from Woman's Auxiliary
1103.56

We recommend the following:

State Association dues	75.00
*5 Superannuates	100.00
Minutes (includes W.A.)	110.00
Moderator	15.00
Clerk	15.00
Mission Board (40 percent)	417.42
National Association Dues	180.00
Rev. Ron Wallace	50.00
Allen and LeRue Crowson	100.00
(Missionaries to France)	
	<u>1,062.42</u>
To General Treasury	41.14
Total spent	<u>1,103.56</u>

*Superannuates:

Mrs. B.W. Clenny, Rev. H.L. Knighton, Mrs. J.L. Loyless, Rev. S.T. Shutes, and Mrs. Dennis Irvin.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT (7)

We the Obituary Committee make the following report; We ask that everyone stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of our deceased loved ones after We name them.

Albany First Church:

Mrs. John Harold Mann

Mr. John Edward Williams

Note: This report was prepared from information provided on annual church letter.

	Total Membership	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Baptised	Received by letter Statement	Members Lost	Members Lost Non-FWB Churches	Sunday School Enrollment	Avg. S. S.
Albany	450	450	0	4	9	21	16	275	1
Arlington	36	28	8	0	2	2	0	35	2
Bainbridge	84	72	12	0	6	0	0	50	3
Bellview	246	129	117	2	6	4	0	141	1
Blakely	124	119	5	4	3	3	1	98	7
Cedar Springs	93	54	39	2	2	5	0	68	5
Damascus	21	12	9	0	0	1	0	50	3
Enterprise	30	23	7	0	1	3	1	22	1
Hammock Springs	100	100	0	7	3	3	0	81	5
Macedonia	116	94	22	1	8	6	0	50	4
Mt. Zion	61	39	22	0	3	3	0	20	1
New Enterprise	84	48	36	0	0	1	0	50	3
New Light	122	74	48	0	0	6	3	77	4
Oak Grove	48	24	24	0	0	1	0	18	1
Patmos	135	76	59	3	5	6	1	57	3
Travelers Rest	119	98	21	0	0	3	0	50	3
White Plains	67	43	24	2	5	2	2	43	3
Berean	54	44	10	5	4	4	2	50	3

Avg. S. S. Attendance	C.T.S. Enrollment	Avg. CTS Attendance	W. A. Enrollmen	W. A. Avg Attendance	Master Men Enrollment	Master Men Attendance	Prayer Meeting Attendance	VBS Attendance	N. Students Attending FWBB	No. Students Attending other	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Ministers
176	131	86	20	18	29	20	46	118	3	15	0	1
24	30	25	8	7	7	7	25	-	0	0	0	0
35	40	30	7	5	13	7	20	30	0	0	0	1
117	82	57	18	10	7	6	57	✓	1	0	1	1
76	48	35	16	11	8	5	35	✓	0	0	0	1
50	35	27	17	16	X	-	30	70	0	2	0	1
30	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	60	0	0	0	1
10	X	-	X	-	X	-		X	0	0	0	0
52	55	42	18	14	10	6	25	52	0	1	1	1
42	40	30	12	9	10	7	25	X	1	0	0	2
16	16	12	10	8	X	-	10	X	0	2	1	0
35	X	-	6	6	X	-	10	X	-	0	0	1
49	17	14	X	-	X	-	15	25	0	0	0	0
10	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	11	0	1	0	1
39	30	20	10	6	7	6	20	35	0	1	0	2
35	13	12	10	8	X	-	9	X	0	0	0	0
34	40	23	14	12	X	-	11	X	0	0	0	2
35	15	12	10	8	8	7	15	✓	0	0	1	1

Blakely:
Mrs. Eva Mae Baker

Cedar Springs:
Mrs. Fannie Mae Williams
Mr. Gus Evans
Mr. George Keith Pyle

Enterprise:
Mrs. Rainnie (Coy) Watson

Mt. Zion:
Mrs. Myrtice Swords

New Enterprise:
Mr. C.C. Bell

Patmos:
Mrs. (Sylvester) Lilliam Griffin
Mrs. (W.J.) Leveta Starr

Travelers Rest:
Mr. C.A. Edwards
Rev. Dennis Irvin

White Plains:
Mr. Bill Seagraves
Mr. Clarence Dubose

TREASURER'S REPORT (8)
Annual Session

General Fund Account:

Balance carried forward July 31, 1981 338.81

Income August 1, 1981:

Received from churches	715.00
General offering	114.51
Designated, Missions	<u>25.00</u>

Total income	854.51
Total to account for	<u>\$1,193.32</u>

Disbursements

Missions	\$360.80
Minute account	100.00
Youth Camp	100.00
Officers	30.00
Alabama Children's Home	100.00
National Association Expenses	100.00
Superannuates: Knighton, Loyless, Shutes, Clenney, and Irvin	<u>100.00</u>

Total disbursed	<u>890.80</u>
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Balance October 23, 1981	\$302.52
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MINUTE ACCOUNT:

Balance carried forward July 31, 1981	\$444.51
Income August 1, 1981	<u>100.00</u>
Present balance	\$544.51

Balance in all accounts as of October 23, 1981	\$847.03
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Balance of all Accounts:

General Fund Account	\$328.26
Minute Fund Account	654.51
Total balance in all accounts Oct. 24, 1981	\$982.77

ANNUAL TREASURERS REPORT
Midway District Association of Free Will Baptist
October 24, 1981

Balance brought forward Oct. 25, 1980	\$200.00
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Income:

Income from churches		\$3,005.15
Offerings		453.87
Designated		
Minutes		72.00
Rev. Irvin		149.30
Missions		<u>62.00</u>

TOTAL INCOME	\$3,742.32
	<u>\$3,942.32</u>

Disbursements:

Mission Board (40 percent)		\$1,437.76
Minutes account		495.00
Superannuants		380.00
GA State Missions		112.00
Officers		120.00
Rev. Denis Irvin		249.30
Youth Camp		200.00
Alabama Children's Home		100.00
National Association: Convention Funds		100.00
Foreign Missions: Crowson Acct.		100.00
Ron Wallace Account		50.00
State Representation Fees 1981		90.00
National Representation Fees '82		<u>180.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$3,614.06
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Balance on hand October 24, 1981	\$328.26
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Minute Account:

Brought forward October 25, 1980	\$650.00
Income for 1981	<u>495.00</u>
Total	\$1,145.00

Disbursements:

Donalsonville News, 1980 Minutes	<u>490.49</u>
Balance October 24, 1981	\$654.51

MIDWAY DISTRICT AUXILIARY WORKSHOP (9)

March 7, 1981

The Midway District Auxiliary held its Spring Workshop at Bellview Free Will Baptist Church, Colquitt. A study of the Auxiliary Manual was presented in a very unique and enjoyable way. Singing the Scriptures was just one of the ways that the study was presented. Brenda Evans, District Mission Study Chairman, gave an informative talk on what the auxiliary is and the resources of women who are members. She also stressed that through the auxiliary women learn how to study, pray and put into action that which has been learned. The outreach of these actions extend to the local, district, state and national levels. A report was given by LaVerne Mock on the money received and distributed through the auxiliary. A skit, given by White Plains Auxiliary, instructed churches on how to organize a new auxiliary. Art Time was directed by Mildred Bowen and Gloria Henley. Each church represented was asked to group together and make a poster telling what auxiliary means to them. Game time was conducted by Pauline Bush. Fun was had by all present.

In the afternoon session, ideas were shared about different projects, how they were presented to each group and the results. Art winners were announced, Macedonia, Albany, Bellview. Test Time was given by Doris Grant. Questions were asked about different phases of auxiliary work that had been discussed during the day. As a closing for the day, Albany Auxiliary presented a skit, "Little Bo Peep Examines the Auxiliary". This skit gave the duties of each officer and told results if they did not perform their duties. The women attending this workshop learned more about what women can do to help their churches, families and neighbors and themselves.

MIDWAY DISTRICT AUXILIARY MINUTES

(October 3, 1981)

The Midway District Woman's Auxiliary Convention met with Cedar Springs Free Will Baptist Church. Theme for the day was "Motive For Missions", taken from II Corinthians 5:14a. The convention opened with congregational singing led by Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield with Genta Sheffield as pianist and Lisa Buckhaultner as organist. A warm welcome was extended to all by Mrs. Jeanette Pyle. For her devotional, Mrs. Debbie Adkins presented a puppet show depicting right and wrong motives for laboring for Christ. The women present were asked to find their motives for serving as portrayed by the puppets.

The business session was opened by Mrs. Myra White as she recognized the visitors and had the roll call of the churches. Eleven churches answered the roll call as having delegates present. A partial credentials report was given by the secretary, Mrs. LaVerne Mock. Reports had been received from thirteen churches. It was moved and seconded that the delegates be seated. The Credentials, Finance, and Resolutions Committees were appointed. Dorothy Murphy brought us a report from the State Prayer Retreat held at Camp Mt. Bethel. Pauline Bush, District Prayer Chairman, reported several prayer requests that needed our united prayer effort. Doris Grant, District Field Worker, passed out resolutions from WNAC to be studied in order that we would know how to vote later.

Congregational singing opened the morning worship service. An offering was received. Beautiful special singing was presented by the Bellview Trio, consisting of Shirley Kimbrel, Brenda Evans and Patsy Merritt. The message was brought by Mrs. Gail Everson, President of the Martin District

Auxiliary. She told of her conversion and talked of the power we have within us if we would only use it. We, as Christians, she stated, need to have a greater desire to study the Word of God. Using Ephesians 3:19, she spoke of the kind of love that compels us to action. Mrs. Everson used the example of Paul in II Corinthians 5, telling how he was motivated by knowledge, judgement, fear, unselfishness, love, time and suffering. Using Romans 12: 1-3, she reminded us to be yielded, live a life of service, grow, love and serve so others see Christ in us.

After lunch, the meeting was opened by everyone singing Scripture Songs led by Myra White. In business the committee reports were given. It was moved, seconded and carried that each report be accepted. (See Reports). Delegates to the State Convention are: Myra White, Mathel Barnes, Nita Tyler, Betty Akridge, Lorene Edwards, Brenda Evans, Ida Tabb, Shirley Kimbrel, Voncille Musgrove, Dorothy Murphy, LaVerne Mock, Nancy Johnson. Mrs. Doris Sheffield installed the new officers using the theme "The Constraining Love of Jesus". This love motivates action, this action involves awareness, respect, trust, honesty, sharing, knowledge, compassion and commitment. The new officers were encouraged to show forth this kind of love. The District Convention in October, 1982 will meet with Macedonia and the Spring Workshop will be at Hammock Springs. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Myra White, President
LaVerne Mock, Secretary

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Credential Committee find the following 13 auxiliaries have properly reported: Albany, Arlington, Bellview, Berean, Blakely First, Cedar Springs, Hammock Springs, Macedonia, Mt. Zion, New Enterprise, Patmos, Traveler's Rest, White Plains. We would like to welcome one new auxiliary, Bainbridge, who has organized this past year.

LaVerne Mock, Chairman
Carol Clenney
Jean Dukes

Registration Committee Report:

Members present	54
Visitors	4
Ministers	1
Total present	59
District Officers	7
Local Presidents	7
Vice-Presidents	5
Secretary and Treasurers	5
Mission Action	4
Mission Study	3
Mission Prayer	3

Mildred Bowen, Chairman
Pat Freeman

RESOLUTIONS, OCTOBER 3, 1981

We recommend that:

1. This convention offer help to the food committee of the Martin District convention in providing food for the State Convention and that contact with our district president will be made if our help is needed.
2. The women of our local auxiliaries be encouraged to attend the Wednesday night service of the State meeting.
3. That this convention and workshop convene with the auxiliaries of the district according to alphabetical order, unless an auxiliary is unable to host as their turn come, beginning with Hammock Springs and Macedonia.
4. That this district convention accept the State Project that will be adopted in November at the State Convention.
5. That the time on the program at the Spring Workshop be given for an idea-sharing session in which each auxiliary reports enlistment ideas used for the Big "M" month in January, 1982. (See NWAC Resolutions No. 4).
6. That the District Executive Committee secure a copy of the revised State Constitution that will be presented in November at the State, and present to District Convention in October, 1982, proposals that will coordinate our district constitution and by-laws with the state's.
7. That we receive and adopt the resolutions presented by WNAC in Louisville, July 1981. (See attached resolutions).
8. That we give Cedar Springs a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality shown us today.

Brenda Evans, Chairman
Edith Shiver
Myrtice Paul
Jeanette Pyle
Alice Martin

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We would like to submit the following names for officers for the next two years.

President - Myra White
Vice-President - Ailene Clower
Secretary - Carol Clenney
Treasurer - Betty Akridge
Field Worker - Mathel Barnes
Mission Action - Dorothy Murphy
Mission Prayer - Emily Harting
Mission Study - Eleanor Sheffield

Shirley Kimbrel, Chairman
Wynelle Clower
Eleanor Sheffield
Dorita Suggs
Juanita Houston

District Secretary Report:

Enrollment at beginning of year	169
Number of new members	16
Number of members lost	14
Present enrollment	170
Attendance at general meetings	136
Number of visitors	12
Extension members	5

LaVerne Mock, Secretary

Finance Committee Report:

We would like to recommend the following disbursements:

Convention Speaker	\$25.00
Printing of Minutes	60.00
Bulletins	<u>5.45</u>
Total Disbursements	\$90.45

Betty Akridge, Chairman
Ruth Russell
Voncille Musgrove
Grace Brackin
Ethel Henley

**ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
OCTOBER 1980 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 1981**

General Treasury	Brought Forward October 1980	\$135.82
	Representation Fees Received	306.75
	District Offering October 1980	<u>61.90</u>
	Total Receipts	\$504.47

Disbursements	
Representation Fees	\$267.75
District Meeting 1980	124.16
Bank Service Charge	1.50
Workshop, March	<u>18.50</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>\$411.91</u>
Balance in Treasury Sept. 30, '81	92.56

Designated funds received and disbursed from local Auxiliaries:

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| 1. Albany (18) | 8. Mt. Zion (7) |
| 2. Arlington (8) | 9. Macedonia (10) |
| 3. Bellview (18) | 10. New Enterprise (7) |
| 4. Berean (8) | 11. Patmos (10) |
| 5. First Blakely (16) | 12. White Plains (10) |
| 6. Cedar Springs (17) | 13. Traveler's Rest (14) |
| 7. Hammock Springs (10) | |

Home Missions \$578.50

Foreign Missions		\$2702.53
State Project-Crowsons	\$1,684.00	
Pre-Easter	224.08	
Others	<u>794.45</u>	
	\$2,702.53	

Bible Colleges	277.00
WNAC General and Emphasis Fund	355.96
Co-Laborer Fund	348.80
Children's Home	182.30
Retired Ministers	5.00
Total Funds Received and Disbursed (Includes Representation Fees)	\$4,756.84

Balance in General Treasury Sept. 30, 1981	\$92.56
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Respectfully Submitted,

Betty Akridge, District Treasurer



A TRIBUTE TO REVEREND DENNIS IRVIN

“A man who hath friends must show himself friendly.” These words spoken by the man of wisdom many years ago were lived by God’s servant, Dennis Irvin. He was one who had friends everywhere he went for he was a friendly person. He was always spreading joy and laughter and was a friend because he knew Christ as his dearest friend. He was one that could be easily loved by others, because of his love and concern for people.

Brother Dennis Irvin was born in Baker County, Georgia in 1926 and lived there while growing up. He united with Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church in Baker County in 1952. As he served His Master he was called to preach the Gospel and was licensed to preach on September 21, 1957 and was ordained as a minister in the Midway Association of Free Will Baptists on October 29, 1959.

During his ministry he pastored churches in Florida and Georgia. At the time of his death he was serving Damascus Free Will Baptist Church and Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church, both half time churches. He served on the Ordaining Council of the Midway Association for several terms. He loved his Association and was dedicated to the ministry of winning lost souls.

Brother Irvin lived in Albany at the time of his departure and leaves his wife, two children and 4 grandchildren along with many other relatives and many, many friends.

A man as Brother Dennis Irvin will be missed, but we all can be assured our loss is heaven’s gain.

**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

..... Association
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:
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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 Zip Code
- Telephone: Home Business

3. Date of Conversion Home Church
4. Occupation How long?
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:
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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)
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11. Previous Church Leadership Experience:
Sunday School Teacher CTS Leader
Church Officer Associational Officer
Other
12. What type of Ministry do you plan to engage in?
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13. Are you opposed to College Training for Ministers?
14. Would you attend a good Christian College or Bible Institute if
you had the opportunity?

15. Are you Homosexual?
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:
 1. 2.
 3.
20. Give three credit references:
 1. 2.
 3.
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

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ORDAINING COUNCIL

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DOCTRINAL EXAMINATION

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 been.
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.
9. The Bible contains two divisions. They are
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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.
18. 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.
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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:

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.
3. Local churches are made up of people who have been saved from their sins and have been in the names of the, 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
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8. The various Districts over the State comprise the
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9. The several State Associations over the nation make up the
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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?
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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.

**CONSTITUTION
of the
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:

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 ($\frac{2}{3}$) 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 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:

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 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.
- (4) 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	PASTOR	CLERK	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPT.	C.T.S. DIRECTOR	WOMAN'S AUX. PRESIDENT	MASTERS MEN PRESIDENT
ALBANY FIRST	Rev. Fred Warner 1712 Dawson Rd. Albany, Ga. 31707	Mrs. Lolita Segroves 1702 Avalon Ave. Albany, Ga. 31707	Mr. Bill Lofton 2906 Greer St. Albany, Ga. 31707	Mr. Horace Johnson P. O. Box 248 Albany, Ga. 31702	Mrs. Myrtice Paul Rt. 5, Box 742 Albany, Ga. 31701	Mr. Tim Jordon 2622 E. Doublegate Drive Albany, Ga. 31707
ARLINGTON	Rev. Jim Capshaw Rt. 2 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Mrs. Wynelle Clower Rt. 2, Box 3 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Mr. Robert Lisenby Arlington, Ga. 31713	Mr. J. W. Clower Rt. 2, Box 3 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Mrs. Ailene Clower Rt. 1 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Mr. Robert Lisenby Arlington, Ga. 31713
BAINBRIDGE	Rev. E. R. Corbett Rt. 3, Box 3100 Donalsonville 31745	Jo Franks 1514 Powell St. Bainbridge, Ga. 31717	Mr. Wyman Yelverton Rt. 5, Box 885 Bainbridge, Ga. 31717	Mr. Alvin Bailey, Sr. P. O. Box 2341 Bainbridge, Ga. 31717	Mrs. Argent Corbett Rt. 3, Box 3100 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Mr. Wyman Yelverton Rt. 5, Box 885 Bainbridge, Ga. 31717
BELLVIEW	Rev. William Evans Rt. 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. Randy Clenney Rt. 2 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. Lavon Clenney Pine Street Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. Rudy Clenney Rt. 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mrs. Carol Clenney Rt. 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. Roger Worsley Rt. 3 Colquitt, Ga. 31737
BEREAN	Rev. David Langley Leesburg, Ga.	Mrs. Helen Azbill 2512 Crescent Dr. Albany, Ga. 31705	Mr. Murray Haire Countryside Estate Albany, Ga. 31705	Mr. Billy Forkner 2500 Belmont Dr. Albany, Ga. 31705	Mrs. Hazle Smith 707 Mitchell Ave. Albany, Ga. 31705	Mr. Billy Furkner 2500 Belmont Dr. Albany, Ga. 31705
BLAKELY FIRST	Rev. Roger Russell 117 Perry Ave. Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Gloria Lovering 216 Meadowbrook Dr. Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. Marshall Day 611 So. Church St. Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. Richard Hayes 517 Liberty St. Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Mathel Barnes Rt. 3 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. Richard Hayes 517 Liberty St. Blakely, Ga. 31723
CEDAR SPRINGS		Mrs. Eleanor P. Sheffield Rt. 4 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. Julian Houston Rt. 1 Jakin, Ga. 31761	Mr. George Eason Rt. 4 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Eleanor P. Sheffield Rt. 4 Blakely, Ga. 31723	
DAMASCUS	Rev. Ken Murphy P.O. Box 174 Funston, Ga. 31753	Mrs. Margaret Daniel Rt. 1, Box 7 Damascus, Ga. 31741	Mr. Ira Walton Rt. 1 Colquitt, Ga. 31737			
ENTERPRISE	Rev. Coy Watson Rt. 1 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Martha Jenkins Rt. 1, Box 162 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. Ralph Jenkins Rt. 1, Box 162 Blakely, Ga. 31723			
HAMOCK SPRINGS	Rev. David Griffin Rt. 2, Box 319 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Mrs. Janice Jones Rt. 3, Box 314A Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Mr. John Taylor Rt. 3 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Mr. Bob Jones Rt. 3, Box 314A Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Mrs. Jean Dukes Rt. 3 Donalsonville, Ga. 31745	Mr. Bob Jones Rt. 3, Box 314A Donalsonville, Ga. 31745
MACEDONIA	Rev. Irvin Murphy Rt. 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. Glynn Henley Rt. 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. Russ Henley Rt. 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. Nelson Cox Rt. 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mrs. Mildred Bowen Rt. 4 Colquit, Ga. 31737	Mr. Nelson Cox Rt. 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737
MT. ZION	Rev. Rodney Wilson Coleman, Ga.	Mrs. Betty Brackin P. O. Box 445 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Mrs. Janis Brackin P. O. Box 445 Arlington, Ga. 31713	Rev. Rodney Wilson Coleman, Ga.	Mrs. Betty Brackin P. O. Box 445 Arlington, Ga. 31713	
NEW ENTERPRISE	Rev. W. F. McDuffie 723 Central Ave. Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. E. B. Ard Brinson, Ga. 31725	Mr. J. R. Shores Brinson, Ga. 31725		Mrs. Grace Brackin Brinson, Ga. 31725	
NEW LIGHT	Rev. Ralph Lightsey P. O. Box 731 Statesburg, Ga. 30458	Mr. C. R. Drinkwater Rt. 1 Morgan, Ga. 31766	Mr. Bobby Paul Rt. 1 Morgan, Ga. 31766	Mr. Thad Hawke Rt. 1 Morgan, Ga. 31766		
OAK GROVE	Rev. Ken Murphy P. O. Box 174 Funston, Ga. 31753	Mr. Bob George Rt. 1 Colquitt, Ga. 31737	Mr. H. A. Harbin Rt. 4 Colquitt, Ga. 31737			
PATMOS	Rev. Paul Suggs Rt. 2 Leary, Ga. 31762	Mrs. Evera Moya Rt. 1 Newton, Ga. 31770	Mr. T. E. Moya Rt. 1 Newton, Ga. 31770	Mr. Carl Goolsby Rt. 1 Newton, Ga. 31770	Mrs. Virginia Sheffield Rt. 2 Leary, Ga. 31762	Mr. Carl Goolsby Rt. 1 Newton, Ga. 31770
TRAVELERS REST	Rev. C. R. Houston Rt. Colquitt, Ga.	Mr. Woodrow Parker Rt. 2, Box 40 Newton, Ga. 31770	Mr. Wayne Butler Rt. 2 Newton, Ga. 31770	Mr. Woodrow Parker Rt. 2, Box 40 Newton, Ga. 31770	Mrs. Christine Cline Rt. 2, Box 30 Newton, Ga. 31770	
WHITE PLAINS	Rev. Wayne Chambliss Sylvester, Ga. 31791	Mrs. Jean Parr Rt. 4 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. Oliver Houston Rt. 4 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mr. Edd Eason Rt. 4 Blakely, Ga. 31723	Mrs. Myra White Rt. 4 Blakely, Ga. 31723	