MINUTES

of the Midway Association of Free Will Baptists of Georgia 1982



convened with
Bellview Church - January 23
Bainbridge Church - April 24
Berean Church - July 31
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1983 Sessions To Be Held At:
Cedar Springs Church - January 22, 1983
Hammock Springs Church - April 23, 1983
Damascus Church - July 30, 1983
Macedonia Church - October 22, 1983

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Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield (1981)	Blakely, Ga. 31723
Mr. Bill Lofton (1981)	Albany, Ga.
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	Mrs. Edith Shiver, Leary, Ga.
	Mrs. Myra White, Blakely, Ga.
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PRESIDENT	Mr. Bobby Rish, Arlington, Ga.
VICE PRESIDENT	Mr. Wiley Jarred, Arlington, Ga.
	Miss Teresa White, Blakely, Ga.
CORRESP. SECRETARY	Mrs. Vaudine Moody, Morgan, Ga.
TREASURER	Mr. Murray Haire, Albany, Ga.

1983 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

ASSOCIATION:

January 22—Ceder Springs Church—10:00 A.M.

April 23—Hammock Springs Church—10:00 A.M.

July 30—Damascus Church—10:00 A.M.

October 22—Macedonia Church—9:30 A.M.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY:

March 5-Workshop-Mt. Zion Church-10:00 A.M.

October 1—Convention—New Enterprise Church—10:00 A.M.

C.T.S. RALLY:

February 5—Blakely Church—7:00 P.M.

April 2—Bellview Church—7:00 P.M.

August 6—Travelers Rest Church—7:00 P.M.

November 5—Patmos Church—7:00 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION:

June 25—Cedar Springs Church—10:00 A.M.

FIRST SESSION MIDWAY ASSOCIATION

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptist met for the first quarterly session January 23, 1982 at Bellview Free Will Baptist Church at 10:00 A.M. with an attendance of 107.

Brother Rick Polston of Bellview served as chorister for the day, leading the congregation in singing "Joy Unspeakable" Brother Don Brown led in prayer. Rev. Bill Evans, pastor of Bellview welcomed the congregation and Brother Malcolmn Freeman responded to the gracious welcome.

Special music was rendered by the Calvarymen which is made up by Rick Polston, Johnny Van Klyve and Stan Wade.

The devotion was given by Brother Tony Cook using 2 Timothy 2:1-19 as scripture and Rev. Melvin Moody led in prayer.

The Clerk, Mrs. Edith Shiver, called the session to order for business and presented the Moderator, Brother Malcolm Freeman. MSC to accept program for the day with necessary changes.

Mrs. Vaudine Moody gave a partial report of the Credentials Committee. The delegates were seated by the standing delegates.

Ministers answering roll call were Revs. Jim Capshaw, Wayne Chambless, E. R. Corbitt, Williams Evans, Davis Griffin, C. R. Houston, Davis Langley, W. F. McDuffie, Melvin Moody, Irvin Murphy, Roger

Russell, S. T. Shutes, Paul Suggs, Coy Watson.

The Moderator appointed the following to serve on committees for the day: Mrs. Jean Parr to Credentials, John English to Budget and Finance, and to the Nominating Committee, Edward Kimbrell, A. B. Paul and E. L. Drinkwater.

Miss Charolotte Talent, Missionary to France was welcomed and made a few comments.

Brother Malcolmn Freeman, a member of the State Mission Board reported the Board is having to make bond payments of \$4400.00 every 6 months for the Dublin Church, but not having to pay the pastor's salary; the Atlanta (North Side) church is planning a building program real soon and needs our support and prayers as well as Rev. Billy McKinney in the Gainsville Church.

Brother Danny Thomas urged all to attend the C.T.S. Rally March 6 at Patmos. Mrs. Myra White announced dates of Auxiliary functions and asked prayer for Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield, The W.A. District Mission Study Chairman, who has been sick.

It was announced the State Youth Conference and the Activities Rally will be held in conjunction with each other again this year in Macon at White Oaks Church May 14-15.

Leaflets of District Officers and calendar of meetings were distributed.

Rev. Paul Suggs gave the report of the MISSION BOARD TREASURER's. MSC to accept report (1). He gave the MISSION BOARD'S Report and its recommendations. M.S.C. to lay recommendations motion on table until after lunch; which was removed after lunch and acted on. MSC to adopt the recommendations. See report (2).

The session recessed until 11:00 for worship which began with all singing "My Lord Is Able" and "Victory In Jesus". Rev. E. R. Corbitt led in prayer. An offering of \$146.74 was received. The congregation sang "Savid by the Blood" and the Calvarymen delivered 2 special songs. Rev. Fred Warner, Albany First FWB Church pastor, brought an inspiring message. He used scriptures from Gen. 29:17; 30:1,2 22-23 as he related Rachel, beautiful and baren to many churches today. He stresses a church cannot survive on what it has to offer "Materially" but emphasis must be put on what the church can offer "Spiritually". All stood in silence as each one searched his own heart and Bro. Lamar Brooks dismissed with prayer.

After a bountiful lunch was enjoyed by all, the afternoon session opened with all singing, "Calvary". The devotion was given by Miss Charlotte Talent, who has served thre years as a Missionary in France. She used Psalm 23 as her text. Miss Talent will visit several churches in the Association the following week.

The business session resumed with a report of the BUDGET and FINANCE Board by Murray Haire. MSC to adopt report. See report (3). A TREASURER'S report was given by Rev. Bill Evans. MSC to accept report # (4). The acting NOMINATING Committee nominated Jean Parr to the Credentials Committee. She was elected. Mrs. Mathel Barnes gave the RESOLUTION COMMITTEE'S Report. MSC to adopt report #(5). The final report of the CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE was given by Mrs. Moody. MSC to accept report #(6).

Brother Jessie Griffin, our oldest member present, sang "My God Is Real". Announcements and prayer requests were made. Rev. David Langley, Berean pastor, thanked the association for the support and action

of the Mission Board and association. Rev. Wayne Chambless, White Plains' pastor closed the session with prayer as it was adjourned.

MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT #(1)

October 24, 1981 — January 23, 1982

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward November	1, 1981	\$1,356.89
CONTRIBUTIONS:		·
Midway District Association	\$417.42	
Georgia State Association	_150.00	
TOTAL	567.42	567.42
Total to ACCOUNT FOR		\$1,924.31
EXPENDITURES:		
None		
BALANCE IN CHECKING ACCOUN	VT 1/23/82	\$1,924.31
ON DEPOSIT WITH FARMERS FE	ERTILIZERS	
AND MILLING COMPANY		3,600.00
Interest Earned through 12/31/8	1	624.37
		TOTAL \$4,224.37
TOTAL BALANCE IN CHECKING	ACCOUNT AND	
SAVING CERTIFICATES		\$6,148.68

MISSION BOARD'S REPORT #(2)

1-23-82

The Midway District Mission Board met in a specially called meeting on January 18, 1982 and on Jan. 23, 1982 and made the following report:

Whereas the Berean Free Will Baptist Church was a mission begun by the Midway District Association; and because of information given to us indicating a tremendous financial crisis; and realizing the valuable work already accomplished by and through the church; knowing the importance of keeping this property secure; therefore recommend that the following steps be taken in order for the church to continue functioning:

- 1. that through the Mission Board and support of the body, the Peoples Bank of Colquitt, Georgia be paid a balance past due of \$1306.44.
- 2. in order to relieve the monthly financial stress endured by the church, the Mission Baord take over monthly bank payments to the Peoples Bank in the amount of \$322.86 for the period of one year, at which time the situation will be reviewed.
- 3. that the insurance on the church will not exceed \$500.00 for the year 1982 be paid also.

The failure to accept and comply with this recommendation would mean complete forfieture of all properties owned by Berean Free Will Baptist Church which currently exists at around 80-90 thousand dollars.

4. That the Church (Berean) elect the Midway Mission Board to serve with the current board of directors. The Mission board shall function in this capacity until such time as financial assistance ends.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Paul Suggs,
John Grant
Rev. David Griffin
Leron Clower
Henry Peterson
(Midway Mission Board)

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT (3) January 23, 1982

We, the undersigned members of this committee make the following recommendations for disbursements of funds received today:

RECEIPTS:

20.00 - Late fees

146.74 - Offering today

25.00 - Designated State Missions

659.50 - Dues with letters from churches

\$851.24 - TOTAL

DISBURSEMENTS:

322.50 - for Missions (40% of \$806.24)

25.00 - Designated Missions

80.00 - for 4 Supernates, Mrs. Eva Clenney, Mrs. Dennis Irvin, Rev. H. L. Knighton, & Rev. S. T. Shutes

30.00 - Officers

175.00 - Minutes

100.00 - Charlotte Tallent, Missionary to France

\$732.50 - TOTAL

732.50

118.74 Balance

Respectfully submitted, Murray Haire John English William Evans

TREASURER'S REPORT (4)

January 23, 1982

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT:

Balance carried forward October 23, 1981

\$302.52

RECEIPTS OCT. 24, 1981:

Church Fees \$917.55
Offering 126.01
Woman's Auxiliary for Minutes 60.00
Dublin Mission 12.00

TOTAL \$1,115.56

Total to be accounted for:

\$1,115.56 \$1,418.08

DISBURSEMENTS:

Midway Mission Board 417.42
Minute Account 110.00
District Officers (2) 30.00
Foreign Missions

(Crowsons Account) 100.00 State Missions: Dublin Account 12.00

Wallace Account 50.00

Superannuates (5 @ 20.00) 100.00 State Delegates Fees 90.00 National Fees (18 churches) 180.00

Total 1,089.42 1,089.42

Balance in General Fund 1-23-82

\$328.66

MINUTE ACCOUNT:

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT (5)

January 23, 1982

- 1. We recommend each church appoint at least one young person (Youth) as a delegate to the District Association, so that our young people will be more informed of the Associational's business and activities.
- 2. We ask each Church Clerk to write a letter of thanks from the church to their respective Representatives and Senator for their part in not passing the ERA Act in Georgia.
- 3. We give the people on program today a voice of thanks with a big AMEN.
- 4. We give this church a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality and delicious meal they provided us with today.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Mathel Barnes and Mrs. Eva Clenny

CREDENTIAL'S COMMITTEE REPORT (6)

Chruches in Association	18		
Church Letters	17		
Churches with Dues	17 in amount of 659.50		
Churches with delegates	17		
Delegates 53		•	
Ministers 15			
Deacons 20			
88 Voting m	embers		
Laymembers 19			
Visitors 1			
Total $\frac{108}{108}$			AVERAGE
CHURCHES WITH:		ENROLLMENT	ATTEND:
SUNDAY SCHOOLS	17	1220	839
C.T.S.	13	565	404
WOMAN'S AUX.	14	177	139
Masters Men	8	98	64
PRAYER MEETING	15		390

Submitted by, Vaudine Moody Jean Parr

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

The second quarterly session of the Midway Association was held on April 24, 1982 at Bainbridge Church. Rev. Herbert Waid led the congregation in singing "All Hail the Power". Rev. Bill Evans led in prayer.

A warm welcome was extended by the local Pastor, REv. E. R. Corbett, after which "Faith Is the Victory was sung by all. Rev. Waid delivered the devotion.

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

The fifteen Ministers answering to roll call were: Revs. Jim Capshaw, Wayne Chambless, E. R. Corbett, William Evans, David Griffin, David Langley, W. F. McDuffie, Melvin Moody, Joe Murkerson, Irvin Murphy, Ken Murphy, Roger Russell, Paul Suggs, Coy Watson and Fred Warner.

Mrs. Vaudine Moody gave a partial report of the Credentials Committee. Delegates were seated by the standing delegates. MSC to adopt the program with necessary changes. The Moderator recognized and welcomed visitors -Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Driggers, Hebrew Church, Martin Assoc.; Rev. Irvin Hyman, Colquitt Church, Martin Assoc.; Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid, Executive Secretary, State Office; Brother Frank Breeden, Rep. of Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. Waid brought news from the state office, explaining the percentage of all undesignated offerings sent through the State Office.

The Moderator appointed Bro. Bill Fortner and Bro. Tim Jordon to serve on the Budget and Finance for the day. He called for a recess for the worship hour.

Worship opened with all singing "Crown Him With Many Crowns" and "My Saviour's Love". Bro. Bill Lofton led in prayer. The Offertory prayer was prayed by Rev. Wayne Chambless and an offering was received. Special music was rendered by Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield as she sang "The Longer I Serve Him the Sweeter He Grows". Mrs. Sheffield gave her testimony afterwards. Rev. Irvin Hyman brought the message as he pointed out needs of the Christians as: (1) Confidence in God, ourselves, and others, (2) Contentment, (3) Cooperation, (4) Courage, and (5) Consecretion. The song, "Breathe on Me" was sung after the message. Rev. Hyman announced G.B.I. graduation at 3:30 on June 6, at the Frist Free Will Baptist Church in Albany. Rev. S. T. Shurts prayed the benediction and asked for blessings on the noon meal.

After a bountiful lunch was enjoyed the afternoon session began by all singing "Amazing Grace" and Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield sang a special. Mrs. Edith Shiver rendered the devotion, using the topic, "We are Beckened To Come, Tarry, and Go."

The following reports were made and accepted as information: Woman's Auxiliary by Eleanor Sheffield, Masters Men by Bro. Richard Hays, and Bro. Tim Jordon, Sunday School Rally by Bobby Rish and the Camp by Rev. Irvin Murphy. He asked if the Midway Association would allow the Martin Association Youth to join in for a week at Camp. M.S.C. for the Martin Youths to be invited to go to Camp the same week the Midway District Camp was held. Announcements were made: C.T.S. Rally May 1, at Arlington at 7:30; State Youth Conference May 14-15 at White Oaks Church in Macon; Midway Sunday School Convention June 26 in Blakely; Ministers Retreat May 18-21 at Mount Bethel and May 26 a work day at Mount Bethel Camp.

Rev. Paul Suggs gave the MISSIONS BOARDS Treasurer's report. MSC to accept report (1).

The BUDGET and FINANCE BOARD'S report was given by Rev. William Evans. MSC to adopt report.

Rev. Melvin Moody gave the ORDAINING BORAD'S report as: Recommendations for the Association to grant a letter of good standing to Boone Conference of Free Will Baptists of Virginia on behalf of Rev. Ronnie Adkins, and that Rev. Fred Warner be accepted into the Midway Association in full fellowship, pending a letter from his Association. MSC to adopt report.

Mrs. Leron Clower presented the RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE'S Report as: "That we give Bainbridge Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and the bountiful meal we all enjoyed today. MSC to adopt.

The final report of the CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE was given by Mrs. Vaudine Moody. MSC to accept report (2).

The NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S Report was given by Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield and Bro. Tim Jordon was elected to fill unexpired time as treasurer and Bro. Lee Merritt was elected to serve as assistant treasurer. Mrs. Sheffield expressed thanks for the fine job Rev. and Mrs. William Evans have done while serving as treasurer and assistant treasurer.

The Clerk assumed office as Moderator as Bro. Malcolm Freeman presented the following motion to be laid on the table until next session: That Article VII of the By-Laws, Section 6 be changed to read: No person may be elected to more than one office in the Midway Association at the same time. No General Officer (Top Six Officers) may succeed himself or herself more than once. Article V section 1 be changed to read - "The Nominating Committee shall be composed of three members whose terms of office shall be two years, and who shall be elected or re-elected on even years". Motion carried.

Many churches reported sickness and Rev. Jim Capshaw prayed for God's healing power and His Will be done as he dismissed the second quarterly session with prayer at 2:30 p.m.

MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT (1) JANUARY 24, 1982 thru APRIL 24, 1982 <u>GENERAL ACCOUNT</u>

Balance brought forward January 24, 1982		\$1,924.31
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Midway District Association	\$322.50	
Georgia State Association		
(of which \$20.00 was earmarked		
for Berean Church)	120.00	
Redeemed Saving Certificate		
of \$1,000.00 plus \$154.25 Int.	1,154.25	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS		\$1,596.75
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR		\$3,521.06
EXPENDITURES:		
The Peoples Bank of Colquitt	\$2,280.02	
(Berean Church Note)	, ,	
Hall Insurance Co., Albany	317.00	
(Berean Church Insurance		
·TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$2,597.02
BALANCE IN GENERAL ACCOUNT		\$924.04

ON DEPOSIT WITH FARMERSS FERTILIZER

TOTAL IN SAVING CERTIFICATES

AND MILLING COMPANY 1/24/82

\$4,224.37

LESS:

Redeemed Savings Certificate of Interest earned \$1,000.00 154.25

\$1,154.25 \$3,070.12

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE'S REPORT (2) April 24, 1982

Churches in Assoc.	18
Church Letters	18

Churches with Dues 18 in amount of \$704.50

Delegates	54
Deacons	19
Ministers	.14
Voting Delegates	87
Laymembers	12
Visitors	5
State Office Rep.	1
Total	105

CHURCHES WITH:	REPORTING	ENROLL.	AV. ATN.
Sunday Schools	18	1205	908
C.T.S.	14	549	433
Woman's Auxiliary	14	187	140
Master's Men	8	101	68
Prayer Meeting	14		349

Submitted by, Vaudine Moody Jean Parr

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

The third quarterly session of the Midway Association of Free Will Baptists met with Berean Church on July 31, 1982 at 10:00 a.m. Bro. Danny Thomas led the congregation in singing, "He Keeps Me Singing". Rev. Melvin Moody led in prayer and "All That Thrills My Soul" was sung.

Rev. Joe Murkerson delivered the morning devotion with his topic, "The Unashamed Deacon", using Acts 6:8 as his scripture text.

Mrs. Edith Shiver, Clerk, called the session into order and presented the moderator, Bro. Malcolm Freeman.

The 15 ministers answering to roll call were: Revs. Jim Capshaw, Wayne Chambless, William Evans, David Griffin, C. R. Houston, David Langley, W. F. McDuffie, Melvin Moody, Joe Murkerson, Irvin Murphy, Ken Murphy, W. L. Rentz, Roger Russell, Paul Suggs, Coy Watson and Fred Warner.

The Moderator welcomed Rev. and Mrs. Reedy Saverance as visitors and new pastor and wife of Cedar Springs Church. A partial report of the Credientials committee was given by Mrs. Vaudine Moody, and the delegates were seated by the standing delegates.

Bro. Tim Jordon read the resolution passed at the National Association which all should be interested in. (See resolution copy)

Reports given and accepted were: Sunday School Convention by Bobby Rish; C.T.S. Rally by Bill Lofton; Woman's Auxiliary by Mrya White; Youth Camp by Rev. Irvin Murphy, he stated since the Midway District did not have a camp session this past summer for all to encourage the Youth. This was the first time in the history of the Camp that the youth from the Midway Association have not attended camp.

There was a ten minute break and the morning worship began with all singing "Joy Unspeakable" after which Bro. Bill Lofton led in prayer. An offering was received and "Redeemed" and Amazing Grace were sung before Rev. David Langly brought the message. He used Romans 1:1-17 as scripture, stressing one must be obligated, eager and unashamed to serve. Rev. Langly closed the morning session with prayer as he invited all to the meal.

In the afternoon Rev. Paul Suggs rendered an inspiring devotion using Matt. 9:36-39 as his scripture.

Bro. Danny Thomas gave a report of the National Youth Conference. He stated we were proud of the Youth who represented Georgia. They were Wandy Lofton, Dona Johnson, Laura Robin, Jonathan Snow, Page Jordan, Michael Mock, and Albany Tic Tac Toe Team. He encouraged all to work with the Youth of the Midway Association. Rev. Paul Suggs gave the report of the Mission Board and its treasurer's report (see report 1). He encouraged all to work and support the Midway Missions monthly.

Rev. Roger Russell gave the ORDAINING BOARD'S report. MSC to adopt report (see report 2).

Bro. Murry Haire gave the BUDGE and FINANCE Board's report. M.S.C. to adopt (see report 3).

A final report of the CREDENTIALS Committee was given by Mrs. Vaudine Moody. MSC to accept report (see report 4).

Mrs. Ailene Clower gave the RESOLUTIONS Committee's report. MSC to adopt report (see report 5).

Bro. Bobby Rish led in prayer and an offering for the Berean Church Account was received.

A motion by Bro. Leron Clower to remove motion from table which was tabled April 24, 1982, concerning change in the By-Laws. Motion carried;

change - Article V section 1 be changed to "The Nominating Committee shall be composed of three (3) members whose terms of office shall be two years and who shall be elected or re-elected on even years." Article VII section 6 be changed to: "No person may be elected to more than one office in the Midway Association at the same time. No General Officer (Top Six Officers) may succeed himself or herself more than once. It was MSC to adopt the changes.

A motion by Rev. Irvin Murphy for an addition to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Midway Association be made to read: In Article IV Section 3 of the Constitution the phrase, "Camp Board" be added; To Article IV of the By-Laws a "Section 4 be added to read: The Camp Board shall be composed of five members. The presidents of the Masters Men and the Woman's Auxiliary of the Midway Association shall be two of the five members. The Chairman of the Board shall be Camp Director and the Treasurer of the Board shall be Co-Director. This board shall be elected or re-elected each year. It shall be their duties to:

- (a) Plan, conduct and promote the Youth Camp over the District.
- (b) Set time for the Midway Camp.
- (c) Set fees for the Camp in accordance with the State Camp Board.
- (d) Secure volunteer or hire sufficient help and supervision for the camp session.

It was MSC to lay motion on table until annual session Oct. 23, 1982.

The third session was closed with prayer by Brother Leron Clower.

WINE RESOLUTION

The following resolution regarding wine was adopted at the National Convention in Fort Worth.

WHEREAS in recent months there have been deep concerns among us over the wine issue, and

WHEREAS these concerns have evoked various stated and/or local groups to pass resolutions of concerns sent to this body, and

WHEREAS all of the parties involved in the wine issue have declared their belief in teetotalism and wholly condemn the use of any form of alcoholic beverages, and

WHEREAS to atttempt to agree on the interpretation of all scriptural references to wine would only lead to divisiveness, and

WHEREAS, all parties involved in the wine issue believe that Jesus Christ was absolutely sinless;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this body recommit itself to the statement on alcoholic beverages found in our church covenant, and that such statements be accepted as an adequate answer to our concerns on the wine issue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that since the drinking of alcoholic beverages is one of our nation's greatest problems and since it is a most sensitive issue amont Free Will Baptists, that any and all who speak and or teach on the subject take such sensitivity into account and be cautious accordingly.

MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT (1) APRIL 25, 1982 thru JULY 31, 1982

GENERAL ACCOUNT

Balance brought forward April 25, 1982		\$924.04
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Midway District Association	\$500.00	
Georgia State Association	260.00	
Berean Church	_70.00	
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	,	830.00
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR		\$1,754.04
EXPENDITURES:		•
The Peoples Bank of Colquitt	\$968.58	
(3 pmts. @\$322.86)	•	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$968.58
BALANCE IN GENERAL ACCOUNT		\$785.46
ON DEPOSIT WITH FARMERS FERTILIZER		
AND MILLING CO.		\$3,070.12
Treasury Certificates		, -,

ORDAINING BOARD'S REPORT (2) July 31, 1982

Rev. Reedy Saverance was examined by the board as to doctrine and was found sound in doctrine. His present church, Cedar Springs, has sent their letter of requests that he be received into the Association. The board recommends that he be received upon receipt of a letter from the First District of the South Carolina Conference.

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

Murray Haire

BUDGET AND FINANCE BOARD'S REP	ORT (3)
Receipts:	
Churches Fees today	\$672.00
Offerings today	
Designated Missions	
	Total \$800.00
Disbursements:	
Designated Missions	
Midway Mission Board 40% 775.00	310.00
Superannuates (4)	80.00
Moderator	
Clerk	
Printing of Minutes	
Rev. Webb, Missionary in France	100.00
General Treasurer	
	Total \$800.00
	Submitted by, Tim Jordon

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT (4)

July 31, 1982

Churches in Association	18:	
Church Letters		17
Churches with Dues		17 in amount of \$672.00
Churches with delegates	}	17
Delegates		37
Ministers		15
Deacons		15
Voting delegates		67
Laymembers		28
Total		95

			Average
	Reporting	Enrollment	Attend.
Sunday Schools	17	1182	828
C.T.S.	13	575	412
Woman's Auxiliary	13	165	122
Masters Men	7	80	53
Prayer Meetings	15		331

Respectfully submitted, Vaudine Moody and Kathy Sowell

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT (5)

We the Resolution committee submit the following resolutions:

1. Whereas we, the Midway District Association, realize the significant contribution made over the years by our Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tenn., and

Whereas we recognize that many pastors, Missionaries and laymen have been successfully trained for the Christian task, and

Whereas we also realize and have been made aware of the recent and unwarranted attack issued against the Free Will Baptist Bible College

Be it Hereby Resolved, that the Midway District Association stand with and in complete support of the Free Will Baptist Bible College, and that we also stand opposed to any effort to discredit our school and effort to hamper existing support for our school-and

Be it further resolved that the clerk of our Association send a letter to the Free Will Baptist Bible College, and a letter to the National Executive Office in Nashville, Tenn., stating our stand as an Association, and also a statement of this stand be included in our Associational minutes.

(Clerk's note - This resolution passed with only one opposing it.)

- 2. We recommend that the District's Presidents of the Masters Men and the Women's Auxiliary serve on the Camp Board.
- 3. We recommend that we take a Love Offering today for the Berean Church, the offering to be given to the Midway Mission Board to be applied to Berean Church's account.
- 4. That we give this church (Berean) a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality today.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Mathel Barnes and Mrs. Ailene Clower

ANNUAL SESSION

On October 23 the Annual Midway Association of Free Will Baptist met at Blakely F.W.B. Church at 9:30 A.M. with 96 in attendance.

Brother Danny Thomas of Albany First Church served as chorister for the day as the song "The Old Account Was Settled Long Ago" was sung by the congregation. Rev. C.R. Houston led in prayer.

Rev. Roger Russell, Blakely pastor, welcomed the group and Brother Danny Thomas responded.

Rev. Coy Watson, Enterprise pastor, delivered the devotion, using Ephesians 4:22 as his scripture text. The meeting was called to order by the clerk, Mrs. Edith Shiver and the Moderator, Brother Malcolm Freeman, was presented.

There were ten ministers answering the roll call: Rev. Jim Capshaw, Wayne Chambless, E.R. Corbett, C.R. Houston, David Langley, W.F. McDuffie, Melvin Moody, Roger Russell, Paul Saggs and Coy Watson.

Mrs. Vaudine Moody gave a partial report of the credentials committee and the delegates were seated in order. The moderator welcomed the crowd of delegates and visitors.

Reports were made by the following: Woman's Auxiliary by LaVerne Mock; Treasurer's No. 1 by Danny Thomas, protem; Sunday School by Bobby Rish; C.T.S. by Woodrow Parker; Children's Home by Rev. Roger Russell; State Mission Board's by Malcolm Freeman and State Youth Camp by Bobby Rish, stating six camps were held with over 300 in attendance and 61 conversions. He stressed for the Midway District to have a session at camp in 1983. These reports were accepted.

The Moderator appointed the following committees for the day: Budget and Finance-John A. English and June Nichols; Obituary-Mrs. Florrie Mae Alexander and Mrs. Agnes Pyle; Placement-Mrs. Ilene McGowen, Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, Mrs. Sarah Tabb, Mrs. Coy Watson and Mrs. R. Tabb.

It was moved S.C. to take the following amendments from the table: Amendment to the Constitution-add to section 3 of Article IV the words "Camp Board". Amendment to the By-Laws: Add a section 4 to article 4 to read: "The Camp Board shall be composed of five members. The presidents of the Masters Men and the Woman's Auxiliary of the Midway Association shall be two of the five members. The Chairman of the Board shall be Camp Director and the Treasurer of the Board shall be Co-Director. This board shall be elected or re-elected each year. It shall be their duties to:

- (a) Plan and promote the Youth Camp over the District.
- (b) Set time for Midway Camp.
- (c) Set fees for the camp in accordance with the State Camp Board.
- (d) Secure volunteer or hire sufficient help and supervision for the camp session.

M.S.C. to adopt these amendments. The Moderator declared a recess before worship service at 11:00.

As worship service began the congregation sand "I'll Pass Over You" with prayer by Rev. David Langley. An offering of \$142.73 was received. Rev. Tyson Bell, New Enterprise pastor, brought a message in song followed by the morning message by Rev. Reedy Saverance, Cedar Springs pastor. He used Ephesians 1:3-14 as scripture for his topic "The Believer's Position in Christ". It was a blessing to all.

Rev. Roger Russell announced plans for lunch and Rev. Melvin Moody closed the morning session with prayer, asking God's blessings on the lunch.

In the afternoon session Rev. Herbert Waid, State Executive Secretary,

gave a report from the state office. Rev. Paul Saggs gave the MISSION BOARD'S report No. 2 and asked churches to please budget something each month to the Midway Mission Board. MSC to accept report No. 2.

Bro. John English gave the BUDGET and FINANCE Board's report. MSC to adopt report No. 3. Rev. Roger Russell gave the report of the ORDAINING BOARD. MSC to adopt No. 4 report.

The RESOLUTION'S COMMITTEE report was given by Mrs. Ailene Clower. M.S.C. to adopt this report No. 5.

The OBITUARY COMMITTEE'S report was given by Mrs. Florrie Mae Alexander. MSC to accept report No. 6. The final report of the CREDENTIALS and REGISTRATION COMMITTEE was given by Mrs. Moody. MSC to accept report No. 7. The PLACEMENT COMMITTEE'S report was given as: Jan. 22, 1983 first session at Cedar Springs Church, April 23, second session at Hammock Springs Church, July 30, third session at Damascus Church, October 22, annual session at Macedonia Church. Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield gave the report of the NOMINATING COMMITTEE. MSC to accept report and officers were elected. See report No. 8.

Mr. Richard Hays encouraged all men to attend the Masters Men breakfast at the State Association. The following volunteered and were appointed as delegates to the State Association: Mrs. Roger Russell, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Clower, Mrs. Nancy Johnson, Mrs. Pat Freeman, Mrs. Minnie Cleveland and Mrs. Edra Saverance. Rev. Jim Capshaw dismissed with prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT (1) Third Quarter 1982

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT: Balance carried forward August 14, 1982. Income August 14, 1982. Total to be accounted for Disbursements: Midway Missions (40%) \$310.00 Webb Account (France) GA Assoc. FWB .100.00 Superannuation 80.00 Minutes (holding in escrow) 165.00 Officers 30.00	
Total Disbursements	\$685.00
Balance August 25, 1982	•
MINUTE ACCOUNT:	
Balance carried forward April 23, 1982	\$157.25
Income April 24, 1982	
Income August 14, 1982	
Balance October 22, 1982	

CHURCH	Total Membership	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Baptised	Received By Letter Stmt.	Mem. Lost By Death-Other FWB	Mem. Lost To Non-FWB Chrchs.	Sun. School Enrollment	Average S.S. Attendance
Albany	450	300	150	8	18	27	18	275	190
Arlington	37	30	7	3	4			36	275
Bainbridge	56	52	4	0	0	0	2	40	28
Bellview	244	128	116	1	6	8	1	132	114
Berean	21	17	4	2	0	33	0	50	24
Blakely	126	121	5	2	2	2	1	101	78
Cedar Springs	84	42	42	0	4	5	3	55	40
Damascus	21	12	9	1	1	1	1	50	30
Enterprise	31	27	4	0	0	0	0	12	9
Hammock Spr.	117	97	20	5	9	3	1	81	52
Macedonia	119	65	54	3	6	3	0	51	42
Mt. Zion	59	37	22	0	3	2	0	10	10
New Enterprise	87	87	0	9	1	2	1	74	38
New Light	124	82	42	1	2	3	1	77	52
Oak Grove	48	24	24	0	0	0	0	24	103
Patmos	131	81	50	1	2	4	1	47	40
Travelers Rest	108	91	17	3	1	2	0	50	35
White Plains	67	47	20	0	0	0	0	31	24
TOTALS	1930	1340	290	39	59	95	30	1119	813

C.T.S. Enrollment	Avg. C.T.S. Attendance	W.A. Enrollment	W.A. Average Attendance	Masters Men Enrollment	Masters Men Avg. Attend.	Prayer Meet. Attendance	V.B.S. Enrollment	No. Stud. Att. FWB BC	No. Stud. Att. Others	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Ministers
131	101	23	18	29	20	101	X	4	25	0	2
25	-	_			-	25		0	0	0	0
25	20	9	5	9	5	17	X	0	0	1	1
101	65	18	12	X		50	51	0	4	1	1
10	6	7	7	X		10	X	.0	0	0	1
45	34	16	11	7	5	35	72	0	1	0	1
35	26	17	13	X		25	93	0	3	1	1
X		X		X		X	50	0	0	0	1
X		X		X		X	X	0	0	0	1
55	42	18	14	10	6	25	58	0	1	1	1
31	30	9	7					0	0	0	1
X		6	5	X		10	X	0	1	0	0
X	-	5	5	X	_	X	X				1
17	15	X		X		17	67	0	2	0	0
X		X	_	X	_	X	X	0	0.	1	1
22	19	11	7	9	8	12	50	0	1	0	2
19	12	12	7	X		X	X	X	X	X	1
30	22	14	9	X		9		0	0	1	3
546	392	142	120	64	44	336	444	4	38	9	19

MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD TREASURY REPORT (2) JULY 31, 1982 thru OCTOBER 23, 1982

GENERAL ACCOUNT

GENERAL ACCOUNT		
Balance brought forward July 31, 1982		\$785.46
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Midway District Association	\$.00	
Georgia State Association	175.00	
Redeemed Certificate with Farmer's	2.0.00	
Fertilizer & Milling Co. Principal	200.42	
Interest	200.42	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	200.12	1,375.42
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR		\$2,160.88
EXPENDITURES:		
The Peoples Bank of Colquitt		
(4 payments for Berean Church		
@ \$322.86 Aug Nov. payments)	\$1,291.44	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	•	1,291.44
BALANCE IN GENERAL ACCOUNT 10/23/82		\$869.44
ON DEPOSIT WITH FARMERS FERTILIZER		
AND MILLING CO.		
1 CERTIFICATE FOR	\$1,600.00	
Accrued Interest @ 13%	541.10	
TOTAL	\$2,141.10	
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BUDGET AND FINANCE BOARD'S I	REPORT (3)	
Received today from dues		913.50
For National Association, 10 churches		
Offering today		
Midway Auxiliary, for Minutes		
Total today		\$1,206.23
DISBURSEMENTS:		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
National Association support (18 Churches)		180 00
Georgia Association, 7 delegates		
Midway Mission Board (40% \$1,056.23)		
v · · · · · · ·		
Superannuates (4 at 20.00 each)		
Designated for Minutes		
Officers (2 at 15.00 each)		100.00
Camp Mount Bethel		79 74
Total Disbursed		
Total Disputsed		
		Submitted,
		hn English
	J	ine Nichols

REPORT OF THE ORDAINING BOARD (4)

1. We have examined Rev. Ernest Ross and found him to be sound in the Faith and in agreement with Free Will Baptist doctrine. We have received letters of recommendation from the Free Will Baptist National Home Mission Board and from his present church, the Bellview F.W.B. Church of Col-

quitt, Ga. Therefore we recommend that he be received as a ministered in good standing into the Midway Association.

2. We recommend that the name of Rev. Fred Warner be struck from our roll, due to the fact that he has returned to the state of Arkansas, and not having been received into our association officially, no further action is necessary.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. C.R. Houston, Rev. Melvin Moody Rev. Coy Watson, Rev. Roger Russell

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 5

We the Resolution Committee submit the following report:

- 1. The telephone numbers as well as the addresses of the Moderator, Clerk and Ministers be included in the minutes.
- 2. That we give Blakely a rising vote of thanks for the good food, fellowship and hospitality we all enjoyed today.

Mrs. Mathel Barnes Mrs. Eva Clenny Mrs. Ailene Clower

OBITUARY COMMITTEE'S REPORT NO. 6

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 the names are read.

Respectfully submitted, Florrie Mae Alexander Agnes Pyle

Deceased members in the Midway Association in 1982:

Albany First F.W.B. Church:

Mrs. Ludie Hayes, Mrs. Dorothy Holland, Mr. Russell Anderson, Mrs. Eva Lovett and Mr. Clinton Mallory.

Bellview Church: Mr. Johnny Freeman

Hammock Springs Church: Mrs. B.B. (Lillie Mae) Barker

11-17-1909: 5-13-1982

Mt. Zion Church: Mrs. Mytrice Swords and Mrs. Annie Taliaferro

New Enterprise Church: Mrs. Jamie Williams

Patmos Church: Mr. C.D. Sheffield

New Light Church: Mr. Franklin Max Aycock and Mr. Perry Wilkerson Travelers Rest Church: Mr. Berman Butler, Mr. Adolph Parker, and Mr.

Ralph Collins

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT (7)

Churches in Association	18	with 1930 members, 1334 Resident and 596 Non- resident
Churches with Letters	18	
Churches with Rep. Fee	18	
AMOUNT OF FEES	\$913.50	
Fees for National Association	100.00	
Delegates	42	from 18 churches
Deacons	16	
Pastors	10	
Voting Representatives total	68	
Laymen	23	
Visitors	5	

	Reporting	Enrollment	Average Attendance
Sunday Schools	18	1226	843
C.T.S.	13	546	392
Woman's Auxiliary	13	164	120
Masters Men	5	64	44
Prayer Meetings	12		354

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Vaudine Moody

NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT (8)

Moderator	Malcolm Freeman	(82)(2)
Assistant Moderator.	Danny Thomas	(82)(2)
Clerk	Edith Shiver	(82)(2)
Assistant Clerk	Frank Palmer	(82)(2)
Treasurer	Melvin Moody	(82)(1)
	Mrs. Melvin Moody	

Mission Board:

John Grant, Rev. Paul Suggs, Rev. David Griffin, Leron Clower, Bob George and Alvin Day as an Honorary Life Member.

ORDAINING BOARD:

Rev. C.R. Houston, Rev. Roger Russell, Rev. Coy Watson, Rev. E.R. Corbett and Rev. Wayne Chambless. The board expresses a big thanks to Rev. W.F. McDuffie for his years of service on the Ordaining Board and other ways he has served the Midway Association.

BUDGET and FINANCE BOARD:

Mrs. June Nichols and Mr. John Alton English

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Mytrice Paul, Mrs. Eva Clenny and Mr. T.E. Moye

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Richard Hays, Eleanor Sheffield and Bill Lofton

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Florrie Mae Alexander and Mrs. Wynelle Clower

CAMP BOARD:

Lee Merritt, Myra White, Laverne Mock, Rev. Reedy Saverance and Rev. Ernest Ross.

Respectfully Submitted Eleanor Sheffield Richard Hays

MIDWAY AUXILIARY MINUTES October 2, 1982

The Midway District Woman's Auxiliary Convention was held at Macedonia Church on Oct. 2, 1982. Theme for the day was, "Give of Yourself to Others" with scripture II Cor. 3:5b. Congregational singing was led by Bro. Reedy Saverance with Mrs. Pauline Bush as pianist. A warm welcome was extended by Mrs. Mildred Bowen. Mrs. Dorothy Murphy gave an inspiring devotion, stating how through prayer we help ourselves and others. Mrs. Mathel Barnes led in prayer.

The business session was called to order by the president, Mrs. Mya White. Eight Auxiliaries answered roll call with delegates present, and they were seated in order. The Finance, Resolutions, and Credentials committees were appointed. A report of the National Convention was given by Mrs. Edra Severance. Mrs. Edith Shiver gave a report of the State Prayer Retreat, and Mrs. Laverne Mock gave a report on the National Prayer Retreat.

Special music before the morning message was presented by Bro. Saverance, Pastor of Ceder Springs Church. The message was brought by Bro. Carlisle Hanna, Missionary to India for thirty years. Many hearts were stirred as he told about the position women occupy in the East, the many suicides because of their homelife. He stressed how thankful we should be in America. He shared the personal lives of some of the people his family has ministered to over the years.

After lunch special music was presented by Mr. and Mrs. George Pyle. The afternoon devotion was given by Mrs. Edra Eaverance, "Give Yourself to Others Through Study". She challenged all to study the Bible, saying, "no man is uneducated that knows the Bible".

Officers' reports given were: Mission Prayer Chairman-Mrs. Emily Harting; Treasurer-Mrs. Betty Akridge; Secretary-Mrs. Laverne Mock. It was MSC to accept these reports. The Credentials, Fianance and Registration Committees reports were given and accepted. (See reports)

Mrs. Edra Saverance was elected as secretary to fulfill the unexpired term of Mrs. Carol Clenney who resigned. Mrs. Gloria Henley was elected to replace Mrs. Dorothy Murphy who resigned as Mission Action chairman. Delegates to the State Convention are: Myrtice Paul, Edra Saverance, Ida Tabb, Betty Akridge, Laverne Mock, Wynelle Clower. MSC that the President or Field Worker appoint needed delegates at the Convention. The Resolutions Committee report was given. MSC to adopt 1,2,4,5 and 6; and to lay number 3 on the table until next convention. See report. Elected to the Nominating Committee were: Edith Shiver, Chairman, Mildred Bowen,

Myrtis Paul, Lorene Edwards and Eleanor Sheffield. The District Workshop will meet at Mt. Zion, March 5, 1983, and the Convention will meet with New Enterprise, Oct. 1, 1983. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Myra White, President LaVerne Mock, Acting Secretary

REGISTRATION REPORT:

Delegates	30
District Officers	7
Visitors	7
Missionaries	1
Pastors	1
Total Present	46

By Ailene Clower Wynelle Clower

CREDENTIALS REPORT

Twelve churches reported with reports and fees properly: Albany, Blakely, Ceder Springs, Bainbridge, Bellview, Hammock Springs, Patmos, Macedonia, Travelers Rest, White Plains, Mt. Zion and New Enterprise.

LaVerne Mock, Chair Myrtice Paul Jean Johnson

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OCTOBER 1, 1981 thru SPETEMBER 30, 1982

General Treasury

Brought Forward Oct. 1, 1981		\$92.56
District Meeting Offering Received		62.30
Total Receipts		\$154.86
Disbursements:		·
Printed Bulletins	\$5.40	
Printing of Minutes	60.00	
Bank Service Charges	9.10	
Speaker	25.00	
Total Disbursements	· ·	99.50
Treasury Balance Sept. 30, 1982		\$55.36
Designated Funds Dessioned and Disham	1.	

Designated Funds Received and Disbursed:

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1. Albany First (21)	8. Hammock Springs (15)
2. Arlington	9. Macedonia (9)
3. Bainbridge First (7)	10. New Enterprise (5)
4. Bellview (18)	11. Patmos (9)
5. Berean	12. Travelers Rest (11)
6. Blakely (16)	13. White Plains (13)
7. Cedar Springs (17)	14. Mt. Zion (4)

HOME MISSIONS		\$670.32
National Home Missions:	\$60.00	
Rev. J. D. Norris	95.00	
Dublin	85.00	
Rev. Sam Wilkinson	72.00	
State Home Missions	140.00	
Pre-Thanksgiving (Lizzie McAdams)	218.32	
	\$670.32	
FOREIGN MISSIONS		\$2,826.25
Pre-Christmas	\$20.00	, ,
Pre-Easter	275.25	
Arilla Wode	166.50	
Crowson's "100" Club	100.00	
Banks	269.00	
Tom Willey Jr.	40.00	
Charlotte Tallent	279.00	
Spanish Contact	13.00	
Westfield India Pastors	90.00	
State Project	1,573.50	
	\$2,826.25	
WNAC General and Emphasis Fund	. ,	\$158.00
Co-Laborer		
Dot Harvey Loan		
Children's Home		
State Speaker for Nov., 1981		
Student Nationals		
Youth Camp		
FWBBC		
Provision Closet		
Retired Ministers		
		\$898.30
Total Received and Disbursed		,
Balance in Treasury September 30, 1982.		
Representation Fees Received	• • • • • • • • • • • •	997 75
TANK OPPORTUNITE CONTROCTA CONT		\$343.11
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	R	espectfully Submitted.

Respectfully Submitted, Betty Akridge, Treasurer

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT October 2, 1982

Offering today	\$46.75
Disbursements:	
Rev. Carlisle Hanna	75.00
Printing of minutes	50.00
Postage and Programs	6.92
	\$131.92

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Auxiliaries reporting	12
Beginning of year enrollment	149
New Members	20
Members lost	23
Present enrollment	151
Average attendance per Auxiliary	9
Visitors	28
Extension members	2

LaVerne Mock, Acting Secretary

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT:

- 1. We recommend: this convention accept the state project as recommended at State Convention.
- 2. This convention adopt the 5th WNAC resolution which reads: Be it resolved that the next three years be designated for as emphasis on the three departments of work-

1982-83 Mission Action

1983-84 Mission Study

1984-85 Mission Prayer

3. These changes be made in the Midway District Constitution and By-Laws:

Article V-

Meetings: Section 1 - The annual meeting shall be held each year at such time as may be determined at the previous annual meeting or by the Executive Committee. Other meetins may be held at the descretion of the Convention.

Section 2 - This convention and workshop convene with the Auxiliaries of the District according to alphabetical order unless an Auxiliary is unable to serve as host for some reason.

ARTICLE VI of the ByLaws:

Fees and Reports:

- A. Membership fee per person of this convention shall be set in accordance with the State and National fees.
- B. (To be added) The minutes of the previous convention shall be read at the beginning of the business meeting as information.

Article VI of the Constitution be amended to read: This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present.

Article VII of the ByLaws be amended to read: These By-Laws may be amended at any annual meeting of the convention by a two-thirds vote of members present.

- 4. We recommend to the State Convention that all funds for the India work be sent designated under the Hanna account for the South India work.
- 5. We give the executive committee a hearty Amen in appreciation for the program today.
- 6. We give Macedonia Auxiliary a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality today.

SUBMITTED BY: Edith Shiver, Lorene Edwards, Emily Harting, Florrie Alexander, Mildred Bowen.

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MIDWAY AUXILIARY WORKSHOP MINUTES March 6, 1982

The Midway District Auxiliary Workshop met with Hammock Springs Church for their annual Spring Workshop. Theme for the day was "Attack on the Family, Christians Are Not Exempt."

The meeting was opened with singing "His Way With Thee" and prayer by Mrs. Corbitt.

Special music by Deborah Barton as she sang "Only One Life". Mrs. Mathel Barnes gave a very inspiring devotion taken from 11 Timothy 3:14-15.

Wynelle Clower gave a very interesting talk on "Family Structure" taking her scripture from Genesis 2:21-24. She was followed by Ella Phillips with an interesting talk on "Work and Family". She inspired all by her personal testimony. Betty Akridge introduced the special guest, Mary Fogarty, who gave interesting facts on "Drugs and Alcohol". She also gave her personal testimony. Myra White concluded this part of the program with her talk on "Divorce".

Mrs. Eva Clenney dismissed with prayer, after which a delicious covered dish lunch was enjoyed by all.

The afternoon session began with congregational singing, after which Dorita Suggs rendered special music "Just As You Are".

Doris Sheffield introduced the special guest, Beverly Marstellar. Mrs. Marstellar challenged each of us with her very inspiring and touching talk and testimony. Mrs. Sheffield summarized our day with "Personal Glimpses". All attending received special blessings.

Myra White, President Carol Clenny, Secretary

C.T.S. ANNUAL REPORT

The Midway C.T.S. Rally has held four meetings this year as following: February 6 at Patmos Church with nine churches represented with 105 members. The program by host church on "Love" with the highlight being when Mrs. Edith Shiver who represented the "Mrs. Cheer Up Lady" visited several sick children, and Rev. Paul Suggs visited them to really make them feel good. Elected to the program committee were Edith Shiver, Christine Danield and Myra White. Travelers Rest Church won the Attendance Banner.

May 1 at Arlington Church with 8 churches represented with 145 members. The Competition activities were held and winners were: Albany Tic Tac Toe Team of Paige Jordan, Kim Durden, Susie Moore and Joanne Warner; The Sword Drill winner was Michael Mock of Albany; and Paige Jordon of Albany won in the Music Arts. Travelers Rest Church won the Attendance Banner again.

August 7 at Travelers Rest Church with 7 churches represented with 74 members. A Christian film, "A Man and His Men" was shown. Officers elected were: Woodrow Parker as President, Steve Long as Vice President, Dorothy Irvin as Secretary and Treasurer, Program Commdittee - Edith Shiver, Christine Daniel and Myra White. The Rally voted to give \$100.00 as a scholarship to a deserving student from the Midway Asociation attending the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tenn. Patmos Church won the Attendance Banner. The 1983 meetings will be held at: Blakely, Feb. 5; Bellview April 2; Travelers Rest August 6; and Patmos November 5. It was announced the Nov. meeting in Albany.

November 6 at Albany First F.W.B. Church with 5 churches represented with 101 in attendance. A musical program was presented by the Music Department of Albany Church under the direction of Mr. Danny Thomas. It was very inspiring to all. The scholarship award of \$100.00 was awarded to Miss Terri Greene of the Albany Church.

C.T.S. TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance forward August 1, 1981	432.10
Total dues and offerings	412.63
Total	\$844.73
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Postage, Checks and	21.98
service charges	24.65
High Adv. Ministries love offering	150.00
District Competition materials	15.95
Medals, CTS Winners	37.40
Dues, State Youth Conference	55.00
Film for CTS Rally Program	36.02
Total Spent	\$341.00
Balance 8-31-82	503.73

Dorothy Irvin, Treasurer

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The Midway Sunday School Convention met with the Blakely Church on June 26 with a good attendance.

The Blakely Church presented a program which was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Vaudine Moody was elected to fill the unexpired term of Miss Pam Smith as Corresponding Secretary.

Mr. Bobby Rish, President encouraged all to talk up the convention which will meet with Ceder Springs Church next June 25.

The Blakely Church provided a bountiful lunch and the convention closed with the lunch hour.

NOTE-No report, only comments by Clerk

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 constition.

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 therof 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 Associations out of session.

Section 3: The standing Boards of this Association shall be the Missions Board, Ordaining Board, Budget and Finance Board, the General Board, and the Camp 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 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 alternation 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 per quarterly session and seventy-five cents 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:

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- 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 5 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 which 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 ordaination or to be recognized as ordained must be pastoring, to 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 ordaination. Six months pastoring during the one year tenure of licensing will be accepted as a pre-requisite for ordaination.
- Section 3. The Budget and Finance Board shall be composed of three (3) members, one of whom shall be the Treasurer, and who shall serve as its chairman. These members shall be elected on even years for the period of two (2) years. It shall be their duty to:
- (a) Receive and disburse all Associational monies at the request of the Association.
- (b) To receive all pleas for help and suggestions for disbursements of monies.
- (c) To recommend to the Association the disbursement of 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 conditions.

Section 4. The Camp Board shall be composed of five members. The Presidents of the Masters Men and the Woman's Auxiliary of the Midway Association shall be two of the five members. The Chairman of the Board shall be Camp Director and the Treasurer of the Board shall be Co-Director. This Board shall be elected or re-elected each year. It shall be their duties to:

- (a) Plan and promote the Youth Camp over the District.
- (b) Set time for the Midway Camp.
- (c) Set fees for the Camp in accordance with the State Camp Board.
- (d) Secure volunteer to hire sufficient help and supervision for the camp session.

ARTICLE V

COMMITTEES:

Section 1. The Nominating committee shall be composed of three members whose terms of office shall be two years, and who shall be elected or re-elected on even years.

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 meeting which meets in October for the Annual meeting. It is requested that this report be mailed to the clerk (15) days before the annual session.

ARTICLE VII

MISCELLANEOUS:

Section 1. Forty percent (40.) of Associational fees (dues) 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 (1) office in the Midway Association at the same time. No General Officer (Top Six Officers) may succeed himself or herself 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 majority vote of the membership present provided that the proposed amendment is presented in writing during one session, placed on the posed 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. Steven Hasty 1712 Dawson Rd. Albany, GA 31707	Mrs. Lolita Segraves 1702 Avalon Ave. Albany, GA 31707	Mr. Bill Lofton 2906 Greer St. Albany, GA 31707	Gary Huntzinger 114 Thimbimill Dr. Leesburg, GA	Mrs. Lula Holt Rt. 5, Lot 74 Albany, GA 31707	Gary Huntzinger 114 Thimblmill D Leesburg, GA
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DAMASCUS	Rev. Ken Murphy	Mrs. Margaret Daniel Rt. 1, Box 7 Damascus, GA 31741	Mr. Ira Walton Rt. 1 Colquitt, GA 31737			
ENTRPRISE	Rev. Coy Watson Rt. 1 Blakely, GA 31723	Mrs. Martha Jenkins Rt. 1, Box 162 Blakely, GA 31723	Ralph Jenkins Rt. 1, Box 162 Blakely, GA 31723			•

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