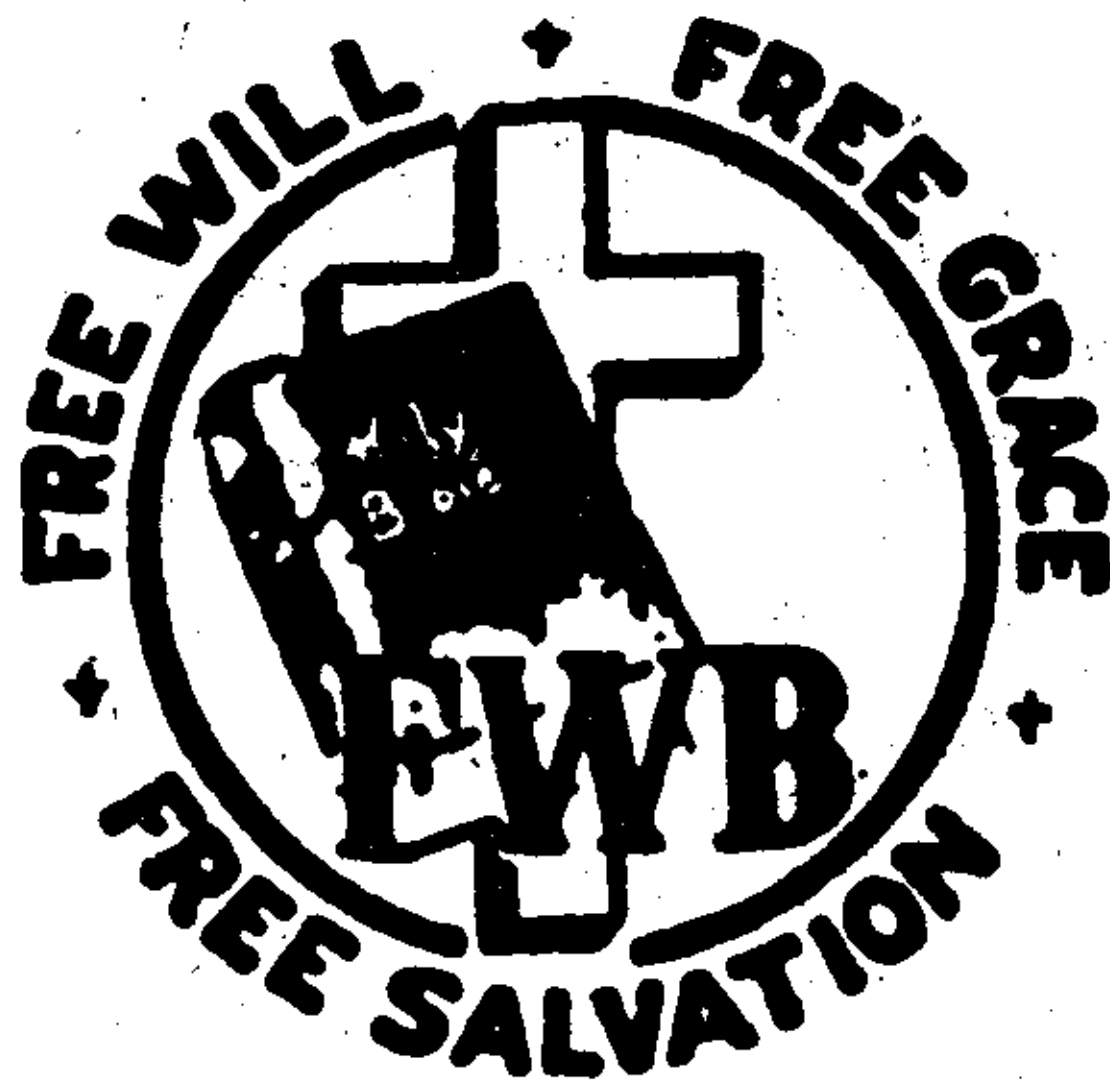


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1988 MINUTES
Midway Association
Of
Free Will Baptists Of Georgia



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Mr. Fred Middleton (1983)	Blakely, GA 31723
Mr. M.G. (Bud) Shiver (1984)	Rt. 2, Leary, GA 31762
Mr. Bill Lofton (1984)	Albany, GA
Mr. Richard Hays (1984)	Blakely, GA 31723
Mr. Joe Martin (1985)	Colquitt, GA 31737

BUDGET AND FINANCE BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. John English (1982)	Colquitt, GA 31737
Mrs. Betty Bentley (1986)	Newton, GA 31770

ORDAINING BOARD MEMBERS

Reverend W.F. McDuffie (1984)	Blakely, GA 31723
Reverend Ralph Lightsey (1986)	Statesboro, GA 30458
Reverend Coy Watson (1987)	Blakely, GA 31723
Reverend Billy Hanna (1986)	Albany, GA 31707
Reverend Gary Smith (1988)	Donalsonville, GA 31745

CAMPING BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. Myra White (1982)	Blakely, GA 31723
Mrs. Evera Moye (1984)	Newton, GA 31770
Reverend Marty McWilliams (1987)	Blakely, GA 31723
Reverend Rudy Woods (1985)	Colquitt, GA 31737
Reverend Walter Baxley (1986)	Cedar Springs, GA 31732
Mrs. Ann Sumerlin (1988)	Leary, GA 31762

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Mrs. Myrtis Paul (1986)	Blakely, GA 31723
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Mrs. Shirley Kimbrel (1988)	Colquitt, GA 31737
Mrs. Becky Woods (1987)	Colquitt, GA 31737

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Mrs. Pauline Bush (1984)	Rt. 2, Leary, GA 31762
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Mr. Jerry E. Gresham - Camp Board	Albany, GA
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Mrs. Wynelle Clower - Field Worker	

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Reverend Willie Sumerlin
Reverend Rudy Woods

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Reverend Damon Dodd..... Rt. 3, Box 60
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Sylvester, GA 31791
912-776-4071
Reverend Gary Smith Rt. 3, Box 119
Donalsonville, GA 31745
912-324-8693
Reverend Willie Sumerlin Rt. 2, Box 67
Leary, GA 31762
912-734-5531

Reverend Tony Tilley	Unknown
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Reverend Rudy Woods	Rt. 4, Box 495 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-3555
Reverend Rodney Wilson	Unknown
Reverend Jerry Williams	Rt. 3 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-2982

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MIDWAY ASSOCIATIONS, 1989

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Hammock Springs FWB Rt. 3 Donalsonville, GA 31745 912-524-8693	Rev. Gary Smith Rt. 3, Box 119 Donalsonville, GA 31745 912-324-8693	Mrs. Janice Jones Rt. 3, Box 314-A Donalsonville, GA 31745 912-524-5618
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Oak Grove FWB Church Rt. 4 Highway 27 Colquitt, GA	Rev. W.F. McDuffie 728 Central Avenue Blakely, GA 31723 912-723-4097	(Acting Clerk) Mr. H.A. Harbin, Sr. Rt. 4, Box 72 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-3621
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Travelers Rest FWB Church Rt. 2, Box 30 Newton, GA 31770 912-734-4184	Rev. F.W. Harris P.O. Box 531 Newton, GA 31770 912-734-5541	Mrs. Voncille Musgrove Route 2, Box 28 Newton, GA 31770 912-734-5360
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1989 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Association:

January 21, 1989 - First Church of Albany - 10:00 A.M.
 April 22, 1989 - Bellview - 10:00 A.M.
 July 29, 1989 - Berean - 10:00 A.M.
 October 21, 1989 - Blakely - 9:30 A.M.

Woman's Auxiliary:

February 4, 1989 - Enterprise, Seminar, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
(Mrs. Geraldine Waid will present a study of Woman's Auxiliary Manual)

March 4, 1989 - Travelers Rest, Workshop - 10:00 A.M.

October 7, 1989 - Albany First, Convention - 10:00 A.M.

C.T.S. Rally

February - Bellview

District Rally - First Church of Albany

August - Blakely First

November - Patmos

Sunday School Convention:

February 25, 1989 - Patmos - 9:30 A.M.

National Associations:

1989 - Tampa, Florida - July 16-20

1990 - Phoenix, Arizona - July 15-19

1991 - Charleston, West Virginia - July 21-25

1992 - Indianapolis, Indiana - July 19-23

1993 - Louisville, Kentucky - July 18-22

1994 - Little Rock Arkansas - July 17-21

1995 - Charlotte, North Carolina - July 16-20

1996 - Fort Worth, Texas - July 21-25

1997 - Cincinnati, Ohio - July 20-24

FIRST SESSION JANUARY 24, 1988

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptists convened on January 23, 1988 at New Enterprise FWB Church for the first session of the 90th year of the Association. Reverend Rudy Woods was chorister for the day, and Mrs. Patricia Harrison was the pianist.

The meeting opened with the congregation singing "Power in the Blood". Reverend Billy Hanna led the opening prayer. Reverend E.R. Corbett led the congregation in singing the chorus of "Power in the Blood." Brother Wyatt Brackin welcomed everyone to New Enterprise Church. Reverend Joe Murkerson presented the morning devotion. He opened with prayer and gave a message entitled "Stephen, Being Just A Believer", from Acts 6:8.

The Clerk, Mrs. Janice Temples, called the session to order and presented the Moderator, Reverend E.R. Corbett, who welcomed everyone to the Association. A motion was made, seconded and carried to change printed program as needed.

The following ministers answered roll call: Reverend Walter Baxley, Reverend E.R. Corbett, Reverend Billy Hanna, Reverend Ralph Lightsey, Reverend W.F. McDuffie, Reverend Marty McWilliams, Reverend M.C. Powell, Reverend Willie Sumerlin, Reverend Coy Watson and Reverend Rudy Woods.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given and the delegates were seated. Reverend Roger Russell and Reverend Alton Everson of the Martin Association and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Moody of the Paul Palmer Association were welcomed as visitors.

Reverend M.C. Powell addressed the Association on the work that the

Junior Woman's Club of Albany, Georgia was doing for cancer patients. He stated that he and Mrs. Powell had received many blessings from this Club's work. He asked each one to pray for leadership from God to support the Junior Woman's Club in their work.

The following were appointed to serve on committees for the day: Mrs. Edith Shiver and Mrs. Argent Corbett on the Budget and Finance, Mrs. Janet Baxley and Mrs. Martha Jenkins on the Resolution Committee and Mrs. Ann Sumerlin on the Nominating Committee. Reverend W.F. McDuffie led in prayer. The meeting recessed for ten minutes.

Delegates from each church were seated. The congregation sang "Love Lifted Me". Reverend Roger Russell led in prayer. "He Keeps Me Singing" was sung by the congregation. Reverend E.R. Corbett expressed appreciation to Mrs. Ollie Trawick for the beautiful arrangements of camellias throughout the church.

Brother J.W. Clower prayed the Offeratory Prayer. An offering of \$111.35 was received. Special music was presented by Susan Amerison and Eve Harrison. Reverend Joe Murkerson presented Reverend Doug Carr, pastor of the First FWB Church in Malone, Florida who brought the morning message. Reverend Carr opened with prayer and read scripture from Genesis 35:1-3. His message was entitled, "Reaffirm Your Relationship To God".

Reverend Ralph Lightsey dismissed for lunch with prayer.

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "Sunlight". Reverend Willie Sumerlin led in prayer. Special music was presented by Susan Amerison and Eve Harrison. Reverend Marty McWilliams gave the devotional, read scripture from II Timothy 3:1-5, and led in prayer.

Reports were given, MSC to accept or adopt all reports.

No. 1 -- Budget and Finance by Edith Shiver.

No. 2 -- Ordaining Board by Reverend Billy Hanna.

No. 3 -- Camping Board by Reverend Rudy Woods.

No. 4 -- Resolutions Committee by Jan Baxley.

No. 5 -- Mission Board by Richard Hays.

No. 6 -- Nominating Committee by Rev. M.C. Powell.

No. 7 -- Credentials Report by Wynelle Clower.

No. 8 -- Treasurer's Report by Leron Clower.

Mrs. Edith Shiver announced the Sunday School Convention to be held at Bellview on February 20, 1988, and the CTS Rally would be held at Blakely Church on February 6, 1988. Brother Malcolm Freeman gave a report from the State Mission Board. He stated the note on the Dublin Church will be paid off on April 1, 1988.

The congregation sang "Amazing Grace" acappella. The meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m. with prayer by Brother O.B. Everson.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

REPORT NO. 1 -- BUDGET AND FINANCE BOARD REPORT

Balance Brought Forward	\$66.72
RECEIPTS	
Brother McDuffie, 50.00, Debbie Griffin	50.00
Brother McDuffie, 45.00, State Missions	45.00
Dues from churches	590.00
Offering Today	111.35
Total Received	<u>\$796.35</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Debbie Griffin (designated)	50.00
State Mission Board (designated)	45.00
Midway Mission Board	280.54
(40% of total received)	
Midway Minutes	200.00
Superannuates	75.00
(Mrs. Clenney, Mrs. Knighton, Mrs. Shutes)	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Debbie Griffin Account	100.00
Total Disbursed	<u>\$810.54</u>
BALANCE IN GENERAL TREASURY	\$52.53

Submitted by,
Edith Shiver
Argent Corbett
Leron Clower

REPORT NO. 2 - ORDAINING BOARD REPORT

1. Upon reception of a letter of good standing from Southeast Association of Alabama, we recommend Reverend Sonny Harris be received into full fellowship of the Association.
2. We recommend Reverend Jerry Williams, Pastor of Bellview FWB Church to be placed under the watchcare of this Association until a letter of good standing be received from the Blue Ridge, Western Quarterly Association

Respectfully submitted,
Reverend Ralph Lightsey
Reverend McDuffie
Reverend Coy Watson
Reverend Billy Hanna

REPORT NO. 3 -- CAMPING BOARD REPORT

- I. We recommend that Camp begin Sunday, July 31, 1988 and end Friday morning, August 5, 1988.
- II. We recommend that each church be asked to contribute \$100.00 to

help keep camper fees at \$25.00

Reverend Rudy Woods
Reverend Walter Baxley
Reverend Marty McWilliams

REPORT NO. 4 -- RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Resolution Committee, resolve that:

1. Every member remember our missionaries on the home and foreign fields in prayer throughout 1988.
2. We express our appreciation to Susan Amerison and Eve Harrison for their contribution to our service today with their music.
3. We express our appreciation to Brother Doug Carr, Brother Joe Murkerson and Brother Marty McWilliams for the portions of God's word brought to us today.
4. We honor Mrs. Nancy Johnson from the First Baptist Church of Albany today for her faithfulness to God's work throughout her many years of service.
5. We give a rising vote of thanks and a hearty "Amen" to New Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church for the hospitality and delicious meal.

Submitted by,
Janet Baxley
Martha Jenkins

REPORT NO. 5 -- MISSIONS BOARD REPORT

Treasury Report Of The Mission Board October 24, 1987 to January 24, 1988

Oct. 24	Bal. Brought Forward	\$2061.33	
Oct. 24	Received from Midway	377.28	
Nov. 4	Received from State Off.	325.96	
Nov. 1	Received from Berean Ch.	73.57	
	Total	<u>\$2838.14</u>	
Dec. 3	4 Mnth. Payment, Ber. Ch.		\$1291.44
Dec. 3	Balance after payment	\$1546.70	
Dec. 3	Received from Berean Ch.	92.32	
Dec. 3	Received from State Off.	190.52	
Jan. 6	Received from State Off.	173.52	
Jan 12	Received from Berean Ch.	83.83	
	Balance of Jan. 24, 1988	<u>\$2086.89</u>	
	Farmers and Fertilizer CD	\$3097.10	
	Plus Accrued Interest	?	

We, the Mission Board, request permission to pay off principal on the loan to Berean Church at People's Bank. The principal is approximately \$5300.00. We, the Mission Board, will pay approximately \$3300.00, leaving a balance for the Church approximately \$2000.00

Motion and second to accept above Mission Board Report and Recommendation.

Brother Malcolm Freeman, State Mission Board Member, asked to

meet with the Mission Board before a vote was taken on this recommendation. Permission was granted for this Board to meet.

Association voted to accept Missions Board Report and Recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,
Brother Fred Middleton
Brother Bill Lofton
Brother Richard Hays
Brother Bud Shiver

REPORT NO. 6 -- NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Reverend M.C. Powell stated that the Association had received a letter of resignation from Brother Bobby Rish requesting he be replaced on the State Camp Board. The Moderator presented this and upon MSC the resignation of Bobby Rish was accepted.

We, the Nominating Committee recommend that Jerry Gresham serve on the State Camp Board.

We withhold recommending a replacement for Reverend Tony Tilly on the Ordaining Board at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
Reverend M.C. Powell
Mrs. Ann Sumerlin
Mrs. Oliver Houston

REPORT NO. 7 -- CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

16 churches reporting with letters
16 churches reporting with dues (\$589.50)
14 ministers
4 visiting ministers
14 deacons present
42 church delegates
19 lay members present
93 present
9 visitors present
102 Total Present

STATISTICAL REPORT

Sunday School Enrollment	940
Average Attendance	678
C.T.S. Enrollment	380
Average Attendance	307
Woman's Auxiliary	145
Average Attendance	108
Master's Men	69
Average Attendance	52
Prayer Meetings	13
Average Attendance	300

REPORT NO. 8 -- MIDWAY ASSOCIATION TREASURY REPORT**January 1988**

Balance Brought Forward	\$145.80
Received from Rev. McDuffie, Debbie Griffin 50.00	
State Mission 45.00	95.00
Damascus FWB Church, Sept. 1, 1987	10.00
Morning Offering	119.20
Received from Churches	924.00
Total Offering & Amount Brought Forward	1294.00
Paid Out:	
Debbie Griffin	50.00
State Mission	45.00
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Superannuates	
Mrs. Eva Clenney	30.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	30.00
Minutes	200.00
Delegates to State Assoc.	75.00
Nat. Assoc. Dues	160.00
40% Midway Mission Board	377.28
Debbie Griffin	100.00
Coop. Program	100.00
Total Paid Out	1227.28
Balance in Treasury	66.72
 Balance in Minute Treasury	 562.88
 Leron Clower, Treasurer	

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION, APRIL 23, 1988

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptist convened on April 23, 1988 at Patmos FWB Church for the Second Session of the 90th year of the Association. Reverend Walter Baxley was chorister for the day. Mrs. Jan Baxley was pianist and Mrs. Pauline Bush was organist.

The meeting opened with the congregation singing "There Is Power In The Blood". Reverend Ralph Lightsey led in prayer. Reverend Willie Sumerlin, pastor of Patmos Church welcomed everyone.

Reverend Jerry Williams presented the morning devotion from Acts, Chapter 4:4-10, "Courage" was his theme. Reverend Williams closed his message with prayer.

The Clerk, Mrs. Janice Temples, called the session to order and presented the Moderator, Reverend E.R. Corbett, who welcomed everyone to the Association. Brother Willard Tedder led in prayer. MSC to change printed program as needed.

The following ministers answered roll call: Reverend Walter Baxley, Reverend E.R. Corbett, Reverend Ralph Lightsey, Reverend W.F. McDuffie, Reverend M.C. Powell, Reverend Willie Sumerlin, Reverend

Coy Watson, Reverend Rudy Woods, Reverend W.E. Brown, Reverend Marty McWilliams, and Reverend Sonny Harris.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given and the delegates were seated. Reverend Melvin Moody and Mr. Earl Jordan were visitors from the Paul Palmer Association. Reverend and Mrs. Herbert Waid were visitors from the State Office. Reverend E.B. Corbett stated that he had been in the Midway Association for 16 years and would continue to leave his membership in the Association.

Reverend Waid made several announcements concerning State Missions in Dublin and North Atlanta. Brother Waid reported the death of Reverend Sam Wilkinson, former missionary in Brazil for 20 years. At the time of his death, he was Director of the Mission Department at Hillsdale FWB College in Moore, Oklahoma.

The State Minutes were delivered to the Association by Brother Waid and distributed to all churches. Midway Association placed second in attendance on Roll Call Sunday statewide.

State Mission Board member, Malcolm Freeman, gave a report on State Mission and thanked all churches for their cooperative support. He reported that the Mission Board had received approval for a missionary to go to Rome, Georgia as soon as school is out.

The following were appointed to serve on committees for the day: Mr. Murray Haire on the Budget and Finance, Mrs. Margaret Daniels and Mrs. Henrietta Brown on the Resolutions Committee, Mrs. Edith Shiver, Mrs. Mildred Paul and Mr. Malcolm Freeman were appointed to serve on a Placement Committee. The Placement Committee will report at the Annual Session in October. The meeting recessed for 10 minutes.

The Worship Service opened with the congregation singing "Amazing Grace". Brother Malcolm Freeman led in prayer. Reverend Baxley led in a congregational hymn. The Offeratory Prayer was led by Reverend W.F. McDuffie. An offering of \$71.36 was received. Reverend and Mrs. Walter Baxley presented special music.

The morning message was from I Timothy 6:3-12. Reverend Rudy Woods preached of "From Such, Withdraw Thyself", he closed his message with prayer.

Reverend Willie Sumerlin invited everyone to lunch and Reverend Herbert Waid dismissed with prayer asking God's blessings on the lunch.

The afternoon session began with the song "He Keeps Me Singing". Reverend Sonny Harris gave a devotional using a text from Hebrews 12:1-3, "When The Strong Become Weary", he closed his message with prayer.

Board and Committee reports were given. MCS to accept or adopt all reports.

Report No. 1 -- Treasurer's by Leron Clower

Report No. 2 -- Budget and Finance by Murray Haire

Report No. 3 -- Ordaining Board by Rev. Ralph Lightsey

Report No. 4 -- Camping Board by Rev. Rudy Woods

Report No. 5 -- Resolutions Committee by Mrs. Henrietta Brown

Report No. 6 -- Credentials Committee by Mrs. Wynelle Clower

Brother Bud Shiver gave information on the work of the Mission Board. Information was given on the work at Mt. Bethel by the Master's Men. Mrs. Edith Shiver announced CTS competition would be held at Bellview Church on May 7, 1988 at 6:00 p.m. A Senior Citizen's Choir meeting will be held at Albany First FWB Church on May 3, 1988 at 10:30 a.m., this

meeting's purpose is to form a choir to be directed by Danny Thomas.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Reverend Coy Watson at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

REPORT NO. 1 -- MIDWAY ASSOCIATION TREASURY REPORT

April 23, 1988

Amount Brought Forward	66.72
Reverend W.F. McDuffie (Debbie Griffin 50.00)	
(State Mission 45.00)	90.00
Hammock Springs	60.00
New Enterprise	30.00
Amount from Churches	589.50
Morning Offering	111.35
Total Offering and Amount Brought Forward	947.57

Paid Out:

Debbie Griffin	50.00
State Mission	45.00
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
40 % Midway Mission Board	280.54
Minutes	200.00
Superannuates:	
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes (Nov. 6, 1987 - 30.00)	55.00
Debbie Griffin	100.00
Total Paid Out	840.54
Balance in Treasury	107.03

Minutes treasury brought forward	562.88
Received from Assoc.	200.00
Total	762.88
Paid Out	
Printing of Minutes	665.60
Balance in Minute Treasury	97.28

Leron Clower,
Treasurer

REPORT NO. 2 -- BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT

Balance brought forward	107.03
Received from Brother McDuffie, designated	100.00
(State Missions, 50.00; Debbie Griffin, 50.00)	
Dues from churches today	547.00
Morning Offering	71.36
Total Receipts	<u>\$825.39</u>

Disbursements:	
Midway Mission Board (40% of offerings)	247.34
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Minutes	200.00
Superannuates	
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Debbie Griffin (designated)	50.00
State Mission (designated)	50.00
Debbie Griffin	100.00
Total Disbursed	\$782.34
Balance on Hand	\$43.05

Respectfully submitted,
John English
Murray Haire

REPORT NO. 3 -- ORDAINING BOARD REPORT

We examined Reverend Gary Smith and recommend that he be received into the fellowship of this Association pending a letter from the Westfork Association of Texas.

Reverend Ralph Lightsey
Reverend Coy Watson
Reverend W.F. McDuffie

REPORT NO. 4 -- CAMPING BOARD REPORT

Midway-Martin Youth Camp will be July 31, thru August 5, 1988. Volunteers are needed for the week of Youth Camp. The Camp Fee will be \$25.00 per camper, per week.

Bank Account (checking)	\$329.12
Bank Account (savings)	\$809.61

Submitted by,
Reverend Rudy Woods

REPORT NO. 5 -- RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Resolutions Committee resolve that:

1. Every member of this Association pray for our pastors more than ever before.
2. We express our thanks to all of our speakers and musicians for their contributions to a spiritually fulfilling meeting today.
3. We give Patmos Church a rising vote of thanks for the delicious meal and their warm hospitality.

Margaret Daniels
Henrietta Brown

REPORT NO. 6 -- CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

14 churches reporting with letters and dues of \$547.00.
1 * churches reporting late with letters and dues \$12.50
13 ministers present
10 deacons present
33 church delegates
56 total delegates
17 lay members present
8 visitors
2 State Officers present
83 total present

STATISTICAL REPORT

930 Sunday School Enrollment
665 Average Attendance
422 C.T.S. Enrollment
347 Average Attendance
154 Woman Auxiliary's
109 Average Attendance
55 Master's Men
49 Average Attendance
11 Prayer Meetings
204 Average Attendance

*The churches reporting late are added to this report by the Clerk.

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION, JULY 30, 1988

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptist convened on July 30, 1988 at Travelers Rest FWB Church for the third session of the 90th year of the Association. Brother Rudy Woods was Chorister for the day and Mrs. Pauline Bush was the pianist.

The meeting opened with a congregational song, "When We All Get To Heaven". Brother Dale Williams led in prayer. Brother Sonny Harris, pastor of Travelers Rest gave the welcome.

Reverend Willie Sumerlin gave the morning devotion. He chose scripture from John 21:1-7, "Jesus Will Not Give Up On You". He closed his devotion with prayer. The Clerk, Mrs. Janice Temples, called the session to order and in absence of Reverend E.R. Corbett, Moderator, presented Reverend Willie Sumerlin, Assistant Moderator.

The following ministers answered to roll call: Reverend Walter Baxley, Reverend Billy Hanna, Reverend W.F. McDuffie, Reverend M.C. Powell, Reverend Willie Sumerlin, Reverend Coy Watson, Reverend Rudy Woods, Reverend Damon Dodd, Reverend Sonny Harris, Reverend W.E. Brown and Reverend Marty McWilliams.

The Association MSC to change printed program as needed for the day. A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given and the delegates were seated. Brother Sumerlin welcomed Mr. Earl Jordan and Reverend Melvin Moody from the Paul Palmer Association. Mr. Bill Lofton, State Officer of the Christian Board of Education, was present.

The following were appointed to serve on committees for the day: Mr. Mac Harrison for the Mission Board, Mrs. Ann Sumerlin and Mrs. Ailene Clower for the Resolutions Committee and Mrs. Maude Sowell to the

Credentials Committee.

Reverend Rudy Woods gave information on Target "90" and announced that packets were available for each church. Reverend Billy Hanna commented on accurate Church membership statistics within the Association. The Clerk announced for each church to pick up a copy of the Fifty-Year Record of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

The meeting recessed for 10 minutes.

The Worship Service opened with the congregation singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus". Reverend Sonny Harris led in prayer. Reverend Billy Hanna prayed the Offeratory Prayer. An offering of \$100.21 was received. Reverend Walter and Mrs. Jan Baxley sang "Come Morning" as the special music.

The morning message was from John 19:28. Reverend W.F. McDuffie preached on "I Thirst". Reverend Damon Dodd closed the message with prayer and benediction for lunch.

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "The Lily Of The Valley". Brother O.B. Everson led in prayer. Kyle West sang "Rise Again" as special music. Reverend Sonny Harris gave the devotional from Luke 24:13-6, "The Walkers and the Talkers". Brother Harris opened and closed his devotion with prayer.

Reports were given MSC to accept or adopt all reports.

- No. 1 -- Budget and Finance by Betty Bentley.
- No. 2 -- Ordaining Board by Reverend Billy Hanna.
- No. 3 -- Camping Board by Reverend Rudy Woods.
- No. 4 -- Resolutions Committee by Ailene Clower.
- No. 5 -- Placement Committee by Edith Shiver.
- No. 6 -- Treasurer's Report by Leron Clower.
- No. 7 -- Credentials Committee by Wynelle Clower.
- No. 8 -- Mission Board by Richard Hays.

Mrs. Mary Griffin, mother of Missionary Debbie Griffin gave a report on Debbie's work in Japan. Brother Bill Lofton announced the C.T.S. Rally to be held in August, 1988 at the Blakely FWB Church. Mrs. Edith Shiver gave information concerning the Homecoming to be at Patmos Church and invited everyone to come. The Clerk asked that each church remind their members that the Annual Association would be held at Cedar Springs FWB Church rather than White Plains as scheduled in the 1987 minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. with prayer by Reverend Michael Barton.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

REPORT NO. 1 -- BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT

Balance brought forward	\$55.55
Received from churches	607.00
Morning Offering	100.21
Brother McDuffie, 50.00 Debbie Griffin	<u>90.00</u>
40.00 State Missions	
Balance in Treasury	\$852.76

Disbursements:	
Moderator	\$30.00
Clerk	30.00
40% Midway Mission Board	282.88
Minutes	200.00
Superannuates (25.00 each)	75.00-
Mrs. Eva Clenney, Mrs. H.L. Knighton, Mrs. S.T. Shutes	
Designated (Debbie Griffin)	50.00
Designated (State Mission)	40.00
Debbie Griffin	50.00
State Mission	50.00
Total Disbursed	\$807.88
Balance in Treasury	\$44.88

Respectfully submitted,
 Betty Bentley
 John English

REPORT NO. 2 -- ORDAINING BOARD REPORT

We, the Ordaining Board, recommend the following items:
 1. Upon receipt of letters of good standing from St. Johns Association in reference to Reverend Michael Barton, from Blue Ridge Association in reference to Reverend Jerry Williams and from West Fork Association in reference to Reverend Gary Smith, we recommend they be accepted into full fellowship of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,
 Reverend Coy Watson
 Reverend W.F. McDuffie
 Reverend Billy Hanna

REPORT NO. 3 -- CAMPING BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

Checking Account	\$965.35
Savings Account	1000.00
Pre-registration	54 campers
	12 workers
	1 cook
	1 evangelist

54 campers
 12 workers
 1 cook
 1 evangelist
 10 Churches (\$100.00)

Respectfully submitted,
 Reverend Rudy Woods

REPORT NO. 4 -- RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Resolution Committee, resolve that:

1. We give Travelers Rest a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and good meal today.

Ann Sumerlin
Ailene Clower

REPORT NO. 5 -- PLACEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Substituting for White Plains as printed in the 1987 minutes, the Annual Association will be held at Cedar Springs Freewill Baptist Church October 22nd, 1988, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Edith Shiver
Mildred Paul
Malcolm Freeman

NO. 6 -- MIDWAY ASSOCIATION TREASURY REPORT

July 30, 1988

Amount Brought Forward	107.03
Received from Oak Grove Church (May 14, 1988)	12.50
Amount received from Churches	547.00
Morning Offering	71.36
Reverend W.F. McDuffie (Debbie Griffin 50.00)	
(State Mission 50.00)	100.00
Total Offering and amount brought forward	837.89
Paid Out:	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
40 % Midway Mission Board	247.34
Minutes	200.00
Superannuates	
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Debbie Griffin	150.00
State Mission	50.00
Total Paid Out	782.34
Balance in Treasury	55.55
Minute Treasury Brought Forward	97.28
Received from Association (April 23, 1988)	200.00
Balance in Minute Treasury	297.28

Leron Clower,
Treasury

REPORT NO. 7 -- CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

16 churches reporting with reports and dues of \$607.00
16 ministers present (3 visiting)
16 deacons present
28 church delegates (Total delegates: 57)
35 lay members present
5 visitors
1 State Officer present
101 Total Present

STATISTICAL REPORT

Sunday School Enrollment	943
Average Attendance	669
C.T.S. Enrollment	385
Average Attendance	288
Woman's Auxiliary	157
Average Attendance	101
Master's Men	51
Average Attendance	71
Prayer Meetings	13
Average Attendance	247

REPORT NO. 8 -- MISSION BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

April 23, 1988 thru July 30, 1988

April 23	Balance brought forward	\$1818.49
April 25	Received from Midway Assoc.	247.34
April 25	Received from Midway Assoc.	50.00
April 25	Received from State Office	50.00
April 30	Received from State Office	50.00
June 01	Georgia State Office	155.35
July 02	Georgia State Office	193.71
	Balance July 30, 1988	\$2564.89
Feb. 17	Berean Church Payoff	\$3900.00
	Midway Assoc., recd. July 30, 1988	247.43
	Receipts for 3 months	746.40
July 30, 1988	Balance brought forward	\$2564.89
	Recd. from Midway Association	247.43
	Total Balance July 30, 1988	\$2812.32

Midway Mission Board,
Richard Hays, Treasurer

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION OCTOBER 22, 1988

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptist convened on October 22, 1988 at Cedar Springs FWB Church for the Annual Meeting of the 90th year of the Association. Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield was chorister for the day, and Mrs. Jan Baxley was the pianist.

The meeting opened with the congregation singing "Count Your Blessings". Reverend Walter Baxley, pastor of Cedar Springs, led in prayer

and gave the welcome. Reverend Gary Smith presented the morning devotion from Revelation 20:3, "Let Jesus Have His Rightful Place" was his theme. Reverend Smith closed his message with prayer.

The Clerk, Mrs. Janice Temples, called the session to order and presented the Moderator, Reverend E.R. Corbett, who read Matthew 16:18, and welcomed everyone to the Association. A motion was MSC to change printed program as needed for the day.

The following Ministers answered roll call: Reverend Walter Baxley, Reverend W.E. Brown, Reverend E.R. Corbett, Reverend Billy Hanna, Reverend Ralph Lightsey, Reverend W.F. McDuffie, Reverend Marty McWilliams, Reverend M.C. Powell, Reverend Jerry Williams, Reverend Michael Barton, Reverend Gary Smith, Reverend Willie Sumerlin, Reverend Coy Watson and Reverend Rudy Woods.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given, and the delegates were seated. Several visitors were present, they were asked to stand and were recognized by name.

The Moderator made the following committee appointments: Mission Board, Mr. O.B. Everson; Resolutions, Mrs. Mary Griffin and Mrs. Jewellean Powell; Credentials Committee, Mrs. Jan Baxley, Obituary Committee; Mrs. Anne Sumerlin, Mrs. Gladys Harrell and Mrs. Edd Easom; Placement Committee, Reverend W.E. Brown and Mr. Barry Clower.

The delegates appointed to the State Association were: Mrs. Jan Baxley, Mrs. Bonnie Williams, Mrs. Anne Sumerlin, Mrs. Mary Griffin and Mrs. Betty Bentley.

The Moderator expressed thanks to Cedar Springs for hosting the Association today in their beautiful new church. He asked that the congregation sing the Doxology. Brother Corbett led in prayer. The meeting was recessed for 10 minutes.

The congregation sang "Dwelling In Beulah Land". Mrs. Mary Griffin reported that Debbie's work would be in Tokyo, Japan. She asked the Association to continue in prayer for Debbie. Malcolm Freeman, State Mission Board Chairman, reported on mission work over the state. Reverend Rudy Woods gave the report of the Camping Board, MSC to accept Report No. 1. Reverend Ralph Lightsey gave the Ordaining Board Report, MSC to adopt Report No. 2.

The Worship Service opened with the congregation singing "Victory In Jesus". Reverend Billy Hanna led in prayer. The Offeratory Prayer was given by Reverend E.R. Corbett. An offering of \$100.00 was received. Special music, "Sheltered In The Arms Of God" was presented by Cedar Springs Church.

Reverend Billy Hanna presented the morning message. His text was Matthew 16:18, "Loyalty To The Church". Brother Hanna closed his message with prayer. Brother Malcolm Freeman led in prayer and dismissed for lunch.

The afternoon session began with the song "To God Be The Glory". Reverend William Smith of Zion FWB Church led in prayer. "The First Look", was sung by Reverend and Mrs. Walter Baxley. Reverend Jerry Williams brought the devotion, using scripture from Ephesians 4:1-6, "Christians Should Walk Worthy". He closed his message with prayer.

Board and Committee Reports were given. MSC to accept or adopt all reports.

Report No. 3 -- Nominating Committee by Reverend M.C. Powell

Report No. 4 -- Mission Board by Mr. Bill Lofton

Report No. 5 -- Budget and Finance by Mrs. Betty Bentley

Report No. 6 -- Resolutions Committee by Mrs. Mary Griffin

Report No. 7 -- Credentials Committee by Mrs. Wynelle Clower
Report No. 8 -- Treasurer's Report by Leron Clower
Report No. 9 -- Obituary Committee by Mrs. Gladys Harrell
Report No. 10-- Placement Committee by Mr. Malcolm Freeman.

Mrs. Jan Baxley, Midway District Woman's Auxiliary President, reported on the Auxiliary work in the Assoication. Mr. Bill Lofton announced the CTS Rally to be held at Macedonia in November, 1988. Mr. Lofton read a request from the Bainbridge FWB Church. This request was given as an informational report, (see report attached). Mrs. Martha Everson, State Woman's Auxiliary President, was recognized. She urged everyone to attend State Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

Announcements were made and the Session was adjourned with prayer by Brother Willard Tedder at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

REPORT NO. 1 -- CAMPING BOARD REPORT

Midway-Martin Youth Camp

61 campers
32 boys
29 girls
12 workers
5 cook's family
1 child of a worker
1 Evangelist, Reverend Tim Sizemore
80 Total

Decisions:

2 Salvation
4 Rededications
4 Special Needs

Churches who gave \$100.00:

New Home
Bethlehem
Mt. Gilead
New Salem
Mother's Home
Patmos
Berean
Albany First
Macedonia
Cedar Springs
Blakely

Respectfully submitted,
Reverend Rudy Woods

REPORT NO. 2 -- ORDAINING BOARD REPORT

We recommend that we grant Brother W.L. Rentz a letter to the Martin

Association.
 Reverend Ralph Lightsey, Chairman
 Reverend Billy Hanna
 Reverend Coy Watson
 Reverend W.F. McDuffie

REPORT NO. 3 -- NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following serve for 1989-1990:

Reverend Willie Sumerlin.....Moderator
 Reverend Jerry WilliamsAssistant Moderator
 Mr. Malcolm Freeman.....Treasurer
 Mrs. Malcolm FreemanAssistant Treasurer
 Reverend Gary SmithOrdaining Board
 Mrs. Ann SumerlinCamping Board
 Mrs. Shirley Kimbrel.....Credentials Committee
 Reverend Floyd HarrisNonimating Committee
 (replaces Rev. M.C. Powell)

Respectfully submitted,
 Pauline Bush
 Oliver Houston
 Reverend M.C. Powell

REPORT NO. 4 -- FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE MIDWAY MISSION BOARD

For July 30 - October 22, 1988

July 30	Balance Brought Forward	\$2564.89
July 30	Received Midway Assoc.	247.34
July 30	Received Georgia St. Off.	154.76
Sept. 8	Received Georgia St. Off,	144.79
Oct. 1	Received Georgia St. Off.	136.32
	Balance Of Oct. 22, 1988	\$3248.11

*Donations through the state office from Mr. Jimmy Murphy and the Berean Church.

REPORT NO. 5 -- BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT

Brought forward	\$ 44.88
Received from Churches	981.00
Morning Offering	100.00
Brother McDuffie	50.00
State Missions	150.00
 Paid Out	
Moderator	\$ 30.00
Clerk	30.00
40% Midway Mission Board	352.40
Minutes	200.00
Superannuates:	
Mrs. Eva Clenney	30.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	30.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	30.00
National Association Dues	160.00

State Association Dues	75.00
Designated, Brother McDuffie, Debbie Griffin	50.00
State Mission	50.00
Cooperative Program	200.00
Balance in Treasury	\$ 88.48

Respectfully submitted,
 Betty Bentley
 Mr. John English

REPORT NO. 6 -- RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Resolutions Committee resolve that:

1. We express our appreciation to each one on the program today for the blessings we received through sermons and song.
2. We give Cedar Springs a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and delicious food.

Jewellean Powell
 Mary Griffin

REPORT NO. 7 -- CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

- 16 churches reporting with reports and dues of 981.00
- 15 ministers present
- 12 deacons present
- 32 church delegates
- 25 lay members present
- 3 visitors
- 87 total present

STATISTICAL REPORT

Sunday School Enrollment	866
C.T.S. Enrollment.....	448
Woman's Auxiliary Enrollment.....	149
Master's Men Enrollment	56
Prayer Meetings	11

Wynelle Clower
 Jan Baxley

REPORT NO. 8 -- MIDWAY ASSOCIATION TREASURY REPORT
October 22, 1988

Amount Brought Forward	55.55
Received from Churches	607.00
Morning Offerng	100.21
Reverend W.F. McDuffie	Debbie Griffin 50.00
	'State Mission 40.00
Total	852.76

Paid out:	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
40% Midway Mission Board	282.88
Minutes	200.00
Superannuates	
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Designated Debbie Griffin	50.00
State Mission	40.00
Debbie Griffin	50.00
State Mission	50.00
Total Paid Out	807.88
Balance in Treasury	44.88
Minute Treasury Amount Brought Forward	297.28
Received from Association 30 Jul. 88	200.00
Balance in Minute Treasury	497.28

Leron Clower,
Treasury

REPORT NO. 9 -- OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

At this time we pause and pay loving tribute to those who have left us this past year.

Church	Name	Born	Died
Albany First	Russell F. Holland	11-03-19	04-25-88
	Charles Huff Carter	09-24-46	06-24-88
	Nora Price	02-22-09	07-02-88
Bainbridge	Claudell Bailey		10-14-88
Blakely First	Vera Jordan	Mar. 1910	08-17-88
	Whit Mercer	08-18-10	08-22-88
Damascus	Henry R. Milliner	02-01-37	12-14-87
Hammock Springs	Ilene McGowan	04-24-26	04-10-88
Macedonia	Nelson Cox	10-08-20	07-08-88
New Light	Nemmie Lee Lawson	12-10-07	11-10-87
	Alberta P. Nix	11-27-11	06-11-88
Patmos	Lillie Mae Hay	09-17-93	04-01-88
	Leslie Bush	08-25-23	11-07-87
Travelers Rest	Earl (Bubba) Bentley	10-04-33	12-22-87
	Frank Parker	07-17-24	06-11-88
	Rosa Edwards Riley		
	Sanders	09-03-05	07-31-88

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Sumerlin
Mary H. Easom
Sarah Gladys Harrell

REPORT NO. 10 -- PLACEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Placement Committee, submit the following report for the Midway District Association of 1989.

January 21, 1989 -- Albany First -- 10:00 A.M.
April 22, 1989 -- Bellview -- 10:00 A.M.
July 29, 1989 -- Berean -- 10:00 A.M.
October 21, 1989 -- Blakely First -- 9:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Malcolm Freeman
Reverend W.E. Brown
Barry Clower

Informational Report given by Brother Bill Lofton of the Midway Mission Board.

Bainbridge FWB Church came before us asking help to support their Church. We are in sympathy with them. Every town should have a Free Will Baptist Church when possible. We regret we do not have money to support them at this time. We will bring this to the attention of the State Mission Board for further study.

Bill Lofton
Joe Martin
Fred Middleton
O.B. Everson

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION MINUTES

The Midway District Woman's Auxiliary Convention was held Saturday, October 01, 1988 at Patmos FWB Church.

The theme for the Convention was "Woman the Completer", with scripture from Proverbs 31:10-31, Genesis 3:18, and Ephesians 5:22-23.

The meeting was opened with the congregation singing "To God Be The Glory" led by Henrietta Brown, our Song Leader for the day. Becky Woods was pianist.

The president, Janet Baxley, gave a welcome to everyone and asked Betty Bentley to lead in prayer. The congregation sang "The Region Beyond". Ailene Clower, gave the welcome.

Janet Baxley appointed the following committees for the day: Credentials - Janice Temples, Evelyn Temples and Edwina Drinkwater; Finance - Lannie Grant, Nadine Blanton, Pat Freeman, Voncile Musgrove, and Ann Sumerlin; Resolutions - Willie Clyde Henderson, Betty Bentley and Becky Woods.

A partial report from the Credentials and Registration Committee was

given and the delegates were seated. There were 11 Auxiliaries reporting with paid dues.

Janet Baxley read scripture from Genesis 2:18, and Ephesians 5:22-23. The Convention recessed for 10 minutes.

The Worship Service began with the congregation singing "Since I Have Been Redeemed." Ethel Henley led in prayer.

Special music, "It's My Desire", was presented by Henrietta Brown. Eleanor Sheffield gave a thought-provoking and detailed explanation of our theme reading Proverbs 31:10-31. A challenge was given to search our heart to be the kind of wife, mother and neighbor that God would have us to be. Pauline Bush accompanied at the piano as her sister, Doris Sheffield, read a poem "God Our Creator" that she had written. Mathel Barnes spoke on "God's Place In An Elderly Woman's Life. Janet Baxley concluded the program with telling of roles God gave women in the Bible. She inspired all Co-Laborers to be completers. Prayer and blessings for lunch was given.

The afternoon session began with the song "Ye Servants of God", followed by prayer. Committee reports are as follows: Credentials report a total of 44 present, (one visitor, one pastor and 42 Co-Laborers). Resolutions Committee: 1. We continue supporting our Georgia Missionaries with our prayer and financial support. 2. We give Patmos Church a rising vote of thanks for hosting our Auxiliary Convention.

Dates and location were given for 1989 meetings. District Workshop: March 4, 1989, Traveler's Rest. State Retreat: March 17-18, 1989, Norman Park. District Convention: October 7, 1989, First FWB Church of Albany.

Delegates for the State Convention were appointed as follows: Chris Wilson, Marie Glover, Edith Shiver, Betty Bentley, Janice Temples and Nadine Blanton. The Midway District Co-Laborers are to serve as Usherettes at the Convention. Edith Shiver was appointed to serve on the State Nominating Committee.

The following were appointed to serve on the Midway District Nominating Committee: Eleanor Sheffield, chairperson; Henrietta Brown, Edith Shiver, Janice Temples and Pat Freeman. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Edwina Drinkwater, Secretary

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
Midway District Woman's Auxiliary
October 1987 thru September 1988

General Treasury:	
Brought Forward	\$ 0.00
District Off. Rec. 10, 1987	86.82
Representation Fees	266.00 + 12.00
District Office Fees	80.00 + 12.00
Rec. from Past Treasurer	47.20
Off. from March, 1988	37.69
	\$517.71
	+ 24.00
	541.71
	+ 51.45
	593.16

Disbursements:		
Representation Fees	\$273.75 + 10.50	
Office Supplies	7.06	
New Checks	24.55	
Bank Service Charges	22.00	
Vaudine Moody	12.22	
	$\$298.58 + 10.50 = \309.08	
Balance in District Account		(9/30/88) \$219.13
		+ 13.50
		232.63
		+ 51.45
		\$284.08

Churches Reporting And The Total Of Members:

1. First Albany (31)
2. Bellview (12)
3. Blakely (10)
4. Cedar Springs (15)
5. Enterprise (6)
6. Hammock Springs (12)
7. Macedonia (Rueber Tabb Auxiliary (10)
8. New Light (11)
9. Patmos (10)
10. Traveler's Rest (12)
11. White Plains (10)

Home Missions	\$98.00	
Pre-Christmas	15.00	
Pre-Thanksgiving	141.00	\$254.00
Foreign Missions:	332.99	
State Project	$1040.33 + 60.00 = 1100.33$	
Pre-Easter	163.00	
South India/Hanna	34.00	
Dale Bishops	233.00	
Jerry Banks	225.00	
Debbie Griffin	305.00	
Crowsons	64.50	$\$2397.82 + 60.00 = 2457.82$

Co-Laborer Offering	170.00
Dot Harvey Loan	197.00
Spanish Contact	12.00
Laura Belle Barnard	115.00
Printing Minutes	14.00
Children's Home	120.00
State Speaker/Norman Park	$180.00 + 10.00 = 190.00$
Westfield Pastor Retirement	11.00
Norman Park Reservations	37.50
Eunice Edwards Fund	12.00
Bible College	20.00

W.N.A.C. Emphasis Month	125.00
Ga. Student	10.00
Gift for LaRue Crowson	65.00 +6.00 = \$71.00
Retired Ministers	10.00
	\$3,750.32
	+ 76.00
	\$3,826.32

Respectfully submitted,
Lannie Grant
District Treasurer
9/30/88

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION February 20, 1988

The Midway District Sunday School convention met at Bellview Free Will Baptist Church on Feb. 20, 1988 at 10:00 in the morning. Bobby Rish, president, welcomed everyone. Billy Parker of Albany S.S. led the congregation in singing, "He Keeps Me Singing". Rev. Willie Sumerlin led in prayer.

Churches represented with Sunday School delegates were Bellview Blakely, Cedar Springs, Macedonia, Patmos, Albany and White Plains. The president stated we all have a mandate for Missions as we read Matthew 28:20 as he introduced Dr. Ken Riggs, a Professor of Christian Education at the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tenn. as the "Teacher of the Convention." Dr. Riggs spoke on "Missions in the Sunday School. Every Sunday School should have a Missions coordinator and programs to inform the entire Sunday School and Church about Missionary needs and ministry. There are nine ways a Sunday School can reach goals in getting the church conscious of Missions: 1. Teach Missions; 2. Invite speakers; 3. Study books; 4. Correspond with missionaries; 5. Display curias of mission fields; 6. Keep mission literature in classroom; 8. Have mission projects; and 9. Teach Free Will Baptist History of missions.

Dr. Riggs also spoke on Sunday School "Potpourri" (things to consider for better Sunday Schools).

During worship hour after an offering of \$270.00 was received, special music was by Brooks Wade as he sang, "If You Don't Know God's Promises You Can't Claim Them." Dr. Riggs brought the message, "You and Your Child", using scripture Psalm 127:5 and Judges 13:8-12. He stressed when dealing with your child to accept him, guide him, and show appreciation and affection.

The president appointed the following: Finance Committee - Rev. Billy Hanna, Leron Clower and M.G. Shiver; the Nominating Committee - Malcolm Freeman, Billy Parker and Rudy Woods. All present was given a copy of "The Doctrine of Perserverance" by Rev. Leroy Forlines. The congregation was dismissed for lunch by prayer by M.G. Shiver.

Dr. Riggs continued teaching after lunch. Subject was "How to live right with God", scripture taken from Galatians 3:24-25; three things to stand on to live right are: Believe the Bible, Fellowship In Church, Let The Holy Spirit Dwell In Your Heart.

Bobby Rish thanked Dr. Riggs for his service today. An extra offering of \$49.57 was received.

The secretary read the 1987 minutes. They were accepted. The

treasurer's report was given and accepted. The Finance Committee's report was given and adopted (see report). Malcolm Freeman gave the report of the nominating committee as: President - Bobby Rish; Vice President - Steve Long; Secretary - Edith Shiver; Treasurer - Leron Clower; Program Committee - Billy Hanna, Rudy Woods, Willie Sumerlin and Walter Baxley. All the officers were elected by acclamation.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Bellview Church and Dr. Ken Riggs.

Malcolm Freeman dismissed the convention with prayer.

Bobby Rish, President
Edith Shiver, Secretary

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Balance brought forward	75.81
Received from churches	175.00
Morning offering	328.57
Total	\$579.38

Disbursements:	
Randall House Publications	82.50
Printing of program	43.37
Clerk	10.00
Dr. Ken Riggs	200.00
Plane ticket for Dr. Ken Riggs	188.00
Total	\$523.87

Balance on Hand	\$55.51
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Submitted by,
Leron Clower

1988 C.T.S. Meetings

February, 1988

The February meeting of the Midway District was held at Patmos FWB Church. The meeting was opened with prayer followed by a song.

The Secretary and Treasurer's Reports were read and accepted. Bellview received the Attendance Banner and Traveler's Rest won the Percentage Banner.

The dates for District and State were discussed, and since there were many conflicts in April, the District was scheduled for the first weekend in May.

After the close of the business meeting, a Puppet Show was enjoyed by everyone. The offering of the February meeting was then given to the Puppet Players as a love offering.

May, 1988

The May meeting of the Midway District, which was also our District Competition, was held at the Bellview FWB Church. The meeting was opened with a song followed with a prayer led by Reverend Rudy Woods. The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

The competition began with Bible Memorization with the winners as

follows:

First Grade -- Beth Wade

Second Grade -- Nicole Cook

Third Grade -- Joni Thomas

Justin Thomas represented our District in 6th grade Sword Drill.

The Bible Bowl Team from the Albany Church advanced to State level. The members of the teams are Red Daniel, Sheila Crabtree and Lee Ann Burrell.

There was a great deal of competition in the Music and Arts category and those representing us at State were as follows: Beth Wade, Keyboard solo; Brooks Wade, Vocal solo; Joni Thomas, Trio; Shannon Wiedekehr, Trio and Vocal Duet; Adrienne Wiedekehr, Trio and Vocal Duet; Julie Merritt, Vocal Solo; Suzanna Vazquez, Vocal Duet; Julie Merrit, Vocal Duet; Susie Moore, Vocal Solo; Paige Jordan, Keyboard Solo; Susie Moore and Christie Hanna, Vocal Duet; Living Praise Trio, Vocal Trio; Mixed Quartet, Vocal Quartet.

After competition, awards were presented. Refreshments were served by the host church.

August, 1988

The August meeting of the Midway District was held at the First FWB Church in Blakely. The meeting was opened with a song, followed by a prayer. Stacey Middleton presented a special message in song.

A film was presented on missions. The business meeting followed the film. Bellview won both banners. Reports were read and accepted.

The locations of future rallies are:

November, 1988 -- Macedonia

February, 1989 -- Bellview

District, 1989 -- Albany, First Church

August, 1989 -- Blakely

November, 1989 -- Patmos

Refreshments were served by the host church.

November, 1988

The November meeting of the Midway District was held at the Macedonia FWB Church. A special Testimony Service was provided by the Albany First Church with Danny and Bobbie Thomas, Jim Moore, Susie Moore and Reverend Rudy Woods giving testimonies.

The business meeting followed with six churches in attendance. Bellview won the Attendance Banner and Traveler's Rest the Percentage Banner. An offering of \$19.17 was received. Reports were read and accepted. Refreshments were served by the host church.

Submitted by,
Susie Moore

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF
THE MIDWAY ASSOCIATION DISTRICT
SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION**

Revised 1984; Voted on in 1985

The Sunday Schools of the Midway Association of Georgia churches do hereby adopt this revision of the Constitution and By-Laws for the advancement of Christ through the auxilliary of the SUNDAY SCHOOL.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the MIDWAY ASSOCIATION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION of Original Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The Purpose shall be concerted efforts, cooperating in unison, teaching the Word of God, sharing ideas for promoting and improving the Sunday Schools in the Midway Association.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

The Convention shall be composed of delegates and ministers holding membership in the Sunday Schools and Churches in the Midway Association of Georgia.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

The OFFICERS of the Convention shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and a Program Committee of five. The elected officers shall constitute the Executive Board of the Convention which shall act when Convention is not in session.

ARTICLE V - COMMITTEES

- (1) A Chorister shall be appointed for each Convention.
- (2) A Pianist shall be appointed for each convention.
- (3) The President shall appoint needed committees for each convention.

ARTICLE VI - TIME AND PLACE OF CONVENTION

(1) The Convention shall meet the last Saturday in June or at the discretion of the Executive Committee. It shall begin at 10:00 A.M. unless announced otherwise.

(2) The Convention shall be held at churches which have Sunday Schools, in alphabetical order.

(3) Everyone is to bring a basket lunch for the noon meal. The host church will also furnish the beverage, ice, plates, cups, napkins, forks and spoons.

ARTICLE VII - FINANCES AND REPORTS

Each Sunday Shool shall pay a fee of \$25.00 annually.

(2) A Free Will Offering shall be received at each convention.

(3) Each Sunday School shall bring to the convention a written report of enrollment, average attendance, and accomplishments during the current year.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

(1) Any Amendment of this Constitution must be presented 30 days, to all Sunday Schools, before the convention and tabled until the next Convention at which time it will be voted on.

(2) A two thirds vote of the delegates must be recorded for a change of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

Each Sunday School shall be entitled to **FIVE VOTING DELEGATES** plus the **PASTOR**. Others may attend as visitors.

ARTICLE II - OFFICERS

(1) All officers shall be elected at the Convention to serve a **TWO YEAR TERM**. **ELECTIONS** shall be held on **EVEN NUMBER** years.

(2) The Installation of Officers shall be the last item of business at the Convention.

ARTICLE III - MEETINGS

(1) The Convention shall be held as stipulated in VI of the Constitution. If for any reason a Sunday School and Church can not host the Convention it should notify the President and Secretary.

ARTICLE IV - VOTING

(1) All questions before the body, (except a Constitutional Change) shall be decided by a majority vote of delegates, Ministers and Standing Board members of the Convention.

(2) In case of a "tie" the President's vote declares the final decision.

ARTICLE V - AMENDMENTS

Any proposed amendment of these By-Laws must be presented to all Sunday Schools 30 days before the Convention at which time it will be voted on. A 2/3 vote may change the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

(1) **DUTIES of the PRESIDENT:** It shall be the duty of the President to preside over each session of the Convention, keeping order of established Parliamentary Procedure. He shall make all appointments of all necessary committees, which are temporary. The President shall serve as chairman of the Executive Committee.

(2) **Duties of the VICE PRESIDENT:** It shall be the Vice President's duty to serve with the same authority as the President, in the absence of the President.

(3) **DUTIES of the SECRETARY:** The Secretary shall make a record of all proceedings of the Convention in regular session and read them in the Convention a year later. He shall send a copy of the proceedings of the Convention to the Clerk of the Midway Association to be published in the Midway Minutes. He shall send out two notices of the time and place of the next Convention - One sent 3 months and one sent 2 weeks before convention. In keeping in touch with State and National Officers he shall keep this convention informed of new methods and techniques to promote in our local bounds. He shall turn all records over to the successor.

(4) **Duties of the TREASURER:** The Treasurer shall receive all monies of the Convention. All expenditures shall be authorized by the Convention or the Executive Board, after its adoption in a regular session of the Convention. He shall give a report of all monies received and disbursed at each convention. He shall turn all monies in his possession to the successor of the office.

(5) **Duties of the PROGRAM COMMITTEE:** This committee shall work with the Executive Committee in planning programs for the Con-

vention to uplift Christ and to better the Sunday Schools.

Revision Committee
Leron Clower
Jimmy Brown
Edith Shiver
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**CONSTITUTION
of the
Midway District Association
of
Original Freewill Baptist of the State of Georgia**

Preamble

We, the Midway District Association of Original Freewill 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 Freewill Baptist of the State of Georgia.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP: This association shall be composed of such Freewill 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's 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 o'clock A.M.; April, 10 o'clock A.M.; October, 9:30 o'clock A.M.; and the Saturday after the fourth Sunday in July, 10 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 Freewill 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 Freewill Baptists as adopted by the National Association of Original Freewill 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 OFFICES:

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 associa-

tional 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 reelected 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 coordinate 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.

Functions 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.

(3) That a person who is presented for ordination 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 ordination. Six months pastoring during the one-year tenure of licensing will be accepted as a prerequisite 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 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. Laymembers shall be at least two of the five members. The Chairman of

the Board shall be Camp Director, or the board may appoint a Director and Co-Director. This board shall be elected or reelected yearly. 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 or hire sufficient help and supervision for the camp session.

COMMITTEES: ARTICLE V

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 reelected 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 association 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

SUPERANNUATION

Section 1: Retired ministers who have served the Midway Association for a period of at least five (5) years, are members of the association, and

are in good standing with the association will be given a quarterly supplement of money (the amount depending upon the financial status of the association at the time) when they shall have attained the age of sixty-five (65) years; provided the income of said ministers is inadequate for their needs.

Section 2: Any qualified minister of this association who, by accident or sickness, has been rendered permanently unable to continue as a minister of the Gospel, upon recommendation of his church and the approval of the association, be given this same supplement.

Section 3: At the minister's death, this same quarterly supplement be continued to his widow as long as she shall live or remain a widow, provided she meets the same qualifications as set forth for the ministers.

Section 4: The above sections do not prevent the association from taking "love offerings" or making a "love gift" to any minister or any layman at anytime the association so desires.

Section 5: The Budget and Finance Board shall examine each applicant at each annual associational meeting to see if they are still in compliance with these By-Laws.

ARTICLE IX

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 table and voted on in the next session. The proposed amendment or alteration shall be furnished in writing to each church at least thirty (30) days prior to the session during which the vote is to be taken.