

95rd Year

1993 MINUTES

**Midway Association
Of
Free Will Baptists Of Georgia**



1993 Sessions

Convened with:

Bellview - January 23, 1993

Blakely - April 24, 1993

Cedar Springs - July 31, 1993

Enterprise - October 23, 1993

**1993
Minutes
of the
Midway Association
of
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of Georgia**

**1994 Sessions
to Convene with
Session Time: 9:00 a.m.**

**Hammock Springs - January 22, 94
Macedonia - April 23, 94
New Light - July 30, 94
New Enterprise - October 22, 94**

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General Officers

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Mr. M.G. Shiver (83)
Mr. Bill Lofton (84)
Mr. Richard Hayes (84)
Mr. Joe Martin (85)
Mr. Charles Drinkwater (92)

BUDGET AND FINANCE BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. David Weaver (92)
Mrs. Gloria Lovering (91)

ORDAINING BOARD MEMBERS

Reverend J.M. Creech (92)
Reverend M.C. Powell (90)
Reverend Billy Hanna (86)
Reverend Gary Smith (88)

CAMPING BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Jerry Gresham (93)
Reverend Rudy Woods (85)
Reverend Marvin Castle (90)
Mrs. Marvin Castle (90)

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Martha Jenkins (92)
Mrs. Teresa Smith (89)

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Edith Shiver (90)
Mrs. Voncile Misgrove (91)
Mrs. Betty Day (92)

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Mr. Edward Kinbrel (92) 912-758-2587
Miss Nadine Blanton (92)
Mrs. Mary Griffin (92)

MIDWAY ASSOCIATION STATE BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Malcom Freeman	State Mission Board
Reverend William Smith (92)	State Board of Trustees
Mr. Joey Wilson (93)	State Camp Board
Mr. Bill Lofton	State Christian Board of Education

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION OFFICERS

Leron Clower (90)	President
Eleanor Sheffield (92)	Vice President
Doris Sheffield (92)	Secretary
Bobby Rish (92)	Treasurer

Program Committee Members:

Reverend Billy Hanna
Reverend Rudy Woods
Mrs. Edith Shiver (90) - Chairperson
Mrs. Edwina Drinkwater (90)
Mr. Jack Daniels (90)

C. T. S. RALLY OFFICERS

President.....Joey Wilson (Albany)
Vice President.....Randy Whitaker (Blakely)
Secretary/Treasurer.....Julie Merritt (Albany)

MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President.....Marie Glover
Vice President.....Christine Daniel
Secretary.....Pat Freeman
Treasurer.....Nadine Blanton
Mission Action Chairman.....Tina Brooks
Mission Study Chairman.....Henrietta Brown
Mission Prayer Chairman.....Betty Creech
Field Worker.....Wynelle Clower

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Reverend Michael Barton.....2602 Wedgewood Drive, Valdosta, GA 31602
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Reverend Marvin Castle.....Rt. 4, Colquitt, GA 31737
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Reverend J.M. Creech.....Rt. 3 Box 272, Colquitt, GA 31717
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Reverend Damon Dodd.....Rt. 3, Box 60, Colquitt, GA 31737
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Reverend Terry Pierce.....Rt. 1 Box 53 A, Morgan, GA. 31766
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Reverend Gary Smith.....Rt. 3, Box 319, Donalsonville, GA 31745
912-524-8693
Reverend William Smith.....P.O. Box 295, Cedar Springs, Ga 31732
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436-6665
Reverend Coy Watson.....Rt. 1, Box 161, Blakely, GA 31723
912-723-4743
Reverend Joseph Wallis.....Rt. 2, Box 405, Newton, GA 31770
912-734-7151
Reverend Rudy Woods.....Rt. 3, Box 1500, Bainbridge, Ga. 31717
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912-889-8217

CHURCHES, PASTORS AND CLERKS OF THE MIDWAY ASSOCIATIONS, 1994

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK
Albany First	Rev. Billy Hanna	Mrs. O. L. Segraves
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Albany, GA 31707	Albany, GA 31707	Albany, GA 31707
912-436-4021	912-436-1973	912-435-4623
Bainbridge FWB	Rev. Rudy Woods	Mrs. Brenda Bailey
P. O. Box 2324	Rt. 3, Box 1500	P. O. Box 2341
Bainbridge, GA 31717	Bainbridge, Ga. 31717	Bainbridge, GA 31717
	912-246-6547	912-246-0285

Bellview FWB Church Rt. 3 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-2982	Reverend J.M. Creech Rt. 3, Box 272 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-2087	Mr. Randy Clenney Rt. 2, Box 21 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-3986
Berean FWB Church Rt. 9, Branch Rd. Albany, GA 31705	Rev. M. C. Powell 177 Johnny Aultman Rd Sylvester, GA 31791 912-776-4071	Mrs. Valerie Guy 171 Johnny Aultman Rd Sylvester, GA 31791 912-776-6316
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Enterprise FWB Church Rt. 1, Box 162 Blakely, GA 31723	Rev. W. E. Brown Rt. 1, Box 1130 Brinson, GA 31725 912-243-0109	Mrs. Martha Jenkins Rt. 1, Box 162 Blakely, GA 31723 912-723-5260
Hammock Springs FWB Rt. 3 Donalsonville, GA 31745 912-524-8693	Rev. Gary Smith Rt. 3, Box 319 Donalsonville, GA 31745 912-6524-8693	Mrs. Janice Jones Rt. 3, Box 314-A Donalsonville, GA 31745 912-524-5618
Macedonia FWB Church Rt. 4 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-3555	Rev. Marvin Castle Rt. 4 Box 295 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-725-3555	Mr. Glynn Henley Rt. 3 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-2347
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Oak Grove FWB Church Rt. 4 Highway 27 Colquitt, GA	Rev. W. F. McDuffie 728 Central Ave. Blakely, GA 31723 912-723-4097	H. A. Harbin, Sr. Rt. 4, Box 72 Colquitt, GA 31737 912-758-5482
Patmos FWB Church Rt. 2 Leary, GA 31762		Mrs. Edith Shiver Rt. 2, Box 82 Leary, Ga. 31762 912-734-5021
Travelers Rest FWB Church Rt. 2, Box 30 Newton, GA 31770 912-734-4184	Rev. Joseph Wallis Rt. 2, Box 405 Newton, GA 31770 912-734-7151	Mrs. Vonnelle Musgrove Rt. 2, Box 320 Newton, GA 31770 912-734-5360
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1994 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

MIDWAY DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS

January 22, 1994	Hammock Springs	9:00 a.m.
April 23, 1994	Macedonia	9:00 a.m.
July 30, 1994	New Light	9:00 a.m.
October 22, 1994	New Enterprise	9:00 a.m.

MIDWAY DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

March 5, 1994 ** 9:30 a.m. - Annual Workshop - Place to be announced
Oct 1, 1994**9:30 a.m. - District Convention - Place to be announced

MIDWAY DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

February -1994 Blakely First

MIDWAY DISTRICT CTS MEETINGS

February 5, 1994 - Valentine Banquet - New Light
April 16, 1994 - District Competition - Bellview
September 10, 1994 - Youth Rally - Macedonia

STATE ASSOCIATION

November 16-19, 1994

NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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
1998 - Tulsa, Oklahoma - July 12-16
1999 - Atlanta, Georgia - July 18-22
2000 - Anaheim, California - July 16-20
2001 - Detroit, Michigan - July 15-19

MIDWAY DOUBLE IN A DECADE REPORT '93

	Baptisms	Members Added	Members Lost	Total Membership
Albany First	21	22	11	546
Bainbridge	0	0	0	30
Bellview	0	3	3	107
Berean	1	3	1	30
Blakely First	15	2	2	89
Cedar Springs	2	10	2	94
Damascus	0	0	0	18
Enterprise	0	0	0	26
Hammock Springs	2	0	1	66
Macedonia	4	1	2	62
New Enterprise	0	2	1	27
New Light	12	20	1	127
Oak Grove	0	0	0	21
Patmos	1	1	3	51
Travelers Rest	0	0	1	86
White Plains	0	2	1	23
TOTALS	58	66	29	1,403
NET GAIN NEW MEMBERS				37

We met our goal! In 1993 we challenged our Churches to win 3 people to the Lord per Church. We average 3.6 baptisms per Church. This is an increase of 81% of baptisms from 92 to 93!

First Quarterly Session, January 23, 1993

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptists convened on January 23, at Bellview Free Will Baptist Church for the First Session of the 95th year of the Association. Reverend J.M. Creech was song leader for the day and Mrs. Shirley Kimbrel was pianist.

The meeting opened with the congregation singing "My Saviour's Love". The welcome was given by Reverend Creech of Bellview Church. The morning devotional was presented by Reverend Damon Dodd. His message was entitled "How Beautiful Are The Feet of those Who Present the Gospel", he read Scripture from Romans 10: 8 - 15. Brother Dodd closed his message with prayer.

The clerk, Mrs. Janice Temples, called the session to order and presented the Moderator, Reverend Mark Barber, who welcomed everyone to the Association. MSC to change printed program as needed for the day.

The following ministers answered roll call: Reverend Mark Barber, Reverend W.E. Brown, Reverend Marvin Castle, Reverend J.M. Creech, Reverend Damon Dodd, Reverend Billy Hanna, Reverend Irvin Hyman, Reverend W.F. McDuffie, Reverend Melvin Moody, Reverend B.A. Parrish, Reverend M.C. Powell, Reverend Wayne Price, Reverend Gary Smith, Reverend Danny Thomas and Reverend Rudy Woods. Joey Wilson was present as a licensed minister.

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

Reverend Horace Herndon was recognized as the new pastor of White Plains FWB Church and Ms. Grace Driggers was recognized as a visitor from the Martin Association.

The Moderator appointed Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield to the Budget and Finance Committee and Mrs. Myrtice Paul to the Resolutions Committee.

Mrs. Mary Griffin reported that Debbie would be in Japan three (3) years before she would return back to the States for a furlough. She asked for prayer for Debbie and her work in Japan. The Offertory Hymn was sung, Reverend Marvin Castle gave the Offertory Prayer. An offering of \$121.00 was received.

Reverend William Smith gave information of how to operate the FWB College in Nashville for one day. He encouraged each church to receive an offering on March 28, 1993 for the College.

Brother Smith announced that the State Board of Trustees, of which he is a member would meet January 30, 1993, to prepare a new proposal for the new state Building. This proposal would be presented to the State Association in November, 1993.

The clerk read the resignation of Bill Lofton as Assistant Moderator for 1993-1994. The meeting was recessed for twenty minutes.

The congregation sang "Stand Up, Stand Up, for Jesus". Reports were given from various committees. Report #1, Mission Board Financial Report read by Richard Hayes, MSC to adopt report. Report #2, Camp Board Report read by Reverend Marvin Castle, MSC to receive as information. Report #3, Resolutions Report, read by Martha Jenkins, MSC to accept report. Report #4, Treasurer's Report read by Malcom Freeman, MSC to accept report, to adopt #4-A, Budget and finance read by Malcom Freeman, MSC to adopt report. Report #5, Credentials, read by Edith Shiver, by Mary Griffin, the committee recommended Leron Clower for the Assistant Moderator for 1993-1994. MSC to adopt recommendation of the Nominating Committee submitted by Edward Kimbrel, Mary Griffin and Nadine Blanton. Reports attached in numerical order.

The following announcements were made: Henrietta Brown stated the Ladies Auxiliary Workshop would be held on March 6, 1993, at Patmos Church. Joey Wilson reported that the District CTS Rally and A Valentine Banquet would be held at Patmos Church on February 6, 1993, at 7:00 p.m. Leron Clower announced the District Sunday School Convention at Macedonia on February 27, 1993, at 9:15 a.m., he requested that the Planning Committee meet at the lunch hour. The Moderator announced that a choir from the FWBBC would be at Blakely Church on March 13, 1993, at 7:00 p.m. Edith Shiver announced the District CTS Competitive Activities Rally would be held at Albany First on April 17 1993.

The congregation sang "Victory in Jesus". Reverend W.F. McDuffie led in prayer.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to bring a proposed By-Law change off the table. Reverend Mark Barber, the Moderator, read the proposed change to the Association twice. MSC to adopt new By-Law change. The adopted By-Laws change reads as follow:

(3) That a person who is presented for ordination or to be recognized as ordained must be pastoring, involved in a pastoral

ministry, or 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 or been involved in a pastoral ministry for at least six (6) months prior to ordination, six (6) months pastoring or pastoral ministry during the one year tenure of licensing will be accepted as a prerequisite for ordaining.

Special music entitled "Day by Day" was presented by Henrietta Brown accompanied by Shirley Kimbrel. The hymn "Amazing Grace" was sung acappella by all the deacons present. State Mission Board member, Malcom Freeman reported that the Dublin Mission Church had become self-reporting as of December 31, 1992. the Dublin Church had been a Mission Church from 1976 - 1992.

Dr. Irvin Hyman spoke about Sunday School and CTS literature printed at Randall Publishing House. He encouraged everyone to order literature from Randall Publishing.

The Ordaining Board report was not given until after the Worship Service.

The Worship Service opened with prayer by Dr. Irvin Hyman. The congregation sang "At The Cross". Special music, "Standing on the Solid Rock" was presented by Reverend J.M. Creech, Randy Clenny, Lavon Clenny, and Shirley Kimbrel, accompanied by Steve Long.

The message was bought by Reverend Terry Pierce. He read scriptures from Hebrews 11: 1-3. He began his message with prayer. His sermon was titled, "How strong is your Faith Today". Reverend Pierce closed his message with prayer.

Report #7, read by Reverend Gary Smith, MSC to adopt report, (attached in numerical order).

Dr. Irvin Hyman closed with prayer and Blessings on the noon meal.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

**REPORT NO. 1 -
MIDWAY DISTRICT ASSOCIATION HOME MISSION
TREASURER REPORT**

October 24 to January 23, 1993

Balance Brought Forward Oct. 29	3012.65
Received from Midway Association Oct. 29	239.10
Received from State Office (Albany Church) Nov. 1	50.00
Received from State Office (Albany Church) Sept.	50.00
	3351.75
TOTAL IN C.D. INCLUDING INTEREST	5145.30
Total in Treasury	8487.05
Respectfully Submitted, Richard Hayes - Treasurer	

**REPORT NO. 2
MIDWAY IN BOARD OF CAMPING**

CHECKING

01-21-93	No Activity	Balance Forward	52.71
		Ending Balance	52.71

SAVINGS

		Balance Forward	1179.48
12-28-92 Deposit	(Quarterly Interest)	+ 9.52	1189.00
		Ending Balance	1189.00

Respectfully Submitted,
The Camping Board

REPORT NO. 3 - Resolutions Report

Be it resolved that:

- Each church in our Association do all they can to help Bishops out of their deficit so that they can continue their work in Japan
- We give Bellview Church a rising vote of thanks for the fine hospitality extended to us in this session.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Jenkins,
Myrtice Paul

REPORT #4

Midway District Association Treasurer's Report
October 24, 1992

Beginning Balance From Augsut 1, 1992	85.96
Received from Churches	992.75
Received from Morning Offering	
Received in the Interim	50.00
Designated Offering	
Total to Account for	1128.71

Payments:

Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Mission Board	259.10
Minutes	200.00
Superannuates	
Mrs. Mathel Barnes	25.00
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Rev. Damon Dodd	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Rev. Coy Watson	25.00

Bishops	100.00
State Association Dues	75.00
National Dues	160.00
Camp Mt. Bethel	100.00
Total Payments	1084.10
Balance	
Minutes Account	
Brought Forward	350.00
Received	200.00
Paid Out	
Balance	550.00

Respectfully submitted,
Nadine Blanton
Becky Woods
Malcom Freeman

**REPORT NO.#4 -A
District Association Budget and Finance Report**

Beginning Balance from 10-24-92	44.61
Received from Churches	588.00

Received from Morning Offering (Oct. 92 -& Jan. 93)	207.75
Received in the Interim Designated Offering	60.00
Total to Account for	900.36

Payments:	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Mission Board	258.30
Minutes Account	140.50
Superannuates:	
Mrs. Mathel Barnes	25.00
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Rev. Damon Dodd	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Rev. Coy Watson	25.00

Bishops	200.00
State Association Dues	
Total Payments	808.80
Minutes Account	
Brought Forward	550.00
Woman's Auxiliary	25.00
Received	140.50
Paid Out	
Balance	715.50

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor Sheffield
David Weaver
Malcom Freeman

REPORT NO. 5 - Credentials Report

Number of Churches	16
Number of Churches with dues	16
Total Dues	\$638.00
Number of pastors present	18
Number of deacons present	13
Number of Church Delegates present	43
Total Delegates present	74

Number of lay members present	6
Number of visitors present	12
Number of National Officers present	
Number of state Officers present	
Total present	92

STATISTICAL REPORT

Sunday School Enrollment	560
Average Attendance	732
C.T.S. Enrollment	453
Average Attendance	346
Woman's Auxiliary	128
Average Attendance	99
Master's Men	37
Average Attendance	26
Prayer Meetings	13
Average Attendance	299

REPORT #7 ORDAINING REPORT

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

1. We have received a letter of good standing from the Martin Association for Reverend William Smith. We recommend that he be received into the Association in full standing.
2. We received a letter from Traveler's Rest Church recommending Reverend Joseph Wallis be received in to the Midway Association pending a letter of good standing from his former Association. We will write for a letter after we have met with Reverend Wallis according to our policy.
3. We received a letter from New Light Church recommending Reverend Terry Pierce be received into the Midway Association pending a letter of good standing from his former Association.

Statements:

1. Brother Joey Wilson met with us to be examined for ordination after having been licensed by the South Georgia Association. We recommend that his license be extended for a period of six months.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend Billy Hanna, Reverend Damon Dodd, Reverend M.C. Powell,
Reverend J.M. Creech, Reverend Gary Smith.

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION, APRIL 24, 1993

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptists convened on April 24, 1993, at Blakely FWB Church for the Second Session of the 95th year of the Association.. Ms. Becky Murphy was song director for the day. The meeting opened with the congregation singing "Victory In Jesus" Reverend Charles McNease led in prayer.

Reverend Bill Robinson presented the morning devotional. He read scriptures from Philippians 4:1-4, his message was entitled "Peace With One Another." Brother Bill closed his message with prayer.

The clerk, Mrs. Janice Temples, called the Session to order and presented the Moderator, Reverend Mark Barber, who welcomed everyone to the Association.

Mrs. Edith Shiver gave a partial credential report. MSC to seat delegates. The Moderator made the following committee appointments: Mrs. Cindy Weaver, Miss Nadine Blanton to Budget and Finance, and Mrs. Mavis Watson to Resolutions. Reverend William Smith led in prayer. The meeting was recessed for twenty-five minutes.

The congregation sang "This Is The Day", in accappello, led by Reverend Barber. An offering of \$121.70 was received.

The following ministers answered roll call; Reverend Rudy Woods, Reverend Gary Smith, Reverend W.E. Brown, Reverend M.C. Powell, Reverend Mark Barber, Reverend Melvin Moody, Reverend Marvin Castle, Reverend Wayne Price, Reverend Danny Thomas, Reverend J.M. Creech, and Reverend Coy Watson.

Report #1, Mission Board Financial read by Brother Hayes, MSC to adopt report. The clerk was asked to read the function of the Mission Board from the By-Laws of the Midway Association. Reverend Charles McNease of the Perry Mission Church was asked to give the financial status of their church.

Perry Mission is supported financially by the Georgia Union Association they receive no monies from the State Mission Board. Reverend McNease stated any financial help would be appreciated. Reverend Terry Pierce made a motion that we give \$400.00 to the Perry Mission Church, Brother Pierce withdrew his motion. Reverend J.M. Creech made a motion that we give \$1000.00 to the Perry Mission Church. MSC to adopt motion. Brother Malcom Freeman, State Mission Board Member, stated a church cannot come directly to the State Mission Board for financial help unless they are sponsored by the State Mission Board. Report #2, Camping Board (oral-report) given by Reverend William Smith, MSC to accept. Report #3, Resolutions read by Teresa Smith, MSC to adopt, the clerk was asked to send a copy of these Resolutions to Brother Eugene Waddell to re-enforce support of the National Foreign Mission Board. Report #3, Credentials read by Mrs. Edith Shiver. MSC to accept. Report #4, Ordaining Board read by Reverend Gary Smith, MSC to adopt. Report #5, Treasurer's Report read by Mr. Malcom Freeman, MSC to accept information. Report #6 Budget and Finance read by Mr. Malcom Freeman, MSC to adopt report. (all reports are attached with the exception of Report #2 which was an oral report)

Reverend Terry Pierce gave information of the "Double In A Decade" campaign. Reverend Herbert Waid encouraged churches to give an offering on July 4, 1993 to support the National Office Building. Mrs. Edith Shiver announced that the State CTS competition would be held at

the First Church of Albany on May 14, 1993. Reverend Creech announced that April 25, 1993 would be World Day for Foreign Missions, he encouraged each church to participate. Reverend Mark Barber told the Association that if he could raise financial support, he was going to Russia in September, 1993 for fifteen days. He would be going with the John Guest Evangelistic Team out of Grand Rapids, Michigan. The business session ended at 11:10 a.m.

Reverend J.M. Creech opened the Worship Service with prayer. The congregation sang "At Calvary", and "Amazing Grace". Special music was presented by Ms. Cindy Waver, she sang "People Need the Lord".

The message was brought by Mr. Lee Gilliam of York, South Carolina. He read scriptures from Genesis and Revelation. Mr. Gilliam is associated with the Society for International Ministries. He asked for prayer that God would involve Midway Association in the purpose of building up His church in Ethiopia, he plans to go to Ethiopia in the year of 1993 if possible. Brother Gilliam closed with prayer.

Reverend Mark Barber, pastor of the host church invited everyone to lunch. Reverend Terry Pierce pronounced the Benediction and Blessings on the noon meal.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

REPORT #1 MISSION BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT

January 23, 1993	Balance Brought Forward	#3351.75
January 23, 1993	Recd. from Midway Assoc.	258.30
	Balance in checking	3610.05
April 24, 1993	C.D. at Gold Kist	5145.30
Accrued Interest	@4.10%	52.02
Total in C.D.		\$5197.32
April 24, 1993	Balance in Checking	\$3610.05
	Total in C.D.	\$5197.32
		8807.37

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Hays, Treasurer

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT NUMBER 3, APRIL 24, 1993

Resolution #1

Whereas we believe that unity is essential in the promotion of the gospel.

Whereas we have seen our Foreign Mission Board under attack.

Be it resolved that we the Midway Association go on record in support of National Foreign Mission Board.

Resolution #2

We would like to encourage all churches to urge their young people to go to summer camp at Camp Mt. Bethel.

Resolution #3

We want to give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for their hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Mavis Watson

Mrs. Teresa Smith

**REPORT #4
CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

15 churches reported with letters

1 church reported late

Total dues of \$648.50

Number of pastors 14

Number of deacons 13

Number of church delegates 34

Voting delegates total 61

Lay members 12

Visitors 13

Total present 86

Respectfully submitted,

Edith Shiver

Voncille Musgrove

REPORT #5

We, the Ordaining Board recommend the following:

1. To receive Reverend Joseph Wallis into our Association pending a letter of good standing from his former Association.
2. We grant Reverend Kent Barwick a letter of good standing to the Little River Association.
3. We receive Reverend Terry Pierce into full fellowship of the Association after receiving a letter of good standing from his former Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend J.M. Creech

Reverend M.C. Powell

Reverend Gary Smith

**REPORT #6
TREASURER'S JANUARY 23, 1993**

BEGINNING BALANCE	44.61
RECEIVED FROM, CHURCHES	638.00
RECEIVED FROM OFFERINGS	212.75
RECEIVED IN THE INTERIM	60.00

DESIGNATED OFFERING	
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR	955.36

PAYMENTS

MODERATOR	30.00
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CLERK	30.00
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MISSION BOARD	258.30
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MINUTES	140.50
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SUPERANNUATES

MRS. MATEL BARNES	25.00
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MRS. EVA CLENNEY	25.00
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REV. DAMON DODD	25.00
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MRS. H.L. KNIGHTON	25.00
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MRS. S.T. SHUTES	25.00
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REV. COY WATSON	25.00
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BISHOPS	200.00
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STATE ASSN. DUES

TOTAL PAYMENTS	808.80
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BALANCE	146.56
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MINUTES ACCOUNT

BROUGHT FORWARD	550.00
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RECEIVED	25.00
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140.50

PAID OUT

BALANCE	715.50
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Respectfully submitted,

Malcom Freeman

**REPORT #7
BUDGET AND FINANCE
APRIL 24, 1993**

Beginning balance from Jan. 23, 1993	146.56
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Received from churches	629.00
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Received from morning offering	119.50
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Designated Offering

(Sunday School Convention Minutes)	50.00
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Total to account for	945.06
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Payments:

Moderator	30.00
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Clerk	30.00
Mission Board	215.40
Minutes Account	121.70 includes 50.00 designated
Superannuates:	
Mrs. Mathel Barnes	25.00
Rev. Damon Dodd	25.00
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Rev. Coy Watson	25.00
Camp Board	200.00
Total	747.10
Balance	197.96

Minutes account:	
Brought forward	715.50
Received	121.70
Paid out	715.50
Balance	121.70

Respectfully submitted,
Nadine Blanton
Cindy Weaver
Pat and Malcom Freeman

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION, JULY 31, 1993

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptists convened on July 31, 1993, at Cedar Springs SWB Church for the third session of the 95th year of the Association. Randy Whitaker was song director for the day with Kim Whitaker as the pianist.

The meeting opened with a congregation song "Victory in Jesus". Reverend Wayne Price led in prayer. Reverend William Smith, pastor of Cedar Springs gave the welcome.

Reverend Ronald Creech, Director of Development, at the FWB Bible College gave the devotional. He read scriptures from Galatians, Chapter 6, verse 1, and spoke on "What Is Happening To Our Homes In This Country"? Brother Creech closed his message with prayer.

Mrs. Janice Temples, Clerk, called the session to order and presented the Moderator, Reverend Mark Barber. The Moderator welcomed everyone to the Association. A motion was made and carried to change the printed program as needed for the day.

The following ministers answered roll call; Reverend Mark Barber, Reverend Terry Pierce, Reverend W.E. Brown, Reverend Marvin Castle, Reverend J.M. Creech, Reverend Billy Hanna, Reverend Irvin Hyman, Reverend Melvin Moody, Reverend Joe Murkerson, Reverend M.C. Powell, Reverend Wayne Price, Reverend Gary Smith, Reverend William

Smith, Reverend Danny Thomas, Reverend Rudy Woods.

A partial report of the credentials committee was given. MSC to seat delegates. Reverend Billy Hanna led in prayer after a moment of silence in memory of Reverend B.A. Parish.

Reverend Glenn Thomas and Mrs. Thomas of Nashville, Tennessee, Reverend Ronald Creech of Nashville, Tennessee, Mr. Earl Jordan of the Paul Palmer Conference and Mrs. Grace Driggers of the Martin Association were recognized as visitors.

Mrs. Myrtis Paul and Mrs. Terra Smith were appointed to the Budget and Finance Committee for the day. The clerk read a letter of resignation from Reverend Damon Dodd, he stated that he was submitting resignation from the Ordaining Council because of his physical condition. A letter was read from Reverend Charles McNeese, pastor of Perry FWB Church, thanking the Midway Association for the gift given to Perry Building Fund.

The offertory prayer was given by Reverend Danny Thomas. An offering \$142.81 was received. The meeting was recessed for thirty minutes.

The congregation sang "To God Be The Glory". Reverend Marvin Castle led in prayer. Reverend Glenn Thomas gave an informative report from the National Home Missions Board. Reverend Ronald Creech gave information on how each church can give help for building projects at the FWB Bible College at Nashville, Tennessee. Reverend Terry Pierce gave a date of September 18, 1993, for the Double in a Decade Conference to be held at Camp Mt. Bethel at 10:00 a.m.

Report #1, Mission Board Financial Report read by Richard Hayes, MSC to adopt report. Report #1-A, business item read by Richard Hays, MSC to adopt report. Report #2, Camping Board read by Reverend William Smith, MSC to adopt. Report #3, Resolutions Report read by Teresa Smith, MSC to accept. Report #4, Credentials Report read by Edith Shiver, MSC to accept.

Reverend Irvin Hyman gave information on the Sunday School materials that were available from Randall House Publishing. He encouraged each church to study the available materials.

Report #5, Treasurer's Report, read by Malcom Freeman, MSC to adopt. Report #5-A, Budget and Finance read by Malcom Freeman, MSC to adopt report. The Ordaining Board reported that they had no business. Reports #1 thru #5-A attached in respective order.

Bill Lofton gave information on the State CTS competition held at the First Albany Church, he encouraged all churches to get involved. He reported that 336 were registered at the CTS competition.

Reverend William Smith, State Board of Trustees gave information on the Dublin Church. The Moderator, Reverend Mark Barber resigned as Moderator of the Midway Association effective July 31, 1993. He stated that he and his wife would be Home Missionaries to Aiken, South Carolina, this work being under the National Home Missions Board. Brother Barber asked for our prayers as they believe God has called them to establish a FWB Church in the City of Aiken. Brother Barber

presented Leron Clower as the Asistant Moderator. MSC to give a rising vote of thanks to Brother Barber for serving as the Moderator for Midway Association. The minutes were read for corrections and additions. MSC to adopt minutes. MSC to adjourn the Business Session at 11:05 a.m. The Worship Service opened with the congregation singing "There Is Power In The Blood", Reverend Joe Murkerson led in prayer. Special music was presented by Cedar Springs Choir, "I Saw The Light" and I've Been Changed".

The message was brought by Reverend Joeseeph Wallis, he read scriptures from Acts 1: 3-8, and spoke on "The Secret of Serving." He closed his message with prayer.

Reverend William Smith, pastor of the host church invited everyone to lunch. Reverend Glenn Thomas dismissed with prayer asking God's blessings on the lunch.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

**MIDWAY ASSOCIATION MISSION BOARD
FINANCE REPORT NO. (1)
APRIL 24, 1993 TO JULY 31, 1993**

April 24- Balance Brought Forward	3610.05
April 24Received from Midway Associaton	215.40
May 5- Balance in checking	3825.45
May 5-Donation to Perry Mision thru State Office	1000.00
May 5-Balance	2825.45
July 2-Interest from checking account	5..27
Total in checking	2830.72
July 2-Interest from Gold Kist C.D. @4.106	53.12
July 2-Previous balance in C.D.	5197.32
Total in treasury	8081.36

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Hays

MISSION BOARD BUSINESS ITEM, REPORT 1-A

Miss Sheila Crabtree, a member of Albany First will be going to Russia in September, 1993. Albany First is underwriting her support. The Mission Board recommends giving her 500.00 toward her support.

The Mission Board requests if anyone has a financial need in our Association, please meet with the Mission Board before the Quarterly Meeting.

The Association MSC to adopt the above recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Martin

Bill Lofton
Charles Drinkwater
Robert Duke
Richard Hays

**MIDWAY CAMPING REPORT #2
July 31, 1993**

Midway Association
Free Will Baptist Churches

Dear Brethren,

I rejoice as I give you our camp report for 1993. We have had two camps and look forward to another great session next week.

In June we had our high teen session. There were 36 campers and 8 counselors. We had 1 boy saved and several to come forward and rededicate their lives. We were blessed to have the Yet team on Tuesday night and a special concert by Bro. Todd Horne Wednesday night.

The week before the National Association we had junior camp. We had 55 campers 4 small children, and 14 counselors. It is a joy to report

7 salvation decisions and 4 more rededications. Praise the Lord!! Our low teen camp will begin tomorrow. Please pray for this final session of camp.

We are planning 2 retreats for the fall. The dates are in your program. If you are interested please contact me or Bro. Joey Wilson We will send more information to you in the weeks to come.

Thank you for your prayers and support. On the back of this report you will find our financial report.

Thank you,
William Smith
Midway - Martin Camp Director

**Midway-Martin Board of Camping
Checking Account**

10-24-92-Balance Brought Forward	52.71
Received	1,600.00
5-14-93 - Deposit	900.00

New Salem -	100.00
Corinth -	100.00
Mt. Gilead -	100.00
Bobby Richardson-	100.00
Patmos -	100.00
Cedar Springs-	100.00
Macedonia-	100.00
Traveler's Rest	100.00
Albany 1st	100.00
5-21-93- Deposit	300.00
Midway Association	100.00
Bellview	100.00
7-9-93- Deposit	300.00
Midway Associaton	100.00
Bellview	100.00
7-9-93- Deposit	400.00
New Home M.C.	100.00
Mother's Home	100.00
Colquitt	100.00
New Light	100.00
PAID OUT	1,252.64

2-29-93- #117 - POSTMASTER -POSTAGE- 29.00
7-7-93- #118 - RHONDA ATKINSON - CRAFTS - 180.08
7-9-93 - #119 - CAMP MT. BETHEL - TEEN WEEK - 140.00
7-11-93 - #120 - CAMP MT. BETHEL - JR. WEEK - 860.00
7-13-93 - #121 - RITA MCVEY - BANQUET - 27.43
7-15-93 - #122 - JOEY WILSON - ACTIVITIES - 26.13
7-30-93 - CLOSING BALANCE - 400.07

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT, REPORT NO. (3)

We want to give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Jenkins
Tersea Smith

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, REPORT NO.(4)

Number of churches with letters	16
Number of churches with dues	16
Total dues	645.00
Number of pastors	20
Number of deacons	13
Number of church delegates	29
Total delegates	63
Number of lay members	8
Number of vistors	12
Number of National Officers	2
Number of State Officers	3
Total	87

STATISTICAL REPORT

Sunday school enrollment	944
Average attendance	744
C.T. S. Enrollment	428
Average Attendance	290
Women's Auxiliary	109
Average Attendance	75
Master's Men	42
Average attendance	26
Prayer meetings	13
Average attendance	309

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Day
Voncile Musgrove
Edith Shiver

TREASURER'S REPORT #5 BUDGET AND FINANCE APRIL 24, 1993

Beginning balance from Ja. 23, 1993	146.56
Received from churches	629.00
Received from morning offering	119.50
Designated offering	
(Sunday School Convention Minutes)	<u>50.00</u>
Total to acoount for	945.06
Payments:	

Moderator	30.00	
Clerk	30.00	
Mission Board	215.40	
Minutes account	121.70	includes 50.00 designated
Superannuates		
Mrs. Mathel Barnes		25.00
Mrs. Eva Clenney		25.00
Rev. Damon Dodd		25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton		25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes		25.00
Rev. Coy Watson		25.00
Camp Board		<u>200.00</u>
Total		747.10
Balance:		197.96
Minutes account:		
Brought forward:		715.50
Received	121.70	
Paid Out		715.50
Balance	121.70	

Respectfully Submitted,
Nadine Blanton
Cindy Weaver
Pat and Malcom Freeman

**REPORT # 5-A
BUDGET AND FINANCE REPORT
JULY 31, 1993**

Beginning balance from April 24, 1993	197.96
Received from churches	645.00
Received from morning offering	142.81
Received in the interim	19.50
Total to account for	1005.27
Payments:	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Mission Board	318.10
Minutes account	150.00

Superannuates:	
Mrs. Mathel Barnes	25.00
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Rev. Damon Dodd	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Rev. Coy Watson	25.00
Camp Board	100.00
National Home Missions (Mark Barber Account)	150.00
Total payments	928.10
Balance on hand	77.17
Minutes account:	
Brought forward	121.70
Received	150.00
Balance	271.70

Respectfully submitted,
Myrtice Paul
Terra Smith
Malcom Freeman
Pat Freeman

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION OCTOBER 23, 1993

The Midway Association of Free Will Baptists convened on October 23, 1993, at Enterprise FWB Church for the annual meeting of the 95th year of the Association. The music was directed by Reverend Rudy Woods. Mrs. Becky Woods was the pianist.

The meeting opened with the congregation singing "To God Be The Glory". Reverend Terry Pierce led in prayer. The welcome was given by Reverend W. E. Brown, pastor of Enterprise Church. The devotion was given by Reverend Joe Buttgen. He read scriptures from Roman 16; 1-4. Brother Buttgen closed his message with prayer.

The offertory prayer was given by Brother Malcom Freeman. An offering of \$88.75 was received. The clerk, Mrs. Janice Temples, called the session to order and presented the Assistant Moderator, Leron Clower, who welcomed everyone to the Association.

The following ministers answered roll call: Reverend Terry Pierce, Reverend W. E. Brown, Reverend J. M. Creech, Reverend Billy Hanna, Reverend Irvin Hyman, Reverend Melvin Moody, Reverend Joe Murkerson, Reverend M. C. Powell, Reverend Wayne Price, Reverend Gary Smith, Reverend Coy Watson, Reverend Rudy Woods, and Joey Wilson, a licensed minister.

The Ordaining Board asked to be dismissed from the Business Session to begin their committee work. The moderator appointed Mrs. Helen Gilchrist and Mr. Robert Duke to the Budget and Finance committee and Mrs. Willie C. Henderson to the Resolutions Committee.

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

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The Assistant Moderator gave a personal hand of fellowship to the Joe Buttgen family, new pastor of Blakely First Church.

The Moderator appointed Reverend Joe Murkerson, Mrs. Lorene Edwards and Mrs. Edwina Drinkwater to the Placement Committee, and Mrs. Wynelle Clower and Mrs. Jeweleen Powell to the Obituary Committee.

Mrs. Mary Griffin gave a report on Debbie's work in Japan, and thanked everyone for Debbie's financial report. Mrs. Griffin will be going to Japan on December 27, 1993, and she requested prayers for her safety.

Brother Malcom Freeman reported that Reverend William Smith was unable to come to the Association because he was recuperating from knee surgery. The meeting recessed for thirty minutes.

The congregation sang "Joy Unspeakable". Reverend Irvin Hyman gave a report on a trip he and Lucy took to Puerto Rico. They represented Randall Publishing Sunday School and CTS Departments. They met in many churches to describe Spanish literature and conducted Free Will Baptist services in San Juan. He encouraged everyone to respond to the financial needs of Puerto Rico.

Report #1, Mission Board read by Richard Hays, MSC to adopt report, report #1-A, Mission Business Item, MSC to adopt. Report #2, Resolutions Committee read by Teresa Smith, MSC to accept and act upon at this time.

Joey Wilson made announcements concerning the Junior and Teen Retreats at Kolomokee, he encouraged all pastors to get

their youth to participate.

Report #3, Treasurer's Report, MSC to accept, Report #3-A, Budget and Finance Report, MSC to adopt, #3 and 3-A read by Malcom Freeman. Report #4, Credentials, read by Edith Shiver, MSC to accept. Report #5, Placement Committee, read by Edwina Drinkwater, MSC to accept. Report #6, Obituary Committee, read by Wynelle Clower, MSC to adopt. The Assistant Moderator, lead in a Remembrance Prayer for the deceased.

The Assistant Moderator appointed delegates to the State Convention as follows: Edith Shiver, Edwina Drinkwater, Henrietta Brown, Bill Lofton and Janice Temples.

Brother Malcom, state mission board member, gave a report on state mission churches.

Report #7, Nominating Committee report, given by Edward Kimbrel. The Assistant Moderator turned the meeting over to the Clerk because of his involvement in the nominations. The Nominating Committee moved that the body accept the nominations recommended and to accept by acclamation, a second was given on the motion and all delegates stood in favor of the motion. Motion carried. The assistant Moderator took charge of the meeting. Reverend Terry Pierce gave a report on Double In A Decade.

Leron Clower gave a oral report on the Sunday School Convention. Joey Wilson gave information on CTS. Valentine Banquet will be at New Light on February 5, 1994, Midway District Competition will be held at Bellview on April 16, 1994, A Youth Rally will be held in September 1994, and the Youth Retreats will be held in November, 1994.

Report #8, Ordaining Board, given by Reverend Gary Smith, MSC to adopt report.** There was no old or new business. The Business Session adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

The Worship Service opened with the congregation singing "My Saviour's Love". Reverend Gary Smith led in prayer. "To Tell The Story", was sung by the congregation. Special music was rendered by Henrietta Brown, entitled "It's Still The Cross".

The message was brought by Reverend Billy Hanna. He read scripture from Zechariah, Chapter 3, verses 1-4. Brother Hanna closed his message with prayer.

W. E. Brown, pastor of the host church invited everyone to lunch and dismissed with prayer, asking God's blessings on the lunch.

Respectfully submitted,
Janice Temples, Clerk

** All reports attached in numerical order.

Report #1

Association of Free Will Mission Board Financial Report July 21, 1993 to October 23, 1993

July 31 - Bal. Brought Forward	2830.75
July 31 - Received from Midway Asso.	318.10
July 31 - Check to Sheila Crabtree for Support to go to Russia	500.00
Balance in checking	2648.85
Aug. 1 - Accrued Interest in now Acct.	7.44
Aug. 31 - Accrued Interest in now acct.	6.60
Sept. 30 - Accrued Interest in Now Acct.	6.56
Oct. 23- Balance in Checking	2669.45
Oct. 23 - Balance in C.D. @Goldkist @4.10%	5250.54
Total Balance in Treasury	7919.99

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Hayes, Treasurer

Report #1 -A Mission Board Business Item

The Mission Board recommends giving \$500.00 to Nathan and Linda Snow, missionaries to Japan.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Martin
Charles R. Drinkwater
M.G. Shiver
Bill Lofton
Richard Hays

Report #2 Resolutions Report

The Resolutions Committee recommends that we give our host church, New Enterprise, a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
Willie C. Henderson
Teresa Smith

Report No. 3 Midway Treasurer's Report July 31, 1993

Beginning balance from April 24, 1993	197.96
Received from churches	645.00
Received from morning offering	142.81
Received in the interim	19.50
Total to account for	1005.27
Payments:	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Mission Board	318.10
Minutes account	150.00
Superannuates:	
Mrs. Mathel Barnes	25.00
Mrs. Eva Clenney	25.00
Rev. Damon Dodd	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Rev. Coy Watson	25.00
Camp Board	100.00
National Home Missions (Mark Barber Account)	150.00
Total payments	928.10
Balance on hand	77.17
Minutes account:	
Brought forward	121.70
Received	150.00
Balance	271.70

Respectfully submitted,
 Myrtice Paul
 Terra Smith
 Malcom Freeman
 Pat Freeman

**Report #3-A Budget and Finance
 October 23, 1993**

Beginning balance from August, 1993	77.17
Received from churches	1105.25
Received from morning offering	88.75
Designated offering (W. Auxiliary minute account)	50.00
Total to account	1321.17

Disbursements:	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	30.00
Mission Board	299.60
Minutes account	250.00

Superannuates:	
Mrs. Mathel Barnes	25.00
Mrs. Eva Clénney	25.00
Rev. Damon Dodd	25.00
Mrs. H.L. Knighton	25.00
Mrs. S.T. Shutes	25.00
Rev. Coy Watson	25.00

State Association Dues	75.00
National Associaton dues	160.00
Camp Mt. Bethel fire fund	150.00
Total disbursed	1144.60

Balance on hand	176.57
MINUTES ACCOUNT	
Brought forward	271.70
Received	250.00
Balance on hand	521.70

Respectfully submitted,
 Helen Gilchrist

Pat Freeman
 Malcom Freeman

REPORT #4, CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Number of churches with letters	16
Number of churches with dues, 16, Total Dues	1,105.25
Number of pastors	16
Number of deacons	14
Number of church delegates	33
Total delegates	63
Number of lay members	6
Number of visitors	4
Total present	73

Number of National Officers	0
Number of State Officers (board members)	2

STATISTICAL REPORTS

Sunday School enrollment	916
C.T.S. Enrollment	432
Woman's Auxiliary	121
Master's Men	37
Prayer Meetings	12

Respectfully submitted,
 Edith Shiver
 Voncille Musgrove
 Betty Day

REPORT #5, PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

The following churches will host the Midway Association Sessions for 1994.

January 22, 1994 - Hammock Springs
 April 23, 1994 - Macedonia
 July 30, 1994 - New Light
 October 22, 1994 - New Enterprise

Respectfully submitted,
Edwina Drinkwater
Lorene Edwards
Reverend Joe Murkerson

REPORT #6, OBITUARY REPORT

CHURCH	NAME	BORN	DIED
Albany First	Fred Clower	9-27-42	5-11-93
Bellview	Lloyd Vann	5-20-18	1-1-93
	Everlee Chapman	3-9-1900	1-14-93
	Bill Mason	5-31-08	1-17-93
Blakely First	Buna Middleton	1-20-18	2-5-93
(failed to report in 92)	Eugene Pittman	2-28-23	5-19-92
Cedar Springs	Agnes Houston	6-30-07	10-31-92
	Pyle		
	James Walter	2-17-40	11-21-92
	Tiner		
Macedonia	Lamar Jones	12-14-08	3-13-93
	Rueber Tabb	3-30-02	4-19-93
New Enterprise	Reverend B.H. Parish	9-20-27	7-11-93
New Light	Iris Paul	2-21-15	6-30-93
Patmos	Betty Griffin		1993
	Sadie Jackson	12-6-13	7-30-93
	Evelyn C. Oaks		1993
	Benjamin Griffin		1993
Travelers	Lewis Collins	3-24-13	9-4-93
Rest			
White Plains	James Oliver Houston	6-9-24	12-15-92

Respectfully submitted,
Jewellean Powell
Wynelle Clower

Report #7, Nominating Committee Report

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following:

***Moderator, Leron Clower
Assistant Moderator, Reverend W.E. Brown
Ordaining Board, Reverend Wayne Price,

Camp Board, Jerry Gresham
State Board of Education, Mr. Bill Lofton
State Camp Board of Mt. Bethel, Mr. Joey Wilson

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Nadine Blanton
Mrs. Mary Griffin
Mr. Edward Kimbrel

*** Leron Clower is filling the unexpired term of Reverend Mark Barber. (1993-1994), therefore, this will have to be considered in 1994 in Nominating Committee work. The Assistant Moderator would have automatically filled the unexpired position.

Report #8, ORDAINING BOARD

We have received a letter of good standing from the Beaver Creek Association for Reverend Joe Wallis. We recommend that he be received into the Association in full standing.

We received a letter from Blakely First recommending Reverend Joe Buttgen be received into the Midway Association pending a letter of good standing from his former Association.

"Midway District S.S. Convention"

On February 27, 1993 the Midway District S.S. Convention convened with the Macedonia FWB Church at 9:30 A.M. The congregation sang "At Calvary" led by Bro. Marvin Castle-Prayer, by Bro. Castle.

Leron Clower, president introduced Rev. Terry Pierce who gave a study on "Why I Believe In S.S." He challenged each teacher to love the word of God, expound and teach God's word. He stressed that each teacher should encourage the student to let the lesson and truth of God's word impact their lives. He used Deut. 11: 18, 25 as his study scripture.

Brother Clower appointed the finance and placement committees as follow: Finance - Bobby Rish, Rev. William Smith and Charles Drinkwater, Placment - Janice Temples, Debbie Castle, and Karen Barber.

Melanie Hendley led the group in a song "To God Be The Glory", Rev. Mark Barber gave the offertory Prayer.

Rev. Mark Barber was presented to the group by President Leron Clower as our second speaker. Bro. Barber used Matt. 28:19,20 as his scripture for a lesson on "Creating The Right Climate" for

an Evangelistic S. School.

He used the words, HOOK, BOOK, LOOK, TOOK, and developed a very interesting and informative study. He gave each one present a printed outline.

Dr. Irvin Hyman gave a report on Randall House Publishing Co. and brought greetings from Dr. Roger Reed and Dr. Malcolm Fry. He thanked the Finance-committee for the \$100.00 given to help with the Spanish Literature Program. He shared with the group how hard it is to get material to Cuba.

Registration report was given by Doris B. Sheffield.

Nine Churches represented:

Albany•Bainbridge•Bellview•Blakely•Blakely First•Cedar Springs•Macedonia•New Light•Patmos•Travelers Rest• A total of 43 registered - \$200.00 was collected in dues. \$87.18 Offering. Eight pastors present. Announcements were made. Rev. William Smith closed with prayer returning thanks and gave blessing on food.

Placement Committee Report: The 1994 S.S. Convention will be held at Blakely First FWB Church.

Finance Committee Report Attached.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doris B. Sheffield, Sec.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION TREASURER'S REPORT

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION
TREASURER'S REPORT
*2/27/93

DATE	TRANSACTION	PAYMENT	DEPOSIT	BALANCE
*2/27/93	Brought forward			\$198.88
2/27/93	Offering/Conv.			\$257.18
2/27/93	Dues/Conv.		\$58.30	\$457.18
2/27/93	Rev. Terry Pierce (Speaker)	\$30.00		\$427.18
2/27/93	Rev. Mark Barber (Speaker)	\$30.00		\$397.18
2/27/93	Doris Sheffield (Sec.)	\$30.00		\$367.18
2/27/93	Leron Clower (Pres.)	\$30.00		\$337.18
2/27/93	Midway Assoc. (Minutes)	\$50.00		\$287.18
2/27/93	Randall House Pub. (Lit./Cuba)	\$100.00		\$187.18
2/27/93	Free Will Bapt. Bible College	\$100.00		\$87.18

MIDWAY DISTRICT CTS RALLY NOVEMBER 6, 1993

The Midway District CTS Rally met on November 6, 1994, at Bellview FWB Church with Brother Joey Wilson presiding, and substituting for Julie Merritt, Kathy Durden as secretary/treasurer. A total of 99 people were present and five churches were represented.

An opening prayer was given by Brother Danny Thomas. "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" was sung by the congregation. During the business session, \$32.50 was received in offering, and \$30 in dues, and \$27.50 was given to special guest speaker, Tom McCullough. The % banner was won by New Light and the attendance banner by Blakely.

Brooks Wade of Bellview presented the special music for the evening. The special speaker was Tom McCullough, a FWB missionary from France. He gave a great message which was enjoyed by all. The evening was closed by the song "Jesus, Be Lord of All", and prayer from Reverend Terry Pierce.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were provided by the host church.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Joey Wilson, Pres.
Julie Merritt, Sec/Tres.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance brought forward	\$287.28
Money Received - Offering	32.50
Dues	40.00
Total	359.98

MIDWAY DISTRICT CTS RALLY **FEBRUARY 8, 1993**

The Midway District CTS Rally met on February 8, 1993 at Patmos FWB Church for our annual Valentine Banquet with Bro. Joey Wilson presiding and Julie Merritt as secretary/treasurer. A total of 149 people were present and five churches were represented.

The meeting was started by a welcome given by Bro. Wayne Price. Opening prayer was given by Bro. Marvin Castle. Julie Merritt conducted the reading of the minutes from November and then proceeded with the roll call. Newlight won the % banner and Blakely won the attendance banner. Bro. Joey made further announcements to the congregation. The next CTS Rally will be held on April 17, 1993 at First FWB Church for District Competition.

During the business session, an offering of \$58.75 was collected. Dues received amounted to \$60.00. The total offering was \$118.75.

The host church had a meal prepared for the banquet. Bro. William Smith blessed the food. The meal was fantastic and enjoyed by all. After dinner, there was entertainment for various age groups.

The teens sang songs from the heart under the leadership of Bro. Danny Thomas. Bro. Terry Pierce gave a heart warming devotion. Afterwards, games were played including "Kiss My Nose" and "The Dating Game". There being no further business, Bro. Joey closed the rally with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Joey Wilson, Pres.
Julie Merritt, Sec./Tres.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward	313.97
Money Received - Offering	58.75
Dues	60.00
Total	432.72
Expenses:	
Bank charge	0.96
Reconciled Balance	430.55

MIDWAY DISTRICT CTS RALLY **APRIL 17, 1993**

The Midway District CTS Rally was held at First FWB Church of Albany. The CTS Competition and meeting began at 9:00 A.M.

Bro. Joey Wilson, president, presided during the day. The meeting was opened with prayer. Bro. Wilson instructed the congregation of the rules concerning competition. The group was adjourned and divided to their type of activity. The competition continued until noon. The host church furnished a delicious meal of hotdogs and hamburgers. There

Competition fees	701.00
Total	1181.55
Expenses:	
Micellaneous Fees	8.67
Judging fees	110.00
Bank charge	2.88
District competition fees	312.15
State competition fees	589.00
Randall house	17.35
Reconciled balance	141.50

MIDWAY DISTRICT RALLY **AUGUST 21, 1993**

The Midway District CTS met at Cedar Springs FWB Church for Field Day. There were 54 people in attendance with five churches represented.

Bro. Joy Wilson formed four teams for games. They played volloyball, had a sack race, and participated in many relay races.

Julie Merritt had activities planned for the children four and under. They played duck-duck goose, kickball, and much more.

After a morning of fun activities and games, a meal of hotdogs and hamburgers was provided by the host church.

A concert by Todd Horne was presented following lunch. His music was inspirational and enjoyed by everyone. A donation of \$150.00 was given to Todd to further his ministry. A total of \$50.00 was received in dues.

There being no further business, there was a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Joey Wilson, Pres.
Julie Merritt, Sec. Tres.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance brought forward	141.50
Money Received-Dues	50.00
Total	191.50
Expenses:	

Todd Horne	150.00
Banking charge	1.92
Reconciled balance	39.58

MIDWAY DISTRICT CTS FINAL REPORT NOVEMBER 17, 1993

The Midway District did not have a meeting for the month November. The youth had weekend retreats at Kolomoki Mound State Park. The retreat for younger kids held on Nov. 5-6 and the older youth retreat will be held on Nov. 26-27

The Midway Association decided to have an annual fee for dues. The cost will be 50.00 and will begin January 1, 1994. Some important dates have also been scheduled for 1994. The CTS Valentine Banquet will be held on February 5, 1994 at New Light FWB Church. April 16, 1994 is the date of District Competition which will be located at Bellview. Our Youth Rally for September will be on the 10th at Macedonia FWB Church.

This concludes the plans for the Midway District CTS for the coming year. More precise plans and dates will be scheduled in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

Bro. Joey Wilson, Pres.

Julie Merritt, Sec./Tres.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance brought forward	39.58
Expenses:	
Banking charge	0.96
Reconciled balance	38.62

MIDWAY WOMEN'S DISTRICT AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Midway District Woman's Auxiliary convened Oct. 2, 1993 at New Light Free Will Baptist Church, Morgan Ga., for its annual convention. Pianist for the day was Linda Griffin and song leader was Shirley Kimbrel. The congregation joined in singing "To God Be the Glory" for the opening hymn, followed by a welcome and opening prayer by Edwina

Drinkwater.

The offering was received and Marie Glover, acting president, introduced the special music. "People Need The Lord" beautifully sung by Tisha Glover.

Laverne Mock brought the devotional message, using verses from Deuteronomy, Psalms and Matthew to remind us that as individuals we can't help everyone, but we can help one. She urged us to be open-handed to people in need and to ask ourselves how, we personally can minister to those around us.

Committees were appointed as follows;

Resolutions: Linda Griffin, Shirley Kimbrel, Helen Gilchrist, Wynell Clower, Elizabeth Evans.

Credentials: Christine Daniel, Mary Griffin, Terra Smith.

Finance: Nadine Blanton, Pat Freeman, Betty Day, Betty Creech, Edith Shiver.

Registration: Janice Temples. Mildred Bowen, Eleanor Sheffield.

Delegates to the convention were seated. The following ladies were appointed delegates to the state convention: Wynell Clower, Edwina Drinkwater, Willie Clyde Henderson, Christine Daniel, Mary Griffin, Nadine Blanton, Helen Gilchrist, Betty Creech, Mytrice Paul, Shirley Kimbrel.

Christine Daniels gave us a report on the 1993 national convention. The names of Agnes Pyle, Cedar Springs, Sadie Jackson, Patmos, and Iris Paul, New Light were mentioned as having died during the year. Their names will be sent in to be remembered during the state meeting. A partial report was given by the registration committee. Treasurer's report was given, MSC to approve. Secretary's report was given, MSC to approve. Following a short recess the group reassembled and sang "Give of Your Best to the Master." Reports were given, MSC to approve. Edith Shiver, Eleanor Sheffield and Betty Day were appointed as a committee to examine our present Constitution and By-Laws for the purpose of clarification. (Ref. resolution #2 on the resolution committee report.) MSC to delete present Constitution and By-Laws from the 1993 minutes. (Ref. resolution #2 on the resolution committee report)

Credentials Committee - MSC to approve

Registration Committee - MSC to approve

Janice Temples, mission action chairman, reported on the doll project for the provision closet. Sixty-eight dolls were brought by the representatives from the local auxiliaries.

Edith Shiver, mission prayer chairman, urged us to use the missions hotline and brought several specific prayer requests before us which were then prayed for by Nadine Blanton, Eleanor Sheffield and Shirley Kimbrel.

Willie Clyde Henderson, mission study chairman, reported that Fleda Snow was speaker at the 1993 workshop and that the program was enjoyed and well-received by all in attendance.

MSC to discontinue the district mother-daughter banquet for the time being.

MSC to invite Union Association Woman's Auxiliary to participate with us at our district workshop at Patmos.

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers for the term 1994-96; President, Marie Glover, Vice President, Christine Daniel; Secretary, Pat Freeman, Treasurer, Nadine Banton, Mission Action Chairman, Tina Brooks, Mission Study Chairman, Henrietta Brown, Mission Prayer Chairman, Betty Creech, Field Worker, Wynell Clower. There being no further nomination from the floor, this slate of officers was elected unanimously.

There will be no further business. Marie Glover led the group in prayer for the noon meal and we recessed for lunch. Following a delicious lunch we reassembled at 1 p.m.

Tisha Glover sang another special "The Shepherd Just Smiled"

Laverne Mock led in the installation of the new officers, showing us how all parts of the body fit together to get the job done and comparing each office to parts of our new body. Shirley Kimbrel told us about a praise item involving her son, Bruce.

Mary Griffin gave us a good report on Debbie Griffin. The minutes for the day were read. MSC to approve. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Henrietta Brown
Midway District Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1992 - 1993

Balance brt. forward-Oct., 92	\$ 78.46
From local Auxiliaries	5,118.53
Annual Oct. 3, 92 Offering	109.00
Workshop Offering	85.21
Total	\$5,391.20

Disbursements:	
Gift for Janet Baxley	\$ 58.00
Minutes Account	25.00
Fleda Snow (Workshop speaker)	75.00
* State Project	100.00
Designated funds	5,038.03
Total disbursed	\$5,296.03

Balance on hand, Oct. 2, 1993	\$ 95.17
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DESIGNATED FUNDS

WNAC	
Dues (30.00)	\$ 305.00
Co-Laborer	874.00
Emphasis Month	230.00
Memorial Student Loan	41.00
National Office	100.00
	\$1,550.00 total for WNAC
STATE	
State Project + (100.00)	\$1,324.10 total for State Project
Total of WNAC and State	\$2,874.10

MISSION ENDEAVORS	
For Harvey Loan Fund	173.00
Alabama Children's Home	210.00
	\$383.00 Total
FOREIGN MISSIONS	
General fund	73.00
Laura Belle Barnard Offering	381.00
ACCOUNTS	
Bishops	415.00
Crowsons	245.00
Griffin	120.00
C. Hanna	36.00
Westfield Pastors	23.00
M. Snow	22.00
D. Owens	25.00
Total	\$1,340.00

HOME MISSIONS	
General Fund	57.00
Lizzie McAdams Offering	279.93

ACCOUNTS

C..Alligood	\$ 20.00
	<u>356.93</u>

Spanish Literature	60.00
Doropo Hospital	<u>24.00</u>
	<u>\$84.00</u>

Total Mission Endeavors: \$2,163.93

Grand Total of Designated Funds: \$5,038.03

MEMBERSHIP-MIDWAY WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

(breakdown of dues)

CHURCH	paid dues	(NATIONAL DUES	STATE DUES	LOCAL DUES)
Albany First	16 @ \$44.00	32.00	8.00	4.00
Bellview	16 @ \$44.00	32.00	8.00	4.00
Blakely	11 @ \$30.25	22.00	5.50	2.75
Cedar Springs	10 @ \$27.50	20.00	5.00	2.50
Enterprise	6 @ \$16.50	12.00	3.00	1.50
Hammock Springs	10 @ \$27.50	20.00	5.00	2.50
Macedonia	9 @ \$24.75	18.00	4.50	2.25
New Light	13 @ \$35.75	26.00	6.50	3.25
Patmos	10 @ \$27.50	20.00	5.00	2.50
Travelers Rest	9 @ \$24.75	18.00	4.50	2.25
Totals	110 \$302.50	\$220.00	\$55.00	\$27.50

Respectfully submitted,

Nadine Blanton/Midway District Treasurer


Secretary's Report to the Credentials Committee

Auxiliary Name	No. Members Reported	Dues Reported
Albany First	16	\$ 44.00
Bellview	16	44.00
Blakely First	11	30.25
Cedar Springs	10	27.50
Enterprise	6	16.50
Hammock Springs	10	27.50
Macedonia	9	24.75
New Light	13	35.75
Patmos	10	27.50
Travelers Rest	9	24.75

TOTALS REPORTED

110

\$302.50



Henrietta Brown
Midway District Secretary

Credentials Committee**Members**

110

Christine Daniel, Mary Griffin,
Terra Smith

Dues Paid

\$302.50

Finance Committee

Balance on hand	\$ 95.17
Morning Offering	<u>90.00</u>
Total	\$185.17

Disbursements	\$ 50.00 - Minutes
	25.00 - Speaker
	<u>100.00</u> - Camp Mt. Bethel
Total	\$175.00 Camp Fire Fund

Ending Balance	\$10.17
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Nadine Blanton, Chm.

Pat Freeman, Betty Day, Betty Creech, Edith Siver

Resolutions Committee

Resolved:

1. That we adopt the resolutions that were passed at the WNAC in July as well as the name change, theme, scripture and song.
2. That a committee be appointed to examine the Constitution and By-laws and see if some clarification is in order on several points. This committee should report to the body its recommendation at the annual convention Oct. 1, 1994.
3. That we give New Light WNAC a rising vote of thanks for hosting the convention today.

Shirley Kimbrel, Helen Gilchrist, Wynelle Clower, Linda Griffin,
Elizabeth Evans

Registration Committee

Albany First	4
Bellview	3
Blakely	4
Cedar Springs	4
Enterprise	1
Hammock Springs	3
New Light	7
Patmos	2
Travelers Rest	2
Total Delegates	30
Visitors	1
Total Attendance	31

Janice Temples, Eleanor Sheffield

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 auxiliary 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 School 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 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

- (1) Each Sunday School 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- MEETING

- (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 the 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 of the office.

(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 convention to uplift Christ and to better the Sunday Schools.

Revision Committee
Leron Clower
Edith Shiver
for Reedy Servance

CONSTITUTION of the

**Midway District Association
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 Chairman of the various boards which shall serve as the association out of session.

Section 3: The standing boards of this association shall be the Missions Board, Ordaining Board, Budget and Finance Board, and the Camp Board.

ARTICLE V

MEETINGS: The meeting of this association shall be the Saturdays before the fourth Sunday in January, 9 o'clock thru 12 o'clock noon; April, 9 o'clock thru 12 o'clock noon; October, 9 o'clock thru 12 o'clock noon; and the Saturday after the fourth Sunday in July, 9 o'clock thru 12 o'clock noon, followed with lunch by the host church.

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 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. Applications 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 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 reflected 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 Mission 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.

(2) That all examinees be called upon to present their credentials for examination and answer satisfactorily such questions as may be asked of them.

(3) That a person who is presented for ordination or to be recognized as ordained must be pastoring, involved in a pastoral ministry, or 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 or been involved in a pastoral ministry for at least six (6) months prior to ordination, six (6) months pastoring or pastoral ministry during the one year tenure of licensing will be accepted as a prerequisite for ordaining.

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 re-elected 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.

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 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: After payments to the moderator, the clerk, and the superannuates, 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 years 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 the 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 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 association 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 new session. The proposed amendment or alternation 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.

IN MEMORY OF



Reverend B.A. Parish was born in Decatur County, Georgia on September 20, 1927. Bronzo A. Parish became a minister at the age of twenty-nine and an ordained minister at the age of thirty.

He served the following churches during his ministry; Father's Home F.W.B. and Proctor Chapel F.W.B. located in Mitchell County, Donalsonville, F.W.B. and New Enterprise F.W.B. located in Seminole County. New Home F.W.B. located in Miller County; Cairo F.W.B. located in Grady County; Highway F.W.B. New Home #2 F.W.B. and Oak Grove Christian Located in Decatur County. He led revivals in South Georgia, Florida and South Alabama during his ministry.

Reverend Parish was known for his singing, songwriting and musical abilities. He ministered through gospel music as a licensed radio broadcaster for WGRA in Cairo, Georgia and WYSE in Bainbridge, Georgia.

His wife, Nettie Ruth Avery Parish, and his six children Roger, Sandra, Ronnie, Debra, Rhonda, and Mark participated in Reverend Parish's ministry as singers, musicians, and songwriters.

After thirty-seven years of ministry, Reverend Parish passed away July 11, 1993, due to complications following surgery.

Submitted by,
Sandra Parish Dollar