

# Midway

## **Association of Free Will Baptists of Georgia**

### *Churches of Midway Association*

*Bellview Free Will Baptist Church*

*Berean Free Will Baptist Church*

*Cedar Springs Free Will Baptist Church*

*Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church*

*First Free Will Baptist Church, Albany*

*First Free Will Baptist Church, Bainbridge*

*First Free Will Baptist Church, Blakeley*

*Hammock Springs Free Will Baptist Church*

*Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church*

*New Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church*

*New Light Free Will Baptist Church*

*Patmos Free Will Baptist Church*

*Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church*

*White Plains Free Will Baptist Church*

## **2001 Minutes**

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*Midway Association of Free Will Baptists of Georgia Quarterly  
Sessions for 2001 were held:*

January 27, 2001 at Hammock Springs Free Will Baptist Church

April 21, 2001 at Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church

July 28, 2001 at New Light Free Will Baptist Church

October 21, 2001 at New Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church

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*Midway Association*

*2002 Sessions*

*Scheduled Meetings*

*9:00 AM through Noon*

January 26, 2002 at Patmos Free Will Baptist Church, Patmos, GA

April 27, 2002 at Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church, Newton, GA

August 03, 2002 at Berean Free Will Baptist Church, Albany, GA

October 26, 2002 at Bellview Free Will Baptist Church, Colquitt, GA

## *General Officers of Midway Association of Free Will Baptists*

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Treasurer      Rhonda Paul      Phone 229-849-3968  
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Treasurer      Route 1 Box 34  
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### *Boards and Committees*

**Budget and Finance Committee:** Joe Murkerson, Malcom Freeman

**Camping Board:** Bonnie Amburgey, Edwina Drinkwater, Mark Walker, Eddie Williams, Rudy Woods.

**Credentials Committee:** Ruby Ethridge, Juanita Parker, and Linda Skipper

**Mission Board:** Marsall Day, Charles Drinkwater, Mack Harrison, Danny Thomas, and Joe Martin.

**Nominating Committee:** Willie Clyde Henderson, Doris Grant, and Melvin Moody.

**Ordaining Board:** John Amburgey, Irvin Hyman, Cliff Holland, M. C. Powell, and Gary Smith.

**Resolutions Committee:** Jean Ethridge and Martha Jenkins

## Georgia State Association Board Members from Midway Association

Mission Board	Billy Hanna	Term Expires	2003
Trustee Board	Gene Gilbert	Term Expires	2003
Camp Board	John Amburgey	Term Expires	2005
Christian Education Board	Mark Walker	Term Expires	2005

### *Midway Association giving through State Office*

Cooperative Support (distributed via GA State Budget)	\$37,083.63
Acts 1:8 (Supporting Home & Foreign Missionaries)	\$38,445.20
Designated for specific accounts	\$66,661.43

Total Midway gave through State Office \$142,190.26

### Information provided

<i>01/01/01 - 12/31/01</i>	<i>Coop</i>	<i>Acts 1:8</i>	<i>Designated</i>	<i>Total</i>
First, Albany	\$8,694.00	\$33,104.00	\$32,513.78	\$74,581.78
First, Bainbridge	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Bellview	\$3,208.10	\$2,066.74	\$12,666.96	\$17,941.80
Berean	\$720.72	\$720.72	\$3,008.44	\$4,449.88
Cedar Springs	\$8,135.00	\$267.00	\$4,525.00	\$12,927.00
District Association	0.00	0.00	\$1,670.02	\$1,670.02
Enterprise	\$75.00	\$210.00	\$60.00	\$345.00
Hammock Springs	\$3,838.00	0.00	0.00	\$3,838.00
Macedonia	\$1,200.00	\$66.74	0.00	\$1,266.74
New Enterprise	\$500.00	\$510.00	\$1,146.00	\$2,156.00
New Light	\$4,181.81	0.00	\$3,384.04	\$7,565.85
Patmos	\$4,761.00	\$1,500.00	\$5,725.00	\$11,986.00
Travelers Rest	\$900.00	0.00	\$570.19	\$1,470.19
<b>Total Midway</b>	<b>\$37,083.63</b>	<b>\$38,445.20</b>	<b>\$66,661.43</b>	<b>\$142,190.26</b>

courtesy of William I. Smith,  
Executive Secretary / Treasurer

Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists, Inc.  
Colquitt, Georgia

# Women of Midway Active for Christ

## *2001-2003 Officers*

Coordinator	Janice Temples Route 1 Box 34 Morgan, GA 31766	Phone 229-849-2491
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Prayer Chairman	Ginny Williford 30 Phillips Road Colquitt, GA 31732	Phone 229-758-3555
Mission Chairman	Edwina Drinkwater Route 1 Box 44 Morgan, GA 31766	Phone:229-849-2560
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# Free Will Baptist Churches, Pastors and Clerks *of Midway Association*

**Bellview**, 2018 Bellview Road, Colquitt, GA 31737 229-758-2087  
 Pastor: Cliff Holland, 2023 Bellview Road, Colquitt, GA 31737 229-758-2982  
 Clerk: Randy Clenney, 1486 Bellview Road, Colquitt, GA 31737 229-758-3986

**Berean**, 515 South Branch Road, Albany, GA 31705  
 Pastor: M.C. Powell, 177 Johnny Aultman Rd, Sylvester, GA 31791 229-776-4071  
 Clerk: Valerie Cloyd, 171 Johnny Aultman Rd, Sylvester, GA 31791 229-776-3966

**Cedar Springs**, Route 4, Box 1640, Blakely, GA 31723 229-372-4590  
 Pastor: Steve Faison, P. O. Box 295, Cedar Springs, GA 31732 229-372-4949  
 Clerk: Eleanor P. Sheffield, Route 4 Box 132, Blakely, GA 31723 229-372-4605

**Enterprise**, Route 1, Box 162, Blakely, GA 31723  
 Pastor: Neal Harting, P. O. Box 684, Blakely, GA 31723 229-723-6903  
 Clerk: Martha Jenkins, Route 1 Box 162, Blakely, GA 31723 229-723-5260

**First**, 420 North Westover Blvd., Albany, GA 31707 229-436-4021  
 Pastor: Billy D. Hanna, 125 West Doublegate, Albany, GA 31707 229-436-1973  
 Music: Danny Thomas, 2011 Weymouth Dr., Albany, GA 31707 229-436-6665  
 Youth: Mark Walker, 1920 A Elkhorne, Albany, GA 31707 229-878-1810  
 Clerk: Vesescia Knight, 420 N Westover Blvd., Albany, GA 31707 229-436-4021

**First**, P. O. Box 2324, Bainbridge, GA 31717  
 Pastor: Rudy Woods, 132 Croley Road, Bainbridge, GA 31717 229-246-6547  
 Clerk: Mamie Howard 431 E. Broughton St., Bainbridge, GA 31717 229-243-7512

**First**, 115 Perry Avenue, Blakely, GA 31723 229-723-5685  
 Pastor: Wayne Parker, 115 Perry Avenue, Blakely, GA 31723 229-723-1081  
 Clerk: Gloria Lovering, 216 Meadowcreek Dr., Blakely, GA 31723 229-723-3036

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 Clerk: Janice Jones, Route 3 Box 314-A, Donalsonville, GA 31745 229-524-5618

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 Pastor: Mark Williford, 30 Phillips Road, Colquitt, GA 31737 229-758-3555  
 Clerk: Glynn Henley, 439 Cooktown Road, Colquitt, GA 31737 229-758-2347

**New Enterprise**, Iron City, GA 31759  
 Pastor: Joe Murkerson, 320 Lee Street, Blakely, GA 31723 229-723-6923  
 Clerk: Joy Brackin, Route 1 Box 1500, Brinson, GA 31725 229-774-2208

**New Light**, Route 1 Box 53A, Morgan, GA 31766 229-849-4655  
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Clerk: Charles R. Drinkwater, Route 1 Box 44, Morgan, GA 31766	229-849-2560
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Pastor: John Amburgey, Route 2 Box 67, Leary, GA 31762	229-734-5553
Clerk: Edith Shiver, Route 2, Leary GA 31762	229-734-5021
<b>Travelers Rest, Route 2 Box 405, Newton, GA 31770</b>	229-734-6815
Pastor: Gene Gilbert, Route 2 Box 405, Newton, GA 31770	229-734-6815
Clerk: Ruby Ethridge, 9733 Look Out Road, Baconton, GA 31716	229-787-5366
<b>White Plains, Route 4 Box 71, Blakely, GA 31723</b>	
Pastor: Melvin Moody, P. O. Box 67 Morgan, GA 31766	229-849-0098
Clerk: Linda Skipper, 529 S. Church Street, Blakely, GA 31723	229-723-4932

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## **First Quarterly Session,**

Our first meeting of the Midway Association for 2001 was held with Hammock Springs Free Will Baptist Church, Donalsonville, GA. We opened with a song "We'll Work til Jesus Comes" led by Bro. Steve Faison, our welcome was given by the host pastor, Dr. Gary Smith, with prayer by Bro. Rudy Woods.

Our devotion was given by Bro. John Amburgey, his text was Numbers 16:41-50. "When the Plague was Stayed". There was dissension among the people and they "fell on their face before the Lord". Atonement was given for the 14,700 that had died, and we need America to get on their faces before God today. Bro. John then led in prayer.

Call to order was given by our clerk Bro. Gene Gilbert, who then introduced our new moderator Bro. Steve Faison. Bro. Steve then gave a welcome, and asked that the clerk read the roll call of ministers. Our moderator then called for a partial report of the credential committee, and then a roll call of committees, with one replacement being noted, a motion was then called for to receive and seat the church delegates. A offering was then taken with Bro. Rudy Woods leading in the offertory prayer. A short recess was called for to let the committees have a time to meet.

We were called back into session by our Moderator, and Bro. Steve led us in "When we all get to Heaven". Our reports were then given as follows:

Mission Board: Suggested that \$300.00 be given to the FWBBC relocation fund.  
MSC

Credential Report: Number of churches with letters: 14, Number of churches with delegates: 14, Ministers present: 16, Deacons present: 7, Church delegates: 31, Total delegates: 54, Lay members present: 2, Total present: 60 Respectfully submitted,  
Ruby Ethridge, Juanita Parker. MSC

Ordaining Board: Elected M. C. Powell chairman. MSC

State Camp Board: Terry Pierce resigned from the board and they elected Mark Walker to take his place. Made us aware the dates of Teen Camp will be June 24-29 at

the Covington FFA Camp ground. The FWBBC Drama Team will be there with Paul Creech as the evangelist. MSC

Midway Martin Camp Board: Our Junior camp will meet at Kolomoki June 10-15. \$2000 from the churches that was given helped finance the camp. Mark Walker will be the director. MSC

Trustee Report: Ed Kimbrell gave the report that they had met 3 weeks prior to this at Cordele, GA. and found property for \$40,000, and they put a \$500.00 binder on it. Suggested to us to make our mind about this and this is the balance in the State Minutes on page 10, \$80,233.99. Midway Association has already had a resolution on the floor. He encouraged all to vote at the State Meeting in March, 2001. MSC

#### Resolution Report:

- 1- To remember to pray for President Bush as he leads our country.
- 2- Give a rising vote to Hammock Springs for their hospitality today. MSC

Our Moderator then opened the floor to elect the delegates to the State Meeting to be held on March 15-17 in Hampton, GA. at our newest Mission Work, Trinity Fellowship Church. Those elected were: Bonnie Amburgey, Edwina Drinkwater, Willie Clyde Henderson, Jewellean Powell, Valerie Carter. MSC Elected with the power of the Moderator to appoint some to fill if there should be any vacancy.

Sunday School Convention: Bro. Rudy Woods gave report that Midway Association needs to decide if we continue or disband the meeting. MSC The Sunday School Convention Board had already voted to disband after several different ideas, promotions and efforts to help the attendance.

The floor was open for discussion, and it was noted that if they had already decided to disband, then we could not tell them otherwise as a body, we could only make a suggestion.

#### Midway District Association Treasurer's Report

October 1, 2000 -	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$4,890.54
Received from Churches		984.50
Offerings		111.32
Received during interim		152.25
Designated offerings		192.00
Checking account interest		43.85
Total Receipts:		\$1,483.92
Moderator - Glen Thomas		30.00
Clerk - Gene Gilbert		49.99
Superannuate - Mathel Barnes		25.00
Superannuate - W. F. McDuffee		25.00
Superannuate - Mrs. Coy Watson		25.00
Acts 1:8 (from general fund)		300.00
State Mission (from general fund)		200.00
Nathan Snow account (from mission board)		400.00
Designated - National Dues		192.00

Camp Deposit (Camp Kolomoki)	600.00	
Total Expenditures:		\$1,846.99
December 31, 2000 - Midway Association Ending Balance:		\$4,527.47

Breakdown by account:

Financial Report submitted by Rhonda Paul - January 27, 2001 MSC

FUND	Beg. Balance	Receipts	Expenditures	Ending Balance
General Fund	\$100.67	\$1,483.92	\$1,333.93	\$250.66
Minutes Account	\$793.11	0.00	0.00	\$793.11
Camping Board	\$3,434.95	\$100.00	\$600.00	\$2,934.95
Mission Board	\$561.81	\$386.94	\$400.00	\$548.75
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$4,527.47</b>

WAC Report - District Workshop to be held on March 3, 2001 at Hammock Springs Free Will Baptist Church in Donalsonville, GA. at 9a.m. with Dr. Gary Smith as the special speaker. We will also adopt the budget for 2001. Also noted was the retreat to be held on October 19-20 at Norman Park, GA. MSC

We were then called to our Worship Service with Bro. Steve Faison leading us in "Joy Unspeakable" and Bro. Billy Hanna leading in prayer. Our special music was led by the choir from Hammock Springs church.

Our Message was given by our clerk, Bro. Gene Gilbert. His text was Amos 3:11-12. Looking back in history, we need not to forget our adversary: the Devil. Be concerned about the spiritual welfare of our sheep, they will be devoured by Satan. There may not be a whole lot left our people after they get overcome by Satan, but we can save what is left. Have total surrender, and personally go. He then led in prayer.

Our Host pastor Dr. Gary Smith then gave us final instruction for lunch, and our moderator dismissed us and gave a blessing over the food.

## Second Quarterly Session

### Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church

April 21, 2001

Our session started with Hymn #30 "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" led by Bro. Danny Thomas. Our welcome to the church was given by Bro. Steve Faison, in lieu of a pastor. The devotion was given by our Clerk, Bro. Gene Gilbert. His devotion was taken from Ecclesiastes 9:13-15 "The Poor Wise Man" the determination of a man to save his city was brought to King Solomon's attention and he was impressed with the man's ability to deliver the city. Though his name is not mentioned his deeds will be remembered forever as Christians we should do all that we can to deliver our communities from Satan whether we ever get recognition from the world for actions or not. We

can still make the difference for Christ.

Our business session was called to order and then the moderator, Bro. Steve Faison asked for a roll call of ministers, and then the seating of the delegates. The motion was made by the standing delegates to seat the church delegates. The minutes of the previous meeting was read, and the Treasurer's report was then given by Rhonda Paul. MSC. Ruby Ethridge then gave a partial report of the credential committee.

We took the morning offering and then had a short recess for the boards and committees to meet, and have a time of fellowship.

We returned back from the recess and sang #541 "He Keeps me Singing". We then began our reports of the various committees:

Camp Board : Mark Walker gave report of the dates of camp, and encouraged the pastors to give to the fund, to help to sponsor the camp expense. MSC

Mission Board: John Amburgey recommended that we give \$400.00 to Sandra Bishop, to use during the time of her dad's, Leonard Olgretree, death. He was a FWB pastor in Tifton, GA. MSC

Nominating Committee: Irvin Hyman to replace David Fite on the Ordaining Board. MSC

Resolution Committee: Give a rising vote of thanks to the Macedonia Church for their hospitality today during the meeting. Reported by Martha Jenkins. MSC

Credential Committee: Total attendance today was 51. Reported by Ruby Ethridge MSC.

Christian Education Board: Mark Walker - Support of FWBBC, and our Bible Institute will possibly start in the fall of 2001. MSC

State Camp Board: John Amburgey - Dates given on Teen Camp and asked for prayer and support MSC

Trustee Board: Steve Faison - Given as information

Report of the Spanish Ministry: Lucy Hyman - Books given to the Spanish people and accepted well in the areas. MSC

Finance Report: Joe Murkerson - Report was read and MSC

Midway District Association Treasurer's Report

January 1, 2001 -	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$4,527.47
Total Receipts:		\$1,422.99
Total Expenditures:		\$1,451.08
March 31, 2001 -	Midway Association Ending Balance:	\$4,499.38

#### ACCOUNT BALANCES

<u>General Account:</u>	January 1 Beginning Balance:	\$250.66
<u>Receipts:</u>	Received from Churches	\$1,231.25



Offerings	\$157.39
Checking Account Interest	\$34.35
Total Receipts to General Account:	+ \$1,422.99

Expenditures:

Superannuate - Mathel Barnes	\$25.00
Superannuate - W. F. McDuffie	\$25.00
Superannuate - Coy Watson	\$25.00
Clerk - Gene Gilbert	\$49.99
Moderator - Steve Faison	\$30.00
Donations: Nathan Snow	\$100.00
Debbie Griffin	\$100.00
Bible College Campus Fund	\$100.00
Transfer: Mission Board Account	\$212.00
Dues: State-\$508, National-\$75	\$583.00
Reimbursement - Gene Gilbert for Plaque	\$59.92
Draft: Bank Charge for Checks	\$53.17
Total Expenditures from General Account: -	\$1,363.08

GENERAL ACCOUNT BALANCE 3/31 /01: \$310.57

Minutes Account:	January 1 Beginning Balance:	\$793.11
Receipts:	Total Receipts to Minutes Fund:	+ \$0.00
Expenditures:	Total Expenditures from Minutes Fund:	- \$0.00
	<u>MINUTES ACCOUNT BALANCE 3/31/01:</u>	\$793.11

Camping Board Account:	January 1 Beginning Balance	\$2,934.95
Receipts:	Total Receipts to Camp Board Fund:	+ \$0.00
Expenditures:	Total Expenditures from Camp Board Fund:	- \$0.00
	<u>CAMPING BOARD ACT BALANCE 3/31/01:</u>	\$2,934.95

<u>Mission Board Account:</u>	January 1 Beginning Balance	\$548.75
Receipts:	Total Receipts to Mission Fund: (40% transfer)	+ \$212.00
Expenditures:	Donations: Bible College Campus Fund	\$300.00
	Total Expenditures from Mission Board Act:	- \$300.00
	<u>MISSION BOARD ACT BALANCE 3/31 /01:</u>	\$460.75

**TOTAL BALANCE OF ALL ACCOUNTS . 3/31/01: \$4,499.38**

Media Commission: Steve Faison - Gave a report of the singing tape that they had available, and also about the FWB church commercials that they have made for some churches and if anyone needed them they would come to the various churches. MSC

At this time it was MSC to allow the moderator to appoint the delegates for the National when he arrived there, so he would know how many had come from our association.

Announcements: Next session was changed to New Light due to the heating problem at New Enterprise.

Our business session over we had a short recess and then entered into our Worship

service singing hymn #59 "O Come let us Adore Him" and Bro. Danny Thomas led in prayer. We then sang "He Lives" and we had a special in song by a quartet made up of : Danny Thomas, Mark Walker, Steve Faison, and Paula Gilbert.

Our Message was brought to us by Bro. Steve Faison, Pastor of Cedar Springs FWB. Brother Steve preached on worship, "All I's on Worship" from Genesis 22, God provided a lamb. He shared with us about Israel wrestling with an angel, about Isaiah's vision of God and Isaac's teaching of faith.

We were then dismissed in prayer by Bro. Gene Gilbert and the blessing was given over the food. Lunch was provided by Macedonia.

### **Third Session - July 28,2001**

#### **New Light FWB**

Our session began by the church choir singing "Yes I Know" and then the congregation sang #322 "O Say but I'm Glad". Bro. John Amburgey led in prayer. We then had our welcome and devotion by the pastor Bro. Burt Hall. His text was I Tim 4:16, and Acts 20:28 talking about the three fold charge to workers:

- 1- Take heed to responsibility and relationships
- 2- Take heed to doctrine and instructions in the word
- 3- Take heed to all of the flock

We then took our morning offering with Bro. Joe Murkerson leading in prayer. Our clerk, Gene Gilbert then called the session to order and we had the roll call of ministers and various boards. We had a seating of the standing delegates and then they MSC to seat the church delegates. A partial report was given by the credential committee with 47 present, then the Treasurer's report was given by Rhonda Paul. MSC

Our clerk read a card from Jonie Thomas thanking us for the gift of \$100.00 for her mission trip to Africa.

We then had a break for the boards to meet, and some fellowship.

Our business session began with the board reports:

Mission Board -Mack Harrison - Since there was no immediate need at this time, they left the money that was in their account to carry over to the next session.

Midway Camp- Mark Walker - Rough weather, but God still blessed and had several saved and decisions made. A card was sent to each pastor of the children that made decisions so they could follow up on the children. They will continue for the next camp session to meet at Kolomoki but they are looking in the next sessions to have it at a different place, when they met this time the grounds had not been taken care of, and several things were not taken care of , and they spend a good bit of money to use these facilities. MSC

Ordaining Board- John Amburgey - Macedonia Church - Bro. Mark Williford will be accepted pending a letter from South Florida Association. MSC

Budget and Finance - Joe Murkerson - MSC



# Midway District Association Treasurer's Report

April 1, 2001 -	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$4,499.38
Total Receipts:		\$9,755.08
Total Expenditures:		\$9,790.39
June 30, 2001 -	Midway Association Ending Balance:	\$4,464.07

## ACCOUNT BALANCES

<u>General Account:</u>	April 1 Beginning Balance	\$310.57
	<u>Receipts:</u> Received from Churches	\$612.50
	Offerings	\$94.41
	Checking Account Interest	\$35.69
	Total Receipts to General Account:	+ \$742.60

## Expenditures:

Superannuate - Mrs. Mathel Barnes	\$25.00
Superannuate - W. F. McDuffie	\$25.00
Superannuate - Mrs. Coy Watson	\$25.00
Clerk - Gene Gilbert	\$49.99
Moderator - Steve Faison	\$30.00
Donations: Joni Thomas - Ivory Coast Mission Trip	\$100.00
Transfer: Camp Account	\$200.00
Transfer: Mission Board Account	\$350.91
Total Expenditures from General Account:-	\$805.90

GENERAL ACCOUNT BALANCE 6/30 /01: \$247.27

Minutes Account:	April 1 Beginning Balance:	\$793.11
Receipts:	Total Receipts to Minutes Fund:	+ \$0.00
Expenditures:	Total Expenditures from Minutes Fund:	- \$0.00
	<u>MINUTES ACCOUNT BALANCE 6/30/01:</u>	\$793.11

CTS Account	April 1 - Beginning Balance	\$314.13
	CTS Account Balance 6/30/01	314.13

Camping Board Account:	April 1 Beginning Balance	\$2,934.95
Receipts:	Total Receipts to Camp Board Fund:	+ \$8,898.35
Expenditures:	Total Expenditures from Camp Board Fund:	- \$9,135.40
	<u>CAMPING BOARD ACT BALANCE 6/30/01:</u>	\$2,697.90

<u>Mission Board Account:</u>	April 1 Beginning Balance	\$460.75
Receipts:	Total Receipts to Mission Fund: (40% transfer)	+ \$350.90
Expenditures:	Donations: Sandra Bishop	\$400.00
	Total Expenditures from Mission Board Act:	- \$400.00
	<u>MISSION BOARD ACT BALANCE 6/30 /01:</u>	\$411.66

TOTAL BALANCE OF ALL ACCOUNTS . 6/30/01: \$4,464.07

Resolution - Martha Jenkins - Rising vote of thanks to New Light Church MSC

Credential Report - Ruby Ethridge - 65 present including 4 visitors from Cool

## Springs Church MSC

State Camp Board - John Amburgey - Teen Retreat dates given December 27-29, 2001. Received as information.

State Mission Board - Billy Hanna - Churches need help and prayer ; Atlanta church needs a pianist and some help getting in members. Also Sister Smith has had medical needs; Kingsland church needs our prayers, they are around amilitary setting and have a lot of turn over in their membership. Received as information

Bro. Steve then gave a short report along with a copy of the proposed 2002 Budget. MSC to accept proposed budget, MSC to be laid on the table to be voted on in October 2001 Session. We then had a motion to adjourn from our business session and went into our Morning Worship.

Song service began with #232 "Marvelous Grace" with prayer by Brother Mitch Griffin. The Church choir then sang a medley of songs: "Til the Storm Passes By, I'll Fly Away, and Until Then" and their second song was "Make me an Instrument of thy Peace" Our morning message was Bro. Melvin Moody, his text was Philippians 1:8-11, he talked about having a good impression with the world. A dismissal prayer and blessing was given by Bro. Mark Williford. We then adjourned into the church fellowship hall.

## Annual Meeting October 21, 2001

The meeting was held with New Enterprise Church near Iron City, Georgia where Bro. Joe Murkerson is the Pastor. Our meeting started with a song "O Worship the King" led by Lyle Brackin. The welcome was given by the Pastor Joe Murkerson.

Our devotion was given by Bro. John Amburgey Pastor of Patmos Free Will Baptist Church. His text was Matthew 16: 13-17. "Who is Christ" Bro. John used examples in the New Testament of who Jesus is, the Son of God and how we are to present Christ to others with a personal relationship to Christ.

Our clerk Bro. Gene Gilbert then introduced the Moderator Bro. Steve Faison, and he asked the clerk for a roll call of ministers and the boards. We then were dismissed so that the boards could meet. The host church had donuts and coffee in the fellowship hall.

### Board Reports

A partial report of the Credential Committee was given at this time.

Camp Board -Rudy Woods- Stated that camp this year for the Junior week would be June 3-7,2002 at Camp Mt Bethel, Bonifay, Florida. They were unable to secure the Kolomoki grounds this year, and if they have the same enrollment as previous years they will be saving \$1,000 by using this camp. MSC

Mission Board - Mack Harrison - No present needs at this time, so they decided as a

board to retain the money in the account to use at a later date. MSC

Finance Report - Joe Murkerson - The report was given MSC

Treasurer Report - Rhonda Paul - The report was given MSC

Midway District Association Treasurer's Report

July 1, 2001 -	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$4,494.07
Total Receipts:		\$946.90
Total Expenditures:		\$417.01
June 30, 2001 -	Midway Association Ending Balance:	\$4,993.96

ACCOUNT BALANCES

<u>General Account:</u>	July 1 Beginning Balance	\$242.27
<u>Receipts:</u>	Received from Churches (\$25 Interim)	\$664.00
	Offerings	\$95.00
	Checking Account Interest	\$37.90
	Total Receipts to General Account:	+ \$796.90

Expenditures:

Superannuate - Mrs. Mathel Barnes	\$25.00
Superannuate - Mrs. Coy Watson	\$25.00
Clerk - Gene Gilbert	\$49.99
Moderator - Steve Faison	\$30.00
Donations: David & Wanda Carlson Legal Fund	\$200.00
Transfer: Camp Account	\$200.00
Transfer: Mission Board Account	\$256.40
Total Expenditures from General Account:-	\$786.39
<u>GENERAL ACCOUNT BALANCE 9/30 /01:</u>	\$247.27

Minutes Account:	July 1 Beginning Balance:	\$793.11
Receipts:	Total Receipts to Minutes Fund:	+ \$0.00
Expenditures:	Total Expenditures from Minutes Fund:	- \$0.00
	<u>MINUTES ACCOUNT BALANCE 9/30/01:</u>	\$793.11

CTS Account	April Beginning Balance	\$314.13
	CTS Account Balance 9/30/01	314.13

Camping Board Account:	April 1 Beginning Balance	\$2,697.90
	Receipts: Total Receipts to Camp Board Fund:	+ \$200.00
Expenditures:	Total Expenditures from Camp Board Fund:	- \$150.00
	Camp Donation to Dale & Sandra Bishop:	\$87.02
	<u>CAMPING BOARD ACT BALANCE 9/30/01:</u>	\$2,960.88

<u>Mission Board Account:</u>	July 1 Beginning Balance	\$411.66
Receipts: Total Receipts to Mission Fund: (40% transfer)		+ \$256.40
	Total Expenditures from Mission Board Act:	- \$0.00
	<u>MISSION BOARD ACT BALANCE 9/30/01:</u>	\$668.06

TOTAL BALANCE OF ALL ACCOUNTS . 9/30/01: \$4,993.96

Resolution Committee-Martha Jenkins - The report was given and voted on item by

item

1. Be it resolved that we hold up our President and His cabinet in prayer
2. Be it resolved that we pray for Bro. Matt Pinson as he leads the FWBBC as President and pray for Randall House Publications in the search for a new director.
3. Be it resolved the we pray for our National Association as they search for a new Executive Secretary.
4. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to New Enterprise Church for hosting the annual meeting today.

MSC

Ordaining Board - The Ordaining Board acknowledged the surrender and acceptance of David's Fite's credentials to the association. Reported by Brother John Amburgey. MSC

Credential Committee - 14 churches reporting: Present were 14 ministers; 8 deacons; 28 delegates; 4 lay members; 2 visitors; 1 state officer.

Nominating Committee - Voted to attain all present Camp Board members. MSC

Placement Committee - Meetings for 2002 are as follows:

January 26, 2002 - Patmos,

April 27, 2002 - Travelers Rest

August 3, 2002 - Berean

October 26, 2002 - Bellview

Report given by Burt Hall. MSC

Obituary Committee - Report given by Teresa Smith. Teresa read the following names of the ones that had passed away since we met last year.

Bellview - Clara Kimbrell, Elvie English, Ethel Kimbrell-Phillips

Cedar Springs - Inez Evans

Enterprise - Calvin Beasley

First, Albany - Noah Fred Stewart, Erie Dee Johnson, Ruby N. Holt, A. C. Albert Corbett, Delores McCue.

First, Blakely - Mathel Barnes

New Light - Beatrice Hayes

Patmos - Emily Smith, Herbert G. Woodard

Travelers Rest - Rebecca Butler Watson, Smyrna Lorene Edwards, Jerry Thomas Davis

Following the reading of the report we had a moment of silent prayer and then Brother Gary Smith led in prayer.

### State Board Reports:

Camp Board: John Amburgey reported the Teen Retreat will be December 27-29, 2001.

Mission Board - Billy Hanna reported the board was working on polices and procedures that will soon be given out to help in establishing new works for Free Will Baptists.

State Executive Office - William Smith reported about Senior Citizens Retreat and about missions and new maps are being made. Requested prayer for Brother Matt Pinson who will assume the duties of President of Free Will Baptist Bible College.

FWBBC - Billy Hanna expressed excitement of all about Matt Pinson going to FWBBC and living on campus. Brother Hanna also expressed concern over the fact that only one ministerial student graduated last year and that should be a matter of prayer.

Brother Irvin Hyman suggested the moderator send a letter to Brother Billy Hanna and First Church, Albany to commend them for being the top giver to FWBBC. Brother Everson recommended that we use leaders of our churches to lead people to give more to the FWBBC especially since one of our own is going as a leader.

Brother John Amburgey stated that Patmos was also on the list of top givers to FWBBC and that other small churches to give and that all churches could give something. Received as information.

Brother Steve Faison then asked that the 2002 Budget be taken off the table and placed for on the floor. The budget was adopted by the body (see next page for budget) MSC.

Our worship began with "To God Be The Glory" led by Lyle Brackin, our special music was by Dianna Whitaker. Brother Burt Hall brought a powerful message from God's word, reviving our hearts and challenging us in our service to the Lord.

We were dismissed from our service and enjoyed a wonderful meal in the fellowship hall provided by New Enterprise.



## 2002 Proposed Budget

### Income

Offerings	\$923.50
Interest	\$140.00
<u>Dues / Fees</u>	<u>\$3,136.50</u>
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$4,200.00</b>

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### Disbursements

<b>Representative Fees</b>	
GA State Fee	\$75.00
<u>NAFWB National Fee</u>	<u>\$700.00</u>
	<b>\$775.00</b>

<b>Benevolent</b>	
Superannuates	\$200.00
<u>Other</u>	<u>105.00</u>
	<b>305.00</b>

<b>Honorariums</b>	
Moderator	\$120.00
Treasurer	\$150.00
<u>Clerk</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>
	<b>\$470.00</b>

### Boards / Outside Giving

<b>GA Coop</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>
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<b>Mission Board</b>	
Acts 1:8	\$250.00
Benjamin Randall Day	\$200.00
World Mission Offering	\$200.00
<u>Deficit Accounts / Misc. Needs</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>
	<b>850.00</b>

<b>Camp Board</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
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<b>CTS</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
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### Administrative

(Certificates, Awards, postage, board expense, etc.)	<b>\$200.00</b>
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### National Ministries

Masters Men	\$200.00
FWB Bible College	\$200.00
<u>Rest of the Family</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>
	<b>\$600.00</b>

<b>Total Disbursements:</b>	<b>\$4,200.00</b>
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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:**

The 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 delegates 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 (50) members or fractional part thereof and one delegate for 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, 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 meetings 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 alteration be furnished in writing to each church at least thirty (30) days prior to the session during which the vote is taken.

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## **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 Practices of the Original Freewill Baptists as adopted by the National Association of 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 required to pay a minimum fee per member of 50 cents per quarterly session and seventy-five cents per member each annual session.

### **Article III FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICERS:**

**Section 1:** The duties of the Moderator shall be to preside at all meetings of the association. He shall be empowered with the authority to appoint any committees not otherwise provided for the constitution.

**Section 2:** The duties of the Vice-Moderator shall be to preside at the request or absence of the Moderator and assist him in such ways as we 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 the 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 the Clerk and to assist him in any way necessary.

**Section 5:** The duties of the Treasurer shall be to receive all association 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 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 five (5) members who are members of our association in good standing. Boards members shall be elected on even years for the term of two years. The 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 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 this 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 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 association moneys at the request of the association.
- b. To receive all pleas for help and suggestions for disbursements of moneys.
- c. To recommend to the association the disbursements of moneys 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. Lay members shall be at least two of the five members. The Chairman of the Board shall be the 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.

#### **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 fifteen (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 providently 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 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 shall 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.

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### **Minutes of the Midway District Women Active For Christ**

**Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church**

**October 6, 2001, 9:30 AM**

We opened our meeting with singing "Joy Unspeakable." Martha Everson then offered a prayer for guidance, wisdom and forgiveness.

After our offerings were accepted, we dismissed for the committees to meet.

When the meeting resumed, we heard reports from each committee.

Remembrances: Doris Grant read from 2 Corinthians 5:8. She then lead a prayer of thanksgiving for the ladies that have gone home. They include Lorene Edward from Travelers Rest, Elvie English from Bellview, Delores McQue from Albany, and Math-ael Barnes from Blakely.

Credentials: We the Credentials Committee submit the following report: We have examined the reports from the local auxiliaries and find that the following auxiliaries have properly reported and paid their fees. Albany, Bellview, Berean, Blakely, Cedar Springs, Enterprise, Hammock Springs, Macedonia, New Light, Patmos and Travelers Rest.

Respectfully submitted, Mildred Bowen, Bonnie Amburgey, Virginia Sheffield.  
MSC to accept the report of the Credentials Committee.

Treasurer: see exhibit A. MSC to accept Treasurer's Report.

Finance: We received an offering of \$142.00 today. We the finance committee met and recommend the following: We give \$200.00 to our speaker, we will send \$150.00 James Kilgore and the Tennessee Children's Home Ministries.

Respectfully submitted,

Gloria Henley, Doris Grant, Helen Holland, Ethel Henley, and Ginny Williford.

MSC to accept the Finance Committee report.

Resolutions: Be it resolved:

1. That we pray and show our support as Christian women for the victims of the terror attack and our armed services especially our chaplains and the leaders of our nation.
2. That any Missionettes and/or Actionettes group have a part on District programs in the future.
3. That we pray for the young men in our denomination, that they would answer God's call because we need more workers and ministers in churches.
4. That we give Macedonia a rising vote of thanks for hosting the convention today.

Respectfully submitted,

Jewellean Powell, Teresa Smith, Martha Everson, Sherry S. Henley.

MSC to accept these resolutions.

Registration: The Registration Committee submitted the following report:

Macedonia	9
Bellview	5
Travelers Rest	3
Blakely	2
Patmos	4
Cedar Springs	3
Hammock Springs	4
Berean	3
Albany	3
New Light	2
Visitors	<u>2</u>
Total	40

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Martin and Dawn Shepard. MSC to accept this report.

We elected delegates to our state meeting that will be held March 14-16, 2002 at Camden Free Will Baptist Church in Kingsland, Georgia. The delegates will be: Robin Faison, Helen Holland, Kathy Marshall, Ginny Williford, Wynelle Clower, Shirley Kimbrel, Martha Everson, and Jewellean Powell. MSC to accept these and to give our Coordinator the authority to appoint the rest of our delegates and/or replacements at the meeting.

The Nominating Committee report included the following officers for 2001-2003.



Coordinator	Janice Temples
Assistant Coordinator	Mildred Bowen
Secretary	Kathy Marshall
Treasurer	Gloria Henley
Study Chairman	Teresa Smith
Prayer Chairman	Ginny Williford
Mission Chairman	Edwina Drinkwater
Service Chairman	Marie Glover
Field Worker	Bonnie Amburgey

Respectfully submitted,  
Paula Gilbert, Janice Temples, Renee Haire, Edwina Drinkwater, Robin Faison.  
MSC to accept this slate of officers.

Christine Daniel then installed these women and charged them with the responsibility of their office.

While remembering our young people who are in the various armed services, we also took other requests. Helen Holland then offered a prayer to our Father on behalf of these needs.

To complete our meeting, Tonda Solomon blessed us with her singing and then spoke to us concerning depression.

We then adjourned to a delicious meal prepared for us by the ladies of Macedonia Church.

Respectfully submitted:  
Robin Faison, Secretary

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**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**  
**FOR THE MIDWAY DISTRICT**  
**WOMEN OF GEORGIA ACTIVE FOR CHRIST CONVENTION**

**ARTICLE I NAME:**

The name of this organization shall be the Midway District Women of Georgia Active for Christ Convention.

**ARTICLE II PURPOSE:**

The Purpose of this organization shall be: (1) to assist various women of the Midway District of Free Will Baptists in providing opportunities for them to understand and fulfill their place in the Great Commission through their responsibilities in the family, the church, the community, and around the world, and (2) to bring women of each local church together for fellowship, for sharing information, and for encouraging one another.

**ARTICLE III OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

**Section 1:** The officers and executive members must be in good standing of a church in the Midway Association of Free Will Baptists. She must be a member of a local WGAC. Each officer shall perform the duties set forth for her office in the present manual.

**Section 2:** The officers shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Field Worker, Study Chairman, Mission Chairman, Prayer Chairman, and Service Chairman. These shall constitute the Executive Committee, five (5) of who shall be a quorum for transacting business.

**ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP:**

**Section 1:** This Convention shall be composed of the officers of the Convention together with the local Co-ordinators and five (5) delegates from each local group in the Midway District which has paid in full its membership fee as required by the Midway District WGAC Convention.

**Section 2:** Any eligible WGAC group wishing to become a member of the Midway District WGAC Convention shall present a petitionary letter signed by the officers of the local group, a report of work done and its proportionate part of dues to the secretary who shall present this to the Credentials Committee. The Convention shall vote upon the recommendation of the Credentials Committee.

**ARTICLE V MEETINGS:**

**Section 1:** The annual meeting shall be held each year on the first Saturday in October or at such time as may be determined by the Executive Committee.

**Section 2:** A workshop shall be held each year on the first Saturday in March, or at such time as may be determined by the Executive Committee.

**Section 3:** Other meetings may be held at the discretion of the Convention.

**Section 4:** The Convention and Workshop shall convene with the WGAC groups in the Midway District according to alphabetical order. If a local group is unable to serve as host, the Executive Committee must be notified by the group.

## **ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS:**

This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Convention by a 2/3 vote of the members present.

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## **BY-LAWS**

### **ARTICLE I Duties of Officers:**

**Section 1: President** – The President shall preside over all meetings and serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee, appoint such committees as may be needed, call a meeting of the Executive Committee, when necessary, be an ex-officio member of all committees, (with the exception of the Nominating Committee, see that reports are made promptly by the Secretary and Treasurer to the State and perform all duties usually pertaining to such an office.

**Section 2: Vice President** – The Vice-President shall preside in the absence of the President, or by her request and otherwise assist her in the overall tasks in general. She shall serve as chairman of the Credentials Committee.

**Section 3: Recording Secretary** – The Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the Convention and Executive Committee meetings, preserve all valuable papers and turn them over to her successor. She shall compile a list of the local WGAC officers immediately after the Convention. She shall send a copy to each local Secretary, a copy to each District officer, and a copy to each Committee chairman. She shall send the proper report to the State Secretary. She is responsible for sending the appropriate minutes to the Midway Association Clerk to be published in the Annual Association Minutes.

**Section 4: Treasurer** – The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds belonging to this Convention, and shall disburse moneys only when authorized by the Convention. She shall keep an accurate account and shall give a written report of all funds received and disbursed at each Convention. She shall send an annual report to the District Association Clerk to be published with the minutes in the Midway Minutes. She shall end the per-member dues as designated by the State WGAC to the State Treasurer. The Treasurer shall encourage support of missions through the WNAC Gift Plan and support of the Dot Harvey Loan Fund. She serves as Chairman of the Finance Committee. She shall secure a report of the Dot Harvey Loan Fund as well as a report of the State Project and report this information to the District.

**Section 5: Field Worker** – The Field Worker shall have charge of all Field work pertaining to or necessary for the promotion of the work of the District. She should visit each local WGAC and help in any way she can.

**Section 6: Study Chairman** – The Study Chairman shall work with the local WGAC groups' Study Chairmen through personal contact or correspondence. She shall recommend books for study in the local groups, and may even teach some study courses in the local groups. She shall plan, along with the Executive Committee, the District Workshop and be in charge of its activities. She shall encourage local Study Chairmen to have the following:

- 1) two (2) Mission studies a year
- 2) one (1) Christian living study a year
- 3) one (1) Prayer Study
- 4) Studies to prepare women for special ministries
- 5) A study of the WNAC Manual when needed

She shall be responsible for training local officers for their duties and leadership responsibilities.

**Section 7: Prayer Chairman** – The Prayer Chairman shall encourage Prayer Chairmen of local groups to promote family altar; special Seasons of Prayer, Prayer Retreats, and Prayer fellowships. She shall offer periodic suggestions for prayer requests.

**Section 8: Service Chairman** – The Service Chairman shall promote projects in the District for service to Missionaries, community needs, ministering to sick, aged, retired ministers, or the promotion of other Christian organizations.

**Section 9: Mission Chairman** – The Mission Chairman shall encourage the local WGAC groups to give through the WNAC Gift Plan, to the Provision Closet, to the Dot Harvey Loan Fund, and the State Project. She is to encourage Mission Chairmen in local groups to learn missionaries' names, send needed gifts, get acquainted with Missionary Kids and find out their needs. She shall encourage locals to present a special program during WNAC Emphasis Month in August and send an offering to WNAC.

## **ARTICLE II ELECTIONS:**

The general offices and four (4) chairman of the Executive Committee shall be nominated by a Nominating Committee and elected every two (2) years by acclamation, unless there are other nominations. In the event of more than one nominee for any office, a vote will be taken on each one. All elections shall be held at the closing business session of the Annual Convention. Election of officers will be held on all uneven years.

## **ARTICLE III EXPENSES:**

The Treasurer's expenses, such as postage, stationary, telephone calls, may be appropriated by each local WGAC sending in \$1.00 a month. The Convention may decide when this fee needs to be increased. Other appropriations may be decided upon by the Convention.

## **ARTICLE IV COMMITTEES:**

**Section 1: Executive Committee** – The Executive Committee shall hold annual meetings for the transaction of needed business and to prepare the program for the annual Convention. It shall maintain an over-all view of the work at large, having authority to call extra meetings of the Committee when necessary, and act for the Convention concerning any matter. It shall also fill vacancies occurring between elections.

**Section 2: Resolution Committee** – The Resolution Committee, consisting of five (5) members, shall be appointed by the President. This committee shall serve for two (2) years.

**Section 3: The Nominating Committee** shall be composed of five (5) members who are delegates. They shall be nominated from the floor and elected by the body at its annual meeting on even years to serve for two years. They shall present a slate of officers for



the body to vote on at the annual Convention on the uneven years.

**Section 4: Credentials Committee** – The Vice President shall be Chairman of the Credentials Committee. Two (2) other members may be appointed by the President. This Committee shall examine the reports of the local WGAC groups to determine if fees are paid and if reports are in order. New local groups of WGAC that have been organized since the last Convention are examined by this Committee and voted upon. This Committee shall serve for two (2) years.

**Section 5: Finance Committee** – The Finance Committee is composed of the Treasurer and four (4) members appointed by the President. It is their duty to audit the financial records for the year and report on same to the Convention. They make recommendations to the body.

**Section 6: Registration Committee** – The Registration Committee consists of three (3) members who are appointed by the President. This Committee's responsibility is to register those in attendance. This Committee serves for one (1) year.

#### **ARTICLE V FEES AND REPORTS:**

**Section 1:** Membership fee per member of this Convention shall be set in accordance with the State and National fees.

**Section 2:** The Minutes of the previous Convention shall be read as information at the beginning of the business session.

#### **ARTICLE VI GIFTS:**

The desired financial programs for WGAC local groups are Mission Offerings following each special Season of Prayer, Co-Laborer Offerings, State WGAC projects, and annual gifts to WNAC general fund, the Dot Harvey Loan Fund, and other gifts designated by the Convention.

#### **ARTICLE VII**

These By-Laws may be amended at any Annual Meeting of the Convention by a 2/3 vote of members present.

<b>Church</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>CTS</b>	<b>WAC</b>	<b>MM</b>	<b>Baptisms</b>	<b>Total Members</b>
Bellview	106	0	12	0	1	128
Berean	25	17	7	4	0	30
Cedar Springs	55	30	9	0	0	108
Enterprise	14	0	5	0	0	19
First, Albany	362	136	17	0	25	473
First, Bainbridge	5	0	0	0	0	30
First, Blakely	27	0	8	0	0	33
Hammock Springs	55	55	12	0	2	55
Macedonia	45	0	9	0	2	60
New Enterprise	25	13	0	0	0	33
New Light	80	0	9	0	7	149
Patmos	25	12	8	6	1	59
Travelers Rest	60	35	21	0	6	95
White Plains	30	0	0	0	0	30
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>1,302</b>