

**Midway District
Association of Free Will
Baptists of Georgia**

**2004 ANNUAL
MINUTES**



Midway Association Of Free Will Baptists of Georgia

Quarterly Sessions for 2004 were held :

January 24, 2004 at Blakely Free Will Baptist Church , Blakely, Ga
April 24, 2004 at Hammock Springs Free Will Baptist Church, Donalsonville, Ga
July 31, 2004 at Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church, Colquitt, Ga
October 23, 2004 at New Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church, Iron City, Ga

***Midway Association 2005
Scheduled Meetings***

9:00 A.M. through Noon

First Session: January 22, 2005

New Light Free Will Baptist Church, Morgan, Ga

Second Session: April 23, 2005

Patmos Free Will Baptist Church, Leary, Ga

Third Session: July 30, 2005

Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church, Newton, Ga

Fourth Session: October 22, 2005

White Plains Free Will Baptist Church, Blakely, Ga

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Budget and Finance Committee: Joe Murkeson, Kim Dowless, Rhonda Paul, Janice Temples

Camping Board: Edwina Drinkwater, Mark Walker, Rudy Woods & Martin Association Representatives.

Credentials Committee: Ruby Etheridge, Juanita Parker, and Linda Skipper

Mission Board: Marshall Day, Charles Drinkwater, Mack Harrison, Joe Martin, and Steve Long

Nominating Committee: Willie Clyde Henderson, Doris Grant, and Larry Grant.

Ordaining Board: Steve Dowless, Irvin Hyman, Fred Hersey, Walter Daniels and Gary Smith

Resolutions Committee: Jean Etheridge and Martha Jenkins

Georgia State Association Board Members

Mission Board	Billy Hanna	Term Expires	2005
Trustee Board	Steve Dowless	Term Expires	2005
Camp Board	Burt Hall	Term Expires	2005
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Clerk: Randy Clenney, 1486 Bellview, Colquitt, Ga 39837	229-758-3986

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Pastor: Joe Murkeson, 320 Lee St, Blakely, Ga 39823	229-723-6923
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Pastor: Kraig Spivey, 2152 Hwy 41, Morgan, Ga 39866	229-849-4655
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First Quarterly Session

The First Session of the Midway Association met on January 24, 2004 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Blakely, Ga at 9:00 A.M.

The service opened with a song and a warm welcome by host pastor Fred Hersey. He then presented Bro. Joe Murkeson, who brought the devotion from Acts 1:10-11 entitled "Wake up and Smell the Bacon". He then stated we needed to wake up and realize that Christ is coming back and that we need to promote the Gospel and to look into development of Churches where there are no Free Will Baptist Churches at this time. He then closed with prayer and we went into the business part of the service.

Rev. Keith Horne, Clerk called the body to order. He presented Bro. Burt Hall as moderator. The moderator then asked for a roll call of ministers and the seating of delegates. MSC. We then had a roll call of Boards and Committees.

The minutes were presented to everyone to accept. MSC. Ronda Paul presented the treasurer's report. MSC. Our offering was received. A recess was called for Boards and Committees to meet.

We were welcomed back by singing. Bro. Irvin Hyman gave a very moving testimony about the Bethlehem Free Will Baptist Church and made a motion that we accept them into full fellowship with the Midway Association. Bro Paul Irving stood to his feet and seconded the motion and gave a brief testimony. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports of Committees are as follows:

Budget and Finance : Joe Murkeson reported \$316.67 to Mission Board, \$250.00 to Camping Board, \$300.00 to minutes account, \$75.00 to state dues, \$1400.00 to National Dues and \$250.00 to State missions. MSC.

Camp Board: Rev. Rudy Woods reported that our Junior Camp attendance has dropped since the move to Camp Mt Pleasant and that Kent Barwick and Jonnie Lewis of the Martin Association are looking into moving the camp nearer to home churches. He also stated that the Teen Camp would be May 30th thru June 4th at Lizzella, Ga. MSC.

WNAC: Teresa Smith reported that the District workshop will be March 6 at Bellview FWB Church and the State WAC Convention will be March 18 the at First Free Will Baptist Church, Albany, Ga. MSC

Resolutions Committee: Kathy Marshall asked that we pray that our younger members become stronger in the Lord and more involved in our Churches.

2. Pray for more involvement in our Midway Association and that each individual here today invite two or more to attend our next association meeting.

3. We give a rising vote of thanks to First Free Will Baptist Church, Blakely for hosting today's meeting. MSC.

FWBBC: Rev. Billy Hanna reported that the second semester attendance is up and asked that we continue to pray for the College. He also stated that we are having ministers that make a good start but as they look further into the ministry they are having a mind change and going an alternate route. He asked us to earnestly pray for a heavenly conviction to cause our ministers and members to be laborers in the work of God. He also reported that the State Mission Board has money set aside for

work to begin at Cartersville and that they are accepting resumes for a pastor to begin the work in this area. We should be very excited about this and that there is a calling laid before us.

New Business: the State Association Meeting will be March 17, 18, & 19 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Albany. Delegates to the State are as follows: Pat Womack, Kim Dowless, Lucy Hyman, Jewellean Powell, and Edwina Drinkwater. Alternate Delegates are Janice Temples, Freda Hall, Wynelle Clower and Ruby Etheridge.

Credentials Committee Final Report: Ruby Etheridge reported 13 churches, 16 ministers, 5 deacons, 32 delegates and 12 visitors for a total of 65. MSC.

We then adjourned and went into worship with Bro. Donnie Burke leading the singing. Bro. Irvin Hyman then presented Bro. Fred Hersey. He took his text from I Thess. 1:9-10 entitled "We Need a Burden".

The moderator then thanked everyone for coming and asked Rev. Gary Smith to dismiss in prayer. A wonderful meal was served with a great time of fellowship.

Clerk: Keith Horn



Midway District Association – Treasurer's Report

(Submitted: January 24, 2004)

Oct. 1, 2003	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$4304.76
Total Receipts		\$1234.87
Total Expenditures:		\$ 459.91
Mar. 31, 2003	Midway Association Ending	\$5079.72

Account Balances

General Account:

October 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 153.43
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Receipts:

Received from Churches (dues)	\$1090.25
Offerings	\$ 134.70
Checking Account Interest	\$ 9.92
Total Receipts:	\$1234.87

Expenditures:

Clerk – Keith Horn	\$ 49.99
Moderator – Burt Hall	\$ 30.00
Transfer to Mission Board	\$ 401.80
Transfer to Minutes Account	\$ 0.00
Check Order	\$ 77.92
Stamps for Clerk	\$ 37.00
Total Expenditures from General Account	\$ 596.71
General Account Balance 3/31/03	\$ 791.59

Minutes Account:

October 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 843.11
Printing Expenses	\$ 0.00
Minutes Account Balance 3/31/03:	\$ 843.11

CTS Account:

October 1 Beginning Balance	\$314.13
CTS Account Balance 3/31/03	\$314.13

Camping Board Account:

October 1 Beginning Balance	\$3411.09
Receipts:	\$ 0.00
Expenditures:	\$ 0.00
Camping Board Account Balance 12/31/2003	\$2699.20

Mission Board Account:

October 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 294.89
Receipts: Total Rec to Mission Fund: (40% transfer)	\$ 401.80
Expenditures: Benjamin Randall Offering	\$ 100.00
Acts 1:8	\$ 65.00
Mission Board Account Balance 3/31/03:	\$ 431.69

TOTAL MIDWAY ACCOUNT BALANCE:	\$5079.72
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Second Quarterly Session

The Second Session of the Midway Association met at the Hammock Springs Free Will Baptist Church on April 24, 2004. The host pastor, Dr. Gary Smith, gave a warm welcome. He then presented Bro. Billy Hanna, who brought the devotion from Proverbs 3:5,6 entitled "Why should We Trust God?"

Clerk Keith Horn called the meeting to order and presented the Assistant Moderator Donnie Burke. We had the roll call of ministers and seating of delegates. MSC. After the roll call of Boards and Committees, the minutes and treasurer's report was given. MSC.

Ruby Etheridge gave a partial report of Credentials Committee and an offering was received. We then had a brief recess for Boards and Committees to meet.

After recess we had the final report of the Credentials Committee: 12 ministers, 6 deacons, 34 delegates and 3 visitors, for a total of 55 present with 14 churches represented. MSC.

Budget and Finance: Joe Murkeson reported \$380.00 to Mission Board, \$200.00 to Camping Board, and \$400.00 to Debbie Griffin. MSC.

Camp Board: Mark Walker reported that Junior Camp will be July 11-16 and that the Midway and Martin Associations will be joining the Chattahoochee Association. The fee for camp this year will be \$80.00 per camper. Teen Camp will be May 30 thru June 4. A state youth Rally and Competition will be April 30 and May 1 at Pearson, Ga. MSC.

Mission Board: Mack Harrison reported \$100.00 to Nathan Snow and \$100.00 to State Missions. MSC.

Ordaining Board: Steve Dowless asked that we send for a letter of good standing for Fred Hershey, who is pastor at the First Church; Blakely. Fred Hersey comes to us from the State Line Association. MSC.

Nominating Committee: Melvin Moody recommended Bro. Harold Williams to be Assistant Moderator. MSC.

Resolutions Committee: Jean Ethridge asked that:

1. We pray for our service people. Bro. Harold Williams led us in prayer.

2. We give a rising vote of thanks to Hammock Springs Church for hosting the Association Meeting. MSC.

WAC: Betty Day reported the March Workshop was held at Bellview Church. Guest speaker Rena Barnhill Brewer inspired us to "Reach the Heights of Service for God." The next District Convention will be held at the Berean Church the first Saturday in October. Debbie Griffin, Missionary to Japan is to be the speaker.

Mission Board: Billy Hanna reported the Acts 1:8 and Coop programs finances are up and they had accepted the property and building at Valdosta. He reported services would begin at that location, but if it did not work out, it would be sold and moved to another location in the Valdosta area. The work at Cartersville is going good, but still have not decided on a man for the job. And when the work begins they will send teams of men to help get things started.

Trustee Report: Steve Dowless reported that the State Office and property will be bought at its present location and the property at Cordele will be sold.

New Business: Bro Burt Hall asked that we accept his resignation as moderator of the Midway Association. MSC. Bro. Hall is moving to the Charleston, W. Va area.

2. Bro Melvin Moody asked that we accept his resignation the Nominating Committee. MSC. Replacing Bro. Moody is Larry Grant of the Hammock Springs Church. MSC.

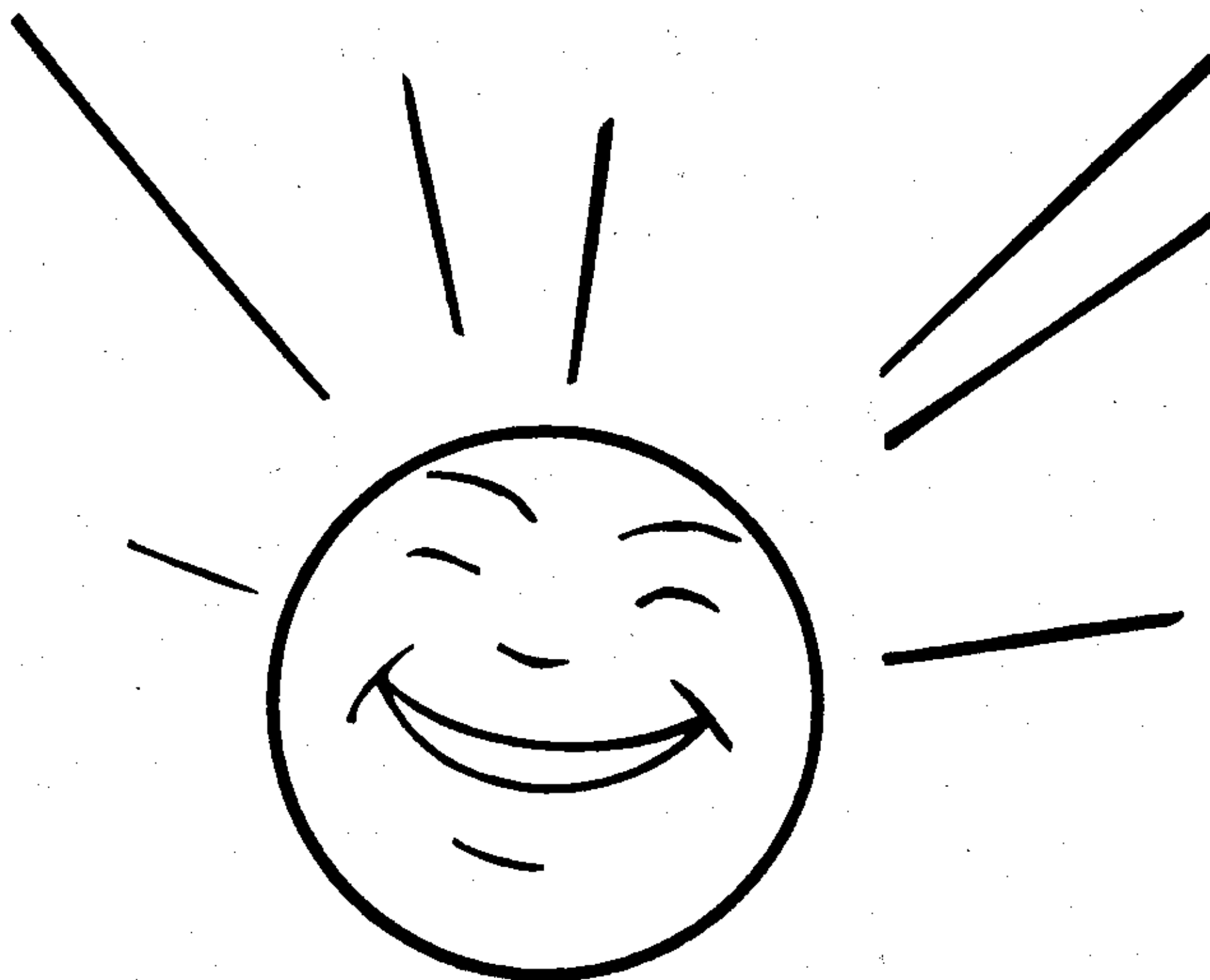
3. A motion was made to elect Rev. Donnie Burke as Moderator. MSC.

We then adjourned and went into worship service with congregational singing and prayer. Doug Bryan presented the special music "I Pledge Allegiance to the Lamb." Dr. Gary Smith introduced Bro. Keith Horn to bring the message. His text was from Nehemiah 2:17, "Inspiring us to Build up and Move On."

We dismissed with prayer and had a wonderful meal and a great time of fellowship.

The next Association will be held at Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church on July 31, 2004.

Clerk: Keith Horn



Midway District Association – Treasurer's Report

(Submitted: April 24, 2004)

Jan. 1, 2004	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$5079.72
Total Receipts	\$2161.71	
Total Expenditures:	\$2219.99	
Mar. 31, 2004	Midway Association Ending	\$5021.44

Account Balances

General Account:

January 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 791.59
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Receipts:

Received from Churches (dues)	\$1949.25
Offerings	\$ 203.00
Checking Account Interest	\$ 9.46
Total Receipts:	\$2161.71

Expenditures:

Clerk – Keith Horn	\$ 49.99
Moderator – Burt Hall	\$ 30.00
Transfer to Mission Board	\$ 316.67
Dues: State - \$75.00; National - \$1400.00	\$ 1475.00
Donations: State Missions	\$ 250.00
Total Expenditures from General Account	\$ 2671.66
General Account Balance 3/31/04	\$ 281.64

Minutes Account:

January 1 Beginning Balance	\$843.11
Donation WAC	\$300.00
Transfer Minutes from Gen Acct	\$ 0.00
Minutes Account Balance 3/31/04:	\$1143.11

CTS Account:

January 1 Beginning Balance	\$314.13
CTS Account Balance 3/31/04	\$314.13

Camping Board Account:

January 1 Beginning Balance	\$2699.20
Receipts: Camp Receipts	\$ 250.00
Expenditures:	\$ 0.00
Camping Board Account Balance 3/31/04:	\$2949.20

Mission Board Account:

January 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 431.69
Receipts: Total Rec to Mission Fund: (40% transfer)	\$ 316.67
Expenditures: World Mission Offering	\$ 200.00
State Missions	\$ 50.00
Expenditure/Donation : ACTS 1:8	\$ 65.00
Mission Board Account Balance 3/31/03:	\$ 333.36

TOTAL MIDWAY ACCOUNT BALANCE:	\$5021.44
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Third Quarterly Session

The Third session of the Midway Association met at the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church on July 31, 2004. Margaret Ann Daniels gave a warm welcome, as she opened the service with a song.

Rev. Walter Daniels, in his devotion challenged us to be like the sower in Luke 8:5 to go out and be all you can be. He then turned the service over to clerk, Keith Horn, who called the meeting to order and presented Assistant Moderator Rev. Harold Williams. Brother Williams asked for a roll call of ministers and seating of delegates. MSC. The minutes and treasurer's report were voted on. MSC. A partial report of Credential Committee was given. The offering was received. We then had brief recess for boards to meet.

After recess we had the following reports:

Credentials Committee: Ruby Ethridge reported 15 ministers, 6 deacons, 36 delegates and 7 visitors for a total of 64 present with 15 churches represented. MSC.

Budget and Finance Committee: Joe Murkeson reported \$477.27 to Mission Board, \$50.00 to minutes account, \$250.00 to Debbie Griffin and \$100.00 to Nathan Snow. MSC.

Camp Board: Mark Walker reported that camp this year went very well and everyone had a wonderful time. He also stated that attendance over the past few years has dropped and hopes that it will increase if we get the camp closer to our churches. He said he would be checking in on Kolomoki Camp.

Mission Board: Mack Harrison reported \$200.00 to Debbie Griffin; \$100.00 to Acts 1:8. MSC.

Ordaining Board: Steve Dowless asked that we send a letter of good standing to the Kanawha County Conference for H.B. Hall. Send a letter to the Union Association asking for a Certificate of Ordination for Bill Lewis and send a letter to South Georgia Association asking for a letter of good standing for Kraig Spivey. MSC.

Resolution Committee: Kathy Marshall,

- (1) Be it resolved that we give more interest to our Free Will Baptist Sunday School,
- (2) Be it resolved that we pray for our Nation's Leaders, and this election year. Those elected to office will seek God's Will.
- (3) Be it resolved that we give Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of thanks for hosting today's Association meeting. MSC.

WAC: Betty Day reported that Berean Free Will Baptist Church would be hosting the Women Active for Christ meeting on October 2nd at 9:00 A. M. She encouraged everyone to come. Debbie Griffin, Missionary to Japan would be the guest speaker.

Mission Board: Billy Hanna reported that the property in Valdosta was now in the hands of Mission Board and repairs to the building and grounds are getting started. He said the Mission Board would like to

get someone in the area as soon as possible. The work at Cartersville is looking good, although we have not found the right man for the job. He encouraged us to pray for them and that God would send the right man. He stated that denomination wide we have a shortage of pastors, not only in this state but others as well.

FWBBC: Billy Hanna stated the college is doing very well and that attendance is up overall. He also said that there are more students looking into Pastoral study than before, hopefully God is answering our prayers and men are listening to the call of God.

Old Business: At the 2nd Quarterly Session a motion was made to raise church dues from .50 per member to .75 cents per member. A motion was made to table the motion until the 3rd quarterly session. At the 3rd quarterly meeting a motion was received to take it off the table. After much discussion, for and against, a vote was taken, motion carried. The dues for the quarterly meeting are now .75 cents per member. Every quarter.

We adjourned from business and went into the worship service. Opening song "Victory in Jesus" was sung and Bro. M. C. Powell led us to the Lord in prayer. Introduction of Dr. Irvin Hyman was by Bro. Walter Daniels. Dr. Hyman brought his message entitled "The Secret of Abiding Joy" from the book of Habakkuk 3:17.

After the message we dismissed with prayer and had a wonderful meal and a great time of fellowship.

The next Association meeting will be at New Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church on Oct 23, 2004.

Clerk : Keith Horn

Midway District Association – Treasurer's Report

(Submitted: July 31, 2004)

Apr. 1, 2004	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$5021.44
Total Receipts		\$ 869.91
Total Expenditures:		\$1054.99
June 30, 2004	Midway Association Ending	\$4836.36

Account Balances

General Account:

April 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 281.64
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Receipts:

Received from Churches (dues)	\$ 708.00
Offerings	\$ 152.75
Checking Account Interest	\$ 9.16
Total Receipts:	\$ 869.91

Expenditures:

Clerk – Keith Horn	\$ 49.99
Moderator – Donnie Burke	\$ 30.00
Transfer to Mission Board	\$ 380.08
Transfer to Camp Board	\$ 200.00
Donations: Debbie Griffin	\$ 400.00

Total Expenditures from General Account	\$ 1060.07
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General Account Balance 6/30/04	\$ 91.48
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Minutes Account:

April 1 Beginning Balance	\$1143.11
Printing 2003 Minutes	\$ 275.00
Transfer Minutes from Gen Acct	\$ 0.00

Minutes Account Balance 6/30/04:	\$868.11
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CTS Account:

April 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 314.13
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CTS Account Balance 6/30/04	\$314.13
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Camping Board Account:

April 1 Beginning Balance	\$2949.20
Receipts: Camp Receipts	\$ 200.00
Expenditures:	\$ 0.00

Camping Board Account Balance 6/30/04:	\$3149.20
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Mission Board Account:

April 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 333.36
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Receipts: Total Rec to Mission Fund: (40% transfer)	\$ 380.08
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Expenditures: Donation : Debbie Griffin	\$ 100.00
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Donation : Nathan Snow	\$ 100.00
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Donation : State Missions	\$ 100.00
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Mission Board Account Balance 6/30/04:	\$ 413.44
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TOTAL MIDWAY ACCOUNT BALANCE:	\$4836.36
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Annual Session

The Annual Session of the Midway Association met on October 23, 2004 at the New Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church.

The service opened with song and the hosting church welcomed us. The service was turned over to clerk, Keith Horn, who brought the devotion entitled "Show me a Sermon." The clerk called the service to order and presented the Assistant Moderator, Rev. Harold Williams.

The assistant moderator asked for a roll call of ministers, boards, committees and seating of delegates. MSC. A partial report of the credentials committee was given. We received an offering and had a brief recess.

After the recess the Association meeting opened with a song. The moderator asked for reports from Boards and Committees.

Budget and Finance: Rev. Joe Murkeson reported \$1425.57 in the general fund with \$410.44 to Mission Board, \$50.00 to minutes account, \$ 450.00 to Debbie Griffin, \$100.00 to Nathan Snow, leaving a general fund balance of \$ 335.58. MSC.

Camp Board: Rev. Rudy Woods reported that financially it was doing well. The camp board also checked on Kolomoki campground, and stated that the time slots for the 2005 season were filled. But that for the 2006 season the junior camp will be at Kolomoki. As for 2005 at this time they were not sure where the junior camp would be. He also encouraged the churches to get teens registered for the Winter Retreat. It will be at Epworth by the Sea, December 27-29. MSC.

Mission Board: Mac Harrison reported \$85.00 to Acts 1:8, \$ 200.00 to Benjamin Randall, \$100.00 to State Missions and \$100.00 to Debbie Griffin. MSC.

Nomination Board: Larry Grant nominated Rev. Fred Hersey to replace Rev. M. C. Powell on the Ordaining board. MSC.

Ordaining Board: Rev. M.C. Powell asked that the Association send a letter to the Union Association asking for the original Certificate of Ordination for Bill Lewis. MSC.

Resolution Committee: Asked that we pray for the resolution coming up by the general assembly (SR595) recognition of marriages. And that we give New Enterprise Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of thanks for hosting the Association. MSC.

Obituary Committee: Joy Brackin gave a report of those who have passed away during the year 2004. They were:

Bellview: Margaret Harden, Willie Joe Wade, Rev. Cliff Holland, Kenneth Cox,

Enterprise: Ralph Jenkins, Lawrence Jenkins

Albany First: Mary Lee Fowler, Mardee Wells, Decima Houston, Theo K. Powell, Lethain Davis

Hammock Springs: Charlotte Parker

Macedonia: Earl Tabb

Patmos: Jone Sheffield

Travelers Rest: Annis Watson, Genge Givens, and Hershel Hyde

After the names were read, a time of prayer was given. MSC.

Placement Committee: Valerie Culpepper reported that the Association meetings for 2005 are as follows:

1st — New Light Free Will Baptist Church, Morgan, Ga
January 22, 2005

2nd — Patmos Free Will Baptist Church, Leary, Ga
April 23, 2005

3rd — Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church, Newton, Ga
July 30, 2005

4th — White Plains Free Will Baptist Church, Blakely, Ga
October 22, 2005

Mission Board: Rev. Billy Hanna stated we have the funds to start a mission church, and we are still looking for men for the job. The families that were in the Cartersville area have moved and we are considering holding off in this area for now. Another area we are considering in Richmond Hill. The Valdosta area is still open. Rev. Hanna also reported that enrollment at the Bible College is the highest since 1986. He asked us to continue to pray for the "college".

Debbie Griffin gave us a report from Japan. She said God is truly blessing in the area and asked us to pray that God will continue to send workers to the mission field.

New Business: A letter from the state Office asking the Midway Association what we would like for them to do with the money donated for the State Office building in Cordele. A motion was made to leave the money in the office-building fund. MSC.

Credential Committee: Ruby Ethridge gave the final report: 12 ministers, 7 deacons, 28 delegates, 1 lay member, 3 visitors for a total of 51 present and 12 churches represented. MSC.

We dismissed from business and went into our worship service. Rev. Fred Hersey led us in prayer. Rev. Keith Horn introduced Rev. Harold Williams, pastor of the Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church to bring the message from Luke 16:27, entitled: "Danger in the 21st Century."

After the message, we dismissed with prayer and had a wonderful meal and a great time of fellowship.

The next Association will be at New Light Free Will Baptist Church on January 22, 2005.

Clerk : Keith Horn

Midway District Association – Treasurer's Report
(Submitted: October 23, 2004)

July . 1, 2004	Midway Association Beginning Balance:	\$4836.36
Total Receipts		\$ 7432.34
Total Expenditures:		\$6175.09
Sept. 30, 2004	Midway Association Ending	\$6093.61

Account Balances

General Account:

July 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 91.48
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Receipts:

Received from Churches (dues)	\$ 1021.25
Offerings	\$ 189.25
Checking Account Interest	\$ 11.84
Designated for Camp	\$ 6210.00
Total Receipts:	\$ 7432.34

Expenditures:

Clerk – Keith Horn	\$ 49.99
Asst Moderator – Harold Williams	\$ 30.00
Transfer to Mission Board	\$ 477.27
Transfer to Camp Board	\$ 6210.00
Other- (stamps for Clerk)	\$ 37.00

Donations: Debbie Griffin \$250; Nathan Snow \$100	\$ 350.00
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Total Expenditures from General Account	\$ 7204.26
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General Account Balance 9/30/04	\$ 319.56
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Minutes Account:

April 1 Beginning Balance	\$868.11
Receipts	\$ 50.00
Printing Minutes –2003	\$ 0.00

<i>Minutes Account Balance 9/30/04:</i>	<i>\$918.11</i>
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CTS Account:

July 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 314.13
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<i>CTS Account Balance 9/30/04</i>	<i>\$314.13</i>
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Camping Board Account:

July 1 Beginning Balance	\$3149.20
Receipts: Camp Receipts	\$6210.00
Expenditures:	\$5308.10

<i>Camping Board Account Balance 9/30/04:</i>	<i>\$4051.10</i>
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Mission Board Account:

July 1 Beginning Balance	\$ 413.44
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Receipts: Total Rec to Mission Fund: (40% transfer)	\$ 477.27
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Expenditures: Donation : Debbie Griffin	\$ 200.00
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Donation : State Missions	\$ 100.00
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Donation : Acts 1:8	\$ 100.00
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<i>Mission Board Account Balance 9/30/04:</i>	<i>\$ 490.71</i>
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TOTAL MIDWAY ACCOUNT BALANCE:	\$6093.61
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Constitution of the Midway District Association Of Original Free Will Baptist of the State of Georgia

Preamble

We, the Midway District Association of Original Free Will Baptist of the State Of Georgia, do ordain this constitution for the purpose of advance in, promoting and increasing all phase of the cause of Christ.

Article I *NAME*:

The organization shall be known as the Midway District Association of Original Free Will Baptist of the State of Georgia.

Article II *MEMBERSHIP*:

This association shall be composed of such Free Will Baptist Churches as shall adopt this compact and agree to this constitution.

Article III *REPRESENTATION*:

Section 1: The standing delegates of this session 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 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 for each additional twenty-five (25) members.

Article IV *OFFICERS*:

Section 1: The general officers of this association shall be 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, 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 vote of the delegates present provided that the proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing during one session, placed on the table and voted on in the next session. Further it shall be understood that the proposed amendment or alteration be furnished in writing to each church at least thirty (30) days prior to the session during which the vote is taken.



BY -LAWS of the Midway District Association Of Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Georgia

Article I MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1: All churches affiliated with this association shall be required to adopt the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptists as adopted by the National Association of Free Will 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 75 cents per quarterly session and 75 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 Mission Board shall be composed of five (5) members whose terms of office shall be two (2) 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' 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 the property requiring trusteeship of the Midway Association.
- (c) To formulate and promote a live missionary program by aiding of weak churches, the establishment of new churches and by earnest effort to keep the spirit of revival ever presents 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 of standing. Board members shall be elected on even years for a term of two (2) 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.
 - (i) That all Ministers wishing to become members of this Midway Association be recommended from the church of which they are members.
 - (ii) That all examines be called upon to present their credentials for examination and answer satisfactorily such questions as may be asked them.
 - (iii) That a person who is presented for ordination or to be recognized as ordained must be pasturing, involved in a

Pastoral ministry, or be in a state or retirement due to age or health or have a justifiable cause preventing his pasturing.

- (i) That ministers desiring to be ordained must have been licensed for a period of one (1) year and have pastured or been involved in a pastoral ministry for at least six (6) months prior to ordination, six (6) months pasturing, 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 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 conditions.

Section 4: The Camp Board shall be composed of five (5) 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 a Co-Director. This board shall be elected or re-elected yearly. It shall be their duties to:

- 1. Plan and promote the Youth Camp over the District
- 2. Set time for the Midway Camp.
- 3. Set fees for the camp in accordance with the State Camp Board.
- 4. 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 re-elected on even re-elected on even years.

Section 2: All committees not provided for by either the constitution or its by-laws may be appointed by the Moderator as deemed necessary.

Article VI

Section 1: Each church is requested to mail its report to the Clerk fifteen (15) days before each session.

Section 2: Each Auxiliary of the Association shall give a report to the Association meeting which meets in October for the Annual Meeting. It is requested that this report be mailed to the Clerk 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 to 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 taken over by death, each year shall be included in that year's minutes, and such information is 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 the 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 SUPPANNUATION:

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 their 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, the 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

Theses by-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session of the association by two-thirds majority vote of the membership present provided that the proposed amendment is presented in writing during one session, place on the table and voted on in the new session. The proposed amendment or alteration shall be furnished in writing to each church at least thirty (30) days prior to the session during which the vote is to be taken.

Midway District Women Active For Christ Executive Board Meeting February 21, 2004

The Executive Board of the Midway District WAC had a lunch meeting to finalize plans for our upcoming workshop on March 6th. Coordinator Betty Day treated everyone to salad and pizza at the Pizza Hut in Blakely. Those present were Betty Day, Sherry Henley, Kathy Marshall, Gloria Henley, Edwina Drinkwater, Teresa Smith and Margaret Ann Daniels.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Marshall, Secretary.

Midway District Women Active for Christ Workshop March 6, 2004

The March 6, 2004, Midway District WAC workshop met at Bellview Free Will Baptist Church. Registration began at 9:00 a. m., and our meeting began at 9:30 a.m. . Doris Grant and Gwen Brooks registered our members and guest . We had a total of nine churches represented and an attendance of forty members and three visitors. Teresa Womack gave us a warm welcome to Bellview. Janice Temples gave our opening prayer.

Our song leader for the day was Leanne Walton, and our pianist was Shirley Kimbrell. After a congregational hymn, Tara Womack blessed us by singing *On My Knees*.

Our new coordinator, Betty Day , introduced our officers. Each officer spoke briefly about the duties of the local officers, and local officers were asked to stand when their office was explained. Suggestions were offered to help us all in the administration of our local and district duties. District Treasurer Gloria Henley reported that our checking account balance was \$ 514.75. Our service chairperson, Marie Glover, reported that the bishops, home on furlough in Nashville, were in need of a new digital camera. Their van had been broken into and everything was stolen, but the digital camera was a great loss since they use it on the mission field. Marie had written to each local chapter asking for a donation of \$30 to help with making a down payment on a new camera.

We then had a morning break. Bellview treated us to doughnuts, coffee and orange juice.

We reconvened and had another congregational hymn. Edwina Drinkwater opened our worship hour in prayer. We thanked God with our offerings which were received by the ladies at Bellview. Tara Womack again blessed us in song . Her selection was *Redeemer*. Marie Glover then introduced our speaker, Rena Barnhill Brewer. Rena gave a very inspirational talk about spiritual growth, referencing several scriptures including James 8:4 and Ii Timothy 2:15. She represented spiritual maturity by using a circle with Jesus Christ as the center, the lost on the outside of the circle, and Christians inside the circle. Our spiritual maturity is represented by how close to the center of the circle we are. Rena said that we are to propose in our hearts to move toward the center so that (1) we can grow spiritually and (2) we can direct others toward Christ. The closer we get to the center to His light, the brighter we shine because we have no light but His that shines through us. Rena gave us helps on how to move to the center.

We gave Bellview a rising vote of thanks, after which we dismissed in prayer and thanksgiving for the wonderful salad luncheon provided by the ladies at Bellview.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Marshall, Secretary

Midway District Women Active For Christ
Executive Board Meeting
July 31, 2004

The officers of the Midway District WAC met at Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church. Plans were made for our annual convention to be held on October 2, 2004 at Berean Free Will Baptist Church in Albany. Officers present were Betty Day, Kathy Marshall, Gloria Henley, Edwina Drinkwater, Jewellean Powell, Margaret Ann Daniels and Teresa Smith. Past Coordinator Janice Temples was also present.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Marshall, Secretary

Minutes of the Midway District Women Active For Christ
Annual Convention
Berean Free Will Baptist Church
October 2, 2004

The theme of our convention was "Great Expectations." Our pianist for the day was Shirley Kimbrel, and our song leader was Donna Walker. Becky DuBose and Bonnie Wishum registered our delegates and visitors.

Registration began at 9:00 a.m., and our meeting began at 9:30 a.m. with the singing of "I Am Resolved." Bro Chuck Snow was in attendance and rendered our opening prayer. Jewellean Powell then welcomed us to Berean. WE were blessed to have musical group, Greater Joy, with us for the day, and they gave a wonderful presentation of "Rise Up and Praise Him." Coordinator Betty Day and Bro. Chuck Snow then took up our offering, which came to a total of \$285.00.

Delegates were seated, and committee members were finalized. We then broke for our committee meetings.

After the break, Greater Joy sang "Celebrate the Lord of Love."

The following reports were given:

Credentials: We, the Credentials Committee, submit the following report. We have eleven (11) auxiliaries that have reported and paid their dues on 118 members as follows: Albany—17; Bellview—15; Berean—7; Blakely—6; Cedar Springs—4; Hammock Springs—4; Macedonia—2; New Light—5; Patmos—3; and Travelers Rest—4 for a total of 54 in attendance. There

were 30 delegates and 23 visitors. MSC to accept the report.

Resolutions: The following recommendations were submitted by Wynelle Clower , Chairperson, Doris Grant, Marie Glover, Jean Dukes, and Judy Brank. (I) Recommendation from WNAC 2004 Convention (July 19-20, 2004) in Kansas City, Missouri, encouraging each local WAC to participate in sending a 50/50 offering— (1) \$50.00 to the WNAC General Fund and (2) \$50.00 for Central Asian Women to participate in their Sisters' Prayer Fellowship; (II) Recommendation that each local WAC chapter send a one time offering for the Volena Wilson Bible Institute in Conoor, Tamil Nadu, South India to help students. This information can be seen on page 15 of the September 2004 issue of Contact magazine; (III) Recommendation that we congratulate Rev and Mrs. Fred Hersey, pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church of Blakely, for being invited to participate in the Japan Association of Free Will Baptists special services held September 18-20, 2004 in Hokkaido, Japan. Brother Hersey served as a missionary to Japan for 42 years. We asked that each local WAC to send them a card and (IV) Recommendation that we give Berean a rising vote of "Thanks" for hosting the meeting today. MSC to accept the report. Everyone then rose to show their appreciation to Berean for hosting our convention.

Treasurers Report: Gloria Henley presented the treasurer's report (See Exhibit A) MSC to accept.

Finance Committee: The Finance Committee recommended giving the following love offerings: (1) Debbie Griffin - \$250.00 , (2) Greater Joy (singers) - \$ 100.00 and (3) Alabama Children's Home (Harvest Drive) - \$100.00. The committee also recommended giving \$ 50.00 toward the printing of the Midway Annual Minutes. Submitted by Gloria Henley, Barbara Johnson and Kathy Marshall. MSC.

Placement Committee: The March Workshop will be held at First Free Will Baptist church of Albany and the Annual Convention in October will be at Cedar Springs Free Will Baptist Church. (Cedar Springs would normally host the former , but due to Albany having a conflict with the October date, it was decided to reverse the order.) Submitted by Christie Pell and Genene Middleton.

Edwina Drinkwater then reported on the National Convention which was held in Kansas City, Missouri. She also told us that the theme for the new year is "Let Us Pursue." New program books are available.

Service Committee: Marie Glover had a "thank you" note from the Bishops for Money we contributed toward the purchase of a new camera after their old one was stolen. Marie also reported on her trip to Alaska where she was present for the dedication of the new Church which Ron Wallace pastors.

We had no Remembrance Report since no WAC members passed away during the year.

After committee reports, Betty Day reintroduced the current Officers.

Christine Daniel reported that riders for the chartered bus to Rodge-

crest for the WNAC Retreat are needed. The cost is \$55.00, and a minimum number of riders is required for service. Registration forms can be found in the Co-Laborer.

A call for volunteers to the State Convention was issued by Betty Day. Ten of our ladies volunteered. They are : Janice Temples; Edwina Drinkwater, Kim Dowless, Lorene Horn, Jewellean Powell, Wynelle Clower , Genene Middleton, Teresa Womack, Tamsyn Spivey, and Margie Carter. Most of the ladies were present but a couple were "volunteered" by friends.

At the conclusion of the business session, we began our worship service by singing " Majesty." Donna Walker, a member of Greater Joy introduced the members of the group, who sang "Women of Faith."

Our speaker for the day, Debbie Griffin, was introduced by Doris Grant, her former Sunday Scholl teacher. Debbie has served as a missionary to Japan for eighteen years. She leads the Women's Ministry, is coordinator for short - term missions and is head of the English Program. She gave each of us a brochure entitled " Why and How to Pray for Missionaries." She used Romans 15:30 as her scripture, pointing out that Paul wanted people to pray for him. He understood how much he needed prayers for Christ's sake, and that whatever was accomplished throughout his missionary travels was the Lord's work and not his personally. Debbie talked about how important our prayers are for her and other missionaries are as a defense against Satan. She spoke of how Satan works in Japan through strong ties to Buddhism and Shintoism in particular. We are so grateful to Debbie for yielding herself to the Lord's work as she does.

Following Debbie's message, we were dismissed in prayer. The ladies at Berean treated us to a delicious lunch.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Marshall , Secretary

Midway District Women Active For Christ
Annual Treasure Report
2003-2004

Balance on Hand 10/01/03	676.75	
Deposits	<u>8445.16</u>	
		\$9121.91
Annual Convention Offering	149.00	
Workshop offering	100.00	
Local Auxiliary Offering	<u>8196.16</u>	
		\$8445.16

Disbursements

WAC Designated Funds	7616.66	
Sandra Bishop Convention Speaker	200.00	
Patricia Fite St. Crix FWB Church	100.00 + 50.00	
Printing of WAC Minutes	50.00	
Sadie Sills Bulletins	30.00	
Rena Barnhill Brewer Workshop	150.00	
Marie Glover Digital Camera for Bishops	<u>300.00</u>	
		\$8496.66
Balance On Hand 10/01/04		\$ 625.25

Designated

Dues Paid on 2003 Members (15)	187.50	
Dues Paid on 2004 members (118)	1475.00	
Co-Laborer Offering (General Fund)	459.00	
Emphasis Month	125.00	
GWAC Emphasis Month	225.00	
Memorial Student Month	36.00	
Foreign Student Scholarship	25.00	
State Project Acts 1:8 Lora Shutes	<u>1459.83</u>	
		\$3990.33

FWBBC

Dot Harvey	469.00	
Organ Fund	<u>50.00</u>	
		\$519.00

Foreign Missions

Laura B Barnard Pre-Easter	880.33	
Carlisle Hanna	74.00	
Debbie Griffin	590.00	
Dale and Sandra Bishop	110.00	
Nathan and Linda Snow	330.00	
Joni Thomas	110.00	
New Life Children's Home	<u>55.00</u>	
		\$2149.33

Home Missions

Lizzie McAdams Pre-thanksgiving	703.00	
Alabama Children's Home	<u>255.00</u>	
		\$ 958.00

Total		\$7616.66
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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 origination 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 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 President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Field Worker, Study Chairman, Mission Chairman, Prayer Chairman and Service Chairman. These shall constitute the Executive Committee, five) 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 Coordinators 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 group must notify the Executive Committee.

Article VI AMENDMENTS

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

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 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 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 monies 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 send 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 as well as a report of the State Project and report this information to the District.

Section 6: Study Chairman – The Study Chairman shall work with the local WGAC groups' Study Chairman through personal contact or correspondence. She shall recommend books for study in the local groups and may even teach 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 Chairman 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 the 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 Chairman in local groups to learn Missionaries names, send needed gifts, get acquainted with Missionary Kids and find out their needs. She shall encourage local chapters to present a special program during WNAC Emphasis Month in August and sending 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 years by acclamation, unless there are other nominations. In the event of more than one nominee for an 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 per month. The convention may decided 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: Nominating Committee – 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. The 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 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 the 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. The Committee's responsibility is to register those in attendance. The 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.

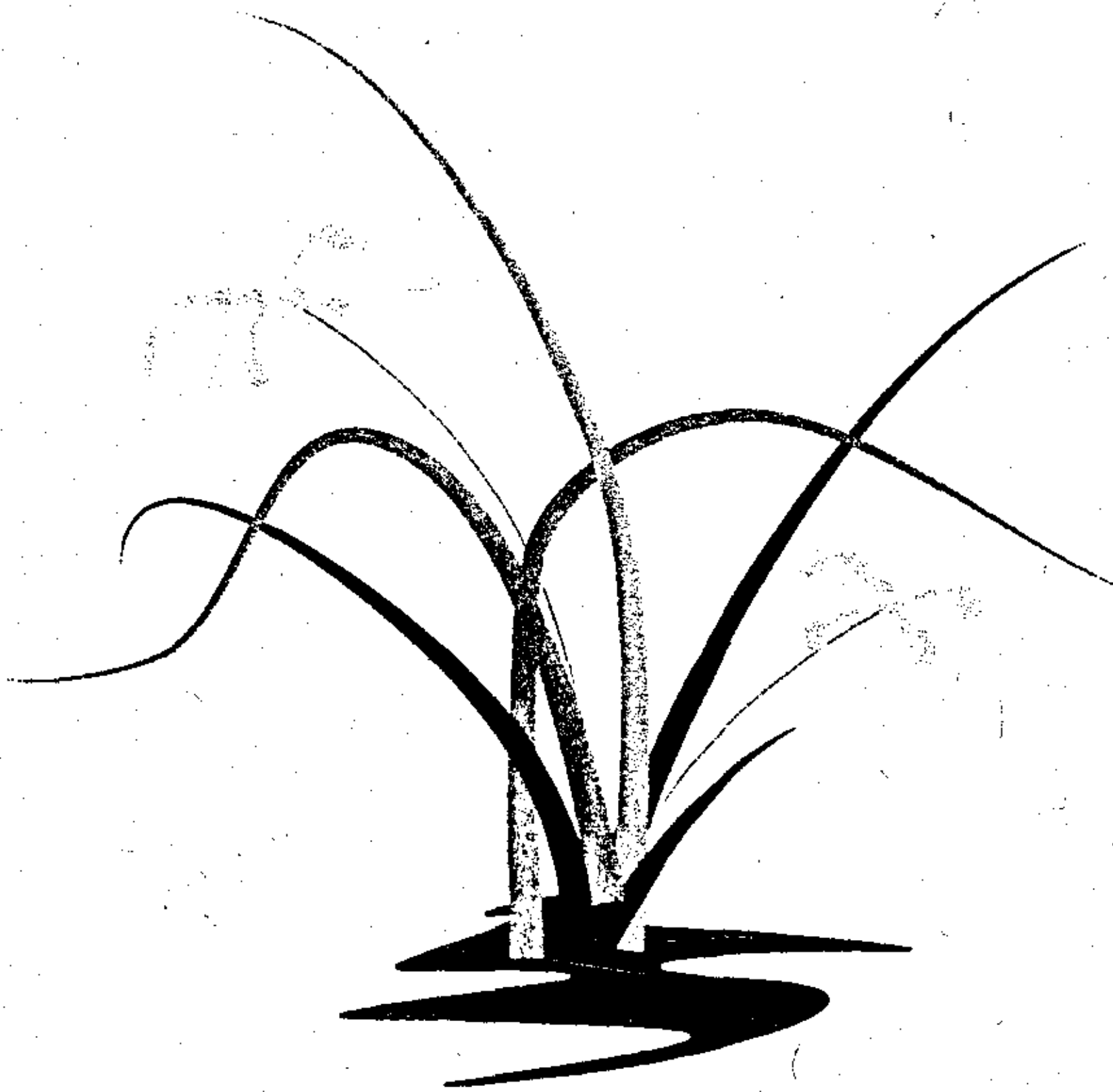
Section 2: The minutes of the previous Convention shall be read as information at the beginning of the business session.

Article VI GIFTS

The desired financial programs for the 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.



For God so loved the world, that he gave
his only begotten Son, that whosoever
believeth in him should not perish, but
have everlasting life. John [3:16]



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