



**MINUTES**  
OF THE  
**FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
OF THE  
**Mississippi State**  
**Association**  
OF  
**FREE WILL BAPTIST**

WHEN CONVENED WITH  
**LEE'S CHAPEL**  
**FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
*JONES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI*

**November 7, 1969**

**THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD**

**WITH THE**  
**FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
*MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI*

**FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY**  
**BEFORE THE SECOND SUNDAY**  
**IN NOVEMBER, 1970**



MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION  
OF  
—FREE WILL BAPTISTS—  
1969 - 1970

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BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION—  
Rev. Milton Worthington, Mr. Fenton Hollifield-1970; Mr. Charles  
Walden-1971; Rev. Randy Cox-1972; Bobby Mills-1973.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—  
Rev. Wendell Walley, Rev. Milton Worthington-1970; Mr. H. G.  
Cooper-1971; Rev. J. S. Whitehead-1972; Rev. J. K. Walley-1973.

BOARD OF CONFERENCE AND ITINERATE MINISTERS—  
Rev. D. W. Jones, Rev. William Buster, Bro. William Walden.

MISSISSIPPI HISTORICAL COMMISSION CHAIRMAN—  
Rev. M. L. Hollis.

## PROCEEDINGS

### BIBLE CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY THE

### BOARD OF CONFERENCE AND ITINERATE MINISTRIES

Of The Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptist  
Convening at the Lee's Chapel F. W. B. Church  
Highway 84, East of Laurel, Mississippi

### PROGRAM

#### FRIDAY MORNING

Rev. William Buster, Presiding

Rev. Milton Worthington, Hymn Director

10:00 - Worship in Song

- Welcome Address

10:25 - Message—Rev. Dan Gaskins

10:55 - Recess

11:00 - Worship in Song

- Prayer

11:20 - Message

12:00 - Lunch

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Rev. Levy Corey, Presiding

1:00 - Call to Worship in Song

- Prayer

1:20 - Message—Rev. Wayne Yarbrough

1:50 - Recess

2:00 - Congregational Singing

- Testimony Service

2:20 - Message—Rev. J. L. Gore

3:00 - We unite our hearts in prayer for God's  
Unction on the State Association.



#### FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

The fourth annual session of the State Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the Lee's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church of Jones County, Mississippi on November 7, 1969 at 7:30 p.m.

The services opened with "Stand up for Jesus" sung heartily by the congregation and led by Bro. Joe Grantham. The congregation also sang, "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus".

The congregation was led in prayer by Rev. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Bro. Lonnie Walley gave an appropriate devotional. Bro. Walley read John 12:47 and gave emphasis to the thought, "Witnessing to those who oppose the Gospel." The welcome was given by the host pastor, Rev. W. A. Godsey and Bro. Herman Baker gave the response.

The state moderator, Rev. Daniel Gaskins gave the moderator's message on the theme—"Doers of the Work." He read 1 Cor. 4:2 and challenged the association to be ready and willing to carry on God's work and to be faithful and steadfast.

The moderator called the association officially into session.

Rev. Randy Cox was elected as parliamentarian for the 1969 session.

Delegates names were read by the clerk and delegates present were seated to conduct the business of the association.

The committee on committees was appointed. This committee consisted of: Bro. Bobby Kerr and Rev. Harvey Dupree.

Rev. Herman Hersey was recognized and brought words of greetings from the Retirement Plan and Insurance Program for ministers and other Free Will Baptist. Bro. Hersey played a special arrangement of "O Happy Day."

Rev. Rufus Coffey was recognized and brought greetings from the Executive Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptists and explained much of the national work.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE

The congregation was led by Bro. Joe Granthum in singing, "Come Unto Me". An offering was received for the association's general fund. Miss Deborah Granthum gave a beautiful rendition of a song entitled, "Jesus Is Coming Again."

Rev. Odell Harris was introduced to bring the Friday night message. Bro. Harris spoke from Luke 6:43 on the subject, "Profession Without Practice." After prayer led by Bro. John Pake, the association was adjourned for the night to reconvene on Saturday morning.

#### SATURDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

A good number of our men enjoyed a fellowship breakfast and fellowship time on Saturday morning. This was held at the Holiday Inn and Bro. John Pake, a layman from the Greenville Mission gave a message on what God had done for him.

#### SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE

The Association opened the Saturday morning session by singing "At The Cross" led by Bro. Roy Armstrong.

Rev. Randy Cox led in prayer, then Bro. Charles Walden gave a meaningful devotional using Phillipians 1:18-23. His thought was to look and go forward with new zeal and determine to carry on the work of the association.

The final credentials committee report was given by the clerk. Report

received by the association.

The report of the committee on committees was given by Bro. Bobby Kerr. (see report of committee on committees.) The obituary committee and resolution committee was combined and accepted. Action on nominating committee was deferred.

The Executive Committee report was given by the clerk. (see Executive Committee report.) Report received and each item acted on separately and each item received.

Rev. N. R. Smith gave a report about our Sunday School Department. In particular, he gave information in regard to Sunday School Literature, the Randall Book Store and our Teacher Training Program. Catalogs and materials are available from Randall Book Store, P. O. Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee 37202.

Final report of Committee on Committees was given, changed and then accepted.

Rev. Randy Cox introduced the Home Mission Board members and then recognized Rev. Levy Corey, who then brought a brief greeting and a challenge to join together in more missionary work. Then Bro. Cox gave the State Home Mission Board Report. (see Home Mission Board report.) Bro. A. V. Armstrong gave some interesting facts on State Missions giving. Does your church give regularly to State Missions? If not, start now. Send all gifts to: Bro. A. V. Armstrong, Route 1, Box 278, Smithville, Mississippi 38870. Report received and recommendations acted on separately and accepted.

The association was adjourned for a brief recess. Prayer was given by Rev. Rufus Coffey.

## SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The association was reconvened by Bro. Roy Armstrong leading the congregation in singing "No Not One." Rev. Levy Corey led in prayer.

A partial report of the Resolution Committee was given. (See Resolutions Committee report.) A Constitutional change was involved. The report was accepted and tabled until the afternoon session.

A special number was rendered by Bro. Roy Armstrong and his sister. Milton and Melvin Worthington and Bro. Roy Armstrong then sung.

A partial report was given by the Nominating Committee. Changes were made and the report was received. (See Nominating Committee Report.)

Rev. Randy Cox then made comments on work of the State Mission Board and then turned the service over to Rev. Wendell Walley. Bro. Walley had the congregation to stand and sing "Amazing Grace." He then gave some interesting information about the work in Greenville. Bro. Walley then read Luke 16:8-9. The Christian and his worldly possessions.

The association then adjourned for lunch.



## SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Bro. Roy Armstrong reconvened the association and led in the singing of "When We All Get To Heaven." Miss Granthum then sang another beautiful special in song. Bro. Armstrong then led in another congregational number.

Rev. Herman Baker gave the afternoon devotional reading I Thess. 4:1, 9-12. His thought was our responsibility to God, to Christians and to the lost in light of the second coming of Christ.

Rev. J. K. Walley gave the Christian Education Report. Report received. (See Christian Education Report.)

Rev. William Buster gave the Board of Conference and Itinerate Ministers Report (See Report) Report Received

Bro. A. V. Armstrong gave the General Fund Financial Report. (See Financial Statement) Report Received.

An offering in the amount of \$62.77 was received for the State Mission Board.

Rev. Randy Cox gave a report from the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville. Report received.

Rev. Harvey Dupree read greetings and brief reports from the Home and Foreign Missions Boards and materials were passed out. Both reports were received.

Rev. Daniel Gaskins read a brief report from the C. T. S. Department. Report Received.

Rev. Rufus Coffey gave further information about the work of the Executive Department of the National Association of Free Will Baptist. Report Received.

Rev. Herman Baker gave the report for the Obituary Committee and the Resolution Committee. (See Reports) Obituary Report received. The Resolutions Report was adopted item by item.

Motion was made and carried that Rev. Odell Harris be elected to fill the Mission Board vacancy created by the removal of Bro. Bobby Mills from this Board which was done by vote of this body.

Bro. Charles Walden gave the report of the Nominating Committee (See Nominating Report.) Report Received.

The Following Officers were Elected:

Odell Harris - Moderator

J. K. Walley - Assistant Moderator

Rev. Daniel Gaskins - Clerk

Rev. Harvey Dupree - Assistant Clerk

Bro. A. V. Armstrong - Treasurer

Board of Conference and Itinerate Ministers - Bro. Darrell Stafford

The Association received Levy Corey's resignation from the Board of Conference and Itinerate Ministers and elected Bro. William Walden to fill this vacancy.

Rev. Wendell Walley was elected to fill the expired term of L. D. Walley on the Board of Christian Education.

Rev. M. L. Hollis was retained on the Historical Committee

Rev. Melvin Worthington was elected as trustee to the Children's Home.

Bro. Daniel Gaskins was elected editor of the Mississippi Messenger and Rev. Harvey Dupree was elected to be responsible for printing of the minutes.

ASSOCIATIONS	DELEGATES	FEES
Northeast Mississippi	2	\$30.00
South Mississippi	5	20.00
Little Brown Creek	5	20.00
CHURCHES	DELEGATES	FEES
Antioch	1	\$10.00
Antioch, Burnsville	1	10.00
Beech Springs	1	10.00
Bethel	1	10.00
Buckatunna	1	10.00
Corinth	1	10.00
County Line, Richton	1	10.00
Faith Chapel	1	15.00
Fellowship	1	10.00
First, Amory	1	10.00
First, Booneville	1	10.00
First, Columbus	1	10.00
First, Pascogoula	1	10.00
Grace, Columbus	1	10.00
Hollis Chapel, Columbus	1	10.00
Jones Chapel	1	10.00
Lee's Chapel, Jones County	1	10.00
Lee's Chapel, Taylorsville	1	10.00
Lovewell	1	10.00
Macadonia	1	10.00
Main Street, Amory	1	10.00
Martin Hill	1	10.00
Meridian	1	10.00
New Lebanon	1	10.00
Philadelphia	1	10.00
Pierce Chapel	1	10.00
Springdale	1	10.00
Thompson Creek	1	10.00
Tupelo	1	10.00

## REPORT OF MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

### OBSERVATIONS—

Jesus said, “. . . the night cometh when no man can work” Jn. 9:4b.) Feeling the thrust of this urgency, your Board of Missions and Church Extension is seeking to follow the Great Commission. We move at the pace of your burden to be a witness for Christ to lost people in this State. That burden is reflected in giving. Indeed, the prophetic clock shows that the shades of night are falling. The time to go and to send is NOW while it is yet day.

On this fourth (4th) birthday as a State Association we have two (2) “Project 30” missionaries on the field. The Meridian “Project 30”, where Brother Levy Corey serves, will come to a close at the end of March. We have a good Free Will Baptist Church in that city for which we PRAISE GOD. Also, we PRAISE GOD for the faithfulness of His servant. It is worth all it has taken to have a church in MERIDIAN.

Brother Wendell Walley and family began services in GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI, on Sunday, September 14, 1969. During a part of August and September Brother Walley visited twenty-one (21) churches in our State. Thank you for welcoming your state missionary into your church and homes. However, we must observe that for the most part the financial response for STATE Missions at these services was very meager.

Thirty (30) churches made gifts toward our GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI “Project 30” this year. All gifts totalled \$4,735.03. This was an increase of only \$153.10 over last year. If we are to honor our “Project 30” obligation in Greenville, our STATE MISSION giving *MUST* increase greatly. The great need is still for churches to give systematic, regular support. Send your gifts to Mr. A. V. Armstrong Route 1, Box 278, Smithville, Mississippi 38870. This assures that your gift goes in Brother Wendell Walley’s account for our GREENVILLE “Project 30”.

Recently your Board agreed to give advisory assistance and sanction to a group in Richton, Mississippi, who express a desire for a Free Will Baptist Church.

The task before us is great but our yod is GREATER. Through your faithfulness in witnessing, praying and giving, God will bring VICTORY and GLORY to HIMSELF as we serve while it is yet day.

### “PROJECT 30” GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI MISSIONARIES — THE WALLEY’S

### PRAYER AND PRAISE ITEMS—

1. Praise God for our new state missionaries, Brother Wendell Walley and family.
2. Pray for the Walley’s as they labor for Christ in Greenville.
3. Pray for God’s blessings to be upon the MARCH FOR MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS PROMOTION 1970.
4. Praise God for the new building being erected by the church in Mer-



idian.

5. Pray for the Corey's and the spiritual outreach of the Meridian church.
6. Pray for your Board of Missions and Church Extension.

#### NEEDS OF GREENVILLE WORK—

1. Chairs and Tables for Sunday School.
2. Blackboards, flannelgraph, easels, maps, etc.
3. Free Will Baptist Hymnals
4. Record Attendance Board
5. Communion Set

#### RECOMMENDATIONS—

1. We recommend that each church make a definite effort to give regularly to state missions from their general funds.
2. We recommend the following MARCH FOR MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS promotion:
  - a. Each church spend March raising special funds for state missions.
  - b. That these gifts be presented at the First Free Will Baptist church in Meridian on Saturday, April 4, 1970.
  - c. That this day be MISSIONS RALLY DAY - a time of praise to God for the completed Meridian project and His leadership in the Greenville project.
  - d. That the promotional literature be a poster and a bulletin insert handbill.

#### MARCH FOR MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS— *Promotional Suggestions*

1. Hand out small bags to members of congregation and encourage them to bring a 30 "pieces of Silver" offering for State Missions.
2. Designate a Sunday in March to receive the special State Missions offering.
3. PASTOR, You are the KEY!

#### REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Resolutions have the following report:

- Item 1. Be it resolved that article 4 section 2 to be changed to read as follows: "All missionaries serving under the auspices of the state missions board"
- Item 2 Be it resolved that in the absence of an invitation from the Little Brown Creek Association that we accept the invitation from Meridian, a product of the association, as next year's site for the State association.
- Item 3 Be it resolved that each church promote subscriptions to Contact magazine as a means of keeping better informed of all our denominational work. We recommend that each church of Mississippi put the National Executive Department in their church budget, since contributions are the only means of support that they have.

- Item 4 Be it resolved that the names and addresses of the ministers of the State of Mississippi be printed in the minutes.
- Item 5 Be it resolved that the 1973 Mission Board position be declared vacant and filled by a vote of this body.
- Item 6 Be it resolved that we give a raising vote of thanks to the host church for their hospitality shown while here and for their wonderful meals.

*Signed—Herman Baker, Ann Walden, Mrs. Raymond Overstreet*

### REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We of the Obituary Committee submit the following report:

We regret that we are unable to recognize all of the precious souls that have gone to be with the Lord, but we would like to mention the following:

Ella Melone and Elvira Mills—County Line FWB Church

Beatrice Pearce—Bethel FWB Church

Toy Hollifield—Lee's Chapel FWB Church (Jones County)

Mary Ann Mazingo—Lee's Chapel FWB Church (Waynesboro)

Emmet Rainey—Corinth FWB Church

Clint Stevens—Pierce Chapel FWB Church

Mrs. M. L. Hollis—Amory FWB Church

Homer Justice and Carl Huddleston—Booneville FWB Church

We are grieved at their passing, but God's ways are higher than our ways. We suggest that we stand for a moment of silent prayer in their memory.

*Signed—Herman Baker, Ann Walden, Mrs. Raymond Overstreet*

### CONFERENCE AND ITINERARY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Bible College quartet made twelve appearances in the state in January and February of 1969.

We had Miss Ella Rae Jones and Miss Patsy Tyson for five services in South Mississippi.

We have been trying to set up at least three "workshops" (one in each association.) The purpose of these is to have each department of the national work to meet with us and explain their work (what they are doing, what they plan to do, where the money goes, etc.) We have one set up now for Lee's Chapel in Wayne County. We hope to have others after the first of the year.

We arranged for the Bible Conference this year. Bro. Homer Willis was on an itinerary recently. He was in four churches.

I wrote every pastor to try to ascertain what kind of services they wanted from the committee for the coming year, but my response to these letters was very poor. May I humbly suggest that the pastors co-operate with the committee in these matters. I am sure we can accomplish more for our Lord.

We propose to finish the "workshops" and arrange for a number of

mission conferences in the coming year.

Bro. Willis has told me that we can get the services of Sister Willey or Bro. Billows almost anytime. The mission boards will try to supply other missionairies if and when available.

*Signed—William Buster*

#### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES NOMINATING COMMITTEE:**

- Mr. Charles Walden (Little Brown Creek)
- Mr. Derrell Stafford (N. E. Association)
- Mr. Walter Cochran (South Mississippi Association)

#### **RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:**

- Mr. Herman Baker (N. E. Association)
- Mrs. Raymond Overstreet (South Mississippi Association)
- Mrs. Ann Walden (Little Brown Creek)

#### **OBITUARY COMMITTEE:**

- Mr. Herman Baker (N. E. Association)
- Mrs. Raymond Overstreet (South Mississippi Association)
- Mrs. Ann Walden (Little Brown Creek)

*Signed—Bobby A. Kerr*

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. Rebate on purchase of F. W. B. auto tags from N. C. State Association be channeled into our State Mission Fund.
2. Meeting to discuss News Letter.  
The Executive Committee recommends that the Newsletter be mailed at least bi-monthly and that someone be responsible for seeing that it is done punctually either by obtaining volunteer help, paid help, or by securing the services of a printer. We recommend that news items be mailed in by various individuals and churches.
3. Program Planning Meeting.

#### **REPORT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD**

We met in Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church in our only board meeting of the year.

1. Planned the State C. T. S. Competition.
2. Encouraged the State Association to share in the Northeast Association Sunday School Workshop to be held at the Tupelo Free Will Baptist Church.

*Signed—Rev. Milton Worthington, Rev. J. S. Whitehead, Mr. H. C. Cooper, Rev. J. K. Walley*

#### **REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Moderator — Odell Harris  
Assistant Moderator — J. K. Walley  
Clerk — Rev. Daniel Gaskins  
Assistant Clerk — Harvey Dupree  
Treasurer — A. V. Armstrong

Board of Conference and Itinerate Ministers — Darrell Stafford  
Nominating Committee — Charles Walden, Darrell Stafford, Walter  
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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOR YEAR  
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1968 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1969

### GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS

Mississippi State Association Offering .....	\$ 41.35
Mississippi State Association Fees .....	172.00
Northeast District Association of F. W. B. ....	30.00
Little Brown Creek Association of F. W. B. ....	20.00
South Mississippi Association of F. W. B. ....	20.00
Tupelo F. W. B. Church .....	264.14
First F. W. B. Church (Columbus) .....	120.00
Pearce Chapel F. W. B. Church .....	76.59
Faith Chapel F. W. B. Church .....	46.58
Rev. Jack Jones .....	5.00

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TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	\$795.66
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BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD .....	82.35
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TOTAL AVAILABLE CASH .....	\$878.01
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### GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS

Treasurers Supplies and printing checks .....	\$ 23.47
Treasurers Postage .....	19.20
State Moderator (Travel) .....	49.32
State Moderator (2 Services) .....	8.00
Mississippi Messenger (Printing) .....	237.30
State Boards (Travel) .....	62.82
State Boards (Phone) .....	4.90
Registration and Delegates Fee to National Association .....	85.00
State Committee on Treaties (Travel) .....	50.00

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\$540.01

TOTAL AVAILABLE CASH .....	\$878.01
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	540.01
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GENERAL FUND BALANCE SEPT. 30, 1969 .....	\$338.00
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Submitted by—A. V. Armstrong, Treasurer

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOR YEAR  
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1968 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1969

## MISSION FUND RECEIPTS

Antioch F. W. B. Church (Burnsville) .....	\$ 110.00
Beach Springs F. W. B. Church .....	81.40
Bethlehem F. W. B. Church .....	50.00
Buckatunna F. W. B. Church .....	61.00
Corinth F. W. B. Church .....	29.48
County Line F. W. B. Church .....	60.00
Eggville F. W. B. Church .....	10.35
Fawn Grove F. W. B. Church .....	76.00
Fellowship F. W. B. Church .....	93.07
First F. W. B. Church (Amory) .....	332.17
First F. W. B. Church (Columbus) .....	863.36
First F. W. B. Church (Meridian) .....	120.10
First F. W. B. Church (Pascagoula) .....	33.48
Fulton F. W. B. Church .....	68.00
Hollis F. W. B. Church .....	229.00
Hollis F. W. B. Church Womans Auxiliary .....	5.00
Jones Chapel F. W. B. Church .....	160.00
Lee's Chapel F. W. B. Church (Wayne County) .....	100.00
Lee's Chapel F. W. B. Church (Jones County) .....	45.00
Lovewell F. W. B. Church .....	18.00
Macedonia F. W. B. Church .....	34.00
Main Street F. W. B. Church .....	9.62
Martin Hill F. W. B. Church .....	303.74
McGregor Chapel F. W. B. Church .....	146.00
New Gauly F. W. B. Church .....	60.00
New Lebanon F. W. B. Church .....	10.00
Pearce Chapel F. W. B. Church .....	1,153.35
Springdale F. W. B. Church .....	78.75
Tupelo F. W. B. Church .....	3.00
White Hill F. W. B. Church .....	50.00
Mississippi State Association Offering .....	90.35
North East District Association Quarterly Meeting .....	75.00
South Mississippi District Association of F. W. B. ....	65.00
Rev. George Lee Sr. ....	20.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bryant .....	10.00
Mr. Charles Walden .....	22.00
Rev. H. L. Warren .....	12.00
Interest from Savings Account .....	46.81

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TOTAL RECEIPTS ..... \$4,735.03



BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD .....	1,000.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE CASH .....	<u>\$5,735.03</u>
MISSION FUND DISBURSEMENTS	
Rev. Levy Corey (Travel) .....	\$ 57.78
Mission Telephone (Meridian) .....	186.75
Mission Postage .....	15.04
Pulpit Supply (Meridian) .....	25.00
Rev. Levy Corey (Keeping Walleys) .....	40.00
State Mission Board (Travel) .....	152.28
Promotional Supplies .....	110.78
Mississippi Project 30 No. 1 (Meridian) .....	150.00
Moving Rev. Walley .....	198.80
Rev. Wendell Walley (First 3 weeks salary) .....	330.00
Advertising (Project 30 No. 2, Greenville) .....	123.20
Telephone (Project 30 No. 2, Greenville) .....	16.28
Rev. Wendell Walley (Travel) .....	135.87
Mississippi Project 30, No. 2 (Greenville) .....	2,193.25
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	<u>\$3,735.03</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	\$5,735.03
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	3,735.03
MISSION FUND BALANCE 9-30-69 .....	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	SAVINGS ACCOUNT
	\$ 500.00 CHECKING ACCOUNT
TOTAL .....	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS PROJECT 30 ACCOUNT NO. 1 MERIDIAN	
RECEIPTS	
Mississippi State Mission Fund .....	\$ 150.00
W. N. A. C. ....	3.00
Individual Gifts .....	10.00
Church Gifts .....	24.18
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	<u>\$ 187.18</u>
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD .....	3,837.72
TOTAL AVAILABLE CASH .....	<u>\$4,024.90</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Mission Salary .....	\$3,033.29
Missionary Superannuation .....	32.49
Missionary Self Employment Tax .....	324.07
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	<u>\$3,389.85</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	\$4,024.90
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	3,389.85
BALANCE IN PROJECT 30 NO. 1 9-30-69 .....	<u>\$ 635.05</u>

MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS PROJECT 30 NO. 2 GREENVILLE

RECEIPTS

Mississippi State Mission Fund .....	\$2,193.25
Individual and Church Gifts .....	27.67

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TOTAL RECEIPTS .....	\$2,220.92
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DISBURSEMENTS

Missionary Salary .....	\$ 953.32
Missionary Insurance .....	25.00

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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	\$ 978.32
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BALANCE IN PROJECT 30 NO. 2 SEPTEMBER 30, 1969 ....	\$1,242.60
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Submitted by A. V. Armstrong, Treasurer



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## CONSTITUTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

### Article I — Name

This body shall be known henceforth as the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptist.

### Article II — Purpose

The object of this organization shall be to more thoroughly unify the work of the various associations and churches of Mississippi and to devise and execute measures for the extension of Christ's Kingdom in connection with the various associations and churches comprising this organization.

### Article III — Treatise of Faith and Practice

This body adopts the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptist.

### Article IV — Membership

Section 1. The membership of this Association shall consist of all associations and churches that, from time to time, upon approval of the State association, shall become members of this body.

Section 2. Representation: Each district Association holding member-



ship in the State Association shall be entitled to five (5) representatives elected from the laity, with an additional representative from each church comprising the District Association. Furthermore, all Ordained ministers and deacons and all Missionaries under the auspices of the State Mission Board holding membership in churches within this State Association and all members of standing boards of the State Association shall be entitled to membership in this body.

Section 3. Any local church whose association is not a member of the State Association, may be represented with one lay delegate and the ordained minister and deacons of that church.

Section 4. It is understood that the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptist and the area association comprising its membership have no judicial authority over any local church.

Section 5. The Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptist, the yearly association comprising its membership and their member local churches do not grant any judicial authority to any representative body to which they may belong.

#### *Article V — Officers*

The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, and Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, and a Treasurer each of whom shall be nominated and elected by a standing vote from the floor at each regular meeting.

Election shall be determined by a majority vote of those present and voting. Officers thus elected shall hold their positions until their successors are elected and installed.

#### *Article VI — Boards and Committees*

Section 1. The Executive Committee is a standing committee, composed of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer.

Section 2. This Association shall elect whatever boards and committees it deems necessary for its operation and shall state whether they are standing or temporary.

Section 3. The Board of Missions and Church Extension is a standing Board composed of five (5) members with terms up to five (5) years, with a board member going off each year.

Section 4. The Board of Christian Education is a standing board composed of five (5) members with terms up to five (5) years, with a member going off each year.

#### *Article VII — Meetings*

This Association shall hold its regular meetings annually at a time and place fixed by the last regular session and made known before adjournment. Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee when extreme necessity demands, providing that the Clerk of the Association has been properly notified at least fifteen (15) days before the date set for the meeting. Fifteen (15) legal representatives shall constitute a quorum for any special meetings of this Association.

### **Article VIII — Representative Fees**

This body requests that each association holding membership in this association give a representative fee of \$20.00 per year and each local church give a representative fee of \$10.00 per year.

### **Article IX — Amendments**

This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the State Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the change is recommended in writing and tabled in the morning session and voted on during the afternoon session.

## **BL-LAWS OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST**

1. The Moderator or the Assistant Moderator shall call the Association to order at the hour designated by the program committee. When neither the Moderator nor the Assistant Moderator is present, the Executive Committee shall elect a Moderator pro-tem, who shall call the Association to order.

2. (a) It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record and have printed annually the minutes of the Association.

(b) And to enroll the delegates to this Association who shall present themselves with the proper evidence of their rights to seats therein, and those enrolled by the Clerk shall compose the Association. In case of questionable representation however, the case under question shall be referred to a credential committee.

3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to hold all Associational funds and disperse same as authorized by the Association.

4. (a) The Executive Committee shall act on behalf of the Association when the Association is not in session. Any action taken by this committee shall be submitted in report to the Association.

(b) Board of Missions and Church Extension: It shall be the duty of this board to:

1. Receive and disburse money allocated them by the State and other money.
2. To promote the organization of new churches.
3. To give complete report of all funds received, disbursements and progress made to the State Board.
4. To take care of travel and promotional expenses of Board members out of the Mission Fund.

(c) Board of Conference and Itinerant Ministries: It shall be the duty of this Board to:

1. Work in conjunction with our National Department in planning itinerants and conference speakers for the benefit of the local churches.
2. To plan programs for Bible Conferences on a State level.

(d) Board of Christian Education: It shall be the duty of this Board to:

1. To promote all phases of educational work in the State Association.
2. To be a link from the Local to the National level.
3. To promote teaching materials and personnel for educational programs in the Church.
4. Plan and promote Sunday School and C. T. S. Rallys on the State level.
5. Expenses of promotional literature, such as correspondence, special promotions etc., to be paid out of the General Fund.
5. Travel shall be paid by this Association at the rate of six (6) cents per mile plus compensation for food and lodging for all members of Standing Boards while transacting business authorized by, or in behalf of the Association, or promotional work over the State. The Treasurer shall pay such expenses when written claim is presented by each individual involved
6. The Moderator when serving this Association in promotional services shall be paid \$4.00 for each such service conducted in addition to mileage
7. The Moderator shall appoint a committee on committees which shall present to the body nominations for such committees as necessary.
8. That we receive the letters and seat the delegates on the strength of the Credentials Committee report, and omit public reading of the letters: all letters to be mailed with the representative fee to the State Association Clerk by the first of the month in which meetings are to be held.
9. A Parliamentarian shall be elected by this body to decide any controversial proceeding upon the basis of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER.
10. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session of the State Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the change is recommended in writing and tabled in the morning session and voted on during the afternoon session.
11. The Mississippi State Associational Year will begin on October 1, and end on September 30.

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