MINUTES

OF THE SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE **Mississippi State** Association

OF

FREE WILL BAPTIST

WHEN CONVENED WITH

ANTIOCH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH BURNSVILLE, MISS. November 6 & 7, 197/1 70 THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD WITH THE FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY **BEFORE THE SECOND SUNDAY** IN NOVEMBER, 1971



MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS 1970 - 1971

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Box 353, Richton, Mississippi 39467

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BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION-Bro. Charles Walden-1971; Rev. Randy Cox-1972; Rev. Odell Harris-1973; Bro. Berry Van Newell-1974; Rev. E. H. Brock-1975.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION-Bro. H. G. Cooper-1971; Rev. J. S. Whitehead-1972; Rev. J. K. Walley-1973; Rev. Wendell Walley-1974; Rev. R. P. Ritch-1975.

BOARD OF CONFERENCE AND ITINERATE MINISTRIES— Rev. Edd Mozingo-1971; Bro. Darrell Stafford-1972; Rev. J. L. Gore-1973.

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BOARD OF HISTORICAL COMMISSION-Rev. Luther Gibson-1971; Rev. Paul Long-1972; Rev. J. K. Walley-1973.

DIGEST REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS TO MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION

STATISTICS

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Number of quarterly meetings	2
Number of churches	
Church membership	188
Number of parsonages	10
Number of ordained ministers	
Number of licensed ministers	18
Number of ordained deacons	159
Enrollment of Sunday Schools	
Enrollment of Church Training Service	370
Enrollment of Women's Auxiliaries	

FINANCIAL REPORT

SPENT FOR LOCAL CAUSES:

Pastor's salaries\$	95,938.22
Evangelistic work	8,383.83
Building and Repair	54,050.03
Literature	11,789.55
Other	53,433.25
Utilities	10,799.81
Insurance	4,170.74

Total spe	nt for local	l causes	· • • • • • • • •	 	 	\$2	19.761.06
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SPENT FOR OUTSIDE CAUSES:

Miscellaneous					\$	15,659.03
Foreign missions						8,300.11
Home missions						4,654.83
Education					• • • • • •	7,346.35
Orphanage						3,137.23
Superannuation						120.00
Associational projects						437.00
Mississippi Missions						3,943.57
Mississippi General Fund						738.41
Total spent for outside cause	S				\$	45,862.17
Total expenditures						
Total expenditures Value of church property		· · · · · · · · ·		. 	\$	891,775.00
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BIBLE CONFERENCE SPONSORED BY THE BOARD OF CONFERENCE AND ITNERATE MINISTRIES

PROCEEDINGS

Of The Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptist Convening at the Antioch F.W.B. Church Burnsville, Mississippi

PROGRAM

FRIDAY MORNING

A. V. Armstrong, Presiding Rev. J. L. Gore, Hymn Director

10:00 - Worship in song

- Welcome Address-Rev. Jack Jones

10:25 - Message—Rev. Melvin Worthington

10:55 - Recess

11:00 - Worship in Song

- Prayer

11:20 - Message-Rev. Joseph Wallis

12:00 - Lunch

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 - Call to Worship

- Prayer

1:20 - Message-Rev. E. H. Brock

1:50 - Recess

2:00 - Worship in Song

2:20 - Message—Rev. Randy Cox

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

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

The sixth annual session of the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Antioch Free Will Baptist Church near Burnsville, Mississippi on Friday night, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m. with the moderator Rev. Odell Harris, presiding.

The session was opened by singing "Revive Us Again", the 1970 Association theme song, and "Standing On The Promises" led by Rev. Melvin Worthington.

Rev. D. W. Jones Jr. brought the devotion. He read Phil. 4:10-13. Prayer led by Bro. Jones. He used Phil. 4:19 as his text. He emphasized that God will supply our needs and has supplied our needs many times. He related several instances of how God has supplied needs.

Welcome address was given by Rev. Jack Jones, host Pastor. Response was given by Rev. Edd Mazingo.

Moderators message by Rev. Odell Harris. He used Acts 2:1 and emphasized that the disciples were in one place and one accord, which is the condition of Revival. Heaven is the source of Revival.

The officers of the Association were introduced by the clerk, Rev. Daniel

Gaskins. The clerk declared the association in order for business.

Rev. Paul Long was elected as parliamentarian.

Rev. Melvin Worthington gave an oral report of the Children's Home.

Moderator introduced Rev. Rufus Coffey, Rev. Bill Jones and Rev. Paul Ketterman.

Bro. Sam Johnson Director of the C.T.S. Department gave a report.

Partial report of Digest Committee was given by the clerk, and delegates present were seated to conduct the business of the association.

Moderator appointed Charles Walden, T. J. Armstrong, and Rev. Edd Mazingo on committee on committees.

FRIDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Melvm Worthington led the congregation in singing "Trust and Obey." An offering for General Fund was received in the amount of \$71.86. Rev. E. H. Brock prayed the offeratory prayer.

Moderator introduced Rev. Rufus Coffey, Executive Secretary of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. After Rev. Worthington led the chorus "Send a Great Revival in my Soul" Rev. Coffey, used as his text Hab. 1:1-6. He brought a very challenging message on Revival. He related the perilous times we are experiencing and pointed out how th experience Revival.

Prayer Of Benediction by Rev. Paul Ketterman.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE

The association opened the Saturday morning session by singing "At Calvary," led by Rev. Wendall Walley. Prayer by Dr. Homer Willis. Congregation sang "Send a Great Revival."

Rev. R. P. Ritch gave the Devotions using Exodus 14:15. He brought a very challenging message exhorted us to give to God what belongs to Him.

The report of committee on committees was given by Charles Walden. (See Report)

The Executive Committee report was given by Rev. Daniel Gaskins. (See Report).

Board of Christian Education report. (No Report) Rev. Paul Ketterman gave a report of the Eible College.

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

After recess service opened by congregation singing "Higher Ground," led by Rev. Wendall Walley. Prayer by Rev. Herman Baker.

Partial report of the Nominating Committee was given. (See Report).

Motion made and carried to refer electing members to the Children's Home to Nominating Committee and acted on in the afternoon.

Business was suspended to enter into the Worship Service.

Congregation sang "Joy Unspeakable." Prayer by Rev. E. H. Brock.

Partial report of the Mission Board was given by Rev. Randy Cox. He introduced our missionary to Greenville, Rev. Wendell Walley who brought greetings from the Greenville Mission. He brought a very challenging report.

State Missions offering was received in the amount of \$77.00.

Bro. Cox introduced Dr. Homer Willis, Director of National Home Missions, to bring the message. He used Psalms 24:1-2. These verses give us the source of

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every thing we need, who is God. Verses 3-4 shows us how we can apply this source. Verses 5-6 gives us the result of trusting God. The result will be that righteousness will come and there will come blessings of God. He closed the message with prayer.

The association then adjourned for lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The association reconvened with congregation singing "O How I Love Jesus," led by Rev. Wendell Walley. Prayer by Rev. Paul Long.

Final report of Board of State Missions and Church Extension was given by Rev. Randy Cox. (See Report). Report Received.

Motion made and carried that we consider the items tabled in morning session. Motion made carried to adopt. (adopted)

Report was given by Rev. Dan Gaskins, Editor of the Mississippi Messenger.

Rev. Bill Jones gave a report of the Foreign Missions Board.

Oral report of Itinerate and Conference Ministries was given by Rev. J. L. Gore. (adopted)

Report was given by A. V. Armstrong, State Treasurer. (See Report) Report Received

Auditing Report was given. Motion made and carried to adopt the report and give Bro. Armstrong a rising vote of appreciation. (See Report)

Obituary Report was given. (See Report) Report Received

Resolution Committee Report was given by Rev. J. L. Gore. (Move and carried to receive and vote item by item.) (See Report)

Final report of Nominating Committee was given. Motion made and carried to accept the report and elect those recommended by the Nominating Committee.

Motion made and carried to send the Moderator to the Promotional Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, expenses not to exceed \$50.00 plus 6 cents per mile.

Motion made and carried to underwrite the expenses of delegates to the 1971 session of the National Association. \$75.00 divided equally between the 5 delegates.

Brief report given by Rev. Roger Reeds, Director of the National Sunday School Department.

Report given by Bro. Coffey and gave an invitation to the National Association in Nashville in 1971.

Motion made and carried that the Moderator be authorized to appoint delegates to the National Association.

Invitation given by the First Free Will Baptist Church of Columbus for the 1971 session of the State Association. Motion made and carried to accept invitation.

Motion made and carried to adjourn.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

OBSERVATIONS

"Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee." (Mark 5:19). This is the beginning of missions. Jesus made it clear in Acts 1:8 as He said, "ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem. ..." This verse lets us know that missions is not to end in Jerusalem, but that is where missions are to begin. With a transformed life the believer is to declare God's love to the lost and that through Christ he too can experience the "great things" of God. Every Christian is called to the missionary task. We are to give ourselves, our prayers and our money to get the Gospel out.

In the long run, missions does not cost—it PAYS. Let me illustrate. During the months of September and October our Greenville Mission gave \$58.36 to the work of our denomination. Of this amount, \$23.32 came to our state work. The Meridian church continues to support the various phases of the work.

Missions is the story of this State Association. That story is to be a part of the November missions emphasis in CONTACT, our National Association Magazine. God has blessed us greatly. I believe the reason this is so is because our rallying point is the focal point of the Scriptures—getting the gospel out.

The GREENVILLE PROJECT is progressing well, for which we praise God. The Walleys are doing a fine job. A sound nucleus of people is being gathered. God is going to give us a strong church there for His glory. He is bringing it to pass through YOU. Without YOUR prayers and financial support this effort to win souls and plant a church would not be.

Thirty (30) churches and two (2) missions gave to State Missions this year. The total giving increased by \$1200.00 for the year, as opposed to only \$153.10 increase in 68-69. However, the total number of churches giving DID NOT IN-CREASE. Our great need is still for churches to give systematic, regular support—an amount coming from the church treasury each month or quarter. For this reason we are including in this report a self-addressed, stamped card with the plea that you ask your church to make a commitment to regular giving. Put the amount on the card and mail it back to us. We have invested God's money to place this challenge before you. We do not believe YOU will let HIM down.

AREA RALLIES will be encouraged as a part of the MARCH FOR MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS promotion this year. Our missionary Wendell Walley, Brother Levy Corey, or a member of your State Board of Missions and Church Extention will be available to speak at these rallies at no expense to the rally. Of course, dates and times will have to be set to the schedules of those involved.

Keep working, praying and giving. VICTORY is ours through faith. BE a part of the WORK and then you can enjoy the VICTORY!

PRAYER & PRAISE ITEMS

1. Praise God for His blessings upon the GREENVILLE work.

2. Praise God for answered prayer regarding the health of the Walley's children.

3. Pray for the Walleys as they continue to labor in GREENVILLE.

4. Pray for the success of MARCH FOR MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS 1971. PRAYER GOAL is \$3,000.00.

5. Pray that God will continue to give good health to the Walley's children.

6. Pray for the Meridian ministry.

7. Pray for your Board of Missions and Church Extension.

NEEDS OF THE GREENVILLE WORK

1. Blackboards, flannelgraph, easels, maps, etc.

2. Communion Set

3. Attendance record board

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend that each church make a diligent effort to give regularly to state missions from their general funds, making their intentions known by returning the enclosed card.

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 AREA RALLIES. If an area rally is not held, that they be mailed to the state treasurer.

c. That the promotional literature be a poster and a bulletin insert handbill.

MARCH FOR MISSISSIPPI MISSIONS—Promotional Suggestions

1. Have a Sunday School MARCH FOR MISSIONS each Sunday during MARCH. Include adults. Let each Sunday School scholar present his gift at the front of the church.

2. Receive an offering for State Missions each Wednesday night (prayer meeting night) during MARCH.

3. Designate a Sunday during MARCH for a Special State Missions offering.

4. PASTOR, YOU are the KEY.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

NOMINATING COMMITTEE Bro. Felton Holifield Rev. Randy Cox OBITUARY COMMITTEE Mrs. Norman Nowells Miss Eva House

Rev. Jack Jones

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Peggy Byrd Rev. E. H. Brock Rev. J. L. Gore Rev. Luther Gibson

Signed—Charles Walden Chairman Edd Mazingo T. J. Armstrong

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Executive Committee of the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptists met at the Pearce Chapel Church on Saturday, Sept. 12, 1970. Members present were Rev. Odell Harris, Bro. A. V. Armstrong and Rev. Daniel Gaskins. Opened with Moderator reading from Hebrews 11:1-3. Prayer by Bro. Armstrong. The following recommendations were made:

1. We recommend to change the place of meeting for the State Association from the First Church, Meridian to the Antioch church near Burnsville.

2. We recommend that Bro. Berry Van Nowell replace the unexpired term of Rev. Levy Corey on the State Mission Board. Term to expire 1974. (Adopted)

3. We recommend that the Association elect a standing 3-member Historical Commission and change the Constitution and By-laws by adding the following:

Constitution. . . Article 6-Boards and Committees

Add section 5. . . The Board of Historical Commission is a standing Board composed of three (3) members with terms up to three (3) years, with a member going off each year. (Adopted)

By-laws. . .Article 4

Add section (E). . .Board of Historical Commission: It shall be the duty of the Board to:

(1) To obtain all possible information about the history of Free Will Baptists in Mississippi.

(2) To maintain a current record of progress.

(3) To give a progress report annually at each session of the State Association.

4. We recommend that Rev. G. C. Lee, Sr. and Rev. M. L. Hollis act as honorary members and the State Association elect the 3-members to serve on this Board. (Adopted)

5. We recommend that our State paper be officially named "The Mississippi Free Will Baptist Messenger." (Adopted)

6. We recommend the following Doctrinal Statement to be printed in each issue of the Messenger:

"A Bi-monthly publication of the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptists, Dedicated to Standing for the plenary Verbal Inspiration of the Bible, the Deity and Virgin Birth of Christ, His Blood Atonement, Salvation by Faith, the personal Literal return of Christ and opposing Modernism, Liberalism, Worldliness. (LAdopted)

7. We recommend that the clerk send out an S.O.S. letter in behalf of the General Fund.

8. We planned the State Association Program.

Closed with Prayer by Bro. Harris.

REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We the Obituary Committee submit the following report: We find that the Lord has called from this walk of life the following.

LITTLE BROW CREEK ASSOCIATION

1. Martin Hill Church

A. Bro. George Martin

B. Bro. Carl Martin

C. Bro. Cole Carpenter

D. Sister Glvdye Stevens

2. First Free Will Baptist Church of Booneville

A. Bro. Johnny Millsaps

3. Antioch

A. Jewel Commings

B. Bro. Lonnie Powers

4. Little Brown

A. Sister Annee Bell Isbell

- B. Bro. Estes Stricklen
- 5. New Lebanon
 - A. Sister Henry Mayo
 - B. Sister Tressie Byron
 - C. Sister Elvy McCoy
 - D. Bro. Cecil Cole
- 6. Macidonia
 - A. Bro. J. J. Whitemore
 - B. Sister Emma Powers
- 7. Burgess Creek
 - A. Monn McAnalley
- 8. Jones Chapel
 - A. Sister Lucky Lester
 - B. Bro. Osar King
- 9. Mt. Pisgah
 - A. Bro. A. J. Lolar Jr.
 - B. Bro. Emmitt Chapman
 - C. Sister Jessie Lou Smith

South Mississippi Association

1. Lovewell

Sister Chris Brewer

2. Lee's Chapel (Wayne Co.) Bro. Bill Lee

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

We the Audit Committee would like to commend Bro. A. V. Armstrong for the accurate and efficient record that he has kept of the State Mission work. The committee recommends that we accept the treasury record and report. Signed—Rev. Melvin Worthington Rev. R. P. Rich

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator-Odell Harris

Assistant Moderator—J. K. Walley

Clerk—Daniel Gaskins

Assistant Clerk—Joe Wallis

Treasurer—A. V. Armstrong

Representative to Childrens Home—Melvin Worthington (Indefinite Term) Board of Missions and Church Extension to replace Brother Felton Hollifield—Rev. E. H. Brock (Elected)

Board of Christian Education to replace Rev. Milton Worthington—R. P. Ritch (Elected)

Board of Conference and Itinerate Ministries to replace the expired term of Brother William Walden and the unexpired term of Rev. William Buster (1971)— J. L. Gore (Full Term) and Edd Mazingo (Elected)

General Board of the National Association (Nominee)—Van Dale Hudson (

Board of Historical Commission—Luther Gibson term expires 1971; Paul Long term expires 1972; J. K. Walley term expires 1973.

FINANCIALSTATEMENT

MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOR YEAR

BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1969 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1970 GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS: Miss. State Association Offering \$ 15.00 Miss. State Association Reg. Fees 185.10 North East Miss ssoc. of F.W.B 30.00 South Miss. Assoc. of F.W.B 20.00 Little Brown Creek Assoc. of F.W.B. 20.00 State C.T.S. Rally—Designated 40.00 Bethel F.W.B. Church 7.00 Bethlehem F.W.B. Church 10.95 Beach Springs F.W.B. Church 17.05 Buckatunna F.W.B. Church 5.00 County Line F.W.B. Church 10.00 Damascus F.W.B. Church 5.00 Eggville F.W.B. Church 10.00 Fawn Grove F.W.B. Church 15.00 First F.W.B.—Columbus 180.00 First F.W.B.—Philadelphia 15.00 Fulton F.W.B. Church 10.00 Lee's Chapel F.W.B. Church—Wayne Co. 66.00 Little Brown F.W.B. Church 10.00 McGregor Chapel F.W.B. Church 50.00 Pearce Chapel F.W.B. Church 152.13 Smith's Chapel F.W.B. Church 10.00

Tupelo F.W.B. Church	261.26
White Hill F.W.B. Church	5.00
Richton Mission	
Total Receipts	\$1,160.42
Balance Brought Forward	338.00
Total Available Cash	\$1,498.42
GENERAL FUND DISBURSEMENTS:	
Treasurers Supplies—Phone—Envelopes—Etc	\$ 57.39
Travel By State Boards	110.16
Postage	76.98
Printing—Minutes—2 Years	315.77
Printing—Mississippi Messenger	538.91
Clerk Supplies and Phone	64.33
Delegate and Registration Fee To National Assoc.	85.00
State C.T.S. Supplies and Trophies	
Total Disbursements	\$1.315.02
Total Available Cash	
Less Disbursements	
General Fund Bal. Sept. 30, 1970 \$ 183.40 Submitted By: A. V. Armstrong, Treasurer	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST FOR

YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1969 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1970

MISSION FUND RECEIPTS:	
Antioch F.W.B. Church—(Randolph)	\$ 76.65
Antioch F.W.B. Church—(Burnsville)	181.53
Beach Springs F.W.B. Church	158.00
Buckatunna F.W.B. Church	82.86
Corinth F.W.B. Church	35.78
County Line F.W.B. Church	65.00
Damascus F.W.B. Church	10.00
Eggville F.W.B. Church	196.08
Fawn Grove F.W.B. Church	100.00
Fellowship F.W.B. Church	274.09
First F.W.B. Church—(Amory)	539.37
First F.W.B. Church—(Columbus)	
First F.W.B. Church—(Booneville)	50.00
First F.W.B. Church—(Meridian)	44.24
First F.W.B. Church—(Pascagoula)	10.00
First F.W.B. Church—(Philadelphia)	35.00
Fulton F.W.B. Church	69.02
Hollis F.W.B. Church	
Jones Chapel F.W.B. Church	195.00
Lee's Chapel F.W.B. Church—(Wayne County)	
Lee's Chapel F.W.B. Church—(Jones County	
Little Brown Free Will Baptist Church	
Lovewell F.W.B. Church	84.00
Martin Hill F.W.B. Church	
New Gauly F.W.B. Church	21.10
New Lebanon F.W.B. Church	110.00
Mt. Pisgah F.W.B. Church	46.82
Pearce Chapel F.W.B. Church	1,130.72
Richton Mission	. 29.11
Springdale F.W.B. Church	54.37
Greenville Mission	17.00
White Hill F.W.B. Church	25.00
Miss. State Association Offering	62.77
Northeast District Association of F.W.B.	20.00
Northeast District Association quarterly Meeting	175.00
South Miss. District Association of F.W.B.	. 48.56
Mission Rally Offering	62.45
Buford A. Pierce	25.00
Norman Nowell	20.27
Transferred From Savings Account	
Interest From Savings Account	30.00
Christian Youth Rally—(Booneville)	
Wittness Book Store	

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Mrs. Bessie B. Walley	15.00
Mrs. Isom Walley	12.00
Mrs. H. G. Cooper Senior	10.00
J.E.Cooper	10.00
Charles Walden	22.00
Total Receipts	\$6,438.30
Balance Brought Forward (Savings)	1,000.00
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MISSION FUND DISBURSEMENTS

Rev. Levy Corey—(Travel) \$	42.71
Rev. Levy Corey—(Salary Supplement)	400.00
Rev. Levy Corey—(Hospital Expense)	100.00
Mission Telephone—(Meridian)	127.62
Rev. Wendell Walley—(Travel)	82.63
Rev. Wendell Walley—(Hospital Expense)	50.00
Rev. Hermon Baker—(Pulpit Supply—Greenville)	50.00
Mission Telephone—(Greenville)	94.93
Advertising-(Greenville)	139.68
Printing	94.50
Mission Board—(Travel)	97.78

Mission Board—(Telephone) Mississippi Project 30 No. 1—(Meridian) Mississippi Project 30 No. 2—(Greenville)		
Total Disbursements Total Receipts Less Disbursements	\$7,938.30	\$6,438.30
Mission Fund Balance Sept. 30, 1970	1,000.00 500.00	· · ·
Total	\$1,500.00	·
Savings Account Checking Account	· ·	
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MISS. MISSIONS PROJECT 30 NO. 1 MERIDIAN

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RECEIPTS:	-	
Miss. State Mission Fund		\$ 126.68
Balance Brought Forward		
Total Available Cash		\$ 761.73
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DISBURSEMENTS:		
Missionary Salary		\$ 541.65
Missionary Superannuation		21.68
Missionary Self-Employment Tax		
Total Disbursements		\$ 761.73
Total Receipts		•
Total Disbursements		
Bal. In Project 30 No. 1 Sept. 30, 1970	· · -	
	<i>4000.00</i>	
MISS. MISSIONS PROJECT 30 NO. 2 GREENVIL	LE	
RECEIPTS:		
Miss. State Mission Fund		\$4.991.19
South Miss. District Association of F.W.B.		29.37
Martin Hill F.W.B. Church		18.85
Out of State Churches and Associations		189.31
Tupelo F.W.B. Church		519.15
W.N.A.C.		48.96
W.N.A.C.—(Designated, Mission Equipment)		289.33
Individuals		662.11
Total Receipts		\$6.220.27
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DISBURSEMENTS:		
Missionary Salary		\$5.610.92
Missionary S.S. and S.A.		196.80
Mission Equipment—W.N.A.C. Designated		
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Total Disbursements		\$6,097.05
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Total Receipts	\$6,220.27	
Bal. Brought Forward	F	
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Total Available Cash	\$7,462.87	
Less Disbursements		
Total in Project 3, No. 2 Sept. 30, 1970	\$1,365.82	· ·
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Submitted By		
A. V. Armstrong, Treasurer		

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NORTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION

AMORY-FIRST

AMORY-MAIN STREET

ANTIOCH BEECH SPRINGS

BETHLEHEM

COLUMBUS-FIRST

DAMASCUS DEPRIEST CHAPEL EGGVILLE

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Rev. Melvin Worthington 501 9th Ave. North Amory, Mississippi 38821 Rev. M. L. Hollis 5031/2 Boulevard Drive Amory, Mississippi 38821 Rev. L. E. Winters Rev. E. H. Brock Route 2 Saltillo, Mississippi 38866 Rev. W. F. Clark Houston, Mississippi 38851 Rev. Randy Cox 613 Browder Street Columbus, Mississippi 39701 **Rev. David Hayes Rev. Roy Barnes** Rev. Herbert Knight Route 4, Box 316A Tupelo, Mississippi 38801 Rev. J. V. Mills Route 5 Pontotoc, Mississippi 38863 **Rev. Norman Richmond** Route 3 Fulton, Mississippi 38843 Rev. O. L. Fields 511 North McCrary Road Columbus, Mississippi 39701 Rev. R. P. Riech 1019 Shady Street Columbus, Mississippi 39701 Rev. W. F. Clark Houston, Mississippi 38851 Rev. Levy Corey Route 5, Box 32 Meridian, Mississippi 39301 Rev. Paul Long Route 5, Box 131A Tupelo, Mississippi Rev. Wayne Thomas Route 2 Pontotoc, Mississippi 38863

FULTON

GRACE

HOLLIS CHAPEL

McGREGOR CHAPEL

MERIDIAN-FIRST

NEW GAULEY

NEW LIFE

PEARCE CHAPEL

PLEASANT GROVE

SPRINGDALE

TUPELO

WEST MEMPHIS

WEST POINT—FIRST WHITE HILL

Rev. Odell Harris Route 1, Box 341 Smithville, Mississippi 38870 **Rev. Wayne Thomas** Route 2 Pontotoc, Mississippi 38863 Rev. W. F. Clark Houston, Mississippi Rev. Milton Worthington 108 Canal Street Box 5055 Tupelo, Mississippi 38801 Rev. J. P. Bowman 3962 Mamie Road Memphis, Tennessee 39773 Rev. Jim Wallace Rev. Homer J. Branning French Camp, Mississippi 39745

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CORINTH

COUNTY LINE

FAITH CHAPEL

FELLOWSHIP LEE'S CHAPEL (JONES)

LEE'S CHAPEL (WAYNE)

LOVEWELL

PASCAGOULA-FIRST

PINE GROVE

RICHTON-FIRST

THOMPSON CREEK

Rev. Truman Freeman Route 1 Richton, Mississippi 39476 Rev. Daniel Gaskins P.O. Box 353 Richton, Mississippi 39476 Rev. Joseph Wallis P.O. Box 485 Richton, Mississippi Rev. Ben McSwain Route 3 Richton, Mississippi 39476

LITTLE BROWN CREEK ASSOCIATION

ANTIOCH

BURGESS CREEK FIRST-BOONEVILLE

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JONES CHAPEL

Rev. Dallas Jack Jones Route 1 Glen, Mississippi 38846 (No Pastor) Rev. Luther Gibson 113 Smith Drive Booneville, Mississippi 38829 Rev. J. S. Whitehead

LITTLE BROWN

MACEDONIA

MARTIN HILL

MOUNT PISGAH

NEW LEBANON

SMITH'S CHAPEL

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Route 1 Paden, Mississippi 38861 Rev. Buford Pierce 4232 Arrowood Street Memphis, Tennessee 38100 Rev. Curtis Briley Star Route Booneville, Mississippi 38829 Rev. J. L. Gore Route 5 Booneville, Mississippi 38829 Rev. Hollis Southerland Savannah, Tennessee 38372 Rev. D. W. Jones, Jr.

Route 1 Paden, Mississippi 38861

NAME OF CHURCH	DELEGATES	GENERAL	MISSION	FEE	TOTAL
Greenville Mission	Ī	\$ 5.80	\$17.52		\$23.32
Martin Hill	I		12.00	\$10.00	22.00
Lee's Chapel (Jones)	I		:	10.00	10.00
Hollis Chapel	Ι			10.00	10.00
Lee's Chapel (Wayne)	I			10.00	10.00
New Lebanon	I I		-	10.00	10.00
First (Phila.)	Ι			10.00	10.00
Antioch (Burnsville)	Ι	20.00		10.00	30.00
Beach Springs	Ι			10.00	10.00
Mt. Pisgah	I	6.00	6.00	10.00	22.00
Antioch (Randolph	Ι			10.00	10.00
County Line	Ι			10.00	10.00
Buckatunna	Ι			10.00	10.00
PineGrove	I	-		10.00	10.00
Corinth	I			10.00	10.00
Pearce Chapel	I			10.00	10.00
Lovewell	, I			10.00	10.00
Tupelo	I		•	10.00	10.00
Fulton	Ī	10.00		10.00	20.00
Fawn Grove	I	13.00	13.00	10.00	36.00
McGregor Chapel	Ι	27.00	20.00	10.00	57.00
Fellowship	· I			10.00	10.00
First, Richton	I	16.00		10.00	26.00
Damascus	Ι	5.00	5.00	10.00	20.00
New Gauley	I			10.00	10.00
First, Meridian	I			10.00	10.00
First, Amory	Ι			10.00	10.00
First, Columbus	I		· .	10.00	10.00
Jones Chapel	I			10.00	10.00
Faith	I		· · ·	10.00	10.00
First, Pascagoula	Ι	5.00	5.00	10.00	20.00
Thompson Creek	Ι			10.00	10.00

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ASSOCIATIONS DELEGATES GENERAL FEE TOTAL

Little Brown Creek5\$20.00\$20.00Northeast430.0030.00South Mississippi5\$35.0020.0055.00

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 membership 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, mmay 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

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.

Section 5. The Board of Historical Commission is a standing Board composed of three (3) members with terms up to three (3) years, with a member going off each year. (Adopted).

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.

BY-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 with 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 from 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.

1. To obtain all possible information about the history of Free Will Baptists in Mississippi.

2. To maintain a current record of progress.

3. To give a progress report annually at each session of the State Association.

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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