

# MINUTES

of the

**78th Annual Session**

of the

**Mount Moriah Association**

of

**Free Will Baptists**

Held With

**Shiloh Church**

Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 10 and 11, 1928

## OFFICERS

M. Montgomery	-	-	-	-	-	Moderator
O. L. Stokes	-	-	-	-	-	Clerk

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The next session of this association will convene with  
Unity Grove, Lamar County, Ala., beginning on Saturday  
before the second Sunday in October 1929.

**ARTICLES OF FAITH  
RULES OF DECORUM  
CONSTITUTION**

**of the Sabbath School Convention of the Mt. Moriah Free  
Will Association**

**PROCEEDINGS**

The 78th annual session of the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Association convened with Shiloh Church, Gordo, Pickens County, Alabama, October 10th and 11th, 1928.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. J. Harbin. Text: St. John 14:1. After which the body adjourned for one hour and thirty minutes for refreshments. At 1:30 o'clock the ministers and messengers re-assembled in the house for the transaction of business. After reading the sixty-third Psalm the house was called to order by the Moderator. The following business was transacted:

1. Letters from the various churches were handed in and read, delegates listed as per roll.

2. Proceeded to elect Moderator and Clerk, whereby Rev. M. Montgomery was declared elected as Moderator and O. L. Stokes elected Clerk.

3. Extended an invitation for reception of new churches. None were present.

4. Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations. Rev. Joe Frederick, Rev. W. C. Austin, Rev. B. M. Adkins from Jasper Association were present. Rev. G. B. Taylor from Vernon Association was also present. On motion they were received as honorary members.

The following committees were appointed:

1. On Devotional Service—Bros. J. S. Loftis, Lee Mc-

Adams, J. H. Brown, with Deacons of Shiloh Church.

2. On Document and Order of Business—Rev. J. D. Byars, Rev. J. E. Tilley, Bro. J. M. Stokes with Moderator and Clerk.

3. On Sunday School—Sister Cherry Burgess, Lando McAdams, W. R. Burkhalter, J. W. Hallman, R. D. Belk, T. J. Lancaster, J. T. Watson, W. M. Harris, T. J. Shipp, Eulah Parker, J. H. Cole, G. W. Fields, J. B. Weaver.

4. On Temperance—Rev. O. C. Weaver, J. M. Spencer, E. L. Crawford.

5. On Finance—J. H. Cole, J. B. Weaver.

6. On Deceased Members—Bros. T. J. Shipp, J. M. Stokes.

7. On Moral Reform—Rev. T. L. Walker, S. V. Powell, W. R. Curry.

8. On Education, Literature and Publication—Rev. J. E. Mathis, Rev. W. V. Pool and W. H. Koon.

9. On Resolutions and Queries—Rev. W. J. Harbin, R. L. Ramsey.

The Committee on Devotional Service reported that Rev. B. M. Adkins preach at 9 A. M. Thursday; Rev. J. E. Mathis preach at 11 A. M., and Rev. W. C. Austin preach at 2:30 P. M.

On motion the body adjourned to meet at 8 A. M. Thursday.

## THURSDAY MORNING

8 A. M.—The Association was called to order by the Moderator after reading the seventh chapter of St. Matthew, after which the following business was transacted:

First—Roll call of churches; delegates answered as per roll.

Second—Minutes of Wednesday read and approved.

Third—The reports of the various committees called for, read and adopted as follows:

### On Document and Order of Business

We, your Committee on Document and Order of Business, do hereby recommend: First—That we proceed after the regular order of business. Second—We recommend that

the next session of the Association be held with Unity Grove Church, Lamar County, Millport, Ala. Third—We recommend that the next session begin on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1929. Fourth—We recommend that Rev. T. L. Walker preach the introductory sermon and that Rev. M. Montgomery be his alternate. Fifth—We recommend that the Clerk superintend the printing of the minutes and that he be paid \$20.00 for his services.

REV. J. D. BYARS, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

### On Temperance

We, your Committee on Temperance, report as follows: Seeing the curse of intemperance, we urge our members to abstain from all appearance of the manufacturing, selling and drinking of intoxicating liquors and that parents advise their children as much as possible not to associate with those that practice the same and that we teach the young people to be temperate in all things.

REV. O. C. WEAVER, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

### On Finance

We, your Committee on Finance, report as follows:

Collected for printing of minutes this session.....\$53.25

J. H. COLE, Chairman.

### On Sunday School

We, your Committee on Sunday School, find that there is a lack of interest for the Sunday School among our churches and especially among the older folk of our Association. We ask that they take more interest and that they take the children to Sunday School instead of sending them. We ask that the pastors take more interest in Sunday School work and that they go in the classes and tender their knowledge of the Bible for the benefit of the Sunday School.

MRS. C. F. BURGESS, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

### Report of Sunday School Evangelist

We, your Sunday School Evangelist, report as follows: That we have visited each school that has invited us except

one, and the ones we have visited are doing fine work. There are several of our churches that have no Sunday School and we have not been able to get those churches interested in the work. A large number of our older members are not interested in the work and when father and mother are not interested, then you could not expect the young people to maintain Sunday School and carry it on.

E. Z. MAYFIELD, Evangelist.

MRS. KATIE WILLIAMS, Ass't. Evangelist.

### **On Deceased Members**

We, your Committee on Deceased Members, report that we have examined the records of the several churches and find that the following have died since we last met:

Macedonia, Sisters Jane Kelley and Susan McAdams; Shiloh, Bro. J. H. Hannah; Antioch, Sisters Hester Hankins and Sallie Boyd; Union, Bros. J. K. Powell, W. S. Hamlin, Sister Ida Burchfield; Union Hill, Bro. O. D. Perrigen; Mt. Zion, Bro. Jesse Ramsey, Sister Paralee Shipp; Sulphur Springs, Sister L. J. Harbin and Bro. Foster Collins; Unity Grove, Bro. J. R. Cole.

J. M. STOKES, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

A special song, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder" and "O, How I Love Jesus," was used at this time in memory of the deceased ones.

### **On Moral Reform**

We, your Committee on Moral Reform, report as follows: We recommend that our deacons and preachers take a clear oversight of our members and seeing that our young people are being led into immoral practices, we recommend that we provide places of employment in our churches for them, such as prayer meetings, Sunday Schools and Young People's Leagues, also singings.

REV. T. L. WALKER, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

### **Report of Executive Committee**

We, your Executive Committee, report as follows: We find that all our ministers are in good standing as far as we know. Finances are as follows:



General Fund .....	\$27.47
Educational Fund .....	41.62
Paid out .....	None

This Education Fund is for the educating of Rev. O. C. Weaver. We recommend that Rev. N. Wright's name be dropped from the minutes.

J. A. HICKMAN, Chairman.

Report received and adopted.

### **New Business**

We recommend that this body consider the importance or non-importance of the adoption of Articles of Faith as are set forth in the True Blue of Aug. 1, 1928.

J. A. HICKMAN, Chairman.

Bro. E. Z. Mayfield made a very interesting talk on the Sunday School, after which he offered his resignation.

On motion his resignation was received.

Moved and seconded that the report of the Executive Committee relative to Articles of Faith be received. After some discussion the question was dropped.

Moved and seconded that the Moderator be empowered to appoint three delegates to the Alabama State Conference of Free Will Baptists. No one appointed.

### **Resolutions and Queries**

We, your Committee on Resolutions and Queries, report as follows: That we tender our sincere thanks to Shiloh Church and community for the able manner in which they have supported this session of the Association, also for their kind hospitality shown us during our stay with them.

REV. W. J. HARBIN, Chairman.

Report received.

Moved and seconded that the body adjourn to meet with Unity Grove Church Saturday before second Sunday in October, 1929.

REV. M. MONTGOMERY, Moderator.

O. L. STOKES, Secretary.

### **List of Ordained Ministers**

Rev. J. E. Mathis, Millport, Ala., Route 3.

Rev. J. D. Byars, Millport, Ala.  
Rev. W. R. Robinson, Coal Fire, Ala.  
Rev. J. M. Spencer, Northport, Ala.  
Rev. J. E. Tilley, Reform, Ala., Route 3.  
Rev. L. A. Williamson, Fayette, Ala.  
Rev. M. Montgomery, McConnells, Ala.  
Rev. T. V. Wheat, Coker, Ala., Route 1.  
Rev. T. L. Walker, Gordo, Ala., Route 1.  
Rev. W. J. Harbin, Berry, Ala.  
Rev. T. A. Springfield, Gordo, Ala.  
Rev. G. F. Carmack, Covin, Ala.  
Rev. O. C. Weaver, Samantha, Ala.  
Rev. W. V. Pool, Gordo, Ala., Route 2.  
Rev. Foster Pool, Echola, Ala.  
Licentiate, N. M. Sanford, McConnells, Ala.

### Devotional Services Thursday

Rev. B. M. Adkins preached at 9:30 A. M. Text: Luke 1-11, 5th chapter.

Rev. J. E. Mathis preached at 11 A. M. Text, Timothy 2:19.

Rev. W. C. Austin preached at 2:30 P. M. Text: Unknown.

### List of Delegates

Mt. Moriah—Mrs. C. F. Burgess.

Macedonia—J. M. Stokes, Lee McAdams, Lando McAdams.

Shiloh—W. H. Koon, W. R. Burkhalter, J. H. Zeanah.

Tabernacle—J. W. Hallman, J. S. Loftis, R. L. Ramsey.

Antioch—R. D. Belk, F. H. Ham.

Union—T. J. Lancaster, W. R. Curry, S. V. Powell.

Phillips Chapel—W. O. Falls, J. T. Watson, W. T. Montgomery.

Union Hill—J. O. Perrigen, W. M. Harris, Wilford Joyner.

Mt. Zion—T. J. Shipp, W. E. Harless, J. H. Brown.

Hatties Chapel—Not represented.

Pleasant Hill—Sister Etta Mayfield, Eula Parker, Patton Parker.

Friendship—Not represented.

Unity Grove—C. L. Adair, J. H. Cole, Odis Robinson.

Sulphur Springs—E. L. Crawford, G. W. Fields.

Espy Springs—J. B. Weaver, C. D. Newman.

### List of Deceased Members

Rev. W. B. Montgomery, Rev. Wood Springfield, Rev. W. E. Harbin, Rev. Bro. Nabors, Rev. E. Gore, Rev. T. Maloy, Rev. W. R. Latham, Rev. W. J. Cowart, Rev. J. S. Hinton, Rev. J. R. Robertson, Rev. O. M. Archy.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE UNION MEETING

The thirty-seventh annual session of the Union meeting of the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Association held with Tabernacle Church July 21-22-23, 1928. On Saturday at 11 o'clock Rev. W. V. Pool preached the introductory sermon. Text: Matt. 12:25.

After the preaching service was over the body adjourned for refreshments for one and one-half hours.

Then the ministers and messengers re-assembled in the church and it was called to order by the Moderator. Reading 37th Psalm.

First—Letters from various churches were handed in and read and delegates listed as per roll.

Second—Proceeded to elect Moderator and Clerk. Rev. J. E. Tilley, elected Moderator and E. Z. Mayfield, Clerk.

Third—The following committees were appointed: On Document and Order of Business: Rev. J. E. Mathis, B. K. Montgomery, Earley Dean, with Moderator and Clerk.

Fourth—On Evangelism: Rev. O. C. Weaver, T. A. Springfield, T. J. Ship and T. J. Lancaster.

Fifth—On Sunday School: J. W. Lancaster, J. S. Stewart, J. T. Williams, E. F. Pool, S. V. Powell, J. H. Harless,



J. S. Loftis, Katie Williams, J. H. Hickman, J. M. Lynn, L. G. Weaver, Laudis McAdams.

Sixth—On Resolutions and Queries: Rev. M. Montgomery, Rev. G. F. Carmack, Rev. J. M. Spencer, M. F. Sanford.

Seventh—On Devotion: W. L. Sanford, P. J. Spencer, J. H. Brown, with the deacons of Tabernacle Church.

Report of Committee on Devotion: Rev. T. V. Wheat preach at 9:30 A. M., Rev. J. E. Mathis at 11 A. M., Rev. J. E. Tilley at 2:30 P. M. and Rev. Montgomery at 11 A. M. Monday.

## SUNDAY MORNING

Song service just before preaching. At 9:30 A. M. Rev. T. V. Wheat preached. Text: Rev. 20:15. Then at 11 A. M. Rev. J. E. Mathis preached. Text: 2 Tim. 2:15. Dismissed for refreshments.

At 2:30 Rev. J. E. Tilley preached. Text: Luke 6:20. This closed the service for the day.

Monday morning at 8:30 o'clock we met again at the church to finish the business of the Union Meeting. After reading the 100th Psalm and prayer the Moderator announced that the body was ready for business.

The minutes of Saturday and Sunday were read and adopted.

Committee on Documents and Order of Business made a report as follows:

First—That we proceed after the regular order of business.

Second—We recommend that the next session of the Union meeting be held with Antioch Church, Fayette County, Alabama, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July, 1929, and be in session Saturday, Sunday and Monday, and we recommend that Rev. J. M. Spincer preach the introductory sermon and Rev. J. E. Mathis be his alternate.

REV. J. E. MATHIS, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

## Committee on Evangelism Report

We recommend that the pastor appoint a man in his church that attends conference to collect funds from the mem-

bers to put an evangelist in the field and that he bring said funds to the Association and deliver said funds to the treasurer of the Association.

REV. O. C. WEAVER, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

### Committee on Sunday School Report

We find that only a part of our churches have Sunday Schools. This committee asks the delegates to do all in their power in their church to organize a Sunday School. We think that by having Sunday School that many of our young people would study the Word of God, that might not, were they not in Sunday School. We believe that is a great hindrance today with our churches; that we have not studied the Word of God and posted ourselves on His will.

J. S. STEWART, Chairman.

Report received and committee discharged.

### List of Delegates

Mt. Moriah—J. W. Lancaster, Sister J. W. Lancaster.

Macedonia—L. McAdams, W. L. McAdams and Early Dean.

Shiloh—L. B. Koon, J. H. Hickman.

Tabernacle—B. K. Montgomery, J. S. Wicker, J. S. Loftis.

Antioch—B. D. Williams, J. T. Williams, Sister Katie Williams.

Union—T. J. Lancaster, S. V. Powell, H. N. Ballard.

Phillips Chapel—J. M. Lynn, M. J. Sanford, W. L. Sanford.

Union Hill—J. S. Stewart.

Mt. Zion—H. Brown, A. Winters, T. J. Ship.

Pleasant Hill—J. G. Pearson, O. L. Pearson, J. H. Harless.

Espy Springs—L. G. Weaver, P. J. Spencer.

Sulphur Springs, Friendship, Hattie's Chapel and Unity Grove—Not represented.

REV. J. E. TILLEY, Moderator.

E. M. MAYFIELD, Clerk.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE MT. MORIAH SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The third annual session of the Mt. Moriah F. W. B. Sunday School Convention convened with Union Church on the fifth Sunday in April, 1928.

Opened with song and prayer by Rev. J. E. Tilley. Business was transacted as follows: Called for the letters from the various churches, were handed in and read as listed below. Delegates listed as per roll: Mt. Moriah, Woodsie Burgess, Ruth Wing, Mrs. Bessie Burgess, and Johnnie Sue Burgess as teacher; Macedonia was represented by its pastor, Rev. T. L. Walker; Shiloh, J. H. Hickman and Herman Hickman; Tabernacle not represented; Antioch, Sister J. T. Williams, Alexander Williams and J. T. Williams; Union, Bro. Howard Currie, Sam Hill Lindsay and Lona Lindsay; Phillips Chapel not represented; Union Hill not represented; Hattie's Chapel not represented; Pleasant Hill, E. Z. Mayfield, J. A. Pool and Mrs. E. Z. Mayfield; Friendship not represented; Unity Grove represented by its pastor, Rev. J. E. Tilley; Sulphur Springs, Miss Theo Kuykendall, Clysta Usury and Floyce Jones; Espy Springs, Miss Liza Lee Weaver and Mr. Glyndon Newman.

### Teachers

Mt. Moriah—Mrs. C. F. Burgess and Johnnie Sue Burgess.

Antioch—F. R. Williams and Mrs. J. T. Williams.

Union—W. V. Pool, S. V. Powell and J. T. Lindsay.

Sulphur Springs—Marvin Campbell.

Next, the convention went into the election of officers for the incoming year, whereby Bro. E. Z. Mayfield was elected President; Rev. T. L. Walker, Vice President; O. L. Stokes, Secretary, and Mrs. J. T. Williams, Assistant Secretary. Short talks were made by the new officers. A committee on How to Increase the Interest and Attendance of the Older People in Sunday School, was appointed as follows: Mrs. J. T. Williams, Marvin Campbell, Liza Lee Weaver, Howard Curry and Johnnie Sue Burgess. It was moved and seconded that we appoint a program committee, whereby Rev. T. L. Walker, E. R. Williams and Mrs. C. F. Burgess were appointed.

Adjourned for refreshments.

Reassembled in the house at 1 o'clock with singing and prayer by Rev. O. C. Weaver, after which there were short talks on the lesson by Sister J. T. Williams and Bro. E. Z. Mayfield.

Called for the report of the committee on How to Increase the Interest and Attendance of the Older People in Sunday School. Report read and adopted. Essays were called for and read by the following: Mrs. J. T. Williams, Bro. E. R. Williams, Sam Hill Lindsay, Essie Crawford, Espy Springs delegates. Recitations were given by Miss Estelle Kuykendall and Elsie Kuykendall from Sulphur Springs. At this time we had talks from the following: Judge R. J. Jones from Linden, Rev. O. C. Weaver, on the League Work, and Professor Story.

It was moved and seconded that we have the constitution and by-laws of the convention read, whereby they were read and adopted.

It was moved and seconded and carried that Sulphur Springs be the next meeting place of the convention and that it meet on the fifth Sunday in June, 1929.

Some good talks on the convention were made by the various speakers of the convention.

The meeting was dismissed with song and prayer by R. J. Jones.

E. Z. MAYFIELD, President,

O. L. STOKES, Secretary.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe there is one true and living God, who is the Supreme Ruler of Heaven and Earth, self-existent Creator of all things, and revealed under the personal divine perfection, and existing in distinct but harmonious offices in the great work of redemption.

Art. 2. We believe the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, truth for its matter and salvation for its end; and it reveals the principles by which God will judge us, and therefore is and shall remain to the end of the world, the center of Christian union, the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds and opinion will be tried.

Art. 3. We believe that man was created holy under the law of his Maker, but from voluntary transgression fell from that holy state, in consequence of which all mankind are depraved and wholly unable of their own will and ability to recover from the fallen state in which they are by nature.

Art. 4. We believe that God has not fixed the future state of mankind by an absolute and unalterable decree; but salvation is offered in the Gospel free to all, and if sinners are lost forever it will be their own fault.

Art. 5. We believe that Christ by His death and suffering made an atonement for the sins of all mankind in general, and every individual in particular; however, that none but those who believe in Him can be partakers of the divine benefits.

Art. 6. We believe that true faith cannot proceed from the exercise of our natural faculties and powers or from the force and operation of the free will, since man in consequence of his natural corruption is capable neither of thinking or doing anything spiritually good.

Art. 7. We believe in the general application of the grace of God for fallen man sufficient to enable him morally and actually to obey the requirements of the law of liberty—James 1:25, this is to act saving faith. John 1:9, however, none but these who believe or acquiesce in Christ will be saved thereby; Acts 17:32, Romans 2:9, John 3:19.

Art. 8. We believe in the moral agency of man, by the grace of God, before and after conversion; that he is laid under no invincible necessity, but his Creator, to act in a given way, that if he lives after the flesh he shall die; but if he through the spirit, do mortify the deeds of the body he shall live, and, therefore, man is always a proper



subject for admonition and exaltation. Hebrews 11:12-13, Romans 12-14, Mark 14-12, Ezekiel 18:24, Rev. 2:3, Ezekiel 33:13-28, I Tim. 4:1, Heb. 3:5, I Cor. 10:12-22, I Peter 1:10.

Art. 9. We believe that the visible church of Christ is a congregation of believers, associated by covenant in faith and fellowship of the Gospel, observing the ordinances of Christ governed by His laws, and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them by His word; that its only proper officers are bishops, pastors and deacons, whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the Epistles of Timothy and Titus.

Art. 10. We believe that Christian baptism is immersion in water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that believers are proper subjects.

Art. 11. We believe the Lord's Supper is a perpetual obligation, by which the members of the Church in the use of bread and wine, are to commemorate together the dying love of Christ preceded always by solemn self-examination.

Art. 12. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and the general judgment; and joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal upon principles of grace and justice.

Art. 13. We believe in open and mixed communion and the churches of our body are authorized by their pastors, to invite Christians of all orthodox churches who are in good standing in their respective churches, to commune with us at the Lord's Table.

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## RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be called to order by the Moderator who presided at last session, the former Clerk also officiating until the body is fully organized.

Art. 2. The Association shall be opened and closed by singing and prayer.

Art. 3. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by ballot at each session of the Association. A majority of votes by delegates present elects.

Art. 4. The names of the delegates from the different churches shall be enrolled and called for as often as necessary during the session.

Art. 5. A majority of delegates shall rule in all cases except in the reception of churches, then it shall be unanimous.

Art. 6. The Moderator shall not be entitled to vote except in cases of a tie, and then he shall give the deciding vote. He shall be entitled to speak on all questions after others have spoken, providing he appoints some one to the chair while he is speaking.

Art. 7. Only one person shall speak at a time and he shall rise and address the Moderator, and after recognition by the Moderator he shall proceed.

Art. 8. No brother shall be interrupted while speaking unless he departs from the subject under discussion or uses words of personal reflection.

Art. 9. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the Association, nor more than 15



minutes at a time.

Art. 10. No members shall laugh or talk while debates are going on.

Art. 11. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Moderator.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall have power to call the Association composing the Association over which he presides together at any time upon a petition of two-thirds of the churches.

Art. 13. That the appointment of all committees by the Moderator be confined to ministers and delegates composing the Association.

## CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Association shall be known as the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Association of Alabama, being composed of delegates from the different churches forming the same, each church being entitled to three delegates.

Art. 2. This body shall be considered an Advisory Council, but having no authority over the affairs of other churches, unless they depart from the articles of faith of this Association. In case any church departs from the articles of faith and supports doctrines of heresy, or allows any minister of her body to teach doctrines not in keeping with our articles of faith, the same shall be dealt with by this Association as it may deem proper and right, according to the teachings of the Bible.

Art. 3. Each church in this Association shall be considered an advisory body, and shall control its own internal affairs in matters of discipline, etc. It may, however, in extreme case, call aid from sister churches, but the Association shall rule in all matters of doctrine and general interest.

Art. 4. All questions of doctrine and matters of general interest shall be settled by a two-thirds vote of the Association and the decision be final.

Art. 5. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen at each session by a majority of votes.

Art. 6. This Association shall meet annually, at such time and place as may be agreed at a previous annual session, and shall not adjourn finally until all business is transacted.

Art. 7. Churches wishing to become members of this Association must adopt its Articles of Faith and conform to its usage.

Art. 8. We agree as churches of this Association to use our best influence to promote the interests of all moral and benevolent institutions, such as the temperance cause, Sabbath Schools, missionary work, etc.

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## Constitution and By-Laws

of the Sabbath School Convention of the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Association

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention.

Article 2. Membership—Any Sunday School in the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Association shall be eligible to membership.

Sec. 2. Schools from other Associations shall become members by a two-thirds vote of the convention assembled.

Article 3. Conventions—Sec. 1. This convention shall convene annually at such time and place as may be determined by the previous convention.

Sec. 2. Special Meetings—Special meeting may be called by the President on written petition of not less than two-thirds of the membership. The Secretary shall then notify the Secretary of each church to that effect.

Article 4. Representation—Sec. 1. Each Sunday school shall be entitled to three delegates. Exclusive of the officers, each officer shall be a delegate also.

Sec. 2. One or more delegates shall cast the entire number of votes to which said school is entitled.

Article 5. Officers, Committees and Elections—Sec. 1. The officers of this convention shall be: A president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer. Such officers shall be elected by conventions each year and shall hold office until other officers are elected. Each officer shall be entitled to one vote in the convention.

Sec. 2. The president, vice president, secretary-treasurer shall constitute the executive board.

Article 6. Duties of Officers—The president shall preside at all meetings of the convention, and fill all vacancies occurring between conventions, such appointment subject to approval of the convention. He shall make a report to the convention of his official acts, shall be chairman of the executive board, shall organize schools where they can be and shall visit all the schools at least once each year where possible and create all the interest possible in Sunday school work.

Sec. 2. Vice President—The vice president shall perform all the duties of the president in case of his absence, inability or refusal to attend to his duties.

Sec. 3. The secretary-treasurer shall keep a record of all convention proceedings and all other records necessary. He shall conduct all correspondence for the convention and shall take charge of all funds of the convention and pay all bills ordered by the president to be paid. He shall prepare for publication in the minutes of the Association a record of the previous convention.

Sec. 4. The executive board shall act as a board of trustees supervising all business of this convention, not otherwise provided for.

Article 7. Fiscal year. Sec. 1. The fiscal year shall end on the last day of the convention and begin on the day following.

Sec. 2. Special assessments may be levied by the convention for printing, etc., of the minutes and anything else that might be needed.

Article 8. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates in regular convention.

### BY-LAWS

1. This convention shall be called to order by the president.
  2. It shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.
  3. The officers shall be chosen by ballot at each convention, a majority of votes by delegates elects.
  4. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled and called for as often as is necessary.
  5. A majority of delegates shall rule in all cases.
  6. No member shall be allowed to laugh and talk while debates are on.
  7. The appointment of all committees shall be from the delegates and ministers composing the convention.
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# STATISTICAL TABLE

Church, Co., State	Pastors	Clerks, Postoffice	Ex-Pastors	Paid ex-pastor	Paid helper	Baptized	Received by letter	Dismissed by letter	Restored	Deceased	Excluded	Meeting days	No. of members	M'ute Fund
Mt. Moriah, Pickens Co., Ala.....	J. D. Byars.....	C. C. Grove, McShan, Ala.....	J. D. Byars.....	\$103.75				1				2	100	\$2.00
Macedonia, Pickens Co., Ala.....	T. L. Walker.....	Early Dean, Millport, Ala.....	T. L. Walker.....	174.00	\$ 45.22	13				2	4	1	314	5.00
Shiloh, Pickens Co., Ala.....	J. E. Tilley.....	L. B. Koon, Gordo, Ala.....	T. L. Walker.....	113.35	42.68	14	2	2		1	5	3	150	3.00
Tabernacle, Tuscaloosa Co., Ala.....	M. Montgomery.....	J. S. Loftis, McConnells, Ala.....	M. Montgomery.....			1	2					1	140	5.00
Antioch, Fayette Co., Ala.....	O. C. Weaver.....	E. R. Williams, Belk, Ala.....	O. C. Weaver.....	120.00	30.00	2		1		1		3	145	5.00
Union, Pickens Co., Ala.....	J. E. Tilley.....	S. H. Lindsay, Gordo, Ala.....	J. E. Tilley.....	118.05		8	2			3		2	113	4.50
Phillips Chapel, Tuscaloosa Co., Ala.....	M. Montgomery.....	W. L. Sanford, Fayette, Ala.....	M. Montgomery.....			7	1	3			1	4	190	4.00
Union Hill, Pickens Co., Ala.....	T. L. Walker.....	W. M. Harris, Reform, Ala.....	W. R. Robinson.....	26.25	21.65	6				1		3	95	2.50
Mt. Zion, Tuscaloosa Co., Ala.....	M. Montgomery.....	E. W. Shipp, McConnells, Ala.....	M. Montgomery.....	71.60	24.00	4	2	9		2	1	3	119	5.00
Hattie's Chapel, Pickens Co., Ala.....														
Pleasant Hill, Tuscaloosa Co., Ala.....	T. L. Walker.....	J. H. Harless, Elrod, Ala.....	T. L. Walker.....	150.50	35.00		2					2	111	5.00
Friendship, Fayette Co., Ala.....														
Unity Grove, Lamar Co., Ala.....	O. C. Weaver.....	Odis Robertson, Fernbank, Ala.....	J. E. Tilley.....	57.35	28.00	6	8			1	1	4	118	3.00
Sulphur Springs, Tuscaloosa Co., Ala.....	O. C. Weaver.....	P. H. Keller, Samantha, Ala.....	O. C. Weaver.....	157.27						2		2	147	4.00
Espy Springs, Tuscaloosa Co., Ala.....	O. C. Weaver.....	L. G. Weaver, Samantha, Ala.....	O. C. Weaver.....	55.00	21.00	8	7					1	57	4.00

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