

MINUTES
OF THE
One Hundreth and Second Annual Session
OF THE
MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION
OF
FREEWILL BAPTIST

Held With Aliceville Church
Saturday, Sunday and Monday
October 11, 12, 13, 1952

OFFICERS

Rev. J. H. Tilley, Ethelsville, Ala., Moderator
Rev. Leander McAdams, Columbus, Miss., Clerk
Executive Committee, W. L. McAdams, M. P.
Gore, Perry Montgomery, J. O. Perrigen, J. C.
Oswalt.

The next session of this Association will be
held with Shiloh Church, Pickens County, Ala.
on Saturday before the second Sunday in October,
1953.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Art. 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 unrevealed under the personal distinction of Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal in every divine perfection, and existing in distant 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; that it reveals the principle by which God shall judge us, and therefore is and shall remain until the end of the world, the center of Christian union, the supreme standard by which all humans conduct, creeds and opinions will be tried.

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

Art. 4. We believe that God has not fixed the future state of mankind by any 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 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 facilities and powers, or from the force and operation of the free will since man in consequence of his natural corruption is incapable of either 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 those 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 free and moral agency of man, by the grace of God, before and after conversion; that he is under no invincible necessity, by 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 of admonition and exhortation, Hebrews 11:12-13; Romans 12:14; Mark 14:12; Ezek. 18:24; Rev. 2:3; 1st Peter 1:10; Ezek 33:13 and 28; 1st Tim. 4:1; Hebrew 3:5; 1st Cor. 10:12 and 22.

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 work; 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 life 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, through 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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The next session of this Association will be held with Shiloh Church, Pickens County, Ala. on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1953.

Proceedings Of Association

The one hundredth and second session of the Mt. Moriah Association was held with Aliceville Church on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1952, on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, October 11, 12, 13, 1952.

The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. T. L. Walker. Scripture reading, St. Luke 4-26. Subject, The Word. After which the body was dismissed for the noon hour.

The body was then called to order by former moderator, Rev. J. H. Tilley. After two songs by Bro. Ivory Bailey and scripture reading by Rev. J. H. Tilley, reading the 5 chapter of Second Cor. and prayer by Rev. J. L. Lynn, the association was ready for business.

The Moderator appointed Bro. J. O. Perrigen and Bro. H. M. Montgomery as reading clerks. Letters from various churches were handed in and read and delegates listed as per roll. It was moved and seconded to put in delegates where any were absent.

The body then elected Moderator and Clerk. Rev. J. H. Tilley was elected Moderator and Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk.

Corresponding messengers from sister associations were called. Rev. M. H. Hollis, Bro. and Sister Dee Hollis, Northeast Mississippi Association; Rev. W. H. Ryland, Progressive Association; Rev. Wade from local church, Aliceville, Alabama.

Called for new churches, none received, after which the following committees were appointed: Documents and Order of Business, Bro. Jim McCool, Ira Jewel, Oscher Fulgham, Lowell Bonner, Fletcher Collins, L. V. Montgomery with Moderator and Clerk.

DEVOTION

Bro Alvin Free, Iva Bailey, H. M. Montgomery, Lacy McAdams, John Brown with deacons of the church.

FINANCE

Bro. E. O. Doughty, W. F. Sanford, O. C. Traweek, Phillip Latham, Early Robertson, Oschor Swedenburg, C. B. Dean.

TEMPERANCE

Rev. T. L. Walker, B. Montgomery, Sister Mason Giles, Joe McCool, Wester Fulgham, C. R. Dean, Bro. Braxton Styron.

MORAL REFORM

Rev. M. Montgomery, Rev. H. E. Crawford, Rev. N. M. Sanford.

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE

Rev. J. E. Tilley, Sister B. Montgomery, Sister M. P. Gore, Sister Lacy McAdams, Bro. T. J. Lancaster.

SABBATH SCHOOL

Rev. J. L. Lavender, Carlos Dawkins, Sister Hubert Plymon, Sister Columbus Allen, Sister Elsie K. Perrigen.

DECEASED MEMBERS

Rev. W. L. Lynn, T. G. Trull, Bro. Watson, C. S. South, C. P. Malone.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERRIES

Rev. J. M. Spencer, Sister Lillie Mae Carpenter, C. Kyles, E. F. Perrigen. A talk was given by Rev. W. H. Ryland on the Childrens' Home and a number of the children were there and sang a number of good songs which were enjoyed. After which an offering was taken for the home amounting to \$100.

We your committee on Devotion make a partial report: We recommended that Rev. J. L. Lavender preach at 9:30 a. m. Sunday. Rev. J. E. Tilley preach at 11:00 a. m., Rev H. E. Crawford preach at 2:00 p. m.

Moved and seconded to adjourn the business of the association until 8:30 Monday morning.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Rev. J. L. Lavender preached at 9:30 a. m., scripture reading, Heb; 3rd chapter; text 6-14 verses. Subject; Faithfulness. Rev. J. E. Tilley preached at 11:00 a. m. Scripture reading, James; 2nd Chapter, text 8th verse. Rev. H. E. Crawford preached at 2:00 p. m. Scripture reading, St. John; 14th Chapter; text, 25th verse. After which an offering was taken for Rev. M. Montgomery, Bro. J. S. Loftis, Bro. Hodges, ammounting to \$91.66, also an offering for building Aliceville church amounting to \$67.61.

MONDAY SESSION

After one song by sister Mason Giles, scripture reading by Mod-

erator, prayer by Rev. J. L. Lavender, the association was open for business. The committees not being ready to report; thirty minutes recess was given that they might make out their reports. Report on Document and Order of Business was given.

(DOCUMENT AND ORDER OF BUSINESS)

We your committee report as follows: We recommend that we proceed after the usual order of business through this session; We recommend that Rev. T. A. Springfield preach the introductory sermon at next session and that Rev. W. L. Lynn be his alternate; We recommend that the clerk superintend the printing of the Minutes and that he be paid \$30.00 for his services. We recommend that the next session of the association meet with Shiloh Church, Pickens County, Alabama on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1953; We recommend that each church send \$1.50 State Minute Funds. Report adopted, committee dismissed. J. F. McCool, Chairman.

DEVOTION

We your committee make our final report. We recommend that Rev. M. Montgomery bring the message at the close of this session, with Rev. Leander McAdams as alternate. Report adopted, committee discharged.

G. A. Free, Chairman

FINANCE

We your committee on Finance report that we have collected at this session \$103.05. Minutes funds, \$82.06, State Minute Funds, \$21. Report adopted, committee discharged. E. O. Doughty, Chairman

SABBATH SCHOOL

We your committee on Sabbath School wish to submit the following report: We count our Sabbath School to be of utmost importance to the cause of Christ, also, to the building of the general interest of the Church. We want to emphasize the importance of Sunday School in each church, We find that about 45 percent of our churches do not have Sunday School, this leaves us with a sad report and we your committee think something should be done now about organizing a Sabbath School in each church and not in later years. We also suggest that each church give one Sunday offering in the church to the Children's Home. Report adopted and committee discharged. Rev. J. L. Lavender, Chairman.

DECEASED MEMBERS

We your committee on deceased members find that since our last association God has called from us the following ones: First Free Will Church, Northport, Brother Bill Ramsey; Phillips Chapel, Sister Annie Lowery; Union Hill, Bro J. S. Steward, Tabernacle, Bro. J. W. Malone, Bro. LaFayette Frazier; Shiloh, Bro. Julius Geer, Bro. John Porter, Sister Susie Zeanah; Pleasant Hill, Zula Mitchell; Macedonia, Bro. J. T. Byars; Mt. Moriah, Bro. C. C. Sansing, Bro. C. A. Lee. Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. W. L. Lynn, Chairman

After report on deceased members, "Precious Memories" was sung by Rev. T. L. Walker and Prayer by Rev. J. E. Tilley in remembrance of the deceased ones.

MORAL REFORMS

We, the committee, wish to submit the following report: We see a great need of a higher standard of Christian living among our church people. And one of the greatest ways to reform church people is to reform our lives from the evils of the world, such as beer joints, cold drink stands and all evils of the world because this committee is wise to the fact that it is violating our articles of Faith and we believe by so doing that this will raise our people to nobler and higher standards of Christian living. Report adopted Committee discharged.

Rev. M. Montgomery, Chairman

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE

We, your committee, report as follows: Seeing the need of a better educated ministry in our denomination, we recommend that all of our young ministers that can take a course at our Bible School in Nashville, Tenn. and that we give them our support in a financial way and we recommend that we keep Free Will Baptist Literature in our homes for our children to read.

Report adopted and committee discharged.

Rev. J. E. Tilley, Chairman

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, report as follows: We see today that alcohol is our No. one enemy and it is up to the Christians of today to prepare himself to be able to fight against this ordeal of satan. Let us all that are Christians be much in prayer as we go to the polls to vote that God will lead us to vote for the man who will lead our country the right way.

One thing we should ask ourselves- Does this man know Christ as his Savior; Will He be the man to lead us in the way of Christianity that our young people might have a clean religious country to live in.

Report adopted and committee discharged.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We your Executive Committee report as follows: We find all of our preachers sound in the Faith. We recommend that Bro. William R. Sullivan's name be added to the list of licensed ministers and Rev. H. E. Crawford's name be added to the list of Ordained Ministers and that Rev. W. W. Benson's name be dropped from the list of licensed ministers.

Report adopted and committee retained. J. O. Perrigen, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERRIES

We your committee report as follows: We urge all of our fathers and mothers to go to church and Sunday School and carry their children; And we urge all churches that do not have a Sabbath School to arrange for one as soon as possible that we may give more people an opportunity to serve in the building of God's Kingdom on earth. We also wish to express our thanks to Aliceville Church and community for the able manner in which they have taken care of this session of the association and we pray God's blessings on them. Report adopted and committee discharged.

Rev. J. M. Spencer, Chairman

It was moved and seconded that the clerk have a form of the letter to the association written for each church before another association.

It was moved and seconded that the moderator appoint delegates to the State Association. Bro. J. O. Perrigen, Bro. H. M. Montgomery, Rev. J. L. Lavender and Bro. Coleman Dean were appointed.

It was moved and seconded that the moderator appoint corresponding messengers to the Vernon Association. Bro. Harrison Sullivan, Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Fields, Bro. Chester Collins were appointed.

It was moved and seconded that the moderator appoint a corresponding messenger to the Northeast Mississippi Association before another year.

It was moved and seconded to take the parting hand to meet with Shiloh Church, Pickens County, Alabama on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1953.

Rev. J. H. Tilley, Moderator

Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk

DELEGATES ENROLLED AT ASSOCIATION

Mt. Moriah—Ruby Gore, Frank Perrigen, Mrs. Hubert Plymon.
Macedonia—Lacy McAdams, Carlos Dawkins, Mrs. Lacy McAdams.
Shiloh—G. A. Free, R. E. Miller, C. Kyles.
Tabernacle—Homer Montgomery, L. V. Montgomery, J. F. Malone.
Union—Joe McCool, Jim McCool, T. J. Lancaster.
Phillips Chapel—Lynn Allen, Bill Sanford, Clyde Oswalt.
Union Hill—Early Robertson, Lillie Mae Carpenter, Elsie Perrigen
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Hattie's Chapel—Oscar Swedenburg.
Mt. Zion—John Brown, O. C. Traweek, C. S. South.
Pleasant Hill—J. H. Harless, O. L. Person, Lowell Bonner.
Espy Springs—Addie Mae Montgomery, Brady Montgomery, Lewis Hallman.
Sardis—G. D. Skelton, Bro. Trull.
Glenn Echo—Oscar Fulgham, Wester Fulgham, T. R. Sellers.
Mayer's Chapel—Brady Dean, Royland Dean, Braxton Seryon.
Northport—Fletcher Collins, Emmett Doughty, Alvie Bailey.
Aliceville—Sister Mason Giles, Sister Columbus Allen, Sister Vera Sullivan.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Rev. J. M. Spencer, Tuscaloosa, Ala. 616-11th St.
Rev. J. E. Tilley, Ethelsville, Alabama, Rt. 1
Rev. M. Montgomery, Brownsville, Alabama
Rev. T. L. Walker, Northport, Alabama
Rev. T. A. Springfield, Gordo, Alabama
Rev. Edgar Jones, Tuscaloosa, Ala., Rt. 1 Box 193 C
Rev. S. R. Lee, Coker, Alabama
Rev. J. H. Tilley, Ethelsville, Alabama
Rev. R. E. Tilley, Ethelsville, Alabama
Rev. J. L. Lavender, Aliceville, Alabama
Rev. R. L. Taylor, Brownsville, Alabama
Rev. J. L. Lynn, Brownsville, Alabama
Rev. N. M. Sanford, Peterson, Alabama
Rev. Leander McAdams, Columbus, Miss., Rt. 2 Box 46
Rev. Linwood Fields, Vernon, Alabama
Rev. H. C. Moore, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, 152 S. 18th St.
Rev. W. L. Lynn, Brownsville, Alabama
Rev. H. E. Crawford, Northport, Alabama, 2321 9th St.
Licentiates: Rev. Hermon Herndon, Rev. William Sullivan, Gordo.

DECEASED MINISTERS

Rev. E. Gore, Rev. T. Mosely, Rev. J. T. Nabors, Rev. W. J. Cowart,
Rev. J. S. Henton, Rev. W. R. Latham, Rev. W. B. Montgomery, Rev.
J. R. Robertson, Rev. O. M. Archie, Rev. Wood Springfield, Rev.

E. W. Harbin, Rev. E. F. Pool, Rev. T. V. Wheat, Rev. J. D. Byars, Rev. J. E. Mathis, Rev. J. M. Perkins, Rev. W. R. Robertson, Rev. W. J. Harbin.

Proceedings Of Union Meeting

The Sixty First Session of the Mt. Morriah Union Meeting was held with Union Church, Pickens County, Ala. on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July. July 26-27, 1952. After reading the 39th Psalm by Moderator and prayer by Rev. J. L. Lavender the Union meeting was opened for business. The Moderator appointed Bro. Lacy McAdams and Bro. Edward Noland as reading clerks. Letters were read from various churches and delegates listed as per roll. A motion was made to put in delegates where any were absent. It was moved and seconded to elect Moderator and clerk. Whereas Rev. J. H. Tilley was elected Moderator, Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk.

The following committees were appointed:

Document and order of business, Bro. T. J. Lancaster, Bro. Howard Curry, Bro. Harrison Sullivan, Bro. Edward Noland, Bro. M. P. Gore, with moderator and clerk.

Devotion, Bro. Lacy McAdams Ezra Martin, Bro. O. C. Traywick Bro. Rafor Shepherd, Bro. Ira Jewel, with Deacons of church.

Temperance, Bro. E. L. Fields, Bro. Lowel Bonner, Bro. Wester Fulgham, Bro. Alvin Free, Sister Mason Giles, Sister Vera Sullivan, Bro. P. O. Robertson.

Sabbath School, Sister Ruth Free, Sister Vaudine Lanchester, Bro. E. O. Doughty, Bro. O. W. McGee, Bro. Joe McCool, Sister Ruby Gore.

Home Mission, Bro. L. G. Hall, Bro. C. P. Malone, Bro. T. G. Trull, Bro. F. R. Trull, Sister Annie Traywick.

Resolutions and Queries, Bro. Louis Tilley, Bro. E. D. Robertson, Louis T. Winters, Bro. W. F. Sanford.

The body was dismissed for 10 minutes. Then was called to order by Moderator for the Introductory Sermon, the one to preach not being present, the Devotion Committee was asked to make a report on some one to preach. The committee selected Rev. J. L. Lynn to preach. Rev. J. L. Lynn preached at 11:25 A.M. Scripture reading, Romans 8th chapter after which the body was

dismissed for the noon hour.

At the appointed time the body was called to order by Moderator and the following business was transacted. Various reports were read and adopted.

DOCUMENT AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

We your committee on document and order of business report as follows: (1) That we proceed after the usual order of business through this session (2) We recommend that the next session meet with Union Hill church, Pickens County, Ala. on Saturday before the 4th Sunday in July, 1953 (3) We recommend that Rev. O. L. Fields preach the Introductory Sermon at 11:00 o'clock and that Rev. Leander McAdams be his alternate. (4) We recommend that the next session open at 9:30 A.M. Report adopted and committee discharged.

W. H. Curry, Chairman

DEVOTION

We your committee on Devotion report as follows: That Rev. O. L. Fields preach at the close of this session today and that Rev. H. E. Crawford preach at 9 A.M. Sunday and Rev. Leander McAdams preach at 11:00 A.M. Rev. J. L. Lavender preach at 2:30 P.M.

Report adopted and committee discharged.

Lacy McAdams, Chairman

TEMPERANCE

We your committee report as follows: We believe that some of our church members are partakers of strong drink and are setting the wrong example before our young people of today. We do pray that our church members would be more concerned about the work we as Christians should do and come out from among the world and help win the lost to Christ and not lead our young people the wrong way and teach them to flee from the evil of strong drink and all worldly pleasure. Report adopted and committee discharged.

E. L. Fields, Chairman

HOME MISSION

We your committee report as follows: We believe that each church in the association should have more interest in home mission and that each pastor and church leader should advocate

it more. We recommend that each pastor take one or more offerings each year for home mission. We should live before our children as God would have us live and surely they will follow in our foot steps. We recommend that each pastor explain to the church what home mission means. Report adopted and committee discharged.

L. A. Hallman, Chairman

SABBATH SCHOOL

We report as follows: We believe that every Sabbath School should try to better their attendance and take interest in the lesson. We ask that each pastor encourage each church to try to organize a Sunday School. We urge the parents to go and carry the children and not send them. We recommend that each Sunday School send one donation of their Sunday School each month to the children's home at Eldredge, Ala. Report adopted and committee discharged.

Ruth Free, Chairman

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERIES

We your committee report as follows: We urge our fathers and mothers to take a greater interest in going to church and carry their children. We also want to express our thanks to Union church and community for the able manner in which they have taken care of us through this session of Union meeting and pray God's blessing on them. Report adopted and committee discharged.

Louis Tilley, Chairman

Moved and seconded to close the session of Union Meeting to meet with Union Hill church one year hence.

Rev. J. H. Tilley, Moderator
Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk

Ministers attending Union Meeting: Rev. M. Montgomery, Rev. J. E. Tilley, Rev. R. E. Tilley, Rev. J. H. Tilley, Rev. J. L. Lynn, Rev. W. L. Lynn, Rev. N. M. Sanford, Rev. J. L. Lavender, Rev. Leander McAdams, Rev. S. R. Lee, Rev. H. E. Crawford, Rev. O. L. Fields, Rev. J. M. Spencer.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Rev. H. E. Crawford preached at 9:30 A.M. Scripture reading, Acts.

Rev. Leander McAdams preached at 11:00 A.M. Scripture reading, St. Luke 1:25, Subject, Life of Christ.

Rev. J. L. Lavender preached at 2:30 P.M. Scripture reading, Philippians, 13 chapter, subject, Press Forward Toward The Mark.

DELEGATES ATTENDING UNION MEETING

Mt. Moriah—Bro. T. B. Smith, Bro. M. P. Gore, Sister Ruby Gore.
Macedonia—Bro. E. L. Fields, Bro. Lacy McAdams, Bro. Harrison Sullivan

Shiloah—Bro. G. A. Free, Sister Alvin Free.

Tabernacle—H. M. Montgomery, Frank Malone, Claude P. Malone.

Union—Bro. Joe McCool, T. J. Lancaster, W. H. Curry.

Phillips Chapel—Sanford Galway.

Union Hill—Bro. J. O. Perrigin, W. T. Peeks, Early Robertson.

Mt. Zion—John Brown, Clellan Traywick, Sister Edna Traywick.

Hallis Chapel—Louis Tilley, Ira Jewel, Sister Howel Tilley.

Pleasant Hill—Ezra Martin, Anna Springer, Lowell Bonner.

Espy Springs, L. J. Hollman.

Sardis—G. D. Skelton, Rudolph Trull, Pirvie Robertson.

Glen Echo—Sister Vaudine Lancaster, Wester Fulgham, Emma Fulgham.

Mayers Chapel—Roland Dean, Calvin Dean.

1st F.W. Church, Northport—O. W. McGee, Louis T. Winters, E. O. Doughty.

Aliceville—Edward Noland, Sister Mason Giles, Sister Vera Sullivan.

RULES OF DECORUM

Art. 1. The Association shall be called to order by the Moderator who presided at the 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 elect.

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

Art. 5. A majority of delegates shall rule in all cases except 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 all 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 member 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 member 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 together at any time upon a petition of two-thirds of the churches composing the Association over which he presides.

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

CONSTITUTION

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

Art. 2. The body shall be considered an advisory Council, but have no authority over the affairs of other churches, unless they depart from the articles of faith of the 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 matter of discipline, etc. It may, however, in extreme cases, call aid from sister churches but the Association shall rule in all matters of doctrine and general interest.

Art. 4. All questions of Doctrines and matters of general interest shall be settled by a two-thirds vote of the Association and the decision shall 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 interest of all moral and benevolent institutions; such as the Temperance cause, Sabbath Schools, Missionary work, etc.

STATISTICAL TABLE

| Churches | Pastors | Clerks and Addresses | Ex-Pastors | Paid Ex-Pastor | Paid Helpers | Paptized | Received by Letter | Dismissed by Letter | Restored | Deceased | Excluded | Meeting Days | No. of Members | Minute Fund |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|----------|--------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| Mt. Moriah, Pickens Co. | Leander McAdams | Edna Gore, McShan, Ala. | Leander McAdams | \$ 529.53 | \$ | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2-4 | 107 | \$7.50 |
| Macedonia, Pickens Co. | J. H. Tilley | E. L. Fields, Millport, Ala. | J. H. Tilley | 421.32 | 103.00 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1st | 255 | 5.00 |
| Shiloah, Pickens Co. | J. H. Tilley | W. L. Burkhalter, Gordo, Ala. | J. H. Tilley | 460.00 | 46.52 | 4 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3rd | 180 | 5.00 |
| Tabernacle, Tuscaloosa Co. | H. E. Crawford | H. M. Montgomery, Northport | M. Montgomery | 200.00 | 56.00 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1st | 103 | 2.00 |
| Union, Pickens Co. | J. H. Tilley | W. H. Curry, Gordo, Ala. | J. H. Tilley | 450.00 | 58.60 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 122 | 5.00 |
| Phillips Chapel, Tuscaloosa Co. | J. L. Lynn | E. J. Watson, Brownville, Ala. | J. L. Lynn | 57.85 | 85.85 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 310 | 5.00 |
| Union Hill, Pickens Co. | O. L. Fields | J. O. Perrigin, Carrollton, Ala. | O. L. Fields | 238.00 | 85.00 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 102 | 3.00 |
| Mt. Zion, Tuscaloosa Co. | J. L. Lynn | O. S. Traweek, Brownville, Ala. | J. L. Lynn | 107.00 | | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 123 | 5.00 |
| Espy Springs, Tuscaloosa Co. | H. E. Crawford | B. Montgomery, Samantha, Ala. | J. L. Lynn | 125.70 | | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 45 | 5.00 |
| Glenn Echo, Pickens Co. | J. E. Tilley | Paul Sellers, Carrollton, Ala. | J. E. Tilley | 42.25 | 45.41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 42 | 2.50 |
| Pleasant Hill, Tuscaloosa Co. | J. E. Tilley | Lowell Bonner, Elrod, Ala. | J. E. Tilley | 190.74 | 50.00 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 126 | 4.00 |
| Sardis, Tuscaloosa Co. | J. E. Tilley | G. D. Skelton, Moore's Bridge | J. E. Tilley | 297.15 | 29.65 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 72 | 4.55 |
| Hattie's Chapel, Pickens Co. | S. R. Lee | Huron Tilley, Ethelsville, Ala. | S. R. Lee | 376.20 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1-3 | 41 | 5.00 |
| Mayors Chapel, Tuscaloosa Co. | Rev. Baron | Etta Mae Abston Brookwood, Ala. | Rev. Baron | 139.00 | 71.00 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 45 | 2.25 |
| Arbor Springs, Pickens Co. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1st F.W. Church, Northport | T. L. Walker | Fred Oswalt, Tuscaloosa, Ala. | T. L. Walker | 1830.00 | 270.00 | 1 | 14 | | | 1 | | 1-2-3-4 | 109 | 7.35 |
| 1st F.W. Church, Aliceville | J. L. Lavender | Edward Wheat, Aliceville, Ala. | J. L. Lavender | 1128.96 | 130.00 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2-4 | 61 | 7.00 |

Mt. Moriah, Children's Home, \$75.00; Macedonia, Children's Home, \$221.59; Phillips Chapel, Children's Home, \$51.85; Union Hill, Children's Home, \$154.75; Glenn Echo, Children's Home, \$70.00; I. F. W. C., Aliceville, Children's Home, \$97.45; I. F. W. C. Northport, Children's Home, \$75.00; Home Missions \$37.03; Mayer's Chapel, Children's Home, \$83.23