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Minutes
of the
**ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH
ANNUAL SESSION**
of the
Mount Moriah Association
of
Free Will Baptists

Held With
BIG SANDY CHURCH
Tuscaloosa County, Alabama

October 7-8, 1961

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416 Ala. St., Columbus, Miss.

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Will Meet With Shiloh Church
Pickens County, Alabama, On Saturday
Before the Second Sunday In October, 1962
9:00 O'clock

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MINUTES

The One Hundreth and Eleventh session of the Mount Moriah Association was held with Big Sandy Church, Tuscaloosa County, Ala., on Saturday before the Second Sunday in October, 1961. Saturday and Sunday, October 7-8. After two songs and prayer, scripture reading by moderator, reading the 3rd Chapter of Colossians, the Association was open for business.

Brothers: Lacy McAdams, W. N. Joyner were appointed as reading Clerks.

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

Moved and second to adopt letters and seat delegates.

Moved and second to put in delegates where any was absent. Called for new churches, none. Welcomed visiting brothers. Rev. G. P. Perkins, Rev. M. H. Hollis, Rev. W. D. Glasco. Bro. J. B. Tittle was seated with us.

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

After which the following committees were appointed.

DOCUMENT AND ORDER OF BUSINESS — Brothers Lewis Montgomery, Joe McCool, Wilson Connell, Ezra Marton, J. P. Obryant, with moderator and clerk.

DEVOTION — Brothers Bernice Wheat, Carlos Dawkins, O. W. McGee, Hubert Morris, W. T. Peeks, Marlin Burkhalter, with deacons of church.

FINANCE — Brothers Arlie Lynn, Loy Shaw, Billy Carl Jewell, Sammie Dell Gray, John Fair, John C. Brown, F. W. Atter, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE — Brothers J. L. Lavender, Bernice Tillev. Morris Crawford, Clifton Waters, Oscar Fulgham.

DECEASED — Brothers Edgar Jones, L. J. Hollman, T. L. Boswell, Clifton Maylone, W. F. Winters.

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE — Rev. T. L. Walker, Sis. C. B. Dean, Sis. Dutch Woods, Bro. Jewell Smith, Bro. Buddy Lancaster, Bro. C. H. Harlim.

SABBATH SCHOOL — Rev. Willis Montgomery, Sis. Vaudine Lancaster, Sis. Sercy Junkins, Bro. Calvin Dean, Bro. C. L. Griffin, Sis. Maudine Hollman, Bro. C. W. Harlim.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERIES — Bro. Lacy McAdams, W. N. Joyner, Lando Robertson, Bill Sanford, Wade Windham, B. A. Brown, W. H. Brown, Sis. Oschar Carpenter, Ida Rodgers, Bro. T. R. Sellers.

CHILDREN'S HOME — Rev. J. E. Tilley, Rev. H. E. Crawford, Rev. Lonnie Lynn.

Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. T. L. Walker, Scripture reading, Amos 7th Chapter verses 7-8; Text part of 8th verse. The following business was then transacted.

DOCUMENT AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

We, your committee, report as follows:

We recommend that the next session of this association meet with Shiloh Church, Pickens County, Ala., on Saturday before the Second Sunday in October, 1962, at 9:00 o'clock.

We recommend that Rev. Arlie Lynn preach the introductory sermon at 9:15 a.m. and Rev. H. E. Crawford be his alternate. We recommend that the clerk superintend the printing of the minutes and that he be paid \$30.00 for his service.

We recommend that each church send \$10.00 minute funds, and \$2.00 to State Minute funds.

Report adopted and committee discharged. Lewis Montgomery, Chairman.

DEVOTION

We, your committee, report as follows:

We recommend that Rev. J. L. Lavender preach at 9:00 o'clock Sunday, Rev. S. R. Lee his alternate, Rev. J. H. Tilley preach at 11 a.m., Rev. Lonnie Lynn be his alternate; Rev. M. H. Hollis preach at 2:00 p.m., Rev. Edgar Jones be his alternate.

Report adopted, committee discharged. O. W. McGee, Chairman.

DECEASED MEMBERS

We, your committee on deceased members, find that the following have been called this year:

UNION—Bro. Lynn Jones.

SARDIS—Dolie Driver.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL—Dock Hollman.

MACEDONIA—Bro. Edd Woodard, Bro. Frank Breshingham, Bro. C. W. Stokes, Sis. Lizer Fields, Sis. Annie Laudice Woodard.

SHILOH—Bro. Lee Martin, Sis. Ella Koon.

PLEASANT HILL—Jack Wilburn.

HATTIS CHAPEL—Burnice Whitten.

TABERNACLE—Bro. Archie Montgomery, Bro. Lonnie Montgomery, Bro. Bob Duboes, Sis. Addie Wheat.

MT. MORIAH — Bro. W. R. Burgess, Bro. T. B. Smith, Bro. R. E. Hardin. Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. Edgar Jones, Chairman

After report on deceased members, "Heaven Holds All To Me" was sung, and prayer by Rev. J. L. Lavender in memory of the deceased.

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on temperance, submit the following report: Temperance is a cause to be carefully considered.

We find worldliness to be on the increase among our church people. We believe our church discipline should be more admonished and practiced among our churches.

Until these conditions are eliminated they will grow worse and worse. We recommend that we as Christians not only pray, but work and teach the coming generation the importance of temperance.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. J. L. Lavender, Chairman.

MORAL REFORM

We, your committee report as follows: One way to improve our moral standard is to begin at home and teach our children high standards of living. We pray our moral standard in our homes will be the Spiritual standard in our churches. We should cooperate with our sister churches, that our moral standard might be raised.

We should not approve of anything that would cause our moral standard to be lowered. We should live before man that our moral standard might lift up fallen man.

Every church should have a league that they might get people interested in church.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. S. R. Lee, Chairman.

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE

We, your committee report as follows:

We recommend more study of the Bible among our people. We recommend that we use the Sunday School literature from the Free Will Baptist press of Ayden, North Carolina. Also our church paper.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. T. L. Walker, chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOL

We, your committee on Sabbath School, report as follows:

We believe that Sunday School strengthens the bonds between the home life and the church. Sunday School in early life helps mold a child's mind so it will be well rooted in the work of God.

The scripture tells us to study to show ourselves approved unto God and we think that Sunday school is a good medium for this. We recommend that the Sunday school teachers live the life they teach.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Willis Montgomery, chairman.

CHILDREN'S HOME

We, your committee report as follows:

We recommend to this association that Rev. H. E. Crawford, or whosoever might be on the board of the Children's Home, from this association, visit the Children's Home at Eldridge each year before the second Sunday in October in order that they might be able to give a full report of the home to the association.

We further recommend that a Free Will offering be taken up for the home at each session of the association.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. H. E. Crawford, Chairman.

FINANCE

We, your committee report that we have collected at this session, \$159.00 minute funds, \$20.00 State minute funds.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. Arlie Lynn, chairman.

HOME MISSION

We, your committee on Home Mission Board, report as follows:

We appreciate the interest in Mission. We would like to see greater interest in Home Mission. We urge more preachers to use the tent. Also come to the board meeting.

We have paid all debts in full, so that the tent and chairs belong to the association.

We had one revival meeting at Sam Harless' place at intersection of 171 and Fayette Highway.

Bro. E. O. Doughty's term expires this year. We ask that the association elect him or some other to serve on the board.

Total in Treasury	\$359.09
Total paid out	200.00
Balance in Treasury	\$159.09

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

So far as we know all of our preachers are sound in the faith.

We recommend that Rev. Clyde Oswalt's name be added to the list of ordained ministers.

Bro. Ottis Freeman's name be listed as a licensed minister and Bro. Clinton Hollman's name be continued as a licensed minister.

Report adopted, committee retained.

L. B. Koon, chairman.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERIES

We, your committee report as follows: We wish to thank Big Sandy Church and community for the able manner in which they have taken care of us throughout this session of the association, and pray God's blessings on them until we meet again.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

W. N. Joyner, chairman.

The body elected Rev. Leander McAdams as member of the home Mission Board in place of Bro. E. O. Doughty.

A collection was taken for the Children's Home of \$64.54.

Moved and second to give the moderator power to elect delegates to state association, Vernon association.

Bro. O. W. McGee, Rev. J. L. Lavender, Rev. Clyde Oswalt, were appointed. Moved and second that Rev. J. L. Lavender be recommended to the state to take the place of Rev. H. E. Crawford on the Board of Trustees at the Children's Home.

Moved and second that we adjourn to meet with Shiloh Church one year hence. Rev. J. H. Tilley, moderator, Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Rev. S. R. Lee preached at 9:00 o'clock, scripture reading Matt. 22, Text 21:2. Rev. J. H. Tilley preached at 11 a. m., scripture reading, Romans 10th Chapter, Text St. Luke 2nd Chapter 49th verse. Rev. M. H. Hollis preached at 2 p.m. scripture reading 2nd Peter 1st Chapter, subject, wisdom has built the house, she has hewn out her seven pillars.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. T. A. Springfield, Gordo, Ala.
Rev. T. L. Walker, 915 29th St., Tuscaloosa, Ala. Phone 240581
Rev. M. Montgomery, Brownville, Ala.
Rev. J. E. Tilley, Ethelsville, Ala.
Rev. Edgar Jones, Rt. 1, Box 193, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Rev. N. M. Sanford, Peterson, Ala.
Rev. J. L. Lynn, Brownsville, Ala.
Rev. S. R. Lee, Coker, Ala., Phone 9-5842
Rev. J. H. Tilley, Hawton Sub Division, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Rev. R. E. Tilley, Ethelsville, Ala.
Rev. Leander McAdams, 416 Ala. St., Columbus, Miss.
Rev. H. C. Moore, 1525 18th St., Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Rev. H. E. Crawford, 2321 9th St., Northport, Ala.
Rev. W. L. Lynn, Brownville, Ala.
Rev. J. L. Lavender, Aliceville, Ala.
Rev. W. R. Sullivan, Gordo, Ala.
Rev. O. L. Fields, 511 N. McCary Rd., Columbus, Miss., phone 328-5565
Rev. Albert Montgomery, Northport, Ala.

Rev. Willis Montgomery, Berry, Ala.
Rev. Cecil Sellers, Carrollton, Ala.
Rev. Amon Kelley, Gordo, Ala.
Rev. Arlie Lynn, 2505 12th St., Northport, Ala.
Rev. David Hayes, 903 27th St., Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Rev. R. L. Taylor, Brownville, Ala.
Rev. Clyde Oswalt, Brownville, Ala.

LICENATES

Rev. Clinton Hollman, 1100 N. Temple Ave., Fayette, Ala., telephone No. Webster 2-4475.
Rev. Ottis Freeman.

DECEASED MINISTERS

Rev. E. Gore, Rev. J. T. Nabors, Rev. W. V. Pool, Rev. J. S. Hinton, Rev. W. R. Latham, Rev. A. M. Archie, Rev. E. W. Harbin.
Rev. J. V. Wheat, Rev. J. E. Mathis, Rev. W. R. Robertson, Rev. J. McLoy, Rev. W. J. Coward, Rev. J. R. Robertson, Rev. W. B. Montgomery, Rev. Wood Springfield, Rev. E. F. Pool, Rev. J. D. Byars, Rev. J. M. Perkinson, Rev. W. J. Harbin, Rev. J. M. Spencer.

DELEGATES ELECTED TO ASSOCIATION

Mt. Moriah—Mrs. Vaudine Lancaster, Mrs. Ruby Gore, Bro. James Leon Lancaster.
MACEDONIA—Brothers Lacy McAdams, Loy Shaw, Harrison Sullivan, Carlos Dawkins.
SHILOH—Brothers Wilson Connell, John Fair, George Connell and Marlin Burkhalter.
TABERNACLE—Brothers Clifton Malone, B. L. Wheat, Lewis Montgomery and Frank Malone.
UNION—Brothers Sammie Deal Gray, Sam R. Jones, Jim McCool and Joe McCool.
PHILLIPS CHAPEL—Brothers Bill Sanford, Wilburn Brown, C. L. Griffin and John Gallaway.
UNION HILL—Brothers W. N. Joyner, E. D. Robertson, W. H. Robertson, and W. T. Peeks.
MT. ZION—Brothers Chester South, Harry Harless, John Brown, and W. F. Winters.
ESPY SPRINGS—Sisters Ida Rodgers, Mauline Hollman, Bro. L. J. Hollman.
GLEN ECHO—Brothers T. R. Sellers, Burns A. Brown, H. O. Fulgham, and Daniel Hill.
PLEASANT HILL—Brothers Ezra Martin, John Harless, and Sis. Eula Parker.
SARDIS—Brothers Jewell Smith, Lando Robertson, T. L. Boswell, and W. L. Robertson.

HATTIS CHAPEL—Brothers Billy Jewell, Clifton Walters, Waymon Earl Tilley, and Vernice Tilley.

MARY'S CHAPEL—Brothers Sam Styron, Calvin Dean, Broxton Styron, and Mrs. Roy Willingham.

1ST F. W. B. ALICEVILLE—Brothers J. P. Obryant, Herbert Morris, Sister J. L. Lavender, Sis. Joe Gray.

1ST F. W. B. TUSCALOOSA—Brothers O. W. McGee, Frank Atcherson, Morris Crawford, and E. O. Doughty.

BIG SANDY—Brothers G. W. Harbin, Clifton Harbin, Jerry Harbin and Sis. Pearl Woods.

1ST F. W. B. REFORM—Sisters Lillie Mae Carpenter, Sercy Junkins, Oscar Carpenter.

PROCEEDING OF UNION MEETING

The Seventieth session of the Union meeting was held with Aliceville Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday before the 4th Sunday in July, 1961. After two songs led by Sister Alma Montgomery, prayer by Rev. Rev. R. E. Tilley, Rev. Cecil Sellers brought the introductory sermon. Scripture reading St. Mark, 6:31, subject Church Members on Vacation.

After which one song was sung led by Bro. E. O. Doughty. Prayer was led by Rev. J. L. Lynn, scripture reading by moderator, reading the 133rd Psalm. The Union meeting was open for business.

Brothers Lacy McAdams, W. N. Joyner, were appointed as reading clerks.

Letters from various churches were read, delegates listed as per roll. Moved and second to put in delegates who were absent.

Moved and second to elect moderator and clerk. Rev. H. E. Crawford was elected moderator, and Rev. Leander McAdams clerk.

After which the following committees were appointed.

DOCUMENT AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Brothers Mossie Koon, Edward McCool, W. N. Joyner, John Brown with moderator and clerk.

DEVOTION

Rev. J. H. Tilley, Brothers Lacy McAdams, T. J. Lancaster, Joe McCool, Lewis Montgomery, J. W. Latham, J. S. Woods, with deacons of church.

TEMPERANCE

Rev. O. L. Fields, Sis. J. S. Woods, Bros. E. O. Doughty, Chester Connell, Dave Pain, Clifton Maylone, Jamie Driver.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Clerks and Addresses	Ex-Pastors	Paid Pastors	Paid Helpers	Baptised	Received By Letter	Dismissed By Letter	Restored	Deceased	Excluded	Meeting Days	Number Members	Minute Funds	Paid Children's Home	Paid Home Missions
Mt. Moriah Pickens County	M. H. Hollis	Cherrie Turnipseed	M. H. Hollis	848.00	160.65	3	1	0	0	3	2	2-4	103	10.00	183.23	
Macedonia Pickens County	Leander McAdams	E. L. Fields Millport, Ala.	Leander McAdams	870.64	136.60	0	1	4	0	5	0	1-3	215	10.00	212.13	36.63
Shiolah Pickens County	M. H. Hollis	F. R. Shepard Gordo, Ala.	M. H. Hollis	1281.00	185.00	2	0	0	0	2	0	1-3	165	10.00	119.00	45.00
Tabernacle Tuscaloosa Co.	H. E. Crawford	Alma Montgomery Northport	H. E. Crawford	275.76	100.00	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	143	10.00		
Union Pickens Co.	H. E. Crawford	Willard Curry Gordo, Ala.	R. E. Tilley	317.85	66.00	0	1	0	0	1	0	2-4	113	10.00		5.00
Phillips Chapel Tuscaloosa Co.	J. L. Lynn	E. J. Watson Star Rt. Northport	J. L. Lynn	186.40		5	3	0	0	1	0	4	293	10.00		
Union Hill Pickens Co.	J. L. Lavender	W. N. Joyner Carrollton, Ala.	J. L. Lavender	415.65	90.00	0	1	1	0	1	0	1-3	101	10.00	130.88	12.00
Mt. Zion Tuscaloosa Co.	H. E. Crawford	John Brown Brownville, Ala.	J. L. Lavender	85.00	41.00	2	2	2	0	1	0	3	101	6.00		
Espy Springs Tuscaloosa, Co.	S. R. Lee	L. J. Hallman Samantha, Ala.	S. R. Lee	122.35		6	0	2	0	0	0		12	3.00		
Glen Echo Pickens Co.	R. E. Tilley	H. O. Fulghman Carrollton, Ala.	Amon Kelley	340.06	81.00	1	0	0	0	1	0	2-4	50	5.00	110.00	
Plesent Hill Tuscaloosa Co.	Amon Kelly	Murle Duren Elrod, Ala.	Amon Kelley	577.42	35.00	0	0	0	0	1	0	1-3	43	10.00	42.83	
Sardis Tuscaloosa Co.	Arlie Lynn	G. D. Skelton Moorsbridge, Ala.	Leander McAdams	460.64	26.50	1	0	0	0	1	0	2-4	87	10.00	32.00	
Hattis Chapel Pickens Co.	S. R. Lee	L. D. Tilley Ethelsville, Ala.	S. R. Lee	350.00	40.00	3	1	0	0	1	0	2	44	10.00	76.35	
Marys Chapel Tuscaloosa Co.		C. R. Dean Brookwood, Ala.	Cecil Sellers	319.00	320.00	1	1	1	0	0	0	2-4	24	10.00	75.36	25.00
1st FWB Church Aliceville, Ala.	Amon Kelley	Edward Noland Aliceville, Ala.	J. L. Lavender	650.00	100.00	0	0	5	0	0	0	2-4	74	10.00	36.57	12.00
1st FWB Church Tuscaloosa, Ala.	J. H. Tilley	Western Fulgham Aliceville, Ala.	J. H. Tilley	2144.54	90.00	5	6	0	0	0	0	FT	71	10.00		
Big Sandy Tuscaloosa Co.	T. L. Walker	C. H. Harbin Tuscaloosa, Ala.	T. L. Walker	204.34	91.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	2-4-5	16	5.00		
1st FWB Church Reform, Ala.	O. L. Fields	Julia Klostermann Reform, Ala.	O. L. Fields	144.14	100.00	5	1	0	0	0	12	FT	18	10.00		

SABBATH SCHOOL

Rev. Cecil Sellers, Sis. Maye Driver, Sis. Vaudine Lancaster, Sis. Jonnie Sue Burgess, Lillie Mae Carpenter, Bro. Lee McAdams, Bro. V. C. Jewell.

HOME MISSIONS

Brothers E. J. Watson, Harrison Sullivan, W. H. Brown, T. H. Boswell, S. R. Jones, L. J. Hollman.

CHILDREN HOME

Rev. Arlie Lynn, Sis. Virgie Harcrow, Sis. Oschar Carpenter, Bro. Hilton Hayes, J. P. Obryant, Edward Noland.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERIES

Brothers Bernice Wheat, Buddy Lancaster, Brother Robertson, H. O. Fulgham.

DOCUMENT AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

We, your committee report as follows: We recommend that the next session of the Union meeting meet with Macedonia Church, Pickens County, Alabama, on Saturday before the 4th Sunday in July, 1962 at 9:00 o'clock.

We recommend that Rev. J. L. Lavender preach the introductory sermon at 9:15 o'clock.

Report adopted, committee discharged

Mosie Koon, Chairman

DEVOTION

We, your committee report as follows: We recommend that Rev. O. L. Fields preach at the close of the session today. Rev. Amon Kelley preach at 9:30 Sunday. Rev. R. E. Tilley be his alternate, Rev. J. L. Lavender preach at 11:00. Rev. Willis Montgomery be his alternate. Rev. Edgar Jones preach at 2:00 p.m., Rev. S. R. Lee be his alternate.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. J. H. Tilley, chairman

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee report as follows. We believe in teaching temperance by a living example because our children and those around us will be influenced by our lives for we are living books read by all men everywhere. So we refer you to the word of God.

Especially Eph. 5:1-17, also Titus 2:11-12-13. Let us pray for one another that we might have the holy spirit to teach us all things that we should do for Christ.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. O. L. Fields, chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOL

We, your committee report as follows: We believe in studying to show our self approved unto God a workman that need not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth.

II Timothy 2:15. And we believe we should keep our Sunday school built up equal to our preaching service.

We recommend that our Sunday School teachers have regular meetings to discuss ways to better our Sunday school. Also have proper material for each age group.

It is our belief that each teacher stress the importance of each one to bring his Bible and feel free to express himself upon the lesson. We believe in promoting visitation in Sunday school.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. Cecil Sellers, chairman

HOME MISSION

We your committee report as follows: We recommend that each pastor enlighten the churches and inform them about the true meaning of home mission and that each church cooperate with the home mission board of the Mt. Moriah Association.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

E. J. Watson, chairman

CHILDREN HOME

We, your committee, report as follows: The Free Will Baptist Children Home needs more support from our association. We urge each pastor to consider the expense of the home more often. We urge each person to visit the home as often as possible.

Report adopted, committee discharged.

Rev. Arlie Lynn, chairman.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERIES

We, your committee report as follows: We wish to extend our thanks to Aliceville Church and community for the able manner in which they have taken care of us through this session of the Union Meeting, and pray God's blessings on them.

Report adopted, committee discharged

James L. Lancaster, chairman

Moved and second to adjourn the business of the Union Meeting to meet with Macedonia Church one year hence.

Rev. H. E. Crawford, moderator

Rev. Leander McAdams, clerk

SUNDAY SERVICE

Rev. Amon Kelley preached at 9:45, scripture reading 2nd Corinthians 5:20-21, subject Ambassadors for Christ.

Rev. J. L. Lavender preached at 11:00 a.m., scripture reading, Matthew 4:12-17, subject, He began to preach. Rev. Edgar Jones preached at 2:00 p.m., scripture reading Ephesians 1:17; St. Luke 14:17. Subject The Church on Trial.

DELEGATES ELECTED TO UNION MEETING

MT. MORIAH—Sis. Vaudine Lancaster, Jonnie Sue Burgess, Bro. James L. Lancaster.

MACEDONIA—Brothers Lacy McAdams, Harrison Sullivan, Loy Shaw.

SHILOH—Brothers M. M. Koon, J. W. Lathem, Wilson Connell.

TABERNACLE—Brothers Clifton Maylone, Bernice Wheat, J. F. Maylone.

UNION—Brothers Joe McCool, S. R. Jones, Willard Curry.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL — Brothers E. J. Watson, C. L. Griffin, Wilburn Brown.

UNION HILL—Brothers W. N. Joyner, W. T. Peeks, W. H. Robertson.

MT. ZION—Brothers Elek Winters, W. F. Winters, John Brown.

ESPY SPRINGS—Brother Lewis J. Hollman, Sister Ida Rogers, Sister Mauline Hollman.

GLEN ECHO—Brothers Richard Harcrow, H. O. Fulgham, Sis. Ora Lee Cameron.

SARDIS—Brothers T. L. Boswell, G. D. Skelton, Jamie Driver.

HATTIS CHAPEL—Brothers Billy Carl Jewell, Paul Tilley, Vernice Tilley.

MARY'S CHAPEL—Brother and Sister C. W. Dean, Brady Dean.

ALICEVILLE—Brothers, J. P. Obryant, Edward Noland, Sister J. K. Powell.

1ST F. W. B. CHURCH, TUSCALOOSA—Brothers Ed McCool, Hilton Hayes, Emmet Doughty.

BIG SANDY—Brothers J. S. Woods, Dave Payne, Sister Pearl Woods.

1ST. F. W. B. CHURCH, REFORM—Sisters Virginia Harcrow, Laurence Carpenter, Oscar Carpenter.

Ministers attending Union Meeting: Rev. J. E. Tilley, Rev. T. L. Walker, Rev. Edgar Jones, Rev. N. M. Sanford, Rev. J. L. Lynn, Rev. S. R. Lee, Rev. J. H. Tilley, Rev. R. E. Tilley, Rev. Leander McAdams, Rev. H. C. Crawford, Rev. W. L. Lynn, Rev. J. L. Lavender, Rev. W. R. Sullivan, Rev. Albert Montgomery, Rev. Willis Montgomery, Rev. Amon Kelley, Rev. Cecil Sellers, Rev. Arlie Lynn.

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 revealed 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 human 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 that 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 faculties 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, Ezek. 33:13 and 28, 1st Tim. 4:1; Heb. 3:5; 1st Cor. 10:12 and 22; 1st 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 work; that its only proper officers are bishops, pastors and deacons, whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the Epistle 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 judgement 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.

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 signing 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 and called for as necessary during the session.

ART. 5. A majority of the 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 case 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, provided 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 use 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 members shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Moderator.

ART. 12. The Moderator shall have the 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 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 matters 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 influences to promote the interest of all moral and benevolent institutions, such as the temperance cause, Sabbath Schools, Missionary work, etc.