

MINUTES
of the
ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH
ANNUAL SESSION
of the
Mount Moriah Association
of
Free Will Baptists
held with

SHILOH CHURCH
PICKENS COUNTY, ALABAMA

OCTOBER 13-14, 1963-1962

OFFICERS

Rev. J. H. Tilley, Moderator
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Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk
416 Ala. St., Columbus, Miss.

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Will Meet With Union Church
Pickens County, Alabama, On Saturday
Before the Second Sunday In October, 1963
9:00 O'clock



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Presented By

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MINUTES

The one hundred and twelfth session of the Mt. Moriah Association was held at Shiloh Church on Saturday before the second Sunday in October 1962. Saturday and Sunday after two songs by Rev. Albert Montgomery, scripture reading by moderator reading the 4th Chapter of Ephesians. Prayer by Rev. Arlie Lynn.

Rev. Arlie Lynn brought the introductory message. Scripture reading Ecclesiastes 12:13. Text Genesis 3:9.

Moved and seconded that we go into the business of the Association.

Brother Rayford Shephard and Brother Marlin Burkhalter were appointed as reading clerks. Letters from various churches were handed in and read. Delegates listed as per rolled.

Moved and seconded to place in delegates where any were absent.

Visitors were seated with us. Rev. A. J. Lambert from Progressive Association, Rev. Carlton Lambert, Progressive Association, Brother Walter Fields, Vernon Association, Rev. M. H. Hollis, North East Mississippi Association.

The body elected Rev. J. H. Tilley moderator, Rev. Leander McAdams as clerk.

The following committees were appointed:

DOCUMENT AND ORDER OF BUSINESS—Brothers O. W. McGee, W. N. Joyner, G. D. Skelton, Wilson Connell with moderator and clerk.

DEVOTION—Brothers C. L. Griffin, Loy Shaw, Gardner Carmon, G. W. Harlim, Sister J. L. Lavendar with deacons of church.

FINANCE—Rev. David Hayes, Brothers Floyd Winters, Ira Jewell, George Connell, J. P. Obryant.

TEMPERANCE—Rev. Arlie Lynn, Brothers Lee McAdams, E. O. Doughty, Lando Robertson, L. J. Hallman.

DECEASED—Rev. Lonnie Lynn, Brothers Lacy McAdams, H. C. Harlim, Clyde Malone, John Brown.

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE—Rev. R. E. Tilley, Brothers J. L. Lancaster, Marlin Burkhalter, Sister Lillie Mae Carpenter, Sister Noland, Brother Joe McCool.

SABBATH SCHOOL—Rev. J. L. Lavender, Sister Joe McCool, Sister Eulah Parker, Brother Clifton Waters, Sister Oschar Carpenter, Brother C. E. Harlim.

MORAL REFORM—Rev. T. L. Walker, Brothers Dutch Woods, Sercy Junkins, W. T. Peeks, Frank Malone.

CHILDREN'S HOME—Rev. S. R. Lee, Sister Cherrie Turnipseed, Lavanda Jewell, Ida Rodgers, Johnnie Malone, G. D. Robertson.

RESOLUTION AND QUERIES—Rev. Albert Montgomery, Brothers Lewis Montgomery, Carl Oswalt, Joe Plymond, T. L. Boswell.

The following business was transacted:

DOCUMENTS AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

We your committee report as follows, that we proceed after the usual order of business throughout this session.

We recommend that none of the committees be discharged until close of session.

We recommend that the next session convene with Union Church, Pickens County, Alabama on Saturday before the second Sunday in October 1963 at 9:00 O'clock.

We recommend that Rev. J. L. Lavender preach the introductory sermon at 9:15 o'clock and that Rev. H. E. Crawford be his alternate. We recommend that the clerk superintend the printing of the minutes and be paid \$30.00 for his service. We recommend that each church send \$10.00 minute funds and \$2.00 state funds. Report adopted. Committee retained, O. W. McGee, Chairman.

DEVOTION

We your committee Report as follows, that Rev. Amon Kelley preach at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Rev. J. L. Lavender at 11:00 a.m., and Rev. J. H. Tilley at 2:00 p.m.

DECEASED

We your committee on deceased find that the following ones have been called from us the past year:

MT. ZION—Sam Montgomery, Sister Addie Hallman.

UNION HILL—Brother J. O. Perrigin.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL—Sister Lelar Sanford, Sister Jennie Watson.

ESPY SPRINGS—Sister Lula Espy.

MACEDONIA—Sister Rosie Shaw, Brother J. W. Dawkins.

ALICEVILLE—Brother Olen Pugh.

PLEASANT HILL—Sister Ella Martin, Brother W. C. Fant, Brother J. C. Curry.

SARDIS—Sister Walter Driver.

UNION—Sister Emma Jones.

SHILOH—Brother Jim Hickmond, Sister Ethel Hickmond, Brother Hassie Tilley.

Report adopted, Committee Retained, Rev. J. L. Lynn, Chairman.

After report on Deceased members "Precious Memories" was sung in remembrance of them and prayer by Rev. T. L. Walker.

TEMPERANCE

We your committee report as follows: Temperance is a cause to be carefully considered. Proverbs 20:1: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and who so ever is deceived thereby is not wise."

We believe our churches should teach more about temperance. Not only in church but our homes and everyday life. Report adopted, Committee retained, Rev. Arlie Lynn, 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 the moral standard in our homes will be the spiritual standard of 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 men that our moral standard might lift up fallen men.

Every church should have a league that they might get people interested in church. Report adopted, Committee retained, Rev. T. L. Walker Chairman.

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE

We, your committee report as follows:

We recommend that each church use Free Will Baptist Literature and that each church teach Free Will Baptist beliefs, and encourage more Bible reading.

We believe that Sunday School and League contributes much to this worthy cause. Report adopted, Committee retained, Rev. R. E. Tilley, Chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOL

We, your committee make the following report:

We recommend that our churches patronize our Nashville headquarters in regard to the Literature as they represent our way of belief as a church government.

We recommend an offering be taken once a month for our children's home. We recommend that our Sunday School Department put forth an effort to encourage and enroll more students as the study of God's word is so important to the church.

We feel the Sunday School is as important to the church as a shepherd to the sheep. Report adopted, committee retained, Rev. J. L. Lavender, Chairman.

CHILDREN'S HOME

We, your committee report as follows:

We are proud to know of the improvements that are being made for the children's home and appreciate the way the officials are handling it. We recommend that every one visit the home as often as they can so they can understand more about the home.

We recommend that each church donate as much as they can throughout the year. Report adopted, Committee retained, Rev. S. R. Lee, Chairman.

FINANCE

We, your committee report that we have collected at this session \$135.00 minute funds and \$21.00 State minute funds. Report adopted, Committee retained, Rev. David Hayes, Chairman.

HOME MISSIONS

We, your committee report as follows:

Interest in home missions is weakening. We have had less response in Mission this year than we have had since we began the work.

If anyone has any suggestions the committee will appreciate them. We still feel that there is a great work that can be done if the Association will get behind it 100%.

If not, we recommend discharging the committee and selling the chairs and tent. If we continue the work, we recommend that some one be elected to fill Rev. R. E. Tilley's place which expires and one in Willard Curry's place who has moved away.

We have in treasury at present \$201.09. Report adopted, Committee retained, Rev. R. E. Tilley, Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

We ask that Rev. Ottis Freeman's name be added to the list of ordained ministers and that Brother Clinton Hollman's name remain on the list of Licensate Ministers.

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

We recommend that Rev. H. C. Moore's name be dropped from our list. Report adopted, Committee retained, L. B. Koon, Chairman.

RESOLUTION AND QUERIES

We, your committee make the following report:

We wish to extend our thanks to Shiloh Church and community for the able manner in which they have taken care of us through this session of the Association and pray God's blessings on them.

Report adopted, Committee retained, Rev. Albert Montgomery, Chairman.

Moved and seconded that Rev. R. E. Tilley be retained on the Home Mission Board.

The body elected Brother Lewis Montgomery as a member of the Home Mission Board in place of Brother Willard Curry. Brother W. N. Joyner was elected on the Executive Board in place of the deceased Brother J. O. Perrigin.

Moved and seconded that the Moderator appoint delegates to the Vernon and State Association.

Vernon Association, Rev. J. L. Lavender, Rev. Albert Montgomery, State, Rev. T. L. Walker, O. W. McGee.

Offering for children's home was taken amounting to \$37.05.

SUNDAY SERVICE

Rev. Amon Kelley preached at 9:30 a.m. Text: Heb. 1:10-12, subject: Four Pillars of Civilization.

Rev. J. L. Lavender preached at 11:00 a.m. Text: Ephesians 3:19.

Rev. J. H. Tilley preached at 2:00 p.m. Scripture reading, St. John 14:1-6. Text: 6th verse.

Moved and seconded to discharge all committees except Executive Committee and take the parting hand to meet with Union Church one year hence.

Rev. J. H. Tilley, Moderator

Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. T. A. Springfield, Gordo, Ala.

Rev. T. L. Walker, 915 29th St., Tuscaloosa, Ala.

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, Brownville, Ala.

Rev. S. R. Lee, Coker, Ala. Phone 9-5842

Rev. J. H. Tilley, Hawton Sub. Div., Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Rev. R. E. Tilley, Ethelsville, Ala.

Rev. Leander McAdams, 416 Alabama St., Columbus, Miss.

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 McCary Road, Columbus, Miss.

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, Brownsville, Ala.
Rev. Clyde Oswalt, Brownsville, Ala.
Rev. Otis Freeman, Brownsville, Ala.

LICENATES

Rev. Clinton Hallman, 1100 Temple Avenue, Fayette, Ala.

DECEASED MINISTERS

Rev. E. Gore, Rev. J. T. Nabors, Rev. W. V. Pool, Rev. J. S. Hinton, Rev. R. W. Lathem, Rev. A. M. Archie, Rev. E. W. Harlim, 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. Harlim, Rev. J. M. Spencer.

DELEGATES ELECTED TO ASSOCIATION

MT. MORIAH—Brothers J. L. Lancaster, Roy Plymond, Sister Cherrie Turnipseed.

MACEDONIA—Brothers Lacy McAdams, Lee McAdams, Loy Shaw.

SHILOH—Brothers M. M. Koon, George Connell, Wilson Connell.

TABERNACLE—Brothers Clyde Malone, John Montgomery, Lewis Montgomery.

UNION—Brother McCool, Sister McCool.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL—Brothers Carl Oswalt, C. L. Griffin, Bill Sanford.

UNION HILL—Brothers W. N. Joyner, E. D. Robertson, M. E. Perrigin.

MT. ZION—Brothers John Brown, Floyd Winters, Harvey Harless.

ESPY SPRINGS—L. J. Hallman, Ida Rodgers.

GLENN ECHO—Brothers J. G. Camron, Glenn Acker, Sister Thomas Noland.

PLEASANT HILL—Sisters Annie Morrison, Eula Parker.

SARDIS—Brothers J. L. Boswell, Lando Robertson, G. D. Skelton.

BROOKWOOD—Represented by Letter.

HOLLIS CHAPEL—Brothers Ira Jewell, Clifton Waters, Sis. Jewell.

ALICEVILLE—Brother J. P. Obryant, Sister J. L. Lavender.

TUSCALOOSA—Sister Leona Guy, E. O. Doughty, O. W. McGee.

BIG SANDY—Brothers C. H. Harlim, G. W. Harlim, H. C. Harlim.

FIRST CHURCH, REFORM—Sisters Oschar Carpenter, Lillie Mae Carpenter, Brother Cercy Junkins.

PROCEEDINGS OF UNION MEETING

The Seventy-first session of the Mt. Moriah Meeting was held with Macedonia Church, Pickens County, Alabama on Saturday before the

fourth Sunday in July 1962. July 21-22. After two songs by Brother Perry Montgomery, Prepar by Rev. N. M. Sanford. Rev. J. L. Lavender brought the Introductory message, Scripture reading, St. Luke 12:15. After one song, Scripture reading by Moderator, Rev. H. E. Crawford, reading Romans, Chapter 12. Prayer by Rev. Clyde Oswalt.

The Union meeting 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 seconded to place in delegates where any were absent.

Moved and seconded to elect moderator and clerk, whereas Rev. H. E. Crawford was elected Moderator, Rev. Leander McAdams elected Clerk.

After which the following committees were appointed:

DOCUMENTS OF ORDER AND BUSINESS

Brothers W. N. Joyner, Joe McCool, M. C. Montgomery, F. W. Acker, with moderator and clerk.

DEVOTION

Brothers W. C. Harlim, J. Mixon, W. F. Winters, Early Robertson, Lewis Montgomery, Clifton Waters, with Deacons and church.

TEMPERANCE

Brothers L. J. Hallman, Othar Johnston, C. L. Griffin, Fayette Montgomery, Lonnie Lynn, Harvey Harless.

SABBATH SCHOOL

Sisters Murle Duren, J. L. Lavender, Vivian Perrigin, Brothers Bobby Lynn, D. E. Acker, S. R. Jones, W. L. Lynn, Sister Cherrie Turnipseed.

HOME MISSIONS

Brothers O. W. McGee, Donna Hile, Marlin Burkhalter, Wilson Connell, W. F. Fair, M. L. Lynn, Rev. R. E. Tilley.

CHILDREN'S HOME

Brothers Belton Gray, Dave Paine, Dutch Woods, W. S. Junkins, Sister Lillie Mae Carpenter.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERIES

Brothers Hubert Morris, J. P. Obryant, Sister Oschar Carpenter, M. E. Perrigin, Clifton Malone, Lando Robertson.

After appointing the committees the Devotional Committee appointed Rev. Arlie Lynn to preach, reading Romans, 13th Chapter.

| 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 Chil- dren's Home | Paid Home Missions |
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| Mt. Moriah Pickens County | M. H. Hollis | Cherrie Turnipseed Ethelsville, Ala. | M. H. Hollis | 1,090.20 | \$ 155.02 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 2-4 | 101 | \$ 10.00 | \$ 309.85 | \$ |
| Macedonia Pickens County | Leander McAdams | E. L. Fields Millport, Ala. | Leander McAdams | 830.56 | 185.22 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1-3 | 215 | 10.00 | 249.17 | 25.00 |
| Shiolah Pickens County | R. E. Tilley | Marlin Burkhalter Gordo, Ala. | M. H. Hollis | 1,300.00 | 159.70 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 1-3 | 157 | 10.00 | 160.79 | |
| Tabernacle Tuscaloosa Co. | H. E. Crawford | Alma Montgomery North Port, Ala. | H. E. Crawford | 557.25 | 102.00 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 149 | 10.00 | | |
| Union Pickens County | H. E. Crawford | Betty Jo Miller Gordo, Ala. | H. E. Crawford | 346.65 | 60.00 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2-4 | 108 | 10.00 | | 10.50 |
| Phillips Chapel Tuscaloosa Co. | J. L. Lynn | E. J. Watson, Star Rt., North Port, Ala. | J. L. Lynn | 176.00 | | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2-4 | 294 | 10.00 | | |
| Union Hill Pickens County | H. E. Crawford | W. N. Joyner Carrollton, Ala. | R. E. Tilley | 474.50 | 13.00 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1-3 | 98 | 6.00 | | |
| Mt. Zion Tuscaloosa Co. | Ottis Freeman | John C. Brown Brownville, Ala. | H. E. Crawford | 191.03 | | | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 102 | 4.00 | 131.00 | 12.00 |
| Espy Springs Tuscaloosa Co. | S. R. Lee | L. J. Hallman Samantha, Ala. | S. R. Lee | 117.25 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 15 | 10.00 | 12.00 | |
| Glen Echo Pickens County | G. P. Perkins | Gladys Noland Carrollton, Ala. | J. L. Lavender | 398.42 | 100.00 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2-4 | 59 | 10.00 | 120.00 | |
| Pleasant Hill Tuscaloosa Co. | Amon Kelley | Murle Duren Elrod, Ala. | Amon Kelley | 484.55 | 76.00 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 1-3 | 47 | 5.00 | 40.00 | |
| Sardis Tuscaloosa Co. | Arlie Lynn | G. D. Skelton Moors Bridge, Ala. | Arlie Lynn | 343.60 | 53.40 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2-4 | 92 | 10.00 | | 17.50 |
| Hattis Chapel Pickens County | S. R. Lee | L. D. Tilley Ethelsville, Ala. | S. R. Lee | 386.18 | 68.00 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 43 | 10.00 | 55.04 | |
| Brookwood FWB Tuscaloosa Co. | Thomas Pugh | C. R. Dean Brookwood, Ala. | Thomas Pugh | 325.00 | 60.00 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2-4 | 27 | 10.00 | 34.00 | 25.00 |
| 1st FWB Church Aliceville, Ala. | Amon Kelley | Elene Noland Aliceville, Ala. | Amon Kelley | 635.00 | | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | | 72 | 10.00 | 72.00 | 12.00 |
| 1st FWB Church Tuscaloosa, Ala. | J. H. Tilley | Western Fulgham Aliceville, Ala. | J. H. Tilley | 2,230.22 | 100.00 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | F-T | 89 | 10.00 | | |
| Big Sandy Tuscaloosa Co. | T. L. Walker | C. H. Harbin Tuscaloosa, Ala. | T. L. Walker | 141.00 | | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2-4 | 11 | 10.00 | | |
| 1st FWB Church Reform, Ala. | O. L. Fields | Julia Klostermann Reform, Ala. | O. L. Fields | 416.90 | 171.00 | 18 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | F-T | 30 | 10.00 | | 12.00 |

DOCUMENTS AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

We, your committee, report as follows:

We recommend that the next session of the Union Meeting convene with the First Free Will Baptist Church of Reform, Alabama on Saturday before the 4th Sunday in July 1963 at 9:00 a.m.

We recommend that Rev. T. L. Walker preach the Introductory sermon at 9:15 a.m. and Rev. Willis Montgomery be his alternate. Report adopted, Committee discharged. W. N. Joyner, Chairman.

DEVOTION

We, your committee report as follows: We recommend that Rev. J. H. Tilley preach at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Rev. Clyde Oswalt be his alternate, Rev. H. E. Crawford preach at 11:00 a.m., Rev. Willis Montgomery be his alternate. Rev. Albert Montgomery preach at 2:00 p.m. and Rev. O. L. Fields be his alternate.

Report adopted, committee discharged, W. C. Harlim, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee report as follows: We believe that temperance should be taught more in our churches as well as our homes, and especially in our Sunday Schools for the young people of today.

Many things happen that confuses many of our church members today. And we believe we can help people by living a clean life.

Report adopted, committee discharged, Rev. J. L. Lynn, Chairman.

SABBATH SCHOOL

We, your committee report as follows: We believe in studying to show ourselves approved unto God a workman that need not be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth. 2nd Timothy 2:15. "And we believe we should keep our Sunday School built up equal to our preaching services. We recommend that our Sunday School teachers have meetings to discuss ways to better our Sunday Schools. Also have proper materials for each age.

It is our belief that each teacher stress the importance of each one to study his Bible and to feel free to express himself upon the lesson. We urge an increased interest in our Sunday School especially for the young people. We ask the older people to encourage this.

Report adopted, committee discharged, Rev. W. L. Lynn, Chairman.

HOME MISSION

We, your committee report as follows: We recommend that each pastor stress the need of home missions. We believe that great good can be accomplished if we will work together.

We recommend the home mission board of the Mt. Moriah Association be cooperated with by each church. Report adopted, committee discharged, O. W. McGee, Chairman.

CHILDREN'S HOME

We, your committee report as follows: We recommend that each pastor stress the true meaning of the children's home and that each church support same in prayers and funds as their need is so great at this time. If you will visit the home you can understand more about their needs.

Report adopted, committee discharged, J. S. Woods, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS AND QUERIES

We, your committee report as follows: We wish to extend our heart felt thanks to Macedonia 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 blessing on them.

Report adopted, committee discharged, Herbert Morris, Chairman.

Rev. Amon Kelly preached at the close of the session Saturday. An offering was taken up for the children's home amounting to \$78.28.

Moved and seconded to close the business of the Union Meeting, to meet with the Reform Church one year hence.

Rev. H. E. Crawford, Moderator
Rev. Leander McAdams, Clerk

SUNDAY SERVICES

Rev. J. H. Tilley preached at 9:30 a.m. Service. Scripture reading was 1st Peter 5th Chapter. Text 6. Rev. H. E. Crawford preached at 11:00 a.m. Service. Scripture reading 2nd Peter. Text 1:12. Rev. Albert Montgomery preached at 2:00 p.m., Scripture reading 2nd Kings 6:1-12. Text 6th verse.

Ministers attending Union Meeting: Rev. M. Montgomery, Rev. T. L. Walker, Rev. Edgar Jones, Rev. J. L. Lynn, Rev. H. E. Crawford, Rev. J. H. Tilley, Rev. R. E. Tilley, Rev. J. E. Tilley, Rev. O. L. Fields, Rev. Clyde Oswalt, Rev. H. M. Sanford, Rev. S. R. Lee, Rev. Willis Montgomery, Rev. Arlie Lynn, Rev. Albert Montgomery, Rev. Amon Kelley, Rev. W. R. Sullivan.

DELEGATES ELECTED TO UNION MEETING

MT. MORIAH—Brother Roy Plymond, Sister Cherrie Turnipseed, Sister Vivian Perrigin.

MACEDONIA—Brothers Lewis McAdams, Loy Shaw, Carlos Dawkins.

SHILOH—Brothers George Connell, Wilson Connell, Marlin Burkhalter.

TABERNACLE—Brothers McKinly Montgomery, Clifton Malone, Lewis Montgomery.

UNION—Brothers S. R. Jones, Joe McCool, S. D. Gray.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL—Brothers C. L. Griffin, Fayette Montgomery, Carl Oswalt.

UNION HILL—Brothers W. N. Joyner, M. E. Perrigin, L. R. Oglesby.

MT. ZION—Brothers James Mixon, Harvey Harless, W. F. Winters.

ESPY SPRINGS—Brothers L. J. Hallman, Mauling Hallman, Sister Ida Rodgers.

GLEN ECHO—Brothers Gardner Cameron, Ellis Acker, Sister Gladys Noland.

PLEASANT HILL—Brother Ed Nichols, Sister Ed Nichols, Sister Murel Durn.

SARDIS—Brothers Lando Robertson, Jewell Smith, M. L. Lynn.

HOLLIS CHAPEL—Brothers Clifton Waters, Billy Carl Jewell, Vernice Tilley.

MARY'S CHAPEL—Not represented.
Sr., Sister J. L. Lavender.

1ST F. W. B. CHURCH, ALICEVILLE—Brothers Herbert Morris, J. P. Obryant, Sr., Sister J. L. Lavender.

1ST F. W. B. CHURCH, TUSCALOOSA—Brothers O. W. McGee, Edward McCool, Arthur Johnston.

BIG SANDY—Brothers Dave Payne, Jerry Woods, Sister Pearl Woods.

1ST. F. W. B. CHURCH, REFORM—Sisters Lillie Mae Carpenter, Oschar Carpenter, Searcy Junkins.

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 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 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 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 or 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 the 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.