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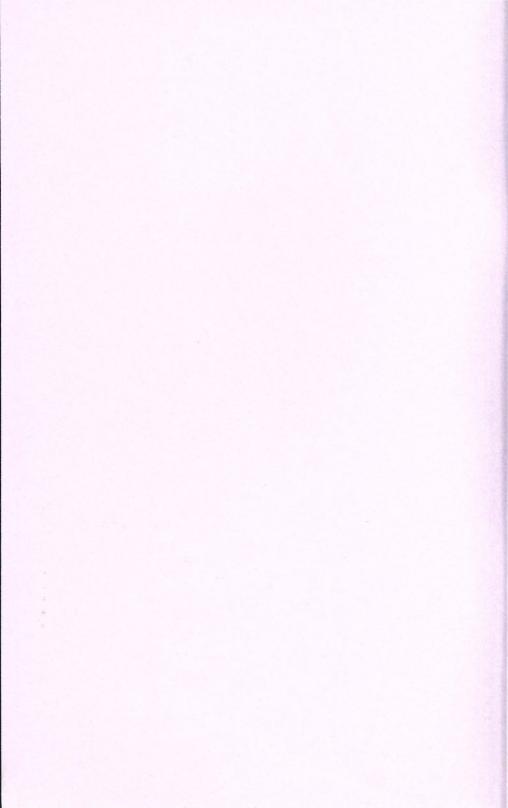
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OCTOBER 7, 1989

The 139th Annual Session of the Mt. Morah Association met October 7, 9:30 a.m., at the beautiful First Free Will Baptist Church of Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Bro. Guy opened the session with "He Keeps Me Singing." Pastor, Bro. Jackie Adcox led in prayer and gave a warm welcome. Bro. Terrell Jones, moderator, gave his opening remarks. The song "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" followed. Bro. Jones introduced the early devotion, given by Bro. Raymon Tilley, pastor of the Glen Echo Church. He used Luke 8:27 as his text. He gave a really warm sermon on "Sitting at the Feet of Jesus." You could feel the humbleness in his speech as he spoke on how we could find rest near the Lord and the fact we must humble ourselves before God will hear.

At 9:58 a.m. Bro. Jones called the meeting to order. The clerk read the roll with all fifteen churches being present. Due to the Credentials Committee already being in their meeting the clerk gave the roll call of ministers. There were 19 present with 2 coming in late. Six ministers were absent with no excuse given for any. Visitors were recognized at this time, with only one, Bro. Tony Tilley. The question was asked at this time by Searcy Junkin as to the procedure of getting Bro. Tony Tilley, which they had called as their pastor, as a member of our association. Bro. Jones responded he would need to check with the Credentials Committee, which he did.

At this time Bro. Terrell Jones gave Bro. Roger Lucas time to give a report on our Alabama State Missions' work. He gave an optimistic report that the Alabaster Church was self-supporting and doing well. They were working to be debt-free by December 1st, 1989. The Madison Church was given a loan from the Retirement and Insurance Board of \$275,000, of which \$180,000 would be used for land. He reported that \$28,353.53 was the total of the walk-a-thon. He reported that some of the prize monies would be cut so more could be given to the missionaries in the efforts ahead. He also mentioned the fact of an Independent Baptist

preacher being included in the Missionary Conference for January. It was confirmed that he would not be included in the conference for the Mt. Moriah Association as all our support would be given only to Free Will Baptist work.

As the delegates had not been seated, Bro. Terrell Jones stated that the previous reports would be received as soon as they were

seated.

The General Board Meeting report was given by the clerk: The General Board Meeting was held at the Shiloh Church, September 23, 1989. Bro. Terrell Jones called the meeting to order and Bro. Gordon Tingle opened with prayer. Due to the lack of a quorum the Credentials Committee were to meet at the annual session to approve the letters. All fifteen churches had sent in letters and all dues were up to date. The ballot was given out for the nominations of offices to be filled. Also, the meeting places for the Quarterly and Youth Meetings were taken care of first and nominated as follows:

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 13, 1990 - Sardis April 7, 1990 - Phillips Chapel July 8, 1990 - Glen Echo October 13, 1990 - Shiloh

YOUTH MEETINGS

December 31, 1989 - Tabernacle April 29 - Carolwood July 29 - Phillips Chapel September 30 - First FWB of Tuscaloosa

Nominations for offices to be filled were now given:

Moderator - Bro. Terrell Jones
Assistant Moderator - Bro. Jerry Montgomery

<u>Clerk</u> - Sue Plymon

Assistant Clerk - Vaudine Lancaster

Credentials Committee - Bro. Jerry Montgomery
(to replace the expiration
of Bro. Tony Latham)

Board of Christian Education - Bro. Raymon Tilley to fill Bro. Roger Lucas' unexpired term and Doris Sanford to be re-elected for another term, of which she withdrew at a later date.

<u>Home Mission Committee</u> - Waymon Fields was re-nominated for his position.

Bro. Tony Latham asked the question of the Watch-Night Service being planned for this year and if it was an annual event. It was answered by the moderator as not being an annual event. Bro. Latham did not want to plan one if it would contradict with an Associational one.

Bro. Roger Lucas was given a chance to speak for Alabama Home Missions. It was mentioned there would be an organizational meeting at the Guin Church, October 3, at 6:00 p.m. for the Missionary Conference. It was also mentioned the possibility of an Independent Baptist missionary to be involved in our conference. He urged all pastors to attend the meeting.

It was mentioned that our Madison Church had a loan secured and were "ready to dig." Bro. Roy Plymon mentioned Southeastern FWB Bible College would be at the October youth meeting and other churches might want to have them for services. There would be 3 speakers plus the choir, which would be broken down into various groups for services.

Raiford Shepherd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and carried. Bro. Roy Plymon dismissed in prayer.

At this time the delegates were seated on the strength of the letters. Ballots were passed out and explained. They contained the nomination made by the General Board at the September 23rd meeting for each office to be filled and meetings for the year. Since Doris Sanford declined her position for re-election, the floor was opened for her replacement. Sandy Mounts was elected for a five year term and Bro. Raymon Tilley was to fill Bro. Roger Lucas' 1 year term. The offices were filled as ballot was submitted by General Board with the exception of the replacement of Doris Sanford with Sandy Mounts.

A question was given by Bro. Jerry Montgomery as Tabernacle's name for the December Youth Meeting was not on the ballot. It was confirmed that we would go to Tabernacle for the December 31st, 1989 meeting.

Brother Milton Fields stated the need of more lay persons to be on the Christian Board due to the fact that ministers move about and needed more stable members for future projects to be carried out. He offered his resignation to this effect. Leon McAdams mentioned it was late for him to be speaking. It should have been discussed at the General Board Meeting. Bro. Jones asked Bro. Fields if he would consider filling the position this year and working something out next year. He agreed to do so.

The replacements were given for the committees. Bro. J. H. 'Tilley dismissed the body for a break at 10:40 a.m.

There were 41 delegates, 21 ordained ministers and 19 deacons present.

At 11:00 a.m. the session resumed with "Love Lifted Me"being sung. The morning offering was received by the Finance Committee. Special music was rendered by Virginia Adcox who sang "When He Was On The Cross, I was On His Mind."

At this time the 11:00 sermon was given by Bro. Mike Mounts, pastor of the Macedonia Church. He thanked the association for the opportunity to preach. He used Matthew 18 as his text. He stated we were not a child by only name and birth but were children by practice. His title was, "Childlike Character." It was a very moving sermon comparing a child's characteristics to our spiritual character. He stressed that we should not be "Childish" but "Childlike." We shouldn't have wrong motives for our faith. An invitation was given and the Spirit of the Lord was felt by the entire body. It was a tremendous sermon.

Bro. Jones made announcement that there was an insert of statistics of churches for the 1989 year on the table to be picked up for corrections and information. Bro. Adcox gave instruction for the noon meal. The blessing for food was given by Bro. Ben Logan.

AFTERNOON SESSION

A time of delicious food, sweet fellowship, and committee meeting ended the noon hour and the afternoon session began with Bro. Guy leading "A Beautiful Life." Bro. Dewey Thomas led the beginning prayer. Due to the absence of Bro. Travis House, his alternate, Bro. Arlis Barksdale gave the afternoon devotion. He spoke of being "Spirit-Led." He mentioned some preachers were led by "money" not by the "Holy Book." We should pray about everything. We must be dependent on the Lord. It takes the Holy Spirit to speak to us. (Acts 4:13). He mentioned there is a possibility of having a "form" of godliness and we should turn away from that and be led by the Spirit.

The Woman's Auxiliary report was given by District President, Sue Plymon.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The tenth annual District Woman's Auxiliary of the Mt. Moriah Association met with the Ethelsville Womans' Auxiliary, March 25, 1989. "Arise and Build" was our theme for the year. Those attending were the Carolwood Auxiliary with 3 attending, Mt. Moriah with 5, Jenny Lou Tilley with 7, Shiloh with 4, one minister, 5 visitors, and 4 children. Special music was rendered by Helene Sanford and Pam Austin. Our speaker for the day was Miss Eva House from the First FWB Church of Columbus, MS, using Nehemiah 2:20. Her topic was Love, Prayer, Witnessing, and Visitation. It was a very moving service.

We also had a Christmas Fellowship at Shoneys Restaurant in Northport inviting all the ladies of our Association. We had 35 in attendance, with Sister Sally Cash as our guest speaker. She spoke on "The True Spirit of Christmas." Another Fellowship time is in the making and you'll be receiving a letter soon. The tentative is December 8, 1989.

Our 11th annual meeting is scheduled for March 24, 1990, at the Mt. Moriah Church. Pray for our auxiliaries that they will become stronger and our ladies will feel the need of our part in the Great Commission. These meetings form a spirit of togetherness.

We have seven women's Auxiliaries in our association, with a total of 75 members, 59 active members. We only have 3 auxiliaries in our district. Those churches with a woman's auxiliary are: Eastside - 15, 1st of Tuscaloosa - 15, Ethelsville - 10, Mt. Moriah - 9, Carolwood - 7, Macedonia - 6, and Shiloh - 13.

Again I ask special prayer for our Woman's Auxiliaries and their efforts.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Plymon Woman's Auxiliary District President

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Motion was seconded and carried to receive Bro. Roger Lucas' report from morning session, also the General Board report from clerk.

Reports from committees were given:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

We, your committee report as follows:

+ We want to thank the Lord for a good year.

+ The Fellowship Banquet was enjoyed by all. Our guest Speaker was Bro. Randy Wright.

+ Bro. Devin Hudson did a great job for our Revival and we want to thank the Macedonia Church for being host.

+ We're looking forward to the new year. Our tentative plans include Revival efforts, fellowship times, CTS competition, and the possibility of youth camp.

+ Pray for your CE Board as they strive to serve the association

and the Lord.

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HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

We would like to remind our churches of "Roll Call Sunday" on March 25, 1990. We recommend all churches to have Sunday School Promotion the entire month of March. Also, we will be having our "Church Outreach Conference" April 6th and 7th at the Phillips Chapel Church. Our speakers for the conference will be Neal Gilliland, Fred Warner, and Jimmy Aldridge. Friday night service will be "Youth Night."

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DEVOTION COMMITTEE

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the designated time during our next session of the Quarterly Meeting on January 13, 1990.

9:30 a.m. - Rev. Dewey Thomas
Alternate - Rev. Ben Logan
11:00 a.m. - Rev. J. L. Lavender
Alternate - Rev. Roger Lucas
P.M. Devotion - Rev. Gordon Tingle
Alternate - Rev. Delbert Townsend

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EDUCATION, PUBLICATION, AND LITERATURE

We, your committee, report as follows:

We recommend that you use the Holy Bible and make sure the version you use does not take away from the original inspired Word. The Bible should be used as the basis of teaching in each phase of church activities. Children should begin to be taught God's Word at an early age.

We recommend that you use the Free Will Baptist literature that goes along with the guidelines of the Holy Bible.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CTS

We, you committee, report as follows:

Once again, we'd like to stress our belief in the importance of Sunday School in all our lives. We find, according to the minutes, that we had an over-all enrollment of church members of 1,763, and an average of 622 in Sunday School. Nine churches participate in CTS with an average of 217 in attendance. Prayer Meeting is hosted by 11 churches with 257 attendance. We urge churches to reach out to people and encourage attendance every Sunday rather than only special events. God can only guide if we are willing to follow. God Bless! Bro. Lando stated that we should work with a desire that "Roll Call" was every Sunday.

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CHILDREN'S HOME

We, your committee report as follows:

We recommend that you support the Children's Home with your finances and prayers and visit the home, if possible.

We also recommend that you invite them to your church or group of churches to get better acquainted and for them to present their program.

We further recommend that an offering be taken for the Children's Home today and that each church give regular donations.

We appreciate everyone's efforts and dedication to the Children's Home.

Bro. Milton Fields asked that maybe Bro. Levey Corey might come and speak to us and share the projection of the future. Bro. Waymon Fields assured the body that the State matter was resolved and apologies had been given by the State.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

The General Fund offering for today is \$147.30.

We recommend that we give the following from our general fund:

\$100.00 to Alabama Home Mission General Fund

\$100.00 to Children's Home

\$100.00 to FWBBC of Nashville

\$200.00 to National Home Mission "Relief Fund" for Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands for rebuilding after Hurricane Hugo.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

Temperance, or self-control, as it is used in the Bible, goes far beyond the use or abuse of alcohol. Self-Control is needful and necessary in every area of our lives. Our self-control seems to be lost is in our homes. When we do not keep ourselves in control under Christ, we send confusing signals to our children and spouse. The loss of temperance can destroy their faith, and also leads us to destruction. Paul says that if he loses his self-control, he could be a castaway. (I Cor. 9:27.). We must constantly keep control of ourselves and strive to be in subjection to God. If we do not, we will lose our families and churches.

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DECEASED COMMITTEE

There is a list of the deceased in the minutes. The song "Amazing Grace" was sung in memory of all the deceased.

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RESOLUTION AND APPRECIATION

We, your committee, report as follows:

We are thankful and appreciative to the host church for their hospitality and for providing this beautiful sanctuary for our worship, business, and fellowship. The noon meal was outstanding. We would also like to express our appreciation to those who preached God's Word, and to each church and individual who work toward the continuation of our association.

May we resolve today that this meeting will be an incentive to renew our desire to Worship God in Spirit and in Truth - as Paul admonished us saying, "Those things which ye have both learned and received, and heard, and seen in me, do and the God of Peace shall be with you."

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CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

- Item Number 1: Pending a letter from the Midway Association in Georgia, we recommend that Brother Tony Tilley's name be added to the Mt. Moriah Association Ordained Ministers' list.
- Item Number 2: We recommend that Bro. Grover Perkins' name be dropped from the Mt. Moriah Association Ordained Ministers' list.
- Item Number 3: We have counted the ballots and a majority vote is as they were on the ballots.

Bro. Tony Latham requested that the right hand of christian fellowship be given for Bro. Tony Tilley and Bro. Mike Mounts, as he wasn't here at the July meeting.

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There was no old business.

New business included the election of delegates to the State meeting. They were Lottie and Bill Sudduth, Ruthie Mae Shepherd, James South, Lillie Mae Carpenter, George McJenkins, and Helen Lucas.

There was special attention given to two very special and faithful ladies: Sister Hester Jones and Sister Alma Smith.

Bro. Jones mentioned the request of prayer for the Robirds family as their daughter and 2 grandchildren were brutally murdered. Other requests were given.

"If We Never Meet Again" was sung as a closing song after which the dismissal prayer and prayer remembering the prayer request was given by Bro. Tony Tilley.

DELEGATES FOR YEAR OF 1989 - 1990

Mt. Moriah:

Vaudine Lancaster

Rubye Gore

Cherry Alice Plymon

Alt. - Cherry Mullenix

Macedonia:

Harrison Sullivan

Frank Sims

Lando McAdams

Shiloh:

Albert Burkhalter

Wilith Cook

Houston Latham

Alt. - Russell Calhoun

Tabernacle:

Lewis Montgomery

Mac Walters

Cecil Wheat

Alt. - Homer Montgomery, Jr.

Phillips Chapel:

Doug Watson

Glenn Bigham

Terry Sanford

Alt. - Wayne Rice

Mt. Zion:

James South

Doris Ann Jones

Misty Smith

Alt. - David Jones

Union Hill:

Lottie Sudduth

Lisa Latham

Barbara Sudduth

Alt. - Nell Perrigin

First FWB of Ethelsville:

Rodney Moore

Hobby Tilley

Michael Jackson

Alt. - James Jackson

Holman:

Bonnie Lynn

Merle Duren

Ethel Wilburn

Alt. - Ruth Terry

Sardis:

James Pearson

Shorty Weekley

Lewis Hudson

Alt. - Jerry Robertson

Glen Echo:

Thelma Hill

Nell Acker

Sharon Fulgham

Alt. - Ora Lee Cameron

Carolwood:

Charles Sanford

Jackie McAteer

Millard Austin

Alt. - Eulie Robertson

First FWB of Reform:

Lillie Mae Carpenter

Daisy Junkin

Julia Klostermann

Alt. - Teresa Junkin

Eastside:

George McJenkins

Edna Thompson

Sherman Taylor

Alt. - Ethel McJenkins

First FWB of Tuscaloosa:

Horace Harper

Roy Guy

Elbert Parr

Alt. - Clara Mae Hayes

DEVOTION

* Lewis Montgomery Terry Sanford Rodney Moore Roy Guy

CHILDREN'S HOME

* Cecil Wheat Cherry Alice Plymon Bonnie Lynn James Pearson Elbert Parr

TEMPERANCE

* Hobby Tilley
Julia Klostermann
Jackie McAteer
Nell Acker
Lewis Hudson

SS AND CTS

* Lando McAdams Rubye Gore Wilith Cook Doris Ann Jones Barbara Sudduth

MORALS AND REFORM

* Frank Sims Merle Duren Shorty Weekly Thelma Hill

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION

AND LITERATURE

* George McJenkins Horace Harper Misty Smith Lisa Latham Sharon Fulgham

* Chairman

FINANCE

* Glenn Bigham Charles Sanford Sherman Taylor Millard Austin Albert Burkhalter

DECEASED

* Harrison Sullivan Houston Latham Ethel Wilburn Michael Jackson Lottie Sudduth

RESOLUTIONS AND

APPRECIATION

* Vaudine Lancaster Daisy Junkin Edna Thompson Lillie Mae Carpenter

The committees listed above are appointed to serve until the next annual session of the Association. [20]

DECEASED

CHURCH	DECEASED
Mount Moriah	None
Macedonia	Sis. Elaine Cork
Shiloh	Sis. Goldie Latham Sis. Nettie Bell Burkhalter
Tabernacle	Sis. Josie Sullivan
Phillips Chapel	Bro. Milton Bailey Sis. Effie Phillips Sis. Dessie Allen Bro. Johnny Sullivan Bro. Claude Watson Sis. Rosie Dunn Sis. Wanez Phillips
Mount Zion	Sis. Ann Burns
Union Hill	Bro. Charlie Reese
Holman	Bro. John M. Brown
Sardis	Sis. Mae Driver Sis. Eva Boswell
Glen Echo	None
Carolwood	None
1st FWB of Reform	None
1st FWB of Ethelsville Eastside	None None
1st FWB of Tuscaloosa	Bro. Bill Johnson Bro. Arthur Johnson (This dear brother was a charter member and deacon. He was a faithful member until his death. A total of 32 years).

TOTAL NUMBER OF DECEASED 18

SAFE IN THE ARMS OF JESUS

Safe in the arms of Jesus, Safe on His gentle breast, There by His love o'er-shaded, Sweetly my soul shall rest,

Hark! tis the voice of angels, Borne in a song to me, Over the fields of glory, Over the jasper sea.

Safe in the arms of Jesus, Safe from corroding care, Safe from the world's temptations, Sin cannot harm me there.

Free from the blight of sorrow, Free from my doubts and fears;

Only a few more trials, Only a few more tears!

Jesus, my heart's dear refuge, Jesus has died for me;

Firm on the Rock of Ages, Ever my trust shall be. Here let me wait with patience, wait till the night is o'er:

Wait till I see the morning break on the golden shore.

Safe in the arms of Jesus, Safe on His gentle breast, There by His love o'er-shaded, Sweetly my soul shall rest.

- Fanny J. Crosby

Dedicated to the ones gone on to be with Jesus. May our prayers be ones of sweet memories and a longing to be with them someday.

CHURCH	MIN.	MIN. FUNDS	ASSOC.	STATE	TOTAL
Mt. Moriah	20	25.00	25.00	20.00	70.00
Macedonia	25	31.25	25.00	20.00	76.25
Shiloh	33	41.25	25.00	20.00	86.50
Tabernacle	50	62.50	25.00	20.00	107.50
Phillips Chapel	50	62.50	25.00	20.00	113.75
Mt. Zion	20	25.00	25.00	20.00	70.00
Union Hill	30	37.50	25.00	20.00	82.50
Holman	12	15.00	25.00	20.00	61.75
Sardis	20	25.00	25.00	20.00	70.00
Glen Echo	15	18.75	25.00	20.00	63.75
Carolwood	30	37.50	25.00	20.00	82.50
Reform	10	12.50	25.00	20.00	67.50
Ethelsville	20	25.00	25.00	20.00	70.00
Eastside	12	15.00	25.00	20.00	60.00
Tuscaloosa	25	31.25	25.00	20.00	77.00
	372	465.00	375.00	300.00	1159.00

ASSOCIATIONAL TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forwardOctober, 1988	\$1133.81
Interest from savings	16.27
Offerings at Quarterly Meetings	307.25
Phillips Chapel (Evangelism Conference) 000.00	
1st of Ethelsville	
Carolwood	
1st of Tusca loosa	
Associational, Minute Funds, and State Dues	\$1159.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$2616.43

EXPENDITURES:

State Association dues (20 per church)	300.00
Offering for Eldridge Children's Home	100.00
FWBBC (Nashville)	100.00
Alabama State Home Mission (General Fund)	100.00
Relief Fund (Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands)	200.00

Clerk Services'	125.00
Stamps	25.00
Printing of Minutes January, 1989	603.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$1553.00
BALANCE ON HAND	\$1063.43

MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Mount Moriah	Rev. Milton Fields
Macedonia	Rev. Mike Mounts
	Rev. Travis House Rev. Larry Reynolds
Shiloh	Rev. Billy Ray Smith Rev. J. L. Lavender
Holman	Rev. Elmer Lynn Rev. Gordon Tingle
Sardis	Rev. Roger Lucas
Carolwood	Rev. Dewey Thomas Rev. Arlis Barksdale
Mount Zion	Rev. Delbert Townsend Rev. Lonnie Reed
Union Hill	Rev. Tony Latham
Glen Echo	Rev. Raymon Tilley Rev. Donald Keasler
Tabernacle	Rev. Jerry Montgomery Rev. Scott Montgomery Rev. W. E. Adams
Phillips Chapel	Rev. Terrell Jones Rev. Ben Logan Rev. Arlie Lynn Rev. Albert Montgomery
1st FWB of Reform	Rev. Patrick Creel Rev. Tony Tilly
1st FWB of Ethelsville	Rev. R. G. Plymon
Eastside	
1st FWB of Tuscaloosa	Rev. Jesse (Jackie) Adcox

Rev. J. H. Tilley

DECEASED MINISTERS

REVERENDS: Ellis Gore, J. T. Nabors, W. W. Pool, J. S. Hinton, W. R. Latham, O. M. Archey, E. W. Harbin, T. V. Wheat, J. E. Mathis, W. R. Robertson, Thomas Malloy, W. J. Coward, W. B. Montgomery, Wood Springfield, W. F. Pool, J. D. Byars, J. M. Pinkerton, W. J. Harbin, J. M. Spencer, Amon Kelley, S. R. Lee, Clint Hallman, Monroe Hallman, J. E. Tilley, T. L. Walker, John Moore, N. M. Sanford, Murk Montgomery, T. A. Springfield, J. L. Lynn, Edgar Jones, W. L. Lynn, Clyde Oswalt, Willis Montgomery, George Perrigin

HISTORY OF CHURCHES

	YEAR	
CHURCH	ORGANIZED	ORGANIZED BY
Mount Moriah	1846	Rev. Ellis Gore
Macdonia	1847	Rev. Ellis Gore
Shiloh	1874	Rev. Ellis Gore
		Rev. Thomas Malloy
Tabernacle	1875	Rev. Ellis Gore
		Rev. W. H. McGee
Phillips Chapel	1893	Rev. W. J. Harbin
		Rev. J. W. Moore
		Rev. C. J. Blake
		Rev. J. S. Hinton
First FWB Ethelsville	1902	Rev. Wood Springfield
Mount Zion	1902	Rev. W. J. Harbin
		Rev. W. B. Montgomery
Union Hill	1908	Rev. Wood Springfield
Holman	1912	Rev. Wood Springfield
Sardis	1930	Rev. W. J. Harbin
Glen Echo	1936	Rev. T. L. Walker
First FWB Reform	1958	Rev. O. L. Fields
Carolwood	1970	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Eastside	1964	Rev. Dewey Thomas
First FWB Tuscaloos	a 1957	Rev. H. E. Crawford
		Rev J H Tillev

FRIDAY NIGHT - JANUARY 6, 1989

Bro. Waymon Fields opened the Evangelism Conference with the song, "Gloryland Way." A gracious welcome was given by the pastor of the Phillips Chapel Church, Bro. Terrell Jones. Bro. Rick Bowling, missionary to Uruguay gave the opening prayer.

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CHURCH	PASTOR * EX-PASTOR ** INTERIM	PAID PASTOR *PLUS HOUSE & UTILITIES	Paid Children's Home	Paid F-F H-H
MT. MORIAH	Rev. Milton Fields	8,320.00	330.00	F- :
MACEDONIA	Rev. Mike Mounts ** Bill Atkinson	11,965.00*	625.00	F- :
SHILOH	Rev. Billy Ray Smith	16,320.00	500.00	F- :
TABERNACLE	Rev. Jerry Montgomery	14,885.00	300.00	F- H-
PHILLIPS CHAPEL	Rev. Terrell Jones	22,866.72	2,352.00	F- H-
MOUNT ZION	Rev. Ben Logan	3,954.23	330.00	F- H-
UNION HILL	Rev. Tony Latham	8,050.00	371.37	F- H-
HOLMAN	Rev. Gordon E. Tingle, Sr.	2,950.00	0	
SARDIS	Rev. Roger Lucas	10,400.00*	150.00	F- H-
GLEN ECHO	Rev. Raymon Tilley	6,240.00	600.00	F- H-
CAROLWOOD	Rev. Dewey Thomas ** Arlis Barksdale	8,774.90 1,198.50	520.00	F- H-
FIRST FWB OF REFORM	Rev. Tony Tilley * Travis House		150.00	
FIRST FWB OF ETHELSVILLE	Rev. Roy Plymon	16,100.00	290.00	F- H-
EASTSIDE	Rev. J. H. Tilley * Lonnie Reed	5,810.00	182.80	F- H-
FIRST FWB OF TUSCALOOSA	Rev. Jackie Adcox	13,000.00 2,600.00	200.00	F- H-
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Special music was given by the Fields' Family. "I Lean on the Lord" and "If it Had Not Been" were a blessing to us all.

Bro Trymon Messer had the first sermon, "A Powerless Church." He stressed the fact that to have power in our church we MUST have Jesus! He shared a church should be a place where people's lives can be changed, where priorities are changed, where genuine love and unity prevail. Joy and peace prevail at a place where loved ones and friends are brought for VICTORY!

Prayer was given.

Bro. Fields recognized visitors which consisted of the Progressive, Vernon, and Cahaba Springs Associations being represented. Also the Sulfer Springs Church was represented.

The songs "I'll Fly Away" and "I'd Rather be an Old Time Christian" were sung.

An offering was taken by the Mission Board.

The Fields' Family again gave special music. The songs "Jesus Will Lead Me" and "I'm Just a Sinner Saved by Grace" were such a blessing.

At 8:20 p.m. Bro. Roy Thomas, Home Mission General Director, brought a tremendous message, "The Lost Axe Head," using II Kings 6 as his text. This was a picture of a man who lost what he had to be a worker for God. The axe head represented the Holy Spirit. He had success but he became careless and he realized his carelessness of letting the axe head fall into the water and he cried out to God. The Lord has given us tools to work with - the Bible, minister, church, outreach programs, standards, and children. Have we lost our use of these tools to pride, poverty, pleasure, pessimism, and pro-Christianity? We have to come back for a refill. A miracle was performed when the axe floated to the top. A miracle can be performed in our lives too. A prayer of invitation was given and the Holy Spirit touched many lives as they were seeking for the power of the Lord Jesus on their lives.

It was mentioned that the Woodbine FWB Church in Nashville had burned and to pray for their pastor, Bro. Ken Dodson; also, prayer was requested for the Reform Church as it had fire and water damage. Bro. Tony Latham requested prayer for his brother-in-law (Oswalt). Bro. Jones invited all to stay for refreshments. Dismissal was given by Bro. Randy Wright of the Fayette Church

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1989

The song, "I Feel Like Traveling On" rang out to open the services for the Saturday morning Evangelism Conference. A welcome was given by the pastor, Bro. Terrell Jones. Bro. Buddy Lancaster led in prayer. The song "He Hideth My Soul" was sung by the congregation. A Special was rendered by Bro. Waymon Fields, his wife Gail, and Bro. Milford McAdams of "What A Day That Will Be."

Bro. Roy Thomas brought the first message taking his text from II Kings 4:1-7. He spoke on the church today and how it is to grow. He mentioned that all answers to every problem are in the Bible. The story here wasn't of burning oil but the anointing of oil which represents the Holy Spirit. We should "pour" oil by touching others with love - acts by the Holy Spirit. It was a very moving service.

Prayer was given and we were dismissed for a short break.

At 10:30 a.m. the service resumed and the congregation sang "Where The Soul Never Dies" led by Bro. Waymon Fields. An offering was taken up by the Finance Committee of \$92.00.

Roll Call of churches was given by the clerk with 13 present. Roll Call of ministers was given by Bro. Tony Latham. 15 were present with 13 absent.

DEVOTION COMMITTEE

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the April Quarterly Meeting:

9:30 a.m. - Bro. Albert Montgomery Alternate - Bro. Donald Keasler 11:00 a.m. - Bro. Jerry Montgomery Alternate - Bro. Mike Rodgers P.M. Devotion - Bro. Tony Latham Alternate - Bro. Lonnie Reed

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Greetings from your Christian Education Board! We trust that you had a wonderful holiday season and are now eager to serve the Lord in this new year.

We need to get going with plans for our annual Valentine's Banquet. There will be some changes this year. First of all, we are limiting the age group to 12-24 years of age for youth to participate. The Banquet will be semi-formal. This means coat and tie for boys and dressy dresses for girls. We are working on the possibility of having someone to take pictures for those who wish to have them. We are asking that no more than four adults accompany the youth from each church to act as chaperones. We will need solid commitments from each church on the number of people they will have attending

and ask that they pay in advance for their meals. This needs to be done by February 6, 1989. The reason for this is that once we turn in to the restaurant the number of meals we need, that number of meals will be prepared for us and will have to be paid for.

We would like for each church to nominate a youth leader (age 12-24) from your church from which officers from the entire association will be elected. Please send the name of your leader along with some information about your young person by January 20, 1989 to: Vicki Smith, Rt. 3, Box 141, Northport, AL 35476.

Ballots will be made ready for these leaders to elect their officers at the January Youth Meeting on January 29, at Phillips Chapel FWB. The Christian Education Board will meet with the Youth Officers to get their ideas on the things they would like to do as young people working for the Lord.

During the January Youth Meeting, registration tables will be set up to get a count from the churches. Hopefully this will save the time of taking a count as we have done in the past.

Plans are being made for the Spring Youth Revival and for CTS Competition. CTS Competition will be at Phillips Chapel, April 29, at 10:00 a.m.

RESOLUTION AND APPRECIATION COMMITTEE

The beautiful words of Paul in Phil. 4:9, states, "Those things which ye have both learned and received, and heard, and seen in me, do and the God of peace shall be with you." We are grateful to Brothers' Thomas and Messer for also instilling this feeling in our hearts. Also, our thanks to Phillips Chapel Church and Bro. Terrell Jones for the wonderful Christian Hospitality shown to each of us. We especially thank our Missions Board for their dedication and efforts in making our Evangelism Conference a success.

Words of support were given for our Missions Conference. Three songs were rendered by the congregation, after which Bro. Atkinson spoke of the mission deficit and addressed why to the missions team of such a deficit. He mentioned that \$75,000 less for missions was given this year and the budget was missed by \$125,000. Bro. Gibbs left the team because of funds. The board was working on a new program, "Church Planning Program" and other correspondence.

Bro. Dewey Thomas asked if there couldn't be a contract given to missionaries to stay Free Will Baptist. Bro. Lucas replied that there was such a contract as an established FWB Church must stay FWB for 5 years after self-supporting. Bro. Milton Fields mentioned this was God's money and we should use discipline with it and

we should not judge whole programs by a few rotten instances. Don't look back, but forward.

A Special was given by Bro. Larry Reynolds, "Mercy."

Bro. Trymon Messer gave a great sermon on SERVICE, using II Chron. 26:3-5. His title was "When the Anointing is Gone." He stated that all church members need God's anointing. More people are brought down with success than failure. Sometimes God has to bring us down when we get self-sufficient without God. Bro. Roy Thomas led in prayer.

Bro. Jones made the statement, "It's not the programs, but the people. We have all the programs we need, but we must act on them."

Bro. Billy Ray Smith dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Bro. Waymon Fields led the congregation in "When We All Get To Heaven" and "Bringing In The Sheaves."

A Special was given by Waymon and Gail Fields, and Milford McAdams, "Sweeter Each Day."

HOME MISSION BOARD

We would like to say, thanks, for the offering of \$1425.00 to National Home Missions.

Bro. Roy Thomas gave Bro. Larry Reynolds time to report about Chandler, Arizona. Bro. Roy Thomas then shared, "What Can I do to Help My Church?" I Cor. 12:12-28

- 1. Rearrange schedule to attend every service.
- 2. Give
- 3. Pray

Bro. Trymon Messer then shared, "Principles in Building for the Lord" (Nehemiah). Your ministry must start with a burden. Burden gives direction. It starts with the head and goes to the heart. It also deepens in prayer. How can we get a burden? We must be confident to do the job we've been called to do, acknowledge our sin, remind God of promises, and feel your burdens so God can use you for His glory.

Bro. Roger Lucas dismissed the meeting in prayer.

The Mt. Moriah Association met, April 8, 1989, at the First FWB Church of Ethelsville, AL. Bro. Milford McAdams led the congregation in "Love Lifted Me." Pastor Roy G. Plymon, gave a welcome and led in prayer.

Bro. Albert Montgomery shared God's Word, using Luke 14:16 as his text. "Behold 'Now' All Things Are Ready" was his topic. He mentioned that the Lord died for our sins. We need to be ready when He comes back to receive His own. He also shared that we will reap whatever we sow and if we were not ready we would be separated. He elaborated on the thought that there would be few to enter in. Bro. Montgomery is always a blessing to our association.

Bro. Milford McAdams led the congregation in "Send A Great Revival."

Roll Call was given by the clerk, with all churches being represented.

Roll Call of ministers was given by Bro. Tony Latham. Eighteen ministers were present. Motion was given to seat the delegates and replacements given.

Bro. Mike Mounts was recognized as the new pastor of Macedonia.

Bro. Roger Lucas gave a report from the State Missions Board: The walk-a-thon goal will be \$5,000. As of this date \$5400.00 had been received. There were eleven out of the fifteen churches participating. He shared that the first year we did this, \$1500.00 was raised, \$4000.00 the next and then this great amount for this year. He mentioned that Bro. Tim Trimble was hoping to be self-supporting by May, 1989.

It was mentioned that Roll Call Sunday was on March 26th. Roll Call Sunday of 1984 was 840 and in 1989 it was 1227. This is a 46% increase. The greatest increase was Carolwood with 105 present and Union Hill with 124.

A 15-minute break was now given.

Bro. Milford McAdams led the congregation in "Joy Unspeakable" as we returned for the morning session.

The Finance Committee received an offering at this time. (\$55.55). Prayer was given by Bro. Mike Mounts.

Announcements were given of the yearbooks being in and also State Minutes.

Some sweet testimonies were shared at this time giving a close spirit among our people.

There was an altar of prayer led by Bro. Dewey Thomas.

A SPECIAL was now rendered by Bro. and Mrs. Galloway. It was heart-warming. Bro. Jerry Montgomery brought the 11:00

message on "Spiritual Adultery." He used Jeremiah 3:1-11 as his text. (Also Jeremiah 5). He shared that the sinful condition of Israel led to spiritual adultery. Real fear of God comes from the heart. Some of the things he spoke of that could separate us from God were not fearing Him, pleasures, programs and possessions. We have to repent in order to get back to God. The HOLY SPIRIT must be upon us. Bro. Roy Plymon led in prayer.

"Power In The Blood" was sung and instructions given for the noon meal. Bro. Herbert Tilley dismissed the group for lunch giving the blessing over the food.

After lunch "When We All Get To Heaven" rang through the sanctuary. Bro. William Atkinson led the prayer and Bro. Tony Latham gave the afternoon devotion.

A Special by Gail and Waymon Fields, Leon and Milford McAdams was given.

Bro. Tony Latham shared the respect we should have for the elders of our association. He said we must have a desire to work for God. He read from Hebrews 13:17. It was heart-warming to hear him speak of going to the grave of Bro. Gore who rode horseback to North Carolina for the sake of Free Will Baptists. There was lots of love shared among the preachers as they gave the right hand of fellowship.

Committee Reports were now given.

DEVOTION

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the designated time during our next session of the Quarterly Meeting.

9:30 a.m. - Bro. Donald Keasler 11:00 a.m. - Bro. Roger Lucas P.M. Devotion - Bro. Lonnie Reed

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

The General Fund offering for today was \$55.55.

RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION

We, your committee, report as follows:

We would like to express our thanks to the people of the First FWB Church of Ethelsville for hosting this session of the Mt. Moriah Associational Quarterly Meeting and to the pastor, Bro. Roy Plymon.

Our thanks to the ministers for the wonderful messages they brought to us. We would like to thank the ladies for the delicious meal. May the Lord bless and keep you is our prayer, until we meet again.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

(1) The Youth Revival held March 29 through April 1st at Macedonia was a great success. A special thanks to pastors, youth leaders and churches who supported and promoted it.

(2) District CTS competition will be held on April 29th at 10:00 a.m. at Phillips Chapel. The deadline for entries is April 12th. Fees will be the same as those listed in the guidelines and are due with the entries. The district fees go toward the cost of medals and certificates.

HOME MISSIONS

We recommend that the date of our "Evangelism Conference" be changed beginning in 1990 to our Quarterly Meeting, being April 6 and 7 of 1990. We recommend that the format of the service also be changed. We would like to use the following in the 1990 service: Bro. Neil Gilliland, Bro. Jimmy Aldridge and Bro. Fred Warner. We also suggest the Friday night service be designated youth night with Bro. Gilliland teaching on personal evangelism.

Bro. Atkinson questioned the response of a seminar of our people.

Bro. Tony Latham said he was glad to get some folks to come and help on the proper level.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, the Credentials Committee, report as follows:

- (1) We grant a letter to the North Alabama Association for Bro. Mike Rodgers.
- (2) We add Bro. Michael Mounts' name to the ordained ministers list at the request of Macedonia FWB Church, pending a letter from his former association.

Bro. Mike Mounts was asked to stand and be recognized.

Announcement was given of a special singing at Macedonia.

The clerk made mention of the committees who reported at the Quarterly Meetings.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

Bro. Jackie Adcox dismissed the meeting in prayer.

The Mt. Moriah Association met for their July meeting at the Carolwood FWB Church. Bro. Jackie McAteer led the opening song, "What A Day That Will Be!" Prayer and welcome was given by the pastor, Bro. Dewey Thomas. "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story" was now sung. Bro. Terrell Jones, Moderator, shared some opening remarks.

The morning devotion was given by Bro. Donald Keasler. He spoke on "Reasoning With an Open Heart." He used Amos 4:6-12 and Isaiah 1:18. He shared how Israel did not follow God as they should and neither was our United States. He mentioned how our older generation used to pray for our "essentials" while we today get our priorities all mixed up. If we didn't have so much we might be closer to God. He spoke of the faith of Elijah and power of Billy Sunday. He shared some personal experiences of how the Lord had spoken to his heart and caused him to become a better servant of God. He stressed the need of having God's hand upon us. It just doesn't happen, we have to pray, study, and seek God's guidance. It was a good service with a very moving invitation given as we sung, "Lord, I'm Coming Home."

Bro. Terrell Jones shared some thoughts of the effect of politics and how they sometime split our religious beliefs.

Roll call of churches was now given with thirteen churches present.

Roll call of ministers was now given by Bro. Tony Latham. There were twenty-one present.

Committees were recognized and replacements made. Motion was moved and seconded to seat the delegates.

State missions report was given by Roger Lucas, the new Secretary. Bro. Dennis Kizzire moved to Kentucky for a new pastorate. He would be taking over his job. He shared news of the walk-a-thon and the fact of going over our goal. He requested prayer for the Madison work. He mentioned that the Alabaster church was now self-supporting and they would receive money from the walk-a-thon. He requested sincere prayer for the Board and all the work they did.

Bro. Tony Latham asked that Bro. Roger give a report on Bro. Larry Reynolds. Bro. Roger stated that Bro. Larry would have his first service July 23rd. They had found a place to meet which was the 2nd busiest street there. The building had 1,000 sq. ft. of floor space and was only \$650.00 monthly.

We stood and adjourned for donuts and coffee. Bro. J. L. Lavender dismissed.

At 10:53, we returned with Bro. McAteer leading "When We All Get To Heaven." Prayer was given by Bro. Milton Fields. Bro. Jones stated that the delegates serve only through today's session. New delegates will take over in October.

The Finance Committee took up an offering.

Prayer requests were given. Bro. Billy Ray Smith prayed a warm prayer. Special music was given by Linda McAteer, "Bring My Children Home."

It's the eleven o'clock hour now and Bro. Roger Lucas is beginning to preach. He stated that we should never let familiar Scripture rob us of a blessing. He used Genesis 22:1-8 as a text. He preached a tremendous sermon, "Behold the Wood - Behold the Lamb - But Where's the Fire?" We have the Wood, which is the Cross. We have the Lamb, which is the Lord Jesus Christ. Where's the fire? Why don't we have it? We don't want it because it will cost us something. We have to get in the Word, have an altar of prayer, excitement, and a spirit of revival.

Bro. Roger mentioned we should have more awe in the church and realize we were there to WORSHIP the Lord. He also shared how we should be more dependent on the Lord. He told the congregation how his dad, who was suffering with cancer, got his strength from the Lord and he could never make it without his Lord. Bro. Roger shared that to have "Fire" we must walk with Jesus. It was a tremendous sermon, one we will not soon forget.

An invitation was given and "Just As I Am" was sung. Bro. Tony Latham shared in prayer.

We were now dismissed for lunch. Bro. Dewey Thomas gave the instructions for the noon meal and asked that the moderator and committee members go first so they could get on to their meetings.

AFTERNOON SESSION

At 1:05 p.m., the congregation was singing, "Power in the Blood." Bro. Travis House opened with prayer. We then sang, "Are You Washed in the Blood?" At this time the afternoon devotion was given by Bro. Lonnie Reed. It was an amazement how the Lord was moving on the speakers for the day as was brought out by Bro. Reed. All the messages were centered around Christian principles. Bro. Reed talked about the world's system and how it was against the Christian. Laws are not based on the principles that we as Christians stand for. He mentioned that the people who signed the Declaration of Independence would be amazed at our country today. He stated that those who were in the movement of burning our precious flag, should be deported to wherever they wanted to

to. He also shared about some officers who were in our state government were crooks using funds which would not be acceptable. He used Proverbs 13:22. He said, "If it were not for the Christians, where would we be?" His thoughts now turned to the fact that we should not compromise with non-believers, but should stand up for what we believe! He stressed for we as Christians not to let the government take away our freedom and Christian Leadership. Linda McAteer sang "Still The Blood of Jesus" as the invitation was given.

The Committee reports were now given:

CHILDREN'S HOME

Waymon Fields shared in the issue of the Children's Home and the pressures it was receiving from the state. He said it stemmed from a Civil Rights of 1964 movement and also the equal rights request of no exclusion of blacks and that the referrals for hired help were to be employed through the local media, etc. Bro. Corey told the state that he could not accept children on a first come, first serve basis due to the mixed ages and vacancies must be filled properly. He also told them that Christian workers need to be hired and not at random. There is no funding from Pensions and Securities, making it a church related ministry.

Apparently a black child tried to enter the Home in 1965 and was turned away. Bro. Lavender mentioned he was on the board at that time and the reason for turning him away was not for being black but as a safeguard, due to his having a disease. Bro. Bill Atkinson's son is helping as a law officer for the Home. A Jasper man has helped also. The Children's Home stood for its Constitutional rights and their firm commitment to the separation of Church and State. They stood firmly on the Word of God. They remained Christian gentlemen through the whole course of events and acted in grace. They never dropped down to defend themselves. They did what was right and it paid off.

Motion was moved, seconded, and carried for Bro. Fields' report.

DEVOTION COMMITTEE

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the designated time during our next session of the Mt. Moriah Association:

9:30 a.m. - Rev. Raymond Tilley Alternate - Rev. Dewey Thomas 11:00 a.m. - Rev. Mike Mounts Alternate - Rev. J. L. Lavender

P.M. Devotion - Rev. Travis House Alternate - Rev. Arlis Barksdale

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

The General fund offering for today was \$104.50.

RESOLUTION AND APPRECIATION

We, your committee, report as follows:

We would like to express our thanks to the people of the Carolwood FWB Church for hosting this session of the Mt. Moriah Quarterly Meeting and to the pastor, Bro. Dewey Thomas.

Our thanks to the ministers for the wonderful messages brought to us.

We thank the ladies for the delicious meal, also the Christian hospitality shown to each of us.

Our prayers are that the Lord will continue to bless and keep us until we meet again.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your committee, report as follows:

- 1. Accept resignation of Bro. Roger Lucas to become effective at the Annual Session.
- 2. Allow Vicki Smith to take over the Secretary-Treasurer's job effective immediately.
- 3. Possibility of having our own Youth Camps in 1990, using available facilities. Voted to allow board to check on possibilities.

HOME MISSION

We, your committee, report as follows:

God has graciously blessed the work of the Home Missions Board.

Thanks for your prayers and support.

May we always be your servants and mindful of our association's needs.

We are looking forward for continued support of all our missionaries, both Home and Foreign.

A Resolution was written to the National Home Missions Board for their stand taken for Free Will Baptists. It was a letter commending them for not supporting a work which left our Free Will Baptist denomination. It is included in the minutes.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

As a point of information we have received a letter of good standing from the Franklin Conference of Free Will Baptist of Columbus, Ohio, concerning Bro. Mike Mounts and wish to give him the right hand of fellowship at our next session in October. (Bro. Mounts was absent on this date).

Some items commented on were:

Bro. Roger Lucas stated that Bro. Nate Ange would not be here for our Youth Revival due to the Evangelism date being changed to April 6th and 7th.

Bro. Thomas questioned the fact about the Montgomery work and future problems involving Bro. Kirkland joining the association this fall. He was answered by the fact, Bro. Kirkland was given until this fall meeting to decide. Missionary requirements are in the State Minutes.

Various announcements of revivals were shared. Prayer requests were given, including safety of travel for those on the roads to the National Convention.

"Amazing Grace" was sung and the dismissal prayer was given by Bro. Arlis Barksdale.

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RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, it is the stated, as well as the expected purpose of the National Home Mission Board, to build, Bible-believing, Free Will Baptist Churches, and
- WHEREAS, Missionaries sent out by this board have clearly stated, that they are in agreement with Free Will Baptist doctrine, based on the Word of God, and
- WHEREAS, these missionaries have solemnly pledged to build FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES and teach their memberships as Free Will Baptists, and
- WHEREAS, monies have been raised, support pledged and received to build Free Will Baptist Churches and
- WHEREAS, we believe the doctrine of Free Will Baptists to be scripturally sound, and closer to accurate biblical interpretation, than the doctrine of any other church group, and
- WHEREAS, we believe the conduct and operation of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, the National Home Missions Department and Free Will Baptist Churches is honorable and their intent is Christ centered, therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED, that we commend the National Association of Free Will Baptist and especially the National Home Missions Department for the honorable and dedicated manner in which they have carried out the Great Commission in establishing and preserving, Biblical Doctrine through Free Will Baptist Churches, and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we commend the National Home Missions leadership for their courage and integrity in dealing with doctrinal error, violation of moral integrity, and honesty, and in preserving the intent of the National Association and God-Fearing, Bible-Believing, and Christian Living People who carry out the Great Commission through Free Will Baptist Home Missions.

This adopted July 8, 1989 by the Mt. Moriah Association of Free Will Baptist - Alabama.

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 diving perfection, and existing in distant but harmonious offices in the great work or 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 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 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, Heb. 3:11-12-13; Rom. 13:14; Mark 13:33; Eze. 18:24; Rev. 2nd & 3rd chapters; Eze. 33:13-18; I Tim. 4:1; Heb. 3:6; 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 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.
- ART. 14 We believe that the Holy Spirit enters the heart of the Believer at the time of conversion, and that speaking in tongues (languages) is neither an evidence of being infilled with the Holy Spirit nor does it bring about sanctification. We teach and preach the fullness of the Holy Spirit and heed the scriptural admonition, "Be filled with the Spirit." We thank God for our great Comforter, Guide, and Empowerer, the precious Holy Spirit, the Third Person of the Trinity. (John 3:5-8; Romans 8:9; Ephesians 5:18; I Corinthians 14:22).

RULES OF DECORUM

- ART. 1 (a) The Association shall be called to order and officiated by the Moderator, who was elected at the last session.
- (b) The new officers (Moderator and Clerk) will take office at the close of the annual session and serve through the annual session of the following year.
- ART. 2 The Association shall be opened and closed by singing and prayer.
- ART. 3 (a) The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by ballot at each session of the Association. A majority of votes, by delegates present, elect.
- (b) The Moderator and Clerk cannot serve more than four years in succession.
- ART. 4 It shall be the duty of every church belonging to this Association to send a letter to every annual session of this Association, reporting in the letter its spiritual condition, benevolent work and its statistics. Also, that we receive the letters and seat the delegates on the strength of the Credentials Committee report and omit public reading of the letters. All letters be mailed with minutes fee to the Clerk of this Association two (2) weeks prior to the annual session of the Association. 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, all questions of doctrines, and matters pertaining to the Constitution and Rules of Decorum, then it shall be by two-thirds vote.
- 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 appoint someone 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 Moderato, 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 five (5) 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 the power to call the Association together at any time he deems necessary or 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 elected 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., and each church reserves the right to retain ownership of their property and buildings should the church split or decide to sell. Each church should control its internal affairs concerning all property under their name. It may however, in extreme cases, call aid from sister churches, but the Association shall rule in all matters of doctrine.
- ART. 4 All questions of doctrines and matters pertaining to the Constitution and Rules of Decorum shall be settled by a two-thirds vote of the Association; provided the same is presented in written form; presented in the morning session; and voted on in the afternoon session; and the decision shall be final.

- ART. 5 The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, and Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual session by a majority of votes. The Moderator shall serve as the Association's representative on the General Board of the State Association. The Clerk shall be paid \$125.00 per year, plus expenses incurred in carrying out his duties. Each church send each year to the annual session the sum of \$25.00 as associational funds.
- ART. 6 (a) 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.
- (b) There shall be a short business session and a report from all standing committees at each quarterly meeting.
- 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, Sunday Schools, Missionary Work, etc.
- ART. 9 Any minister pastoring a church or churches in the Mount Moriah Association shall be regularly ordained minister in good standing and become affiliated with this association.
- ART. 10 All ministers and deacons shall be standing delegates in this Association.
- ART. 11 We adopt the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the Original Free Will Baptist.

ART. 12 SECTION ONE: GENERAL BOARD

- A. <u>COMPOSITION</u>: The General Board shall be composed of the Moderator, Clerk, and one member from each local church that is a part of this body. Each member from a local church shall serve a two-year-term with one-half of the members being elected each year.
- B. <u>DUTIES</u>: The General Board shall formulate all ideas of business during the annual session of the Association, act as a Nominating Committee, as well as any other responsibility so delegated by the body. It shall not have power to commit the Association to any cause or policy not authorized by the Mount Moriah Association, nor to reverse any action of the Mount Moriah Association;

SECTION TWO: BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- A. COMPOSITION: The Christian Board shall be composed of five members. These are elected to serve a 5-year-term with one expiring each year.
- B. DUTIES: 1. The christian Board shall act in an advisory capacity to the youth organization of the Association.
- 2. The Christian Board shall work with all churches in the Association to promote the youth work and other related projects.
- 3. The Christian Board, along with the youth officers and host church, shall plan the program.

ART. 13 STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION ONE: CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

- A. The Credentials Committee shall consist of three lay brethren and two ordained ministers, elected at the annual session of the Association, each serving a five (5) year term, the senior member coming off each year. A committee member cannot serve more than one term without a years' leave.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine letters coming to this body from churches, ministers, and other Associations. This committee shall also examine all ministers who become a part of this body, either by ordination or by letter, and make recommendations to the Association.
- C. It shall be the duty of this committee to make an annual report to the Association as to the standing, character, and orthodoxy of the ministers and churches of this Association.

SECTION TWO: HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

- A. The Home Mission Committee shall consist of three lay brethren and two ordained ministers elected at the annual session of the Association, elected for a five-year-term, the senior member coming off each year.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to take charge of the Home Mission work of this Association, to promote the cause of Home Missions, and to take oversight of any mission church so organized.
- C. The Home Mission Committee shall have a Secretary-Treasurer and use funds given for Home Mission work.
- D. The Home Mission Committee shall make a report to the annual session of the Association.
- ART. 14. The Moderator of the Association shall be an exofficio member of all Boards and Committees.

ART. 15 No person shall be allowed to serve on more than one Standing Board or Committee, with the exception of the General Board. A person may be a member of the General Board and still be eligible for a Standing Board or Committee.

ART. 16 DEACONS:

To be ordained, he must be elected by the church of which he is a member. A deacon must meet the conditions stated in the third chapter of I Timothy, verses 8-13. The term "husband of one wife" means he shall not have more than one living wife, that is, he shall not be married to one wife at the present time and there be a wife still living from a previous marriage. The same shall apply to the wife, she shall have only one living husband. The ordination council shall consist of at least one ordained minister and two deacons of the Mount Moriah Association.

ART. 17 MINISTERS:

The authority to ordain or license ministers has its source in the local church.

LICENSED MINISTERS:

Must be a member of a church which belongs to the Mount Moriah Association. He must give evidence to his church that he is divinely called to preach, whereupon the local church is authorized to examine him for license. This examination should include the areas of the candidate's life, doctrine, reputation, and his convictions and abilities regarding the work of the ministry. The ministerial license shall be valid for a period of one year but is renewable annually. He must have his license renewed annually by said church and kept enforced until ordination. He is free to exercise all the privileges and responsibilities of an ordained minister with the exception of pastoring a church and officiating at the observances of the ordinances and weddings.

2. ORDINATION:

He must follow the guidelines for licensed ministers. A minister must meet the conditions stated in the third chapter of I Timothy, verses 1 - 7. The term, "husband of one wife" means he shall not have more than one living wife, at the present time and there be a wife still living from a previous marriage. The same shall apply to the wife, she shall have only one living husband. After he has been licensed and has proven his worth to the local church, the local church has the authority to ordain or ask the Association to ordain. The place of ordination and ordination council will be selected by the candidate. The ordination council

shall consist of at least three ordained ministers from the Mount Moriah Association.

3. RULES FOR MINISTERS:

- A. Ministers wishing to transfer from another Free Will Baptist Church or Association into the Mount Moriah Association, shall present a letter of good standing from the church or Association of which he is a member, be examined by the Credentials Committee, and be approved by this Association.
- B. Ministers of other denominations who unite with our churches shall be as a member and if they wish to preach, they must follow the procedure required of our licensed ministers.
- C. Ministers of this Association, that are in good standing, shall be granted a card annually, signed by the Clerk and Moderator with the minister's name, address, and the church of which he is a member.
- does not attend an Associational meeting in any one year or who makes no contacts will be dropped from the ordained ministers list.
- E. Any minister who behaves himself unbecomingly to his calling into the ministry of the gospel shall be reported by the Credentials Committee to the Association, who shall deal with him.
- ART. 18 This Association shall be a member of The Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists. It is expected that each church will send the necessary fee for representation in the State body.

RULES OF DECORUM FOR CONFERENCE

The conference shall be called to order by the Pastor who is the Moderator. The clerk shall be seated in order.

- 1. Invite visiting members to seat with us and aid in council.
- 2. Open the door of the church for members.
- 3. Call for reference.
- 4. Calls for communications.
- 5. Calls for new business.
- 6. Calls for miscellaneous business.
- 7. Adjournment.

LETTER OF DISMISSION

This certifies that _	
is a regular member of _	Free Will
Baptist Church in good	standing up to the date of this certificate
and is hereby dismissed.	
This the d	lay of
Rev	, Moderator
	Church Clerk

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE COMING YEAR

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

JANUARY 13, 1990: SARDIS APRIL 7, 1990: PHILLIPS CHAPEL JULY 7, 1990: GLEN ECHO

ANNUAL MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 1990: SHILOH

YOUTH MEETINGS

DECEMBER 31, 1989: TABERNACLE
APRIL 29, 1990: CAROLWOOD
JULY 29, 1990: PHILLIPS CHAPEL
SEPTEMBER 30, 1990: FIRST FWB OF TUSCALOOSA

ASSOCIATIONAL YOUTH REVIVAL

TO BE ANNOUNCED

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

SEPTEMBER 22, 1990 AT SHILOH CHURCH AT 2:00 P.M.

THE ABOVE DATES ARE SPECIAL MARK THEM ON YOUR CALENDAR

THEY ARE TIMES AND OPPORTUNITIES TO BE BLESSED!!





