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QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 10, 1998 April 10, 11, 1998 July 11, 1998

Carolwood Phillips Chapel Union

ANNUAL MEETING

October 10, 1998

Tabernacle

FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS

November 30, 1997 March 29, 1998 May 31, 1998 Tabernacle Carolwood Macedonia Phillips Chapel

August 30, 1998

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September 19, 1998: Shiloh Church – 2:00 p.m.

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CHURCHES	ORGANIZED	ORGANIZED BY
Mount Moriah	1846	Rev. Ellis Gore
Macedonia	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
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		Rev. C. J. Blake
		Rev. J. S. Hinton
1 st 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
1 st FWB Reform	1958	Rev. O. L. Fields
Carolwood	1970	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Eastside	1964	Rev. Dewey Thomas
1 st FWB Tuscaloosa	1957	Rev. H. E. Crawford
		Rev. J. H. Tilley
Union FWB	1891	Rev. Wood Springfield

ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING UNION HILL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH October 11, 1997

The 147th session of the Mount Moriah Association met at Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church on October 11, 1997. After the opening song "At the Cross," led by Bro. Waymon Fields with Kanda Taylor at the piano, the welcome and prayer were given by host pastor, Rev. Kevin Taylor. The Credentials Committee retired to examine the church letters.

The morning message was preached by Rev. Ben Logan using Mark 10:46-52 as his text. Before his sermon, Bro. Logan recognized Rev. J. L. Lavender as our oldest minister in the Association. He reminded us that Jesus is the only way for Salvation and we can accept Him only by Faith. It is through Him, and not our own abilities, that we can be accepted into Heaven.

The Moderator, Bro. Terrell Jones, called the meeting to order. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk, Tammy Lancaster, with all churches represented. The Roll Call of Ministers was given by the Clerk, due to the Credentials Committee still meeting. The Seating of Delegates was conducted by the Moderator.

The following General Board Report was read by the Clerk:

The General Board met at Shiloh Church on September 27, 1997, at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Ben Logan, Assistant Moderator, presided in the absence of the Moderator, Rev. Terrell Jones. The Assistant Clerk, Vaudine Lancaster, acted in the absence of the Clerk, Tammy Lancaster. Rev. Herbert Tilley gave the opening prayer. A time of testimony was given by several, with Bro. Logan asking that we commend ourselves to the Holy Spirit for the keeping of our souls. The Roll Call of General Board members was given with all churches represented except Glen Echo and Union Hill. The Credentials Committee retired to examine the church letters.

Meeting places requested by churches were as follows:

Quarterly Meetings--

January 10, 1998 April 10, 11, 1998 July 11, 1998 October 10, 1998 5th Sunday Youth Meetings--November 30, 1997 March 29, 1998 May 31, 1998 August 30, 1998 Carolwood Phillips Chapel Union Tabernacle

Tabernacle Carolwood Macedonia Phillips Chapel

The following recommendations were made by the General Board:

Moderator: Rev. Terrell Jones Assistant Moderator: Rev. Ben Logan Clerk: Vaudine Lancaster Assistant Clerk: Karen Brasher Credentials Committee: Searcy Mullenix Board of Education: Bro. Larry Colburn Missions and Church Extension: James South

The Credentials Committee reported that they received all church letters in good standing, with the exception of the matter of a pastor of one church and no letter received by Sardis FWB Church. The financial information from Sardis was gathered by Clerk, but letter should be received this week.

A recommendation for a resolution made by Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church was read by Bro. Logan. It will be presented at the annual meeting on October 11 and if passed it will be presented to the State Association. It read:

RECOMMENDATION FOR RESOLUTION - Made by Mt. Zion FWB Church:

"The State General Board shall act as a Nominating Committee for Officers and Board Members of the State Association."

Information from church letters was as follows: TABERNACLE - 1. We had an average attendance of 91.6 people for V.B.S. which resulted in an increase in Sunday School. 2. We have started a mid-week Youth Bible Study. 3. We praise the Lord for our van ministry, which now runs Sunday morning, Sunday night, and Wednesday night.

GLEN ECHO - All thanks to God and a hard working building committee. We have added a very nice fellowship hall. Stained glass windows were put in the church in memory of Fredrick Fulgham.

UNION - We remodeled our Fellowship Hall, adding a kitchen. We installed central heat and air which has made it very nice. The Lord has blessed our little church.

The Assistant Moderator thanked the people for their cooperation. The meeting was closed by Rev. Bill Smith who gave the dismissal prayer.

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Bro. Moderator opened the floor for other nominations for officers and meetings. It was MSC to accept the above recommendations from the General Board.

Bro. Moderator asked those to stand who would be going to the Annual State Association meeting, November 6-7, at Forestdale Free Will Baptist Church in Forestdale. The following will be delegates: Betty Miller, Lottie Sudduth, Myree Galloway, Everleen Montgomery, Lewis Montgomery, Tammy Lancaster, Mrs. Tony Latham, and Dorothy Smith.

Rev. Ken Bozeman gave a report on the Madison Church which has become a mission giving church. Continue to pray for Bro. Bozeman and his family and also the community in which they serve. The Credentials Committee gave a partial report.

After the intermission, the body congregated again with the singing of "Victory In Jesus." The General Fund Offering was received. Rev. Kevin Taylor sang a special entitled "He's All I Need." The 11:00 message was brought by Rev. Redus Hall using Genesis 6:1-7. Bro. Hall painted a verbal picture of Noah, describing how he had found grace in the eyes of the Lord and was doing what God commanded him to do. An invitation was given as the congregation sang "Have Thine Own Way."

The afternoon session began with singing "A New Name Written Down In Glory" followed by prayer led by Rev. J. L. Lavender. Rev. Kevin Taylor brought the afternoon message using Acts 1:4. Nobody owns the church. God does. We are to be unified with one purpose and do what God has called us to do.

The following committee reports were given and accepted as read:

WNAC – no report.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Board of Christian Education wishes to thank all youth workers who work so diligently with the young people of our association. The efforts that are being invested in these young people will one day produce fruit for our churches, our association, our denomination and our world. We would also like to thank Bro. Lando McAdams for his vision and work with the young people. Many lives have been changed and many Christian workers have gone out as a result of his vision. We would like to present this plaque to show our appreciation.

MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE

We want to remind you of our Mission's Conference and Mission's Banquet. The Banquet will be held Saturday night, January 10, 1998 at the Northport Civic Center. We will have gospel singing beginning at 6:30 p.m. with the meal at 7:00 p.m. Cost of the tickets will be \$8.50 each. We will need to ask our churches for a contribution of \$50.00 to cover cost of the Civic Center, and that they purchase one (1) ticket each for a missionary. We will have door prizes. Your prayers and attendance will be greatly appreciated.

Missions and Church Extension Financial Statement:

Balance as of January 1, 1997	\$ 89.43	
Total offerings	\$4,371.83	

Expenses:

Rent for Civic Center	\$ 4	495.00
Catering Service	\$1,	991.66
Honorarium	\$	800.00
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Reserving Civic Center

\$ 250.00 <u>\$3,870.46</u>

Balance as of 4-30-97

\$ 590.80

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The General Fund Offering for today was \$160.25 Balance brought forward – 1322.03 Quarterly Donation to Eldridge Children's Home - \$100.00 Balance on Hand – \$2,704.31

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ATTENTION CHURCH CLERKS:

The following is a guide to assist you in sending the correct amount from your church. Please send it WITH your church letter in September.

Mt. Moriah Association Minute Fund:

(No. of minutes times \$2.00 per minute)

Association Fund: \$30.00 State Dues: \$50.00

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<u>Church</u>	<u>Min.</u>	<u>Minute</u> <u>Fund</u>	State Dues	<u>TOTAL</u>	
Mt, Moriah	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 120.00
Macedonia	25	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 130.00
Tabernacle	50	\$100.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 180.00
Shiloh	33	\$ 66.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 146.00
Phillips Chapel	40	\$ 80.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 160.00
Mt. Zion	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 120.00
Union Hill	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 110.00
Holman	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 104.00
Sardis	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 120.00
Glen Echo	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 110.00
Carolwood	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 140.00
1st FW Reform	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 104.00
1st FW Ethelsville	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 120.00
Eastside	16	\$ 32.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 112.00
1st FW Tuscaloosa	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 100.00
Union	<u>12</u>	<u>\$ 24.00</u>	<u>\$ 50.00</u>	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>\$ 104.00</u>
TOTALS	350	\$700.00	\$ 800.00	\$480.00	\$ 1,980.00

DEVOTION

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the January 10, 1998 Quarterly Meeting:

9:30 a.m. Bro. Larry Colburn Alternate Rev. Jerry Montgomery

11:00 a.m.Rev. Leon OrrAlternateRev. David Cook

Afternoon Rev. Jaimie Lancaster Alternate Rev. Dewey Thomas

DECEASED

We, your committee, report the following members who are deceased:

Mt. Moriah Macedonia Tabernacle

Shiloh

None Richard Ulbricht Clarence Malone Sis. Louise Frazier Thurman Latham Phillips Chapel

Mt. Zion Union Hill Holman

Sardis Glen Echo

Carolwood

1st FW Reform

1st FW Ethelsville Eastside

1st FW Tuscaloosa Union

Linda Pritchett Vera Hickman Connell Aaron Watson Ruvin Oswatt Hillard Hallman Cecil Traweek Lenora Sudduth Tullie Boswell Gracie Tilly none Fredrick Fulgham Bertha Hogue Jessie Hall **Charles Sanford** Daisy C. Junkin Bobbie Wheatley None Jesse Wright Jean Mahan None Mrs. Odis Jones

After the names were read, memorials for Delbert Townsend, and Gordon E. Tingle, Sr. were written and read by Vaudine Lancaster.

CHILDREN'S HOME

One of the most valuable assets to Free Will Baptists in the State of Alabama is the Children's Home. We encourage all churches in our association to support them with your prayers and finances. We also encourage visits to see the new facilities and to support the children and faculty. We also urge you to "adopt" a child for the year and remember them during holidays and other special occasions. At this time, Bro. Waymon Field's will give us an update on the Children's Home.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance, or self control, is one of the characteristics of the Christian's Life that should be evident in his home life, as well as, church life. We should have control of all facets of our everyday activities. If church members exhibit more self-control, we will have more unity in our churches.

We, your committee, request all members at the Mount Moriah Association to exercise self-control in our daily walk and preserve our purity. We recommend that we make ourselves accountable to each other and to God. We should all be examples to others and measure up to God's Holy Word.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND C.T.S.

We feel that we are truly blessed to be in a body of believers that enjoy Sunday School and C.T.S. We are thankful for both of these programs. We believe that Sunday School and C.T.S. are very important to our young people. We pray that each church will work toward better attendance. If you don't have a C.T.S. we recommend you begin Christian Training.

MORALS AND REFORM

Morals in our society seem to be declining day by day. We need to strive to uphold our morals in our own personal life and continue to teach the young people in our church to have high ideals and expectations. Children should be taken to church by parents and not just sent. We should be an example for our children.

All churches in our association have Sunday School, but attendance is dropping. Each of us should work to increase our attendance in Sunday School and Church Training Service, and faithfully attend prayer meeting.

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE

Ephesians 6:4 says, "Bring up your children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Parents should be an example before their children and should bring them up in the church. Proverbs 22:6 says, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

We encourage each one to carefully select the literature you and your children read in order to keep false doctrine out of the home.

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RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION

The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Union Hill Church and pastor, Bro. Kevin Taylor, for hosting this Annual Association meeting. We are thankful for the spiritual blessings received from the speakers and songs of praise. We appreciate all the ladies who prepared the delicious meal, and the wonderful fellowship of all the people. We are thankful for all the brothers and sisters in Christ who faithfully support these meetings.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee, report as follows:

- 1. We recommend that Glen Echo move as quickly as possible to elect a FWB Pastor. As of today, they have a fill-in preacher. Church agreed to do this.
- 2. We have only a partial letter from Sardis. Church will get Church Letter to Clerk as soon as possible.
- 3. We recommend Bro. Albert Montgomery's name be dropped from the Ordained Minister's List as he has not attended meetings and has not contacted anyone in the Association. This is per Rules for Minister, Section D: "Any Minister who is on the Ordained Minister List and does not attend an Association Meeting in any one year or who makes no contact will be dropped from the Ordained Minister's List."

This report was discussed item by item and MSC.

There was no old business.

New Business in regards to the Credentials Committee report was discussed as follows and will be brought out in January:

- Bro. Dewey Thomas made a motion that the Minister should be contacted before removing them from the list. Tabled until January. MSC
- 2. Motion to amend the Constitution stating that the "Credentials Committee will make contact with the minister before the Minister's name is brought up before the body." Tabled until January. MSC
- 3. Credentials Committee made motion to rescind item #3 on their report. Did not receive a 2/3rds vote, therefore, did not carry. Motion to lay on the table until January. MSC

Announcements were made. Jaimie Lancaster commented about recent appointment as a Free Will Baptist missionary to the country of Uruguay.

Meeting adjourned with the song "Precious Memories" followed by dismissal prayer led by Rev. J. H. Tilley.

Holman FWB Church January 11, 1997

The January session of the Mount Moriah Association Quarterly meeting met at Holman FWB Church on January 11, 1997. The session was opened by the Moderator, Rev. Terrell Jones.

Bro. Waymon Fields led the singing with Myree Galloway at the piano. The first congregational song was "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus." The welcome and prayer were given by host pastor, Rev. Scott Montgomery.

The morning message was given by Rev. Arlie Lynn entitled "The Cost of Serving Christ," using John 25 and Luke 10:25-27 as his text. Do you love your neighbor? This was the concern shared. We must be concerned about our spiritual needs and count the cost of following Jesus. It is hard to love our enemies, but by putting God first, we will be obeying Him. Our reward will be in Heaven.

The Meeting was Called to Order by the Moderator.

The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk with all churches represented except Sardis and 1st FW of Reform.

The Roll Call of Ministers was given by the Credentials Committee member, Bro. Leon McAdams.

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The Seating of Standing Delegates (ordained ministers and deacons) and Elected Delegates was transacted. Absentee positions of delegates were filled.

Moderator recognized visitors. Rev. Ken Bozeman gave a report on Madison FWB Church. He expressed appreciation to the Mt. Moriah Association for encouragement and support. Mt. Moriah Association gave 15% of his support. Pray for God to continue to open doors. Moderator urged churches who are not involved in the Missions Conference to participate in services of other FWB churches in the area. Rev. Roger Lucas gave an update on the Missions Banquet. 210 tickets are sold for the Banquet. Each church is responsible for their call-ins. An update on the Prattville FWB Church, informed us that Bro. Fred Jones has \$100,000 of the needed \$135,000 for the mission building project. Rev. Redus Hall asked the blessing on the refreshments.

After an intermission, we met back with the singing of "Just Over in Gloryland." The General Fund offering of \$100.35 was received.

Prayer requests were given and prayer was led by Bro. Ken Bozeman. Special singing was rendered by Holman church, "Like a Beacon in the Night."

The 11:00 message was given by Rev. Fred Graham who spoke on "Feed the Flock" using I Peter 5:2. Who is to feed the flock? Bro. Graham spoke of preachers, elders, deacons, and leaders helping feed the flock. Scattering is caused by lack of feed. 1) Preach the Word, 2) Study and meditate in the Word, 3) Prayer is necessary for preparation, 4) Willingly feed the flock, 5) Minds prepared, 6) Examples, 7) Humble flock must be hungry – (if we are filled on material things, how can Jesus fill us spiritually?) An invitation was given, "Are you Washed in the Blood." Bro. Scott Montgomery gave instructions for lunch.

After lunch, the afternoon session was opened by a song "He is Able to Deliver Thee" followed by prayer, led by Bro. Jerry Montgomery. Rev. Donald Keasler brought the afternoon message. He gave testimony that God's promises are true, "that all things work together for good to them who love God." He referenced his heart attack and the miracle that took place. He also gave his testimony of how Bro. Arlie Lynn had witnessed to him through tears asking him to be saved. At the age of 39, Bro. Keasler accepted the Lord as his personal Savior.

The business session was entered into with the reading of the committee reports. The following reports were given and accepted as read.

DEVOTION COMMITTEE – No report given.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
General Fund Offering for today\$ 100.35
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MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

We, your committee, report as follows:

We want to remind our association about the Church Growth and Evangelism Conference on April 11, 12, 1997 at Phillips Chapel. Our speakers will be Rev. Connie Cariker, pastor of West Tulsa, OK FWB Church and Dr. Alton Loveless, General Director of Randall House Publications. We will have special music for the meetings.

Services on Friday night will begin at 7:00 p.m. Both speakers will preach Friday night, as well as, Saturday. We will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday. We hope you will prayerfully support this conference.

We are exploring other options for the Missions Banquet for 1998 that might be more cost effective.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE – No report.

RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION

The Mount Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Holman FWB Church and Bro. Scott Montgomery for hosting this quarterly

meeting. We are thankful for the spiritual blessings received fróm the speakers and songs of praise. We appreciate the delicious meal prepared by all the ladies. We are thankful for the brothers and sisters in Christ who faithfully support these meetings. We all need to be more supportive as we strive to serve Christ.

There was no unfinished business and no new business. Announcements were made followed by a motion to adjourn. The closing song was "Won't it be Wonderful There" and the benediction was given by Rev. Raymond Tilley.

Phillips Chapel FWB Church April 11-12, 1997

The Moderator, Rev. Terrell Jones, welcomed the group for the special session of our Church Growth and Evangelism Conference at Phillips Chapel. Tim Fields led the singing with Tammy Fields at the piano for the opening song, "Love Lifted Me." Bro. Richard Cordell led in prayer. The congregation sang "Jesus is Coming Again." The special singing was rendered by the Fields family with Marsha McDaniel at the piano. They sang "Mercy Reaching Me' and "He Gave Me the Well."

The Moderator presented Dr. Alton Loveless from Arkansas. He brought a message from Psalm 78:54 entitled "Plug into the Church for the Shock of your Life." He gave several reasons why we congregate. An altar call was given as the congregation sang "Just As I Am." The Moderator reminded us that only what's done for Christ will last. An offering was taken as Tammy Fields played the offeratory "I've God a Mansion." Tim Fields led "Victory In Jesus." Special music was again rendered by the Fields family followed by Bro. Connie Cariker bringing us an inspirational message that stirred our hearts. Dismissal prayer was led by Rev. Jerry Smith.

SATURDAY A.M.

The opening song was "When we all get to Heaven," led by Milford McAdams with Myree Galloway at the piano. Bro. James Waldon led us in the opening prayer. The morning message was brought by Connie Cariker on II Tim. 3:1. He encouraged us to teach commitment and faithfulness in our churches and to be faithful to all church services, while being enthusiastic about it! Bro. Cariker closed in prayer.

After a break, the congregation sang "Way of the Cross Leads Home" led by Milford McAdams with Myree Galloway at the piano. Rev. Jerry Smith announced that the offering taken last night was \$350 for the general

fund of the Missions and Church Extension Committee. Any other monies may be given to Bro. Ben Logan for this committee.

Dr. Loveless brought a message from Matthew 28:19-20. He talked to us about "The Role of the Sunday School in Evangelizing the Church." There are many hard situations that people find themselves in today. It is up to the church to be prepared to address such problems in an effective way that will help, not hinder, an unsaved or saved person.

The congregation sang "Love Lifted Me." The General Fund Offering was \$89. A special song was rendered by Milford McAdams, Leon McAdams, and Waymon and Gail Fields, "Great is Thy Faithfulness." Bro. Connie Cariker brought a message about the tragedy of the modern church followed by an altar of prayer led by Bro. MacArthur Walters. Rev. Roger Lucas asked the blessing on the food.

After a wonderful meal, we were assembled by the singing of "Bring Them In." Prayer was led by Rev. Billy Ray Smith. Rev. Alton Loveless brought our afternoon message. Roll Call of Churches was given by the Assistant Clerk, Vaudine Lancaster, and Roll Call of Ministers was given by Leon McAdams.

The following committee reports were given:

CREDENTIALS – No report given.

DEVOTION COMMITTEE

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the July 12,

1997 Quarterly Meeting: 9:30 a.m. Alternate

> 11:00 a.m. Alternate

Afternoon Alternate Rev. Tony Latham Rev. Scott Montgomery

Rev. Leon Orr Rev. David Cook

Rev. Douglas Tilley Rev. Jerry Montgomery

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The General Fund offering for today was \$ 89.00Balance brought forward\$1,591.05Quarterly Donation to Children's Home\$ 100.00Offering to speakers\$ 200.00(Missions and Church Extension Committee)\$1,380.05

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – No report given.

MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

We appreciate all support of each one that prayed, attended or assisted in any way to make our conference a success. We especially appreciate the soul stirring messages from Dr. Loveless and Bro. Cariker.

We have already secured one of the speakers for next year and hope to have the other speaker soon.

We would like to suggest that we discuss the future of our Missions Banquet and direction for the future. We need to determine where to have the banquet and who will be responsible for planning the program and speaker.

RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION

The Mount Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Phillips Chapel and its pastor, Bro. Terrell Jones for hosting this Evangelistic Conference. We have all enjoyed the good food and fellowship. We extend our appreciation to the visiting pastors for their time and inspiring sermons.

Announcements were made. Letters were passed out by Bro. Lucas. National Directories were also passed out to each church. There was no old or new business, but a discussion of plans for the Missions Banquet took place. Motion was made by Leon McAdams and seconded to reserve the Civic Center for the Missions Banquet. Bro. Burns Brown made a motion to let the Missions and Church Extension Committee plan the banquet. Bro. Lucas will get information to the committee when he is in Nashville. Meeting was adjourned. Dismissal song was "Where the Soul Never Dies" and the closing prayer was led by Bro. Ben Logan.

Tabernacle FWB Church July 12, 1997

The opening song was "Standing on the Promises" with Milford McAdams leading the singing and Myree Galloway at the piano. The welcome and opening prayer were given by the host pastor, Rev. Jerry Smith.

Rev. Tony Latham brought the morning message using Jeremiah 2:13 as his passage. He reminded us that God has blessed us tremendously. Our churches need to look to God and not to the world for pleasures. Then we will have revival.

The meeting was called to order. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the clerk with all churches represented, except Shiloh, Union Hill, and 1st FW of Reform. The Roll Call of Ministers was given by Rev. Jerry

Montgomery. Delegates were seated and vacancies filled. Committees were assigned. Moderator recognized visitors. Bro. Ken Bozeman shared with us the progress of the Madison work and asked us to pray that God would help them work through the zoning problems. Moderator announced that the State minutes were available up front. Bro. Redus Hall led in prayer.

After an intermission, Bro. Milford McAdams led "When we all Get to Heaven with Myree Galloway at the piano. The General Fund Offering was received. Prayer was given by Bro. Stanley Sanford. After a time of prayer and praise Bro. Jerry Montgomery led in prayer. Special music was rendered by Tabernacle Church Quartet.

The 11:00 message was preached by Rev. Scott Montgomery, using John 8:1-11, and Romans to show God's grace. He explained what it means to have free grace and the life we can live if we accept God's offer of free grace to each of us individually. II Cor. 12:7-10 says "His GRACE is sufficient." After the congregation sang "Amazing Grace," Bro. Ken Bozeman led the prayer for our noon meal.

The afternoon session began with singing "Where the Soul Never Dies." Bro. Grant Webb led in prayer. The message was preached by Rev. Doug Tilley who used II Chronicles 7:14 talking about our humbleness towards God. This was a powerful passage to remind us of God's promise to answer our prayers if we are following Him and ask for His help. God's promises never fail.

The business session followed. The following reports were given

and approved as read:

WNAC

The following report was submitted by Barbara Smith, President of Mt. Moriah WNAC, and read by Tammy Lancaster:

Thank God for the opportunity to serve Him another year through WNAC. He has blessed our efforts to support and promote missions. We are laborers together with God, and we know that the good things we do for others will be blessed by Him. (Ephesians 6:8).

In our March meeting, new officers were elected. Our President, Tammy Lancaster gave the devotion entitled "Don't Worry About the Wrong Things." Each church brought several gifts or money to be given to the provision closet at the State Meeting. We gave \$25.00 to the State Project, Dave Franks, Jr.

It was decided that the 1998 WAC State Meeting would be at Tabernacle FWB Church. Many committees were appointed to help in the planning of this meeting. Please pray for us and lend us your support so that we can be the hostesses that would make Mt. Moriah Association proud.

Our Alabama State Prayer Retreat at Shocco Springs is scheduled for September 19-20, 1997. Please pray for the speakers and all ladies who attend that we would allow God to have His way in our lives.

We give God the praise for all that has been accomplished through WNAC this year, because it is due to His grace and faithfulness.

DEVOTION

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the October 11, 1997 Quarterly Meeting:

9:30 a.m. Alternate

11:00 a.m. Alternate Ben Logan Jerry Montgomery

Redus Hall Jaimie Lancaster

Afternoon Alternate Kevin Taylor David Cook

FINANCE

An offering of \$118.00 was received. Our Quarterly Donation of \$100 will be given to the Children's Home.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION No report given.

MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

We have secured speakers for our future Evangelism Conference. In 1998 our speakers will be Rev. Tom Malone, President of Free Will Baptist Bible College and Rev. Tim Hall, pastor of First FWB Church, Owensboro, KY. For 1999 we have secured Dr. Melvin Worthington, Executive Secretary of the National Association of FWB and Rev. Milton Worthington, pastor in Royal Oaks, MI.

We are reserving the Northport Civic Center for our Missions Banquet, January 10, 1998 at 6:00 p.m. We are in the process of securing a catering service.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, your committee, report as follows:

- 1. Add Larry Colburn to the Licensed Minister's List.
- 2. Add Gregory Ison's name to the Ordained Minister's List.

RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION

The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Tabernacle Church and its pastor Bro. Jerry Smith for hosting this quarterly meeting. We thank you for the spiritual blessings and the songs of praise. We appreciate the delicious meal prepared by all the ladies. We are thankful for the brothers and sisters in Christ who faithfully support these meetings.

There being no other business, announcements were made followed by a motion to adjourn. We were dismissed with a song, "There's A Great Day Coming." Bro. Ben Logan closed in prayer.

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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 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 options 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, inconsequent 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 13:14; 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 3:11,12,13; Romans 13:14; Mark 13:33; Ezekiel*

18:24; Revelations 2nd and 3rd chapters; Ezekiel 33:13-18; I Timothy 4:1; Hebrews 3:6; I Corinthians 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 selfexamination.

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

ART. 13. We believe in open and mixed communion and the churches of

our body are authorized, through their pastors, to invite Christians of all orthodox churches, who are in good standing in their respective churches to commune with us at the Lord's table.

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 in-filled with the Holy Spirit nor does it bring and heed the scriptural admonition, "Be filled with the Spirit." We thank God for our great Comforter, Guide, and Empowered, 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 the first week in September. 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 Moderator, he shall proceed.

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

ART. 9. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the Association, nor more than 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 of heresy, or allows any Minister of her body to teach doctrines not in keeping with our Articles of Faith, the same shall be dealt with by this Association as it may deem proper and right, according to the teachings of the Bible.

ART. 3. Each church in this Association shall be considered an advisory body and shall control its own internal affairs in matters of discipline, etc., 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/her duties. Each church shall send each year to the annual session, the sum of \$30.00 as associational funds.

ART. 6. (a) This Association shall meet annually, at such time and place as may be agreed on 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. Any church wishing to become a member of the Mt. Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists, or continue membership, must adopt its Articles of Faith and conform to its usage, and must openly identify in all their literature, printed matter, signage, etc., that they are a FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH. Any church that cannot do this will not be acceptable.

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 a 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 Baptists.

ART. 12. SECTION ONE: GENERAL BOARD

A. COMPOSITION: 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.

DUTIES: The General Board shall formulate all ideas of B. 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 the 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 (5) 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. <u>STANDING COMMITTEES</u>

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 year's 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: MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE

A. The Missions and Church Extension Committee shall consist of three (3) 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 and promote the cause of Missions and Church Extension of this Association and to take oversight of any Mission Church so organized.

C. The Mission Committee shall have a Secretary-Treasurer and use funds given for Mission and Church Extension work.

D. The Mission and Church Extension Committee shall make a report to the annual session of the Association.

ART. 14. The Moderator of the Association shall be an ex-officio 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.

1. 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 minister. A minister must meet the conditions stated in the *third chapter of Timothy, verses 1-7*. 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. 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 (3) ordained ministers from the Mount Moriah Association.

3. <u>RULES FOR MINISTERS</u>

A. Ministers wishing to transfer from another Free Will Baptist Church or another 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.

D. Any minister who is on the ordained ministers list and does not attend an Association 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.

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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 and aid in council.
- 2. Open the door of the church for members.
- 3. Calls 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 _____ day of _

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Rev.

, Moderator

, Church Clerk

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CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "to grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to *"keep the*"

unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace. To be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.