

*150th Anniversary*  
*"Special Edition"*

**MINUTES  
OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH  
ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
HELD WITH  
MOUNT MORIAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
PICKENS COUNTY, ALABAMA  
OCTOBER 7, 2000  
9:30 A.M.**

**OFFICERS**

**Rev. Jerry T. Smith – Moderator  
Rev. Jimmy Youngblood – Assistant Moderator  
Rev. Kenneth Bozeman – Clerk  
Vaudine Lancaster – Assistant Clerk  
Jewell South - Treasurer**

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

**Rev. Jerry Montgomery  
Searcy Mullenix  
Stanley Sanford  
Rev. Roy G. Plymon  
Chad Harris**

IMPORTANT UP-COMING EVENTS  
FOR THIS ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR

ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET

January 13, 2001

Northport Civic Center  
6:30 p.m.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS--

January 13, 2001

Phillips Chapel

April 7, 2001

Sardis

July 7, 2001

Union

ANNUAL MEETING

October 13, 2001

Pleasant Grove

5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS--

October 29, 2000

Shiloh

December 31, 2000

Phillips Chapel

April 29, 2001

Carolwood

July 29, 2001

Macedonia

September 30, 2001

Tabernacle

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

September 29, 2001

Shiloh, 2:00 p.m.

### OFFICERS FOR 2000-2001

Rev. Jerry T. Smith	Moderator	
4212 38 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Northport, AL 35473		333-2557
Rev. Jimmy Youngblood	Assistant Moderator	
106 Tucker Dr., Cropwell AL 35054		525-5065
Rev. Kenneth Bozeman	Clerk	
P.O. Box 88 , Millport, AL 35576		662-3488
Vaudine Lancaster	Assistant Clerk	
93 Lancaster Dr., Ethelsville, AL 35461		375-6876
Jewell South	Treasurer	
17536 Mormon Road, Northport, AL 35475		339-9332

### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Rev. Jerry Montgomery	One Year Term	
15307 Autumn Drive, Northport, AL 35476		339-4202
Searcy Mullenix	Two Year Term	
229 Browns Circle, Gordo, AL 35466		364-8468
Stanley Sanford	Three Year Term	
12134 Cherokee Drive, Northport, AL 35475		339-4705
Rev. Roy G. Plymon	Four Year Term	
792 Bluebird Rd., Ethelsville, AL 35461		658-2314
Chad Harris	Five Year Term	
921 6 <sup>th</sup> St., Pleasant Grove, AL 35127		744-2296

### MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE

James L. Lancaster	One Year Term	
93 Lancaster Dr., Ethelsville, AL 35461		375-6876
James South	Two Year Term	
17536 Mormon Rd., Northport, AL 35475		339-9332
Rev. Ben Logan	Three Year Term	
12225 Co. Rd. 12, Fayette, AL 35555		932-4025
Waymon Fields	Four Year Term	
P. O. Box 174, Millport, AL 35576		662-3226
Rev. Terrell Jones	Five Year Term	
19658 Mormon Rd., Northport, AL 35475		339-9856

## BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Tim Fields	One Year Term	662-4996
241 Mary St., Box 543, Millport, AL 35576		
Rev. Larry Colburn	Two Year Term	333-9445
12231 Grandview Dr., Northport, AL 35475		
Tim Brasher	Three Year Term	364-8668
4145 County Rd. 21, Gordo, AL 35466		
Chris Colburn	Four Year Term	333-9445
12231 Grandview Dr., Northport, AL 35475		
Dan Montgomery	Five Year Term	333-8690
12715 Lakeland Hill Dr., Northport, AL 35475		

## GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS

Mount Moriah	Tim Brasher	364-8668
	4145 County Rd. 21 Gordo, AL 35466	
Macedonia	Milford McAdams	(662) 328-5016
	233 Hillcrest Drive Columbus, MS 39702	
Shiloh	Houston Latham	364-7901
	1022 Dusty Ridge Road Gordo, AL 35466	
Tabernacle	L. E. Sturdivant	339-2607
	15360 Rue Rd. Coker, AL 35452	
Phillips Chapel	Glenn Bigham	339-3892
	18457 Mormon Rd. Northport, AL 35475	
Mount Zion	James South	339-9332
	17536 Mormon Rd. Northport, AL 35475	
Union Hill	James Harold Lowe	367-8402
	3055 Herbert Windle Rd. Reform, AL 35481	

Holman	Rev. Elmer Lynn 4113 Sandsprings Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	364-8657
Sardis	Troy Barron 196 7 <sup>th</sup> St. S. W. Gordo, AL 35466	364-7892
Glen Echo	Burns Brown 745 Fulgham Bottom Road Carrollton, AL 35447	367-8514
Carolwood	Brad Sanford 13387 Rocky Ridge Drive Northport, AL 35475	333-5430
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Reform	Bruce Shaw, Jr. Rt. 2 Box 79 Reform, AL 35481	367-8409
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Ethelsville	Vernice Tilley 2162 Eagle Rd. Ethelsville, AL 35461	658-2605
Eastside	Felix Styron 30 Durrett Grove Tuscaloosa, AL 35404	554-1586
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Tuscaloosa	Hoyt Nelson 1620 23rd Ave. E. Tuscaloosa, AL 35404	556-7182
Union FWB	Ed Miller, Sr. 300 McCafferty Rd. Carrollton, AL 35447	373-2830
Pleasant Grove	Chad Harris 921 6 <sup>th</sup> St. Pleasant Grove, AL 35127	744-2296
Faith	Jeff Patrick P.O. Box 441 Gordo, AL 35466	364-7409

## ORDAINED MINISTERS

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(205) 662-3496 (Church Office)

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Northport, AL 35475  
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Rev. Fred Graham  
P. O. Box 435  
Vernon, AL 35592  
(205) 695-9631

Rev. Redus Hall  
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Caledonia, MS 39740  
(662) 256-2266

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19658 Mormon Rd.  
Northport, AL 35475  
(205) 339-9856

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Montevideo, Uruguay  
South America  
011-598-2-619-4293

Rev. Tony Latham  
273 Double Branch Road  
Gordo, AL 35466  
(205) 364-8773

Rev. J. L. Lavender  
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Aliceville, AL 35442  
(205) 373-8425

Rev. Ben Logan  
12225 Co. Rd. 12  
Fayette, AL 35555  
(205) 932-4025

Rev. Arlie Lynn  
#10 Wood Manor  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401  
(205) 345-7790

Rev. Elmer Lynn  
Rt. 1, Box 75-BB  
Gordo, AL 35466  
(205) 364-8657

Rev. Jerry Montgomery  
15307 Autumn Drive  
Northport, AL 35475  
(205) 339-4202

Rev. Gary Mullenix  
619 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.W.  
Gordo, AL 35466  
(205) 364-0761

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Reform, AL 35481  
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Ethelsville, AL 35461  
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Rev. Kevin Taylor  
11 Union Hill Road  
Reform, AL 35481  
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Rev. Dewey Thomas  
13671 Hwy. 69 N.  
Northport, AL 35475  
(205) 339-4654

Rev. J. H. Tilley  
1747 24<sup>th</sup> St. E.  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35404  
(205) 553-7106

Rev. Tony Tilley  
1321 Sentell Rd.  
Reform, AL 35481  
(205) 375-6426

Rev. Dan Turman  
17281 Morman Rd  
Northport, AL 35476  
(205) 339-4552

Rev. Douglas Tilley  
415 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave. E.  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35405  
(205) 553-7634

Rev. Earnest White  
5699 Benevola Road  
Gordo, AL, 35466  
(205) 364-8566

Rev. Jimmy Youngblood  
106 Tucker Drive  
Cropwell, AL 35054  
(205) 744-6374

## DEACONS

### MT. MORIAH

James L. Lancaster	93 Lancaster Dr.	375-6876
	Ethelsville, AL 35461	
Walter Oglesby	607 Mt. Moriah Church Rd.	375-2208
	Ethelsville, AL 35461	
Searcy Mullenix	229 Browns Circle	364-8468
	Gordo, AL 35466	

### MACEDONIA

Waymon Fields	10280 Hwy. 96	662-3226
	Millport, AL 35576	
Leon McAdams	224 Meadow Dr.	(662) 328-3869
	Columbus, MS 39701	
James Wharton	623 McAdams Rd.	662-3334
	Millport, AL 35576	
Charles Smith	1000 Woodard Rd.	662-3346
	Millport, AL 35576	
Loy Shaw	1217 Woodard Rd.	662-3363
	Millport, AL 35576	

### SHILOH

E. Marlin Burkhalter	1005 County Road 20	364-7206
	Gordo, AL 35466	
William H. Koon	156 Billy Koon Road	364-7879
	Gordo, AL 35466	
M. Wilson Connell	56 March Lane	364-7300
	Gordo, AL 35466	
Gene Crowe	1162 County Road 20	364-8601
	Gordo, AL 35466	
John C. Fair	2792 County Road 88	364-7635
	Gordo, AL 35466	
Houston Latham	1022 Dusty Ridge Road	364-7901
	Gordo, AL 35466	

### TABERNACLE

Clifton Malone	Rt. 4, Box 88	364-8497
	Gordo, AL 35466	
Calvin C. Wicker	20295 Kemp Road	339-9759
	Northport, AL 35476	



L. E. Sturdivant	15360 Rue Rd. Coker, AL 35452	339-2607
Wallace Lowery	13858 Lowery Drive Northport, AL 35475	339-4255
Don Martin	15179 Bethabara Road Northport, AL 35475	339-1910
<b>PHILLIPS CHAPEL</b>		
Grady Bigham	13648 J. C. Gilliam Rd. Berry, AL 35546	339-2259
Raiford Galloway	16581 Hwy. 171 Northport, AL 35475	339-4349
Herman Sanford	14488 Co. Rd. 12 Berry, AL 35546	932-3621
Robert Smith	15713 Cardinal Drive Northport, AL 35475	339-1617
Glenn Bigham	18457 Mormon Road Northport, AL 35475	339-3892
Blanton Watson	14000 Co. Rd. 12 Fayette, AL 35555	932-5696
Terry Sanford	15219 Starboard Place Northport, AL 35475	339-0584
Wayne Rice	19600 Holcombe Rd. Northport, AL 35475	339-4347
Bill Rice	16746 Turquoise Lane Northport, AL 35475	339-9551
Ray Lee	12399 Cherokee Drive Northport, AL 35475	333-5604
<b>MOUNT ZION</b>		
Gifferd Winters	15998 Mt. Zion Church Rd. Northport, AL 35475	339-7965
James South	17536 Mormon Rd. Northport, AL 35475	339-9332
<b>UNION HILL</b>		
R. D. Reynolds	7093 County Rd. 35 Reform, AL 35481	375-2230
Joe E. Oglesby	8827 County Rd. 35 Ethelsville, AL 35461	375-8185
James Harold Lowe	3035 Herbert Windle Rd. Reform, AL 35481	367-8402

**HOLMAN**

William Quimby	14842 Hwy. 140 Coker, AL 35452	339-5404
Jimmy T. Oden	18375 Hwy. 140 Elrod, AL 35458	339-0607
Lifford Robertson	12514 Holman Church Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	339-8455
Guin Smith	11930 Plowman Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	339-9081
C. R. Martin	12104 Holman Church Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	333-6175

**SARDIS**

Winston Robertson	18990 Robertson Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	364-7943
Marshall Robertson	18911 Robertson Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	364-7997
Troy Barron	196 7 <sup>th</sup> St. S. W. Gordo, AL 35466	364-7892
Tommy Driver	Rt. 1 Gordo, AL 35466	339-7474

**ELEN ECHO**

Oscar Fulgham	2546 Hall's Mill Rd. Reform, AL 35481	367-8559
Burns Brown	745 Fulgham Bottom Road Carrollton, AL 35447	367-8514
Tim Fulgham	2538 Hall's Mill Rd. Reform, AL 35481	367-8037

**CAROLWOOD**

Dennis Sanford	6700 Smith Jackson Rd. Northport, AL 35473	333-8485
Stanley Sanford	12134 Cherokee Drive Northport, AL 35475	339-4705
Eulie Robertson	12620 Hickory Drive Northport, AL 35475	339-3181
Brad Sanford	13387 Rocky Ridge Dr. Northport, AL 35475	333-5430
Jason Creamer	15538 Sam Norris Road Northport, AL 35475	339-6940
Jessie Marquis	13632 Elderberry Ln. Northport, AL 35475	339-1935

**1<sup>ST</sup> FWB REFORM**

Ralph Martin	141 Bonner Farm Rd. Reform, AL 35481	375-2462
Bruce Shaw, Jr.	285 Herbert Windle Road Reform, AL 35481	367-8409

**1<sup>ST</sup> FWB ETHELSVILLE**

Louis Tilley	1662 County Rd. 30 Ethelsville, AL 35461	658-2458
Vernice Tilley	2162 Eagle Rd. Ethelsville, AL 35461	658-2605
Gene Tilley	2162 Eagle Rd. Ethelsville, AL 35461	658-2605

**EASTSIDE**

Adolph South	506 44 <sup>th</sup> Ave. E. Tuscaloosa, AL 35404	553-0115
Felix Styron	30 Durrett Grove Tuscaloosa, AL 35404	554-1586

**1<sup>ST</sup> FWB TUSCALOOSA**

Marzelle Summerlin	1323 Hargrove Rd. E. Tuscaloosa, AL 35404	553-7127
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**UNION FWB**

Ed Miller, Sr.	300 McCafferty Road Carrollton, AL 35447	373-2830
Horace Watkins	9605 Ray Bass Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	367-8824
Jeff Smith	2792 Lindsey Tower Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	367-8307

**PLEASANT GROVE**

Jim Kearney	P.O. Box 11 Pleasant Grove, AL 35127	774-6692
Robert McCombs	4828 15 <sup>th</sup> St. Rd. Hueytown, AL 35023	491-3680
Robin Simmons	516 9 <sup>th</sup> Ter. P6 Pleasant Grove, AL 35127	774-4605
Willis Rawls	2922 Highwood Ct. Hueytown, AL 35023	744-5979

FAITH		
Dalton Price	1906 Sellers Rd.	367-8539
	Carrollton, AL 35447	
Bernie Sellers	3100 Marvin Chapel Rd.	367-8708
	Carrollton, AL 35447	

### CHURCH CLERKS

Mount Moriah	Cherry Mullenix	364-8468
	229 Browns Circle	
	Gordo, AL 35466	
Macedonia	Sue McAdams (662)	328-5016
	233 Hillcrest Drive	
	Columbus, MS 39702	
Shiloh	Wilith E. Cook	364-8462
	60 Dusty Ridge Road	
	Gordo, AL 35466	
Tabernacle	Don Martin	339-1910
	15179 Bethabara Rd.	
	Northport, AL 35475	
Phillips Chapel	Herman Sanford	932-3621
	14488 Co. Rd. 12	
	Berry, AL 35546	
Mount Zion	Karen Horton	339-4880
	15879 Savannah Dr.	
	Coker, AL 35452	
Union Hill	J. Harold Lowe	367-8402
	3035 Herbert Windle Rd.	
	Reform, AL 35481	
Holman	William Quimby	339-5404
	14842 Hwy 140	
	Coker, AL 35452	
Sardis	Marshall Robertson	364-7997
	18911 Robertson Rd.	
	Gordo, AL 35466	
Glen Echo	Jana Fulgham	375-2682
	184 County Rd. 51	
	Kennedy, AL 35574	

Carolwood	Maxine Graham 4116 Eleanor Dr. Northport, AL 35473	339-5210
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Reform	Julia Klostermann P. O. Box 744 Reform, AL 35481	375-2484
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Ethelsville	Patsy Tilley 160 Redbird Rd. Ethelsville, AL 35461	658-2851
Eastside	Betsy Phillips P.O. Box 40447 Tuscaloosa, AL 35404	553-5713
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Tuscaloosa	Dorothy J. Lake 516 43 <sup>rd</sup> Street Tuscaloosa, AL 35405-3750	758-0772
Union FWB	Mrs. Mary Watkins 9605 Ray Bass Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	367-8824
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Mary Kearney P.O. Box 111 Pleasant Grove, AL 35127	744-6692
Faith	Stephanie Patrick Box 441 Gordo, AL 35466	364-7409

#### YOUTH LEADERS

Mount Moriah	Tim and Karen Brasher 4145 County Rd. 21 Gordo, AL 35466	364-8668
Macedonia	Mike and Lenita Shaw 645 Woodard Road Millport, AL 35576	662-4635
Shiloh	Brenda Calhoun 4766 Highway 159 Gordo, AL 35466	364-8729
Tabernacle	Dan Montgomery 12517 Lakeland Hills Dr. Northport, AL 35475	333-8690

Phillips Chapel	Sherry Lee & Patricia Phillips 12399 Cherokee Drive Northport, AL 35475	333-5604
Mount Zion	Joyce Watson 13102 Haygood Road Berry, AL 35546	339-4483
Union Hill	Linda Sanders 592 County Rd. 37 Reform, AL 35481	375-6850
Holman	Tina Wilburn 17184 J. B. Wilburn Road Echola, AL 35457	333-2894
Sardis	Earl and Donna Johnson 18677 Robertson Rd. Gordo, AL 35466	364-1609
Glen Echo	Christal Fulgham Rt. 2, Box 51B Reform, AL 35481	367-1221
Carolwood	Melissa Montgomery 16521 Highway 171 Northport, AL 35475	339-7630
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Reform	Teresa Junkin 701 2 <sup>nd</sup> St. S. Reform, AL 35481	375-6171
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Ethelsville	Gene Tilley 2162 Eagle Road Ethelsville, AL 35461	658-2605
Eastside	Brenda Mahan 11491 Robert Rd. McCalla, AL 35111	938-3835
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Tuscaloosa	None listed	
Union FWB	Elaine Noland 312 32 <sup>nd</sup> Place East Tuscaloosa, AL 35405	758-4357
Pleasant Grove	None listed	
Faith	Pat Windle 19950 Hwy. 86 Carrollton, AL 45447	367-9005

## CHURCHES, PASTORS & PHONE NUMBERS

Mount Moriah	Rev. Roy G. Plymon 792 Bluebird Rd. Ethelsville, AL 35461	658-2314
Macedonia	Rev. Kenneth Bozeman P. O. Box 88 Millport, AL 35576	662-3488
Shiloh	Rev. Fred Graham P. O. Box 435 Vernon, AL 35592	695-9631
Tabernacle	Rev. Jerry T. Smith 4212 38 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Northport, AL 35473	333-2557
Phillips Chapel	Rev. Terrell Jones 19658 Mormon Road Northport, AL 35475	339-9856
Mount Zion	Rev. Larry Colburn 12231 Grandview Drive Northport, AL 35475	333-9445
Union Hill	Rev. Kevin Taylor 11 Union Hill Road Reform, AL 35481	375-2532
Holman	Rev. Ben Logan 12225 Co. Rd 12 Fayette, AL 35555	932-4025
Sardis	Rev. Tony Latham 273 Double Branch Road Gordo, AL 35466	364-8773
Glen Echo	Rev. Gary Mullenix 619 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave. N.W. Gordo, AL 35466	364-0671
Carolwood	Rev. Jerry Montgomery 15307 Autumn Drive Northport, AL 35475	339-4202
	Rev. Dewey Thomas (Assoc.) 13671 Hwy 69 North Northport, AL 35475	339-4654

1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Reform	Rev. Leon Orr P. O. Box 212 Reform, AL 35481	375-2572
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Eastside	Rev. Douglas Tilley 3415 32 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. E. Tuscaloosa, AL 35405	553-7634
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Pleasant Grove	Rev. Jimmy Youngblood 106 Tucker Drive Cropwell, AL 35054	744-6374
Faith	Rev. Dan Turman 17281 Morman Rd. Northport, AL 35475	339-4552



## **DELEGATES TO MT. MORIAH ASSOCIATION -2000**

### **Mt. Moriah:**

Ann Joyner  
Tim Brasher  
Landy Plymon

### **Glen Echo:**

James Acker  
Nell Acker

### **Macedonia:**

Tim Fields  
Steve McAdams  
Milford McAdams

### **Carolwood:**

Milton Gurganus  
Marvin Hagler  
Maxine Graham

### **Shiloh:**

Skip Sutton  
Steve Koon  
John Burkhalter

### **FWB Reform:**

Ray McDaniel  
Patricia Sheperd  
Jim Shepherd

### **Tabernacle:**

Lewis Montgomery  
Martie Sullivan  
Charlie Malone

### **FWB Ethelsville:**

None

### **Eastside:**

Felix Styron

### **Phillips Chapel:**

Doug Watson  
Josh Smith

### **FWB Tuscaloosa:**

None

### **Union FWB:**

Elaine Noland  
Betty Miller  
Brenda Smith

### **Mt. Zion:**

Amy Morrison  
Joei Griffin  
Rob Walker

### **Pleasant Grove:**

Randy Moore  
Chad Harris  
Phyliss McCombs

### **Union Hill:**

Lottie Sudduth  
Arlene Keasler

### **Faith:**

Robert E. "Bob" Sellers  
Mary Ann Sellers

### **Holman:**

Bonnie Lynn  
Ruth Terry  
Wesley Robertson

### **Sardis:**

Kevin Robertson  
Earl Johnson

**ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES FOR 2000    \*Committee Chairman**

**DEVOTION**

Lewis Montgomery\*  
Steve McAdams  
Josh Smith  
Steve McAdams

**CHILDREN'S HOME**

Doug Watson\*  
Jim Sheperd  
Robert E. "Bob" Sellers

**TEMPERANCE**

Bonnie Lynn\*  
Ray McDaniel  
Skip Sutton  
Felix Styron

**SUNDAY SCHOOL & CTS**

Arlene Keasler\*  
John Burkhalter  
Joei Griffin  
Patricia Sheperd

**MORALS AND REFORM**

Ann Joyner\*  
Amy Morrison  
Milton Gurganus  
Chad Harris

**EDUCATION, PUBLICATION  
AND LITERATURE**

Milford McAdams\*  
Phyliss McCombs  
Martie Sullivan  
Rob Walker

**FINANCE**

James Acker\*  
Randy Moore  
Weslely Robertson

**DECEASED**

Landy Plymon\*  
Lottie Sudduth  
Maxine Graham  
Elaine Noland

RESOLUTIONS  
AND APPRECIATION

Mary Ann Sellers\*  
Nell Acker  
Betty Miller  
Ruth Terry

MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Mt. Moriah	Rev. Jaimie Lancaster
	Rev. Roy G. Plymon
Macedonia	Rev. Ken Bozeman
Shiloh	Rev. Fred Graham
	Rev. J. L. Lavender
	Rev. David Cook
Tabernacle	Rev. Jerry T. Smith
Phillips Chapel	Rev. Terrell Jones
	Rev. Dan Turman
	Rev. Ben Logan
	Rev. Albert Montgomery
Mt. Zion	Rev. Larry Colburn
Union Hill	Rev. Kevin Taylor
Holman	Rev. Elmer Lynn
Sardis	none
Glen Echo	Rev. Gary Mullenix
Carolwood	Rev. Jerry Montgomery
	Rev. Dewey Thomas
	Rev. Greg Isom
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Reform	Rev. Leon Orr
	Rev. Patrick Creel
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Ethelsville	Rev. Redus Hall
Eastside	Rev. Douglas Tilley
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Tuscaloosa	Rev. Tony Tilley
	Rev. Arlis Barksdale
	Rev. Arlie Lynn
	Rev. J. H. Tilley
Union FWB	Rev. Earnest White
Pleasant Grove	Rev. Jimmy Youngblood
Faith	None

### DECEASED MINISTERS

**REVERENDS:** Ellis Gore, J. T. Nabors, W. W. Pool, J. S. Hinton, W. R. Latham, O. M. Archey, D. W. Harbin, T. V. Wheat, J. E. Mathis, W. R. Robinson, Thomas Malloy, W. J. Coward, W. B. Montgomery, Woods 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, Delbert Townsend, Gordon E. Tingle, Sr., Donald Keasler, Raymond Tilley

### HISTORY OF CHURCHES

<u>CHURCHES</u>	<u>ORGANIZED</u>	<u>ORGANIZED BY</u>
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 Rev. J. W. Moore Rev. C. J. Blake Rev. J. S. Hinton
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Ethelsville	1902	Rev. Woods Springfield
Mount Zion	1902	Rev. W. J. Harbin Rev. W. B. Montgomery
Union Hill	1908	Rev. Woods Springfield
Holman	1912	Rev. Woods Springfield
Sardis	1930	Rev. W. J. Harbin
Glen Echo	1936	Rev. T. L. Walker
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Reform	1958	Rev. O. L. Fields
Carolwood	1970	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Eastside	1964	Rev. Dewey Thomas
1 <sup>st</sup> FWB Tuscaloosa	1957	Rev. H. E. Crawford Rev. J. H. Tilley
Union FWB	1891	Rev. Woods Springfield
Pleasant Grove	1964	Rev. Burt Alexander
Faith	1978	Rev. Paul E. Sellers

**ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING  
MT. MORIAH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

**October 7, 2000**

One hundred fifty years ago the Mt. Moriah Association held its first meeting. Today we celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> session of the Mount Moriah Association held at Mt. Moriah Church. The opening song "Where The Soul Never Dies" was sung by the congregation with Milford McAdams leading the singing and Myree Galloway at the piano. Prayer was led by Rev. Fred Graham.

Host pastor, Rev. Roy Plymon, gave the welcome using a comparison of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address as follows:

*Seven score and ten years ago our fathers decided that all Baptists were not alike. We all have inalienable rights... to believe the Word, trust in Christ and be saved...*

*- A right to understand that we are lost apart from God's salvation and we are unable to help ourselves.*

*- A right to trust in the finished works of Christ on Calvary's tree sufficient for our sin debt.*

*Some have said Eternally Secure (can't lose your faith, apostasy does not exist); while others said Predestined (you have no control over destinies, God chooses heaven's citizenship). To those who would go to the left or the right, our fathers said, "Heresy". They lifted some eyebrows.*

*Apostasy is a possibility and YES we do control our destiny – and YES we do practice open communion at the Lord's table and any Christian is welcomed. And YES we are old fashioned and conservative in believing that the Bible is the word of God, infallible, inerrant, and whole. And YES we believe Jesus is coming again. Every eye will see him. And YES we believe the dead will rise and we who are alive will join them to meet the Lord in the air.*

*Our fathers believed this strong enough to form our Association 150 years ago, and it is still alive today. WELCOME TO THE 150th YEAR CELEBRATION!*

Rev. Jerry Smith, Moderator, gave the response. He related the history of a church standing for God for 150 years. He asked all those who had church history and memorabilia to display them. He also recognized some that had worn old-fashioned clothes in keeping with the day.

The Moderator asked the Credentials Committee to retire to update the business on hand.

A welcome from Jaimie, Tammy, Jonathan, and John William Lancaster (missionaries from Mt. Moriah Church serving in Uruguay, South America) was read by Tim Brasher. The letter read:

*Greetings from Uruguay,*

*Through the eyes of history the Mt. Moriah Association has seen many things. Its members have seen 30 Presidents, from Filmore to Clinton. Its people have been involved in at least 6 wars. They have also seen the invention of the light bulb, zippers, hot dogs, internal combustion engines, radio, television, satellites, space walks and the Internet.*

*Though the eyes of the Gospel, the churches of the Mt. Moriah Association have seen only one thing. For 150 years the eyes of its people have been focused on Christ and have been faithfully proclaiming the unchanging Gospel of Jesus Christ to an ever changing world.*

*Congratulations on the completion of 150 years working together. The unity of purpose in our Association speaks volumes on the desires and wishes of the individual churches. This small group of churches is affecting lives in all corners of the world because of the faithfulness and steadfastness of those who have blazed the trail before us.*

*We can not afford to rest on our previous accomplishments, however. "We must be proud of our heritage but must constantly remember the command of our Savior who instructed us to teach and make disciples of all nations, as we are going from day to day. Our task is to minister to people who have a different mindset than those we ministered to even 20 years ago. There are many that deny the existence of absolute truth. While this is a recent phenomenon in the States, we are currently ministering to people in Uruguay who adopted this position 80 years ago. The loss of absolute truth ultimately leads to absolute despair.*



*The faithfulness to the propagation of the Gospel has kept the Mt. Moriah Association going for 150 years and the continuance will carry us for the next 150 years or until the Lord returns.*

*I am proud to be a part of this group of believers and appreciate your love and support for our family as we minister here in Uruguay.*

*Once again, congratulations on 150 year of faithful service in bringing people into the Kingdom.*

*"Que Dios jes bendiga!" (May God bless you all)*

*The Lancaster family*

*Jaimie, Tammy, Jonathan and John William*

*9/28/00*

A time was given for those who had history regarding our 150 years as an Association. It was suggested that this history be made available to the National Archives. A history of Rev. Ellis Gore, the founder of Mt. Moriah Church, the first Free Will Baptist church in Alabama, was read by Waymon Fields. It read as follows:

#### *THE REVEREND ELLIS GORE*

*Ellis Clementine Gore was born in Chester District, South Carolina on October 3, 1800. His parents, Thomas Tindal and Nancy Sanders Gore, sold their home in 1817 and made the year long journey to Alabama in covered wagons. They arrived in this area before Alabama received statehood in 1819 and settled south of McShan. There were Choctaw Indians in this area until the Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek of 1830.*

*On November 6, 1838 Elder Ellis Gore helped to organized a Baptist Church named Mount Moriah about four miles north of McShan, with Elder Samuel McGowan as pastor. Rev. Ellis Gore was elected pastor in September 1841 at this church. He preached the doctrine of free salvation and open communion. In November 1845 charges were made against Rev. Gore for preaching this doctrine. Rev. Gore and a majority of the members seceded from the Baptist Church, called themselves Free Will Baptists, and continued meeting at the Mount Moriah Church.*

*In 1846 Rev. Ellis Gore rode his horse from McShan to Fayetteville, North Carolina, joined the Free Will Baptists, was ordained a Free Will Baptist minister, and returned with the treatise to organize a Free Will Baptist Church at the Mount Moriah Church. Due to continued difficulty there, he began preaching at a school house near his home, two miles west of McShan. He and his followers built a church near the school and called it Mount Moriah Free Will Baptist Church, the first Free Will Baptist Church in Alabama. He pastored Mount Moriah Church until September 1883, a total of forty-two years. It was said that he "never knew when to quit" while preaching. He baptized eighteen people five days before his death.*

*Rev. Gore also organized Macedonia and New Salem Free Will Baptist Churches. On November 8, 1850 delegates from Macedonia and New Salem met at Mount Moriah and organized the Mount Moriah Free Will Baptist Association. Rev. Gore was elected moderator of the association and William C. Easterwood, clerk. In an 1874 minute we find that Rev. Gore was still moderator. He later helped organize Shiloh, Tabernacle and Holly Springs Free Will Baptist Churches. Currently eighteen churches comprise the Mount Moriah Free Will Baptist Association.*

*Rev. Gore married Dorcas B. Thomas in 1823. Dorcas was born January 7, 1804 in North Carolina and died August 4, 1866. Rev. Ellis and Dorcas Gore had twelve children: George W., Martha H., Upton Asberry, Elizabeth A., Ezekiel S., Rachel Ann, Lucy Minerva, Thomas B., Horace, Mary F., Robert Fleming, and James Austin. (Robert Fleming Gore died in service at Camp Manassas, Virginia. Rev. Gore rode his horse to Camp Manassas at the age of sixty to take clothes, shoes and medicine to Robert when he became ill. When he died, Rev. Gore returned to the camp in a horse and wagon to bring his son's body home for burial.)*

*Rev. Gore married Anna Mae Burdine Smith on January 8, 1867. Anna was the daughter of James Tarrant and Mary Martin Burdine. Rev. Ellis and Anna Mae Gore had nine children: Ellis Burdine, Sudie Ann, Clark Clementine, Cherry Fannie, Alice N., and four babies who died at birth. Rev. Gore died October 5, 1883, and Anna Mae died June 29, 1896. Ellis, Dorcas, and Anna Mae are buried in the Gore Family Cemetery near their home.*

*He then read some of the important happenings in the history of the Mt. Moriah Association. It read:*



## THE MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

*On November 8, 1850 delegates from Macedonia, Mount Moriah and New Salem Churches met at Mount Moriah and organized the Mount Moriah Free Will Baptist Association. All three churches had been organized by Elder Ellis Gore. Rev. Gore was elected moderator of the association, and William C. Easterwood was elected clerk. Rev. Gore remained moderator of the association until his death in 1883, a total of thirty-three years.*

*In 1874 the association was comprised of nineteen churches with a total membership of 702. Those churches were Bethlehem, Corinth, Free Hope, Free Liberty, Macedonia, Mount Moriah, Mount Pleasant, Mount Springs, Pilgrim's Chapel, Pilgrim's Rest, Shiloh, Springfield, Union Grove, Vernon and Zion in Alabama; and Bethlehem, Detroit, Shiloh and Union Chapel in Mississippi. Five of these churches were received into the association at this three day meeting held at Macedonia Church.*

*The business was conducted on Saturday and Monday with preaching on Sunday. Brother J. M. I. Guyton was elected clerk and Brother Joseph Woods was re-elected treasurer.*

*The fiftieth annual session of the Mount Moriah Association was held at Antioch Church in Fayette County on October 13-15, 1900. Elder William E. Hardin was re-elected moderator, and Thomas Alexander was elected clerk. Membership totaled 726 and was comprised of nine churches at this time: Antioch, Holly Springs, Macedonia, Mount Hermon, Mount Moriah, Phillips Chapel, Shiloh, Tabernacle and Union. Ordained ministers in the association in 1900 were Elders C. J. Blake, J. A. Brown, James D. Byars, W. J. Coward, George W. Gillreath, W. J. Harden, T. K. Harrison, John S. Hinton, W. R. Latham, J. E. Mathis, W. H. McGee, Woods Springfield, J. E. Strickland and S. W. Williams.*

*The one hundredth annual session of the association was held at Mount moriah Church on October 7-9, 1950. Rev. Mert Montgomery was re-elected moderator and Rev. Leander McAdams was re-elected clerk. Membership totaled 1,848 and seventeen churches were members at this time: Arbor Springs, Espy Springs, First F.W.B. of Aliceville, First F.W.B. of Northport, Glen Echo, Hattie's Chapel, Macedonia, Mary's Chapel, Mbunt Moriah, Mount Zion, Phillips Chapel, Pleasant Hill, Sardis, Shiloh,*

*Tabernacle, Union and Union Hill. Ordained ministers in the association in 1950 were Rev. Linwood Fields, Edgar Jones, J. L. Lavender, S. R. Lee, J. L. Lynn, W. L. Lynn, Leander McAdams, Mert Montgomery, N. M. Sanford, J. M. Spencer, T. A. Springfield, R. L. Taylor, J. E. Tilley, J. H. Tilley, Raymond E. Tilley and T. L. Walker.*

*Those who have served as moderator of the association have included Rev. W. B. Montgomery, J. E. Mathis, Woods Springfield, T. L. Walker, W. E. Harbin, J. D. Byars, J. E. Tilley, J. L. Lavender, J. H. Tilley, Roy Gene Plymon, Dewey Thomas, William E. Atkinson, Tony Latham, Larry Reynolds, Terrell Jones, Milton Fields, and Jerry Smith.*

*Those who have served as clerk-of the association have included J. A. Boswell, J. S. Stokes, J. H. Harless, O. L. Stokes, S. V. Powell, W. E. Dean, B. Montgomery, S. H. Lindsay, W. L. Burkhalter, Leander McAdams, Raymond E. Tilley, James South, Roy Gene Plymon, Marion P. Gore, Vaudine Lancaster, Sue Plymon and Tammy Lancaster.*

*Two of the three churches which organized this association are still members - Macedonia and Mount Moriah. Many churches have joined through the years, and today this association is comprised of eighteen churches with a membership of almost 1700.*

*An old 1944 minute with pictures of all the ministers of the association was shown by Vaudine Lancaster. The association was held at her home church, Glen Echo.*

*Rev. Roy Plymon discussed some old minutes and emphasized that today's doctrine is the same as in the 1800s. He gave a challenge to continue to press forward in working for the Lord.*

*Rev. Jerry Smith asked that we give a hand of praise for the work of our forefathers and gave a report on some history dating back to the 1800s.*

*The prayer to open this session was given by Rev. Roy Plymon. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk. All churches were represented. Rev. Jerry Montgomery, Credentials Committee, gave the Roll Call of Ministers. As their name was called the Moderator gave each pastor an Original Treatise of Free Will Baptists, October 1912, and revised in 1933.*

Standing delegates and elected delegates were seated. Visitors were welcomed. A delegation from Lawley Free Will Baptist was welcomed. Rev. Hank Hollis, formerly from the Mt. Moriah Association, was also recognized. He showed a rare book about Free Will Baptists entitled "Free Baptist Cyclopaedia - Historical and Biographical" by Rev. G. A. Burgess, A.M. and Rev. J. T. Ward, A.M., copyrighted by the Free Baptist Cyclopaedia Co., 1886 and 1889. This book was given to him by his uncle, Rev. M.L. Hollis, who was a well known Free Will Baptist.

The Credentials Committee gave a partial report.

The Clerk read the following General Board report -

*The General Board met at Shiloh Church on September 23 at 2:00 p.m. After prayer the Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk. All churches were represented except Union Hill. The Credentials Committee retired to examine the church letters.*

*Rev. Jerry Smith discussed a training seminar that would be beneficial to the leaders of our churches. It will be conducted by Elmer Towns and Stan Toler at the Civic Center in Northport on October 28.*

*A report from the Credentials Committee showed that all church letters were in order. The Clerk praised the Church Clerks for the prompt manner they send the church letters and the funds requested.*

*The Moderator made mention that today's nominations were only recommendations for the delegated body; and that nominations can be made and voted on at the annual meeting.*

*Meeting place recommendations were as follows:*

*Quarterly Meetings--*

<i>January 13, 2001</i>	<i>Phillips Chapel</i>
<i>April 7, 2001</i>	<i>Sardis</i>
<i>July 7, 2001</i>	<i>Union</i>
<i>October 13, 2001</i>	<i>Pleasant Grove</i>

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Youth Meetings--*

<i>October 29, 2000</i>	<i>Shiloh</i>
<i>December 31, 2000</i>	<i>Phillips Chapel</i>
<i>April 29, 2001</i>	<i>Carolwood</i>
<i>July 29, 2001</i>	<i>Macedonia</i>
<i>September 30, 2001</i>	<i>Tabernacle</i>

*The following recommendations were made by the General Board:*

*Moderator: Rev. Jerry Smith*

*Assistant Moderator: Rev. Jimmy Youngblood*

*Clerk: Rev. Ken Bozeman*

*Assistant Clerk: Vaudine Lancaster*

*Treasurer – Jewell South*

*Credentials Committee: Chad Harris*

*Board of Christian Education: Dan Montgomery*

*Missions and Church Extension: Rev. Terrell Jones*

*In the business Milford McAdams asked in reporting church membership which was correct – the active or total. It was the consensus of the body that the total membership was the correct one to report.*

*Another question was how to list the pastor's salary – the total salary or the total package salary. It was requested to submit the total salary package and encouraged all churches to do this. It was stated that each church is independent and can conform to the rules of their individual church.*

*Also, the question was asked if we have printed forms that has the necessary information requested by the state and national. The answer was "yes" and they can be obtained from the national office.*

*Rev. Jerry Montgomery made a motion that on the standing committees, that no more than one (1) person from the same church shall serve on the same standing committee (Credentials, Board of Christian Education, Missions and Church Extension). If passed this could be placed as Article 14 under the Rules of Decorum.*

*The Clerk stated that since Missions is undergoing a transition and in reporting donations it is difficult to know which category to list it under – the Home Missions, Foreign Missions, ACTS 1:8 . Land Fund, etc. The most important thing is the money was given and will be accounted for.*

*The state meeting will be at First Free Will Baptist Church in Florence on November 9 and 10, 2000.*



*James South distributed the Treasurer's Report in the absence of the Treasurer, Jewell South, who was sick.*

*A discussion on the upcoming the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary annual meeting followed. The Moderator suggested bringing old church history records and making this a very special day. The host pastor, Rev. Roy Plymon, gave everyone a special invitation to attend.*

*For the upcoming Missions Conference, if you would like to make changes in the number of days held, the one-day or the Sunday-Wednesday format, you need to get in touch with Rev. Danny Williams.*

*A motion was made to adjourn, seconded and Rev. Jerry Montgomery gave the closing prayer.*

After the reading of the General Board meeting the Clerk was asked to read the proposal. It was moved and seconded to table this until the business session. Rev. Jerry Montgomery also entertained a move in Article 12 of the Constitution to the correct place - "Move Article 12, Section Two, which is the Board of Christian Education, to become Article 13, Section Three."

Jewell South, Treasurer, gave the annual Treasurer's Report and passed out forms to all delegates.

A committee was appointed to draw up guidelines for new churches that wish to affiliate with the Mt. Moriah Association. The five who will serve on this committee are: Rev. Kevin Taylor, Rev. Terrell Jones, Rev. Ken Bozeman, James South and Stanley Sanford.

Committees were assigned and will prepare reports during the lunch hour. They will proceed for lunch first in line so they will have ample time for their reports.

Rev. Ken Bozeman, Assistant Moderator, gave instructions for voting and passed out voting ballots.

Delegates for the State Association were appointed. The following were appointed: Jewell South, Myree Galloway, Arlene Keasler, Lottie Sudduth, Miford and Sue McAdams, Betty Miller, Betty Youngblood, Jeff Smith and Brenda Smith.

Searcy Mullenix dismissed the congregation for break time of donuts and coffee. We reconvened with the singing of "Standing On The Promises."

Special music was rendered by Mt. Moriah members – Sue Plymon, Landy Plymon, Tim and Karen Brasher. They sang "Rainbow of Love" and Sue gave a humorous inspirational rendition on "Get Thee Behind Me Satan".

Rev. Ken Bozeman introduced the morning speaker, Rev. Jerry Smith. His message was from Revelation 3: -"Behold I have set before thee and open door." Although this was speaking of the church at Philadelphia, a door is open to all God's people today. People are still a hungry and thirsty for God's righteousness. He used scripture to show this truth – Acts 2:17 "I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh" John 4:35, "Lift up your eyes on the fields" and Col. 4:3, "Pray for them that God would open a door of utterance to speak the mystery of the gospel. And Acts 4:20, "We can but speak the things we have seen and heard Preaching and witnessing should be as if it was your last message or last chance to the lost world.

Rev. Roy Plymon gave directions for the noon meal. Plans for having "dinner on the ground" at the outdoor table were changed because of the cold weather. He gave the blessing for the meal.

Mrs. Cecil Jones from Union Church asked for a few minutes to share her testimony. She is 94 and attends all the church meetings she has an opportunity to. Her main source of enjoyment is telling how good the Lord has been to her. She gave a remarkable, lengthy narrative she had learned when she was a child about two trains – the devil's train and the glory bound train.

A delicious meal, along with Christian fellowship was enjoyed. The congregation assembled for the afternoon session.

## PM SESSION

"I Would Not Be Denied" was sung, followed by prayer by Lewis Montgomery. Special music, "A Beautiful Life" was sung by the group from Mt. Moriah. In keeping with the "old fashioned" tone of the day a group sang the shaped notes to the music of "Old Time Power." This

Mt. Moriah Association  
Church Statistics

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T
1	CHURCH	PASTOR	\$PAID PASTOR	\$PAID VISIT-	\$PAID	\$PAID	\$PAID	\$PAID	SUNDAY		CTS		PRAYER	MEMBERS			MEMBERS			TOTAL
2		*Ex-Pastor	*House	ING MINISTER	CHILDREN'S	HOME	FOREIGN	BIBLE	SCHOOL				MEETING	RECEIVED			LOST			MEMBER-
3		**Assoc. Pastor	*Utilities	& Evangelists	HOME	MISSIONS	MISSIONS	COLLEGE	Enrollment	Avg. Att.	Enrollment	Avg. Att.	Avg. Att.	Bapt	Rest	Let	Let	Excl	Dec	SHIP
4		***Youth Pastor	**Assoc. Pastor	& Interim			*ACTS1:8													
5																				
6	Mt. Moriah	X Roy G. Plymon	\$ 11,700.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 540.00	\$ 1,174.63	\$ 2,945.56	\$ 275.00	25	20	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
7																				
8	Macedonia	Ken Bozeman	\$ 35,330.92	\$ 827.67	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,902.95	\$ 1,225.00	\$ 1,200.00	70	59	45	37	21	1	0	1	0	0	1	82
9																				
10	Shiloh	Fred Graham	\$ 23,420.00	\$ 799.00	\$ 940.00	\$ 5,550.06	\$ 3,558.55	\$ 600.00	61	34	0	0	20	3	0	2	2	0	4	106
11																				
12	Tabernacle	X Jerry T. Smith		\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 5,094.37	\$ 960.00	0	55	55	0	0	35	0	0	3	1	0	1	90
13																				
14	Phillips Chapel	X Terrell Jones	\$ 39,045.53	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 6,495.37	\$ 11,589.89	13,611.01		69	58	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	6	240
15																				
16	Mount Zion	X Larry Colburn	\$ 13,109.46	\$ 787.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 340.00		0	40	32	0	0	27	3	0	8	0	0	1	75
17																				
18	Union Hill	Y Kevin Taylor	\$ 11,900.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,731.23	\$ 960.00	0	42	32	0	0	25	4	0	0	0	0	2	109
19																				
20	Holman	X Ben Logan	\$ 10,400.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 1,739.29		\$ 960.00	0	35	32	0	0	18	4	0	2	4	0	1	97
21																				
22	Sardis	X Tony Latham	\$ 10,400.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 286.50	\$ 77.00	0	0	27	18	0	0	18	2	0	3	2	0	1	64
23																				
24	Glen Echo	X Gary Mullenix	\$ 10,600.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 680.00	\$ 442.00	\$ 469.63	0	35	26	35	26	20	0	0	0	1	0	3	48
25																				
26	Carolwood	X Jerry Montgomery	\$ 28,600.00	\$ 1,357.00	\$ 1,481.00		\$ 1,445.00	0	67	56	0	0	45	0	0	13	9	0	3	223
27		**Dewey Thomas	\$ 2,976.00																	
28	FWB Reform	X Leon Orr	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 600.00	0	35	30	20	20	25	0	0	2	0	0	0	93
29																				
30	FWB Ethelsville	X Redus Hall	\$ 17,400.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 485.30	\$ 352.00	\$ 1,000.00	0	30	20	26	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
31																				
32	Eastside	X Douglas Tilley	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 795.00	\$ 536.40	\$ 577.83	0	\$ 165.68	15	10	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	2	151
33																				
34	FWB Tuscaloosa	X Tony Tilley	\$ 11,000.00	\$ 400.00	0	\$ 11,100.00	\$ 334.76	0	22	20	0	0	20	0	0	0	5	0	0	75
35							\$ 2,818.80													
36	Union FWB	Earnest White	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 970.00	0	\$ 119.50	\$ 1,413.00	0	22	18	0	0	8	0	0	1	4	0	0	34
37																				
38	Pleasant Grove	X Jimmy Youngblood						0	55			0	30	1	0	11	0	0	0	84
39																				
40	Faith	X Dan Turman			\$ 1,200.00			0	30	24			30	5	0	10	0	0	0	40
41																				
42	TOTALS		\$ 254,281.91	\$ 13,985.67	\$ 18,443.86	\$ 41,651.46	\$ 32,249.31	\$ 2,240.68	735	544	126	103	434	23	0	56	28	0	25	1710

impressive rendition was done by Sue Plymon, Milford McAdams, and Waymon Fields.

The last sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Tilley. Although he has had surgery and was weak in body, this did not prevent him from preaching the Word. He stated, as the oldest preacher in our Association, he had preached for 58 years. He mentioned he was often referred to as the "stern preacher". His text was from Luke 17-11-19. He contrasted the laxness of the present day with the spiritual closeness of years gone by. He emphasized the scripture again and again – "ye did run well, what doth hinder you?" Methods of great transportation and facilities should have caused more interest in the gospel. Instead, people have left the church, omitted important services and sometimes failed to choose men filled with the Holy Ghost. Also, we ought to obey God, not man. Bro. Tilley closed his sermon with prayer.

The business session was called to order by the Moderator. The Moderator asked for Correspondence. A thank-you note from Marshall Robertson from Sardis Church was read. He thanked the people for their prayers and concern during his illness.

The following committees gave reports and were approved as read:

### **WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST REPORT**

Another year is swiftly passing by and as I look at the theme for WAC for 2000 "A DOOR AJAR" I wonder how many doors have we opened, how many lives have we touched, have we truly made a difference in someone's life. Through WAC we have access to many doors of service. Our LAW project for 2000 is the Jimmy and Janie Aldridge Scholarship fund.

Alabama WAC Missions Banquet is November 9, 2000 at Florence Free Will Baptist Church, Missionary Dave Franks Jr. (Uruguay) will be the guest speaker.

The 2001 State Convention will be held at Eastside Free Will Baptist Church in Dothan, May 5, 2001. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and service begins at 9:00 a.m.



A prayer retreat is planned for September 21-22, 2001 at Shocco Springs Conference Center near Talladega.

Since Alabama is hosting the national convention in 2006 all local WAC's have been asked to raise \$ 1 00/year for four years beginning in 1999.

The WNAC Prayer Retreat at Ridgecrest North Carolina was a blessing. The theme was "Keys To Growth" 11 Peter 3:18 with the "First lady of Piano" Gail Smith as our guest speaker. I am proud to report that Mt. Moriah District had 13 ladies that attended this retreat. Our next District meeting will be March 2001 at Tabernacle Free Will Baptist Church.

My hearts desire is that all of us will have a more consuming desire to reach the lost, minister to those with special needs, have a compassion and love for those who are less fortunate. A "Door is Ajar." Let's get to work. We have a story to tell and a task before us, Co-Laborers.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Smith, President  
Mt. Moriah District WAC

## **DEVOTION**

We recommend the following to preach at the January 13, 2001 Quarterly Meeting:

First Sermon - Rev. Earnest White  
Alternate - Rev. Fred Graham

Second Sermon - Rev. Larry Colburn  
Alternate - Rev. Terrell Jones

Third Sermon - Rev. Leon Orr  
Alternate - Rev. Redus Hall

## **Missions and Church Extension Financial Statement:**

### **Receipts:**

Church Growth Conference (No expenditures)	\$696.44
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Missionary Banquet	695.05
Balance brought forward	

Total gifts and receipts	3,259.00
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### **Expenses:**

Catering	2,080.00
Fig Leaf Florist	64.84
Honorarium (Fred Jones, Speaker)	200.00
Rent Northport Civic Center	600.00
Order checks	<u>12.75</u>
	\$2,957.55

Balance on hand (both accounts)	\$1,692.94
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## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

We, your committee, report as follows;

Balance on hand as of August 31, 2000	\$1,953.85
Dues taken in from all Churches in Association	2,823.00
Balance on hand as of October 6, 2000	4,776.85
The General Fund Offering for today was	179.00
Quarterly Donation to Eldridge Children's Home	100.00
Balance on Hand	\$4,855.85

**Treasurer's Annual Report - given by Jewell South.**  
**Balance as of September 11, 1999 - \$1,348.70**

**RECEIPTS:**

Offering from Quarterly Meetings	632.84
Carolwood	185.50
Pleasant Grove	122.00
Phillips Chapel	136.55
Tabernacle	188.79
Dues from All Churches	2,493.00
Interest	448.46
 Total Receipts	 3,174.30

**EXPENDITURES:**

Postage for Moderator and Clerk	99.00
State and National Dues	1,445.00
Children's Home	400.00
Printing of Minutes	599.40
Clerk's Expenses	25.75
Total Expenditures	2,569.15
Balance on hand as of August 31, 2000	1,953.85

**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: \$85.00

**FINANCE REPORT**

Church	Min.	Min. Fund	State Dues	Gen. Fund	TOTAL
Mt. Moriah	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 145.00
Macedonia	25	\$ 50.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 165.00
Tabernacle	50	\$ 100.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 215.00
Shiloh	33	\$ 66.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 181.00
Phillips Chapel	45	\$ 90.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 205.00
Mt. Zion	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 175.00
Union Hill	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00
Holman	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 139.00
Sardis	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 155.00
Glen Echo	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 160.00
Carolwood	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 175.00
1st FW Reform	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00
1st FW Ethelsville	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 155.00
Eastside	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 139.00
1st FW Tuscaloosa	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00
Union	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 139.00
Pleasant Grove	5	\$ 10.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 125.00
Faith	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 145.00
Totals	374	\$ 748.00	\$ 1,530.00	\$ 545.00	\$ 2,823.00

## DECEASED

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

Mt. Moriah	None
Macedonia	Ms. Minnie Leonard
Shiloh	Mrs. Ruth Hickman Free
	Mrs. Arindale Pate Hannah
	Mr. Albert B. Burkhalter
	Mr. Charles Davis Homan
Tabernacle	Mr. Fred Montgomery
Phillips Chapel	Mr. Billy Ray Watson
	Mrs. Pearl Galloway
	Mr. Guin Galloway
	Mr. Rufus Smith
	Mrs. Florene Sanford
	Mrs. Irene Watson Keith
Mt. Zion	Mr. Clifton Garrison
Union Hill	Mr. Wilford Joyner
	Mrs. Jessie Harris
Holman	Mrs. Florence Wilburn
Sardis	Mrs. Dorothy Redding
Glen Echo	Mrs. Kate Fulgham
	Mr. Daniel Hill
	Mrs. Corine Acker
Carolwood	Mrs. Eva Mae Tucker
	Mr. James B. Tucker
	Mrs. Jessie Mae Hallman
1st FW Reform	None
1st FW Ethelsville	None
Eastside	Mrs. Edna Thompson
	Mr. William T. Shelby
1st FWB Tuscaloosa	None
Union	None
Pleasant Grove	None
Faith	Rev. Paul Sellers

Landy Plymon read all the ministers names who had deceased over the 150 years, followed by singing "Precious Memories." James South gave the memorial prayer.

## **CHILDREN'S HOME**

The financial giving was up about a thousand dollars this year. Last year it was \$17,675.95 – this year \$18,443.86. We urge you to continue your financial support.

We request that you to visit the Children's Home and see what your money is being used for. We ask that you would remember the children during the holidays and show them that they are loved. Please remember them in your prayers.

We ask Bro. Waymon Fields to give us an update on the Children's Home at this time.

Bro. Fields stated that the home is still in search of a director. There is a possibility of this position being filled by January 2001. He requested prayer for workers who can deal with these children who have problems. He praised the progress and accomplishments of the home and noted that we need one more cottage. He expressed appreciation to the Mt. Moriah Association for their support over the years.

## **TEMPERANCE**

We, your committee, request all members of the Mt. Moriah Association walk in the footsteps of Jesus every day, therefore maintaining a Christian image. If we do this, we will show others the way to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

## **MORALS AND REFORM**

Morals in our society seem to be declining daily. We need to strive to uphold our morals in our own personal life and continue to teach our young people to have high ideals and expectations.

We feel that parents should be more involved in our children's school and do all we can to return prayer to our schools.

Please remember to vote next month and vote for those who have conservative Christian values.

## **EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE**

Any relationship requires daily communication. We talk to God through prayer and God talks to us through His word, the Bible. We encourage everyone to grow daily in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. II Timothy 2:15 says, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God".

As we grow in our relationship with God we can become better examples for our children. Proverbs 22:6, "train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

We recommend that everyone become more aware and concerned about the literature that we allow to come into our homes.

## **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

We recommend as follows: The election results followed the General Board's recommendations except for the September 30, 2001 Youth Meeting. There was a tie between Phillips Chapel and Tabernacle. We recommend that it be at Tabernacle because Phillips Chapel had the December Youth meeting.

Also, the two following items that were tabled earlier were taken item by item and approved.

Item No. 1 - To be added as Article 14 under the Rules of Decorum. "No more than one (1) person from the same church shall serve on the same standing committee (Credentials, Board of Christian Education, Missions and Church Extension)".

Item No. 2 - Move Article 12, Section Two, which is the Board of Christian Education, to become Article 13, Section Three.



## **RESOLUTION AND APPRECIATION**

We want to thank Bro. Roy Plymon and Mt. Moriah Church for hosting this annual meeting. WE are glad to take part in celebrating our 150 years as an association. We received a blessing from all the speakers and singing. We thank all the ladies for the delicious food and all the fellowship of the people. Let's all pray for the up-coming election.

A time of announcements followed. After the song "When We All Get To Heaven" the dismissal prayer was given by Rev. Hank Hollis.

### **January Quarterly Meeting FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF PLEASANT GROVE January 8, 2000**

The January session of the Mt. Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists convened with First Free Will Baptist Church of Pleasant Grove on January 8, 2000. Musicians for the day were Tim Fields leading the singing with Mary Kearney at the piano. Rev. Jerry Montgomery gave the opening prayer followed by the congregation singing "When I See The Blood". Rev. Jimmy Youngblood, host pastor, gave the welcome. Rev. Jerry Smith, Moderator, gave the response and also expressed our appreciation for this church coming into our Association last year and for asking for this session of the Quarterly Meeting.

Rev. Kevin Taylor preached the first message entitled, "How to Change Our Churches", using scripture from John 21. Too often Christians get to playing church and get sidetracked with programs and plans. We must have dependence on God, direction from God, use God's methods and trust everything to God. God will then supply our every need. To win the world to Jesus we must get on the right path. The song "Victory in Jesus" was sung following the message.

The next sermon was preached by Rev. Gary Mullenix. He used Matthew 4:23-25 using "Jesus - Our Perfect Pattern" as his title. He emphasized that Jesus was willing to go where he was needed. Every part of Jesus' life was controlled by the prophecy of Him. He was not afraid to speak out - He spoke a bold message and called people to repentance. Jesus used many different ways to minister - by teaching, healing, preaching and helping. Jesus was not afraid to enlist help. He is our perfect example.



The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk. All churches were present except First FWB of Tuscaloosa, First FWB of Reform and Eastside. Rev. Jerry Montgomery gave the Roll Call of Ministers. Seven ministers were absent. All standing and elected delegates were recognized and asked to stand. Rev. Jimmy Youngblood gave the offertory prayer for the General offering. The offering received was \$122.00. "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" was sung followed by prayer by Rev. Ken Bozeman. The congregation was dismissed for break time for food and time for getting reports.

With the singing of "Jesus Saves" we assembled for reports from committees. All reports were approved as read.

The first report was given by Vaudine Lancaster who reported on the Uruguay Mission work with Jaimie and Tammy Lancaster. Buddy and Vaudine had visited Uruguay and told of the needs and the warm response received by the Christian Uruguayans. She expressed appreciation for the good support received, noting that four of the ten top supporters were churches in the Mt. Moriah Association.

#### **DISTRICT WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST**

God has given us so many opportunities to serve Him this past year through Women Active For Christ. Our annual Missions Banquet was truly a blessing to all who attended. Bro. Fred Jones, Home Missionary to Prattville, brought a heart-stirring message. L.A.M.P. project for this year goes to ACTS 1:8 program.

The Jimmy and Janie Aldridge Scholarship needs our woman's support.

Our next District meeting will be March 25, 2000 at Moriah FWB Church. I look forward to seeing you there.

WNAC theme for 2000 is "Opportunities: A Door Ajar" Revelation 3:8; song – "Anywhere With Jesus".

Women are good at getting the job done. We have a mission today and for the new millennium. We need your prayers as we labor together for Christ's kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Smith, President  
Mt. Moriah District WAC

## **DEVOTION COMMITTEE**

We recommend the following to preach at the April 8, 2000 Quarterly Meeting:

First Sermon - Rev. Tony Tilley  
Alternate - Rev. Leon Orr

Second Sermon - Rev. Dewey Thomas  
Alternate - Rev. Jerry Smith

Third Sermon - Rev. Tony Latham  
Alternate - Rev. J.H. Tilley

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Balance brought forward	\$1,845.21
General Fund Offering -	\$ 122.00
Quarterly donation to Children's Home	\$ 100.00
Balance on Hand	\$1,867.21

Jewell South, Treasurer, gave the Quarterly Financial Report.

## **BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

- We had a goal of 300 at our last (October) Youth meeting.
- We exceeded that number by 11 plus. Although the official number was 311 we feel some were not counted during roll call of churches.
- We held a skating party in Tuscaloosa in December. The Lord blessed in that there were no broken bones.
- We don't have all churches participating, and we would like to see all churches represented.
- We are in the process of getting speakers for our Youth activity during the Spring Break.
- Next Youth meeting is at Phillips Chapel and is being hosted by Holman.
- Pray for our Christian board as we seek to follow God's leadership and guidance in planning activities.
- Pray for all the youth in and out of the church.

## **MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION**

We would like to thank the churches for sending the financial support for our missions banquet. We had the best response ever. We really appreciate the pastors who promoted the banquet at their respective church.

We hope that each member of our Association will prayerfully support our missions conference and our missionaries.

### **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

Upon request of Glen Echo Church and upon following examination we recommend that Bro. Gary Mullenix's name be added to the Ordained Ministers list.

### **RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION**

We request the following submitted by Moderator, Bro. Jerry Smith, be accepted:

Resolution: Be it resolved that we the Mt. Moriah Association, ask our Clerk, Mr. Vaudine Lancaster, to send a letter of appreciation to Black Warrior Printing of Tuscaloosa, AL, in appreciation for the wonderful job they have done in printing the 1999 Associational minutes and for the new two color cover with the Free Will Baptist Logo.

The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to First Free Will Church of Pleasant Grove and its pastor, Bro. Jimmy Youngblood, for hosting this session of the quarterly meeting. We have enjoyed the hospitality, refreshments, and the fellowship.

We have been blessed by the singing and the sermons we have heard. We are thankful for all the churches who were represented at this meeting.

**Other business:** Waymon Fields gave a report from the Children's Home. He stated there is a possibility of a candidate for Director. He said the support from our Association had been great and asked for our continued support.

The Pastors and Workers Conference will be held on February 14-16 at Muscle Shoals. Speakers will be Rev. John Gibbs, Rev. Fred Warner and Rev. Dan Patrick.

Directions to churches are to be sent to Bro. Jerry Smith so the booklet can be made to give persons trying to locate a church in our Association.

A medley of songs— “Heavenly Sunlight”, “He Keeps Me Singing” and “When We All Get To Heaven” were sung by the congregation.

Rev. Jerry Montgomery delivered the last sermon. His title taken from Zachariah 10:12 was based around “Returning To Old Standards”. He noted that in our own strength we can do nothing, it must come from God. Divine strength is needed by everyone. Sin weakens us and drains us from our labors in the Lord. The Great Power Source will never run out. This is done through the Holy Spirit. By the Grace of God and through his mercy He gives us just what we need and when we need it. We must return to depending more on God for spiritual growth and increase.

In closing Rev. Jimmy Youngblood gave some facts about his church, stating that they had just purchased the land across the street for a future fellowship hall. He also gave suggestions for places to eat following the quarterly meeting. “Bring Them In” was sung and the benedictory prayer was given by Bro. Dan Turman.

## **PHILLIPS CHAPEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**

### **April 8, 2000**

Raiford Galloway lead the congregation in “He Hideth My Soul” with Myree Galloway at the piano. The opening prayer was given by Rev. Kevin Taylor. The host pastor, Rev. Terrell Jones, gave the welcome. Rev. Jerry Smith, Moderator, gave the response.

Rev. Dan Turman, pastor of Faith Free Will Baptist Church, preached the first sermon. His text was taken from John 15: 1-8. He used the analogy that Jesus is the head vine and Christians are the body or branches. The branch is useless by itself, it has to draw life from the vine – just like our life with Christ is. We are nothing without Him. He gave a challenge to go out and win souls for Jesus.

The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Assistant Clerk. The Roll Call of Ministers was given by the Credentials Committee. Rev. Tony Latham led in prayer.

The next sermon was given by Rev. Dewey Thomas. His scripture was taken from Hebrews 12:1, using the questions, Who is We? Who is Us? He noted that 80 to 90 % of the Bible is written to believers, not

unbelievers. His word is for us. We must do the will of the Lord. "We" is used at least 18 times and "us" is used 17 times. God has a mission for us to accomplish. God is not a quitter, are "we"?

Prayer was given by Rev. Terrell Jones, followed by a break. With the song "I'd Rather Have Jesus" the congregation assembled to continue the service. Brad Sanford led in prayer.

The business session was opened and the following reports were given and approved as read:

### **BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

We appreciate Holman for hosting the Youth Meeting in January 2000, which was held at Phillips Chapel. Pray for our upcoming youth meeting in April, which will be held at Shiloh Church. Continue inviting people. We held our Youth Revival at Shiloh Free Will Baptist on March 30-April 1<sup>st</sup>. We appreciate those who attended and also the ones who helped with refreshments on Saturday.

Bro. Ryan Musgrove was our evangelist and was accompanied by his wife, Julissa. They are from Columbus, MS. We had good crowds Thursday and Friday night. The Holy Spirit was present every night.

Continue praying for our Christian Board as we seek to follow God's leadership and guidance in planning activities. Also, continue praying for all the youth in and out of the church.

### **MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION**

(No report given)

### **FINANCE**

Treasurer's report given by Jewell South:

#### **Receipts:**

Offering – Phillips Chapel	- \$ 136.55
Interest received	- 10.04
Total Receipts	- \$146.59

#### **Expenditures:**

Children's Home – Quarterly Donation	- \$ 100.00
Total Expenditures	- \$ 100.00
Balance on hand as of July 7, 2000	- \$1,923.85



## **DEVOTION**

We recommend the following to preach at the July 8, 2000 Quarterly Meeting:

First Sermon - Rev. Douglas Tilley  
Alternate - Rev. Earnest White

Second Sermon - Rev. Jerry Montgomery  
Alternate - Rev. J. H. Tilley

Third Sermon - Rev. Leon Orr  
Alternate - Rev. Arlie Lynn

## **CREDENTIALS**

We, your committee, report as follows: Bro. David Cook is given a letter of good standing to Vernon Association upon request of the Vernon Association.

## **RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION**

The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Phillips Chapel Church and its pastor, Bro. Terrell Jones, for hosting this quarterly meeting. We have received a blessing from each sermon and song. The refreshments were enjoyed by all. We wish to thank each church and their pastors for supporting these meetings.

Visitors were recognized with two present from Faith Free Will Baptist Church. A time of prayer requests and praise items followed.

Announcements relating to the association were given. The song "Victory in Jesus" was sung. The General Offering was received with Tim Brasher giving the offertory prayer. Congregation song "When I've Traveled My Last Mile" was sung. Special singing by Rev. Tony Latham and his wife, Ceavlon was next with the song "I'm Free". Prayer was given by Lewis Montgomery.

Rev. Tony Latham brought the last message using Revelation 3: 14-22. His topic was "The Persecution of the Early Church". Gods knows the condition of our churches; He knows if we are hot or cold. God's church will prevail no matter what. We need to wake up right now, die to ourselves daily, and make sure our lamp is still burning daily.

The closing song was "Come and Dine". Rev. Roy Plymon dismissed the congregation in prayer.

**July Quarterly Meeting**  
**TABERNACLE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**July 8, 2000**

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" was the opening congregation song led by Milford McAdams with Myree Galloway at the piano, followed by prayer by Rev. Larry Colburn. Rev. Jerry Smith, Moderator and pastor of the host church, gave the welcome

Rev. Doug Tilley preached the first sermon stating that God is the supplier of every need. His topic, "Thus saith the Lord – What We Must Do", gave several "must" commands taken from John 3. Some mentioned were: we must be born again, we must believe in God, we must worship the Sovereign Savior, we must increase in knowledge; we must have a healthy relationship with God; and we must all appear before Him in judgment. Heaven is the reward for doing these "musts".

The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk. All churches were represented except Shiloh and 1<sup>st</sup> FWB of Reform. The Roll Call of Ministers was given by Rev. Jerry Montgomery with five ministers absent. The Moderator seated the standing delegates and the voting delegates.

Rev. Jerry Montgomery preached on "Promises". His key verse from 1<sup>st</sup> John 4:4 stated, "Ye are of God, little children and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, then he that is in the world." Satan's primary purpose is got get Christians to lose Jesus by relying on our own dependence, by losing sight of our goal to seek and save the lost, losing our spiritual appetite, lack of genuine love, giving a false impression and having a form of godliness.

Prayer was given by Lewis Montgomery

The business session was opened by the Moderator. The Credentials Committee and Faith Free Will Baptist Church pastor, Rev. Dan Turman



and the deacons retired for a meeting. Other committees got their folders for their reports. Announcements were given at this time. The congregation was dismissed for break time with prayer by Rev. Ben Logan.

We assembled back with the singing of "Old Time Power".

The following committees gave reports and all business was properly passed as written in the reports:

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

We, your committee report as follows:

Balance on hand as of July 7, 2000	- \$1,923.85
General Offering today	- 188.79
Quarterly Donation to Children's Home	- 100.00
Leaving a balance on hand as of 7-8-2000	- \$2,012.64

**MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION** (no report given)

**BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

We, your committee, report as follows: We remind you of the upcoming Youth Meeting on July 30 at Macedonia. We ask all pastors to encourage their congregations to attend and to participate. We are looking to regain our 300+ attendance and need your prayers and support.

**DEVOTION**

We, your committee, recommend the following to preach at the October 7, 2000 Annual Meeting:

9:30 a.m.	Rev. Tony Tilley
Alternate	Rev. Larry Colburn
11:00 a.m.	Rev. Jerry Smith
Alternate	Rev. Leon Orr
P. M. Message	Rev. J. H. Tilley
Alternate	Rev. Earnest White

## **CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

We recommend that Faith Free Will Baptist Church be accepted into full fellowship of the Mount Moriah Association. They agreed to all questions and accepts the Articles of Faith and Rules of the Association.

We recommend that Bro. Dan Turman's name be added to the Ordained Ministers' list upon request of Phillips Chapel Church and the examinations of the Credentials Committee

We recommend at the Annual Association meeting in October that a committee of five (5) to be appointed for the purpose of setting guidelines for churches coming into our association.

(Each item was voted on separately and approved)

## **RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION**

The Mount Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Tabernacle Church and its pastor, Bro. Jerry Smith, for hosting this quarterly meeting. We appreciate the ladies of the church for preparing the delicious brunch. We are thankful for each song and sermon and have received a blessing from each. We ask for the continued support of all the churches and pastors for these quarterly meeting.

We also wish to welcome Faith Free Will Baptist Church and its pastor, Bro. Dan Turman, into the Mount Moriah Association.

**Old Business – None**

**New Business –** Rev. Kevin Taylor spoke of the possibility of a Wet-Dry Referendum to be held in Pickens County. He passed out literature to take steps against this proposed referendum and to pray about this issue.

**Uruguay Mission Update –** Vaudine Lancaster gave a report on the Jaimie Lancaster family and the great need for prayer for all missionaries. Jaimie and Tammy have moved into a house and have had a summer missionary for three months.

**Children's Home –** Waymon Field, serving on director's board at the Children's Home gave a report of the completed construction of three new cottages, multipurpose building-kitchen, dining and storage area. All this

is paid for because of the assistance of people contributing time, materials and money.

New Church - Faith Church was asked to come forward and was given the right hand of Christian fellowship.

General Offering was received. The amount received was \$188.79.

Special music was presented by Waymon and Gail Fields, Steve McAdams, and Milford McAdams who sang "Just A Little Talk With Jesus".

The final sermon was preached by Rev. Jimmy Youngblood using Acts 16:23 and Psalm 100:4 as the basis for his scripture. His title "Power of Praise – Power of Worship". He said God's power will overflow if we receive his blessings just as Paul and Silas did at midnight in jail when they sang praises to God. The power of God must be present to receive His power. Praise will elevate us to God's level. To praise and honor Him we must put ourselves down and lift Him up.

The Moderator mentioned out National Convention to be held in Anaheim, California beginning July 16. Also, the General Board meeting will be September 23 at Shiloh.

## 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 of redemption.

ART. 2. We believe the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that it has God for its author, truth for its matter and salvation for its end; that it reveals the principle by which 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 self-examination.

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

ART. 13. We believe in open and mixed communion and the churches of our body are authorized, through their pastors, to invite Christians of all orthodox churches, who are in good standing in their respective churches to commune with us at the Lord's table.

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, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer) 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, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer shall be chosen by ballot at each annual session of the Association. A majority of votes, by delegates present, elect.

(b) The Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer 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.

ART. 14. No more than one (1) person from the same church shall serve on the same standing committee (Credentials, Board of Christian Education, Missions and Church Extension).

## 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 Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual session by a majority of votes. The Moderator shall serve as the Associational Representative on the General Board of the State Association. The Clerk and Treasurer shall be paid \$125.00 each, per year, plus expenses incurred in carrying out their respective 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.

B. DUTIES: 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 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.

C. MEETING DATE: The regular meeting date for the General Board will be two weeks prior to the annual Association meeting (the Saturday before second Sunday in October) and remain the same each year.

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. 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 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.

### SECTION THREE: BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### 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. RULES FOR MINISTERS

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 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.

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_ .

Rev. \_\_\_\_\_ , Moderator

\_\_\_\_\_, Church Clerk



## 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.