

**MINUTES
OF THE
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIRST
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION
OF
FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

HELD WITH

**FIRST FWB CHURCH
PLEASANT GROVE, ALABAMA**

**OCTOBER 13, 2001
9:30 A.M.**

OFFICERS

Rev. Jerry T. Smith – Moderator
Rev. Jimmy Youngblood – Asst Moderator
Rev. Ken Bozeman – Clerk
Vaudine Lancaster – Asst Clerk
Jewell South – Treasurer

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DATES TO REMEMBER

ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET

January 12, 2002	Northport Civic Center 6:30 P.M.
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QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 12, 2002	First – Ethelsville
April 13, 2002	Macedonia
July 13, 2002	Glen Echo

ANNUAL MEETING

October 12, 2002	Tabernacle
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FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS

December 30, 2001	Carolwood
March 31, 2002	Phillips Chapel
June 30, 2002	Shiloh
September 29, 2002	Faith

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

September 28, 2002	Shiloh 2:00 P.M.
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OFFICERS

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Rev. Jimmy Youngblood 106 Tucker Dr Cropwell AL 35054	Asst Moderator 205-525-5065
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Vaudine Lancaster 93 Lancaster Dr Ethelsville AL 35461	Asst Clerk 205-375-6876
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CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Searcy Mullenix 229 Browns Circle Gordo AL 35466	One-Year Term 205-364-8468
Stanley Sanford 12134 Cherokee Dr Northport AL 35475	Two-Year Term 205-339-4705
Rev. Roy G. Plymon 792 Bluebird Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	Three-Year Term 205-658-2314
Chad Harris 921 6 th St Pleasant Grove AL 35127	Four-Year Term 205-744-2296
Rev. Gary Mullenix 619 4 th Ave. N.W. Gordo, AL 35466	Five-Year Term 205-364-0671

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Rev. Ben Logan 12225 Co Rd 12 Fayette AL 35555	Two-Year Term 205-932-4025
Waymon Fields 10280 Hwy 96 Millport AL 35576	Three-Year Term 205-662-3226
Rev. Terrell Jones 19658 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	Four-Year Term 205-339-9856
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BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Rev. Larry Colburn 12231 Grandview Dr Northport AL 35475	One-Year Term 205-333-9445
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Chris Colburn 12231 Grandview Dr Northport AL 35475	Three-Year Term 205-333-9445
Dan Montgomery 15435 Hwy 171 Northport AL 35475	Four-Year Term 205-333-8690
Tim Fields P.O. Box 543 Millport AL 35576	Five-Year Term 205-662-4996

GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS

Carolwood	Brad Sanford 12600 Hickory Dr Northport AL 35475	205-333-5430
Eastside	Felix Styron 30 Durrett Grove Tuscaloosa AL 35404	205-554-1586
Faith	Jeff Patrick P.O. Box 441 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7409
First-Ethelsville	Vernice Tilley 2162 Eagle Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	205-658-2605
First-Pleasant Grove	Chad Harris 921 6 th St Pleasant Grove AL 35127	205-744-2296
First-Reform	Bruce Shaw 285 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8409
First-Tuscaloosa	Hoyt Nelson 1620 23 RD Ave E Tuscaloosa AL 35404	205-556-3161
Glen Echo	James Acker 3655 Halls Mill Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8574
Holman	Rev. Elmer Lynn 4113 Sand Springs Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8657

Macedonia	Milford McAdams 233 Hillcrest Dr Columbus MS 39702	662-328-5016
Mt. Moriah	Tim Brasher 4145 County Rd 21 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8668
Mt. Zion	James South 17536 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-9332
Phillips Chapel	Glenn Bigham 18457 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-3892
Sardis	Troy Barron 187 7 th St SW Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7892
Shiloh	Steven B. Koon 139 Blue Ridge Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7823
Tabernacle	David Cook 512 Double Branch Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-0367
Union	Ed Miller 300 McCafferty Rd Carrollton AL 35447	205-373-2830
Union Hill	Terry Lowe 3190 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8737

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ken Bozeman	P.O. Box 88 Millport AL 35576	205-662-3488 205-662-3496
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David Cook	512 Double Branch Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-0367
Fred Graham	P. O. Box 435 Vernon AL 35592	205-695-9631
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Ben Logan	12225 Co. Rd. 12 Fayette AL 35555	205-932-4025
Roger Lucas	15373 Pecan Dr Northport AL 35475	205-333-0038
Arlie Lynn	#10 Wood Manor Tuscaloosa AL 35401	205-345-7790
Elmer Lynn	4113 Sand Springs Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8657
Jerry Montgomery	15307 Autumn Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-4202

Gary Mullenix	619 4 th Ave NW Gordo AL 35466	205-364-0671
Leon Orr	P. O. Box 212 Reform AL 35481	205-375-2572
Roy G. Plymon	792 Bluebird Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	205-658-2314
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Douglas Tilley	3415 32 nd Ave E Tuscaloosa AL 35405	205-553-7634
J. H. Tilley	1747 24 th St E Tuscaloosa AL 35404	205- 553-7106
Tony Tilley	1321 Sentell Rd Reform AL 35481	205-375-6426
Dan Turman	17281 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-4552
Earnest White	5699 Benevola Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8566
Jimmy Youngblood	106 Tucker Dr Cropwell AL 35054	205-525-5065

LICENSED MINISTERS

Randall Lynn	4112 Sand Sprints Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8657
Marlon Robertson	14224 Pruitt Loop Rd Northport AL 35475	205-333-1227
Craig Turman	17281 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-4552

DEACONS

CAROLWOOD

Dennis Sanford	6700 Smith Jackson Rd Northport AL 35473	205-333-8485
Stanley Sanford	12134 Cherokee Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-4705
Eulie Robertson	12620 Hickory Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-3181
Brad Sanford	13387 Rocky Ridge Dr Northport AL 35475	205-333-5430
Jason Creamer	15538 Sam Norris Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-6940
Jessie Marquis	13632 Elderberry Ln Northport AL 35475	205-339-1935

EASTSIDE

Felix Styron	30 Durret Grove Tuscaloosa AL 35404	205-554-1586
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FAITH

Dalton Price	1906 Sellers Rd Carrollton AL 35447	205-367-8539
Bernie Sellers	3100 Marvin Chapel Rd Carrollton AL 35447	205-367-8708
Robert E. Sellers	4316 County Rd 16 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7864
Burren Windle	19950 Hwy 86 Carrollton AL 35447	205-367-9005

FIRST-ETHELSTVILLE

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Vernice Tilley	2162 Eagle Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	205-658-2605
Gene Tilley	1898 Eagle Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	205-658-1002

FIRST-PLEASANT GROVE

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Willis Rawls	2922 Highwood Ct Hueytown AL 35023	205-744-5979
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FIRST-REFORM

Ralph Martin	141 Bonner Farm Rd Reform AL 35481	205-375-2462
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Bruce Shaw, Jr.	285 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8409
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David Odom	P.O. Box 445 Reform AL 35481	
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FIRST-TUSCALOOSA

Marzelle Summerlin	1323 Hargrove Rd Tuscaloosa AL 35404	205-553-7127
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GLEN ECHO

Burns Brown	745 Fulgham Bottom Rd Carrollton AL 35447	205-367-8514
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Tim Fulgham	2538 Halls Mill Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8037
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HOLMAN

William Quimby	14842 Hwy 140 Coker AL 35452	205-339-5405
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Jimmy T. Oden	18375 Hwy 140 Elrod AL 35458	205-339-0607
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Lifford Robertson	12514 Holman Church Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-339-8455
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MACEDONIA

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James Wharton	623 McAdams Rd Millport AL 35576	205-662-3334
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Charles Smith	1000 Woodard Rd Millport AL 35576	205-662-3346
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Tim Fields	P.O. Box 543 Millport AL 35576	205-662-4996
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MT. MORIAH

James L. Lancaster	93 Lancaster Dr Ethelsville AL 35461	205-375-6876
Walter Ogelsby	607 Mt. Moriah Church Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	205-375-2208
Searcy Mullenix	229 Browns Circle Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8468

MT. ZION

Gifferd Winters	15998 Mt. Zion Church Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-7965
James South	17536 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-9332

PHILLIPS CHAPEL

Grady Bigham	13648 J.C. Gilliam Rd Berry AL 35546	205-339-2259
Raiford Galloway	16581 Hwy 171 Northport AL 35475	205-339-4349
Herman Sanford	14488 County Rd 12 Berry AL 35546	205-932-3621
Robert Smith	15713 Cardinal Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-1617
Glenn Bigham	18457 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-3892
Blanton Watson	14000 County Rd 12 Fayette AL 35555	205-932-5696
Terry Sanford	15219 Starboard Place Northport AL 35475	205-339-0584
Wayne Rice	19600 Holcombe Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-4347
Bill Rice	16746 Turquoise Ln Northport AL 35475	205-339-9551
Ray Lee	12399 Cherokee Dr Northport AL 35475	205-333-5604

SARDIS

Winston Robertson	18990 Robertson Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7943
Marshall Robertson	18911 Robertson Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7997

Troy Barron	187 7 th St SW Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7892
Earl Johnson	18677 Robertson Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-1609
SHILOH		
E. Marlin Burkhalter	1005 County Rd 20 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7206
William H. Koon	156 Billy Koon Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7879
M. Wilson Connell	56 March Ln Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7300
Gene Crowe	1162 County Rd 20 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8601
John C. Fair	2792 County Rd 88 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7635
Houston Latham	1022 Dusty Ridge Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7901
TABERNACLE		
Clifton Malone	Rt 4 Box 88 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8497
Calvin Wicker	20295 Kemp Rd Northport AL 35476	205-339-9759
L. E. Sturdivant	15360 Rue Rd Coker AL 35452	205-339-2607
Wallace Lowery	13858 Lowery Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-4255
Don Martin	15179 Bethabara Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-1910
UNION		
Ed Miller, Sr	300 McCafferty Rd Carrollton AL 35447	205-373-2830
Horace Watkins	14804 Upper Columbus Rd Echola AL 35457	205-330-2436
Jeff Smith	2792 Lindsey Tower Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-367-8307
UNION HILL		
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James Harold Lowe	3035 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8402
Terry Lowe	3190 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8737

CHURCH CLERKS

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Faith	Stephanie Patrick P.O. Box 441 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7409
First-Ethelsville	Patsy Tilley 160 Redbird Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	205-658-2851
First-Pleasant Grove	Mary Kearney P.O. Box 111 Pleasant Grove AL 35127	205-744-6692
First-Reform	Cindy McDaniel 269 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8756
First-Tuscaloosa	Dorothy J. Lake 516 43 rd St Tuscaloosa AL 35405-3750	205-758-0772
Glen Echo	Jana Fulgham 184 County Rd 51 Kennedy AL 35574	205-375-2682
Holman	William Quimby 14842 Hwy 140 Gordo AL 35452	205-364-5404
Macedonia	Sue McAdams 233 Hillcrest Dr Columbus MS 39702	662-328-5016

Mt. Moriah	Cherry Mullenix 229 Browns Circle Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8468
Mt. Zion	Karen Horton 17290 Tabernacle Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-4880
Phillips Chapel	Terry Sanford 15219 Starboard Pl Northport AL 35475	205-339-0584
Sardis	Marshall Robertson 18911 Robertson Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7997
Shiloh	Wilith E. Cook 60 Dusty Ridge Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8462
Tabernacle	Gail W. Martin 15179 Bethabara Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-1910
Union	Jerry Gray 717 Salem Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-367-8390
Union Hill	Harold Lowe 3035 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8402

YOUTH LEADERS

Carolwood	Roger Lucas 15373 Pecan Dr Northport AL 35475	205-333-0038
Eastside	Brenda Mahan 11491 Robert Rd McCalla AL 35111	205-938-3835
Faith	Patsy Windle 19950 Hwy 86 Carrollton AL 35447	205-367-9005
First-Ethelsville	Gene Tilley 1898 Eagle Rd Ethelsville AL 35461	205-658-1002

First-Pleasant Grove	None	
First-Reform	Teresa Junkin 701 2 nd St S Reform AL 35481	205-375-6171
First-Tuscaloosa	None	
Glen Echo	Christal Fulgham 2710 Halls Mill Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-1221
Holman	Tina Wilburn 17184 J.B. Wilburn Rd Echola AL 35457	205-333-2894
Macedonia	Tim & Tammy Fields P.O. Box 543 Millport AL 35576	205-662-4996
Mt. Moriah	Tim & Karen Brasher 4145 County Rd 21 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8668
Mt. Zion	Joyce Watson 13102 Haygood Rd Berry AL 35546	205-339-4483
Phillips Chapel	Sherry Lee & Patricia Phillips 12399 Cherokee Dr Northport AL 35475	205-333-5604
Sardis	Earl & Donna Johnson 18677 Robertson Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-1609
Shiloh	Melody Sutton 5211 Hwy 159 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7436
Tabernacle	David & Dawn Cook 512 Double Branch Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-0367
Union	Elaine Noland 312 32 nd Pl E Tuscaloosa AL 35405	205-758-4357
Union Hill	Pam Lowe 9467 County Rd 35 Ethelsville AL 35461	205-375-6013

CHURCHES, PASTORS & PHONE NUMBERS

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First-Ethelsville	Redus Hall 50868 Wolfe Rd Caledonia MS 39740	601-256-2266
First-Pleasant Grove	Jimmy Youngblood 106 Tucker Dr Cropwell AL 35054	205-744-6374
First-Reform	Leon Orr P. O. Box 212 Reform AL 35481	205-375-2572
First-Tuscaloosa	Tony Tilley 1321 Sentell Rd Reform AL 35481	205-375-6426
Glen Echo	Gary Mullenix 619 4 th Ave NW Gordo AL 35466	205-364-0671
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Sardis	Tony Latham 273 Double Branch Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8773
Shiloh	Fred Graham P. O. Box 435 Vernon AL 35592	205-695-9631
Tabernacle	Jerry T. Smith 4212 38 th Ave Northport AL 35473	205-333-2557
Union	Dan Turman 17281 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-4552
Union Hill	Kevin Taylor 11 Union Hill Rd Reform AL 35481	205-375-2532

DELEGATES TO MT. MORIAH ASSOCIATION

Carolwood:	Milton Gurganus Charlotte Hocutt	Marvin Hagler Alt- Roy Guy
Eastside:	Brenda Mahan Marilyn Styron	Cora Shelby
Faith:	Pat Windle Kim Price	Anna Price Alt- Mary Ann Sellers
First-Ethelsville:	None	
First-Pleasant Grove:	Randy Moore Ted Moorefield	David Barry Alt- Kenneth Isbell
First-Reform:	Ray McDaniel Michael Orr -	Danny Duncan
First-Tuscaloosa:	Hoyt Nelson	
Glen Echo:	James Acker Reva Brown	Nell Acker Alt- Jana Fulgham

Holman:	Ruth Terry Tracy Robertson	Bonnie Lynn Alt- Jeanette Smith
Macedonia:	Steve McAdams Milford McAdams	Luke Bozeman Alt- Mike Shaw
Mt. Moriah:	Vaudine Lancaster Landy Plymon	Cherry Mullenix Alt- Ann Joyner
Mt. Zion:	Wallace Marshall Joei Griffin	Amy Morrison Alt- Darlene Smith Vicky Horton
Phillips Chapel:	Willie F. Logan Josh Smith	Douglas Watson Alt- Stanley Sanford
Sardis:	Donna Robertson Cevalon Latham	Nell Robertson Alt- Annicie Skelton
Shiloh:	Steve Koon John Burkhalter	Skip Sutton Alt- David Burkhalter
Tabernacle:	Lewis Montgomery Marty Sullivan	Bryan Sanford Alt- Mac Walters
Union:	Rev. Earnest White Betty Miller	Kay Turman Alt- Cecil Jones
Union Hill:	Lottie Sudduth Luranee McKee	Arlene Keasler Alt- Pam Lowe

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

CHILDREN'S HOME

Doug Watson*
Danny Duncan
Cora Shelby
Kim Price

DECEASED

Landy Plymon*
Lottie Sudduth
Charlotte Hocutt
Kay Turman

DEVOTION

Lewis Montgomery*
Steve McAdams
Josh Smith
Steve Koon

**EDUCATION, PUBLICATION
AND LITERATURE**

Milford McAdams*
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Martie Sullivan
Donna Robertson

FINANCE

James Acker*
Randy Moore
Marvin Hagler
Hoyt Nelson

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Milton Gurganus
Vaudine Lancaster
Pat Windle

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APPRECIATION**

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Nell Acker
Betty Miller
Cherry Mullenix

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CTS

Arlene Keasler*
John Burkhalter
Joei Griffin
Willie Logan

TEMPERANCE

Bonnie Lynn*
Ray McDaniel
Skip Sutton
Brenda Mahan

* Committee Chairman

DECEASED MINISTERS

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

MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Carolwood	Jerry Montgomery Dewey Thomas Roger Lucas Greg Isom Craig Turman
Eastside	Douglas Tilley
Faith	James Posey
First-Ethelsville	Redus Hall
First-Pleasant Grove	Jimmy Youngblood
First-Reform	Leon Orr Patrick Creel
First-Tuscaloosa	Tony Tilley Arlis Barksdale Arlie Lynn J.H. Tilley
Glen Echo	Gary Mullenix
Holman	Ben Logan Elmer Lynn Randall Lynn
Macedonia	Ken Bozeman
Mt. Moriah	Roy G. Plymon Jamie Lancaster
Mt. Zion	Larry Colburn Marlon Robertson
Phillips Chapel	Terrell Jones
Sardis	Tony Latham
Shiloh	Fred Graham J.L. Lavender
Tabernacle	Jerry T. Smith David Cook
Union	Dan Turman Earnest White
Union Hill	Kevin Taylor

HISTORY OF CHURCHES

<u>CHURCHES</u>	<u>ORGANIZED</u>	<u>ORGANIZED BY</u>
Carolwood	1970	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Eastside	1964	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Faith	1978	Rev. Paul E. Sellers
First-Ethelsville	1902	Rev. Woods Springfield
First-Pleasant Grove	1964	Rev. Burt Alexander
First-Reform	1958	Rev. O.L. Fields
First-Tuscaloosa	1957	Rev. H.E. Crawford Rev. J.H. Tilley
Glen Echo	1936	Rev. T.L. Walker
Holman	1912	Rev. Woods Springfield
Macedonia	1847	Rev. Ellis Gore
Mt. Moriah	1846	Rev. Ellis Gore
Mt. Zion	1902	Rev. W.J. Harbin Rev. W.B. Montgomery
Phillips Chapel	1893	Rev. W.J. Harbin Rev. J.W. Moore Rev. C.J. Blake Rev. J.S. Hinton
Sardis	1930	Rev. W.J. Harbin
Shiloh	1874	Rev. Ellis Gore Rev. Thomas Malloy
Tabernacle	1875	Rev. Ellis Gore Rev. W.H. McGee
Union	1891	Rev. Woods Springfield
Union Hill	1908	Rev. Woods Springfield

ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING
First FWB Church-Pleasant Grove, Alabama
October 13, 2001

The one hundred and fifty-first annual meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association was held at First Free Will Baptist Church in Pleasant Grove. The opening song, "America The Beautiful", was song by the congregation with Kenneth Isbell leading the singing and Mary Kearney at the piano.

Host pastor, Rev. Jimmy Youngblood, gave the welcome and led in prayer. Moderator Jerry Smith gave the response and introduced the first speaker, Rev. Gary Mullenix, pastor of Glen Echo FWB Church.

The text was taken from Esther 8:1-8. He gave the Biblical response to a nation that finds themselves under attack from an enemy. Just as in Jewish history, God has always permitted people to defend themselves. He reminded us there are six things we need to do:

- #1 Leave Everything In The Hands Of The Military
- #2 Pray For Our Nation, Our Military, And Our Leaders
- #3 Make Sure We Do Not Anger To The Point Of Sin
- #4 Make Sure We Aren't Seeking Revenge Against Them
- #5 Be Ready To Help Anyway We Can If Needed
- #6 Rest And Rejoice When It Is Done God's Way

The Moderator called the conference to order. The Clerk called the roll of Churches in which five, Faith, First-Reform, First-Tuscaloosa, Shiloh, and Union Hill, were not represented at the meeting. The Credentials Committee gave a roll call of Ministers.

All standing delegates were recognized and then seated. Elected delegates were then announced and seated. Among the visitors at the meeting was Rev. Rick Cash, State Promotional Director. The Credentials Committee gave a partial report stating that all Church letters were in order.

The Clerk read the report from the General Board:

The General Board met at Shiloh Church on September 29, 2001 at 2:00 P.M., and was presided over by Assistant Moderator Jimmy Youngblood. Rev. Terrell Jones opened the meeting by leading in prayer.

Rev. Fred Graham, host pastor welcomed pastors and Board members. The Clerk gave a Roll Call of the Delegates. All Churches were represented except Eastside, Faith, First FWB of Tuscaloosa, and Phillips Chapel. The Credentials Committee then retired to examine the Church letters.

Rev. Jimmy Youngblood announced the upcoming Annual Meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association at First FWB in Pleasant Grove. The State Meeting, to be held November 7th-9th at Madison FWB Church was also announced.

Meeting place recommendations were as follows:

<i>*Quarterly Meetings-</i>	
<i>January 12, 2002</i>	<i>First-Ethelsville</i>
<i>April 13, 2002</i>	<i>Macedonia</i>
<i>July 13, 2002</i>	<i>Glen Echo</i>
<i>*Annual Meeting-</i>	
<i>October 12, 2002</i>	<i>Tabernacle</i>
<i>*Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings-</i>	
<i>December 30, 2001</i>	<i>Carolwood</i>
<i>March 31, 2002</i>	<i>Phillips Chapel</i>
<i>June 30, 2002</i>	<i>Shiloh</i>
<i>September 29, 2002</i>	<i>Faith</i>

The Credentials Committee report showed that all Church letters were in order.

Nominations for Association offices:

<i>Moderator-</i>	<i>Rev. Jerry Smith</i>
<i>Assistant Moderator-</i>	<i>Rev. Jimmy Youngblood</i>
<i>Clerk-</i>	<i>Rev. Ken Bozeman</i>
<i>Assistant Clerk-</i>	<i>Vaudine Lancaster</i>
<i>Treasurer-</i>	<i>Jewell South</i>

<i>Credentials Committee-</i>	<i>Rev. Gary Mullenix</i>
<i>Board of Christian Education-</i>	<i>Tim Fields</i>
<i>Missions and Church Extension-</i>	<i>James L. Lancaster</i>

In the business session, James South distributed the Treasurer's Report in the absence of Treasurer Jewell South. There was some discussion about the Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting program.

Rev. Terrell Jones, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed to draw up guidelines for new Churches wishing to affiliate with the Mt. Moriah Association, made the following recommendations:

That Article 7 of the Constitution be changed to read as follows:

Article 7 CHURCH MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION

SECTION ONE: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. Any Church desiring to become a member of the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists or to continue membership must adopt its Articles of Faith and conform to the use thereof and openly identify in all literature, printed material, church sign, etc. that they are indeed a FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH.*

SECTION TWO: NEW CHURCHES REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP

- A. A Church requesting membership in the association must submit a letter affirming that it has read the Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and the Constitution of the Mount Moriah Association and that its membership by majority vote has agreed to abide thereby. The letter shall be signed by the Church Pastor, Deacons of the Church, and the Church Clerk.*
- B. A Church transferring from another association must obtain a letter of good standing from the association of which it is transferring from.*
- C. The Credentials Committee shall be responsible for examining all requests of Churches desiring to become members. Upon completion of their examination they shall make a recommendation to the association during a regular business meeting session.*

There were also some suggestions that came out of the discussion of the committee during their yearlong work on this:

1. *That each Church should be willing to have a delegation at each meeting to accompany their pastor.*
2. *That each Church should support and encourage participation in the Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings.*
3. *That each Church should be willing to host a quarterly meeting if asked.*

The General Board approved the recommendations. The meeting was then adjourned by prayer.

Rev. Terrell Jones talked about the work of the Committee, which had been appointed to look into establishing some guidelines for accepting Churches into the Association. He restated the change in the Constitution that was recommended by the General Board. This item was tabled until the afternoon session.

Treasurer Jewell South passed out copies and gave the annual report:

Balance as of September 1, 2000	\$1,953.85
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RECEIPTS:

Offerings from Quarterly Meetings-

Mt. Moriah (Annual Meeting) -	\$189.00
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Phillips Chapel -	150.30
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Sardis -	184.00
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Union -	132.00
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For A Total of -	\$655.30
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Received from all Churches

For Dues & Minute Fund -	\$2,823.00
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Interest	64.52
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TOTAL RECEIPTS -	\$3,542.82
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EXPENDITURES:

Postage for Clerk -	\$ 54.00
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State and National Dues -	1,530.00
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Children's Home -	400.00
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Russian Seminar -	225.00
Printing of Minutes -	648.00
Clerk's Expense (Vaudine Lancaster) -	25.00
Clerk's Expense (Rev. Ken Bozeman) -	34.78
Clerk's Duties -	125.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES -	\$3,041.78
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Leaving a balance as of August 31, 2001	\$2,454.89
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The Treasurer also gave an up-to-date report of finances:

Balance as of September 1, 2001	\$2,454.89
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RECEIPTS:

Interest received -	\$4.47
Dues received from all Churches -	\$2,851.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS -	\$2,855.47
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EXPENDITURES:

Alabama State Association of FWB – State & National Dues -	\$1,530.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES -	\$1,530.00
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Leaving a balance as of October 12, 2001	\$3, 780.36
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Mrs. Vaudine Lancaster gave an update on the Jaimie Lancaster Family.

State Promotional Director, Rev. Rick Cash, gave an update on the Acts 1:8 Program. He announced that Rev. Wayne Wilson would be assuming the Mission Church in Prattville. He also thanked the Association for helping with the Russian Institute.

Ballots for the election of officers were passed out to voting delegates. All recommendations by the General Board were elected. Standing Committees were instructed to meet during the upcoming break.

Delegates were appointed for the State Meeting to be held at Madison FWB Church in Madison, Alabama. Appointed by the Moderator were Jewell South, Sue McAdams, Milford McAdams, Barbara Smith, Vaudine Lancaster, Myree Galloway and Doug Watson.

Rev. Rick Cash leading in prayer dismissed the meeting for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

As the congregation reassembled following the break, we sang "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There", led by Kenneth Isbell, with Mary Kearney on the piano. Members of the host Church also provided special music. David Barry sang "That's What This Altar Is For", and Kenneth Isbell sang "He's Alive".

The second message was preached by Rev. Roger Lucas. His text was I Peter 2:1-10, with commitment being the focus. The people to whom Peter was writing were scattered, facing temptation and persecution. Peter's hope was to encourage them. Two thoughts were developed in the message that are applicable to us today.

#1 Christ Committed Himself To *HIS* People
"Ye are a chosen generation" We belong to God. We are Somebody's something. This is a great encouragement to exiled, terrorized and lonely people.

#2 Christ Committed *HIMSELF* To His People
"Shew forth the praises of him who has called you out of darkness into his glorious light" He sent no substitute. It took the sinless Son to redeem us back to God. This is a great encouragement to strangers and pilgrims that face fiery trials.

The congregation then stood together and sang "Amazing Grace". We were dismissed for lunch.

The afternoon session was opened by the congregation singing "Heaven's Jubilee". Kenneth Isbell led the singing and Mary Kearney accompanied on the piano. Rev. Ben Logan led the congregation in prayer.

Members of the Financial Committee were called to receive an offering. James Acker led the offertory prayer. Special music was by Kenneth Isbell who sang "Thank You Lord".

The final message was preached by Rev. Dewey Thomas. His text was Matthew 5:13, and he challenged Christians today to the task of "living it", that is applying the Word of God in their lives. He gave three things we should always keep in mind.

- #1 **Bad Salt Is Good For Nothing**
Bad salt has no value. It should be thrown out. The Church should take inventory and make sure we are listening to His Word and doing His will.

- #2 **God Can Be Trusted**
He always knows the need in our life. He prepares people for His work. He has prepared a place for us for all eternity. Are we showing respect and appreciation to Him for what He is doing for us?

- #3 **Sin Hurts The Church**
80% of the New Testament is written to the Church. This generation of God's people is no different than any in the past. If we want God's blessings, we must humble ourselves and be obedient to Him.

The following committees gave reports and were approved as read:

EDUCATION, PUBLICATION & LITERATURE

We feel at this time more than ever education is a very important thing in the lives of our children. The future relies on this. We encourage parents to promote good, godly education.

We feel that literature should be monitored at all times, especially what we let come into our homes. We emphasize Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CTS

As our Holy Scriptures admonish us in II Timothy 2:15 to "study to show thyself approved", we admonish this association of Churches to see

that our Sunday Schools and CTS groups be founded in study. Our admonition also envelopes our need not to rely solely upon our literature as good as it may be, but that our study be in the Holy Bible, rightly divided, and our final authority. Our needs for study do not end on Sunday, but should reach out into our personal life, especially in these times of intense evil and tribulation.

WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

Sharing Hope and Healing is the theme of WNAC this year which is so appropriate in our country today. Our District WAC will be getting together at 9:30 on October 27th at the P. Cox Restaurant in Reform for a time of studying the word and fellowship. Sue Plymon, our study chairman, will be in charge of the program.

Mark the following dates on your calendars:

2002 WNAC Masters Men Couples Retreat – April 5-7: Pigeon Forge

2002 WNAC Convention: Memphis TN – July 22-23

WNAC Retreat: Ridgecrest – September 19-21

2003 WNAC Western Retreat: Branson MO – March 20-22

Thanks to all for your faithful leadership in your locals and our district. May God bless you as you continue to serve Him. Please pray for each other and for me, that God will lead and direct and that He will receive glory from all that we do. God bless you and God bless America.

CHILDREN'S HOME

The financial giving was down seven hundred twenty-six dollars and twenty-six cents. Last years it was \$18,443.86, while this year the total was \$17,717.63. We urge you to continue your financial support.

We request that you 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.

Brother Waymon Fields, Chairman of the Children's Home Board, also gave an update on the progress of the newest building.

TEMPERANCE

We ask all members of the Mt. Moriah Association to look to God for guidance in this troubled times. In Psalm 46:1 "God is our refuge and

strength a very present help in trouble.” In Psalm 27:5 “For in the time of trouble, he shall hide me in his pavilion, in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me, he shall set me up upon a rock.” Let us strive each day to mirror the life of Jesus Christ.

MORALS & REFORM

The September 11th attack, as tragic as it was, has opened new avenues. The moral issue has taken on a deeper religious realm. As Christians, we must reemphasize the spiritual and Biblical rules we have been instructed in God’s Word. II Chronicles 7:14, which reads “If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and forgive their sin, and heal their land”, is a good creed for us as Christians to daily dwell on.

Prayer has been opened in areas where it previously was prohibited. We recommend that we band together to make this truly a “nation under God” and one He is greatly pleased with.

DECEASED

We report the following members who have passed away this year:

Carolwood	Ivory Bailey
	Olden V. Strother
	Vera Jean Malone
Eastside	None
Faith	Hazel Hickman
First-Ethelsville	Harvell Tilley
First-Pleasant Grove	None
First-Reform	None
First-Tuscaloosa	None
Glen Echo	Henry Oscar Fulgham
Holman	None
Phillips Chapel	Mattie C. Bell
	Virgie Sullivan
	Edmond Nuckols
	Indie Pendley
	Eula Smith
Macedonia	Frank Sims
	Lamar Foxhall
	James Elisha Dawkins
	Gaylon Fields

Mt. Moriah	Ruby Gore
Mt. Zion	Sam Montgomery, Jr.
Sardis	Tommy Driver
Shiloh	Vester Lewis Latham
	Ruby McCrary Koon
Tabernacle	Vergie Sweeney
	George Ballard
	Corine Malone
Union	Patrick Gray
	Lucille Gray
	Marie Nickoles
Union Hill	Mary Jones
	Leona Lunsford
	Mary Morehead
	Eddie Mae Reece
	Pauline Lowery

Sister Landy Plymon led the congregation in "Precious Memories", after which Rev. Terrell Jones led in prayer.

DEVOTION

We recommend the following to preach at the January 12, 2002 Quarterly Meeting:

First Sermon:	Rev. Tony Latham
Alternate:	Rev. Jimmy Youngblood
Second Sermon:	Rev. J.H. Tilley
Alternate:	Rev. Dan Turman
Third Sermon:	Rev. Jerry T. Smith
Alternate:	Rev. Larry Colburn

FINANCE

We report as follows:

Balance on hand as of October 12, 2001	\$3,780.36
General offering today	\$ +159.00
Quarterly Donation to Children's Home	\$ <u>-100.00</u>
Leaving a balance on hand as of October 13, 2001	\$3,839.36

Mt. Moriah Association
Church Statistics

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	J	K	M	N	P	R	S	T	V	W	X	Z
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	Avg		Avg	MEETING	RECEIVED	LOST					MEMBER-
3		**Assoc. Pastor	*Utilities	& Evangelists	HOME	MISSIONS	MISSIONS	COLLEGE	Enrolled	Att	Enrolled	Att	Avg. Att.	Bap	Res	Let	Let	Exc	Dec	SHIP
4		***Youth Pastor	**Assoc. Pastor	& Interim			*ACTS1:8													
5																				
6	Carolwood	Jerry Montgomery	\$ 28,710.00	\$ 2,247.00	\$ 1,843.98	\$ -	\$ 1,680.00	\$ -	72	59	0	0	50	5	0	13	6	0	3	232
7		**Dewey Thomas	\$ 2,988.40																	
8																				
9	Eastside	Douglas Tilley	\$ 13,850.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 500.75	\$ 1,154.50	\$ -	\$ 155.98	18	8	0	0	8	0	0	2	0	0	0	153
10																				
11	Faith	Scott Mongtomery	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	43	30	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	1	43
12																				
13	First-Ethelsville	Redus Hall	\$ 17,400.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 713.35	\$ 434.10	\$ -	\$ -	30	20	26	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	1	31
14																				
15	First-Pleasant Gr	Jimmy Youngblood	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -					25	0	0	0	0	0	0	76
16																				
17	First-Reform	Leon Orr	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	35	25	20	15	15	1	0	2	2	0	0	93
18																				
19	First-Tuscaloosa	Tony Tilley	\$ 11,970.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ 2,918.34	\$ -	\$ -	35	25	35	24	20	1	0	3	0	0	1	49
20																				
21	Glen Echo	Gary Mullenix	\$ 10,800.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 680.00	\$ 438.00	\$ 741.59	\$ -												
22																				
23	Holman	Ben Logan	\$ 10,400.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 1,252.20	\$ -	\$ 880.00	\$ -	45	40	0	0	25	3	0	1	4	0	0	89
24																				
25	Macedonia	Ken Bozeman	\$ 38,463.68	\$ 1,049.11	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 2,229.31	\$ 1,230.00	\$ 1,200.00	66	59	45	38	22	1	0	0	0	6	4	78
26																				
27	Mt. Moriah	Roy Plymon	\$ 11,700.00	\$ 690.50	\$ 590.00	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 3,209.00	\$ 225.00	25	20	0	0	15	3	0	3	0	0	1	71
28																				
29	Mt. Zion	Larry Colburn	\$ 12,444.94	\$ 705.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 162.50	\$ 541.50	\$ -	56	43	0	0	45	16	0	10	0	0	1	98
30																				
31	Phillips Chapel	Terrell Jones	\$ 41,614.62	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 6,862.33	\$ 9,860.00	\$ 12,393.00	\$ -	72	57	0	0	45	1	0	2	6	0	5	232
32																				
33	Sardis	Tony Latham	\$ 10,400.00	\$ 1,310.00	\$ 120.02	\$ 120.02	\$ 421.00	\$ -	23	15	0	0	16	0	0	0	4	0	1	60
34																				
35	Shiloh	Fred Graham	\$ 28,020.00	\$ 899.00	\$ 975.00	\$ 4,373.00	\$ 3,099.00	\$ 600.00	57	34	0	0	20	0	0	0	3	0	2	101
36																				
37	Tabernacle	Jerry Smith	\$ -	\$ 1,340.01	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 5,894.48	\$ 532.39	\$ -	51	51	0	0	35	1	0	5	0	0	3	93
38																				
39	Union	Dan Turman	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120.00	\$ -	\$ 775.00	\$ -	20	8	0	0	8	2	0	5	0	0	3	41
40																				
41	Union Hill	Kevin Taylor	\$ 11,900.00	\$ 450.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,693.04	\$ 960.00	\$ -	0	0	0	0	25	1	0	2	0	0	4	45
42																				
43																				
44	TOTALS		\$ 265,461.64	\$ 14,440.62	\$ 17,717.63	\$ 32,176.19	\$ 27,662.48	\$ 2,180.98	648	494	126	97	424	35	0	48	25	6	30	1585

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We don't have all Churches participating in the 5th Sunday Youth Meeting and would like to see all of our Churches represented.

With this in mind, this next year we are going to change the format a little bit. At the Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings we are going to make these changes:

- 1) We are going to start a "Best Program" banner to be judged by people from different Churches at the meeting. There will be 5 judges.
- 2) We are going to drop the "Percentage" banner. At this time, the "Best Program" banner will take its place.
- 3) We are also sending out letters to each Pastor and Youth Leader showing some of the proposed changes to the Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting. We will be asking for their input on the proposed changes.

We are planning to have a "Bowling Night Out" some time in January 2002. Youth Leaders and Pastors will be contacted on time and date.

Our next Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting will be at Carolwood on December 30, 2001. The Church plans a time of fellowship after the meeting.

Pray for the Christian Board of Education as we seek to follow God's leadership in planning activities. Always keep our youth in your prayers.

MISSIONS & CHURCH EXTENSION

We want to remind everyone of our Missions Banquet on January 12, 2002 at 6:30 P.M. at the Northport Civic Center. We hope that all Churches will be present to show our support of missions. Banquet tickets will be \$9.50 each, and must be purchased in advance in order that we can let the caterer know how many plates to prepare.

M & M Catering of Aliceville will once again be doing the catering.

CREDENTIALS

The election went as the General Board recommended. We recommend, upon Holman Church's request and our examination, that Bro. Randall Lynn's name be added to the licensed minister's list.

RESOLUTIONS & APPRECIATION

We want to thank Rev. Jimmy Youngblood of First FWB-Pleasant Grove for hosting the annual meeting. We received a blessing from all the speakers and the singing. We want thank the ladies for the delicious food and all the fellowship of the people.

Let us continue to pray for the leaders of our nation, the military, and the decisions to be made now and in the future.

The proposed Constitutional change of Article 7 was taken from the table and approved unanimously. After the congregation stood together and sang "When We All Get To Heaven", we were dismissed in prayer by Stanley Sanford.

MINUTE FUND

Church	Min.	Min. Fund	State Dues	Gen. Fund	TOTAL
Carolwood	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 175.00
Eastside	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 139.00
Faith	14	\$ 28.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 143.00
First-Ethelsville	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 155.00
First-Pleasant Gr	5	\$ 10.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 125.00
First-Reform	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00
First-Tuscaloosa	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00
Glen Echo	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 155.00
Holman	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 139.00
Macedonia	25	\$ 50.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 165.00
Mt. Moriah	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 145.00
Mt. Zion	45	\$ 90.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 205.00
Phillips Chapel	50	\$ 100.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 215.00
Sardis	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 155.00
Shiloh	33	\$ 66.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 181.00
Tabernacle	50	\$ 100.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 215.00
Union	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 139.00
Union Hill	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00
Totals	393	\$ 786.00	\$ 1,530.00	\$ 540.00	\$ 2,856.00

JANUARY QUARTERLY MEETING
Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist Church
January 13, 2001

Singing "Just Over In The Glory Land" opened the January meeting of the Mount Moriah Association. Milford McAdams led the singing, with Myree Galloway at the piano throughout the day. Rev. Roger Lucas gave opening prayer. Rev. Terrell Jones, host pastor, extended a challenge for prayer and support in the upcoming Missions Conference, and welcomed all delegates and guests.

The Clerk gave the Roll Call of Churches, and all were present except First FWB Church of Reform. The Credentials Committee Chairman, Rev. Roy Plymon gave the Roll Call of Ministers, of which seven were absent.

Rev. Earnest White preached the first message using scripture from Romans 12:1-14. Brother White stressed two things to which this scripture speaks:

Responsibility- Each one of us has room to improve and do better. It is our job to get the gospel of grace out to a lost world. This applies to preachers, teachers and laymen alike. Eternity is a serious matter.

Reward- Being with Christ for all eternity would be great. It is important to have fruit in the form of souls won to Christ through our faithful testimony.

He concluded by challenging Christians to get the job done and reminding those in attendance who might not be saved that not one will get by without the blood of Christ.

James Acker prayed the offertory prayer, and the congregation stood together and sang "Where The Soul Never Dies" as the offering was received. The offering total was \$150.30. The Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, mentioned as a praise item that 245 tickets had been sold for the annual Missions Banquet. Rev. Terrell Jones directed us to the Church Fellowship Hall, and then offered a prayer of thanks for the food.

The congregation assembled again with the singing of "When We All Get To Heaven", followed with prayer by Rev. Fred Graham. "When I See The Blood" was then sung.

Our second message was preached by Rev. Terrell Jones, using Hebrews 12:1-11. His message was entitled "Difficulty Of Discipline". After stating the theme of Hebrews is perseverance, and showing the faithfulness of believers in verse 1, and the faithfulness of Christ in verses 2-3 of his text, he brought out three points about the purpose of God's chastening His people:

Punish Us- God will deal with our sin if we are not willing to do so. David's experience taken from I Samuel 12:9-14 was used as an example.

Prevent Us- Keep us from allowing pride, of which all are subject, to exist in our life. The example of Paul's unique revelations from Christ was used, and the reason given in II Corinthians 12:7-9.

Promote Us- God desires that we be made stronger. Job was advanced after his experiences. He knew God better, knew himself better, and knew how to sympathize with others because of his trials according to Job 42:3-6

He concluded by reminding us all that discipline is only beneficial if endured. In God's way, the cross is first and then the crown.

The following reports were given and approved:

Treasurer's Report- given by Jewell South.

Balance as of September 1, 2000	\$1,953.86
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RECEIPTS:

Dues from all Churches-	\$2,823.00
Offering (Mt. Moriah Meeting)-	\$ 189.00
Interest received-	\$ 29.18

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$3,041.18
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EXPENDITURES:

Clerk's Fee-	\$ 125.00
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Clerk's Expenses-	\$ 25.00
Children's Home-	\$ 100.00
State & National Dues-	\$1,530.00
Black Warrior Printing-	\$ 648.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$2,428.00
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Balance On Hand As Of January 12, 2001	\$2,567.03
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Missions And Church Extension- given by Waymon Fields.

*We would like to thank our Churches for participating in our Missions Banquet and Missions Conference. 16 out of 18 Churches are attending the banquet.

*We appreciate the monthly support our Churches give to missions, especially the Acts 1:8 Plan. Mount Moriah gave \$73,950.77 to missions the last Associational year. This averages \$43.25 per member. Total outside giving to outside ministries was \$94,635.31, which averages \$55.34 per member. Our Association is to be commended for faithfully supporting God's work.

Board Of Christian Education- given by Tim Brasher.

*A special thanks to everyone that attended the December 31, 2000 Youth Meeting. There were 157 present.

*We appreciate all of our Youth workers who work with the young people throughout the year.

*Continue to remember the Board members in your prayers, as they are considering something new for the young people this year, but for now it is only in the planning stages.

*Remember the next Youth Meeting will be on April 29, 2001 at Carolwood FWB Church.

For information, Waymon Fields gave an update on the Children's Home. Rev. Randy Key is the new Director. There are presently 22 children at the home, with 1 scheduled to arrive today. Presently they are licensed to house 24 children.

The old existing building is to be torn down as soon as possible. Plans are to discuss a fourth cottage at the next Board Meeting. It will be a project to be paid for as it is being built.

Credentials Committee- given by Rev. Roy Plymon.

Upon request of Carolwood FWB Church and upon examination by our committee, we recommend the following:

*Rev. Greg Isom's name added to the Ordained Ministers list pending a letter of good standing from Greenbrier Nicholas Conference in West Virginia.

*Rev. Roger Lucas' name be added to the Ordained Ministers list pending a letter of good standing from the Jasper Association.

Devotion Committee- given by Steve McAdams.

We recommend the following to preach at the April 7, 2001 Meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Larry Colburn
Alternate -	Rev. Ken Bozeman

Second Sermon -	Rev. Fred Graham
Alternate -	Rev. Ben Logan

Third Sermon -	Rev. Roy G. Plymon
Alternate -	Rev. J. L. Lavender

Finance Committee- given by James Acker.

Balance Brought Forward	\$2,567.03
General Fund Offering Today	\$ +150.30
Quarterly Donation To Children's Home	<u>\$ -100.00</u>
Balance On Hand	\$2,617.33

Resolutions And Appreciation Committee- given by Ruth Terry.

The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Phillips Chapel and its pastor, Terrell Jones, for hosting this quarterly meeting. We enjoyed the brunch and want to thank the ladies for preparing it. We have also enjoyed all the preaching, and the spiritual singing, but especially the good fellowship. Let us pray for each other and for the continued good attendance and support of our Association.

This report was received by standing vote, and applause for Phillips Chapel's hospitality.

After the business was concluded, the congregation sang "Joy Unspeakable" and "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus". Annette Montgomery "Amazing Grace" for special music, and the congregation stood and joined in on the last verse.

Rev. Redus Hall preached the last sermon. For his text he used Matthew 5:14-16, and spoke on an "Unavoidable Witness". Brother Hall began by reminding the Church it is a great compliment to be called the light of the world. He then focused on light, bringing out these truths:

Light is clean, good and pure as mentioned in Ephesians 5:8-9.

Light illuminates darkness, providing opportunity to avoid pitfalls, I Thessalonians 5:5. Dangers lying ahead may be avoided according to Ephesians 5:11-14.

Light aids vision, and gives direction according to John 12:35. It shows the right way, Ephesians 5:10.

Light exposes error and reveals truth, especially the truth of God, or the way of God, John 14:6.

Light guides and leads, John 12:46.

He concluded that the only legitimate light is the light of Christ, which the Church has been called to show. The world badly needs this light!

Rev. Jimmy Youngblood gave praise items. Two teenagers, and a family of five have been saved recently at Pleasant Grove FWB Church. He also requested prayer for Attorney General appointee, John Ashcroft, who is being attacked by the liberal media and groups.

Herman Sanford also asked us to pray for our nation, because we are in desperate need of revival. Rev. Tony Latham requested prayer for the Watkins family whose house had recently burned.

The service concluded by giving the right hand of Christian fellowship to the ministers, and their wives, to welcome them into our Association, and recognizing Lando McAdams, age 93, for his faithful attendance and service to the Association.

APRIL QUARTERLY MEETING
Sardis Free Will Baptist Church
April 7, 2001

The April Meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association convened at Sardis Free Will Baptist Church. Waymon Fields opened the meeting by leading the congregation to sing "At The Cross", and was accompanied by Myree Galloway at the piano. Both the welcome and opening prayer were given by host pastor, Rev. Tony Latham.

Absent at the Roll Call of Churches given by the clerk, were the First FWB Church of Reform, and the First FWB Church of Ethelsville. Representatives of the First FWB of Ethelsville came in later. Rev. Jerry Montgomery of the Credentials Committee gave the Roll Call of Ministers, and there were nine absent.

The first message was preached by Rev. Larry Colburn, whose text was taken from Joshua 14:6-13. He brought out three things about Caleb that are relevant to Christians who are in the warfare today:

Caleb was a Soldier By Choice- He chose to fight and claim his inheritance in Canaan. Numbers 24 tells us Caleb had "another spirit" in him. There were 12 spies that originally went into Canaan to view the land, but he and Joshua were the only two that lived.

Caleb was a Career Soldier- As v.10 of the text tells us, there was no stopping place for Caleb. Even at 85 years of age, he was eager to claim the mountain God had given him.

Caleb was a Soldier With An Objective-He always kept his eyes on the prize. He wanted the mountain, and was willing to face the giants to get it.

In closing, Brother Colburn challenged us to be like Caleb, and "wholly follow the Lord God of Israel."

Rev. Rick Cash, State Promotional Director was introduced. He thanked the Association for their gifts to the Acts 1:8 Program, and told us the location for the state meeting had been changed to Madison FWB Church. Brother Cash also encouraged the Churches to be financially responsible toward their pastors.

James Acker, Finance Committee Chairman, prayed the offertory prayer, and the congregation stood together and sang "Down At The Cross" as the offering was received. The offering total was \$184.00. After instructions from the host Church, we were dismissed for break by Brother Earl Johnson.

The congregation assembled again by singing "What A Day That Will Be" which was led by Waymon Fields with Myree Galloway accompanying on the piano. This was followed with prayer by Rev. Jimmy Youngblood.

The second sermon was preached by Rev. Fred Graham, using Matthew 24:44 as his text for the message. Brother Graham's message dealt with "Watching For His Coming". He prefaced his message by reminding us that no man knows the day or hour the Lord will return, therefore we should at all times be ready. He also brought out two points about these words which were Jesus' response to three questions from His disciples:

God Gives Signs- The reason they are not being noticed is that many do not see them, and others are not able to discern them.

The Signs Given- Sin and wickedness seen in abortion and acceptance of homosexuality in our day.

Deception through the watering-down of the gospel, as mentioned in Matthew 24:4. Division in the world with nations fighting against each other, and nations divided from within, Matthew 24:7.

Unconcern, people busy, but no time for spiritual matters, Matthew 24:37-39. Like the Laodicean Church, lukewarm to spiritual things.

He concluded the message by asking us if we were ready for Jesus to come, illustrating the importance of being ready by bringing in Matthew 25:1-13, the story of the foolish virgins. Their lamps had gone out.

An opportunity to respond to his question was given as the congregation stood and sang the invitation hymn, "Just As I Am".

Moderator Jerry Smith then called the Association to order and delegate were seated. Guests were recognized; Rev. Rick Cash, State Promotional Director, and Rev. Randy Key, Director of the FWB Children's Home in Eldridge.

The following reports were given and approved:

Credentials Committee- given by Rev. Jerry Montgomery. The following items of business were recommended:

*Upon request of Carolwood FWB Church, we recommend that Craig Turman's name be added to the Licensed Minister's list for a minimum period of one year before being ordained.

*Upon request of Mt. Zion FWB Church, we recommend that Marlon Robertson's name be added to the Licensed Minister's list for a minimum period of one year before being ordained.

*We have received a request from Union FWB Church that Jimmy Pritchett's name be added to the Licensed Minister's list. At this time we cannot recommend this.

WAC (Women Active For Christ)- given by District president, Sis. Barbara Smith.

*The theme for 2001 is "Sharing Hope and Healing".

*This year's LAMP (Local Auxiliary Missions Project) Offering will go to the Jimmy & Janie Aldridge Scholarship Fund.

*The District meeting is to be held at Tabernacle FWB Church on April 28, 2001. Tammy Lancaster, Missionary to Uruguay, will be the guest speaker.

*The Alabama FWBWAC Convention will be on May 5, 2001 at Eastside FWB Church in Dothan, Alabama. Retired Missionaries; Janie Aldridge, Pat Franks, and June Hersey will be the keynote speakers.

*A prayer retreat is planned for September 21-22, 2001 at Shocco Springs Conference Center near Talladega. Susan Forlines will be the guest speaker.

Sis. Vaudine Lancaster- gave an update on Jamie and Tammy Lancaster, who are serving as Missionaries to Uruguay. They expressed an interest in our prayers for the work there, as well as Tammy's father, who has been diagnosed with cancer.

Treasurer's Report- given by Jewell South.

Balance as of January 12, 2001	\$2,567.03
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RECEIPTS:

Offering (Phillip's Chapel)-	\$ 150.30
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Interest received-	\$ 13.61
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TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 163.91
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EXPENDITURES:

Children's Home-	\$ 100.00
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Clerk's Expenses-	\$ 25.00
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Postage For Clerk-	\$ 54.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 170.80
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Balance On Hand As Of April 6, 2001 \$2,560.14

Bro. Waymon Fields- gave an update on the Board of Retirement's efforts to get all Churches involved in investing in their pastor's retirement. He also stressed the best ways to restructure the pastor's salary package so that he will not have a greater tax liability.

Board Of Christian Education- given by Tim Brasher.

***Announced the next Youth Meeting on April 29, 2001 at Carolwood FWB Church at 2:00 P.M.**

***Plans are being made for a Youth Revival, and the prayers and support of the Churches is needed to make this a successful meeting. All pastors and Churches were reminded that their youth would be the Church of tomorrow.**

Devotion Committee- given by Steve Koon.

We recommend the following to preach at the July 7, 2001 Meeting:

First Sermon -

Rev. Ken Bozeman

Alternate -

Rev. Roger Lucas

Second Sermon -

Rev. Ben Logan

Alternate -

Rev. Tony Tilley

Third Sermon -
Alternate -

Rev. J. L. Lavender
Rev. David Crowe

Finance Committee- given by James Acker.

Balance Brought Forward	\$2,560.14
General Fund Offering Today	\$ +184.00
Quarterly Donation To Children's Home	\$ -100.00
Balance On Hand	\$2,644.14

Children's Home Update- given by Director Randy Key.

*There are presently 26 children in the home.

*The original building has now been torn down to make way for another new cottage.

Resolutions And Appreciation Committee- given by Ruth Terry.
The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Sardis FWB Church and to its pastor, Rev. Tony Latham for hosting this meeting. The ladies are also thanked for the delicious brunch.

We are thankful for the singing and preaching, and have received a blessing. We ask for the continued support of all the pastors and Churches at the quarterly meetings.

The report was approved by a standing vote, and applause for the Church's hospitality.

The business session was concluded with the congregation standing together and singing "When We All Get To Heaven". Following this, special music was provided by Sis. Donna Johnson, who sang "The Only Thing That Matters".

Rev. Roy Plymon preached the final message of the meeting. His text was I Kings 18:17-21, 36-39 which he titled "Fire On The Altar". Brother Plymon introduced his message by stating that success is not how busy we are, how good our music program is, how attractive our building is, or how qualified our staff might be. Success is God being in our presence! This is what will thrill, encourage, empower and move the Church, His presence.

He then showed how God had used fire in the past to speak to Abraham when he walked through his sacrifices as a burning lamp, and to speak to Moses from the burning bush. This was external.

He then pointed to the New Testament, and the Church in its beginning where God's presence was evidenced by "cloven tongues" that came on the day of Pentecost. This was internal.

He then brought out four points about God's presence in our life:

His Presence Gives Guidance- v.36 "...at thy word". Elijah was not working on his own, but was being guided by the Lord in challenging the prophets of Baal.

His Presence Gives Protection- v.40 "...slew them (450 prophets of Baal) there". One preacher against 450 prophets, but unafraid to challenge them, and fearless in putting them to death after their defeat.

His Presence Gives Power- v.46 "...ran before Ahab to the entrance to Jezreel". Elijah was able to do the supernatural, and unbelievable tasks because God was with him.

His Presence Gives Provisions- v.45 "...there was an abundance of rain". God ended the drought and provided the needs of His people.

He concluded by stating that God is more important than organization, people, finances, earnestness, facilities, location and emotion. All of these were on Ahab's side, but Elijah had God. Until God is in what we do, success will not be ours to enjoy. If there is no fire, sin has crept in and there will be no growth.

Before closing the meeting, Brother Winston Robertson thanked the congregation for their prayers for him over the last few months. The final hymn, "To God Be The Glory" was sung, and the prayer of dismissal was led by Rev. Rick Cash.

JULY QUARTERLY MEETING

Union Free Will Baptist Church

July 7, 2001

Union Free Will Baptist Church was the site of the July meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association. Steve McAdams led the singing and Elaine Noland accompanied on the piano throughout the day. The service was opened by singing "I'll Live In Glory", after which James South led in prayer. Rev. Dan Turman, Church pastor, extended a welcome to all who attended.

Three Churches, Shiloh, Union Hill and Eastside were not represented when the Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk. The Credentials Committee gave the Roll Call of Ministers, and there were ten absent.

The Credentials Committee was then dismissed to take care of business. Afterwards, the congregation sang "Love Lifted Me".

Rev. Ken Bozeman, pastor of Macedonia, preached the first message. His text was Genesis 24:58-67 and was entitled "The Church In Genesis". He introduced the message by showing the beautiful picture of Abraham as God the Father, Isaac as God the Son, the steward of Abraham as God the Holy Spirit, and Rebekkah as the Bride, the Church.

He brought out three points about Rebekkah that apply to the Church today:

She Was Moved By A Message. The Church of today is those who have believed a message. We have not seen God, neither have we seen heaven, but we believe it to be the truth that He wants us to spend eternity with Him in heaven. We believe though we have not seen, just as Rebekkah had to leave her family behind.

She Was Made A Companion Of The Steward. The Holy Spirit is our constant companion as we live for God. He starts on the journey the moment we start and stays with us throughout the endeavor just like the steward did Rebekkah.

She Was Met By The Bridegroom, The Son. The body of believers will be met, somewhere between their house and his, just as Rebekkah was met by Isaac. He interrupted their journey to his house,

and one day the Lord will interrupt our journey, but for the purpose of taking us home with Him.

Brother James Acker prayed the offertory prayer, and an offering was received while the pianist played "He'll Hold To My Hand". A break was taken for refreshments.

The meeting was resumed by singing "Adore Our Wonderful King". Our second speaker, Rev. Ben Logan, pastor of Holman, used Jude 1-4 as his text. He talked of the disturbing and dishonoring lives that are being lived today in the professing Church body. He mentioned three scriptures that explain just what it means to be a follower of Christ:

Deuteronomy 26:15-17. Walking in His ways means listening to His voice. It develops peculiar characteristics in those that do, as well as high moral values in the people that follow Him.

II Samuel 7:22-24. God's people will be a different and distinguished people because they have been redeemed and God will confirm that truth in and through their lives.

Ephesians 1:1-7. God's people will be a faithful people. They will be blessed because they have been chosen, adopted into His family and forgiven of their sins.

He concluded by pointing out some things from I Corinthians 1:4-8 that characterize God's people; personal unworthiness, hunger for His Word, delight in prayer, interested in the salvation of others, constantly in conflict with Satan, thankfulness for God's blessings, and a love for fellowship with the saints.

The following reports were given and approved:

Credentials Committee- given by Rev. Roy Plymon. A recommendation was made that Bro. David Cook be added to the Ordained Minister's list, pending a letter of good standing from the Vernon Association.

Treasurer's Report- given by James South.

Balance as of April 6, 2001: \$2,560.14

RECEIPTS:

Offering (Sardis)	\$ 184.00
Interest received-	\$ 14.36

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 198.36
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EXPENDITURES:

Children's Home-	\$ 100.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 100.00
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Balance On Hand As Of July 6, 2001	\$2,658.50
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Board Of Christian Education- given by Tim Fields.

*The upcoming Youth Meeting will be on July 29th at Macedonia from 2:00 –4:00 P.M. We ask all pastors to encourage their congregations to attend and participate. We are looking to regain our 300+ attendance and need your prayers and support as we seek to follow God's leadership.

Devotion Committee- given by Steve McAdams.

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

First Sermon -	Rev. Kevin Taylor
Alternate -	Rev. Gary Mullenix
Second Sermon -	Rev. Roger Lucas
Alternate -	Rev. Tony Latham
Third Sermon -	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Alternate -	Rev. Jimmy Youngblood

Finance Committee- given by James Acker.

Balance Brought Forward	\$2,658.50
General Fund Offering Today	\$ +132.00
Quarterly Donation To Children's Home	<u>\$ -100.00</u>
Balance On Hand	\$2,690.50

Rev. Jeff Lunsford was introduced to give an update on his work in Mongolia. He read Ephesians 2:11-13 and thanked the Mt. Moriah Association for their support of the Acts 1:8 program. He concluded by

asking us to pray for him, his family, and the work going on in Mongolia.

Rev. Rick Cash, Alabama Promotional Director addressed the meeting. He announced that Rev. Scott Wright would be assuming the mission pastorate in Prattville. Rev. Fred Jones is moving to Cullman to start a Hispanic ministry.

An update on the Russian Institute was also given. Plans are to begin classes for the first group of Russian pastors in September. He requested prayer for all our mission projects in the state and all Alabama missionaries serving outside the state.

Resolutions And Appreciation Committee- given by Nell Acker. We thank the Union Free Will Baptist Church and its pastor for hosting this quarterly meeting. We received a blessing from the sermons and songs. We thank the ladies for the delicious brunch. We thank all the pastors, missionaries and Churches for their support of these meetings.

New Business- A motion was made, and seconded to give \$225.00 dollars to offset the expenses of three Russian pastors for the first training session of the Russian Institute. It was approved.

After the business session, the congregation sang "Palms Of Victory" Brother Ed Miller led us in prayer. Special music was given by the Union FWB Church Choir. They sang "The Old Country Church" and "Time Has Made A Change In Me"

The final message of the day was given by Rev. J.L. Lavender. His text was I Thessalonians 5:14-23 and with three points emphasized as to how we should act and react to life:

Rejoice Evermore. Christians should enjoy life, and the Lord's work. We would rejoice more if we gave more. It is God's will for us to rejoice. We should rejoice over the life that is ours through faith in Christ, and that our names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Pray Without Ceasing. Not when you get in a tight, but daily. We ought to pray and not to faint. There is no place to give up or quit.

Every day ought to be a day when we think about the Lord and pray to Him.

In All Things Give Thanks. Thank Him for the food we have to eat. We ought to thank Him for the ability to get up each morning, the opportunity to be at this meeting. Thank Him for the privilege to live for Him, and to love Him with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength.

After announcements were given, the congregation stood together and sang "Where Could I Go". Closing prayer was led by Waymon Fields.

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 communication.
5. Calls for new business.
6. Calls for miscellaneous business.
7. Adjournment.

LETTER OF DISMISSAL

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 _____ day of _____, _____.

Rev. _____, Moderator

_____, Church Clerk

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 to morally and actually 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 give 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; Revelation 2nd and 3rd chapters; Ezekiel 33:13-18; I Timothy 4:1; Hebrews 36; 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 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 the 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 be enrolled and called for, as necessary, during the session.

ART 5. A majority of the delegates shall rule in all cases except in 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 appoints 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, being composed of delegates from the different churches forming the same, each being entitled to three delegates.

ART 2. The body shall be considered an Advisory Council, but have no authority over the affairs of other churches unless they depart from the Articles of Faith of the Association. In case any church departs from the Articles of Faith and supports doctrines of heresy, or allows any Minister of her body to teach doctrines not in keeping with our Articles of Faith, the same shall be dealt with by this Association as it may deem proper and right, according to the teachings of the Bible.

ART 3. Each church in this Association shall be considered an advisory body and shall control its own internal affairs in matters of discipline, etc., and each 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 two-thirds vote of the Association; provided the same is presented in written form; presented in the morning session; and voted on it 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 the Treasurer shall be paid \$125.00 each, per year, plus expenses incurred in carrying out their respective duties. Each church shall send each to annual session the sum of \$30.00 as associational funds.

ART 6. (a) This Association shall met 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 report from all standing committees at each quarterly meeting.

ART 7. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION

SECTION ONE: GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. Any Church desiring to become a member of the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists or to continue membership must adopt its Articles of Faith and conform to the use thereof and openly identify in all literature, printed material, church sign, etc. that they are indeed a FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH.**

SECTION TWO: NEW CHURCHES REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP

- A. A Church requesting membership in the association must submit a letter affirming that it has read the Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and the Constitution of the Mount Moriah Association and that its membership by majority vote has agreed to abide thereby. The letter shall be signed by the Church Pastor, Deacons of the Church, and the Church Clerk.**
- B. A Church transferring from another association must obtain a letter of good standing from the association of which it is transferring from.**
- C. The Credentials Committee shall be responsible for examining all requests of Churches desiring to become members. Upon completion of their examination they shall make a recommendation to the association during a regular business meeting session.**

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 Practices of the Original Free Will Baptists.

ART 12. 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.

ART 13. STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION ONE: CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

- B.** 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.
- C.** 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 the recommendations to the Association.
- D.** 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 for Mission and Church Extension work.**
- D. The Mission and Church Extension Committee shall make a report to the annual session of the Association.**

SECTION THREE: BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

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 Mt. Moriah Association.

ART 17. MINISTERS. The authority to ordain or license ministers has its source in the local church.

- A. LICENSED MINSTERS. 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.
- B. 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, that is, he shall not be married to one wife a 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.

C. 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 for 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.

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 Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor 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.