MINUTES **OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE** MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS **HELD WITH CAROLWOOD FWB CHURCH** NORTHPORT, ALABAMA

OCTOBER 8, 2005 9:30 A.M.

OFFICERS

Rev. Jerry T. Smith - Moderator Rev. Roy G. Plymon - Asst: Moderator Keicia Tilley - Clerk Vaudine Lancaster - Asst. Clerk Tim Brasher - Treasurer

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MEETING PLACES, DATES AND CLERK INFORMATION

January 7, 2006

ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET

Northport Civic Center 6:30 P.M.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 7, 2006 April 8, 2006 July 8, 2006 Mt. Moriah Shiloh Phillips Chapel

October 7, 2006

ANNUAL MEETING Tabernacle

FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS

All youth meetings will be held at Carolwood Church this year (on a trial basis). The following churches will act as host and work with Carolwood on the procedure of setting up for the meeting, refreshments, the clean-up after the meeting and other expenses incurred.
October 30, 2005 Sulphur Springs and Macedonia
January 29, 2006 Phillips Chapel and Holman
April 30, 2006 Carolwood and Mt. Moriah
July 30, 2006 Faith and Tabernacle

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

September 23, 2006

Shiloh

9:00 A.M.

\$50.00

CHURCH CLERK INFORMATION

The following is a guide to assist you in sending the correct amount from your church to be sent WITH your church letter in September:

- Mt. Moriah Association Minute Fund: \$_____
 (number of minutes times \$2 per minute)
- Association Dues: \$30.00
 State Association Dues: \$135.00
- January Missionary Banquet

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Four-Year Term 205-339-0615

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Two-Year Term

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Three-Year Term

205-932-4025

Four-Year Term

205-662-3226

Five-Year Term

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Phillips Chapel:

Sardis:

Shiloh:

Sulphur Springs: Tabernacle:

Union:

Union Hill:

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RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CTS

TEMPERANCE

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MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Carolwood

Eastside Faith First-Ethelsville First-Reform

First-Tuscaloosa

Glen Echo Holman

Liberty

Macedonia Mt. Moriah

Jerry Montgomery **Dewey Thomas Greg Ison Roger Lucas** Earl Johnson **Douglas Tilley Tony Latham Redus Hall** Leon Orr Tony Tilley **Arlis Barksdale** Gary Mullenix Ben Logan Elmer Lynn Randall Lynn Jackie Adcox Albert Pickett Don Taggart Roy G. Plymon Jaimie Lancaster Larry Colburn **Terrell Jones** Dan Turman Albert Montgomery None Fred Graham **Rick Taylor Elzie** Gilliam **Michael Oliver** Jerry T. Smith Craig Turman David Cook Earnest White Kevin Taylor

Mt. Zion Phillips Chapel

Sardis Shiloh Sulphur Springs

Tabernacle

Union

Union Hill

HISTORY OF CHURCHES

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<u>CHURCHES</u>	ORGANIZED	ORGANIZED BY
Carolwood	1970	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Eastside	1964	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Faith	1978	Rev. Paul E. Sellers
First-Ethelsville	1902	Rev. Woods Springfield
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
Liberty		
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
Sulphur Springs	1905	Rev. Thomas Malloy
Sulphur Springs	1895	Rev. J.M. Pinkerton
Tabernacle	1875	Rev. Ellis Gore
Union	1801	Rev. W.H. McGee
	1891	Rev. Woods Springfield
Union Hill	1908	Rev. Woods Springfield

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ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church Northport, Alabama October 8, 2005

The congregation sang "He Keeps Me Singing" as we opened the 155th session of the Mt. Moriah Association annual meeting at Carolwood Church. Rev. Roger Lucas led the singing with Helen Lucas at the piano. Rev. Jerry Montgomery, host pastor, gave the welcome and prayer. Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, gave the response and welcomed visitors, recognizing Rev. and Mrs. M. H. Hollis of Vernon.

Assistant Clerk, Vaudine Lancaster, gave Roll Call of Churches. All churches were represented except 1st FWB Reform. She also read the Delegates List and filled in replacements of absentees. The Moderator stressed the importance of churches selecting delegates who would attend the meetings. Rev. Gary Mullenix, Credentials Committee member, read the Roll Call of Ministers. The song, "Oh What Singing" was sung. The Resolutions and Appreciation Committee and the Credentials Committee were dismissed to attend to upcoming business.

The first sermon was preached by Rev. Kevin Taylor from Luke 14:15 with his topic "Excuses For Not Doing God's Work". People are prone to put activities before the work of the church. God's word has given a plan for reaching the lost. Excuses such as being indifferent, feelings hurt and being too busy are some of the main reasons given for not doing God's work. When we are motivated, we will respond. Our mission is to go out and reach the lost.

The Assistant Clerk read the following General Board report: The General Board met at Shiloh Church on September 24, 2005 at 9:00 A.M. The opening prayer was by Rev. Larry Colburn.

Rev. Jerry Smith, Moderator, welcomed the board members, pastors and guests that attended the meeting. His devotional entitled "The Countdown" was scripture from II Kings:2. He showed several examples of men of the Bible who were given an allotted time such as Elisha, Lot, Children of Israel, Noah and Belshazzer. The "Zero" countdown hour of the church is almost here. It is our responsibility to use our allotted time wisely, witness and be ready for this hour. All Churches were represented except Eastside, First FWB of Reform, Macedonia and Union Hill. The Credentials Committee retired to examine the Church letters.

Bro. Smith stated that today's business is only recommendations and the actual vote will be at the annual meeting. For information purposes concerning the new format for the 5th Sunday Youth Meetings, Rev. Rick Taylor and Rev. Jerry Montgomery spoke regarding this. Bro. Taylor said he was amazed at the participation and the committee had searched buildings that would be feasible to accommodate this large number and had checked with Carolwood. Bro. Montgomery said for the upcoming year, the church was willing for the meetings to be held there on a trial basis.

Meeting place recommendations were as follows-. *Quarterly Meetings-

January 7, 2006	Mt. Moriah
April 8, 2006	Shiloh
July 8, 2006	Phillips Chapel

*Annual Meeting-October 7, 2006 Tabernacle

*Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings-

All youth meetings will be held at Carolwood Church this year (on a trial basis). The following churches will act as host and work with Carolwood on the procedure of setting up for the meeting, the refreshments and the clean-up after and the meeting.

October 30, 2005	Sulphur Springs
January 29, 2006	Phillips Chapel
April 30, 2006	Carolwood
July 30, 2006	Faith and Tabernacle.

Nominations for Association offices: Moderator-Assistant Moderator-Rev. Roy Plymon

Clerk-Assistant Clerk-TreasurerKeicia Tilley Vaudine Lancaster Tim Brasher

Nominations for Committee vacancies:

Credentials Committee- Stanley Sanford-5 yr term (replaced Steven Koon who filled the unexpired 3 years of Chad Harris' 5 year term) Board of Christian Education – Dan Montgomery-5 yr term (replaces himself) Missions and Church Extension – Rev. Terrell Jones-5 yr term (replaces himself)

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

Other items discussed: The Moderator gave an update on giving to Hurricane Katrina disaster fund. He mentioned what his church was currently doing to assist and challenged each church to help in whatever means they could. He also gave out letters from Rev. Dennis Kizzire who has been spearheading a fund in Mississippi in which he had received donations and assistance from 28 states.

He also noted that more assistance had been given by Bible believing Christians, contributing and doing work than any other organization.

This is an eventful year for our Association. The National Association will be held in 2006 in Birmingham. Many volunteer workers will be needed to assist in hosting this event.

Gary Mullenix, Credentials Committee, reported that the Credentials Committee had examined the church letters and ministers and found that all were in order.

The Clerk asked the General Board members to go back and thank their church clerk for getting the church letters and finances in a timely manner. All reports from the 19 churches were complete for the General Board meeting.

Rev. Fred Graham, pastor of Shiloh, invited everyone for delicious refreshments after the meeting. This special treat was served by Mona. Sha Koon in the Activities building which was beautifully decorated with the autumn theme. Steven Koon gave the dismissal prayer.

Tim Brasher, Treasurer, gave the following report:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of July 9, 2005	\$2,072.60				
Receipts:					
Interest	\$ 1.16				
Offering-Glen Echo Church	148.00				
Dues from churches	5,572.00				
Total Receipts	\$5,721.16				

Expenditures: \$ 100.00 Quarterly donation to Children's Home **Total Expenditures**

100.00 \$

\$7,693.76

State dues, printing of minutes, and other expenses will be paid out of this balance.

Church	No. of Minutes	Minute Fund	State Dues	National	General Fund	Missions Banquet	TOTAL
Carolwood	30	\$60.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$320.00
Eastside	12	\$24.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$284.00
Faith	12	\$24.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$284.00
First-Ethelsville	20	\$40.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30,00		\$250.00
First-Reform	10	\$20.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$280.00
First-Tuscaloosa	5	\$10.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$260.00
Glen Echo	10	\$20.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$280.00
Holman	12	\$24.00	\$ 135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$284.00
Liberty	10	\$20.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$280.00
Macedonia	15	\$30.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$290.00
Mt. Moriah	15	\$30.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$290.00
Mt. Zion	30	\$60.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$320.00
Phillips Chapel	35	\$70.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$330.00
Sardis	15	\$30.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$290.00
Shiloh	33	\$66.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$326.00
Sulphur Springs	5	\$10.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$270.00
Tabernacle	50	\$100.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$360.00
Union	12	\$24.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$284.00
Union Hill	10	\$20.00	\$135.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$280.00
Totals	341	\$682.00	\$2,565.00	\$855.00	\$570.00	\$850.00	\$5,572.00

Representation Fees

Assistant Moderator, Rev. Roy Plymon, presided while Rev. Jerry Smith read the report from Promotional Secretary, Rev. Rick Cash, to be submitted in the minutes.

Alabama Free Will Baptists gave a total of \$552,386.25 to the Acts program during 2004. Acts receipts through September of 2005 total \$412,086.35. This puts us \$413.65 behind schedule to meet budget goals. Due to the faithfulness of our churches all our missionaries' accounts remain in the black. The 2005 budget is \$550,000 which is the same amount it was for 2004. Praise the Lord for what we are doing together to reach this lost world.

The 2005 budget funds the promotional office, home mission works in Prattville, Huntsville and a work among the Hispanics as well as foreign mission works in Russia, Uruguay and Spain. We are also helping fund the construction of a church building in Uruguay, and a Camp/institute /conference center in Russia. We are also helping support two Russian Bible institutes as well as four church planters in Russia.

Please extend my greetings to the Mt. Moriah Association. I regret that I am unable to attend. Thank them for \$68,609.51 given thus far this year to the Acts 1:8 program in support of world evangelism. –Rick Cash

Delegates who will represent our Association at the State Association at Forestdale on November 9-11 are: Lottie Sudduth, Sue Plymon, Barbara Smith, Bart Tilley and Nita Tilley. Committees were assigned, then prayer for the food was given by Rev. Roy Plymon as we were dismissed for refreshment break.

We assembled back with the singing of "He Hideth My Soul". Communion services were observed, with the Moderator conducting the service. Presiding with him were Bill Rice, Rev. Gary Mullenix, Rev. Jackie Adcox and Stanley Sanford.

The General Offering was received with Rev. Roger Lucas giving the offertory prayer. The Financial Committee served as ushers.

Prior to his sermon, Rev. Doug Tilley's wife, Alice, and their daughter presented special music at the piano and organ with Alice singing "Prayer is the Key to Heaven". He preached from Genesis 2:7-9 with his sermon entitled "This Life". He mentioned the recent disasters in our

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country and other countries and said God is trying to get our attention. Life is fragile and precious – a journey. It is a call from God to be a minister. God formed us in His image; evolution does not teach this. The soul of man is from God breathing into man. The Lord God is the only true God. What is your life? Temporal or beyond the grave? It depends on whether we are crucified with Christ, because if Christ is in us, then Christ will live in us and we will have new knowledge in Him.

Lunch information was given by Rev. Jerry Montgomery who asked Doug Watson to dismiss for lunch and give the prayer for the meal.

P.M. Session:

The noon hour was a time of delicious food and fellowship. We returned to the sanctuary with the singing of "Glory to His Name", followed by prayer by Rev. Tony Latham.

Rev. Larry Colburn preached the afternoon sermon using key scripture from Isaiah 55:6-8 and Jeremiah 7:23-24. His topic was "Out of Order". He compared our nation's present condition to the drink machine that is out of order, causing us frustration and resorting to extreme circumstances. Just as in Isaiah's and Jeremiah's day, we must return to the Lord. Our nation has had a "falling away"- taking God, out of our schools, the Pledge of Allegiance, removing the Ten Commandments, thus becoming a powerless nation. The lack of prayer, repentance and preaching God's word has made this nation that is so blessed become a nation "unplugged to God". We must plug back into God to be working Christians; has the Lord spoken to you?

Business Session

Committee Reports

During the business session the following committee reports were given and approved as reported.

Children's Home – given by Theresa Taggart

We commend Bro. Randy and staff for the good job they are doing in training and nurturing the children. There has been an increase in giving from the Mt. Moriah Association of almost \$2,000.00 over the past year. We commend you for this and encourage you to visit the Children's Home and faithfully continue in your support.

Report by Board Member – Waymon Fields:

The home is now caring for 27 children. Of this number there are 18 boys and 9 girls. Twelve of the children are on the A & B honor roll at school. Several of the children are active in sports programs. Three will be graduating from high school in May 2006. Of these seniors, Carolyn Edwards is planning to attend Free Will Baptist Bible College in the fall of 2006.

Donella Roberts one of the house parents has resigned due to an auto accident of her granddaughter, Katelin Marchant. She appears to be completely paralyzed. Be sure to add Katelin to your prayer list.

Due to Donella's resignation, we are searching for a houseparent for the younger boys. Guidelines for the position include the following:

- 1. Must be a Christian, preferably Free Will Baptist. Must be a Protestant.
- 2. Must be a member, in good standing with their church.
- 3. Must be person of high moral character.
- 4. Must be a non-smoker.
- 5. Must be at least 22 years of age.
- 6. Must relate well and have patience with children.
- 7. Required to attend church with the children who reside with her at

the First Free Will Baptist Church in Winfield, Alabama.

8. Must be willing to follow home guidelines and follow instructions of home management.

Because of the increase of fuel and energy cost, the operational expenses have increased. We hope each church will consider these increases and respond appropriately in your giving.

Sunday School and C.T.S. - given by Brad Sanford

The word of God commands us as Christians in II Timothy 2:15 to study to show ourselves approved unto God. All of our churches should support Sunday School and CTS for all ages. As faithful Christians we should attend and support these programs by studying God's word and contributing to assist in the spiritual development of ourselves and others. Our churches should be like the church at Berea in Acts 17 – that when Paul and Silas arrived, the believers there received the Word with all readiness and searched the Scriptures daily. **Education, Publication and Literature** - given by Kim Price Education is vital to all – as in raising our families. We need to get back to our greatest source, the Bible. Proverbs 22:6 tells us to "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

We as Christians should use the King James Version of the Bible for teaching our children and new converts. Let us praise God that when we use the Free Will Baptist literature it is taken from the King James Version.

Let us remember our children as we pray because they are faced with temptations, stress and peer pressure and so many times it is a bad influence.

Mt. Moriah District Women Active For Christ-given by Sue Plymon, District WAC Field Worker

The Women Active for Christ are excited about what is going on and the opportunities God has opened up for us as ladies in the Great Commission for Him. We met in March at Tabernacle for our Spring meeting. Sister Sally Cash shared with us of her Russian trip from a ladies' perspective. It was heart warming with the love shown from the Russian ladies love for Christ and their eagerness to learn and work.

We want to invite all ladies from the Mt. Moriah Association to our Fall Study Course October 22 at 9:30 a.m. at Tabernacle. Our Guest Speaker will be Sue Ingram of Chelsea, Alabama, designer of Covenant Kids. We want to invite all you to come if you are a member or not.

Also, we will be hosting the State WAC meeting April 29, 2006 at Sulphur Springs. We could really use your help in this effort. We encourage you as pastors and pastors wives to promote the State meeting at your church. We will also be helping with the National in Birmingham in July 2006.

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We'd like to inform you ladies that if you do not have a WAC at your church you can be a "Member at Large" as an individual person. Come try it, we know you'll be blessed.

Temperance - given by Elaine Noland

We, your committee on temperance, believe that the abuse of drugs and alcohol is a major problem in our schools, churches and in the homes today. Romans 12:1 & 2 states, "I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is good and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

We believe that Christians should abstain from the use of any substance that harms our bodies and minds.

Morals and Reform – report given by Joei Griffin

Our nation is in a state of moral decline, as morals given in God's holy word. In our schools and government, people don't seem to want anything to do with God. They prefer laws removed from them, to let

people feel more comfortable about their wrongdoing and sinfulness.

We <u>must</u> be active in reforming this world around us to bring it back to God and the morals His word has set for us.

As stated in II Chronicles 7:14, "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 will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

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Deceased – given by Nita Tilley

We report the following members were called home to their eternal reward this past year:

Carolwood Eastside Faith First-Ethelsville First-Reform First-Tuscaloosa	None None None R. D. Duncan
Glen Echo	. Ada Wright Brenda Jones Ellis Acker
Holman	. None
Liberty	
Macedonia	
Mt. Moriah	. None
Mt. Zion	. Sister Mildred Reed
Phillips Chapel	
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Shiloh	
	Mrs. Minnie Lou Peeks
Sulphur Springs	None
Tabernacle	
Union	. T.H. Watkins
Union Hill	. R. D. Reynolds Annie Lee Cockrell

Memorial Note: For many years a memorial has been written when one of our ministers goes to be with the Lord. At the July 1999 Quarterly Meeting at Holman we paid tribute to two of our faithful servants in the ministry – Rev. J. L. Lavender and Rev. J. H. Tilley. Both men had served over 50 years each in the ministry. God called both these Christian warriors home this year. These faithful workers who kept the faith and fought the fight have earned their crown of righteousness the Lord had promised them on that day. And today, again, we thank God for having had the leadership of these two men of God.

The song "When We All Get To Heaven" was sung in memory of these departed loved ones.

Devotion Committee – given by Marvin Hagler We recommend the following to preach at the January meeting:

First Sermon -Rev. Tony LathamAlternate -Rev. Fred Graham

Second Sermon -Alternate - Rev. Rick Taylor Rev. David Cook

Third Sermon -Alternate -

Rev. Dan Turman Rev. Jerry Smith

Finance Committee – given by James AckerBalance Brought Forward\$7,693.76General Offering Today\$+162.00

Quarterly Donation To Children's Home<u>\$ -100.00</u> Balance On Hand **\$7,755.76**

Missions and Church Extension – given by Waymon Fields We want to remind you of our annual Missions Banquet on Saturday, January 7, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. We hope for good attendance. We will have a good meal, fellowship and we'll have our State Promotional Office, National Home Missions and International Missions represented. Tickets for this year will be \$11.50 for adults and \$5.75 for children under twelve. It will be necessary to have your tickets paid for by January 1, 2006. This allows us to give an accurate count for the meals. Thanks to the churches who included funds to help share in the expenses of the banquet with your Associational dues.

Mission and Church Extension Committee Treasurer's Report

October 1, 2004 through October 1 2005		
Beginning balance	\$1,107.34	
Collected from churches	\$ 780.00	
(14churches @ \$50.00 each, 1 @ \$80.00)		
Tickets	\$1,656.00	
Offering	\$ 477.79	
Churches paid- Motel for Missio	naries \$ 610.50	
Total collected	\$ 3,524.29	

Expenses:

Flowers	\$	75.00
Civic Center	\$	500.00
Caterer	\$2	2,010.00
Honorarium	\$	300.00
Motel for Missionaries	\$	610.50

Leaving a balance of\$1,136.13

Credentials Committee – No new business to report

Board of Christian Education - given by Rev. Rick Taylor Thanks to the Mt. Moriah Association for allowing this committee to serve you. Thanks to all the churches who actively encourage the Christian Education of our young people. Last year, the General Board charged this committee to find a feasible sight to host our 5th Sunday youth meetings. As a result, Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church has agreed to provide their facility on a trial basis for the next four meetings. We encourage all churches (large and small) to team together and host these events (sponsor food and set up facility). Carolwood will be reimbursed for utilities and clean-up costs.

We are looking to change up the format of the meetings (possibly speaker or singers).

We also encourage all churches to consider working with your youth and preparing them to compete at the district and state level. For more information contact Rick Taylor.

Resolutions and Appreciation Committee

The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church and its pastor, Bro. Jerry Montgomery for hosting this 155th sessions of the Association. We have enjoyed the food, fellowship, good preaching and good singing today. Let us continue to pray for each other, our churches and our Association.

In other business, Rev. Roger Lucas suggested after our Associational expenses were paid, to give a donation to our Home Mission and International Missions departments since both are in need of extra funds.

The election of new officers was transacted by the voting delegates. New officers are the ones listed in the General Board report read earlier by the Assistant Clerk. Waymon Fields made a motion to vote next year from the form listing the General Board's recommendation (which would save at least 15 minutes of time). Pros and Cons of this were discussed and it was stated that these recommendations were made by the General Board members who were sent to represent their individual church. A vote was taken and MSC in favor of Waymon Fields motion. Next year we will vote by secret ballot with a space to write a "fill in" name in case the voter does not want the General Board's recommendation. After announcements were given, we sang "I Stand Amazed", then the benediction by Rev. Tony Latham.

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JANUARY QUARTERLY MEETING Liberty Free Will Baptist Church Lawley, Alabama January 8, 2005

Saturday, January 8, 2005 the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists convened with Liberty Church. Host pastor, Rev. Jackie Adcox gave the welcome. The opening song was "Lily of the Valley" with members of the host church in charge of the music. Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, called the meeting to order. He thanked the church for hosting this session.

Preaching the first sermon was Bro. Randall Lynn, a licensed minister for five years and a member of Holman Church; who has recently requested to be ordained. He chose for his text from Hebrews 12:6 and used for his topic "Tolerance". We must be prepared in his Word to do the right thing or we will be chastened. Each Christian will receive discipline. II Timothy 3:16 says, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God..." for a reason and we must study the Word to prepare us to help others. God will not tolerate sin. He also expects us to grow into the man He called him to be. He is a just God.

The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Assistant Clerk in the absence of the Clerk. Churches not represented were: 1st FWB Ethelsville, 1st FWB Tuscaloosa, 1st FWB Reform, Shiloh, and Union Hill.

Rev. Jerry Smith stated that Clerk, Rev. Roger Lucas, had resigned as Clerk because he did not have time for the clerk's duties, along with his regular pastoral duties and his job.

The Roll Call of Ministers was read by Gary Mullenix, Credentials Committee. The Credentials committee was requested to meet with Bro. Randall Lynn and his pastor, Rev. Ben Logan during the break.

Instructions were given for the brunch in the Fellowship Hall. After prayer was given we enjoyed delicious food, and committees prepared their reports. With the congregational singing of "When I See The Blood" we assembled back in the sanctuary. The General Offering was received. Rev. Tony Latham preached the next sermon since Rev. Fred Graham could not attend because of health problems. He also mentioned Rev. Herbert Tilley's failing health and that he sends his wishes. Bro. Latham used Luke 6:38 for his scripture with his message titled, "Giving". We must show love to our fellowman. God is still all powerful. We must earnestly give of our money and prayers. God's children need to call on the Lord and show fellowship with others. Acts 20:30 tells us it is more blessed to give than receive. God loves a cheerful giver. Jesus invites us to come and dine.

The Moderator opened the business session of the meeting.

Business Session - The following reports were given and approved:

Credentials Committee - report given by Gary Mullenix We recommend that Bro. Randall Lynn be added to the ordained minister's list pending his ordination service at his convenience.

Treasurer's Report - given by James South in Tim Brasher's absence. Balance as of October 9, 2004 \$6,869.86

RECEIPTS: Interest received -

\$ 2.53

Interest received	φ 2.00
Offering taken at Faith	\$ <u>127.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$129.53
EXPENDITURES:	

Bro. Roger Lucas (clerk's duties) \$ 125.00 Alabama State Association of FWB (State and National Dues) \$2,565.00 Alabama State Association of FWB (to help with 2006 National expenses) 855.00 S Quarterly donation to Children's Home \$ 100.00 Alabama State Association of FWB (Uruguay Pro Templo Bldg. Fund) 500.00 \$ Tim Brasher (treasurer's duties) \$ 125.00 9.66 Clerk's expenses (postage) \$ Missions & CE – Macedonia and Mt. Zion Missions Banquet Expense \$ 100.00 **TOTAL EXPENDITURES -**\$4,379.66 Leaving a balance as of January 8, 2005

\$2,620.73

Finance Committee – given by Peggy HopwoodBalance Brought Forward\$6,869.86General Offering Today\$+127.00Quarterly Donation To Children's Home\$-100.00Balance On Hand\$6,896.86

Board of Christian Education – Given by Bob Sellers

We, your committee report as follows:

The Board of Christian Education has been repeatedly asked for changes to be made, as to improve the 5th Sunday Youth Meetings. Churches are going to be asked to do programs in a certain order. Letters are being given to all the pastors today. In these letters, we are asking the churches to respond by a certain date as to whether or not your youth are participating; how many songs you will have, etc. We need this letter to be read and thoroughly explained to your church. Pastors, it is your responsibility to see to it that your church responds. January 30th is the next meeting at Sulphur Springs. We need a response by January 20th. We are also looking in to several different options to improve the 5th Sundays such as a neutral meeting place, etc.

Devotional Committee – given by Lewis Montgomery We recommend the following to preach at the April 9, 2005 meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Fred Graham
Alternate -	Rev. Greg Ison

Second Sermon -Alternate - Rev. Tony Tilley Rev. Gary Mullenix

Third Sermon -HAlternate -H

Rev. Elmer Lynn Rev. Jerry Montgomery

Missions and Church Extension – given by Waymon Fields We would like to remind the churches who have not made their \$50.00 contribution to cover the cost associated with the Missions Conference and banquet to give or send to Bro. Ben Logan as soon as possible. We thank those who have been faithful in supporting these events. We want to thank those who have supported our missionaries on a regular basis. The year ending last September recorded a record giving to missions.

Report from State Promotional Office – Jaimie Lancaster, missionary to Uruguay, was present at this meeting. He gave a report of State

Promotional Director, Rev. Rick Cash on missions giving in the Mount Moriah Association. The 2004 (Jan.-Dec.) total giving reported was \$97,162.94. He commended this association for this amount and their interest and prayers for missions.

He also gave a current report on Uruguay missions. In October he and two Uruguayans came from a missions meeting in Panama to the United States. They raised funds for the Malvin church under construction in Uruguay. God richly blessed their efforts in their being able to raise over \$23,000, making it possible to continue building and getting the roof on. He asked prayer for the youth work. He has about 25 youth with only four who are Christians. The unique thing is the age group is 18-26 years old. These unchurched young people are showing interest in the church, but it is slow and reinforces the saying that "you have to belong before you believe".

The Bible Institute now has about 20 Uruguayan leaders who are being trained to work full time in Christian work. He expressed his deepest thanks to his own Mt. Moriah Association for their support to him and his family in Uruguay.

Resolutions and Appreciation – given by Bonnie Lynn The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Liberty Free Will Baptist Church, its pastor, Brother Jackie Adcox, for the warm welcome they gave us as they hosted this session of the quarterly meeting. We wish to thank the ladies for the delicious brunch. Let us continue to pray for each other, our churches and our association. The special music was great. The preaching of God's word warmed our hearts.

A rising vote of appreciation was given after the reading of this report.

In other business, the Moderator brought up the open position for the Associational Clerk. Suggestions of persons who might be available were mentioned. Sue McAdams was mentioned as a possibility and she will be contacted. The Assistant Clerk agreed to fill in until a replacement could be found and would assist in any way she could, but would not consider another term as clerk. **Announcements:** An invitation was given for the upcoming 150th anniversary celebration at Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church.

Prior to the last sermon special music was presented by the choir at Liberty that provided a spiritual blessing to the congregation.

The last sermon was preached by Rev. Dan Turman. He prefaced his sermon with saying that the pulpit is a "most awesome place". He expressed he is available for revivals and fill-in services. His sermon was entitled "Follow Christ" with scripture from Mark 8:34-38. Jesus set the pattern we should live by. The churches are not denying themselves, as they should. Attendance is low because they are not following Him. We must die in the flesh (sin) and take up our cross. Christ will make a difference when we are saved. God is not the author of confusion; it will give us a peace that passeth all understanding. He closed by asking, "Are you where you need to be today?"

The invitational song was "Just As I Am".

This session concluded with the closing prayer by Rev. Terrell Jones.

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APRIL QUARTERLY MEETING Sardis Free Will Baptist Church – Gordo April 9, 2005

The April meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association began with the congregational song "Lily of the Valley". Waymon Fields lead the singing, with Helen Lucas and Helen Sellers as pianists. Rev. Roger Lucas, host pastor, was unable to be present because of a funeral in South Carolina. Deacon Troy Barron gave a hearty welcome to all. The response was given by the Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith. He explained a change in preaching schedule that Rev. Elmer Lynn was unable to preach because of health reasons.

The Moderator stated that Bro. Lucas had returned the \$125 for clerk's services to the Assistant Moderator, Vaudine Lancaster. She said she would not accept the money for her services, but would put this money in the Uruguayan Building Fund where the Malvin Church is under construction. MSC

The Clerk was asked to give the Roll Call of Churches. Churches not represented were 1st FWB Reform, Union Hill, and Sulphur Springs.

The Roll Call of Ministers was given by Credentials Committee, Rev. Gary Mullenix. Thirteen of the thirty ministers were absent.

Rev. Fred Graham preached the first sermon from Revelation, chapter 3, entitled "Ways You and I Kill the Church". This is done by failing to attend services physically; failing to attend services, spiritually, failing to have fellowship with God on his day; failing to put God first; and failing to give God of our means. When the church is alive and well, its needs will be met. Prayer was given by Rev. Jerry Smith.

The General Fund offering was received with Rev. Doug Tilley giving the offertory prayer.

Troy Barron gave instructions to the congregation for the brunch provided by the church. Rev. Tony Latham gave the prayer for the food. Bro. Smith asked committees to pick up their folder and prepare their reports during this time. After a time of hospitality and good food we assembled again with the singing of "I'm In The Gloryland Way". James South led in prayer. Special prayer was asked for Rev. J. L. Lavender who is in the hospital in intensive care. Bro. Earl Johnson, a member of Carolwood Church, was asked to give his testimony. He related he had accepted the call to the ministry and asked for our prayers.

Rev. Tony Tilley, 1st FWB Tuscaloosa pastor, preached the next sermon.
"Five Lessons Americans Have Forgotten" was taken from Psalm 94.
1. God is a god of vengeance – angry with the wicked everyday.
2. Wicked people are truly wicked – doing what they want to do.
3. Wickedness brings delusion- feel they don't have to answer to God.
4. Confidence that God teaches through chastening and adversity.
5. Wicked rulers, wealth or high positions won't escape judgement.
America provides hope for other nations as long as we remain faithful.

Reports Given:

The following reports were given with the reports accepted as read:

Treasurer's Report – (James South, in the absence of Tim Brasher,

Treasurer, gave the treasurer's report)

Balance as of January 8, 2005 -	\$2,620.73
RECEIPTS:	
Interest received -	\$ 1.43
Offering taken at Liberty	<u>\$123.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS -	\$124.43

EXPENDITURES: Children's Home Donation - \$100.00 TOTAL EXPENDITURES - \$100.00

Ending Balance as of April 9, 2005 - \$2,645.13

Credentials Committee – no report

Board of Christian Education – no report

Rev. Jerry Smith read the financial statement of the Board of Christian Education that reflected a balance on hand of \$3,166.77.

Finance Committee –

Balance Brought Forward\$2,645.13General Offering Today\$+185.00Quarterly Donation To Children's Home\$-100.00Balance On Hand\$2,730.13

Devotional Committee – given by Lewis Montgomery We recommend the following to preach at the July meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Greg Ison
Alternate -	Rev. Kevin Taylor
Second Sermon -	Rev. Gary Mullenix
Alternate -	Rev. Douglas Tilley
Third Sermon -	Rev. Ben Logan
Alternate -	Rev. Larry Colburn

Missions and Church Extension – no report

Resolutions and Appreciation – given by Cherry Mullenix

The Mt. Moriah Association would like to express its appreciation to Sardis Free Will Baptist Church and its pastor, Bro. Roger Lucas, for hosting this session of the association. We enjoyed the beautiful drive up this morning to your church, seeing the beautiful creation that God has given us to enjoy.

We are thankful for the good attendance and fellowship. The food was delicious. Let us continue to pray for each other, our churches and our association.

Report from State Promotional Secretary – Read by Rev. Jerry Smith Bro. Jerry, Thanks for letting me report to the Mt. Moriah Association by this letter. I regret that I will be unable to attend. Please express my appreciation for the association's support of the Acts 1:8 program. Alabama Free Will Baptists gave a total of \$552,386.25 to the Acts 1:8 program in 2004.

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The churches of the Mt. Moriah Association gave \$97,162.94 of this. Acts 1:8 receipts through March of 2005 total \$159,116.58. This puts us \$21,616.59 ahead to meet budget goals.

YTD gifts from the Mt. Association total \$37,095.38.

Due to the faithfulness of our churches all our missionaries' accounts are in the black. The 2005 budget is \$550,000 which is the same amount it was for 2004.

The 2005 budget funds the promotional office, home mission works in Prattville, Huntsville and a work among the Hispanics as well as foreign mission works in Russia, Uruguay and Spain. We are also helping fund the construction of a church building in Uruguay, a Camp & institute in Russia. We are also helping support two Russian Bible institutes as well as six church planters in Russia. Thank the Mt. Moriah Association for helping to make a difference in this lost and dying world.

Yours in Christ, Rick Cash

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Announcements were given by the congregation, followed by singing "When I See the Blood", "Kneel At The Cross" and "Blessed Assurance".

The last sermon was by Rev. Jerry Montgomery. Before preaching he thanked those present for their support during this difficult time in their life, and asked for continued prayers. Besides losing his son, his mother continues to have health problems and his wife is also facing surgery. Prayer was given by Rev. Terrell Jones.

Bro. Montgomery asked, "Are the consolations of God too small for thee? He referred to 2^{nd} Chronicles 7:14 to the solution for us. 1^{st} Corinthians tell us to take heed we stand, lest we fall. Straight and narrow is the way, but it seems the church is trying to widen the way. Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth and the life". When our work is given to God, He will provide. Pride and compromise are dangerous. Jesus said to follow Him; do not compromise, but go when called and led by the Holy Spirit. Is your God big enough? No need to compromise!

Prayer was given by Stanley Sanford. The closing song was "Amazing Grace". The benedictory prayer was given by Earl Johnson.

JULY QUARTERLY MEETING Glen Echo Free Will Baptist Church July 9, 2005

Opening the July meeting by leading the congregational song, "He Set Me Free" was led by Rev. Roger Lucas with Elaine Noland at the piano. Host pastor, Rev. Gary Mullenix, welcomed everyone to the meeting and led in prayer.

The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk which reflected all churches were represented. Rev. Gary Mullenix gave the Roll Call of Ministers. Seven ministers were absent from the meeting.

Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, gave opening remarks and also stressed to the churches to carefully choose delegates who would be diligent in attending the quarterly meetings. It is important each church is represented to be in all transactions at the quarterly meetings.

The first message was preached by Rev. Greg Ison. He used as his topic,

"Good Sowers of the Word of God". He read scripture from Mark 4:10-14, the parable of the sower. The Word of God will always stand but the devil is already ready to destroy the seed that has been planted. We can be a tender of the Garden of God by the leadership of the Holy Spirit. We are told to be examples of the flock and nourish the plants God has given us. God will bless us if we are examples and humble ourselves.

James Acker led the offertory prayer before we received the General Offering. The Moderator gave instructions about delegates and committees. He asked committee chairman to pick up their committee folders and prepare reports during brunch. Burns Brown, deacon of host church, gave directions for the brunch and led in prayer.

After delicious food furnished by Glen Echo, we assembled again with the singing of "Living By Faith", followed by prayer by Dr. Don Taggart. "Independence Day" was the title of the next sermon preached by Rev. Gary Mullenix using 1st Corinthians 7:21-23 as his key verses. He read portions of the Declaration of Independence and made several comparisons of when we become Christians we are "independent" or set apart from the bondage of sin. John 8:31-36 shows that because Jesus made us free through shedding his blood, we now become dependent on God, thus having a declaration of dependence because of our spiritual need to rely on Him.

Reports Given:

Treasurer's Report - given by Karen Brasher (in the absence of Tim Brasher)

Balance as of April 9, 2005 - \$2,645.13

RECEIPTS:Interest received -\$ 1.27Offering taken at Carolwood\$185.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS -\$186.27

EXPENDITURES: Quarterly donation to Children's Home \$100.00 Black Warrior Printing- minutes 658.80 TOTAL EXPENDITURES - \$758.80 Ending Balance as of July 9, 2005 - \$2,072.60

Missions And Church Extension - No Report

Board of Christian Education - given by Rev. Rick Taylor The Board of Christian Education is currently exploring the options available to us concerning our 5th Sunday Youth Rally. We have been blessed with more than 300 participants at our youth events in the past. The board will send letters to each church and we would like to receive a response from each church. The board will present our findings and make requests to the General Board in September. As of 12-31-04 our financial balance was \$2,999.17. **Credentials Committee -** given by Rev. Gary Mullenix In response to the request of Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church we recommend that Bro. Earl Johnson be added to the Licensed Ministers list.

Devotional Committee - given by Clerk in absence of Lewis Montgomery who had eye surgery)

We recommend the following to preach at the October annual meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Kevin Taylor
Alternate -	Rev. David Cook
Second Sermon -	Rev. Douglas Tilley
Alternate -	Rev. Jerry Smith
Third Sermon -	Rev. Larry Colburn
Alternate -	Rev. Redus Hall

Finance Committee – given by James AckerBalance Brought Forward\$2,072.60General Offering Today\$+148.00Quarterly Donation To Children's Home\$-100.00Balance On Hand\$2,120.60

Resolutions and Appreciation - given by Bonnie Lynn The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Glen Echo for hosting this session of the quarterly meeting. Thanks to the ladies for a job well done with the brunch. The messages, songs and fellowship blessed our hearts. It was wonderful to see all of our churches represented.

Promotional Director, Rev. Rick Cash, gave a report stating that Alabama Free Will Baptists gave a total of \$552,386.25 to the Acts 1:8 program during 2004. Acts 1:8 receipts through June of 2005 total 290,620.16 - 15,620 ahead of schedule to meet budget goals, and with all our missionaries accounts in the black. The 2005 budget is \$550,000 the same amount as 2004. The 2005 budget funds the promotional office, home mission works in Prattville, Huntsville and a work among Hispanics as well as foreign mission works in Russia, Uruguay and Spain. We are also helping fund the construction of a church building in Uruguay, a camp and institute in Russia. We are also helping support two Russian Bible institutes as well as six church planters in Russia; and supporting pastors in Uruguay to go full time.

Alabama continues to make an impact in the area of world evangelism; not just in giving but in going as well.

Mission trips:

Arizona, Color	rado and Mexico		
(Alabama loves our Samaria- Raper, Guin and Kivette)			
France	Christy Frazier – First FWB, Jasper		
Panama	Heather Williams – First FWB, Winfield		
	Jonah Taylor – First FWB, Dothan		
	Elizabeth Franks – Madison FWB		
Uruguay	Tyler Cross – First FWB, Jasper		
	Rachel Harbison – Madison FWB		
	Joni Pettis – LA		
Russia	Yerby's and Patrick McDaniel		
Central Asia	Steven Beck – CA		

Russian Missionary Mike Corley - Work continues to progress as he is awaiting the purchase of another building they are looking at. Alabama's circle of involvement in mission projects in Russia keeps getting bigger. We are now being assisted by Free Will Baptists from Virginia, North Carolina, California, Oklahoma, Arizona, Colorado, Illinois, Tennessee and Mississippi.

Uruguayan Missionary Jaimie Lancaster - Excerpts from his letter states that God is blessing the work there. Several people were saved in a recently held revival. They are also ministering in a small town, meeting in homes and the people are hungry for the gospel.

The building under construction is totally enclosed with all but the back wall sheet-rocked; but have had to take a three week break to recoup some expenses because of the deceased value of the dollar. Joni Pettis, with the E-Team, plans to stay a little longer. This is her second visit to Uruguay. Jaimie thanked the Association for their faithful support and stated, "For over six years the Lancaster family has counted on you and you have always been there for us".

Huntsville Missionary Rev. Dennis Haygood – requests prayer for him while he is hospitalized and recovering from surgery.

Missionary Appointee Patrick McDaniel – reports that Patrick is doing a great job and has returned from Russia. He was an effective witness to those he worked with in Russia and will continue his mission of reaching the lost where God leads him.

Bro. Cash ended by stating God is blessing our missionary efforts – that Alabama is on the cutting edge of missions.

This ended the business session. Congregational song "Amazing Grace" was sung prior to the last sermon.

Rev. Ben Logan preached using his text from II Timothy 3:10-17 with his message titled "Perilous Times These Last Days". Paul wrote this to young Timothy to be aware of what would happen, especially from the pulpit. Rightly interpreting the Word will keep us from following false doctrines by: knowing those that preach and teach, and making sure it is the gospel of Christ. The true doctrine is the only gospel that serves the living Christ who died, arose and is alive today. False doctrines are creeping in our churches today, but the gospel of Christ will show a chain through the scriptures.

Prayer requests and announcements were given. It was mentioned by the Moderator that several of our faithful members were out because of sickness and surgery. They were mentioned, along with other requests. Prayer for these requests was given by Rev. Tony Latham.

It was noted that the General Board meeting will meet at 9:00 a.m. instead of 2:00 p.m. on September 24. The closing song was "I Stand Amazed", with the closing prayer by Rev. Roy G. Plymon.

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	, <u></u> .
Rev		, Moderator
<u></u>		, 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. <u>GENERAL BOARD</u>

- 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

- 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 the 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 fiveyear 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. <u>DEACONS</u>. 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. <u>MINISTERS.</u> 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.

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