

MINUTES  
OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIXTH  
ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE



MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

TABERNACLE  
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
NORTHPORT, ALABAMA

OCTOBER 7, 2006  
9:30 A.M.

OFFICERS

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

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# MEETING PLACES, DATES AND CLERK INFORMATION

## ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET

January 13, 2007      Northport Civic Center  
6:30 P.M.

## QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 13, 2007      First, Reform  
April 7, 2007      Sardis  
July 7, 2007      Union

## ANNUAL MEETING

October 13, 2007      Carolwood

## FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS

October 29, 2006      Tabernacle  
December 31, 2006      *No meeting*  
April 29, 2007      Sulpher Springs  
July 29, 2007      Phillips Chapel  
September 30, 2007      Macedonia

## GENERAL BOARD MEETING

September 29, 2007      Shiloh      9:00 A.M.

## 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      \$50.00

## OFFICERS

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**Two-Year Term**

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792 Bluebird Rd  
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**MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE**

**James South**  
17536 Mormon Rd  
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**Rev. Ben Logan**  
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**Ricky Wallace**  
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	Reform AL 35481	

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<b>Sardis</b>	Troy Barron 1532 Co Rd 20 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7892
<b>Shiloh</b>	Steve Koon PO Box 913 Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7823
<b>Sulphur Springs</b>	Justin Strickland 19863 Walter Shirley Rd Berry AL 35546	205-339-2834
<b>Tabernacle</b>	Buddy Sturdivant 15360 Rue Rd Coker AL 35452	205-339-2607
<b>Union</b>	Ed Miller 300 McCafferty Rd Carrollton AL 35447	205-373-2830

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<b>Elmer Lynn</b>	4113 Sand Springs Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-8657
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<b>Jerry Montgomery</b>	15307 Autumn Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-4202
<b>Gary Mullenix</b>	517 Ridgefield Dr Gordo AL 35466	205-364-0761
<b>Leon Orr</b>	P O Box 212 Reform AL 35481	205-375-2572
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## DEACONS

### **CAROLWOOD**

Stanley Sanford	12134 Cherokee Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-4705
Eulie Robertson	12620 Hickory Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-3181
Brad Sanford	12299 Sanford Oaks Dr Northport AL 35475	205-339-4790
Jason Creamer	15538 Sam Norris Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-6940
Jessie Marquis	13632 Elderberry Ln Northport AL 35475	205-339-1935

### **EASTSIDE**

None listed

### **FAITH**

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
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**HOLMAN**

Lifford Robertson	12514 Holman Church Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-339-8455
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**LIBERTY**

Curtis Fountain	5983 Hurricane Ridge Centreville AL 35042	205-926-4358
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Ralph Foster	1443 Mill Creek Rd Lawley AL 36793	205-926-9628
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Frank Moore	1088 Active Rd Lawley AL 36793	334-366-2552
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Glenn Bigham	18457 Mormon Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-3892
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
<b>SARDIS</b>		
Marshall Robertson	18911 Robertson Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7997
Troy Barron	187 7 <sup>th</sup> St SW Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7892
Winston Robertson	18990 Robertson Rd Gordo AL 35466	205-364-7943
<b>SHILOH</b>		
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Don Martin	15179 Bethabara Rd Northport AL 35475	205-339-1910
Wayne Wheat	13672 Rocky Ridge Dr Northport AL 35475	205-333-0962
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<b>First-Reform</b>	Cindy McDaniel 269 Herbert Windle Rd Reform AL 35481	205-367-8756
<b>First-Tuscaloosa</b>	None	
<b>Glen Echo</b>	Christal Fulgham 2546 Halls Mill Rd Reform AL 35481	205-792-3149

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<b>Liberty</b>	Sandra Foster 1443 Mill Creek Rd Lawley AL 36793	205-926-9628
<b>Macedonia</b>	Charles & Debra Pugh 630 John Dean Rd Millport AL 35576	205-662-4419
<b>Mt. Moriah</b>	Karen & Tim Brasher 106 Woodland Trace Gordo AL 35466 ktbrash1222@yahoo.com	205-364-8668
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**DELEGATES TO MT. MORIAH ASSOCIATION****Carolwood:**

Douglas Watson  
Windle Watson

Jimmy Lunceford  
Alt- Milton Gurganus

**Eastside:**

Brenda Mahan

Hester Hardy

**Faith:**

Keith Wheat  
Ceavlon Latham

Kim Price  
Alt- Helen Sellers

**First-Ethelsville:**

Robert Tilley  
Martha Hall

Amy Pannell  
Alt- Lee Pannell

**First-Reform:**

Ray McDaniel  
Eddie Pierce

Danny Duncan  
Alt- Les Cutting

**First-Tuscaloosa:**

Bart Tilley  
Matthew Tilley

Nita Tilley  
Alt- Patricia Tilley

**Glen Echo:**

James Acker  
Reva Brown

Nell Acker  
Alt- Jana Fulgham

**Holman:**

Tracy Robertson  
Ruth Terry

Bonnie Lynn  
Alt- Melissa Grammer

**Liberty:**

Charles Chapman  
Judy Fountain

Butch Wallace  
Alt- Brad Foster

**Macedonia:**

Theresa Taggart  
Gail Fields

Nadine Dean  
Alt- Adine Pennington

**Mt. Moriah:**

Vaudine Lancaster  
Cherry Mullenix

Sue Plymon  
Alt.- Karen Brasher

**Mt. Zion:**

Joel Griffin  
Ricky Wallace

Lula Goff  
Alt-Darlene Smith

**Phillips Chapel:**

Jim Barger  
Myree Galloway

Willie F. Logan

<b>Sardis:</b>	David Hawthorne Arnold Sullivan	Tootsie Sullivan Alt- Hannah Hawthorne
<b>Shiloh:</b>	Skip Sutton Scott Koon	Jason Stephens Alt- Wilford Burkhalter
<b>Sulphur Springs:</b>	Justin Strickland	Ray Lee
<b>Tabernacle:</b>	Mac Walters Joe Guy	Junior Smith Alt- Velma Sturdivant
<b>Union:</b>	Elaine Noland Delores Gray	Betty Miller Alt-Dawn Cook
<b>Union Hill:</b>	Ladonna Lowe Barbara Sudduth	Linda Sanders Alt- Pam Lowe

### **ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES**

#### **CHILDREN'S HOME**

Theresa Taggart\*  
Bonnie Lynn  
Nell Acker  
Cherry Mullenix  
Ray Lee

#### **DECEASED**

Nita Tilley\*  
Amy Pannell  
Junior Smith  
Linda Sanders  
Hester Hardy

#### **DEVOTION**

Bart Tilley\*  
Charles Chapman  
Scott Koon  
Douglas Watson  
Danny Duncan

#### **EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE**

Kim Price\*  
Betty Jo Miller  
Jimmy Lunceford  
Myree Galloway  
Jason Stephens

#### **FINANCE**

James Acker\*  
Justin Strickland  
Matthew Tilley  
Mac Walters  
Ricky Wallace

## **MORALS AND REFORM**

Joei Griffin\*  
Tracy Robertson  
Skip Sutton  
Martha Hall  
Windle Watson

## **RESOLUTIONS AND APPRECIATION**

Ceavlon Latham \*  
Ruth Terry  
Judy Fountain  
Lula Goff  
Tootsie Sullivan

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL & CTS**

Gail Fields \*  
Jim Barger  
Eddie Pierce  
David Hawthorne  
Joe Guy

## **TEMPERANCE**

Elaine Noland\*  
Reva Brown  
Barbara Sudduth  
Sue Plymon  
Nadine Dean

**\*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, Arlie Lynn, J. H. Tilley, J. L. Lavender

## MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

<b>Carolwood</b>	Jerry Montgomery Dewey Thomas Roger Lucas Earl Johnson Dan Turman
<b>Eastside</b>	Douglas Tilley
<b>Faith</b>	Tony Latham
<b>First-Ethelsville</b>	Redus Hall
<b>First-Reform</b>	Leon Orr
<b>First-Tuscaloosa</b>	Tony Tilley
<b>Glen Echo</b>	Gary Mullenix
<b>Holman</b>	Ben Logan Elmer Lynn Randall Lynn
<b>Liberty</b>	Jackie Adcox Albert Pickett
<b>Macedonia</b>	Don Taggart
<b>Mt. Moriah</b>	Roy G. Plymon Jaimie Lancaster
<b>Mt. Zion</b>	None
<b>Phillips Chapel</b>	Terrell Jones Albert Montgomery
<b>Sardis</b>	None
<b>Shiloh</b>	None
<b>Sulphur Springs</b>	Rick Taylor Elzie Gilliam Michael Oliver
<b>Tabernacle</b>	Jerry T. Smith Craig Turman
<b>Union</b>	David Cook Earnest White
<b>Union Hill</b>	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-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 Rev. Thomas Malloy
Sulphur Springs	1895	Rev. J.M. Pinkerton
Tabernacle	1875	Rev. Ellis Gore Rev. W.H. McGee
Union	1891	Rev. Woods Springfield
Union Hill	1908	Rev. Woods Springfield



**ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING**  
**Tabernacle Free Will Baptist Church**  
**October 7, 2006**

The 156th session of the Mount Moriah Association met at Tabernacle Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday, October 7, 2006. The meeting was opened by a welcome from Bro. Jerry Smith, Moderator and host church pastor. Mac Walters led the congregation in the singing of "Victory in Jesus" accompanied by Theresa Taggart on the piano followed by prayer by Bro. Roy Plymon. Keicia Tilley, Clerk, gave the roll call of the churches with all being represented with the exception of First Reform. Bro. Gary Mullinex of the Credentials Committee gave the roll call of ministers with 21 in attendance. Visitors Bro. Rick Cash, State Promotional Director, and Bro. David Hayes were recognized. Following the congressional singing of "He Lives", Bro. Redus Hall presented the first sermon of the day. He warned us to not have too much of the world in our lives and churches. As stated in 1 Thessalonians 5:3, complacency will cause us to not listen to God's warnings and lead to destruction. Thankfully, God allows us opportunities to turn to Him. We should take personal inventory, listen to the Spirit's guidance, and repent of our failure to stay dedicated to our Lord and untainted of worldly influences.

The Moderator opened the Business session and seated the standing and elected delegates. The Clerk read the following report from the General Board Meeting:

*The General Board met on September 23, 2006. After the welcome and opening prayer, Moderator Jerry Smith gave a short devotion entitled "Membership the Church Needs." Many churches and pastors are more concerned with numbers rather than the quality of the people in the church. There are several qualities that church members should have. First, members should be converted, true believers. Second, members should be faithful till death. Third, members should be informed; they should know the Bible, 2 Timothy 2:15. Fourth, members should be workers, 1 Corinthians*



*15:58. Fifth, members should be loving. Finally, members should pray for one another.*

*The business session was opened with all churches being represented by Board Member and/or pastor with the exception of Eastside and Union Hill. The following recommendations were made:*

*Nominations on the Following Offices:*

*Moderator Jerry Smith*

*Assistant Moderator Roy Plymon*

*Clerk Keicia Tilley*

*Assistant Clerk Vaudine Lancaster*

*Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ - Tim Brasher has served 4 terms*

*Credentials Committee (Rev. Gary Mullenix's term expires)*

*Roy Plymon*

*Board of Christian Education (Tim Field's term expires)*

*Dan Montgomery*

*Missions & Church Extension (Tim Brasher's term expires)*

*Tim Brasher*

*Meeting Place / Hosts Recommendations for the Year:*

*Quarterly Meetings*

*January 13, 2007 First, Reform*

*April 7, 2007 Sardis*

*July 7, 2007 Union*

*October 13, 2007 Carolwood*

*Youth Meetings*

*Carolwood has stated that the cost per meeting will be \$250. As the Board of Christian Education states that current offerings are not enough to cover this expense, it will be recommended that each church contribute annually to help cover this expense. For the coming year, meetings will continue to be held at Carolwood with the Association covering the expenses less the offering received. If the Association is unable to cover these expenses, First Free Will Baptist Church of Reform has stated that they will cover the said expenses for this year.*

*Acting hosts for youth meetings:*

*October 29, 2006 Carolwood & Tabernacle*

*December 31, 2006 Mt. Zion & Holman*

*April 29, 2007 Sulpher Springs & Phillips Chapel*

*July 29, 2007 Carolwood & Mt. Moriah*

*September 30, 2007 Macedonia & Tabernacle*

*In other business, the Moderator asked the Clerk to read a proposal to recommend a motion to make a change to the Constitution. The proposal read:*

*Motion to add to the officers of the Association the office of Assistant Treasurer*

*Changing Article 5 of the Constitution to read:*

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

*Each church shall send to each annual session the sum of \$30.00 as associational funds.*

*Changing Article 1(b) of the Rules of Decorum to read:*

*The new officers (Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer) will take office at the close of the annual session and serve through the annual session of the following year.*

*Changing Article 3 of the Rules of Decorum to read:*

*(a) The Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, and Assistant 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, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer cannot serve more than four years in succession.*

*Gary Mullinex gave the Credentials Committee Report on Church Letters stating that all letters received and in order with the exception of Eastside, whose letter has not been received at this time.*

*The session was closed in prayer by Bro. Roy Plymon.*

Tim Brasher, Treasurer, gave the following report:

Balance as of July 8, 2006	\$1,961.00
Receipts:	
Interest	\$ 1.22
Offering-Phillips Chapel	121.00
Total Receipts	\$122.22
Expenditures:	
Quarterly donation to Children's Home	\$ 100.00
Total Expenditures	\$100.00
Leaving a balance as of October 7, 2006	\$1,973.62

### Representation Fees

Church	Min.	Min. Fund	State Dues	Gen. Fund	Mission Banquet	TOTAL
Carolwood	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 275.00
Eastside	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 239.00
Faith	14	\$ 28.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 243.00
First-Ethelsville	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 255.00
First-Reform	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
First-Tuscaloosa	2	\$ 4.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 219.00
Glen Echo	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
Holman	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 239.00
Liberty	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
Macedonia	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 245.00
Mt. Moriah	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 245.00
Mt. Zion	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 275.00
Phillips Chapel	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 275.00
Sardis	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 245.00
Shiloh	33	\$ 66.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 281.00
Sulphur Springs	5	\$ 10.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 225.00
Tabernacle	50	\$ 100.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 315.00
Union	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 239.00
Union Hill	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
Totals	335	\$ 670.00	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 4,755.00

Bro. Jamie Lancaster gave a brief report on the work in Uruguay. He is currently in the States on furlough. He is working to raise funds as Arkansas has cut the amount of support they will be receiving. Mrs. Tammy Lancaster also spoke briefly of her work in Uruguay with women's groups.

Delegates who will represent our Association at the State Association at Nauvoo on November 8-10 are: Sue Plymon, Barbara Smith, Patricia Tilley, Betty Miller, Jewel South, Tracy Robertson, and Ceavlon Latham. Committees were assigned and business items were tabled till the afternoon session. Prayer for the food was given by Rev. Randy Key as we were dismissed for refreshment break.

We were gathered by the congressional singing of "Amazing Grace" followed by prayer by Bro. Dan Turman. The Finance Committee collected the offering following prayer by Bro. Mac Walters.

Tony and Ceavlon Latham provided special music prior to the message from Bro. Rick Cash, who Bro. Don Taggart asked to speak in his place. Bro. Cash began with a report on ACTS 1:8 giving stating that giving is behind compared to this time last year. The Russia Youth Camp is scheduled to open this summer. Bro. Fred Jones has resigned from the Hispanic mission and is now in Tennessee. Bro. Wayne Wilson has left the Prattville mission and has moved to Arkansas. Bro. Denis Haygood is scheduled to go self supporting in March 2007. There is also a possibility that a new work will be started in Mobile in the coming year. He began his message by reading Genesis 35:1-5. In order to experience God we must put ourselves on the alter and give our life to God. We need to stay dedicated to God and give Him full control of our life. There are three alters that we should have in our life: a personal alter of private prayer time, the family alter of family devotions and the church alter.



Bro. Tony Tilley closed the morning session with prayer and blessing on the noon meal.

**P.M.Session:**

After enjoying a time of food and fellowship, we reconvened by singing "He Keeps Me Singing" and prayer by Bro. Redus Hall. Members of the Credentials distributed ballots to the voting body. Bro. Jerry Montgomery, pastor of Carolwood, stated that as there has been references to the monies being requested to cover expenses related to the meeting as rent, Carolwood was withdrawing the offer to use their building as the meeting place for the Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings.

**2006-2007 BALLOT**

These nominations were made at the General Board Meeting at Shiloh, September 23, 2006. Requests for write-in nominations will be taken.

**IN ORDER FOR YOUR VOTE TO COUNT, CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE.**

	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Write-ins</u>
Moderator	<i>Rev. Jerry T. Smith</i>	_____
Assistant Moderator	<i>Rev. Roy G. Plymon</i>	_____
Clerk	<i>Keicia Tilley</i>	_____
Assistant Clerk	<i>Vaudine Lancaster</i>	_____
Treasurer	_____	_____
Credentials Committee (5-year term)	<i>Roy Plymon</i>	_____
Missions and Church Extension (5-year term)	<i>Tim Brasher</i>	_____
Board of Christian Education (5-year term)	<i>Dan Montgomery</i>	_____
Board of Christian Education (3-year term)	_____	_____
<i>Rev. Rick Taylor has resigned from the committee with 3 years remaining on his term.</i>		
Meeting place recommendations:		
*Quarterly Meetings-		
January 7, 2006	<i>First, Reform</i>	
April 8, 2006	<i>Sardis</i>	
July 8, 2006	<i>Union</i>	
*Annual Meeting-		
October 7, 2006	<i>Carolwood</i>	
*Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings-		
<i>Youth meetings will be held at Carolwood with the Association covering any of the \$250 per meeting cost not covered by offerings received. The following churches will serve as acting hosts:</i>		
October 29, 2006	<i>Carolwood &amp; Tabernacle</i>	
December 31, 2006	<i>Mt. Zion &amp; Holman</i>	
April 29, 2007	<i>Sulpher Springs &amp; Phillips Chapel</i>	
July 29, 2007	<i>Carolwood &amp; Mt. Moriah</i>	

September 30, 2007

Macedonia & Tabernacle

**Change to Constitution, as recommended by the General Board**

Motion to add to the officers of the Association the office of Assistant Treasurer

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Approve Change: YES

NO

Gail Fields was nominated for the position of Treasurer and both Rickey Wallace and Curtis Fountain were nominated to fill the position vacated by Rev. Rick Taylor. Due to the withdrawal of Carolwood's offer to use their facilities for the Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings, recommendations for meeting places were taken from the floor as follows:

October 29, 2006	Tabernacle
April 29, 2007	Sulphur Springs
July 29, 2007	Phillips Chapel
September 30, 2007	Macedonia

The December 31, 2006 meeting was voted not to be held due to the holiday.

The ballots were collected and the Credentials Committee was dismissed to tally the results.

Before the sermon by Bro. Roy Plymon, the congregation sang "Standing on the Promises." Bro. Plymon used the text Romans 14:9 for starting point for his message entitled "Let's Have Church." He admonished us to let God be Lord of all of our life. We should remember that Jesus is Lord and King and give our best to Him in everything we do. Churches should have music teaching and admonishing as indicated in Colossians 3:16. Churches should also strive to minister and evangelize. It is the responsibility of Christians to support the church and its ministries through tithes and offerings.

### **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 Sister Linda Berry and staff for the good job they are doing in training and nurturing the children. We ask that each one continue to remember Linda and her husband in prayer. Please remember in prayer and encourage our new director. We encourage you to have a Fall Harvest Drive and visit the Home.

#### **Report by Board Member – Waymon Fields:**

The Board has called Allen Austin to serve as the next director of the Home. Bro. Austin has served both on the Board and as a house parent in the past and is currently pastoring in North Carolina. Finally approval is expected at the next Board Meeting and he will assume the position in mid December.

**Sunday School and C.T.S. – given by the Clerk as all present committee members had to leave prior to the reading of the report**  
We believe Sunday School is so important for all of us because we need to study God's Word. Children get more in Sunday School than preaching because the teachers put God's Word down on their level. Adults are also able to ask questions and learn. CTS is very important because we learn how to carry on God's work. II

Timothy 2:15 says, *Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth.*

**Education, Publication and Literature - given by Kim Price**

II Timothy 2:15 says, *Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needed not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth.* We encourage everyone to read and study your Bibles so you can learn more about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We ask all parents to be examples and to teach their children while they are young. Proverbs 22:6 says, *Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.* We ask each home and every church in our association to carefully select their literature so we can keep false doctrine out of our homes and churches.

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

Your Mt. Moriah Women Active for Christ has enjoyed a very fruitful year from our local group to the National level. The Mt. Moriah ladies hosted our district meeting in March, Sulfur Springs our state meeting in May, then off to Birmingham for our National in July. We contributed thousands of dollars and hours of enjoyable time providing accommodations for these blessed meetings for our local, state, and national fields, including the Provisions Closet for our missionaries in Nashville. God had blessed our efforts and support of our missionaries as well as local projects at our home church areas. To Him we give our glory and praise!

Mt. Moriah was well represented at the National Women Active for Christ Luncheon as we met at the Sheraton. There were 400 in attendance with several others begging at the door. Sister Icy Mae Fredrick, missionary to Haiti spoke with a broken heart for a broken country hungry for God's Word. Sister Icy Mae is 87 years old. Her helper had to literally hold her up to speak, yet her heart was bubbling over. She is still searching for means to build a hospital for the country. Help us pray for her work and her heart's burden.



## Mt. Moriah Association Church Statistics

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Pray for our WAC, even though our mothers, grandmothers, and ladies of all walks of life are so busy we struggle to keep this great organization functioning keeping the thrust of its assistance with women having a part in God's great commission to win souls and provide means to those who go to countries all over this great world spreading the Gospel of His Son, Jesus Christ. Pastors, we ask that you support our WAC just making sure all the guidelines are kept in focus as being spiritual and Biblically based. Please feel free to talk to any of our WAC officers for more details.

God bless our Association as we work together as a group of people doing God's business and using every facet He has provided and blessed us with to get the job done for Him!

### **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**

As we can tell by all the horrible events in the headline today, the morals of this world are steadily declining around us. We must protect ourselves from this decline, as it says in Ephesians 6:10-13: *Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.*

**Deceased – given by Nita Tilley**

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

Carolwood .....	Mrs. Gladys Beams Mrs. Maxine Banks
Eastside .....	Felix Styron
Faith .....	Dorothy Jane Patrick Dalton Price
First-Ethelsville .....	None
First-Reform .....	None
First-Tuscaloosa .....	Horace Harper
Glen Echo .....	None
Holman .....	None
Liberty .....	Mrs. Dorothy Foster
Macedonia .....	Loy Shaw Bea Wharton
Mt. Moriah.....	None
Mt. Zion.....	None
Phillips Chapel.....	Grady Bigham Ralph Poole
Sardis.....	J.C. Redding Dessie Robertson
Shiloh .....	Fannie Mae Thomas Burkhalter Beatrice Elmore Junkin Latham Fred S. Koon
Sulphur Springs .....	None
Tabernacle .....	Ruby Overton Lillie Smith
Union.....	None
Union Hill.....	None

The song "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be" was sung in memory of these departed loved ones.

**Devotion Committee – given by Douglas Watson**

We recommend the following to preach at the January meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Jackie Adcox
Alternate -	Rev. Albert Pickett
Second Sermon -	Rev. Leon Orr



Alternate -

Rev. Terrell Jones

Third Sermon -

Rev. Ben Logan

Alternate -

Rev. Dan Taggart

**Finance Committee – given by James Acker**

Balance Brought Forward	\$1,973.62
General Offering Today	\$ +164.11
Quarterly Donation To Children's Home	\$ -100.00
Balance On Hand	\$2,037.73

**Missions and Church Extension – given by Waymon Fields**

We would like to remind our churches of our Missions Banquet and Conference in January 2007. The Banquet will be January 13, 2007 at 6:30 pm at the Northport Civic Center. We would like for each one to make a special effort to attend. We would like to remind the churches that each church will be required to cover lodging expenses of the missionaries speaking at their church.

**Credentials Committee – given by Bill Rice**

We recommend that Bro. Greg Isom be dropped from the ordained ministers list. We recommend that Bro. Randy Key be added to the ordained ministers list pending a letter of good standing.

**Board of Christian Education - given by Rev. Rick Taylor**

We are very thankful for the participation of each church in our Fifth Sunday Youth Rallies. In this coming year we would like to return the Fifth Sunday Meetings to services that will instill Bible principles to the hearts of our young people. We encourage all churches to be represented at our next meeting. We would like to feature CTS competition programs during our meetings. Any churches that need help starting CTS competition programs, please contact the Christian Board of Education. While the next youth meeting will be at Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church, the future locations of the Youth Meetings will be announced at a later time.

## **Resolutions and Appreciation Committee – given by Judy Fountain**

The Mount Moriah Association expresses to the Tabernacle Free Will Baptist Church and their pastor, Jerry Smith, our appreciation for hosting this 156<sup>th</sup> session of the Association. We have enjoyed the brunch and Bro. Hall's message. We have faith that we will enjoy the remainder of the day. We also want to thank the ladies for the lunch. Thanks to Bro. Rick Cash for the Acts 1:8 report and his message. Thanks for the music and singing. We enjoyed the message by Bro. Roy Plymon. Remember to pray for one another.

The results of the ballots were as follows:

Moderator	Rev. Jerry T. Smith
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Roy G. Plymon
Clerk	Keicia Tilley
Assistant Clerk	Vaudine Lancaster
Treasurer	Gail Fields
Credentials Committee (5-year term)	Roy Plymon
Missions & Church Extension (5-year term)	Tim Brasher
Board of Christian Education (5-year term)	Dan Montgomery
Board of Christian Education (3-year term)	Ricky Wallace

Meeting places were approved as recommended. The proposed change to the Constitution also passed unanimously. Nominations were then taken from the floor to fill the newly developed position of Assistant Treasurer. Tim Brasher was nominated and elected for this position.

After announcements were given, we sang "Just A Little Talk with Jesus"; the benediction by Rev. Dan Montgomery closed the session.

**JANUARY QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Church**  
**Ethelsville, Alabama**  
**January 7, 2006**

Saturday, January 7, 2006 the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists convened with Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Church. Host pastor, Rev. Roy Plymon gave the welcome and opening prayer. The opening song was "Victory in Jesus" led by Rev. Roger Lucas with Helen Lucas playing the piano. Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, called the meeting to order. He thanked the church for hosting this session.

The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk. All churches were represented with the exception of Eastside, Sulphur Springs, and Union Hill.

The Roll Call of Ministers was read by Rev. Gary Mullenix, Credentials Committee. Eighteen of the twenty-nine ministers were present.

The Roll Call of Delegates on the presenting committees was given by the Clerk.

Preaching the first sermon was Rev. Tony Latham. He chose for his text from Acts 4:13. We need to be seen with Jesus and let it show to others. Others should be able to see God in us. It is the power of God that changes things and not man's preaching. We need more of the power of God in our churches. Preachers should come before the people to preach in fear and trembling. Ministers should live so that others know they are men of God. They should be pure, have patience, gentleness, and wear the full armor of God.

Rev. Jamie Lancaster, missionary to Uruguay, gave a brief report of the church building project in Uruguay. He thanked the Mount Moriah Association for their support and encouraged them to continue. He reminded them of the quarter folders that are being

collected to help fund the building project, pointing out the pocket change can change lives.

The General Offering was received with Bro. James Acker leading the offertory prayer.

Instructions were given by Rev. Roy Plymon for the brunch in the Fellowship Hall. After prayer was given by Rev. Terrell Jones, we enjoyed delicious food, and committees prepared their reports. We assembled back in the sanctuary with the congregational singing of "He Set Me Free" followed by a prayer by Rev. Tony Tilley.

Rev. David Cook preached the next sermon since Rev. Rick Taylor was unable to attend. Rev. Cook used Leviticus 9:23-24 for his scripture and entitled his sermon "The Fire of God." Many times in scripture God has answered prayers and showed His acceptance by sending fire. We are to be living sacrifices on the fire of God. Our own fire is unacceptable to God. God has also used fire in judgments. God will be glorified not the keepers of the fire. We can be purified by the fire of God.

The Moderator opened the business session of the meeting.

### **Committee Reports**

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

### **Credentials Committee – No Report**

### **Treasurer's Report - given by Tim Brasher**

Balance as of October 8, 2005	\$7,693.76
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#### **Receipts:**

Interest	\$ 2.99
Offering- Carlwood	162.00
Total Receipts	\$164.99

#### **Expenditures:**

Quarterly donation to Children's Home	\$ 100.00
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Keicia Tilley (Clerk's duties)	125.00
Tim Brasher (Treasurer's duties)	125.00
Alabama State Association of FWB	2565.00
State Dues (19 churches @\$135.00/church)	
2006 National Association Expenses (19 churches @\$45.00/church)	855.00
Missions and Church Extension Mission	900.00
Banquet Expense (18 churches @ \$50.00/church)	
Vaudine Lancaster (postage & supplies)	60.53
Total Expenditures	\$4,705.53
Leaving a balance as of January 7, 2006	\$3,128.22

### **Board of Christian Education – No Report**

### **Devotional Committee – given by Marvin Hagler**

We recommend the following to preach at the April 8, 2006 meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Fred Graham
Alternate -	Rev. Albert Pickett
Second Sermon -	Rev. Earl Johnson
	Licensed Minister
Alternate -	Rev. Leon Orr
Third Sermon -	Rev. Jerry Smith
Alternate -	Rev. Tony Tilley

### **Finance Committee – given by James Acker**

Balance Brought Forward	\$3128.22
General Offering Today	\$ +186.00
Quarterly Donation To Children's Home	<u>\$ -100.00</u>
Balance On Hand	\$3214.22

### **Missions and Church Extension – given by Waymon Fields**

We appreciate your gifts of \$115,917.35 to support Missions during the last Associational year. Thanks to each one who has a heart for spreading the Gospel. Thanks to those who are supporting



and attending our missionary banquet. We appreciate the churches for sending funds to make this possible. We hope that you will continue your generous support to the cause of missions.

**Report from Children's Home – given by Waymon Fields**

Thank you for your support of the Children's Home. Twenty to thirty children are being served by the children's home. They are doing well and are currently operating in the black. They are still in need of a house parent.

**Other Business**

Rev. Roger Lucas made a motion that the Association give \$500.00 to help with the Uruguay Building Fund. This motion was seconded and passed.

Dennis Owens, missionary to Uruguay, thanked the people of the Association for their support in providing finances, prayers, and workers. He asked that we continue to support the work in Uruguay and well as throughout Alabama and the World.

Rev. Tony Tilley announced that the Church Maps had been compiled and were available to each church with their minutes. He asked that each church review the directions listed for them and report any errors and corrections.

**Resolutions and Appreciation – given by Velma Sturdivant**

The Mt. Moriah Association expresses its appreciation to Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Church, its pastor, Brother Roy Plymon, 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 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.

Prior to the last sermon, the congregation sang "Whosoever Surely Meaneth Me" and "O I Want to See Him".

The last sermon was preached by Rev. Dan Turman from the passage Jeremiah 1:4-19. He reminded us that God knew us before we were formed and He has set us apart to carry the message of Jesus and salvation. Like Jeremiah, we have a difficult message to preach today. God is a god of both mercy and wrath. Judgment shall come. Ministers should preach the message from God and not worry about what people think about the message. It is God and His Word that does the work and not us.

This session concluded with the congregational singing of "That Glad Reunion Day" and the closing prayer by Buddy Sturdivant.

**APRIL QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church**  
**April 8, 2006**

The April meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association began with the congregational song "At Calvary" led by Bro. Waymon Fields with Mrs. Theresa Taggart as pianist. Rev. Fred Graham, host pastor, gave the welcome and led the opening prayer. The Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, called the meeting to order.

The Clerk was asked to give the Roll Call of Churches. All churches were represented with the exception of First Reform and Union Hill.

The Roll Call of Ministers was given by Credentials Committee, Rev. Gary Mullenix with eighteen ministers present.

Rev. Fred Graham preached the first sermon from Matthew, chapter 24, entitled "The Lord's Return is Near". He stated that we are living in the end times. No one knows when Christ will return so we must live in a way to be ready for His return at any time. There will be many who attempt to deceive so we must stay grounded in the Truth. Rev. Graham requested an invitation be given. Bro. Fields led "Is Thy Heart Right with God?" with Mrs. Taggart playing.

The General Fund offering was received with Bro. James Acker giving the offertory prayer.

Rev. Graham gave instructions to the congregation for the brunch provided by the church. Rev. Tony Latham gave the prayer for the food. The Moderator 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 "My Savior's Love for Me". Rev. Tony Tilley led in prayer.

Rev. Earl Johnson, licensed minister, preached from 1 Corinthians 15:20 on "The Real Meaning on Easter." He stated that Easter, the resurrection of Jesus, separates Christianity from all other religions. We have hope because of the resurrection of Jesus. We need to ensure that our children are taught the true meaning of Easter.

The Moderator recognized Rev. Rick Cash, State Promotional Officer, for comments. Rev. Cash thanked the Mt. Moriah Association for their giving to the ACTS 1:8 Program. He stated that monies given are helping both home and foreign missions including a church and camp facility in Russia. Rev. Cash also announced that the church in Uruguay was set to be completed in June.

The Moderator also recognized Rev. Tony Tilley for comments regarding his recent medical mission trip to India. Rev. Tilley thanked the churches of the Association for the financial support many provided to make his trip possible. He explained that Dr. Don Hannah, son of missionary Carlie Hannah, and himself, a registered nurse, had gone to India to help create opportunities for the local pastors to witness to those in their communities by providing medical care to the people. He stated that there are only twelve pastors and thirty lay workers ministering to 206 churches. In addition, there are many groups that are requesting that a church be started in their area. However, many of the Christians face persecutions and the pastors have received threats of death in certain areas.

The Moderator opened the business session of the meeting.

### **Committee Reports**

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

## **Treasurer's Report – Tim Brasher, Treasurer**

Balance as of January 7, 2005 - **\$3,128.22**

### **RECEIPTS:**

Interest received - \$ 1.27

Offering taken at Mt. Moriah \$186.00

**TOTAL RECEIPTS - \$187.27**

### **EXPENDITURES:**

Children's Home Donation - \$100.00

Tony Tilley for map booklets - 114.00

Black Warrior Printing (minutes) - 697.60

Alabama State Association - 500.00

(Uruguayan Building Project)

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES - \$1,411.60**

Ending Balance as of April 8, 2006 - **\$1,903.89**

## **Credentials Committee – given by Stanley Sanford**

We recommend Bro. Scott Montgomery's name be added to the ordained ministers list.

## **Board of Christian Education – given by Rev. Rick Taylor**

We would like to sincerely thank all churches in the Mount Moriah Association for participating in and supporting the Fifth Sunday Youth Rally. We would also like to thank the Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church for their wonderful facilities. Educating our children in Christian values involves much more than church on Sunday! Please pray that as a Board, we can follow the vision of God to provide new ways for all of us (young and old) to worship Jesus Christ.

## **Finance Committee – given by James Acker**

Balance Brought Forward \$1903.89

General Offering Today \$ +155.92

Quarterly Donation To Children's Home \$ -100.00

Balance On Hand **\$2059.81**



## **Devotional Committee – given by Bart Tilley**

We recommend the following to preach at the July meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Albert Pickett
Alternate -	Rev. Elmer Lynn
Second Sermon -	Rev. Leon Orr
Alternate -	Rev. Roger Lucas
Third Sermon -	Rev. Tony Tilley
Alternate -	Rev. Roy Plymon

## **Missions and Church Extension – No report**

### **District Women Active for Christ – given by Sue Plymon, District WAC Fieldworker**

The Mount Moriah District Women Active for Christ met at Tabernacle on October 22, 2005 for our study course. Sue Ingram of the “Covenant Kids” ministry met with us for a wonderful, inspirational, and informative time to get together with our Lord and sisters in Christ. Our district WAC met March 25<sup>th</sup> at Mt. Moriah. We had 22 present with a great meeting. We are working very hard toward our honor of hosting the State WAC meeting on April 29 at Sulpher Springs. We want to give the Association ladies a special invitation to attend. The time is 9 am. The state WAC is working hard toward the National WAC. We welcome you to our banquet at Birmingham in July. Our president, Carolyn Hendrix, is an exciting lady and will be very conscious of all being done to glorify our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Please feel welcome to attend and call me for more information.

### **Resolutions and Appreciation – given by Velma Sturdivant**

The Mt. Moriah Association would like to express its appreciation to Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church for hosting this session of the association. We would like to thank the ladies for a job well done with the brunch. The messages, songs, and fellowship blessed our hearts.

Announcements were given by the congregation, followed by singing "Send the Light" and prayer led by Rev. Scott Montgomery.

The last sermon was by Rev. Jerry Smith from Acts 16:16-40. As Christians we should learn and grow in God's Word. We are able to learn both from the Holy Spirit and by watching the lives of others. Others are watching our example so we should be living lives that display a Christian attitude. The unsaved should be able to identify a difference in our lives so that we are able to be a living witness of Jesus to them.

The closing song was "Just As I Am". The benedictory prayer was given by Rev. Roy Plymon.

**JULY QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist Church**  
**July 8, 2006**

The July meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association began with the congregational song "Victory in Jesus" led by Bro. Waymon Fields with Mr. Brad Sanford as pianist. Rev. Terrell Jones, host pastor, gave the welcome and led the opening prayer. The Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, called the meeting to order.

The Clerk was asked to give the Roll Call of Churches. All churches except Eastside, First Reform, and Union Hill were present.

The Roll Call of Ministers was given by Credentials Committee, Rev. Gary Mullenix with eighteen present.

Bro. Albert Pickett delivered the first sermon. He used Acts 4:23-31 as his texts. God hears our prayers, even when only a small group is gathered. God will answer the prayers of His people in be in their presence when gathered in His name. Jesus cares about people; this was demonstrated throughout His life. We know that God is unchanging - *the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever* (Hebrews 13:8).

The General Fund offering was received with Bro. Dan Turman giving the offertory prayer.

State Promotional Director Rick Cash gave a brief report stating that giving from the Mount Moriah is less this year when compared to last year at the same time. He encouraged all to attend the National Association Meeting that will be held in Birmingham, Alabama.

Rev. Jones gave instructions to the congregation for the brunch provided by the church. Bro. Dan Turman gave the prayer for the

food. The Moderator 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 “When the Roll is Called Up Yonder”. Rev. Roy Plowman led in prayer.

Rev. Roger Lucas spoke from Daniel 3:16-18, entitling his message “Men of Fire.” This is the story of the three Hebrew children who refused to bow to the king’s image and were thrown into the fiery furnace. They were different than those around them, making them stand out. Jesus commanded us to be different, being a light in the darkness (John 8:12). We should be like these Hebrews, dedicated, faithful, and willing to stand for truth even in the face of persecutions. Just as Jesus was with them in the fire, He will go with us through any suffering we endure for His name.

The Moderator opened the business session of the meeting.

**Committee Reports**

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

**Treasurer’s Report – Tim Brasher, Treasurer**

Balance as of April 8, 2006 -	<b>\$1,903.89</b>
RECEIPTS:	
Interest received -	\$ 1.19
Offering taken at Shiloh-	<u>\$155.92</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS -	<b>\$157.11</b>
EXPENDITURES:	
Children’s Home Donation -	<u>\$100.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES -	<b>\$100.00</b>
Ending Balance as of July 8, 2006 -	<b>\$1,961.00</b>

**Board of Christian Education – given by Rev. Rick Taylor**

As the upcoming school year approaches, we would like to remind everyone that Christian education begins at home. Adults and

children alike must continue to learn from God's word! We encourage parents and children to participate in Bible schools and Christian education meetings. The Fifth Sunday Youth Rally has been a continued success. Carolwood has presented a price of \$200 per meeting to cover the costs of using their facility. We will gladly pay this amount and re-evaluate next years plan. For our July meeting, we will have new home missionary Stephen Kimbrell, formerly of the Fayette Free Will Baptist Church.

**Finance Committee – given by Matthew Tilley**

Balance Brought Forward	\$1,961.00
General Offering Today	\$ +121.00
Quarterly Donation To Children's Home	<u>\$ -100.00</u>
Balance On Hand	\$1,982.00

**Devotional Committee – given by Bart Tilley**

We recommend the following to preach at the July meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Redus Hall
Alternate -	Rev. Terrell Jones
Second Sermon -	Rev. Don Taggart
Alternate -	Rev. Craig Turman
Third Sermon -	Rev. Roy Plymon
Alternate -	Rev. Jackie Adcox

**Missions and Church Extension – No report**

**Credentials Committee – given by Bro. Gary Mullenix**

1. We recommend that Bro. Earl Johnson be added to the ordained minister's list.
2. We recommend that Bro. Larry Colburn be dropped from the ordained minister's list and upon Bro. Larry's request, we recommend that he be granted a letter of good standing until the time he left the Mount Zion Free Will Baptist Church. As of this date, with the approval of the Association, Bro. Larry Colburn will not be affiliated with the Free Will Baptist denomination.



There was discussion regarding the second proposal. Bro. Roy Plymon made a motion that it be amended to not include the sending of a letter of good standing. This amendment passed and the motion was approved to read:

We recommend that Bro. Larry Colburn be dropped from the ordained minister's list. As of this date, with the approval of the Association, Bro. Larry Colburn will not be affiliated with the Free Will Baptist denomination.

### **Resolutions and Appreciation – given by Velma Sturdivant**

The Mt. Moriah Association would like to express its appreciation to Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist Church for hosting this session of the quarterly meeting. We would like to thank the ladies for a delicious brunch. The songs, messages, and fellowship blessed our hearts. There was a good turn out of the churches.

The congregation sang "My Savior's Love" followed by the last sermon of the day. Rev. Tony Tilley read Titus 1:5-13, which explains the qualifications of church leaders. Many churches have chosen to ignore this passage, looking rather for leaders that increase numbers and make them feel good. However, our focus should be on God who is Holy. Our leaders should have a good home life, self-control, good character, and faithful. Such leaders will help guide believers into a closer walk with Christ, convicting us of sins. We are warned that there will be many deceivers. We must know and be grounded in the Truth in order to recognize the deceptions and reject them.

Announcements were taken and the closing song "I Feel Like Traveling On" was sung. The benedictory prayer was given by Bro. James South.

## **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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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, Treasurer, and Assistant 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, Treasurer, and Assistant 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, Treasurer, and Assistant 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, Treasurer, and Assistant 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**

- 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 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.

## NOTES