

MINUTES  
OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH  
ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
HELD WITH  
PHILLIPS CHAPEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
NORTHPORT, ALABAMA  
OCTOBER 11, 2008  
9:30 A.M.

OFFICERS

Rev. Roy Plymon – Moderator  
Rev. Tony Tilley – Asst. Moderator  
Keicia Tilley – Clerk  
Nita Tilley – Asst. Clerk  
Gail Fields - Treasurer  
Tim Brasher – Asst. Treasurer

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## MEETING PLACES, DATES AND CLERK INFORMATION

## ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET

January 10, 2009                      Northport Civic Center  
6:30 P.M.

## QUARTERLY MEETINGS

January 10, 2009	Tabernacle
April 11, 2009	Mt. Moriah
July 11, 2009	Sulphur Springs

## ANNUAL MEETING

October 10, 2009 Carolwood

## FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS

November 30, 2008	Sulphur Springs
March 29, 2009	Carolwood
May 31, 2009	Tabernacle
August 30, 2009	Carolwood with Mt. Zion assisting

## GENERAL BOARD MEETING

**September 26, 2009                      Shiloh                      9:00 A.M.**  
**Credentials Committee to meet at 8:00 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

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<b>Glen Echo:</b>	Jana Fulgham Reva Brown	Sharon Fulgham Alt- Desiree Mullenix
<b>Holman:</b>	Tracy Robertson Wesley Robertson	Bonnie Lynn Alt- Jeanette Smith
<b>Liberty:</b>	Ed Avery Jim Roulaine	Butch Wallace Alt- Peggy Hopwood
<b>Macedonia:</b>	Nadine Dean Adine Pennington	Gail Fields
<b>Mt. Moriah:</b>	Ann Joyner Cherry Mullenix	Sue Plymon Alt- Vaudine Lancaster
<b>Mt. Zion:</b>	Mike Winters Ricky Wallace	Norman Traweek Alt-Sherry Marshall
<b>Phillips Chapel:</b>	Willie F. Logan Terry Watson	Jim Barger Alt- Josh Smith
<b>Sardis:</b>	Kevin Robertson Nell Robertson	Tootsie Sullivan Alt- Hannah Hawthorne
<b>Shiloh:</b>	Skip Sutton Scott Koon	Jason Stephens Alt - Wilford Burkhalter
<b>Sulphur Springs:</b>	Justin Strickland Tim Summerlin	Ray Lee
<b>Tabernacle:</b>	Velma Strudivant Daniel Montgomery	Junior Smith Alt- Teresa Smith
<b>Union:</b>	Elaine Noland Don Gray	Betty Miller Alt – June Ott
<b>Union Hill:</b>	Pam Lowe Barbara Sudduth	Linda Sanders Alt- Ladonna Lowe

### **ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES**

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Nell Robertson

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Pam Lowe  
Valma Sturdivant  
Tootsie Sullivan  
Armond Swindle

**\*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**

**Carolwood**

Jerry Montgomery  
Dewey Thomas  
Roger Lucas  
Earl Johnson  
Dan Turman

**Eastside**

Douglas Tilley

**Faith**

Tony Latham

**First-Ethelsville**

Redus Hall

**First-Reform**

Leon Orr

**First-Tuscaloosa**

Tony Tilley

**Glen Echo**

Gary Mullenix

**Holman**

Ben Logan  
Elmer Lynn  
Randall Lynn

**Liberty**

Albert Pickett

**Macedonia**

Jeremy Overstreet

<b>Mt. Moriah</b>	Roy G. Plymon Jaimie Lancaster
<b>Mt. Zion</b>	Jackie Adcox
<b>Phillips Chapel</b>	Terrell Jones
<b>Sardis</b>	None
<b>Shiloh</b>	Randy Key Fred Graham David Cook
<b>Sulphur Springs</b>	Rick Taylor Elzie Gilliam
<b>Tabernacle</b>	Jerry T. Smith
<b>Union</b>	Earnest White
<b>Union Hill</b>	Kevin Taylor

### **HISTORY OF CHURCHES**

<u><b>CHURCHES</b></u>	<u><b>ORGANIZED</b></u>	<u><b>ORGANIZED BY</b></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
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

Free Will Baptist Church

October 11, 2008

The 158th session of the Mount Moriah Association met at Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday, October 11, 2008. The meeting was opened by Bro. Roy Plymon, moderator, followed by a welcome and prayer by Bro. Terrell Jones, host church pastor. In the absence of the Clerk, Mrs. Vauldine Lancaster gave the roll call of the churches with all in attendance except First, Reform. The roll call of ministers found 21 in attendance. Visitors were recognized and included Rev. Hank Hollis. The Credentials Committee was dismissed. The congregation was led by Rev. Roger Lucas in the singing of "Old Rugged Cross" and "I am Thine O Lord" with Mrs. Helen Lucas playing the piano.

Bro. Tony Tilley's message entitled "How to Survive as Christians" was taken from II Peter 1:1-11. First, you are called by God to be a Christian. You must remain firm in your belief that it is God's word and remember your conversion was a divine event. Work to add qualities that make you a responsible person. To neglect yourself is necessary for survival but with due diligence, you will have your reward.

The Moderator opened the Business session and seated the standing and elected delegates.

Mrs. Lancaster read the following report from the General Board Meeting:

*The General Board met on September 27, 2008 with all churches represented with the exception of First Reform, Macedonia, and Sardis.*

*The Credentials Committee reviewed the church letters and reported that all were in order with the exception of Macedonia as it had not yet been received. The Credentials Committee*

*recommended that Bro. Barry Cook be dropped from the ministers list. Additionally, they found all ordained ministers to be in good standing with the association.*

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

*Meeting Place Recommendations for the Year:*

*Quarterly Meetings*

*January 10, 2009: Tabernacle*

*April 11, 2009: Mt. Moriah*

*July 11, 2009: Sulphur Springs*

*October 10, 2009: Carolwood*

*Youth Meetings*

*November 30, 2008: Sulphur Springs*

*March 29, 2009: Carolwood*

*May 31, 2009: Tabernacle*

*August 30, 2009: Carolwood with the assistance of  
Sulphur Springs*

*Nominations on the Following Offices:*

*Moderator: Roy Plymon*

*Assistant Moderator: Tony Tilley*

*Clerk: Keicia Tilley*

*Assistant Clerk: Nita Tilley*

*Treasurer: Gail Fields*

*Assistant Treasurer: Tim Brasher*

*Credentials Committee: Bill Rice*

*Board of Christian Education: Tim Fields*

*Missions & Church Extension: Rick Taylor*

*Following discussion about the changes to the International Mission's funding program, the session was closed in prayer.*

*Mrs. Gail Fields, Treasurer, gave the following report:*

*Balance as of July 12, 2008* *\$2,760.54*

*Receipts:*

*Interest* *\$ 0.67*

Offering	134.75
Total Receipts	\$135.42
Expenditures:	
Quarterly donation to Children's Home	\$ 100.00
Redus & Martha Hall	100.00
Alabama State Association	
Short time Missionaries to Uruguay	
David & Kendra Dobson	100.00
Neil & Mandy Morgan	100.00
Total Expenditures	\$400.00
Leaving a balance as of October 13, 2007	\$2,495.96

### Representation Fees

Church	Min.	Min. Fund	State Dues	Gen. Fund	Mission Banquet	TOTAL
Carolwood	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 255.00
Eastside	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 239.00
Faith	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 255.00
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	5	\$ 10.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 225.00
Glen Echo	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
Holman	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
Liberty	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
Macedonia	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
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	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00
Tabernacle	30	\$ 60.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 275.00
Union	12	\$ 24.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 239.00
Union Hill	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 245.00
Totals	317	\$ 634.00	\$ 2,565.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 4,719.00

Bro. Jerry Smith of the Credentials Committee reported that all church letters are in order and all ministers are in good standing with the exception of Barry Cook, who we recommend be drops from the minister's list. The Committee recommends that Bro. Richard Bowers be accepted with full privileges of the Association as a minister. In response to the following letter, all committee members were encouraged to take their positions seriously.

*On this day, October 8, 2008, we at Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church voted to send a letter to the Association recommending that the Credentials Committee, Missions and Church Extension Committee and Board of Christian Education be added to the Roll Call list. That if they do not attend for One Year that the Association drop their names from the standing committee. We would like of the Credentials Committee take this into consideration at the next Association Meeting. We thank you for your time.*

These items were tabled till the afternoon session.

Delegates to the Association were assigned to committees and delegates to represent our Association at the State Association were selected: Sue Plymon, Amanda Taylor, Vaudine Lancaster, Loretta Logan, and Jewell South.

Prayer for the food was given by Rev. Albert Pickett and we were dismissed for refreshment break.

After the brunch, the session was resumed with the congregation singing "O I Want to See Him" and Ms. Donna Johnson singing "How Great Thou Art."

The second sermon of the day was delivered by Rev. Roy Plymon. His message entitled "Who Are These Free Will Baptists?" was taken from II Timothy 2:1-7. Free Will Baptists are not just another Baptist church; we are Armenian. We do not believe in eternal security but rather the security of the believer. We know about grace: saving grace, serving grace, surrendered grace, and sharing grace. The doctrine of the Free Will Baptists is taken from God's word. The doctrine that we have a choice and must continue in Him comes from John 10:4 and the doctrine of falling away from Hebrews 6:4.



Bro. Terrell Jones gave instructions for lunch and Bro. Jackie Adcox 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 with the singing of "Living by Faith." Following prayer by Bro. Earl Jonhson, Bro. Tony Latham and Mrs. Ceavlon Latham sang "I'm Free."

Bro. Richard Bowers gave the final sermon of the day which he entitled "Who Is in Control?" We know that God in heaven is in control; He never changes in substance though we may change in form due to the changes in the world and the challenges that it brings as we attempt to meet them. God is holy, just, merciful, and loving. In order to be saved and go to heaven, we must have a relationship with Him. God is in control but made man a free moral agent, giving us the choice to choose or reject Him.

Members of the Credentials distributed ballots to the voting body.

### 2008-2009 BALLOT

These nominations were made at the General Board Meeting at Shiloh, September 27, 2008. Requests for write-in nominations will be taken.

	<u>Recommendations</u>	<u>Write-ins</u>
Moderator	<i>Rev. Roy Plymon</i> _____	
Assistant Moderator	<i>Rev. Tony Tilley</i> _____	
Clerk	<i>Keicia Tilley</i> _____	
Assistant Clerk	<i>Nita Tilley</i> _____	
Treasurer	<i>Gail Fields</i> _____	
Assistant Treasurer	<i>Tim Brasher</i> _____	
Credentials Committee (5-year term)	<i>Bill Rice</i> _____	
Missions and Church Extension (5-year term)	<i>Rick Taylor</i> _____	
Board of Christian Education (5-year term)	<i>Wesley Robertson</i> _____	
Meeting place recommendations:		
*Quarterly Meetings-		
January 10, 2009	<i>Tabernacle</i>	
April 11, 2009	<i>Mt. Moriah</i>	
July 11, 2009	<i>Sulphur Springs</i>	
*Annual Meeting-		
October 10, 2009	<i>Carolwood</i>	

**\*Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings-**

November 30, 2008	<i>Sulphur Springs</i>
March 29, 2009	<i>Carolwood</i>
May 31, 2009	<i>Tabernacle</i>
August 30, 2009	<i>Carolwood with the assistance of Sulphur Springs</i>

The Moderator asked for other nominations from the floor for the officers and meeting locations. Mt. Zion offered to assist Carolwood with the August Youth Meeting. Tim Fields and Rev. Rick Taylor declined their nominations. Wesley Robertson was nominated for the Board of Christian Education and Rev. Jerry Montgomery for the Missions and Church Extension Committee. No other nominations were made.

### **Committee Reports**

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

#### **Children's Home – given by Daniel Montgomery**

We encourage you to diligently pray for the Children's Home at this time that God's will be done in the current situation. Please continue to support them and their leaders.

Waymon Fields gave an encouraging account of getting the Home back on track so they can be a place to point the children to Christ.

#### **Sunday School and C.T.S. – given Sue Pylmon**

Proverbs 22:6 commands us to *train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it*. Ephesians 6:1 tells us that *children, obey your parents in the Lord; for this is right*. All of our churches should promote 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 others and ourselves. We realize that good Sunday School and CTS programs impact the lives of our adults and youth. We encourage all churches to begin a spiritual training program if you don't have one now.

#### **Education, Publication and Literature - given by Mary Jo Price**



2 Timothy 2:15 states: *Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.* We all need to read and study our Bible daily and we recommend each family have daily devotion at home. We should monitor the TV programs that our children and grandchildren watch and the literature that is being taught in school. Taking a stand for Christ should start in the home.

**Temperance** – given by Velma Sturdivant

Acts 24:24-25 states: *And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ. And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time: when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.* We live in a day which our culture glorifies evil and knows no boundaries. We should be salt and light in our communities. We, like Paul, must confront wickedness, causing trembling.

**Morals and Reform** – report given by Bonnie Lynn

Our nation is in a state of moral decline more than a year ago. Our schools are not safe; our government seems to be turning away from God. We must be active in reforming the world around us. As stated in John 3:16, *For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.*

**Deceased** – given by Betty Jo Miller

We report the following members were called home this past year:

Carolwood.....	Ted Hester
	Sue Tingle
	Avis Hall
	Lewis Graham
Eastside .....	None
Faith .....	None
First-Ethelsville.....	None
First-Reform.....	None
First-Tuscaloosa .....	None

Glen Echo.....	David Acker
Holman.....	T. J. Smelley
Liberty.....	Lou Nell Cook
Mt. Moriah .....	Robert Lewis Henderson
Mt. Zion .....	Harvey Harless
	Myran Reed
Phillips Chapel .....	Bula Smith
	Louise Watson
	John B. Montgomery
Sardis.....	Nettie Mason
Shiloh .....	David Houston Latham
	Kathleen Walters Connell
Sulphur Springs.....	None
Tabernacle.....	Mauline Wicker
Union .....	None
Union Hill .....	None

May we have a moment of silent prayer for these families. The song "Precious Memories" was sung in memory of these departed loved ones.

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

We recommend the following speakers:

#### **January Meeting**

First Sermon – Rev. Fred Graham  
 Alternate – Rev. Leon Orr  
 Second Sermon – Rev. Redus Hall  
 Alternate – Rev. Kevin Taylor  
 Third Sermon – Rev. Jeremy Overstreet  
 Alternate – Rev. David Cook

#### **April Meeting**

First Sermon – Rev. Terrell Jones  
 Alternate – Rev. Richard Bowers  
 Second Sermon – Rev. Randy Key  
 Alternate – Rev. Earl Johnson  
 Third Sermon – Rev. Ben Logan  
 Alternate – Rev. Tony Latham

#### **June Meeting**

First Sermon – Rev. Roger Lucas  
 Alternate – Rev. Jerry Smith

Second Sermon – Rev. Randall Lynn

Alternate – Rev. Rick Taylor

Third Sermon – Rev. Jerry Montgomery

Alternate – Rev. Douglas Tilley

#### October Meeting

First Sermon – Rev. Tony Tilley

Alternate – Rev. Redus Hall

Second Sermon – Rev. Roy Plymon

Alternate – Rev. Fred Graham

Third Sermon – Rev. Gary Mullenix

Alternate – Rev. Dan Turman

**Finance Committee** – given by Mike Winters

The General Fund offering today was \$215.00.

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

We would like to thank Bro. Ben Logan for 25 years of faithful service on the Mr. Moriah Missions board. His dedication is greatly appreciated. He will be greatly missed.

Our regular missions' conference will begin January 11, 2009. We encourage all churches to participate and continue your support to our missionaries. We remind you of our missions' banquet at the Northport Civic Center on January 10, 2009. We would like each pastor to encourage church members to attend. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 years of age. Sweet Assurance will be providing music again in January.

We ask that the Association furnish Regions Bank a resolution approving Bro. Terrell Jones as treasures of the Missions board with James South as assistant treasurer, replacing Bro. Ben Logan.

**Board of Christian Education** - given by Jim Barger

We are happy to report that there were 211 in attendance at the last Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting. The offering collected was \$135 bringing the total Board of Christian Education account to \$3,013.75. This money is used to support youth in Christina leadership training and for CTS materials and competition. We encourage all churches to participate in CTS training and

# Mt. Moriah Association Church Statistics

CHURCH	Pastor	\$PAID PASTOR	\$PAID VISIT-	\$PAID	\$ PAID	\$PAID	\$PAID	\$PAID	\$ PAID	SUNDAY		CTS		PRAYER	MEMBERS			MEMBERS			TOTAL
	*Assoc. Pastor	House	ING MINISTER	CHILDREN'S	ACTS 1:8	HOME	FOREIGN	BIBLE	OTHER	SCHOOL	Avg. Att.	Enroll.	Avg. Att.	MEETING	RECEIVED			LOST			MEMBER-
	**Interim	Allowance	& Evangelists	HOME		MISSIONS	MISSIONS	COLLEGE		Enroll.				Avg. Att.	Bapt	Rest	Lett	Lett	Excl	Dec	SHIP
		/ Salary	& Interim																		
Carolwood	Jerry Montgomery	\$ 34,440.00	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 2,475.66	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 901.80	-	-	\$ 3,987.50	68	56	-	-	40	6	0	11	5	0	1	144
Eastside	Doug Tilley	\$ 16,900.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 1,124.06	\$ 1,061.97	\$ 894.52	-	\$ 350.12	\$ 2,159.18	-	-	-	-	16	0	0	4	0	0	3	161
Faith	Tony Latham	-	-	\$ 1,200.00	-	\$ 650.00	-	-	\$ 5,000.00	28	28	-	-	28	1	0	0	0	0	0	49
First-Ethelsville	Redus Hall	\$ 24,300.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 474.25	-	\$ 1,200.00	-	-	-	20	20	20	14	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
First-Reform	Leon Orr	\$ 17,100.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	25	25	2	0	7	0	0	0	
First-Tuscaloosa	Tony Tilley	\$ 12,750.00	-	-	\$ 5,469.78	-	\$ 2,085.24	-	-	-	9	-	-	8	0	0	0	2	0	0	59
Glen Echo	Gary Mullenix	\$ 13,830.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 880.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 660.00	-	-	25	19	25	19	19	1	0	0	2	0	0	45
Holman	Ben Logan	\$ 16,200.00	\$ 750.00	\$ 37,546.94	\$ 2,460.00	-	-	-	\$ 700.00	48	34	-	-	32	1	0	0	0	2	1	66
Liberty	Richard Bowers	\$ 21,200.00	-	\$ 5,315.00	\$ 18,619.00	\$ 1,660.00	\$ 1,250.00	-	\$ 21,753.00	67	35	-	-	20	0	0	0	0	0	1	67
Macedonia		\$ 36,831.70	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 632.00	\$ 5,200.00	\$ 2,734.98	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 585.54	48	38	35	26	24	0	0	0	0	0	1	68
Mt. Moriah	Roy Plymon	\$ 15,340.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 3,260.00	\$ 3,485.00	\$ 390.00	\$ 395.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 205.00	20	14	-	-	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	62
Mt. Zion	Earl Johnson	\$ 11,726.15	\$ 970.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 240.00	-	\$ 640.00	32	30	s	-	24	0	0	0	14	0	0	91
																					4 Inactive
Phillips Chapel	Terrell Jones	-	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 6,815.00	\$ 23,149.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 200.00	-	-	48	42	-	-	38	3	0	0	1	0	3	201
Sardis	Roger Lucas Dan Turman*	-	\$ 1,300.00	-	\$ 1,275.00	-	-	-	-	34	24	-	-	24	4	0	4	0	0	1	74
Shiloh	Randy Key	\$ 30,100.00	\$ 2,199.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 2,580.00	\$ 660.00	\$ 480.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	-	25	-	-	20	1	0	1	0	0	2	96
Sulphur Springs	Rick Taylor	\$ 51,800.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,196.00	\$ 8,292.00	\$ 9,352.00	-	\$ 600.00	\$ 4,850.00	113	94	-	-	71	5	0	0	2	0	0	134
																					77 Inactive
Tabernacle	Jerry Smith	-	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 5,916.34	\$ 1,030.90	-	-	\$ 7,064.21	-	64	-	-	30	2	0	4	0	0	1	104
Union	David Cook	\$ 8,250.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 420.00	-	\$ 535.00	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	2	0	59
Union Hill	Kevin Taylor	\$ 13,850.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,400.00	-	\$ 1,466.94	-	\$ 300.00	50	40	-	-	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	48
TOTALS			\$ 19,194.00	\$ 66,358.91	\$ 76,516.09	\$ 7,912.18	\$ 1,950.12	\$ 1,950.12	\$ 47,544.43	601	618	80	84	482	26	0	31	26	4	15	1562
						Total Missions Giving *Not Included in ACTS 1:8		\$ 112,699.39													



competition as well as the Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings. If you need information about CTS training and competition or any kids need help with these at your church, please contact one of the Board members.

**Credentials Committee – given by Rev. Jerry Smith**

Rev. Jerry Smith repeated the information provided in the morning session stating that all church letters are in order and all ministers are in good standing with the exception of Barry Cook, who we recommend be drops from the minister's list. The Committee recommends that Bro. Richard Bowers be accepted with full privileges of the Association as a minister. These items were approved.

Additionally the following was read and approved:

We the Credentials Committee of the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptist do hereby make this said resolution. Be it Resolved that The Credentials Committee of the Mount Moriah Association will adhere to the best of its ability to examine all Ministers from other Free Will Baptist Associations that request membership of said Association. We believe that they must be men that would meet the qualifications of 1 Timothy 3:2-7.

Following discussion of the Letter from Carolwood, it was voted to table this item till the annual session.

**District Women Active for Christ – given by Sue Plymon**

The Mt. Moriah Women Active for Christ send greetings to the Annual Mt. Moraih Association. We have two reporting local WAC groups – Mt. Moraih and Sulphur Springs. We currently have twenty-four members. We have given \$2,800 to various Free Will Baptist Missions since January of 2007. As a district, we have two meetings a year – one in March which is our annual meeting and one in September which is our Christian Growth Meeting. This year we hosted our first district wide Pastor / Leader Appreciation luncheon. This was a special filler meeting. The Lord Visited in a mighty way – we are still rejoicing over this meeting. We hope to make this an annual thing with 100% participation. It is our goal to see every church in our association becoming a member of this

great organization. Please see any of the Mt. Moriah or Sulphur Springs ladies for information. We also have a local DVD showing out efforts through the year.

Remember our mission banquet at the State Association in Dothan. It will be held Thursday afternoon at the Wiregrass Rehabilitation Center. Tickets will be available starting Wednesday night. Our guest speaker will be Kelly Turner who along with her husband Jimmy Hunter are missionaries for a two year term in Bulgaria. They are from Northport and are active in their local church. To find out more about them read the August-September issue of The Digest. Our theme this year is "Taught by the Bible, Led by the Spirit." It is our prayer we will be directed by God's word and His Spirit to better serve Him.

### **Resolutions and Appreciation Committee – given by Tracy Robertson**

We would like to extend our appreciation to Bro. Terrell Jones and his congregation here at Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist Church for hosting this 158<sup>th</sup> session of the Mt. Moriah Association, today October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Our heartfelt thanks to the ladies for such wonderful food. We would also like to thank the preachers for delivering God's word to us today, may we take it and apply it to our everyday lives and hearts. Let us give special attention and prayer to the upcoming election, since the decisions we make today will have an effect on our future lives and the lives of our families. May God bless each of you today.

### **New Business**

Rev. Jackie Adcox has accepted a church outside of the Association. It is thereby recommended that his position on the Credentials Committee be filled with a pastor from within our association. Nominations were taken and Rev. Roger Lucas was selected to finish the remaining term.

### **Correspondences**

**Jaimie Lancaster**

Greetings from Motevideo!

Where do you put your trust? I'm sorry for those who trust in the financial markets. It seems like every day we are with another financial crisis. I feel sorry for those who put their trust in the political system. I don't think that either of the candidates possesses the skills necessary to weather the upcoming crisis. I don't feel real sorry for the Crimson Tide fans, cause they are doing pretty good this year, although they won't always be on top.

I recently listened to a sermon on Jeremiah 7. The pastor made the point that "it is not the extent of our faith but it is the object of our faith." That object is Jesus Christ and even though the foundations of the earth and even Wall Street are shaken and felt around the world, my trust is in Him. I hope that you feel the same way.

God is blessing in Uruguay. Have we been through some rough times economically? Very rough. The dollar dropped 33% over the course of our first year back and prices rose 10-15%. Ask you church treasure to up you budget by 15% and drop your income by 33% and you'll get the idea. Have we been through some tough times as a church? Yes, we lost a pastor of one of our churches who came back with a lawsuit for \$18,000 dollars. We settled out of court for much less. Have we had a hard time with personal differences and unresolved hurts between workers? Yep, we had a confrontation between some pastors/ex-pastors but no they are meeting on Fridays to pray with each other. We have seen God work in marvelous ways in financial provisions, ministry issues and relationship building.

We have a host of things planned for October. We just finished our youth camp in September where 20 young people attended. The 25<sup>th</sup> of October we will have a presentation in the street in front of the church. The 31<sup>st</sup> of October and 1<sup>st</sup> of November will be our leadership conference. As you can see, we have a lot going on. Perhaps the greatest news is not about our ministry. Monday, FWBIM will send out a press release that talks about a bold step that they made. They recently approved 6 missionaries to return to the field whose accounts were in the red. Matt and Cristina Price were one of those couples. They traveled over 50,000 miles to get out of the red. With our new system of funding, hopefully this will be the last time that anyone has to have that experience. Our last



time on Stateside assignment was not the time of rest and refreshment that we had hoped. It was always overshadowed by our account balance. People have asked me what I think of the new funding plan. If this move is any indication, and I think it is, then I am all for it. In doing this, the office and local churches have committed to putting missionaries where they are most effective and ultimately where their hearts are, ON THE FIELD.

Thank you for your faithful support. February will mark our 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary on the field. The churches of the Mt. Moriah Association have been with us through the first wobbly steps of the ACTS 1:8 plan to present condition where we are running well! One of my most used phrases is that with the ACTS 1:8 program our churches can reach out around the world to Central Asia, Spain, Uruguay, and Alabama. Now we can truly say that we have the opportunity to TRULY reach out around the world. Let's move forward and run well the race that we have before us. Our team needs YOU!

### **Rev. Redus Hall & Mrs. Martha Hall**

I want to thank the association for the gift. We continue to ask for your prayers as we go through a difficult time. God as always has been so good to us. Thanks again!

After announcements were given, the benediction was given by Rev. Jeremy Overstreet. The session closed with the singing of "I Feel Like Traveling On."

**JANUARY QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church**  
**Northport, Alabama**  
**January 12, 2008**

Saturday, January 13, 2007 the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists convened with Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church. The opening song was "Victory in Jesus" led by Bro. Waymon Fields. Host pastor, Rev. Earl Johnson gave the welcome and opening prayer. Moderator, Rev. Roy Plymon, called the meeting to order.

The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Assistant Clerk. All churches were represented. The Roll Call of Ministers was read with twenty-two ministers present.

Rev. Rick Taylor spoke on the church being too comfortable taking his text from Romans 13:11. The church still has the responsibility to spread the gospel but today most are slumbering rather than working. Most are unaware of what is going on; they do not know the time. The majority of people are not seeking God but rather material things. We need to work to reach our community using the gifts and talents that God has given us. Our worship of God reveals that our heart is with God. The church must recognize that we have fallen short and repent then point others to salvation.

Following the offertory prayer and the General Offering, instructions were given by Rev. Earl Johnson for the brunch. Delicious food was enjoyed and committees prepared their reports. We assembled back in the sanctuary with the congregational singing of "To God be the Glory" and "Come and Dine."

Following Rev. Jerry Montgomery's prayer, Rev. Douglas Tilley preached the second sermon. He spoke from Psalm 16:11 on "Passions in Life." The passion of your heart controls your life. Men have become lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. Because of this misplaced passion, people do not understand what

life is about or their purpose in life. We must have the proper passion for God and His word and live in a way that displays this to others.

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 – given by Rev. Jerry Smith**

We, your committee, report as follows:

We recommend Bro. Richard Bowers come under the watch care of the Mt. Moriah Association for the next year. After said time, he would be in full fellowship with the association.

#### **Treasurer's Report - given by Gail Fields**

Opening Balance	\$2,194.22
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##### **Receipts:**

Interest	3.02
Quarterly Offering	148.80
Minute Fund	618.00
State Dues	2,565.00
General Fund	570.00
Mission Banquet	950.00

Total Receipts	\$4,854.82
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##### **Expenditures:**

Quarterly donation to Children's Home	\$ 100.00
Keicia Tilley (Clerk's duties)	125.00
Alabama State Association of FWB	2,565.00
State Dues (19 churches @\$135.00/church)	
Missions and Church Extension Mission	950.00
Banquet Expense (19 churches @ \$50.00/church)	

Total Expenditures	\$3,740.00
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Leaving a balance of

\$3,309.04

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

**Devotional Committee – given by Bart Tilley**

We recommend the following to preach at the April meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. David Cook
Alternate -	Rev. Barry Cook
Second Sermon -	Rev. Dan Turman
Alternate -	Rev. Earl Johnson
Third Sermon -	Rev. Fred Graham
Alternate -	Rev. Jerry Smith

**Finance Committee – given by Matthew Tilley**

General Offering Today \$ 189.55

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

We, your committee, report as follows:

We appreciate all churches in the Association for your financial support of our Missions Banquet and to those who are attending; we appreciate you participating in the Missions Conference. Total giving for the Association was \$115,821.91 last year, an increase of \$13,809.14. Thank you so much for your generous support of our missionaries.

**Other Business**

The Moderator read the following report sent by Rick Cash of the Promotional Office.

*Please share my greeting with the Mt. Moriah Association. I look forward to seeing many of them tonight at the missions' banquet. Thank the Association for giving \$87,137.72 to the Act 1:8 program in 2007.*

*Praise the Lord the Acts 1:8 program received a total of \$561,482.23 in 2007. This exceeded our goal by \$1,482.23. This was the best year in Acts giving*

*in the history of this program. Because of the Acts program, Alabama Free Will Baptist are seeing some amazing things accomplished for world evangelism. All of our missionaries budget needs are met. In the summer 2007, the camp in Russia had its' first services. Hundreds of young people attended and scores were saved. Also, a new church was started in Mobile, Alabama in April. Over \$120,000 was available because of the Acts program to jumpstart this work. They are now in adequate facilities to go full time. We are also helping to support five Russian church planters as well as the Krasnodar Bible Institute.*

*The 2008 Acts 1:8 budget goal is \$570,000.*

*Through the Acts 1:8 program of 2008:*

- *The Promotional Office is funded.*
- *Two Home Mission Works are supported.*
- *Three Foreign Missionaries are supported – Central Asia, Uruguay, & Spain.*
- *Russian ministries are funded – includes Bible Institutes, Camp/Institute Renovation, & five church planters.*
- *Funds are also being set aside for a new Free Will Baptist Church to be started in Alabama.*

Rodney Yerby of the International Missions Office spoke briefly about the 2008 World Missions Offering, encouraging all to participate. He stated that coin boxes were available as well as the “Change the World” promotional DVD.

**Resolutions and Appreciation** – given by Betty Jo Miller

We express our sincere appreciation to Mt. Zion for hosting this session of the Quarterly Meeting. The brunch was delicious and the spiritual food was so nourishing to our souls. Our thanks to the pastors who preached and each person who contributed to the success of this wonderful day.



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

Prior to the last sermon, the congregation sang “He Hideth My Soul.”

The last sermon was preached by Rev. Tony Latham from 1 Samuel 3:3. Today people are not looking to the church; the light of the church is burning low. Sin has entered into the church and has become accepted by the people who have forgotten that God will not look on sin. 1 Corinthians 3:16-17 reminds us that as believers we are the temple of God and should take care not to defile ourselves. We must repent and strive to allow God to have control of our lives so that we may be a shining example in the darkness of this world.

After announcements, the session concluded the dismissal prayer by Bro. Hank Hollis.

**APRIL QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Holman Free Will Baptist Church**  
**Gordo, Alabama**  
**April 12, 2008**

Rev. Ben Logan, host pastor, gave the welcome and led the opening prayer. The Moderator, Rev. Roy Plymon, called the meeting to order. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the Clerk. All churches were represented with the exception of First-Reform, Sulphur Springs, and Union Hill. The Roll Call of Ministers was given by Rev. Jackie Adcox of the Credentials Committee. Nineteen ministers were present. The Credentials Committee was dismissed.

Following special music by the Lynn Family, Rev. David Cook preached the first sermon reading from Exodus 20:3-6. There are many excuses offered as to why the church is not growing. In truth, it is largely because we are breaking the second commandment. We put other things before God, thus creating an idol. We serve self-righteousness by being ignorant of the Word of God and basing our beliefs on the word of man and tradition. Matthew 22:36-40 reminds us that we are to love and serve God first and live in a way that others are able to see our love of Him. We should have the proper worship of God; Psalm 98:1-2 shows us the proper way in which to honor and praise God. We must surrender to His will and base our lives on His Word.

The congregation was led by Rev. Roger Lucas in the singing of "The Glory Land Way" while being accompanied by Mrs. Elaine Noland on the piano. The General Fund offering was received with Rev. Ben Logan giving the offertory prayer. Rev. Logan also gave instructions to the congregation for the brunch provided by the church and Rev. Richard Bowers 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 “Old Time Power.”

Rev. Dan Turman preached from 2 Corinthians 5:17-21. He reminded us that Jesus makes us new at salvation. All are equal after experiencing the great miracle of salvation. Romans 8:5-6 states that we cannot serve both God and the flesh. We must depend on God for our salvation and not attempt to work for it. According to Romans 8:8, the sinner cannot please God. They must be reached with the truth and repent. It is our responsibility as believers to share the gospel with others. Matthew 24:45-47 provides our orders to be ambassadors of Christ to the world.

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 – Gail Fields, Treasurer**

Balance as of January 12, 2008 -	\$3,309.04
RECEIPTS:	
Interest received -	\$ 1.09
Offering taken at Mt. Zion	189.55
TOTAL RECEIPTS -	\$190.64
EXPENDITURES:	
Children’s Home Donation -	\$100.00
Black Warrior Printing (minutes) -	651.82
Clerk (Stamps) -	26.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES -	\$777.82
Ending Balance as of April 12, 2008 -	\$2,721.86

**Credentials Committee – No Report.**

**Board of Christian Education – given by Jim Barger**

We, your committee, report as follows:

We invite everyone to attend the Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting. We encourage youth for each church to participate in these meetings. Our Association has three youth who will be participating in Truth and Peace at the National Association this summer and have several who are participating in the CTS competition. We encourage more young people to become active in these events.

**Finance Committee** – given by Matthew Tilley  
General Offering Today \$ 138.00

**Devotional Committee** – given by Bart Tilley  
We recommend the following to preach at the July meeting:

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| First Sermon -  | Rev. Barry Cook     |
| Alternate -     | Rev. Redus Hall     |
| Second Sermon - | Rev. Earl Johnson   |
| Alternate -     | Rev. Richard Bowers |
| Third Sermon -  | Rev. Jerry Smith    |
| Alternate -     | Rev. Albert Pickett |

**Missions and Church Extension** – given by Waymon Fields  
We, your committee, report as follows:

We appreciate the support and attendance at our Annual Missions Banquet this year. We encourage our members to continue their support to our missionaries. Thank you for all you do for the great commission.

<b>Committee Financial Report</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$1,341.73
Collections	
Collection from Churches (19 churches @ \$50 each)	\$950.00
Ticket sales	\$1,265.00
Offering	\$340.42
Received from Churches for motel for missionaries	\$716.46
Total collections	\$3,271.88

## Expenses

Flowers	\$75.00
Civic Center Rental	\$500.00
Caterer	\$1,650.00
Honorarium	
- State Promotional Office	\$100.00
- Bro. Dale McCoy	\$100.00
Motels for Missionaries	\$716.46
Total Expenses	\$3,141.46
Leaving a Balance of	\$1,472.15

## Other Business

The Moderator read the following report sent by Rick Cash of the Promotional Office.

*I send greeting to the Mt. Moriah Association. I regret that I am unable to attend. Please thank the Association for giving \$87,417.72 to the Acts 1:8 program in 2007 and \$35,520.83 thus far in 2008. Thank the pastors for their help in this year's Roll aCall Sunday. This year 144 Alabama churches reported 12,277 in attendance and 15 salvation decisions. Praise the Lord our attendance increased by 272 over the 2007 Roll Call numbers.*

*I encourage each to you to help with the World Mission Offering on April 27. If you need Change the World coin banks or DVDs, please contact the Promotional Office. Last year Alabama churches gave \$38,105.84 in its World Mission Offering. Acts receipts for Janurary – Feburary were \$108,206.88. This is \$13,206 above the average needed to meet budget goals. However, this is almost \$14,000 behind where we were at this time last year. Because of the Acts program, Alabama Free Will Baptists are seeing some amazing things accomplished for world evangelism. The Mobile*

*church recently had 78 in attendance on their first anniversary.*

**Resolutions and Appreciation** – given by Betty Jo Miller  
We, your committee, report as follows:

We want to thank Holman Free Will Baptist Church for hosting the Quarterly Meeting on April 12, 2008. We would like to thank the ministers for the word of God that was so ably preached. We enjoyed all the wonderful hospitality and sweet fellowship. Thanks to the ladies for the brunch. May we continue to pray for each other and more so for revival for our whole nation.

The congregation sang “Tis So Sweet” followed by special music: a duo by Rev. & Mrs. Tony Latham and a solo by Ms. Leslie Latham.

Because neither of the scheduled speakers were able to attend, Rev. Jamie Lancaster was asked to speak. Following a brief update on the work in Uruguay, he began in Luke 2:11. He urged us to “fear not.” Though we face many difficult and uncertain times, we know that God protects and provides. While we may not be seeing growth, the Church is expanding and growing around the world. We must continue and “keep the faith” despite the difficulties we may face. We must continue to share Jesus with the lost both locally and globally.

The closing song was “Amazing Grace” followed by the benedictory prayer given by Rev. Redus Hall.

**JULY QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Sardis Will Baptist Church**  
**Gordo, Alabama**  
**July 12, 2008**

The July meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association began with the congregational song "I am Thine O Lord." Bro. Dan Turman, associate pastor of the host church, gave the welcome and led the opening prayer. The Moderator, Rev. Roy Plymon, called the meeting to order.

The Clerk gave the Roll Call of Churches. All churches except Eastside and Sulphur Springs were present.

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

Prior to the first sermon, Roger Lucas sang "Sheltered in the Arms of God" while his wife, Helen, accompanied him on the piano. Rev. Roy Plymon spoke in the absence of both Rev. Berry Cook and his alternate Rev. Redus Hall. 2 Timothy 4:1-5 reminds us to preach the word, spreading the gospel. We also must watch our attitude, being patient and loyal. We must be care not to become carnal and accept too much of the world.

The General Fund offering was received with Bro. Kevin Taylor giving the offertory prayer followed by the singing of "When We All Get to Heaven." Rev. Terrell Jones blessed the food and 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 "O I Want to See Him". Rev. Randy Key led in prayer.

Rev. Earl Johnson read the passage Revelation 1:12-17 and Acts 10:25. The church is often guilty of allowing many things into the



church while excluding Jesus and God’s word. We tend to be hypocrites, saying one thing but doing another. Christians must pray and follow Christ in order to bring about true revival. When you truly experience Jesus in your life, you will be changed.

Jonathan Lancaster gave a brief report on behalf of Jaimie Lancaster. A team from Russellville, Arkansas came to paint a school and remodeled two homes. The goal of these projects is outreach to the community. One lady and a family have started attending the church as a result of these projects. David and Kendra Dodson and Neil and Mandi Morgan are raising funds in order to assist with the work in Uruguay.

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 – Gail Fields, Treasurer**

Balance as of April 2008 -	\$2,721.86
RECEIPTS:	
Interest received -	\$ 0.68
Offering taken at Sardis -	\$138.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS -	\$138.68
EXPENDITURES:	
Children’s Home Donation -	\$100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES -	\$100.00
Ending Balance as of July 2007 -	\$2,760.54

**Board of Christian Education – given by Bro. Dan Montgomery**  
We, your committee, report as follows:

We would like to thank Carolwood for hosting the last Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting where we had 246 in attendance. We hope all the youth from each of our associational churches will attend and participate in a time of worship and praise for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ at these

meetings. Our Association has youth that are participating in both Truth and Peace as well as E team this summer. In addition our Association was represented at both the State and National CTS competition.

**Finance Committee – given by Bart Tilley**

General Offering Today \$ 134.75

**Devotional Committee – given by Bart Tilley**

We recommend the following to preach at the October meeting:

First Sermon -	Rev. Tony Tilley
Alternate -	Rev. Redus Hall
Second Sermon -	Rev. Roy Plymon
Alternate -	Rev. Terrell Jones
Third Sermon -	Rev. Richard Bowers
Alternate -	Rev. Randy Key

**Missions and Church Extension – No Report**

**Credentials Committee – given by Rev. Jerry Smith**

We, your committee, recommend that Bro. Jeremy Overstreet, new pastor of Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church be accepted in the Mt. Moriah Association pending a letter from the Green River Association of Kentucky.

**Resolutions and Appreciation – given by Betty Jo Miller**

We, your committee, report as follows:

Our sincere appreciation to the Sardis Church for the splendid job in hosting this session. Also, our hearts were truly blessed with the messages. The singing, food, hospitality, and especially the Word preached, have made this a wonderful spiritual uplifting time.

**Other**

Rev. Roger Lucas suggested that the Association send \$100 to Rev. Redus Hall to help with the health expenses for Mrs. Hall.



Additionally, he suggested that the Association send \$100 to both the Dodson and Morgan funds to assist Jaimie Lancaster. These were seconded and passed.

Rev. Jerry Smith suggested that the Devotion Committee develop and present at the speaking plan for the year at the Annual Association Meeting. He also stated that he would like to have the Moderator and Assistant Moderator speak at the Annual Meeting. These were seconded and passed.

Announcements were given then the congregation sang “I Need Thee Every Hour” followed by the last sermon of the day. Rev. Jerry Smith spoke from Matthew 16:13-19. Jesus must be the foundation in order for the church to be what it should be. The fruits of the church are souls saved. Additionally, the church provides fellowship for believers as in Acts 2:44-47.

“Praise Him” was sung followed by the benedictory prayer given by Bro. Albert Pickett.

## **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.

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