# MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION

OF THE

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

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CAROLWOOD FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH NORTHPORT, ALABAMA

# OCTOBER 10, 2009

9:30 A.M.

#### OFFICERS

Rev. Roger Lucas – Moderator Rev. Roy Plymon – Asst. Moderator Mrs. Betty Jo Miller – Clerk Miss Keicia Tilley – Asst. Clerk Mrs. Gail Fields - Treasurer Mr. Tim Brasher – Asst. Treasurer

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# MEETING PLACES, DATES AND CLERK INFORMATION

#### ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET

January 9, 2010

Northport Civic Center 6:30 P.M.

#### **QUARTERLY MEETINGS**

January 9, 2010 April 11, 2010 July 11, 2010 Phillips Chapel Union Hill Holman

October 9, 2010

ANNUAL MEETING Tabernacle

#### **FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS**

November 29, 2009 January 31, 2010 May 30, 2010 August 29, 2010 Sulpher Springs Phillips Chapel Carolwood Tabernacle

#### **GENERAL BOARD MEETING**

September 25, 2010 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:

- State Association Dues: \$135.00
- January Missionary Banquet \$50.00

### **OFFICERS**

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**Three-Year Term** 205-364-0761

**Four-Year Term** 205-367-7147

**Five-Year Term** 205-662-3488

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Faith:	Keith Wheat Mary Jo Price	Kim Price Alt- Ceavlon Latham
First-Ethelsville:	Robert Tilley Martha Hall	Amy Pannell Alt- Lee Pannell
First-Reform:	Ray McDaniel Eddie Pierce Alt-	Danny Duncan Michal Orr / Les Cutting
First-Tuscaloosa:	Bart Tilley Matthew Tilley	Nita Tilley Alt- Patricia Tilley
Glen Echo:	Jana Fulgham Reva Brown	Sharon Fulgham Alt- Desiree Mullenix
Holman:	Tracy Robertson Wesley Robertson	Bonnie Lynn Alt- Jeanette Smith
Liberty:	Ed Avery Jim Roulaine	Butch Wallace Alt- Peggy Hopwood
Macedonia:	Nadine Dean Adine Pennington	Gail Fields
Mt. Moriah:	Ann Joyner Cherry Mullenix	Sue Plymon Alt- Vaudine Lancaster
Mt. Zion:	Mike Winters Ricky Wallace	Norman Traweek Alt-Sherry Marshall
Phillips Chapel:	Willie F. Logan Terry Watson	Jim Barger Alt- Josh Smith
Sardis:	Kevin Robertson Nell Robertson	Tootsie Sullivan Alt- Hannah Hawthorne
Shiloh:	Skip Sutton Scott Koon	Jason Stephens Alt - Wilford Burkhalter
Sulphur Springs:	Justin Strickland Tim Summerlin	Ray Lee
Tabernacle:	Velma Strudivant Daniel Montgomery	Junior Smith Alt- Teresa Smith
Union:	Elaine Noland Don Gray	Betty Miller Alt – June Ott

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#### **Union Hill:**

Pam Lowe Barbara Sudduth

Linda Sanders Alt-Ladonna Lowe

#### **ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES**

CHILDREN'S HOME	Daniel Montgomery* Reva Brown Ray McDaniel Jim Roulaine Linda Sanders Brenda Mahan
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#### **EDUCATION, PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE**

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#### TEMPERANCE

#### \*Committee Chairman

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### **MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

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#### **Sulphur Springs**

Tabernacle Union Union Hill Jaimie Lancaster Jackie Adcox Terrell Jones None Randy Key Fred Graham David Cook Rick Taylor Elzie Gilliam Jerry T. Smith Earnest White Kevin Taylor

# **HISTORY OF CHURCHES**

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<u>CHURCHES</u>	<u>ORGANIZED</u>	ORGANIZED BY
Carolwood	1970	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Eastside	1964	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Faith	1978	Rev. Paul E. Sellers
First-Ethelsville	1902	Rev. Woods Springfield
First-Reform	1958	Rev. O.L. Fields
First-Tuscaloosa	1957	Rev. H.E. Crawford Rev. J.H. Tilley
Glen Echo	1936	Rev. T.L. Walker
Holman	1912	Rev. Woods Springfield
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 10, 2009

The 159th session of the Mount Moriah Association met at Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday, October 10, 2009. The meeting was opened by Bro. Roy Plymon, moderator, followed by a welcome and prayer by Bro. Jerry Montgomery, host church pastor. The Clerk gave the roll call of the churches with all in attendance except First, Reform and Union Hill. Rev. Jerry Smith gave the roll call of ministers and found 20 in attendance. The Credentials Committee was dismissed. Mrs. Alice Tilley provided special music, singing and playing the piano.

Bro. Tony Tilley's message was taken from Matthew 12:36, Romans 14:11-12, 1 Corinthians 9:16-17, and Hebrews 10:30-31. We are all accountable to God for our actions, words, thoughts, and intents. We feel we have little to answer for; we are occupied with life and do not think of judgment and accountability. We have to first be accountable for ourselves but as ministers we are also accountable for the message that we present. We need to remember that it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of a living God and that we will be judged for the way we live our lives.

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 26, 2009 with all churches represented with the exception of Eastside, Macedonia, and Union Hill.

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. It was noted that Eastside did not include State Dues. The following recommendations were made by the General Board:

Meeting Place Recommendations for the Year: Quarterly Meetings January 9, 2010: Phillips Chapel April 11, 2010: Union Hill July 11, 2010: Holman October 9, 2010: Tabernacle Youth Meetings November 9, 2009: Sulphur Springs January 31, 2010: Sulphur Springs May 30, 2010: Carolwood August 29, 2010: Tabernacle

Nominations on the Following Offices: Moderator: Roger Lucas Assistant Moderator: Roy Plymon Clerk: Stephanie Patrick Assistant Clerk: Keicia Tilley Treasurer: Gail Fields Assistant Treasurer: Tim Brasher Credentials Committee: Earl Johnson Board of Christian Education: Jeremy Overstreet Missions & Church Extension: Waymon Fields

Following discussion about the recent changes at the Children's Home, the session was closed in prayer.

Mrs. Gail Fields, Treasurer, gave the following report: Balance as of July 11, 2009 \$2,981.82 Receipts: Interest \$ 0.77 Offering 213.00

Total Receipts \$213.77 Expenditures: Quarterly donation to Children's Home \$100.00

# **Total Expenditures** Leaving a balance as of October 10, 2009

# \$100.00 \$3,095.59

Church	Min.	Min. Fund	State Dues	Gen. Fund	Mission Banquet	TOTAL			
Carolwood	20	\$ 40.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	<u>\$</u> 50.00	\$ 255.00			
Eastside	12	\$ 40.00		\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 104.00			
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	20	\$ 40.00	\$135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 255.00			
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	<u>\$</u> 30.00	<u>\$ 50.00</u>	\$ 235.00			
Liberty	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	<u>\$</u> 30.00	<u>\$</u> 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	35	\$ 70.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00			
Phillips Chapel	25	\$ 50.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 265.00			
Sardis	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 245.00			
Shiloh	33	\$ 66.00	\$ 135.00	<u>\$</u> 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	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 235.00			
Totals	322	\$ 644.00	\$ 2,430.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 4,594.00			

#### **Representation Fees**

Delegates to the Association were assigned to committees and delegates to represent our Association at the State Association were selected: Tracy Robertson, Gail Fields, Betty Jo Miller, and Sue Plymon.

Prayer for the food was given by Rev. Jeremy Overstreet and we were dismissed for refreshment break.

After the brunch, the session was resumed with the congregation singing "When We All Get to Heaven."

Bro. Jerry Smith of the Credentials Committee reported that all church letters had been re-examined and are in order and all ministers are in good standing. It was found that one church did not pay State Dues due to financial difficulties. The Committee recommends that the cost be absorbed by the General Fund.

Rev. Tony Tilley gave the offertory prayer followed by special music by Mrs. Montgomery.

The second sermon of the day was delivered by Rev. Roy Plymon taken from Proverbs 29:18. Our Christian way of life is being threatened today. The problem is that Jesus has been removed and is being left out. We need revival and to listen to God's guidance. We must be in the Word in order to know the truth and follow Him. We need Biblical, anointed, bold preaching. We should remember Psalm 9:17: the nation that turns from God is judged and condemned.

Bro. Jerry Montgomery gave instructions for lunch and Bro. Tony Latham 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 "I am Thine, O Lord," followed by prayer offered by Bro. Tony Tilley.

Rev. Gary Mullinex spoke from Genesis 29:31-30:24. He compared Rachel and Leah. Leah began as a picture of a godly woman; she was patient and gave praise to God. Rachel is seen as a worldly woman; being jealous, selfish, taking matters into her own hands and trying to fit God into her plans. However, as time progressed we see a change in these women. Leah becomes jealous and impatient. The same can happen to us if we allow others to bring us down. We must be a part of this world but not let it negatively affect us. Rachel also changed, turning from her worldly way to trusting God to be in control.

Members of the Credentials distributed ballots to the voting body.

# 2009-2010 BALLOT

These nominations were made at the General Board Meeting at Shiloh, September 26, 2009. Requests for write-in nominations will be taken.

Recommendations

Write-ins

Moderator R	ev. Roger Lucas					
Assistant Moderator R	. Roy Plymon					
Clerk S	tephanie Patrick					
Assistant Clerk K	Ceica Tilley					
Treasurer C	Gail Fields					
Assistant Treasurer 7	im Brasher					
Credentials Committee (5-year	term) Earl Johnson					
Missions and Church Extension	n (5-year term) Jeremy Overstreet					
Board of Christian Education (	5-year term) Waymon Fields					
Meeting place recommendation	is:					
*Quarterly Meetings-						
January 9, 2010	Phillips Chapel					
April 11, 2010	Union Hill					
July 11, 2010	Holman					
*Annual Meeting-						
October 9, 2010	Tabernacle					
*Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings-						
November 29, 2009	Sulphur Springs					
January 31, 2010	Phillips Chapel					
May 30, 2010	Carolwood					
August 29, 2010	Tabernacle					

The Moderator asked for other nominations from the floor for the officers and meeting locations. Stephanie Patrick declined her nominations; Betty Jo Miller was nominated for Clerk. Additionally, Rev. Tony Latham was nominated for the Moderator and Rev. Ben Logan for the Credentials 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**

We would like to thank you for your prayers and support of the Children's Home. There are many positive changes occurring especially with the new multipurpose center. This center was dedicated on September 26, 2009. We would also like to give a special thanks to Bro. Waymon Fields for his commitment to the Children's Home. Pray that God will continue to work in the lives of all the children there, so they may become good stewards of Christ Jesus.

# Rev. Rick Taylor read the following letter:

Greetings from the staff and children of the FWB Children's Home in Eldridge, Al. We are very thankful for your faithful prayers and support of this ministry. Without people like you and churches like yours, we could not fulfill the task God has given us. Our new Executive Director is Bro. Mike Coley. He assumed his position on August 1<sup>st</sup>. He and his wife, Cathy, come to our ministry after serving ten years as missionaries for FWB International Missions in Russia and Central Asia. Mike brings valuable experience in administration and unquestioned integrity to this role. Please pray for him as he leads the ministry. We are pleased to report the following news items:

- 1. We presently have 20 children. We have room for others, so please pray that God will put us in contact with those we can help.
- 2. Construction is complete on a 70x120 metal building which will provide space for recreational activities and special events. We had a dedication for the new facility on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM. As part of the event,

we honored six long term board members. The Board Chairman, Rodney Yerby, announced the establishment of the Carlton Lambert Endowment. You are encouraged to consider contributing to the fund through planned gifts. The dedication video can be viewed at our website.

- 3. For 2009, giving is down about 3.7% from the previous year. We are appreciative of those who continue to support the work despite the struggling economic conditions. Pray with us for a strong financial quarter to end 2009.
- 4. The children attend the Winfield City School system. Many of them do very well academically. For those needing assistance, we have secured two retired teachers to provide private tutoring.
- 5. The summer was a great time for the kids. They enjoyed vacation time and were able to attend a couple weeks of youth camp. Two of our teen boys and one elementary age girl made professions of faith!

6. The children attend and participate in the services and the youth activities at the Winfield FWB Church. The last Sunday of August was a great day! On that Sunday, six of our children were baptized! There were two teen girls, two teen boys, on elementary age girl, and one elementary age boy who took this important step. Scenes like that are why we exist!

You can learn more about us or contact us by way of our website, fwbhome.org. If you have any questions or ideas, please let us know. We invite you through your prayers, gifts, and interest to be a partner with us in the ministry which is making a difference in the lives of children every day. Thanks for helping ups "invest today in the heart of tomorrow."

#### Sunday School and C.T.S.

Proverbs 22:6 says for us to *train up a child in the way he should* go and when he is old, he will not depart from it. We as parents should be examples to show our children the importance of studying our Sunday School lessons and our Bibles. We realize that good Sunday School and CTS programs impact the live of our adults and youth.

# Education, Publication and Literature

Proverbs 22:6 instructs us to *train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.* We believe the teaching of spiritual publications, literature, and education begins in the home. We encourage reading and studying the Bible faithfully. Let your family SEE that the Bible is the number on book in your home. Let it be your guide. From the home comes our church – make sure the literature you are using is founded on the Word of God. Be sure to study and be prepared as we teach the Bible principles to our church. May we use publications and literature to enhance the stand we make for Christ. May we always study so we can be approved by God – not every being ashamed and teach the word in truth and without compromise. Let's teach and instruct by putting on the whole armor of God to stand against the tricks of the devil.

# Mt. Moriah Women Active for Christ

Mt. Moriah Women Active for Christ have been <u>women active for</u> <u>Christ</u>! Much has been accomplished over the past year of 2008-2009.

We hosted the first Pastor Appreciation Day last September at the Sulphur Springs FWB Church. There were not many who participated but it was a Spirit felt meeting. God really visited us in a mighty way. The fellowship, lunch, and great spirit were such a blessing.

We had our State Missions Banquet at the State Association in Dothan with a great number attending. The guest speaker was Jimmy Hunter missionary appointee to Bulgaria.

In March of 2009 we had our regular meeting at Ruby Tuesday's in Tuscaloosa and installed new officers for the upcoming year.

In April we had our AL State WAC meeting in Vernon. It was a wonderful day!

We had our Bible Study meeting in September with Cristina Hooper speaking on FACING THE GIANTS, using David and Goliath as the examples of God's power and strength. This was such a wonderful meeting. We were to name the giants in our lives we face and think on ways to conquer them. Our number of Churches has not grown but the number in each local is. We thank God for that. It is a worthwhile organization with missions as its number on e focus. We are active at home, state, and abroad. Please feel free to talk to any ladies from the Sulphur Springs or Mt. Moriah church for organizing an auxiliary in your church. It take time and effort but is such a regarding part of all our lives. God bless and remember to always put God first in all you do in life!

#### Temperance

Philippians 4:5-6 states: Let you moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every

thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let you requests be made known unto God.

This advice by Paul cannot be improved upon. We prayerfully urge you to use this as an everyday guide concerning temperance in you Christian life.

#### **Morals and Reform**

As we hear the daily news, we realize our nation is rapidly growing away from God. Morals have all but vanished. There is violence in our schools and we are not always safe in our homes. We need to keep in our hearts, Philippians 4:13: *I can do all things through Christ which strengthen me* as we continue to pray for our leaders. Proverbs 22:6 reads: *Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.* 

#### Deceased

The following members were called home during the past year.

Carolwood	.Fay Stone
	Dorothy Stafford
	Lemuel Adams
Eastside	.None
Faith	.None
First-Ethelsville	None
First-Reform	.Madison Orr
	Penny Sparks
First-Tuscaloosa	.None
Glen Echo	Luther Noland
	Burns A. Brown
Holman	None
Liberty	.Shelby J. Avery
-	Peggy Hopwood
Macedonia	Ilene Shaw
	Charles Smith
Mt. Moriah	Laudice Cowart Perigian
Mt. Zion	Brian Smelley
	Annie Watson
Phillips Chapel	Willie Jean Skelton
~ -	William Leland Hallman
Sardis	Mitchell Driver

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Eastside	Douglas Tilley	\$ 19,500.00	······································	\$ 815.73	\$ 746.99	\$ 654.26		\$ 246.31	\$ 1,322.99				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	10		_		-+-			159
Faith	Tony Latham			\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,100.00					32	32			32		4		4			56
First-Ethelsville	Redus Hall	\$ 25,600.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 369.86		\$ 800.00				20	20	20	14	15							34
First-Reform	Leon Orr	\$ 17,500.00		\$ 500.00	\$ 4,000.00				\$ 371.00	20	20	20	25	25	5		7	2		2	
First-Tuscaloosa	Tony Tilley	\$ 13,000.00	- <u></u>		\$ 200.00	\$ 4,910.00	\$ 1,200.00				7			7				_			30
Glen Echo	Gary Mullenix	\$ 13,250.00	\$ 425.00	\$ 980.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 560.00			25		25	17	17				2		2	41
Holman	Ben Logan	\$ 15,500.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 3,534.50	\$ 2,001.73					51	31			39			2	11			51
Liberty	Richard Bowers	\$ 21,500.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 4,862.00	\$ 22,080.00	\$ 450.00			\$ 25,663.00	65			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	20			_	_		2	65
Macedonia	Jeremy Overstreet	\$ 40,640.82	\$ 1,475.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 5,706.00	\$ 1,245.00	\$ 1,105.65	\$ 600.00	\$ 438.45	42	34		31	24			3			2	68
<u>Mt. Moriah</u>	Roy G. Plymon	\$ 15,860.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 3,625.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 443.36	\$ 340.00	\$ 180.00	20	14		······	8	1					1	62
Mt. Zion	Earl Johnson	\$ 13,525.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 510.00	\$ 930.00		\$ 180.00		\$ 2,979.24	52	41			35	7		2	6	1	2	100
Phillips Chapel	Terrell Jones		\$ 1,700.00	\$ 8,079.00	\$ 24,912.00	\$ 200.00				53	40			35				1		2	198
Sardis	Dan Turman			\$ 252.16	\$ 1,160.00					34	30			35			8	2		1	85
Shiloh	Randy Key	\$ 32,625.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 3,417.50	\$ 847.50	\$ 360.00	\$_300.00	\$ 300.00		_25			20	1						96
Sulphur Springs	Rick W. Taylor	\$ 50,550.00	\$ 1,240.00	\$ 3,761.00	\$ 9,136.29	\$ 6,651.91	\$ 120.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 4,127.50	124	104			84	2		17	-			135Active 21nactive
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Tabernacle	Jerry Smith		\$ 1,125.00	\$ 1,515.30	\$ 7,156.12	\$ 441.33			\$ 7,780.38		71	19	15	50	6		10	-		2	118
Union	Randall Lynn	\$ 7,650.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 320.00	\$ 285.00			\$ 611.79		11			9			1	1		2	53
Union Hill	Kevin Taylor	\$ 13,100.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 1,109.11			\$ 300.00	50	40		··	25			1	+-		1	47
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#### Mt. Moriah Association Church Statistics 2008-2009

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Total Missions Giving \$113,009.93

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Shiloh	.None
Sulphur Springs	.None
Tabernacle	.Lewis Montgomery
	Ronnie Wheat
Union	.Odis Powell
	Leola Acker
Union Hill	.Virginia Berry

We ask that we observe a moment of silent prayer for the families and that we sing "Where the Roses Never Fade" in memory of our deceased members.

**Devotion Committee** – given by Bart Tilley We recommend the following speakers:

January Meeting

First Sermon – Rev. Leon Orr Alternate – Rev. Jeremy Overstreet Second Sermon – Rev. Kevin Taylor Alternate – Rev. Terrell Jones Third Sermon – Rev. David Cook Alternate – Rev. Randy Key

# April Meeting

First Sermon – Rev. Richard Bowers Alternate – Rev. Ben Logan Second Sermon – Rev. Earl Johnson Alternate – Rev. Gary Mullinex Third Sermon – Rev. Tony Latham Alternate – Rev. Randall Lynn

#### June Meeting

First Sermon – Rev. Jerry Smith
Alternate – Rev. Jerry Montgomery
Second Sermon – Rev. Rick Taylor
Alternate – Rev. Tony Tilley
Third Sermon – Rev. Douglas Tilley
Alternate – Rev. Fred Graham

October Meeting

First Sermon – Assistant Moderator

Alternate – Rev. Leon Orr Second Sermon – Moderator Alternate – Rev. Kevin Taylor Third Sermon – Rev. Dan Turman Alternate – Rev. Redus Hall

#### **Finance Committee**

The General Fund offering today was \$160.00

# **Missions and Church Extension**

Our Missions Banquet will be January 9, 2010 at the Northport Civic Center at 6 PM. The menu will be the same as the previous menu. The price will remain \$12 for each ticket. The Missions Conference will be January 10, 2010. We encourage you to attend these services and get acquainted with the missionaries. We appreciate your continued support to our missions programs. Our financial report is as follows:

Beginning Balance

Receipts

\$1,301.27 \$0

Disbursements Northport Civic Center Rental Ending Balance

#### \$500.00 \$801.27

# **Board of Christian Education**

We are proud to report that Sulphur Springs had seven participate at the National CTS competition this summer.

Our next Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting will be November 29<sup>th</sup> at Sulphur Springs. If you have any suggestions for speakers to come and present at the youth meetings, please speak with a member of our board. We are not looking to change what we are doing with the meetings, but rather to add to our program.

We are also discussing holding a youth revival in the spring. More information will follow as we develop this plan.

# Credentials Committee – given by Rev. Jerry Smith

Rev. Jerry Smith repeated the information provided in the morning session stating that all church letters had been re-examined and are in order and all ministers are in good standing. It was found that one church did not pay State Dues due to financial difficulties. The Committee recommends that the cost be absorbed by the General Fund.

Additionally the following was read and approved:

We the Credentials Committee of the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptist request that Part F of the Associational Church Letter be change to clarify the listing of ministers. We request that the wording be changed to state: "List all ordained, licensed, Free Will Baptist Ministers that are members of you church."

Tabernacle church listed Jimmy Channell as a minister. However, his name has been removed because he is not an ordained, licensed minister because he is divorced with a living ex-wife.

We also request that members of the standing committees (the Credentials, Mission and Church Extension, and Board of Christian Education) be added to the Roll Call. If a member does not attend the Association for one year, the Association will drop that member from the standing committee. At that time the Association will fill their vacancy by election.

**District Women Active for Christ** – given by Sue Plymon Mt. Moriah Women Active for Christ have been women active for Christ! Much has been accomplished over the past year of 2008-2009.

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It is a worthwhile organization with missions as its number one focus. We are active at home, state and abroad.

Please make note that at our Youth Meeting on November 30<sup>th</sup> we will host a reception for all the ministers and their wives along with an active leader for each church. This will follow the regular meeting and be held in the Church Fellowship Hall. Please make your plans to attend. It will be at the Sulphur Springs FWB Church.

Please feel free to talk to any ladies from the Sulphur Springs or Mt. Moriah Church for organizing an auxiliary in your church. It takes time and effort but is such a rewarding part of all our lives. God bless and remember to always put God first in all you do in

## life!

#### **Resolutions and Appreciation Committee**

We would like to extend a special thank you to Bro. Jerry Montgomery and his congregation for hosting this 159<sup>th</sup> session of the Mt. Moriah Association today at Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church. Special appreciation goes to all those who prepared food for the meal today. We are thankful for all the preachers who delivered the messages today. May our hearts be open to receive the message and our actions be diligent to His service. Let us remember our nation, its leaders, and our government today, as they so desperately need the guidance of Jesus Christ. May we also remember the sick and suffering today and all those affected by disease? May the Lord touch them and heal them in accordance with His will.

#### <u>Correspondences</u> Rick Cash, Promotional Director

I want to thank the Mt. Moriah Association for this year to date gifts to the Acts 1:8 Program of \$72,560. Thank you for your continued support of the Acts 1:8 Program. As of September 30<sup>th</sup>, we have received \$408,326.37 in Acts support. This is \$2,515.98 more than we received in the first nine months of 2008. On a monthly schedule, of needing an average of \$46,250 per month, we are presently \$7,923.63 behind schedule. However, with Mike Corley no longer on the field the need is not as great. Major decisions regarding Russian ministries and the Acts 1:8 funding program are being made for 2010. Pray for the decision making process. Leaders from Alabama and from International Missions met with Russian leaders during this year's Russian Pastor's Retreat recently held on September 14-17. The future of this partnership was discussed. It will be recommended that this partnership be renewed. It will also be recommended that we enter into a partnership with the Free Will Baptist National Association of Mexico. Please pray for and plan to attend this year's state association as we will deal with important budget matters that will affect world evangelism.

CHURCH	2006	2007	2008	JAN- SEPT	JAN- SEPT
				2008	2009
Carolwood	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,540	\$1,460	\$150
Eastside	\$1,284	\$1,598	\$1,139	\$948	\$557
Faith	\$350		\$197	\$197	\$500
First,	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$4,000	\$2,500	\$2,000
Reform					
First,	\$1,514	\$3,906	\$4,065	\$4,065	\$1,730
Tuscaloosa					
Glen Echo	\$1,650	\$1,725	\$2,000	\$1,800	\$1,800
Holman	\$1,160	\$2,460	\$1,960	\$1,720	\$1,640
Liberty	\$15,465	\$17,677	\$19,020	\$18,045	\$21,008
Macedonia	\$6,937	\$5,053	\$6,188	\$4,523	\$3,926
Mt. Moriah	\$3,485	\$3,844	\$3,465	\$2,565	\$2,670

Mt Moriah		\$500			
Association					
Mt Moriah	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100
Mission					
Board					
Mt. Zion	\$640	\$520	\$620	\$440	\$560
Phillips	\$22,921	\$23,261	\$23,688	\$17,535	\$18,714
Chapel					
Sardis	\$395	\$1,836	\$1,465	\$1,105	\$903
Shiloh	\$3,180	\$3,380	\$2,795	\$2,075	\$2,433
Sulphur	\$8,752	\$9,318	\$9,179	\$6,474	\$6,364
Springs				1	
Tabernacle	\$5,460	\$5,680	\$6,410	\$4,965	\$6,005
Tabernacle			\$125	\$125	
Sunday					
School					
Union Hill	\$1,290	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,080	\$1,180
Union	\$300	\$400	\$320	\$320	\$320
TOTAL	\$78,322	\$87,138	\$89,715	\$72,041	\$72,560

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After announcements were given, the benediction was given by Rev. Jerry Montgomery. The session closed with the singing of "My Savior's Love."

#### JANUARY QUARTERLY MEETING Tabernacle Will Baptist Church Northport, Alabama January 10, 2009

Saturday, January 10, 2009 the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists convened with Tabernacle Free Will Baptist Church. The opening song was "What a Wonderful Savior" led by Bro. Roger Lucas. Host pastor, Rev. Jerry Smith gave the welcome and opening prayer. 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 Eastside, First Reform, and Sulphur Springs. The Roll Call of Ministers was read with twenty ministers present.

Following the congregational singing of "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus," Rev. Jaimie Lancaster gave an update on the work in Uruguay. He reported that it had been an interesting year with both good and bad days. E-team came and worked on a local school in a very poor neighborhood, saving it from being closed. The ladies of the church gave gifts to the teachers. Tammy is on the parents' advisory board and is teaching them English. These actions have led to opportunities to witness. There are over 40,000 people in five blocks of the church. The church has been having Sunday School for the children, many of which are homeless. Bro. Don Matchit, Arkansas State Missions Director, noted the many similarities between our two states, including the lack of passion for lost souls. He challenged us to rekindle this passion and be faithful witness to those we come in contact with and to support missionary endeavors.

Following the offertory prayer and the General Offering, instructions were given by Rev. Jerry Smith 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 "Draw Me Nearer." Following Rev. Terrell Jones' prayer, Rev. Redus Hall spoke from Deuteronomy 1:17 reminding us to not fear man. Man's opinion is mostly worthless. Doing the right thing is rarely popular but it is still right. As stated in Luke 12:4-5, we should remember who is in control and has the final authority.

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 recommend a letter of good standing be sent to the Walker County Association for Rev. Jackie Adcox and to the Vernon Association for Rev. Fred Graham.

Additionally, we have received a letter of good standing form the Green River Association for Rev. Jeremy Overstreet.

Treasurer's Report - given by Gail Fields

<b>Treasurer's Report</b> - given by Gail Fields	
Opening Balance	\$2,495.96
Receipts:	
Interest	1.37
Quarterly Offering	215.00
Dues, Minutes, & Banquet	4719.00
Total Receipts	\$4,935.37
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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#### **Board of Christian Education**

Thanks for those who attended our last Fifth Sunday Youth Meeting. We had about 180 in attendance. Only about five churches participated. We would like to encourage all churches to participate.

If anyone is interested in CTS or is preparing of competition, we will need to have an associational competition prior to our next Fifth Sunday meeting.

**Finance Committee** – given by Matthew Tilley General Offering Today \$207.00

**Missions and Church Extension** – given by Waymon Fields We would like to thank the churches for giving \$50 each to help with e expenses of the Missions Banquet. Thank all who attended and our pastors who help promote the banquet and mission conference.

We would like to remind pastors to get with the missionaries who will be speaking at your church with proper directions to your church. Each church is expected to cover the meal of each missionary who speaks at your church.

In these uncertain economic times, we hope that you will continue you prayerful and financial support of our missionaries.

#### **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 \$89,715 to the Acts 1:8 Program during 2008. December Acts receipts were \$57,066.48. Total 2008 Acts receipts were \$553,909.20. This was \$16,090.20 behind the 2008 budget goal of \$570,000.

*The 2009 Acts 1:8 budget goal is \$555,000. Included in the 2009 Acts 1:8 Program are:* 

- The Promotional Office
- 2 Home Mission Works one in Prattville and one in Mobile
- 4 Foreign Missionaries serving in Central Asia, Uruguay, Bulgaria, & Spain
- Russian Ministries which includes Bible Institutes, Camp/Institute Renovation, & 4 church planters
- New Projects Fund for a new Alabama Free Will Baptist Church

Rodney Yerby of the International Missions Office spoke briefly about the 2009 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 Tracy Robertson O give thinks unto the Lord, for He is good: because His mercy endureth for ever. We would like to give our heartfelt appreciation to the Tabernacle Free Will Baptist Church for hosting this quarterly meeting. The food was delicious and the fellowship sweet. We would like to thank all of the preachers for the messages that we've heard today. May we give God all the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

Prior to the last sermon, the Teresa Yates played and sang "My Jesus, I Love Thee."

The last sermon was preached by Rev. Jeremy Overstreet taken from II Samuel 23:9-10 entitled "Somebody Please Swing a Sword." Many Christians are cowardly today and will not take a

stand. The church is weak because the believers are weak. One person can make a difference, but only if that person is willing to stand alone. We are faced with the choice to flee or fight. Will you choose to follow our leader Jesus in to battle or abandon the cause?

After announcements, the session concluded the dismissal prayer by Bro. Roger Lucas.

### APRIL QUARTERLY MEETING Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Church McShan, Alabama April 11, 2009

Following the singing of "Lift Him Up," Rev. Tony Latham 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 Eastside and First Reform. The Roll Call of Ministers was given by Rev. Jerry Montgomery of the Credentials Committee. Nineteen ministers were present.

After the congregational "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes" led by Bro. Waymon Fields, we enjoyed special music by the Virginia Adcox.

Rev. Terrell Jones preached the first sermon reading from Acts chapter 4. As Christians, we need to have boldness to reach those around us. There are four things that led to boldness. The first is communion – a close relationship - with Christ (verse 13). The second is commitment to Jesus (verse 2). The third is conversations or prayer (verse 25-28). Fourth is being controlled by the Spirit (verse 31-35).

The General Fund offering was received with Rev. Roy Plymon giving the offertory prayer. Rev. Plymon also gave instructions to the congregation for the brunch provided by the church and Rev. Jackie Adcox 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 "He Lives."

Rev. Randy Key preached from Philippians 3:10. He reminded us that there is a difference between knowing about Christ and

actually knowing Him. In order to know him, we must spend time in prayer and in the word. We must be willing to surrender to God's will for our lives. We must be willing to serve Him; being committed and dedicated to His purpose. Additionally, we must be willing to suffer and sacrifice for His sake.

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 10, 2009 -	\$3,691.33
RECEIPTS:	
Interest received -	\$ 1.27
Offering	207.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS -	\$208.27
EXPENDITURES:	
Children's Home Donation -	\$100.00

Children's Home Donation -\$100.00Black Warrior Printing (minutes) -891.08Clerk (Stamps) -26.00TOTAL EXPENDITURES -\$991.08Ending Balance as of April 11, 2009 -\$2,908.52

**Credentials Committee** – No Report.

#### **Board of Christian Education**

At the Carolwood Church we had an attendance of 262. All the programs were outstanding! We welcome all churches to come and be a part of the Fifth Sunday Youth Program and present a program with the youth. Our next meeting will be at Tabernacle, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 2 PM.

**Finance Committee** General Offering Today

\$ 172.55

**Missions and Church Extension** – given by Waymon Fields We would like to thank each one who supported our missions banquet. We appreciate the financial support provided from all the churches in our association. With God's help, we are making plans for another banquet January 2010. We would like to especially thank all churches who are faithful in continuing to make it possible for our missionaries to remain on their field. Your financial support and prayers make it possible to reach souls for Christ around the world.

**Committee Financial Report** 

**Beginning Balance** 

Collections

Collection from Churches \$950.00 (19 churches @ \$50 each) Ticket sales \$1,248.00 \$270.12 Offering **Received from Churches** for motel for missionaries \$558.90 Total collections \$3,027.02 Expenses \$24 00

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Flowers	\$75.00
Caterer	\$1,740.00
Honorarium	
- State Promotional Office	\$100.00
- Bro. Lancaster	\$100.00
Motels for Missionaries	\$558.90
Total Expenses	\$2,597.90
Leaving a Balance of	\$1,301.27

#### Correspondence

Greetings from the Jaimie Lancaster Family in Uruguay!

### Easter Services in Uruguay

The Emanuel Church in Montevideo set aside Easter week as a special time of prayer and awareness for the unreached of the world. The emphasis began on Sunday night with a missionary speaker (me!) and each person in the service was given a miniature globe along with a prayer guide for the week that named eight of the most needy countries in the world. Home prayer groups met on Wednesday night to specifically pray for those countries. Thursday night a special prayer service was held for the needs on each continent. Friday night services will continue with participation by Stephen Lytle and a missions video. The emphasis will culminate with Stephen Lytle preaching the Ester service on Sunday night.

<u>History in the Making: Festival of Hope Kicks off in Uruguay</u> March 19, 2009 – One newscaster said it well: "This is historic. It is the first time our channel is transmitting live from a Christian event in Uruguay."

In a nation know for secularism, the Festival of Hope with Franklin Graham is making a huge impact. Among the opening night crowd of 9,500, approximately 815 people made decisions for Christ. Many local people are volunteering behind the scenes at Charrua Stadium, the Festival venue.

Jaimie and Tammy Lancaster, two Festival counselors, are members of a Free Will Baptist Church in Montevideo. Missionaries from the United States, they have lived in Uruguay for 10 years. "We wanted to use this opportunity to serve," said Jaimie. "I pray that this will be the beginning of something," he added. "For six months we've worked and it would be easy to hope it's the end, but I really hope it is the start of something much bigger in Uruguay." The couple was surprised to learn that there are 3,000 counselors volunteering. "We are part of something big and that is nice to know," said Tammy.

#### **Resolutions and Appreciation**

We are so thankful to the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Church for hosting this quarterly meeting. We really enjoyed the special music brought to us by Mrs. Adcox. We also enjoyed the delicious brunch provided by the ladies of the Mt. Moriah church. But most of all we appreciate the God delivered messages we have heard today from our God fearing men of God. During these bad times we're seeing in the world today, we as the church still know that God is still in control. He is the same yesterday, today and forever more. Just as the song we sung today, because He lives, we can face tomorrow and life is worth the living just because He lives. May we remember this Easter Sunday for what it really means to us as God's children, Jesus' resurrection.

The congregation sang "Because He Lives" followed by special music by Virginia Adcox.

The final sermon was given by Rev. Ben Logan taken from 1 Peter 1:3-4. He reminded us that we have hope in Jesus for a resurrection to our reward in heaven. Jesus told us where He was going and the way to follow Him. Rev. Logan reviewed the many promises in the scriptures regarding our resurrection.

The meeting was closed with the benedictory prayer given by Rev. Roger Lucas.

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#### JULY QUARTERLY MEETING Sulphur Springs Free Will Baptist Church Northport, Alabama July 11, 2009

The July meeting of the Mt. Moriah Association began with all veterans recognized and the congregational song "I The Battle Hymn of the Republic" led by Rev. Roger Lucas. Bro. Waymon Fields led the opening prayer. The Moderator, Rev. Roy Plymon, called the meeting to order. Bro. Rick Taylor, pastor of the host church, gave the welcome.

Rev. Tony Tilley gave the Roll Call of Churches. All churches except Eastside and First Reform were present.

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

Prior to the first sermon, Joseph and Jacob Summerlin provided special instrumental music.

Rev. Roger Lucas entitled his message "Catch the Vision" and used Hebrews 11:24-27 as his scripture reference. He reminded us that we must remember what is at stake and that the decisions and paths we choose make a difference. The modern church has a social club mentality and does not challenge people. The vision you have in your life will determine if you follow God's way or the world's way and will also determine the things you value. We must have vision as Moses had which changed his life and kept him faithful.

The General Fund offering was received with Bro. Roy Plymon giving the offertory prayer. Rev. Rick Cash 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 "I'll Fly Away". Rev. Redus Hall led in prayer.

Rev. Randal Lynn spoke from Romans 13:14. Many people today put on a show rather than putting on Christ. Many leave the church because are not accepted into fellowship due to their being different. The Church should show them that God can change them to be suitable for His kingdom. As in 1 Corinthians 2:1-5, we should remember to not become reliant on our own wisdom but rather to witness with the wisdom of God. We are warned in Revelation 22:18-19 to not add or take away from God's word. It is not simple enough for people to attend church; they must experience the new birth through Christ. As Christians it is our responsibility to witness and instruct in the way of Christ.

The Moderator opened the business session of the meeting.

Bro. Danny Williams gave a brief report concerning the Free Will Baptist Children's Home. He highlighted the many changes that had occurred in the past months. These included the addition of house parents, the construction of a new pavilion, Mike Coley to take over as director in August.

#### **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 2009 -	\$2,908.52
RECEIPTS:	
Interest received -	\$ 0.75
Offering taken at Mt. Moriah -	\$172.55
TOTAL RECEIPTS -	\$173.30
EXPENDITURES:	
Children's Home Donation -	\$100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES -	\$100.00
Ending Balance as of July 2007 -	\$2,981.82

**Board of Christian Education** – given by Dan Montgomery The May 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Youth Meeting was well attended. We had a guest speaker from the Trinity Youth Camp, Bro. Ashley Culp. We thank the churches for their participation and encourage all of our churches to attend.

Finance Committee – given by Matthew TilleyGeneral Offering Today\$ 213.00

**Missions and Church Extension** – No Report

Credentials Committee – No Report

**Resolutions and Appreciation** – given by Tracy Robertson We would like to tank Bro. Rick and the members of the Sulphur Springs Free Will Baptist Church for hosting our quarterly meeting. We would like to thank the ladies for such a delicious brunch, that they so graciously prepared for us. We would also like to thank the Summerlin boys for the special music. We would also like to thank the preachers for the messages that they delivered to us today. May we be not only hearers of the word but doers also, as it is stated in the James 1:22. May be the witness for God that we should be and take the stand for God that we should.

The congregation sang "He Set Me Free" followed by the last sermon of the day. Rev. Jerry Montgomery read from Psalm 9:17, Psalm 33:12, Proverbs 14:34, and Isaiah 33:32. We need to appear as living in these last, dark days. It is our challenge to shine in the darkness. We should be prepared to face difficulties and persecutions. Our nation was found on Christian principles but has fallen far from its beginnings. If our nation is to turn around, it will begin in the house of God with His people worshiping and working for Him.

Following announcements, "Living By Faith" was sung followed by the benedictory prayer given by Bro. Tony Latham.

#### **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. <u>GENERAL BOARD</u>

- A. COMPOSITION: The General Board shall be composed of the Moderator, Clerk, and one member from each local church that is a part of this body. Each member from a local church shall serve a two-year term with one-half of the members being elected each year.
- B. DUTIES: The General Board shall formulate all ideas of business during the annual session of the Association, act as a Nominating Committee, as well as, any other responsibility so delegated by the body. It shall not have the power to commit the Association to any cause or policy not authorized by the Mount Moriah Association, nor to reverse any action of the Mount Moriah Association.
- C. MEETING DATE: The regular meeting date for the General Board will be two weeks prior to the annual Association meeting (the Saturday before second Sunday in October) and remain the same each year.

#### ART 13. STANDING COMMITTEES

#### SECTION ONE: CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

- A. The Credentials Committee shall consist of three lay brethren and two ordained ministers, elected at the annual session of the Association, each serving a five (5) year term, the senior member coming off each year. A committee member cannot serve more than one term without a year's leave.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine letters coming to this body from churches, ministers, and other Associations. This committee shall also examine all



ministers who become a part of this body, either by ordination or by letter, and make the recommendations to the Association.

C. It shall be the duty of this committee to make an annual report to the Association as to the standing, character, and orthodoxy of the ministers and churches of this Association.

# SECTION TWO: MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE

- A. The Missions and Church Extension Committee shall consist of three (3) lay brethren and two ordained ministers elected at the annual session of the Association, elected for a fiveyear term, the senior member coming off each year.
- B. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to take charge and promote the cause of Missions and Church Extension of this Association and to take oversight of any Mission Church so organized.
- C. The Mission Committee shall have a Secretary Treasurer and use funds for Mission and Church Extension work.
- D. The Mission and Church Extension Committee shall make a report to the annual session of the Association.

#### SECTION THREE: BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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

ART 14. The Moderator of the Association shall be an ex-officio member of all Boards and Committees.

ART 15. No person shall be allowed to serve on more than one Standing Board or Committee, with the exception of the General Board. A person may be a member of the General Board and still be eligible for a Standing Board or Committee.

ART 16. <u>DEACONS</u>. To be ordained, he must be elected by the church of which he is a member. A deacon must meet the conditions stated in the third chapter of I Timothy, verses 8-13. The term "husband of one wife" means he shall not have more than one living wife, that is, he shall not be married to one wife at the present time and there be a wife still living from a previous marriage. The same shall apply to the wife, she shall have only one living husband. The ordination council shall consist of at least one ordained minister and two deacons of the Mt. Moriah Association.

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

A. LICENSED MINSTERS. Must be a member of a church which belongs to the Mount Moriah Association. He must give evidence to his church that he is divinely called to preach, whereupon the local church is authorized to examine

him for license. This examination should include the areas of the candidate's life, doctrine, reputation, and his convictions and abilities regarding the work of the ministry. The ministerial license shall be valid for a period of one year but is renewable annually. He must have his license renewed annually by said church and kept enforced until ordination. He is free to exercise all the privileges and responsibilities of an ordained minister with the exception of pastoring a church and officiating at the observances of the ordinances and weddings.

B. ORDINATION. He must follow the guidelines for licensed minister. A minister must meet the conditions stated in the *third chapter of Timothy, verses 1-7*. The term "husband of one wife" means he shall not have more than one living, that is, he shall not be married to one wife a the present time and there be a wife still living from a previous marriage. The same shall apply to the wife, she shall have only one living husband. After he has been licensed and has proven his worth to the local church, the local church has the authority

to ordain or ask the Association to ordain. The place of ordination and ordination council will be selected by the candidate. The ordination council shall consist of at least three (3) ordained ministers from the Mount Moriah Association.

- C. RULES FOR MINISTERS.
  - a. Ministers wishing to transfer from another Free Will Baptist Church or another Association into the Mount Moriah Association, shall present a letter of good standing from the church or Association of which he is a member, be examined by the Credentials Committee, and be approved by this Association.
  - b. Ministers of other denominations who unite with our churches shall be a member and if they wish to preach, they must follow the procedure required for our licensed ministers.
  - c. Ministers of this Association, that are in good standing, shall be granted a card annually, signed by the Clerk and Moderator with the minister's name, address, and the church of which he is a member.
  - d. Any minister who is on the ordained ministers list and does not attend an Association meeting in any one year or who MAKES NO CONTACTS will be dropped from the ordained ministers' list.
  - e. Any minister who behaves himself unbecomingly to his calling into the ministry of the gospel shall be reported by the Credentials Committee to the Association, who shall deal with him.

ART 18. This Association shall be a member of the Alabama State Association of Free Will Baptists. It is expected that each church will send the necessary fee for representation in the State body.

#### **CHURCH COVENANT**

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to *"keep the unity of the Spirit"* in the bonds of peace. To be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.