#### **MINUTES**

OF THE

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXY-FIFTH

ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION

**OF** 

FREE WILL BAPTISTS HELD WITH
MOUNT ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
NORTHPORT, ALABAMA
OCTOBER 10, 2015
9:30 A. M.

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Rev. Rick W. Taylor – Moderator

Rev. Jerry T. Smith -- Assistant Moderator

Betty Jo Miller – Clerk

Vaudine Lancaster – Assistant Clerk

Rev. Roger Lucas – Treasurer

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# MEETING PLACES, DATES, AND **CLERK INFORMATION**

#### ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET

January 9, 2015 Northport First FWB Family

Life Center 6:30 P.M.

#### **QUARTERLY MEETINGS**

January 9, 2016	Phillips Chapel	9:00 A.M.
April 9, 2016	Sardis	9:00 A.M.
July 9, 2016	Shiloh	9:00 A.M.

#### ANNUAL MEETING

October 8, 2016 Sulphur Springs 9:30 A.M.

#### FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS

November 29, 2015	Sulphur Springs	2:00 P.M.
January 31, 2016	Holman	2:00 P.M.
May 29. 2016	Tabernacle	2:00 P.M.
July 31, 2016	Carolwood	2:00 P.M.

#### GENERAL BOARD MEETING

September 24, 2016 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 m	inute)	

**Association Dues:** \$30.00

\$185.00 State Association Dues:

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Sulphur Springs	Brad Sanford					
Tabernacle	Velma Sturdivant Daryl Robertson	Mandi Robertson				
Union	Keicia Lynn	Betty Jo Miller Alt - Elaine Noland				
Union Hill	Pam Lowe Ladonna Lowe	Linda Sanders Alt-Charity Kilpatrick				

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# **HISTORY OF CHURCHES**

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Carolwood	1970	Rev. Dewey Thomas
Eastside	1964	Rev. Dewey Thomas
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First-Ethelsville	1902	Rev. Wood 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	1909	Rev. Wood Springfield
Liberty	1927	Rev. W. E. Chadwick
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
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		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. Wood Springfield
Union Hill	1908	Rev. Wood Springfield

# Annual Associational Meeting Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church Northport, Alabama October 10, 2015

The 165th session of the Mount Moriah Association met at Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday, October 10, 2015. The meeting was opened by singing, "Standing On The Promises," led by Janice Winters and played by Donna Johnson. Rev. Jerry Smith, Moderator, asked Rev. Earl Johnson, host pastor, to come forward. Rev. Johnson gave a gracious welcome, and prayed.

Our Moderator asked for the roll call of churches. The clerk gave the roll call with all churches present except First-Reform.

Rev. Randall Lynn gave the roll call of ministers with 17 present and one Licensed Minister present. He, then, gave the roll call of standing committees with all present except three, one moved, one at work, and one deceased.

Rev. Smith seated the standing and elected delegates.

Rev. Smith asked for Randy Phillips to bless us by singing a special, "The Scars In The Hands of Jesus."

Rev. Jerry Smith, our Moderator, titled his message, "What Shall We Render Unto The Lord?," and he prayed. His first text was Psalm 116: 12, how long has it been since we thanked God for our blessings. We need more attitude of gratitude. God should be number one! He used Psalm 1-8, Romans 12:1, Psalm 116:13, and 1 Peter 5:8. Satan is defeated already! We need more of the power of God in our pulpit. He referred to 1 John 4:4, Psalm 116:14, 17, and 1 John 4:19. We need pure love and gratitude. May God give us eyes to see how good God has been to us. Make me a channel of blessing!! He prayed.

Roy Bannerman prayed after Rev. Johnson gave directions for the committees to meet. We had a time for meet and greet at this time.

We met again, with Donna Johnson playing, "Heaven's Jubilee," "Love Lifted Me," "What A Friend We Have in Jesus!"

Rev. Smith welcomed Rev. Larry Reynolds and his wife, Sherry, to our meeting as visitors. Rev. Larry came and spoke of his love for the Mt. Moriah Association, being pastor at Macedonia first. He was called to preach 47 years ago and has been married 42 years to a very, sweet, and wonderful lady, Sherry. We gave a great round of applause as he sat down!!

Before Rev. Earl Johnson's message, Donna Johnson blessed us as she sang, "I'll Still Trust you, Lord!"

Before Rev. Earl Johnson, our Assistant Moderator, gave his starting text of 2 Samuel 19:15, he asked Rev. Jerry Montgomery to pray. He, then, prayed. In this passage, King David came back to Jordan. Jesus is coming back as king. May we be happy to see Jesus when He returns!! We need Jesus as our Savior. Will you be happy and excited at Jesus' coming? He read and referred to 1 Samuel 16:1-4. He sang, "Get In Line, Brother, If You Want To Go Home." He referred to 1 Samuel 16:5&6, 2 Samuel 17:28&29, and 20:1, saying God will meet you anywhere you call on him. We need to work until Jesus comes. We should worship God in Spirit and in Truth. Will we be worried or happy at His coming? He prayed.

Rev. Randall Lynn prayed before our offering was received.

Rev. Earl Johnson gave directions to the Fellowship Hall for lunch.

We enjoyed such delicious food and wonderful fellowship at the noon hour!!

We gathered for the afternoon session singing, "The Old Time Power," led by Janice Winters and played by Donna Johnson.

Rev. Smith asked Brad Sanford to pray.

Rev. Rodney "Bo" Snyder brought our third sermon for the day, titled, "Obedience." He stated that Rev. Smith preached about Thankful for our blessings, with Rev. Johnson speaking on Trusting God. His, of course, was on Obedience and Relationship. His text was Genesis 12:1-3. We should spend more time in God's Word. Rewards are great when we obey God's Word by being obedient. He referred to Matthew 14:22-30 emphasizing verses 28&29, 1 Peter 5:8, Hebrews 13:8, and John 3:16. We, as churches fail to seek God's will. God calls us all to get out being

witnesses, receiving God's blessings. Remember, relationship and being obedient to God's calling are the most important things.

#### **Committee Reports**

During the business session the following reports were given and approved.

The Clerk read the following report from the General Board Meeting: The General Board met on September 26, 2015, and began with Rev. Rick Taylor leading us in prayer.

All churches were represented with the exception of First-Reform, Liberty, and Union Hill.

Rev. Jerry Smith gave a very timely devotion entitled, "As Conquerors We Serve!" He referred to the following scriptures: Isaiah 63:1-4, Revelation 1:17&18, Romans 6:6, Genesis 1:1, Hebrews 2:14&15, 2 Timothy 1:9&10, and 1 Corinthians 15:3&4. Jesus said the day of vengeance was in his heart and the year of the redeemed is come. Because He lives and was dead, He is alive forevermore and has the keys to hell and of death. Christ was buried, and he arose the third day according to the scriptures—this makes us Conquerors as we serve Him!! He prayed.

We, the Credentials Committee reports, that all churches except Eastside have sent letters to the Association with dues. Praise God!! Eastside has requested that we accept them after receiving their past and current dues. A move and second was made to accept this report.

The following recommendations were made by the General Board:

Meeting place recommendations for the Year:

Quarterly Meetings

January 9, 2016: Phillips Chapel

April 9, 2016: Sardis

July 9, 2016: Shiloh

October 8, 2016: Sulphur Springs

Youth Meetings

November 29, 2015: Sulphur Springs

January 31, 2016: Holman

May 29, 2016: Tabernacle

#### July 31, 2016: Carolwood

### Nominations on the following offices:

Moderator: Rev. Rick Taylor

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Jerry Smith

Clerk: Betty Jo Miller

Assistant Clerk: Vaudine Lancaster

Treasurer: Rev. Roger Lucas

Assistant Treasurer: Tim Brasher

Credentials Committee (2-year term): Steven Koon Credentials Committee (5-year term): Brad Sanford

Board of Christian Education (2-year term): Rev. Jason Johnson Board of Christian Education (5-year term): Rev. Luke Bozeman Missions & Church Extension (5-year term): Rev. Terrell Jones

Rev. Jerry Smith asked for prayer requests and announcements.

Rev. Tony Latham gave the benediction.

# Finance Report-given by Rev. Randall Lynn

The General Offering taken today was \$156.00.

#### Treasurers' Report

Balance as of July 11, 2015	\$3,910.24
<u>Income</u>	
Interest	\$ .49
Offering taken at Mt Moriah	\$ 59.71
Total Income	\$ 60.20
Expenditures	
Children's Home quarterly donation	\$100.00
Total Expenditures	\$100.00
Balance July 11, 2015	\$3,910.24

# Executive Office Report-given by Rev. Jerry Smith

The Alabama Free Will Baptist Executive Committee has selected Bro. Danny Williams as our new Executive Director of State Ministries. He will be doing double duty with the Children's Home for a few weeks to make the transitions as smooth as possible. Please pray for God to provide all Bro. Danny needs as he serves in this important role.

#### **Acts 1:8**

Financially: Our 2015 Acts budget goal is \$505,000.00. This requires \$42,083.00 each month. As of the end of September, we have received \$386,667.20. Thank you for what you have given this year.

Partnerships: Our partnerships with Russia and Mexico are still ongoing with the support of eight church planters and two Bible institutes. Five church plants in Mexico have been dedicated since 2011. There are two more church plants scheduled to be completed and dedicated in Mexico in 2015 due to funding from Alabama FWB.

#### **International Missions**

Jaimie and Tammy Lancaster have returned to Uruguay after several months in the US dealing with Tammy's health issues. She is much improved but still needs our prayers for strength and complete restoration of her health.

Matt and Brooke **Turnbough** have recently returned from Spain for stateside assignment. They are scheduling services to share what God is doing in their ministry and raising financial support. They have open dates on November 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like them in your church, contact the State Office.

### Alabama Home Missions-given by Rev. Roger Lucas

Dothan: Pray for the Alabama Mission Board and the Eastside FWB Church as they are involved in a revitalization project. Bro. Billy Bevan is serving as the missionary pastor in this project. They have already seen a high day of 87 in Sunday a.m. attendance. They are averaging in the 50's on Sunday a.m. and 40 on Sunday p.m. There is an excitement among the people.

Mobile: The Bay City Church continues to work toward becoming a self supporting Church. They are averaging in the mid 70s in Sunday morning worship attendance and near 60 on Wednesday nights. There are now 135-140 people in the Mobile area who call the Bay City Free Will Baptist Church their home. Plans are in the works for converting the Family Life Center into a worship center & paving the parking lot.

# Credentials Committee-given by Rev. Randall Lynn

We, your Committee, report as follows:

We, your Credentials Committee, recommend that Bro. Jackie Adcox's name be added to our Ordained Ministers' list. By request of the Sardis Free Will Baptist, we have received a letter of good standing from Pocahontas Free Will Baptist Church.

We, your Credentials Committee, recommend that we remove Bro. Randy Key's name from our Ordained Ministers' list. That he was in good standing when he left the Mt. Moriah Association.

#### Board of Christian Education-given by Bart Tilley

We, your committee, report as follows:

At the last 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Youth Meeting at Macedonia FWBC there were 135 in attendance and an offering of \$75.00 was received. Received report from Kaylee Camp about Mission trip to Chicago.

The next Youth Meeting will be November 29, 2015. The location will be set with the vote today, most likely Sulphur Springs.

#### Beginning Balance 10-1-2014

\$4,122.58

November, 2014, offering	\$82.00
March, 2015, offering	\$147.74
March 2016 offering to WMAO	Φ1 47 7A

March, 2015, offering to WMO -\$147.74 Kaylee Camp Mission Trip -\$250.00

May, 2015, offering \$63.40 August, 2015, offering \$75.00

Total Income \$368.14

Total Expenses \$397.74

Ending Balance September 30, 2015 \$4,092.98

# Missions and Church Extension-given by Waymon Fields

We, your committee, report as follows:

We would like to thank our churches for your support of missions, especially for an increase of \$16,000.00 to International Missions. We commend our churches for giving to missions and other causes of \$172,000.00 this year. Our Missions Conference will begin January 10, 2016. We encourage our churches to participate in this Conference. We will kick off the Conference with our Missions' Banquet January 9, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Northport Christian Life Center. We hope you will make plans to attend.

# Children's Home-given by Rev. Rick Taylor as Information

The following were appointed Delegates to the State Association: Gail Fields
Keicia Lynn
Betty Jo Miller
Tracy Robertson

#### Memorial to Rev. Gary Leon Mullinex

To the body that comprises the Mt. Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists when it convenes on October 10, 2015, at the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Northport, Alabama.

It is an honor that we write this tribute to our beloved Brother in Christ, Rev. Gary Leon Mullinex, age 44, of Gordo, Alabama. Bro. Gary was born March 30, 1971, to Searcy and Cherry Mullinex. He left this walk of life on June 29, 2015. He was married to Desiree Stokes Mullinex and was father to their two children, Brandon and Sarah, and Father-in-Law to Penni, wife of Brandon. Bro. Gary was a descendant of Rev. Ellis Gore, who organized four churches that are members of the Mt. Moriah Association.

Brother Gary graduated from Gordo High School, Gordo, Alabama, with honors, going on to Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, TN (now Welch College) where he graduated with high honors and with a Ministerial Degree. He pastored the Glen Echo Free Will Baptist Church for fifteen (15) years and at the time of his passing was the Associate Pastor of the Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church, Gordo, Alabama. Bro. Gary had opportunity to go to other states to pastor but his heart was with the Mt. Moriah Association where he proved himself as a worthy minister of the faith. He never stood before a congregation without backing up his thoughts and comments from the Holy Bible, God's Word.

Bro. Gary was a valued and respected citizen of Gordo. He touched many lives in such a short life of his own. His passing not only touched his family and his church, but the community as well, as was stated in an article written by the Mayor that was read at his funeral. No one can say anything negative about this wonderful saint of God. He was always upbeat and always had a smile to everyone he came in contact with, no matter the situation. Bro. Gary wrote his own funeral by the manner in

# Mt. Moriah Association Church Statistics 2014-2015

CHURCH	Pastor	\$PAID	\$ PAID	\$PAID_	\$PAID	\$PAID	\$ PAID	SUNDA	Y SCHOOL	(	CTS_	PRAYER	MEI	MBER:	s	ME	MBEF	s	TOTAL
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Carolwood	Jerry Montgomery				\$1,060.00	 	\$1,425.00	61	47			47	3	<del> </del>	7	3	$\dashv$		91
Eastside	Douglas Tilley																		
Faith	Tony Latham	\$700.00	\$308.00					10	10								2		26
First-Ethelsville	Redus Hall	\$285.00		\$2,124.00					8		10	10	2		$\dashv$			1	33
First-Reform	Leon Orr		\$2,000.00					20	15	35	18	15							
First-Tuscaloosa	Tony Tilley						\	5	5			5			1				5
Glen Echo	Hunter Fields**	\$700.00	\$1,800.00	\$360.00	\$360.00		\$100.00	16	13	16	13				+			1	30
Holman	Ben Logan	\$2,009.79	\$791.20			 		36	28			25		<del></del>				_	50
Liberty	Richard Bowers	\$6,770.00	\$30,499.00	\$2,345.00		\$1,873.00	\$28,355.00	71	45			14			$\dashv$		_	1	71
Macedonia	Luke Bozeman	\$7,400.00	\$5,179.00	\$2,480.00	\$6,367.10	\$1,200.00	\$3,905.00	44	41			34		<del></del>	2	1			61
Mt. Moriah	Roy G. Plymon	\$720.00	\$960.00	\$305.00	\$3,065.00			14	14			10						$\dashv$	63
Mt. Zion	Earl Johnson	\$360.00	\$720.00				\$340.00	32	33			29	2			3		1	96
Phillips Chapel	Terrell Jones	\$5,852.00	\$8,943.80	\$260.25	\$1,000.00		\$600.00	40	30			20	1		2	1		2	184
Sardis	Jackie Adcox	\$400.00	\$270.00											<del></del>	1			1	50
Shiloh	Roger Lucas	\$300.00	\$2,790.00	\$965.42	\$570.42	\$535.00	\$300.00		15			14	1				2	3	87
Sulphur Springs+	Rick W. Taylor	\$3,000.00	\$8,694.00	\$2,565.00	\$3,000.00	\$600.00		122	95			84			11	2			143
Tabernacle	Jerry T. Smith	\$1,100.00	\$960.00	\$2,824.65	\$2,824.65		\$10,010.06	45	39			40					-	2	122
Union	Randali Lynn	\$480.00			\$996.00		\$2,000.00	9	. 7				-		_	<del>-</del>	_	$\dashv$	45
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Union Hill	Kevin Taylor	\$300.00	\$1,440.00	\$1,322.45	<u> </u>		\$300.00	40	35			20			2	_		1	42
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which he conducted his life at home, work, church, or on the street. He had a wonderful testimony not only with words but with his actions as he portrayed the image of his Savior.

"It is not death to die, to leave this weary road and join the saints who dwell on high, Who've found their home with God; It is not death to close the eyes long dimmed by tears, wake with joy before Your throne, delivered from our fears.

It is not death to fling aside this earthy dust, and rise with strong and noble wing, to live among the just;

It is not death to hear the key unlock the door to set us free from mortal years to praise YOU evermore.

Oh, Jesus, conquering the grave, Your precious blood has power to save those who trust in You will in your mercy find that IT IS NOT DEATH TO DIE."

Rest in peace our beloved Brother in Christ. "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." First Corinthians 4:2. You have fought the fight and kept the faith, now you are with your Heavenly Father. We miss you, but, THANK YOU, for touching our lives. Respectfully submitted by,

Mrs. Sue Plymon,

Mt Moriah Free Will Baptist Church

#### Memorial to Reverend Albert L. Pickett

Reverend Albert L. Pickett was pastor of Pea Ridge Free Will Baptist Church near Montevallo during his entire ministry of 30 years. After his retirement from this church, he attended Liberty Free Will Baptist Church at Lawley, who recently joined our Mt. Moriah Association. Although he did not get to attend many years because of his failing health, he made an indelible impression as a man of God with his kind demeanor and quick smile. It was so descriptive of him, the beautiful words in the poem that ends with, "If you live close to God and His infinite grace, you won't have to tell; it shows on your face."

During his active years, Bro. Pickett had a deep love for people, especially the youth. He loved outdoor activities and was happiest when in the midst of friends, hunting, fishing, and was well known as an avid beekeeper.

To get a wider picture of this man of God, it is fitting to let his friends speak from their heart. The following excerpts written by friends from various areas of the United States in the guest book at the funeral home at his death about "Bro. Al"...

- "...One can certainly rejoice in the knowing a life well lived will be a well lived life hereafter. May our Father's memory keep you all till you again are face to face in God's heavenly grace."
- "As long as I have known Mr. Albert, I have never heard a bad word about him. I always thought the world of him. He married me and my wife in 1974 at his house and it lasted 40 years until she passed away...."
- "My memories of Uncle Albert are that he was very kind to me and I spent many Sundays in his church..."
  - "Al was always the rock that we could count on. He was steady and lived for God and was one person that you didn't have to ask if he was a Christian."

"When a lot of us turned twelve, going into our teens, he started having a Youth singing and would carry us to Jack's for a burger. He found an old school bus and carried us swimming or to other churches. He kept us busy doing things with the church and kept us out of trouble...every young person that came to his church he would ask about their dreams and find a talent and encourage them to use that talent. Some of the kids being around him and riding on that bus was the only time some ever went to church. He told me once about being in an airplane and up so high in the clouds and wondered how high he would have to be to see forever. A quote I'd written from a service he preached was that 'Death was not losing the battle of life, but the victory of winning heaven and seeing God', and I have no doubt that is where he is."

What a legacy, but Bro. Pickett's ultimate reward was when he heard the words of his Savior say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant...enter into the joy of thy Lord."-Matthew 25:23

<u>District Women Active for Christ</u>-given by Karen Brasher To the Body of the Mt. Moriah FWB Annual Association at Mt. Zion Church October 10, 2015 We report of two Churches in our District WAC. Sulphur Springs and Mt. Moriah

These two are very active in their organization and honoring Christ with their work in the great commission of the Lord and Savior.

I know those of you who went to Detroit for the National missed the glorious luncheon. It just got to be a burdensome task to get the job done so we started, "Laughter and Latte," which really went well this year. I wanted to give you a little update on what the WNAC has done this year. (Remember this is the National group).

Six College Scholarships given, WNAC helped install a new bathroom at the Seminary in Altimore, Mexico, paid for the improvements to the Seminary in Chame, Panama, sent \$3,000.00 to help construct and outfit a Feminine Health Center in Cote d'Ivore, West Africa, and \$1,000.00 to a hospital from a recent fire in Duropo. God has really blessed our efforts. Alabama will be hosting the WNAC Meeting in Birmingham 2022. Our ALWAC will be raising \$17,500.00 toward this meeting.

Our theme for this year is I SURRENDER ALL. Ephesians 6:6, "Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers but as servants of Christ doing the will of God from the heart with Goodwill doing service to the Lord and not to men." Be sure to attend the Banquet at the State Association, November 5, 2015, at Forestdale Church in Adamsville. Amanda and Eddie Simmons will be the speakers at this event. They will share their ministry work of the Samburu people of Kenya. Please read the article on Page 26 of your latest One Magazine.

Our 2016 State Meeting will be in Dothan April 22-23. If you have never been to one of these meetings you need to attend. The Lord will bless your hearts.

God bless all of you of our beloved Mt. Moriah Association. Our desire is that you will take opportunity to take part in all the facets of our wonderful denomination of Free Will Baptists.

In Christ,
Sue Plymon,
Spokes Person for our District WAC (Women Active For Christ)

# Representation Fees

Church	Min.	Min. Fund	State Dues	Gen. Fund	Mission Banquet	TOTAL
Carolwood	20	\$ 30.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 305.00
Eastside	5	\$ 10.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 275.00
Faith	10	\$ 30.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
First-Ethelsville	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
First-Reform	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
First-Tuscaloosa	5	\$ 10.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 275.00
Glen Echo	6	\$ 12.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 277.00
Holman	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
Liberty	5	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 275.00
Macedonia	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
Mt. Moriah	15	\$ 30.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 295.00
Mt. Zion	15	\$ 60.00	\$185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 295.00
Phillips Chapel	10	\$ 30.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
Sardis	10	\$ 34.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
Shiloh	25	\$ 50.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 315.00
Sulphur Springs	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
Tabernacle	25	\$ 50.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 315.00
Union	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
Union Hill	10	\$ 20.00	\$ 185.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 285.00
Totals	216	\$ 442.00	\$ 3,515.00	\$ 570.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 5477.00

#### **2015-2016 BALLOT**

These nominations were made at the General Board Meeting at Shiloh, September 26, 2015. Requests for write-in nominations will be taken.

	<u>Recommendations</u>	Write-ins			
Moderator	Rev. Rick Taylor				
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Jerry Smith				
Clerk	Betty Jo Miller				
Assistant Clerk	Vaudine Lancaster				
Treasurer	Rev. Roger Lucas				
Assistant Treasurer	Tim Brasher				
Credentials Committee (2-	-year term) Steven Koon				
Credentials Committee (5	-year term) Tim Fulgham				
Missions and Church Exte	ension (5-year term) Rev. Terrell .	Jones			
Board of Christian Education (2-year term) Rev. Josh Johnson					
Board of Christian Education (5-year term) Rev. Luke Bozeman					

#### Meeting place recommendations:

\*Quarterly Meetings-

January 9, 2016 Phillips Chapel April 9, 2016 Sardis

July 9, 2016 Shiloh

\*Annual Meeting-

October 8, 2016 Sulphur Springs

\*Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings-

November 29, 2015 Sulphur Springs

 January 31, 2016
 Holman

 May 29, 2016
 Tabernacle

 July 31, 2016
 Carolwood

# Devotion Committee-given by Rev. Randall Lynn

We, your committee, recommend the following speakers:

January Meeting-Phillips Chapel

First Sermon-Rev. Terrell Jones

Alternate-Rev. Kevin Taylor

Second Sermon-Rev. Dan Turman

Alternate-Rev. Ben Logan

Third Message-Rev. Jimmy Holliman

Alternate-Rev. Jerry Montgomery

April Meeting-Sardis

First Sermon-Rev. Jackie Adcox

Alternate-Rev. Roy Plymon

Second Sermon-Rev. Randall Lynn

Alternate-Rev. Leon Orr

Third Message-Rev. Wesley Robertson

Alternate-Rev. Earl Johnson

July Meeting-Shiloh

First Sermon-Rev. Roger Lucas

Alternate-Rev. Tony Latham

Second Sermon-Rev. Redus Hall

Alternate-Rev. Luke Bozeman

Third Sermon-Rev. Tony Tilley

Alternate-Bro. Hunter Fields

October Meeting-Sulphur Springs

First Sermon-Rev. Rick Taylor

Alternate-Rev. Richard Bowers

Second Sermon-Rev. Jerry Smith

Alternate-Rev. Matthew Hallman

Third Sermon-Rev. Josh Johnson

Alternate-Rev. Jason Tucker

# Deceased Committee- given by James South

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

Carolwood.....None

Eastside ......None

Faith ......None

First-Ethelsville.....Irma Latham

First-Reform.....None

First-Tuscaloosa.....None

Glen EchoI	Rev. Gary Mullinex
Holman	None
Liberty	Rev. Albert L. Pickett
Macedonia	None
Mt. Moriah	None
Mt. Zion	Faye Winters
Phillips Chapel	Maulene Watson
	Trezzie Smith
Sardis	Anniece Skelton
Shiloh	Emogene S Koon
	John Marshall Burkhalter
	John C Fair
Sulphur Springs	None
	Homer "Pug" Montgomery
	Eloise Malone
	None

Union Hill......Wanda Sudduth

Resolutions and Appreciation Committee-given by James South We, your committee, report as follows:

We would like to thank Bro. Earl Johnson and Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church for hosting the Annual Meeting. We enjoyed each message that we heard and each song that was sung. The meal, also, was delicious and we thank each person for helping with the food.

Rev. Douglas Tilley spoke of his failing health and his years at Eastside.

Our retiring Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith gave the gavel to Rev. Rick Taylor, our incoming Moderator.

We sang, "Just Over In The Gloryland," led by Rev. Earl Johnson and played by Donna Johnson.

Rev, Jackie Adcox gave the benediction.

Following are items of interest about of our Churches:

Tabernacle-Service projects throughout the year included:

Tuscaloosa Soup Kitchen

Shoe Box Ministry for Mexico

Eyeglasses were provided for a medical ministry in Indonesia

# January Quarterly Meeting Liberty Free Will Baptist Church Lawley, Alabama January 10, 2015

On Saturday, January 10, 2015, the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists convened with Liberty Free Will Baptist Church. The opening song was, "Glory to His Name," led by Rev. Roger Lucas and played by Carolyn Bowers. Our Moderator, Rev. Jerry Smith, asked Rev. Richard Bowers, our Host Pastor, to welcome us. Rev. Bowers requested prayer for the Rev. Albert Pickett Family. He passed on January 4, and was buried on January 8, 2015. Rev. Bowers led us in prayer.

The Roll Call of churches was given by the Clerk with 15 churches present: First-Reform, First-Tuscaloosa, and Union Hill being absent. Rev. Randall Lynn gave the roll call of ministers with 14 ministers and 1 licensed minister present. Roll call of the Standing Committees was given by Rev. Lynn with five members not present (Two were sick in Credentials, and two absent from the Board of Christian Education.) Rev. Smith asked for prayer requests. After seating the Delegates, he welcomed our one visitor, Rodney Yerby, to our midst.

The offering was taken as Carolyn Bowers played "Are You Washed In the Blood," after prayer led by Rev. Dan Turman.

The Liberty Trio sang a special, "I'm Going To A City."

Rev. Richard Bowers brought our first sermon, entitled, "How To Handle Life!" He took his text from Romans 12:1-21. All aspects of life are addressed in the whole book of Romans! Life is now. God is not concerned with our future, but our relationships to Him (God), and to the world by renewing our minds with the Word of God. Our relationship with God should be to ourselves, to believers, and unbelievers. To live victorious lives, we must forgive ourselves, but be forgiving of others, and we will be forgiven, as we rejoice with them over their good fortune. We have doubt on the one hand and belief on the other, we must act on faith, even if it is as small as a grain of mustard seed. We should rejoice, have patience, and continue in prayer. We should read the whole 12<sup>th</sup> chapter of Romans but focus on verse 12!! He prayed.

Rodney Yerby gave a report on the WMO which will be received on April 26, 2015.

Ed Avery prayed a blessing on our food for our break.

After break of delicious food and wonderful fellowship, we reconvened with the special song, "Where the Timbers Cross," sang by Sammie Wallace.

Rev. Jason Tucker prayed, then, gave our second sermon, starting by speaking of World Missions, but we need home missions in our communities. Using the illustration of Bibs and Aprons, he said bibs mean that we must be served but with an apron we will serve---Jesus, Jesus, Jesus!!! He read his first text Ephesians 6:5-10; saying we serve all mankind from the heart. We should lift up the fallen. Our great commission from Matthew 28:18-20 says we should go into the world to teach, baptize, and LOVE!!! We should be filled with love, compassion, and obedience. According to Mark 15:15-34, we learn that love is what held Jesus to the cross!!! He, then, read the following scriptures: Proverbs 3:27, 1 John 4:20, Romans 12:5, 1 Timothy 5:1&2, Hebrews 10:25, John 13:34&35, and Joshua 1:9. God has sent us, and we need to live out loud!!

The following reports were given and approved:

## Credentials Committee-given by Rev. Randall Lynn

We, your committee, report as follows:

We, your committee, upon request of Carolwood Free Will Baptist Church recommend that Bro. Jimmy Holliman's name to be added to the Licensed Minister's list.

# Board of Christian Education-given by Rev. Wesley Robertson We, your committee, report as follows:

We want to encourage all of our churches to come and support our youth be a part of these meetings. Remember the youth is the church of tomorrow. If we don't show interest in them now, we'll lose them in the future. (Attendance for the November meeting was 123.)

For the Lord is good, his mercy is everlasting and his truth endureth to all generations. Psalm 100:5.

It's up to you and me to pass God's word onto them.

Board of Missions and Church Extension-given by Waymon Fields We, your committee, report as follows:

We want to remind everyone about our missions' banquet tonight at 6:30 p.m. at the Northport Free Will Baptist Family Life Center. Brother David Crowe, director of North American Missions, will be speaking. You will have a chance to meet all our missionaries who will be speaking in our Missions Conference. Even if you are not having missionaries in your church, we encourage you to visit where our missionaries will be speaking.

We would encourage all churches in the association to pick up supplies, including coin banks for our World Missions offering due at the end of April. It would be good to have the children in your church to get coin folders to introduce them to giving to missions. Be sure to mark funds received as "World Missions Offering" when you send it in to the International Missions Department. Our association had a nice increase in giving to International Missions last year. Let's see if we can accomplish an increase again in 2015.

Thank you for all you do for missions and reaching the lost for the kingdom of God. You may never realize who you may have had a part in bringing to Christ until we get to heaven.

Finance Committee-given by Rev. Randall Lynn The General Offering today was \$98.00.

# Treasurer's Report-given by Gail Fields

Balance October 11, 2014 \$3,598.86

Income:
Interest
Offering taken at Holman
\$162.00

Dues from 18 churches \$5,250.00

Total Income: \$5,412.68

Expenditures:

Children's Home \$100.00

Betty Jo Miller-Clerk's duties \$125.00

Mount Moriah Mission Board/Banquet \$900.00

Alabama State Association (dues

18 churches) \$3,330.00

Southeast Media and Mailing (print

Minutes) \$605.00

Total Expenditures \$5,060.00

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Children's Home-given by Rodney Yerby as information

State Executive Office-given by Rev. Jerry Smith as information

State Board-given by Rev. Roger Lucas as information

#### New business-None

We sang "He Keeps Me Singing" led by Rev. Roger Lucas and played by Carolyn Bowers.

Rev. Tony Latham brought our third message, titled, "Love!", using Matthew 15:8&9; 22:37-39; Ephesians 5:25; Revelation 2:1-4; John 21:15&16; and Revelation 2:5. He sang lines of "Jesus Use Me," "On Your Knees You Are Taller Than Trees," "Get All Excited Go Tell Everybody That Jesus Christ Is King," "Feeling Fine," "Love Lifted Me," "Joy Unspeakable," and "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You." He referred to Matthew 11:28; Isaiah 6:8; Revelation 3:14-16; Matthew 7:7&8; 22:14; and Revelation 3:17. We need revival but it comes with a price. He sang lines of, "Step Back And Let Jesus Take Over". He referred to Ephesians 6:12; 2 Timothy 3:3; Matthew 24:12; Romans 6:16; 1 Corinthians 9:27; and we must work for the night is coming. God is good.

#### Resolutions and Appreciation-given by Bonnie Lynn

We, your Committee, report as follows:

God's blessings, His love, and generosity was spread on each of us as we met in this meeting today at Liberty Free Will Baptist. Each person who participated added to the spiritual uplift of the day. The food, hospitality, and friendship will continue in our hearts. We humbly thank each one, and their Pastor, Bro. Richard Bowers, for making this day possible.

May the beautiful sunshine of the day continue in your heart with the sunshine of God's love. We challenge you to vow to make this year a year of dedication to God.

Prayer requests and announcements were received. We sang "Near The Cross," led by Rev. Roger Lucas and played by Carolyn Bowers.

Rev. Earl Johnson gave the benediction.

# APRIL QUARTERLY MEETING Mt Moriah Free Will Baptist Church Ethelsville, Alabama April 11, 2015

On Saturday, April 11, 2015, our meeting opened with the singing of "When We All Get To Heaven," led by Tim Brasher and played by Karen Brasher. Rev. Earl Johnson, our Assistant Moderator, asked Rev. Roy Gene Plymon to give the welcome and information. He asked Rev. Jerry Montgomery to pray the opening prayer.

Sis. Keicia Lynn, Assistant Clerk, gave the roll call of Churches with all present except First Reform, Liberty, Sulphur Springs, and Tabernacle. Rev. Randall Lynn gave the roll call of Ministers with twelve present and all three Licensed Ministers present. He gave the roll call of Standing Committees with one absent from Credentials, and two absent from the Board of Christian Education.

After we sang, "He Brought Me Out," led by Tim Brasher and played by Karen Brasher, Rev. Roy Plymon brought a stirring message, "Enoch Walked With God as well as (And He Died)," with his text from Genesis 5:18-27, Amos 3:3, Isaiah 53, Jude 14&15, Hebrews 11:5, 12:14, Psalm 66:18, and Matthew 5:23. He prayed.

After Rev. Tony Tilley prayed, we had break time.

We reconvened with the singing of "Sunlight," led by Tim Brasher and played by Karen Brasher. Randy Phillips led in prayer.

Rev. Randall Lynn prayed and the offering was taken as Karen Brasher played a beautiful tune.

After prayer requests were taken, Tim Brasher prayed.

The Brashers blessed us with the special singing of, "The Old Rugged Cross."

Rev. Milton Fields brought our second message of the day which was actually a teaching sermon. He gave an Overview of Jesus' life: Prophesy, Birth, and Ministry. The challenges to His ministry were illiteracy and traditions (Jesus used many names to teach).

#### Reports:

The following committee reports were given and approved:

# Credentials Committee-given by Rev. Randall Lynn

We, your committee, report as follows:

We have received a letter asking that Matt Hallman's name be added to the ordained ministers' list. We received a letter in good standing from the past association, but, it has been misplaced. We would like to table this idea until our July meeting.

# Missions and Church Extension-given by Waymon Fields

We, your committee, report as follows:

We want to remind you that the funds for World Missions Offering (WMO) needs to be sent in to International Missions by the end of April. Your faithfulness in giving will make a difference in the eternal destiny of many who may not otherwise be able to know about Jesus. Remember Tammy and Jaimie Lancaster in your prayers. Pray that her tests and treatment will be successful and she will have a full recovery.

# Board of Christian Education-given by Bart Tilley

We, your committee, report as follows:

At the last 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Youth Meeting at Carolwood, March 29, 2015, there were 199 in attendance and an offering of \$147.74 was taken. The offering was given to WMO and the youth were encouraged to also take part with their church. The Board decided to give \$250 to help Kaylee Camp of the Sulphur Springs Church take part in an E-Team Missions trip to Chicago this summer.

The State Youth Conference will be held at Florence May 2.

The next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Youth Meeting will be May 31 at Holman.

# Treasurer's Report-given by Tim Brasher

General offering taken today is \$59.70.

Balance as of January 11, 2015

\$3,951.54

Income:

Interest

\$.50

Offering taken at Liberty

\$ 98.00

Total Income

\$ 98.50

Expenditures:

Children's Home Donation

\$100.00

Total Expenditures:

\$100.00

James South prayed. We sang, "In My Heart There Rings A Melody."

We were blessed as Donna Johnson gave her testimony and sang a special, "A Room With A View."

Rev. Kevin Taylor brought our third sermon titled, "Whatever It Takes." He read his text, Galatians 6:9. We must be faithful and be obedient to God. We must preach the truth, pray fervently, persevere always, and pursue the things of God. He brought out the truths in 1 Timothy 6:4, 1:12, James 5:16, Isaiah 55:8, James 1:25, 1 Thessalonians 5:21, Matthew 6:33 and 2 Timothy 1:13. He prayed.

We sang the invitation hymn, "Just As I Am," followed with prayer by Bro. Bo Snyder.

# Resolutions and Appreciation-given by Tootsie Sullivan We, your committee, report as follows:

What a beautiful day God has blessed us with, and we were also blessed with His Word in song, praise, and preaching God's Word. We appreciate each effort Mt. Moriah Church did in hosting this session. May each day we rejoice and say, "This is the day which the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it."

After announcements were given, we adjourned with Rev. Randall Lynn giving the benediction.

# JULY QUARTERLY MEETING Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church Millport, Alabama July 11, 2015

The July meeting of the Mount Moriah Association began with the congregation singing "Shelter In The Time Of Storm," led by Waymon Fields and played by Lanita McDaniel. Rev. Jerry Smith opened our meeting, asking Rev. Luke Bozeman to give the welcome. He asked Waymon Fields to lead the opening prayer.

The assistant clerk, Keicia Lynn, gave the roll call of the churches with all present except First-Reform, Mt. Moriah, and Union Hill. Rev. Tony Tilley gave the roll call of ministers with 16 and two licensed ministers present. He gave the roll call of the standing committees with five absent.

Our Moderator seated the standing and elected delegates.

The offering was taken while Lanita McDaniel played "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," after Rev. Dan Turman prayed.

We then sang "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," led by Waymon Fields and played by Lanita McDaniel.

Rev. Luke Bozeman brought our first message. He read Nehemiah 1: 1-4, 2:4-7, 11-18, 4:1-3, 6, 21-23, 5:7-11, 15, 16, 19. Nehemiah, as a good leader, was broken by discouraging news. He fasted and prayed. We pastors should be a leader like Nehemiah. We, as spiritual leaders, need to stand up, be led by God's vision and the church should follow. We need to be fire fighters and fire lighters!! Pastors and Deacons are leaders not bosses!! We must keep our focus on God and pray for the Holy Spirit to guide us. He prayed.

Rev. Jerry Smith commented Rev. Luke on his message of encouragement. Rev. Rick Taylor prayed.

After a time of fellowship, we sang "Victory In Jesus."

Lanita McDaniel sang as a special, "If It Matters To You, It Matters To The Master."

Bro. Hunter Fields brought our second message, speaking on the condition of our country. He read Malachi 3:6, Isaiah 46:9&10, Genesis 1:27, 2:18, and Mark 10:6. Our hope is in Jesus Christ. God does all the planning. We serve God. God defined marriage as with one man and one woman. Marriage is a part of God's creation. He prayed.

#### Reports

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

Credentials Committee-given by Rev. Tony Tilley

We, your committee, report as follows:

As a member of the Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptist Credentials Committee, I make the following recommendations:

- 1. Matthew Hallman's name be added to the Ordained Ministers' list. We have received a letter in good standing from the Midway District Association (Georgia) and he is in good standing with the Sulphur Springs Free Will Baptist Church.
- 2. Per the request of Sulphur Springs Free Will Baptist Church, Josh Johnson's name be added to the Ordained Ministers' list. He is in good standing with the Sulphur Springs Free Will Baptist Church and his ordination was conducted in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the constitution of the Mount Moriah Association.

# Missions and Church Extensions Committee-None

Children's Home-given by Rev. Rick Taylor

State-given by Rev. Jerry Smith

International Missions-given by Rev. Jerry Smith

Board of Christian Education- given by Bart Tilley

We, your committee, report as follows:

The last Youth Meeting, May 31, at Holman FWBC had 104 in attendance. I forgot the folder, but the offering was \$63. or \$64. The next Youth Meeting will be August 30<sup>th</sup>, here at Macedonia FWBC. In addition to the standard programs, Chris McCool, District Attorney, will

speak to us about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. Also, Kaylee Camp from Sulphur Springs FWBC will share about her mission trip to Chicago to help David Poteet.

The National Youth Competition will be starting a week from tomorrow. Sulphur Springs FWBC has 16 or 17 that will be competing.

Bro. Gary Mullenix was on the board and as it has already been mentioned, his presence and influence will be missed, not only by his family, but by the Association and B of CE.

# WAC-No report

Rev. Jerry Smith announced the National Association at Chicago IL.

Finance Committee-given by Rev. Tony Tilley The General Offering today is \$67.30.

Treasurer's Report-Rev. Roger Lucas, Treasurer

Balance as of April 11, 2015 \$3,910.24 Income:

Interest
Offering taken at Macedonia
\$67.30

Total Income: \$67.79

Expenditures:

 Children's Home
 \$100.00

 Total Expenditures:
 \$100.00

 Balance July 11, 2015
 \$3,878.03

We sang "Shelter In The Time Of Storm" led by Waymon Fields and played by Lanita McDaniel.

Rev. Roger Lucas brought our third sermon, taking his text from Judges 7:21, 6:15, 24, 27. He said that he would like to preach a sermon on "Old Fashioned Standards in a New Standards World." Bro. Gary Mullenix was a faithful man!! He prayed. Gideon built an alter, he was obedient. God said that Gideon had too many men. God decreased an army of 32,000 down to 300. David said that the battle is the Lord's. He had four points each one being. "They stood every man in his place!!!!" God has a place for us—we must carry it out. No one was AWOL in Gideons' army, every man was in his place!! He prayed.

Announcements were given.

Resolutions and Appreciation-given by Bonnie Lynn

We, your committee, report as follows:

We would like to thank Bro. Luke Bozeman and Macedonia Church for hosting our Quarterly Meeting. We thank God for the preachers who take the stand to proclaim the Holy Word. We, also, thank God for the opportunity to be able to come. May we strive to be Godly examples in our daily lives to help lead others to the Lord.

We sang "The Longer I Serve Him,"

We were dismissed by Rev. Richard Bowers.

#### 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	<u></u>
Free Will Baptist Church in good stands	ing up to the date of
this certificate and is hereby dismissed.	
Thisday 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 distinct 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 the 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 given 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 3:6; 1 Corinthians 10:12-22; 1 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; 1 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 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 meet 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 in 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. <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 1 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 1 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 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. 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.