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ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
MOUNT MORIAH ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
HELD WITH  
GLEN ECHO FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
CARROLLTON, ALABAMA  
OCTOBER 12, 2024

9:00 A.M.

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

### **ANNUAL MISSIONS BANQUET**

|                  |                                           |           |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------|
| January 11, 2025 | Northport First FWB Family<br>Life Center | 6:00 P.M. |
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### **QUARTERLY MEETING**

|                |        |           |
|----------------|--------|-----------|
| April 12, 2025 | Holman | 9:00 A.M. |
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### **ANNUAL MEETING**

|                  |                 |           |
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| October 11, 2025 | First-Northport | 9:00 A.M. |
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### **FIFTH SUNDAY YOUTH MEETINGS**

|                   |                 |           |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| December 29, 2024 | Holman          | 2:30 P.M. |
| March 30, 2025    | Tabernacle      | 2:30 P.M. |
| June 29, 2025     | Sulphur Springs | 2:30 P.M. |
| August 31, 2025   | Carolwood       | 2:30 P.M. |

### **GENERAL BOARD MEETING**

|                    |        |           |
|--------------------|--------|-----------|
| September 27, 2025 | Shiloh | 9:00 A.M. |
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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 \$3 per minute)
- Association Dues: \$30.00
- State Association Dues: \$300.00
- January Missionary Banquet \$50.00

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| <b>Glen Echo</b>         | Buren Windle<br>19950 Hwy. 86<br>Carrollton, AL 35447    | 205-463-7153                                                     |
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| <b>Sulphur Springs</b><br>21137 Old Jasper Rd<br>Northport, AL 35475<br>www.SulphurSprings.church<br>Church: 205-333-3200 | Rick W. Taylor 205-394-0103<br>21540 John Collins Rd<br>Northport, AL 35475 rickwt44@aol.com |
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| <b>Tabernacle</b><br>15643 Tabernacle Rd<br>Buhl, AL 35446<br>www.tabernacleN.P.com | Joshua Horton 205-792-9611<br>5207 Candlewood Dr<br>Northport, AL 35473<br>Pastor@tabernacleN.P.com |
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| <b>Union</b><br>1004 Union Church Rd<br>Gordo, AL 35466 | Randall Lynn 205-454-4431<br>2194 Co Rd 4<br>Gordo, AL 35466 Hulk73@LIVE.com |
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| <b>Union Hill</b><br>11 Union Hill Rd<br>Reform, AL 35481 | Kevin Taylor 205-399-2357<br>11 Union Hill Rd<br>Reform, AL 35481<br>Kevintay1983@hotmail.com |
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### **YOUTH LEADERS**

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| <b>Carolwood</b> | None Listed |
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| <b>First-Ethelsville</b> | None Listed |
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| <b>First-Northport</b> | Riley Young 205-657-3967<br>13911 Willow View Ln<br>Northport, AL 35475 rileyyoung@gmail.com |
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| <b>Glen Echo</b> | None Listed |
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| <b>Holman</b>          | Tina Clanton<br>15910 Hwy 140<br>Buhl, AL 35446               | 205-523-3497                               |
| <b>Liberty</b>         | Morgan Pugh<br>330 Le Croy Cir.<br>Brent, AL 35034            |                                            |
| <b>Macedonia</b>       | None Listed                                                   |                                            |
| <b>Mt. Moriah</b>      | Tim & Karen Brasher<br>106 Woodland Trace<br>Gordo, AL 35466  | 205-399-3016<br>timbrasher@me.com          |
| <b>Mt. Zion</b>        | None Listed                                                   |                                            |
| <b>Phillips Chapel</b> | None Listed                                                   |                                            |
| <b>Sardis</b>          | None Listed                                                   |                                            |
| <b>Shiloh</b>          | Kristy Stephens<br>918 Double Branch Rd<br>Gordo, AL 35466    | (Home) 205-364-0301<br>(Cell) 205-391-8992 |
| <b>Sulphur Springs</b> | Tim Summerlin<br>19689 Gorgas Rd<br>Northport, AL 35475       | 205-534-9862<br>tj.summerlin@yahoo.com     |
| <b>Tabernacle</b>      | Stephanie Horton<br>5207 Candlewood Dr<br>Northport, AL 35475 | 902-215-0431<br>JS Horton86@Gmail.com      |
| <b>Union</b>           | Keicia Lynn<br>2194 Co Rd 4<br>Gordo, AL 35466                | 205-242-6856                               |
| <b>Union Hill</b>      | Debra Sudduth<br>28495 Hwy. 17<br>Reform, AL 35481            | 205-504-3767                               |
|                        | Kanda Taylor<br>11 Union Hill Rd<br>Reform, AL 35481          | 205-399-2358                               |

## DELEGATES TO MT. MORIAH ASSOCIATION

|                          |                                |                                   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Carolwood</b>         | None Listed                    |                                   |
| <b>First-Ethelsville</b> | None Listed                    |                                   |
| <b>First-Northport</b>   | None Listed                    |                                   |
| <b>Glen Echo</b>         | Pat Windle<br>Ceav Latham      | Sharon Fulgham                    |
| <b>Holman</b>            | Bart Tilley<br>Kayla Windle    | Bonnie Lynn<br>Alt-Jeanette Smith |
| <b>Liberty</b>           | None Listed                    |                                   |
| <b>Macedonia</b>         | None Listed                    |                                   |
| <b>Mt. Moriah</b>        | Landy McDill<br>Karen Brasher  | Sue Plymon                        |
| <b>Mt. Zion</b>          | Janice Winters                 |                                   |
| <b>Phillips Chapel</b>   | Wesley Bigham<br>Terry Watson  | Revis Guy                         |
| <b>Sardis</b>            | None Listed                    |                                   |
| <b>Shiloh</b>            | Jason Stephens<br>Stewart Koon | Skip Sutton                       |
| <b>Sulphur Springs</b>   | Bro. Kyle Patton               | Trae Conner                       |
| <b>Tabernacle</b>        | Daniel Montgomery              | Rita Montgomery                   |
| <b>Union</b>             | Keicia Lynn                    |                                   |
| <b>Union Hill</b>        | Linda Sanders                  | Pam Lowe                          |

## **DECEASED MINISTERS**

Ellis Gore, J.T. Nabors, W.W. Pool, J.S. Hinton, W.R. Latham, O.M. Archey, D.W. Harbin, T.V. Wheat, J.E. Mathis, W.R. Robinson, Thomas Malloy, W.J. Coward, W.B. Montgomery, Wood Springfield, W.F. Pool, J.D. Byars, J.M. Pinkerton, W.J. Harbin, J.M. Spencer, Amon Kelley, S.R. Lee, Clint Hallman, Monroe Hallman, J.E. Tilley, T.L. Walker, John Moore, N.M. Sanford, Murk Montgomery, T.A. Springfield, J.L. Lynn, Edgar Jones, W.L. Lynn, Clyde Oswalt, Willis Montgomery, George Perrigin, Delbert Townsend, Gordon E. Tingle, Sr., Donald Keasler, Raymond Tilley, Arlie Lynn, J. H. Tilley, J. L. Lavender, Earnest White, Dewey Thomas, Albert L. Pickett, Gary Mullenix, Elmer Lynn, Rodney "Bo" Snyder, Leon Orr, Jerry Montgomery Milton Fields, Jesse "Jackie" Adcox, Dan Turman

## **MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

|                          |                                                                                            |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Carolwood</b>         | Randall Wright<br>Roger Lucas                                                              |
| <b>First-Ethelsville</b> | Redus Hall                                                                                 |
| <b>First-Northport</b>   | Tim Baumgarten<br>Riley Young<br>Jordan Baumgarten (Licensed)<br>Caleb Sampsell (Licensed) |
| <b>Glen Echo</b>         | Tony Latham                                                                                |
| <b>Holman</b>            | Tony Tilley                                                                                |
| <b>Liberty</b>           | Richard Bowers                                                                             |
| <b>Macedonia</b>         | None Listed                                                                                |
| <b>Mt. Moriah</b>        | Roy G. Plymon<br>Jaimie Lancaster                                                          |
| <b>Mt. Zion</b>          | Scott Montgomery                                                                           |

## **MINISTERS' CHURCH MEMBERSHIP (Cont.)**

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| <b>Phillips Chapel</b> | Terrell Jones<br>Ben Logan                                                      |
| <b>Sardis</b>          | Earl Johnson                                                                    |
| <b>Shiloh</b>          | None Listed                                                                     |
| <b>Sulphur Springs</b> | Rick W. Taylor<br>Matt Hallman<br>Gregg Allen<br>Kyle Patton<br>Joseph Kimbrell |
| <b>Tabernacle</b>      | Joshua Horton                                                                   |
| <b>Union</b>           | Randall Lynn                                                                    |
| <b>Union Hill</b>      | Kevin Taylor                                                                    |

## HISTORY OF CHURCHES

| <u>CHURCHES</u>   | <u>ORGANIZED</u> | <u>ORGANIZED BY</u>   |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Carolwood         | 1970             | Rev. Dewey Thomas     |
| First-Ethelsville | 1902             | Rev. Wood Springfield |
| First-Northport   | 1946             | Rev. J.J. Staab       |
| 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      |
| Phillips Chapel   | 1893             | Rev. W.B. Montgomery  |
|                   |                  | 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. Wood Springfield |
| Union Hill        | 1908             | Rev. Wood Springfield |

**174th Annual Associational Meeting convened with  
Glen Echo Free Will Baptist Church  
Carrollton, Alabama  
October 12, 2024**

The 174th Session of the Mount Moriah Association convened at Glen Echo Free Will Baptist Church in Carrollton, Alabama, on Saturday, October 12, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

The Moderator, Rev. Randall Lynn, gave the welcome, afterward, Nicole Fulgham of the Glen Echo Church, led the congregation in the song "Bring Them In" and was played by Donna Johnson of the Sardis Church, at the piano.

Afterward, Rev. Tony Latham, Pastor of the Glen Echo, prayed. The Moderator then called for the Clerk, Roy Bannerman to give the roll call of the Churches, Ordained Ministers and Standing Committees. There were 10 Churches represented. All Churches were represented with the exception of Carolwood, First-Northport, Liberty, Macedonia, Sulphur Springs and Union Hill. There were 9 Ordained Ministers present, The Credentials Committee had 3 present, Missions & Church Extension had 2 present and the Board of Christian Education had 3 present.

The Moderator called for the Clerk to read the minutes from the General Board. The minutes were given as follows:

*The General Board met at Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church on September 28, 2024.*

*The Moderator, Bro. Randall Lynn spoke on the history of the Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Association he found in a Mt. Moriah Free Will Baptist Church cookbook.*

*In that Rev. Ellis Gore rode a horse from McShan to Fayetteville, North Carolina to get the Free Baptist Treatise. He then noted the Churches Rev. Gore helped to start in the Association as well. Bro. Randall Lynn then read text from Matthew 25 and spoke on the Parable of The Talents. Afterward, Bro. Tony Latham, Pastor of the Glen Echo Church prayed.*

*The Moderator asked the Clerk, Roy Bannerman to give the roll call of the Churches.*

*All Churches were represented except Carolwood, Liberty, Macedonia, Tabernacle and Union Hill.*

*The Moderator called for the Credentials Committee Report. Bro. Tim Baumgarten gave the report. "The Committee met and reviewed the letters. All letters were in order, except we did not receive dues or letters from First-Northport, Liberty and Sulphur Springs.*

*Propose that we receive changes to the Mt. Moriah F.W.B. Association Constitution and Rules of Decorum and present to the Churches for review and presentation at the Annual Meeting in October 2024.*

*Received a letter from Reform First Free Will Baptist Church informing that they elected on August 11, 2024 to withdraw from the Mount Moriah Association effective immediately. The names of the Deacons, Pastor and Clerk were included. Therefore, Hunter Fields name will be removed from the Ordained Ministers List."*

*Bro. Tony Tilley discussed the sheet distributed with the proposed changes to the Constitution, Article 4 and The Rules of Decorum, Article 4. There was a move and second made to pass this on to the Association.*

*The nomination sheet was reviewed and nominations for offices and meeting place were made. Afterward, The Moderator noted he would check with Liberty to see if they could host the 2025 Annual Association and if Tabernacle could host the March 30, 2025 youth meeting. A move was made and seconded to send the nominations to the Association.*

*Bro. Roger Lucas announced the 2025 Legacy Bible Conference on July 12th. The speakers will be Bros. Larry Reynolds, Herb Thomas, and Phil Waldrop.*

*Prayer request and announcements were made. Bro. Tim Baumgarten, Pastor of the Northport First- Free Will Baptist Church, dismissed the meeting in prayer.*

*A move was and seconded to accept the General Board minutes.*

The Moderator asked Rev. Tony Tilley with the Credentials Committee to come and discuss the proposed changes to the Constitution and Rules of Decorum. He also gave a partial Credentials Committee Report.

The proposed changes Mt. Moriah F.W.B. Association Constitution and Rules of Decorum September 2017 & August 2024.

Submitted September 27, 2024 by Steven Koon, Rev. Tony Tilley.

Clerk's note: proposed changes are in italics.

Rules of Decorum- Changes suggested (see page 43 of current (2023 edition) minutes.)

Article 4 (why this? We collect more than Minute Funds. Signatures help provide validity of church letters.)

(a) It shall be the duty of every Church belonging 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 shall be mailed and postmarked with the appropriate fees and original signatures of the church moderator and church clerk to the Association clerk the first week in September. The names of the delegates from the different churches shall be compiled and called for, as necessary, during the session.*

(Why this? This adds a mechanism in relation to churches that allow questions to rise in regard to their continued membership and the procedure for their return to our association.) Add these sections:

*(b) If a church does not send a letter, the church is considered out of order in regards to their membership in the Mt. Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists. The Credentials Committee will then investigate to determine if there is some issue that can be resolved that would bring the church back into good standing with the Association.*



*(c) If this church wishes to return to good standing with the Association, they will present their church letter or their explanation to the next session of the Mt. Moriah Association.*

*(d) If the church does not respond as required above (a) and the report of the Credentials Committee affirms this, the Church is considered dismissed from the Association of their own accord. If, at any time they request readmission to the Association, they will come under the Constitution Article 7, Section Two: New Churches Requesting Membership.*

Constitution – Suggested change (see page 45 of current (2023 edition) minutes.)

(Why this? We no longer have an afternoon session.)

Article 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 at the Annual Session: provided the following instructions are followed.

*1. Proposed changes shall be presented in written form to the General Board at their annual meeting (This allows time for the Board members to examine changes and to consult their church in regard to proposed changes).*

*2. The Credentials Committee shall present the proposed changes to the delegates as part of their report, by reading the proposed changes aloud to the delegates. This report is to be given immediately after the seating of the delegates and of the Standing Committees.*

*3. If there is a "Motion and Second" to move the motion forward, it will be treated as any other motion, except that the time for debate and the vote will be postponed until immediately after the election of officers.*

Unrelated Issue:

Question: Since the public reading of the minutes is forgone, should a copy of the minutes from the previous session be sent to the Credentials Committee each time for review? This might help the clerk stop errors before they are printed.

Afterward, the Moderator gave a time for questions.  
A move was made and seconded to table this till after the break.

The ballots for the 2024-25 year were distributed for review.

Afterward, the congregation sang "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms".  
Led by Nicole Fulgham and played by Donna Johnson at the piano.

The Moderator welcomed Rev. Joshua Horton, Pastor of the Tabernacle Church for the first message of the Meeting.

He spoke on 3 points that can suck the life out a Church. His beginning text was from Luke 9:49 and Mark chapter 9. He spoke on "being part of the club". His second point "condemnation" he spoke on Luke 9:51 and vs. 55. The third point he spoke on was from Matt. 19:13. And Matt. chapter 9. He then closed in prayer.

After a few word from the Moderator, Rev. Tony Latham, Host Pastor gave instructions for the break. Bro. Lowery from the Host Church blessed the food.

After the break, Buren and Pat Windle of the Host Church, sang a special "Look For Me At Jesus Feet".

The second message of the Meeting was preached by Rev. Earl Johnson, Pastor of the Sardis Church. He spoke on the recent hurricanes and the Flood in North Carolina and Tennessee. Afterward, his text was from Psalm 62 and Chapter 63. He noted God has been regulated in time, etc. He spoke on David seeking God early. He then asked, Why are we not seeking God early? He noted David had a thirst for God. He challenged us to do so too.

After a few words from the Moderator, Sister Donna Johnson sang a special "How Great Thou Art".

**New Business** – The Moderator asked for a move and second to open up our business session. Motion Carried. The Moderator reviewed the ballot that was distributed earlier. A move was made and seconded on the first six nominations. Motion carried. There was a move and second for Rev. Tony Tilley, Credentials Committee (5 year term). Motion carried. There was a move and second for Rev. Randall Wright, Board of Christian Education (5 year term). Motion carried. There was a move and second for Brad Sanford, Missions & Church Extension (5 year term). Motion carried. A move was made and seconded for the youth meeting place nominations as presented. Motion carried.

The Moderator then asked for a move and second to open discussion on the sheets distributed earlier with the proposed changes to the Rules of Decorum and The Constitution (see pages 22-25). Motion carried. Afterward, a move was made and seconded to accept the changes to The Rules of Decorum. (pages 22-23). Motion carried. A move was made and seconded to accept the proposed changes to the Constitution. (see page 23). Motion carried.

**2024-2025 BALLOT**

These nominations were made at the General Board Meeting at Shiloh, on September 28, 2024. Requests for write-in nominations will be taken.

|                                            | <u>Recommendations</u> | <u>Write-ins</u> |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Moderator                                  | Bro. Randall Lynn      | _____            |
| Assistant Moderator                        | Bro. Tony Tilley       | _____            |
| Clerk                                      | Roy Bannerman          | _____            |
| Assistant Clerk                            | Steven Koon            | _____            |
| Treasurer                                  | Tim Brasher            | _____            |
| Assistant Treasurer                        | Karen Brasher          | _____            |
| Credentials Committee (5-year term)        | Tony Tilley            | _____            |
| Board of Christian Education (5-year term) | Bro. Randall Wright    | _____            |
| Missions & Church Extension (5-year term)  | Brad Sanford           | _____            |

**Meeting place recommendations:**

|                                                    |                 |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| April 12, 2025                                     | Holman          |
| *Annual Meeting-<br>October 11, 2025               | First-Northport |
| *Fifth Sunday Youth Meetings-<br>December 29, 2024 | Holman          |
| March 30, 2025                                     | Tabernacle      |
| June 29, 2025                                      | Sulphur Springs |
| August 31, 2025                                    | Carolwood       |

| CHURCH            | Pastor            | \$PAID             | \$PAID             | \$PAID           | \$PAID             | \$PAID            |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                   | *Assoc. Pastor    | CHILDREN'S         | ACTS 1:8           | HOME             | FOREIGN            | WELCH             |
|                   | **Interim         | HOME               |                    | MISSIONS         | MISSIONS           | COLLEGE           |
|                   | ***Not in ACTS1:8 |                    |                    | ***              | ***                |                   |
| Carolwood         | Randall Wright    |                    | \$8,204.63         |                  |                    |                   |
| First-Ethelsville | Redus Hall        |                    |                    |                  |                    |                   |
| First-Northport   | Tim Baumgarten    |                    |                    |                  |                    |                   |
| Glen Echo         | Tony Latham       | \$1,000.00         | \$3,000.00         |                  | \$1,300.00         |                   |
| Holman            | Tony Tilley       | \$3,22.00          | \$960.00           | \$4,610.00       | \$4,610.00         |                   |
| Liberty           | Richard Bowers    | \$7,424.09         | \$50,264.41        | \$300.00         |                    | \$6,078.51        |
| Macedonia         |                   | \$8,000.00         | \$5,565.00         | \$7,284.92       | \$5,109.92         | \$1,800.00        |
| Mt. Moriah        | ** Roy G. Plymon  | \$240.00           | \$380.00           | \$180.00         | \$2,630.00         |                   |
| Mt. Zion          | Scott Montgomery  | \$330.00           | \$220.00           |                  | \$660.00           |                   |
| Phillips Chapel   | Terrell Jones     | \$7,807.00         | \$10,440.00        | \$400.00         | \$2,000.00         |                   |
| Sardis            | Earl Johnson      | \$1,200.00         |                    |                  |                    |                   |
| Shiloh            | Roger Lucas       | \$50.00            | \$4,301.50         | \$105.38         | \$611.50           | \$300.00          |
| Sulphur Springs   | Rick W. Taylor    | \$3,000.00         | \$7,800.00         | \$3,976.88       | \$10,500.00        | \$600.00          |
| Tabernacle        | Joshua Horton     | \$1,200.00         | \$960.00           |                  | \$3,485.26         |                   |
| Union             | Randall Lynn      |                    |                    |                  |                    |                   |
| Union Hill        | Kevin Taylor      | \$300.00           | \$1,440.00         | \$2,733.00       |                    |                   |
| <b>Totals</b>     |                   | <b>\$33,051.09</b> | <b>\$93,535.54</b> | <b>19,570.18</b> | <b>\$30,906.68</b> | <b>\$8,778.51</b> |
|                   |                   |                    |                    |                  |                    |                   |
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Free Will Baptists Church Statistics  
2023-2024

| D<br>H<br>GE | \$PAID      | SUNDAY SCHOC |           | CTS     |         | PRAYER    | MEMBERS  |      |      |      |     | MEMBERS |     |  | TOTAL   |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|---------|---------|-----------|----------|------|------|------|-----|---------|-----|--|---------|
|              | OTHER       | Enroll.      | Avg. Att. | Enroll. | Avg Att | MEETING   | RECEIVED |      |      |      |     | LOST    |     |  | MEMBER- |
|              |             |              |           |         |         | Avg. Att. | POF      | Bapt | Rest | Lett | Exl | Lett    | Dec |  | SHIP    |
|              |             |              |           |         |         |           |          |      |      |      |     |         |     |  |         |
|              |             |              |           |         |         |           |          |      |      |      |     |         |     |  |         |
|              |             | NA           | NA        |         |         | 20        |          |      |      | 4    |     |         | 5   |  | 42      |
|              |             |              |           |         |         |           |          |      |      |      |     |         | 1   |  |         |
|              |             |              |           |         |         |           |          |      |      | 11   |     |         |     |  |         |
|              |             | 11           |           |         | 11      | NA        |          |      |      |      |     | 1       | 1   |  | 11      |
|              |             | 27           | 22        |         |         | 20        |          |      |      |      |     |         |     |  | 47      |
| 51           | \$44,130.62 | 42           | 35        |         |         | 15        |          |      |      | 1    |     |         |     |  |         |
| 00           | \$3,647.97  | 57           | 35        |         |         | 26        |          |      |      |      |     | 6       | 1   |  | 57      |
|              | \$505.00    | 15           | 14        |         |         | 8         |          |      |      | 1    |     |         |     |  | 56      |
|              |             | 7            | 7         |         |         | 10        |          |      |      |      | 2   |         |     |  | 67      |
|              | \$11,630.00 | 40           | 30        |         |         | 16        |          | 1    |      | 1    |     |         | 4   |  | 175     |
|              | \$1,600.00  | 12           | 12        |         |         | NA        |          |      |      |      |     | 1       |     |  |         |
| 0.00         | \$300.00    |              | 18        |         |         | 14        |          |      |      |      |     |         |     |  | 82      |
| 0.00         | \$8,030.00  |              |           |         |         |           |          |      |      | 7    |     |         |     |  | 382     |
|              | \$5,542.93  |              | 24        |         |         | 20        |          |      |      | 7    |     |         |     |  | 128     |
|              | \$600.00    |              | 8         |         |         | NA        |          |      |      |      |     |         | 1   |  | 34      |
|              | \$300.00    | 15           | 15        |         |         | 10        |          |      |      | 1    | 1   |         |     |  |         |
| 3.51         | \$92,786.52 | 226          | 235       |         | 11      | 159       |          | 1    |      | 35   | 3   | 8       | 14  |  | 1,081   |
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The Moderator gave announcements. It was announced there would be a celebration of Rev. Terrell Jones's 40 years as Pastor of Phillips Chapel on October 27<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 P.M. in the Church's fellowship hall.

**State Report** – Given by Rev. Randall Lynn. Sent by Bro. Danny Williams. There's 19 currently at the Children's Home. Upcoming events include the Harvest drive during October and November and the Toy Run and Benefit Ride on December 7<sup>th</sup>. He gave an update of the Cultivate FWB work in Athens, AL. They also have a Spanish speaking ministry led by Pastor Amicar Castro. Attendance has been 180's on Sunday morning and 80's for mid-week service. Last quarter there were 45 first time guest 10 conversions and 5 baptisms. The A.C.T.S. 1:8 givings total as of September is \$469,152. Of this, \$111,372 came from 13 Churches in the Mt. Moriah Association. He thanked those who participated in "Love our Neighbors" Sunday on October 6<sup>th</sup>, which was also Roll Call Sunday. He mentioned the Pastor's and wife retreat in Orange Beach. If any Church would like to assist those affected by the hurricanes, to contact the State Office. To provide info. for those taking supplies or going to the area to help work. Those on the ground in NC & TN told me the supplies are coming in very well. The noted the greater need now is financial donations or gift cards, which we can efficiently get the donations to the region to help FWB's impacted by the storm. I am beginning to schedule and plan for our January Missions Conference. If you Church is will to participate, send me word and I will contact you to provide options. Please pray for the work of God in our Church's and leaders.

The presence and power of God is crucial to our Churches moving forward. Move made and seconded to accept as information.

**Credentials Committee** – Given by Rev. Tony Tilley.

We your Committee reports as follows:

1. All letters and dues received from every Church with the exception of First-Northport which had no signature of Moderator and Sulphur Springs which we have no letter (No current rules on how to approach this).
2. First-Reform should be removed from list of Churches.  
(Clerk's note: The Church has voted to withdraw from the Association).
3. Bro. Hunter Fields expressed no wishes to be removed, and we are uncertain where his membership is at this time. Move to leave his name on our Ordained Minister's list until his intent is clear.  
(his name is not on any Church membership list.)
4. Move to adopt propose changes to Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

Move made and seconded to accept the report.

**Board Of Christian Education** – Given by Rev. Randall Lynn.

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| Balance as of April 1, 2024 | \$1,970.45 |
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No Expenses

Deposits-

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| Offering (June) | \$45.80 |
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| Offering (September) | \$77.19 |
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| Balance as of October 1, 2023 | \$2,113.60 |
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Our next meeting is scheduled for Holman at 2:30 on December 29<sup>th</sup> 2024.

A move was made and seconded to accept the report.

**Missions & Church Extension** – Given by Tim Brasher.

No Report.

The offering was received. Serving as ushers was Rev. Joshua Horton and Steven Koon. Rev. Joshua Horton gave the offertory prayer.

The Moderator named Keicia Lynn, Karen Brasher, Kayla Windle, Sharon Fulgham and Janice Winters to the 2025 Resolutions and Appreciation Committee.

**Deceased Committee – Given by Keicia Lynn.**

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

|                         |                            |
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| Carolwood .....         | Brother Ed Ivey            |
| .....                   | Sister Ella Jean Miksis    |
| .....                   | Brother James Sanford      |
| .....                   | Brother Doug Sanford       |
| .....                   | Brother Billy Gilreath     |
| First-Ethelsville... .. | Ricky Nevin                |
| First-Northport.....    | John Nicholson             |
| .....                   | Shirley Brown              |
| Glen Echo.....          | Glen Acker                 |
| Holman.....             | None                       |
| Liberty.....            | Sandra Foster              |
| Macedonia.....          | Faye Hardin                |
| Mt. Moriah.....         | None                       |
| Mt. Zion.....           | None                       |
| Phillips Chapel .....   | Sister Carrie R. Barger    |
| .....                   | Brother David Larry Bailey |
| .....                   | Brother Herman Sanford     |
| .....                   | Bro. Dan Turman            |
| Sardis .....            | None                       |
| Shiloh.....             | None                       |
| Sulphur Springs .....   | None                       |
| Tabernacle.....         | None                       |
| Union.....              | Odis McCool                |
| Union Hill... ..        | None                       |

There was move made and seconded to accept the report as information.

Steven Koon read a memorial in memory of Rev. Dan Turman

Written by Mrs. Vaudine Lancaster (see page 38).

A move was made and seconded to accept the report as information.



**Women's Ministry – Given by Landy McDill.**

**Women's Ministries Report to the Mt. Moriah Association.**

**Greetings to the annual body of Mt. Moriah Association convening with the Glen Echo FWB Church.**

**Please notice our name has been changed from WAC (Women active for Christ) to Ladies Ministries. We have no local dues now, just free will offerings and the Lord has richly blessed.**

**We have three groups They are all active and attend the meetings on a State and National level. These groups are a great asset to our missionaries. That was the origin of its birth. We support the various facets of the organization and put for an extra effort to make sure all their needs met. We contribute to the Provision's Closet in Nashville. You do not have to be a member to give to this. Just bring your items to the State Meeting in April and they will be carried to the designated location. The missionaries have spoken highly of this opportunity.**

**We have Pastor's Appreciation Day in October and Pastor's Wives Appreciation Month in May. This is such a heartwarming experience. We recognize birthdays each month with cake and goodies. We distribute fruit baskets in December to our shut-ins of the Church and community, especially Nursing Homes. Our outreach is endless. We love our Church and its membership. By that we visit and supply needs to those in need.**

**Why not join us this year? You won't regret it. The Lord said GO! Most of us cannot go but we can give our time and efforts to some very important people in our life with help as needed.**

**Sue Plymon, Field Worker for the Mt. Moriah Ladies Ministries.**

**Move made and seconded to accept the report as given.**

## **Treasurer's Report – Given by Tim Brasher.**

October 12, 2024

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| Balance as of April 7, 2024 | \$3,815.21 |
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### **Income**

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| Offering taken at 1st Ethelsville                 | \$140.00 |
| Donation to Children's Home                       | \$125.00 |
| Refund from State Office<br>(overpayment of dues) | \$75.00  |
| Interest                                          | \$ 1.18  |

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| Total Income | \$341.18 |
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### **Expenditures**

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|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Alabama State Association<br>(Children's Home) | \$325.00 |
| Total Expenditures                             | \$325.00 |

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| Balance as of October 12, 2024 | \$3,831.39 |
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(Brother Tim noted this does not include the dues collected for this year.)

A vote was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report.

Afterward, Rev. Tony and Ceav Latham, sang a special,  
"When Mercy Walked In".

The last message of the Meeting was brought by  
Rev. Scott Montgomery, Pastor of the Mt. Zion Church.  
He read Matthew chapter 11. Afterward, he prayed.  
He encouraged us to take the Word personally and noted God hates  
pride. He reminded us Jesus is the only way, emotionally and spiritually.  
Jesus can give you rest because HE cares for you. He then read vs. 29.  
Reminding us we should humble ourselves and trust Jesus.  
He closed in prayer.

The Moderator gave a time for prayer requests.  
Rev. Earl Johnson led the prayer for these requests.

## **Resolutions and Appreciation Committee – Given by Keicia Lynn.**

We you committee reports as follows:

We would like to thank Glen Echo for hosting today's Meeting and providing the brunch. We enjoyed all the special songs. We appreciate the ministers presenting God's Word and the sermons that challenged us. Move made and seconded to accept this report.

The 174<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting was concluded with Ceav Latham leading the congregation in the song "Love Lifted Me" and played by Donna Johnson at the piano. Rev. Terrell Jones, Pastor of the Phillips Chapel Church gave the benediction.

| Church            | Min. | Min. Fund | State Dues  | Gen. Fund | Mission Banquet | TOTAL       |
|-------------------|------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Carolwood         | 10   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 410.00   |
| First-Ethelsville | 10   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 410.00   |
| First-Northport   | 2    | \$ 6.00   | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 386.00   |
| Glen Echo         | 9    | \$ 27.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 407.00   |
| Holman            | 10   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 410.00   |
| Liberty           | 2    | \$ 6.00   | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 386.00   |
| Macedonia         | 5    | \$ 15.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 320.00   |
| Mt. Moriah        | 10   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 410.00   |
| Mt. Zion          | 5    | \$ 15.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 395.00   |
| Phillips Chapel   | 10   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 410.00   |
| Sardis            | 5    | \$ 15.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 395.00   |
| Shiloh            | 10   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 410.00   |
| Sulphur Springs   | 1    | \$ 3.00   | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 383.00   |
| Tabernacle        | 10   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 410.00   |
| Union             | 4    | \$ 12.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 392.00   |
| Union Hill        | 5    | \$ 15.00  | \$ 300.00   | \$ 30.00  | \$ 50.00        | \$ 395.00   |
| Totals            | 108  | \$ 324.00 | \$ 4,800.00 | \$ 480.00 | \$ 800.00       | \$ 6,329.00 |
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The following are items of interest about our Churches:

**Phillips Chapel** – Bro. Herman Sanford served at least 57 years as a deacon at Phillips Chapel, and was an active attendee and deacon at the time of death on July 7, 2024.

**April Meeting**  
**First-Ethelsville Free Will Baptist Church**  
**Ethelsville, Alabama**  
**April 13, 2024**

The Mount Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists convened with the First-Ethelsville Free Will Baptist Church on April 13, 2024. After the Moderator, Rev. Randall Lynn, gave the welcome, Gene Tilley of the Host Church led the congregation in the song "To God Be The Glory" and was played by Amy Pannell at the piano. Rev. Redus Hall, Host Pastor, then prayed.

The Clerk, Roy Bannerman gave the roll call of the Churches, Ministers and Standing Committees. All Churches were represented with the exception of First-Reform, Liberty and Sulphur Springs. There were 12 Ordained Ministers present. The Credentials Committee had all 5 present. The Board of Christian Education had all 5 present. Missions & Church Extension had 4 Present. Afterward, the Moderator seated the delegates.

The first message was brought by Rev. Tony Latham, Pastor of the Glen Echo Church. He began by taking a moment to thank everyone for the prayers. Afterward, he prayed. His text was taken from Matthew 16:13-18 and John 1:40. He asked the question what was it like when Jesus walked with his disciples? He then spoke about the plan Jesus had. He then read from Acts 2 and spoke about the Day of Pentecost noting everyone heard in their own language. He also spoke on Peter and the Holy Sprit in Acts Chapter 4. He noted the persecution the early Church faced, how they were made sport and died in a stadium. He also read from 1 Timothy 4:1 and 1 Corinthians 6:9, 2 Timothy 3:1-5 and 2 Thessalonians Chapter 2. He closed by asking for a song. Gene Tilley led the congregation in "Nothing But The Blood" and was played by Amy Pannell at the piano.

After few words from the Moderator, the offering was received. Serving as ushers were Rev. Tim Buamgarten and Tim Brasher. Rev. Tim Baumgarten prayed the offertory prayer. Amy Pannell played "He Set Me Free" at the piano.

Afterward, Rev. Earl Johnson, blessed the food for break.  
It was announced the offering was \$140.00.

After the break, Gene Tilley led the congregation in the song,  
"My Savior's Love". Amy Pannell played the piano.

The second sermon of the meeting was brought by the  
Assistant Moderator, and Pastor of the Holman Church,  
Rev. Tony Tilley. The sermon was titled "being a member of a gang".  
His text was from Philippians 1:27-30. Following reading the scripture,  
he prayed. He spoke of the different kinds, the identities.  
He spoke on Churches: A true church that honors the truth of God. He  
spoke on unity (vs. 27) "...that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind  
striving together for the faith of the gospel;" He spoke of fear.(vs. 28)  
"And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: ..."  
Rev. Tony Tilley closed in prayer.

Committee Reports – The Moderator called for the reading of the  
Committee Reports. All reports given today were approved.

Credentials Report – Given by Rev. Tim Baumgarten.  
We your committee report as follows: There were no requests made  
concerning Credentials Committee business this quarter. We would  
encourage ordained ministers to inform association members or  
leadership, if you are unable to attend an association meeting if possible.

Board Of Christian Education – Given by Rev. Randall Lynn.  
Our next Youth Meeting will be June 30<sup>th</sup> at Sulphur Springs.

Missions And Church Extension – No report.  
Reminded everyone of the January Mission's Banquet.

## Treasurer's Report – Given by Tim Brasher.

April 7, 2024

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| Balance as October 7, 2023 | \$4,173.29 |
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### Income

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| Offering taken at Union Hill | \$104.00 |
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| Dues from 18 Churches | \$6,837.00 |
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| Interest | \$ 2.37 |
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| Total Income | \$6,943.37 |
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### Expenditures

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| Roy Bannerman (Clerk's duties) | \$125.00 |
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| Tim Brasher (treasurer's duties) | \$125.00 |
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| Alabama State Association (Children's Home) | \$400.00 |
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| Alabama State Association (dues 18 churches) | \$5,400.00 |
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| Mt. Moriah Mission's Board (mission's banquet) | \$900.00 |
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| Southeast Media and Mailing (print minutes) | \$351.45 |
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| Total Expenditures | \$7,301.45 |
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| Balance as April 7, 2024 | \$3,815.21 |
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## State Reports – Given by Bro. Danny Williams.

There are currently 22 at the Children's Home. He requested prayer for the Donut Dash next Saturday and the spiritual needs of the children as well. The Cultivate Church had over 200 on Easter Sunday and 164 the week after. Last year's A.C.T.S. 1:8 budget was \$605,000.00 of this, \$117,000 was from the Mt. Moriah Association. He gave an update on the new missionaries going to south France. He noted there are 13 at the Christian school in Puerto Rico. He spoke about the upcoming State Meeting and the National Convention in Tampa, FL in July. Rev. Roger Lucas gave an update on the Cultivate Church as well. Bro. Danny Williams prayed for the Association. The Moderator, asked for Delegates to the State Meeting and a General Board member. Rev. Kevin Taylor will serve as the General Board member.

Gene Tilley led the congregation in "O, How I Love Jesus" and was played by Amy Pannell at the piano.

The final message of the Meeting was brought by Rev. Redus Hall, Pastor of the Host Church. He began by reading from Revelation 22:6&7. He noted it's important to follow exactly what the Bible says because it's God Word to us. He also quoted from Psalms 119:89 and Matthew 5:18. He reminded us exactly what God wrote, is what it means. He then asked, Are we going by what God says? Afterward, he discussed Revelation 22:7, John 4:15&16 and John 14:23.

**Resolutions & Appreciation** – Given by Keicia Lynn.

We would like to thank First-Ethelsville for their hospitality. We have enjoyed the fellowship and refreshments.

The messages have challenged and encouraged us to faithfully follow Christ and strive to share the Gospel with others.

The Moderator asked for closing announcements.

Afterward, James South prayed the benediction.

## **Memorial to Reverend Dan Turman**

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your father which is in heaven"..... Matthew 5:16 This shining light emanated from the heart to a heartfelt smile; you usually return it, and life gets brighter for you as you return a genuine smile. That friendly smile is missing today.

Over 30 years ago, we welcomed Brother Dan Turman, and his lovely wife Kay. What an asset they have been to our association. When you attended an association meeting, you would see them greeting everyone with a smile and a kind word. During his time in the Mt. Moriah Association, he pastured in several churches, and also in the Progressive Association, He did an excellent job at each pastorate, and showed great interest. With a positive outlook, he wanted his congregation to be a God-fearing group of people. Reaching the lost and winning souls were his main goals.

A hindrance that many were not aware of was Brother Dan has serious health problems he had to battle daily. That made him conscious of the blessings his visits to bed ridden patients were to them. He was known for his regular hospital visitation and home and nursing home visitation to those who needed spiritual help daily. His compassionate heart with his uplifting words and friendly manner made it easy to speak to him. Everyone he visited looked forward to another visit because he was an encourager and expressed God's goodness.

He was known for being a family man, and his wife and family were always aware of this love. It was his desire to have God at the head of his house. Not only was his home a godly atmosphere, he believed in godly order of our services at church and his fervent prayers were humbly prayed to God. His pain increased, he reluctantly gave up pastoring, but still filled in, his health permitting.

God richly blessed us to have had him in some of our meetings. Near the end of his life his health problems and his pain increased. More surgery seemed to be the answer but it proved to be only temporary. During this time, he was better and he was optimistic of getting to preach again.



He had prepared a sermon and told Kay he hoped to get to preach one more sermon. God decided to take away his earthly pain, by receiving him into his heavenly mansion where there is no more heartache, death or pain.

Addedum .....

Brother Dan did not get to preach that last sermon here, but it could very well have been when God heard Bro. Dan's sermon, he was so impressed and took him on to heaven. We visualize God told Bro. Dan Turman. He wanted him to preach that sermon for his special worship service with the heavenly host of angels and saints of the ages. I am sure Heaven celebrated the Hallelujah Chorus! As good as this sounds, Bro. Turman can tell you truthfully the half has never been told of the joys of Heaven!

## 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 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; 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, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer cannot serve more than four years in succession.
- ART 4. (a) 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 shall be mailed and postmarked with the appropriate fees and original signatures of the church moderator and church clerk to the Association clerk the first week in September. The names of the delegates from the different churches shall be compiled and called for, as necessary, during the session.

ART 4. (b) If a church does not send a letter, the church is considered out of order in regards to their membership in the Mt. Moriah Association of Free Will Baptists. The Credentials Committee will then investigate to determine if there is some issue that can be resolved that would bring the church back into good standing with the Association.

(c) If this church wishes to return to good standing with the Association, they will present their church letter or their explanation to the next session of the Mt. Moriah Association.

(d) If the church does not respond as required above (a) and the report of the Credentials Committee affirms this, the Church is considered dismissed from the Association of their own accord. If, at any time they request readmission to the Association, they will come under the Constitution Article 7, Section Two: New Churches Requesting Membership.

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 at the Annual Session: provided the following instructions are followed.

1. Proposed changes shall be presented in written form to the General Board at their annual meeting (This allows time for the Board members to examine changes and to consult their church in regard to proposed changes).
2. The Credentials Committee shall present the proposed changes aloud to the delegates as part of their report, by reading the proposed changes aloud to the delegates. This report is to be given immediately after the seating of the delegates and of the Standing Committees.



3. If there is a "Motion and Second" to move the motion forward, it will be treated as any other motion, except that the time for debate and the vote will be postponed until immediately after the election of officers.

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.

## SECTION FOUR: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- A. COMPOSITION: The Executive Committee shall consist of the following members: Moderator, Assistant Moderator, and Chairperson of the Credentials, Missions and Church Extension, and Board of Christian Education Committees.
- B. DUTIES: The Committee shall be responsible for securing speakers, etc. to speak at all sessions of the Association. Committee shall be allowed to conduct business of urgent need when the Association is not in session.

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

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

ART 16. DEACONS. To be ordained, he must be elected by the church of which he is a member. A deacon must meet the conditions stated in the third chapter of 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.



