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 Butlers Grove—J. O. Dixon, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Canaan—J. O. Dixon, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Cave Springs—C. E. Harbin, Tuscumbia, Ala.  
 Cypress Oak Grove—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Cross Roads—Arlo Peppers, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Rt. 5.  
 Collinwood—Willie Daniels, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Dodds Chapel—Theodore Norred, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 East Florence—E. P. Rowden, 642 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.  
 Fellowship—Theodore Norred, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Flatswood—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Friendship State Line—E. D. Caperton, Iron City, Tenn.  
 Grassey—D. P. Henson, Florence, Ala., Rt. 5.  
 Gray's Chapel—D. P. Henson, Florence, Ala., Rt. 5.  
 Hickory Flat—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Iron City—Mack Pinkelton, Pulaski, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Johnson Chapel—Theodore Norred, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Macedonia—J. M. Burns, Florence, Ala., Rt. 3.  
 Mill Rock—J. M. Burns, Florence, Ala., Rt. 3.  
 New Home—Mack Pinkelton, Pulaski, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Rose Hill—E. D. Caperton, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 State Line Grove—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Union Hill—J. L. Arnold, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.  
 48 Bridge—Willie Daniels, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Wayland Springs—Johnie W. Daniels, Iron City, Tenn.

# CHURCHES — PASTORS — ADDRESSES

Wayland Springs—Johnnie W. Daniels, Iron City, Tenn.  
 48 Bridge—Willie Daniels, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Union Hill—J. L. Arnold, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.  
 State Line Grove—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Rose Hill—E. D. Caperton, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 New Home—Jack Pinkerton, Polk, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Mill Rock—T. M. Barnes, Florence, Ala., Rt. 3.  
 Macedonia—J. M. Barnes, Florence, Ala., Rt. 3.  
 Johnson Chapel—Theodore Norton, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Iron City—Mark Pinkerton, Polk, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Hickory Flat—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Gray's Chapel—D. P. Henson, Florence, Ala., Rt. 3.  
 Grassy—D. P. Henson, Florence, Ala., Rt. 3.  
 Friendship State Line—E. D. Caperton, Iron City, Tenn.  
 Flatwoods—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Fellowship—Theodore Norton, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 East Florence—E. P. Rowden, 412 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.  
 Dodds Chapel—Theodore Norton, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Collinwood—Willie Daniels, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Cross Roads—A. P. Pappert, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Cypress Oak Grove—Geo. Kelley, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Cave Springs—C. E. Harkin, Tusculum, Ala.  
 Canaan—J. O. Dixon, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Butlers Grove—J. O. Dixon, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Burns Chapel—Willie Daniels, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.

# CHURCHES — CLERKS — ADDRESSES

Burns Chapel—Elsie Berry, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Butlers Grove—Walsie Walker, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Canaan—Dolph Crews, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Rt. 6.  
 Cave Springs—Joe Pace, Landersville, Ala., Rt. 1.  
 Cypress Oak Grove—J. E. Warhurst, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Cross Roads—Charlie Price, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
 Collinwood—Magdaline Brown, Collinwood, Tenn.  
 Dodds Chapel—Annie Holt, Lutts, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 East Florence—Rynema Barnett, 501 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.  
 Fellowship—Meda Daniels, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Flatwoods—R. I. Mashburn, Leoma, Tenn.  
 Friendship State Line—Hermon Reyer, Ardmore, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
 Grassy—D. E. Johnson, Lutts, Tenn.  
 Grays Chapel—Mrs. Jimmie Coker, Florence, Ala., Rt. 1.  
 Hickory Flat—Lillie Smitherman, Killen, Ala., Rt. 1.  
 Iron City—Virgie Lumpkins, Iron City, Tenn.  
 Johnson Chapel—Mrs. L. L. Hinton, Lutts, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 Macedonia—Iuan Belcher, Waterloo, Ala., Rt. 1.  
 Mill Rock—Lucille Creecy, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 New Home—Elizabeth Clemmons, Florence, Ala., Rt. 4.  
 Rose Hill—Mary Grace Wibby, Wales, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
 State Line Grove—Hollis Jones, Loretta, Tenn., Rt. 4.  
 Union Hill—H. S. Spain, Haleyville, Ala., Rt. 3.  
 48 Bridge—Ruby Risner, Waynesboro, Tenn., Rt. 4.  
 Wayland Springs—Elvie Cody, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 1.



Rev. J. S. Dillard, Alabama City  
Rev. R. E. Freeman, Cordova  
Rev. Tom Arnold, Union Hill  
Rev. S. H. Martin, Macedonia  
Rev. J. J. Warren, Oak Grove.  
Rev. D. D. Serrett, Flatwood  
Rev. John Norred, Cypress Oak Grove

Arnold, J. L., Lawrenceburg, Tenn.  
Burns, J. M., Florence, Ala., Rt. 3.  
Butler, L. N., Iron City, Tenn.  
Bray, C. P., Russellville, Ala.  
Caperton, E. D., Iron City, Tenn.  
Daniels, Willie, Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
Daniels, Clice, Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
Daniels, Johnie W., Iron City, Tenn.  
Dixon, J. O., Collinwood, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
Henson, D. P., Florence, Ala., Rt. 5.  
Kelley, Geo., Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
Killen, H. C., Detroit, Michigan.  
McGee, J. B., Florence, Ala., Rt. 4.  
McGee, Ellie, Lutts, Tenn., Rt. 1.  
Norred, Theodore, Florence, Ala., Rt. 5.  
Peppers, Arlo, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., Rt. 5.  
Pinkelton, Mack, Pulaski, Tenn., Rt. 3.  
Reyer, C. L., Ardmore, Tenn., Rt. 2.  
Royal, L. B., Florence, Ala., 423 Stanton Ave.  
Rowden, E. P., Florence, Ala., Sweetwater Ave.  
Wallace, D. C., Iron City, Tenn., Rt. 2.

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## PROCEEDINGS

The Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting of the Muscle Shoals State Line Free Will Baptist Association met with State Line Grove Church on Thursday night, September 21, 1944, with Rev. J. M. Burns, Moderator, calling the Association to order.

Opened with a song, "What a Friend We Have In Jesus." Prayer by Rev. Ed Caperton. Song "Oh How I Love Jesus." Devotional conducted by Rev. J. L. Arnold with many fine testimonies given.

Moderator, Rev. J. M. Burns, delivered a wonderful message—Subject: "Suffering for Christ," scripture lesson 1st Peter, 4th Chapter. An Altar call was made, no one responded. An old time hand shake with a covenant that prayer be made for the Association.

Assignment to homes by the pastor, Rev. Geo. Kelley.

Dismissed by Rev. Mack Pinkelton.

### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The body was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. J. M. Burns. Song "My Faith Looks Up To Thee." Prayer by Rev. J. L. Arnold.

Moderator read 121st Psalm.

Enrollment of Ministers, Deacons and Delegates with 14 Ministers present, 16 Deacons present and 37 Delegates present.

The following visiting Ministers were asked to sit with the body:

Rev. C. R. Mosely from the Tennessee River Association.

Rev. J. B. Harper from the Tennessee River Association.

Rev. C. E. Harbin from the Bear Creek Association.

Rev. L. D. Stockdale of the Nazarene Church.

Next, moderator read rules of order of the Association. Then Rev. Arlo Peppers, having resigned as Associational Clerk the 5th Sunday, in July, was re-elected as Clerk.

Intelligence of churches were called for and delegates seated as follows:

**Burns Chapel**—Sisters Evelyn Dickey, Lillie Berry and Bro. Lize Dickey. Minute funds \$3.00.

**Butlers Grove**—Sisters Nancy Jackson and Lorene Robertson. Minute fund \$3.26.

**Canaan**—Sisters Rebecca Clay, Ella Crews and Mable Gobbell. Minute fund \$3.68.

**Cave Springs**—Sisters Sanders, Novella Fretwell and Gladys Flemmings. Minute fund \$4.00.

**Cypress Oak Grove**—Bro. Duemont Thrasher, Sisters Mattie Warhurst and Pearl Dodd. Minute funds \$3.25.

**Cross Roads**—Bro. and Sis. J. E. Cantrell and Mannon Doss. Minute funds \$4.05.

**Dodd Chapel**—Bros. Joe Holt, Roy Eaton and Sister Annie Hold. Minute fund \$1.60.



East Florenda—Bro. and Sister Paul Sanderson. Minute fund \$5.50.

Fellowship—Tiny Benningfield, Richard Kelley and Elburn Galleher. Minute funds \$3.25.

Flotwood—Bros. A. J. Talley, Dick Daniels and W. O. Phillips. Minute fund \$4.00.

Friendship State Line—Retained.

Grassey Creek—By letter. Minute fund \$2.00.

Gray's Chapel—Bro. and Sis. Dalton Wiley and Sis. May Belle Benningfield. Minute funds \$3.00.

Hickory Flat—Sisters Chestena Smitherman, Ella Gray and Velma Burbank. Minute fund \$2.25.

Johnson's Chapel—By letter. Minute fund \$1.50.

Macedonia—Sis. Iuan Belcher, Essie Kennedy and Dora Nix. Minute fund \$1.75.

Mill Rock—Sisters Willie Daniels, Anner Brison and Lucile Cressey. Minute fund \$3.05.

New Home—Sisters Elizabeth Clemmons, Neoma Palmer and Kathleen Whitten. Minute fund \$3.00.

Old Union—Retained.

Rose Hill—Bros. Jack Russell, Mat Chatman and John Earl Hughes. Minute funds \$3.00.

Russellville—Bros. Otha Thompson, Morgan Stedham and Ben Bray. Minute fund \$5.00. Joined the Bear Creek Association.

State Line Grove—Bros. W. E. Wiley, Hollis Jones and Ernest Johns. Minute funds \$3.50.

Union Hill—Sisters Winnie Taylor, Opal Taylor and Mary Terrell. Minute funds \$3.50.

48 Bridge—Sis. Ruby Risiner, Bro. and Sis. Amos Staggs. Minute fund \$1.75.

Wayland Springs—By letter. Minute fund \$2.00.

Called for petitionary letters, Collinwood Church represented and the following delegates were given the right hand of fellowship by Moderator, Rev. J. M. Burns.

Collinwood—Bros. H. H. Brewer and Grover Miller. Minute fund \$4.35.

Motioned and seconded to adjourn the Association to meet back at 1:30 o'clock for preaching services.

Preaching service opened by singing "Heaven was There." Preaching by Rev. Mack Pinkelton, text—Rom. 8: 10, followed by Rev. E. P. Rowden—subject "Regeneration." Song "Amazing Grace" with an old time hand shake, many rejoicing in the old time way.

Dismissed for dinner by Rev. Geo. Kelley.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Moderator, J. M. Burns, called the Association to order. Song "Give the World a Smile." Scripture reading the 23rd Psalm by Moderator, Rev. J. M. Burns. Prayer by Rev. E. P. Rowden.

Next roll call with 14 Ministers, 21 Deacons and 50 Delegates present.

Appointing of Committees:

General Business—Rev. Geo. Kelley Chairman, Rev. Willie Daniels, Rev. Theodore Norred with Moderator and Clerk.

Sunday School—Rev. J. L. Arnold Chairman, Rev. L. N. Butler and Bro. Lize Dickey.

Education—Rev. E. P. Rowden Chairman, Bros. Leland Cooke and W. E. Whitten.

Temperance—Bro. D. F. Peppers Chairman, Bros. R. L. Griffin and A. R. Brewer.

Finance—Bro. L. T. Jones Chairman, H. A. Castle and John Kennedy.

Obituary—Sister Evelyne Dickey Chairman, Sisters Elizabeth Clemons and Lucille Cressey.

Miscellaneous—Bro. Hollis Jones Chairman, Jesse Marshburn and Rev. Ed Caperton.

Resolution—Rev. Mack Pinkelton Chairman, Bro. Dow Wallace and Bro. Henry Lee.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Rev. Mack Pinkelton was elected Assistant Moderator.

Rev. Arlo Peppers was re-elected Associational Clerk.

Bro. Mannon Doss was elected Assistant Clerk.

Moved and seconded that each officer begin at the first of the Association and serve through the entire session.

It was next moved and seconded to retain the church property at Fayetteville, Tenn., Lawrenceburg, Tenn., and also the McCall property, Wayne County, Tenn.

Then a motion and second was made to send Rev. Geo. Kelley and Rev. Mack Pinkelton to these three places to conduct Revivals and to see after property as they thought best.

Moved and seconded to adjourn the Association for the presbytery to meet until 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

## FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Called to order by Moderator, Rev. J. M. Burns.

Devotional by Rev. Ed Caperton. Song: "What a Friend We Have In Jesus." Prayer by Rev. Arlo Peppers. Song No. 69. Prayer by Bro. Dock Arnold.



An old fashioned testimony service was given.

Preaching by Rev. D. C. Wallace; followed by Rev. Willie Daniels.

Dismissed by Rev. Theodore Norred.

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Association was called to order by Moderator, Rev. J. M. Burns.

Song: "Tell It Every Where You Go." Scripture reading: 1st Psalm by Rev. J. M. Burns. Prayer by Rev. Theodore Norred.

Moderator read rules of order.

Next, roll called by clerk with 12 Ministers, 13 Deacons and 24 Delegates present.

Report of the following committees were read and adopted.

General Business—We, your Committee on General Business, beg leave to report the following:

1st. We recommend that we receive members by the right hand of fellowship and that the clerk and moderator be elected or re-elected each year and that they begin their administration at the beginning of each session. Also that we pay the clerk ten dollars and the assistant clerk five dollars and the clerk see to the printing of 750 minutes also 100 church letter forms and that we pay the clerk of the Presbytery five dollars.

2nd. We recommend that we retain a Home Mission Board and that the Board have control over the tent and that the tent be used only in the bounds of our association.

3rd. We also recommend that all churches appoint and approve their Deacons twelve months before being ordained. That all preachers and Deacons desiring to be licensed must have a written recommendation from the church where their membership is.

4th. We recommend that no article of our Association or Presbytery be changed without first being recommended by the body and lay on table one year before being passed on and that the Presbytery stand firm on the rules without wavering. Report adopted and committee released.

Rev. Geo. Kelley, Chairman.

Sunday School—We, your Committee on Sunday School, beg leave to report the following: We regard the Sunday School as one of the greatest helps to the church as it is the best place to train children except home. We recommend that each pastor and entire membership strive to teach the Bible in its purity for the Bible is the way bill for all men and in it is the promise of eternal life. We recommend that each pastor and deacon urge that each church have a Sunday School and that they use F. W. B. literature. We urge that parents take their children to Sunday School and assist in every way possible to carry the Sunday School on, also to urge children to stay for preaching service. Report adopted and committee released.

Rev. J. L. Arnold, Chairman.

Education—We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to report the following: We are living in a time when education is stressed above everything. But we read in the Holy Bible where they are ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the Truth. One may read the whole Bible so as to quote it by memory yet not be able to get the spiritual meaning. Wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. We are not against Education but we need to work for our people to have an old time experience of Grace in their souls that they need not be ashamed of the Word of God. Our prayers are that our people teach the Bible more in their homes. Report adopted and committee released.

Rev. E. P. Rowden, Chairman.

Temperance—We, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following: That we as Free Will Baptist should abstain from all intoxicating drinks and should keep ourselves unspotted from the world and not be partakers of anything that is intemperate; keep our bodies clean and our souls free from sin. We also recommend that our ministers preach against all manner of sin. Report adopted and committee released.

D. F. Peppers, Chairman.

Obituary—We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to submit the following: Whereas God has seen fit to send the death angel to visit our churches and call from our midst the following loved ones:

Cave Springs—Sis. Etta Parker, Bro. H. T. Moore and Bro. Joe Coone.

Gray's Chapel—Bro. Jim Caper.

Cross Roads—Bro. Bill Scott and Sis. Ernest White.

Flatwoods—Sis. D. D. Serrett.

Fellowship—Bro. Earl Daniel killed in service and Samuel Prince.

Rose Hill—Bro. Walter Witheron.

East Florence—Sis. Lucille Lindsey, Bro. Clifford Wright killed in service.

New Home—Bro. Andrew A. Hipps.

Hickory Flat—Bro. Johnnie Goodwin.

Butler Grove—Sis. Zennith Martin.

Therefore we bow in humble submission to his will and exclaim "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, blessed be the name of the Lord." To the bereaved ones we point you to Christ who alone can give you comfort and fill the vacancies. We extend our sympathy for we feel like our loss is Heaven's gain. For precious in the sight of the Lord are the death of his saints. Report adopted and committee released.

Sis. Evelyn Dickey, Chairman.

Finance—We, your Committee on Finance, report the following:

Amount on hand before Association ----- \$ 51.83

Received Minute funds ----- 79.09

Total in treasury ----- \$130.92



pay \$3.00; up to 75 active members pay \$3.50; up to 100 active members pay \$4.00; and 5c each for each additional member. We recommend that each pastor see that his church pays their minute fund. We recommend that each church have at least two finance committees to see after the church and pastor.

Report adopted and committee released.

Bro. L. T. Jones, Chairman.

**Miscellaneous**—We, your Committee on Miscellaneous, recommend that churches call their pastors 30 days before Association convenes. We recommend that the Association give the Presbytery the power to call the Evangelist three months before the Association convenes.

Report adopted and committee released.

Bro. Hollis Jones, Chairman.

We recommend that all churches up to 25 active members pay \$1.50 Minute fund; up to 35 active members pay \$2.00; up to 50 active members

**Resolution**—We, your Committee on Resolution, beg leave to report the following: We as the body wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the people of State Line Grove Church and surrounding community for their kindness and hospitality shown us during our stay. May God richly bless you all is our prayer.

Report adopted and committee released.

Rev. Mack Pinkelton, Chairman.

#### REPORT OF CLERK

Amount in Treasury -----	\$ 33.70
Received Minute Fund -----	81.63
<b>Total -----</b>	<b>\$115.33</b>
Paid Clerk of Association -----	\$10.00
Paid Assistant Clerk -----	5.00
Paid Clerk of Presbytery -----	2.00
Paid for printing 700 Minutes -----	42.50
Paid for printing church letter forms -----	2.50
For postage and mailing -----	1.50
<b>Total paid out -----</b>	<b>63.50</b>
<b>Balance in Treasury -----</b>	<b>\$ 51.83</b>

Report adopted and Clerk released.

Rev. Geo. Kelley, Clerk.

#### REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD

Amount paid out for seats -----	\$52.25
Paid for moving tent -----	12.50
<b>Total paid out -----</b>	<b>\$64.75</b>
Cash on hand -----	\$71.85

#### MEETING OF PRESBYTERY

Proceedings of the Presbytery were as follows:

Fifth Sunday in October, 1943, at Burns Chapel Church, Ministers present were: D. P. Henson, Mack Pinkelton, Theodore Norred, H. C. Killen, Geo. Kelley, E. D. Caperton, Johnnie Wayne Daniels, Willie Daniels, D. C. Wallace, J. M. Burns,, Bro. Mosley and E. P. Rowden, one visiting preacher, J. B. Harper.

Deacons present: W. G. Wallace, R. L. Griffin, R. E. Whitten, Wilburn Parrish, Lewis Fisher, Joe Horton, Lelon Cook and J. O. Brown.

There was no business to be done by the body. It was moved and seconded to adjourn to meet with East Florence Church 5th Sunday in January, 1944.

Rev. J. M. Burns, Clerk,

Bro. L. T. Jones, Treasurer.

Presbytery met with East Florence Church January 30, 1944.

**Ministers present**—Geo. Kelley, H. C. Killen, Mack Pinkelton, Theodore Norred, D. P. Henson, Arlo Peppers, E. P. Rowden, E. D. Caperton, L. B. Royal, Johnnie Wayne Daniels, Clie Daniels, D. C. Wallace, Jasper Kelley, W. L. Kelley, J. M. Burns and Bro. Anderson, a visiting minister.

**Deacons present**—L. T. Jones, Willie Wallace, R. L. Griffin, S. L. Shelton, R. L. Wright, J. M. Newman, J. J. Gray, R. E. Whitten, H. A. Cassel and A. R. Brewer.

No business, an offering was taken to pay for an advertisement in the Florence Times—amount \$2.35.

Moved and seconded to adjourn to meet with Cross Roads Church the fifth Sunday in April, 1944.

D. P. Henson, Moderator,

Rev. J. M. Burns, Clerk,

Bro. L. T. Jones, Treasurer.

Presbytery met with Cross Roads Church April 30, 1944.

Ministers present were E. D. Caperton, Mack Pinkelton, J. L. Arnold, W. S. Kelley, Arlo Peppers, H. C. Killen, J. M. Burns and Jasper Kelley.

Deacons present: D. F. Peppers, L. T. Jones, R. L. Griffin, R. L. Wright, R. J. Mashburn, T. G. Stegall, W. F. Porter and M. C. Peppers.

There was no work to be done by the body.

Moved and seconded to meet with Cypress Oak Grove Church, 5th Sunday in July, 1944.

Rev. E. D. Caperton,

Moderator protem,

Rev. J. M. Burns, Clerk,

Bro. L. T. Jones, Treasurer.

Presbytery met at Cypress Oak Grove Church 5th Sunday in July, 1944.

Ministers present were E. D. Caperton, D. P. Henson, E. P. Rowden, Geo.



Kelley, Arlo Peppers, C. R. Mosley, Theodore Norred, Willie Daniels, and one visiting minister, W. O. Montgomery.

Deacons present: R. E. Whitten, R. L. Griffin, W. G. Wallace, L. O. Cook, S. M. Holt, W. J. Robertson, L. E. Fisher, J. M. Newman, and L. T. Jones.

Next called for the business. Rev. Arlo Peppers returned his credentials over to the Presbytery.

Moved and seconded to adjourn to meet with State Line Grove Church during the Association.

D. P. Henson, Moderator,  
Rev. J. M. Burns, Clerk,  
Bro. L. T. Jones, Treasurer.

Presbytery met with the Association September 22, 1944, with State Line Grove Church.

Ministers present were Geo. Kelly, Theodore Norred, J. M. Burns, Willie Daniels, Mack Pinkelton, D. P. Henson, L. N. Butler, E. D. Caperton, Arlo Peppers, E. P. Rowden, D. C. Wallace, Ellie McGee, Johnnie Wayne Daniels, and J. L. Arnold.

Deacons present—L. T. Jones, S. L. Shelton, L. O. Cooke, A. R. Brewer, D. F. Peppers, Henry Lee, J. M. Gipson, Charlie McGeen, J. C. Butler, J. M. Newman, Clyde Hilton, Roy Beets, M. T. Kelley, R. E. Whitten, R. L. Griffin, M. D. Stults and Ollie McCressler.

Minutes of the last Presbytery meeting were read and adopted.

Rev. Arlo Peppers made an open confession to the Presbytery why he left and came back to the Free Will Baptist and asked that the Presbytery grant him his ordination papers back. It was moved, seconded and voted that the Presbytery grant him back his ordination papers.

Rev. W. S. Kelley turned in his ordination papers.

Next moved and seconded to renew Rev. Dewey Stults license for the next twelve months.

Next reading and receiving of ministers reports.

Rev. J. L. Arnold's report being lost it was moved and seconded to grant him a card.

Next election of officers.

Rev. D. P. Henson was re-elected as Moderator.

Rev. Willie Daniels was elected as Clerk of the Presbytery.

Next 5th Sunday meeting convenes with Macedonia Church.

Moved and seconded to adjourn until Saturday afternoon.

Saturday Afternoon, September 23, 1944

Presbytery meeting continued, receiving J. O. Dixon report.

Moved and seconded to adjourn the Presbytery to meet with the Macedonia Church the 5th Sunday in October, 1944.

D. P. Henson, Moderator,  
Rev. J. M. Burns, Clerk,  
Bro. L. T. Jones, Treasurer.

## FORM OF RECEIVING MEMBERS IN CHURCH

Inasmuch as you present yourself for admission into the church of the Free Will Baptist in Christ. We rejoice with you that through the grace of God you have been brought to a knowledge of the truth and have been made partakers of the great salvation. The privileges you seek are above price and the duties enjoined are so solemn it is proper that you publicly confess your faith and avow your purpose by answering the following questions:

1. Q. Did you find yourself a sinner in the sight of God?  
A. I did.
2. Q. And you now believe that God has for Christ's sake pardoned and forgiven all your sins?  
A. I do.
3. Q. And your desire is now to become a member of the Free Will Baptist at this place?  
A. Yes sir.
4. Q. Are you willing to be governed by our church rules?  
A. Yes sir.
5. Q. Are you willing to contribute to the support of the Gospel as God prospers you.  
A. I am.
6. Q. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and do you accept Him as your personal Saviour  
A. I do.
7. Q. Do you believe the whole Bible is infallibly true, and are you willing to take it as your guide?  
A. Yes sir.
8. Q. Do you believe in free and open communion. Let a man examine himself according to I Cor. 11-28. Also in washing of the saint's feet, according to St. John 13?  
A. I do.
9. Q. Have you been baptized by immersion?  
Answer-----

## CHURCH RULES

The following rules were adopted:

1. We agree to meet in conference quarterly or oftener if necessary to transact the business of the church.
2. The Moderator shall be chosen by the suffrage of the church in the absence of the pastor. The Moderator shall observe good order and explain all questions before he takes the voice of the church on them, and shall have the liberty of speech at any other, but no vote unless there be a tie, when he shall have the casting vote.
3. It shall be the duty of all members to fill their seats in conference and bear their part of the church expenses.



4. No member shall leave their seat during conference without permission from the Moderator.

5. No member shall arraign another before the church for any grievance without first taking gospel steps.

6. All the business brought before the church by motion and second in gospel-like order shall be attended to by the church unless withdrawn by the mover.

7. Any person wishing to speak shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator, and if two arise at the same time the Moderator shall decide who shall speak first, and no member while speaking shall cast any reflection on any person, but shall adhere strictly to the subject under consideration.

8. No member shall speak more than twice on any subject without permission from the church.

9. It shall be the duty of all church members to be present at any church meeting to vote on all questions before the church, called on by the moderator or any member of the church who may desire to obtain the mind of the whole church.

10. If any member shall remain silent during the transaction of any business of the church and afterward complain of what was done, the same shall be deemed disorderly and the member so offending shall be dealt with accordingly.

11. The members of the church shall not talk about one another slanderously, and shall not give any report or circulation that may arise against any church member, but shall make it known to the one the report is against and to no one else, and any member doing otherwise shall be dealt with accordingly.

12. We agree to do all business by a majority of the members present at any time.

13. We have but one mode of baptism and that is by immersion, and will not accept any other baptism.

### 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 sanctions 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 the Scriptures, 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 forget the assembling together for church conference, public worship and the ordinance

of the gospel nor fail to pay according to our ability for support of the church, of its poor, and its benevolent work. We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness and 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 the Gospel. We will, every where, hold the Christian principles sacred and Christian obligation 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, support of missions, the success of the Sabbath Schools and evangelistic efforts for salvation of souls and conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

### RULES OF ORDER OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. The Association when met shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at any time and he shall rise and address the Moderator.

3. No person shall be interrupted by anyone except the Moderator until he is through speaking, nor shall the Moderator, unless he break the order.

4. The person speaking shall adhere to the subject in question and shall not cast any personal reflections on him who has spoken before.

5. No person shall speak more than three times on any subject without leave of the Association.

6. No member shall laugh or whisper in the time of public speech.

7. No member shall address each other except by the appellation of brother or brothers.

8. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave.

9. The names of the members of this Association shall be enrolled and called over as often as the Association may think is necessary.

10. No person shall speak more than five minutes at any time without leave from the Association.

11. Any person who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reprovved by the Moderator according to the direction of the association.

12. Every member of this body shall vote for or against every move that comes before it. When they fail to do this they shall be reprimanded by the Moderator.

### CONSTITUTION

Be it known that we, the F. W. B. Church of Christ being in the states of Alabama and Tennessee, do believe in the doctrine of the general atone-



ment, we have been baptized on a profession and we are desirous of bringing about a reciprocal union. We propose to maintain the Order and Rules of our Association according to the following plan:

Article 1. We believe that churches of Christ are mutually independent of each other; that a congregational form of church government should be invariably preserved, yet we, being convinced of the utility of friendly intercourse and pious council on principles of union advantage and Christian love, hold it a duty of the churches to pay respect to principles with regard to the duty of the Association.

Article 2. The Association shall be composed of all ministers and ordained deacons and not more than three delegates chosen by the different churches in our union, who, producing letters from respective churches, certifying their appointments, shall be entitled to seats.

Article 3. The letters so produced shall express the condition of these churches respectively—that is the number of members in fellowship, the number received, excluded and are only subject to the first death, brought to them by the fall, died since the last association.

Article 4. The body shall have no conceived power to lord it over God's heritage or infringe on any of the internal privileges or rights by the churches in our union, but shall only be considered an advisory council on all things pertaining to the internal concerns of the church.

Article 5. The Association is to give the best advice it can in all matters of difficulty. If the union be broken between any of the churches, said association shall inquire into the cause of the breach and use its best endeavor to remove the difficulty, but if the breach cannot be removed, to withdraw from the churches which they may look upon as unsound in principle or disorderly in conduct or practice until they be reclaimed.

Article 6. To take up no case of any kind in the Union without the consent of a majority of the churches and then only to give advice.

Article 7. Any church may be admitted into the Association by letter and delegate, and if upon examination it is found orthodox and orderly, such admission shall be manifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship to the delegate thereof.

Article 8. The Association when properly organized for business, shall consist of a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present, and the duty of the Moderator shall be to keep the Association in order, state questions fairly and take the minds thereon, to have no vote unless the Association be equally divided in which he shall have the deciding vote. The duty of the Clerk shall be to keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Association.

Article 9. No query shall be received by the Association from any church unless it shall have been acted upon in said church and cannot be settled, in which case the Association shall take up same and act upon it.

Article 10. Every motion and second shall be attended to unless withdrawn by the mover.

Article 11. We agree to settle all our business by a majority of the members present.

Article 12. The Association shall have the power to sit as an advisory council, give the churches all the necessary advice in matters of difficulty, to inquire into the cause of churches neglecting to represent themselves in the Association, to appoint any member or members with their consent, to transact any business they judge necessary, to invite any visiting brethren in the ministry to a seat in the Association, to adjourn the Association at any place that may be deemed necessary, to exclude from his seat any member who will not conform to the rules and decorum and shall report his or her conduct to the church for which they were delegates.

Article 13. This constitution may be altered or amended by a majority vote at any regular meeting. The proposed amendment shall have been presented at the last preceding regular meeting and approved by that body and published in the minutes with notice that it will be acted upon at the next regular meeting.

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE PRESBYTERY

1. Be it known that the ordained ministers of the Muscle Shoals Association, together with the deacons of the same, are the presbytery of this Association, all of whom are ex-officio members.

2. The object of the Presbytery is the mutual improvement of the ministry, their protection against hostile influences, and their purification by casting out unworthy members.

3. The Presbytery has exclusive jurisdiction and control over the official character and standing of all ordained and licensed preachers under its control.

4. The Presbytery adopts a constitution, by-laws and regulations by the majority vote not inconsistent with Baptist principles and usages.

5. When a church desires the license of a preacher or an ordination of a minister, it requests the Presbytery to examine the candidate and if it thinks proper, license and ordain him.

6. Before license or ordination the candidate is examined as to the gifts, grace and usefulness, including his personal piety, his call to the ministry, his adoption and devotion to the work, doctrinal sentiments and his general acceptance with the public.

7. In ordination there is a presentation of the Bible, a prayer of consecration, charge and a hand of fellowship given.

8. A minister from another denomination, having first been received by a local church and recommended by it, is examined in the same way though with special care as to his doctrinal sentiments. Be it known any minister coming under the hands of this Presbytery walks disorderly or commits an offense must come before this body and make restitution or willingly give up such rights of license or ordination papers or card given



him by this body or they agree to be published in any or all newspapers as this body deems necessary.

9. Be it known that any minister desiring license or ordination, must be a member of a Free Will Baptist Church in this Association six months before licensed or ordained. That they shall preach under license until they are called to pastoral care of a church or called as an assistant pastor. Then if the Presbytery finds them worthy, ordain them. All ministers' reports shall be read before the Presbytery and adopted or rejected.

#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe that there is but one true and eternal God, the Father, of whom are all things from everlasting to everlasting, glorious and immutable in all His attributes. 1 Corinthians 8:6; Isaiah 40:28.

2. We believe that there is one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary whom God freely sent into this world, because of the great love wherewith He loved the world, and Christ as freely gave himself a ransom for all; tasting death for every man, who was buried and rose again the third day, and ascended into Heaven from whence we look for Him the second time in the clouds of Heaven at the last day to judge both the quick and the dead, 1 Timothy 2:5, 6; St. John 3:16; Rev. 1:17; Acts 24:15; 1 John 2:2.

3. We believe that there is one Holy Ghost, the precious gift of the Father through His dear Son, unto the world; who quickeneth and draweth sinners home to God, St. John 16:7-8; Acts 2:4; Eph. 4:4-6; Eph. 2:1.

4. We believe that in the beginning God made man upright, and placed him in a state of Glory without the least mixture of misery, from which he voluntarily, by transgression fell, and by that means brought on himself a miserable and mortal state subject to death, Genesis 2:17; 3:19.

5. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish; but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of the truth, that they might be saved, for which end Christ hath commanded the Gospel to be preached among all nations and to every creature, Mark 16:15; John 3:15-17; 1 Timothy 2:4.

6. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for want of a Christ who died for him, but as the Scripture has said, for denying the Lord that bought them because they believe not in the name of the only begotten Son of God, unbelief therefore being the cause why the just and righteous God of Heaven will condemn the children of men; it follows against all contradictions that all men at one time or other, are found in such capacity as that through the grace of God they may be saved, Acts 17:30; Mark 6:6; Hebrew 3:10; John 5:10.

7. We believe the whole Scripture is infallibly true, and that they are the only rules of faith and practice, 2 Timothy 3:16-17.

8. We believe in the doctrine of General Provision made of God in

Christ, for the benefit of all mankind who repent and believe the gospel, Luke 14:16-20; Luke 13:3-5; Luke 24:27; Matthew 28:19, 20; Acts 3:19; Mark 1:15.

9. We believe that sinners are drawn to God, the Father, by the Holy Ghost, through Christ His Son, and that the Holy Ghost offers His divine aid to all the human family, so as they all might be happy, would they give place to His Divine teaching whereas such who would not receive the divine impressions of His Holy Spirit shall at a future day, own their condemnation just, and charge themselves with their own damnation for wilfully rejecting the offers of sovereign grace, Matthew 11:27; St. John 6:44-65; Psalms 1:1; Titus 2:11, 12; Jeremiah 22:29.

10. We believe that men, not considered simply as men, but ungodly men, were of old ordained to condemnation, considering such who turn the grace of God into lasciviousness, denying the only Lord God, Jesus Christ who bought them, and therefore, shall bring upon themselves swift destruction but we observe that they and such the Apostle saith because they receive not the love of faith that they might be saved, therefore, the indignation and wrath of God is upon every son of man that doeth evil, living and dying therein for there is no respect of person with God, Jude 1:4; 2 Peter 2:1-2; Thessalonians 2:11, 12; Romans 2:9-11.

11. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God, in their own persons are only subject to the first death, which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam and not that any of them dying in that state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin, for such is the kingdom of God, 1 Corinthians 15:22; Matthew 18:2-5; Mark 9:36-37; Matthew 14:14.

12. We believe that good works are the fruits of a saving faith and that in the use of the means of grace, and not out of the use of those means, eternal life is promised to men, Rev. 22:14-15; Isaiah 1:19, 20; Matthew 7:8; Jeremiah 6:16; Luke 13:34-35.

13. We believe that no man has any warrant in the Holy Scriptures for justification before God through his own works, power or ability which he has in and of himself, only as he by grace is made able to come to God, through Jesus Christ believing the righteousness of Jesus Christ to be imputed to all believers for their eternal acceptance with God, Romans 4:24; Acts 8:20-21.

14. We believe that all things are foreseen in the wisdom of God, so that God knoweth whatever can or cannot come to pass upon all supposed conditions, yet not having decreed any person to everlasting life, out of respect or mere choice, farther than He hath appointed the Godly unto life and the ungodly who die in sin unto death. Hebrew 4:13; Proverbs 8:22; Matthew 25:21-24.

15. We believe, as touching Gospel ordinances, in believers baptism, laying on the hands, receiving of the sacrament in bread and wine, washing the Saints' feet, anointing the sick with oil in the name of the Lord, fasting,



prayer, singing praise to God and the public ministry of the Word, with every institution of the Lord we shall find in the New Testament. Mark 16:15, 16; Acts 8:17; Acts 19:6; Luke 22:19, 20; John 13:5-17; James 5:14.

16. We believe the Gospel mode of water baptism is by immersion, and that believers are the only subjects for baptism, Matthew 3:16; Mark 1:9, 10; Acts 2:38; Romans 6:4; Colossians 2:12.

17. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a final judgment at the last day, John 5:28, 29; 2 Corinthians 5:10.

18. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal and the torments of the wicked are endless, Matthew 25:46.



# Report of Churches

	Received by Experience	Received by Letter	Received by Confession	Received by Restoration	Number Expelled	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased Members	Active Members	Inactive Members	Contribution	No. Deacons	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Value of Church Property	Paid Pastor	Paid Helper	Paid Home Mission	Paid Evangelist	Other Expense	Meeting Days
Burn's Chapel	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	40	25	\$3.00	2	2	0	\$1,400.00	\$126.28	\$20.00	\$2.00	\$	27.00	3rd Sun.
Butler's Grove	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	41	58	3.25	2	2	0	750.00	44.65	6.15	0	0	0	3rd Sun.
Canaan	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	28	20	3.68	3	0	0	750.00	100.00	28.00	0	0	15.00	4th Sun.
Cave Spring	4	0	6	0	0	2	3	64	0	4.00	4	0	0	1,200.00	275.00	28.48	0	0	30.00	2nd Sun.
Cypress Oak Grove	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	--	3.25	2	1	0	1,000.00	132.00	--	0	5.00	25.00	1st Sun.
Cross Roads	2	1	2	0	0	2	2	53	27	4.05	3	2	0	1,000.00	110.61	23.40	0	8.00	17.50	2nd Sun.
Dodds Chapel	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	25	15	1.60	1	0	0	--	47.83	8.00	0	0	0	1st Sun.
East Florence	0	0	12	1	0	1	2	45	--	5.50	3	1	0	1,500.00	561.00	73.00	0	10.00	205.15	All Sun.
Fellowship	2	0	1	0	0	0	2	33	31	3.25	2	2	0	750.00	19.77	14.70	0	0	65.00	2nd Sun.
Flatwoods	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	19	24	4.00	2	0	0	--	176.16	27.00	0	0	8.10	4th Sun.
Grassey Creek	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2.00	1	1	--	--	94.00	44.75	--	--	--	2nd Sun.
Grays Chapel	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	20	30	3.00	3	0	0	1,500.00	65.50	30.47	5.00	0	21.00	1st Sun.
Hickory Flat	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	34	19	3.85	3	0	0	750.00	128.32	13.00	2.60	0	25.00	3rd Sun.
Iron City	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	20	20	2.25	3	2	0	2,000.00	100.00	40.70	0	0	16.94	4th Sun.
Johnson Chapel	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	10	5	1.50	1	0	0	--	36.38	7.22	0	0	7.15	1st Sun.
Macedonia	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	17	10	1.75	1	0	0	--	96.88	22.89	0	0	17.00	3rd Sun.
Mill Rock	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	56	50	3.05	1	4	0	625.00	109.54	26.08	0	0	25.00	1st Sun.
New Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	36	14	3.00	2	1	0	100.00	168.28	34.55	5.00	0	50.00	2nd Sun.
Russelville	1	11	4	0	18	0	--	40	9	5.00	6	1	1	2,000.00	100.00	35.00	0	0	605.36	All Sun.
State Line Grove	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	67	45	3.50	5	1	0	1,500.00	160.25	37.00	0	5.00	25.00	4th Sun.
Union Hill	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	50	93	3.50	5	0	0	2,000.00	180.39	15.00	0	0	61.50	4th Sun.
48 Bridge	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	22	0	1.75	2	0	0	--	63.10	14.70	0	0	0	1st Sun.
Wayland Springs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	1	2.00	2	0	0	125.15	24.80	15.81	5.00	0	7.00	1&3 Sun.
Collinwood	11	0	6	0	0	0	0	17	0	4.35	0	0	0	50.00	25.00	26.75	0	0	50.00	2&4 Sun.
Rose Hill	1	0	8	0	0	0	1	65	19	3.00	4	1	0	1,250.00	70.00	32.80	5.55	0	82.65	1st Sun.



Ministers  
Report

	Sermons Preached	Public Prayers	Received in Church	Baptized	Visited Sick Homes	Funerals Preached	Ordained Deacons	Ordained Ministers	Pastored Churches	Held Communion Services	Held Revivals	Miles Traveled	Money Received	Traveling Expenses	Organized Churches	Organized Sunday Schools	Attended Sunday School	Conducted Prayer Meeting	Married Couples
Bray, C. P. -----	28	50	5	1	20	1	0	0	0	0	2	\$ 814	\$ 14.50	\$ 14.28	0	0	33	20	3
Butler L. N. -----	19	40	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	210	8.24	0	0	0	22	0	0
Burns J. M. -----	76	144	20	12	37	2	0	0	4	4	4	3,895	522.48	171.65	0	0	29	20	1
Caperton E. D. -----	40	55	11	6	20	0	0	0	1	1	1	1,205	95.00	25.00	0	0	25	3	0
Daniel Clice -----	72	145	0	3	38	0	0	0	0	1	4	1,760	120.14	74.00	0	0	7	12	0
Daniels, Johnie Wayne -----	50	61	0	0	23	0	0	0	1	1	3	1,158	50.00	20.47	0	0	21	3	0
Daniel, Willie -----	110	127	9	21	20	6	0	0	4	4	8	2,551	675.57	75.25	0	0	36	0	3
Dixon J. O. -----	45	82	5	5	14	1	0	0	2	2	3	1,160	168.00	53.00	0	0	16	0	0
Henson D. P. -----	76	95	8	7	23	0	0	0	1	1	4	1,875	236.56	121.30	0	0	23	23	0
Kelley Geo. -----	162	195	11	4	37	7	0	0	5	6	8	4,369	806.01	184.50	0	0	44	17	1
Kelley W. S. -----	71	61	0	10	15	3	0	0	1	1	3	2,981	201.41	18.00	0	0	20	0	2
Killen H. C. -----	45	88	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	3	1,010	90.80	25.00	0	0	18	12	0
McGee Ellie -----	35	40	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	175	20.00	4.00	0	0	40	16	0
Norred, Theodore -----	89	119	1	1	71	2	0	0	1	1	6	2,375	192.13	149.82	0	0	14	10	1
Pinkelton Mack -----	100	52	8	0	15	4	0	0	3	2	6	3,000	441.42	95.00	0	0	40	0	1
Peppers Arlo -----	40	110	0	0	35	4	0	0	0	0	1	2,125	110.00	50.00	0	0	45	12	1
Rowden E. P. -----	141	118	13	8	39	4	0	0	1	1	1	2,021	728.70	220.00	0	0	50	23	10
Wallace D. C. -----	35	64	0	0	27	0	0	2	0	1	3	1,250	50.58	36.38	0	0	12	13	1



## FORM OF CHURCH LETTER

Date \_\_\_\_\_, 194\_\_

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ, at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, is a member of our church in good standing and is dismissed and commended to any church of his choice.

\_\_\_\_\_Moderator.

\_\_\_\_\_Clerk.

## FORM OF CHURCH LETTER TO ASSOCIATION

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, send greetings to the Ministers and Messengers composing the Muscle Shoals State Line Association of the Free Will Baptist when convened with \_\_\_\_\_ Church.

We send our beloved, to-wit \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_to sit with you in your deliberations and help to transact any legal business that may come before your Honorable body. The statistics of our church are as follows:

Received by experience \_\_\_\_\_, by letter \_\_\_\_\_, by confession \_\_\_\_\_, by restoration \_\_\_\_\_, dismissed by letter \_\_\_\_\_, expelled \_\_\_\_\_, dead \_\_\_\_\_, total membership \_\_\_\_\_, active \_\_\_\_\_, inactive \_\_\_\_\_, contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

We have elected Elder \_\_\_\_\_ to the pastoral care of our church for the ensuing year. No. of Deacons \_\_\_\_\_, No. of ordained Ministers \_\_\_\_\_, No. of Licentiates \_\_\_\_\_, church property \$ \_\_\_\_\_, amount given Pastor \$ \_\_\_\_\_, amount given Evangelist \$ \_\_\_\_\_, amount given Helper \$ \_\_\_\_\_, amount given Home Mission \$ \_\_\_\_\_, amount given Orphanage \$ \_\_\_\_\_, other expense \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Clerk's address \_\_\_\_\_, Moderator's address \_\_\_\_\_, our meeting days \_\_\_\_\_, Pastor \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk \_\_\_\_\_, Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_