

**MINUTES**  
of the  
*Fourth Annual Session of the*  
**NORTH-EAST MISSISSIPPI**  
**ASSOCIATION OF**  
**FREE WILL BAPTIST**

CONVENED WITH  
**BEECH SPRINGS CHURCH**  
*On Saturday Morning at 10 O'clock*  
*the 24th day of September, 1938*



Rev. J. M. Haas Preached the Introductory Sermon.  
Text: I John, 13th Chapter, 35th Verse.



**NEXT SESSION**

Will Convene With Springdale Church, Six Miles West of  
Toccopola, Miss., on Highway No. 6, on Thursday, 9:30  
A.M., Before the Fourth Sunday in September, 1939,  
Continuing Through Friday.

# MINUTES

## FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION

The Association met by singing and prayer by Moderator, Rev. M. L. Hollis, after which Rev. J. M. Haas took the stand and read I John, 4th chapter, and took text from St. John, 13th chapter, 35th verse: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples if you have love one to another." Adjourned for dinner.

## FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association met by singing by W. G. Prude and prayer, after which the Moderator took his seat and called for the church letters from the different churches, and the following reported: Beech Springs, New Macedonia, Bethlehem, Antioch, Gauley, Damascus, Springdale, Pleasant Grove, Fawn Grove, Stetson Chapel, East Tupelo, Columbus, Union Hill, Oak Ridge, New Life, (Pearce Chapel's letter was received on Monday, the third day of the Association.)

Corresponding Delegates were called for and Rev. G. P. Mayo, of Little Brown Creek Association, was seated as Delegates from that Association.

Rev. D. W. Jones was also with us Saturday night and till Sunday noon, as a corresponding representative from the Little Brown Creek Association, and was given hand of welcome by the Clerk on behalf of the Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Preaching (or Pulpit) Committee—Claud Roberts, E. K. Brown, Robt. Strube, together with the Deacons of Beech Springs Church.

Associational Committee—J. F. Parker, W. J. Hill, Jno. Brown, and J. H. Norwood.

Educational Committee—Lesse Kidd, Hazel May, Nanie Poste.

Temperance Committee—Rev. Roy V. Guyton, L. E. Duncan, Rev. W. H. Fondren.

Obituary Committee—Rev. J. M. Haas, Lois Phillips,, Eulon Franks.

Finance Committee—W. G. Prude, Pauline Murphree, Jim Gibson.

Resolution Committee—Roy Comer, Rev. D. M. Smitherman, and Gladys Blaylock.

Sunday School Committee—L. E. Duncan, Nola Bevill, J. T. Alexander.

League Committee—Mattie Hollis, Louise Knight, Euvene White.

Ladies' Aid Committee—Mrs. E. K. Brown, Mrs. Virgie Pace, and Keron Roberts.

Pulpit Committee reported as follows: Rev. R. V. Guyton preach Saturday night, 7:30; Rev. J. H. Norwood Sunday morning, 9:30; Rev. Geo. C. Lee Sunday morning 11:00; Rev. Dave Smitherman Sunday 2:00 P.M.; Rev. E. A. Lewis Sunday 7:30 P.M.; Rev. M. L. Hollis Monday 11:00 A.M.

W. G. Prude took the floor and sang and took free will offering for mission funds, and received \$5.04.

Delegates were assigned homes, and the Association adjourned till Monday 9:00 A.M.—the business of the body .

Rev. Guyton preached a wonderful sermon at the evening hour, subject: "Jesus Came To Save Sinners."

Rev. J. H. Norwood filled the stand Sunday at 9:30 A.M., subject: "The Church."—Matt. 16-18.

Rev. Geo. C. Lee filled the stand at the 11:00 o'clock hour Sunday, subject: "The Fall and Recovery of Man."—Rom. 5 ch., 15th verse.

Rev. D. M. Smitherman preached at 2:00 o'clock P.M. Sunday, subject: "The Four Faces."—Ezk. 1 ch., 10th verse.

Rev. E. A. Lewis filled the stand at 7:30 P.M., subject: "The Great White Thorne."—Rev. 20 ch., 11 to 14 verse.

Rev. M. L. Hollis filled the stand Monday at 11:00 o'clock, subject: "The Call To Service."—Isa. 6 ch., 8th verse.

### THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION

The Association met by singing and reading and prayer by Rev. Hollis—Sister Nanie Poste leading prayer.

The minutes of Saturday business was read and approved.

The Pearce Chapel church letter was read and Delegates seated at this time.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

We, your Committee on Ladies' Aid Work, beg leave to make the following report: We find from the various letters from the churches of this Association, only two report Ladies' Aid Societies in their churches, and they are as follows: Columbus and Pearce Chapel. Feeling the need of a greater interest in this phase of our work, we recommend that a strong effort be put forth by the Pastors and Church Leagues to organize Aids in all the churches during this associational year. Literature on how to organize and carry on this work of a Ladies' Aid can be had from the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, N. C., and at a very small cost. We also recommend to our ladies the organization of a district meeting, where all Aids in the Association can come together at least once a year and plan the work in general.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. K. Brown, Mrs. Virgie Pace, Miss Keron Roberts.

We, your Committee on League Work, make our report as follows: Knowing that the church of tomorrow depends upon the young people of today, and feeling the need of a better trained leadership to carry on our work in a more efficient way, we recommend that more Free Will Baptist Leagues be organized in churches where there is none, and that a greater interest be taken among Leaguers where they are organized in extending this work into new fields, for no church can be at its best without a F.W.B. League—it is the training service for the church and helps our people to learn the importance of "Putting the Kingdom of God First." in their lives. We insist on our young people to see to it that there is a League in each church in this Association as early as possible. We also recommend that the League Convention begin to form plans for a field worker, to be supported by contributions from the various Leagues.

Signed: Mattie Hollis, Lou Venie White, Louise Knight.

Sunday School Report—Realizing that the Sunday School of today



will be the church of tomorrow, and knowing that if the church is perpetuated, we must interest the youth of today in Sunday School work, thereby laying the foundation for this effective evangelizing agency of the church, it behooves the ministers and laymen to do everything within their power to see that the youth of their respective communities are given the opportunity to learn more about the principles and teachings of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We urge that during the coming year a special effort be made to build bigger and better Sunday Schools, where already organized, and organize where there are none. May we awake to the crying need of the hour. We respectfully suggest, first, that the Sunday Schools within our Association, who have not yet joined the North-East Mississippi Sunday School Association, do so at its next session, which will be held with Fawn Grove Church on the fifth Sunday in June, 1939, or get in touch with the Secretary, Mr. John Brown, at Dorsey, Miss., for information concerning same. Second, that the churches that have no Sunday Schools and would be interested in organization of same, contact Mr. Brown and ask that the Executive Committee of the Association aid them. Praying that all Christians will do just what Christ leads them to do in this matter, and knowing if they will listen to His commands, the next session of this Association will find each church reporting the greatest year in the Master's service ever experienced, we respectfully submit to you this report. We find that 12 of our churches report Sunday Schools, and 4 do not.

L. E. Duncan, Mrs. Nola Bevill, J. T. Alexander.

We, your Committee on Education, respectfully ask that all our people study and read the principles set forth in the Holy Word of God. We also recommend that each member of the Free Will Baptist Church read our church paper, printed in North Carolina, (The Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, N. C.). We should also have an educational fund for the support of the Orphanage. We also recommend that each church have a two or three weeks' study course for Sunday School and League teachers and leaders, at least once a year. Each member should make a greater effort to get our Sunday Schools, Leagues, Ladies' Aids, and weekly prayer meetings upon the highest plan possible, for through these agencies we can gain much in Christian Education.

Mrs. Nanie Poste, Lessie Kidd, Hazel May.

Temperance Committee—We, your committee, report, taking the scriptures as the source of our report, we find that Eph. 5th ch., 18th verse, reads: "And be not drunken with wine wherein is riot, but be filled with the spirit"; Prov. 20th ch., 1st verse: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler and whosoever erreth thereby is not wise."

Isa. 5th ch., 11th to 22nd verse; Hab. 2-15; Rom. 14-21; Prov. 23rd ch., 1st to 2nd verse.

R. V. Guyton, L. E. Duncan, W. H. Fondren.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We find amount from last year.....	\$ 86.99
Paid for Minutes .....	\$30.00
Educational Work .....	11.50
Expense of Tent .....	8.51
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$50.01</b>

Amount Deducted 1937 Balance.....	50.01
Leaving a balance on hand.....	\$ 36.98
Collected Cash on Tent .....	32.40
Collected as Minute Fund, 1938.....	38.59
Home Mission Collection .....	13.24
Cash on Hand Ass. 1938.....	\$121.21
Due on Tent as Rental.....	100.00
	\$221.21
Less Tent Rent Unpaid .....	100.00
TOTAL Cash on Hand.....	\$121.21
Paid Clerk as Fee .....	\$10.00
Paid Moderator as Fee .....	5.00
Paid Treasurer as Fee .....	5.00
Paid State Conference Fee.....	5.00
Paid Oak Ridge Church .....	10.00
	\$35.00
Paid Total for 1938 Session .....	35.00
Balance on Hand at Close of 1938 Association.....	\$ 86.21
W. G. Prude, Pauline Murphree, J. T. Alexander.	

#### MINUTE FUNDS FROM CHURCHES

New Macedonia, \$2.00; Pearce Chapel, \$2.00; Bethlehem, \$4.00; Antioch, \$4.45; Gauley, \$3.84; New Life, \$3.00; Damascus, \$2.00; Springdale, \$3.00; Pleasant Grove, \$2.75; Fawn Grove, \$1.40; Union Hill, \$1.50; Stetson Chapel, \$2.15; East Tupelo, \$2.50; Columbus, \$2.00; Beech Springs, \$2.00. Total, \$38.59.

#### MISSION FUNDS

New Macedonia, \$3.00; Springdale, \$1.20; Fawn Grove, \$1.50; East Tupelo, \$2.50; General Collection, \$5.04. Total, \$13.24.

Associational Committee Report—We, your committee, report as follows: That we find all Ministers in good standing and in full fellowship with their churches, and the Pastors have been faithful to guard the interest of their churches. We request that the Association assist Oak Ridge in the building of a house in which to worship, as much as possible.

Jno. E. Brown, J. H. Norwood, J. F. Parker.

Resolution Committee Report—We recommend the next session of the Association meet with Springdale Church, 5 miles West of Toccoola, Miss., on Highway No. 6, and that Rev. R. V. Guyton preach the Introductory Sermon. We recommend that the Fourth Article of the Decorum read, to allow Clerk \$10.00, Moderator \$5.00, and Treasurer \$5.00, annually, for their services. This Association shall hold its session annually, beginning on Thursday at 9:00 o'clock A. M., and continue through Friday, before the fourth Sunday in September. We further recommend that the Clerk write a card of thanks to Beech Springs church and community for their kindness and generous hospitality shown this Association while in their midst.

Roy Comer, D. M. Smtherman, Gladys Blaylock.



### THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Called together by Moderator, Rev. Hollis, who read Psa. 23rd chapter. Prayer by Rev. W. H. Fondren.

The Association elected Corresponding Delegates, as follows: To Jasper Association, M. L. Hollis and J. M. Haas; to Mt. Moriah, Rev. J. M. Haas; to Vernon, M. R. Allen, L. E. Duncan, and E. K. Brown.

To the Little Brown Creek Association, which will meet with Macedonia Church, 4 miles East of Rienzi, Miss., on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1939, Rev. R. V. Guyton appointed Delegates to the Mississippi and Alabama State Conference, which meets with Springfield Church, 2 miles West of Vernon, Ala., October 24 and 26, 1938, were as follows: J. T. Alexander, Bill Stubblefield, J. F. Parker, Ed Smith, Bro. Taylor, Theo Roberts, Ervin Long, W. J. Hill, J. R. Strube, Preston Wall, G. W. Prude, Miss Mattie Hollis, Ada Ford, James Inmon, Pauline Murphree, Johnnie Johnson.

Obituary Committee Report—We, your committee on deceased members, report as follows: We find that in God's Divine Providence He has seen fit and proper to call from this life ten of our beloved members, as follows: Antioch Church, 2; Columbus, 1; Gauley, 2; Union Hill, 1; Bethlehem, 1; Pearce Chapel, 3. We mourn their going, but feel that the Lord knows best and doeth all things well, and knowing that we too some day must answer the call of God in death—and it may be soon—we look forward to the day when He shall be pleased to call us home to Himself, where we shall meet these departed ones with all the redeemed of this old world, never to die any more. We therefore extend our heartfelt sympathy to the church and loved ones who mourn their going, and pray you look up to Him who is our comfort and refuge in times of sorrow.

Rev. J. M. Haas, Lois Phillips, Eulon Franks.

There was a move to put Rev. M. L. Hollis in the field as part-time Evangelist, and passed, that what time he can put in with the tent he do so, and with hopes of full time in the field after 1939.

The Association voted to give Oak Ridge Church \$10.00 out of the mission fund, to assist them in the erection of a church.

The Association voted to send \$5.00 to the State Conference as conference fee.

By vote of the Association, the name of W. A. McCarty of Fawn Grove Church, and the name of W. A. Green of Columbus Church, be dropped from list of Ministers, as they have gone to other churches.

The Association went into the election of officers for 1938-39, and the following were elected: Rev. J. M. Haas, Moderator; Rev. Geo. C. Lee, Clerk; W. G. Prude, Treasurer.

We, the representation of this, the fourth annual session of the North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, in session with Beech Springs Church, want to take this method of expressing to the said church and community, our most affectionate, heartfelt thanks and the deepest gratitude of our heart, and by unanimous rising vote, also, for the kind hospitality and generous courtesies shown this people while in your community, and pray God may bless each one and each home.

There was a song and prayer in memory of our dear deceased ones—prayer led by Eld. Norwood.

## IN MEMORY DECEASED MEMBERS

Mrs. G. A. Weir, Columbus  
 Sister Menervo Sledge, Antioch  
 Sister Clifton, Antioch  
 Bethlehem—one  
 Wilton Cantrell, Pearce Chapel  
 Asa Fredrick, Pearce Chapel  
 Sister Bettie Brasfield, Pearce Chapel  
 Josie Parker, Gauley  
 Samie Smith, Gauley  
 Union Hill—one

## ORDAINED MINISTERS

M. L. Hollis, Tupelo, Miss.  
 J. M. Haas, Tupelo, Miss.  
 R. V. Guyton, Toccopola, Miss.  
 W. H. Fondren, Denmark, Miss.  
 D. M. Smitherman, Toccopola, Miss.  
 E. A. Lewis, Pontotoc, Miss.  
 M. R. Allen, Smithville, Miss.  
 Geo. C. Lee, Calhoun City, Miss.  
 W. H. Holman  
 G. W. Kennedy, Pontotoc, Miss.

## PREACHING REPORTS

Greetings to the 4th session of North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists. It is with thanks to God I submit the following report of my work, ending Sept. 18, 1938: I have preached 120 sermons, visited 20 sick people, held 3 revivals, had 35 conversions, taken 16 into the church, baptized 14 by proxy, helped ordain one Deacon, married 6 couple, conducted 2 funerals. Praying God for a greater success in 1939, I remain your brother in Christ.

E. A. LEWIS.

Greetings to North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with the Beech Springs Church on the 24th day of September, 1938. It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending the 24th day of September, 1938: I have preached 78 sermons, prayed 120 prayers, visited 22 sick people, baptized 8 converts, received into church 25 people, preached one commencement sermon and two memorial sermons, pastored one church, conducted 5 revivals, married one couple, conducted 5 funerals, received from church pastored, \$78.75; received \$50.00 for revival work; total received, \$128.75.

R. V. GUYTON.

Greetings to North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with Beech Springs Church on the 24th day of September, 1938. It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending on the 24th day of September, 1938: I have preached 264 sermons, baptized 103 converts, received 148 people into the church, helped to ordain 3 Deacons, preached two commencement sermons and 4 memorial sermons, pastored 7 churches, conducted 8 revivals, married 23 couple, conducted 61 funerals, received from churches pastored, \$1,110.00; received \$388.00 for revival work; total received, \$1,448.00; traveled 26,000 miles.

M. L. HOLLIS.



Greetings to North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with Beech Springs Church on the 24th day of September, 1938. It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending on September 24, 1938: I have preached 4 sermons, baptized 3 converts, helped ordain 2 Deacons, married 2 couple, conducted one funeral. My health has been so I could not do more. J. H. NORWOOD.

Greetings to the 4th session of the North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with Beech Springs Church Sept. 24, 1938. It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending Sept. 24, 1938: I have preached 38 sermons, visited several sick rooms, baptized 4 converts, received 4 into the church, conducted one revival, received from churches pastored, \$24.62; traveled 310 miles. D. M. SMITHERMAN.

Greetings to the North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with Beech Springs Church, Sept. 24, 1938. It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending Sept. 24, 1938: I have preached 23 sermons, prayed 365 times, visited 9 sick people, baptized 11 converts, received one into the church, helped ordain two Deacons, conducted one revival, married one couple, conducted one funeral, and traveled 516 miles. W. H. FONDREN.

Greetings to the North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with Beech Springs Church, Sept. 24, 1938. It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending Sept. 24, 1938: I have preached 111 sermons, visited several sick people, baptized 8 converts, received 15 into the church, helped ordain one minister, preached one memorial sermon, pastored 3 churches, conducted 4 revivals, married 8 couple, conducted 12 funerals, received from churches, \$172.12; received \$33.58 for revival work; total received, \$220.70. J. M. HAAS.

Greetings to the North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with Beech Springs Church, Sept. 24, 1938. It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending Sept. 24, 1938. I have preached 84 sermons, prayed hundreds of prayers, visited many sick people, baptized 27 converts, received 29 members into the church, preached one memorial sermon, pastored 4 churches, conducted 4 revivals, married 5 couple, conducted 5 funerals, received from churches pastored, \$309.40; traveled 5,875 miles. GEO. C. LEE.

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## CONSTITUTION

Section 1.—This organization shall be known as the North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist and shall be composed of ministers, deacons, clerks, and delegates of the various churches of this Association.

Section 2.—The purpose of the Association shall be to bring together our churches throughout North Mississippi for a closer union among our people and the establishment of new churches in our state.

Section 3.—This Association shall be composed of churches of the above named territory together with like bodies of same Faith and



Practice which may be hereafter admitted.

Section 4.—Each church shall be allowed delegated representatives and they must be duly appointed by their church while in conference and bear credentials from the same to this body.

Section 5.—Visiting ministers and delegates may be seated as advisory members in this body.

Section 6.—It shall not be the purpose of this Association to usurp authority over the churches but to recommend such measures as would promote unity of action among the churches, to harmonize the efforts of individual churches to one another in their efforts to accomplish good, and make each other more proficient in their undertakings for good.

Section 7.—This constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of the yearly meeting at any session, notice of such intended alteration having been given in writing, and recorded at the next previous session.

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### RULES OF DECORUM

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected at the close of each session by a majority vote of the delegates present.

Section 2.—This Association shall hold its sessions annually beginning on Thursday and continue through Friday before the fourth Sunday in September.

Section 3.—The Moderator shall have the right to appoint all committees.

Section 4.—The Clerk shall have the right to supervise the printing of the minutes and shall be allowed \$10.00 for his service; Treasurer, \$5.00, and Moderator, \$5.00 for their services.

Section 5.—No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the Moderator.

Section 6.—All members desiring to speak shall arise, address the Moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided.

Section 7.—All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.

Section 8.—If any proposition or motion under debate contain two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.

Section 9.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless so ordered at the time.

Section 10.—No one shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject, and not more than ten minutes at a time; without special leave from the body.

Section 11.—All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

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### ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1.—THE BIBLE—The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God and the Scriptures of the New Testament are our infalible rule of Faith and Practice.

Article 2.—GOD—There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe, and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are

to love, adore, and obey.

Article 3.—CHRIST—Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

Article 4.—THE HOLY SPIRIT—The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all attributes of God. He is the reprover, comforter, guide and sanctifier of men.

Article 5.—THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD—God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and the laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

Article 6.—THE SINFULNESS OF MAN—Man was created innocent but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity therefore inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God.

Article 7.—THE WORK OF CHRIST—The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

Article 8.—THE TERMS OF SALVATION—The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

Article 9.—ELECTION—God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the condition of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

Article 10.—FREEDOM OF THE WILL—The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

Article 11.—SALVATION FREE—God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take the water of life freely.

Article 12.—PERSEVERENCE—All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

Article 13.—GOSPEL ORDINANCES—Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet Washing, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers.

Article 14.—THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH—The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

Article 15.—RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION—The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done ill unto the resurrection of judgment; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment but the righteous into eternal life."



**LETTER FROM CHURCH TO NORTH-EAST MISSISSIPPI  
ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

We, the Free Will Baptists, that worship at.....  
.....in or near what town.....  
send greetings to the.....annual session of the North-East  
Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists, when convened with the  
.....church, on Saturday before the  
fourth Sunday in September..... We send as Delegates to  
represent us in your Honorable Body, the following Brothers and Sis-  
ters in Christ: .....

Our Deacons are: .....

Praying that all you do may be done for the furtherance of God's  
cause here on earth, our statistics are as follows: Number of mem-  
bers received for baptism..... Number by letter or recom-  
mendation..... Number deceased..... Number  
dismissed..... Total number of members..... Fi-  
nancial statements, value of church property.....; value of  
parsonage.....; indebtedness on church property.....;  
indebtedness on parsonage.....; paid pastor.....;  
paid evangelist.....; paid on buildings, or repairs.....;  
paid for home missions.....; send for minutes.....;  
paid on benevolences.....; total expenditures for year.....;  
Auxiliary work.....; Sunday School enrollment.....;  
League enrollment.....; Laides' Aid.....; How  
often do you have preaching?.....; Do you want  
the next session of the Association to meet with your church?.....  
Pastor's name....., Address.....  
Church Clerk....., Address.....

**MINISTER'S YEARLY REPORT**

GREETINGS: To.....  
Association of FREE WILL BAPTISTS, when convened with the.....  
.....Church on the.....day of  
....., 193..... It is with true thankfulness of  
heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's  
work, ending on the.....day of....., 193..... I  
have preached.....Sermons; Prayed.....Prayers; visited  
.....sick people; Baptized.....Converts; Received.....  
people into churches; Helped to Ordain.....Ministers and.....  
Deacons; Licensed.....Ministers; Preached.....Commence-  
ment Sermons and.....Memorial Sermons; Pastored.....  
Churches; Conducted.....Revivals; Married.....Couples; Con-  
ducted.....Funerals; Received from churches pastored, \$.....;  
Received \$.....for revival work; Total received for year's work,  
\$.....; Traveled.....miles.

Respectfully submitted,

# STATISTICAL TABLE No. 1

Churches.....	No. Members.....	Meeting Days.....	Sunday Schools.....	Mission Funds.....	Value Church Property.....	Paid For All Expenses.....	Paid Pastor.....	Died .....	Dismissed By Letter.....	Rec'd. by Recom.....	Rec'd by Experience	F. W. B. L.....	Ladies' Aid .....	Paid Help.....
New Macedonia .....	43	1st Sunday .....	40	\$35.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 122.45	\$ 91.45				1			
Pearce Chapel .....	331	3rd Sunday .....	66	2.00	2,500.00	257.45	114.00	3	4	3	7	55	15	\$ 36.00
Bethlehem .....	152	2nd Sunday .....	35	4.00	1,500.00	84.70	60.70	1			3			15.00
Antioch .....	78	3rd Sunday .....	38	4.45	900.00	165.55	73.80	2		1				15.00
Gauley .....	77	4th Sunday .....		3.84	750.00	30.76	26.92	2		1	15			
New Life .....	30	4th Sunday .....		3.00	400.00	44.72	41.72							
Springdale .....	91	2nd Sunday .....	50	4.20	750.00	112.45	83.25			3	11			25.00
Damascus .....	47	3rd Sunday .....		2.00	700.00	160.70	118.55			1	8			38.50
Pleasant Grove .....	50	Twice Monthly ....	30	2.75	500.00	52.75	50.00							
Fawn Grove .....	141	Monthly ....	42	1.40	2,000.00	140.90	86.50			3	21	50		53.00
Union Hill .....	52			1.50				1		1				
Stetson Chapel .....		2nd Sunday .....	74	2.15	700.00	35.50	23.55				4			
East Tupelo .....	212	4th Sunday .....	72	5.00	5,000.00	770.44	240.00			4	7	64		
Columbus .....	102	2nd Sunday .....	79	2.00	7,000.00	945.00	150.00	1	14	8	16	75	27	32.00
Oak Ridge .....	30	1st Sunday .....								2	14			
Beech Springs .....	91	Twice Monthly ....		2.00	1,500.00	89.60	48.60		1	1	9			36.00
TOTALS.....	1526		526	\$77.29	\$25,700.00	\$3,012.97	\$1,209.04	10	19	28	116	244	42	\$250.50



# STATISTICAL TABLE No. 2

CHURCHES	CLERKS	DEACONS	DELEGATES	PASTORS
Beech Springs	Wiliford Winders, Saltillo, Miss. ....	M. C. Stimbridge, L. B. Hill, A. W. Montgomery .....	G. B. Hill, J. L. Stim- bridge, Curtis Phillips	M. L. Hollis, Tupelo, Miss. ....
New Macedonia	Earl Alexander, Tupelo, Miss., R. 2 .....	J. T. Alexander, Avon Roberts	Cloud Roberts, Nell Haas, Keron Roberts	Geo. C. Lee, Calhoun City, Miss. ....
Pearce Chapel	C. L. Duncan, Smithville, Miss. ....	F. R. Brook, J. M. Thompson, S. L. Crowley .....	Mrs. Woodrow Burrow, Mrs. C. L. Duncan Mrs. Hollis Francis .....	M. L. Hollis, Tupelo, Miss. ....
Bethlehem.....	M. D. Carter.....	B. E. Sugg, Bill Stubblefield, A. Graham, S. W. Tucker .....	A. A. Montgomery, Lessie Kidd, Hazel May	Geo. C. Lee, Calhoun City, Miss. ....
Antioch.....	W. F. Bevill, Toccopola, Miss., .....	L. M. Morris, Bud Tutor .....	J. R. Strube, Roy Mor- ris, Nola Bevill, Oma Strube .... .. .	R. V. Guyton, Toccopola, Miss. ....
Gauley.....	J. R. Calder, Calhoun City, Miss. ....	W. A. Calder, Sid Parker, John Calder, E. H. Keenum.....	J. F. Parker, Gladys Blaylock, Euvene White	Geo. C. Lee, Calhoun City, Miss. ....
New Life.....	R. W. Hill, Houlka, Miss., .....	Jim Corder, Tom Hancock, Jess Morphis .....	Oliver Wages, R. W. Hill, Opal Hill .....	J. M. Haas, Tupelo, Miss. ....
Damascus.....	Mrs. Mortimer McKee, DeKalb, Miss., R. 6 .....	Ed Smith .....	J. C. Gibson, Virgie Pace .... .. .	Geo. C. Lee, Calhoun City, Miss. ....
Springdale.....	Ernest Taylor, Denmark, Miss. ....	Lester Dulin, Jodie Walker, Frank McCord, Mack Bowles	L. N. Potts, Elwood Daniels, Lois Phillips	J. M. Haas, Tupelo, Miss. ....
Pleasant Grove	Laura Benjamin, Thaxton, Miss. ....	Jim Thomas, J. V. Bennett .....	Grace Thomas, Leona Burk, Margarette Ben- nett .... .. .	J. M. Haas, Tupelo, Miss. ....
Fawn Grove .....	Mrs. Roy Comer, Dorsey, Miss. ....		Pauline Murphry, Eu- lon Franks, Lendon McMillen .... .. .	M. L. Hollis, Tupelo, Miss. ....
Stetson Chapel	J. R. Bramblett, Toccopola, Miss. ....	M. L. May, J. M. Inmon, D. H. Furgerson, Wain Bland .....	Jettie Inmon, Jas. In- mon, E. L. Bramblett	Dave Smitherman, Toccopola, Miss. ....
East Tupelo.....	Mrs. H. E. Post, Tupelo, Miss., R. 2 ....	J. L. Stanley, Will Poole, Pres- ton Moseley, Ramond Windows	V. B. Long, W. G. Prude, Dolton Cooper	M. L. Hollis, Tupelo, Miss. ....
Columbus.....	Miss Ruby Johnson, Columbus, Miss. ....	E. K. Brown .....	Mattie Hollis, Wood Strickland, Ella Weir	M. L. Hollis, Tupelo, Miss. ....
Union Hill .....	H. F. Price, Guntown, Miss. ....	J. M. Harris, D. B. Robbins, Jim Loyd .....	Audie Ford, Bessie Ford, Ermon Reitte ....	W. H. Fondren, Denmark, Miss. ....
Oak Ridge.....	Elizabeth Walker, Pontotoc, Miss. ....	J. O. Turner, Pearley Nichols, John D. Davidson .....	Preston Walker, Earl Nichols, B. Johnson....	E. A. Lewis, Pontotoc, Miss. ....