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The Thirtieth Annual Session of the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist opened with the singing of "I Love to Tell The Story", followed by prayer led by Rev. Paul Ketteman. Miss Patsy Tyson, a missionary appointee, brought the devotional using I Sam. 17:15-26. Rev. Tillis Walley, Host pastor, extended to us a warm welcome and Rev. Tom Johnson gave the response. Mrs. Kimble Crossley and Mrs. Billy Sharpston were appointed as reading clerks. After reading of the Church letters, a motion carried to receive the letters and seat the delegates. The visitors were recognized, and they told where they were from and what department they represented. The Committee on Committees was appointed as follows: Rev. Tom Johnson, Rev. Herbert Stalnaker, and Mr. Tommy Cantrell. After a short recess, the congregation sang "Standing on the Promises" followed with prayer by Rev. Luther Gibson. Rev. Sammy Wilkinson, Missionary from Brazil, brought the morning message, using John 6:25-28; and stressed the importance of realizing that our work as Christians is Divine Work. We need to know Jesus not only as Saviour but also as Lord. We are Saved, but we are Servants also. Effective laboring brings in a Harvest for Jesus Christ. The Committee on Committees reported as follows:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS: Rev. L. D. Gibson, Rev. Ronald Howland, Rev. Billy Sharpston.

TEMPERANCE: Rev. Gerald Owens, Mrs. Cecil Deas, Mr. Bob Cooper.

LEAGUE: Rev. Tillis Walley, Mrs. D. L. Byrd, Mrs. Peggy Harris.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Rev. W. F. Clark, Mr. Audie Ford, Mrs. Mary Thomas.

OBITUARY: Mrs. Ethie Bryant, Mr. Royce Gilmore, Mrs. Annie Tucker.

RESOLUTION: Rev. Randy Cox, Mr. Lonnie Potts, Miss Inez Robinson.

NOMINATING: Mr. L. E. Duncan, Rev. John Reed, Rev. L. C. Graham.

A motion carried to adopt this report. Rev. Tillis Walley made the announcement about the noon meal. Rev. W. F. Clark offered the prayer and asked the blessing upon the food.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After singing "Blessed Assurance" followed with prayer by Rev. Joyce Gore, Rev. James Combs, a Missionary appointee, conducted the devotional, using I Sam. 3:1-4.

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S HOMES

Rev. A. J. Lambert gave an oral report of the Alabama Children's Home and shared with us some of the blessings about the Home.

FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE REPORT

Rev. Paul Ketteman gave the Bible College Report, stating that we are having a very good school year with the largest attendance in the history of the College. A motion was made and carried that an of-

fering be received and divided equally between National Home Missions, National Foreign Missions, The Alabama Children's Home and the Free Will Baptist Bible College. The offering amounted to \$85.20.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

Rev. Sammy Wilkinson shared with us some interesting facts about our work in Brazil. Miss Patsy Tyson told us about Ecuador and Rev. Wayne Yarbrough read a letter from the National Foreign Mission Office.

CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE REPORT

Mr. Ken Riggs explained the Name, the Meetings, and the Cost and showed us how CTS would be the Total Church Training Service. All supplies will be available for January, 1965.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, Your Credential Committee, report the following: We find that all of our ministers with Certificates are in good standing with their churches; and thereby recommend that they be given a Certificate of Good Standing in the Association. We recommend that Rev. Randy Cox and Rev. Billy Sharpston be accepted into the Association as ordained Ministers from the Quarterly Meeting. We, the Credential Committee, upon the recommendation of the Churches that Rev. John Reed, Rev. Gerald Owens, and Rev. Wayne Thomas pastors also recommend that they be received as ordained Ministers into this Association. Respectfully Submitted, Revs. Luther Gibson, Ronald Howland and Billy Sharpston. A Motion carried to accept this report.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Temperance Committee, suggest that more soul winning classes be taught in our local churches and soul winning be done by the laity. That we preach against and name open sins such as movie going, dance attendance and liquor drinking.

That we give ourselves to continual prayer seeking God's will in all matters.

Signed, your Committee,

A motion carried to accept this report.

LEAGUE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the League Committee, find that 14 of our churches do have Leagues, leaving nine (9) without Leagues. We recommend that these churches without Leagues organize this training service in their churches. We further recommend that each League order Literature from Nashville since all profits will go to help make the National League work self-supporting.

Signed, The League Committee,

A motion carried to accept this report.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

"And that knowing the time that, now it is high time to awake out of sleep." Rom. 13:11. We urge all Sunday Schools to send delegates and reports to the Sunday School Convention at White Hill Church Sunday October 25, 1964. We urge each Sunday School to keep accurate records of their work. We urge an active visitation program for each Sunday School. We urge that each Sunday School teacher make an earnest effort to win each pupil in their class to Christ. Let us awake out of sleep and win them to Christ and the Church before they are challenged to join the Communist or other evil forces.

Signed Your committee,

A motion carried to accept this report.

Rev. Roger Reeds from the National Sunday School Department shared with us some of the blessings of this Department and showed us some of our new Publications.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, The Credential Committee, recommend that the Pastor of the Philadelphia Church, Rev. William Gray, be accepted into this association and that Mr. Bob Cooper be licensed to preach for one year.

Signed, The Committee

A motion carried to accept this report.

OBITUARY REPORT

We, the Obituary Committee, see the Angels are still gathering flowers from our midst. One of our beloved Pastors, Rev. W. O. Knight, has passed away. Heaven is sweeter and nearer because he is there. In the past year we see twenty-four (24) of our friends have left this walk of life to be with our Lord for ever more. May God bless their loved ones and all strive to meet them on Heaven's bright shore.

Signed, Your Committee

A motion carried to accept this report and after a short period of silent meditation, Rev. Tom Johnson led us in prayer.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Resolution Committee, recommend the following:

Item I—That the Home Mission Board be changed to the Missions Board, and they have overall charge of all Mission work in our Association.

Item II—Whereas, a great amount of time is consumed in the reading of church letters and,

Whereas, this association has only a one day session and,

Whereas, preaching, fellowship and specific Associational business are hampered for want of time,

Be it Resolved that the Moderator appoint two (2) persons to serve with the Associational Treasurer as a Digest Committee of three (3), who shall receive the church letters and compile one (1) combined statistical report, presenting the same to this Association.

Item III—Resolved, that we give White Hill Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of thanks for the gracious way they have entertained this Association.

A motion was made and carried to receive the report and adopt item by item. Each item was adopted and the congregation stood in appreciation to the White Hill Church.

A motion was made and carried that the Digest Committee be granted the right to choose the most informative statistics from the church letters and present a combined report of these to the Association.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Nominating Committee, recommend the following:

MODERATOR — Rev. Tom Johnson

ASST. MODERATOR — Rev. Randy Cox

CLERK — Mrs. Luther Gibson

ASST. CLERK — Mrs. Edgar Stembridge

TREASURER — Mr. W. G. Prude

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE — Rev. Ronald Howland

MISSION BOARD — Rev. John Reed 5 years

Rev. James Bowman 1 year

Mr. H. G. Cooper 3 years

MORGANWOOD CAMP COMMITTEE — Mr. L. E. Duncan

ORDAINING COUNCIL — Rev. Billy Sharpston

Rev. W. F. Clark

TRUSTEE OF CHILDREN'S HOME — Rev. L. D. Gibson

A motion carried to elect as recommended.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mrs. Tom Johnson gave the District Woman's Auxiliary Reports and invited the women to attend the next District meeting at Amory, Mississippi, on October 13, 1964. A motion carried to accept these reports.

The Morganwood Youth Camp Report was given and adopted.

The Treasurer's report was given and adopted.

A motion carried to have only five hundred (500) copies of the Minutes printed.

A motion carried to give Rev. Billy Sharpston the power to organize a Missionary Conference in 1965.

Rev. W. F. Clark and Rev. Billy Sharpston were appointed to serve on the Digest Committee.

Each Church was urged to send representatives to the organizational meeting of the Mississippi State Association.

A report of the Meetings between the Associations was given by Rev. Tom Johnson. The Proposed Constitution and by-laws were read. A motion was made and carried the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist accept this constitution and by-laws as is and that we send a representative body to the State Association when it convenes at Lee's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church in Jones County on Saturday before second Sunday in November, November 7th, at 10:00 a.m.

A motion carried that we meet with the Pearce Chapel Free Will Baptist Church for our Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist in 1965.

The following delegates were appointed to the different associations: Alabama State — Rev. Tom Johnson, Rev. Ronald Howland, Rev. Billy Sharpston.

National Association — Mrs. Kimble Crossley, Mrs. Ronald Howland, Mrs. Billy Sharpston.

Vernon Association — Rev. Tom Johnson and Rev. Ronald Howland.

Mt. Moriah Association — Rev. Wayne Yarbrough.

Rev. Luther Gibson led in the Prayer. The Association recessed for the evening meal. Rev. John Reed asked the blessing upon the food.

NIGHT SESSION

The service opened with the singing of several hymns and Rev. Tillis Walley led the prayer. A time of testimonies was an inspiration to all. Rev. Ronald Howland brought the evening message using Hebrews 1:1-2 "God's Last Call to His People." God's call is a call to Dedication, Sanctification, preparation and Evangelization.

Rev. James Combs led the closing prayer of the Association.

MORGANWOOD CAMP REPORT FOR ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 1963-1964

"Praise the Lord for His goodness to the children of men". We are very happy indeed to make the year's report. Though it is not what we had hoped it would be, we feel that God has been wonderful to us and has blessed us all we would let Him.

All who attended Youth Camp and Revival the last week in July reported it to be the best yet, that has been the opinion each year so far, and we pray that will always be the case. As we pray, pay, and work for a better Camp, we will always see visible results in the lives of our youth who have the opportunity of attending these yearly meets. In the last three years we have seen more decisions made for Christ at Camp than has been reported by churches to the Annual Association.

We pray that each pastor and Christian layman will do all they can to make this coming year the very best ever for Morganwood Camp. We are badly in need of another dormitory for boys and for a larger water system, both were inadequate this past year. Won't you join us in prayer that these facilities will be made adequate very soon? It will take approximately \$2500.00 to install them.

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIPTS:

Amory, 1st Church	\$ 44.50
Beech Springs	109.11
Columbus, 1st Ch.	390.00
Amory, Main St. Ch.	46.00
Pearce Chapel Ch. & League	118.59
Tupelo Church	1,108.08
Tupelo Woman's Aux.	72.00
White Hill Ch.	5.00
Jack Crawford	25.00
High's Ins. Agency	25.00
N. E. Miss. Assn.	8.00
N. E. Miss. S. S. Convention	200.00
N. E. Miss. Quarterly Meeting	100.00
Miss. League Rally	191.84
Revival Offering	106.48
Camp Fees	800.00
Camp Store	110.14
Sale of Piano	12.00
Misc. Refunds	26.70
Total Receipts for Year	\$3,498.44
Brought Forward	204.05
Grand Total	\$3,702.49

EXPENDITURES:

Community Federal	\$1,327.82
Tombigbee Elec., Ass'n.	38.54
Supplies for Camp Store	87.62
Camp Literature	32.40
Groceries ..	281.47
Kitchen Help (2)	72.00
Kitchenware ..	67.50
Evangelist ..	125.00
2000 Registration Cards	18.20
Bottled Gas	20.00
Campers Insurance	57.75
First Aid Kit	2.82
Insurance on Property	344.96
Repairs and Materials	36.71
Paint ..	55.73
Freight Charles	5.13
Plumbing and Materials	103.35
Roofing for Home & Eating Shed	110.85
Postage ..	10.00
Total Expenditures	\$2,777.85
Balance in Treasury	\$ 924.64

A minimum of \$170.00 per month is needed for insurance premiums and upkeep.

Send your children to Camp next July, if the Lord tarries. We believe you will have a better boy or girl when they return.

Respectfully Submitted,
Morganwood Camp Committee

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1963-1964 ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR

RECEIPTS:

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$ 87.56
RECEIVED FROM CHURCH...S 1963 SESSION	343.70
FREEWILL OFFERINGS	87.87
REFUND ON MINUTES	6.35
FUNDS FOR MISS GRIFIN . . . MADE PAYABLE TO ASSOCIATION AND TREASURER	540.11
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1067.59

EXPENDITURES:

ASSOCIATION OFFICERS	\$ 20.00
FOREIGN MISSION BOARD	553.11
FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE	56.45
MORGANWOOD CAMP	8.00
MINUTES -- --	155.15
CHILDREN'S HOMES	87.87
DELEGATES TRAVEL TO NAT'L ASS'N.	78.00
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FEE	25.00
CLERK'S SUPPLIES	5.80
POSTAGE -- --	6.59
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$995.97
BALANCE IN TREASURY SEPTEMBER 30, 1964	\$ 71.62

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Rev. Tom Johnson, Moderator	504 9th Ave. North Amory, Miss.
Rev. Randy Cox, Asst. Moderator	1810 Main St., Columbus, Miss.
Mrs. Luther Gibson, Clerk	Box 5024, Tupelo, Miss.
Mrs. Edgar Stembridge, Asst. Clerk	Rt. No. 2, Saltillo, Miss.
Mr. W. G. Prude, Treasurer	Box 5271, Tupelo, Miss.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. Luther Gibson, 1965	Box 5024, Tupelo, Miss.
Rev. Tom Johnson, 1966	504 9th Ave. N. Amory, Miss.
Rev. Ronald Howland, 1967	Rt. No. 1, Smithville, Miss.

MISSION BOARD

Rev. J. P. Bowman 1965	3962 Mamie Road, Memphis, Tenn.
Rev. Wayne Yarbrough 1966	Rt. No. 2, Saltillo, Miss.
Mr. H. G. Cooper 1967	Philadelphia, Miss.
Rev. W. F. Clark 1968	Houston, Miss.
Rev. John Reed 1969	6th Ave. N. Amory, Miss.

MORGANWOOD YOUTH CAMP COMMITTEE

Mr. Jimmy Stembridge 1965	Rt. No. 2, Saltillo, Miss.
Mr. Cecil Dees 1966	Columbus, Miss.
Mr. W. C. Robison 1967	Smithville, Miss.
Mr. Jack Crawford 1968	Amory, Miss.
Mr. James Jones 1969	Amory, Miss.
Mr. Madera Nelms 1970	Eupora, Miss.
Mr. L. E. Duncan 1971	Box Tupelo, Miss.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Billy Sharpston	Rev. W. F. Clark	Mr. L. E. Duncan
Rev. Luther Gibson	Mr. Wendell Brown	

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEE

Rev. Luther Gibson Box 5024, Tupelo, Miss.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE DIRECTOR FOR 1965

Rev. Billy Sharpston Route No. 2, Saltillo, Miss.

MINISTERS LISTED FOR 1964-65

Rev. J. P. Bowman 3962 Mamie Road, Memphis, Tenn.

Rev. W. F. Clark Houston, Miss.

Rev. Randy Cox 1800 Main St., Columbus, Miss.

Rev. L. D. Gibson Box 5024, Tupelo, Miss.

Rev. L. C. Graham Fernbank, Alabama

Rev. William A. Gray Hanging Moss Circle, Jackson, Miss.

Rev. Ronald Howland Smithville, Miss.

Rev. Tom Johnson 504 9th Ave. North, Amory, Miss.

Rev. J. L. Lavender Aliceville, Ala.

Rev. G. C. Lee, Sr. Calhoun City, Miss.

Rev. Gerald Owens Route No. 1, Dorsey, Miss.

Rev. John Reed 6th Ave. North, Amory, Miss.

Rev. Billy Sharpston Route No. 2, Saltillo, Miss.

Rev. Herbert Stalnaker Toccopola, Miss.

Rev. Wayne Thomas Route No. 1, Thaxton, Miss.

Rev. Tillis Walley Route No. 1, Fulton, Miss.

Rev. L. E. Winter 4042 Elliston, Memphis, Tenn.

Rev. Wayne Yarbrough Route No. 2, Saltillo, Miss.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Church	Clerk	Address
AMORY, 1st —	Mrs. W. L. Kendrick	709 5th Ave. S., Amory, Miss.
AMORY, Main St. —	Mrs. T. J. Hawkins	512 5th St. N., Amory, Miss.
ANTIOCH —	Mr. Kenneth Tutor	Rt. No. 1, Toccopola, Miss.
BEECH SPRINGS —	Mr. Mitchell Corder	Rt. No. 2, Saltillo, Miss.
BETHLEHEM —	Mr. E. B. Tucker	Rt. No. 2, Pontotoc, Miss.
COLUMBUS, 1st —	Mrs. Peggy Jones	1800 Main St., Columbus, Miss.
DAMASCUS —	Mrs. Covert McKee	Rt. No. 5, DeKalb, Miss.
DEPRIEST CHAPEL —	Mrs. Elmer Phillips	Rt. No. Box 92D, Caledonia, Miss.
FAWN GROVE —	Mrs. Charles Comer	Rt. No. 1, Dorsey, Miss.
FULTON —	Mrs. Doris Parmer	Box 203, Fulton, Miss.
HOLLIS CHAPEL —	Miss Johnnie Mae Bailey	Rt. No. 4, Box 311, Columbus, Mississippi
McGREGOR CHAPEL —	Mrs. Bryant Maharrey	Rt. No. 2, Pontotoc, Miss.
NEW GAULEY —	Mr. C. E. Goodson	Rt. No. 1, Box 58, Calhoun City, Miss.
NEW LIFE —	Mrs. J. B. Oliver	Rt. No. 3, Houlka, Miss.
PEARCE CHAPEL —	Mr. R. H. Pearce	Smithville, Miss.
PHILADELPHIA —	Miss Donna Smith	Kosciusko Road, Philadelphia, Mississippi

PLEASANT GROVE — Miss Carolyn Matkins Thaxton Star Route,
Pontotoc, Miss.
SPRINGDALE — Mr. G. L. Dulin Rt. No. 5, Box 5, Oxford, Miss.
STETSON CHAPEL — Mrs. Saley May Toccopola, Miss.
TUPELO — Miss Jo Ann Parham 337 Canal St., Tupelo, Miss.
UNION HILL — Mrs. Jewel Stevens Rt. No. 4, Tupelo, Miss.
WEST MEMPHIS — Mrs. Edus Bowman 3962 Mamie Road,
Memphis, Tennessee
WHITE HILL — Mrs. Earl Shelby Rt. 4, Eupora, Miss.
LEE'S CHAPEL — Mr. A. C. Hollis Star Route, Box 71 C,
Columbus, Mississippi

**CHURCH LETTERS TO THE 30th
ANNUAL SESSION OF THE NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI
ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST**

The Statistical and Financial Reports are on another page.

NAME OF CHURCH: Amory First Free Will Baptist, 501-9th Ave. North, Amory, Mississippi. Pastor: Rev. Tom Johnson, Clerk: Mrs. W. L. Kendrick, 709- 5th Ave. South, Amory, Miss. Deacons: H. G. Wright, Greely Brown, E. C. Hawkins, Boyd Jones, Bill Duncan, R. L. Barnes, George Robinson, Luther Isbell, Ancil McAfee, L. L. Hudson, J. S. Thompson, W. D. Barnes, James Jones, Joel Duncan. Delegates: Mrs. Francis Johnson, Mrs. Maudie Gregory, Mrs. Ethel Callahan, Mrs. Jim Murphy. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Auxiliary, GTA, YPA, Prayer Meeting and we own our Parsonage.

NAME OF CHURCH: Amory Main Street Free Will Baptist, North Main St. Amory, Miss. Pastor: Rev. John Reed. Clerk: Mrs. T. J. Hawkins, 512 5th St. North, Amory, Miss. Deacons: Jack Crawford, H. C. Parker, L. P. Cannon, E. T. Isbell, Barney Murphy, Herbert Knight, William Puckett, Toney Parker. Delegates: Mrs. Herbert Knight, Mrs. T. J. Hawkins, Mr. D. K. Bliss. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Antioch Free Will Baptist, Rt. 1, Toccopola, Miss. Clerk: Kenneth Tutor. Deacons: L. W. Bevill, Z. J. Waugh, W. G. Hodges, I. E. Daniels. Delegates: Mrs. Zone Waugh, Mrs. W. O. Winter. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School.

NAME OF CHURCH: Beech Springs Free Will Baptist, Rt. 2, Saltillo, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Billy Sharpston, Clerk: Mitchell Corder, Rt. 2, Saltillo, Miss. Deacons: L. B. Hill, Edgar Stembridge, Charlie Cochran, Oscar McCrory, C. L. Hill, E. F. Harris. Delegates: Mrs. Billy Sharpston, Mrs. Peggy Harris, Mrs. Ona Hill, Mrs. Alice Barber. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Auxiliary, GTA, YPA, Prayer Meeting. We own our Parsonage.

NAME OF CHURCH: Bethlehem Free Will Baptist, Rt. 2, Pontotoc, Miss. Pastor: Rev. W. F. Clark, Clerk: E. B. Tucker, Rt. 2, Pontotoc, Miss. Deacons: M. M. Ramsey, Paul Stubblefield, S. W. Tucker, E. B. Tucker, Delegates: Mrs. Lavert Stubblefield, Mrs. Annie Tucker, Mrs. Violet Graham, Mr. Dennis Graham. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, Woman's Auxiliary.

NAME OF CHURCH, Columbus First Free Will Baptist, 1800 Main St. Columbus, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Randy Cox. Clerk: Mrs. Peggy Jones. Deacons: Willie Brown, J. L. Williams, James Atkins, Johnny Frye, Cecil Deas, Linwood Dodd, Oveat Graham, R. C. Rector, Woodrow Wilcoxon. Delegates: Mrs. Myrtle Deas, Mrs. Eloise Cross-

ley, Mrs. Bennie Fields, Mr. W. C. Brown. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Auxiliary, GTA, YPA, Boy's Auxiliary, Prayer Meeting. We own our Parsonage.

NAME OF CHURCH: Damascus Free Will Baptist, Rt. 5, DeKalb, Miss. Pastor: Rev. J. L. Lavendar. Clerk: Mrs. Covert McKee, Rt. 5, DeKalb, Miss. Deacons: M. C. Johnson, S. F. Chisolm, J. H. Smith. Delegates: J. C. Gibson, George Smith, Hollis Warren. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Depriest Chapel Free Will Baptist, Gattman, Miss. Pastor: Rev. L. C. Graham, Fernbank, Ala. Clerk: Mrs. Elmer Phillips, Rt. 1 Box 92D, Caledonia, Miss. Deacons: C. R. Hollis, R. T. Cantrell, Kelly Easter, Sammie D. Jones. Delegates: Mr. Archie Williams, Mrs. G. J. Williams, Mrs. Elmer Phillips, Mrs. Edward Northington. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Fawn Grove Free Will Baptist, Route 1, Dorsey, Mississippi. Pastor: Rev. Gerald Owens, Rt. 1, Dorsey, Miss. Clerk: Mrs. Charles Comer, Rt. 1, Dorsey, Miss. Deacons: John Brown, Bob Enlow, Roy Brown, Marvin Franks. Delegates: Elonor Spradling, Ernie Mae Dill, Mrs. Harvey Franks, Mrs. Nolan Franks. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League.

NAME OF CHURCH: Fulton Free Will Baptist, Fulton, Miss. Pastor: Rev. L. E. Winter, 4042 Elliston, Memphis, Tennessee. Clerk: Mrs. Doris Parmer, Box 203 Fulton, Miss. Deacons: Ned Nanney, Marvin Jarrell, Wayne Wood, Wendell Brown, Adrian Caveness. Delegates: Grover Parmer. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Hollis Chapel Free Will Baptist, 14th Ave. and Waterworks Rd., Columbus, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Tillis Walley, Rt. 1, Fulton, Mississippi. Clerk: Miss Johnnie Mae Bailey, Rt. 4 Box 311, Columbus, Miss. Deacons: Bankston Edwards and G. G. Perkins. Delegates: Mr. and Mrs. Billy Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Gilmore. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Auxiliary and Prayer Meeting. We own our Parsonage.

NAME OF CHURCH: McGregor Chapel Free Will Baptist, Rt. 5, Pontotoc, Miss. Pastor: Rev. W. F. Clark, Houston, Miss. Clerk: Mrs. Bryant Maharrey, Rt. 2, Pontotoc, Miss. Deacons: W. B. May, C. J. Ard, A. A. Montgomery, Shelby Bevil, L. J. Andrews, and Winston R. Akers. Delegates: Mrs. Ercelle Heatherly, Mrs. Mabel Wilson and Mrs. Callie Tucker. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's zauxiliary.

NAME OF CHURCH: New Gauley Free Will Baptist, Rt. 1, Calhoun City, Miss. Pastor: Rev. G. C. Lee, Sr., Calhoun City, Miss. Clerk: C. E. Goodson, Rt. 1 Box 58, Calhoun City, Miss. Deacons: J. T. Cantrell, C. E. Goodson, J. W. Goodson. Delegates: Ethel Cantrell, Janie Cantrell, Ethie Bryant, Dottie Sue Harrison and Vivian Rodgers. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: New Life Free Will Baptist, Route 3, Houlka, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Wayne Yarbrough, Rt. 2, Saltillo, Miss. Clerk: Mrs. J. B. Oliver, Rt. 3, Houlka, Miss. Deacons: Egbert Roberts, J. B. Oliver, Theron Tallant, and Paulie Sledge. Delegates: Paulette Huffman, Dan Wages, Lula Marphis, Tempie Wages and Bettie Marphis. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School.

NAME OF CHURCH: Pearce Chapel Free Will Baptist, Smithville, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Ronald Howland, Smithville, Miss. Clerk: R. H. Pearce, Smithville, Miss. Deacons: E. V. Clingan, C. R. Bras-

field, T. L. Cowley, R. H. Pearce, Mell Horne, Jr., Hurston Noe, Darrell Stafford, C. L. Duncan and T. L. Sullivan. Delegates: Mrs. Inez Armstrong, Miss Inez Robison and Mrs. Bessie Cowley. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Auxiliary, GTA, YPA, and Prayer Meeting. We own our Parsonage.

NAME OF CHURCH: Philadelphia Free Will Baptist, Philadelphia, Miss. Pastor: Rev. William A. Gray, Hanging Moss Circle, Jackson, Miss. Clerk: Miss Donna Smith, Kosciusko Road, Philadelphia, Miss. Deacons: J. M. Smith, W. T. Pettis and H. G. Cooper. Delegates: Bob Cooper, Dorothy Cooper, Mrs. H. G. Cooper. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, YPA and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist, Thaxton, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Wayne Thomas, Rt. 1, Thaxton, Miss. Clerk: Carolyn Matkins, Thaxton Star Route, Pontotoc, Miss. Deacons: J. D. Stepp. Delegates: Mrs. Ella Rea Matkins, Mary Thomas, Michael Thomas. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, Woman's Auxiliary and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Springdale Free Will Baptist, Denmark, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Wayne Yarbrough, Rt. 2, Saltillo, Miss. Clerk: G. L. Dulin, Rt. 5 Box 5, Oxford, Miss. Deacons: Lonnie Cobb, G. L. Dulin, Kenneth Walker, J. O. Walker. Delegates: Mrs. Minnie Dulin, Mrs. Lucille Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Norrie Brummett, Mr. Lonnie Potts, Alt. Mrs. Nell White. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Stetson Chapel Free Will Baptist, Toccopola, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Herbert Stalnaker, Toccopola, Miss. Clerk: Mrs. Saley May, Toccopola, Miss. Delegates: Make Inmon, Mrs. Baxter Inmon, Mrs. Vail Jones.

NAME OF CHURCH: Tupelo Free Will Baptist, Box 5055, Tupelo, Miss. Pastor: Rev. L. D. Gibson, Box 5024, Tupelo, Miss. Clerk: Miss Jo Ann Parham, 337 Canal St., Tupelo, Miss. Deacons: W. G. Prude, L. E. Duncan, J. T. Alexander, R. E. Alexander, H. A. Roberts, M. O. Haas, J. R. Riley, D. L. Byrd, and E. L. Crider. Delegates: Mrs. D. L. Byrd, Mrs. Lindon Mathis, Mrs. Boyle Bedford, Mrs. L. D. Gibson. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Auxiliary, GTA, YPA, Missionary Midgets and Prayer Meeting. We own our Parsonage.

NAME OF CHURCH: Union Hill Free Will Baptist, Rt. 4, Tupelo, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Gerald Owens, Rt. 1, Dorsey, Miss. Clerk: Mrs. Janel Stevens, Rt. 4, Tupelo, Miss. Deacons: Herman Keith, Elmer Brooks, Rayvon Lofton, J. R. Brock, Marlin Poteet. Delegates: Audie Ford, Mrs. Bessie Ford, Mrs. Ruth Lucas, Judy Wilburn and Carolyn Bennett. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: West Memphis Free Will Baptist, 503 N. 7th St. West Memphis, Tennessee. Pastor: Rev. James P. Bowman, 3962 Mamie Road, Memphis, Tenn. Clerk: Edus Bowman, 3962 Mamie Road, Memphis, Tenn. Deacons: Fred A. Jones. Delegates: Mr. Waine Jones, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Cloud Whitehead. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: White Hill Free Will Baptist, Rt. 4, Eupora, Miss. Pastor: Rev. Tillis Walley, Rt. 1, Fulton, Miss. Clerk: Mrs. Earl Shelby, Rt. 4, Box 47, Eupora, Miss. Deacons: Mr. Walter Fields and Mr. Modera Nelms. Delegates: Mr. H. H. Lucius, Mrs. Elloyce Nelms, Mrs. Dorris Shelby, Mrs. John Fisher. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School, League, Woman's Auxiliary, and Prayer Meeting.

NAME OF CHURCH: Lee's Chapel Free Will Baptist, Rt. 5, Columbus, Miss. Pastor: Rev. J. L. Lavender, Aliceville, Alabama. Clerk: Mr. A. C. Hollis, Star Route, Box 71C, Columbus, Miss. Deacons: Leonard Hollis. Delegates: Mrs. L. G. Forrester, Leonard Hollis, Vista Forrester, Rex Hollis. We have the following Auxiliaries: Sunday School.

MINISTERS' YEARLY REPORTS

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my year's work ending September 1964. I have preached 85 sermons; Baptized 6 Converts; Pastored 1 Church; Traveled 7,439 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. James P. Bowman.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1964: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my year's work ending on September 1964. I have preached 114 Sermons; Baptized 3 Converts; Received 5 People into the Church; Pastored 2 Churches; Conducted 2 Revivals; Received from Churches Pastored \$3,144.38; Received from Revivals Conducted \$160.00; Total received for year, \$3,304.38; Traveled many miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. W. F. Clark.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my year's work ending on September 1964. I have preached 147 Sermons; Baptized 20 Converts; Received 16 People into the Church; Pastored 2 Churches; Conducted 4 Revivals; Received from Churches Pastored \$4,817.00; Received from Revivals Conducted \$475.00; Total received for Year \$5,292.00; Traveled 21,000 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Randy Cox.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964; It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my year's work ending on September 1964; I have preached 200 sermons; Baptized 2 Converts; Received 5 People into the Church; Pastored 1 Church; Conducted 5 Revivals; Received from Church Pastored \$5,200.00; Received from Revivals Conducted \$600.00; Total Received for year \$5,800.00; Traveled 25,000 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Luther Gibson.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with the White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my year's work for the Lord ending 1st Sunday of October 1964. I have pastored 1 Church; Preached 118 Sermons; Baptized ; Performed 2 Marriages; Traveled 24,332 Miles; Visited many Sick; sent many cards and made many Telephone Calls for the service of the Lord Jesus Christ. We had one addition to the Church this year. Total amount received for the year \$1,040.70. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. William A. Gray, Jr.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964. It is with true thank-

fulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my year's work ending on September 1964. I have preached 161 Sermons; Baptized 14 Converts; Received 30 people into the Church; Pastored 1 Church; Conducted 5 Revivals; Received from Church Pastored \$4000.00; Received from Revivals Conducted \$430.00; Total received for year \$4430.00; Traveled 20,000 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Tom Johnson.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964; It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my years work ending on September 1964. I have preached 40 Sermons; Baptized 7 Converts; Pastored 1 Church; Total received for year \$1,000.00; Traveled 6,000 Miles. I drove from Nashville, Tenn. every weekend for 3 Months. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Gerald Owens.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964; It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of what I have done this year. I have been sick all year and not able to go and preach. But by God's help I have preached 4 Sermons; Conducted 2 funerals; Performed 2 Marriages; Traveled 200 miles. Received \$200.00 for what I did. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. G. C. Price.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964. It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my Year's work ending on September 1964. I have preached 63 Sermons; Baptized 6 Converts; Received 8 People into the Church; Pastored 1 Church; Conducted 1 Revival; Received from Church Pastored \$1,800.00; Total received for year \$1,800.00. Traveled 8,000 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Billy Sharpston.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964. It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my Year's work ending on September 1964. I have preached 36 Sermons; Baptized 2 People; Received 2 People into the Church; Received from Church Pastored \$96.00; Pastored 1 Church; Total received for year \$128.00; Traveled 12,000 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Herbert Stalnaker.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964. It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my Year's work ending on September 1964. I have preached 121 Sermons; Baptized 14 Converts; Received 22 People into the Church; Pastored 2 Churches; Conducted 3 Revivals; Received from Churches Pastored \$2,413.00; Received from Revivals Conducted \$429.00; Total received for year \$2,842.00;; Traveled 11,000 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Tillis Walley.

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Free Will Baptist Association when convened with White Hill Free Will Baptist Church on Friday before the 2nd Sunday in October 1964. It is with true thankfulness of heart that I am able to make the following report of my

Year's work ending on September 1964. I have preached 186 Sermons; Baptized 8 Converts; Received 21 People into the Church; Pastored 3 Churches; Helped Conduct 3 Revivals; Received from Churches Pastored \$2,303.66; Received from Revivals Conducted \$232.24; Total received for year \$2,535.90; Traveled 12,625 Miles. Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Wayne Yarbrough.

**TREASURER'S REPORT
ANNUAL REPORT 1963-64**

I. STEWARDSHIP OF POSSESSIONS:

Number of Auxiliary members contributing to Missions 145
Number of tithers on roll at beginning of Convention year 46
Number of new tithers this convention year 15
Present number of tithers 61

II. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Amount of offering sent to W.N.A.C. Co-Laborer Fund \$113.34
Amount of offering sent to Student Loan Fund \$20.50
Amount of Easter offering for Foreign Missions \$58.18
Amount of Thanksgiving offering for State Home Missions \$69.81
Amount of Christmas offering for National Home Missions \$36.08
Cash gifts to orphanage \$158.95
Value of boxes to orphanage \$503.98
Cash gifts to Free Will Baptist Bible College \$393.63
Total gifts to Missions sent to W.N.A.C. Treasurer this convention year:
by Woman's Auxiliary \$758.71; by G.T.A.'s \$10.65; by Y.P.A.'s \$31.32;
Cash gifts to aged ministers \$17.00;
Total Per Capita representation fee sent to W.N.A.C. Treasurer this convention year; G.T.A. Rep. Fee \$2.30; by Woman's Auxiliary \$14.50; by Y.P.A.'s (14-18 years) \$4.60
Total amount spent for auxiliary literature \$238.14
Total amount spent this convention year for local church activities \$503.11.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. TRANNIE L. SULLIVAN
Treasurer
Smithville, Miss.

W. N. A. C. MEETINGS

**RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT
(For Convention Year 1963-1964)
ANNUAL REPORT 1963-1964
of the**

**FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF
NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT ASSOCIATION**

President Mrs. Kimble Crossley, Columbus, Miss.
Treasurer Mrs. T. L. Sullivan, Smithville, Miss.

Number of Auxiliaries reporting 7.
Amount Per Capita Representation fees sent to Treasurer \$14.90 GTA & YPA \$9.90.

I. ENLISTMENT DEPARTMENT:

1. Enrollment at beginning of Convention year 140; Present enrollment 149.
2. Number new members 23; Number lost 14; Average Attendance, 95.

II. YOUTH DEPARTMENT:

1. Number Youth Organizations: G.T.A. 3; Y.P.A. 4; Sunbeam 1; Midget
2. Total Membership; G.T.A. 39; Y.P.A. 46; M.M. 46.
Missionaries 5,
3. Number Mission Declamation Contests 3.

4. Number Active Church Libraries 3.
5. Number Vacation Bible Schools Assisted in 4.
6. Number Bible College students assisted 6
7. Other Activities Assisted in Youth Camp—Gave Banquet for Youth, Entertained Youth with a supper during Youth Camp \$15.00—Christmas Float contest \$15.00—sold cards, etc.

III. STUDY COURSE DEPARTMENT:

1. Courses Conducted

		Attendance
Missions ..	4	59
Stewardship ..	3	38
Manual ..	5	60
Evangelism ..	3	33
Prayer ..	5	67

3. Number Daily Bible Readers 90.

IV. PROGRAM-PRAYER DEPARTMENT:

1. Number Special Programs held: 3
2. Number Weeks of Prayer Conducted 14
3. Total Amount Self-Denial Offering Resulting from weeks of prayer \$164.42
4. Total Number Family Altars 44
5. Total Members Observing Prayer Fellowship 45.

V. PERSONAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT:

1. Number Making Soul-Winning Efforts 50
2. Number Souls Won 7
3. Number Active in Community Missions 103
4. Total Value of Contributions to Children's Homes \$563.65.

VI. PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT:

1. Number Subscribers to Free Will Baptist Papers 71
2. Number articles written for publication 7

VII. PERSONAL GIFTS:

Special Offerings:	Amount
Missions ..	\$883.15
Free Will Baptist Bible College ..	412.50
Children's Home ..	600.42
Superannuation ..	8.50
Other ..	83.50

MRS. LUTHER GIBSON
Recording Secretary
Box 5024, Tupelo, Miss.

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 the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship and by self denial faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forget 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 to promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere, hold Christian principles 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.

CONSTITUTION

Section 1.—This organization shall be known as the Northeast 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 the 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 five 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 of 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 undertaking 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 alterations having been given in writing and recorded at the next previous session.

Section 8.—There shall be an ordaining council, elected by the Association to inquire into, and examine each applicant for ordination to preach the Gospel of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and make recommendations to the Association for the ordination of said applicant. This council shall be composed of three ministers, and two Laymen

RULES OF DECORUM

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

Section 2.—This Association shall hold its session on Friday before the second Sunday in October.

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 services; Treasurer \$5.00; and Moderator \$5.00, for their services.

Section 5.—No member shall be absent from the body without leave of the Moderators.

Section 6.—All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off 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 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.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1.—THE BIBLE — The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God and our infallible Rule of Faith and Practice. I Cor. 1:21; Matt. 28:19-20. Rom. 1:16.

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 supremely love, adore and obey. I Cor. 8:6; Isa. 40:28.

Article 3.—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. I Tim. 2:5-6; Heb. 2:9; St. John 3:16.

Article 4.—THE HOLY SPIRIT—The Scripture assigns to the Holy Spirit all attributes of God. He is the reprover, comforter, guide and sanctifier of men. St. John 1:7-8; Acts 2:45; Eph. 2:1.

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. Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; I Tim. 2:.

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. Gen. 2:17; Gen. 3:19.

Article 7.—THE WORK OF CHRIST—The Son of God by His incarnation, life, suffering, death and resurrection affected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith. Acts 3:19; Matt. 28:19-20; Eph. 2:5-10.

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 live and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the domination of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death. Luke 13:3; Acts 17:30; Rom. 10:10.

Article 9.—ELECTION—God determined from the beginning to

save all whom should comply with the condition of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect. Matt. 28:20; I Cor. 1:21; Matt. 25:31-46.

Article 10.—**FREEDOM OF THE WILL**—The human will is free and self controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the trust and the spirit, or to resist them and perish. Tit. 2nd chapt; Rev. 2:10-5.

Article 11.—**SALVATION FREE**—God desires salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will come and take the water of life freely. Gal. 1:13-14; Rev. 22:17.

Article 12.—**PERSEVERANCE** — All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life have promise of eternal salvation. Rom. 5:21.

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. Acts 8th Chapt.; I Tim. 5:10; Luke 22:49.

Article 14.—**TITHING**—God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23) and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him."

Article 15.—**THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH**—The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy work, and activities and for personal communication with God, Deut. 5:12-14; Heb. 4:4.

Article 16.—**RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT 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; they that have done ill unto the resurrection of damnation, then the wicked will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life. Jno. 5:28-29; II Cor. 5:10; I Cor. 15:23.

CONSTITUTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Article I — Name

This body shall be known henceforth as the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article II — Purpose

The object of this organization shall be to more thoroughly unify the work of the various associations and churches of Mississippi, and to devise and execute measures for the extension of Christ's Kingdom in connection with the various associations and churches comprising this organization

Article III — Treatise of Faith and Practice

This body adopts the Treatise of the Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptist.

Article IV — Membership

Section 1 — The membership of this association shall consist of all associations and churches that, from time to time, upon approval of the state association, shall become members of this body.

Section 2 — Representation: Each district association holding membership in the state association shall be entitled to five (5) representatives elected from the laity, with an additional representative from each church comprising the district association. Furthermore, all ordained ministers and deacons holding membership in churches within this state association shall be entitled to membership in this body.

Section 3 — Any local church whose association is not a member of

the State association, may be represented with one lay delegate and the ordained minister and deacons of that church.

Section 4 — It is understood that the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptist and the area associations comprising its membership have no judicial authority over any local church.

Section 5 — The Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptist, the yearly association comprising its membership and their member local churches do not grant any judicial authority to any representative body to which they may belong.

Article V — Officers

The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an assistant Moderator, a clerk, an assistant clerk, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be nominated and elected by a standing vote from the floor at each regular meeting.

Election shall be determined by a majority vote of those present and voting. Officers thus elected shall hold their positions until their successors are elected and installed.

Article VI — Boards and Committees

Section 1 — The Executive committee is a standing committee, composed of Moderator, assistant Moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, and Treasurer.

Section 2 — This association shall elect whatever Boards of Committees it deems necessary for its operation and shall state whether they are standing or temporary.

Article VII — Meetings

This Association shall hold its regular meetings annually at a time and place fixed by the last regular session and made known before adjournment. Special meetings may be called by the Executive Committee when extreme necessity demands, providing that the clerk of each association has been properly notified at least fifteen (15) days before the date set for the meeting. Fifteen (15) legal representatives shall constitute a quorum for any special meeting for this Association.

Articles VIII — Representative Fees

This body request that each association holding membership in this give a representative fee of \$20.00 per year and each local church give a representative fee of \$10.00 per year.

Article IX — Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the State Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the change is recommended in writing and tabled in the morning session and voted on during the afternoon session.

BY-LAWS OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1. The Moderator or the Assistant Moderator shall call the Association to order at the hour designated by the program committee. When neither the Moderator nor the Assistant Moderator is present, the Executive Committee shall elect a Moderator pro tem, who shall call the Association to order.

2. It shall be the duty of the clerk to record the minutes of meetings and to enroll the delegates to the Association who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to seats therein, and those enrolled by the clerk shall compose the Association. In case of questionable representation, however, the case under question shall be referred to a credential committee.

3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to hold all Associational funds and disperse same as authorized by the Association.

4. The Executive Committee shall act on behalf of the Association when the Association is not in session. Any action taken by this committee shall be submitted in report to this Association.

5. Travel shall be paid by this association at the rate of six (6) cents per mile to any officer, board member, or committee member transacting business authorized by or in behalf of the Association. The Treasurer shall pay such expense when a written, signed claim is presented by each individual involved.

6. The Moderator shall appoint a committee on committees which shall present to the body nominations for such committees as are necessary.

7. That we receive the letters and seat the delegates on the strength of the Credential committee report, and omit public reading of the letters: all letters be mailed with the representative fee to the State Association clerk by the first of the month in which meetings are to be meeting.

8. A Parliamentarian shall be elected by this body to decide any controversial proceedings upon the basis of **Robert's Rules of Order**.

9. These By-Laws may be amended at any regular session of the State Association by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the change is recommended in writing and tabled in the morning session and voted on during the afternoon session.

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Amount Spent for Local Causes

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Total Offerings	General Offerings	Lithes	Special Offerings	Building Fund	Other	Pastor Salaries	Evangelist Work	Visiting Minister	Building and Repairs	Literature
1 Amery - 1st	1347280	604398	607253	121194			442315	30000		287402	9374
2 Amery Main St.	678685						252500	33536	5500	43773	2314
3 Antioch	171692	171692					84000	29000		1000	5600
4 Beech Springs	692588	182919	407668	46268		55733	37750	15000		78000	4050
5 Bethlehem	219111	192051	6680	20380			135606	23150	1126	4200	1510
6 Columbus - 1st	1913030	1763799		149231			221000		150645	175335	13214
7 Damascus	125144	125144					99790	13257			222
8 Depue Chapel	700000	100000			600000		41000	10000			400
9 Lawn Grove	266006	15655		2991	247360		147000	17500			1390
10 Fulton	477750	386650			82500	8600	247000	10000			1044
11 Hall's Chapel	423455	112948	267257	27250		16000	148000	12500		38563	1128
12 Lee's Chapel	76217	59417		16800			41075	16800		286	392
13 McGregor's Chapel	311333	238733		72600			149982	44900		29440	1344
14 New Hawley	133620		85876	36000		11750	51413	13140		35603	947
15 New Life	74195	74195					41395			6700	2000
16 Peace Chapel	1310470	742011		93562	474897		357500	29731		424012	4350
17 Philadelphia	161558	19199	142359	500	9000		127000	8255		28863	10300
18 Pleasant Grove	52000	52000					16800	11500		10000	4000
19 Springdale	305968	204798	38210	18960		44000	123078	13625			2277
20 Stetson's Chapel	17375	9600		7775			9600	4750			
21 Tupelo	2127623	353282	1309086	145415		1692452	33900	49500		1892454	15084
22 Union Hill	247776	236674			11102	426703	520000				
23 West Memphis	133238	19772	106750	6716			31350	14576			11411
24 White Hill	157882	157882					1500			9904	
25							118350	13726		8107	5330
26 Total	12124002	5822819	2971137	765642	1424891	2255238	4056379	414446	157271	3073642	629097

① Loan

② Pastor's Expense

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Amount Spent for Outside Causes

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Church	Morgan Wood Youth Camp	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Super-annuation	Assn. & State National Projects	Other	Total Outside Causes	Value Church Property	Value Parsonage Property
1 Amery - 1st	4450	21597	8636	18900	12207				65790	6342500	1200000
2 Amery Main St.	2500	1775						1895	6170	2580000	
3 Antioch		3434	3434	3434	3434			3434	17170	500000	
4 Beech Springs	8097	16499	5452	6000	9500				45548	2300000	600000
5 Bethlehem			2000					4000	6000	750000	
6 Columbus - 1st	36000	188417	24000	70042	63380			8390	390229	7000000	1800000
7 Damascus										400000	
8 Depue Chapel										1000000	
9 Lawn Grove		3860		8581	20583				33029	1350000	
10 Fulton		7650			3350			3000	14000	150000	
11 Hall's Chapel		10181	5000	5000	1000		1500	1050	23731	1000000	700000
12 Lee's Chapel					1000				1000	700000	
13 McGregor's Chapel		7200							7200	1500000	
14 New Hawley		100000							100000	500000	
15 New Life										500000	
16 Peace Chapel	4586	29015	3000	29514	11000				77115	1300000	650000
17 Philadelphia										600000	
18 Pleasant Grove										575000	
19 Springdale		1500	3500	1500	5160		5500	17160	271324	1200000	
20 Stetson's Chapel										100000	
21 Tupelo	110808	140440	20842	70552	18163		13453		375248	9500000	900000
22 Union Hill		2155						2314	4469	800000	
23 West Memphis										690000	
24 White Hill	2100				4000		4500		10600	450000	
25											
26 Total	168541	443723	75814	213523	152782		24953	41243	1358623	41787500	5850000

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Membership

11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Contribution	Advertising Radio T. V.	General nursing supplies transportation	Misc.	Other	Utilities	Notes	Insurance	Benewo- lence	Total Local Expendi- tures	Church Resident	non- Resident	Sunday School	F. W. B. League	Woman's Auxiliary
93741	5564	27000	153639	57294	59947		23216	11257	1174475	154	86	185	76	19
23149			77199	159891	12444		17617		625604	67	13	66	36	
5601			405		4334		4160	14250	143050	80	80	35		
40500		42000	69915		20819		29098		702832	139	44	140	70	19
15101			5961	4250	5549			17965	212908	119		95		21
32145	4000	65150	12912	471459	86439		28770	15391	1391746	242	33	248	86	28
2220				3567	3188				122022	54	24	30		
4000				800000	30945		5600	2000	893540	35	24	30		
13900					5417		8688	7491	204138	106	44	94	40	
1044	1000		120	7472	9512				285545	58		36	30	
11283	1453		104238	33442	16390		5730		371599	73	10	85	40	10
3925			3597		3043				68746	25		20		
13449			15600	62918	8366		6656	23800	355111	65	19	83	19	15
9470	2775		7800	7500	3810		4100	4070	120038	44	40	50		
2000				21100					71195	32	65	26		
4350	1357		141921		92627		14623	40641	1145922	200	207	142	55	20
10300				3015	2754		1500		178687	59		20	20	
4000			2100		3600				50000	20	10	31		9
22776			12393	33500	28498		6243	13051	254164	94	175	104	55	
			3025						17375	20	20			
50843	6598	172900	68151		103922	396656	31893	23800	3450617	258	44	308	134	22
11410				6166	3965				128030	110	6	45	25	
			1274		10881	110000	6789		138848	28	6	46		
5334	665		3023		10426			8343	182974	45	28	50	19	9
29097	23412	307050	660248	167459	526877	506656	194672	182059	12289166	2127	978	1969	705	172

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members Received members Dismissed

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Value average per copy	Amt. Sent for Minutes	Morgan Wood Camp	F. W. B. Bible College	Foreign Mission	Home Mission	Children's Homes	Total Amount Included	Baptism	Letter	Statement	Letter	Deceased		
200000	2500						2500	14	14	2	7	3		
	2500						2500	5	3			2		
	1000						1000	1	5					
600000	500						500	6	1			1		
	500	500	500			500	2000				3	2		
800000	1000						1000	3	11		5			
	560						560				4	1		
	500				1000	1000	2500	5			2	1		
	1000						1000	8			7	2		
	500						500		1	2	4			
700000	1500						1500	7	9		6	3		
	500						500	1						
	1000		1000				2000	3	2		3	1		
	500	500	500	250	250	500	2500	2	2			1		
	1035						1035	1	2		1	1		
650000	2500						2500	6			2	4		
	1000						1000		2		1			
	800					1200	2000	4	2		1			
	500		500	500	500	500	2500	6	5	1	2			
	625						625	2						
700000	3000						3000	2	1	2	17	1		
	1000						1000	4			2	1		
	500					500	1000	1						
	1000						1000	7	1		2			
850000	26020	1000	2500	750	1750	4200	36220	88	61	7	69	24		