Minutes

Of The

Fifty-First Annual Session

Of The

Northeast Mississippi Association

Of

Free Will Baptist

When Convened With
Smithville
First Free Will Baptist Church
October 12, 1985

At

Smithville, Mississippi

The Next Session Will Meet With The Pleasant Grove First Free Will Baptist Church

Thaxton, MS
Saturday Before The Second Sunday
in October, 1986

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Rev. Bobby Mills Pontotoc, MS 38863

Rev. Don Johnson 1209 Sandlin Rd. Fulton, MS 38843

DELEGATES - 1985

ANTIOCH - Betty Rusell, Millie Grace Pettit, Keneth Tutor, Lin Hodges, Laverin Staton BEECH SPRINGS -

BETHLEHEM -

DAMASCUS - Jimmie Weathers

EGGVILLE -

FAWN GROVE - Lois Comer, Carolyn Franks, Hilma Marlin, Joan Davis

AMORY FIRST -

COLUMBUS FIRST - Eva House

PHILADELPHIA FIRST - Mrs. Leander McAdams, Mrs. H. G. Cooper, Sr.

WEST MEMPHIS FIRST -

FULTON - Hope Vanwinkle

AMORY MAIN ST. - Mr. & Mrs. Troy Dewitt, Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Minor

McGREGORS CHAPEL -

NEW GAULEY -

NEW LIFE - Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Wages, Mrs. Amy Day, Mrs. Josephine Horton, Mrs. Mary Cruise OXFORD FIRST - Bro. William Burrow, Bro. Leslie Spence, Sis. Amanda Spence, Sis. Belinda Burrow, Bro. Freddie Daniels.

PEARCE CHAPEL - Madgie Robinson, Inez Robinson

PLEASANT GROVE - Mike Thomas, Ann Thomas, Barbara Watkins, Carolyn Nichols, Kathlynn Plunk

SMITHVILLE FIRST - Inez Armstrong, Tommy Armstrong, Lucille Parker, Mary Alice Stafford,

Vickie Clingan

SPRINGDALE -

TUPELO -

VICTORY -

HARMONY -

WHITE HILL -

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT Northest District Women's Auxiliary October 1984 - September 1985

District Project (Greenville Church)\$ 840).00
District Project (Robinson Account)693	3.50
District Project (Bunches Account)1,221	1.62
State Project (Robinson Account)300	00.0
State Project (Bunches Account)25	5.00
Pre-Christmas Offering82	2.25
Pre-Thanksgiving Offering156	3.00
Pre-Easter Offering).03
March for Mississippi	3.50
Co-Loborer Offering	1.24
Fulcher's Account	0.00
Turnbough's Account 150) OO

Kenneth Eagleton Account	75.00
Bowling's Account	400.00
Membership Dues	346.00
Cleo Pursell Retirement Gift	
Printing of Minutes Expense	6.00
Bible College General Fund	20.00
Student Loan Fund	92.00
Emphasis	75.00
Board of Retirement & Insurance	25.00
TOTAL	\$6,332.14

Respectfully Submitted, Ina Crowden, Treasurer

Northeast Mississippi District Association of Free Will Baptist

Minutes of January 12, 1985 at Pearce Chapel F.W.B. Church

- 8:30--Registration
- 9:00--Song Service led by Jeff Halliburton (no. 54) Mrs. Vanwinkle at piano. Prayer by Rev. Eddie Vincent
- 9:10--Devotional by Rev. Thomas M. Parrish
- 9:20--Announcements Rev. Thomas M. Parrish
- 9:25--Seating of delegates by Moderator Rev. George Crowden
- 9:30-Roll Call-Moderators instructions to Committees. Temporary resolution committee appointed ---Rev. J. V. Mills, Rev. T. J. Barnard, and Rev. Al Hamm. Temporary Credential commit tee appointed Rev. Gerald Gann.
- 9:35--Recess (committees meet) Prayer by Rev. Herbert Knight.
- 9:50--Song service-led by Jeff Halliburton (no. 201) at piano Mrs. Paula Norris song (no. 119) prayer by Rev. Robert Hesselmeyer. Youth Rally to be at Tupelo F.W.B. church February 9, 1985 at 7:00 p.m.
- 10:00--State Mission Report-- (no report)
- 10:20--Report of committees--Resolutions (see report)

Credential (see report)

- 10:45--Treasurer's Report
- 10:50--Miscellaneous Business and Digest of reports.

Motion to give \$200.00 to Miss. pastor and workers conference (passed). Credential committee to meet at 8:00 a.m. at New Gauly Church.

11:00--Morning worship

Song service led by Jeff Halliburton (Redeemed), Special in song by Mrs. Paula Norris. Offering-Prayer by Rev. Jackie Barnard, Message-Rev. Mike Creech-Acts 20:17-38

12:00--Adjourn--Lunch--Prayer - Rev. Thomas M. Parrish

RESOLUTION

1. We recommend that the Northeast Miss. Association of F.W.B. give \$______ to the Miss. State Association Board of Conference for the purpose of financially providing for the up coming Pastors' and Workers Conference.

We also recommend that each of our member churches be encouraged to give a donation to the Board for the purpose of initiating and continuing the ministry to our pastors and christian workers.

We further urge our churches to encourage and send their pastors and christian workers to this very important conference on church growth. (passed)

2. We recommend that the Pearce Chapel F.W.B. Church be given a rising vote of thanks for their fine christian hospitality. (passed)

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Our committee met with Bro. David Parrish. We gave him a questionaire for ordaination to be filled out by our next meeting. This should have been done today but he was given the wrong questionaire last meeting.

We met with Bro. Tony Parrish, new pastor at Main Street Church, Amory. He was given a questionaire for license to be filled out by our next meeting.

We met with Bro. Ferrell Crosby, The McGregors Chapel Church requested his licensing. He was given a questionaire to be filled out by our next meeting.

We met with Bro. Freddy Daniels of the First Church, Oxford. They requested his licensing. He was given a questionaire to be filled out by our next meeting.

Bill Vanwinkle
Eddie L. Vincent
L. E. Winter
Phil Davis
Herbert Knight

MINUTES

Northeast Mississippi District Association of Free Will Baptist
April 13, 1985
New Gauley F.W.B. Church
Calhoun City, MS

- 8:30--Registration
- 9:00-Song service led by Rev. Eddie Vincent. No. 66 "Rescue The Perishing," Prayer by Rev. George Crowden.
- 9:10--Devotional--Rev. T. J. Barnard (Mark 12:13-17)
- 9:20--Announcements--Rev. Bill Roberson
- 9:23--Seating of delegates by moderator Rev. George Crowden.
- 9:26--Roll Call--Moderators instructions to committees. Plaques awarded by Sunday School committee to first place winners. Antioch, Victory and Oxford. Second place went to Smithville and Springdale.
- 9:45--Recess (committees meet)
- 10:00-Song Service led by Rev. Bill Roberson. Miss. State Missions report (No report). Testimony and report by Dr. Eagleton.

- 10:00--Song no. 259 led by Rev. Bill Roberson. Prayer by Rev. Wayne Yarbrough
- 10:15--Report of committees Credential (see report) Resolution (see report) Executive (see report) Special offering for Dr. Eagleton, prayer by Rev. Eddie Vincent. The offering was \$122.73 plus a \$10.00 per month commitment.
- 10:45--Treasurers report. Report on Mission Conference by Rev. Eddie Vincent.
- 11:00--Worship service--Song no. 160 led by Rev. Vincent. Prayer by Rev. Hudson, another song "Stand Up For Jesus". Offering \$35.25. Prayer by Rev. J. M. Creech. Message by Rev. Eugene Waddell 1 Cor. 15:33-34
- 12:00--Adjourn--Lunch--Prayer by Rev. Milton Fields

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We recommend that the White Hill F.W.B. Church be received into full fellowship of Northeast Mississippi Association. (passed)

Executive Committee

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We examined Brother Billy Trull for ordaination and recommend that he be ordained at the convenience of his church. (passed)

We met with Brother Jerry Hooper the new pastor of the Antioch Church. We recommend that he be received into our association pending a letter of good standing and completion of the questionaire. (passed)

The McGregors Chapel Church requests the receiving of Bro. Norlin Jones into our association. We recommend that Bro. Jones be received pending a letter of good standing and completion of the questionaire. (passed)

We examined Bro. Freddy Daniels for licensing. We recommend that he be licensed to preach the Gospel. (passed)

Credentials Committee
Eddie Vincent
Jackie Creech
L. E. Winter
Bill Vanwinkle

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Be it resolved that we, the Northeast Miss. Association of F.W.B. give the people of New Gauley F.W.B. church a rising vote of thanks for their generous hospitality. (passed)
- 2. Be it resolved that we, the Northeast Association of F.W.B. give Bro. Eugene Waddell an honorarium of \$50.00. (passed)
- 3. Love offering for Eagleton Jr. Fund.

Respectfully, James Hudson Jackie Barnard

MINUTES

Northeast Mississippi District Association of Free Will Baptist Fulton Free Will Baptist Church Fulton, MS July 13, 1985

- 8:30-- Registration
- 9:00-Song service led by Danny Williams -- "At The Cross" and "He Keeps Me Singing."
- 9:10--Devotional--Rev. J. M. Creech--Psalms 133
- 9:20--Announcements--Rev. Bill Vanwinkle
- 9:25-Seating of delegates-Rev. J. V. Mills and Rev. Thomas Parrish temporarily on Credential Committee. Rev. Mike Creech and Rev. Danny Williams and Inez Armstrong temporarily on Resolutions Committee.
- 9:30-Roll call of Ministers and Churches.
- 9:35--Recess (Committees meet) prayer by Rev. J. V. Mills
- 9:50-Song service--"Stand Up For Jesus"--Prayer by Rev. Leander McAdams.
- 10:00--State Mission report--Rev. Bill Vanwinkle.
- 10:20--Report of Committees--Credential-see report Resolution see report
- 10:45--Treasurer's Report--Sunday School Committee ask churches to enter campaign using 1st Sunday in July and 1st Sunday in August as contest comparison.
- 10:50--Miscellaneous business--none. Digest of reports. 12 visitors, 16 ministers, 7 deacons, 19 delegates-total of 54.
- 11:00-Morning worship-song service led by Rev. Danny Williams. "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus". Offering-prayer by Rev. J. V. Mills-Special in song by Fulton church group. Message-Rev. Al Hamm-Song of Soloman 8:5--Psalms 40:1-2.
- 12:00--Lunch

Adjourn--Prayer by Rev. Norlin Jones

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We the Credentials Committee recommend Brother Warner Collier into our Association. We have received a letter of recommendation from the Delta Centeral Association and he filled out the questionnaire satisfactorily. (passed)

Bill Vanwinkle Herbert Knight Thomas Parrish J. V. Mills

RESOLUTIONS

1. Be it resolved that we give Fulton F.W.B. Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality in hosting this association meeting.

Respectfully Submitted.
Mrs. Inez Armstrong
Rev. Danny Williams
Rev. Mike Creech

MINUTES

NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF F.W.B. SMITHVILLE FIRST F.W.B. CHURCH OCTOBER 12, 1985 -- SMITHVILLE, MS

- 9:15--Registration
- 9:30--Song service-led by Tommy Armstrong (no. 116, 141) prayer by Robert Hesselmeyer, special in song by Heather and Briana McMillan.
- 9:40--Devotional--Rev. Billy Trull Acts 2:22-28, Isaiah 26:3-4.
- 9:55--Appointment of Committee on committee (Rev. J. V. Mills, Dr. Milton Fields, Rev. Gerald Gann.)
- 9:57--Welcome by Rev. Mike Creech
- 10:00--Seating of delegates by moderator Rev. Robert Hesselmeyer
- 10:10--Report of MS. state missions by Rev. Bill Vanwinkle
- 10:15--Recess
- 10:50-Song service no. 160 "To God Be The Glory" Committee on committee report-(see report)
- 10:55--Offering-Prayer, Rev. J. V. Mills. Special in song by Mrs. Carla Creech.
- 11:00--Message--Dr. Milton Fields (on what we are) Proverbs 23:7, Philippians 2:2 and Romans.

 Treasurers report -- see report Ladies Auxiliary report (see report)
- 12:00--Adjourn for lunch--prayer by Rev. L. E. Winter
- 1:15--Song service--"The Comforter Has Come"
- 1:20--Devotional--Rev. Herbert Stalnaker (Rev. 2:10) (Are you faithful?)
- 1:35--Digest of reports--83 present
- 1:40--Sunday School report--(oral report given by Bro. H. G. Cooper)
- 1:45--Credentials report--(see report), Prayer by Bro. Tommy Wright. Resolutions report--(see report), Childrens Home (Eldredge, Al.) Rev. James E. Warren. Morganwood Youth Camp--(see report)
- 2:20-Miscellaneous Business-Motion to send MS. State Home Missions \$300.00 (passed) Motion made to give clerk \$100.00 honorum.
- 2:40--Report of Nomination Committee--(see report)
- 2:50--Election of officers

Adjourn-prayer by Phil Davis

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, the Credentials committee of the Northeast Association recommend the following:

- 1. Amory F.W.B. requests that Rev. Harvey Luke, from the Jasper Association in Alabama, be accepted into our association. He was given a questionnaire to be filled out before examination at our next meeting. He is presently teaching at Amory Christian Academy.
- 2. New Life F.W.B. Houlka, requests that their pastor Rev. Doug Fergusson, be accepted into our association, coming from Faith F.W.B. Columbia, TN. Comberland Association. He was given a questionnaire to be filled out before our next meeting at which time he will be examined.
- 3. McGregors Chapel, Pontotoc, requests that their Pastor, Rev. Norlin Jones be accepted into our association from Little Brown Association. We move that he be accepted into our association pending a letter of good standing from the Little Brown Association.
- 4. Antioch F.W.B. Pontotoc, requests that their Pastor, Rev. Jerry Hooper be accepted into our association from Jones Chapel, Little Brown Association. We move that he be accepted into our association pending a letter of good standing from the Little Brown Association.

5. Main Street F.W.B. Amory, requests that their Pastor, Rev. Dale Ford, be accepted into our association from Vernon Association, Al. He is to complete the questionnaire given to him before our next meeting at which time he'll be examined.

Respectfully Submitted, Rev. Phil Davis Bill Vanwinkle Rev. Herbert Knight Eddie L. Vincent L. E. Winter

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

- 1. Be it resolved, we, the Northeast MS. Association give the First Church of Smithville a standing vote of appreciation for the invitation, hospitality and fine food presented today.
- 2. Quarterly meetings will be held as follows:

January--Fawn Grove

April--Columbus First Church

July-Pearce Chapel

October--Pleasant Grove

3. Be it resolved that the Christian Education Committee continue on the Youth Rally for our association, because of the interest and value to our youth.

Respectfully Submitted, Rev. James Hudson Rev. Mike Creech Rev. Milton Fields

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Rev. J. V. Mills

Mr. John Clingan

Mr. H. G. Cooper

C.T.S. & SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Refer to tabled motion part 2 on page 11 Resolutions Committee report of Annual Session Oct., 1984.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Watson Marlin Mrs. H.G. Cooper Miss Eva House

I. Nomination Committee will appoint a slate of nominees with a one year person, two year person, and three year person for nominating committee in future.

Submitted By:
Committee on Committee
Rev. James Mills
Dr. Milton Fields
Rev. Gerald Gann

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PLEASANT GROVE - Mrs. Ella Ree Watkins

NEW LIFE - Mrs. Opal Hill

ANTIOCH - Mr. Oren Winters, Mrs. Daisy White, Laragewell White

EGGVILLE - Mr. E. L. Brooks

PEARCE CHAPEL - Mrs. Audrey Lann

NEW GAULEY - Mrs. Clara Keeton

SPRINGDALE - Mr. Norris Brummett, Mrs. Willie Mae Cobb, Mrs. Pearl Potts, Mr. Danny Hickey

FAWN GROVE - Mr. Audie Cockrell, Mrs. Shelby Comer

McGREGOR CHAPEL - Alma Davis

COLUMBUS FIRST - Mrs. Elizabeth McAdams, Mrs. Audie McGahey, Mrs. Frank Robertson,

Mrs. Alta Mae Dubois

TUPELO - Mrs. Vesta Corder, Mrs. Fannie Bell Sandlin, Mr. Woodrow Cole, Mr. Andrew Hamm,

Mr. H. E. Post, Mr. Charlie Summers

BUCK SPRING - Mr. John Thomas Alexander

FULTON - Mrs. Alma Davis

WHITE HILL - Hollis Lucias

Respectfully Submitted:
Mrs. Watson Marlin
Mrs. H.G. Cooper, Sr.
Eva House

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator	
	Mr. T. J. Armstrong
	Rev. Milton Fields (1987)
Nomination Committee	
	· Rev. T. J. Bernard (1987)
	Rev. Mike Creech (1988)
Christian Education	
	Bro. Robert Spruiell (1987)
	Bro. H. G. Cooper (1988)

Respectfully Submitted By:
J. V. Mills
H. G. Cooper, Sr.
John Clingan

TREASURER'S REPORT 1984-85

Balance on Hand, Oct. 13, 1984
DISBURSEMENTS
Miss. State Annual Fee
Tupelo F.W.B. Church Youth Rally
F.W.B. Foreign Missions-Crawson Acc
F.W.B. Bible College-General Fund
F.W.B. Bible College-Development
Miss. State Missions
T. J. Armstrong - Clerk Honorum
Postage and Enevelopes109.49
Copy Work - Minutes and Programs etc
Miss. State Board of Conference
C.T.S. Metals - Randall House
Randall House - Church Letters13.64
Rev. Mike Creech - C.T.S. Calls and Postage
Star Printing - C.T.S. Compt. supplies
C.T.S. Compt. Entry to Miss. State
Miss. State Assn. of F.W.B. National Church Fee
Miss. State Assn. of F.W.B Designated25.00
Rev. Eugene Waddell - Honorum50.00
Nat. Assn. of F.W.B Dr. Eagleton Acc
Star Printing, 1984 Minutes
Total Disbursements2329.95
Cash on Hand Oct. 12, 1985568.08

Minutes of the Sunday School Convention Held September 14, 1985

At The Springdale Free Will Baptist Church in Oxford, Miss.

The 1985 Northeast Mississippi Sunday School Association Convention convened at 9:30 A.M., Saturday, September 14, 1985 at Springdale Free Will Baptist Church in Oxford with seven churches represented and 41 delegates present.

Brother Jackie Barnard lead the opening song, "Blessed Be The Name of The Lord" which was followed by the opening prayer by Brother Cooper.

The following people were chosen to make up the Resolution Committee, Billy Trull, of Harmony Free Will Baptist Church, Terry Crabb, of Oxford Free Will Baptist Church, and David Higgins, of West Memphis Free Will Baptist Church.

The program was then turned over to Brother Harold Harrison, our speaker, who brought the message, "Sunday School, Past, Present and Future." He spoke of how the Sunday School attendance had risen and dropped in the last thirty years, and 'How not to let your Sunday School grow'.

After the first half of the message, we were dismissed for refreshments of donuts, coffee, and orange juice which was provided by the Springdale Church in the fellowship hall.

We reconvened after refreshments being led in a song by Brother Barnard and Brother Harrison brought the second half of his message, "Church Growth". He gave ways to help our Church grow by beginning with our Sunday School.

Brother Cooper passed out certificates for the Summer Sunday School Campaign. Victory Free Will Baptist Church won 1st place in their category, Harmony won 1st place in their category, Antioch won 1st place in their category and Oxford won 1st place in their category. Second place went to Pleasant Grove in their category. A plea was also made for total participation in these "mini" Sunday School Enlargement Campaigns. A list of "How to Build a Super Sunday School" was then passed out by the ushers. An offering of \$75.80 was then taken up.

The old business was then brought up, being that Pearce Chapel will host the Sunday School Convention next year. The new business was the motion being made and seconded to throw away an accumulation of old materials, to be taken care of by the secretary. The Resolution Committee then gave their report as being a hearty thank you to Springdale for their hospitality and refreshments and lunch, and also an honorarium to Brother Harrison of \$125.00. Both were passed by the body of the convention.

A new Sunday School Promotion was presented by Brother Cooper as being a promotion for Holiday Sundays during the 1985-86 year as against our average for the 1983-84 averages. Plaques will be presented to the winners in each category.

President - H. G. Cooper, Sr.

Vice President - Bill Burrow

Assist. Secretary-Treasurer - Belinda Burrow

Program Committee - Rev. James Hudson, Rev. Jackie Barnard, George Crowden

Respectfully submitted, Belinda Burrow Secretary

DEACONS

AMORY FIRST - James Taylor, Norris Robison.

AMORY MAIN STREET - Troy Dewitt, William Pucket.

ANTIOCH - W. G. Hodges, Zone Waugh, Clark Davis

BEECH SPRINGS - Elzie Harris, J. T. Alexander, Jim Stembridge, Harvey Shackleford.

BETHLEHEM - Paul Stubblefield, Clayton Harrison, Frank Stubblefield, Jimmy Foreman, Thomas Crawford.

DAMASCUS - S. F. Chisolm, J. H. Smith, N. T. Gibson.

EGGVILLE - Herman Keith, John M. Lamb, Jr., Rayvon Lofton, Karrie Weathers.

FAWN GROVE - John Brown, Roy Brown, Russell Burcham, Charles Comer, Marvin Franks.

FIRST COLUMBUS - Vertis Smith, Ron Blevins, Gene Lanier.

FIRST PHILADELPHIA - H. G. Cooper, Sr.

FIRST WEST MEMPHIS - Allen Adams, Sidney Phelps.

FULTON - Wayne Wood, Wendell Brown, Charles Grimes, Grover Parmer, Terry Harrell, Bobby Hargett.

McGREGORS CHAPEL - Winston Akers, John Long, Leistor Russell.

NEW GAULEY - John Cozart, James Goodson, Curtis Bryant, Clarice Goodson, David L. Doler, Carl Bryant.

NEW LIFE - J. B. Oliver, Theron Tallant, Herman Moultrie, Sonny Collins, Charles Garrett. OXFORD - Glen Clark, William Burrow, Simon Taylor, Charlie Burnes, Wright Davis, Leslie Spence.

PEARCE CHAPEL - Hurston Noe, C. R. Brasfield, Trannie Sullivan, Mel Horne, Jr., Mickey Dabbs, A. V. Armstrong, Rodger Pearce, T. L. Cowley.

PLEASANT GROVE - Chris Holcomb.

SMITHVILLE FIRST - T. J. Armstrong, John Clingan, Darrell Stafford.

SPRINGDALE - Kenneth Walker, Lester Dulin, inactive, Jody Walker, inactive.

TUPELO - Ralph Riley, H. A. Roberts, Oliver Haas, Wallace Reid, Ed Harrell, Jolly Winders, Rex Reese.

VICTORY - Jimmy Harrell.

WHITE HILL - Madero Nelmes, James Card, Clifford Fields.

HARMONY -

MORGANWOOD YOUTH CAMP

Financial Statement: October 1, 1984 through September 30, 1985
October 1, 1984 Balance
RECEIPTS:
Amory Christian Academy\$ 80.00
Amory Main Street FWB Church
Beech Springs FWB Church 161.12
Columbus First FWB Church
Fawn Grove FWB Church 698.97
Pearce Chapel FWB Church 207.32
Tupelo FWB Church
Camp Fees and Snack Shop
South Central Bell Refund
Refund Lights/Phone (caretaker home)
Insurance Payments
Refund for Food
TOTAL

DISBURSEMENTS:
Tombigbee Electric
South Central Bell
Auburn Water
I.F.M. Insurance
Dr. Ken Eagleton (Teen Offering)
Recreational Activities 729.05
Cash for Snack Shop
Printing and Crafts
Gas - Bus
Plumbing and Electrical
North Miss. Med. Center (injuries)
Playground Equipment
Institutional Foods
Barbers Milk 71.91
Bordons, Inc
Bill Timbes 240.01
Palmer's Big Star
Bread and Donuts 116.14
TOTAL6,504.14
Balance September 30, 1985
GOLDEN SAVINGS ACCOUNT
October 1, 1984 Balance
North Miss. Association
Interest
TOTAL 265.89
Balance September 30, 1985

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

TO

NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST **JULY 9, 1983**

Proposed to By-laws: Duties of Standing Committees

- 1. He must present a letter of request from his local church and a letter of good standing from his previous association at any session of the Northeast Association.
- 2. He shall be required to fill out the questionaire provided to him by the Credentials Committee.
- 3. He must then be examined by the Credentials Committee on or before the next session of the Association following the session the request for membership was received.
- 4. He will then be recommended to the Association by the Credentials Committee to be received.
- 5. In the event his letter of good standing is pending from his previous association, he will not be allowed to hold office or to have voting privileges in this Association unless he is sent as a delegate from his local church.
- 6. Upon receipt of the letter of good standing, he shall then have full privileges of membership in the Association.
- * * However, if steps 1 through 3 have been successfully completed, the new minister may be accepted into the fellowship of the Northeast Mississippi Association in the session which said requirements are fulfilled. He then shall have all rights and privileges of membership in the Northeast Association.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS AND MORGANWOOD YOUTH CAMP Revised and adopted October 8, 1977

ARTICLE I Name

This organization shall be known as the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II Purpose

The purpose of this association shall be to bring together our churches throughout North Central Mississippi for a closer union among our people and to harmonize the efforts of individual churches as we seek to fulfill the Great Commission.

ARTICLE III Treatise of Faith and Practice

The body adopts the Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptists and and the accompanying Articles of Faith. However, this association grants no judicial authority to the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE IV Membership

Section 1

This Association shall be composed of churches in the general area of North Mississippi.

- (1) The church must be recommended for membership by a member church of the Northeast Association.
- (2) The church shall be examined on matters of faith and practice by the Executive Committee of this Association and, if found to be sound, recommended to the Association for membership.
- (3) The church shall be received under the watch care of this Association for the period of one (1) year; after which upon maintenance of sound doctrine and practice, it shall be received by vote into full fellowship of the Association and voting privileges.

Section 2 - Representation

Each church shall be allowed five (5) delegated representatives and they must be duly appointed by their church while in conference and bear credentials from the same to this body.

The deacons and ministers of each church in good standing with this association shall be standing delegates along with the officers of this association.

Section 3

This association shall not usurp any judicial authority over any of its member churches.

ARTICLE V Officers

The officers of this association shall consists of Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, and Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, the same being elected at the close of each annual session by a majority vote of the delegates present and shall hold office until their successors are elected and installed. Officers of this association shall be members of local churches in good standing with this association.

ARTICLE VI Boards and Committees

Section 1

The Executive Committee is a standing committee composed of five (5) members. One member is the Moderator of the Association who serves as chairman. The other four (4) members are elected by this Association and serve terms up to four (4) years each, with a member going off each year.

Section 2

Morganwood Camp Board is a standing board composed of five (5) members to be elected by the Northeast Association in annual session for the terms of one (1) to five (5) years. This board shall operate under the camp Constitution and By-Laws approved by the Association.

Section 3

The ordination of men into the gospel-ministry is basically the function of the local church. However, this association shall elect a standing credentials committee composed of five (5) ministers serving up to five (5) years each with one (1) member going off each year.

Section 4

The Resolutions Committee is a standing committee comprised of three (3) members serving a three (3) year term with a member going off each year.

Section 5

All boards and committees, appointed or elected, that fails to perform their duties or make reports as directed by this Association, shall automatically be terminated and another board or committee shall be appointed or elected. The Chairman of the terminated committee shall not be re-elected to this committee for at least one (1) year; the other members may succeed themselves.

Section 6

This Association shall elect such boards and committees as are necessary to effectively fulfill its purpose.

ARTICLE VII Meetings

The Association shall meet on the Saturday before the second (2nd) Sunday in January, April, July and October. The October meeting will constitute the annual session. The Executive Committee shall have the right to alter meetings in case of conflict.

ARTICLE VIII Relationship to Other Bodies

This Association shall be a member of the Mississippi State Association of Free Will Baptists and shall be entitled to representation in that body.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the delegates present at any session: Notice of such intended alterations having been given in writing before recess session to be voted on after recess session.

BY-LAWS

1. The Executive Committee shall act on behalf of the Association when the Association is not in session and shall report its actions to the Association. The Executive Committee shall serve as the Examining Committee of churches desiring membership as set forth in Article IV, Section 1, Paragraph 2 of the Constitution.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1

The duties of the Moderator shall include presiding at the meeting of the Association, serving as Chairman of the Executive Committee and appointing other committees not covered by the Constitution.

Section 2

The duties of Assistant Moderator shall include presiding at the request of the Moderator or in his absence and assisting the Moderator in such ways as may be covered by the Constitution.

Section 3*

The duties of the Clerk-Treasurer shall be to record and publish the minutes of the Association and handle and dispurse monies belonging to the Association. He shall issue a financial statement at each meeting.

*The Treasurer shall receive an honorium at the annual meeting, the amount to be determined by the Association.

Section 4

The duties of the Assistant Clerk-Treasurer shall be to assist the Clerk-Treasurer at his request.

Section 5

The officers of Section One (1) through Four (4) shall serve as the Program Planning Committee for the Association.

Duties of Standing Committees

Section 1

The Resolutions Committee shall present to the Association any resolutions they deem necessary for the Association to vote on. These resolutions shall be submitted in writing.

Section 2*

The Credentials Committee shall serve as an Examining Committee for licensing and ordaining of ministers and deacons upon the request of the local church. Also, examine all ministers who wish to become a member of this association. The Credentials Committee shall expedite all correspondence regarding credentials. When requested, this committee may serve as an ordaining committee.

*See Appendage.

RULES OF DECORUM

- (A) It is recommended that any member leaving the body secure permission from the Moderator, except by adjournment.
- (B) All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion but debate may be shut off any time by majority of the members of the Association.
- (C) 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.
- (D) Motions made and lost shall be recorded on the minutes unless so ordered at the time.
- (E) No one shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject and for no more than ten minutes at a time without special leave from the body.
 - (F) All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.
- (G) Matters not covered in the above statement shall be decided according to Robert's Rules of Order or another written parliamentary authority.
- (H) These By-Laws may be altered or amended by two-thirds majority vote of delegates present at any session; notice of such intended alterations having been given in writing at the morning session to be voted on in the afternoon session.
- *Appendage-A person desiring ordination into the Gospel ministry and to become a member of this association must present a letter of request for a license from the church of which he is a member. Following an oral examination, a candidate must serve one (1) year as a licentiate. After one (1) year the candidate may apply for ordination when requested by the candidate's home church. He must take and pass a written examination provided by the Credentials Committee. The candidate may be ordained in his home church or at an Associational meeting using the Credentials Committee as the Ordination Council for the service if he so desires.

A person desiring membership in this Association must present a letter of request from his local church and a letter of good standing from his previous Association. Upon reception of the letter of good standing, the minister shall have full privileges of the Association.

The following outline for licensing and ordaining ministers shall be followedd:

SUGGESTIONS FOR ORDAINATION PROCEDURES

- I. When a candidate comes to be licensed, a file should be set up for the candidate by the Ordination Council. This should include:
 - A. Candidate's name
 - B. Address
- C. Names of people who will give testimonies concerning the candidate's character.
 - D. A credit reference which will show the candidate's business relationships.
 - E. A synopsis to show his ministerial activities; where he is preaching, etc.
 - F. Candidate's martial status
 - G. What he is doing toward his education
 - H. An oral examination be given to his Biblical knowledge which should cover:
 - 1. General facts
 - 2. Ability to explain the basic Biblical concepts.
 - I. A statement concerning the doctrinal position which should include:
 - 1. The candidate holds a sound, clean-cut postition in agreement with the basic fundamentals of Christianity.
 - 2. The candidate holds a sound, clear-cut position in agreement with the distinctive doctrines of the Free Will Baptist Denomination.
- J. That a candidate be set aside for a period of one (1) year before ordaination. II. Candidate who comes for ordaination after one (1) year should be given a written examination of which a copy is included.

SUGGESTED WRITTEN EXAMINATION

This examination should be written in ink or typed on 8½ x 11 paper. Please be neat and sign each page. Feel free to use your Bible, other books, or whatever you may need to help you express yourself in answering these questions. Each member of the Ordaining Council will read your examination and if they have any further questions, they will ask them of you when you appear before the Ordaining Council.

GENERAL

Briefly tell of your conversion and give reasons for your assurance of salvation.

How long have you been a Free Will Baptist?

Why do you want to be ordained?

Give a short account of your call to preach.

Do you meet the qualifications of I Timothy 3:1-7?

Do you have a family?

Number of children.

Have you or your wife ever been divorced?

What is the extent of your education? Elementary Grades

High School

College

Other

What is your attitude toward intoxicating beverages, tobbacco, drugs, or wordly amusements?

DOCTRINAL

Do you believe without reservation that the Bible is the verbally inspired infallible Word of God and that is the only rule of faith and practice?

What do you believe about evolution and the Gensis account of Creation?

What is the gospel?

What is salvation?

How would you proceed to explain the way of salvation to a lost soul?

Explain your own views on baptism.

What is the meaning of the Lord's Supper?

Should feet washing be observed? Explain

What do you believe about apostagy and the perseverance of the believer?

Give your interpretation of the following doctrines:

God

Deity of Christ

The Virgin Birth of Christ

The Work of the Holy Spirit

Repentance

Falth

Justification

Regeneration

Atonement

Sanctification

Final Judgement

Heaven

Hell

Satan

Second Coming

Resurrection

What is the church?

Who is eligible for membership?

How should the church discipline a member?

How should the work of the church be financed?

What are the duties of a minister?

DENOMINATION

Who is a Free Will Baptist?

What is meant by the term "free moral agent?"

Have your read the Treatise completely and do you subscribe to the doctrines and practices that are outlined in it?

Is there anything in the treatise that you do not believe or would not teach?

If you ever change your views on any of these doctrine, what would you do?

What are the grounds for relinquishing your ordaination credentials?

What is the relationship for the local church to the denomination?

Do you solemnly pledge to earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints and to faithfully uphold the Free Will Baptist doctrines outlined in the Treastise?

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION FOR MORGANWOOD YOUTH CAMP ARTICLE I

Name

The camp shall be known as Morganwood Youth Camp of the Northeast Mississippi Fre e Will Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II Purpose

Morganwood Youth Camp was conceived and constructed by Christian men and women for the purpose of challenging young people through Bible teaching and Christian recreation in a camp atmosphere.

ARTICLE III Board Member

Section 1 - Members

This board is a standing board comprised of five (5) members elected by the Northeast Association in annual session for the term of one (1) to five (5) years. This board shall be under the supervision of the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist. This board shall meet bi-monthly.

Section 2-Duties

The board shall be responsible for the:

- 1. Election of the Camp Director and Assistant Camp Director at their November meeting.
- 2. Securing and supervision of Custodian and his duties.
- 3. Election of a Secretary-Treasurer, Chairman and Vice-Chairman.
- 4. Pre-camp preparation of camp facilities.
- 5. Maintenance and camp improvements.
- 6. All members shall be required to sign all deeds, notes, contracts, etc.
- 7. Rental of camp facilities.

Secton 3 - Secretary-Treasurer

- 1. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected by the camp board.
- 2. It shall be his responsibility to pay all bills, when presented and signed by authorized camp personnel, also all bills for lights, notes, as approved by the board. All bills account to be paid by check.
- 3. He shall present an annual financial statement to the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist.
- 4. He shall be present on camp opening day to receive registration funds for deposit. Section 4-Camp Director
- 1. Be responsible for setting up camp and calendar
- 2. Be responsible for camp program and personnel
- 3. Be responsible for all disciplinary action during the camping session.
- 4. He will authorize the printing and mailing of applications forms and advertising materials at the discretion of the board.
- 5. Attend all board meetings.

	CHURCHS	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP	MEMBERS RECEIVED	MEMBERS DISMISSED	SUNDAY SCHOOL ROLL	CTS ROLL	WOMEN'S AUXILIARY ROLL	MASTERS MENS ROLL
	ANTIOCH	87	15_	3	70		14	12
* . * . *	BEECH SPRINGS	99	10	4	54	45		
	BETHLEHEM				60	45		
•	DAMASCUS	50			21	·		
· ·	EGGVILLE		40		105	75	12	13
	AMORY FIRST	<u> </u>			103	- - - -	18	
	COLUMBUS FIRST	123	17	9	115	55	17	
	PHILADELPHIA FIRST	4			5	5	3	
	WEST MEMPHIS FIRST			* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *				
	FULTON	111	1	1	75	41	17	
	MAIN STREET	81	16	10	40			
	MCGREGORS CHAPEL					*		
	NEW GAULEY	117	1	3	75			
	NEW LIFE	42	3	3	28	,		
	OXFORD						•	
	PEARCE CHAPEL	213	0	7	178	79	14	
	PLEASANT GROVE	61	4	2	60	35	,	
	SMITHVILE FIRST	95	11		85	71	18	7
	SPRINGDALE	> 65	7_	4	65		10	
	TUPELO							
	VICTORY	210	23	14	275			
	FAWN GROVE	135	. 12		90	10		
	HARMONY							
	WHITE HILL				30	15	10	

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