

1976
MINUTES
of the
OGEECHEE
FREE WILL
BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

MEETINGS FOR 1977

Metter Church, Metter, Ga. February 26, 1977
Friendship Church, Twin City, Ga. May 28, 1977
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DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION
FOR 1976

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Bill Barksdale, Rt. 1, Midville, Ga.
Rev. G. S. Holton, Rt. 2, Lyons, Ga.
•Rev. Charles E. Beasley, Rt. 3, Box 285, Metter, Ga.

ORDAINED MINISTERS
of the
OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION

Bill Barksdale, Route 1, Midville, Ga.
Charles E. Beasley, Route 3, Box 285, Metter, Ga.
G. S. Holton, Route 2, Lyons, Ga.
John Cannon, 1841 Broad St., Augusta, Ga.
Jimmy Smith, Route 2, Box 181, Cochran, Ga.
W. H. Daughtry, Route 4, Glennville, Ga.
John L. Grizzard, Mitchell, Ga.

MEETING AT:

Friendship Church, Twin City, Ga. February 28, 1976
Lower Corinth Church, Oak Park, Ga. May 22, 1976
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Deep Creek Church, Midville, Ga. October 9, 1976
Metter Church, Metter, Ga. (S. S. Convention) . . . April 17, 1976

QUARTERLY UNION MEETING OF THE
OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION
February 21, 1976

The Ogeechee Association met at Friendship Free Will Baptist Church on February 21, 1976. It was opened with a song and prayer by Bro. G. S. Holton. Bro. Beasley gave the welcome address. The morning devotional was brought by Johnny Beasley.

The ministers were seated at this time. Bro. Daughtry, Bro. Holton, Bro. Smith, Bro. Barksdale and Bro. Beasley. The deacons of each church were seated at this time.

The letters were called for and read. The delegates were recognized and a motion was made and seconded to seat them at this time.

The minutes were read and approved. Committees were appointed at this time:

RESOLUTION: Bro. Daughtry, Bro. Burke, Dan Roye and Bro. Smith.

FINANCE: Johnny Beasley, Bro. Holton, Bro. Cannon.

OBITUARY: Sis. Barksdale.

CARD OF THANKS: Catherine Bennett.

There was no old business at this time.

New Business: Bro. Cannon made a motion that each church fix the program when they host the union meeting. It was seconded and approved. Bro. Barksdale is to have some letters printed for the union meeting.

Bro. Barksdale expressed his appreciation to the churches for their support in getting things to the children's home.

An offering was taken at this time. \$31.51.

The morning message was then brought by Bro. John Cannon. We were then dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The session was opened with a song and prayer. W. J. Wimberly brought the afternoon devotion.

All the committees reported at this time. Bro. Jimmy Smith made a motion that each church send \$5.00 a month to clerk for advancement of mission work of the association. It was moved and seconded.

The church gave a host of thanks to the host church. It was moved and seconded to adjourn. The next meeting to be at Lower Corinth on May 22, 1976. We were then dismissed with prayer.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

1. We, your Resolution Committee, recommend that our *Free Will Doctrine* be printed in minutes. Also our *Church Covenant*.
2. Qualifications for ministers be put in minutes.
3. For the Mission board to check into the City of Avery.

W. H. Daughtry
Jimmy Smith
Dan H. Roye

OBITUARY COMMITTEE:

- * Sis. Annie Mae Samples
Bro. Roosevelt Bennett

By Sis. Barksdale

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Letters	\$ 50.00	Minutes	\$ 79.50
Offering	31.51	State Ass.	10.00
	<u>\$ 81.51</u>	Officers	20.00
Bal. bro't. for'd.	113.34	Speaker	10.00
	<u>144.50</u>	Mission	25.00
Balance	<u>\$ 50.35</u>		<u>\$144.50</u>

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING
of the

OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION

held at

LOWER CORINTH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OAK PARK, GEORGIA

May 22, 1976

The Ogeechee Association met on May 22, 1976 at Lower Corinth Free Will Baptist Church at Oak Park, Ga. The theme was "The Redeeming of the Time"; Colossians 4:5.

The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Bro. Bill Barksdale. Bro. Holton brought prayer. Bro. Jimmy Smith gave the welcome address.

A roll call of ministers was made. They were: Bro. G. S. Holton, Bro. Bill Barksdale, Bro. Charles E. Beasley, Bro. W. H. Daughtry, Bro. Jimmy Smith, Bro. J. E. Woods, Bro. John Grizzard, Bro. John Cannon. Also recognized were the licensed ministers: Harmon Burke, Jr., Joe Wilson, Leroy Gregory, Lemar Hopkins.

The morning devotion was brought by Bro. John Grizzard.

The letters were received and read at this time. All the delegates were recognized. It was moved and seconded to seat all delegates and ministers.

The minutes were read and passed on.

Committees were then picked:

RESOLUTION: Charles Collins, Herbert Collins, Sheila Youngblood, Leroy Gregory, Mildred Mercer.

FINANCE: Johnny Beasley, Clyde Collins, Gene Henry, Myra Roye.

OBITUARY: Drew Hopkins and Brenda Williams.

CARD OF THANKS: Mike Henry.

Old Business: Bro. Barksdale and Bro. Smith went to Wrens and checked on buildings that could be used as a church.

All the Sunday School Superintendents were to get together and discuss what to have at the Sunday School Conventions.

Bro. Johnny Beasley resigned as Treasurer of the Association. Bro. Gene Henry was nominated. He was approved.

Bro. J. E. Woods brought the morning message. We were then dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The session was opened with song and prayer by Bro. Grizzard. Bro. Holton brought the evening devotion.

New Business: Bro. Barksdale made a move that the Association give \$145.00 of the mission fund to Bro. Grizzard to further the work at Wrens. It was passed on and approved.

Each church was to meet at Wrens on May 29 to clean up the grounds and the building. They would then hold a revival.

The committees reported:

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: They recommended to change the morning message time to 11:00 until 11:30 so the ladies that prepared the lunch could hear the message. It was approved.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Recommended that Bro. John Grizzard be accepted by the Ogeechee Association. It was moved and passed on by a majority.

OBITUARY REPORT: Bro. Willard Collins from Metter.

The Sunday School Superintendents met and agreed for each one to bring it before their Sunday School body and let the body make suggestions as to what they wanted at each convention.

A motion was made to adjourn. The next meeting to be held at Augusta.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Now in Treas.	\$ 50.35	Clerk	\$ 10.00
Letters	50.00	Moderator	10.00
Offering	31.75	Speaker	10.00
	<u>\$132.10</u>		<u>\$ 30.00</u>
	30.00		
Home Missions	25.00		
Now in Treas.	\$ 77.10		

DELEGATES

Augusta: Harry Cozart, Basil Turner, Myra Roye, Birdie Youngblood, Sheila Youngblood and Christine Miller.

Corinth: Bro. Clyde Collins, Bro. Roy Horton, Sis. Lucille Willie, Bro. Herbert Collins.

Deep Creek: Bro. Drew Hopkins, Bro. Leroy Gregory, Bro. Lynn Hopkins, Sis. Lillian Gregory, Bro. Mike Henry and Bro. Gene Henry.

Friendship: Sis. Mildred Mercer.

Metter: Bro. Charles Collins, Sis. Charles Collins, Mrs. James Beasley and Brenda Williams.

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING
of the
OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION
held at
AUGUSTA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA
August 28, 1976

The Ogeechee Association of Free Will Baptist met at Augusta, Ga., on August 28, 1976. The theme was "The Christian Peace," John 14:27. The pastor, Bro. Cannon, welcomed everyone.

The meeting was then called to order by the moderator, Bro. Barksdale. We then sung a song and had prayer. The morning devotional was then brought by Bro. Barksdale.

A roll call of all ministers was made: Bro. Bill Barksdale, Bro. John Cannon, Bro. Charles Beasley, Bro. G. S. Holton, Bro. Jimmy Smith and Len Hopkins.

All the Deacons were recognized and seated. The letters were read at this time and all the delegates were seated.

The minutes were read at this time. They were received and seconded as read.

The moderator appointed committees at this time:

RESOLUTION: Herbert Collins, Sheila Youngblood, Nancy Crosby and Drew Hopkins.

FINANCE: Gene Henry, Joe Williams, Mike Roye and W. J. Wimberly.

OBITUARY: W. D. Kirkland and Debbie Miller.

CARD OF THANKS: Harmon Burke, Jr.

The morning message was then brought by Bro. Charles Beasley.

Old Business: Bro. Bill Barksdale gave a report of the mission in Wrens, Ga. A revival was held using the preachers of the Ogeechee Association. There was no response from the people and the doors were closed the last of July in 1976.

Bro. Barksdale gave the news that he had resigned from Deep Creek Church and was moving to Poulan Free Will Baptist Church. We were very sorry to hear about it.

An offering of \$21.20 was then taken up.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The meeting was opened up with a song and prayer. Bro. G. S. Holton brought the devotional.

The committees reported at this time:

RESOLUTION: They recommended that the host church appoint delegates to each committee.

This was discussed and Bro. Cannon made a motion to reject the report and to continue as have been. It was seconded and passed by majority.

OBITUARY: Metter—Myrtice Rigdon and Carlie Collins; Augusta—George Sayers; Corinth—Charley Robinson.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Bro. Bill Barksdale resigned from the council. Bro. John Cannon was elected to fill the place.

Bro. Bill asked for a letter of recommendation from the association. It was passed to give him one.

There was no further business so we were dismissed with prayer. The next meeting to be at Deep Creek Church.

FINANCE:

Bal. bro't. for'd.	\$ 63.62	Moderator	\$ 10.00
Church letters	50.00	Clerk	10.00
Offering	21.20	Speaker	10.00
	<u>\$134.82</u>	Phone Bill	3.48
	58.48	Missions	25.00
Now in Treas.	\$ 76.34		<u>\$ 58.48</u>

DELEGATES

Augusta: Sheila Youngblood, Myrtice Davis, Mike Roye, Myra Roye and Debbie Miller.

Corinth: W. B. Kirkland, Joe Williamson and Herbert Collins.

Deep Creek: Gene Henry, Martha Henry, Drew Hopkins, Mike Henry, Keith Wilson, Remer Brown, Lillian Gregory and Mrs. Barksdale.

Friendship: Frances Beasley and Donna Beasley.

Metter: Dorie Ann Crosby, James Crosby, Joyce Miles, Teresa Johnson, Debbie Crosby and Nancy Crosby.

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING
of the
OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION
held at
DEEP CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
MIDVILLE, GEORGIA
October 9, 1976

The Ogeechee Association of Free Will Baptist convened with the Deep Creek Free Will Baptist Church near Midville, Ga., on October 9, 1976. It was called to order by the moderator, Bro. John Cannon. Bro. Grizzard gave the prayer. The morning devotion was brought by Bro. Edward K. Johnson.

The ministers were recognized at this time. They were Bro. John Grizzard, Bro. Johnny Beasley, Bro. John Cannon, Bro. Jimmy Smith, Bro. G. S. Holton and Bro. Charles E. Beasley.

The letters were received and read at this time. All the delegates were recognized and seated. All the deacons were recognized as standing delegates.

The minutes were read at this time. They were approved by the body.

The morning message was brought by Bro. Johnny Beasley.

An offering of \$23.80 was taken.

There was no old business.

New Business: Election of officers for the coming year was made. They are as follows: Moderator—Bro. John Cannon; Asst. Moderator—Bro. G. S. Holton; Clerk—Bro. Charles E. Beasley; Asst. Clerk—Frances Beasley; Treasurer—Bro. Gene Henry; Asst. Treasurer—Mrs. Gene Henry.

State Board of Trustees—Bro. John Cannon.

Ordaining Council—Bro. John Cannon.

The committees were appointed at this time:

RESOLUTION: Myra Roye, Zera Holton, Mildred Mercer, Marion March and R. G. Oglesby.

FINANCE: Gene Henry, Dan Roye, W. D. Kirkland, W. J. Wimberly, Sister Conner.

OBITUARY: Frances Beasley and Sheila Youngblood.

CARD OF THANKS: Bro. Holton and Louise Kirkland.

It was announced that the Harvest Day Drive for the orphanage will be held October 18-23. Bro. Cannon will be carrying the products to the loading point.

We were then dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

It was opened with a song and prayer. Bro. Jimmy Smith brought the evening devotion.

The committees reported at this time:

OBITUARY: None

RESOLUTION:

1. That all Christians work harder for Christ.
2. Everybody try to get more people to come to the Association.
3. Vote of appreciation for Deep Creek Church.

Bro. Grizzard gave the report of the Wrens mission and why the doors were now closed. He also gave a report of another work he would like to start in Mitchell, Ga. He asked if he could use the money from the mission to start this other work. Deep Creek Church agreed to give their money for this other work. Bro. Jimmy Smith made a move for the association to send their money to help Bro. Kelly at Perry, Ga. Sister Kelly is in the hospital and they really needed help. The association agreed to send the money to Sister Kelly instead of giving it to Bro. Grizzard.

Delegates to the State Association are Frances Beasley and Dan Roye.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting going to Metter, Ga. on February 26, 1977.

FINANCE:

Balance forward	\$ 75.44	Moderator	\$ 10.00
Letters	50.00	Speaker	10.00
Offering	23.80	Clerk	10.00
	<u>\$149.24</u>	Mission	25.00
	55.00		<u>\$ 55.00</u>
Now in Treas.	<u>\$ 94.24</u>		

ORDAINING COUNCIL: The Ordaining Council met with Bro. Johnny Beasley and after deliberating, he will be ordained on October 29, 1976 at Metter Free Will Baptist Church.

Rev. Charles E. Beasley
Rev. G. S. Holton
Rev. John Cannon

DELEGATES

Augusta: Sheila Youngblood, Basil Turner, Dan Roye, Christine Miller and Myra Roye.

Deep Creek: Gene Henry, Mike Henry, Kathryn Bennett, Inez Glisson, Virgie Oglesby, Edward Johnson and Mary Johnson.

Friendship: Mildred Mercer and Frances Beasley.

Corinth: W. B. Kirkland, Louise Kirkland and Sister Holton.

Metter: Walter Martin, Tony Crosby, Nancy Crosby, Naomi Smith, Miram March and Sister Conner.