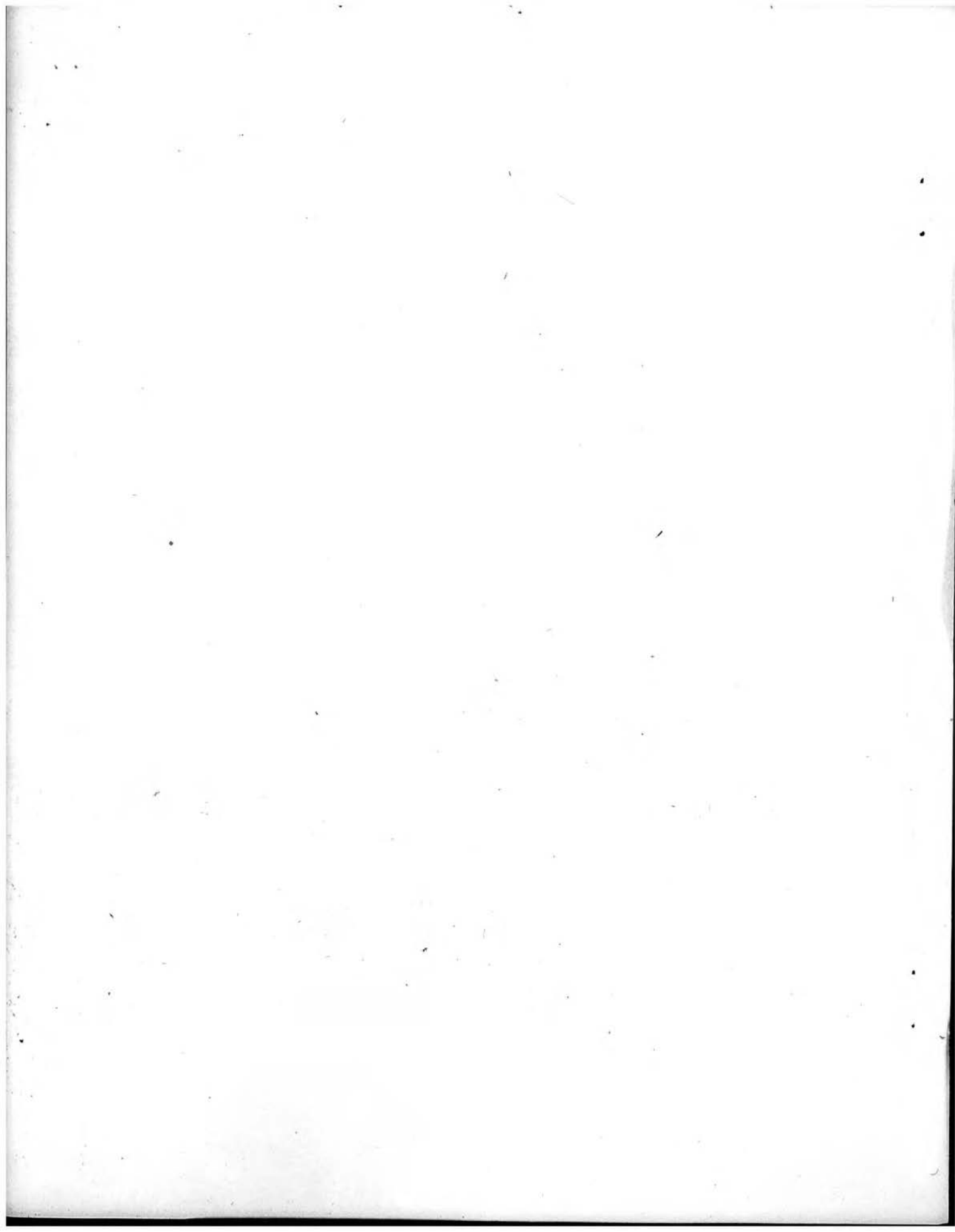


1985
MINUTES
OF THE
OGEECHEE
FREE WILL
BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

LYONS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, LYONS GA.....JAN. 19, 1985
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MEETINGS FOR 1986

CORINTH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, OAK PARK, GA.....JAN. 18, 1986
DEEP CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, MIDVILLE, GA.....APRIL. 19, 1986
FRIENDSHIP FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, TWIN CITY, GA.....JULY. 19, 1986
LYONS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, LYONS GA.....OCT. 18, 1986



THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION WHICH CONVENED AT LYONS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH IN
LYONS GA. JANUARY 19, 1985

CALLED TO ORDER BY MODERATOR: BRO. LEROY LOWERY

PRAYER: BRO. IRVIN MURPHER

SONG:

WELCOME: BRO. CECIL JOINER

DEVOTIONAL: BRO. STEVE WILLIAMS

MINISTERS:

REV. LEROY LOWERY

REV. LEN BLANCHARD

REV. CHARLES CORLEY

REV. HERBERT WEIDE

REV. CHARLES E. BEASLEY

REV. G. S. HOLTON

REV. JOHNNY BEASLEY

REV. IRVIN MURPHEY

REV. JIMMY SMITH

REV. MICHAEL BARTON

DEACONS:

FRIENDSHIP: W. J. WIMBERLY

METTER: WALACE COURSEY

LOWER CORINTH: NONE

AUGUSTA: NONE

MARIETTA: LEON FINDLEY GEORGE WING

LYONS: BROOKS COURSEY CECIL JOINER STEVE WILLIAMS

DEEP CREEK: RICKY HODGES

OGEECHEE: EMORY LANE

DELEGATES:

AUGUSTA: AUTHUR DAVIA MRS. BIRDIE YOUNGBLOOD

DEEP CREEK: RICKY HODGES FRED A HODGES VIRGIE OGLESBY PEGGY LOWERY

FRIENDSHIP: DERWIN JOHNSON NINETTE JOHNSON MILDRED WIMBERLY

LOWER CORINTH: IRIS HORTON, RAY HORTON, MYRTLE GAY, JOAN SMITH, ZERA HOLTON

LYONS: PATSY JOINER, DIANNE COURSEY, SARAH WILLIAMS, LINDA BLANCHARD CHERYL WILSON
KIM WATERS

MARIETTA: LETTICE McCLAIN, FRANCES FINDLEY, ORA WINGE

METTER, NONE

FINANCE COMMITTEE: LEON FINDLEY, CECIL JOINER, BOBBY CROSBY

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: JIMMY SMITH, JOHNNY BEASLEY, STEVE WILLIAMS

CARD OF THANKS: VIRGIE OGLESBY

OBITUARY: DIANNE COURSEY

BRO. RICKY HODGES BROUGHT A BRIEF TALK ON OUR STATE YOUTH CAMP AND THAT THE MINISTERS
RETREAT WOULD BE AT NORMAN PARK FEBRUARY 1-2, 1985.

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD IS IN THE PROCESS OF STARTING A HISTORICAL SOCIETY

GA. BIBLE INSTITUTE LOCATED IN ALBANY HAS GOT A CORRESPONDENCE COURSE FOR PEOPLE
TO STUDY IF PEOPLE SO DESIRE.

MORNING MESSAGE: HERBERT WEIDE

MAY 17-18, 1985 WOMENS AUXILIARY RETREAT

SPECIAL ONE DAY A YEAR OFFERING FOR MISSIONS TO BUILD AND BUY LAND, ALSO FOR OUR
TWO GA. MISSION FAMILIES IN FOREIGN FIELDS. 2nd. SUNDAY IN OCTOBER. ONE SUNDAY OFFERING.

LUNCH:

HYMN

PRAYER: BRO. CHARLES CORLEY

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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| FINANCE: | \$772.21 | \$400.00 Special Acc. |
| | 59.05 OFFERING | |
| | 140.00 LETTERS | |
| | <u>\$816.26</u> | |

M/S/C

OBITUARY: MRS. DOLLY WRYE FRIENDSHIP

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RECOGNIZE OFFICERS OF EACH CHURCH IN ATTENDANCE AT OUR ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS.
2. ENCOURAGE OUR CHURCHES TO WORK WITH ALL RACES OF PEOPLE.
3. STRIVE TO SEE MORE CONVERSIONS IN OUR CHURCHES.

M/S/C

CAMP BOARD:

CAMP SESSION JUNE 16-21, 1985 LITTLE RIVER WILL PARTICIPATE WITH US

M/S/C

LADIES AUXILIARY GAVE A BRIEF TALK ON THEIR WORK:

ORDAINING COUNCIL:

RECOMMENDED THAT REV. MICHAEL BARTON BE ORDAINED BY THIS ASSOCIATION.
BRO. BARTON GAVE A SHORT TALK CONCERNING HIS WORK.

M/S/C

STATE MISSIONS.

ALL WORKS DOING GOOD. BURNS WORK PROGRESSING. OGEECHEE MISSION BOARD LOOKING
AUGUSTA WORK. CHURCHES ENCOURAGED TO SUPPORT CO-OP PROGRAM

M/S/C

OGEECHEE MISSIONS:

MISSIONS CONFERENCE: FEBRUARY 17-24, 1985

MISSIONARIES ARE:

AUGUSTA WORK WILL BE INCLUDED IN OUR CONFERENCE

ASKED TO NOT DESIGNATE FUNDS DURING CONFERENCE

FUNDS IN BY FEBRUARY 28, 1985

GOAL \$7000.00 FOR CONFERENCE

M/S/C

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

CARD OF THANKS

M/ S/ C/

FEBRUARY 9, 1985 YOUTH RALLEY AT LOWER CORINTH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH: 7 P. M.

ADJOURN: 2:00 P. M.

M/S/C

THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION WHICH CONVEINED AT MARIETTA FREE WILL
BAPTIST CHURCH NEAR LYONS, GA. ON APRIL 20, 1985.

CALLED TO-ORDER BY MODERATOR REV. LEROY LOWERY
SONG
PRAYER BRO. JIMMY COURSEY

WELCOME BRO. IRVIN MURPHEY

MINISTERS:

REV. G. S. HOLTON
REV. LEN BLANCHARD
REV. JOHNNY BEASLEY
REV. JIMMY COURSEY
REV. CHARLES E. BEASLEY

REV. JIMMY SMITH
REV. CHARLES CORLEY
REV. IRVIN MURPHEY
REV. LEROY LOWERY
REV. KEN MURPHEY

DEACONS:

STEVE WILLIAMS
LEON FINDLEY
BROOKS COURSEY
WILLIAM JORDAN
GEORGE WING

CLIFF WATTS
W. J. WIMBERLY
WILLIAM McCLAIN
EDDIE HODGES

DELEGATES:

AUGUSTA: ALICE WATTS BARBARA NALLEY ARTHUR DAVIS

DEEP CREEK: PRGGY LOWERY VIRGIE OGLESBY FRED A HODGES

FRIENDSHIP: MILDRED WIMBERLY DERWIN JOHNSON MRS. BROWN

LOWER CORINTH: MYRTLE GAY EDNA COLLINS JOAN SMITH HERBERT COLLINS

MARIETTA: DORTHY MURPHEY LETTICE McCLAIN GRACE McCLAIN FRANCES FINDLEY

LYONS: PATSY JOYNER LINDA BLANCHARD SARAH WILLIAMS DIANNE COURSEY

METTER: MIRIAM MARSH CHARLIE COLLINS JOAN MYERS ETHEL WILLIAMS

READING OF LAST MINUTES M/S/P

CAMP SESSIN JUNE 16-21, 1985

BRO. LEN BLANCHARD, CAMP DIRECTOR FOR THIS SESSION BROUGHT A SHOT TALK
ON RULE AND REGULATIONS AT CAMP FOR THE COMING SESSION. HE STRESSED THE
NEED FOR EACH CHURCH TO HAVE THEIR APPLICATIONS AND NUMBER SENT IN BY
JUNE1, 1985, SO THAT PLANS CAN BE MADE TO ACCOMODATE ALL THE CAMPERS.
THERE IS A NEED FOR MORE MEN TO GO AND HELP WITH THIS CAMP SESSION.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: LEON FINDLEY CLIFF WATTS

RESOLUTIN COMMITTEE: IRVIN MURPHEY STEVE WILLIAMS WILLIAM McCLAIN

CARD OF THANKS: PEGGY LOWERY

OBITUARY COMMITTEE: FAYE BEASLEY

MAY 31 AND JUNE 1 IS WORK DAY AT CAMP MT. BETHEL TO GET READY FOR CAMP. THOSE
REPAIRS THAT NEED DOING WILL BE CARRIED OUT THIS DAY. TRY IF ALL POSSIBE TO BE
THERE.

MORNING MESSAGE: REV. KEN MURPHEY

MISSION CONFERANCE BY BRO LEN BLANCHARD. THE OFFERING TAKEN DURING OUR
MISSION CONFERANCE WAS 7,066.40 AND FAITH PROMISES WAS \$3,689.00 TO MAKE
A TOTAL OF \$10,755.14 WHICH WOULD EQUAL OUT TO \$1309.00 PER MISSIONARY.

OBITUARY:

DEEP CREEK: RANDOLPH HESTER

CARD OF THANKS:

PEGGY LOWERY

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

WE THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION.

1. WE RESOLVE THAT A COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF THE MODERATOR, CLERK, CHAIRMAN OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL BE ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSE OF DRAFTING A CONSTITUTION FOR THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING FOR STUDY.

AN AMMENDMENT BY BRO. CHARLES CORLEY WAS THAT ALL PASTORS OF THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION WAS TO HELP DRAFT THE CONSTITUTION WAS PUT BEFORE THE BODY, BRO HOLTON REMINDED BRO. CORLEY THAT HE WAS NOT A PASTOR OF A CHURCH BUT THAT HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL, SO THAT WOULD LEAVE HIM OUT. BRO COURLEY REPLIED, I BELIEVE THAT IS SO. THE AMMENDMENT WAS SECONDED AND PASSED.

2. WE RESOLVE THAT A COPY OF THE DRAFT OF THE CONSTITUTION BE FURNISHED AT THE NEXT QUARTERLY MEETING TO DELEGATES FOR STUDY.
3. WE PROPOSE THAT ANY AMMENDMENT CHANGES TO THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION BE PREPARED IN WRITING TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE OCT. MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION?

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

REV. IRVIN MURPHEY

BRO. WILLIAM McCLAIN

BRO. STEVE WILLIAMS

GUIDELINE FOR MISSIONARIES STARTING A NEW WORK FOR THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION.

BRO. LEN BLANCHARD INTRODUCED SOME GUIDELINE THAT HAD BEEN USED BY THE STATE MISSION BOARD OF FREE WILL BAPTIST. A LENGTHLY DISCUSSION ON THE PROS. AND CONS. OF ITEM 8 OF THE GUIDELINES. A MOTION WAS MADE TO ADOPT THE GUIDELINES OF THE STATE BUT IN THE ITEM 8 BE INSERTED THAT ONLY THE INVESTMENT THAT THE OGEECHEE PUT IN BE PROTECTED.

MEETING AT DEEP CREEK AT 10 A. M. TO DRAW UP CONSTITUTION BY-LAWS FOR THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT. M/S/P

MEETING AT METTER, JULY 20, 1985

THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION WHICH CONVENED AT METTER FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
IN METTER, GA. JULY 20, 1985

CALLED TO ORDER BY MODERATOR REV. LEROY LOWERY

PRAYER:

SONG:

WELCOME ADDRESS: WALACE COURSEY

DEVOTIONAL: REV. CARL BAKER

MINISTERS:

REV. CARL BAKER

REV. JOHNNY BEASLEY

REV. LEROY LOWERY

REV. LEN BLANCHARD

REV. CHARLES E. BEASLEY

REV. IRVIN MURPHY

REV. JIMMY COURSEY

REV. LARRY WILLIAMS

REV. LARRY WILLIAMS

DEACONS:

FRIENDSHIP: W. J. WIMBERLY

METTER: WALACE COURSEY

LYONS: STEVE WILLIAMS, BROOKS COURSEY, CECIL JOINER

MARIETTA: LEON FINDLEY

AUGUSTA: CLIFF WATTS

DEEP CREEK:

CORINTH:

DELEGATES:

AUGUSTA: ALICE WATTS MADOLYN WATERS

FRIENDSHIP: DERWIN JOHNSON MILDRED WIMBERLY

DEEP CREEK: PEGGY LOWERY, VIRGIE OGLESBY

METTER: MRS. MARIAM MARSH, ETHEL WILLIAMS, FAYE BEASLEY, JOHN BEASLEY

MARIETTA: FRANCES FINDLEY, DORTHY MURPHEY

LYONS: LYNDA BLANCHARD, PATSY JOINER, SARAH WILLIAMS BYRON WATERS, DIANNE COURSEY

CORINTH:

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

DERWIN JOHNSON, CLIFF WATTS, LEN BLANCHARD

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

LYNN FINDLEY, CECIL JOINER

CARD OF THANKS:

ALICE WATTS

OBITUARY:

PEGGY LOWERY

CAMP SESSION: BRO. LEN BLANCHARD REPORTED OF WHAT A GREAT CAMP SESSION THAT WAS
HELD AND HE THOUGHT IT WAS A MOST PROFITABLE SESSION AS SOULS WERE SAVED AND LIVES
REDEDICATED TO THE LORD. THE LORD BLESSED REAL GOOD IN THIS SESSION.
THE STATE IS TRYING TO GET A FULL TIME DIRECTOR TO PLAN AND DIRECT ALL CAMP SESSIONS.

MORNING MESSAGE: REV. LARRY WILLIAMS

THE MISSION BOARD RECOMMENDS THAT THE ASSOCIATION SEND BRO. LARRY WILLIAMS TO
AUGUSTA AS MIAAIONARY FROM THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION.

BRO. JOHNNY BEASLEY MADE A MOTION TO SEND BRO. WILLIAMS TO AUGUSTA.

M/S/C

BRO. LARRY WILL MOVE THE FIRST OF AUGUST.

FINANCE REPORT:

BAL: 524.91
120.00 CHURCH LETTERS
45.20 OFFERING

690.11
80.00 EXPENSES
25.00 MISSIONS

585.11
450.00 MISSIONS ACCOUNT

1035.11

EXPENSES
MODERATOR: 10.00
CLERK: 10.00
SPEAKER: 10.00
CAMP: 50.00

80.00

M/S/C/

BRO. MURPHY MAD A MOTION THAT THE SPECIAL FUND BE TRANSFERRED OVER TO THE MISSION BOARD AND STILL PUT \$25.00 EACH QUARTER IN MISSION ACCOUNT.

M/S/C/

OBITUARY

METTER: JAMES MOON, ANNIE RUTH WILLIAMS

AUGUSTA: MYRTICE DAVIS

M/S/C/

CARD OF THANKS: MRS. ALICE WATTS

M/S/C/

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

1. WE THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE RESOLVE TO FELLOWSHIP MORE BETWEEN EACH OTHER AT OUR HOME CHURCHES AND ALSO OUR QUARTERLY MEETINGS.
2. WE RESOLVE TO WAIT ON THE LORD TO DO AS DAVID DID WHEN HE PRAYED TO THE LORD AND WAIT FOR AN ANSWER ON ALL SITUATIONS.
3. THE COMMITTEE BELIEVE THAT THE ASSOCIATION SHOULD PAY THE ASSOCIATION CLERK ALL EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THE PAST THREE MONTHS. WE RESOLVE THAT THIS BE APPROVED.
4. WE RESOLVE THAT EACH CHURCH MEMBER GO BACK TO LOCAL CHURCH AND REALLY ENCOURAGE OUR CHURCHES TO GIVE FINANCIALLY AND PRAYERFULLY FOR THIS NEW WORK IN AUGUSTA.

MOVED AND SECOND THAT CLERKS EXPENSES BE PAID UNTIL YEARLY ASSOCIATION.

M/S/C/

BE MUCH IN PRAYER FOR OUR MISSIONARIES THAT ARE TRYING TO FIND LAND TO PUT NEW CHURCHES ON ESPECIALLY BRO. BURNS IN ATLANTA.

OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR:

MODERATOR: BRO. LEROY LOWERY
ASST. MODERATOR: BRO. CHARLES CORLEY
CLERK: BRO. CHARLES E. BEASLEY
ASST. CLERK: BRO. IRVIN MURPHY
TREASURE: BRO. LEON FINDLEY
ASST. TREASURE: BRO. W. J. WIMBERLY

NEXT ASSOCIATION WILL BE AT THE AUGUSTA CHURCH OCTOBER 19, 1985.

HOST CHURCH WILL HAVE COMMUNION

ADJOURN

M/S/C/

THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION WHICH CONVENED AT THE FIRST AUGUSTA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH IN AUGUSTA, GA. ON OCTOBER 18, 1985.

CALLED TO ORDER BY MODERATOR REV. LEROY LOWERY

SONG:

PRAYER BY BRO. LARRY WILLIAMS

WELCOME ADDRESS: REV. CHARLES CORLEY

DEVOTIONAL: REV. LEROY LOWERY

MINISTERS:

REV. LEN BLANCHARD

REV. JOHNNY BEASLEY

REV. LARRY WILLIAMS

REV. CHARLES CORLEY

REV. IRVIN MURPHY

DEACONS:

BRO. RICHARD HODGES DEEP CREEK

BRO. W. J. WIMBERLY FRIENDSHIP

BRO. LEON FINDLEY MARIETTA

BRO. CLIFF WATTS, BRO. JIM FLOWERS, AUGUSTA

BRO. STEVE WILLIAMS LYONS

CHURCH REPORTS: M/S/C/ NOT TO READ CHURCH LETTERS, ALL 7 CHURCH LETTERS WERE RECEIVED.

SEATING OF DELEGATES: NO ONE WAS FROM CORINTH TO REPRESENT THEM SO M/S/C TO SEAT DELEGATES AS READ FROM REPORTS.

READING OF MINUTES. M/S/C

REPORT FROM MISSION BOARD: REV. JOHNNY BEASLEY

J. E. BLANTON GOT FIVE(5) ACRES OF LAND

LUTHER BURNS SEEKING LAND AND 4.8 ACRES BEING CONSIDERED. HE IS NOT ABLE TO STILL HOLD SERVICE IN YMCA SO HE IS STILL HOLDING IT IN HIS HOUSE.

RON WALLACE WORK STILL MOVING

DUBLIN WORK STILL DOING GOOD, PRAY FOR BRO. JACKS WIFE AND PERSONEL PROBLEMS.

MISSION CONFERANCE FOR 1986: REV. LEROY LOWERY FEBRUARY 23 thru MARCH 2, 1986

PASTORS REQUESTED TO ORDER MATERIAL FROM NATIONAL MISSIONARIES.

MISSIONARIES: EDDIE PAYNE- IVORY COAST

DEBBIE GRIFFIN JAPAN

LUTHER BURNS ATLANTA

LARRY WILLIAMS AUGUSTA

SUNDAY P. M. BEGINNING AND ENDING SUNDAY A. M.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES:

OBITUARY: DORTHY MURPHY

CARD OF THANKS: PEGGY LOWERY

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: BRO. CHARLES CORLEY BRO. CLIFF WATTS, BRO. STEVE WILLIAMS

FINANCE COMMITTEE: BRO. LEON FINDLEY BRO. W. J. WIMBERLY

SONG:

OFFERING: \$30.00

MORNING MESSAGE: REV. IRVIN MURPHY

OLD BUSINESS: CONSTITUTION FOR OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION, MODERATOR ASKED FOR COMMENTS CHANGES, QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION. THERE WAS NONE. CORLEY MOVED IT BE ACCEPTED, BRO. BLANCHARD SECONDED, THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

ELECTION OF STATE OFFICES:
BOARD OF TRUSTEES: REV. LEROY LOWERY
BOARD OF MISSIONS: REV. JOHNNY BEASLEY
BOARD OF CAMPING: REV. LEN BLANCHARD
BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: BRO. LARRY WILLIAMS

PRAYER:

BREAK FOR LUNCH:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RESOLUTION: RESOLVE THAT THE HOST CHURCH PROVIDE A NURSERY FOR THE ASSOCIATIONS.

CARD OF THANKS: PEGGY LOWERY

OBITUARY:

METTER: MRS. OLLIE MAY SMITH MRS. NANNIE BURDEN

LYONS: MRS. QUEEN COURSEY MARY KITCHENS

DEEP CREEK: TRACEY GLISSON

FINANCE REPORT:

BALANCE BROUGHT FOWARD: \$585.11
FROM CHURCHES 210.00
COLLECTION 30.00

\$825.11

EXPENCES \$220.00
BALANCE \$605.11

EXPENSES: MODERATOR: \$10.00
CLERK: \$10.00
SPEAKER: \$10.00
CAMP: \$50.00
OGEECHEE MISSION \$50.00
STATE ASSOCIATION FOR NAT \$50.00
STATE ASSOCIATION \$45.00
 \$220.00

MOTION WAS MADE TO INCREASE MISSIONS FROM \$25.00 to \$50.00 EACH QUARTER M/S/C

MISSION BOARD OF OGEECHEE: BRO BLANCHARD REPORTED \$2400.91 ON HAND. REPORTED A VERY SUCCESSFUL ITENIRATE FOR BRO. LARRY WILLIAMS M/S/C

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: BRO. BLANCHARD REPORTED NO ACTIVITY DURING THE PAST QUARTER. ON HAND: \$364.24 M/S/C

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT:

AUGUSTA

MARIETTA

DEEP CREEK

ORDAINING COUNCIL: REV. CHARLES CORLEY REPORTED

ISSUE LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION OF GOOD STANDING FOR MICHAEL BARTON

REQUEST CREDENTIALS OF REV. CARL BAKER WHO HAS STATED HE NO LONGER DESIRES TO BE OFFILIATED WITH FREE WILL BAPTIST

REV. LARRY WILLIAMS ACCEPTED INTO OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION PENDING A LETTER OF GOOD STANDING FROM THE NORTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION.

M/S/C

NO NEW BUSINESS

MOTION TO ADJOURN TO HAVE THE LORDS SUPPER

M/S/C