

MINUTES
OF
OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
2007

Convened at:

Stoney Hill Free Will Baptist Church, January 20, 2007
Augusta First Free Will Baptist Church, April 21, 2007
Deep Creek Free Will Baptist Church, August 4, 2007
Friendship Free Will Baptist Church, October 20, 2007

**OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION
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Term expires 2009

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Term expires 2008
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Rev. Allen Carter
Rev. Tim Brantley

Term expires 2010
Term expires 2008
Term expires 2009

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Rev. Harris Nix

Term expires 2008
Term expires 2008
Term expires 2008

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Term expires 2009
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**OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION
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ORDAINED MINISTERS NOT PASTORING

ASSOCIATE PASTORS OF THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION

Ogeechee of Freewill Baptist Association
First Quarterly Meeting
January 20, 2007
10:00 a.m.

Rev. Harris Nix of the Stoney Hill FWB Church asked the congregation to join in the singing of "To God Be the Glory". Rev. Nix asked Rev. Charles Beasley to lead the association in prayer.

Rev. Wilford Harden brought greeting on behalf of the members of the Stoney Hill FWB Church, extended a warm and courteous welcome to the association. He announced that theme for meeting was "Holiness".

Rev. Nix turned the meeting over to Rev. Bobby Taylor. Rev. Taylor called the business meeting to order.

Rev. Taylor began the meeting by asking Rev. Tim Brantley to lead the association in special prayer for Rev. Rick Wilson.

Rev. Taylor recognized the Pastors present:

Rev. Johnny Beasley	Faith Ministries Church
Rev. Charles Beasley	Friendship Church
Rev. Bobby Taylor Jr.	Deep Creek Church
Rev. Rick Wilson	Lyons Church
Rev. Tim Brantley	Lower Corinth Church
Rev. Irwin Murphy	Marietta Church
Rev. Ken Murphy	Marietta Church
Rev. Harris Nix	Stoney Hill Church
Rev. Wilford Harden	Stoney Hill Church

Rev. Taylor recognized the Deacons present:

Bro. Allan Coursey	Lyons Church
Bro. Buddy Paradise	Lyons Church
Bro. Steve Williams	Lyons Church
Bro. William Varnadoe	Lyons Church
Bro. Mark Findley	Marietta Church
Bro. Cecil Anderson	Stoney Hill Church
Bro. J. W. Wimberly	Friendship Church
Bro. Jack Durose	Stoney Hill Church
Bro. Bobby Ray	Stoney Hill Church
Bro. Bill Flury	Stoney Hill Church
Bro. Cecil Anderson	Stoney Hill Church
Bro. Doug Williams	Metter Church
Bro. V. J. Meeks	Metter Church
Bro. Wallace Coursey	Metter Church
Bro. Harold Milligan	Lower Corinth Church

Rev. Taylor recognized the Delegates present:

Sis. Bonnie Paradise	Lyons Church
Sis. Tonya Coursey	Lyons Church
Sis. Sara Williams	Lyons Church
Sis. Cheryl Wilson	Lyons Church
Sis. Patti Harden	Stoney Hill Church
Sis. Robin Todd Holton	Stoney Hill Church
Sis. Fran Flury	Stoney Hill Church
Sis. Helen Taylor	Deep Creek Church
Sis. Deborah Taylor	Deep Creek Church
Sis. Mary Williams	Metter Church
Sis. Brenda Beasley	Metter Church
Sis. Meeks	Metter Church
Sis. Joyce Bird	Metter Church
Sis. Charlene Ward	Metter Church
Sis. Jane Brown	Metter Church
Sis. Joan Reaves	Metter Church
Sis. Edith White	Friendship Church
Sis. Frances Beasley	Friendship Church
Bro. Herchel Collins	Lower Corinth Church
Bro. Donnie Collins	Lower Corinth Church

Rev. Taylor recognized the visitors present:

Rev. Johnny Lewis	Spring Grove Church
Sis. Kathy Milligan	Lower Corinth Church
Sis. Hazel McCullough	Faith Ministries Church
Sis. Faye Beasley	Faith Ministries Church
Bro. John Beasley	Faith Ministries Church
Bro. Scott Baker	Faith Ministries Church
Sis. Daffney Baker	Faith Ministries Church
Sis. Nancy Crosby	Faith Ministries Church
Sis. Eva Sparks	Faith Ministries Church
Sis. Thalma Watson	Faith Ministries Church
Sis. Mimie Coursey	Metter Church

Rev. Taylor appointed the following committeers:

Obituary Committee	Sister Frances Beasley
Card of Thanks	Sister Kathy Milligan

Rev. Taylor announced that the Ordaining Council would need to meet and he appointed Rev. Rick Wilson to serve on the council with Rev. Murphy and Rev. Nix.

Bro. Harold Milligan read the minutes from the previous meeting. Rev. Taylor asked for any correction to the minutes, Rev. Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Rev. Brantley seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Rev. Taylor explained to the association that the committee he appointed to look over the association's Constitution and By Laws was not ready to make a report at this meeting.

Rev. Taylor asked Rev. Jessie Goodman to give the offertory prayer and the morning offering was received.

Rev. Taylor recessed the meeting until 10:55 am.

The meeting was called back to order and Rev. Taylor asked for the following committee reports.

State Mission Board

Rev. Rick Wilson reported that the mission works in Cartersville and Valdosta were doing well and asked that the churches and pastors needed our prayers as they continue to do the works in both location.

Ogeechee Youth Camp

Rev. Taylor reported to the association that the Ogeechee Youth Camp would be the first week of June at Camp Tattnall. He stated that he would have a detail report at the April meeting.

Ordaining Council

Rev. Murphy stated that the council did not have enough time to complete the work during the recess. The council would make a report back to the association at the next meeting.

No reports was received from the following committees:

- State Trustee Board
- State Camp Board
- Ogeechee Mission Board
- Christain Education Board
- Alabama Children's Home

Rev. Rick Wilson made a motion to remove the motion on the Faith Ministries FWB Church becoming a member of the Ogeechee FWB Association from the table. Rev. Nix seconded the motion. The motion passed to remove the motion from the table.

Rev. Taylor asked that members of the Faith Ministries FWB Church to step out of the meeting while the association delegates discussed the motion.

Rev. Taylor asked for discussion on the motion of allowing the Faith Ministries FWB Church to join the Ogeechee Association of Free Will Baptists. Several delegates from Sister Churches expressed concerns about the feelings of the members of the Metter FWB Church. The members and Pastor of the Metter Church stated that they would like to see Faith Ministries FWB Church to be allowed to join the Ogeechee Association.

Rev. Irwin Murphy stated that once a motion is received and seconded it must be voted on. The motion was voted on and passed with 50 delegates voting and no votes against receiving the Faith Ministries FWB Church in to the association. Rev. Taylor asked for the members of Faith Ministries FWB Church to the association meeting and he stated that the association had accepted them into the Ogeechee Association.

Rev. Taylor asked for nominations for delegates to the State Association Annual Meeting in March. The members nominated were Sis. Cheryl Wilson, Sis. Deborah Taylor and Sis. Nix. Rev. Nix made a motion to accept the nominations to be delegates at the State Association Meeting. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

Rev. Irwin Murphy made a motion to allow Rev. Taylor the power to appoint delegates at the State Association Meeting in case the delegates nominated by the association is not present. The motion was seconded and passed.

Rev. Taylor turned the association meeting over to Rev. Nix and the Stoney Hill Church for the morning Worship Service. The Worship service was open by a congregational song, followed by Special singing by the Stoney Hill Choir. Rev. Johnny Lewis, Pastor of the Spring Grove FWB Church brought the message. The title of his message was "Faith" and his Bible text came from Colossians chapter 2 and verse 6. His message encouraged that we live and walk each day in Jesus Christ. Following the morning message, Rev. Nix turned the meeting back over to Rev. Taylor.

Rev. Taylor called on Bro. Mark Findley for the financial report.

Bro. Mark Findley gave the following financial report. He reported that as of January 20, 2007 the balance of the Ogeechee General account is \$3295.27, the balance in the Ogeechee Mission Board account is \$11,379.70 and the balance in the Christian Education Board account is 2391.33. He reported that he received \$385 from Church Association fees and \$178 in the morning offering. Bro. Findley made a motion to accept his report. Rev. Murphy seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Sister Frances Beasley gave the Obituary Report. She reported the deaths of Bro. John Forehand from the Friendship Church and Bro. Jerry Baker from the Faith Ministries Church. She asked for a moment of silence in the remembrance of these lost members and asked Rev. Johnny Beasley to close the moment of silence with prayer.

Sis. Kathy Milligan expressed the appreciation of the association to the Stoney Hill Church for the tremendous effort of preparing for association meeting and meal for the association members.

Rev. Taylor requested that all pastors to please to the front and have special prayer with Rev. Rick Wilson for his illness

Rev. Taylor reminded the delegates and guest to make sure they sign the registration sheet before they left.

Rev. Tim Brantley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. A second was received and the motion passed. Rev. Taylor asked Rev. Charles Beasley to lead the association in a closing prayer and blessing of the meal.

Respectfully,

Harold L. Milligan
Clerk

**THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
CONVENING AT
AUGUSTA FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA**

APRIL 21, 2007

The Association meeting was open with the congregation singing "To God Be The Glory". Rev. Rick Wilson led the congregation in prayer.

Reverend Benny Smith, on behalf of the members of Augusta First Church extended welcome to all in attendance.

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Moderator Reverend Bobby Taylor, Jr. called the meeting to order. He recognized the standing delegates.

MINISTERS RECOGNIZED

Rev. Bobby Taylor, Jr.; Deep Creek FWB Church
Rev. Irvin Murphy; Marietta FWB Church
Rev. Johnny Beasley; Metter FWB Church
Rev. Charles Beasley; Friendship FWB Church
Rev. Larry Williams; Peace FWB Church
Rev. Benny Smith; Augusta First FWB Church

DEACONS RECOGNIZED

Bro. Robert Watson; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Bro. Doug Williams; Metter FWB Church
Bro. Vinson Meeks; Metter FWB Church
Bro. W. J. Wimberly, Friendship FWB Church
Bro. Harold Milligan; Lower Corinth FWB Church

Church delegates were presented, and a motion by Bro. W. J. Wimberly to seat the delegated was made and seconded by Rev. Larry Williams. The motion carried.

DELEGATES RECOGNIZED

Sis. Frances Beasley; Friendship FWB Church
Kathy Milligan; Lower Corinth FWB Church
Bro. Donnie Collins; Lower Corinth FWB Church
Sis. Birdie Youngblood; Augusta First FWB Church
Sis. Nora Smith; Augusta First FWB Church
Sis. Frances Findley; Friendship FWB Church
Sis. Thelma Watson; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Rev. Jesse Goodman; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Minnie Coursey; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Charlene Ward; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Brenda Beasley; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Loree B. Meeks; Metter FWB Church

Sis. Helen Taylor; Deep Creek FWB Church
Sis. Dorothy Murphy; Marietta FWB Church
Sis. Betty Avant; Peace FWB Church
Sis. Cheryl Wilson; Lyons FWB Church
Sis. Laura Tarver; Augusta First FWB Church
Bro. Joe K. Williamson; Lyons FWB Church
Sis. Nancy B. Crosby; Faith Ministries FWB Church

VISITORS RECOGNIZED

Sis. Faye Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Bro. Richard Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Bro. John Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Sis. Elaine B. Crosby; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Sis. Faye Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Sis. Laura Tarver; Augusta First FWB Church
Sis. Brenda Williams; Peace FWB Church
Sis. Debbie Adams; Augusta FWB Church

Rev. Taylor made the following committee appointments:

Obituary Committee:	Sis. Kathy Milligan
Card of Thanks:	Sis. Cheryl Wilson
Financial Committee:	Bro. W. J. Wimberly
	Bro. Donnie Collins

The minutes of the previous meeting was read. Rev. Rick Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes after a correction of the name in the Obituary Committees report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Rev. Charles Beasley gave the offertory prayer. The meeting recessed briefly following the offering.

BUSINESS SESSION

Following a brief recess Rev. Taylor called the meeting back to order.

Rev. Taylor asked for standing committee reports:

State Mission Board

Rev. Taylor presented the following report that he received from Rev. Rick Wilson.

Greetings from your State Mission Board, We are happy to report that Georgia missions are really going great. Bro. Crank has just signed a lease on a building and now has about 35 in attendance. So our Cartersville work is progressing well. Bro. Bill Lewis in Valdosta reports that they are growing and adding some young families and they report they shall soon be able to assume part of Bro. Lewis's salary, just as outlined in the mission handbook. We are also looking at starting a new mission work in Harris County. The army is bringing in a whole brigade and all their support so it is already growing to meet them and we are getting in on the leading edge instead of a step behind. Financially we are in good shape. We have the means, we have the men, we have the locations and thank the Lord, We have the Great Commission.

Yours in Christ
Rick Wilson

Ogeechee Camp Board

Rev. Taylor asked the members of the association if they would have any objections to move joint camp to the first week of June. He stated the reason being that Camp Tattnell has been booked by another group for the week we normally have camp. He explained that if there a problem with changing the week, we would need to look for a new location to hold camp for this year. He announced that he was checking on the camp at Magnolia Springs State Park, but the cost for renting the facilities would be more than Camp Tattnell. He asked if anyone knew of other camps to let him know as soon as possible, because he would be making on the location and time of joint camp by the first of February.

Bro. Hershel Collins made a motion to allow Sis. Deborah Taylor and Sis. Cheryl Wilson to be the delegates to represent the Ogeechee Association at the State Free Will Baptist Association. Sis. Frances Findley seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Rev. Harris Nix made a motion to give Rev. Taylor the authority to replace the delegates if necessary at the convention. Rev. Johnny Beasley seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Financial Report

Bro. Mark Findley reported that he received \$775 in the morning offering and quarterly dues from the church dues; this brought the balance in the Ogeechee Association General Fund to \$2425.75. The balance in the Ogeechee Mission Board Account is \$10,479.70. The balance in Christian Education Board Account is 2191.33. Bro. Findley made a motion to accept his report. Rev. Irvin Murphy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Morning Worship Service

Bro. Mark Findley led the congregation in an opening hymn to begin the worship service. Bro. Jonathan Murphy presented special music for the service. Rev. Ken Murphy brought an inspirational and challenging message.

Business Session

Rev. Taylor asked if anyone had any announcements. Bro. Josh Calwell announced that the Metter FWB was planning to some special events for the youth in the Ogeechee Association, which will occur on Saturday afternoon, every other month.

Obituary Report

Sis. Beth Riner reported the death of the following association members:

Sis. Geneva Braswell; Friendship FWB Church
Bro. Sammy Kirkland; Stoney Hill FWB Church
Bro. Jack Wallace; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Sally Bolton; Deep Creek FWB Church
Bro. Homer Burke; Deep Creek FWB Church

Sis. Riner asked that everyone to please stand and Bro. W. J. Wimberly led the members in prayer for the deceased members.

Card of Thanks

Sis. Deborah Taylor extended the associations appreciation to Marietta Church members for warm hospitality and the meal that they prepare. She expressed a special thank you to Bro. Jonathan Murphy for the special music.

Having not further business Rev. Taylor asked Rev Harris Nix to dismiss the associational meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Bobby Taylor, Jr.
Moderator

Bro. Harold L. Milligan
Clerk

THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONVENING AT DEEP CREEK FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH MIDVILLE, GEORGIA

August 4, 2007

The meeting was open by the congregation being led in singing "Count Your Blessing". Reverend Harris Nix led the congregation in prayer.

On behalf of Deep Creek Free Will Baptist Church, Reverend Bobby Taylor, Jr. extended a welcome to all in attendance.

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Moderator Reverend Bobby Taylor, Jr. called the meeting to order.

Rev. Taylor asked for the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. After the minutes were read, Bro. Johnny Beasley made a motion to accept the minutes, the motion was received a second and the motion passed.

Bro. Taylor recognized the standing delegates. Church delegates were presented, and a motion by Bro. Johnny Beasley to seat delegates was made and seconded by Bro. Charles Beasley. The motion carried. The moderator welcomed visitors to the association meeting.

The moderator made the following committee appointments:

Financial committee: Bro. W. J. Wimberly and Bro. Joe Williamson
Obituary Committee: Sister Dorothy Murphy
Card of Thanks: Sister Cheryl Wilson

Bro. Randy Brown gave the offertory prayer. The meeting recessed briefly following the offering.

BUSINESS SESSION

Following a brief recess Reverend Bobby Taylor, Jr. called the meeting back to order.

Georgia State Mission Board

Bro. Rick Wilson reported that the State Mission Board met on the 31 of July to review our mission works status. The financial report was the best it has been in over 18 years. With the sale of the Valdosta property we will have nearly \$1,000,000,000 to work with. Bro. Bill Lewis is currently seeking new property on the Northwest side of Valdosta to

begin a building project. He reports things are getting better in his attendance, visitors, and outreaches. Bro Bill crank is also doing well in the North Georgia work, he also is now pursuing land, and they have grown till they have had to expand twice to meet current attendance needs.

We have begun to interview new candidates for the mission works for the future works. We currently have to candidates who have made application to the board for possible mission works.

Bro. Wilson made a motion to accept his report. The motion received a second and the motion passed.

Georgia State Camp Board

Bro. Bobby Taylor, Jr. presented the Ogeechee Junior Camp financial report for the week of June 3-8, 2007. His report was as follows;

Cash on Hand	\$1641.04
Accounts Credits	\$3500.00
Total	\$5141.04
Account Debits	\$3758.27
Balances on Hand	\$1412.77

Bro. Taylor reported that there were 70 campers and 17 workers. He stated that the average cost per camper was \$53.69. Bro. Johnny Beasley made a motion to accept the Ogeechee Junior Camp Report. The motion received a second and passed.

Constitution and By-Laws Committee

Bro. Irvin Murphy, chairman of the committee, presented a copy of the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Ogeechee FWB Association. The Proposed changes would be discussed and voted on at the October Meeting.

Financial Committee

Brother W J Wimberly reported that the Association received \$129.00 in the morning offering and \$495.00 from Church dues for a total of \$624.00. He presented Bro. Mark Findley's financial report through July 31, 2007, which showed that the General Fund balance was \$6,237.67 and the Mission Board balance was \$11,274.70. Bro. Wimberly made the motion to accept the financial report. Bro. Alan Carter seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Ordaining Council

Bro. Rick Wilson reported that the Ordaining Council had met with Bro. Jesse Goodman and could not recommend Bro Goodman to Be Ordained as a Freewill Baptist Minister of the Ogeechee Freewill Baptist Association due to doctoral beliefs that differ from Free Will Baptist Doctoring. Bro Wilson made a motion to accept the Ordaining Council's recommendation. Bro. Johnny Beasley seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Morning Worship Service

The morning service was open by the Congregation singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" and "Jesus saves". The Youth from The Church presented the special singing. Reverend Alan Carter delivered the morning message. The title of his message was "Discouragement" and his Bible text came from Nehemiah chapter 4, verses 7 through 23. After the morning service Reverend Carter turned the meeting back to Reverend Taylor.

Obituary Committee

Sister Dorothy Murphy reported that there were no deaths to report from the churches. She asked Bro. Charles Beasley to lead the congregation in prayer.

Announcements

Bro. Rick Wilson announced that the Lyons Free Will Baptist would be in Revival, the week of September 9th.

Card of Thanks

Sister Cheryl Wilson on behalf of the Ogeechee Association expressed the appreciation to the Deep Creek Free Will Baptist Church for their warm hospitality and for the delicious meal that they have provided.

Brother Rick Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. There was a second and the motion passed.

Those in attendance were reminded to stay for lunch and the meeting was adjourned in pray by Bro. Mark Lindsey.

Respectfully submitted,

Reverend Bobby Taylor, Jr.
Moderator

Brother Harold Milligan
Clerk

**THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
CONVENING AT
FRIENDSHIP FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
TWIN CITY, GEORGIA**

OCTOBER 20, 2007

The Association meeting was open with the congregation singing "To God Be The Glory". Rev. Rick Wilson led the congregation in prayer.

Brother W. J. Wimberly, on behalf of the members of Friendship Church extended welcome to all in attendance.

MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Moderator Reverend Bobby Taylor, Jr. called the meeting to order. He recognized the standing delegates.

MINISTERS RECOGNIZED

Rev. Bobby Taylor, Jr.; Deep Creek FWB Church
Rev. Irvin Murphy; Marietta FWB Church
Rev. Johnny Beasley; Metter FWB Church
Rev. Charles Beasley; Friendship FWB Church
Rev. Rick Wilson; Lyons FWB Church
Rev. Tim Brantley; Lower Corinth FWB Church

DEACONS RECOGNIZED

Bro. Robert Watson; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Bro. Doug Williams; Metter FWB Church
Bro. Vinson Meeks; Metter FWB Church
Bro. W. J. Wimberly, Friendship FWB Church
Bro. James Humphree; Friendship FWB Church
Bro. David Braswell; Friendship FWB Church
Bro. Harold Milligan; Lower Corinth FWB Church

DELEGATES RECOGNIZED

Sis. Frances Beasley; Friendship FWB Church
Bro. Donnie Collins; Lower Corinth FWB Church
Sis. Birdie Youngblood; Augusta First FWB Church
Sis. Nora Smith; Augusta First FWB Church
Sis. Frances Findley; Friendship FWB Church
Sis. Thelma Watson; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Sis. Minnie Coursey; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Charlene Ward; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Brenda Beasley; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Loree B. Meeks; Metter FWB Church
Sis. Helen Taylor; Deep Creek FWB Church
Sis. Dorothy Murphy; Marietta FWB Church
Sis. Betty Avant; Peace FWB Church
Sis. Cheryl Wilson; Lyons FWB Church
Sis. Laura Tarver; Augusta First FWB Church

Bro. Joe K. Williamson; Lyons FWB Church
Sis. Nancy B. Crosby; Faith Ministries FWB Church

VISITORS RECOGNIZED

Sis. Faye Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Bro. Richard Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Bro. John Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Sis. Elaine B. Crosby; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Sis. Faye Beasley; Faith Ministries FWB Church
Sis. Laura Tarver; Augusta First FWB Church
Sis. Brenda Williams; Peace FWB Church
Sis. Debbie Adams; Augusta FWB Church

Rev. Rick Wilson made a motion to seat the church delegates. The motion received a second and the motion passed.

Rev. Taylor asked for the reading on the minutes from the previous meeting. Rev. Rick Wilson made a motion to for go the reading of the minutes. Rev. Charles Beasley seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Rev. Rick Wilson presented his letter of resignation to the association from the State Mission Board due to his illness.

Rev. Taylor made the following committee appointments:

Obituary Committee:	Sis. Debra Taylor
Card of Thanks:	Sis. Cheryl Wilson
Financial Committee:	Bro. W. J. Wimberly
	Bro. Richard Beasley

Rev. Irvin Murphy gave the offertory prayer.

State Mission Board

Rev. Rick Wilson reported that Rev. Crank at Cartersville is looking at 6.8 acres of property with a house and a speck building, which could be used as a church. The price the property is \$600,000. No action was needed.

The meeting recessed briefly following the offering.

BUSINESS SESSION

Following a brief recess Rev. Taylor open the business meeting with a congregational song "Love Lifted Me".

Rev. Tim Brantley led the association in Special Prayer for Rev. Rick Wilson.

Board of Christian Education

Rev. Rick Wilson reported that Bro. Barnard is the new Head Master at Glenville Christian Academy, which is a Free Will Baptist School. He reported that some of the other church

denominations around Glenville has pull their children out of the trying to cause the school financial problems. He requested that the churches in the association to pray for the Glenville Christian School. He asked the association to consider giving some financial assistance to the school. Rev. Rick Wilson made a motion to give the school some money. Rev. Irvin Murphy amended the motion by adding the amount of \$1000, which would be taken from the general fund. The motion was seconded as amended. The motion passed.

Nomination Committee

**General Officers
2008**

Moderator	Rev. Bobby Taylor Jr.
Assist. Moderator	Rev. Johnny Beasley
Clerk	Bro. Harold Millian
Assist. Clerk	Rev. Kenneth Murphy
Treasurer	Bro. Mark Findley
Assist. Treasurer	Bro. W. J. Wimberly

Ordaining Committee

Rev. Johnny Beasley

Ogeechee Mission Board

Rev. Charles Beasley
Re. Irvin Murphy

Christian Education

Nomination Committee

Bro. W. J. Wimberly
Rev. Charles Beasley
Rev. Harris Nix

Resolution Committee

Harold Milligan

State Mission Board

Rev. Johnny Beasley

Rev. Irvin Murphy made the motion to accept the recommendation of the Nomination Committee. Bro. W. J. Wimberly seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Constitution and By-Law Committee

Rev. Irvin Murphy presented the committee's recommended changes to the Ogeechee Association Constitution and By-Laws. He made a motion to adopt the changes to the Constitution and By-Laws. Rev. Rick Wilson seconded the motion. Rev. Tim Brantley

discussed some of the concerns that his church members has with some of the changes. Rev. Murphy also brought up the meeting dates of the association and suggested that the association meet twice each year. The motion to adopt the changes to the constitution and By-Laws passed with 22 for and 2 against. No action was taken on changing the meeting dates of the Ogeechee Association.

Morning Worship Service

Sis. France Beasley led the congregation in an opening hymn to begin the worship service. Friendship Church choir presented special music for the service. Rev. Irvin Murphy brought an inspirational and challenging message.

Business Session

Financial Report

Bro. W. J. Wimberly reported that he received \$565 in the morning offering and quarterly dues from the church dues; this brought the balance in the Ogeechee Association General Fund to \$2425.75. The balance in the Ogeechee Mission Board Account is \$10,479.70. The balance in Christian Education Board Account is 2191.33. Bro. Wimberly made a motion to accept his report. Rev. Rick Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed. Rev. Taylor asked if anyone had any announcements. Bro. Josh Calwell announced that the Metter FWB was planning to some special events for the youth in the Ogeechee Association, which will occur on Saturday afternoon, every other month.

Obituary Report

Sis. Debrah Taylor reported the death of the following association members:

Bro. Jerry Hooks Friendship Church
Malcom Freeman

Sis. Taylor asked that everyone to please stand and Rev. Charles Beasley led the members in prayer for the deceased members.

Card of Thanks

Sis. Deborah Taylor extended the associations appreciation to Marietta Church members for warm hospitality and the meal that they prepare. She expressed a special thank you to Bro. Jonathan Murphy for the special music.

Having not further business Rev. Taylor asked Rev Harris Nix to dismiss the associational meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Bobby Taylor, Jr.
Moderator

Bro. Harold L. Milligan
Clerk

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE OGEECHEE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

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12. We believe that Ministers are called Divinely by God to preach the Gospel and after having convinced the church of which he is a member of this divine call; and having proved his ability, piety, and sincerity, and having been granted a license to preach by the local church, and having proved himself over a sufficient period of time, AND AFTER EXAMINATION BY THE ORDAINING COUNCIL IN SCRIPTURAL AND DOCTRINAL ISSUES, he may be set apart to his calling by prayer and the laying on of hands by the presbytery, without which he is not authorized to administer the ordinances of the gospel.

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3. The Minutes of the previous session shall NOT be read in the morning business meeting, UNLESS SOME QUESTION ARISES THAT REQUIRES CLARIFICATION AND/OR ACTION BY THE BODY. At this time, the delegates will be seated by a vote of the body.

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9. DELETE ENTIRE PARAGRAPH.

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5. Churches desiring the ordination of a member of their congregation to the "Gospel Ministry," shall pass a motion to that effect in a church conference and thereupon, authorize their clerk to so notify the Association in writing on their church letter. The Ordaining Council shall examine the candidate IN SCRIPTURE AND FREE WILL BAPTIST DOCTRINE AND IF THEY FIND THE CANDIDATE TO BE IN AGREEMENT WITH SAID DOCTRINE THEY SHALL MAKE AN APPROPRIATE RECOMMENDATION TO THE ASSOCIATION. The action on the matter by the Association shall be considered final, the Candidate shall be referred back to the local church, or until further action by the Ordaining Council.

(Paragraph 3)

The Ordaining Council SUGGESTS the Licensee views the Video of "Free Will Baptist Doctrines" before being tested for Ordination. This SHOULD be done while the Licensee is under the one-year watch care of his local Church.

7. An ordained minister coming into this Association shall submit a letter of recommendation, from the Association which he was formerly a member, to the Ordaining Council of this Association. THE ORDAINING COUNCIL WILL IN TURN CHECK WITH THE LAST CHURCH THE CANDIDATE PASTORED TO GET A CHARACTER REPORT. His acceptance into the Ogeechee Association as an ordained minister in good standing shall be contingent upon the LETTER AND FINDINGS OF the Ogeechee Ordaining Council AND THEIR RECOMMENDATION to the Association

and the subsequent approval of the Ogeechee Association in regular session.

8. An Ordained Minister coming from another Denomination to the Ogeechee Association must view the Video "Doctrines of Free Will Baptist."

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Article IV

Section A. THE DATE OF THE SESSIONS

All regular sessions of the Association shall be held quarterly in JANUARY, APRIL, JULY and OCTOBER. The OCTOBER session shall be the 'ANNUAL SESSION' of the Association. The meeting day shall be on the third Saturday of the Month. IN THE EVENT THERE IS A CONFLICT ON THE MEETING DATES THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE CHURCH THAT IS TO HOST THE MEETING MAY CHANGE THE DATE AND NOTIFY MEMBER CHURCHES OF SUCH CHANGE.

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Article VII.

Section A. MEMBER CHURCHES FEES

1. Each member church shall submit to the Treasurer quarterly as their representation fees AN AMOUNT APPROVED BY THE ASSOCIATION.

2. Each member church shall submit their National representation fee at the Annual session, IN THE AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

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Section C. REIMBURSEMENT

2. TRAVEL EXPENSES SHALL BE SET BY THE ASSOCIATION FOR ALL STANDING COMMITTEES AND BOARDS CARRYING ON WORK NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THEIR DUTIES OF THE ASSOCIATION.

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If the Association decides by motion to investigate and council the ORDAINING COUNCIL shall so function in the name of the Association. The ORDAINING COUNCIL is to give a full and complete report at the next regular session of the Association)

~~Section C: ASSOCIATION ACTION~~

The Association reserves the right to send THE ORDAINING COUNCIL to investigate any applicant for membership it deems necessary; and subsequently, to act on the report of THE ORDAINING COUNCIL before approval for membership becomes final.