

MINUTES
of
OLD MOUNT ZION
ASSOCIATION

of
Free Will
Baptist Churches

1961

PROCEEDINGS

120th Annual Session

Convened At

Associational Building

MINUTES
Of The
One Hundred and 20th Annual Session
Of The
OLD MOUNT ZION ASSOCIATION
Of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
August 10, 11, 12, 1961

OFFICERS

H. M. Knox Moderator

Willie Bohannon Clerk

The next session of Old Mt. Zion Association will convene in Ass'n. Building beginning on Thursday night before the Second Sunday in August, 1962.

Elder Claude Hendrix to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Elder Floyd Spurlock is his alternate.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Association called to order by the Moderator, and in his absence, by the Clerk.
2. Introductory Sermon.
3. Letters from churches composing the Association called for, read, and messengers invited to seats.
4. Corresponding Associations.
5. Right hand of fellowship.
6. Call for letters from newly organized churches.
7. Election of permanent officers.
8. Reading of the Constitution and Rules of Order by the Moderator or Clerk.

9. Appointment of Committees:
(a) Resolutions; (b) Finances; (c) Arrangements for Preaching; (d) Temperance; (e) Sunday School; (f) Obituary; (g) Condition of Non-Represented Churches; (h) Union of Churches.
10. Reports of committees appointed last Association and other unfinished business.
11. Report of new committees.
12. New business.
13. Who shall preach the Introductory Sermon?
14. Reading and adopting minutes.
15. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS

The Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists convened its 120th. session in the Ass'n. Building, on Hwy. 68 in the Pilgrim Rest Community, congregational singing conducted by Eld. Cecil Garrison, accompanied by Sis. Pearl Archer at the piano.

Opening prayer by our senior minister, Eld. George Been.

Scripture lesson: Heb. ch. 9 read by moderator.

Prayer by Eld. Cecil Garrison.

The Moderator introduced Eld. Kenneth Shepherd, who brought the INTRODUCTORY MESSAGE, "Text, 'The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved,' " Jer. 8:20. A wonderful message, followed by an altar call. Message concluded by Eld. George Lynch, alternate, who read, St. Matt. 16: 17-19.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

Church letters were called for and the delegates were seated by giving them the right hand of fellowship: The deacons and ministers were seated in like manner as the congregation sang, "Will Jesus Find Us Watching."

Call for letters from newly organized churches. None.

Elected to speak at the 11:00 o'clock service Friday, Eld. Glenn Jones.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we adjourn until 9:30 Friday morning.

Benediction, Eld. Noel Easterling.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Song: "Amazing Grace," directed by Sis. Norma Chancellor, Sister Pearl Archer, accompanist. Prayer, Eld. Arthur Lee Galloway. Scripture 2 Chron. 7: 11-22, read by moderator.

Reading of letters from those churches that were absent on Thursday evening, and the seating of their delegates as the body sings, "Glory By and By."

DELEGATES BY CHURCHES

(Brothers and Sisters)

MT. ZION — Veva Archer, Lucy Phillips, Hettie Puryear.

PILGRIM REST — Riley Clardy, Josie Clardy, Henry Whittle.

CHRISTIAN HOME — Susie Davis, Lillie Evans, Evelyn Harrison.

FARMER — Cordelia Jones, Anna Shepherd, Evelyn Shepherd.

BUCKEYE — Cal Keeney, Genevieve Stroud, Ora Trammel.

FREEDOM — Emma Ellington, Wiloma Edens, Ollie Doyle.

HICKORY FLATT — Linda Roller, Lillie Taylor, Bettie Vaughn.

PLEASANT VALLEY — Eseal Rivett, Chester McKinney, Doris McKinney.

HUNTSVILLE — Myrl Casteel, Norma Chancellor, Mamie Sparks.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL — Ruth Schanda, Vera Montgomery, Mallie Burgess.

ROGERS — Florence Jordon, Edna Wright, Opal Hubbard.

OAK GROVE — Earnest Hill, Letha Hill, Gene Plumlee.

FAYETTEVILLE — Mayme Corley, Reba Easterling, Linda Corley.

BENTONVILLE — Lena Bruer.

MT. SHARON — Bertha Ash, Adam Ash.

CLIFTY CHAPEL — Lutie Jones, Lela Lane, Gladys Vanhook.

NEW SULPHUR — Ed Pierce, Emma Pierce, Pat Jones.

LIBERTY (Wichita) — Troy Campbell, Mildred Starkey.

ANTIOCH — Fannie Miller.

UNION ASSOCIATION — By Letter.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Eld H. M. Knox, elected moderator.

Elder Clyde Johnson, elected assistant moderator.

Sister Willie Bohannon, elected clerk, (by acclamation)
(Address: Route 3, Huntsville, Arkansas).

Sister Irena Wright, elected assistant clerk.

A motion was sustained that Sister Bohannon be given a vote of thanks in appreciation for her service rendered as clerk.

Motion sustained to seat tardy delegates from Freedom and Liberty churches.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES (Brothers and Sisters)

Resolutions — Noel Easterling, Harry Wright, Glen Jones, Clint Edens, George Starkey.

Finance — Veva Archer, Josie Clardy, Lillie Evans, Ruth Schanda, Reba Easterling.

Arrangements for Preaching — Homer Bragg, Riley Clardy, Dorothy Rowland, Ora Trammel, Letha Hill.

Temperance — Wiloma Edens, Linda Roler, Myrl Casteel, Mildred Starkey, Cordelia Jones.

Sunday School — Cal Keeney, Ollie Doyle, Opal Hubbard, Doris McKinney, Eldon Shepherd.

Obituary — Cecil Garrison, Arthur Lee Galloway, Mallie Burgess, Cecil Gladden, Claude Hendrix.

Condition of Non-Represented Churches — Clyde Johnson, Eseal Rivett, Adam Ash, Gladys Vanhook, Talmon Hicks.

Union of Churches — Berry Puryear, Earl Davis, Bertha Ash, Florence Jordon, Sammie Lane.

Motion carried to adjourn business session until 1:00.

Benediction: Eld. Talmon Hicks.

FRIDAY 11:00 O'CLOCK MESSAGE

Song: "Every body Will Be Hapy Over There," directed by Bro. Horace Knox, Sis. Wiloma Edens, accompanist.

The moderator introduced Elder Glenn Jones who brought a message on the subject, "Your adversary," scripture lesson, 1st Peter ch. 5. The message was directed primarily to fellow ministers and laborers to be sober, watchful, steadfast in the Spirit, that they might be perfect, establish, a living example to their churches. Altar call. Benediction: Eld. Clyde Johnson.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Song: "I'll Fly Away." Scripture, 1 Thes. 5 read by moderator, prayer, Eld. Clyde Campbell.

The committee on Divine Service announced that Bros. Tom Day and Steve Montgomery will conduct Friday night services.

Bros. Clyde Walker and Ray Jennings report that Rose Hill has disbanded and the church wishes to be dismissed from the association. By motion the request was granted.

Bro. Tom Norwood sends an oral request, by Eld. Horace Knox, that we receive his resignation as committeeman of the "Building Committee." By motion the request was granted.

Bro. Cecil Gladden was elected to fill the vancancy of Bro. Norwood on the "Building Committee."

Reading of "Rules of Order" and "Constitution" by moderator, Eld. Horace Knox.

Nomination made and sustained to elect Eld. Cecil Garrison to the Examining Board for a term of 3 years. Board. Cecil Garrison, H. M. Knox, Bruce Phillips.

Nominations made and sustained to elect Eld. Claude Hendrix to the Executive Board for a term of 3 years. Board: Bros. Claude Hendrix, Clarence Tice, Noel Easterling.

Motion carried that we recognize Bro. and Sis. Tom Day as visitors from Indian Creek Association.

Report of District Evangelist, Eld. Arthur Lee Galloway. By motion the report was received. Motion carried that we re-elect Bro. Galloway, district evangelist, by acclamation; the Ass'n. body gave a rising vote of thanks to Bro. Arthur Lee for his services during the past year.

Motion carried that we receive the report on Union of Churches and discharge the committee.

Report of Radio Program given by radio pastor, Eld. Cecil Garrison. A motion was sustained that we receive the report of the Radio Program and have Eld. Cecil Garrison continue as chairman for the program and serve as Radio Pastor for Old Mt. Zion Association.

A short talk was given by Bro. Clyde Campbell, of Wichita, Kans.

Finance report received, by motion, and committee discharged.

Report of Temperance received, by motion, and committee discharged.

Motion was entertained to receive partial report of the Resolution Committee. Resolutions No. 1 and 2 accepted.

Special Song rendered by Sister Lillie Slavens.

Motion carried to receive the report of Non-Represented Churches and discharge the committee.

The Divine service Committee announced that Elds. Clyde Johnson and Cecil Garison will preach the Memorial Service.

Motion carried to adjourn until 9:30 Saturday morning.

Benediction; Eld. Claude Hendrix.

FRIDAY EVENING SERVICE

Song service directed by Bros. Horace Knox, Kenneth Hubbard, and Glenn Barnes.

Special numbers rendered: Duet, "I met The Master," by Marcia Chancellor and Glenda Barnes: Quartet, "Beyond The Sunset," by Phyllis Phillips, Mary Lue Phillips, Eldon Bagwell, and Troy Roles, accompanist Vona Campbell.

Duet, "I'm Dwelling In Beulah Land," Mr. and Mrs. George Starkey of Liberty church.

Eld. Tom Day takes the stand and reads Matt. 26: 26-29; Text, "The New Covenant." Services were concluded by Eld. Steve Montgomery reading John 13: 2-17 for his lesson and using Heb. 4: 17 for a text. An invitation was given to the unsaved. More than 150 took part in the communion and feet washing which followed— "they sang a hymn and went out."

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Hymn, "When Our Lord Shall Come Again," directed by Eld. Claude Hendrix his daughter, Bronwyn, accompanist. Scripture Ps. 23 read by moderator, prayer by Eld. George Roller.

Motion carried to receive the report on Sunday Schools and to discharge the committee.

Special song, "How Can You Refuse Him Now?" Bronwyn Hendrix.

Motion sustained that we have 1,000 minutes printed.

Report of Obituaries received, by motion, and committee discharged.

It was requested that we print the obituaries of Sisters Ethel Bland McGinnis, Stella Snoderly, and Bro. Wiley Oscar Jones. The request was sustained by a motion.

Motion carried that we represent in Old Union Ass'n. sending as delegates Sister Clyde Johnson, Sister Dave Casteel, and Sister Jack Hobbs; Alternate, Bro. Homer Bragg.

Hymn, "The Way of the Cross Leads Home," directed by Frank Mann, Bronwyn Hendrix at Piano.

Motion carried to adjourn business session until 1:00 P.M.

Benediction, Eld. Jack Hobbs.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

Hymn, "I'll live On," directed by Eld. Rufus Young. Special number, "What a Day That Will Be," by Sister Virginia Reddick and son, Tony.

Eld. Cecil Garrison takes the stand and reads Phil. 1: 19-27 and Rev. 14: 12-13 for a lesson. Bro Garrison commented briefly on each of the 25 deceased, speaking words of warmth and comfort to the bereaved families. Services were concluded by Bro. Clyde Johnson. Bro. Johnson read Hos. 13:14 and spoke on the uncertainty of life, the surety of death, and the blessed hope of the resurrection. Altar call. We sang a hymn as all enjoyed an old time handshake.

The Pulpit committee announces that Elders Alford Glenn and Horace Knox will preach the Saturday evening service.

Benediction, Eld. Bruce Phillips.

SATURDDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Freedom Quartet composed of Bro. and Sis. Clint Edens, Oscar Cavins and Frank Mann rendered two numbers, Bronwyn Hendrix, accompanist.

Scripture lesson Malachi ch. 4; prayer, Eld. Edd Stille.

Motion carried that Res. No. 3 be received for discussion. By motion it was unanimously adopted.

Duet, "Keep Your Heart in Tune," Ruth and Janice Shepherd.

Motion sustained that each church give the clerk of the Ass'n. \$2.00 as a love offering in appreciation

for her services; and that said clerk keep a record of all expense during the Ass'n. year and report same at next session of the association that said Ass'n. body should reimburse said clerk for such expense.

Motion carried that Res. No. 1 under Resolution; (permanently printed) should be deleted.

Motion embraced that we send Sisters Ethel Gladden, Elsie Phillips, Eulena Casteel, Hazel Easterling as delegates to the State Association and that anyone else that is privileged to attend be used as alternates.

The Antioch Church being reinstated, a motion carried that they again be received into the Old Mt. Zion Ass'n. body, being represented by both letter and delegate.

Bro. Claude Hendrix was nominated and elected to preach the Introductory Sermon for Old Mt. Zion Ass'n. 1962, Bro. Floyd Spurlock his alternate.

Solo, "He Has the Whole World in His Hands," by DeLane Johnson.

The report of the Building Committee was given by Bro. Noel Easterling. By motion it was received as information.

Solo, "One By One," by Sister Willie Bohannan.

Solo, "The Crown of Thorns," Sister Mildred Starkey.

Minutes adopted and accepted.

Motion carried that we discharge the Resolutions committee as they do not have a final report.

The Associational Body gave a vote of thanks to our faithful moderator, Eld. Horace Knox, in appreciation for his splendid service.

Motion carried to adjourn until Thursday night before the 2nd Sunday in August, 1962, to convene in the Ass'n. Building on E. 68 Hwy. in the Pilgrim Rest Community.

Final benediction, Eld. Pierce Kirk.

SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Services were opened by congregational singing.

Specials, "Heaven Will Surely Be Worth It All," and, "I'll Not be a Stranger," by Pilgrim Rest quartet.

Special by Sis. Milage Bowen and daughter, Lynda.

Specials, "Somebody Called my Name," and, "Lead Me to the Rock," by Sis. Mary Glenn and daughter, Mrs. Shirley Sizemore.

A special number was rendered by the Huntsville quartet.

"I'll Fly Away," and, "Amazing Grace," sung by 15 ministers.

Congregational number, "The Uncloudy Day."

Prayer by Bro. Ted Slaven.

Special number by Sis. Lillie Slaven.

Eld. Alford Glenn read Is. 55: 1-5; subject, "Open for Business."

Prayer by Bro. Talmon Hicks.

Services were concluded by Eld. H. M. Knox reading Rev. 3: 4-6 and speaking on the, "Duty of Our Churches."

An altar call was made and two responded.

GENERAL REPORT Annual Report For Radio Program

Carry Over\$ 97.42

Received 659.15

TOTAL\$756.57

Expense \$676.00

Total on Hand\$ 80.57

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Springdale, Arkansas

Financial Report of Building Committee

Balance due on note	\$5,000.00
Interest due (approximately)	350.00
Insurance due	49.00
Money on Hand	953.10

(After paying the interest and insurance now due, the remainder of "Money on Hand" will be applied to the principal).

Noel Easterling, chairman
of Ass'n. Building Committee.

DISTRICT EVANGELIST REPORT

To Old Mt. Zion Ass'n: Since I began serving as District Evangelist August 14, 1960 I have helped conduct 13 revivals; witnessed 20 professions, helped baptise 2, funerals 2, weddings 2, preached 154 sermons, traveled approximately 10,000 miles; money received from fifth Sunday council meetings \$750.40, from offerings at revivals \$618.78, free will offerings \$401.00. Total amount received \$1,770.18, expense on car \$699.74.

Eld. Arthur Lee Galloway, Dist. Evangelist.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Old Mt. Zion Ass'n. of Free Will Baptists is composed of 18 active churches. Several of these gave a very incomplete report: Statistics as given in the letters are as follows: Number of ordained ministers 47; licensed ministers 10; Sunday Schools 17; Leagues 8; Women's Auxiliaries 2; Prayer meetings 8; Deacons 55; Resident members 936; non-resident members 322; members received by experience and baptism 36; by letter 20; by statement of faith 37; members dismissed by letter 37; excluded 31; deceased 17; Sunday school enrollment 970; league enrollment 237; Women's Auxiliary membership 35; total offerings received \$35,102.81; General offerings \$31,673.23; Building fund \$3,429.58; Pastor's salary \$13,638.99; Evangelistic work \$2,486.78; Building and repair \$6,213.95; Literature \$1,244.64; Advertising (radio programs, etc.) \$375.21; Miscellaneous \$3,534.34; Other \$1,660.46; Total local expenditures \$29,154.37; Foreign missions \$191.37; Home missions \$890.22; Education \$238.82; Superannuation \$172.58; Associational projects \$672.15; State and national projects \$57.00; Other \$45.72; Total outside expenditures \$2,267.86.

COMMITTEE REPORTS UNION OF CHURCHES

We, your committee on Union of Churches, submit the following report. We believe the "Unity of the Spirit" dwells among the churches represented in this association. Knowing the Devil's tactics is to divide and devour, we admonish unity among all of God's people. "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" Ps. 133: 1.

Berry Puryear, chairman

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES

We, your committee on Non-Represented Churches find that all churches of Old Mt. Zion Ass'n. are represented except Rose Hill and Hickory Grove. We, your committee, recommend that Rose Hill and Hickory Grove be dropped from our roll due to the fact that both churches are dissolved. We further wish to express our thanks for the excellent representation of our churches in this session of the association. May the Lord richly bless each Church.

Clyde Johnson, chairman

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, believe that every child of God should stand for what is right, "be temperate in all things and abstain from all appearance of evil that would hinder the work of the Lord." (Based on "Increment of Christian Graces" 2nd Peter 1: 5-8).

Wiloma Edens, chairwoman

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We, your committee on Sunday Schools, believe in taking our children to Sunday School instead of sending them. We only get out of our church just what we put into it. "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: But bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Eph. 6: 4, so that " 'when he is old, he will not depart from it.' " Prov. 22: 6.

Cal Keeney, chairwoman

FINANCE

We, your committee on finance submit the following report:

	Minutes	State	Clerk
Mt. Zion	\$20.00	\$3.00	\$1.00
Pilgrim Rest	10.00	3.00	1.00
Christian Home	5.86	3.00	1.00
Antioch	3.00	3.00	
Farmer	4.60	3.00	1.00
Buckeye	16.00	3.00	1.00
Freedom	11.00	3.00	1.00
Hickory Flatt	8.00	3.00	1.00
Pleasant Valley	6.00	3.00	1.00
Huntsville	9.00	3.00	1.00
Phillips Chapel	36.00	3.00	1.00
Rogers	16.00	3.00	1.00
Oak Grove	6.00	3.00	1.00
Fayetteville	11.00	3.00	1.00
Bentonville	1.00	3.00	1.00
Mt. Sharon	3.00	3.00	1.00
Clifty Chapel	11.50	3.00	1.00
New Sulphur	3.00	3.00	1.00
Liberty (Wichita)	11.00	3.00	1.00
Personal donations	6.50		
TOTALS	\$198.46	\$57.00	\$18.00

Veva Archer, chairwoman

RESOLUTIONS

We, your committee on resolutions submit the following report:

No. 1. — Be it resolved that the pastors of our churches encourage their members to support all our Association activities, — namely, our District Evangelist, Radio programs, Fifth Sunday Council Meetings, and in paying off the debt on our associational building.

Noel Easterling, chairman

No. 2 — Be it resolved that in all afternoon sessions of the association we have 15 or 20 minutes of preaching or special singing to break the monotony of the business and to make our meetings more interesting for visitors as well as for the delegates.

No. 3 — Be it resolved that Old Mt. Zion Ass'n. of Free Will Baptists not be affiliated with the National

Council of Churches nor any other Social Body or organized group that is affiliated with the National Council of Churches.

Submitted by Oscar Cavins

Resolutions: (Permanently Printed)

No. 3—That attention be called to Article 3 of the Constitution of this Association, as terms of receiving members into the local church as, namely: (1) profession of faith, (2) by letter or recommendation, (3) by restoration, (4) by denominational choice.

No. 4—That Article 1, Membership—be amended to read: All regularly ordained ministers and deacons of this Association becoming properly credentialed and in full fellowship and good standing in the church of which they are members shall be entitled to seats as a delegate, by virtue of their office.

No. 5—Be it resolved that we give adequate support and approval to Home Mission work in the bounds of Old Mt. Zion Association which includes much more than evangelism; such as conducting Bible Schools, Vacation Bible Schools, Sunday School Conventions, visiting our weak churches and assisting those needing His assistance; since Free Will Baptists from State to National Associations are emphasizing the need of Home Mission work, said work to be under the supervision of the Home Mission Board.

No. 6—Be it resolved that the churches of Old Mt. Zion Association, in all ordination services of ministers, comply strictly with the rules and regulations laid down by the Free Will Baptist denominations. Said procedure to be conducted by an examining council of three orthodox Free Will Baptist ministers of this Association to be chosen by the Association.

No. 7—Be it resolved that the churches of Old Mt. Zion Association go on record as denouncing the modern doctrine of a second works of grace ("following regeneration" and calling it the Baptism of the Holy Ghost), as heresy, and unsound doctrine. We warn any church (endorsing such, or having members in their church that advocate such) to purge out such or stand risk of losing their place in this Association.

OBITUARIES

We, your committee on obituaries find that death is still abroad in our land and that God in His great kingdom has called 25 of our beloved brothers and sisters.

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14: 13.

Eld. Cecil Garrison, chairman

James Elisha McGinnis . . .

James Elisha McGinnis the son of Elisha and Kate McGinnis was born in Paris, Texas Nov. 20, 1875, and departed this life at Elkhart, Kansas Nov. 8, 1960. Age 84 years, 11 months and 19 days.

He was united in marriage to Bertie Ellis on Sept. 15, 1901. To this union two children were born, a son, Paul, survives, a daughter, Irene, died in infancy.

He was a member of the Free Will Baptist church at Colbaugh.

Wiley Oscar Jones .. .

Wiley Oscar Jones, 77, passed away Feb. 22, 1961 at his home. He was born November 11, 1883.

He was a member of the Free Will Baptist church for many years and was a devoted christian.

Survivors include his wife, Laura Jones; three sons, Clell and Virgil both of Huntsville, and Everett Jones of Ft. Hood, Texas; three brothers, Eli, Densmore and Jason Jones all of Huntsville; two sisters, Mrs. Josie Bolinger and Mrs. Mollie Myers both of Huntsville; 3 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Loss Wood . . .

Loss Wood, 66, passed away August 29, 1960; born April 11, 1894.

He was converted about 20 years ago and united with the Antioch Free Will Baptist Church.

Survivors are his wife, Eula Woods; three sons, Cecil and Troy of Huntsville, and Dale Woods of Berryville; five daughters, Mrs. Helen Duvall, Mrs. Betty Harp and Mrs. Georgia Houston of Huntsville, Mrs. Jo Patrick of Fayetteville, Mrs. Jean Davis of Sacramento, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Myrtle Wider, Purdy, Mo.; three brothers, John Woods, Ault, Colo., Dock Woods, Berryville, Ark., Will Woods, Hanson, Idaho; 19 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Will Shepherd . . .

Will Shepherd, 87, of N. Fairview, Wichita, Kansas died in the County Hospital September 27, 1960. He had been a Catholic all his life until he attended a revival in the Liberty

Free Will Baptist Church and was wondrously saved and became a member there. Although a cripple and could hardly walk, he attended services faithfully after his conversion. Bro. Shepherd was born in Australia and came to America when a young man. We have no knowledge of any living relatives.

L. D. Smith . . .

L. D. Smith, 38, departed this life April, 1961. He professed a hope in Christ in 1959, was baptised, and became a member of the Huntsville Free Will Baptist church. He lived a very devoted life for Christ before his family and many friends.

Survivors include his wife and three children all of Huntsville; His mother and father; three brothers and one sister.

Arvil McGinnis . . .

Arvil McGinnis, 62, died at the Springdale Memorial Hospital April 15, 1961; he was born at Hindsville Nov. 15, 1898. He was the son of Charlie and Susan Ellis McGinnis. He was a member of the Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church at Colbaugh.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Kate McGinnis; two sons, Allen of Springdale and Burl of Fayetteville; one daughter, Mrs. Ina Dorsey of Fayetteville; 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Loy Everet Archer . . .

Loy Everet Archer, 71, resident of Route 5, 229 E. Robinson Avenue, Springdale, died January 24, at the Springdale Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

He was born May 29, 1889 at Sarcxie, Mo., the son of William and Amanda Ann Stevenson Archer. He was a member of the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist church.

Survivors include his wife, Velma Puryear Archer of the home; one son, Fred Archer of Springdale; one daughter, Mrs. Henry Phillips of Hindsvile; two brothers, Ralph Archer of Clifty and Hern Archer of Springdale; two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Miles of Stockton, Calif., and Mrs. Pearl Nolan of Modesto, Calif.; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Burk Shed church with Rev. Cecil Garrison and Rev. Clyde Johnson officiating.

Atlas J. Macon . . .

Atlas J. Macon, 73, resident of Route 3, Springdale, died June 13, at his home after a long illness. He was born December 29, 1887, at Spring Valley the son of Jones and Cordelia Daniels Macon. He was a member of the Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist church.

Survivors include his wife, Lillie Graham Macon of the home; six sons, Edward, Jack, Q. G., Floyd and Tommy Macon, all of Springdale, and Oliver Macon of Riverside, Calif.; four daughters, Mrs. Elma Cole of Ontario, Calif., Mrs. Fredia Hammond of Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Barbara Bowerman of Mesquite, Texas, and Mrs. Maybelle Finchum of Wood-

ward, Okla.; one brother, W. Q. Macon of Springdale; one sister, Mrs. Cynthia Cook of Turlock, Calif.; 15 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Harvey Alva Wilson . . .

Harvey Alva Wilson, 74, resident of Route 2, Springdale in the Pilgrim Rest community, died October 10, after a long illness.

He was born November 19, 1885, the son of John Wesley and Susan Rebecca Wolf Wilson and was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church at Pilgrim Rest.

Survivors include his wife, Gertha George Wilson of the home; three sons, Dolphus and Buel Wilson of Springdale and Arnett Wilson of Easton, Wash.; three daughters, Mrs. Willie Greenlee, Elm Springs, Mrs. Tom Easley, Torrance, Calif., and Mrs. Alfred Wade of Springdale; one brother, Joe Wilson, Sacramento, Calif.; and 13 grandchildren.

Virgil Edens . . .

Virgil John Edens was born March 20, 1898, at Garfield, Ark., where he spent his entire life.

He departed this life on Oct. 12, 1960, at the age of 62 years, 7 months and 23 days. He was the son of Curt and Texan Edens. He was united in marriage to Lula Slinkard on May 30, 1918, and to this union was born 4 children. He was a charter member of the Freedom Free Will Baptist church and a Veteran of World War I.

He is survived by his wife, Lula; one son, Clint Edens, of Garfield; three daughters, Helen Edens of the home, Margie Snoderly of Garfield and Virginia Reddick of Denison, Texas; 12 grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Maggie Dye, Mrs. Ethel Wilmer and Mrs. Linnie Marlar, all of Garfield; also a host of friends and neighbors.

Albert H. Morriss . . .

Albert Morriss, 83, died April 5, 1961 at the home of his son, Leonard Morriss, in the Vaughan community, after an extended illness. He was born Sept. 24, 1877 in Lebanon, Tenn., and came to Arkansas at the age of 6 years with his parents, the late Randolph and Emily Morriss. He was a member of the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist church. Survivors include his wife, Lucy Maude Morriss; one son, Leonard Morriss, of Vaughan; three sisters, Mrs. Mattie Bragg of DeLon, Texas, Mrs. Lucy Savage and Mrs. Bertha Puryear of Springdale; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in the Vaughan Presbyterian church with Rev. Cecil Garrison and Rev. R. L. Williams officiating.

Artis Lafate Howard . . .

Artis Lafate Howard, son of Tom and Canzada Hudson, was born April 5, 1882, in Carroll County, Arkansas, and departed this life February 2, 1961, at the home of his daughter, 4 miles South of Metalton, Arkansas, at the age of 78 years, 9 months, and 27 days.

He was united in marriage August 30, 1903, to Mary Ellen Davis, and to this union 3 children were born.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Ellen Howard of the home, Rt. 4, Huntsville, Ark.; 3 daughters, Mrs. Clyde Walker of Rt. 4, Huntsville, Ark., Mrs. Jack Hobbs of Rt. 4, Huntsville, and Mrs. Ray Jennings of Rt. 4 Huntsville; 2 brothers, Juck W. Howard and Roy Howard, both of Star Rt. Berryville, Ark; 9 granchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends, who mourn his passing.

He professed his Hope in Christ, at an early age, and was a member of the Rose Hill Free Will Baptist church.

James F. Blackburn . . .

James F. Blackburn of Little Rock, Arkansas died Feb. 5, 1961 at a Little Rock hospital at the age of 77. He was born October 23, 1883.

He was a member of the Freedom Free Will Baptist church.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lola Miller Blackburn; a son, James H. Blackburn, of Little Rock; a daughter, Mrs. Thelma Anderson of Los Angeles; one brother and five sisters; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

George Ellis Gardenhire . . .

George Ellis Gardenhire was born in Carroll County, north of Berryville, Arkansas, November 28, 1870, to Ab and Rachel Standlee Gardenhire. He departed this life in the Skaggs Memorial Hospital in Branson, Missouri, July 24, 1961, at the age of 90 years 7 months and 26 days.

Funeral services were in the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist church, of which he was a co-founder and a charter member. Burial was in the Black Jack Cemetery, north of Berryville.

With exception of ten months in the Indian Territory and ten months in Texas, when a small child, with his parents, his entire life was spent in Carroll County.

He was united in marriage to Sadie Gofourth, who preceded him in death. To this union two children were born.

Later, he married Lizzie Hale-Shipman, who was at his bedside when death came.

Surviving him are his widow, of the home; one son, Owen Gardenhire, of Sanger, California; one daughter, Mrs. Clifford Standlee, of Pittsburg, Kansas; four step children, Mrs. Nita Miller, Mrs. Beulah Barett, Harold Dean Shipman and Wendall Shipman; four grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren and many other relatives.

Etta Alma Lawson . . .

Etta Alma Lawson, daughter of Preston and Maggie Roberts Rogers, was born April 17, 1883, in War Eagle, Ark., and departed this life February 9, 1961, at her home in Rogers, Ark., at the age of 77 years, 9 months, and 22 days.

She was united in marriage to Elmer S. Lawson in 1900, and to this union 5 children were born. Her husband, and 3 sons; Harvey Lawson, Chester Lawson, and an infant, all preceded her in death.

Surviving her are; 2 sons; Everett Lawson of Parkville, Mo., Norman W. Lawson of Rt. 4, Rogers, Ark.; 1 brother,

Earl Rogers of Los Angeles, Calif.; 3 sisters, Mrs. Effie Anderson of Rt. 4, Rogers, Ark., Mrs. Clarinda Ellis of Best, Arkansas; Mrs. Ada Samuels of Clifty, Ark.; 6 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends, who mourn her passing.

She had professed her Hope in Christ, and was a member of the Free Will Baptist church.

Mrs. Emily May Allred . . .

Mrs. Emily May Allred, 87, a resident of Benton County for more than 80 years, died shortly after noon Saturday in the Rogers Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient for the past three months.

Mrs. Allred was born Dec. 13, 1873, at Minneapolis, Kans., the daughter of the late John Oliver and Hannah Huff Hawthorn.

Her husband, the late Rev. John Wesley Allred, was a Free Will Baptist minister who held rural pastorates at LeRue, Cottage Hill, Pleasant Valley and Burks Shed in Eastern Benton County for many years. They were married Oct. 30, 1891, at LeRue.

Besides Mrs. Wells, survivors include another daughter, Mrs. Henry Boydston of Rogers; a son, the Rev. Truman Allred of Monett, Mo.; a sister, Mrs. Minerva Sharp of Elm Springs; 10 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Ida Irene Litton . . .

Mrs. Ida Irene Litton, 68, resident of 224 Park Street, died August 10, 1960, at her home after a long illness.

She was born September 14, 1891, at Springdale, the daughter of Wesley and Susan Wolfe Wilson, and was a member of the Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist church. Her husband, John Thomas Litton died November 21, 1956.

Survivors include one son, Paul, Springdale; three daughters, Mrs. Thelma Griffis, Springdale, Mrs. Eula Parker of Fayetteville and Mrs. Elma Ferriel of Springdale; two brothers, Harvey Wilson of Springdale and Joe Wilson of Sacramento, Calif.; 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Rev. Cecil Garrison officiated at the services.

Anna Wood Young . . .

Anna Wood Young, daughter of John and Rhoda Boren Wood, was born June 11, 1883, in Carroll County, Arkansas, and departed this life April 25, 1961, in the Boone County Hospital, in Harrison, Arkansas, at the age of 77 years, 10 months, and 14 days. Her home was in Oak Grove, Arkansas.

She is survived by 2 step-daughters, Mrs. Vennie Gardenhire of Exeter, Calif., Mrs. Lavada Hutchison of Indianapolis, Indiana; 3 sisters; Mrs. Nell G. Cook of Rt. 4, Berryville, Ark., Mrs. Cora McGarvey of Rt. 1, Berryville, Mrs. Mysha Sinclair of Buhl, Idaho; and many other relatives and friends, who mourn her passing.

She had professed her Hope in Christ, and was a member of the Oak Grove Free Will Baptist church.

Mrs. Anna Stevens . . .

Mrs. Anna Stevens, 78, resident of Rt. 5, Rogers in the Best community, died January 6, 1961 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jess Anderson. She was born January 18, 1882 in Iowa, the daughter of Robert and Mary Danforth, and was a member of the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist church.

Survivors include two sons, Herbert Stevens, of Pine Bluff, Wyo., and Ernest Stevens of Lubbock, Texas; three daughters, Mrs. Goldie Bowlin, China Lake, Calif., Mrs. Sylvia Henry of Springdale, and Mrs. Zuma Anderson of Rogers; one brother, Billy Danforth, of California; two sisters, Mrs. Raphael Miller, Pasco, Wash., and Mrs. Nora Goodson of California and 19 grandchildren. Funeral services were held at Mt. Zion church with Rev. Cecil Garrison officiating.

Nellie Ethel Bland . . .

Nellie Ethel Bland, 75, was born at LaRue, Arkansas October 20, 1886 and passed away April 14, 1961. She was the daughter of Clark and Mary Bland.

She was married to Albert McGinnis in December, 1902. To this union was born 4 sons and 2 daughters; those surviving are, Eugene, John, Clyde, Ova Lea, and Ella May; other survivors are 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; five brothers, Loyd, Lester, Everett, Jack and Ralph Bland; three sisters, Katie Royster, Mildred Howell, and Dottie Knox.

Mrs. Bland made an early profession of Christian faith and for the greater part of her life was a member of the Free Will Baptist church at Rocky Branch. At the time of her death she was affiliated with Taylor Memorial Baptist church at Hobbs, New Mexico.

Minnie McDaniel . . .

Minnie McDaniel, 75, died May 3, 1961 in Bates Memorial Hospital in Bentonville, was born Feb. 19, 1886 near Sedalia, Missouri. She was a member of the Rogers First Free Will Baptist church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Blanche Roland of Bentonville and Mrs. Edan Newberry of Carl Junction, Missouri; three sons, Edgar Mathis of Hutchinson, Kans., Robert Lee Mathis of Commerce, Okla.; three sisters, Mrs. Mable Price, Bentonville, Mrs. Dessa Eater, Fullerton, Calif., and Mrs. Martha Hudson, Hiwassee, Arkansas.

Officiating minister, Eld. Roy Rogers.

Myrtle H. Savage . . .

Myrtle H. Savage, 78, resident of Route 3, Fayetteville died March 13. She was born Oct. 7, 1882 at Spring Valley, the daughter of Burrell and Rachel Scott Homesley. She was one of the first members to join the Pilgrims Rest Free Will Baptist church the same night it was organized, Sept. 30, 1911.

Survivors include one son, Ivan Savage of Fayetteville; one daughter, Mrs. Wynema Savage Smith of Fayetteville; one sister, Mrs. Maude Homesley Barnes of Springdale. Funeral

services were conducted by Rev. Bruce Phillips.

Elvira Holliday . . .

Elvira Holliday, 49, died Feb. 15, 1961 in her home at 215½ E. 28th, Wichita, Kansas. She had attended prayer meeting and a neighbor had asked if she wasn't afraid she would die with such a bad heart. Sis. Holliday said, "No I am not afraid, I am ready to meet my Lord." She was a faithful church attendant.

Survivors are her mother, her husband, Leon Holliday, a brother and some sisters.

Stella Snoderly . . .

Stella Snoderly, born July 14, 1889; passed away March 24, 1961. She was the widow of the late Henry D. Snoderly. She was a member of the Freedom church where she attended regularly.

Survivors include a son, Carl Snoderly; two daughters, Mrs. Frank Mann and Mrs. Bob Robinson, also 7 grandchildren, all of Garfield.

Funeral services were conducted by Elds. Horace Knox and Alfred Glenn.

Pearl Lawson . . .

Pearl Lawson, 67, was born October 22, 1893; departed this life January 15, 1961. She was the daughter of Andrew Jackson and Martha Elizabeth Gordon Anderson.

In 1910 she was married to Lester Riley Lawson of Burk Shed. She was a member of the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist church.

Survivors include one son, Wade Lawson, Route 5, Rogers, Arkansas; four grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Mae Evans, Tulsa, Okla.; Her husband and seven children preceded her in death.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

George Been, age 80,	707 E. Emma, Springdale, Ark.
P. G. Kirk, age 77	Rt. 5, Rogers, Ark.
Claude Lynch, age 67	Rogers, Ark.
Bruce Phillips, age 58	Huntsville, Ark.
Jack Hobbs, age 56	Rt. 4, Huntsville, Ark.
H. M. Knox, Age 55,	621 N. C St., Rogers, Ark.
Willie Capps, age 53	Springdale, Ark.
Sammie Lane, age 52	Rt. 5, Rogers, Ark.
C. O. Garison, age 50	Rt. 5, Springdale, Ark.
George Lynch, age 51	Rt. 1, Garfield, Ark.
Elmo McKinney, age 54	Rt. 4, Berryville, Ark.
Steve Montgomery, age 55	Rt. 4, Huntsville, Ark.
Ernest Corley, age 51	Rt. 3, Fayetteville, Ark.
Edd Stilley, age 30	Rt. 2, Eureka Springs, Ark.
Lester Hilton, age 55	Oak Grove, Ark.
Millard Davis	Berryville, Ark.
Dave Casteel, age 40	Rt. 2, Springdale, Ark.
Kenneth Shepherd, age 34	Huntsville, Ark.

I. E. Hawley, age 79 Huntsville, Ark.
 Clyde Coatney, age 57, 746 S. Pershing, Wichita, Kans.
 Alfred Glenn, age 59 Rt. 8, Fayetteville, Ark.
 Claude Hendrix, age 40 902 S. C. St., Rogers, Ark.
 Amos Howard, 47, ... 611 E. Huntsville, Springdale, Ark.
 Clarence Tice, age 54 Huntsville, Ark.
 Oscar Cavins, age 57, Rt. 1, Garfield, Ark.
 John R. Bingham, age 43 Lowell, Ark.
 Clyde Johnson, age 55 Fayetteville, Ark.
 George Roller, age 42 N. Ark. St., Rogers, Ark.
 Talman Hicks, age 77, 307 N. W. A St, Bentonville, Ark.
 Rufus Young, age 42 Springdale, Ark.
 Noel Easterling, age 45 Huntsville, Ark.
 J. A. Davidson Rt. 1, Springdale, Ark.
 Kenneth Autry, age 48 ... Pritchard St., Berryville, Ark.
 Glenn Jones, age 50 Rt. 1, West Fork, Ark.
 Cecil Gladden, age 54 Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.
 Von Dean McFerrin, age 32 Springdale, Ark.
 Glenn Barnes, age 47 Springdale, Ark.
 Ted Slavens Springdale, Ark.
 Boyd Harp Rogers, Ark.
 Charlie Bagwell, age 66 Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.
 Ernest Hayhurst, age 60, ... 523 6th W., Jerome, Idaho
 Burton Birchfield Eureka Springs, Ark.
 Nelson Crabtree Pea Ridge, Ark.
 Elmer Ledbetter 2227 S. Estelle, Wichita, Kans.
 Arthur Lee Galloway, age 26 ... Rt. 2, Springdale, Ark.
 Carl Casteel, age 38 Huntsville, Ark.
 Floyd Spurlock, age 53 Huntsville, Ark.
 Layton Porter Bacus St., Springdale, Ark.
 Clyde Campbell ... 1333 S. Richmond, Wichita, Kans.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we believe, by the divine grace to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Preserver, we do now solemnly and joyfully covenant and agree by God's help, to walk together in brotherly love.

We, therefore, enter into covenant as members of this church, and as Christians, that we will watch over each other in love, sharing together each other's joys and sorrows; that we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor omit the great duty of prayer for ourselves and others; that by Divine assistance we will endeavor to bring up those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; that in

all things we will strive to exemplify our profession by a corresponding practice, to abstain from all sinful conformity to the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our agreements, and exemplary in all our deportment; that we will abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating liquor as beverage; that we will contribute cheerfully according to our ability, to the support of the ministry, the expense of the church the relief of the poor and the general spread of the Gospel.

In keeping this solemn covenant, may we ever enjoy the blessings and presence of the Great Head of the church, which is Jesus Christ the Saviour.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the Moderator or whomsoever he may request.

2. Ministers and deacons present are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, and to vote.

3. Those who speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No motion shall be discussed without a second.

5. When a motion has been made and seconded, and a member opposes its discussion, the Moderator shall put the question, "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.

6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separately.

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.

9. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of all members present.

10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.

11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected if necessary before the close of the Association.

12. At all future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and the chair shall announce just before adjournment, who shall preach.

13. These Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after the organization of the Association.

14. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we, the members of the Church of God (denominated Free Will Baptists) being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better Church government.

Art. 1. Membership — This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each church, and upon producing letters, they shall be entitled to seats. All regularly ordained ministers and deacons of this Association becoming properly credentialed and in full fellowship and good standing in the church of which they are members, shall be entitled to seats as a delegate, when present, by virtue of their office.

Art. 2. Name — The members thus chosen and assembled with the ministers and deacons, to be denominated the Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists being composed of the several churches of our union, the Association having no power over the churches reserving right of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

Art. 3. Letters — Letters from the different churches representing are to express their number in fellowship including the names and addresses of ordained and licensed ministers, the number of members re-

ceived upon profession of faith, by letter of recommendation, by restoration or denominational choice; the number of members dismissed by letter, excluded, and those having died since last Association. Churches, in sending their letters, may send obituaries of any one who died during the year, that we may keep up the memorial to our dead.

Art. 4. Dismissing Members — Our churches upon granting letters of dismissal to any of its members shall require a notice from the church receiving said letter that it has been received.

Art. 5. Officers — The Association to have a Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, elected annually for a term of one year by the suffrage, and an executive committee of three, one member chosen each year for a term of three years, who shall have the authority to transact any business transactions of the Association between sessions of the Association and make a report to the Association annually.

Art. 6. New Churches — Newly organized churches may be admitted to the Association, which are to petition by letter and delegates, and if, upon examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the Association, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Questions — No questions from any church shall come under consideration of the Association unless it has been first considered in its own church.

Art. 8. Motions — Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 9. Minutes — The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches the minutes of the Association in proportion to the amount paid by each church, the distribution to be made at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 10. Clerk — It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes of the Association in a book to be kept by the Association for that purpose.

Art. 11. Signatures — The minutes of the Asso-

ciation shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the close of the Association.

Art. 12. Amendments — Amendments of this Constitution may be made, when necessary, by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session.

Art. 13. Non-Attendance — The Association, in case of failure of any church to attend, shall inquire into the case.

"ARTICLES OF FAITH"

1. God — We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in divine Essence, Purpose, Power and Glory. St. John 1:1; I Cor. 8:6; St. John 10:30; I John 5:7.

2. Christ — We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God, was with the Father and the Holy Spirit at the time of creation, left the Courts of Heaven and came to this earth, took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin excepted, by being born of the Virgin Mary, manifested His power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's tomb, rose again the third day, completed the great plan of salvation, walked and talked with His disciples, publicly ascended to Heaven, and that He will descend again to gather His jewels home.—Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 1:26-28; Matt. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12 Mark 15:22-41.

3. Holy Spirit — We believe that the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages, and especially since the ascension of the Son back to the Father, and His coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up His office work among all nations of people, as a Divine Re-prover, Comforter and Guide. — Judges 6:34, 11:29; St. John 16:8-14; Isaiah 63:10-12; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:17-20.

4. The Bible — We believe the Bible, which is composed of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments was given by inspiration of God, is our way-bill from earth to heaven, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. — II Peter 1:19-21; II Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 21:42.

5. The Fall of Man — We believe that God created man good, gave a just law by which he should be governed, with the promise of reward for faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great enemy of souls, voluntarily transgressed the law of God, fell with their posterity under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave them the hope of salvation through the coming Christ. — Gen. 1:27; 2:16, 17; Rom. 11:11-35; Rom. 5:18; Psalms 37:23-24.

6. Redemption, Salvation, Adoption — We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial, resurrection and ascension paid the purchase price for the redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who come upon Gospel terms; and a law of adoption into the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal inheritance into the glorified Kingdom above. — Heb. 9:12; Gal. 3:13, 4:4-5; Titus 2:14; Heb. 1:4; St. John 3:16; Isaiah 45:22.

7. Conditions of Salvation — We believe that all persons dying in infancy and all idiots are saved by the Atoning merits of the Son of God without any act on their part, that persons coming to the years of accountability, transgressing the law of God, must upon their part, exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father and by the Holy Spirit they pass through the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ. — John 3; Matt. 19:13-22; II Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:16, 17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3.

8. Salvation Free — We believe that God desires the salvation of all; Christ died for all; the Gospel invites all; the Holy Spirit strives with all; and whosoever will may come and be saved on the terms of the Gospel.—Rev. 22:17; I Peter 1:9-13; I Peter 2:9-24; Rom. 3:24.

9. Baptism — We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, in which

are represented the burial and resurrection of Christ; also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbtery of the elders are qualified to administer the same.—Matt. 3:14-16; 3:5, 6; I Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

10. Communion and Feet Washing — We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saint's feet are ordinances of the Gospel of Christ; The Lord's Supper was instituted by our Saviour to commemorate His broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world and to show our remembrance of Him till He comes.

All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper and should be invited. "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of feet was instituted by our Lord at the same time that the Supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other, and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until His second coming. — Luke 22:19, 20; I Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-18; Matt. 26:26-29.

11. The Sabbath — We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God; that we should abstain from all sinful amusements and secular employments, works of mercy and piety excepted. — Exodus 20:11; 31:12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:12; Matt. 28:1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27.

12. Call to the Ministry — We believe in a Divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impresses His ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent that the call becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise the native gifts according to the Scriptures, with full reliance upon Him, He accompanies them in person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to His purposes. — Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; Matt. 28:19.

13. The Invisible Church — We believe that the Invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous Abel

to the restitution of all things from every kindred, nation, tongue and people. — Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22, 23; I Pet. 2:5; Eph. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 16:18.

14. The Visible Church — We believe that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the Gospel. — II Thess. 1:1; Acts 16:5; III John 1:10; Matt. 18:17; Acts 20:28; Rev. 1:4, 11, 20.

15. Perseverance — We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine graces, and in the knowledge of the truth and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in Hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from his hand so long as they walk in the path of duty; but those who sidestep and willfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty, they would backslide and if persistently continued, would be eternally lost. — II Cor. 9:10; II Peter 1:4-8; II Peter 1:12; I Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39, Apostasy; II Peter 1:8-9; I Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17; I John 5:16; Heb. 6:1-6; I Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 12:31-32.

16. Christ the Head of the Church — We believe that Christ is the Great Head of the Church and that the government of the local church is with the body. — Col. 1:18, 19; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21:42; Eph. 1:22; Acts 16:4,5.

17. Sanctification — Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sins and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration, and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life constantly growing in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. — I Cor. 6:11; II Thess. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; St. John 17:17-19; II Tim. 2:20, 21; I Thess. 5:19-23.

18. The Resurrection — We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and the wicked. When the resurrection shall take place, the soul and body shall be reunited, the righteous shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God forever, but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment. — Matt. 28:6; St. John 5:28, 29; I Cor. 15:51-58.

19. The Soul — The soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to the spiritual character here possessed. — Phil. 1:23; Luke 23:43; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10:28.

20. Judgment — We believe that there will be a general, universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment and the righteous into eternal happiness. — II Thess. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:8; II Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36, 37; Rev. 20:12, 13; Acts 17:31.

CHURCH CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

Mt. Zion — Ola Puryear, Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.

Pilgrim Rest — Irena Wright, Rt. 2, Springdale, Ark.

Christian Home — Evelyn Harrison, Hindsville, Ark.

Farmer — Odie Shepherd, Hindsville, Ark.

Buckeye — Ezra Clark, Rt. 2 Hindsville, Ark.

Freedom — Carl Snoderly, Rt. 1, Garfield, Ark.

Hickory Flatt — Mrs. Ben Taylor, Rt. 2, Springdale, Ark.

Pleasant Valley — Leroy Walker, Rt. 2, Berryville, Ark.

Huntsville — Imogene Parks, Huntsville, Ark.

Phillips Chapel — Irene Armes, Rt. 5, Springdale, Ark.

Rogers — Dorothy Rowland, Rogers, Ark.

Oak Grove — Bessie Atchley, Box 93, Green Forest, Ark.

Fayetteville — Virginia G. Johnson, Rt. 2, Fayetteville, Ark.

Bentonville — Lena Bruer, 1207 Monroe St., Bentonville, Ark.

Mt. Sharon — Etha Schnitzer, Rt. 2, Eureka Springs, Ark.

Clifty Chapel — Gladys Vanhook, Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.

New Sulphur — Dorothy Yue, Rt. 2, Prairie Grove, Ark.

Liberty (Wichita) — Joe J. Long, Rt. 1, Peck, Kans.

Antioch — Dorothy Littrell, Huntsville, Ark.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Church	Organized	Retiring Pastor	Pastor Elect	Experience and Baptism By Letter	Statement Of Faith	Dismissed By Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership
Mt. Zion	1866	Arthur Galloway	Arthur L. Galloway	0	0	0	0	4	109
Pilgrim Rest	1911	Glenn Barnes	Glenn Barnes	0	0	4	8	25	50
Christian Home	1892	Willie Capps	Willie Capps	0	0	0	2	0	32
Farmer	1945	Clarence Tice	Clarence Tice	1	0	0	0	0	30
Buckeye	1945	Rufus Young	H. M. Knox	1	0	0	0	0	23
Freedom	1950	Alfred Glenn	Alfred Glenn	0	0	0	4	0	111
Hickory Flatt	1951	Rufus Young	Rufus Young	2	1	0	0	0	26
Pleasant Valley	1951	Elmo McKinney	Elmo McKinney	0	0	2	0	0	32
Huntsville	1952	Bruce Phillips	Noel Easterling	4	5	3	3	0	123
Phillips Chapel	1952	Cecil Garrison	Cecil Garrison	5	3	2	1	0	238
Rogers	1953	Horace Knox	Amos Howard	0	1	2	9	3	121
Oak Grove	1955	Lester Hilton	Lester Hilton	8	0	4	2	0	88
Fayetteville	1956	Amos Howard	Clyde Johnson	2	0	5	2	3	40
Bentonville	1956	Von Dean McFerrin	R. F. Smith	0	1	3	0	0	28
Mt. Sharon	1957	Claude Hendrix	Claude Hendrix	0	0	0	0	0	22
Clifty Chapel	1958	Noel Easterling	Noel Easterling	1	1	4	0	0	34
New Sulphur	1958	Glenn Jones	Glenn Jones	6	4	5	0	0	37
Liberty (Wichita)	1959	Clyde Coatney	John H. Morgan	5	0	0	6	0	58
Antioch	1910 1961	Boyd Harp	Boyd Harp	0	0	22	0	0	22