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#### **OFFICERS**

Moderator — Horace M. Knox	621 N. C. Street Rogers, Ark.
Clerk-Treasurer — Willie Bohannan Box 69,	Huntsville, Ark.

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Claude Hendrix — 5 Years	
	Rogers, Ark.
George Lynch — 1 Year	Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.
Cecil Garrison — 2 Years	68 East, Springdale, Ark.
James Spears — 3 Years	802 Sherman
	Springdale, Ark.
Eldon Bagwell — 4 Years	Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.

### **EXAMINING COUNCIL**

Bruce Phillips — 3 Years — Rt.	5, Springdale, Ark.
Arthur Lee Galloway 1 Year	Route 2
	Springdale, Ark.
Horace M. Knox — 2 Years	621 N. C. Street
	Rogers, Ark.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Association called to order by the Moderator, and in his absence, by the Clerk.
- 2. Introductory Sermon.
- 3. Appointment of Committee on Committees by the Moderator.
- 4. Letters from churches composing the Association called for, read, and messengers invited to seats.
- 5. Corresponding Associations.
- 6. Right hand of fellowship.
- 7. Call for letters from newly organized churches.
- 8. Election of permanent officers.
- 9. Reading of the Constitution and Rules of Order by the Moderator or Clerk.
- 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 126th annual session of Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists convened on Thursday night before the second Sunday in August, 1967, by singing, "I'm Going That Way," Bro. Albert Schanda conducting, Bronwyn Jones at the piano. Our moderator, Eld. H. M. Knox, read Heb. 12 for a scripture lesson; prayer by Eld. Cecil Garrison.

Special number in song, "I Want to Stroll Over Heaven With You," by Mary Napier and Delphia Lawson, accompanied by Sammie Davis. Introductory Message by Eld. H. J. Rogers; basic scripture lesson, Ex-

odus 3:11-14. Text: "I Am That I Am."

The body moves that Eld. Knox appoint the Committee on Committees. Those appointed were: Brothers Tom Day, Roy Edgmond, Noel Easterling, Jimmie Whittle, and Arthur Lee Galloway.

Church letters were called for and read. Eld. Bruce Phillips nominated and elected to preach the 11:00 o'clock service on Friday. Benediction, Eld. Eldon Bagwell.

#### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Hymn, "Amazing Grace." Scripture lesson, I Thes. 5, read by Bro. Horace Knox; prayer, Eld. John D. Birchfield.

Roll call continued; afterward, the right hand of fellowship was extended to all delegates-elect, ordained ministers and deacons. Motion carried to receive Mrs. Hilton as an honorary delegate in memory of her late husband, Eld. Lester Hilton. Representatives from Indian Creek Association were Bros. Jimmy McCully, and James Franklin and wife; also Sister Hilton.

Star Valley Free Will Baptist Church of Wichita, Kansas, presented a petitioning letter. Motion moved, seconded and carried to receive Star Valley Church,

their letter and delegates.

Horace Knox nominated and elected, by accla-

mation, as moderator. Clyde Johnson elected assistant moderator.

Willie Bohannan nominated and elected, by acclamation, as clerk. Irena Wright elected assistant clerk.

Motion carried to discharge the Committee on Committees. Reading of "Rules of Order" by moderator, Bro. Knox. Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30 p.m. for the next business session. Benediction by Eld. Luthur Jones.

# DELEGATES BY CHURCHES (Brothers and Sisters)

MT. ZION—Carolyn Phillips, Fate Anderson, Lena Phillips.

PILGRIM REST—Irena Wright, Ola Johnson, Mary Anna Glenn.

CHRISTIAN HOME—By letter.

FARMER—Anna Shepherd, Evelyn Shepherd, Kerry Boatright.

BUCKEYE—Elsie Vaughn, Deloris Morris, Gayle Bragg.

FREEDOM—Lora Henson, Judy Henson, Ricky Grimes HICKORY FLAT—Cathy Taylor, Stella Gibson, Betty Vaughan.

PLEASANT VALLEY—Leroy Walker, Lissie Cox, Elizabeth Kile.

HUNTSVILLE—Lewis Horton, Mary Horton, Shirley Galloway.

PHILLIPS CHAPEL—Doyle Boyd, Dortha Boyd, Ernest Armes.

ROGERS—Bronwyn Jones, Ethel McGarrah, Debbie Vanhook.

OAK GROVE—Lizzie Gardenhire, Mac Minick, Denton Plumlee.

1st FAYETTEVILLE—Wilbert Lawson, Larry Beck, Verlon Napier.

2nd FAYETTEVILLE—(Letter mailed in late.)

CLIFTY CHAPEL—Lela Lane, Jack Mudd, Myrtle Fox NEW SULPHUR—Opal Cross.

LIBERTY—By letter.

ANTIOCH—Jesse Gage, Helen Duvall, Lonnie Burks. EUREKA SPRINGS—Barbara Christman, Joyce Hull, Illa May Franklin.

- STAR VALLEY—Jean Nelson, Mable Steeley, Hope Foster.
- OLD UNION ASSOCIATION—Delmar Reynolds, Rex McMahan, J. B. Burch (Hazel Allred, Ruby Head.)

## FRIDAY 11:00 O'CLOCK SERVICE

Hymn, "There's An Eye Watching You," conductor Arlie Lynch, Debbie Vanhook at the piano. Bro. Knox introduces Eld. Bruce Phillips who delivers the message upon "Faith." Scripture Heb. 11:1-0; 32-37; 12:1. Prayer by Bro. Charlie Bagwell. This was an urgent message for all Christians to press forward into the works of the Lord.

Benediction, Eld. Rex McMahan.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Congregational singing conducted by Bro. Claude Hendrix, DeLane Johnson, pianist. Scripture lesson: I John Ch. 4. Prayer by Eld. Jack Boyd.

Reading of "Contitutnion" by moderator.

Report of Youth Camp.

Motion carried to receive the report on "Temper-

ance" and discharge the committee.

Motion carried to place \$25.00, donated by Bro. Mat Lynch, in Youth Camp Fund, to defray expenses.

Motion carried to receive the report on Union of

Churches and discharge the committee.

Motion moved, seconded, carried, that Bro. Bruce Phillips be re-nominated, and elected by acclamation, for a term of three years to the Examining Council.

Motion carried to have the obituary of Sister Sarah Crabtree printed in the minutes. She was the last surviving member of Old Sugar Creek FWB Church.

Motion carried to elect a Youth Camp Director. Eld. Tom Day was nominated and elected by acclamation. Assistant Youth Director, Kenneth Jones.

Bro. Claudie Hendrix nominated and elected for

a term of 5 years to the Executive Board.

Bro. Cecil Garrison nominated and elected for a term of 2 years to the Executive Board to finish the unexpired term left vacant by Bro. Rufus Young.

Motion moved that we dismiss business until 9:30

Saturday a.m.

Benediction, Eld. Charlie Bagwell.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Congregational singing conducted by Bro. Albert Schanda, Debbie Vanhook at the piano. Special numbers in song were delivered by: The Millers, Bro. Ed Stilley, The Bagwell and Phillips Children of Burkshed; Johnson Sisters; Burkshed Quartet; Bro. Johnny Christman and wife, Barbara; Sisters Napier and Davis.

Eld. James Franklin brought the message of the hour. Scripture lesson, Matt. 26:26; I Cor. 7:11-12, 23; Jer. 6:16 was used for a text. Services were conducted by Eld. Jimmie McCully; scripture, St. John 13:1-17. Communion and foot washing services followed. This was a service that should stimulate and arouse all Christians to active duty.

Love offering for Youth Camp, \$342.18.

## SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Hymn, "Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus." Prayer by Eld. Jack Morris; scripture, Isaiah Ch. 65.

Motion carried to receive the report on Sunday

Schools and discharge the committee.

Motion moved, seconded, carried, that we print the obituaries of Benjamin F. Lynch, Hickory Grove; G. A. M. Lynch, Hickory Grove; William Clardy, Mt. Zion; and Fannie Hicks of Bentonville.

Report of Radio Pastor, Eld. Cecil Garrison, Following, a motion was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that we continue our radio program retaining Bro. Garrison as pastor.

Motion moved, seconded, carried that we receive a partial report of the Resolution Committee and retain them.

Motion moved, seconded, carried that we receive Resolution No. 1 for "consideration."

Motion moved, seconded, carried that we receive Resolution No. 1.

Motion moved, seconded, carried to receive the report of the Obituary Commitee and discharge them.

Motion moved, seconded, carried to receive the Report of Youth Camp Director and have same printed in minute..

Motion moved to adjourn until 1:30 for the next Business Session.

Benediction, Eld. Joe Weldon.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE—SATURDAY, 11:00 O'CLOCK

Hymn by congregation. Bro. Cecil Garrison reads II Tim. 4:5-8 and offers prayer. Bro. Norman Cline brings the message of the hour, using scripture lesson I Peter 5:6-10. Text: v. 10 "... grace, ... make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you." Services were concluded by Bro. John D. Birchfield, who reads I Cor. 15:51-55; I Thes. 4:13-18, then requesting the congregation to sing, "Precious Memories," for those present who had given up loved ones during the past year. Benediction, Eld. Auburn Green.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Hymn, "Free Waters," by congregation; Doyle Boyd, directing, Debbie Vanhook at piano. Assistant moderator being in charge, reads James 2:14-17; prayer by Eld. George Lynch.

Report of District Evangelist, Eld. Luther Jones. Motion carried to receive same. A rising vote of thanks was given to Bro. Jones for his labor in the Lord.

Motion carried to receive the Finance Report and

discharge the Committee.

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

Motion carried to retain the present Building Committee as a Standing Committee until they offer their recognition.

Motion moved, seconded, carried to empower said Building Committee with authority to enlarge upon "The Youth Camp Project" as and when needed.

Motion carried to have 1000 minutes printed, send-

ing 50 of them to Old Union Association.

Volunteer delegates to Ar. State Association: Eld. Tom Day, Sisters Pearl Day, DeLane Johnson, Hazel Easterling and Mary Anne Glenn, Eld. Noel Easterling.

Volunteer delegates and alternates to Old Union Ass'n: Sister Elsie Vaughn, Bro. and Sis. Clyde Johnson, Bro. and Sis. Bruce Phillips.

Eld. John D. Birchfield was nominated and elected to preach the Introductory Sermon 1968; Bro. Bobby Shepherd his alternate.

Motion carried to adopt minutes without reading

of same.

Motion moved to receive the final report of the

Resolution Committee and discharge same.

Motion carried to give the ladies a rising vote of thanks for their labor of love and food provided at the Association Dining Room.

Motion carried that we give the Clerk-Treasurer of the Radio Program a rising vote of thanks for her labor in the Lord.

Benediction by Bro. Roy Edgmond.

# SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE (By Our Youth)

Congregation and group singing. "A Teen-ager's View of the Youth Camp," by Connie Whillock (from a "camper's" standpoint.)

"A Dream Come True," and "And, They Had A Mind to Work," an adult's view of the Youth Camp, by Virginia Johnson.

Special in song by CTS of Fayetteville Church No. 1; Special, children from Phillips Chapel.

A prayer of Thanksgiving for our Youth Camp, Eld. Noel Easterling. A committee composed of Sis. Sammy Davis and Bros. ElRoy London and Gayland Boyd was selected to make arrangements for Youth Night (Saturday) of our 1968 Association. Message by Eld. Eldon Bagwell, lesson Genesis Ch. 2, text, "What Is Life?" At the close of the service an invitation was given to the unsaved.

Sisters Linda White and Wilma Watson gave personal testimonies about their lives and work at the FWB College at Nashville, Tennessee.

#### GENERAL REPORTS

Annual Report of Radio	Program—8-3-66 to	8-3-67
Carry OverReceived		_ \$ 72.92 _ 785.08
Expense	TOTALS \$728.00	\$858.00
Total on Hand	. ψ.20.00	_ 130.00

Pearl Archer, Sec.-Treasurer 501 Mt. View Street Springdale, Arkansas

#### **EVANGELIST'S REPORT**

To Old Mt. Zion Association:

I've helped conduct 14 revivals, witnessed 68 professions, baptized 11, preached 236 sermons, helped ordain one minister, preached 3 funerals. Money received from 5th Sunday Counicl Meetings, \$1,186.25; Love offerings, \$118.60; Free Will Offerings, \$474.51; Total offerings, \$1,779.36. Traveled 2,460 miles; expenses on car, \$560.19.

Bro. Luther Jones, District Evangelist

### YOUTH CAMP REPORT

First of all, we thank every one who prayed, gave money, and/or worked with us to make our Youth Camp the success that it was for the glory of God and the salvation of precious souls.

There were 156 young people that attended the camp; a staff of 20 workers. According to our teachers' count, we had 40 conversions and 16 re-dedications. However, we are sure that there were many more that re-dedicated their lives to God.

We covet your prayers that God will give us a greater harvest of souls next year.

Youth Camp Director, Tom Day

#### STATISTICAL REPORT

Old Mt. Zion Association of Free Will Baptists is composed of 20 churches. The letters were incomplete from several of the churches. Statistics as given are:

Number of parsonages, 4; ordained ministers, 56; licensed ministers, 5; ordained deacons, 64; Sunday Schools, 20; CTS, 9; Woman's Auxiliaries, 2; prayer meetings, 11; church membership, 1,496; resident, 1,054; non-resident, 442. Members received,68: by baptism,, 38; by letter, 20; by statement of faith, 10. Members dismissed, 44: by letter, 33; excluded, 0; deceased, 16. Sunday School enrollment, 1,050; CTS enrollment, 205; Woman's Auxiliary, 20. Total given in the churches was approximately \$52,639.37; general offering, \$43, 338.37; building fund, \$9,301.00; pastors' salary, \$23, 719.52; evangelistic work, \$3,012.26; building and repair, \$8,611.63; literature, \$2,493.11; advertising, radio program, etc., \$1,000.00; miscellaneous, \$7,581.44. Total

local expenditures, \$46,417.96; Cooperative plan, \$400.00; foreign missions, \$722.83; home missions, \$328.28; education, \$12.00; Associational projects, \$1,959.42; State and national projects, \$184.30; other, \$614.58. Total outside expenditures, \$4,221.41. Value of Associational property, \$30,000.00; value of church property, \$112, 900.00; value of parsonages, \$28,000.00.

#### COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

We, your Committee on Committees, submit the following report:

- RESOLUTIONS—Bro. Cecil Garrison, Noel Easterling, Bruce Phillips, Luther Jones and Glenn Jones.
- FINANCE—Sisters Shirley Galloway, Carolyn Phillips Mary Anne Glenn, Dorothy Boyd, and Joyce Hull.
- ARRANGEMENTS FOR PREACHING—Bros. Jimmy Whittle, Doyle Boyd, Vernon Napier, Lewis Horton, and Fate Anderson.
- TEMPERANCE—Sisters Evelyn Shepherd, Myrtle Fox, Glenda McMurry, Bronwyn Jones and Jean Nelson.
- SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Sisters Irena Wright, Lena Phillips, Lizzie Gardenhire, Barbra Christman and Debbie Vanhook.
- OBITUARIES—Bros. Barry Puryear, Earnest Armes, Claude Hendrix, Thurmon Keeney and Jack Boyd.
- UNION OF CHURCHES—Sisters Elsie Vaughn, Lora Henson, Judy Henson, Mable Steeley and Helen Duvall.
- NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES—Bros. Clyde Johnson, Wilbert Lawson, Arthur Lee Galloway, Charlie Bagwell and Roy Edgmond.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Union of Churches

We, your Committee on Union of Churches, submit

the following report:

To the best of our knowledge, our churches are all in unison with one another. "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe, that thou hast sent me." St. John 17:21.

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for breth-

ren to dwell together in unity," Ps. 133:1.

Elsie Vaughan, chairwoman

## Sunday Schools

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, believe that children should be taken, not sent, to the House of God. Parents are to be examples to their children. "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Eph. 6:4. Children, also, should "obey their parents in the Lord: for this is right."

Irena Wright, chairwoman

## Temperance

We, your Committee on Temperance, believe "Meekness, temperance, against such there is no law." Galatians 5:23. "It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak," Roman 14:21. "Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul," I Peter 2:11.

Evelyn Shepherd, chairwoman.

## Non-Represented Churches

We, the Committee on Non-Represented Churches, are thankful to report to you that only one church was not represented. This church was Fayetteville No. 2. We, the committee, recommend that our associational clerk contact Fayetteville No. 2 Church with regard to their failure to represent.

Clyde Johnson, chairman.

## Finance Report

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following report:

Church	Clerk	State	Minutes
Mt. Zion		\$6.00	\$20.00
Pilgrim Rest	•	6.00	17.00
Christian Home		6.00	4.00
Farmr		3.00	10.00
Buckeye		6.00	10.00
Freedom		6.00	20.00
Hickory Flat		6.00	7.00
Pleasant Valley		3.00	5.00
Huntsville		6.00	15.00
Phillips Chapel		8.00	40.00
Rogers		3.00	10.00
Oak Grove		6.00	2.00
1st FWB Fayetteville		6.00	11.00
Clifty Chapel		6.00	9.00
New Sulphur		3.00	10.00
Liberty (Wichita)		3.00	5.00
Antioch		3.00	5.00
Eureka Springs		3.00	5.00
2nd FWB Fayetteville		6.00	8.00
Star Valley (Wichita)		3.00	9.00
Personal donations			5.00
TOTALS	\$40.00	\$98.00	\$225.00

Shirley Galloway, chairwoman.

### Resolutions

We, your Committee on Rsolutions, recommend that Recolution No. 3, page 14, passed in 1966, bscome Resolution No. 2 to be printed permanently along with other "RESOLUTIONS: PERMANENTLY PRINTED." Also, that Resolution No. 4 be printed annually.

Resolution No. 1: In view of the fact that our Youth Camp has become a reality, and requires the need of more room to take care of its growth, which will increase the financial burden and responsibility of the churches: We recommend, if it meets the approval of the association, that for the present we discontinue our

District Evangelist and put all our support behind our Youth Camp.

(Submitted by First Free Will Baptist Church of Fayetteville, Elder Tom Day, Pastor.)

Resolution No. 2: Inasmuch as the ladies of our Association have worked so faithfully in preparing the food for the meals each day of the Association, we, your committee, recommend that wg give them a rising vote of thanks.

Eld. Cecil Garrison, chairman.

## Resolutions: (Permanently Printed)

Resolution No. 2: Be it Resolved that the Association set aside Saturday night of the conference each year for the Youth of our Churches to make their reports concerning their work and to be in charge of the worship service for that night, with the privilege of selecting a speaker or speakers for that service.

- 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 regula-

tions 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.

## Obituary Report

We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg to report that our All-Wise Living Creator in His infinite love, and mercy, has seen fit to reach forth His hand and take home 19 of our beloved brethren and sisters from their laborious commitments in this walk of life and give to them the rewards of His Glory: "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henecforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." Rev. 14:13.

Berry Puryear, chairman.

## William Thomas Clardy . . .

William Thomas Clardy, 82, was a resident of Route 2, Springdale, and died Sept. 7, 1966, in the Springdale Memorial Hospital.

He was born Oct. 13, 1883, in Spring Valley, the son of Francis M. and Nancy Macon Clardy. A retired farmer, he was a member of the Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Jim (Hazel) Garvin of Hindsville, and Mrs. Maudie Wilson of Springdale; one brother, John R. Clardy of Spring Valley; two sisters, Mrs. Elsie Richards of Springdale and Mrs. Ray Plummer of Las Vegas, Nev.; and one grandchild.

Funeral was held in Mt. Zion Church, with burial in Burk

Shed Cemetery.

## Cary M. Goff . . .

Cary M. Goff, 56, of 809 North Sherman, died May 29 at the Springdale Memorial Hospital.

He was born Sept. 3, 1910, at Woodville, Okla., and moved

to Springdale two and one-half years ago from Madill, Okla. He was a veteran of World War II.

He was converted Dec. 25, 1955, united with the Free Will Baptist Church of Sanger, Calif., was ordained a deacon in

1957, and served as long as his health permitted.

In December of 1964 he united with the Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist Church and taught the Advanced Men's Sunday School Class for some time. At the time of his death he

was teacher of the Intermediate Class.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ova Goff, of the home; one son, Don Goff of Los Angeles, Calif.; two daughters, Misses Wanda and Patricia Goff, of the home; four brothers, Paul and Marcus of Madill, Okla., Merel Goff of Texas, and Jack Goff of Fort Worth, Texas; four sisters, Mrs. Anna Brown and Mrs. Virginia Morrison of Madill, Mrs. Juanita Monroe of Kingston, Okla., and Mrs. Betty Hefley of Davis, Okla.

### Ralph E. Carlock . . .

Ralph E. Carlock, 90, Rt. 1, Huntsville, Ark., passed away

in the Madison County Hospital June 26, 1967.

Born April 23, 1877, in Madison County, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Carlock. He was a retired merchant. He was a member of the Huntsville Free Will Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Cora, of the home; two stepsons, Calvin Chewing of Muscatine, Iowa, and Allace Glenn of Fayetteville; three step-daughters, Juanita Groff of Parsons, Kansas, Loeta Johnson of Eldorado Springs, Mo., and Ethel Brown of Costa Mesa, Calif.

Funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m. at Brashears Funeral Chapel, Huntsville, on June 29, with Rev. Bruce Phillips

officiating.

#### William Brice Everett . . .

William Brice Everett, 62, passed away in his home at Alabam, May 11, 1967.

He was born Sept. 1, 1904, at Alabam and was a farmer.

His parents were Lewis and Mary Wasson Everett.

He was a member of the Huntsville Free Will Baptist Church and was Superintendent of the Sunday School at Alabam

for the past 8 years.

He is survived by his wife, Chloe, of the home; 5 sisters, Mrs. Rue Berry of Rt. 5, Huntsivlle, Mrs. Carl Hatfield, of Rt. 4, Huntsville, Mrs. Ray Grimes and Mrs. Evel Bogges, both of Delano, Calif., and Mrs. Virgil Capps of Orangevale, Calif.; one brother, Alva Everett of Riverside, Calif. Two daughters preceded him in death.

Funeral service was held at 4:30 p.m. at Alabam, May 13, with Bro. Arthur Lee Galloway officiating. Burial was in the Alabam Cemetery under the direction of Brashears Funer-

al Home.

## Benjamin F. Lynch . . .

Funeral services for Benjamin F. Lynch, 97, late of 2301 Central Avenue, were held from the Chapel of the Garden at two o'clock Friday afternoon with the Rev. Don Heberly of Mt. Zion Baptist Church officiating.

Mrs. W. A. Wilson and Mrs. Earl Ready, accompanied by Mrs. Nelson Moorhead, sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and

"In The Garden."

Mr. Lynch was born in Clifty, Arkansas, December 24, 1868, and died at his home here January 26. He had been in

failing health for some time.

A retired farmer, he came to Colorado from Arkansas in 1917 and to Canon City from Springfield in 1937. He was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church at Hickory Grove and the Masonic Lodge of Springfield.

August 11, 1896, in Spring Valley, Arkansas, he married

Annie Hammonds, who died in 1938.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Archie Ellis, Canon City, and Mrs. Bertie Rehmke, Ellensburg, Washington; six grandchildren, Lloyd McGinnis, Howard Sewell, Bill Ellis, all of Canon City, Archie Dell McGinnis, Annabelle Fields and Helen Christman. Also surviving are 12 great-grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A son and a daughter, William Harvey Lynch and May

Sewell, preceded him in death.

Pallbearers were W. A. Riddle, State Goodwin, Dorsey Foraker, R. A. Foster, William Rutherford and Alva Fortner.

Services and burial, in Lakeside cemetery, were by Holt and Wilson Funeral Directors. Members of the Masonic Lodge conducted graveside services.

## Henry C. Whittle . . .

Henry C. Whittle, 66, resident of Route 2, Springdale, in the Nob Hill community, Died Sept. 1, 2:30 p.m., at his home. A retired farmer and a member of the Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist Church, he was born Sept. 15, 1889, at Spring Valley, the con of Lee and Fernie Welf Whittle

the son of Lee and Fannie Wolf Whittle.

Survivors include his wife, Nina Fletcher Whittle, of the home; three sons, Milo, Tommy and Jimmy Whittle, all of Springdale; five daughters, Mrs. Harold (Daisy) Galloway, Mrs. Eugene (Verna) Graham, Mrs. Herschel (Susie) Owen, Mrs. David (Evelyn) Todd and Mrs. Calvin (Betty) Woodring, all of Springdale; two brothers, Norman Whittle and Clarence Baker of Springdale; one sister, Mrs. Fred Smith of Springdale; 24 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist Church with Rev.

Glenn Barnes and Rev. Arthur Lee Galloway officiating.

Burial was in the Joyce cemetery under the direction of Callison-Sisco Funeral Home.

#### J. C. Richardson . . .

J. C. (Brownie) Richardson, 77, Garfield, died in the Rogers Memorial Hospital. He was born Feb. 17, 1889, in Flatonia, Texas, and was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church

at Freedom for 15 years.

Survivors include three sons, Johnny Richardson, Garfield, Fred Richardson, Seattle, Wash., and S. J. Flower, Vallejo, Calif.; two daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Goldenstead, Garden Grove, Calif., and Mrs. Betty Tate, Lincoln, Ill.; five sisters, Mrs. Ida Tunnell, Archer City, Tex., Mrs. Agnes Willborn, Wichita Falls, Tex., Mrs. E. G. Steinow, Grants Pass, Ore., and Mrs. R. H. Hein, Garden Grove, Calif.; one brother. O. L. Richardson, Durango, Colo.; 14 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were Thursday at 2 p.m. in Garfield Baptist Church with Rev. Johnnie Lawson and Rev. Arthur Hart officiating. Burial was in Reddick Cemetery, Garfield, under the

direction of Sisco Funeral Home, Pea Ridge.

## Isaac E. Hawley . . .

Isaac Edward Hawley, 86, resident of Route 6, Huntsville, died March 27, in the Madison County Hospital, Huntsville. He was born Mar. 8, 1881, in Aurora, Mo., the son of Harvey W. and Margaret Shoemaker Hawley. An interior decorator, he was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church and a Mason.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lillie Hawley, of the home; eight sons, Marvin of Harrisonville, Mo., Herbert of Yakima, Wash., Thomas of Springdale, Andrew of Anaheim, Calif., Joe of Prairie Grove, Ira of Elkins, Monroe of Anaheim, Henry with the U. S. Air Force stationed in Texas; seven daughters, Mrs. W. E. Kennedy of Jenkins, Mo., Mrs. Woodrow Johnson of Pettigrew, Mrs. Cupid Roberts of Sacramento, Cal., Mrs. Juanita Raines of Monett, Mo., Mrs. Henry Parsons of Springdale, Mrs. Bill Mayberry of Neosho, Mo., and Mrs. Jack Baugh of Tulsa, Okla.; one brother, Charlie Hawley, of Ore.; one sister, Mrs. Margaret Berry of Pasadena, Calif.; 32 grand-children and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon, March 31, 1967, at 2:30 o'clock in the Brashears Funeral Chapel in Huntsville with Rev. Cecil Garrison and Rev. Tommy Day officiating. Burial was in Huntsville cemetery under the direction of

Brashears Funeral Home.

#### Euel James Cook . . .

Euel James Cook, 61, resident of 507 Price Street, Spring-dale, died April 19 at the Springdale Memorial Hospital. He was born Mar. 25, 1906, at Kingston, the son of Gately and Sarah Weathers Cook. A retired employee of George's Feed Mill, he was a member of Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist

Church, and he moved to Springdale from Kingston in 1944.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Pearl Cook, of the home; his mother, Mrs. Sarah Cook, of Kingston; two brother, Kerman Cook and Howard Cook, both of Springdale; two sisters, Mrs. Lovell (Delma) Norris of Springdale and Mrs. Claude (Daphna) Fancher of Kingston.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Phillips Chapel Free Will Baptist Church with Rev. Cecil Garrison and Rev. Tommie Day officiating. Burial was in Bluff cemetery under the direction of Callison-Sisco Funeral Home.

#### Frank S. Underdown . . .

Frank S. Underdown, 66, resident of Route 3, Gentry, died April 5 at the Siloam Springs hospital. He was born Mar. 30, 1901, in Carroll County, the son of Joe and Georgeann Bateman Underdown.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ona Frederick Underdown, of the home; two sons, Harold of Springdale and Roger Lee Underdown of the home; three brothers, Charlie Underdown of Osage, Noah of Cave Springs and Seaf Underdown of Rogers; two sisters, Mrs. George Dodson of Gentry and Mrs. Joe Woodworth of Alpena; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Callison-Sisco Funeral chapel with Rev. Cecil Garrison of-

ficiating. Burial was under direction of Callison-Sisco.

#### Enoch Bowerman . . .

Enoch Bowerman, 90, resident of 705 S. E. Fifth, Benton-ville, former resident of the Pilgrim Rest community, died October 27 at the Bates Memorial Hospital in Bentonville.

He was born August 16, 1876, at Forsyth, Mo. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Free Will Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Georgia Walker of Bentonville; one son, Charlie Bowerman of Mesquite, Texas; two brothers, G. W. Bowerman of Fayetteville and Jess Bowerman of Rogers; one sister, Mrs. Ruth Spurgeon of Rogers; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Callison-Sisco Funeral Home. Burial was in Joyce

cemetery under the direction of Callison-Sisco.

## George Andrew Madison (Mat) Lynch . . .

(The following message, with the songs "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be," "I Won't Have to Cross Jordan Alone," and "I'll Meet You in the Morning," sung by the Lynch Quartet, was tape recorded only a few weeks before the call to "come on home," and was included in both the Modesto and Hickory Grove Memorial services):

"I, George Andrew Madison Lynch, best known through life as Mat Lynch, a son of George Washington Lynch and Martha Catherine (Clark) Lynch, one of nine children, was born February 22, 1881, in Madison County, Arkansas, grew up in the Hickory Grove district, was born again into God's family in 1897.

"I have had many precious memories of my early life: One of them was that they never sent us children to church and Sunday School, but went and took us. But most precious of all my early memories was at the close of day, when we would gather around the family altar and kneel while Pa would pray. And he seldom if ever failed to ask before his prayer was done, for an unbroken family in heaven without the loss of one. There now are few of us left; one by one they have gone away. But thank God if we all live true and faithful we can meet them again some day.

"My church membership is at Hickory Grove, where my father in early life organized the Free Will Baptist Church in 1866, and was its pastor for 28 years in succession. I was married to Lena Jane Sharp December 10th, 1899. Our home was blessed with two children, Mabel Watson of Riverbank and Cecil Lynch of Modesto, California; three grandchildren, Virgil Terry of Redding, California, and Claude Terry of San Bruno, California, and Barbara Moore of Sunnyvale, California; and two great-grandchildren.

"And now a final admonition to my friends and loved ones that I am leaving behind, and to all the world. To you that are unsaved, you can know my Saviour, too; if you ask, in faith believing, He will give you life anew. And to you that are Christians, just thank the God that saved your soul, and keep on working in His vineyard until you reach your goal. Then, when you reach the banks of Jordan and cross to the other shore, you can join the angels singing praise to God forevermore. (Heaven will surely be worth it all.) Remember, you won't have to cross Jordan alone, to that beautiful place called heaven. Will you meet me in the morning, where we can live happy together forever? I will be there to wlcome you home.

"The music today was by the Lynch Quartet of the Hickory Grove Church. God bless and keep you all till we meet again. Goodbye."

George Andrew Madison (Mat) Lynch, Modesto, Calif., died at a Modesto hospital Tuesday. He was born Feb. 22, 1881, near Clifty and was the son of George and Catherine Clark Lynch; his father organized and was pastor of the Hickory Grove Free Will Baptist Church.

Survivors include two children of Modesto, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Pollie Todd, Springfield, Mo.; two brothers, John Lynch, Campo, Colo., and Bob Lynch, Hobarrt,, Okla; and three grandchildren.

Funeral service was held at Modesto, Calif., May 26. Memorial service was held at the Hickory Grove Church near Clifty Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Music was recorded songs by the Lynch Quartet, as requested before his death.

### Fannie Frances Hicks . . .

Mrs. Fannie Frances Hicks, 72, of Bentonville, died last

Thursday afternoon at Rogers Memorial Hospital.

Born and reared in Douglas County, Mo., Mrs. Hicks spent most of her life there before moving to Pea Ridge in 1946, then to Bentonville in 1957. She owned and operated a boarding house on Northwest A St.

Mrs. Hicks was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church. Survivors include her husband, Talmon H. Hicks, of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Clara Harrison of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Opal Miser of Pea Ridge; seven sons, Arthur of Fletcher, Okla., Clarence of Riverside, Calif., Raleigh and Boyd, both of Bentonville, Amos of Estacada, Ore., Edgar of Ava, Mo., and Robert of Clinton, Okla.; a sister, Mrs. Lucy Cooper; a brother, Jess Bragg, of Exeter, Calif.; 32 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Callison-McKinney Chapel, with the Rev. Claude Hendrix of-

ficiating.

Burial was in the Hicks Cemetery near Lutie, Mo., under direction of the Callison-McKinney Funeral Home of Bentonville.

## Maude Ethel Crawley . . .

Mrs. Maude Ethel Crawley, 72, died in Fayetteville Sunday. She was born June 4, 1895, at Strickler, the daughter of John and Edith Stephens Sargent, and was a member of the

Free Will Baptist Church at New Sulphur.

Survivors are the husband, Marlow Crawley, of the home; six sons, Fred of Yakima, Fash., Bill of Salem, Ore., Cletus and Leroy of Gilroy, Calif., Frank of Oklahoma City, and Ray of Shawnee, Okla.; two daughters, Mrs. Kate Phillips of Prairie Grove and Mrs. Gladys Frederick of Long Beach, Calif.; three brothers, Charlie Sargent of West Fork and Jim and Claude Sargent of California; two sisters, Mrs. Net Coffman and Mrs. Minnie Stewart of California; 16 grandchildren and 19 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral service was at 10 a.m. Wednesday at New Sulphur Baptist Church with burial in Fall Creek Cemetery under

direction of Lugenbuel Funeral Home.

#### Sarah Johnson . . .

Mrs Sarah Johnson, 89, Springdale, died June 3, 10 p.m., in a local convalescent home. She was born Aug. 18, 1877, in

Springdale, the daughter of Jerry and Jane McCoy. A lifetime resident of the Springdale area, she was a member of the

Free Will Baptist Church.

Survivors include two step-sons, Bill Johnson of Fort Gibson, Okla., and Homer Johnson of Tulsa; three step-daughters, Mrs. Alta Witt of Helena, Calif., Mrs. Esther Miller of Olympia, Wash., and Mrs. Corinne Rogozinski of Long Island, N. Y.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Sisco Funeral Chapel with Rev. Cecil Garrison officiating.

Burial was under the direction of Sisco's.

#### Jane Blackburn . . .

Mrs. Matilda Jane Blackburn, 83, who resided in the War Eagle and Rogers communities for over 75 years, died at the Rogers Memorial Hospital Tuesday, Nov. 1, 1966. She was born November 24, 1882, in Texas and moved to the War Eagle community with her parents when she was a small girl. Mrs. Blackburn was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church of Rogers.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Beatrice Smith, Livermore, Calif.; three sons, Lonnie, Truman and Raymond, all of Rt. 4, Rogers; a sister, Mrs. Mintie Bullington, Rogers; a brother, Robert White, Gravette; five grandchildren and 10

great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at the Free Will Baptist Church in Rogers, Friday at 2 p.m., with Rev. Kenneth E. Jones offi-

ciating.

Burial was in Tuck's Chapel Cemetery under the direction of Burns Funeral Home.

#### Sarah Adelia Crabtree . . .

Sarah Adelia Crabtree was born Feb. 12, 1883, in Benton County, the daughter of Martin C. and Martha (Elington) Carter. She departed this life June 3, 1967, at her home on the farm where she was born.

She was a member of the Sugar Creek Free Will Baptist

Church at Old Liberty.

She was the widow of the late Alfred David Crabtree.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Callison Funeral Home June 6, with Rev. Horace Knox officiating. Burial was in Old Liberty Cemetery.

#### Alliene Woodward . . .

Alliene Woodward, 47, of Huntsville ,Rt. 3, passed away Nov. 26, 1966, in a Fayetteville hospital.

She was born May 24, 1918, at Maysvukke and was a

member of the Huntsville Free Will Baptist Church.

Survivors are her husband, Russell J. Woodward, of the home; three sons, Leslie of Springdale, John of Huntsvillye, Rt. 3, and Bill of the home; one daughter, Rowena, of the home;

her mother, Mrs. Faye Foster of Huntsville; and three grand-children.

Funeral service was held at Springdale, Nov. 30, with Rev. Dave Casteel officiating. Burial was in the Alabam Cemetery.

## Grace Smith Taylor . . .

Grace Smith Taylor was born Oct. 14, 1910, and departed

this life the 12th day of September, 1966.

She was united in marriage to Samuel Harrison Taylor. To this union four children were born; Mrs. Juanita Bolinger of Huntsville, Kenneth Lee who preceded her in death, Mrs. Virginia Bolinger and Mrs. Leo Bowen. Her husband also preceded her in death.

She is also survived by four step-children, Mrs. Ona Miller, Mrs. Mable Clarkson and Mrs. Willard Taylor, all of Huntsville, and Mrs. Mildred Burgess of Springdale.

She was a member of the Free Will Baptist Church at

Antioch.

## Mary Melissa Knox . . .

Mrs. Mary Melissa Knox, 89, died Nov. 8 in a Bentonville nursing home. She was born Nov. 17, 1876, in Wise County, Texas, and moved to Benton County with her parents when she was nine years old. She was a member of the New Hope Free

Will Baptist Church in Rocky Branch community.

She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Ida Shaw of Renssalaer, Ind., Mrs. Ethel Baker of Bentonville, Mrs. Mildred Fine of Rogers and Mrs. Ruth Cox of Bentonville; two sons, Bill Knox of Inola, Okla., and Rev. Horace Knox of Rogers; one sister, Mrs. Louise Weatherman of Sacramento, Calif.; 23 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren, and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Burns Funeral Chapel in Rogers with Rev. Everett Bland

officiating. Burial was in Bland cemetery.

## ORDAINED MINISTERS

George Been, age 86 707	E. Emma, Springdale, Ark.
P. G. Kirk, age 83	Rt. 5, Rogers, Ark.
Bruce Phillips, age 64 519	N. Water, Springdale, Ark.
	Rt. 4, Huntsville, Ark.
H. M. Knox, age 60	621 N. "C" St. Rogers, Ark.
	Springdale, Ark.
Sammie Lane, age 58	
C. O. Garrison, age 57	Rt. 5, Springdale, Ark.
George Lynch, age 58	Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.
Elmo McKinney, age 60	Rt. 4, Berryville, Ark.

Steve Montgomery, age 62 Rt. 4, Huntsville, Ark.
Ernest Corley, age 57 Rt. 3, Fayetteville, Ark.
Edd Stilley, age 36 Rt. 2, Eureka Springs, Ark.
Millard Davis Monett, Mo.
Clyde Coatney, age 631607 S. Ash, Wichita, Kan.
Alfred Glenn, age 65 505 N. Cedar, Springdale, Ark.
Claude Hendrix, age 46 902 S. "C" St., Rogers, Ark.
Clarence Tice, age 60 Rt. 5, Huntsville, Ark.
Oscar Cavin, age 63 Rt. 1, Garfield, Ark.
Clyde Johnson, age 61 Rt. 2, Fayetteville, Ark.
George Roller, age 48 W. Walnut, Rogers, Ark.
Talman Hicks, age 83 307 NW A St., Bentonville, Ark.
John D. Birchfield, age 45 Rt. 1, Eureka Springs, Ark.
Noel Easterling, age 51 Huntsville, Ark.
J. A. Davidson, age 54 Rt. 1, Springdale, Ark.
Kenneth Autry, age 54. 207 Pritchard, Berryville, Ark.
Glenn Jones, age 56 Rt. 2, West Fork, Ark.
Cecil Gladden, age 60 MonteNe, Ark.
Von Dean McFerrin, age 38 Springdale, Ark.
Glenn Barnes, age 56 Rt. 5, Springdale, Ark.
Boyd Harp Rt. 2, Lowell, Ark.
Charlie Bagwell, 72, 407 S. Cleveland, Springdale, Ark.
Burton Birchfield Eureka Springs, Ark.
Arthur Lee Galloway, age 33 Rt. 2, Springdale, Ark.
Floyd Spurlock, age 59 Rt. 1, Huntsville, Ark.
Riley Hicks 307 NW A St., Bentonville, Ark.
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Chester McKinney — 201 E. Madison, Berryville, Ark.
Norman Cline Dyer St., Springdale, Ark.
James Spears Sherman St., Springdale, Ark.
Kenneth Jones, age 31 906 W. Elm, Rogers, Ark.
Joe C. Langham 312 S. Block, Fayetteville, Ark.
Lloyd Thomas 1562 Leverett, Fayetteville, Ark.
Lloyd Edmondson Rt. 2, Bentonville, Ark.
David Todd, age 29 Rt. 1, Springdale, Ark.
Luther Jones, age 60 322 W. Locust, Rogers, Ark.
Leslie Thomas, 44 2646 N. Jackson St., Wichita, Kan.
Jack Boyd, age 50 1906 Patti St., Springdale, Ark.
C. D. Benton Sand Springs, Okla.
Tommy Day, age 56 1420 W. Sunset, Springdale, Ark.
Cecil Ramey Greenland, Ark.
Loren Collins Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.
Eldon Bagwell, age 30 Rt. 1, Hindsville, Ark.
Jack Morris Rt. 1, Fayetteville, Ark.
Ernest Hill, 70 207 Public Square, Berryville, Ark.
Wesley Nelson, age 36 2459 Newell, Wichita, Kan.
Johnny Christman, age 25 Eureka Springs, Ark.

## 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 assemblying 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. I. 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 received 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 dismission 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 five, one member chosen each year for a term of five years, and that each member be an Ordained Minister in good standing of the Old Mt. Zion Association, 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 Association 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 Reprover, 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 idots 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, 25; 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 presbetery 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 everylasting 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 immediattely 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.

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## STATISTICAL REPORT

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Church	Organized	Retiring	Pastor	Experience and Baptism	By Letter	Statement Of Faith	Dismissal By Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership
Mt. Zion	1866	Jack Boyd	Clyde Johnson	0	0	0	0	0	1	127
Pilgrim Rest	1911	Noel Easterling	Noel Easterling	9	3	1	1	0	1	116
Christian Home	1892	Loren Collins	Loren D. Collins	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
Farmer	1945	Clarence Tice	Jack Morris	0	0	0	1	0	0	39
Buckeye	1945	Clarence Tice	Clarence Tice	0	2	2	0	0	0	33
Freedom	1950	Bruce Phillips	Bruce Phillips	2	<u> </u>	0	0	0	3	133
Hickory Flat	1951	James Spears	Norman Cline	1	0	0	0	0	<del>-</del> 0	18
Pleasant Valley	1951	Elmo McKinney	Johnny Christman	0	0	0	2	0	0	<u></u>
Huntsville	1952	Arthur Lee Galloway	Arthur Lee Galloway	8	4	0	5	0	4	127
Phillips Chapel	1952	Cecil Garrison	Cecil Garrison	3	8	1	9	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	288
Rogers	1953	Kenneth Jones	Kenneth E. Jones	3	0	0	0	0	$-\frac{3}{2}$	168
Oak Grove	1955	C. D. Benton	Harvey Butler	8	0	0	2	0	-0	108
Fayetteville 1st FWB	1956	Tom Day	Tommy Day	1 1	1	2	0	0	0	62
Clifty Chapel	1958	Eldon Bagwell	Eldon Bagwell	$\frac{1}{1}$	2	0	0	0	-0	46
New Sulphur	1958	Glenn Jones	Glen Jones	2	0	0	1	0	1	46
Liberty (Wichita)	1959	Leslie Thomas	Leslie Thomas	0	0	5	4	2	0	$\frac{10}{27}$
Antioch	1910   1961	Floyd Spurlock	Jack Hobbs	0	0	0	0	0	1	57
Eureka Springs	1962	John D. Dinghfield	T-1 T> To 10: 11							·
Fayetteville 2nd FWB	1965	John D. Birchfield	John D. Birchfield	0	0	0	5	0	0	24
Star Valley (Wichita)	1967	Herbert J. Rogers	Lloyd Thomas	4	6	0	3	0	0	39
- Julie (Wichita)	1001	······································	Clyde E. Coatney	0	0	21	0	0	0	21

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