

MINUTES  
Of the  
PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION  
Of the  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
OF  
NORTH CAROLINA

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
EIGHTYTH ANNUAL SESSIONS  
BETHEL FWB CHURCH  
March 17-18, 2023

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Next Annual Association Meeting  
Will Convene at  
Grace Fellowship FWB  
Rockingham, North Carolina  
March 22-23, 2024

# General Officers of the Piedmont Association of Free Will Baptists

2023-2024

## EXECUTIVE BOARD

Moderator .....Rev. Roger Webster  
392 Peggy Mill Rd. Hamlett, N.C. 28345 (910-206-0944)  
Vice- Moderator .....Rev. Chuck Overcash  
2109 Englewood St. Kannapolis, N.C. 28083 (704-983-8433)  
Clerk.....Rev. Ted Cole III  
576 North Paraham Rd. Clover, S.C. 29710 (803-220-7718 cell)  
Treasurer .....Rev. Michael Byrd  
297 Gaither Rd. Belmont, N.C. 28012 (704-396-2020)  
  
Board Member (Expires 2024).....Rev. Gary Brown  
Board Member (Expires 2025).....Rev. Stephen Ashby  
Board Member (Expires 2026).....Rev. David Lawson

## ORDAINING COUNCIL\*Adopted New Guidelines 2021

Rev. James Messer Jr.....(Term Expires 2024)  
Rev. David Robinson.....(Term Expires 2025)  
Rev. Carroll Cullipher.....(Term Expires 2026)

## MISSION BOARD

Rev. James Messer Jr (Treasurer) - Rev. Carroll Cullipher (2024)  
Rev. Sherman Sexton (2025)

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rev. Michael Byrd (Treasurer) – Rev. Sherman Sexton (2024)  
Rev. Royce Stone (2025)

## YOUTH BOARD

Delegate David Cole (2025), Rev. Wayne Eudy (2024)  
Rev. Keith McGee (2025)

## Appointed Committees

|                      | 2023                          | 2024                   |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Youth Board...       | Rev. Stephen Ashby            | Rev. Adam Laster       |
| Superannuation ..... | Rev. Cecil Tucker             | Rev. Carroll Cullipher |
| Master's Men .....   | Rev. David Robinson           | Rev. Stephen Ashby     |
| Sunday school .....  | Rev. David Lawson             | Rev. Royce Stone       |
| Resolutions .....    | Rev. Gary Brown               | Rev. Donald Mitchelson |
| Ladies.....          | Sis. Nikki Byrd               | Sis. Susie Mitchelson  |
| Credentials .....    | Sisters- Brown, Webster, Byrd |                        |

## Board of Trustees

Rev. Gary Brown – Rev. Michael Byrd  
Rev. Doug McGee

## *Association Churches and Pastors*

| <i>Church Name</i>      | <i>City</i> | <i>State</i>   | <i>Pastor Name</i> |            |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|
| Arrington Heights FWB   | Lexington   | North Carolina | Doug               | McGee      |
| Ben Avenue FWB          | Kannapolis  | North Carolina | Lester             | Cahoon     |
| Bethel FWB              | Gastonia    | North Carolina | Ted                | Cole III   |
| Bowling Green FWB       | Clover      | South Carolina | Gary               | Conrad     |
| Bright Light FWB        | York        | South Carolina | Adam               | Laster     |
| Catawba FWB             | McAdenville | North Carolina |                    |            |
| Center Grove FWB        | Waxhaw      | North Carolina | Donald             | Mitchelson |
| Christian Life FWB      | Lexington   | North Carolina | Gary               | Brown      |
| Clermont FWB            | Kannapolis  | North Carolina | Leon               | Simmons    |
| Faith FWB               | Greensboro  | North Carolina | Vic                | Redding    |
| Faith FWB               | New London  | North Carolina | Wayne              | Eudy       |
| Grace Fellowship Church | Rockingham  | North Carolina | Roger              | Webster    |
| LakeView FWB            | High Point  | North Carolina | Carroll            | Cullipher  |
| Madison Heights FWB     | Lexington   | North Carolina | David              | Robinson   |
| Mt. Carmel FWB          | Lexington   | North Carolina | Darrell            | Cartrette  |
| Near Calvary FWB        | Lexington   | North Carolina | Jeffrey            | Walser     |
| Pilgrim FWB             | Welcome     | North Carolina | James              | Messer Jr. |
| Prince of Peace FWB     | Kannapolis  | North Carolina | Chuck              | Overcash   |
| Sandhill FWB            | Laurel Hill | North Carolina | Willie             | Jacobs     |
| Sharon FWB              | Gastonia    | North Carolina | Odell              | Cook       |
| South Point FWB         | Belmont     | North Carolina | Michael            | Byrd       |
| Southside FWB           | Rockingham  | North Carolina | Stephen            | Ashby      |

Number of Active Churches : 22

*Note: Any church or minister not reporting at the annual meeting or by mail within two (2) years shall be dropped from our list.*

## Minister Name and Address Listing

| Name        |            | Address                  |               |                | Phone                |
|-------------|------------|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Stephen     | Ashby      | 166 Willowmore Springs R | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27292 (336) 240-7993 |
| Gary        | Brown      | 867 Pine Top Road        | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27295 (336) 238-1136 |
| Michael     | Byrd       | 297 Gaither Rd.          | Belmont       | North Carolina | 28012 (704) 396-2020 |
| Jason       | Cable      | 177 Pine Heights Circle  | Thomasville   | North Carolina | 27360 (336) 807-0583 |
| Lester      | Cahoon     | 613 Ben Ave.             | Kannapolis    | North Carolina | 28081                |
| Darrell     | Cartrette  | 105 Jefferson Street     | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27295 (336) 239-0271 |
| Ted         | Cole       | III 576 N. Paraham Rd.   | Clover        | South Carolina | 29710 (803) 220-7718 |
| Gary        | Conrad     | 206 Brown Pelican Court  | Clover        | South Carolina | 29710 (803) 810-6366 |
| Odell       | Cook       | 410 Reese Street         | Gastonia      | North Carolina | 28056 (704) 827-3144 |
| Carroll     | Cullipher  | 3855 Johnson St.         | High Point    | North Carolina | 27265 (765) 810-3746 |
| Chris       | Elliott    | 218 Knollwood Ave        | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27292 (336) 588-5302 |
| Wayne       | Eudy       | 30681 Kidd Rd.           | Albemarle     | North Carolina | 29001 (704) 463-1240 |
| Toby        | Hunt       | 1206 Tipton St.          | High Point    | North Carolina | 27262 (336) 905-4401 |
| Willie      | Jacobs     | 155 South Hoke St.       | Red Springs   | North Carolina | 28377 (910) 322-6227 |
| Raymond (Di | Johnson    | Jr. 620 Legion Rd.       | Mt Holly      | North Carolina | 28120 (704) 619-7085 |
| Robert      | Laster     | 206 Hiltop Ln.           | Clover        | South Carolina | 29710 (704) 718-5453 |
| David       | Lawson     | 411 Cagle St.            | Randleman     | North Carolina | 27317 (336) 259-4892 |
| Michael     | Leary      | 1810 Legion Rd           | Hickory Grove | South Carolina | 29717 (803) 389-9882 |
| Charles     | Leviner    | 103 Ravenwood Rd.        | Rockingham    | North Carolina | 28379 (910) 334-0381 |
| Doug        | McGee      | 2461 Old Linwood Rd      | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27292 (336) 240-8127 |
| Keith       | McGee      | 3086 Tyro Rd.            | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27295 (336) 239-1124 |
| James       | Messer     | Sr. 408 Westmoreland Dr. | Clover        | South Carolina | 29710 (704) 689-1904 |
| James       | Messer     | Jr. 1508 Hampton st.     | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27295 (336) 357-3568 |
| Donald      | Mitchelson | 1311 Bryson Creek Dr.    | McConnells    | South Carolina | 29726 (803) 412-5021 |
| Chuck       | Overcash   | 2109 Englewood St.       | Kannapolis    | North Carolina | 28083 (980) 521-1575 |
| Vic         | Redding    | 4212 Northside Drive     | Greensboro    | North Carolina | 27405 (336) 312-1687 |
| David       | Robinson   | 146 White Oak Court      | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27295 (336) 309-2748 |
| Sherman     | Sexton     | 310 Comrade Lane         | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27293 (336) 460-1297 |
| Leon        | Simmons    | 2909 Michael Rd.         | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27295 (704) 259-7457 |
| Royce       | Stone      | 2813 Briar Patch Ln      | Thomasville   | North Carolina | 27360 (336) 472-8119 |
| Cecil       | Tucker     | 4173 Hoover Hill Rd.     | Trinity       | North Carolina | 28127 (336) 689-8259 |
| Jeffrey     | Walser     | 2468 Turner Rd           | Lexington     | North Carolina | 27292 (336) 746-7095 |
| Roger       | Webster    | Jr 392 Peggy Mill Rd.    | Hamlett       | North Carolina | 28345 (910) 206-0944 |

Friday Morning 9:00 a.m.  
March 17, 2023

Congregational Singing ..... Host Church  
Devotions ..... Rev. Keith McGee  
Topic/Scripture: ..... Psalms Ch 106, Be Thankful  
Association Called to Order ..... Rev. Ted Cole III  
Introduction of Moderator..... Rev. Chuck Overcash  
Moderator's Remarks ..... Rev. Roger Webster  
Welcome ..... Rev. Ted Cole III  
Response to Welcome..... Rev. Roger Webster

Appointment of credentials committee: Sisters Webster, Brown, Byrd

Roll Call of Churches: 16 reported      2 mail  
Roll Call of Ministers: 24 reported      2 mail

Recognition of Visitors: Rev. Ruben Cason (NC Prom)

Executive Board Report: M/S/C as read by Rev. Ted Cole III

Intermission

Special Singing.....Host Church

Message ..... Rev. Chuck Overcash  
Scriptures/Topic ..... Acts Ch 26 Vr. 8-12, Vr. 19-28

Invitation given

Dismissed by prayer with a blessing of the food

Friday Evening Service 6:00pm  
March 17, 2023

Opening ..... Rev. Roger Webster  
Ordination Message..... Rev. Willie Jacobs  
Topic/Scripture: .....II Timothy Ch 4 Vr 1-4  
Closed with PRAYER over the Candidates.

Evening service  
Special Singing: Host Church

Message: .....Rev. Royce Stone  
Scripture/Topic:...II Timothy Ch 4 Vr 1-8

Dismissal Prayer :

VISITORS

Rev. Ruben Cason, Rev. Brandon Smith, Sheila Hensley,

DELEGATES

David Cole Lisa Cole Mark, Mary Overcash Nikki Byrd Sonya Parnell Marie Messer Susie Michelson  
Carolyn Lawson Amy Webster Ivone Jacobs Beverly Brown Debbie Stone

DEACONS

DAVID PEALE, THOMAS COLE , BARRY HENSLEY

Saturday Morning Service 9:00am  
March 18, 2023

Registration 8:00-9:00

Opening Song ..... Host Church

Devotions ..... Rev. Donald Michelson  
St John Ch 15 Vr 12-16

Roll Call of Churches: 16 reported 3 mail                      total reported: 19

Roll Call of Ministers: 25 reported 4 mail                      total reported: 29

Reports..... M/S/C as read

Superannuation ..... Rev. Ted Cole III

Master's Men ..... Rev. David Robinson

Sunday School ..... Rev. David Lawson

Resolutions ..... Rev. Gary Brown

Mission Board ..... Rev. James Messer Jr

Finance ..... Rev. Michael Byrd

Treasurer's .... Rev. Michael Byrd

Credentials ..... Sister Webster, Brown, Byrd

Ordaining Council Report given by Rev. Willie Jacobs M/S/C as read.

Old Business:

New Business: Receive Grace Fellowship Church M/S/C, Receive Faith FWB Church M/S/C

|                                       |                     |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Appointments for 2023: Superannuation | Rev. Cecil Tucker   |
| Masters Men                           | Rev. David Robinson |
| Sunday School                         | Rev. David Lawson   |
| Resolutions                           | Rev. Gary Brown     |
| Youth                                 | Rev. Stephen Ashby  |

**Fellowship Meetings for 2023-2024**

1. June 16, 2023 at South Point FWB

2. Sept. 15, 2023 at Bethel FWB

3. Jan. 19, 2024 at Lakeview FWB

**/ Camp Meeting 2024**

17 Feb 2024

Prince of Peace FWB

Church Alive

***Next Annual Meeting 81st ANNUAL***

22-23 March 2024 - Grace Fellowship FWB

**(CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT**

Churches Reported: 19

Members Baptized: 40

Members Dismissed: 40

Total Offerings: \$

Deacons: 82

Members Received: 36

Sunday school: 353

Church Membership: 830

Church Value: \$11,371,110.78

Ministers: 29

Respectfully Submitted: Sisters Webster, Brown, Byrd

## FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

|                                  |                                    |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 01) Arrington Heights .....      |                                    |
| 02) Bethel .....                 | 348.00                             |
| 03) Bowling Green .....          | 240.00                             |
| 04) Catawba .....                |                                    |
| 05) Christian Life.....          | 370.00                             |
| 06) Clermont .....               |                                    |
| 07) Center Grove.....            | 246.00                             |
| 08) Ben Avenue.....              |                                    |
| 09) Faith-Greensboro .....       | 300.00                             |
| 10) Lake View.....               | 267.00                             |
| 11) Faith New London.....        | 361.00                             |
| 12) Grace Fellowship .....       | 560.00                             |
| 13) Madison Heights .....        | 661.00                             |
| 14) Mount Carmel-Lexington ..... | 450.00                             |
| 15) Near Calvary .....           |                                    |
| 16) Pilgrim.....                 | 372.00                             |
| 17) Prince of Peace .....        | 408.00                             |
| 18) Sandhill.....                | 243.00                             |
| 19) Sharon .....                 | 418.00                             |
| 20) South Point.....             | 384.00                             |
| 21) Southside .....              | 396.00                             |
| 22) Bright Light FWB.....        |                                    |
| Total Reported at Annual .....   | (As of 1 April 2022).....\$5663.00 |

### Recommendations Submitted and Passed

1) To pay Moderator \$100, Clerk \$200, and Treasurer \$100.

Respectfully Submitted:

Revs. Michael Byrd, Sherman Sexton

## Executive Board Report

SEE ATTACHED PAGES:  
Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Ted Cole III

## Sunday School Report

SEE ATTACHED PAGES:  
Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. David Lawson

## Resolutions Report

Be it resolved that we hold fast our profession without wavering. Note: as children and preachers we know that our hope is not in this world, but in Christ. Let us not waver from the truth of the gospel. Hebrews Ch 10 Vr 23.

Be it resolved that we stay steadfast in our working for the lord. I Cor. Ch 15 Vr 58, I Peter Ch 5 Vr 8-9. Stay firm in our faith and we can resist satan and remain steadfast.

Be it resolved that we give Bethel FWB a standing ovation showing our thanks for this annual service, I Thess Ch 5 Vr 18, In everything give thanks.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. Gary Brown

## SUPERANNUATION REPORT

Dear brothers in Christ, I would recommend to our pastors that we give serious consideration to our future. One day, we will not be able to pastor, we will need something to sustain us. The National Association have good retirement plans worth looking into. The sooner the better as we are not getting any younger Proverbs 20 vr 29 The glory of young men is their strength, and the beauty of old men is their gray head. We will get there if the Lord tarries, Let us all be prepared.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. Gary Brown

## Mission Board Report

Received from Assoc. Meetings: Total= \$712.38  
Received from Church Offerings: Total= \$1009.00

Total Offerings: \$1721.37  
Total Expenditures: \$1750.50  
Hickory Project - 1700.00  
Glad Tidings FWB Church - 50.00

Balance Forward = \$752.62 plus income \$1721.37 = 2474.00 minus expenses \$1750.50

On Hand 2/28/2023 = \$723.50

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. James Messer Jr

MASTER'S MEN: SEE ATTACHED PAGES  
Respectfully submitted,  
Rev. Chuck Overcash

### Treasurer's Report

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Balance Carried Forward ..... | 392.16  |
| Cash Received .....           | 7890.00 |
| Total Received .....          | 8282.16 |
| Total Expenses.....           | 6580.94 |
| Balance Remaining.....        | 1701.22 |

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|                                                   |         |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Moderator .....                                   | 100.00  |
| Clerk .....                                       | 200.00  |
| Treasurer.....                                    | 100.00  |
| State Association...&...National Association..... | 5170.00 |
| All Boards (Exec, Ordaining & Nominating .....    | 462.35  |
| State Association .....                           | 50.00   |
| Father's Day Offering.....                        |         |
| Clerk Expenses .....                              | 321.12  |
| Bank Charges .....                                | 27.50   |
| Florist/flags .....                               |         |
| Benevolent Fund.....                              | 150.00  |
| Total Expenses .....                              | 6580.94 |

Youth Board Balance .....

Ordaining Council Balance.....

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. Michael Byrd

### Ordaining Council Report

Met Sep 16, 2022 at Christian Life FWB, for the purpose to talk with Brother Nicholas Parker, Started on his procedure.

Met Jan 20, 2024 at Arrington Heights FWB, for the purpose to talk to Brother Keith McGee and returned his papers, also, met with Nicholas Parker and questioned him of the Treatise of FWB, started him on History of FWB

Respectfully Submitted,  
Rev. Willie Jacobs  
Rev. James Messer Jr.  
Rev. David Robinson

Youth Board Report:  
SEE ATTACHED PAGES:  
Respectively Submitted:  
Rev. Stephen Ashby

## EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

2022-2023

Met 26 Mar 2022 to select speaker for fellowship meetings

Met 16 Jun 2022 at Bethel FWB, gave update on churches and preachers still not reported from annual, discussed Camp Meeting for Feb 2023.

Met 16 Sep 2022 at Christian Life FWB, updated list of preachers and churches, discussed Camp meeting, laid out schedule for camp meeting, Rev. Chuck Overcash, Rev. Roger Webster, Rev. Brandon Smith, Topic will be soul winning.

Met 20 Jan 2023 at Arrington Heights FWB, set date for meeting to set annual, voted to change date of annual to 17-18 Mar 2023 due to scheduling conflict, discussed camp meeting, appointed nominating cmt.

Met 24 Feb 2023 to set the annual meeting in order, selected speakers for meetings, Discussed Church/Ministers Reports, Met with nominating committee, Heard recommendations.

Rev. Stephen Ashby

Rev. Willie Jacobs

Rev. Carroll Cullipher

Respectfully Submitted,

Rev. Ted Cole III

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

03/18/2023

If you think "Trix is for Kids" and Sunday School is too, or that Sunday School is the warm up preshow to the preaching service, then you are missing out on a vital opportunity to fulfill the great commission. Matthew 28: 19-20 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." This is the mission statement of Sunday School .

To accomplish this mission, Sunday School should have two primary purposes.

- 1) To make disciples by leading lost souls to salvation in Jesus Christ. Sunday School should not be a ministry in the church, It should develop a mission outside the walls of the church. Sheep make more sheep, Therefore disciples should make more disciples.
- 2) Train disciples to be new leaders. 2 Timothy 2:2 "And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." Sunday School is the perfect place to "train your replacement."

Sunday School is a time questions can be asked and answered from God's Word. In depth study ~~study~~ and teaching can be presented plainly on all aspects of christian living and witnessing. New converts of all ages can be trained and developed into true disciples of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, I propose that we Pastors make Sunday School of equal importance in our church as the worship service and the message we bring on Sunday morning.

Respectfully Submitted  
Rev. David Lawson

**MISSION BOARD REPORT**

Feb. 28, 2022 until Feb 28, 2023

**Received from Association Meetings: Total: \$712.37**

**2/25/2022 Annual Meeting: \$290.38**  
**6/17/2022 Fellowship Meeting: \$85.00**  
**9/16/2022 Fellowship Meeting: \$176.00**  
**1/27/2023 Fellowship Meeting: \$161.00**  
**Total: \$712.38**

**Received from Churches and Piedmont Association: Total \$ 1009.00**

**3/25/2022 Christian Life: \$150.00**  
**6/17/2022 Christian Life: \$150.00**  
**Billy Bucks: \$73.00**  
**9/16/2022 Christian Life: \$150.00**  
**Billy Bucks: \$93.00**  
**1/27/2022 Christian Life: \$150.00**  
**Billy Bucks: \$93.00**  
**5/16/2022 Piedmont Assoc. \$150.00**  
**Total: \$1009.00**

**Total Offerings: \$1721.37**  
**Total Expenditures: \$1750.50**  
**Glad Tidings F.W.B Church \$50.00**  
**Hickory Project: \$1700.50**

**3/31/2022 Balance Forward \$752.62**  
**Total Offerings + \$1721.37**  
**\$2474.00**  
**Expenses: - \$1750.50**  
**On hand as of 2/28/2023 \$723.50**

The Mission Board met at Mt Carmel F.W.B Church March 26, 2022 to discuss the giving for the year 2022-2023. We voted to send 50% of what we had minus what Christian Life F.W.B Church had giving. We also voted that the offerings we received at the fellowship meeting , we would send 75% to 80% to the Hickory Project. We had 100% vote.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Rev. James Messer, Jr.  
Rev Chuck Overcash  
Rev. Carroll Cullipher

## Is it the right time?

At last years Association meeting, Brother David Cole delivered a message entitled "Are you willing to do it all?" using 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 17-24. Where the son of the woman of the house fell sick, and there was no breath in him. The Bible makes it plain, her son is dead. So the man of God Elijah, took the child and cried before the Lord and stretched himself on the child. Scripture tells us the Lord heard the voice of Elijah and the soul of the child came into him again. God did a wonderful miracle in the life of this child and his mother.

Brother David's message went on to say that even though Elijah was hurting and the mother blamed him for the death of her child, because of her sins. Elijah could have gotten in the flesh and walk away, he didn't, he did what needed to be done for the child. This is exactly what we should do, whatever the cost.

This is where my message to you today is different. Matthew 19:14 but Jesus said, suffer little children and forbid them not, to come unto me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven. Psalms 127:3 Lo, children are the heritage of the Lord, and the fruit of the womb is his reward.

God's word tells us continually of how precious children are and even grandchildren in Proverbs 17:6 – Childrens children are the crown of the old men; and the glory of children are their fathers.

God even gives us direction for correction in Love to our children. Proverbs 13:24 – He that spareth his rod hateth his son, but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes. Proverbs 23:15 – The rod and reproof give wisdom, but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame. Scripture also says in Proverbs 22:6 – train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it. God doesn't say take them and drop them off, He doesn't say put them on the bus, but He calls us to train them, teach them, show them, get in the dirt with them, let them see you cry, let them see you weep, let them see you humble yourself before an almighty God.

God Word challenges us to see the truth even if we don't want to.

Ecclesiastes 3:1-17 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

<sup>2</sup> A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

<sup>3</sup> A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

<sup>4</sup> A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

<sup>5</sup> A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;

<sup>6</sup> A time to get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

<sup>7</sup> A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

<sup>8</sup> A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.

<sup>9</sup> What profit hath he that worketh in that wherein he laboureth?

<sup>10</sup> I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it.

<sup>11</sup> He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.

<sup>12</sup> I know that there is no good in them, but for a man to rejoice, and to do good in his life.

<sup>13</sup> And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labor, it is the gift of God.

<sup>14</sup> I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before him.

<sup>15</sup> That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past.

<sup>16</sup> And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, that wickedness was there; and the place of righteousness, that iniquity was there.

<sup>17</sup> I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.

The work is never done concerning our youth, but is it time to step aside and let God put someone else in our place? Have we grown cold and weary in the ministry for our children? Are we not praying like we should for the growth of our Sunday school classes? Are we growing cold in seeing the youth grow and be fed by The Word of God....we may say no but God knows our hearts and understands.

God always has someone to put in place when the time comes to step aside..Seth took Abel's place, Isaac took Abraham's place, Jacob took Issacs place, Joshua took Moses place, Othniell took Joshua's place, Elisha took Elijah's place and so on through scriptures.

Is God trying to move you today and we are just to plain stubborn to see it? Has God got a different work for you to do but we want to hold on to what we feel comfortable with? Is God trying to grow your knowledge in His Word through a different ministry but we are unwilling to listen?

Today I ask that you let God's Holy Word challenge you by asking yourself-----

Is today the right time?

Respectfully Submitted

*Reverend*  
Preacher Stephen H. Ashby

# Statistical Information of Reporting Churches

|                         |                 |                |                |     |          |          |
|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----|----------|----------|
| Arrington Heights FWB   | Lexington       | North Carolina | Membership:    | 104 | Deacons: | 2        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$550,000.00   | Sunday School: | 45  | Rep Fee: | \$522.00 |
| Ben Avenue FWB          | Kannapolis      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 8   | Deacons: | 0        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$200,000.00   | Sunday School: | 11  | Rep Fee: | \$234.00 |
| Bethel FWB              | Gastonia        | North Carolina | Membership:    | 46  | Deacons: | 1        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$445,500.00   | Sunday School: | 37  | Rep Fee: | \$348.00 |
| Bowling Green FWB       | Clover          | South Carolina | Membership:    | 10  | Deacons: | 0        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$0.00         | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$240.00 |
| Bright Light FWB        | York            | South Carolina | Membership:    | 40  | Deacons: | 1        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$840,000.00   | Sunday School: | 36  | Rep Fee: | \$330.00 |
| Catawba FWB             | McAdenville     | North Carolina | Membership:    | 33  | Deacons: | 2        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$750,000.00   | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$304.00 |
| Center Grove FWB        | Waxhaw          | North Carolina | Membership:    | 16  | Deacons: | 1        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$0.00         | Sunday School: | 11  | Rep Fee: | \$258.00 |
| Christian Life FWB      | Lexington       | North Carolina | Membership:    | 50  | Deacons: | 1        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$625,000.00   | Sunday School: | 50  | Rep Fee: | \$360.00 |
| Clermont FWB            | Kannapolis      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 21  | Deacons: | 0        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$0.00         | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$273.00 |
| Faith FWB               | New London      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 52  | Deacons: | 4        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$275,000.00   | Sunday School: | 51  | Rep Fee: | \$361.00 |
| Faith FWB               | Greensboro      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 30  | Deacons: | 3        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$350,000.00   | Sunday School: | 30  | Rep Fee: | \$300.00 |
| Grace Fellowship Church | Rockingham      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 120 | Deacons: | 0        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$1,200,000.00 | Sunday School: | 65  | Rep Fee: | \$560.00 |
| LakeView FWB            | High Point      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 19  | Deacons: | 2        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$500,000.00   | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$267.00 |
| Madison Heights FWB     | Lexington       | North Carolina | Membership:    | 142 | Deacons: | 3        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$875,000.00   | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$661.00 |
| Mt. Carmel FWB          | Lexington       | North Carolina | Membership:    | 80  | Deacons: | 6        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$556,900.00   | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$450.00 |
| Near Calvary FWB        | Lexington       | North Carolina | Membership:    | 40  | Deacons: | 2        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$0.00         | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$330.00 |
| Pilgrim FWB             | Welcome         | North Carolina | Membership:    | 54  | Deacons: | 1        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$647,800.00   | Sunday School: | 0   | Rep Fee: | \$372.00 |
| Prince of Peace FWB     | Kannapolis      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 66  | Deacons: | 1        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$150,000.00   | Sunday School: | 30  | Rep Fee: | \$408.00 |
| Sandhill FWB            | Laurel Hill     | North Carolina | Membership:    | 11  | Deacons: | 0        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$375,000.00   | Sunday School: | 15  | Rep Fee: | \$243.00 |
| Sharon FWB              | Gastonia        | North Carolina | Membership:    | 66  | Deacons: | 2        |
| Total Offering:         | Property Value: | \$2,000,000.00 | Sunday School: | 20  | Rep Fee: | \$408.00 |

## Statistical Information of Reporting Churches

|                 |                 |                |                |    |          |          |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----|----------|----------|
| South Point FWB | Belmont         | North Carolina | Membership:    | 58 | Deacons: | 4        |
| Total Offering: | Property Value: | \$1,000,000.00 | Sunday School: | 40 | Rep Fee: | \$384.00 |
| Southside FWB   | Rockingham      | North Carolina | Membership:    | 62 | Deacons: | 5        |
| Total Offering: | Property Value: | \$1,700,000.00 | Sunday School: | 55 | Rep Fee: | \$396.00 |

# Ministers Statistics

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Stephen Ashby</b>                                                        | Home Church: <b>SouthSide FWB</b>   | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: stehpen.H.Ashby@gmail   |
| Sermons: 15 Revivals: 0 Professions: 2 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 1 Mileage: 0   | Last Preached: 3/25/2022            |                          |                                |
| <b>Gary Brown</b>                                                           | Home Church: <b>Christian Life</b>  | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: gandbbrown@twc.com      |
| Sermons: 107 Revivals: 3 Professions: 1 Baptized: 1 Funerals: 3 Mileage: 0  | Last Preached: 6/18/2021            |                          |                                |
| <b>Michael Byrd</b>                                                         | Home Church: <b>South Point</b>     | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: preacherbyrd01@gmail.   |
| Sermons: 120 Revivals: 0 Professions: 1 Baptized: 2 Funerals: 6 Mileage: 0  | Last Preached: 9/21/2018            |                          |                                |
| <b>Jason Cable</b>                                                          | Home Church: <b>Madison Heights</b> | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: Jaybird.calling@yahoo.c |
| Sermons: 62 Revivals: 0 Professions: 3 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 1 Mileage: 0   | Last Preached: 3/22/2019            |                          |                                |
| <b>Lester Cahoon</b>                                                        | Home Church: <b>Ben Ave. FWB</b>    | Last Reported: 3/23/2023 | Email:                         |
| Sermons: 146 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 0 Mileage: 0  | Last Preached:                      |                          |                                |
| <b>Darrell Cartrette</b>                                                    | Home Church: <b>Mt. Carmel</b>      | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email:                         |
| Sermons: 0 Revivals: 0 Professions: 1 Baptized: 1 Funerals: 2 Mileage: 0    | Last Preached: 6/16/2023            |                          |                                |
| <b>Ted Cole III</b>                                                         | Home Church: <b>Bethel</b>          | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: tedshuntingfishing@yah  |
| Sermons: 139 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 10 Funerals: 6 Mileage: 0 | Last Preached: 1/21/2022            |                          |                                |
| <b>Gary Conrad</b>                                                          | Home Church: <b>Bowling Green</b>   | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: GCONR8@aol.com          |
| Sermons: 50 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 1 Mileage: 0   | Last Preached: 3/25/2017            |                          |                                |
| <b>Odell Cook</b>                                                           | Home Church: <b>Sharon</b>          | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email:                         |
| Sermons: 125 Revivals: 0 Professions: 1 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 5 Mileage: 0  | Last Preached: 9/17/2021            |                          |                                |
| <b>Carroll Cullipher</b>                                                    | Home Church: <b>Lakeview FWB</b>    | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: lccullipher@gmail.com   |
| Sermons: 131 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 1 Mileage: 0  | Last Preached: 6/17/2022            |                          |                                |
| <b>Chris Elliott</b>                                                        | Home Church: <b>Madison Heights</b> | Last Reported: 3/25/2022 | Email: Celliott@outlook.com    |
| Sermons: 41 Revivals: 0 Professions: 3 Baptized: 4 Funerals: 0 Mileage: 0   | Last Preached: 9/16/2022            |                          |                                |
| <b>Wayne Eudy</b>                                                           | Home Church: <b>Faith FWB</b>       | Last Reported: 3/25/2022 | Email: Wayneeudy@yahoo.co      |
| Sermons: 0 Revivals: 0 Professions: 1 Baptized: 6 Funerals: 6 Mileage: 0    | Last Preached: 3/25/2022            |                          |                                |
| <b>Toby Hunt</b>                                                            | Home Church: <b>Lakeview</b>        | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: Rev.tobyhunt@gmail.co   |
| Sermons: 27 Revivals: 1 Professions: 0 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 2 Mileage: 0   | Last Preached: 6/21/2019            |                          |                                |
| <b>Willie Jacobs</b>                                                        | Home Church: <b>Sandhill</b>        | Last Reported: 3/18/2023 | Email: preachman3@yahoo.co     |
| Sermons: 50 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 2 Mileage: 0   | Last Preached: 3/17/2023            |                          |                                |
| <b>Raymond (D Johnson Jr.</b>                                               | Home Church: <b>Emmanuel</b>        | Last Reported: 3/23/2020 | Email: Dink.Johnson@hotmail.c  |
| Sermons: 100 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 3 Funerals: 2 Mileage: 0  | Last Preached: 3/22/2019            |                          |                                |
| <b>Robert Laster</b>                                                        | Home Church: <b>Bright Light</b>    | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: rev.adamlaster@gmail.c  |
| Sermons: 125 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 15 Funerals: 0 Mileage: 0 | Last Preached: 3/25/2022            |                          |                                |
| <b>David Lawson</b>                                                         | Home Church: <b>Faith</b>           | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: dvlawson@northstate.n   |
| Sermons: 15 Revivals: 0 Professions: 0 Baptized: 1 Funerals: 0 Mileage: 0   | Last Preached: 3/23/2019            |                          |                                |
| <b>Michael Leary</b>                                                        | Home Church: <b>Bright Light</b>    | Last Reported: 3/25/2023 | Email: michael.leary@comporiu  |
| Sermons: 156 Revivals: 1 Professions: 2 Baptized: 0 Funerals: 1 Mileage: 0  | Last Preached: 9/15/2017            |                          |                                |

# Ministers Statistics

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|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Charles</b> | <b>Leviner</b>    | Home Church: <b>Southside</b>         | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: wandaleviner25@g-mail.       |
| Sermons: 3     | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 0 Baptized: 3            | Funerals: 3              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/24/2017 |
| <b>Doug</b>    | <b>McGee</b>      | Home Church: <b>Arrington Heights</b> | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: brendamcgee545@yahoo         |
| Sermons: 60    | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 2 Baptized: 8            | Funerals: 11             | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/22/2019 |
| <b>Keith</b>   | <b>McGee</b>      | Home Church: <b>Arrington Heights</b> | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email:                              |
| Sermons: 36    | Revivals: 1       | Professions: 5 Baptized: 5            | Funerals: 2              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/17/2023 |
| <b>James</b>   | <b>Messer Sr.</b> | Home Church: <b>Catawba</b>           | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: pastormesser89@yahoo         |
| Sermons: 82    | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 0 Baptized: 1            | Funerals: 3              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/23/2018 |
| <b>James</b>   | <b>Messer Jr.</b> | Home Church: <b>Pilgrim</b>           | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: pastormesser44@gmail.        |
| Sermons: 91    | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 0 Baptized: 0            | Funerals: 4              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/22/2019 |
| <b>Donald</b>  | <b>Mitchelson</b> | Home Church: <b>Center Groove FW</b>  | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: LM@usbottlers.com            |
| Sermons: 148   | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 2 Baptized: 0            | Funerals: 2              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/18/2023 |
| <b>Chuck</b>   | <b>Overcash</b>   | Home Church: <b>Prince of Peace</b>   | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: bible5string@yahoo.com       |
| Sermons: 102   | Revivals: 1       | Professions: 3 Baptized: 1            | Funerals: 10             | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/17/2023 |
| <b>Vic</b>     | <b>Redding</b>    | Home Church: <b>Faith</b>             | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: JVRMAR48@Triad.RR.c          |
| Sermons: 90    | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 0 Baptized: 4            | Funerals: 1              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 6/15/2018 |
| <b>David</b>   | <b>Robinson</b>   | Home Church: <b>Madison Hgts.</b>     | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: saved122985@outlook.c        |
| Sermons: 105   | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 6 Baptized: 5            | Funerals: 12             | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 1/20/2023 |
| <b>Sherman</b> | <b>Sexton</b>     | Home Church: <b>Mt Carmel FWB</b>     | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email:                              |
| Sermons: 40    | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 1 Baptized: 0            | Funerals: 0              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 9/15/2023 |
| <b>Leon</b>    | <b>Simmons</b>    | Home Church: <b>Clermont</b>          | Last Reported: 6/25/2023 | Email: rvesimmons@ptmc.net          |
| Sermons: 160   | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 0 Baptized: 0            | Funerals: 0              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 4/1/2016  |
| <b>Royce</b>   | <b>Stone</b>      | Home Church: <b>Lakeview</b>          | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email:                              |
| Sermons: 10    | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 2 Baptized: 0            | Funerals: 1              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/17/2023 |
| <b>Cecil</b>   | <b>Tucker</b>     | Home Church: <b>High Point FWB</b>    | Last Reported: 3/25/2022 | Email: preacher1ddp@yahoo.c         |
| Sermons: 60    | Revivals: 1       | Professions: 0 Baptized: 0            | Funerals: 4              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/26/2022 |
| <b>Jeffrey</b> | <b>Walser</b>     | Home Church: <b>Near Calvary</b>      | Last Reported: 3/27/2023 | Email: jeffery20@lexcominc.net      |
| Sermons: 170   | Revivals: 0       | Professions: 0 Baptized: 0            | Funerals: 7              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 1/20/2017 |
| <b>Roger</b>   | <b>Webster Jr</b> | Home Church: <b>Grace FWB Churc</b>   | Last Reported: 3/17/2023 | Email: rogweb76@gmail.com           |
| Sermons: 305   | Revivals: 6       | Professions: 17 Baptized: 14          | Funerals: 4              | Mileage: 0 Last Preached: 3/27/2021 |

## Deceased Ministers And Spouses Listing (1)

Rev. Clarence Green – Born 1/23/1926; Passed Away 6/26/1978.  
He was the Pastor of Faith FWB of Gastonia, N.C.

Rev. Albert James Bell – Born 4/24/1924; Passed Away 4/22/1980.  
He was founder and the Pastor of Faith FWB of Greensboro, N.C.

Rev. Archie L. Furr – Born 10/15/1915; Passed Away 5/29/1980.  
He was the Pastor of Lackey Street FWB of Hamlet, N.C.

Rev. Richard Wilson – Born 2/10/1906; Passed Away 6/23/1982.  
He was a member of Catawba FWB of Mt. Holly, N.C.

Rev. John Harold Donahue – Born 1/24/1925; Passed Away 6/11/1983.  
He was the Pastor of Clermont FWB of Kannapolis, N.C.

Rev. J. W. Wooten – Born 7/2/1921; Passed Away 1/30/1987.  
He was the Pastor of Lakeview FWB of Charlotte, N.C.

Rev. Ted Gibson – Born 8/14/1925; Passed Away 12/25/1988.  
He was the Pastor of Bethel FWB of Gastonia, N.C.

Rev. Jess Cannon – Born 8/1/1916; Passed Away 12/10/1989.  
He was a member of Ranlo FWB of Ranlo, N.C.

Rev. Earnest L. King – Born 7/2/1906; Passed Away 7/30/1994.  
He was a member of Sandy Ford FWB of Gastonia, N.C.

Rev. Jack L. Bumgarner – Born 2/11/1925; Passed Away 5/4/1995.  
He was the Pastor of Mooresville FWB of Mooresville, N.C.

Rev. Tom Morgan – Born 2/14/1940; Passed Away 6/20/1995.  
He was the Pastor of South Point FWB of Belmont, N.C. and the Clerk of the Piedmont Assoc.

Rev. Earnest Stamey – Born 7/15/1922; Passed Away 9/24/1996.  
He was the Pastor of South Point FWB of Belmont, N.C. and the Associate Pastor for many years.

Rev. Colon Patterson – Born 12/11/1916; Passed Away 2/1/1998.  
He was a member of Maple Street FWB, of Rockingham, N.C.

Rev. Wesley Eudy – Passed away on 8/3/2001 at the age of 82.  
He was a member of Catawba FWB of Belmont, N.C.

Rev. Randy Gibson – Born 12/16/1951; Passed Away 1/20/2002.  
He was a member and deacon of Calvary FWB of Gastonia, N.C.

## Deceased Ministers And Spouses Listing (2)

Rev. Gaither Summit – Born 2/15/1925; Passed Away 1/22/2003.  
He was the Pastor of Emmanuel FWB of Dallas, N.C. from 7/1/1972 to 7/1/2002.

Rev. James F. Skipper – Passed Away 9/15/2003 at the age of 70.  
He was founder of Ranlo FWB and former Pastor of Ridgeview and Southpoint FWB of Gastonia, N.C.  
He was currently the Pastor of Lake Road FWB of Charlotte, N.C.

Rev. Jesse Burford Jr. – Born 11/2/1946; Passed Away 11/11/2004.  
He was the former Pastor of Calvary in Belmont, NC and Living Way FWB of Gastonia, N.C.  
He was the current Pastor of High Point FWB of High Point, N.C.

Rev. Norman Perkins – Need info Please. He was the former pastor of Ranlo FWB church.

Rev. Robert Hagler – 04/26/1919-12/07/2005. He was the former pastor of Clermont FWB church.

Rev. Willey Shepard – Born 08/10/1936; Passed Away 2006; He was the pastor of First FWB of Laurinburg, NC. He served this association many years as a member of the Ordaining Council.

Rev. Lewis Lambert – Born 12/11/1928; Passed Away 03/11/2006; He was former pastor of Catawba FWB in Mt. Holly, NC. He was the current Sr. Assoc pastor of Christian Life FWB in Thomasville, NC.

Rev. Junior Ballew – Born 08/30/1930; Passed Away 03/05/2006. He was baptized in 1950 and in 1953 was ordained as a minister. He was pastor of many FWB churches in Lexington which included Pilgrim, Old Mt. Carmel and was the current Pastor at Near Calvary.

Rev. Charles Maness – He was the pastor of Shining Light FWB in Rockingham, NC.

Rev. Arlie Green – Born 08/14/1933; Passed Away 11/16/2006. Former pastor of Shining Light & Hilltop FWB (1970-1979). Founding Pastor of Sandhill FWB from 1982 until retirement 2005 where he remained a member until death.

Rev. Ralph Willis – Former pastor of China Grove. Served this association many years on the ordaining council.

Rev. Cecil Ray Barnes – Born 04/21/1935; Passed Away 01/10/2009. He was a member of Pilgrim FWB in Lexington, NC. Preached for 19 years.

Rev. Ronnie Wilson – Born 05/01/1945; Was Pastor of South Point Freewill Baptist. Was on his term as the Vice Moderator at the time of his death.

Rev. Henry Jenkins – Born 10/05/1934; Passed Away 02/08/2007 Was a faithful member of Bethel Freewill Baptist Church.

Rev. Clark Laster – Born 12/14/1954; Passed Away 04/05/2011 Former Pastor of Otway FWB Church, Otway, N.C. Former Pastor of Liberty FWB Church. Held the office of clerk of the association for many years. Member of First FWB of Clover.

Rev. Clarence Ballew – Born 06/21/1928; Passed Away 01/13/2012.

Rev. James Nichols (Bucky) – Born – Passed Away, Pastor of Bowling Green FWB Church.

Rev. Ted Cole Jr. Born 10/20/1940; Passed Away 12/01/2016, Member of Bethel FWB.

Rev. Bud Jacobs - Born

Rev. Ricky Jacobs - Born ; Passed Away; , Pastor of Southside FWB.

Rev. Marvin Carson Sr. – Pastor First FWB of Clover.

## SPOUSES:

Sister Shirley Carson wife and devoted help mate of Rev Marvin Carson went home to be with the Lord in 2014.

Sister Beulah Jenkins wife and devoted help mate of Rev Henry Jenkins went home to be with the Lord in 2010.

Sister Doris Greene wife and devoted help mate of Rev. Arlie Greene went home to be with the Lord in 2006.

Sister Edith Jacobs wife and devoted help mate of Rev Bud Jacobs went home to be with the Lord on

Sister Mildred Ballew wife and devoted help mate of Rev Clarence Ballew went home to be with the Lord on

Sister Frankie Ballew wife and devoted help mate of Rev Junior Ballew went home to be with the Lord on

Sister Carolyn Cole wife and devoted help mate of Rev Ted Cole Jr. went home to be with the Lord on 9 Oct

Sister Dot Willis wife and devoted help mate of Rev Ralph Willis went home to be with the Lord on

Sister Jane Lambert wife and devoted help mate of Rev Lewis Lambert went home to be with the Lord on 17 Dec 1986.

Sister Peggy Cook wife and devoted help mate of Rev Odell Cook went home to be with the Lord on 20 Aug 2018.

Sister Betty Laster wife and devoted help mate of Rev Clark Laster

Sister Janette Lambert wife and devoted help mate of Rev Lewis Lambert went home to be with the Lord on 22 Mar 2021.

# Piedmont Association Guidelines for Offices and Committees

The following guidelines are not all-inclusive descriptions. They are meant to be just guidelines so that new members have the liberty to perform the functions of the office they have been elected to serve in and yet understand the expected responsibility that comes with the office.

**Moderator** – Acting Chairman of the Executive Board. It is the duty of the presiding moderator to maintain order in the assembly and so direct the course of the proceedings as best to secure the object contemplated. He states all motions made, puts them to vote, and announces the results. He decides points of order and appoints committees, when so directed by the body. If necessary for him to leave the chair, the vice-moderator takes his place. The moderator has the privilege to speak as any other member, provided the chair is filled. He is to appoint a nominating committee at the end of the last fellowship meeting prior to the annual business meeting. He has the authority to call special meetings of the Executive Board as needed.

**Vice-Moderator** – Introduces the moderator, assists him and helps him to remember the rules of decorum. He must be ready to assume the chair when called upon. He also has the right to speak on the subject at hand as any other member.

**Clerk** – Responsible for keeping minutes during all Executive Board and any business meetings. Should be computer literate in order to keep all association records and have the ability to gather all information needed to print the minutes. Minutes should be available for the Executive Board by the first fellowship meeting for verification and then made available to everyone by the second fellowship meeting. Reports all vital data for the state association by the second week of May and sends to Treasurer so the sitting fees can be sent with the report to the annual state meeting. Responsible for contacting other associations when needed to transfer papers for new ministers and contact all association ministers by mail to inform them of all meetings at least two weeks prior to said meetings. Reports all church and minister information changes to the National Association by their deadline for printing of the national minutes.

**Treasurer** – Responsible for the treasury. Collects the fees from the members, distributes them as needed to our local, state and national associations. Pays the board member expenses as voted on by the assembly.

**Vice-Treasurer** – Fills treasurer's place when treasurer is unable to do so. He is not a member of the Executive Board unless he assumes the treasurer's position.

**Executive Board** – Responsible to set the annual and camp meetings in order. They are empowered to administer the laws and affairs of this association, go to churches and set in on problems they may be having if called upon by the majority of the church as ordained by the association body and its rules and regulations.

**Ordaining Council** – Responsible to examine all men requesting license or ordination in accordance with our rules and by-laws as presented on page 5 of our minutes.

**Mission Board** – Responsible to help establish new churches and to help existing member churches in good standing when in need. Any church that is not a member of our association must present a request to the Mission Board and the Executive Board for consideration.

**Nominating Committee** – Present nominations for Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Executive Board, Ordaining Council, Mission Board, Finance Committee, Youth Board and Trustees as needed for this association.

**Individual Committees** – Reports must be given in writing to the clerk after said report is accepted. All reports should be scripturally based and worked on with prayer.

**Finance** – Reports all financial matters, distributes retired minister's fund and makes recommendations to the body.

**Youth Training** – Thoughts given on winning and keeping our youth working for Christ.

**Superannuation** – Thoughts given for the elderly men of God.

**Masters Men** – Thoughts about our men's devotions and fellowshiping.

**Sunday School** – Thoughts on why we need and support this activity.

**Resolutions** – Thoughts given by God through prayer about specific needs for our association and to receive and present to this body resolutions by any individual member church.

**Credentials** – Summarization of all information given by member churches.