# **MINUTES**

OF THE

# First Session Of The

# Progressive Association Of Free Will Baptist



#### HELD WITH

#### CORDOVA CHURCH

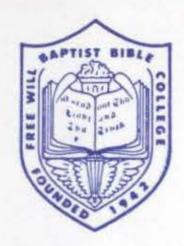
January 26-27-28, 1933



## **OFFICERS**

Rev. J. B. Bloss	Moderator
S. T. ShutesAssistant	Moderator
E. W. Graves	Clerk
D. G. Jordan	Treasurer

The next session of this Association will convene with Unity Grove Church, 6 miles south of Vernon, on September 12-13, 1933.



# FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented By

Miss Dot Harvey

# PROCEEDINGS

The first session of Progressive Association of Free Will Baptist of Alabama, met at Cordova, Alabama, January 26-27, 1933, for the purpose of perfecting the above named organization.

At 11 o'clock the house was called to order. Motion made and carried that Elder S. T. Shutes act as temporary chairman and E. W.

Elders J. B. Bloss, E. W. Graves and Brother M. E. Hollis were Graves as clerk. appointed as a temporary credential committee to examine delegates, ministers and church letters to determine who should be seated and have part in the organization.

Chairman S. T. Shutes examined the credentials and recommendations of the members of the credential committee. All business adjourned one hour for dinner.

# THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Report of the credential committee: We the credential committee, beg leave to report that we have examined the credentials and recommendations and questioned the following ministers: J. B. Bloss, S. T. Shutes, G. W. Franks, W. H. Ryland, R. V. Guyton, E. W. Graves. We have examined the letters and delegates from the following churches; Cordova, Vernon. Unity Grove. Union Chapel, Springfield, Sulphur Springs and Guin Chapel, and find that all have satisfactorily met every requirement for membership and recommend them for membership and recommend them to this body

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. BLOSS, Chairman.

The report was adopted and committee discharged. Delegates enrolled.

Vernon-W. M. Edgeworth, W. L. Turner.

Springfield-M. E. Hollis, D. G. Jordan.

Unity Grove-J. T. Johnson, C. L. Adair. J. H. Cole.

Union Chapel-R. M. and E. W. Graves, Arthur Franks.

Sulphur Springs-P. A. and Robert Crawford.

Cordova-Brother and Sister T. O. Terry and Archie Dunn.

Robert Crayford, D. G. Jordan and W. L. Turner were appointed as a nominating committee for permanent officers.

Report of nominating committee: We beg to report that for moderator we have nominated J. B. Bloss and S .T. Shutes; for clerk, D. G. Jordan and E. W. Graves.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT CRAWFORD, Chairman,

Proceeded to elect officers.

Moved that first choice be moderator and second choice assistant moderator and first choice be clerk with second choice treasurer.

Result of election:

Moderator-J. B. Bloss. assistant moderator, S. T. Shutes, clerk, E. W. Graves, treasurer. D. G. Jordan.

Officers were seated and proceeded at once with the business.

Called for the report of the committee and rules and regulations appointed by the state conference. They reported as follows:

# CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This association shall be known as the Progressive Association of Free Will Baptists of Alabama and bordering states.

Article 2. This association shall be composed of ministers, deacons. and delegates of different churches forming the same.

Article 3. All ministers and churches wishing to become members of this body must willingly submit to the articles of faith, constitution, and all rules of the same.

Article 4. Each church in this association shall be entitled to three delegates for the first hundred members, or fraction thereof, and one delegate for every additional fifty members.

Article 5. This association shall have a credential committee, composed of three members, two ordained ministers and one layman, who shall be appointed by the moderator at the convening of each regular session, whose duty snall be to examine all church letters and applications for membership for both churches and ministers and make a report of same to the body.

Article 6. The officers of this association shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, and treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot at each regular session.

Article 7. This association shall meet on Tuesday and Wednesday following the second Sunday in September of each year, and shall not adjourn until all business is transacted.

Article 8. The association shall vote by ballot where the next association shall be held until one church gets the majority of votes cast.

Article 9. The constitution By-Laws may be altered or amended by a majority vote of any regular meeting if the proposed amendment shall have been presented at the last proceeding regular meeting and approved by that body and published in the minutes with notice that it will be acted upon at the next meeting.

Article 10. No ministers, deacons or delegates shall be seated in this body unless they agree to stay throughout the session, unless they are providently hindered.

Article 11. Each church representing in this association shall be required to bring annually 5 cents per capita as an associational fund for the purpose of printing the minutes and associational expenses.

# CHURCH COVENANT

Having given curselves to God by faith in Christ and adopted the word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another, by the will of God in this solemn convenant. We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things; to avoid all appearance of evil; to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world; from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of Scriptures, secret prayers, family devotions and social worship; and by self denial, faith and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." We will not forget the assembling together for church conference, public worship and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor and all its benevolent work. We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness and watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the spirit," in the bonds of peace; to be

careful of one anothers happiness and reputation seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and, as far as we are able, promote the success of the Church and of the Gospel. We will everywhere hold the Christian principles sacred and Christian obligation supreme counting it our chief business to life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come and his will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprise, support the missions the success of the Sabbath Schools and evangelistic effort for salvation of souls and conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### RULES OF DECORUM

1st. This association shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.

2nd. The officers elected at the previous session shall begin their administration at the opening of each regular session.

address the moderator and when recognized he shall proceed.

4th. No person shall be interrupted while speaking by anyone except by the moderator and not by the moderator unless he breaks the rules of order.

5th. The person speaking must adhere to the subject in question and shall not use words of personal reflection.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the association and not more than five minutes each time.

7th. No member shall laugh ir whisper in time of public speaking. 8th. No member shall address another except by the appellation of brother or sister.

9th. No member shall absent himself without leave of the mod-

10th. The names of all the ministers, deacons and delegates shall be enrolled by the clerk, and called as often as deemed necessary by the moderator.

11th. Every member of this body shall vote for or against every move that comes before it. Those failing to do this shall be reprimanded by the moderator.

12th. Any person who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the moderator, according to directions of the association.

#### CHURCH RULES

1st. We agree as a member of the Progressive Association of the Free Will Baptists to co-operate in every move for the betterment of our denomination and the extension of God's Kingdom throughout the world.

2nd. We agree to meet in conference quarterly or oftener if necessary to transact the business of the church.

3rd The moderator shall be chosen by the suffrage of the church in the absence of the pastor. The moderator shall observe good order and explain all questions before he takes the voice of the church on them, and shall have the liberty of speech as any other, but no vote unless there be a tie, when he shall give the deciding vote.

4th. It shall be the duty of all members to fill their seats in conference and bear their part of expenses.

5th. No member shall leave their seat during conference without permission from the moderator.

6th. No member shall arrange another before the church for any grievance without first taking gospel steps. See Matt. 18-15-16-17.

7th. All business brought before the rhurlh by motion and second and in gospel like order shall be attended to by the church unless withdrawn by the mover.

8th. Any person wishing to speak shall arise and address the moderator and if two arise at the same time the moderator shall decide who shall speak first and no member while speaking shall cast any reflection on any perosn but shall adhere strictly to the subject under consideration.

9th. No member shall speak twice on any subject without permission from the church and not more than five minutes at the time.

10th. It shall be the duty of all church members to be present at all church meetings to vote on all questions that come before the church when called on by the moderator or any member of the church who desires to obtain the mind of the whole church.

11th. If any member shall remain silent during the transaction of any business of the church and afterwards complain of what was done the same shall be deemed disorderly and the member so offending shall be dealt with accordingly.

12th. The members of the church shall not talk about one another slanderously and shall not give any report or circulation that may arise against any church member but shall make it known to the one the report is against and to no one else and any member doing othewise shall be dealt with accordingly.

13th. We agree to do all business by a majority of the members present at any regular or called conference providing a quorum is present, said quorum being seven membres or more.

14th. These rules shall be read at the opening of each conference. strictly enforced by the moderator.

### FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

- 1st. Call the church to order.
- 2nd. Call for the peace of the church.
- 3rd. Opportunity for members.
- 4th. Inviting visiting brothers and sisters to seat with us.
- 5th. Reading of minutes.
- 6th. Is there any reference.
- 7th. Appointment of committees,
- 8th. Any acknowledgements.
- 9th. Report of committees.
- 10th. Unfinished buisness.
- 11th. New business.
- 12th. Adjournment.

# RULES FOR PREACHERS

1st. All ministers wishing to become a member of this Progressive Association will be required to go before the credential committee with a recommendation from the church of which they are a member, and will also be called upon to present their credentials for examination asd answer satisfactorily such questions as they may ask you.

2nd. All preachers shall attend all buiness meetings unless provi-

dentially hindered.

3rd. Any minister who behaves himself unbecomingly to his highwork and exalted calling shall be reported by the credential committee to the association who shall deal with him, and the state of the

4th. All ministers will be required to strictly adhere to the teachings of the Free Will Baptists according to the articles of faith.

5th. No minister shall speak slanderously or cast personal reflections upon another minister that will hurt his influence or ministerial standing, the grant an winds betable on not min Jost welled SW LA

6th. All ministers shall be required to support and stand by all boards and committees appointed by this association and do their utmost to make them a success.

7th. All ministers must make an annual report of the work done by them and submit the report to the association at its regular session. ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe that there is but one true and eternal God, the Father, of whom are all things from everlasting to everlasting, glor-ou ious and immutable in all his attributes, 1 Cor. 8:6; Isa, 40:28.

- 2. We believe that there is one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, whom God freely sent into this world, because of the great love wherewith he loved the world, and Christ as freely gave himself a ransom for all; tasting death for every man, who was buried and rose again the third day, and ascended into Heaven from whence we look for Him the second time in the clouds of Heaven at the last day to judge both the cuick and the dead, 1 Tim. 2:5-6; Heb. 2; St. John 3:16; Rev. 1:17, Acts 24:15;1, John 2:2.
- 3. We believe that there is one Holy Ghost, the precious gift of the Father through His dear Son, unto the world; who quickeneth and draweth sinners home to God, St. John 16:7-8; Acts 2:4; Eph. 4:4-6; Eph. 2:1. share the same to be the property of the property of
- 4. We believe that in the beginning God made man upright, and placed him in a state of Glory without the least mixture of misery, from which he voluntarily, by transgression, fell, and by that means brought on himself a miserable and motar state subject to death, Gen. 2:17, 13:19. The second burns to the second dw disword book that or
- 5. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish; but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of the truth, that they might be saved, for which end Christ hath commanded the Gospel to be preached among all nations and to every creature, Mark 16:15, John 3:15-17; 1 Tim. 2:4.
- 6. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for want of a Christ who died for him, but as the Scripture has said, for denying the Lord that bought them, because they believe not in the name of the only begotten Son of God, unbelief therefore, being the cause why the just and righteous God of heaven will condomn the childern of men; it follows against all contradictions that all men at one time or other, are found in such a capacity, as that through the grace of God they may be saved. Acts 17:30: Mark 6:6; Heb. 3.10; John 5:10.
- 7. We believe the whole Scripture is infallibly true, and that they are the only rules of faith and practice, 2. Tim. 3:16-17.
- 8. We believe in the doctrine of General Provision made of God in Christ, for the benefit of all menkind who repent and believe the Gospel, Luke 14:16-20; Matt. 22:19-20; Luke 13:3-5; Luke 24:27, Acts 3:19: Mark 1:15.

- 9. We believe that sinners are drawn to God, the Father, by the Holy Ghost, through Christ His Son, and that the Holy Ghost offers his divine aid to all the human family, so as they all might be happy, would they give place to His Divine teaching whereas such who do not receive the divine impressions of His Holy Spirit shall at a future day, own their condemnation just, and charge themselves with their own damnation. for wilfully rejecting the offers of sovereign grace. Matt. 11:27; St. John 6:44-65; Ps. 1:1; Tit. 2:11:12. Jer. 22-29.
- 10. We believe that men, not considered simply as men, but ungodly men, were of old ordained to condemnation, considered such who turn the grace of God into lasciviousness, denying the only Lord God, Jesus Christ who bought them, and therefore, shall bring upon themselves swift destruction but we observe that they and such the Apostle saith because they receive not the love of faith that they might be saved, therefore, the indignation and wrath of God is upon every son of man that doeth evil, living and dying therein for there is no respect of person with God. Jude 1:4; Peter 2:1-2; Thes. 2:11-12; Rom. 2:9-11.
- 11. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God, in their own persons are only subject to the first death, which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam and not that any one of them dying in the state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin, for such is the Kingdom of God, Cor. 15:22; Matt. 18:2-5; Mark 9:36-37; Matt. 14:14.
- 12. We believe that good works are the fruits of a saving faith and that in the use of the means of grace, and not out of the use of those means, eternal life is promised to men. Rev. 22:14-15; Isa. 1:19-20; Matt. 7-8; Jer. 6:16; Luke 13:34-35.
- 13. We believe that no man has any warrant in the Holy Scriptures for justification before God through his own works, power of ability which he has in and of himself, only as he by grace is made able to come to God, through Jesus Christ believing the righteousness of Jesus Christ to be imputed to all believers for their eternal acceptance with God. Rom. 4:24; Acts 8:20-21.
- 14. We believe that all things are foreseen in the wisdom of God, so that God knoweth whatever can or cannot come to pass upon all supposed conditions, yet not having decreed any person to everlasting life, out of respect or more choice, father than He hath appointed the godly unto life and the ungodly, who die in sin unto death. Heb. 4:13; Prov. 8:22-31; Matt. 25:31-46.
- 15. We believe, as touching Gospel ordiances, in believers baptism. laying on the hands, receiving of the sacriment in bread and wine, washing the Saints feet, anointing the sick with oil in the name of the Lord, fasting, prayer, singing praise to God and the public ministry of the Word, with every institution of the Lord we shall find in the New Testament. Mark 16:15-16; Acts 8:17; Acts 19:6; Luke 22:19-20; John 13:5-17; Jas. 5:14.
- 16. We believe the Gospel mode of water baptism is by immer sion, and that believers are the only subject for baptism. Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:9-10; Acts 2:38-39; Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12.
- 17. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a final judgement at the last day John 5:28-29; 2 Cor. 5:10.
- 18. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal and the torments of the wicked are endless. Matt. 25:46.

Footnote—Concerning wasning of feet as a Gospel ordinance, each member shall have the right to wash feet or not, as he can best answer his own conscience to God. —M. L. Hollis, I. K. Boyette and J. B. Bloss.—Committee.

Motion carried to authorize moderator to appoint general business committee to take tht above report under advisement and to recommend any changes and to bring before the body any other business thought necessary.

Rev. S. T. Shutes was appointer chairman, with Bros. Robert Crawford, D. G. Jordan, C. L. Adair, and Rev. R. V. Guyton.

Adjourned business until 8 o'clock Friday a. m. At 7:30 p. m. Rev. R. V. Guyton brought an inspiring message. Subject: Eroken Vows. Text: Judges 11:35.

### FRIDAY A. M.

Opened by prayer.

Bros. M. E. Hollis, R. V. Guyton, and E. W. Graves were appointed as a permanent credential committee.

# REPORT OF GENERAL BUSINESS COMMITTEE

We the general business committee beg to report that:

We recommend the adoption of report of the Committee of Rules and Regulations with the following changes to be acted upon at the next session:

I. That we adopt the church covenant adopted by the general conference.

H. That Article No. 7 of the Constitution be changed to read "This Association shall meet on Tuesday and Wednesday after the 2nd Sunday in October.

III. Article 8 of Constitution be changed so as to read: "This Association shall by a majority of delegates present determine the next meeting place.

IV. The third item of rules of church conference read: Opportunity for Membership.

V. The sixth item to read: Call for Reference.

Motion carried that we have locards elected or appointed instead of committees.

We recommend the appointing of the following boards: (a) Board of Finance, (b) Board of Superannuation, (c) Mission board (d) Board of Auditors, (e) Board of General Business, and (f) Board of Religious Education.

We recommend that boards a, b, c and f be composed of four members, each elected to serve two years, two of the members retiring each year.

We recommend that the Board of Auditors be composed of two members elected annually.

We recommend that the General Business board be composed of five members appointed by the moderator.

Motion carried that we adopt the above report.

Motion also carried that we adopt the rules for these boards as drawn by the Business committee.

### RULES FOR BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

1. The management and control of all work on religious education as fostered by this association, such as the Sunday School, the League, Ladies' Aids or any other religious force, shall be under the direction of the Board of Religious Education.

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- 2. The board shall meet as often as necessary, at the call of the chairman at such time and place as he may designate. The board must meet annually.
- 3. The board shall at its annual meeting elect a director of Re- not ligious Education, whose duty shall be to direct the entire program of Religious Educational work of this association.
- 4. The board shall report annually to the association at its regularization meeting, the receipts, disbursements, assets, liabilities, and of its work work in general. It may make any recommendations deemed advisable.
  - 5. The board at its annual meeting shall elect its own officers.
- 6. Any member who shall persistently neglect any of the duties of his office, fail to attend its meetings, or to represent by proxy, shall forfeit the office and the same may be declared vacant by the . The Moderator of the association and his successor appointed.
- 7. A majority of the board may constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 8. The secretary of the board shall keep correct accounts of the proceedings of the board and perform any other duty that usually pertains to his office.
- 9. The treasurer shall keep all money, bonds, mortgages, etc., belonging to the board. He shall give board such sum as decided by board. The secretary shall be the custodian.
- 10. Salaries asd expenses shall be allowed at the discretion of the board.
- 11. These rules may be amended at any time; but only by a ma-

#### RULES FOR THE GENERAL BUSINESS BOARD

This "board shall be appointed by the moderator selected; at the close of each annual session of the Association...:

- 2. The first named shall be chairman of the board. This board man shall serve one years They are seated at the beginning of the next. meeting of the Association.
- 3. The duty of this Board will be to care for all the work of the Association not otherwise provided for while in session, or between sessions, such as resolutions, new busines, minute printing, etc. They are to assist the moderator in caring for any business that may arise or need adjusting between sessions.
- 4. They will serve as the Executive Board with the moderator, and clerk as ex-officio members.

# RULES OF BOARD OF AUDITORS

- 1. The Board of Auditors shall have charge of auditing the books of the treasurer of each department of association.
- 2. It shall decide itself which shall serve as chairman and which shall serve as secretary during their term.
- 3. There are no meetings to be held except for the purpose of auditing the books.
  - 4. The beard shall audit the books of each department of the association once each year; and if a shortage is found it shall take necessary steps to effect a settlement, provided, however, that if the treasurer in whose book the shortage is found refuses to make settlement, the board shall report same to the executive board of the association who shall have authority in the matter.
  - 5. The board shall not audit books more than once each year in a unless they are questioned and audit be demanded. In such case the case moderator shall have jurisdiction whether the audit shall be made.

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- 6. The board shall make an annual report to the Association as to the condition of the books.
- 7. Any member who persistently neglects any of the duties shall forfeit his office and the same be declared vacant by the moderator.
- 8. These rules may be amended from time to time but such amendments must be approved by the Association and shall be acted upon under the caption: Amendments of the Constitution and Bylaws.

#### RULES GOVERNING THE BOARD OF FINANCE

- 1. The management and control of the financial affairs of the Association shall be vested in the Board of Finance, elected by the Association in the manner provided by the Association.
- 2. The board shall meet as often as necessary at the call of the chairman at such time and place as he may designate, but they must meet at least annually.
- 3. The board at its annual meeting elect a director of finance, whose duty shall be to direct the whole financial program of the Association.
- 4. 'The board shall report annually to the Association its receipts, disbursements, assets, liabilities and of its work in general, together with any recommendation deemed advisable.
  - 5. The board at its annual meeting may elect its own officers.
- 6. Any member who is negligent in his duty shall ferfeit his office and the same may be declared vacant by the moderator of the Association and his successor appointed.
- 7. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 8. The secretary shall keep a correct account of the proceedings of the board and perform any other duty that usually pertains to his office.
- 9. The board shall ascertain each year the financial needs of the various departments of church work and from such information make up the Association budget and apportion same to the individual churches.
- 10. It shall be the \_uty of this board to notify each church not later than Ocober tee firs of each year of the amount of their ap ... portionment.
- 11. It shall be the duty of the board to receive the funds collected by the secretary and divide the same as follows: for education, 30 per cent; for orphanage, 10 per cent; missions, 30 per cent; young people's work 10 per cent; ladies aid, 10 per cent; aged minister 10 per cent; provided, however, that all Association expenses are allowed before division is made.
- . 12. The rules may be amended at any time, but such amendments must be approved by the Association by a majority vote.

### Rules for the Government of the Board of Superannuation

- 1. The management and control of all funds to be used in any way for the purpose of superamuating retired, disabled or infirmed ministers will be vested in the Board of Superamuation elected by the Association in the manner provided for such election.
- 2. The board shall meet as often as necessary at the call of the chairman at such a time and place as he may designate but must meet annually.
  - 3. The board shall annually report to the Association at each

regular session the receipts, disbursements, assets, liabilities and of their work in general together with any recommendation deemed advisable.

- 4. Any member who shall persistently neglect the duties of his office, shall forfeit his orfice and the same be declared vacant by the moderator of the Association and his successor appointed.
- 5. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 6. The secretary shall keep correct account of the proceedings of the board and perform all the duties that usually pertain to that office.
- 7. The treasurer shall receive and be responsible for all money, bonds mortgages etc. belonging to the beard. He shall give bond in such a sum as fixed by the beard from time to time which bond the secretary shall be custodian.
- 8. No aid will be given any minister unless he make application such allowances as may be needed.

in regular form to the board, and unless in the opinion of the board, he has worthily served the denomination.

- 9. The executive board shall approve all applications and make
- 10. Fifty per cent of all regular funds shall be invested as a permanent endowment. Provided however, that all interest received from invested funds shall be used in making allowances to ministers and where the donor or donors specify the particular way in which their donation shall be used, such donations shall be used accordingly.
- 11. Funds used as endowments must be invested in first mortgage real estate, government bonds and other securities of the government, loaned to banks, etc.
- 12. Salaries and expenses will be allowed at the discretion of the board for service rendered, the same shall be paid out of the regular funds of the board.
- 13. This board shall be vested with authority to make an emergency gift or loan to any minister upon approved application and good security.
- 14. These rules may be amended from time to time with the approval of the Association rules governing Mission Boards.
- 1. The management and control of all mission work of this association shall be vested in the Board of Missions, elected by the Association in manner provided for such election.
- 2. The board shall meet as often as necessary at the call of the chairman at such time and place as he may designate, but must meet annualy, and the executive committee elected by the board as many as twice each year.
- 3. The board in its annual meeting shall elect a director of missions, whose duty shall be to direct the whole missionary program of the Association.
- 4. The board shall report annually to the association at its regular meeting the receipts, disbursements, assets, and liabilities and of its work in general together with any recommendation deemed advisable.
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and his successor named.

- 7. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 8. The secretary shall keep a correct account of the proceedings of the board and perform any duty that usually pertains to his office.
- 9. The treasurer shall keep a record of all money, bonds, mort-gages etc., belonging to the board. He shall report at all regular meetings of the board.

He shall give bond in such sum as may be fixed by the board from time to time which bond the secretary shall be custodian.

- 10. All Home Mission funds not in use shall be deposited at the discretion of the board.
- 11. Salaries and expenses may be allowed at the discretion of the board.
- 12. The rules may be amended from time to time on the approval of the Association.

The personel of the boards as appointed by the moderator are as follows: finance 100. Crawford ch., Raymond Graves, Miss Miriam McGuire, Miss Ethel Stapp. Superannuation Board: M. E. Hollis, chairman; W. M. Edgeworth, Otto Gann, T. O. Terry.

Mission Board: W. H. Ryland, chairman; S. T. Shutes, J. H. Cole, Miss Verla Graves. Religious Education Board: D. G. Jordan, chairman; Mrs. Essie Collins, C. L. Adair, C. S. Collins.

General Business Board: S. T. Shutes, chairman; P. A. Crawford, D. G. Jordan, C. L. Adair, J. T. Johnson.

Auditing board: E. W. Graves, R. V. Guyton,

The general business committee was instructed to retire to make an additional report.

A nominating committee was appointed to nominate candidates for offices for the ensuing year.

# REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We the nominating comfittee wish to report the following names: for moderator: Rev. J. B. Bloss, R. V. Guyton; for clerk, E. W. Graves, and R. M Graves; for treasurer: D. V. Jordan, J. T. Johnson, repectfully submitted, ROBERT CRAWFORD, chairman.

Motion carriel that we proceed with the election of office:s.

Result or election: Moderator, J. B. Bloss, assistant moderator, R. V. Guyton. Clerk. E. W. Graves, treasurer, J. T. Johnson.

Motion carried that all business be adjourned until 8 o'clock Saturday a. m.

At 7:00 p. m. a beautiful prayer and praise service in which a large number took part was enjoyed by a good congregation. Then followed Brother I. K. Boyette with a very forceful message, subject: "Satan Came Also." Job 1-6.

# SATURDAY MORNING

Opened by song and prayer.

Report of general business committee.

- 1. We recommend that the next session of this Association meet with Unity Grove church, 8 miles south of Vernon, Alabama, on Tuesday and Wednesday after the 2nd Sunday in September, 1933.
- 2. We recommend that Guin F. W. B. Church be received into this body by letter on conducton that they pay their fees.
- 3. We recommend that this Association represent in the General Conference that meets in Nashville, -enn., on Wednesday after 2nd

Sunday in June, and that we send \$10.00 fee.

- 4. We recommend that this Association go on record as endorsing the work of our youth through the medium of the Sunday School and League and further that we heartily endorse the local and state work of our ladies.
- 3. We recommend that this Association endorse the work of the Zion Bible School at Blakely Ga., and that the board of Religious Education work to its interest and support it by setting aside 10 percent of its funds for its benefit. And that this board try to arrange for an educational fund to aid worthy students who seek training in religious work.
- 6. We recommend that the Evangelization of this Association be put in the hands of the boards of religious education and missions.
- 7. We recommend that the clerk superintend the printing of the minutes that he placed the work on a competetive basis and that he have 200 copies printed.
- 8. We recommend that the Association extend thanks to the church in Cordova and to the town for their generous hospitality shown us while in their midst.
- 9. We recommend that a secretary be appointed to write up the proceedings of this Association in our church paper as well as our local papers.—S. T. SHUTES, chairman.

Motion carried that this report be received and that it be adopted. Motion carried that moderator, J. B. Bloss, and assistant moderator, S. T. Shutes represent the association in the general conference at Nashville, Tenn.

10. We recommend that the pastor of Unity Grove church be responsible for the program of the next session of the Association.

We ask that be arranged a meeting for the pastors, also a period for the deacons to discuss their work.—eneral Business Committe.

#### REPORT OF TREASURER

Funds on hand	None
Minute funds paid in	140
Minute fund vouched	

Total \$13.80

Motion carried to adjourn to meet with Unity Grove church six miles south of Vernon on Tuesday and Wednesday after 2nd Sun day in September 1933.

J. B. BLOSS, Moderator. E. W. GRAVES, Clerk