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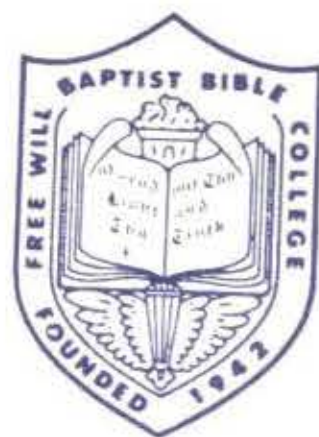
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PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings of the Ninth Annual Session of the Alabama Progressive Association which convened with Lacodocia Church October 11, 12, 1940.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The session was opened by the Moderator, A. J. Lambert. The choir sang hymns, led by Bro. J. P. Wycuff. Rev. R. B. Crawford led the opening prayer. Rev. Quick made the welcoming address. The response was given by Rev. James Spencer. Rev. A. J. Lambert made moderator's address. His text was taken from fifth chapter of Romans and eleventh chapter of Hebrews.

Because of absence of Clerk, Moderator appointed Dewey Kyle to act as clerk of Association.

Sister B. G. Barnett made splendid talk on "Christian Duty to the Church."

The Moderator welcomed all visiting ministers and deacons to the Association.

Moderator called for the reading of church letters and the reception and seating of delegates. The churches responded as follows:

Alabama City — Sister Myrtle Rogers, Ollie Bolan and Rosa Lee Rodgers.

Brogdon's Chapel — Represented by letter.

Cordova — Dewey Kyle, S. D. Glover, Bill Stephenson and Troy Carrol.

Dovertown — Dan Sargent and H. Heatherly.

Hanceville — Sister Hudson and Evelyn Barrentine.

Loyal Chapel — Clay Hill, Leon Parker, Lula Jameson.

Parrish — Lester Lawrence, J. W. Fowler and Sister Henry Logan.

Sulpher Springs — Richard Fields, Joel Kuykendall and Fred Nichols.

Townley — Bro. and Sister Fred Smith and Ed. Pettie.

Motion carried that the Association seat delegates from Unity Grove without letter.

Motion made and carried that Association accept Brogdons Chapel Church into Association.

The Moderator called for Ministers' reports. They were all received as read.

The Credentials Committee was appointed by the Moderator as follows: Brothers J. B. Bloss, H. Heatherly, P. A. Crawford, J. P. Wycuff.

Rev. J. B. Bloss preached the associational sermon. His text was taken from Acts.

Bro. T. B. Lee dismissed Association for lunch hour.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The song service was led by Bro. Gorman Carter, and the opening prayer was led by Bro. Homer Goodwin.

Moderator appointed Sisters B. G. Barnett, Estelle Puckett and Sister Jim Kuykendall temporarily on Religious Education Board.

General Business Board Made a report as follows:

General Business Board Report

1.. We recommend that all pastors be called and notified of their being called by the church thirty (30) days before meeting of Association.

2. That the Association Treasury pay Bro. A. J. Lambert \$3.12 for printing of programs and postage.

3. That each church, in classifying members of the local church as active members or inactive members, adhere strictly to Gospel procedure and Church Covenant.

4. We recommend that each local board of deacons meet at least quarterly and discuss all business of all departments of the church.

5. We recommend that 350 minutes be printed and the Clerk superintend the printing, and distribute the minutes according to the members of the church.

6. We recommend that the Clerk and Moderator be paid \$5.00 each for their services.

7. We recommend that the next session of the Association convene with the Parrish Church.

We recommend that Bro. A. J. Lambert represent the Progressive Association in the State Association.

— R. B. Crawford, Chairman.

Sister B. G. Barnett took charge of Ladies' Aid hour. Reports of Aids were read and approved.

Sister B. G. Barnett was elected president; Sister

Fields, vice president; and Sister A. J. Lambert, secretary.

They voted to pay \$308. to orphanage and \$4.00 to the minute fund.

Bro. Troy Carrol led choir in several songs.

Bro. R. B. Crawford read report on religious education. \$19.00 has been paid to J. R. Davidson for National Education work; \$18.00 of this was credited to the Association by R. B. Crawford.

Assignments to homes.

The body adjourned until Saturday morning.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Bro. Troy Carrol led the choir in several songs, and the devotional was led by Bro. H. T. Bolan. Rev. M. E. Carpenter preached a wonderful message. His text was taken from fourth chapter of John.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Bro. Troy Carrol led the singing and Bro. Belton led the opening prayer.

Bro. Carl Richardson made a splendid talk on "A Deacon and His Responsibility."

Rev. H. Heatherly conducted the memorial service.

In Memoriam

Hanceville — Bro. J. M. Quick

Cordova — Bro. G. A. Dunn

Sulphur Springs — Bro. Jasper Kuykendall

Alabama City — Bro. A. J. Stubbs.

Home Mission Board Report

Received from Gorman Carter	\$37.50
On hand from last year	38.00
Total	\$75.50
Paid out to Robert Crawford	10.00
Balance on hand	\$65.50

J. B. Bloss, Chairman.

Treasurer's Report

Donations from churches to Association	\$36.30
Ladies Aid donation	4.00
Total	\$40.00

J. T. Johnson, Treasurer.

Credentials Committee Report

We recommend that the body renew the license of Bro. James Spencer, Bro. Huey Bolan, Bro. V. F. Boner, Bro. Aubrey Rosser and Bro. Corris Puckett for the ensuing year, and that you license Bro. Earl Rodgers and T. B. Lee to preach the Gospel for one year, and that you recognize the ordination papers from Muscle Shoals State Line Association of Rev. J. S. Rickets and receive him as a member of your honorable body, and that you ordain Bro. Richard Fields and Bro. Joel Kuykendall of Sulphur Springs Church, Bro. Ray Jamison of Loyal Chapel Church and Hamer Goodman of Parrish Church to be deacons of said Churches.

J. B. Bloss, Chairman.

Ordination Service

The Moderator appointed the following on Ordination Council: Rev. R. B. Crawford, Rev. H. Heatherly, Rev. J. B. Bloss, Bro. Earl Richardson, and Bro. Lee Tims.

Rev. R. B. Crawford brought the message after which the Ordination Council ordained the deacons.

Nominating Committee Report

The following officers were elected: Rev. J. B. Bloss, Moderator; Rev. H. Heatherly, Vice Moderator; Bro. Dewey Kyle, Clerk; Bro. J. T. Johnson, Treasurer; Bro. P. A. Crawford and Bro. J. H. Cole, Auditors.

The new moderator appointed the General Business Board as follows: Gorman Carter, A. J. Lambert, T. B. Lee, and Bro. Ollie Porter.

Motion made and carried that Association adjourn to meet with Parrish Church on Friday morning before second Sunday in October, 1941.

The benediction pronounced by Rev. R. B. Crawford.

A. J. Lambert, Moderator,
Dewey Kyle, Clerk.

ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTERS

A. J. Lambert Parrish, Ala.
J. B. Bloss 311 West 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.
H. Heatherly Rt. 1, Cordova, Ala.
G. W. Frank Cordova, Ala.
E. M. Grubbs 313 E. 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.
R. B. Crawford Samantha, Ala.
A. J. Burgers 314 R. R. Ave., Alabama City, Ala.
James H. Spencer Route 7, Columbia, Tenn.
H. T. Bolan Mortan 45th St., Alabama City, Ala.
J. P. Wycuff 217 R. R. Avenue, Alabama City, Ala.
T. B. Lee 309 W. 15th Street, Columbia, Tenn.
Corris Puckett Cordova, Ala.
W. E. Rodgers 412 Sanson Avenue, Alabama City, Ala.

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Alabama City, Carrie Lou Boutwell, 15 Sanson Ave., Alabama City
Brogdons Chapel Eugene Hancock, Steel, Ala.
Cordova Dewey Kyle, Cordova, Ala.
Dovertown Lee C. Estelle, Cordova, Ala.
Hanceville Leola Elexander, Rt. 2, Hanceville, Ala.
Loyal Chapel R. A. Parrish, Rt. 6, Columbia, Tenn.
Parrish John Argent, Parrish, Ala.
Sulphur Springs Essie Collins, Samantha, Ala.
Townley Fred Smith, Rt. 1, Box 5, Townley, Ala.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we believe by Divine Grace to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior 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 each other's joys and sorrows; that we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor omit the great duty of prayer for ourselves and others; that by Divine assistance we will endeavor to bring up those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; that in all things we will strive to exemplify our profession by a corresponding practice, to abstain from all sinful conformity to the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our agreements, and

exemplary in all our deportment; that we will abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; that we will sustain the worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrine of this church; 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.

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, and one delegate for each additional fifty member, or fraction thereof.

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 shall 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 Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in October 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 preceding 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 Providentially hindered.

Article 11. Each church representing in this Association shall be required annually five cents per capita as an associational fund for the purpose of printing the minutes and associational expense.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.

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

3. Only one person shall speak at a time. They shall arise and address the moderator and when recognized they shall proceed.

4. 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.

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

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

7. No member shall laugh or whisper in time of public speaking.

8. No member shall address another except by the appellation of brother or sister.

9. No member shall absent himself without leave of the moderator.

10. 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.

11. 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.

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

CHURCH RULES

1. 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.

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

3. 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.

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

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

6. No member shall arraign another before the church for any grievance without first taking gospel steps. See Matthew 18:15-16-17.

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

8. 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 person but shall adhere strictly to the subject under consideration.

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

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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 members or more.

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

14. Any member who shall wilfully absent himself from church and who fails to discharge his duties as a member for six months, unless Providentially hindered shall not be permitted to vote in Church Conference until he or she make restitution.

15. Any member desiring to move his membership from one church to another in this Association must have a letter, failing to do so he is taken under the watch care of the church until he presents the letter.

16. Concerning the ordination of Deacons. (a) He must be elected by the church of which he is a member. (b) He must be appointed for the work of the church by the Credentials Committee. (c) Any local church in good standing in the Association, if it so desires, may ordain deacons with the help of any two ordained ministers and five ordained deacons who are approved by the moderator of the Association.

FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

1. Call the church to order.
2. Call for the peace of the church.
3. Opportunity for membership.
4. Inviting visiting brothers and sisters to seat with us.
5. Reading of minutes.
6. Call for reference.
7. Appointment of committees.
8. Any acknowledgments.
9. Report of committees.
10. Unfinished business.
11. New business.
12. Adjournment.

FORM OF THE CHURCH LETTER OF DISMISSION

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ at
....., do hereby certify that Brother or Sister
..... is a member in good
standing with us and is dismissed by us when joined to any
other church of their choice.

This letter is only good for six (6) months from date.

This day of 19...

Moderator

Church Clerk

RULES FOR PREACHERS

1. All ministers wishing to become members of this Progressive Association will be required to go before the Credential Committee with a recommendation from the church of which they are members, and will also be called upon to present their credentials for examinations and answer satisfactorily such questions as they ask them.

2. All preachers shall attend all business meetings unless providentially hindered.

3. Any minister who behaves himself unbecomingly to his high and exalted calling shall be reported by the credential committee to the Association who shall deal with him.

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

5. No minister shall speak slanderously or cast personal reflections upon another minister that will hurt his influence or ministerial standing.

6. 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.

7. All ministers must make an annual report of the work done by them and submit the report to the Association at its regular session.

8. An aspirant to the ministry must be recommended to the Credential Committee by his church for license and if they find him worthy they recommend him to the Association.

9. If, at the end of one year, he has proved himself worthy and has been called to a pastorate, the church of which he is a member, recommends him to the Credential Committee for ordination. If he is approved he is then recommended to the Association for ordination.

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, glorious and immutable in all His attributes. 1 Corinthians 8:6; Isaiah 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 quick and the dead, 1 Timothy 2:5, 6; 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.

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 mortal state subject to death, Genesis 2:17; 3:19.

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 Timothy 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 condemn the children of men; it follows against all contradictions that all men at one time or other, are found in such capacity as that through the grace of God they may be saved, Acts 17:30; Mark 6:6; Hebrew 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 mankind who repent and believe the gospel, Luke 14:16-20; Luke 13:3-5; Luke 24:27; Matthew 28:19, 20; 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 would 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, Matthew 11:27; St. John 6:44-65; Psalms 1:1; Titus 2:11, 12; Jeremiah 22:29.

10. We believe that men, not considered simply as men, but ungodly men, were of old ordained to condemnation, considering 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; 2 Peter 2:1-2; Thessalonians 2:11, 12; Romans 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 of them dying in that state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin, for such is the kingdom of God, 1 Corinthians 15:22; Matthew 18:2-5; Mark 9:33-37; Matthew 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; Isaiah 1:19, 19; Matthew 7:8; Jeremiah 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 or 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, Romans 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 mere choice, farther than He hath appointed the Godly unto life and the ungodly who die in sin unto death. Hebrew 4:13; Proverbs 8:22; Matthew 25:21-24.

15. We believe, as touching Gospel ordinances, in believers baptism, laying on the hands, receiving of the sacrament 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; James 5:14.

16. We believe the Gospel mode of water baptism is by immersion, and that believers are the only subjects for baptism, Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:9, 10; Acts 2:38; Rom. 6:4; Colossians 2:12.

17. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a final judgment at the last day, John 5:28, 29; 2 Corinthians 5:10.

18. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal and the torments of the wicked are endless, Matthew 25:46.

RULES FOR BOARD OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Board of Religious Education: Mrs. Essie Collins, Samantha, Alabama; Earl Richardson, Cordova, Alabama; James Spencer, Columbia, Tennessee.

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.

2. The board shall meet as often as necessary, at the call of the chairman at such time and place as he may designate. They must meet annually.

3. The board shall at its annual meeting elect a director of Religious 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 regular meeting, the receipts, disbursements, assets, liabilities, and of 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 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 bond in such sum as decided by the board. The secretary shall be the custodian.

10. Salaries and expenses shall be allowed at the direction of the board.

11. These rules may be amended at any time, but only by a majority of delegates present.

RULES FOR THE GENERAL BUSINESS BOARD

General Business Board for this year: Rev. R. B. Crawford, Rev. G. W. Franks, Bro. Edd Crawford, and Bro. J. D. Hudson.

1. This board shall be appointed by the moderator elected at the close of each annual session of the Association.

2. The first named shall be chairman of the board. This board shall serve one year. 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 business, 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

Board of Auditors: P. A. Crawford, Samantha, Alabama; J. H. Cole, Fernbank, Alabama.

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 board 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 a year unless they are questioned and audit be demanded. In such case the moderator shall have jurisdiction whether the audit shall be made.

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 By-Laws.

RULES FOR GOVERNING THE BOARD OF FINANCE

Finance Board: Rev. H. Heatherly, Cordova, Alabama; Bro. J. M. Smith, Townley, Alabama; Victory Farley, Parrish, Ala.

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 forfeit 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 duty of this board to notify each church not later than October the first of each year of the amount of their apportionment.

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; young people's work, 10 per cent; ladies aid, 10 per cent; aged ministers, 10 per cent; provided, however, that all Associational 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 MISSION BOARD

Mission Board: Rev. J. B. Bloss, 317 West 14th. Street, Columbia, Tennessee; Gorman Carter, Cordova, Alabama; C. H. Lunceford, Route 1, Samantha, Alabama; J. H. Cole, Fernbank, Alabama.

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 as he may designate, but must meet annually, and the executive committee elected by the board as many as twice a year.

3. The board in its annual meeting shall elect a director of missions, whose duties 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.

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, fails to attend meetings, etc., shall forfeit his office and the same may be declared vacant by the moderator of the Association 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, mortgages, etc., belonging to the board. He shall report at all regular meetings of the board.

10. 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.

11. All Home Mission funds not in use shall be deposited at the discretion of the board.

12. Salaries and expenses may be allowed at the discretion of the board.

13. The rules may be amended from time to time on the approved of the Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES													Pastor's Salary	Paid Evangelists	Value Church Property ..	Amount of Contributions .	Paid Missions	Paid Orphans	Other Expenses
	Received by Confession ..	Received by Experience ..	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Expelled	Deceased Members	Number Active Members ..	Inactive Members	Number of Deacons	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers								
Alabama City ...	2	2	3	1	1	0	1	45	95	2	3	1	\$ 50.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 7.00	0	0	\$ 212.00
Brogdons Chapel	8	2	4	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	7.00	0	350.00	.70	0	0	45.00
Cordova	33	8	1	1	4	0	1	151	85	8	1	3	198.75	119.50	5,000.00	10.10	0	0	69.72
Dovertown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	30	2	1	0	12.00	13.00	.....	1.50	0	0	22.52
Hanceville	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	...	...	2	...	...	22.97	12.00	1,500.00	.50	0	0	1.00
Loyal Chapel	25	11	0	5	2	30	1	86	12	5	3	1	425.00	199.00	1,750.00	10.00	0	0	406.00
Parrish	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	34	28	5	1	3	194.33	14.00	3,000.00	3.00	0	0	1,896.74
Sulpher Springs .	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	65	110	5	1	0	120.00	25.00	3,600.00	3.50	\$5.00	0	83.00
Totals	77	23	16	8	7	30	5	420	360	29	10	8	\$1,030.05	\$414.50	\$16,200.00	\$36.30	\$5.00	0	\$2,735.98

MINISTERS REPORTS

MINISTERS	Sermons Preached	Public Prayers	Received in Church	Baptized	Visit Sick Homes	Funerals	Ordained Ministers	Ordained Deacons	Communions	Attended Sunday School	Attended League	Held Prayer Meetings	Pastored Churches	Miles Traveled	Traveling Expenses	Money Received	Organized Churches	Organized Sunday Schools	Organized Leagues	Organized Ladies Aid	Married Couples
J. B. Bloss	103	118	40	18	42	3	0	0	2	48	0	35	1	1,840	\$ 48.00	\$ 425.00	0	0	0	0	1
A. J. Lambert	290	305	18	9	57	4	3	1	4	45	5	57	3	2,410	39.30	508.78	0	0	1	1	0
H. Heatherly	72	195	41	35	65	8	0	0	1	41	3	12	1	1,125	65.00	211.00	0	0	1	0	5
G. W. Franks	50	55	6	0	75	7	0	0	2	20	2	5	1	0	20.00	55.80	0	0	0	0	22
E. M. Grubs	11	18	0	7	5	0	0	0	1	15	2	2	1	804	20.00	1.77	0	0	0	0	0
R. B. Crawford	84	88	2	0	41	5	2	2	3	48	47	28	1	1,600	30.00	160.00	0	0	0	0	2
A. J. Burgess	180	210	15	7	20	4	0	0	5	115	12	25	2	1,245	56.20	67.82	1	0	0	0	2
J. H. Spencer	31	60	0	0	15	0	0	0	1	50	7	18	0	1,464	73.20	7.60	0	0	0	0	0
H. T. Bolan	27	137	0	0	12	3	0	0	0	33	1	18	0	546	9.15	6.62	0	0	0	0	0
J. P. Wycuff	68	56	3	0	324	2	0	0	1	41	0	14	0	862	13.60	26.80	0	0	0	0	2
T. B. Lee	17	30	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	16	16	10	0	800	15.00	0	0	0	1	0	0
Corris Puckett	1	80	0	0	35	3	0	0	0	30	8	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W. E. Rodgers	10	45	0	0	21	6	0	0	1	50	10	15	0	150	3.50	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	948	1397	125	76	732	45	5	3	21	554	113	245	10	12,846	\$391.90	\$1,471.11	1	0	3	1	34