

MINUTES
of the
Twenty-First Annual Session
of the
Progressive Association
of
Free Will Baptists
and
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
THE DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL AND
LEAGUE CONVENTION



Convened With
CORDOVA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Cordova, Alabama
September 4, 5, 6, 1952

The next session will convene with Florence Free Will Baptist Church,
Florence, Alabama, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, before the
First Sunday in September, 1953

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

ModeratorRev. J. B. Bloss, 311 W. 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.
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OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

President.....Mrs. Lester Jones, 704 Long Ave., Cordova, Ala.
Enlistment Chairman.....Mrs. Merle Dyer, Samantha, Ala., Rt. 1
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Program and Publicity Chairman..Mrs. A. J. Lambert, 642 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.
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Secretary.....Mrs. Lorene Ryland, 235 Branch St., Cordova, Ala.
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OFFICERS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE CONVENTION

President.....Charles Hollingshead, Cordova, Ala.
Vice President.....Lester Jones, 704 Long Ave., Cordova, Ala.
Secretary.....Clara Cobb, Fayette, Ala., Rt. 5
Ass't. Secretary.....Mrs. Lester Jones, 704 Long Ave., Cordova, Ala.

The Tenth Annual Meeting of The Progressive League Convention
Convening with the Eldridge Free Will Baptist Church

LOYAL CHAPEL

Membership	70
Average Attendance	59
Average Number Daily Bible Readers	30
Average Number Attending Preaching	54
Average Number Prepared Lessons	38
Total Offering	\$136.91
Disbursements	84.39
Convention Dues	2.50
President's Name and Address—Charles Barns, Rt. 6, Columbia, Tenn.	

SULPHUR SPRINGS

Membership	35
Average Attendance	23
Average Number Daily Bible Readers	10
Average Number Prepared Lessons	10
Average Number Attending Preaching	23
Total Offering	\$21.78

Disbursements	
Convention Dues	5.00
President's Name and Address—Houston Keller, Rt. 1, Samantha, Ala.	

CORDOVA

Membership	91
Average Attendance	65
Average Number Daily Bible Readers	20
Average Number Prepared Lessons	22
Average Number Attending Preaching	49
Total Offering	\$166.57
Disbursements	120.76
Convention Dues	5.00
President's Name and Address—George Kelley, Cordova, Ala.	

LEEDS

Average Attendance	30
Average Number Daily Bible Readers	5
Total Offering	\$32.31
President—Frances Keith	
Secretary—Polly Wood	

ELDRIDGE

Membership	44
Average Attendance	38
Average Number Prepared Lessons	11
Total Offering	\$54.08
Disbursements	42.60
Convention Dues	2.50
President's Name and Address—Rev. O. Z. Johnson, Eldridge, Ala.	
Secretary's Name and Address—W. H. Ryland, Eldridge, Ala.	

LIST OF DELEGATES

Loyal Chapel	
Delegates—Barbara Reese and G. C. Bloss.	
Sulphur Springs	
Delegates—Geneva Lunceford, Bula Kuykendall and Blondie Collins.	
Cordova	
Delegates—Barbara Beaird, Sharon Short, Lovell Short, Lorene Ryland, Myrtle Jones, Earnestine Hollingshead, Alvis Hollingshead and Joe Sularin.	
Leeds	
Delegates—A. L. Parker, Charles Keith, Frances Keith, Hazel Bartes, Frances Grimes and Joe Engle.	
Eldridge	
Delegates—Mary Alice Hamilton, Edwin Gibson, Charles Gurganus, Dennis Hall, and Herbert Hamilton.	

MINUTES OF THE LEAGUE

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The meeting opened with the president, Charles Hollingshead in charge. Mrs. Lovell Short played the piano. Bro. Eugene Wadell from the Bible College was in charge of the singing. Several songs were sung and Bro. Joe Sularian led the congregation in prayer.

Miss Florence Sides was in charge of the devotion. She read Psalm 66. Bro. Lester Jones led in prayer. We all enjoyed the testimonies which followed.

The theme for the Convention was Prayer.

Bro. W. H. Ryland gave the welcome address and extended to all a very hearty invitation to feel welcome. Miss Barbara Beaird gave the response.

The President's message by Rev. Charles Hollingshead.

Letters called for. Sister Lorene Ryland was appointed to act as Secretary and Treasurer in the absence of Sister Faye Gilbert.

There was a motion and second that all letters be read and accepted at one time. Motion carried. A motion and second that the letters be received, delegates be seated and all visitors be welcomed. Motion carried.

Visitors from our Bible College were: Eugene Wadell, Paul Wood and Roy O'Donald.

Bro. Roy O'Donald brought the morning message. Everyone enjoyed the message. His text was "Living A Separate Life" and he used Matt. 6:33 for his Scripture.

After the message Bro. Paul Wood dismissed the congregation for lunch.

Bro. G. W. Franks offered the thanks for the noon hour refreshments.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing and Sister Myrtle Jones led in Prayer. Sister Merle Dyer was in charge of the devotion. She read from the 1st book of Tim., chapter 4, verse 12.

The entire group sang the choruses "Every Day With Jesus, Thank You Lord and Heavenly Sunshine".

The topic on "How the F.W.B. League Affects Our Youth" was given by Sister Clara Cobb. "Comparison of Churches With and Without League" was given by Bro. Eugene Wadell. "Evangelism Through F.W.B.L." was given by Sister Myrtle Jones. "Mission Training Through F.W.B.L." by Bro. Eugene Wadell. Bro W. H. Ryland gave a talk on "How to Prepare A League Topic."

The delegates were assigned to their rooms.

There was a motion and second that we send a letter of appreciation to the Board of Publication for the improvements in the literature.

Delegates were chosen to attend the State League. They were: Mrs. Myrtle Jones, Mary and Martha Ryland, Mrs. Verla Ryland, Mrs. A. L. Parker, Barbara Beaird, Sharon Short, and Myrtle Bloss.

Bro. A. J. Ricketts dismissed the congregation.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

The night service opened with the singing of several choruses. Prayer by Bro. Alvis Hollingshead. More songs were sung and Bro. Malone Cobb led in Prayer.

We were proud to have David Mays with us. He has returned from overseas. He gave his personal testimony.

Sister Clara Cobb sang "The Pearly White City". Miss Annette Jones sang "O' What A Savior".

The students from the Bible College gave their testimonies and told of the activities of the College. Sister Myrtle Jones sang "Is Your All On The Altar". An offering was taken for the College. The amount of \$50.86 was received.

A sword drill followed with Bros. G. C. Bloss, Paul Wood and V. T. Bonner serving as judges.

Five churches were represented. Miss Blondie Collins, Sulphur Springs, Miss Barbara Reese, Loyal Chapel, Miss Wilma Aldridge, Eldridge, Miss Sharon Short, Cordova, and Miss Mary Lou Parker, Leeds.

Miss Wilma Aldridge won first prize and will represent our association at the State Convention. Miss Blondie Collins won second place.

A special drill followed using volunteers. The same judges were used. Miss Martha Creel won first place and Mary Alice Hamilton second place.

The Ryland twins sang "You Can't Do Wrong and Get By". The message by Rev. Wood. His Text was "No Room For Christ". Dismissed by Bro. Charles Hollingshead.

MINUTES OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 30, 1952

The morning service opened with the president leading the singing. Several songs were sung. Prayer by Sister Oma Hudson.

It was agreed that the regular program would be after lunch.

Sunday School began by Mrs. J. M. Cobb reading the lesson. After the Sunday School the congregation sang "All Hail The Power". Bro. Dave Franks led in prayer.

The Ryland twins sang a special: "Why Should He Love Me So?"

The congregation sang: "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart".

Mrs. Cobb sang: "An Empty Mansion".

Bro. Cobb brought a very inspiring message on "The Miracle-Performing Savior."

An invitation was given, followed by prayer.

Bro. Jesse Ryland dismissed by prayer.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened by the congregation singing "Stand Up For Jesus".

Prayer by Bro. Charles Keith.

Devotional by Bro. Dave Franks. He read II Tim. 3:15.

Letters read and delegates seated. All visitors were welcomed.

Song: "Near The Cross".

The Children's Home Hour.

The children gave their personal testimonies, then there were some readings given by the children.

Patricia Gibson sang "God's Bank Ain't Busted Yet", and "Is This Consecration?" by Bobby Ford. The children then sang "Everyday With Jesus" and "The Life That Pays", by Wilma Aldridge. The children sang "Fire Up" and Harold Taylor gave the poem "Hoeing 'N Praying".

Bro. Charles Hollingshead prayed for the offering for the Home. An offering of \$30.00 was received. Bro. Malone Cobb read the 1st Psalm.

Bro. Harry Mitchel gave a talk about our Children's Home and the advancement that is being made. Another offering was taken and the sum was raised to \$85.00. There were two pledges made, raising the total to \$100.00. Bro. Bloss pledged \$5.00 and Bro. Shonnie pledged \$10.00.

Bro. Barker presented the Mission Program. Mrs. Lester Jones gave a talk on "The Mission-Minded Sunday School".

Miss Dorothy Williams gave a talk on "Answering God's Call". A contest between the women and the men, naming the characters in the Bible that answered God's call. The men won. Personal testimonies were given telling when they answered God's Call.

Miss Mary Ruth Parsons gave a talk on "Sunday School—The Chief Teaching Agency of The Church".

Delegates were chosen to attend the State Association. They were: Miss Sharon Short, Miss Mary and Martha Ryland, Mrs. Lester Jones, Miss Wilma Aldridge, Miss Mary Ruth Parker and Miss Barbara Beaird.

The Leeds Free Will Baptist Church asked for the next convention and it was voted that we would meet with them for the next session.

The new officers were elected for the coming year. They are as follows: President, Charles Hollingshead; Vice President, Lester Jones; Secretary, Clara Cobb and Ass't. Secretary, Myrtle Jones.

A motion and second that we recommend to the State Association that they change the State meeting to a date when all schools are out. Motion was carried.

A motion and second that the officers pick prizes for the sword drillers. 1st prize \$5.00, 2nd prize \$2.50. Motion carried.

A motion and second that we give the host church a rising vote of appreciation for the hospitality shown. Motion carried.

A motion and second to adjourn. Carried. Bro. George Kelley dismissed.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF LEAGUE AND SUNDAY SCHOOL

Paid in by S.S.	\$23.00
Paid in by League	17.50
Received by Offerings	50.86
Received by Offerings	85.00
Total	\$176.36
Paid to Bible College	\$50.86
Paid to Children's Home	85.00
S.S. Dues to State Association	10.00
League Dues to State Association	5.00
Minutes Fund	15.00
Total	\$165.86
Paid In	\$176.36
Paid Out	165.86
Balance	\$ 10.50

Note: There was \$15.00 pledged to the Children's Home, making the offering \$100.00 in all.

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

LOYAL CHAPEL

Membership	295 - 233
Average Attendance	188 - 189
Average Number Daily Bible Readers	67
Average Number Prepared Lessons	70
Average Number Attending Preaching	122
Total Offerings	\$1,454.19
Disbursements	1,394.83
Convention Dues	5.00
Superintendent's Name and Address—Howard Turner, Tindell Lane, Columbia, Tenn.	

SULPHUR SPRINGS

Membership	107
Average Attendance ..	68
Visitors	8
Total Offerings	\$139.15
Disbursements	65.59
Convention Dues	5.00
Superintendent's Name and Address—C. H. Lunceford, Samantha, Ala.	
Secretary—Zora Simpson	

LEEDS

Average Attendance	59
Average Daily Bible Readers	8
Visitors	161
Total Offerings	\$.215.36
Superintendent's Name and Address—Amos Falkner.	
Secretary—Charles Keith.	

ELDRIDGE

Membership	66
Average Attendance	55
Total Offerings	\$50.00
Disbursements	22.52
Convention Dues	2.50
Superintendent's Name and Address—Clara Cobb, Eldridge, Ala.	
Secretary—Martha Creel.	

TOWNLEY

Total Attendance	646
Average Attendance	12
Total Offering	\$59.55
Convention Dues	3.00
Superintendent's Name—Fred Smith.	
Secretary—Geneva Smith.	

CORDOVA

Membership	157
Average Attendance	112
Average Number Daily Bible Readers	31
Average Number Prepared Lessons	47
Average Number Attending Preaching	100
Total Offerings	\$767.76
Disbursements	542.88
Convention Dues	5.00
Superintendent's Name and Address—Joe Sularian, Cordova, Ala.	
Secretary—Mary Ruth Parsons, Cordova, Ala.	

SUNDAY SCHOOL DELEGATES

Loyal Chapel
Delegate—Bro. G. C. Bloss.

Sulphur Springs
Delegates—Mrs. Wilma Davis, Miss Geneva Lunceford and Miss Bula Zue Kuykendall.

Leeds
Delegates—Mary Lou Parker, Hazel Bartese, Frances Grimes, Martha Weaver, Faye Jones and Erin Jo Engle.

Eldridge
Delegates—Patricia Gibson, Henry Ford and Dennis Hall.

Townley
Delegates—Bro. Luther Romine, Maude Thomas and Lillie Edgil.

Cordova
Delegates—Sharon Short, Barbara Beaird, Winfred Russell, Scottie Carroll, Annie Jene Rosser, Myrtle Jones, Alvis Hollingshead and Mary Ruth Parsons.

Proceedings of the Eleventh Session of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Progressive Association, which convened with the Cordova Church in Cordova, Alabama on Thursday, before the First Sunday in September, 1952.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

The Session was opened with congregation singing "Draw Me Nearer" lead by Rev. Malone Cobb. In the absence of the president, Mrs. W. H. Ryland, 1st Vice President, Mrs. Lorene Ryland, took charge of session.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Clara Cobb. For her scripture she used Romans 12:1-2, making a real good talk. Prayer by Sister Winsett. Mrs. Lester Jones, local auxiliary president, gave the welcome address making all feel so much at home. Response by Mrs. J. B. Bloss.

The ministers and visitors were made welcome. Report of State Convention by Mrs. Lester Jones.

Reading of letters and seating of delegates. The following auxiliaries reported and representatives as follows:

Cordova.....Mrs. Lois Sargent, Mrs. Eva Thompson and Mrs. Ernestine Hollingshead

Leeds.....Mrs. A. L. Parker, Mrs. Troy Engle
 Loyal Chapel.....Mrs. Johnnie Whitehead, Mrs. Irene Staggs
 Sulphur Springs.....Mrs. Theo Kuykendall and Mrs. Minnie Ola
 Kuykendall

Motion and second was made to receive reports as read. Carried.

Reports of National Convention by Mrs. Jones, which were very interesting.

The following committees were appointed:

Registration.....Mrs. Wilma Davis, Mrs. Ernestine Hollingshead
 Finance.....Mrs. A. L. Parker, Mrs. Theo Kuykendall, Mrs. Nettie
 Whitehead

Appreciation.....Mrs. Irene Staggs, Mrs. Merle Dyer
 Resolution.....Mrs. Jones Woody, Mrs. Troy Engle, Mrs. Lois Sargent
 Nominating.....Mrs. J. B. Bloss, Mrs. G. W. Franks, Mrs. Minnie Ola
 Kuykendall

A special song by the Sulphur Springs Ladies Quartet followed.

Rev. Lester Jones brought the message of the hour. Truly it was challenging to the women. His scripture was Gal. 5:19 and Proverbs 23:6.

Dismissed for lunch by Mrs. Jones.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The session was opened by the congregation singing "Lord Send Me", led by Mrs. Clara Cobb. Prayer by Sister Jones. Mrs. Irene Staggs gave the devotional.

Each chairman made interesting talks preceding their reports.

Mrs. Lorene Ryland—"Personal service through enlistment and Promotion".

Mrs. Wilma Davis—"Personal service with our youth".

Mrs. Ethel Winsett—"Personal service through study course".

Mrs. A. L. Parker—"Personal service auxiliary program and publicity".

Mrs. Jones Woody—"Personal service and Benevolence".

Mrs. Merle Dyer—"How we can Have Better Reports".

The committees gave reports. Received as read: "Mrs. A. L. Parker, Mrs. Theo Kuykendall, Mrs. Wilma Davis, Mrs. Nettie Whitehead, Mrs. Lorene Ryland, and Mrs. A. J. Lambert.

Special singing by Sulphur Springs quartet.

RESOLUTIONS

1. We recommend that each auxiliary send \$2.00 extra with letter to the district convention for the printing of minutes.
2. We recommend that a committee be appointed for the purpose of making a report blank from the local auxiliary to the district convention. We also recommend that the district secretary have these printed and send one to each local auxiliary.
3. We recommend that each local chairman send her report to the district secretary, and they no longer give a report at the district convention but give a talk on their field of work.
4. We also recommend that all Young People's Auxiliary Chairmen organize G.A. and G.T.B. in their churches.

5. We recommend that program and publicity chairmen urge their people to subscribe for the Alabama and other church papers.
6. We recommend that the president of each local auxiliary urge the various chairmen of their auxiliary to get their reports in to the district secretary at least 10 days before the convention.
7. We recommend the district to pay \$15.00 for printing of minutes.

Mrs. Jones Woody
 Mrs. Lester Jones
 Mrs. Troy Engle

REGISTRATION

Number of officers present	6
Number of delegates	9
Number of ministers	7
Number of visitors	28
Total Present	50

Mrs. Wilma Davis
 Mrs. Ernestine Hollingshead

FINANCE

We, the Finance Committee, have checked the Treasurer's books and found them correct.

Mrs. A. L. Parker
 Mrs. J. L. Whitehead
 Mrs. Theo Kuykendall

APPRECIATION

We, the appreciation committee wish to express our sincere gratitude to the Woman's Auxiliary, the church, the friends and the city of Cordova for their kindness and gracious hospitality.

Mrs. Ovie Staggs
 Mrs. Merle Dyer

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward from last year.....	\$.91
Leeds dues	1.50
Mt. Pleasant	6.00
Cordova dues	4.50
Sulphur Springs	5.00
Loyal Chapel	5.10
Special Offering	11.30
Total	34.31
Total paid out	15.00
Balance now in Treasury	19.31

DISBURSEMENTS

Printing Minutes	\$15.00
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Mrs. T. B. Lee, Treasurer

NOMINATING

Officers of the District Auxiliary

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Treasurer.....Mrs. Jones Woody, Denham Ave., Rt. 7, Columbia, Tenn.
Mrs. J. B. Bloss
Mrs. G. W. Franks
Mrs. Joie Kuykendall

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THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

The session was opened with the congregation singing, "Just Over in the Glory Land"; Prayer by Bro. Lester Jones. The local church presented a play, "Farmer Brown's Conversion to the Doctrine of Stewardship". There was a wonderful lesson taught in this play about stewardship which was enjoyed by all.

The retiring moderator, Rev. W. H. Ryland, introduced the new moderator, Rev. J. B. Bloss. In his message, he told the history of the organization of the Progressive Association, admonishing each one to live up to its name.

The following were appointed to serve on the Credentials Committee: Rev. G. W. Franks, Rev. Melton Dutton, and Rev. J. S. Ricketts.

In the absence of Rev. T. B. Lee, Rev. A. J. Lambert was appointed to serve on the General Business Board.

Report of the Children's Home was given by Rev. W. H. Ryland. An offering of \$131.10 was received for the home.

Dismissed by Rev. J. J. Staab.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The session was opened with singing and prayer by Bro. James T. Davis. Rev. Lester Jones, pastor of the host church, really made everyone feel welcome. We also appreciate the nice welcome we received from the mayor of Cordova, Mr. Joe Poe. The response was given by Mrs. Johnnie Whitehead.

The ladies quartette from Sulphur Springs church sang "Try Jesus". It was a most touching number.

The moderator read the Rules of Decorum and the Constitution. A motion was made to accept the program subject to change if necessary. The motion was carried.

The Credentials Committee gave a partial report recommending that Bro. Lester Jones be accepted as a minister into this association and that Bro. A. J. Lambert be reinstated. They were made welcome, each one expressing his appreciation. It was moved and carried that the recommendation become fact.

It was moved and accepted that the Florence Church be received in full fellowship, as it has been under the watchcare of this association for one year.

We recommend that the New Macedonia Church be received into this association. It was moved and carried.

Mrs. Merle Dyer was appointed reading clerk.

The following churches and delegates were reported present:

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Sulphur Springs.....	Lee Scrivner, Wilma Davis and Minnie Ola Kuykendall
Cordova	Scottie Carroll, Hattie Aldridge, Lorene Ryland, Florence Terry and Essie Tompkins
Eldridge.....	Mary and Martha Ryland and Wilma Aldridge
Laodecia.....	Jewel Baldwin and Ruby Millican
Leeds.....	Margaret Dutton and A. L. Parker
Townley.....	Mrs. R. M. Edgil and Lorene Files
Dovertown.....	Mrs. Dan Sargent
Loyal Chapel.....	J. A. Ricketts, G. C. Bloss, Irene Staggs, Henrietta Woody and Nettie Whitehead
Taylor's Chapel.....	By letter
Florence.....	Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Capps, and Mr. and Mrs. Dossie Brumbley
Pewitt's Chapel.....	By letter
New Macedonia.....	Mrs. James Davis, Mrs. A. C. McCaleb and Mrs. John Sneed

The letters were read, received and the delegates seated, and the visitors made welcome. We had with us Bro. and Sister Pitts from the Jasper Association and Saragene Crawford from Mount Moriah Association.

The right hand of Christian fellowship was given the New Macedonia Church, Bro. Lester Jones, and Bro. A. J. Lambert.

The girls' quartet from Sulphur Springs sang: "Just a Little Talk With Jesus".

Bro. A. J. Lambert gave a report on the State Sunday School and League Convention.

The devotional was conducted by Rev. J. S. Ricketts, using for the Scriptures John 14:2 and II Cor. 5:1. Testimony time was enjoyed by all. The ladies' quartette from Sulphur Springs sang: "There's Been a Change". Bro. Milton Dutton led in prayer.

Rev. H. A. Pitts delivered the eleven o'clock message that blessed every heart, using for his subject, "The Testing of Our Faith". Scriptures were read from Luke 8:40-56, I Peter 1-7, and I Peter 4:12. In his last remarks, he asked that we pray for each other that our faith might be increased.

The next session of the quarterly meeting will meet with the Columbia Church, Columbia, Tennessee, on Saturday before the second Sunday in January.

The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator: Auditing—Wilma Davis, Melton Dutton, Peggy Davis; Temperance—Lester Jones, Nettie Whitehead, A. J. Lambert; Obituary—G. W. Franks, Malone Cobb, Henrietta Woody; Nominating—W. H. Ryland, C. H. Lunceford, Dossie Brumbley; Ordination—Lester Jones, W. H. Ryland, H. A. Pitts. Dismissed by Rev. Malone Cobb.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The session was opened with the Sulphur Springs girls quartette singing, "Hide Me Rock of Ages". Bro. James Davis conducted the devotional, reading from Matt. 5:1-5.

Rev. Malone Cobb's message on "Tithing" was timely and to the point; his scripture lesson was found in Mal. 3:6-11.

The report of the National Association was given by Mrs. J. B. Bloss.

The ministers' reports were read and received. (See reports)

A. J. Lambert, W. H. Ryland, G. W. Franks, and Lester Jones were asked to go to Bankston, Alabama to help in organizing a church there.

The quarterly meeting report was given by Lorene Ryland and received. (See reports)

Rev. W. H. Ryland gave a very instructive talk on the "Possible Accomplishments in a Unified Promotional Work".

Report of the National Sunday School Convention was given by Billie Jean Richardson.

Report of the Youth Camp was given by Rev. J. B. Bloss. There were some from the various churches present that pledged to help raise money that the camp could be put in better condition before time for the next youth camp meeting.

Dismissed by Rev. H. A. Pitts.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

The service opened with the congregation singing, "Lift Him Up". Prayer was by Rev. R. K. Franklin. The devotional was conducted by Rev. Melton Dutton, using for his Scripture Psalm 41.

The ladies' quartette sang, "No Tears In Heaven".

The moderator introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. L. C. Johnson, President of the Bible College. He told us about the college and its needs. There were pledges and promises to support from several churches present for this great need. An offering of \$126.30 was received for the college.

The ordaining council then took charge. The service was a very beautiful and impressive one in which James T. Davis and Charles Hollingshead were ordained as ministers of the Gospel. A. C. McCaleb, Jr., George Collins, John H. Sneed, Douglas Watson, Markham Hays, and George Lyles were ordained as deacons. Rev. Lester Jones led in prayer. Rev. H. A. Pitts read Acts 6:1-9 and I Timothy 3:1-13. Rev. L. C. Johnson gave the charge. Rev. G. W. Franks led the prayer of consecration. Every ordained person laid their hands on them, while the congregation sang, "Ready" and added their blessings. They all gave a word of testimony. Ordination Certificates were presented to each one.

These ministers and their wives were recognized by the moderator as our visitors from other association and churches. Rev. and Mrs. Harry Mitchell, Bro. Bates, Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Pitts, Rev. L. C. Johnson, Bro. Rollins, and Bro. Smith, the Methodist pastor in Cordova. Everyone enjoyed the fine testimonies they gave.

Dismissed by Rev. Harry Mitchell.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The session was opened with singing, and prayer by Bro. Lester Jones. Rev. W. H. Ryland conducted the devotional reading. For his scripture lesson he chose Psalm 116.

The final report of the Credentials Committee was read and adopted. (See reports)

The general business board's report was read and adopted. (See reports)

The Home Mission Board report was read and received. (See reports)

The Temperance Committee's report was read and received. (See reports) Bro. Lester Jones was appointed to get literature on temperance and mail it out to the different churches.

The Religious Education report was read and received. (See reports)

The Obituary Committee's report was read and received. (See reports)

A motion was made and carried that a committee be appointed to write a resolution of sympathy to be given the clerk to mail to the clerk of each church where a deceased member or members are reported. Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Ryland were appointed.

The Auditing Committee report was read and received. (See reports)

A very impressive message on missions was delivered by Rev. Lester Jones, using these scriptures: John 4:34; 9:4; 3:17; 3:16, Luke 14:8 and Romans 10:23.

An offering of \$34.64 was received for missions.

The following were appointed delegates to the State Association: Mrs. Lee Hedrick, Mrs. J. A. Smith, Mrs. Lester Jones, Mrs. W. H. Ryland, Mrs. J. B. Bloss, Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Mrs. Merle Dyer, Mrs. Dan Sargent, Mrs. James Davis, A. L. Parker and Mrs. Johnnie Whitehead.

The report of the National League Conference was given by Charles Hollingshead.

Mary and Martha Ryland sang "All On the Altar".

The Treasurer's report was read and received. (See reports)

The report of the nominating committee was read and received. (See reports)

The following boards were appointed for the ensuing year:

General Business.....W. H. Ryland, James T. Davis, G. W. Franks, A. L. Parker, L. C. Hedrick

Home Missions.....J. B. Bloss, A. J. Lambert, A. L. Parker

Religious Education.....Merle Dyer, James Davis, Charles Hollingshead

Bro. James Davis expressed his thanks to the Association and Home Mission Board for their help in building the New Macedonia Church.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn until the next session of the Progressive Association which will convene with the East Florence Church, Florence, Alabama, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1953.

The congregation then sang, "If We Never Meet Again".

Dismissed by Rev. W. H. Ryland.

REPORTS

Report of the quarterly meeting of the Progressive Association.

Totals for three sessions in 1952.

Moderator.....Rev. J. M. Dutton

1st SESSION

Dovertown Church—April 12, 1952, six churches represented.

2nd SESSION

Laodecia Church—April 12, 1952, six churches represented.

3rd SESSION

Leeds Church—June 28, 1952, four churches represented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from churches.....	\$ 75.00
Received for Children's Home.....	56.53
Received for Rev. Engle Radio Program.....	8.68
Bro. Cobb paid in for certificates.....	.20
Balance brought forward from last year.....	2.74
Total Received	\$143.15
Total Disbursements	143.05
Balance in Treasury.....	\$.10

DISBURSEMENTS

Children's Home	\$ 56.53
Rev. Engle Radio Program.....	8.68
Foreign Mission	19.25
Home Mission	19.25
Printing Minutes	20.00
Postage09
Bible College	19.25
Total Disbursements	\$143.05

Bro. Robert Blackwell and Bro. Cliff Akers were given license to preach.

Bro. R. T. Stewart was ordained as a deacon.

The officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, Rev. Lester Jones; Ass't. Moderator, Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr.; Clerk, Mrs. Myrtle Jones; Ass't Clerk, Bro. A. L. Parker.

The next Session will convene with Loyal Chapel Church, Columbia, Tenn., January 10, 1953. Lorene Ryland, Clerk.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee have examined the Treasurer's books and find them in order. J. M. Dutton, Mrs. James Davis, Wilma Davis.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance brought forward from last year.....	\$ 3.12
Received from Churches.....	176.60
Special offering for the Bible College.....	21.52
Special offering for Home Missions.....	52.70

Special offering for Children's Home.....	53.00
Received from Quarterly meeting.....	20.00
Received from Sunday School and League Convention.....	25.00
Received from Woman's Aux. Convention.....	15.00

Total received	\$366.94
Total Disbursements	347.12

Balance now in Treasury	\$ 19.82
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DISBURSEMENTS

Bible College	\$ 21.52
Home Mission	52.70
Children's Home	53.00
W. H. Ryland for expenses.....	12.00
Printing Minutes	141.55
Clerk	40.00
National and State dues.....	20.00
Mailing Minutes and ordination blanks.....	6.35

Total Disbursements	\$347.12
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J. B. Bloss, Treasurer

HOME MISSION BOARD

We, your Home Mission Board, report as follows:

We recommend that each Sunday School, League, and Woman's Auxiliary tithe their offering quarterly and that each Church send twenty cents per active member not later than April 1st, 1953. Mail all money to Rev. J. B. Bloss, 311 West 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.

Financial Report is as follows:

Balance brought forward from last year.....	\$121.58
Sulphur Springs Sunday School.....	7.00
Pewitts Chapel Church.....	1.85
Cordova Church	15.00
Cordova League	17.40
Cordova Woman's Aux.....	5.20
Loyal Chapel Woman's Aux.....	16.51
Loyal Chapel League.....	7.45
Sulphur Springs Woman's Aux.....	2.00

Total	\$193.99
Total Disbursements	52.00

Balance now in Treasury.....	\$141.99
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DISBURSEMENTS

New Macedonia Church.....	\$ 50.00
Mailing expenses	2.00

Total Disbursements	\$ 52.00
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J. B. Bloss
W. H. Ryland
A. L. Parker

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on Temperance submit the following report:

1. We recommend that our pastors acquaint their congregation with the evils of the liquor traffic, both in his messages and with literature.

2. We recommend that the Moderator appoint someone to obtain and distribute this literature to the various pastors. (Note: Rev. Lester Jones was appointed.)

3. We recommend that this association go on record as being opposed to the liquor traffic in any form.

Lester Jones
A. J. Lambert
Nettie Whitehead

GENERAL BUSINESS BOARD

We, your General Business Board, recommend the following:

1. That space be provided in our church letters to the association, for Assistant Pastors; that the clerk be authorized to make any necessary changes.

2. That all churches in this association make special monthly donations to the Children's Home, besides the unified program.

3. That no deacon or minister be ordained that doesn't teach and practice tithing.

4. That proper form of church vows be drawn up by this Board to be used in receiving members into our churches.

W. H. Ryland
A. J. Lambert
A. L. Parker
L. C. Hedrick.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We, your Credentials Committee report the following:

1. We have examined the church letters and find them in order.

2. We recommend Rev. Lester Jones be accepted in this association as an ordained minister, also that Rev. A. J. Lambert be reinstated as an ordained minister.

3. We recommend that the Florence church be accepted in full fellowship in this association.

4. We recommend that the New Macedonia Church be accepted into this association.

5. We recommend Bro. James T. Davis, and Bro. Charles Hollingshead to be ordained as ministers.

6. We recommend that this association recognize the ordination of Bro. Sidney Johnson who comes to us from the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

7. We recommend the following to be ordained as deacons: George Lyles, Douglas Watson, Markham Hays from East Florence Church, A. C. McCaleb, Jr., George Collins, and John H. Sneed from the New Macedonia Church.

8. We recommend the Mt. Pleasant Church and Carbon Hill Church be given a letter of dismissal.

9. We recommend the following ministers be granted certificates of standing for the ensuing year: Aubrey Rosser, G. W. Franks, Lester Jones, A. J. Lambert, Austin N. Bradford, J. B. Bloss, W. B. Hughes, T. B. Lee, J. S. Ricketts, J. M. Dutton, Jr., W. H. Ryland, James T. Davis, Charles Hollingshead, Malone Cobb, P. H. Pike, G. P. Givens, George Patton, and E. P. Rowden.

10. We also recommend Bro. Lee Estell for renewal of license for another year to preach the gospel.

G. W. Franks
J. S. Ricketts
J. B. Dutton, Jr.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We, your committee recommend the following:

1. That each individual will support our college.

2. That every F.W.B. home be a subscriber to the church papers.

3. That every preacher and teacher take the Home Study Course, who have not had training equal to this course which is offered by the college.

4. That each church respond to the Education Loan fund for the children in the home for education in our Bible College.

5. That every church take a special offering for the support of the Youth Camp between now and April, 1953.

6. That every church take a special offering for the payment of the new college building during the month of October or as near this time as possible.

7. That each church invite a college group to visit in a service to arouse interest among the young people toward the college.

James Davis
Merle Dyer
Charles Hollingshead

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, the Obituary Committee beg leave to report the departure from this life of these members:

From Loyal Chapel: Bro. C. N. McCandless, Bro. O. E. Yeager, Bro. Sam Johnson, and Sister Sallie McClure.

From Florence Church: Bro. Dee Garrett, and Bro. Paul McWilliams.

From Sulphur Springs: Sis. Rose Esary.

From Cordova Church: Bro. W. T. Jacks, Bro. Tom Broglin, Bro. Oscar Jinwright, Sis. Mary Dunn.

From Laodecia: Sis. Grubbs.

From Dovertown: Sis. Ella Hyche

From Leeds Church: Bro. Marvin L. Wood

We, the Progressive Association, extend our sympathy to the relatives and friends for those who have outstripped us and gone. We trust that our loss is Heaven's gain.

G. W. Franks
J. M. Cobb
Henrietta Woody

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The following were elected for the ensuing year:

Moderator.....Rev. Lester Jones
Ass't Moderator.....Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr.
Clerk.....Mrs. J. B. Bloss
Ass't Clerk.....Mrs. Emma Ruth Capps
Treasurer.....Rev. J. S. Ricketts

We recommend that the next session of this association meet with the East Florence Church, Florence, Alabama.

That this body give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for the wonderful way they have cared for this session.

We also recommend that the clerk be paid \$40.00 a year for her services.

W. H. Ryland
C. H. Lunceford
D. M. Brumley

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 sit with us.
5. Reading of Minutes.
6. Any acknowledgments.
7. Report of Committees.
8. Unfinished business.
9. New business.
10. Adjournment.

RULES FOR PREACHERS

1. All ministers wishing to become members of the Progressive Association must be recommended from the church from which they are members, and will be called upon to present their credentials for examination and answer satisfactorily such questions as may be asked them. Their church must recommend them for License or Ordination where they have not received such.
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 the 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 proven himself worthy, and the church of which he is a member recommends him to the Association, he then goes before the Credentials Committee. If he is worthy and sound in faith, he is to be ordained by the Ordaining Council.
10. That each preacher of this Association with recommendations from their church go before the Credentials Committee in person or letter for a renewal of their certificate of standing each year.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BOARD

Merle Dyer Samantha, Alabama
 James Davis Columbia, Tennessee
 Charles Hollingshead Cordova, Alabama

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 at its annual meeting elects a director of religious education, whose duty shall be to direct the entire program of Religious Education 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.

GENERAL BUSINESS BOARD

W. H. Ryland Eldridge, Alabama
 James Davis Columbia, Tenn.
 G. W. Franks Cordova, Ala.
 A. L. Parker Leeds, Alabama
 L. C. Hedrick Hanceville, Alabama

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.

HOME MISSIONS BOARD

J. B. Bloss Columbia, Tennessee
 A. J. Lambert Florence, Ala.
 A. L. Parker Leeds, 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 a 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 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, 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. The 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 approval of the Association.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE BY-LAWS

1. Each session shall be opened by song, scripture and prayer and shall be closed with prayer.

2. Each Sunday School shall send one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for every twenty-five (25) members or major fraction thereof.

Each League shall send one delegate for the organization and one additional delegate for every ten (10) members or major fraction thereof.

These delegates, along with all ordained ministers in good standing with the Association, shall constitute the official board and shall transact all business properly coming before said body.

3. Visiting brethren and corresponding messengers shall be recognized by the presiding officer and invited to a seat in council. They shall not, however, have the power to vote on any question.

4. Members from two (2) different Sunday Schools or Leagues shall constitute a quorum to transact the business of the convention.

5. The president or vice-president shall preside at all meetings, and in their absence the body may choose one to preside.

6. Anyone wishing to speak shall arise and address the presiding officer as "Brother President" or "Sister President," and be recognized before speaking further.

7. No subject shall be discussed without a motion and a second and question stated by the president.

8. No report shall be adopted except by motion and a second and vote taken.

9. The president shall appoint all committees unless otherwise directed by the body.

FORM OF CHURCH LETTER OF DISMISSION

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ.....
.....do hereby certify that Brother or
Sisteris a member in
good standing with us and is dismissed by us this.....
day of....., 19.....

Moderator.....

Clerk.....

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Association shall be known as the Progressive Association of the 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 members or fraction thereof.

Article 5. This Association shall appoint 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 chosen by nomination and the majority of votes.

Article 7. This Association shall meet on Thursday, Friday and Saturday before the First Sunday in September each year, giving the Woman's Auxiliary Thursday, and the Association proper beginning with the Thursday evening service, Friday and Saturday.

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

Article 9. The Constitution or By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular session of the Association, provided it lies on the table from morning until evening, or evening until morning, and read twice in open session.

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. That each church send 20c for each active member for Associational expenses.

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 question subject 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 at a 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 the 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 more than twice on any subject without permission from the church and not more than five minutes at a 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 afterward 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, and strictly enforced by the Moderator.

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

CONSTITUTION

PREAMBLE:

In order to strengthen and unify our Christian work and the building of Christian character among the members of the Progressive Association of Free Will Baptists, and to promote and maintain a correspondence with each other in an association-wide organization we purpose to band ourselves together in an organic union and to keep the rules of such an organization according to the following plan:

Article I. This organization shall be known as the Sunday School and League Convention of the Progressive Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article II. This convention shall be composed of regularly organized Sunday Schools and Leagues within the bounds of said Association and shall meet annually on the Second Sunday and Saturday before in April.

Article III. Any Sunday School or League desiring to become a member of this Convention shall send two (2) or more delegated representatives with a petitionary letter, stating the desire of their particular organization to become a member of this body. They shall be received by a majority vote of all members present.

Article IV. The officers of this Convention shall be a President, who shall preside at all meetings, a Vice-President, who shall preside over meetings in the absence of the President, a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep a true and accurate record of every meeting and every business transaction, and a Treasurer whose duty it shall be to have, hold, convey, and convoy any and all funds entrusted to him or her by the Convention. Other officers may be elected as deemed necessary by the Body.

Article V. An Executive Committee, composed of three members to be elected so that their terms of office expire alternately, thus: one to be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years; shall be chosen by the body and shall attend to all business matters between

regular annual sessions. One of these members shall be chosen from the League Convention, and one from the Sunday School Convention and one to be elected at large.

Article VI. All officers, including Executive Committee members, must be Christians and FREE WILL BAPTISTS.

Article VII. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members present at any regular business meeting, but notice of such intended change must be given at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the proposed alteration or amendment. Any amendment or alteration voted by this Body shall be final.

Article VIII. The Moderator of the Association may serve as President of the Sunday School and League Convention if so elected. The Moderator and Clerk shall serve as program committee, and will be responsible for preparing programs for the Sunday School and League Convention.

ROSTER

CHURCHES AND PASTORS

Cordova.....Rev. Lester Jones, 704 Long Ave., Cordova, Ala.
Loyal Chapel.....Rev. J. B. Bloss, 311 W. 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.
Leeds.....Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr., Leeds, Ala.
Sulphur Springs.....Rev. G. W. Franks, Cordova, Ala.
Townley.....Rev. Harvey Key, Carbon Hill, R. #2, Ala.
Laodecia.....Rev. J. W. Marlow, Birmingham, Ala.
Taylor's Chapel.....Rev. G. P. Givens, R. #4, Franklin, Tenn.
Dovertown.....Rev. G. W. Franks, Cordova, Ala.
Eldridge.....Rev. W. H. Ryland, Eldridge, Ala., Box 55
Pewitt's Chapel.....Rev. Virgil Smith, McEwen, Tenn., R. #1
Florence.....Rev. A. J. Lambert, 642 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.
New Macedonia.....Rev. James Davis, 1311 School St., Columbia, Tenn.

CHURCH CLERKS

Cordova.....Mrs. Lorene Ryland, 235 Branch St., Cordova, Ala.
Loyal Chapel.....Mrs. B. H. Price, R. #5, Columbia, Tenn.
Leeds.....Mr. A. L. Parker, Leeds, Ala.
Sulphur Springs.....Mrs. Merle Dyer, Samantha, Ala.
Townley.....Mrs. J. A. Smith, Townley, Ala., Box 24
Laodecia.....Mrs. Ruby Millican, Hanceville, Ala.
Taylor's Chapel.....Mrs. Clara McCandless, R. #2, Santa Fe, Tenn.
Dovertown.....Mrs. Dan Sargent, Cordova, Ala., R. #1
Eldridge.....Miss Mary Ryland, Eldridge, Ala., Box 55
Pewitt's Chapel.....Mr. M. J. Tidwell, Franklin, Tenn. R. #6
Florence.....Mrs. Jessie M. Capps, 657 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.
New Macedonia.....Mrs. George Collins, Columbia, Tenn., R. #2

CHAIRMEN OF BOARD OF DEACONS

Cordova.....Earl Richardson, Cordova, Ala.
Loyal Chapel.....Clyde Garrett, Lynville, Tenn., R. #2
Leeds.....Doug Isbell, Leeds, Ala.
Sulphur Springs.....C. H. Lunceford, Samantha, Ala.
Townley.....Claude Gann, Carbon Hill, Ala., R. #2
Taylor's Chapel.....R. A. Pewitt, 934 Third Ave., S., Nashville, Tenn.
Dovertown.....Dan Sargent, Cordova, Ala., R. #1
Eldridge.....Charles Gurganus, Jr., Eldridge, Ala.
Pewitt's Chapel.....M. J. Tidwell, Franklin, Tenn., R. #6
New Macedonia.....Arlie McClueb, Columbia, Tenn., R. #2

CHURCH STATISTICAL TABLE

Name of Churches	Rec. by Experience	Rec. by Letter	Rec. by Confession	Expelled	Dismissed by Letter	Deceased	No. Active Members	No. Inactive Members	Amt. Contribution	No. Deacons	No. Ordained Ministers	No. Licensed Ministers	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage	Amount Received by Tithes	Amount Received by Offerings	Total Received by the Church Proper	Offering to Home Missions	Offering to Foreign Missions	Offering to Christian Education	Offering to Unified Program	Offering to Charity	Offering to Orphanage	Amount Paid Pastor	Amount Paid Evangelist	Amount Paid Visiting Ministers	Amount Received by Sunday School	Amount Received by League	Amount Received by Woman's Auxiliary	Other Expenses	Total Paid Out	
Cordova	4	3	22	3	5	4	176	82	\$ 35.20	7	3	1	\$ 7,450.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 4,311.38	\$ 2,683.90	\$ 7,112.74	\$ 40.50	\$ 51.55	\$248.83	\$672.06		\$132.39	\$ 3,055.00	\$ 200.00		\$ 674.71	\$183.58	\$ 304.87	\$3,006.57	\$ 7,127.66	
Loyal Chapel.....	9	18	29	0	4	4	174	46	34.80	7	4	0	50,000.00		3,938.57	3,762.18	9,586.32	285.65	70.60	152.76		167.92	137.61	2,600.00	250.00	12.20	1,085.77	218.77	309.71	3,668.36	7,166.87	
Sulphur Springs...		5	8			1	65	22	13.00	5			6,500.00		463.68	564.59	1,028.27	18.00		58.60			15.00	650.00	75.00	29.06	133.73	18.71	171.79	116.05	961.71	
Townley	4	3	1			1	25	30	5.00	4	1		1,000.00		100.00	454.19	554.19						360.00	84.69	7.00					37.50	482.19	
Leeds	8	1	6		4	1	25	100	5.00	6	1		6,000.00	6,000.00	729.13	858.13	1,913.54						68.89	1,390.06	228.05		263.06	34.22	72.80	187.75	1,874.75	
Laodicea				9		1	25	79	10.00		1				470.09							12.13	10.00	313.25	119.71		87.46				470.09	
East Florence	4	2	4		10	2	131	106	26.20	4	2	2	20,000.00	6,000.00		5,436.12	6,715.65	76.25	4.00			67.87	84.22	3,330.00	100.00	15.00	728.42	209.00	342.11	570.00	4,277.34	
Taylor's Chapel ...							18	16	4.50	2	3		500.00				58.15		1.00	1.50		2.00		36.75	7.40	5.75	17.47					58.15
Dovertown							1	31	6.20	1	1		300.00			342.82	434.56							342.82	20.00		71.74					428.34
Eldridge		9					31	06	10.00	1	2		669.00				337.84	20.00	20.00	28.35			17.50	90.00	67.50		60.97	35.27		35.00	278.35	
Pewitt's Chapel....	1				1	1	20	15	7.33	3	1		1,000.00			153.29							5.00	58.90	50.90		14.50			25.20	153.29	
New Macedonia....	15	6	15		3		33		6.60	3	1		6,000.00		406.34	2,465.21	2,871.55					130.00		175.00	- 50.00	20.00	39.39	44.27	142.48	2,316.01	2,561.51	
Totals	45	47	85	12	27	16	754	529	\$163.83	43	19	4	\$93,569.00	\$15,800.00	\$10,419.19	\$16,720.43	\$30,612.81	\$440.40	\$ 147.15	\$490.04	\$672.06	\$379.92	\$470.61	\$12,400.88	\$1,253.25	\$ 89.01	\$3,177.21	\$743.82	\$1,343.26	\$9,962.44	\$25,840.25	

MINISTERS' REPORTS

Name of Ministers	Sermons Preached	Revivals Conducted	Received in Church	Public Prayers	Conversions Witnessed	Baptized	Visited in Sick Homes	Ordained Deacons	Attended F. W. B. League	Conducted Prayer Meetings	Miles Traveled	Money Received	Organized Sunday School	Organized F. W. B. League	Communion Held	Funerals Conducted	Ordained Ministers	Attended Sunday School	Pastored Churches	Traveling Expenses	Organized Churches	Organized Woman's Auxiliaries	Married Couples
Charles Hollingshead.....	40	1		45	43		50		35	55	7,640	\$ 185.00						48					
A. J. Lambert.....	178	8	27	560	44	12	340	3	52	18	3,000	2,571.00			3			52	2	\$ 265.00			
G. W. Franks.....	111	4	12		4	5		1	30		934	1,024.00				6	2	45	2	195.00			6
L. A. Rosser.....	78		2	200	3		25		39	32	1,035	152.00			4			39	1	78.00			
Lester Jones.....	107	2	26	75	55	25	217	1	52	4	11,000	3,080.00			3	4		52	1				1
P. H. Pike.....	3			20			15											30					
J. M. Dutton, Jr.....	72		12		18	11				25		169.69				4		52	2				2
James T. Davis.....	40	1	36	125	31	10	30		50	35	3,000	218.00	1	1	1			40	1	300.00	1		2
R. K. Franklin.....	170	4	17	170	30	10	40			57	8,000	180.00	2			4		44	1	80.00	2	2	
J. B. Bloss.....	188	4	56	84	86	46	342	2	50	91	2,956	2,600.00			4	20	1	50	1	101.40			5
W. B. Hughes.....	175	2	1		20	4	60		52		20,000	1,800.00			4	3		52	2				
T. B. Lee.....	35			60	6	10	25		10	6	450	50.00		1	1	1	2	15		35.00	1		
G. P. Givens.....	52	2	2		14	2						176.00			2	2			2				
Malone Cobb.....	86	4	2	100	75	2	10		30	15	2,000	250.00		1				52	1	300.00			
W. H. Ryland.....	96	2	41		66			1	40	13		277.00			1	4		46					
J. S. Ricketts.....	13			51	8		46		26	6	434	11.25						44		4.41			
Totals	1444	34	234	1490	503	137	1200	8	466	357	60,449	\$12,923.94	3	3	23	48	5	661	16	\$1,358.81	4	2	16