

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



Convened With
EAST FLORENCE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Florence, Alabama
September 3, 4, 5, 1953

The next session will convene with Townley Free Will Baptist Church, Townley, Alabama, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1954

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

Moderator.....Rev. Lester Jones, Cordova, Ala.
 Assistant Moderator.....Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr., Leeds, Ala.
 Clerk.....Mrs. J. B. Bloss, 311 W. 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.
 Ass't Clerk.....Mrs. Merle Dyer, Samantha, Ala., R. 1
 Treasurer.....Rev. J. S. Ricketts, 507 White St., Columbia, Tenn.

OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

President.....Mrs. Lester Jones, Cordova, Ala.
 Vice President.....Mrs. Merle Dyer, Samantha, Ala., R. 1
 Youth Chairman.....Mrs. Millie Suggs, Florence, Ala.
 Study Course Chairman.....Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Florence, Ala.
 Program and Publicity Chairman.....Mrs. A. L. Parker, Leeds, Ala.
 Personal Service Chairman.....Mrs. Lorene Ryland, Cordova, Ala.
 Secretary and Treasurer.....Mrs. Theo. Kuykendall

OFFICERS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE CONVENTION

President.....Charles Hollingshead, Cordova, Ala.
 Vice President.....Lester Jones, Cordova, Ala.
 Secretary.....Clara Cobb, Vernon, Ala.
 Asst. Secretary.....Mrs. Lester Jones, Cordova, Ala.

ELEVENTH LEAGUE CONVENTION OF THE PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION OF ALABAMA FREE WILL BAPTISTS WHILE IN SESSION WITH LEEDS CHURCH, APRIL 4, 1953

The session opened with singing and prayer. A devotional period followed.

Business called for. Motion made and seconded that we receive all letters and then accept all at once. Motion carried. Letters received as follows:

Leeds.....Mrs. Troy Ingle, President
 Eldridge.....Miss Florene Sides, President
 Sulphur Springs.....Huston Keller, President
 Cordova.....President's name not given.
 Loyal Chapel.....Charles Barnes, President
 Florence.....James Davis, President

Motion sustained that all letters be accepted and delegates be seated. Motion carried. All visitors were welcomed.

It was discussed whether the convention should be divided. If this be so, funds should be raised in each church to take care of boys and girls to go to each convention.

Motion sustained, seconded and carried that the conventions be divided.

The President read the constitution and by-laws for the League Convention.

Motion made and seconded that constitution and by-laws for the League Convention be accepted and tabled until the next session one year from date of 1953 Convention. Motion carried.

The congregation sang "Let Him Have His Way", directed by Rev. A. J. Lambert.

The F.W.B.B.C. Quartet sang "Keys to the Kingdom" and "Love of God".

Rev. G. C. Lee, Calhoun City, Miss. delivered the morning message. His subject was "God Is Love". His scripture I John 4:8.

The Quartet sang "Peace in the Valley."

Benediction and blessing for noon hour refreshments by Rev. W. B. Hughes.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing "Standing on the Promises" directed by Rev. Eugene Wadell.

Prayer by Bro. A. L. Parker.

Mrs. Merle Dyer conducted the devotional period. Little Fredia Kuykendall recited an Easter poem and sang "Mansion over the Hill Top", and "Just a Rose Will Do".

Mrs. Clara Cobb gave the first topic of the afternoon "Leaguers as Missionaries" Acts 1:8.

"Christ for Europe" was given by Bobby Picirilli. Many thoughts were given to make us more mission-minded and to think of our responsibility toward spreading the gospel.

Congregation sang the chorus "Walking With Jesus" directed by Eugene Wadell and G. C. Lee.

Miss Faye Gilbert gave the topic "Christ for Latin America" Mark 16:15, 16.

Bro. Ryland from the Children's Home gave the needs of the home. An offering was received for the Home. The amount \$54.00.

Rev. W. B. Hughes spoke on "Christ for Africa" Psa. 2:8. Many interesting facts were given concerning the condition in Africa.

The College Quartet sang "There is Power in the Blood". All hearts were blessed.

Miss Sue Lambert gave the topic "Christ for the Far-East" Rom. 10:14, 15. Truly all must be more mission-minded after hearing the messages of the day.

Miss Faye Gilbert was appointed to take the place of Mrs. Clara Cobb as secretary for the remainder of the Convention.

Motion made and seconded that we send \$15.00 as dues for Association minutes. Carried.

Motion made and seconded that the President appoint delegates to the State Convention to convene with First Church in Sylacauga. The following were appointed: Sue Lambert, Wilma Aldridge, Mrs. A. L. Parker, Mrs. G. C. Bloss, Merle Dyer, Ronald Able and Mary Ryland.

Motion sustained that the afternoon session be adjourned. Dismissed by Bro. Lambert.

NIGHT SESSION

The night session was given by the boys from the Bible College. The minutes for the night session have been lost. There was an offering for the Quartet received amounting to \$25.00.

Sulphur Springs Church turned in \$4.00 for convention dues and the Cordova Church turned in \$5.00 for convention dues.

LEAGUES

Cordova:	
Enrollment	76
Average Attendance	63
Average D.B.R.	12
Average prepared lessons	21
Average Attending Preaching	59
Total Offering	\$250.17
Paid out	220.67
Balance in Treasury	29.50
Delegates to Convention:	

Sulphur Springs:	
Membership	40
Average Attendance	31
Average D.B.R.	6
Average Prepared Lessons	10
Average Attending Preaching	38
Total Offering	\$36.62
Paid Out	24.34
Balance in Treasury	12.28
Delegates to Convention: Blondie Collins, Bula Kuykendall, Geneva Luncford.	

East Florence:	
Attendance	66
Total Offerings	\$132.00
Delegates: James Davis, Mr. Matthews, Mr. Watson, Sue Lambert, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Bromley.	

Loyal Chapel:	
Membership	70
Average Attendance	57
Study Program	34
Daily Bible Readers	31
Attending Preaching	54
Total Offering	\$165.98
Delegates: Margaret McFarland, Helen Ruth Johnson, Barbara Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Whitehead, and G. C. Bloss.	

Eldridge:

Membership	44
Average Attendance	35
Study Program	13
Total Offering	\$18.54
Disbursements	17.60
Balance in Treasury94
Delegates: Wilma Aldridge, Mary Alice Hamilton, Mrs. W. H. Ryland.	

Leeds:

Average Attendance	35
Prepared Lessons	12
Daily Bible Readers	8
Convention Dues	\$3.50
Delegates: Faye Jones, Faye Winsett, Annette Jones, Mary Lou Parker.	

LEAGUE FINANCIAL REPORT

Paid in:

League Dues	\$41.00
Offering for Home	54.00
Offering for Quartet	25.00
Total	\$120.00

Paid out:

Children's Home	\$54.00
College Quartet	25.00
Minutes	15.00
State League Convention	10.50
Total	\$104.50

Balance in League:.....	\$120.00
	104.50
	15.50

Eleventh Sunday School Convention of the Progressive Association of Alabama Free Will Baptists while in session with Leeds Church, April 4-5, 1953

The convention was called to order by the president, Charles Hollingshead, immediately after the Sunday School and lunch at the Leeds Church.

Jimmy Aldridge conducted the devotional in the absence of Ronald Able of Cordova. Jimmy read scripture and conducted a testimonial service.

The letters were read and the delegates seated from the following Sunday Schools:

Loyal Chapel.....	Nathan Staggs, Superintendent
Florence.....	Douglas Wallace, Superintendent
Sulphur Springs.....	C. H. Lunceford, Superintendent
Eldridge.....	E. L. Inghram, Superintendent
Cordova.....	Joe Sularin, Superintendent
Leeds.....	Amos Faulkner, Superintendent
Ensley.....	Wallace Perkins, Superintendent

There was a motion and second that all letters be accepted and delegates seated.

Motion sustained that the Sunday School Convention dissolve membership with the Sunday School and League Convention and form a separate Sunday School Convention.

Motion sustained that the chairman appoint a committee to draw up a Constitution and By-laws for the Sunday School Convention. The committee was designated to have charge of arranging for the next Sunday School Convention until the Constitution and By-laws are adopted. The members appointed to the committee were: Lorena Isbell, Leeds; Rev. W. H. Ryland, Eldridge; and Rev. J. M. Dutton, Leeds. Rev. Dutton was made chairman of the committee.

A motion was sustained that the present officers remain in office until the next convention. The president will set the date for the convention; however the committee will draw up plans for the convention.

There was also a motion and second that the League Convention withdraw from the Sunday School Convention and set up a different organization known as the "Free Will Baptist League Convention of the Progressive Association of Free Will Baptists of Alabama." The motion was carried.

Motion sustained that the chairman appoint a committee to take care of the League Convention. Those appointed were: Rev. W. B. Hughes, Columbia; Rev. Lester Jones, Cordova, and Jimmy Aldridge, Cordova.

Motion sustained that the League Convention meet with Eldridge church next year. (As has already been stated, the place of the Sunday School Convention will be decided by a committee appointed for that purpose.)

The quartet from the F.W.B.B.C. sang "Keys to the Kingdom", "Bound for the Kingdom", "Hand in Hand with Jesus", "Gethsemane", "Steal Away", and "I Know There Is a God Above".

An offering for the amount of \$15.25 was received.

A motion was sustained that the Convention pay \$10.00 for printing of the Associational minutes and also pay \$10.00 to each of the following: Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Carlton Lambert, a student from the College, brought the message, "Sunday School as a Home Mission Agency." Carlton pointed out that trained teachers are needed in our Sunday School. He also stated that the Sunday School should be made a soul-saving station, bringing out the fact that whether or not the Sunday School is a soul-saving station depends on the teacher.

Another way to advance the Sunday School is to get interested yourself, as members of the Sunday School.

Carlton went on to say that the results of a good Sunday School are: (a) It reaches those children who would otherwise not be reached; (b) From Sunday School comes future Christian workers; (c) The Sunday School does its part in carrying out the great Commission by being a "Home Mission Agency."

The delegates to the Convention gave the Leeds Church a rising vote of thanks.

Bobby Piccirilli expressed for the College quartet an appreciation for all that the convention did for them during their stay.

Motion and second that the convention adjourn to meet separately next year. The League Convention will meet with the Eldridge Church, while the Sunday School will meet at a place designated at a later date by a committee appointed for the purpose.

Dismissed by saying the League benediction together.

Charles Hollingshead, President
Faye Gilbert, Acting Secretary

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Sulphur Springs:

Membership	100
Avg. Attendance	78
Daily Bible Readers	10
Prepared Lessons	14
Avg. Attending Preaching	80
Total Offering	\$202.07
Disbursements	180.41
Convention dues	10.00

Delegates: Faye Mims, Jane Scrivner, Blondie Collins.

Cordova:

Membership	172
Avg. Attendance	119
Daily Bible Readers	38
Avg. No. Attending Preaching	104
Avg. Prepared Lessons	50
Total Paid in	\$889.76
Disbursements	851.48
Balance in Treasury	38.28

Eldridge:

Membership	70
Avg. Attendance	65
Prepared Lessons	10
Total Offering	\$40.79
Disbursements	23.06
Convention Dues	7.00
Balance in Treasury53

Delegates: Mary Ryland, Martha Ryland, Mary Alice Hamilton.

Ensley:

Membership	48
Avg. Attendance	45
Delegates: Mr. Wallace Perkins, Elizabeth Franklin, Jerlene Wilkie.	

East Florence:

Membership	215
Avg. Attendance	165
Avg. Attending Preaching	159
Total Offering	\$627.13
Disbursements	613.09
Convention Dues	21.50

Leeds:

Membership	112
Avg. Attendance	70
Daily Bible Readers	10
Avg. Attending Preaching	65
Total Offering	\$232.16
Convention Dues	11.20

Delegates: Donald Edwards, Faye Jones, Faye Winsett

Loyal Chapel:

Membership	210
Avg. Attendance	210
Daily Bible Readers	97
Avg. No. Prepared Lessons	95
Total Offerings	\$1,159.78
Convention Dues	21.00

Delegates: Margaret McFarland, Helen R. Johnson, Barbara Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Whitehead, G. C. Bloss.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

Paid in:

Convention dues	\$ 54.70
Dues received later	43.00
Offering for Quartet	15.25
Total	\$112.95

Disbursements:

College Quartet	\$15.25
Bible College	10.00
Foreign Missions	10.00
Home Missions	10.00
Minutes	15.00
State Convention	10.50

Total

Receipts	\$112.95
Disbursements	70.75
Balance in Treasury	\$ 42.20

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF THE PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION
WHICH CONVENED WITH THE EAST FLORENCE CHURCH,
FLORENCE, ALABAMA, ON THURSDAY BEFORE THE
FIRST SUNDAY IN SEPTEMBER, 1953

Session opened by singing; Haven of Rest, and Love Lifted Me, led by Rev. Charles Hollingshead.

Devotional led by Sister Elmer Pigg. Scripture: Psalms 122.

Welcome address by Sister A. J. Lambert, response by Sister Verla Ryland.

Session called to order by President, Sister Myrtle Jones.

A motion and second to receive the letters and seat the delegates. (Carried)

Reading of Auxiliary Report by Secretary; a motion and second to accept these and other reports as they came in. (Carried)

Appointment of Committees.

Registration Committee: Mrs. Millie Suggs, Earnestine Hollingshead.

Finance Committee: Mrs. Jones Woody, Mrs. Thrasher, and Mrs. Theo Kuykendall.

Appreciation Committee: Mrs. Verla Ryland, Mrs. Elmer Pigg and Mrs. Lee Temms.

Resolutions Committee: Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Mrs. E. O. Yeager and Mrs. A. L. Parker.

Nominating Committee: Mrs. Myrtle Bloss, Mrs. Irene Staggs and Mrs. Myrle Dyer.

Delegates, Leeds Church, Margaret Dutton, Mrs. A. L. Parker; Cordova Church, Earnestine Hollingshead; Loyal Chapel Church, Mrs. Lee Temms, Mrs. O. E. Yeager; Florence Church, Mrs. Katherine Thrasher, Mrs. Millie Suggs; Sulphur Springs Church, Theo Kuykendall.

Mrs. Myrtle Jones made a talk on our auxiliary of the responsibility of each one, urging us to wake up to our duty and study our offices.

Mrs. A. L. Parker gave the highlights of the state's Woman's Auxiliary which was very interesting.

Advancing missions in the youth auxiliary given by Mrs. Irene Staggs, which was an inspiration to us.

The pastors present were asked to tell us what the Woman's Auxiliary meant to their church. Rev. Lester Jones, Rev. J. B. Bloss, Rev. G. W. Franks, and Rev. G. P. Givens all gave a short talk on this, and they all agreed that every church should have a Woman's Auxiliary.

At this time the group sang "Rescue The Perishing" after which we had prayer, led by Bro. A. L. Parker, then sang some choruses led by Bro. Charles Hollingshead, followed by a solo, "Children Praise The Lord" by little Freida Kuykendall who is only 4½ years old.

Message by Rev. Dave Franks whose text was "Ye Shall Be Witnesses." Scripture: Ezekiel 33:7-8. The sermon was interesting to all present.

Song: "Where He Leads Me"

Dismissed for lunch by prayer led by Bro. J. B. Bloss.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The session opened by singing "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus". Prayer by Sister Pitts.

Devotional by Sister Theo Kuykendall, using as her scripture Matt. 13:36. Prayer by Rev. G. W. Franks.

Report of W.N.A.C. by Sister A. J. Lambert, which was inspiring to all.

The topic: "Advancing Through Home Missions" was discussed by Sister J. B. Bloss, and was the highlight of the evening. Also the need for everyone being willing to do what we can for Jesus, give of our time, talent and means, witnessing to the world by living every day as we ought to live, filling our place, and asking ourselves; "Can God Depend On Me?"

Recognition of officers. Each one gave short talks on duties of their offices.

President, Mrs. Myrtle Jones; Enlistment Chairman, Myrle Dyer; Youth Chairman, Mrs. Irene Staggs; Study Course Chairman, Mrs. A. L. Parker; Program and Publicity Chairman, Mrs. A. J. Lambert; Benevolence Chairman, Mrs. Clara Cobb; Secretary, Lorene Ryland; Treasurer, Mrs. Jones Woody.

At this time little Freida Kuykendall sang "The Love of God."

Advancing through Foreign Missions by Mrs. Myrle Dyer, reading from Isaiah, pointing out that we should be mission-minded.

Reports as follows:

Treasurer's Report

Amount Brought Forward.....	\$19.31
Leeds Auxiliary Dues	3.00
Loyal Chapel Dues	6.00
Cordova Dues	4.50
Sulphur Springs Dues	5.00
Total	\$37.81
Paid Out For Minutes	\$15.00
State and National Dues	8.60
Total Paid Out	\$23.60
Balance in Treasury	\$14.21

Mrs. Jones Woody

Finance Report

We, the Finance Committee, have checked the Treasurer's books and have found them correct. Mrs. Jones Woody, Mrs. Earl Thrasher, Mrs. Theo Kuykendall.

A motion and second to accept this report. (Carried)

Registration Report

We, the Registration Committee, submit the following report: Delegates 15, Officers 7, Ministers 11, Visitors 27, Total 60. Mrs. Earnestine Hollingshead, Mrs. Millie Suggs.

Appreciation Report

We, the Appreciation Committee, wish to express our thanks to the East Florence Church and the Woman's Auxiliary for the warm welcome, the beautiful flowers and the bountiful lunch. Mrs. W. H. Ryland, Mrs. Lee Temms, Mrs. Elmer Pigg.

A motion and second to accept this report. (Carried)

Resolutions Committee Report

1. We recommend that we pay \$2.00 for the printing of the program.
2. We recommend that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer be combined.
3. We recommend that the Secretary contact each church in our association that does not have a Woman's Auxiliary and try to get them to organize one.
4. We recommend that this convention pay for record books for secretary and treasurer, a book for the secretary and a book for treasurer.
5. We recommend that we retain resolutions No. 3, 6 and 7 of last year.
6. 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.
7. We recommend that the President of each local auxiliary urge the various chairmen of their auxiliary to get their report to the district secretary at least ten days before the convention.
8. We recommend that the district pay \$15.00 for printing of minutes. Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Mrs. O. E. Yeager, Mrs. A. L. Parker.

A motion and second to accept this report. (Carried)

A motion and second to adopt these recommendations as a whole. (Carried)

Nominating Report

We, your Nominating Committee, submit the following report:

President, Mrs. Myrtle Jones; Vice President, Mrs. Myrtle Dyer; Youth Chairman, Mrs. Millie Suggs; Study Course Chairman, Mrs. A. J. Lambert; Program and Publicity Chairman, Mrs. A. L. Parker; Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. Lorene Ryland; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Theo Kuykendall.

Signed: Mrs. J. B. Bloss, Mrs. Irene Staggs, Mrs. Myrtle Dyer, Nominating Committee.

A motion and second to accept this report. (Carried)

Other nominations called for. There being none, a motion and second was made to accept these nominations as a whole. (Carried)

Delegates to the state's Woman's Auxiliary were appointed by President: Mrs. Belcher, Mrs. Dutton, Theo Kuykendall, Earnestine Hollingshead, Mrs. Irene Staggs.

Song: "I'm In The Glory Land Way".

All auxiliaries should collect coupons and send them to the Children's Home.

Playlet: "A Soul-Winner Goes Visiting" by Miss Nancy Pigg and Miss Sue Lambert.

Dedication prayer for the new officers by Sister Myrtle Jones.

Announcements by Rev. A. J. Lambert and Rev. Lester Jones.

Benediction by Rev. W. H. Ryland.

Lorene Ryland, Sec'y.

Proceedings of the Twenty-second Annual Session of the Progressive Association which convened with the East Florence Church, Florence, Ala., Thursday, Friday, and Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1953

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

The Session was opened with congregation singing, "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms", under the direction of Charles Hollingshead, and prayer by Rev. H. A. Pitts. The devotion was conducted by the host pastor, Rev. A. J. Lambert. He used for his scripture lesson Rom. 10:1-15.

The Moderator's message was timely and to the point.

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

The congregation then sang, "Amazing Grace". Prayer by Rev. J. B. Bloss.

The evening message was delivered by the Rev. D. C. Dodd. First he gave a brief history of the Free Will Baptist Church. Then the subject for his message was, "Missions in the Making". His text was found in Mark 1:38.

Films were shown—the titles, "The Dedicated Man", and "A Letter To Melitino".

An offering of \$57.00 was received to be divided equally between foreign and home missions.

Dismissed by Rev. D. C. Dodd.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The session was opened by the congregation singing, "Some Day", and "The Old Time Power", directed by W. H. Ryland.

The devotion was conducted by Rev. J. B. Bloss, using for his scripture lesson Rom. 12:9-21.

Mr. Martin, the Mayor of Florence, gave us a hearty welcome to the city. The response was given by Mrs. Malone Cobb. The Moderator read the rules of Decorum.

The Credentials Committee gave a partial report with the following recommendations and churches reporting:

New Macedonia.....	Sis. J. H. Sneed, Arlie McCaleb, and Eddice Sneed
Leeds.....	A. L. Parker, Mildred Parker, and Margaret Dutton
Eldridge.....	Florene Sides and Mrs. W. H. Ryland
Cordova.....	Earnestine Hollingshead, Myrtle Jones, and Lorene Ryland
Florence.....	Sis. D. M. Brumbley, Bro. and Sis. Capps, Sis. Ben Belcher, Sis. Woodrow Suggs, Sis. Charlie Miller and Sis. Elmer Pigg

Taylor's Chapel	By Letter
Pewitt's Chapel.....	Clark and Jim Pewitt

Sulphur Springs.....	Theo Kuykendall and Merle Dyer
Loyal Chapel.....	G. C. Bloss and Mrs. Lee Temmes

Townley Church.....	Mrs. J. A. Smith and Mrs. Maud Thomas
Jasper Church.....	Wade M. Fowler

Laodecia.....Johnnie Paul Hudson, Sis. Unie Quick, and
Sis. Jewel Baldwin.
Ensley.....Sis. D. S. Copeland, Sis. Elizabeth Franklin,
Wallace Perkins and Sis. Patricia Pickett
DovertownBy letter

The letters were read, received and the delegates seated and the visitors made welcome. We had with us Bro. and Sis. Pitts from the Jasper Association, Bro. and Sis. G. W. Kilpatrick from the Bear Creek Association, Bro. Sanderson, Bro. Killen, and Bro. Norred from the Muscle Shoals State Line Association.

It was moved and carried that the recommendations of the Credentials Committee be accepted. (See reports). The right hand of Christian fellowship was given each delegate and visitor, while the congregation sang, "Showers of Blessing".

Highlights of the Alabama State S.S. and League Convention were given by Charles Hollingshead, stressing the importance of building a Youth Camp in Alabama.

The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator:
Auditing—Merle Dyer, Mildred Parker, and G. C. Bloss; Religious Education—Charles Hollingshead, Merle Dyer, and Clara Cobb; Obituary—Verla Ryland, Theo Kuykendall, and Florene Sides; Temperance—A. J. Lambert, Lorene Ryland, and Mrs. Elmer Pigg; Nominating—W. H. Ryland, Malone Cobb, and J. B. Bloss; General Business Board Vacancies—Malone Cobb, and A. J. Smith; Ordination—W. H. Ryland, J. B. Bloss and A. J. Lambert.

The congregation then sang, under the direction of Bro. A. J. Lambert, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart".

The devotion for the 11:00 o'clock service was given by Rev. Malone Cobb, using Rom. 1:1. A testimony service was enjoyed by all. Prayer by Bro. Cobb.

We were favored with a special by little Freida Kuykendall, "A Wise Man Builds His House On The Rock".

The congregation sang, "Sin Can Never Enter There". Rev. H. A. Pitts brought a very inspirational message using for his scripture lesson the 2nd chapter of the Song of Solomon. His text was found in the 15th verse.

Dismissed by Bro. Paul Sanderson.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The session was opened by Bro. A. J. Lambert directing the congregation in singing, "Near The Cross". The afternoon devotion was conducted by Rev. Paul Sanderson, using the first chapter of Psalms for his scripture; His text John 3:16. Song by the congregation, "Love Lifted Me".

Rev. Melton Dutton brought a message on "Christian Progress", using Col. 2:1-6, giving the following for some of the reasons why Christians fail to make progress—(1) By failing to pray, (2) By failing to tithe, (3) By failing to lay aside every sin that does so easily beset us. He closed with prayer.

Florene Sides brought to us in a wonderful way the needs of our Children's Home at Eldridge and our responsibility to the home.

An offering of \$35.87 was received for the children's home.

An annual report of the quarterly meetings was given by Mrs. Lester Jones. (See reports). The Ministers reports were read and received. (See Ministers Table).

Viewing our greatest need was brought in a wonderful way by Rev. W. H. Ryland. Col. 1:27 was chosen for his scripture, "Christ In You", and for his subject, "Unity".

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

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

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

Mrs. Lester Jones gave the highlights of the National Association. The minutes were read and adopted.

Dismissed by Rev. A. J. Lambert.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

The session was opened by the congregation singing, "There Is Power In the Blood", prayer by Bro. A. L. Parker.

The credentials committee recommends that Bro. Johnnie F. Oliver be ordained as a Minister at the close of this service. A motion was made and carried. The congregation then sang, "'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus", and "Footprints of Jesus"; Prayer by Rev. J. B. Bloss.

Dr. L. C. Johnson, the president of our Bible College, was the guest speaker for the evening message. The scripture lesson was found in Eph. 5:13-21, using Verse 18 for a text, "Be filled with the Spirit". He urged the Christians to be yielded to the will of God and be spirit-filled and spirit-led.

An offering of \$34.87 was received for the Bible College.

The ordaining Council took charge in which Bro. Johnnie F. Oliver was to be ordained to preach the gospel. Bro. Lambert read the scriptures. They were found in Acts 1:22, and Acts 14:21, Titus 1:1-6 and I Tim. 3:1-13. Bro. J. B. Bloss gave the charge, reading Paul's charge to Timothy. Bro. Ryland prayed the prayer of consecration, while the congregation sang, "Where He Leads Me". Every ordained person laid their hands on him extending their prayers and blessings. He was presented with an ordination certificate.

Dismissed by Dr. L. C. Johnson.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The session was opened with the congregation singing, "The Lily of the Valley", prayer by Bro. Belton Franklin.

The devotion was conducted by Rev. H. C. Killen using Isa. 9, "Unto Us A Child Is Born".

A special request for prayer was made for Bro. R. K. Franklin, who is very sick. Bro. G. W. Franks led the prayer.

The report of the General Business Board was read and received. (See reports).

Report of the Home Mission Board was read and received. (See reports).

Report of the Auditing Committee was read and received. (See reports).

Mrs. W. H. Ryland gave the report of the National S. S. Convention.

Rev. A. J. Lambert gave us some of the results that came from a mission-minded church. His scripture was taken from the 13th chapter of Acts. One thought that he especially brought out was that missionaries go out from a mission-minded church.

The following were appointed delegates to the state association: A. L. Parker, Mildred Parker, Margaret Dutton, Myrtle Jones, Mrs. G. W. Franks, Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Merle Dyer, Clara Cobb, Theo Kuykendall, Florene Sides, Wade Fowler, and Mrs. A. J. Smith.

A motion was made and carried that the Ensley church be allowed to appoint a delegate from their church and send the clerk their name.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read and received. (See reports).

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

Freida Kuykendal sang, "Mansion Over The Hilltop".

Final report of the Credentials Committee was read and adopted. (See reports). The ordaining council then took charge. It was a very impressive service in which Bro. Curtis Thomas, and Bro. R. M. Edgil were ordained as deacons. Rev. A. J. Lambert read Acts 6:1-7. Rev. J. B. Bloss gave the charge and Rev. W. H. Ryland led the prayer of consecration. Every ordained person added their blessings by the laying on of hands, while the congregation sang, "Love Lifted Me".

The minutes were read and received.

The congregation sang, "Praise Him".

A rising vote of thanks was given to express our thanks and appreciation to the East Florence Church for their kind hospitality and the wonderful way that they entertained this association.

Rev. J. B. Bloss was the speaker for the 11:00 o'clock message. His scripture lesson was found in I Cor. 15:58. He stressed the importance of Unity and Cooperation among our people.

Freida Kuykendall sang, "Just A Rose Will Do". A motion was made and seconded to adjourn until the next session of the Progressive Association which will convene with the Townley Church, Townley, Alabama, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1954.

Dismissed by Rev. J. B. Bloss.

REPORTS

Auditing Committee

We, the auditing committee, have examined the Treasurer's books and find them in order. Merle Dyer, G. C. Bloss, and Mrs. A. L. Parker.

Treasurer's Report

Balance brought forward from last year.....	\$ 19.82
Received from churches	\$163.73
Received from League and Sunday School Convention.....	\$ 15.00
Received from Woman's Auxiliary Convention.....	\$ 15.00
Received from Quarterly Meeting	\$ 20.00
Special offering for children's home	\$136.10
Special offering for Bible College	\$126.30

Special offering for Missions	\$ 34.64
Total Received	\$530.59
Total Disbursements	\$504.85
Balance now in treasury	\$ 25.74

Disbursements

Printing Minutes	\$141.85
National and State dues	\$ 20.00
Mailing expense	\$ 5.96
Clerk	\$ 40.00
Children's Home	\$136.10
Bible College	\$126.30
Missions	\$ 34.64
Total disbursements	\$504.85

J. S. Ricketts, Treasurer

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 attend the Extension School (Under direction of Bible College, when taught in their locality.)
4. That each church respond to the Education Loan Fund for the children in the home for education in our Bible College.
5. That the Progressive Association raise \$1,000.00 in the coming year for the building of the Alabama Youth Camp. This amount to be divided and allotted to each church according to their financial condition.
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.

Charles Hollingshead, Clara Cobb, Merle Dyer.

Temperance Committee

We, your committee on Temperance submit the following report:

1. We recommend that all our people take a stand against legalizing the sales of alcohol or distributing it or intoxicating beverages in any form.
2. We recommend that our people do not patronize places where intoxicating beverages are sold if at all possible.
3. We recommend that our ministers bring in their messages at least once a month, statements against the use of strong drink.

A. J. Lambert, Lorene Ryland, Mrs. Elmer Pigg.

General Business Board

We, your General Business Board recommend that the Progressive Association be moved up one week earlier, on account of the public schools starting earlier.

W. H. Ryland, Malone Cobb, G. W. Franks, A. L. Parker, A. J. Smith.

Credentials Committee

We, your Credentials Committee report the following:

1. We have examined the church letters and find them in order.
2. We recommend that this association receive the Jasper church under the watch care of this association until they receive a letter from the Jasper association.
3. With regret we recommend that this association grant Loyal Chapel a letter of dismissal in good standing.
4. We recommend that this association grant Bro. Franks permission to send the Dovertown church letter to the clerk when he gets home.
5. We recommend that Bro. John Oliver be ordained as a minister.
6. We recommend that Bro. Curtis Thomas and Bro. R. M. Edgil be ordained as deacons.
7. We recommend that Rev. J. B. Bloss be retained as an honorary member of this Progressive Association and be listed as one of our ministers.

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

Obituary Committee

We, the obituary committee regret to report the departure from this life these members: From Loyal Chapel: Mrs. Sallie Martin. From Townley: Mrs. Edna Auery.

From Laodecia: Bro. Clark Quick, Bro. Tom Quick. and Mrs. Myrtle Moore.

From Dovertown: Mrs. Hattie Barnett, Mrs. Tom Laird.

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

Mrs. W. H. Ryland, Theo Kuykendall, Florene Sides.

HOME MISSION BOARD

Balance brought forward	\$141.99
Received Oct. 6, 1952—Sulphur Springs Sunday School.....	4.40
Received Dec. 31, 1952—Sulphur Springs Sunday School.....	7.95
Received Jan. 13, 1953—Cordova League	5.60
Received Feb. 23, 1953—Loyal Chapel Woman's Auxiliary.....	4.00
Received Feb. 27, 1953—Cordova Sunday School.....	29.78
Received March 12, 1953—Cordova Woman's Auxiliary.....	3.03
Received May 15, 1953—Cordova Sunday School	13.21
Received July 9, 1953—Cordova Woman's Auxiliary.....	1.50
Received July 10, 1953—Leed's Church.....	15.86
Received Aug. 5, 1953—Eldridge Church.....	3.15
Received Aug. 5, 1953—Eldridge League.....	1.65
Received Sept. 3, 1953—Cordova Church.....	31.00
Received Sept. 3, 1953—Cordova League.....	5.30

Total\$268.42
Paid out to Dovertown Church 50.00

Balance\$218.42

We recommend the same plan of finance as used last year.

J. B. Bloss
A. J. Lambert
A. L. Parker

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT OF THE PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION

ModeratorRev. Lester Jones
Clerk—TreasurerMrs. Lester Jones

Three Sessions Were Held In 1953

Loyal Chapel Church, Columbia, Tennessee—Jan. 10, 1953. Seven churches represented.

Cordova Church, Cordova, Alabama—April 10, 1953. Seven churches represented.

Laodecia Church, Hanceville, Alabama—July 11, 1953. Six churches represented.

The Ensley church of Ensley, Alabama was received by petitionary letter on Jan. 10, 1953.

B. D. Franklin, James G. Perkins, Wallace Perkins and J. P. Wilkie were ordained as deacons from the Ensley church.

Rev. Troy Engle and Rev. R. K. Franklin were issued certificates of standing by the Quarterly Meeting until the next session of the Progressive Association convenes.

Officers for the Ensuing Year

Rev. W. H. Ryland.....Moderator
Rev. Lester Jones.....Asst. Moderator
Mrs. Lester Jones.....Clerk—Treasurer
Mrs. W. H. Ryland.....Asst. Clerk—Treas.

Treasurer's Report

Amount brought forward.....\$.10
Received from churches 100.00
Received for Children's Home\$120.44

Total\$220.54
Less disbursements 209.83

Total amount in Treasury.....\$ 9.71

Disbursements

Children's Home\$120.44
Bible College 20.00
Foreign Missions 20.00
Home Missions 4.00
For printing of programs39
Postage and supplies 1.00
Minister's certificates of standing 25.00
For printing of minutes

Total\$209.83

Nominating Committee

The following were elected for the ensuing year:

ModeratorRev. J. M. Dutton, Jr.
Asst. Moderator.....Rev. G. W. Franks
ClerkMrs. Merle Dyer
Asst. ClerkMrs. Lorene Ryland
TreasurerBro. Earl Richardson

We recommend that the next session of this association meet with the Townley church, Townley, Alabama.

W. H. Ryland, J. B. Bloss, Malone Cobb.

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 DyerSamantha, 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 DavisColumbia, Tenn.
 G. W. FranksCordova, 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. LambertFlorence, 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.

Churches and Pastors

Cordova.....Rev. Lester Jones, 704 Long Ave., Cordova, Ala.
 East Florence...Rev. A. J. Lambert, 642 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.
 New Macedonia....Rev. James T. Davis, 13 Dalton Ave., Columbia, Tenn.
 Ensley.....Rev. R. K. Franklin, 2213 31st Ave., N., Birmingham, Ala.
 Laodecia.....Rev. J. W. Marlow, Birmingham, Ala.
 Taylor's Chapel.....Rev. G. P. Givens, Franklin, Tenn.
 Dovertown.....Rev. G. W. Franks, Cordova, Ala. Rt. 1
 Pewitt's Chapel.....Rev. R. S. Stringer, Dickson, Tenn.
 Eldridge.....Rev. W. H. Ryland, Eldridge, Ala.
 Townley.....Rev. Harvey Key, Carbon Hill, Ala. Rt. 2
 Sulphur Springs.....Rev. G. W. Franks, Cordova, Ala. Rt. 1
 Leeds.....Rev. J. M. Dutton, Jr., Leeds, Ala.
 Loyal Chapel.....Rev. J. B. Bloss, 311 W. 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.
 Jasper.....Rev. W. H. Ryland, Eldridge, Ala.

Church Clerks

New Macedonia.....W. A. Davis, Columbia, Tenn. Rt. 2
 Ensley.....J. O. Wilkie, 2710 Ave., D, Ensley, Ala.
 Laodecia.....Mrs. Jewell Baldwin, Hanceville, Ala. Rt. 2
 Taylor's Chapel.....Clara McCandless, Santa Fe, Tenn. Rt. 2
 Dovertown.....Mrs. Dan Sargent, Cordova, Ala. Rt. 1
 Pewitt's Chapel.....M. J. Tidwell, Franklin, Tenn. Rt. 6
 Eldridge.....Mrs. W. H. Ryland, Eldridge, Ala.
 Townley.....Mrs. J. A. Smith, Townley, Ala.
 Sulphur Springs.....Merle Dyer, Samantha, Ala.
 Leeds.....A. L. Parker, Leeds, Ala.
 Loyal Chapel.....Mrs. Genette McBroom, Columbia, Tenn., Box 207
 Florence.....Mrs. Jessie Capps, 657 Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.
 Cordova.....Maxine Sides, Box 223 Cordova, Ala.
 Jasper.....Wade M. Fowler, Jasper, Ala.

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 McClaeb, Columbia, Tenn., R. #2
 Ensley.....J. O. Wilkie, 2710 Ave. D., Ensley, Ala.
 Laodecia.....Jim Quick, Hanceville, Ala. R. #2
 Florence.....Douglas Watson, 1106 E. Limestone St., Florence, Ala.

CHURCH STATISTICAL TABLE

Names 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 Sunday School	Amount Received by League	Amount Received by Woman's Auxiliary	Amount Received by Tithes	Amount Received by Offerings	Total Received by the Church Proper	Offering To Home Mission	Offering to Foreign Mission	Offering to Christian Education	Offering to Charity	Offering to Orphanage	Amount Paid Pastor	Amount Paid Evangelist	Amount Paid Visiting Ministers	Other Expenses	Total Paid Out
Cordova		5	10		3		135	126	\$ 31.00	7	4		\$40,000.00	3,000.00	627.86	247.50	780.30	5,620.23	3,614.50	10,890.39		\$43.39	\$201.57		\$136.74	\$ 3,473.25	\$ 200.00	\$ 55.00	\$4,273.29	\$ 9,305.88
East Florence	4	4	4				150		30.25	4	2		20,000.00	6,000.00	652.10	613.96	205.09		4,570.39	7,107.27	61.49		56.40	95.05	143.69	3,012.00	303.65	22.00	342.50	7,107.27
Loyal Chapel	3	8	3		4	1	120	81	24.00	6	4		50,000.00		1,194.35	152.38	352.69	3,826.07	6,335.43	10,941.42	25.00	25.76	483.88	167.18	120.00	2,630.00	200.00	34.00	1,246.62	10,506.55
Leeds	11	2			3		54	73	10.80	6	2		6,000.00	6,000.00	262.38	34.21	374.60	1,469.24	644.78	2,410.61	15.86			18.00	115.00	1,140.00			500.00	1,937.49
Sulphur Springs	4	3	10		1		75	26	15.00	5			6,500.00		174.74	23.97	85.45	366.50	699.89	1,350.55						1,126.15	100.00		169.86	1,396.03
Townley	6	1	1			1	50	75	10.00	4	1		1,000.00		107.70	5.00		55.00	569.86	1,026.26					287.66	560.00	66.80		25.77	987.16
Eldridge							16	10	10.00		2		580.00		60.97	26.77		175.00	54.21	316.95	5.00	16.62	40.94		10.00				30.00	102.56
Pewitts Chapel	3						23	15	5.00	5	1		1,000.00		35.20				320.80	320.80	2.70	2.00	1.00	18.00	5.00	169.55	135.97		15.28	320.80
Dovertown						2	32	10	6.40	1			2,000.00		70.87				362.39	433.26	5.00				11.00					912.22
Taylor's Chapel	4		19				40	16	8.00	2	2	1	600.00						24.00	69.50	2.00			2.00	2.00		45.00		14.00	59.50
Laodecia		4			3	3	25	80	10.00	4	1				114.92				810.00	932.00	5.90			20.28	43.00	588.83	48.00		158.95	847.78
Ensley	6	10	11		3		25	2	5.00	4	1		5,000.00		263.95				803.24	1,136.98	14.59		5.00	50.00	77.31	60.85	91.75	12.00		311.50
New Macedonia	1		4				30	8	6.00	3	1		6,000.00		113.88	101.40		424.13	433.22	1,072.63				250.00		240.00	100.00	15.00	799.65	1,149.55
Jasper							24		8.00				3,000.00		50.06				853.00	853.00					9.86	104.00		5.00	676.08	853.00
Totals	42	37	62	0	17	7	779	522	\$179.45	51	21	1	\$41,680.00	\$15,000.00	\$3,728.98	\$1,206.19	\$1,798.13	\$11,936.17	\$20,095.63	\$38,860.67	\$137.54	\$57.77	\$788.79	\$620.51	\$961.26	\$13,104.63	\$1,291.17	\$141.00	\$8,252.00	\$35,797.29

MINISTERS' REPORTS

Name of Ministers	Sermons Preached	Revivals Conducted	Received in Church	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
A. J. Lambert	179	6	8	17	4	46		48	10	5,010	\$ 3,012.00			1	4		48	1	103.00			1
G. W. Franks	130	2	17	20	10	135	6	20		3,158	1,577.30				7	2	42	2	137.50			
W. H. Ryland	97	3	27	34			1	50	21		265.00				3		48	1				
T. B. Lee	104		7	5	4	150		12	6	9,230	1,100.00		1	3	2		50	1	780.00			
J. B. Bloss	182	5	47	92	28	463	6	52	74	11,100	2,795.00	1	1	4	17	2	52	1	453.25	1	1	2
J. S. Ricketts	26					16		21	8	637	81.85		1		1		45		14.71			
Malone Cobb	154	6	90	200	38	25	3	52	52	430	1,259.00			1	3		52	1	16.25		1	
James T. Davis	104		5	6	5	150		50	15	3,000	240.00			4	1		50	1	400.00			
Lester Jones	142	4	15	40	11	287	5	52		11,000	3,380.00			1		2	52	1				
J. M. Dutton, Jr.	95	1	17	7	10			52	47		1,040.00						52	1				2
P. H. Pike	20					25				500					1		22					
Charles Hollingshead	36	6	13	34		60		16	50	10,375	200.54						47					
G. P. Givens	67	2	23	2	19					25	232.00	1		3	1		23	3				
W. B. Hughes	75	2	6	50	6	100		45	52	5,460	1,500.00						50	1				
Troy Engle	51			10		56		19							3		43					
G. W. Patton	72	2		9		23			8	310	288.00			3	1		52	2	144.00			
R. K. Franklin	120	2	7	10	2	15	1		58	1,200	75.00			2	3		50	1	60.00			3
Totals	1,654	41	282	536	137	1,551	22	489	401	61,435	\$17,045.69	2	3	22	47	6	778	17	\$2,108.71	1	2	8