Minutes of the Thirty-third Annual Session of the Progressive Association

of

Free Will Baptist of Alabama

Convened with Cordova Free Will Baptist Church
Cordova, Alabama

August 27, 28, 29, 1964

Next Session will convene with Sulphur Springs
Free Will Baptist Church, Samantha, Alabama
August 28-30, 1965

The next session of the Sunday School and League also The Woman's Auxiliary Convention will convene with the Fayette Free Will Baptist Church, Fayette, Alabama during A. E. A. Week of 1965.

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS FOR 1965

Moderator: Rev. A. J. Lambert, 860 Temple Ave., Fayette, Ala. 35555.

Assistant Moderator: Rev. Willie Justice, 701 Branch St., Florence, Ala. Clerk: Mrs. Lorene Ryland, 42 Elaine St. Fayette, Ala. 35555.

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Assistant Treasurer: Mrs. K. V. Shutes, Cordova, Ala. 35550.

Executive Committee: 1 yr.-Rev. Carlton Lambert, 2 yr.-Rev. William Travis, 3 yr. Rev. Louie Bates.

Vouth Camp Committee: Rev. Charles Hollingshead, Rev. Carlton Lambert

Youth Camp Committee: Rev. Charles Hollingshead, Rev. Carlton Lambert and Rev. Levy Corey.

QUARTERLY MEETING OFFICERS

Moderator: Rev. Ray Ritch, 724 12th Ave. W., Birmingham 4, Ala. Assistant Moderator: Rev. Levy Corey, Box 245, Townley, Ala. 35587. Clerk: Mrs. Louie Bates, Box 45, Alden, Ala. Assistant Clerk: Mrs. Mary Guthrie, P.O. Box 12, Townley, Ala. 35587.

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President: Mrs. Laura Hollingshead, 804-36th Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala. Vice-President: Mrs. Sula Gann.

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Stewardship & Prayer Chairman: Mrs. Levy Corey, Townley, Ala. 35587. Personal Service Chairman: Mrs. Robert Hill, Hartselle, Ala. Youth Chairman: Mrs. Louise Haynes, Manchester, Ala.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE CONVENTION OFFICERS

President: Terry Lambert, 860 Temple Ave., Fayette, Ala. 35555.

Vice-President: Woody Davis, Alberta City, Ala.

Secretary & Treasurer: Phyllis Pickett, 1117 Indiana St., Wylam, Ala.

Song Leader: Helen Cody, Sweetwater Ave., Florence, Ala.

Pianist: Linda Edgil, Rt. 1, Townley, Ala.

Quiz Leader: Glenda Argent, Rt. 6, Jasper, Ala.

Executive Committee: Carlton Lambert, Box 8, Eldridge, Ala., Levy Corey, Townley, Ala. and William Travis, Rt. 6, Box 99, Jasper, Ala. Credential Committee: Charles Hollingshead, Carlton Lambert and A. M. Wallace.

THURSDAY NIGHT, YOUTH, Aug. 27, 1964

Terry Lambert in charge, meeting opened with chorus, everybody singing, "Trust in the Lord," "Somewhere Beyond the Blue," "Don't Do A Half Days Work" and "Sing Your Trials Away," led by Phillip Gilbert, Prayer by Rev. Levy Corey. Churches recognized. Cordova, Jasper, Townley, Eldridge, Ensley, Northport, Russellville, Fayette, Sulphur Springs, Hartselle, present.

Visitors welcomed. We sang "Heavenly Sunshine." Committee on Youth nominated, one from each church, the three highest to be committee. Sandra Terry, Sam Wallace, Phyllis Pickett, Glenda Argent, Carolyn Powell, Ann Jones, Lenda Edgel, Woodey Davis, Jimmey Brown, and Terry Lambert. Elected: Sam Wallace, Phyllis Pickett and Glenda Argent. Youth night first Saturday night in each month. Oct. at Eldridge. Moved the Executive Committee of the Progressive Association, elect a sponsor for youth. Seconded and carried.

Glenda Argent sang, "Nearer My God to Thee." Prayer by Sam Johnson. Joe Jones sang, "Follow Me." Message by Rev. Ken Riggs, Exodus 20:3, No Other God. He gave invitation to the lost to come and be saved, closing with prayer. Credential Committee appointed: Charles Hollingshead, Carlton Lambert and A. M. Wallace. Offering for speaker \$25.00. Rev. E.B. Ledlow gave thanks for the food and dismissed with prayer. 197 registered.

FRIDAY MORNING, Aug. 28, 1964

Assistant Moderator Rev. A. J. Lambert in charge. We sang, "Standing on the Promises." Rev. W. H. Ryland led in prayer. Called to order by clerk, Mrs. Lorene Ryland. Credential Committee to be Committee on Committee. Rev. Donald Hollingshead brought the devotion; "Look on the Harvest, Starting at Home, and in the Church." Closed with prayer. Rev. Levy Corey welcomed everyone to this meeting.

Response by Mrs. A. M. Wallace. Rev. A. J. Lambert, gave a short talk on rules, then he read us the constitution. Then all the standing delegates were seated together. Visitors recognized, we were happy to have our National Youth Director, Ken Riggs who brought the message on Thursday night, also Rev. Paul Ketterman, Rev. Mark Vandivort and Samuel Johnson, from Nashville who were representing various National Departments, Mrs. Leroy Forlines, Rev. W. H. Ryland, State Home Missions. From the Jasper Association, Rev. William Atkinson, James Walton and Bill Smith. We sang, "Love Lifted Me."

Rev. W. H. Ryland spoke on missions, appealed to us to support missions and if we want our money to go to someone personally to earmark it to their account. The Ledlows sang, "It Pays to Serve Jesus." Partial report of Credential Committee:

We the Credential Committee have examined the following letters and found them in order, except for the fact that some letters failed to request certificates of standing for their ministers and deacons, and some that requested certificates failed to give the addresses of the parties concerned. Please be sure to give the clerk these requirements. M. S. and C.

Letters read, delegates seated.

Jasper delegates: Dorthy Travis, Sandra Travis, Ann Travis, Willie Mae Barnes and Linda Barnes.

Muscle Shoals, by letter.

Russellville delegates: Martha Crowson, Carolyn Powell and Patricia Kimbrough.

Northport delegates: Marie Truhett, Phillis Booth, Peggy Woods, Mr. Woody Davis, Mr. Bobby Hallman and Mr. Ronald Pool.

Eldridge delegates: Connie Nobles, Mary Lou Hulsey and Donnie Odom. Fayette delegates: Mr. & Mrs. Fred Hamm, Rachel Hamm, Polly Kennedy, Mrs. A. M. Wallace and Mrs. A. J. Lambert.

Sulphur Springs delegates: Rippie Essary, Janiece Warren, Ann Jones, and Eloise Jones.

Florence delegates: Glenda Eakins, Janie Matthews, Helen Cody, Shearon Brewer and Bece Brewer.

Oak Grove delegates: Joyce Blankenship, Jeanie Lowe and Flora Tubbs. Dovertown delegates: Mrs. Dan Sargent and Mrs. Bill Sargent.

Ensley delegates: Deliska Pickett, Ann Meadows and Phyllis Pickett.

Townley delegates: Pat Ivey, Glenda Guthrie, Mrs. Cleo Mitchell and Mrs.

Jim Smith.

Cordova delegates: Lovelle Short, Della Swindle, Ada Flippo, Annie Mae Scott, Ethel Winsett and Effie Owens.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

APPRECIATION:

Glenda Eakins, Mrs. Willie Barnes and Connie Nobles. AUDITING:

Jim Smith, Levy Corey and Mrs. Rippie Essary. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Rev. Bill Travis, Mrs. A. M. Wallace and Ann Jones. RESOLUTIONS:

Rev. Willie Justice, Ray Bevis and Mrs. Dan Sargent. OBITUARY:

Mrs. Fred Hamm, Mrs. Cleo Mitchell and Mrs. Flora Tubbs. TEMPERANCE:

Mrs. Joyce Blankenship, Lovelle Short and Mr. Woody Davis. NOMINATION:

Rev. E. B. Ledlow, Deliska Pickett and Carolyn Powell.

M. S. & C. to accept this report. We sang, "Tell Me the Story of Jesus."
Rev. Willie Justice, brought the message, "On God's Creation." His scripture Gen. 1; Gal. 6:18. He gave invitation to the lost to be saved. Closing with prayer. Rev. Paul Ketterman gave thanks for the food and dismissed us in prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, Aug. 28, 1964

Session opened with songs, "Wonderful Words of Life." and "He Keeps Me Singing," prayer by Rev. Bill Smith, Devotion by Rev. L. W. Gooden, Scripture Acts 3:1, Proverbs 15:13.

Brother Atkinson spoke and urged all to attend the Alabama State Association of F. W. B. which will convene with the Guin F. W. B. Church, Guin, Alabama on Thursday, Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in November which is November 5, 6, 7.

Rev. Mark Vandivort, of National Home Mission Board, on prayer request brought to us the challenge to pray for, Mrs. Mack Owens, Mrs. Lee Whaley, The Mexico Convention, The Kirby Jor Godwin's, The Walter Ellison's, The Luther Sander's.

Song, "All the Way My Savior Leads Me," Rev. Paul Ketterman spoke on the F. W. B. Bible College and commended us on the things we had done for the college and of the full time workers who had gone out from the Cordova F. W. B. Church and the Progressive Association.

Mrs. E.B. Ledlow gave a real interesting report on the National Women's Auxiliary Convention. M.S. & C. to receive this report for our information. Rev. William Travis gave report on the 28th Annual Session of the National Association held in Kansas City, Mo., July 13-16, 1964.

At least 2,500 people attended the association, there were 397 ministers registered and 189 delegates, 28 states and several foreign countries had representation. Convention site for 1965 is Raleigh, N. C., and Little Rock, Ark. for 1966. Many interesting facts as to what our denomination is doing were brought out. M. S. & C. to receive this report as information.

Rev. Carlton Lambert made a talk and report on Children's Home, an offering of \$47.90 was received for the home. Rev. A. J. Lambert prayed the offertory prayer. M.S. & C. to receive report.

Mrs. Louie Bates gave the following Quarterly Meeting report, we had three quarterly meetings which met with Florence, Oak Grove and Townley Church. We had Brother Paul Weaver and Brother Clifford Holland licensed to preach. At our January meeting there were ten churches present, in April ten churches present, in June there were eleven churches present. All the meetings were in a wonderful spirit, the messages great, also was the fellowship from the different churches.

The officers for the quarterly meeting next year are: Moderator, Rev. Ray Ritch; Assistant Moderator, Rev. Levy Corey; Clerk, Mrs. Louie Bates; Assistant Clerk, Mrs. Mary Guthrie. M.S. & C. this report be received.

The Credential Committee had two items to report. 1. We have examined Rev. Milton Crowson from the Union Association of Tennessee, and recommend that he be received as an ordained minister and given a certificate of standing in the Progressive Association. 2. We have examined Brother Joe Jones and at the request of Cordova Church recommend that he be given a license to preach by the Progressive Association. M. S. & C. to act accordingly. Dismissed by Rev. Ray Ritch.

FRIDAY NIGHT, Aug. 28

Song, "He Keeps Me Singing," solo by Brother Joe Jones, "How Great Thou Art," Devotion by Rev. Jimmie Brown, "Let the Redeemed of the Lord say so." Testimonies, closing in prayer.

Rev. Charles Hollingshead talked on the new material for our youth, also gave a verbal report on Youth Camp, and also showed some slides taken at camp.

Florence Trio sang, "We Have an Anchor." Message by Rev. A. J. Lambert on Communion and Feet Washing, John 6:47. After message we had Communion and Feet Washing Service, helping in the Communion service were Rev. Louie Bates, Rev. W. H. Ryland, Rev. Willie Justice, Rev. Ray Ritch, Brother Roy Barnes, Brother Hewie Pickett, Brother Bobby Sargent, Brother Ray Belvis, prayer by Rev. W. H. Ryland. After Communion we entered in Feet Washing Service. We had a wonderful service with 152 partic ipating, after a song we were dismissed by Rev. Ray Ritch.

SATURDAY MORNING, Aug. 29

Opening song, "At the Cross," Devotion by Rev. Ray Ritch, Romans 1:16. Closing in prayer. Song, "He Brought Me Out."

Reports: Christian Education, in the Home, recognizing the responsibility of parents in the home for Christian training we recommend that the parents set the correct example in discharging responsibilities to the church by establishing family altars, encouraging private devotions. "Depts" a devotional guide may be used here, and may be purchased from our National League Dept., reading Bible stories to small children and providing Christian literature (books, magazines, etc.) for young people.

In the Church: 1. We recommend careful and prayerful selection of Sunday School Teachers, League Sponsors, and all officers of these groups, we further encourage each church to have a systematic teachers training program whereby each teacher will be better qualified for teaching in our Sunday Schools. 2. We recommend the Evangelical Teachers Training Association as the above program. 3. We recommend that each church support regularly the Free Will Baptist Bible College and encourage their young people to attend The expanded curriculum of the college includes: Majors in Bible and English Minors in English, History and Music. There is also a 5 year B.S. in nursing and one year secretarial course. 4. We recommend that each church support the National Commission of stewardship and try to have an institution on stewardship during the next year. 5. We recommend that each church participate in daily Vacation Bible School for the purpose of winning children who are lost and training those who are saved.

In the School: We recommend that each church encourage their young people where possible, to organize Bible clubs in the high schools.

We also recommend that we as Christians and parents set the example by attending Sunday School and Christian Training Service and all other training programs of the church and apply ourselves according to 2 Tim. 2:15 to

study and show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needth not to be ashamed. Rev. Willie Justice, Mrs. A. M. Wallace, Ann Jones.

Motion and second to adopt report. Carried.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE: We the Appreciation Committee would like to express our thanks to the Cordova Church and convention officers for the fine hospitality shown, and the delicious meals served during the convention. Glenda Eakins, Mrs. Barnes, Connie Nables.

OBITUARY: We the Obituary Committee regret to report the decease of these members, Sulphur Springs, Hanry Mirtin; Cordova, Eunice Vickery; Maudine Jinright; Jasper, John Poe; Vera Kennedy; Russellville, Sarah Harris; Fayette, Jobie Williams; Muscle Shoals, Mrs. W. T. Gleen; Dovertown, Dave Sargent. In honor and respect of their memory we ask a moment of silent prayer then we ask that Rev. Willie Justice close the prayer. Mrs. Fred Hamm, Mrs. Cleo Mitchell, Mrs. Flora Tubbs. M.S. & C.

TEMPERANCE: We, the Temperance Committee recommend the following:

1. All the parents set examples before their children that will make Christ shine in the home and community. 2. That each minister, deacon and church member pattern their lives after Jesus and be recognized as one that has been cleansed by the blood of the lamb. 3. That the church and parents seek to find clean entertainment for their young people that will keep them interested in the work of the Lord and in choosing Christian friends. 4. That the parents of our churches encourage their children to attend a Christian College, teaching them that they need a spiritual foundation as well as materialism.

5. That the parents stress the importance of putting church attendance first and other activities second. 6. That we as Christians should abstain from the use of alcholic beverages and tobacco and refrain from any place that sells these products. 7. We request that each of us abide by these recommendations and practice them in our lives. Joyce Blankenship, Lovelle Short and Woody Davis. M. S. & C.

AUDITING: We, the Auditing Committee have checked the books for the past year and found them to be correct and in order. J. A. Smith, Rippie Essary and Levy Corey. M.S. & C.

RESOLUTIONS: 1. Be it resolved that the credential or a committee appointed by the moderator be authorized to investigate Bennets Chapel Church and pastor concerning their petition to join our association, and a report to be made at the next meeting. M.S. & C. to adopt. 2. Be it resolved that the land for a F. W. B. Camp Meeting site offered by Mr. Tate be considered by this body. M. S. & C. to table. 3. Be it resolved that item #1 in last year's resolution betaken from the table and that section 5 in the constitution be changed to read as follows: This association shall appoint a Credential Committee composed of three (3) members, two ordained ministers and one layman, who shall be appointed by the moderator at the convening of each annual session, whose duty shall be to serve for the entire year, to examine all church letters, and applications for membership for both churches and ministers, examining and ordaining of all ministers or deacons and make a report of same to the body. M. S. & C. to adopt. 4. Be it resolved that item 2 in last year's resolutions be made item #17 under church rules. M. S. & C. to adopt. 5. Be it resolved that this association send \$100.00 to National Home Missions, designated for Ledlow account, or an expression of our willingness to support this work. M. S. & C. to adopt.

TREASURER'S REPORT (received)

Brought Forward

Offering (Goal to Go Films)

Received from Churches

Jasper Church

Cordova Church

Quarterly Meeting (Jan.)

Quarterly Meeting (April)

\$72.68

16.10

219.00

219.00

55.00

South Highland:

Charles Davis, 900 Buena Vista, Muscle Shoals, Ala. Marion Taylor, 203 S. Main St., Florence, Ala.

Russellville:

J. B. Whithead, Rt. 7, Russellville, Ala.

G. W. Kilpatrick, Rt. 2, Russellville, Ala.

P. W. Kimbrough, Rt. 7, Russellville, Ala.

Lee Scrivner, Rt. 1, Berry, Ala.

Olen Ray Kuykendall, Rt. 1, Samantha, Ala.

Jack Warren, Rt. 1, Samantha, Ala.

Townley:

J. A. Smith, Townley, Ala.

R. M. Edgil, Townley, Ala.

Fred Smith, Townley, Ala.

Arnold Guthrie, Townley, Ala.

Curt Thomas, Townley, Ala.

Northport:

Lewis T. Winters, 2516-17th Ave., Northport, Ala.

Sebron Kuykendall, 4c, Country Club Hills, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Samuel Key, 1605-24th St., Northport, Ala.

T. E. Logan, #1 Fire Station, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

B. D. Davis, 4 Eastwood, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Clayton Bobo, 4409 High Point Dr., Tuscaloosa, Ala.

X. L. Truhett, 2306 26th Ave., Northport, Ala.

Fayette:

Euel Lewis, Rt. 4, Fayette, Ala.

Reese Henderson, Fayette, Ala.

J. P. Kelley, Rt. 5, Fayette, Ala.

Douglas Stripling, Rt. 5, Fayette, Ala.

A. M. Wallace, Rt. 6, Fayette, Ala.

DELEGATES TO ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION:

Phyllis Pickett, Shirley Justice, Mae Lambert, Florene Sides, Joyce Hart, Mrs. Wade Trives, Mrs. Milton Crowson, Mrs. Levy Corey, Adda Flippo, Merle Dyer, Mrs. Dan Sargent, James Davis and Howard Shultz.

We sang, "Jesus Saves" and "Loyalty to Christ."

Rev. J. J. Staab brought the message, Romans 7:14; Ephe. 6:10, which was a challenge to us as God's people to put God first in our lives. Be strong in his power. He closed with prayer. We sang, "God Be With You Until We Meet Again. " Moved and seconded to adjourn until next year's session to meet with Sulphur Springs Church. Carried. Dismissed by Rev. Carlton Lambert. Clerk: Mrs. Lorene Ryland.

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 acknowledgment.
- 7. Reports of Committees.
- 8. Unfinished business.
- 9. New business.
- 10. Adjournment.

Oak Grove: Rev. J. J. Staab, 2314 N. 33rd Ave., Birmingham, Ala. 35207. Sulphur Springs: Rev. J. M. Pickett, Box 162, Star Rt., Mulga, Ala.

Northport: Rev. Charles Hollingshead, 804-36th Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Townley: Rev. Levy Corey, Box 245, Townley, Ala. 35587.

Fayette: Rev. A. J. Lambert, 860 Temple Ave., Fayette, Ala. Other Ministers:

Rev. Ray Ritch, 724 12th. Ave. W. Birmingham 4, Ala.

Rev. E. B. Ledlow, 726 Terrance Ave., Montgomery, Ala. 36106.

Rev. L. W. Gooden, 1400 2nd Pl. Pratt City, Birmingham 14, Ala.

Rev. Jimmy Aldridge, Mission Protestante, B. P. 24, Agnibelekrou. Rep. of Ivory Coast, Africa.

Rev. Aubrey Rosser, 11001 W. Hway. 98, Panama City, Fla.

Rev. Kirby Joe Godwin, Box 664, Juneau, Alaska.

CHURCHES AND CLERKS:

Cordova: Jean Bates, Rt. 1, Box 211, Cordova, Ala. 35550

Florence: Mrs. Almon Calvert, Rt. 6, Florence, Ala.

Dovertown: Mrs. Dan Sargent, Rt. 1, Cordova, Ala.

Eldridge: Mrs. Carlton Lambert, Box 8, Eldridge, Ala.

Ensley: Roland Rutledge, 1769 McMillan Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

Jasper: Bobby Sargent, 1109 10th St. W. Jasper, Ala.

South Highland: Mrs. Charles Davis, 900 Buena Vista, Muscle Shoals, Ala.

Russellville: Mrs. Grady Randolph, P.O. Box 83, Russellville, Ala.

Oak Grove: Mrs. Joyce Clark, Rt. 3, Box 644, Gardendale, Ala.

Sulpher Springs: Mrs. Merle Dyer, Samantha, Ala.

Townley: Mrs. Mary H. Guthrie, P.O. Box 12, Townley, Ala. 35587.

Northport: Mrs. Wilma Davis, #4. Durrett Drive, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Fayette: Mrs. Euel E. Lewis, Rt. 5, Fayette, Ala.

CHURCH DEACONS:

Cordova:

Winford Russell, 103 McCrory St., Cordova, Ala.

Earl Richardson, Rt. 1, Box 211, Cordova, Ala.

T.O. Terry, Sr., 206 Underwood St., Cordova, Ala.

Wesley Carter, Gardeners Gin Rd., Cordova, Ala.

C. C. Winsett, E. 25 Reservoir St., Cordova, Ala.

Lee McKay L., 43 Valley St., Cordova, Ala.

Jesse Ryland, 235 Branch St., Cordova, Ala.

Howard Hill, 1391 Beatie Ave., S. W. Atlanta 10, Ga. Reynold Flippo, 4733 13th. Ave. No., Birmingham, Ala.

Florence:

Alphonse McDonald, 132 Pamplin Ave., Florence, Ala.

James Melton, Normandy Dr., Florence, Ala.

Paule Weaver, Nashville, Tenn.

Robert Murphy, 325 Baldwin St., Florence, Ala.

Dovertown:

Dan Sargent, Rt. 1, Cordova, Ala.

Earnest Sargent, Rt. 1, Cordova, Ala.

Ensley:

Huey Pickett, 1117 Indiana St., Birmingham, Ala.

Roland Rutledge, 1769 McMellan Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

Carl O'Donnell, 1308-18 Pl. S. W. Birmingham, Ala.

Jasper:

Walter Tate, Rt. 1, Jasper, Ala.

Robert Barnes, Holly Grove Rd., Jasper, Ala.

Ray Bevis, Rt. 6, Jasper, Ala.

John Argent, Blanton Apts., Jasper, Ala.

Dan Glasgow, Parrish, Ala.

Bobby Sargent, 1109 10th St., Jasper, Ala.

Offering (Rev. Weaver)		21.64
	Total	\$574.42
TREASURER'S REPORT (paid out)		
Stunt Time Expense		\$ 4.28
Program Expense (Q. Meeting)		2.65
Carlton Lambert, Assn. Program		3.00
Clerk		40.00
Film, Goal to Go		19.19
State Dues		24.00
Report Forms		2.60
Minutes		161.81
Bible College		32.50
Headquarters Building		32.50
F. Missions (Aldridge)		32.50
H. Missions (Godwin)		32.50
Rev. Gann (Q. Meeting exp.)		4.00
Rev. Justice (Ordination forms)		2.00
Offering, Rev. Weaver		21.64
		\$415.17
Total Received	\$574.42	

Mrs. E. B. Ledlow

FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE: We recommend the Quarterly Meetings to go to the following places: January 9, 1965 - Ensley F. W. B. Church, Ensley, Ala. April 10, 1965 - Russellville F. W. B. Church Russellville, Ala. June 26, 1965 - South Highland F. W. B. Church, Muscle Shoals, Ala.

415.17

\$159.25

The annual session, August 28-30, 1965 to go to Sulphur Springs F. W. B. Church, Samantha, Ala.

We recommend that Olen Ray Kuykendall, Jack Warren and X. L. Truhett be ordained as deacons. M. S. & C. to adopt.

Ordination services were at this time. Charge was given by Rev. Chas. Hollingshead, prayer by Rev. Wm. Travis, Laying on of Hands by all Ordined Ministers and Deacons.

The Ledlows sang, "I'm too Near to Turn Back Now."
NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Balance

For Moderator: Rev. A. J. Lambert; Assistant Moderator: Rev. Willie Justice; Clerk: Lorene Ryland; Assistant Clerk: Mrs. William Travis; Treasurer: Mrs. A. M. Wallace; Assistant Treasurer: Mrs. K. V. Shutes. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

l yr.-Rev. Carlton Lambert, 2 yr.-Rev. William Travis, 3 yr.-Rev. Louie Bates.

YOUTH CAMP COMMITTEE:

Spent

Rev. Charles Hollingshead, Rev. Carlton Lambert, Rev. Levy Corey.

Nominating Committee, Rev. E. B. Ledlow Deliska Pickett Carolyn Powell

M. S. & C. after opportunity to nominate from floor and none made.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS:

Cordova, Rev. Lester Jones (Interim pastor) 504 Green Ave., Cordova, Ala. Florence: Rev. Lee Estell, Box 18, Rt. 1, Cordova, Ala.

Eldridge: Rev. Carlton Lambert, Box 8, Eldridge, Ala.

Ensley: Rev. Louie Bates, Box 45, Alden, Ala.

Jasper: Rev. William Travis, Rt. 6, Box 99, Jasper, Ala.

South Highland: Rev. Charles Berryman, 603 E. 6th St., Muscle Shoals, Ala. Russellville: Rev. Milton Crowson, 309 W. Lawerence St., Russellville, Ala.

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.

RULES FOR PREACHERS

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 Credentials 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 Credentials
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.

11. That no man be licensed or ordained that uses tobacco in any form.

12. We use the Ordination questionnaire as passed in the Association 1963 session.

LETTER OF DISMISSION

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CHURCH COVENANT

Clerk

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the Will of God in this solemn convenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by

self-denial, faith and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of another's happiness and reputation and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of education and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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 annual session whose duty shall be to serve for the entire year, to examine all church letters, and applications for membership for both churches and ministers, examining and ordaining of all ministers or deacons 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 the nomination and majority of votes.

ARTICLE 7. This association shall meet on Thursday night, Friday and Saturday before the last Sunday in August each year-the association proper beginning with the Thursday evening service, Friday and Saturday. Thursday night-youth.

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 Bylaws 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 20 cents 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 application of Brother or Sister.
- 9. No member shall absent himself without leave of the moderator.
- 10. The names of all 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 extension of our denomination and 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 not 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 during 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 offering 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 provided 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 willfully absents his or herself for a period of six months and fails to discharge their duty according to the Church Covenant shall be deemed as inactive and shall not be reinstated into full fellowship of the church until they have made restitution.

15. Any member desiring to move his membership from one church to another in the 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: (2) He must be elected by the church of which he is a member. (b) He must be approved 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.

17. That all inactive members of our churches be dropped from the roll after one year if they have been contacted and given an opportunity to prove themselves worthy to remain on the roll. If they show no interest in and have not attended or supported the church in one year we have a right to drop them according to our National Treaties.

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Conducted Prayer Meeting	45	4		20	52	42	42	36	25	3	15		12	18	50	47
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Traveling Expenses		850.00		50.0	450,00	50.0	50.0	75.0					0	0	791.20	0
Attended F.W.B. Sunday School	51	90	48	52	52	48	52	52	20	20	51		52	46	51	1
Attended F. W. B. League	45	48		25	52	42	47	51	48				52	40	20	1
Ordained Deacon		1		2		1	2	9			1					
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Baptised	9	5		30	3	111	10	14	34	2	23		1		17	2
Conversions Witnessed	24	32	10	09	3	1	25	38	9	7	42		80	00	23	12
Received in Church	11	10		45	9	32	6	27	6	7	45		4		24	00
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MINISTERS REPORT NAME OF MINISTER	Levy Corey	E. B. Ledlow	Ray W. Ritch	Willie Justice	J. J. Staab	Louie Bates	A. J. Lambert	C.O. Hollingshead	Carlton Lambert	L. C. Estell	Charles J. Berryman	Kirby Jo Godwin	Jimmy Aldridge	L. W. Gooden	William Travis	Milton Crowson

	No Members	Resident Members	Nonresident Members	Ordained Ministers Licensed Ministers	Ordained Deacons	Sunday Schools	Number Members	Leagues Number Members	Woman's Auxiliary	Number Members	Q. T. A. Y. P. A.	Prayer Meeting Masters Men	Paid Pastor	Paid Evangelists	Building and Repair	Literature	Miscellaneous	Others	Cooperative Plan	Foreign Mission	Home Missions Local-State-National	Education	Children's Home	Superannuation	Associational Projects	State and National Project	Value of Association Property Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Charity
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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, March 19, 1964

Theme - Advancing Adversaries.

Meeting was opened by singing "Send the Light," directed by Rev. E.B. Ledlow. Mrs. Shirley Justice presided over this session. Prayer by Rev. A. J. Lambert. Opening remarks by the president. The welcome address was given by Mrs. Merle Dyer. Response by Mrs. James Davis. Mrs. Robert Hill introduced the program from the book of Nehemiah 4:6 (key verse), Theme verse 11.

Letters were read and accepted, and the delegates were seated.
Fayette: Mrs. Fred Hamm, Mrs. S. Y. Yerleyand, Mrs. E. E. Lewis.
Russellville: Mrs. Bennie Whitehead, Lillie Thorston, Elree Randolph.
Cedar Creek: Mrs. Robert Hill, Mrs. Paule M. Jones.
Townley: Hazel Little, Lorene Mitchell, Inez Atkins.
Sulphur Springs: Illa Scrioner, Dean Kuykendall.
Northport: Mrs. Theo Kuykendall, Lois Holloway, Molly Faye Guy.

Jasper, by letter, no delegates.

Cordova: Vada Hych, Effie Owens, Ada Flippo

Cordova: Vada Hych, Effie Owens, Ada Flippo. Florence: Joyce Standfield, Mable Melton.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED:

Resolution: Shirley Justice, Dorothy Kimbrough, Loure Hollingshead.
Appreciation: Joyce Standfield, Ada Flippo.

Auditing: Mrs. James Davis, Mrs. E.E. Lewis, Mrs. Archie Mitchell REGISTRATING:

Nomination: Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Mrs. A. M. Wallace, Mrs. Thelma Lindsey, Mrs. Myrle Dyer, Mrs. Molly Faye Guy.

Congregation sang, "Rescue the Perishing," Prayer by Rev. Donald Hollingshead. The first topic was, "Advancing Modernism" by Laura Hollingshead. The Gospelettes of Florence sang, "Win the Lost at Any Cost." Miss Volena Wilson, missionary home on furlough from India spoke on Advancing Communism. Scripture reading from Jude 3 and Psalms 62:8. Dismissed for lunch by Rev. Willie Justice.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Service began by singing, "Stand Up for Jesus," directed by Brother Justice. Prayer by Brother George Capps. Rev. Damond Dodd spoke on "Advancing Catholicism." Using scripture 1 John 4:1. Committees reported. See Reports. We sang, "Blessed Be the Name." Mrs. Levy Corey spoke on "Advancing Indifference." Using scripture 11 Peter 3:18 and Hebrews 5:12-14. The judges for Standard of Achievement reported as follows:

Florence Woman's Auxiliary won first place. Northport Y. P. A. 's won first place for the Y. P. A. 's chart.

We sang, "Bringing in the Sheaves." Mrs. E. B. Ledlow was in charge of the installation service. Delegates were assigned to homes by Mrs. Myrle Dyer. Dismissed by Mrs. E.B. Ledlow.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

The service was opened with songs, "At Calvary," and "Deeper, Deeper." Prayer by Rev. Carlton Lambert. Reading of G. T. A.'s and Y. P. A.'s annual reports. Reading of essay entered by Brenda Bobo. Theme-"The Worth of A Family Altar." The declamation contest was held. Miss Teresa Brewer of Florence won first place for G. T. A. contest. with "The Heart of A Twelve Year Old." Miss Shirley Holmes of Fayette won first place for Y. P. A.'s with "The Responsibility as A Teenager." Rev. Carlton Lambert gave report on Camp Proyuka. "Proyuka" means Progressive Youth Kamp. A singspiration and testimony service was held. Special music was rendered by "The Gospelettes of Florence, "Living Water." Rev. and Mrs. E. B.

Ledlow of Cordova sang, "The Love of God." A drama was presented by Mrs. Thigpen's drama group of the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nash-ville. It was entitled "The All" by John Kirn. We were dismissed by Rev. Willie Justice.

REPORTS

RESOLUTION:

We, the Resolutions Committee report the following:

1. All auxiliaries use the individual monthly report sheets and use the printed letter forms for sending letters to convention. 2. We resolve that all local auxiliaries use the standard of achievement chart as a guide post and mark them and bring them to District Convention. 3. Be it resolved that all reports be sent to secretary two weeks before convention and that she compiles one report to be given to the convention. District secretary is to mail each local auxiliary a report blank. 4. Be it resolved the soul winning efforts be increased in local auxiliaries. 5. Be it resolved that each local auxiliary strive harder to promote the state project and the amount given be added to reports.

APPRECIATION:

We, the Appreciation Committee express our thanks to the Sulphur Springs Church for the delicious food served us and the warm hospitality shown to the Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

AUDITING:

We, the Auditing Committee have checked the books and found them in order.
REGISTRATION COMMITTEE:

People present - 103; Delegates - 22; Minister - 6; Visitors - 44. TREASURER'S REPORT:

 Paid Out

 Miss Volene Wilson -----\$25.00

 Declamation Contestants ---- 10.00

 Printing of Programs ----- 3.77

 Treasurer & Secretary Book - 2.08

 State & National Dues ----- 30.40

 Minute Fund ----- 5.00

 Total \$76.25

Paid In \$77, 44
Paid Out 76, 25
Balance 1, 19

Mrs, Joyce Stanfield Secretary & Treasurer

NOMINATING:

We, the Nominating Committee submit the following report:
President, Mrs. Laura Hollingshead, 804-36th Ave., Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Vice-President, Mrs. Sula Gann
Secretary & Treasurer, Mrs. Joyce Stanfield

Total \$77.44

Assistant Secretary & Treasurer, Mrs. Merle Dyer, Samantha, Ala.
Field & Correspondent Secretary, Mrs. Louie Bates, Box 45, Alden, Ala.
Study Course Chairman, Mrs. A. J. Lambert, 860 Temple Ave., Fayette, Ala.
35555.

Stewardship & Prayer Chairman, Mrs. Levy Corey, Townley, Ala. 35587.

Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. Robert Hill, Hartselle, Ala.

Youth Chairman, Mrs. Louise Haynes, Manchester, Ala.

M. S. & C. to receive this report.

Dismissed by Rev. E. B. Ledlow.

Cordova, G. T. A. 's ----- .80

Florence G. T. A. 's ----- 1.00

FRIDAY NIGHT

The session opened with the singing of the theme song. Mrs. Stanford led in prayer. Clayton Bobo led in devotional thoughts from the 23rd Psalms.

Various kinds of Bible quizzes for league were demonstrated as members of the audience played Password, and Hidden Questions. Following congregational singing, the Sulphur Springs trio sang "I Can Call Jesus."

First place trophy for the Sword Drill went to Miss Murphy, while the Florence Trio were proclaimed talent winners. The filmstrip "So High A Calling" was shown as a challenge to Sunday School teachers. An offering was received for the Bible College to cover expense for the play "The Cell," presented Thursday night.

After a solo by the Rev. Lambert, the evening message "Loosing Our Losses" was brought by the Rev. Dodd. At the conclusion of the powerful message, Miss Cody led in "Have Thine Own Way, Lord," and the Rev. Ledlow dismissed us in prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING

The Rev. Corey led in the singing of "Higher Ground." Prayer by Rev. Jimmy Brown. Rev. A. J. Lambert brought devotional thoughts from Exodus 14.

After Sunday School literature was distributed to the congregation, Rev. Willie Justice gave us "Secrets of A Successful Sunday School Superintendent." Rev. Charles Hollingshead brought out that "Opening Assemblies CAN Be Interesting," while Rev. E. B. Ledlow told how "Church camping can benefit your Sunday School."

"When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder" was led by the Rev. Corey.

Reports of the registration, auditing, appreciation, resolution, and nominating Committees were read and approved. (See reports)

Motion MSC that each church select two delegates for the State Convention, and that two delegates at large be appointed by the Chair. Fredia Kuykendahl and Mrs. Levy Corey were appointed.

Rev. A. J. Lambert suggested a rising vote of appreciation for the Rev. E. B. Ledlows for the splendid work they have done in this district. After this was done, Rev. William Travis moved that the tithe of convention funds be put into the Ledlow account. Seconded and carried.

After congregational singing of "Since Jesus Came into My Heart," Miss Argent rendered special music. For the concluding message of the convention, the Rev. Dodd used Philippians 4:1-14.

The session was adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Justice.

REPORTS

AUDITING COMMITTEE:

We have examined the letters and find them in order. However, the Florence church did not include their dues. They will mail them to the secretary & treasurer.

We did not have the treasurer's records to examine. We checked the check book and found \$96.35 balance brought forward.

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Balance brought forward	\$ 96.35
Received this session	146.90
Due from Florence Church	30.00
TOTAL	\$273.25

(signed) E.B. Ledlow
Douglas Stripling
Rippie Esary

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE CONVENTION

SULPHUR SPRINGS CHURCH

March 20-21, 1964

Theme: "...forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:13, 14

Watchword: Reaching Forth Theme Song: Higher Ground

FRIDAY

The convention opened with the singing of "Higher Ground," led by Helen Cody. President Terry Lambert prayed the opening prayer. Devotional thoughts from Philippians 3:10 were brought by Rev. Milton Gann.

Letters were read and the following delegates seated: Gladys Howell, Gary Gann, Phylis Kimbrough, Sam Wallace, Donnie Odom, Kathy Tidwell, Shirley Justice, Glenda Eakins, Becky Brewer, Glenda Argent, Ed Glasgow, Don Argent, Gary Argent, Dorothy Travis, Sandra Travis, Judy Curtis, Willie Mae Barnes, Linda Tittle, Linda Edgil, Kay Studdard, Judy Tyree, Eddie Waggoner, Martha Stripling, Douglas Stripling, Mrs. A. M. Wallace, Mrs. A. J. Lambert, Mrs. J. S. Yerby, Rex Lewis, Rebecca Jones, Sue Vintson, Allen Scrivener, Kenneth Jones, Clayton Cook, Sandra Terry, Brenda Sanford, Rhonda Ledlow, Sue Standford, Janice Cook, Polly Bracken, Woody Davis, Sharon Grey, Peggy Woods, Ann Reed, Brenda Bobo, Laura Hollingshead, and Frieda Kuykendahl.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED WERE:

Nominating: Levy Corey, Mrs. Hollingshead, George Capps. Resolutions: Willie Justice, Miss Bobo, the Rev. Gann. Auditing: E.B. Ledlow, Mrs. Rippie Esary, Mr. Stripling. Appreciation: Mrs. Wallace, Mr. Waggoner, Miss Stanford. Registration: Rebecca Jones.

The congregation joined in singing "Leaning on The Everlasting Arms,"
"Nothing but the Blood," and "Revive Us Again." After prayer by Rev.
Carlton Lambert, Miss Cody led in "I Know Whom I Have Believed."

Following a brief recess, and the singing of the theme song, it was carried that the Cedar Grove Church of Hartselle be accepted into the convention.

"A Different Meaning" was sung by the Florence Trio, and the morning message was brought by the Rev. Damon C. Dodd, pastor of the Horton Heights Church in Nashville, Tennessee.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Miss Cody led the congregation in the singing of "Higher Ground," and Rev. William Travis led in prayer. Wade Gillam brought the devotional, using Matthew 7:1-11.

Three young ladies participated in the Sword Drill, under the direction of Mrs. Carlton Lambert. They were: Kathy Tidwell, Eldridge; Cheryl Murphy, Florence; and Gladys Howell, Russellville. Various kinds of talent were displayed as Miss Argent presented contestants Carla Lambert, the Florence Trio, Sheila and Linda Kuykendahl, Woody Davis, Frieda Kuykendahl, and the Gann family.

New ideas in training were brought out by the Rev. Dodd, as he explained in detail the new Church Training Service program.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE:

We, the Appreciation Committee wish to express gratitude to the Sulphur Springs church for the wonderful hospitality shown us during this convention. These people have made us feel welcome and the ladies have done an excellent job with the meals. We appreciate the outstanding job done by our officers. Make God's richest blessings continue on this church and this convention.

(signed) Mrs. A. M. Wallace Eddie Waggoner Sue Standford

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE:

We report a total registration of 264. The Sulphur Springs church wins the attendance banner with a total of 86 registered.

(signed) Rebecca Jones

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

We, the Nominating Committee, suggest the following officers for 1964-65:

PresidentTerry Lambert
Vice-President Woody Davis
Secretary-TreasurerPhylis Pickett
Assistant Sandra Terry
Song Leader Helen Cody
Assistant Jimmy Wayne Brown
Pianist Linda Edgil
Assistant Becky Brewer
Sword Drill Leader Glenda Argent
Executive Committee William Travis

(signed) Levy Corey
Laura Hollingshead
George Capps

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:

We, the Resolutions Committee wish to submit the following resolutions:

- 1. That we give a love gift of \$35.00 to Terry Lambert.
- 2. That we give Rev. Dodd \$25.00 in addition to the amount specified in the Bylaws.
- That Bylaw #3 be changed to read: Payment of visiting speaker -- \$10.00/ message and .05/mile.
- 4. That Bylaws #8 read: The president of the convention be paid \$15.00 and the sec'y./treas. be paid \$5.00/session.
- 5. That Resolution #2 of last year's minutes be made #9 in the Bylaws.
- 6. That \$75.00 be given to the Bible College for presentation of drama.
- 7. That the Executive Committee be listed on front page of the minutes along with the other officers.
- 8. That the 1965 session of this convention meet with the Fayette church.

(signed) Willie Justice Milton Gann Brenda Bobo

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Cedar CreekBobby Anders, Rt. 3, Hartselle, Ala.
CordovaReynold Flippo, 4733 13th Ave., N. Bham.
Eldridge Johnny Green, Box 8, Eldridge.
EnsleyHuey Pickett, 1117 Indiana St., Wylam.
FayetteDoyle Simmons, Fayette.
FlorenceJames Melton, 301 Normandy Drive, Florence.
JasperRalph Wilkerson, Rt. 6, Jasper.
NorthportX. L. Truhett, 2204 26th Ave., Northport.
RussellvilleP. W. Kimbrough, 1314 N. Jackson, Russellville
Sulphur Springs Max Vinston, Rt. I, Samantha.
TownleyR. M. Edgil, Townley.

LEAGUE DIRECTORS

Cedar CreekGary Holmes, Rt. 3, Hartselle.
CordovaL. M. Honeycutt, Cordova.
EldridgeLana Hulsey, Box 8, Eldridge
EnsleyRoland Rutledge, Birmingham
FayetteJane Hindman, Fayette
FlorenceClip Holland, 413 Sweetwater Ave., Florence
JasperJames Argent, Rt. 6, Jasper.
NorthportDelmer Myer, 29 Altamount, Tuscaloosa
RussellvilleCarolyn Howell, Hester Heights, Russellville
Sulphur SpringsJohnny Jones, Rt. 2, Berry
TownleyJesse Tittle, Townley

BYLAWS SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE:

- Skit rules. Length shall be from 5 to 10 minutes, with one point (up to 5) deducted for each minute over or under. Theme in accord with convention theme--10 points. Presentation--10 points. Total--25 points.
- 2. Banner rules. 10 points per person and one point per mile for all those who register.
- 3. Payment of visiting speakers. \$10.00 per message and .05 per mile.
- 4. Dues to convention. \$.10 per enrolled member of the Sunday School and League.
- 5. Delegates. One delegate for each 25 members in the Sunday School and League and one for any additional part thereof.
- 6. Standing delegates. Convention officers, ministers, Sunday School superintendents, and League directors shall be standing delegates.
- 7. Minutes. The secretary shall send minutes of each session to the clerk of the Progressive Association in time for them to be included in the general minutes.
- 8. Gifts to officers. The president of the convention shall be paid \$15.00 and the secretary & treasurer shall be paid \$5.00 for each session.
- 9. Reports and letters. Reports and letters should be mailed to the president of the convention at least one month before the session convenes. A chart will be made and presented for approval without the reading of letters.

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 Friday and Saturday A. E. A. time.

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-third (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.