# **PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION**

# OF

# FREE WILL BAPTIST

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# ALABAMA

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## **MINUTES OF THE 2005 SESSIONS**

# BI-ANNUAL SESSION FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH RUSSELLVILLE, ALABAMA FEBRUARY 19, 2005

74<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SESSION FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH JASPER, ALABAMA AUGUST 20, 2005

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Rev. Heath Webb	2009
Bro. Terry Prince	2008
Rev. Tim Smith	2007
Rev. Jerry Strickland	2006

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Rev. Duane Taylor	2008
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George Capps Jim Dorroh Billy Gamble Sam Hudson Alan Morgan Wayne Suggs Jim Thompson Ronnie Wiginton

HARMONY Not Available

# DEACONS

JASPER Ray Bevis Randy Frazier Michael Phenice Bobby Sargent

Roden Not Available

SOUTH HIGHLAND Tommy Bee James "Buddy" Trout David Zillis NORTHPORT Bobby Ayers Sam Key Ricky Latham John Nicholson Bud Reece Murray Renfroe Bob Wilson

RUSSELLVILLE Edwin Kimbrough Terry Prince Hobson Wilson

TOWNLEY Alfred J. Boshell William L. Dutton R. M. Edgil

# OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS

Hershel Beard Phil Cooper Charles Hollingshead Burlon Jones Carlton Lambert Roger Raper Progressive Association Bi-Annual Meeting February 19, 2005 First FWB Church Russellville, AL

The day started with special music by the Russellville Church with John Chambers singing. The congregation was the led by Terry Prince in "Where the Soul never dies". The openin prayer by Bro. Ashley Culp. The welcome given by the Moderat and host pastor, Bro. Phil Kimbrough. The following visitors we recognized: Bro. Randy Key, Bro. Ashley Culp, and Bro. Rick Cash.

The clerk then called the meeting to order with the seating of the delegates. Motion made, second, and carried to seat them read. The Moderator then appointed the following committees: Credentials: Roy Helms, Bob Sargent, Hobson Wilson, and Dua Taylor. Resolutions: Jacob Patrick & Chris Towe. Appreciatio Gynith Helms & Jane Jackson.

Special music: Tonya James, "You raise me up". Just before the devotion, Bro. Randy Key gave some information concerning the Children's Home. The Home is doing well. Able to take the children on special outings, today being one, an Alabama basketball game. Have 27 children at present, 11 boys and 16 girls. All the children are doing well in school. They are up to speed in grades and proper levels. 2 are on the National Honor Society, 11 on the A/B Honor Roll, 1 boy received the Outstanding Student Award. Now have a set of house parents fo the little girls, Randy & Claudette.

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Devotion by Michael Phenicie. Text was taken from I Kings. 17:2-18 and 19:11-13. What is my ministry? How do I move outside the circle? What motivates us? Learning to listen to God's voice is often hard to do. Many times we want to do the big things for God. It is the smallest things that are often overlooked that God is telling us to go and do. I Kings. 18:1 The challenge Elijah gave to Ahab in chap. 18 was to meet on Mt. Carmel. God wants us to take care of His business. Empathy: affection, passion, ability to share in another's emotions or feelings. God wants us to go and minister to all around, not just the few. Closed in prayer. The Association had a short intermission.

# PROGRESSIVE ASSOCATION ANNUAL MEETING FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH JASPER, AL.

### AUGUST 20, 2005

The annual meeting was started with opening remarks by Bro. Roy Helms, host pastor. Sister Ruby Pike sung a beautiful hymn, "How Great Thou Art". We were blessed by her singing. The congregation opening hymn, "Standing On The Promises".

Clerk, Mike Phenice, called the annual session to order and the first order of business was the appointment of Committees by the Moderator, Bro. Phil Kimbrough.

Credentials Committee, Randy Frazier, Tommy Bee, Chris Towe and Roy Helms; Resolutions Committee, Jerry Stricklin and Harold Fretwell; Appreciation Committee, Etta Jane White and Mary Boshel Bro. Kimbrough recognized all that were visiting, Bro. Rick Cash, State Promotional Director; Bro. Ashley Culp, Trinity Camp Director Bro. David Wilford, Free Will Baptist Bible College.

The next order of business was the sitting of Delegates from member churches. There was no letter from Harmony, Florence, or Grace. Before the message we were honored with special music by Sister Allecia Phenice, "More Than Wonderful". Our Devotion by Bro. Ro Helms was concerning God and Country. His text was from Judges 9 stating that we need a spiritual Revival in our churches. II Chron. 7:1 stating we need to seek the Lord and prayer needed to be incorporate more into our services.

The Business session was opened by Moderator, Bro. Kimbrough, calling for the following reports;

1. Alabama State Home	Mission,	Bro. Duane Taylor
2. Resolutions,		Bro Jerry Stricklin
3. Alabama State Promo	otional,	Bro. Rick Cash
4. Trinity Camp		Bro. Ashley Culp
5. CE Board		Bro. Phil Kimbrough
6. Appreciation Commit	tee	Sister Etta Jane White
7. FWBB College		Bro. David Wilford
8. Children's Home		Bro. Roy Helms
9. Meetings in 2006	February	Townley Free Will
	August	Cave Springs
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10. Nomination

11. Special offering

Business Session was adjourned for Worship Service.

Sister Kathy Helms blessed us by singing, " Redeemer, Faithful and True."

Our message was delivered by God's man, Bro Chad Kivette, Missionary to Colorado. Bro. Kivette and His family have answered the call to come to Westgate FWB Church, Grand Junction, Colorado. They will be leaving October 29 and have already raised 90 to 96 % of their support in about 5-6 months.

His text for the message was I Peter 5:8.

We are in a battle with the devil and many churches don't realize this. We are pitted against each other instead.

1. We must realize we have an enemy and recognize him so we can defeat him.

Don't be like the shadow boxer, fighting against the air. Look

around, we are killing each other and stabbing each other in the back Our purpose is to help people hear about Jesus.

2. II Timothy 2:3-4. We must realize we are a Soldier for Jesus Chri: We have to have a plan to get people to come in. When you have a plan expect something to happen.

A. Take a Stand B. Plan to Fight C. Must be equipped with armo Eph. 6:10-20. And I Timothy 6.

3. Remember who we are fighting.

Closed in Prayer.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Appreciation Committee: We, the Appreciation Committee, would lil to thank the host church for the wonderful hospitality, the refreshments, the very delicious meal that has been prepared for us to enjoy.

Respectfully Submitted: Mary Alice Boshell, Etta Jane White.

Resolution Committee: We the resolution committee do here by recommend that the offering received today be given to Bro. Chad Kivette's account for his mission work. We recommend that all churches support the efforts of our association. We recommend that the Executive Committee look for ways to improve the relationship between the Association and the member churches. We recommend that the women take a more active role in our Association. Respectfully Submitted: Bro. Jerry Strickland, Bro. Harold Fretwell.

Credentials Committee: We the Credentials Committee recommend to the Association to accept Heath Webb as part of The Progressive Association pending a letter from his present Association. 2. We recommend that all church letters be accepted; having being examined by the committee, with exception of Florence,

Harmony, and Grace. (no letters) Due to the lack of participation of the Harmony Church, that the church be contacted via letter concerning their desire for future participation in the Progressive Association.
We recommend that cards of good standing be issued for Pastors and Deacons that are recognized in the Progressive Association.
We respectfully recognize and honor the following members who have left this walk of life and entered into the glories of heaven.
Margaret Powell, Russellville FWB Church.

Respectfully Submitted: Bro. Tommy Bee, Bro. Chris Towe, Bro. Roy Helms, and Bro. Randall Fry.

### **REPORTS**:

Trinity Youth Camp by Bro. Ashley Culp: Renovation is in process and several retreats are planned. Ladies Retreat, Couples Retreat and Men's Retreat. He thanked the churches for faithfully supporting the camp and urged all churches to support the camp.

State Promotional Office Report was given by Bro. Rick Cash. He urged the churches to continue to support Acts 1:8. Pray for our missionaries: Bro. Fred Jones, Wayne Wilson, the Smiths, The Lancasters, and The Russian Ministries.

Pray for Bro. Mark Riggs who was having chest pain and the growth in the chest cavity was confirmed that it was cancer.

State Home Mission Report was given by Bro. Duane Taylor. Both Missions works are working toward self supporting status.

Executive Committee Report of August 2. 2005: Bro. Duane Taylor, Bro. Roy Helms, Bro. Phil Kimbrough, and Bro. Michael Phenice met, choosing Bro. Chad Kivette for the message, Bro. Roy Helms for devotion at the Annual meeting.

To Credentials Committee, Bro. Heath Webb and Bro. Mike Waddell. Bro. Duane Taylor recommend that if Harmony does not send representation to Association that they will be dropped from church membership. Second by Bro. Michael and approved. A letter was sent to the church. Bro. Jerry Stricklin has left Roden and is unknown what church he will be attending.

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Treasurers Report	Bro. Michae	el Phenice
Beginning Balance		894.65
Paid In		1272.45
	Total	2167.10
Paid Out		
Phil Kimbrough		50.00
Trinity Camp		100.00
Michael Phenice		100.00
First FWB Church		
Russellville (CTS)		50.00
Total Paid Out		300.00

Balance on Hand

#### CHURCH COVENANT

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 covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men. We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of 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 gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace, to the careful of one anothers happiness and reputation and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able to 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 educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may God sanctify each of us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming or our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE-1: This association shall be known as the Progressive Associat of the Free Will Baptist 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: This association shall adopt as its Articles of Faith, The Treatise of Faith and Practice of the National Association of Free Will Baptist.

ARTICLE 4: All ministers and churches wishing to become members of a body must willing submit to the Articles of Faith, Constitution, and all rules of the same.

ARTICLE 5: Each church in this association shall be entitled to three delegates for the first hundred members and one delegate for each additiona fifty members or fraction thereof.

ARTICLE 6: Item 1: This association shall have an Executive Committee composed of a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, treasurer, and three (2 elected members, elected for terms of 1,2, and 3 years each whose duties shall to act in behalf of the Progressive Association when said Association is not in regular session. Minimum of four (4) members must be present to constitute quorum. The Executive Committee shall be allowed to examine pastors, associates, and deacons that need to be ordained when the Association is not session.

Item 2: This Association shall elect a Credentials Committee composed of fiv (5) members, three (3) ordained ministers, and two (2) deacons, who shall be elected to start with as 1 for 5 year term, 1 for 4 year term, 1 for 3 year term for 2 year term, and 1 for 1 year term. Then hereafter elected one each year Their duty shall be to approve all church letters and applications for membership of both churches and ministers. Examining, ordaining, or approving the ordination of all ministers or deacons and make a report of th same to the body.

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Item 3: This Association shall elect a Board of Christian Education. This board shall be composed of five (5) members to serve on a rotating basis with the term of one member to expire each year. A chairman shall be elected each year by this board immediately after the Annual Association meeting. This board shall have full responsibility for the TNT Rally. It shall arrange and conduct any other meetings which are deemed necessary to accomplish its purpose.

Item 4: The activities of this board shall be financed by an entrance fee or offerings as determined needed by the board.

Item 5: No person or persons shall be allowed to participate in activities provided by this board unless or until the church they represent has paid their entry fee and must meet the dress code of the National Association CTS.

Item 6: This board shall report annually to the Progressive Association of Free Will Baptist.

ARTICLE 7: Item 1: The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, who shall be elected by the body.

Item 2: The above officers shall serve for all Progressive Association meetings.

Item 3: The salary of the clerk shall be \$100.00 per meeting. The salary of the moderator shall be \$50.00 per meeting.

ARTICLE 8: Item 1: The Association's annual meeting will be on the third Saturday of August.

Item 2: The Progressive Association shall meet on the third Saturday in February.

ARTICLE 9: The Association shall determine at the annual association meeting where the meetings will convene for the next year. This shall be determined by a majority of the votes cast. Only those churches that request a meeting at their church will be considered.

Item 1: The meetings of the Association will be held as follows: one in the Northern section, and one in the Southern section.

ARTICLE 10: ITEM 1: Any changes made to the Constitution and or By-Laws of the associtaion should be broug before the Executive Committee prior to the Annual session, and the Executive Committee bring the recommendation before the body.

ITEM 2: Any changes must have a two-thirds majority vote.

ARTICLE 11: ITEM 1. That each church send 50 cents for each active member for the Associational expenses at the Annual meeting.

ITEM 2. The dues for the February meeting will be \$120. for each church.

ITEM 3: Each church shall send the church letter to the clerk two weeks before each meeting.

ARTICLE 14: This Association may exclude from it's bot any minister who teaches heresy, or any church that countenanc his said teaching or that nay be disloyal to the tenants of faith as held by this association and expressed in our Articles of Faith. T same discipline shall apply to any church excluded by the Ordaining Council.

#### LETTER OF DISMISSAL

This certifies that	, is a regular
member of the	Free Will Baptist
Church in	, is in good standing.
We the	Free Will Baptist Church
commend them to the fellowship	of God's people on
They are dismissed from our chu	rch and is privileged to unite with
any other evangelical church.	

Pastor
Clerk

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#### SUGGESTED GUIDELINES FOR THE OPERATION OF THE LOCAL CHURCH

1. We agree as members of the Progressive Association of Free Will Baptist to co-operate in every move for betterment of our denomina extension of God's kingdom throughout the world.

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

3. The moderator shall be chosen by the suffrage of the church in the ab of the pastor. The Moderator shall observe good order and explain all qu before he takes the voice of the church on them, and shall have the libert speech as any other, but not vote unless there is a tie, we he shall give the deciding vote.

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

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

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

7. All business brought before the church by motion and second in gosp 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 at two arise at the same time, the moderator shall decide who shall speak fi no member while speaking shall cast any reflection on any person but sh adhere strictly to the subject under consideration.

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

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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 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 provided a quorum is present, said quorum being seven members or more.

13. These rules shall be read if considered necessary by the moderator, 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. 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 right to drop them from the roll according to our National Treatise.

17. The Pastor is ex-officio member of all boards and committees.

#### RULES FOR PREACHERS AND DEACONS

1. All ministers wishing to become members of the Progressive Association must be recommended by the church of 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. This must be done by th next Association or quarterly meeting, after calling the pastor. 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 Credentials Committee to the Association, wl shall deal with him.

4. All ministers will be required to strictly adhere to the teachings of the Fre-Will Baptist 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. An aspirant to the ministry must be recommended to the Credentials Committee by his church for license. The Credentials Committee shall exami him as to his life, doctrine, reputation, and his convictions and abilities regarding the work of the ministry. Upon completion of such an examination he is found worthy, he shall be recommended to be licensed for a period of on year. He must have his license renewal annually and kept in force until ordination.

8. An applicant for ordination must have carried a license for at least one yea immediately preceding his application. (Any exception for the requirement for

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carrying a license for one year must pass by a two-thirds majority vote of his Quarterly meetingor Association.) He must be recommended by the church of which he is a member. He must be examined by the Credentials Committee and have a call to pastor a church or be engaged in full time Christian service of such nature as to merit ordination. After examination, if he is worthy and sound in faith, he shall be recommended by the Credentials Committee for ordination.

9. That each preacher of this Association, with recommendations from their church, be given a renewal of their card of good standing each year. This request is to be in writing on the annual church letter.

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

11. We use the ordination questionnaire as passed in the Associations 1963 session.

12. No person shall be ordained to the ministry nor shall the credentials of any minister be ratified until he is qualified to meet the conditions stated in the third chapter of 1 Timothy. The term, Ahusband of one wife: means he shall not have more than one living wife (that is, he shall not be married to one wife at the present time and there be a wife still living from a previous marriage.) The same shall apply to the wife, she shall have only one living husband.

13. Concerning the ordination of deacons: (a) 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 who are approved by the Credentials Committee and Moderator of the Association. (d) Be it resolved that no church recommend men who use tobacco in any form to be ordained as deacons or ministers. (e) Each deacon of this Association, with recommendation from their church, be given a card of good standing each year. This request is to be in writing on the annual church letter. (f) That no deacon be ordained who has more than one living wife, as defined in Arules for preachers, No.12, or whose wife has more than one living husband.

14. Anyone desiring to be ordained (a) must send in a completed questionnaire with the church letter to the clerk two weeks before the Associational meeting.

(b) Anyone desiring to be licensed or ordained must meet with the Credenti Committee one hour before the opening of the session.

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