

MINUTES
OF THE
84th ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH
SALEM
Free Will Baptist Church
ALFORD, FLORIDA 32420
1979

OFFICERS

Rev. Buford Pierce Moderator
Route 1, Box 115, Marianna, Fla. 32446
Bro. H. L. Padgett Vice Moderator
Route 1, Box 651, Marianna, Fla. 32446
Ruby C. Pelt Clerk-Treasurer
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Bro. Olin Rehberg, Rt. 4, Box 612, Marianna, Fla. 32446 .. 1980
Bro. Willie Sellers, Rt. 3, Marianna, Fla. 32446 1981
Rev. Charles Powell, Rt. 1, Box 1, Marianna, Fla. 32446 ... 1982

ORDAINING COUNCIL

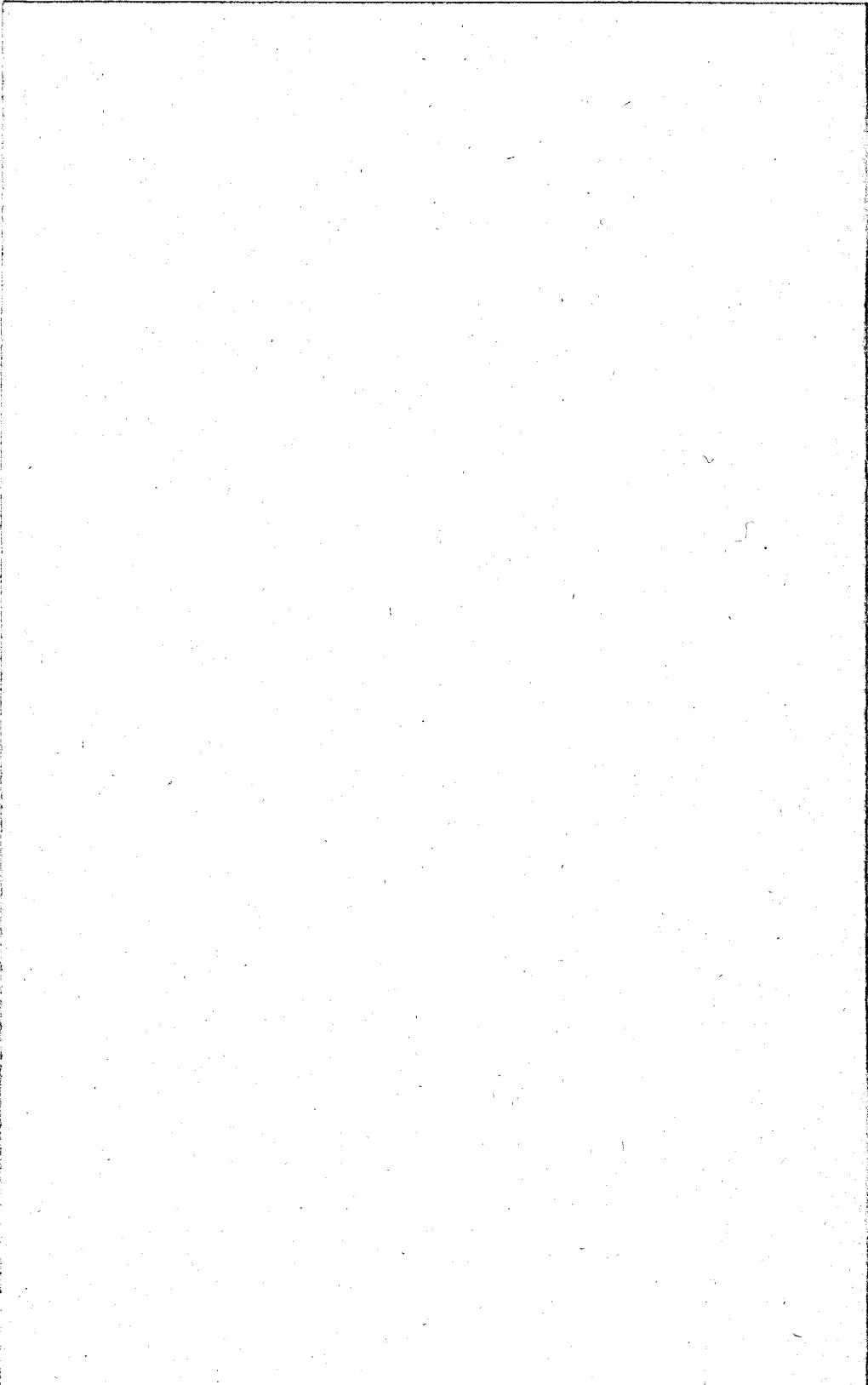
Rev. W. E. George, Rt. 1, Bonifay, Fla. 32425 1980
Rev. James Pelt, P.O. Box 431, Blountstown, Fla. 32424 .. 1981
Rev. Odis Whitehead, Rt. 4, Marianna, Fla. 32446 1982

MISSION BOARD AND CHURCH EXTENSION

Rev. C. A. Huckaby, Rt. 1, Altha, Fla. 32421 1980
Bro. Edward Baxter, Pine Ave., Chattahoochee, Fla. 32324 - 1981
Rev. Gene Gilbert, Rt. 1, Bascom, Fla. 32423 1982
Rev. Thomas Kirkland, Rt. 2, Box 23, Ashford, Ala. 36312 - 1983
Bro. Doyle Miller, Hwy 90 E, Marianna, Fla. 32446 1984

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Bro. Doyle Watford 1980
Bro. Coy Barnes 1981
Bro. Mack Glass 1982



FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

Marvin Chapel Church
January 6, 1979

A praise and song service was directed by Rev. Buford Pierce, using "We've a Story to Tell", "Sunlight" and "O Worship the King."

Rev. Gene Gilbert brought the morning devotion. He read Exodus 32:9,10 and invoked God's blessing on his efforts. He observed that some Christians probably anger God by their lives, attitudes and motives and pleaded for more committed lives.

Rev. Pierce extended a welcome to the delegates and visitors. Bro. Padgett called the meeting to order and announced that the Mission Board would meet at the recess.

MSC to receive a partial report of the Credentials Committee. The standing delegates were recognized and charged with the responsibility of seating the elected delegates. Recognized the elected delegates.

MSC to seat the elected delegates.

The meeting was recessed with prayer by Rev. Bill George.

Organ music signaled the morning worship hour. The praise and song service was led by Rev. James Pelt. Hearts were thrilled by singing, "Victory in Jesus," "Joy Unspeakable" and "I Would Not be Denied." Rev. Odis Whitehead led the offertory prayer and an offering was received. Rev. C. A. Huckaby led the group in prayer, followed by a special message in song, "Amazing Grace," by Rev. James Pelt. Rev. James Pelt introduced the morning speaker, Rev. Odis Whitehead.

Using I Cor. 3:5 as his motto and Eph. 4:14 as a text, Rev. Whitehead brought a message on "Know Where You Are Going." He developed the topics that our decisions determine our destiny, that Christians have heaven as a common goal but that earthly goals distract and cause us trouble. He closed with prayer.

Rev. Buford Pierce, host pastor, invited all present to partake of lunch and fellowship in the fellowship hall. Rev. Thomas Kirkland prayed a blessing on the food and a benediction.

At 1 P.M. the congregation was brought to order with organ music. Rev. Buford Pierce led in a song service using, "All Hail the Power" and "Jesus Will Walk With Me." Rev. Walter Baxley led in prayer.

Rev. James Pelt, member of the Ordaining Council, introduced the planned service for ordaining Bro. Don Grant as a deacon of Marvin Chapel Church. Then he gave the charge based on Acts 6:1-4 and I Tim. Rev. Odis Whitehead presented the Bible as a sure guide by basing his remarks on II Tim. 2:15. Rev. Bill George presented the candidate, and Bro. Grant and his wife was further set apart for service by the laying on of hands and prayer of all pastors and deacons present. Bros. Pierce and George led in prayer. The couple were extended the right hand of Christian fellowship.

The Moderator declared the body in order for business. Rev. Thomas Kirkland was nominated to be added to the Mission Board. MSC.

The final report of the Credentials Committee was given and accepted.

The Ordaining Council reported that upon examination of Rev. Henry Matthews, they deemed him worthy of full fellowship into Salem Association. MSC that the report be accepted and Rev. Matthews welcomed to the Association.

MSC to accept the report of the Finance Committee.

MSC to appoint a person to work preparing a historical record of Salem Association. The Moderator appointed Rev. C. H. Pelt as Chairman to be assisted by Mrs. C. H. Pelt and Ruby Pelt.

Rev. Arnold Woodlief announced his request for revival services. His plan is to be presented in the Co-Ordinator.

Rev. Buford Pierce had an oral report on the Florida State Mission Board, the 1978 Youth Camp sessions and the Camp Meeting. The report was accepted as information.

Rev. Huckaby announced an upcoming revival at Traveler's Rest Church.

It was announced that the quarterly Youth Rally would meet at New Hope Church.

Rev. James Pelt announced that this is the 40th anniversary of Rev. C. A. Huckaby's work in the ministry.

MSC to give to Marvin Chapel Church a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality.

MSC to adjourn.

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Children's Home	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Sunny Hill Mission	Super- annuation	Associational Purpose		Totals
January 6, 1979											
CHRISTIAN HOME				21.00	100.00		150.00		40.00		311.00
COTTONDALE									32.00		32.00
CYPRESS CREEK									6.00		6.00
DAMASCUS	264.00								15.00		279.00
HICKORY GROVE									20.00		50.00
HOLLY GROVE	590.64								12.00		602.64
LOVEWOOD	36.44								5.00		41.44
MALONE	365.03								15.00		380.03
MARVIN CHAPEL	60.00								15.00		75.00
MIDWAY	3.00		2.00			2.00		3.00			10.00
NEW HOPE									15.00		15.00
PINE GROVE											
SALEM	591.00								10.00		601.00
SNEADS	338.78								15.00		353.78
TRAVELER'S REST	263.76				42.95				25.00		331.71
OFFERING											55.50
TOTALS	2,512.65		2.00	21.00	172.95	2.00	150.00	3.00	225.00		3,144.60

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

Traveler's Rest Church
March 31, 1979

Rev. James Pelt led in a praise and song service, using "Victory in Jesus." Rev. Bill George led the group in prayer, and then everyone joined in singing, "Are You Washed in the Blood?"

In the absence of Bro. Padgett, due to illness, the Vice Moderator, Rev. Buford Pierce, presided. Prayer was requested for the sick, including Bro. Padgett, and the prayer was led by Rev. Charles Powell.

Devotions was given by Rev. Ogletree who used John 3:14,15 comparing the power and provisions of the brazen serpent to that of a crucified Christ.

Bro. E. G. Suggs brought a welcome from the church to all present.

Rev. Pierce called the session to order for business and recognized the standing delegates present. The elected delegates were recognized. MSC to seat the elected delegates. The Credentials Committee gave a partial report which was MSC.

Moderator called for old business. There was none. A report from the Association Mission Board was given and MSC. (report follows).

There was an oral report from Rev. C. H. Pelt concerning the work of Pleasant Ridge Church, where he is working under the Mission Board.

It was announced that all State Home Mission Boards is to meet with the National Home Mission Board at Nashville.

Rev. Charles Powell announced that the North Florida Association will meet at Camp Mount Pleasant on April 28, 1979.

Rev. Charles Powell also announced the organization of a North Florida Fellowship of Pastors which will meet at Traveler's Rest Church on April 24, 1979.

The Moderator declared a recess before the worship hour.

The Song Service led by Rev. James Pelt included "Kneel at the Cross", "Amazing Grace", "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

Rev. Walter Baxley led the group in prayer.

Rev. C. H. Pelt gave the offertory prayer and an offering was taken.

Rev. Huckaby introduced the Smith Singers and the messenger of the morning, Rev. Henry Matthews.

The Smith Singers sang "I Want to Know More About my Lord" and "Thank You, Lord for Your Blessings to Me."

Rev. Matthews based his message on Hebrews 10:1-4. He discussed evidence of the coming end-time; that all have sinned and yet there is grace sufficient for all to be borned again. All things are possible with God. He ended with prayer.

Rev. Pierce extended an invitation for commitment as "Just As I Am" was sung.

Rev. Huckaby announced the plans for lunch to be served outdoors and welcomed everyone. Dismissed.

The afternoon song service was led by Rev. James Pelt, using "All Hail the Power" and "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Rev. Poole led in prayer.

Rev. Thomas Adams brought the devotional after reading Mark 12:24. He discussed the importance of God's Word, the Holy Scripture when used as a roadmap for living and to be studied for enlightenment.

Rev. Pierce called the session to order for business and called for a final report of the Credentials Committee. MSC.

Rev. James Pelt gave an oral report of the Ordaining Council stating that after questioning Rev. Ogletree and Rev. Culpepper they recommended that they both be welcomed, received and extended the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator. MSC. Rev. Pierce welcomed the new pastors.

The finance report was called for and given by the Malone Church. (report follows). MSC.

Rev. C. H. Pelt requested old minutes in order to write the history of the Salem Association. He also encouraged leaders to start writing the history of their local church.

Rev. Pierce announced the Camp Sessions for 1979. The teen session to be held the week of June 10 and the pre-teen session the following week. The fee is set at \$20.

Motion made by Rev. George to donate \$200 from the general fund to the Mission Board and \$200 to Abe Springs Church. MS.

Motion made to amend the motion to include \$200 to Pine Grove Church, also. MSC. The original motion as amended was carried.

It was announced that there is a need for workers as counselors at the Camp Sessions. It was announced the celebration of a homecoming at Sneads Church on April 1, followed by revival services the following week.

MSC to extend a rising vote of appreciation to Traveler's Rest Church for their hospitality.

Session adjourned.

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING March 31, 1979 Churches	Cooperative Program	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Children's Home	Super- annuation	Bible College	Payne Account	Sunny Hill Mission	Associational Purpose	Special Offering	Totals
ABE SPRINGS	(represented, but no report)									81.85	81.85
CHRISTIAN HOME							121.00	150.00	40.00		311.00
COTTONDALE									32.00		32.00
CYPRESS CREEK	56.68								6.00		60.68
DAMASCUS	258.40								15.00		273.40
HICKORY GROVE							30.00		20.00		50.00
HOLLY GROVE	583.20								12.00		595.00
LOVEWOOD	39.32								5.00		44.32
MALONE	351.71								15.00		366.71
MARVIN CHAPEL	60.00								15.00		75.00
MIDWAY	2.00			2.00	2.00				2.00		8.00
NEW HOPE		10.00		25.00					15.00		50.00
PINE GROVE									10.00		10.00
SALEM	541.00								10.00		551.00
SNEADS	293.37								15.00		308.37
TRAVELER'S REST	250.66						49.26		25.00		324.92
TOTALS	2,434.34	10.00		27.00	2.00		200.26	150.00	237.00		3,142.45

MISSION BOARD REPORT TO ASSOCIATION

March 31, 1979

The Board met and approved the ministry of Rev. C. H. Pelt with the Pleasant Ridge Church, and agreed to suppliment his salary from the Church in the amount of \$25 per trip to the Church for several months until the Church can assume the full amount of his salary.

The Board also met with the Liberty Association Mission Board in regards to the Sunny Hills Mission since the missionary, Rev. Bill Pitts, resigned. It was agreed that we would permit the new missionary there to work part time, and we would furnish housing and pay him \$100 per week.

Respectfully,
Salem Mission Board

Finance report of Mission Board:

Received from churches -----	\$323.85
Paid to Pleasant Ridge Church \$ 25.	
Paid to Rev. C. H. Pelt <u>100.</u>	<u>125.00</u>
In Treasury now -----	\$198.85

All churches are asked to give their people the privilege to give to this church extension project just one time.

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

Holly Grove Church
June 30, 1979

The praise and song service was directed by Rev. James Pelt and Mrs. Myrtle Sapp at the piano while the delegates gathered and registered. The song, "Victory in Jesus" was followed by a prayer led by Rev. Buford Pierce. The congregation sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and "Holy Spirit."

Rev. C. A. Huckaby brought the devotions using Luke 16:10. He talked of Judas as the "Betrayed." He was a well-liked, respected, smart, compassionate, educated preacher--but, he was the betrayer.

Rev. Charles Powell extended a welcome to the assembly, and visitors from Quincy.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Bro. Herbert Padgett. He called for a partial report of the Credentials Committee, which was accepted. The standing delegates were recognized and charged with voting to seat the elected delegates. The elected delegates were recognized and it was MSC that they be seated for business of the day. The Moderator called for any business needing to be brought forward. Rev. C. H. Pelt gave an oral partial report of the Historical Committee. He distributed duplicated copies of the 1913, 1920, 1925, and 1926 minutes of the Salem Association and requested that everyone search for some minutes which is needed to complete the series. MSC to accept the report. MSC to underwrite the expense of the Historical Committee from the Associational general fund.

Rev. Thomas Kirkland dismissed by prayer for a recess.

The session resumed with the hymns "To God be the Glory", "Revive Us Again" and "Who Will Our Pilot Be?" led by Rev. James Pelt who also gave the offertory prayer. After an offering, Bro. Jon Forlines sang "How Great Thou Art." Rev. James Pelt introduced the morning speaker, Rev. Bill George. Based on Eph. 6:10, Bro. George used the subject, "Real Christians Stand Up!" He admonished that we stand for faith of God, the Bible as God's Word, liberty of Christ and Holy Spirit.

An invitation and instructions to lunch was given by the host pastor and Rev. Odis Whitehead gave a blessing and a prayer.

In the afternoon, Rev. James Pelt led the singing of "Faith is the Victory" and "The Solid Rock." Rev. Whitehead led in prayer. The afternoon devotion was rendered by Rev. Thomas Kirkland from Acts 2:14. He described the New Testament Church resulting in boldness with unity, revealing of sin and a change of attitude with much prayer.

The Moderator called the session to business and asked for a final report of the Credentials Committee. It was given and MSC.

MSC to accept the financial report.

The Executive Committee met with the delegation from Quincy and discussed the common interest. MS that the Salem Association welcome and invite the Quincy Church into membership and fellowship. The motion was amended to include an invitation to Pleasant Ridge Church also. The amendment and the original motion as amended was carried.

Rev. Buford Pierce gave an oral report of the Youth Camp. labeling the best session yet. He exhorted churches to include the Camp in their budget.

After announcements, it was MSC to give a rising vote of thanks to Holly Grove Church for their hospitality.

MSC to adjourn. Prayer by Rev. Gene Gilbert.

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION (Churches)	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Children's Home	Home Missions	Sunny Hill Mission	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Super- annuation	Associational Purpose	Pleasant Hill Church (Salem Mission Board)	Totals
CHRISTIAN HOME					150.00		121.00		40.00	75.00	386.00
COTTONDALE									32.00		32.00
CYPRESS CREEK	66.65								6.00		72.65
DAMASCUS	272.30								15.00		287.30
HICKORY GROVE							30.00		20.00		50.00
HOLLY GROVE	632.69								12.00		644.69
LOVEWOOD	36.20								5.00		41.20
MALONE	419.90	(Late)							15.00		434.90
MARVIN CHAPEL	60.00								15.00		75.00
MIDWAY			3.00					3.00	2.00		8.00
NEW HOPE									15.00		15.00
PINE GROVE									10.00		10.00
SALEM	624.00								10.00		634.00
SNEADS	305.55								15.00		320.55
TRAVELER'S REST	233.01						42.18		25.00		300.19
OFFERING											65.40
TOTALS	2,650.30		3.00		150.00		193.18		227.00	75.00	3,376.88

SALEM ASSOCIATION HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

A Partial Report

June 30, 1979

According to the Salem Association Minutes of 1913, which was recorded as the Sixteenth Annual Session, the Association was organized in the year 1897. However, according to the Minutes of 1922, which was recorded as the Twenty-Seventh Annual Session, the Salem Association was organized in the year 1895. Since we do not have any of the copies of Minutes between those dates, it is impossible to know when the change in dates took place, or why. Assuming that the 1895 date is the correct one, the Minutes of that year should be headed as follows: The Minutes of the First Annual Session of the Salem Association.

Beginning with the year 1895, the following is a list of dates for which we do not have copies of Associational Minutes, unless otherwise stated: 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, (We have 1913), 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, (We have 1922), 1923, (We have 1924), 1925, (We have 1926), 1927, 1928, (We have 1929), 1930, (We have all copies from 1931 through 1942), 1943, (We have all copies from 1944 through 1950), 1951, (We have all copies from 1952 to the present).

It would be a great help to your Historical Committee if each delegate and pastor would make a special effort in a special search for these missing Minutes. If you have, or know of, any of the above dated Minutes, we will appreciate having the use of them just long enough to make copies of them.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Historical Committee:
Chester H. Pelt, Chairman
Mrs. Ruby C. Pelt
Mrs. Mildred W. Pelt

NOTE: Expense of your committee to date is \$15.85

ANNUAL SESSION

Salem Church

Friday, October 5, 1979, 7:00 P.M.

After a period of piano music the song service was led by Rev. James Pelt. Using the hymn, "Neath the Banner of the Cross", for opening and then Rev. Buford Pierce led in prayer. Singing resumed with "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart."

Rev. Bill George, the host pastor, welcomed everyone to the 84th Session of the Association. The Moderator, Bro. Padgett, called the body to order and asked for a partial report of the Credentials Committee. It was given, MSC. He recognized the standing delegates and charged them with the task of seating the elected delegates. The elected delegates were recognized, and MSC to be seated for this session. Moderator called for any committee report. There were none ready. He called for any other report. There were none. Called for announcements. The "Crusade For Christ" sponsored by the Men's Fellowship was announced to be held Oct. 21-26, 7:30 P.M. at the National Guard Armory. A Prayer Vigil was announced to be held at Salem Church on Friday night before the Crusade. Refreshments will be served, and everyone is invited. Moderator declared a five minute recess for fellowship. Prayer by Rev. Bill George.

A song service for the worship service was led by Rev. James Pelt using "Glory For Me." After prayer the Salem Choir sang a special which was enjoyed. Bro. Padgett introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. Odis Whitehead.

After telling "why fire trucks are red," Rev. Whitehead took his text from John 9:25 and the subject, "Things I Know." He stressed that some things are absolute in our changing times. After a prayer he discussed the will of God, God keeps His promises, God loves me and we can learn through experience, study and submission. Closed with prayer.

Bro. Padgett thanked the speaker and the meeting adjourned with prayer by Rev. James Pelt.

Saturday, October 6, 1979, 10:00 A.M.

Again Rev. James Pelt led the song service. After singing "Victory In Jesus," Rev. Charles Powell led in prayer. The congregation then sang "When We All Get To Heaven" and "Amazing Grace."

Bro. Padgett welcomed those present, and introduced Rev. Charles Powell to bring the devotion.

Rev. Powell brought thoughts based on I Peter 1:18,19, entitled "The Precious Blood Of Christ." He declared Christ the only perfect sacrifice, the only means of atonement, and His blood cleanses and saves from wrath. He closed with prayer.

The Moderator called the body to order for business and asked for a partial report of the Credentials Committee. It was given and MSC. He recognized the standing delegates and the elected delegates. MSC to seat the elected delegates. Moderator called for reports of committees.

MSC to accept the report on Christian Education. Rev. Odis Whitehead suggested that the Christian Education Committee work with the Christian Education Board in making the report.

MSC to accept the Temperance report.

MSC to accept the Resolutions report.

In behalf of the Historical Committee, Rev. C. H. Pelt expressed thanks to Rev. Hurst for supplying copies of the 1916, '17, '23, '25, '27, '28, and '30 year minutes of the Association.

Rev. Buford Pierce announced that Rev. Dennis Owen requested that Salem Association receive him as an itinerary beginning December 9. The dates to be arranged with Rev. Pierce.

With prayer by Rev. C. H. Pelt the session was recessed before the worship service.

The congregation was brought to order and worship by the singing of hymns led by Rev. James Pelt. The song, "Whosoever Will" was followed by prayer by Rev. Thomas Kirkland. After "The Comforter Has Come" the Salem Choir sang a special, "He Brought Me Out."

After prayer, an offering was taken.

Bro. Padgett introduced the speaker, Rev. Gene Gilbert. Rev. Gilbert read I Cor. 13:1 and led in prayer. His theme was "The Love of God." He developed the ideas of power in love, faith and love is needed to serve in His will and go the second mile. He closed with prayer.

Rev. Bill George invited everyone to lunch and Rev. Gene Gilbert asked a blessing on the food and dismissed the session.

Afternoon Session

Rev. James Pelt led the song service, beginning with "At The Cross." Rev. Bill George led in prayer. Everyone sang "Joy Unspeakable."

Bro. Padgett introduced Rev. Buford Pierce to bring the devotion. After reading Psalm 118:8,9, Rev. Pierce spoke on "Sure Things." Among these are sin, judgment, Hell, Satan, Savior, Salvation, the return of Christ and that God is all sufficient. He closed with prayer.

The group came to order for a business session.

MSC to accept the final report of the Credentials Committee.

MSC to accept the Auxiliary report.

MSC to accept the report of the Committee on Committees.

MSC to accept the Finance report.

MSC to accept the report of the Committee on Obituaries.

The group observed a few minutes of silent prayer in memory of the departed and the prayer was closed by Rev. Thomas Kirkland.

MSC to accept the report of the Ordaining Council.

Rev. James Pelt spoke on the challenge of \$1,000 from each church for classrooms for Camp Mount Pleasant.

MSC to receive the report of the Nominations Committee.

There being no nominations from the floor, the slate of officers offered by the Nominations Committee was duly elected unanimously.

MSC to give Bro. Padgett a rising vote of thanks for past services, expressed by the right hand of fellowship by Rev. C. H. Pelt.

MSC to give rising vote of thanks to Salem Church for its hospitality.

MSC to allocate from the general fund, \$200 to the Men's Fellowship for the 1979 Crusade, \$200 for the State Home Mission Board and \$200 to the general fund of Camp Mount Pleasant.

Rev. Charles Powell asked people to take posters to advertise the Crusade.

The Florida Association delegates elected were Virginia Pierce and Bro. Shiver. Three more to be filled in at the Association.

Salem Youth Rally was announced to meet at Marvin Chapel at 7 P.M., Oct. 6, 1979.

MSC to adjourn. Prayer by Rev. Bill George.

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CHRISTIAN HOME						140.00		40.00	150.00	75.00	98.55	503.55
COTTONDALE								32.00				32.00
CYPRESS CREEK	80.49							4.00				84.49
DAMASCUS	320.00							15.00				335.00
HICKORY GROVE						30.00		20.00				50.00
HOLLY GROVE	659.60							15.00				674.60
LOVEWOOD	29.47							5.00				34.47
MALONE	364.28							15.00				379.28
MARVIN CHAPEL	60.00							15.00				75.00
MIDWAY			2.00		2.00		4.00	2.00				10.00
NEW HOPE								15.00				15.00
PINE GROVE												
SALEM	724.00							10.00				734.00
SNEADS	427.96							15.00				442.96
TRAVELER'S REST	240.76					40.48		25.00				306.24
OFFERING												59.20
TOTALS	2,906.56		2.00		2.00	210.48	4.00	228.00	150.00	75.00	98.55	3,735.79

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REPORT

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	Rec. Baptism	Other Ways	Deaths	Dis. Letters	Membership	Pastor's Salary	Evangelist Expense	Building & Repairs	Literature
CHRISTIAN HOME	Rev. J. C. Pelt P.O. Box 431 Blountstown, Fla. 32424	Paifa Clark Rt. 1 Pine Island Blountstown, Fla. 32424	2	10	3	2	201	6,095.00	596.00	654.38	2,035.23
COTTONDALE	Rev. Henry Matthews Rt. 5, Box 688 Chipley, Fla. 32428	Jack E. Glass Rt. 4, Box 832 Marianna, Fla. 32446	2	7	0	6	58	2,130.00	232.50	737.00	315.93
CYPRESS CREEK	Rev. Elias Hurst Rt. 4, Box 247 Chipley, Fla. 32428	J. W. Dilmore Rt. 4, Box 452 Marianna, Fla. 32446	0	0	0	2	49	1,820.00		40.00	86.54
DAMASCUS	Rev. O. Whitehead Rt. 4 Marianna, Fla. 32446	Herbert L. Padgett Rt. 1, Box 651 Marianna, Fla. 32446	2	0	3	3	71	12,393.25	125.00	3,515.68	880.64
HICKORY GROVE	Rev. T. Kirkland Rt. 2, Box 23 Ashford, Ala. 36312	Mildred Ditty Rt. 1, Box 121 Bascom, Fla. 32423	1	0	2	0	83	6,200.00	646.34	2,500.57	176.24
HOLLY GROVE	Rev. C. Powell Rt. 1, Box 1 Marianna, Fla. 32446	Clarice Boyette Rt. 1, Box 773 Marianna, Fla. 32446	4	0	0	1	201	10,535.00	375.00	2,218.61	1,399.64
LOVEWOOD	John Holland	Jean Foxworth Rt. 1, Box 167-A Chipley, Fla. 32428	0	0	1	0	23	4,242.93	250.00	1,089.55	100.00
MALONE	Rev. Walter Baxley P.O. Box 395 Malone, Fla. 32445	Helen Watford 1106 College Dr. Graceville, Fla. 32440	2	4	1	0	101	5,200.00	375.00	4,264.18	1,027.49
MARVIN CHAPEL	Rev. B. Pierce Rt. 1, Box 115 Marianna, Fla. 32446	Audrey D. Elland Rt. 5, Box 40 Marianna, Fla. 32446	2	4	0	1	172	9,720.00	300.00	5,240.50	978.72
MIDWAY	Rev. J. E. Nichols Rt. Altha, Fla. 32421	Willa D. Roberts Rt. 1, Box 76 Sneads, Fla. 32460	0	0	0	0	15	100.45			
NEW HOPE	Rev. Gene Gilbert Rt. 1 Bascom, Fla. 32423	Lena Green Rt. 1, Box 215 Bascom, Fla. 32423	0	2	2	0	53	3,975.00	100.00	27.00	
SALEM	Rev. W. E. George Rt. 1 Bonifay, Fla. 32425	Mildred C. Phillips Rt. 1, Box 210 Cottondale, Fla. 32431	3	2	0	0	96	8,670.00	840.00	678.12	1,184.54
SNEADS	Rev. L. Ogletree P.O. Box 783 Sneads, Fla. 32460	Frances C. Cloud P.O. Box 297 Sneads, Fla. 32460	1	2	1	0	75	7,824.00	300.00	166.10	485.89
TRAVELER'S REST	Rev. Ronnie Adkins	Ella Grantham Rt. 1, Box 197 Altha, Fla. 32421	1	2	0	0	54	6,700.00	425.00	1,634.86	423.79
PINE GROVE											
TOTALS			20	33	13	15	1252	85,095.63	4,563.84	22,766.55	9,355.89

Cooperative Program	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Children's Home	Super-annuation	Asm. Projects	St. & Natl. Projects	Other	Total Operation	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage
	463.00	775.00	240.00	467.85				8,783.76	25,967.22	75,000.00	15,000.00
						25.00	132.00	3,514.43	7,086.86	45,000.00	12,000.00
201.82				50.00		225.23			2,423.59	10,000.00	
1,181.00		59.50		145.00					11,106.82	40,000.00	15,000.00
	420.00	100.00	180.00	120.00		80.00		2,750.41	13,173.56		
2,466.13		510.00		235.00		40.00	240.00	12,319.95	29,347.33	60,000.00	
141.43				100.00				861.26	6,785.17	25,000.00	
1,545.92								2,724.70	15,137.29	110,000.00	40,000.00
240.00	844.00	526.50	281.00	218.00	50.00	400.00		6,975.18	25,833.93	100,000.00	50,000.00
200.00		500.00		900.00	1,300.00	60.00			2,145.50	2,500.00	
		10.00		75.00		100.00		1,535.23	6,083.47	10,000.00	
1,786.00	20.00	525.00	300.00	137.00				11,645.26	25,795.92	25,000.00	20,000.00
1,365.66	119.43	125.00	40.00	240.00				2,930.53	13,616.11	30,000.00	20,000.00
1,088.19	174.87	310.87						4,347.75	15,105.33	50,000.00	
10,216.15	2,041.30	3,441.87	1,041.00	2,687.85	1,350.00	930.23	372.00	59,385.46	99,308.10	582,000.00	172,000.00

TREASURER'S REPORT
OCTOBER 2, 1978 - OCTOBER 11, 1979

		RECEIVED	DISPERSED	BALANCE
Brought Forward -----		587.71		587.71
Oct. 9 Fla. State Assn. (Delegates fees)			48.00	539.71
Nov. 18 Nat'l S. S. Dept. (Certificates)			7.00	532.71
Nov. 24 Evans Printing Co. (Minutes)			225.62	307.09
Jan. 6 First Quarterly Session		3,144.10		3,451.19
Jan. 10 Ernest Owen, State Treas.				
Cooperative Program	2,512.65			
Home Missions	2.00			
Foreign Missions	21.00			
Children's Home	2.00			
Superannuation	3.00			
Payne Account	172.95		2,713.60	737.59
Sunny Hill Mission			150.00	587.59
Apr. 6 Second Quarterly Session		3,142.45		3,730.03
Apr. 6 Ernest Owen, State Treas.				
Cooperative Program	2,434.34			
Home Missions	10.00			
Children's Home	27.00			
Superannuation	2.00			
Payne Account	200.26		2,673.60	1,056.43
Apr. 6 Sunny Hill Mission			150.00	906.43
Apr. 6 Salem Mission Board			200.00	706.43
Apr. 6 Abe Springs Church			200.00	506.43
Apr. 6 Pine Grove Church			200.00	306.43
June 30 Third Quarterly Session		2,941.98		3,248.41
July 3 Ernest Owen, State Treas.				
Cooperative Program	2,230.40			
Children's Home	3.00			
Superannuation	3.00			
July 3 Payne Account	193.18		2,429.58	818.83
July 3 Sunny Hill Mission			150.00	668.83
July 3 Salem Mission Board (Pleasant Ridge Church)			75.00	593.83
July 12 Malone Church		434.90		1,028.73
July 24 Ernest Owen, State Treas. (Cooperative)			419.90	608.83
July 24 C. H. Pelt (Historical Comm. Expense)			15.85	592.98
Oct. 6 Annual Session		3,735.79		4,328.77
Oct. 6 J. L. Padgett, Moderator			50.00	4,278.77
Oct. 9 Ernest Owen, State Treas.				
Cooperative Program	2,906.56			
Children's Home	2.00			
Superannuation	4.00			
Payne Account	210.48			
Home Missions	2.00		3,125.04	1,153.73
Oct. 11 Fla. State Assn. (Delegates fees)			48.00	1,105.73
Oct. 11 Salem Men's Fellowship (Crusade)			200.00	905.73
Oct. 11 Sunny Hill Mission			150.00	755.73
Oct. 11 Salem Mission Board (Pleasant Ridge Church)			75.00	680.73
Oct. 11 Nat'l Home Mission Board (Robert Smith)			98.55	582.18
Oct. 11 Fla. State Mission Board			200.00	382.18
Oct. 11 Ruby C. Pelt (Clerk service)			50.00	332.18
TOTALS -----		13,986.93	13,654.75	

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Rev. Thomas Adams, Rt. 1, Box 142-A, Blountstown, Fla. 32424
Rev. Walter Baxley, P.O. Box 385, Malone, Fla. 32445
Rev. W. E. George, Route 1, Bonifay, Fla. 32426
Rev. Gene Gilbert, Route 1, Bascom, Fla. 32423
Rev. C. A. Huckaby, Rt. 1, Box 212A, Altha, Fla. 32421
Rev. Elias Hurst, Rt. 4, Box 247, Chipley, Fla. 32428
Rev. Arthur Isaac, Rt. 2, Box 159, Graceville, Fla. 32440
Rev. Thomas Kirkland, Rt. 2, Box 23, Ashford, Ala. 36312
Rev. Henry Matthews, Rt. 2, Box 688, Chipley, Fla. 32428
Rev. J. E. Nichols, Route, Altha, Fla. 32421
Rev. Lenard Ogletree, P.O. Box 783, Sneads, Fla. 32460
Rev. C. H. Pelt, 1502 College St., Marianna, Fla. 32446
Rev. James Pelt, P.O. Box 431, Blountstown, Fla. 32424
Rev. Buford Pierce, Rt. 1, Box 115, Marianna, Fla. 32446
Rev. Charles Powell, Rt. 1, Box 1, Marianna, Fla. 32446
Rev. Harvey Ross
Rev. James W. Roberts, Rt. 1, Box 76, Sneads, Fla. 32460
Rev. Odis Whitehead, Rt. 4, Marianna, Fla. 32446
Rev. C. A. Williams, P.O. Box 215, Sneads, Fla. 32460

LICENSED MINISTERS

John Meredith, Route, Graceville, Fla. 32440
Coley Baxter, Malone, Fla. 32445
Frank Edenfield

COMMITTEE REPORTS

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Whereas,

The spread of liberal thinking has influenced many church people across America.

Be it resolved:

That the Salem Association go on record as opposing the following:

1. Abortion on demand
2. Homosexuality
3. Religious cults
4. The charismatic movement. (Tongue Speaking)

Be it further resolved:

That the pastors and leaders of our association be urged to inform their people through teaching and preaching- The doctrine and practice of Free Will Baptist.

Whereas,

An increasing number of religious programs, personalities and institutions are drawing the support of Free Will Baptist and

Whereas,

Some of these teach viewpoints and use methods of raising money that are inconsistent with biblical standard; therefore

Be it resolved:

That the Salem Association encourage the pastors and deacons to warn their congregation against supporting such.

REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

In July we ordained the following six deacons at Christian Home FWB Church; Gregory Burkett, Decar Spears, George Kearce, Woodrow Griffin, Leo Kirkland and B. M. Bailey.

At Damascus Church Bro. Hubert Isler was ordained as a deacon, and at Marvin Chapel Church Bro. Don Grant was ordained as a deacon.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Association Officers:

Moderator -----	Rev. Buford Pierce
Vice Moderator -----	Bro. Herbert Padgett
Clerk-Treasurer -----	Ruby Pelt

Executive Board -----	Rev. Charles Powell
Ordaining Council -----	Rev. Odis Whitehead
Mission Board and Church Extension -----	Bro. Doyle Miller
Christian Education -----	Bro. Mack Glass

Places of meetings in 1980:

First Quarterly Meeting -----	First FWB Church of Sneads
Second Quarterly Meeting -----	Malone Church
Third Quarterly Meeting -----	Hickory Grove Church
Annual Session -----	Salem Church

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Auxiliaries -----	Damascus Church
Christian Education -----	Malone Church
Committee on Committees -----	Cottondale Church
Finance -----	Traveler's Rest Church
Nomination -----	Marvin Chapel Church
Obituary -----	Cypress Creek Church
Resolution -----	Holly Grove Church
Stewardship -----	Salem Church
Temperance -----	First FWB Church of Sneads

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUXILIARIES

Sunday Schools -----	13
C. T. S. -----	9
Prayer Meetings -----	11
Master's Men -----	1
Woman Auxiliary -----	8

REPORT ON COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Commendations to all churches who are carrying out an effective teaching and training ministry for their people.

All of our churches have a Sunday School, but some have ceased, or never begun, a Church Training program. Since Church Training service is usually held on Sunday evening, it is sometimes less attended. A good program with varied methods of presentation might help with this lack of attendance.

We have found the C.T.S. literature, (which is available through the Sunday School Department and C.T.S. Randall House Publications, 114 Bush Road, Nashville, Tennessee 37217) very helpful to a successful Sunday evening Church Training Service.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Committee on Temperance, submit the following report:

We live in a world of temptations, envy, and hate, yet God's word teaches that "When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him," Proverbs 16:7. It says in Proverbs 23:20-21 "Be not among winebidders, among riotous eaters of flesh, for the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty; and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." It is our firm belief that the Bible teaches total abstinence from any and all uses of alcoholic beverages, and wish to encourage all people to such belief. Flee all sin, but follow righteousness, faith, charity and peace, forgiving others as God has for Christ's sake forgiven us.

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Obituaries, report that the following have been called from our midst to be with the Lord:

Sneads -----	Sister Maggin Scott
New Hope -----	Maude Rich and Bethaine Braswell
Damascus -----	Bro. Robert Cloud, Gerald Wright and H. A. Barrinece
Christian Home ---	Willie Phillips, Mrs. Bell Yon and Hubert McCollum
Hickory Grove ----	Mildred Hatcher and Herman Ditty
Lovewood -----	Jessie A. Nance

SISTER GREEN B. (MAGGIE) SCOTT

On June 22, 1979, our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom and mercy called our sister, Maggie Scott, unto Himself to dwell in a home not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens, where peace, joy and happiness will be her reward.

Sister Scott gave her life to the Lord when she was a young woman and loved and served Him thereafter. She was a charter member of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Sneads. Her life was one of service to her family, friends and to God and His church. She was a faithful wife, a kind, precious Mother and a true friend. She will be so greatly missed by her family, her church and the community.

She leaves to mourn, 5 daughters, 6 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, and a host of friends and loved ones. Funeral services were conducted at Sneads First Free Will Baptist Church with Rev. Harvey L. Henderson, Rev. D.W. Poole and Rev. Leonard Ogletree, pastor, and burial followed at Circle Hill Cemetery in the community where she had lived and raised her family.

The memory Sister Scott has left her friends and loved ones will never be forgotten and surely her passing will be Heaven's gain.

WILLIE PHILLIPS

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." Bro. Willie having fulfilled his requirement laid down his earthly cares, and departed this life to be with his Saviour, December 20, 1978. He was 85 years of age. Truly a good man has gone to his reward, and left a heritage of a challenge to his friends and loved ones to meet him in his beautiful home beyond the sunset. He professed faith in Christ in early manhood, and for many years had been a faithful, loyal member of Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church. Always ready to help in any way he could with the activities of the church until his health failed several years ago.

He will be missed and his going is a great loss to his family, his community, and his church. But, he will not be forgotten. The life of a man like Willie, better known to his friends as Bill, will live on and on in the memory of those who knew him. He was a sincere, good man, a faithful husband and a loving father and a loyal, true and faithful friend. He fought a good fight, he kept the faith. He was humble and without vanity, sincere, and without greed. He helped all who needed him in any way, did many good deeds gladly without any desire for reward. His life was one of untiring service to his God and his fellowman. His church, family and friends cherish the influence of his life of faithful service, his kindness, and loving manner will long be remembered.

He is survived by his widow, Mabel, 2 sons, 5 daughters, 14 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren and a host of relatives, loved ones and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church by his pastor, Rev. James C. Pelt, assisted by Rev. Jim Nichols. Burial followed in the family plot in Nettle Ridge Cemetery.

Somewhere beyond the sunset,
Where loveliness never dies.
He dwells in the "Land of Glory"
With a Saviour crucified.

HUBERT McCOLLUM (MR. MAC)

God in His infinite wisdom and mercy has seen fit to call Bro. Hubert McCollum to his eternal home at the age of 79. On December 1, 1978 he quietly slipped away to be with his Master in a home not made with hands eternal in the Heavens. As he walked along life's pathway God called and he suddenly turned a bend in the road and passed from our sight. Mr. "Mac", as he was affectionately known lived a good life, and his goodness overflowed and enriched the lives of others. He had been a loyal, faithful member of Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church for many years.

He loved his church and was active in any movement for the betterment of the church and it's undertakings. His life was one of service to his family, his friends and God and his church. He was a devoted husband, a loving father, and a true friend; an upright, law abiding citizen, truly a Christian gentleman.

In his passing the church has lost one of the most faithful members, the community one of it's most beloved citizens. His happy heart and cheery smile made him a blessing to those his life touched. He loved people and left his imprint deep in the hearts of those with whom he come in contact.

He will be greatly missed by his church, his family, his friends and the entire community will feel the loss keenly, but we born in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

He is survived by his widow, "Miss" Josie, 2 sons, 1 daughter, 3 step-sons, 1 step-daughter, 19 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted at Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church by his pastor, Rev. James C. Pelt, and burial followed in the family plot in Nettle Ridge Cemetery.

The memory he left his loved ones is an inspiration for them to follow in his footsteps, and to live a noble life for the Master.

There's an open gate at the end of the way
Thru which each must go alone.
But there is a light we cannot see
Our Father has claimed His son.

MRS. BELLE YON

God in His infinite mercy has seen fit to call from our midst our oldest and very dear member of Christian Home Church Mrs. Belle Yon, affectionately known as "Aunt Belle." On January 29, 1979 she quietly slipped away to go home to be with her Master to dwell in a home not made with hands eternal in the Heavens where peace, joy and happiness will be her reward. She was 89 years of age, and had lived in Calhoun County all her life. She accepted Christ at the age of 17 and united with Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church, and was always found in her place of duty until her health failed. Her husband, John E. Yon, preceded her in death many years ago. The church suffered the loss of one of its loyal members. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, a good neighbor and a true friend.

"Aunt Belle" lived a beautiful, christian life and her goodness overflowed and blessed others. Hers was a life full of service for her Lord and for mankind. In her passing the community has lost one of its most respected citizens, and the home a consecrated and devoted mother and grandmother. She was indeed a friend and an inspiration to everyone who came in contact with her. Her happy heart and cheery smile made her a blessing to everyone. Although we will miss her and suffered a great loss in her passing, we are resigned to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

The many beautiful floral offerings and the presence of a great host of friends and loved ones bespeak the esteem and love everyone had for her.

She is survived by 2 sons, 3 grandsons, and 1 sister, and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services were held at Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church by her pastor, Rev. James C. Pelt, among a host of sorrowing friends and relatives. Interment was in the family plot in Nettle Ridge Cemetery.

God's greatest gift: A Mother gone home to be with Jesus.

Beyond the sunset, a glad reunion

With our dear loved ones, who've gone before.

In that fair homeland, we'll know no parting,

Beyond the sunset forever more.

MILDRED STEPHENS HATCHER

On January 28, 1979 Hickory Grove Church lost a beloved member, Mildred Stephens Hatcher.

She was always faithful to her church and community. She taught the Women's Sunday School class for several years. She served as church clerk after her father, J.W.D. Stephens, passed away. He had been clerk for seventy-one years. Mildred was active in the church and community activities as long as her health would permit.

Funeral services were held at Hickory Grove Free Will Baptist Church by Rev. Thomas Kirkland, Rev. C. H. Pelt and Rev. W. E. McDuffie. Burial followed in the Church Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, George W. Hatcher. We all loved her and miss her very much.

HERMAN DITTY

August 15, 1979

Brother Ditty had been a member of this church 61 years. The funeral was conducted at Maddox Chapel in Marianna with the Rev. Walter Baxley, and the Rev. Odis Whitehead officiating. Burial in Hickory Grove Cemetery.

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE
SALEM ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
OF FLORIDA**

PREAMBLE

We, the believers in Christ according to the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, having been baptized unto a like profession of faith in Jesus Christ and properly organized into churches, realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us for preservation of the "Faith once Delivered Unto the Saints," and the spreading of the gospel of Christ upon earth, do therefore ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Salem Association of Free Will Baptists of Florida.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of the organization shall be to unify the work of the churches composing this association by devising and executing such measures as will best spread the gospel of Christ as we interpret it.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Any regularly organized and well disciplined Free Will Baptist Church conforming to the usages of the Free Will Baptist denomination as set forth in the Treatise of the Faith and practices of the Free Will Baptists of the National Association, may upon proper application, and a vote of the association, become a member of this association.

ARTICLE IV - COMPOSITION

The sessions of this association shall consist of delegates appointed or elected by the churches of which this association is composed. All ordained ministers, and deacons who are members and in good standing with the association and the churches to which they belong, shall be standing delegates. Ministers from Sister Associations who are serving churches in this association shall have the right to make suggestions but the voting right shall be reserved for the delegates of the Salem Association. All officers of the Association will be standing delegates.

ARTICLE V - REPRESENTATION

Each church in this association shall be entitled to one delegate for every 25 members or fraction thereof.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The officers of this association shall be a moderator, vice moderator, and clerk-treasurer, who shall be elected every two (2) years, on the odd year, except to fill vacancies.

The standing committees of this Association shall be: Executive, Finance, Obituary, Temperance, Stewardship, Auxiliaries, Resolutions and Nominations, who shall make annual reports to the Association. Other committees shall be appointed as the need may arise.

(1) The Executive Committee shall be composed of three (3) members, who shall be elected for three (3) year terms on a rotating basis, so that one new member shall be elected yearly.

The Moderator and Clerk of this Association shall act as standing members of this Committee.

(2) The Ordaining Council shall be composed of three (3) ministers of this association and shall be elected for three (3) year terms on a rotating basis, so that one new member shall be elected yearly.

No person shall hold more than one office in this association.

ARTICLE VII - BOARDS

The standing boards of this association shall be: Home Missions, Church Extension, and Christian Education.

(1) The Home Mission-Church Extension Board shall be composed of five (5) members.

(2) The Christian Education Board shall be composed of three (3) members. All standing board members shall be elected alternately for the number of years in accordance with the number of members composing their board, so that one new member might be elected yearly.

Other boards may be elected as the need may arise.

ARTICLE VIII - SESSIONS

The sessions of this Association shall be held quarterly. These sessions will convene on Saturday 10:00 A.M. before the first Sunday in each quarter with the exception of the fourth (4th) quarter. This fourth session in each year will meet on Friday night at 7:00 P.M. and Saturday before the first (1st) Sunday in October. This particular session shall be known as the annual session of the Association, and all annual letters, reports and matters affecting the year's work shall be received in this session.

ARTICLE IX - FINANCE

The general expense of the Association shall be provided by each church according to the number of delegates. Each church is asked to send five (\$5) dollars per delegate with a minimum of five (\$5) per church per quarterly meeting.

Each church is asked to send at least ten (10%) percent of its income to the Treasurer of the Salem Association quarterly for the Florida State Cooperative Program. All regular offerings will go into the general fund of the Salem Association.

The Moderator and Clerk shall each receive fifty (\$50) dollars annually for their services.

ARTICLE X - DISCIPLINE

This association shall have the power to discipline the Churches of which it is composed, and to withdraw fellowship from a church as a whole when it's action is inconsistent with the doctrine and usages of the Free Will Baptist Church, if labor with it is unsuccessful. But in no case can it reverse a decision of a church.

ARTICLE XI - MINISTERS

Section 1. The pastor of every church in the association should be a member of a church under his care.

Section 2. When a church desires that one of it's member be licensed or ordained to preach the gospel, it should request the association through its ordained Council to examine such member, and should agree to abide by the recommendation of the ordaining council.

Section 3. A minister of this association who is subject to discipline for doctrine or practices contrary to the Treatise of the Free Will Baptist denomination shall be brought to trial by the church of which he is a member. However, the ordaining council must sit in the church conference in an advisory capacity.

Section 4. Cards will be given at the annual session of this association to those ministers of good standing.

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a majority of the Association at any regular annual session, provided the suggested amendment is received by the Clerk in writing one day before the vote is taken.

BY-LAWS

1. Each session of this association shall be called to order by the Moderator and opened with prayer. Each session shall be closed with prayer.

2. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preserve order and submit all actions to the body. He shall have the same right of speech as any other member, but he must appoint someone else as Chairman while he speaks. He shall not have the right to vote except in the case of a tie.

(A) The Moderator shall be the Chairman of the Executive Committee.

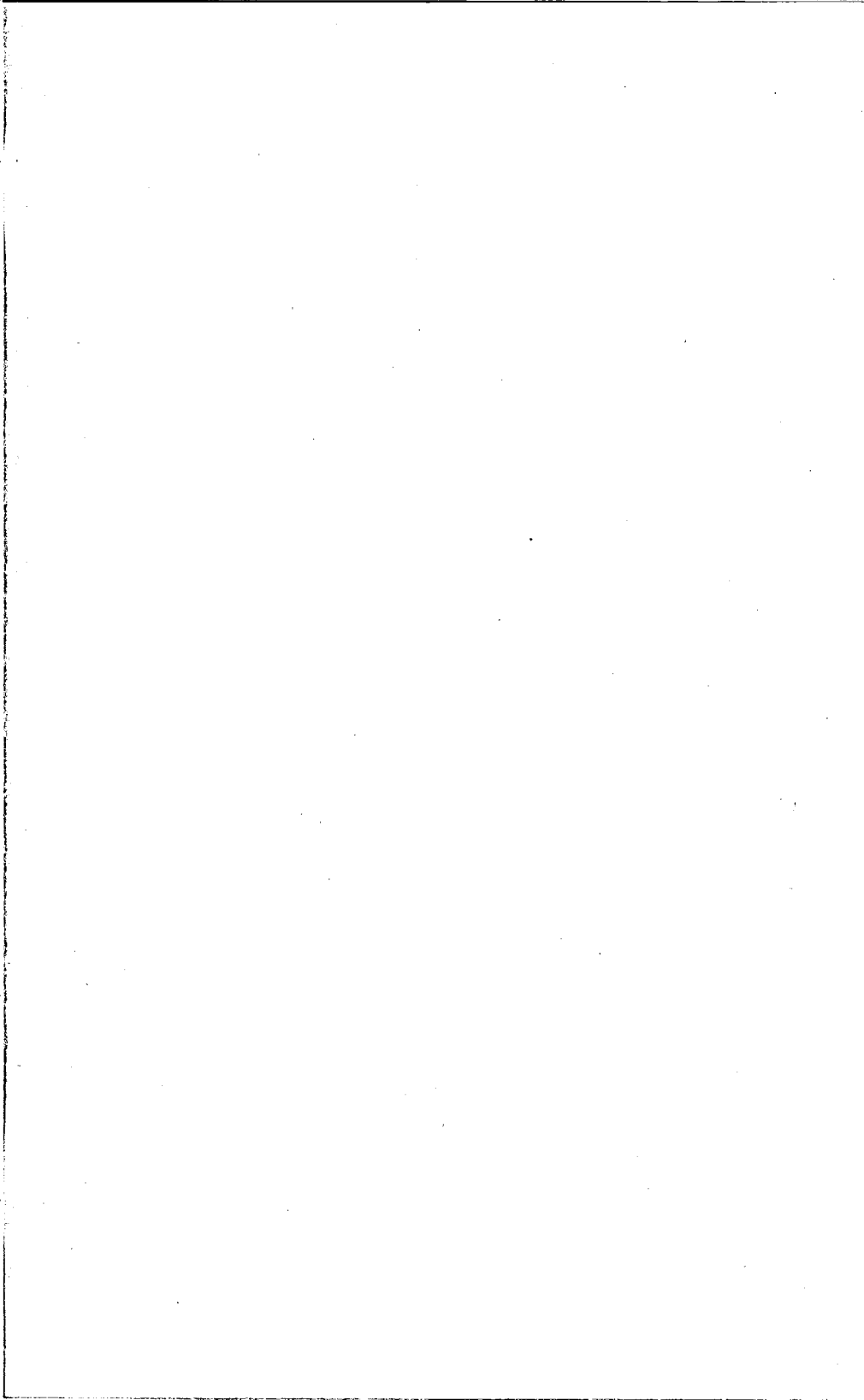
(B) He shall see that all the action taken by this body is carried out, unless otherwise delegated by the Association.

3. The Vice Moderator shall assume the duties, rights and privileges of the Moderator in his absence.

4. The delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk before they are seated in this body.

5. All business shall be brought before the body by a move and second and shall be disposed of according to Parliamentary usage.

6. A member wishing to make a motion or to speak in conference shall first rise, address the moderator, and be recognized by him before proceeding. A member may second a motion without rising and addressing the Moderator.





FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION - - - - First FWB Church of Sneads
January 5, 1980

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION - - First FWB Church of Malone
April 5, 1980

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION - - - - Hickory Grove Church
July 5, 1980

ANNUAL SESSION - - - - - Cottondale Church
Friday night, 7:00 P.M. October 3, 1980
Saturday, 10:00 A.M. October 4, 1980

