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OF THE

86th ANNUAL SESSION

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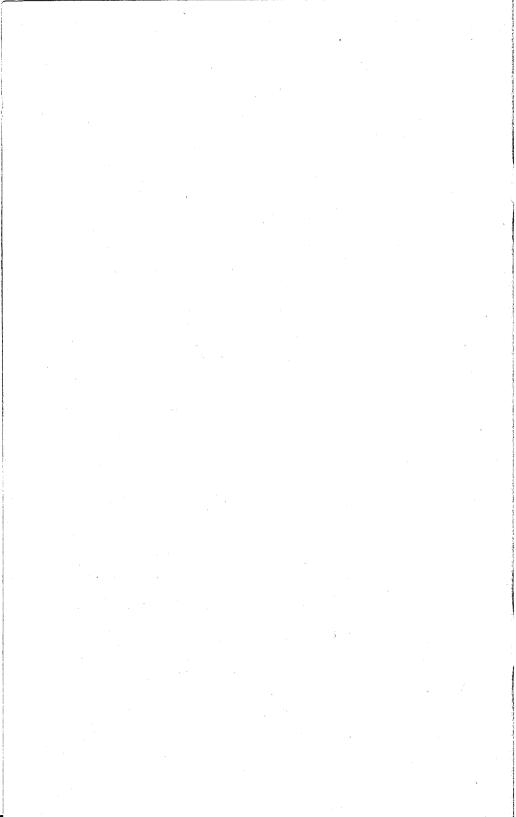
SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HEID WITH

Holly Grove Free Will Baptist Church

1981

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FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

Marvin Chapel Free Will Baptist Church January 3, 1981

The Song and Praise Service was led by Rev. James Pelt with Mrs. Janet Baxley at the piano. It consisted of singing "I Am Thine,", prayer by Rev. Walter Baxley, and singing "Joy Unspeakable."

Rev. Bill George brought the morning devotion based upon John 9:7-14 and II Tim. 3:13-15. Entitled "How to have a prosperous New Year", Rev. George advised that one should abide in God, and His love; continue to grow, mature and develop in the Lord; submit and commit oneself to Him and His service.

Bro. Padgett, the Vice Moderator, called the body to order for business and asked for a partial report of the Credential Committee. MSC to accept the report.

The host pastor, Rev. Charles Powell, extended a gracious

welcome to everyone.

Bro. Padgett recognized the standing delegates of the Association and charged them to seat the elected delegates. He recognized the elected delegates. MSC that they be seated for the business session.

Bro. Padgett reminded the Nomination Committee to prepare and offer nominations for Moderator and two members to the Mission Board.

It was announced for all Auxiliary members to meet during recess to make plans to reorganize a District, or Associational organization.

Bro. Padgett declared a ten minute recess.

After visiting with friends, the body was called to order by piano music rendered by Mrs. Janet Baxley. Rev. James Pelt led the congregation in singing "Count Your Blessings." A special, "The Old Rugged Cross," was rendered by Bro. Eddie Clemmons especially for his former school teachers, Miss Ada Holley and Mrs. Annebelle Taylor. A response was given by Miss Holley and Mrs. Taylor. The congregation sang "Savior Like A Shepherd." Rev. Leonard Ogletree gave the offertory prayer and an offering was received.

MSC to give the Moderator authority to appoint help for Lovewood Church in preparing the Nomination report. Rev. James Pelt and Rev. Bill George were appointed.

The group sang "Amazing Grace."

Rev. James Pelt presented Rev. Odis Whitehead who was the speaker of the morning. Rev. Whitehead read John 20:21 and admonished to make good use of time which is fleeting and often wasted. Everyone needs to know the total love of God, including Christ as a living sacrifice and all work should be motivated by love to Jesus.

Rev. Powell gave instructions for the serving of lunch and welcomed everyone to partake. The blessing on the food and the benediction was given by Bro. Rehberg.

After a bountiful lunch, Rev. James Pelt led the congregation in a praise service, using "Where He Leads I'll Follow" and "Footsteps of Jesus." Rev. Baxley led in prayer.

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Rev. David Isaac read Col. 3:11 and apoke on exalting Christ for the afternoon devotion. Christ is the center of God's revelation to us and we should exalt this Christ in 1981. There is no failure in Christ.

Brother called the meeting to order for business and asked for a final report of the Credentials Committee. MSC to accept

The Nominations Committee report was given and this report. MSC to accept. The Moderator called for nominations from the floor. There was none. MSC that nominations close. elect Rev. Odis Whitehead as Moderator of the Association. Call for nominations from the floor for members to the Mission Board. MSC that nominations close. MSC to elect Rev. Leonard Ogletree and Rev. Walter Baxlev to Mission Board.

It was announced that Herman Hersey and Bill Gardner would be visiting and performing at Marvin Chapel Church on Jan. 15. 1981. The Youth Rally to meet Jan. 3, 1981 at 7 P.M. at Salem Church. The Men's Fellowship will meet at Sneads.

MSC to accept the Finance Report.

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

MSC to adjourn. Rev. Bill George dismissed with prayer.

REPORT OF NOMINATION COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee make the following report: We recommend Rev. Odis Whitehead for Moderator. Rev. Leonard Ogletree to replace Rev. Thomas Kirkland on the Mission Board. Rev. Walter Baxley to replace Bro. Doyle Miller on the Mission Board.

Lovewood Church Rev. James Pelt Rev. Bill George

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

		Partial		<u>Final</u>
Number of	churches reported	- 12		13
Number of	ministers registered	. 9		11
Number of	deacons registered	- 14		16
	delegates registered			34
Number of	visitors registered	- 21		26
	Totals	· 75	-	87

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION CHURCHES	Cooperative Plan	Bible College	Children's Home	Gainesville Mission	Payne Account	Home Missions	Sunny Hill Mission	Super- annuation	Association Purposes	TOTALS
CHRISTIAN HOME				75.00	145.00		75.00		40.00	345.00
COTTONDALE									32.00	32.00
CYPRESS CREEK	109.31								10.00	119.31
DAMASCUS	358.00								15.00	373.00
HICKORY GROVE					30.00				20.00	50.00
HOLLY GROVE	529.01								15.00	544.01
LOVEWOOD	24.22								10.00	34.22
MALONE	385.31								15.00	400.31
MARVIN CHAPEL	60.00						50.00		15.00	125.00
MIDWAY			2.00					4.00	2.00	8.00
NEW HOPE									15.00	15.00
PINE GROVE			<u> </u>						10.00	10.00
SALEM	621.00	ļ							10.00	631.00
SNEADS	100.00								15.00	115.00
TRAVELER'S REST	252.70			16.10	22.10				25.00	315.90
OFFERING										74.50
TOTALS	2,439.55		2.00	91.10	197.10		125.00	4.00	239.00	3,172.25

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

Salem Free Will Baptist Church April 4, 1981

Rev. James Pelt led the congregation in a song and praise service with Mrs. Janet Baxley at the piano. "All Hail the Power" was rendered and Bro. Herbert Padgett led the group in prayer. The song, "The Old Rugged Cross," was sung with praise and gratitude.

The host pastor, Rev. Bill George, extended a warm welcome to the congregation in behalf of the church. He also introduced a representative of the Bible College, Rev. Robert Crawford, and shared the joyful news that Salem Church was now free of debt.

Mrs. Janet Baxley rendered a special message in song which

was enjoyed and appreciated by all.

The Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead, recognized Rev. Charles Powell to bring the morning devotion. Rev. Powell read a timely poem, read Hebrew 11:25-29, offered a prayer and announced his topic, 'The Better Road.' He reminded christians that they were the richest people in the world. Rich, because they have eternal life, joy unspeakable, genuine peace and an incorruptible inheritance.

The Moderator called the group to order for a short business session, He recognized the standing delegates and charged with task of seating the elected delegates. Recognized the elected delegates. MSC to seat the elected delegates for this session.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given. MSC that it be accepted. The Nomination Committee was reminded of a vacancy on the Mission Board and Damascus Church was reminded they were the Finance Committee. It was announced of the semi-annual meeting of the North Florida Association meeting on April 25, 1981 at Camp Mt. Pleasant. It was requested that the Salem Association send delegates. The Moderator asked that the Youth Board serve as delegates.

Mrs. Baxley, member of the Youth Board, read the Constitution and By-Laws of the Youth Board. The delegates were to think upon them and be ready for acceptance or rejection in the

afternoon business session.

The Moderator recognized Rev. Robert Crawford as a visitor and representative of the Bible College. He was given the floor. Attention was given to the Bible College display of materials and Rev. Crawford shared information and news of the school as a whole. The churches were asked to support and pray fot the College.

The Moderator prayed a benediction for a short period of

fellowship before the worship service.

Piano music by Mrs Walter Baxley signaled a call to order and the song service was directed by Rev. James Pelt. After the singing of "Blessed Redeemer," Rev. Pelt led in a offeratory prayer and an offering was received. For special music, he sang "How Great Thou Art."

Rev. Pelt introduced the speaker for the morning message, Rev. Walter Baxley. Using the text, I Peter 2:2, Rev. Baxley spoke on "Christian Growth." He stressed that in order to grow as a christian one must grow in a knowledge of the Word, grow in faith, grow with and in a church and grow in a home.

Rev. Bill George gave instructions and invitation to lunch and Bro. Holland prayed a benediction and a blessing on the food.

After enjoying a bountiful lunch and an hour of fellowship with friends, the congregation was brought to order with piano music by Mrs. Baxley. Rev. James Pelt led the song "At the Cross." Rev. Bell led in prayer.

Rev. Rashie Kennedy was recognized and he gave an oral report of the work at Sunny Hill. He also brought a timely devotion entitled, "Wings." Based on Exodus 19:6, he discussed 'wings of power, wings of compassion and wings of the rapture.' Then the whole congregation joined in singing "I'll Fly Away."

The Moderator declared a business session. Special prayer

requests were expressed and Rev. Bell led in prayer.

Moderator called for a final report of the Credentials Committee report. MSC to accept.

The Finance Committee report was given and MSC to accept. MSC to adopt the Constitution and By-Laws of the Youth

MSC to accept a report of the Nomination Committee. was no nominations from the floor, MSC that nominations close and the vacancy was filled unanimously.

MSC to send recommendation to Midway Association for Rev. Ronnie Adkins and gratitude to him for his work with us.

The announcement of the Youth Meeting to be held with Christian Home Church was made.

MSC to give Salem a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

Homecoming and revival at Sneads Church for the coming week was announced.

The first Annual Pastor's Retreat at the Camp was announced for the following week.

It was announced that Salem Fellowship will sponsor radio devotions during April.

MSC to adjourn. Doyle Watson offered the benediction.

REPORT OF NOMINATION COMMITTEE

We, the Nomination Committee, make the following report: We nominate Rev. David Isaac to fill the place of Rev. Ronnie Adkins on the Mission Board.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Number	of	churches reporting	14
Number	of	ministers registering	13
Number	of	deacons registering	18
Number	of	delegates registering	45
Number	οf	visitors registering	38
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THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

Damascus Free Will Baptist Church July 4, 1981

There were no printed programs, but the host pastor who was also Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead, welcomed all that were present. Wayne Hill led the congretational singing with Frank Chatwood at the piano. We sang "Are You Washed in the Blood" and Rev. Baxley led the group in prayer. Then we sang "Down at the Cross."

In keeping with the time, our country's birthday, Brenda Whitehead brought a special in song entitled, "I'm so Glad to be Called an American."

Rev. Whitehead brought the morning devotion. He read Acts 2:22-27 and led in prayer. He spoke on Heaven, saying that Jesus is with us now, we are accountable and need to put God's Word into practice. We need standards based on the Word and we need a revival.

Moderator Whitehead declared the body in order for business. He called for a partial report of the Credentials Committee which was given and accepted. He recognized the standing delegates and charges them with the responsibility of seating the elected delegates. He recognized the elected delegates and it was MSC that they be seated in this session.

The Moderator called for reports which were ready. Rev. Bill George gave an oral report of the 1981 Camp Meeting and handed out leaflets to the pastors. The time is August 2-7 at Camp Mount Pleasant and the guest speaker will be Rev. Stanley Jones. The Moderator urged everyone to go. Rev. George also announced the Salem Church Homecoming, July 5. Damascus will observe Homecoming on July 12 and beginning revival. Rev. Kennedy gave an oral report on the progress of the Gap Pond Mission and announced a Homecoming and anniversary to be held July 19. Rev. Isaac announced his radio programs and offered to also give items of news pertaining to the Association. The Youth Rally will be held at Holly Grove. Mrs. Janet Baxley will take the youth to the National Association to be held in Kentucky July 18-23. Salem youth did well in the State competition.

Rev. Isaac pronounced a benediction for a recess before the worship hour.

Frank Chatwood presiding at the piano signaled the group to the morning worship. Wayne Hill led the songs "How Firm a Foundation" and "The Old Rugged Cross." Rev. George led in prayer. An offering was taken. Bro. Eddie Clemmons brought a special in song, "Sweet Hour of Prayer."

Rev. Gene Gilbert from Mississippi brought the morning message based on Amos 5:20-24. He stated that today God wants righteousness in us. He wants obedience. Satan works on Christians to compromise. Churches need to listen to the Holy Spirit Gilbert asked a blessing on the message.

Bro. Herbert Padgett pronounced a benediction and a blessing on the food as we adjourned for lunch.

After an hour of fellowship and a lucious lunch, the group reassembled by singing "When We All Get to Heaven." Bro. Bill Cressley led in prayer. Rev. Whitehead called for a volunteer for the afternoon devotion. Connie Whitehead sang a special solo, "America." Bro. Eddie Clemmons sang "America, the Beautiful." Mrs. Janet Baxley sang "Where No One Stands Alone." All these special songs were greatly enjoyed. Then Rev. Baxley brought a short devotion based on II Cor. 6:15-18.

Rev. Whitehead declared a business session and called for the final report of the Credentials Committee. It was given and accepted. The Finance Committee report was called for and given. MSC to accept. The Moderator called for other reports The Ordaining Council gave an oral report. The coming annual CRUSADE, sponsored by the Men's Fellowship, was announced to be held August 16-20. Donations were solicitated. The Mission Board to meet this afternoon. MSC to give the host church, Damascus, a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality. MSC to adjourn. Benediction by Moderator.

July 16, 1981-- Received from Rev. Powell a letter from the Union Association of Tennessee recommending Rev. Carlie Lloyd as a licensed minister from their Association.

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THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION CHURCHES	Cooperative Program	Bishop Account	Children's Home	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Payne Account	Gainesville Mission	Sunny Hill Mission	Super- annuation	Association Purposes (Gen.Acct.)	TOTALS
CHRISTIAN HOME				130.00			75.00	75.00		40.00	320.00
COTTONDALE						·				32.00	32.00
CYPRESS CREEK	94.40						[10.00	104.40
DAMASCUS	424.00									15.00	439.00
HICKORY GROVE						30.00				20.00	50.00
HOLLY GROVE	484.72									15.00	499.72
LOVEWOOD	28.98									10.00	38. 98
MALONE	214.67		229.67							15.00	459.34
MARVIN CHAPEL	60.00									15.00	75.00
MIDWAY	·		3.00						3.00	2.00	8.00
NEW HOPE		108.54								15.00	123.54
PINE GROVE											
SALEM	645.00									10.00	655.00
SNEADS	100.00									15.00	115.00
TRAVELER'S REST	590.10			22.75	22.75	23.08	17.08			25.00	700.76
OFFERING											63.75
TOTALS	2,641.87	108.54	232.67	152.75	22.75	53.08	92.08	75.00	3.00		3,684.49

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ANNUAL SESSION

Holly Grove Free Will Baptist Church October 2, 1981, 7:00 P.M.

The host pastor, Rev. David Isaac, expressed a warm welcome to the visiting delegates of the Association for the opening session. Rev. Whitehead responded in behalf of the congregation. The song and praise service was led by Rev. James Pelt with Miss Connie Whitehead at the piano. The congregation sang "Are You Washed in the Blood" and Rev. Charles Powell led in prayer. Then everyone joined in singing "On Higher Ground."

The Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead, asked that everyone join him in prayer for this session of the Association and for the Moderator. He called the body to order for business and recognized the standing delegates and charged them to seat the elected delegates. MSC to seat the elected delegates. The Moderator called for any Committee report. The body received the report on Christian Education prepared by Marvin Chapel Church. MSC to accept the report. The letters and reports from the churches were turned in to the clerk. There being no further business, a song service was held for the evening worship hour.

Rev. James Pelt led in singing, "He Leadeth Me," and "Have Faith in God." A special message in song, "Amazing Grace," was

brought by Rev. James Pelt.

The Moderator introduced the speaker for the evening, Rev. J. D. Norris from Tallahassee, Florida. Rev. Norris read I Samuel 17:26-28 and led in prayer. Speaking on "Is There Not A Cause?" he declared he wanted above all else to be a blessing to others. He developed these points: 1. Is there not a cause to do right? 2. Is there not a cause to fight? 3. Is there not a cause to become involved? The message challenged the hearts of all present. He closed with an invitation and a prayer of rededication.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Charles Powell.

October 3, 1981, 10:00 A.M.

The session reconvened with Mrs. Walter Baxley at the piano and Rev. James Pelt leading the song service. After singing "Where He Leads, I'll Follow" Bro. Cressley led in prayer. Singing resumed with "Have Faith in God" and "Footsteps of Jesus"

The Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead, presided at the business session. He welcomed the delegates back and introduced Rev. Douglas Carr to bring the morning devotion. Rev. Carr read Hebrews 12:1,2 for a text and led in prayer. He spoke on laying aside the wieghts which besets one as a christian and run with patience the race set by God. He stressed the weights of habits and attitudes.

The Moderator again called the body to order for business and called for a partial report of the Credentials Committee. It was given and MSC to accept. The standing delegates were first recognized and then the elected delegates. The standing delegates by a motion which was seconded and carried to seat the elected delegates. Reports were called for. Received a report of the Committee on Committees by Hickory Grove Church. MSC to accept. Received the report of the Committee on Temperby Christian Home Church. MSC to accept. prepared by Cypress Creek Church. report on Stewardship The Moderator announced that the 1981-1982 budget to accept. plan would be made by the Executive Committee. A recess was declared before the morning worship hour.

At 11:00 the body was called to order and worship by piano music by Mrs. Baxley. Rev. James Pelt led the song, "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" and Bro. Gregory Burkett led in prayer. Song service continued with "Amazing Grace." A special message in song was brought by Misses Connie, Brenda and Jeanette Whitehead, entitled "Come Morning."

The Moderator introduced the speaker for the morning, Rev. Carlie Lloyd. Basing his message on Luke 9:18, Rev. Lloyd spoke on "The Lonely Jesus." Jesus was lonely, but not alone. There is power in praying alone, but there is loneliness in living a pure, sinless, separate life. There is loneliness in adhering to purpose and to witnessing for Jesus.

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The host pastor, Rev. David Isaac invited all to lunch in the fellowship hall. The benediction and blessing were express-

ed by Rev. Walter Baxley.

Afternoon Session

With Mrs. Baxley at the piano, Rev. James Pelt led in singing "Tell It to Jesus Alone." Rev. C. J. Pelt led in prayer. Bro. Eddie Clemmons sang a special entitled "The Stranger of Galilee." The afternoon devotion consisted of a personal testimony of Bro. Ed Shelly based on I Cor. 13:11.

The Moderator called the body to order for a final business session. Received the report of the Committee on Obituaries by the First Church of Sneads. MSC to accept. Received a report of the Finance Committee by Damascus Church. MSC to accept. Received a report of the Executive Board on the budget. MSC to accept. Received the report of the Auxiliaries Committee by New Hope Church. MSC to accept. Received a report of the Ordaining Council. MSC to accept. Received an oral report of the Historical Committee by Rev. C. H. Pelt. MSC to accept. Received the report of the Nomination Committee prepared by Lovewood Church. MSC to accept. The election of officers resulted in the present officers being elected unanimously: Rev. Odis Whitehead, Moderator; Bro. H. L. Padgett, Vice Moderator and Ruby C. Pelt, Clerk-Treasurer. Rev. Odis Whitehead resigned from the Ordaining Council. His resignation was accepted and Rev. Carlie Lloyd was elected to the position.

Rev. Bill George announced that November 23 is designate as pick-up day for donations to the Children's Home

MSC to entend to Holly Grove Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality. MSC to adjourn Benediction by Rev. Charles Powell.

ANNUAL SESSION CHURCHES	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Bi shop Account	Payne Account	Home Missions	Sunny Hills	Gainesville	Children's Home	Super- annuation	Association General Fund	TOTALS
CHRISTIAN HOME				130.00		75.00	75.00			40.00	320.00
COTTONDALE					_					32.00	32.00
CYPRESS CREEK	93.20									10.00	103.20
DAMASCUS	475.00									15.00	490.00
HICKORY GROVE				30.00						20.00	50.00
HOLLY GROVE	200.00									15.00	215.00
LOVEWOOD	23.35									10.00	33.35
MALONE	244.33		_					259.33		15.00	518.66
MARVIN CHAPEL	60.00									15.00	75.00
MIDWAY								3.00	4.00	3.00	10.00
NEW HOPE			84.10							15.00	99.10
PINE GROVE											
SALEM	607.00									10.00	617.00
SNEADS	100.00									15.00	115.00
TRAVELER'S REST	430.73			23.67			17.67			25.00	497.07
OFFERING										60.50	60.50
TOTALS	2,233.61		84.10	183.67		75.00	92.67	262.33	4.00	300.50	3,235.88

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TREASURER'S REPORT OCTOBER 6, 1980 - OCTOBER 2, 1981

		RECEIVED	DISPERSED	BALANCE
10-6 12-1	Brought ForwardEvans Printing (Minutes)	\$ 815.59	\$ 244.44	\$ 815.59 571.15
1-3-81 1-10	First Quarterly Session	3,172.25	2,123.86	3,743.40 1,619.54
1-10	Wayne Hartzog- (Sunny Hill Mission)		125.00	1,494.54
4-4	Second Quarterly Session	3,535.37		5,029.91
4-10	Superannuation 4.00 Randall House (Youth Material)		2,411.84 206.80	2,618.07 2,411.27
	Beverly Hartzog (SunnyHill Mission)		872.20	1,539.07
	From Mrs. Baxley from Salem Church To Mrs. Baxley (reimbursement)	30.00	105.00	1,569.07 1,464.07
	From Mrs. Baxley for Youth Board Randall House #60659 (Youth Material)	5.00	75.85	1,469.07 1,393.22
7-4	Third Quarterly Session	3,684.49	2,646.28	5,077.71 2,431.43
	Beverly Hartzog, SunnyHill Mission		75.00	2,356.43
10-3	Rev. Odis Whitehead, Moderator		50.00	2,306.43
10-3	Annual Session	3,235.88		5,542.31
	Payne Account	2,301.97	867.23 50.00 48.00	3,240.34 2,373.11 2,323.11 2,275.11
	TOTALS	\$14,478.58	\$12,203.47	

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CHURCHES PASTORS CLERK	E. Baptism	Other Ways	Deaths	Dis. Letters	Membership	Paid Pastor	 Paid Evangelist	 Cooperative Program
CHRISTIAN Rev. J.C. Pelt Falfa Cla HOME P.O. Box 431 Rt. 1, Bo Blountstown, Fla. 32424	x 275E	0	2	4	193	6,825.00	872.40	
COTTONDALE Rev. Henry Matthew Rt. 5, Box 688 Chipley, Fla. 32428	x 243	2	1	2	40	2,700.00	500.00	128.00
CYPRESS Rev. Elias Hurst J.W. Dilm CREEK Rt. 4, Box 247 Rt. 4, Bo Chipley, Fla. 32428	x 452	0	1	0	47	2,240.00		375.00
DAMASCUS Rev. O. Whitehead Rt. 4, Box 74 Rt. 6, Bo Marianna, Fla. 32446	x 344	9	1	1	87	7,925.00	200,00	1,633.00
HICKORY GROVE Rt. 1, Bo Bascom, F	x 121	2	2	2	79	4,762.00	225,00	
HOLLY Rev. D. Isaac Davine Sh Rt. 2, Bo Marianna, Fla. 32446	x 53	0	0	10	56	13,560.00	810.00	1,753.23
LOVEWOOD Rev. John Holland Rt. 4, Box 17 Bonifay, Fla. 32425	x 167H	1	0	4	21	3,103.00	150.00	104.00
MALONE Rev. Walter Baxley Helen Wat P.O. Box 335 1106 Coll Malone, Fla. 32445	ege Dr.	8	1	1	11	6,500.00	350.00	1,090.33
MARVIN Rev. C. Powell Audrey D. CHAPEL Rt. 6, Box 180 R'. 1, Box Marianna, Fla. 32446 32446	x 36	3	3	0	171	11,480.00	0	240.00
MIDWAY Rev. J.W. Roberts Willa D. Rt. 1, Box 76 Sneads, Fla. 32460	x 76 la. 0	0	0	0			0	0
NEW HOPE Rev. D. Carr Lena Cree Rt. 2, Box 266 Rt. 1, Bo Ashford, Ala. Bascom, F 36312	x 215	5	0	2	52	5,260.00	250.00	0
PINE Rev. T. Adams Rick Wise GROVE Rt. 1 Rt. 1, Bo Blountstown, Fla. 32424	x 148B							
SALEM Rev. W.E. George Rt. 2 Rt. 2, Bonifay, Fla. 32425	x 167	1	1	0	94	10,025.00	350.00	2,528.00
SNEADS Rev. L. Ogletree Frances C P.O. Bos 783 P.O. Box Sneads, Fla. Sneads, F	297	1	1	2	76	8,855.00	375.00	400.00
32460								
TRAVELER'S Rev. Carlie Lloyd Ella Gran REST Rt. 1, Box 123 Altha, Fla. 32421 Rt. 1, Bo Altha, Fl	x 71	2	1	2	50	6,250.00	1,036.00	1,638.96

Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Education	Orphanage	Superan- nuation	Association Projects	St. & Nat'l. Projects	Other	Total Operation	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage
560.50	1,309.05	330.00	469.95		539.05	100.00	7,949.45	25,408.00	75,000.00	15,000.00
0	0	0	50.00	. 0	100.00	0	510.03	10,231.12	55,000.00	15,000.00
0	0	0	0	0	100.00	0			10,000.00	
0	0	0	100.00	0	0	0			45,000.00	20,000.00
240.00	0	180.00	120.00	0	80.00	0	1,583.30	8,601.62	100,000.00	
260.00	374.68	280.00	180.00	60.00			7,891.00	27,175.00	80,000.00	
			200.00		40.00		1,320.59	5,408.33	5,408.33	25,000.00
100.00	50.00		750.02				7,473.33	22,684.34	115,000.00	45,000.00
234.00	1,863.00	579.00	339.00		100.00		6,799.10	34,194.75	100,000.00	50,000.00
			8.00	16.00	0	0	0	32.00	3,000.00	
294.64	282,56	0	100.00	0	160.00	0	2,123.65	9,249.63	15,000.00	
260.00	870.00	890.00	1,115.00	0	0	0	7,780.34	27,416.66	25,000.00	20,000.00
0	116.00	0	240.00	0	0	0	511.64	16,095.60	50,000.00	20,000.00
110.98	359.63	637.54	0	0	362.74	0	4,306.84		60,000.00	7,500.00
2,060,12	5,224.92	2,896.54	3,671.97	76.00	1,481.79	100.00	25,401.86	247,931.11	738,408.33	217,500.00

MISSION BOARD and CHURCH EXTENSION October 6, 1980 - October 2, 1981

(65% of	25% of Cooperative Fund)	RECEIVED	DISPERSED	BALANCE
1~3-81	From Cooperative Program (65%) (25% of \$2,439.55 = \$609.89) (65% of \$609.89 = \$396.42)	\$ 396.42		396.42
4-4-81	From Cooperative Program (25% of \$2,384.09 = \$596.02) (65% of \$596.02 = \$387.41) SunnyHill Mission	387.41	783.83	783.83 0
7-4-81	From Cooperative Program (25% of \$2,641.87 = \$660.46) (65% of \$660.46 = \$429.26)	429.26		429.26
10-3-81	From Cooperative Program (25% of \$2,233.61 = \$558.41) (65% of \$558.41 = \$362.97) SunnyHill Mission	362.97	792.23	792.23

YOUTH BOARD October 6, 1980 - October 2, 1981

(25% of	25% of Cooperative Fund	RECEIVED	DISPERSED	BALANCE
1-3-81	From Cooperative Program (25% of \$2,439.55 = \$609.89) (25% of \$609.89 = \$152.47)	152.47		152.47
4-4-81	From Cooperative Program (25% of \$2,384.09 = \$596.02) (25% of \$596.02 = \$149.01) From Mrs. Baxley	149.01	206.80	301.48 441.48 234.68
4-22-81 4-22-81	From Mrs. Baxley from Salem From Mrs. Baxley from ? Reimbursed Mrs. Baxley Randall House #60659	30.00 5.00	105.00 75.85	264.68 269.68 164.68 88.83
7-4-81	From Cooperative Program (25% of \$2,641.87 = \$660.46) (25% of \$660.46 = \$165.11)	165.11		253.94
10-3-81	From Cooperative Program (25% of \$2,233.61 = \$558.41) (25% of \$558.41 = \$139.60)	139.60		393.54

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 569-2786 Rev. Douglas Carr, Rt.2, Box226, Ashford, Ala. 36312 - 569-2786 Rev. W.E. George, Rt.1, Bonifay, Fla. 32425 ------ 547-2340 Rev. John Holland, Rt.4, Box17, Bonifay, Fla. 32425 -- 547-3082 Rev. Elias Hurst, Rt. 4, Box 247, Chipley, Fla. 32428

Rev. David Isaac, Rt.6, Box38, Marianna, Fla. 32446 -- 526-4576 Rev. Carlie Lloyd, Rt.1, Box123, Altha, Fla. 32421 -- 762-8591

Rev. Henry Matthews, Rt.5, Box688, Chipley, Fla. 32428

Rev. J.E. Nichols, Rt., Altha, Fla. 32421 Rev. Leonard Ogletree, P.O. Box783, Sneads, Fla. 32460 593-6360 Rev. C.H. Pelt, 1502 College St., Marianna, Fla. 32446 Rev. James C. Pelt, P.O. Box431, Blountstown, Fla.

32424 674-8495

Rev. Charles Powell, Rt.6, Box180, Marianna, Fla. 32446 482-7111

Rev. Harvey Ross

Rev. James W. Roberts, Rt.1, Box76, Sneads, Fla. 32460 592-8967 Rev. Odis Whitehead, Rt. 4, Box 74, Marianna, Fla. 32446

Rev. C.A. Williams, P.O. Box 215, Sneads, Fla. 32460

LICENSED MINISTERS

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

A steward is one who has charge of something that belongs to another and is solely responsible for it. Men are stewards, not owners, and their first and most important duty is to be faithful to God, and secondly, to be faithful to man, and receive the blessings of God, as in I Peter 4:10. Let us therefore give our best to the Lord.

Accountability. "So then every one of us shall give account

of himself to God." Romans 14:12.

Divine Ownership of God. I Cor. 6:20. "For ye are bought with a price. Therefore, glorify God in your body and in your

spirit, which are God's."

Reward for service to God. "As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same, one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." I Peter 4:10. Let us, therefore, give our best service to the Lord.

PROPOSED 1981 - 1982 BUDGET

The Executive Committee offers these recommendations for our 1981-1982 Budget:

We recommend \$12,000.00 to be set as a goal for the Cooperative Plan of Support.

2. We recommend these percentages for dividing the cooperative monies:

> State 75% Assoc. 25%

We further recommend these percentages for dividing the 3. associational funds:

Mission Board 65% Youth Board 25% General Fund 10%

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Temperance, submit the following report:
The definition of temperance is habitual moderation in the indulgence of appetites and passions. The opposite of temperance is excessiveness. Therefore, we, who seek to follow Christ, should promote temperance in every pursuit of life. Let us consider our ways and devote ourselves to self control and mideration in all areas of life.

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Partial Report:	Final Report:
Number of churches reporting 14	14
Number of ministers registered 14	14
Number of deacons registered 15	15
Number of delegates registered 43	43
Number of visitors registered 33	<u>37</u>
Total Present $$ 119	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Auxilaries	Sneads
Committee on Committees	Marvin Chapel
Christian Education	Damascus
Finance	Salem
Nominations	Christian Home
Obituaries	Traveler's Rest
Resolutions	
Stewardship	
Temperance	Holly Grove

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Executive Committee	Bro.	Willie Sellers	1984
Ordaining Council	Rev.	James Pelt	1984
Mission Board	Bro.	Charlie Lovering	1986
Youth Board	Bro.	Lloyd Blackmon	1984

PLACES OF MEETING IN 1982:

First Quarterly Session	Christian Home Church
Second Quarterly Session	First Church of Malone
Third Quarterly Session	Traveler's Rest Church
Annual Session	Lovewood Church

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUXILIARIES

Sunday Schoo	ls	13
C.T.S		10
Prayer Meeti	ng	8
	liaries	
Master's Men	·	2

The Woman's Auxiliaries of the Salem Association met on February 14, 1981 and reorganized the District organization, and have held two meetings since that time.

There are six Auxiliaries and fifty-six members. We sent two women to the State Meeting and Retreat at Auburndale in June. Our next meeting will convene the second Saturday in April at Holly Grove. Any church desiring to organize an Auxiliary please, contact Mrs. Eron Bailey, Blountstown, Fla., or Mrs. Ogletree, Sneads, Fla. for assistance.

REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

The Council ordained Bro. Carlie Lloyd, pastor of Traveler's Rest Church, on Sunday, August 16, 1981.

We recommend that the Moderator extend the right hand of Christian fellowship to Bro. Carr and Bro. Lloyd.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is presented as an important factor in the fulfillment of Christ's commission "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations...teaching them to observe all things, whatsoever I have commanded you." Matthew 28:19-20. In order to minister effectively we must have trained teachers.

Since 1930 Evangelical Teacher Training Association (E.T.T.A.) has been used of God to strengthen and advance Evangelical Christian education. E.T.T.A. leadership preparation materials are planned to preserve and propagate the rich gospel

message through good educational methods.

The Preliminary Certificate Program is designed for local church training classes. Six vital and challenging subjects are covered. The three Bible Survey courses are Old Testament Survey-Law and History; Old Testament Survey-Poetry and Prophecy; New Testament Survey. Christian Education required courses include Understanding People; Teaching Techniques; Understanding Sunday School.

An Award Credit Card is issued for satisfactory work in each course that is taught by an instructor approved by E.T.T.A.

Complete information on materials, as well as suggestions and helps for organizing and developing leadership training, may be obtained from Free Will Baptist Sunday School Department, H.D. Harrison, Director of Teacher Training, P.O. Box 17306, Nashville, Tennessee 37217.

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Obituaries, report that the following have been called from our midst to be with the Lord:
Marvin Chapel -- Bro. Joe White - November 6, 1980

Bro. J.W.E. Peacock - April 27, 1981
Bro. Raymond Bell - July 7, 1981
Salem ------- Bro. Joe W. Brock - August 22, 1981
Cottondale ---- Sister Mary Bell Glass - August 14, 1981
Christian Home -- Sister Alma Cooley - March 14, 1981
Bro. Luther Harden - June 19, 1981
Sneads ------ Bro. Nathan Franklin Ellis - May 13, 1981
Malone ----- Bro. Robert Tindell - June 16, 1981
Damascus ----- Sister Quincy Hill - August 31, 1981

BRO. JOE E. BROCK - "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of Life." On August 22, 1981, God in His infinite mercy saw fit to call Bro. Joe E. Brock from our midst to ahouse not made with hands. Bro. Brock was a faithful member of Salem FWB Church and served as a deacon for several years. Due to illness he suffered a long time, he was not able to attend church, bit I'm sure his heart was always there. His life was one of service to his family, friends and his church. He will be greatly missed by his church, family and his community. We bow in humble submission to the will of one who doeth all things well.

BRO. LUTHER HARDEN - On June 19, 1981, our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, called our Brother, Luther Harden unto Himself to dwell in a home not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens, where peace, joy and happiness will be his reward.

He was born in Calhoun County many years ago, and lived in the same community all his life. He accepted Christ at an early age, and united with Christian Home FWB Church, and was a devout member as long as he lived. "Luther" as he was affectionately known was loved and adored by all who knew him, and he will be greatly missed by the community, his church, neighbors and loved ones.

Funeral services were conducted at Christian Home Church by his pastor, Rev. James C. Pelt, and burial followed in the family plot in Nettle Ridge Cemetery.

Survivors are his widow, two sons, two daughters, several grandchildren and also great grandchildren. The memory he left his loved ones is an inspiration for them to follow in his footsteps, and live a noble life for the Master.

We have suffered a great loss in his passing, but we bow reverently to the will of the One, who doeth all things well.

MRS. ALMA COOLEY - On March 14, 1981, Christian Home FWB Church suffered agreat loss in the passing of one of our sisters in Christ and a life long member of our church.

She was born and reared within the shadow of the church, and affiliated herself with the church at an early age, and was a faithful, ardent worker until her health failed and she went to Maryville, Missouri to be with her only daughter, due to her poor health, and her inability to care for herself.

She is survived by one daughter, Marylin, one sister, Mrs. Susie O'Conner of Maryville, Missouri, two grandchildren, two great grandchildren and several other relatives and a host of friends.

Funeral Services were conducted in Maryville, Missouri, and burial followed in the church cemetery. Our loss is Heavens gain, and we bow in humble submission to the will of One who doeth all things well. We extend our deepest sympathy to her loved ones, and pray God's richest blessings on them.

SISTER MARY BELL GLASS - On August 14, 1981, Cottondale FWB Church suffered the loss of its member, Sister Mary Bell Glass. Funeral services were conducted at the Cottondale Church with burial in the Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, eight children, seventeen grandchildren, four great grandchildren and nine half brothers and sisters. "I cannot say, and will not say, "She is not dead, she is just away!"

Traveler's Rest Church - Bro. Alton Hitchcock, 1919
Bro. Roger Smith, 1979

Hickory Grove Church --- Sister Versie Ford, Oct. 29, 1980 Bro. Woodrow W. Hatcher, Nov. 23, 1980

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 11 - 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, Tempérance, 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 Youth Board.

- (1) The Home Mission-Church Extension Board shall be composed of five (5) members.
- (2) The Youth Board shall be composed of three (3) members. All standing 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

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

Section 1. All churches represented in the body are asked to pay fees quarterly. The amount of this fee shall be determined by the body while in session, and may be changed by a two-third vote in any session.

Section 2. Each church is to send five dollars (\$5) per delegate with a minimum of five dollars (\$5) per church.

Section 3. Each church is asked to send at least ten percent (10%) of its income for the cooperative plan of support.

Section 4. All cooperative funds coming into this body shall be spent under a budget plan. This budget must be approved by the body while in session.

Section 5. The Moderator and Clerk shall each receive fifty dollars (\$50) 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.

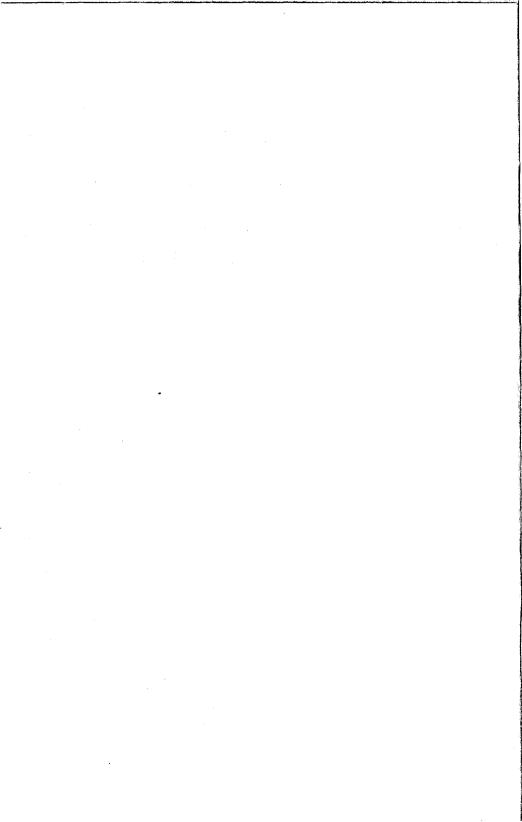
Section 4. Cards will be given at the annual session of this association to those ministers of good standing.

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 - - - - Christian Home Church January 2, 1982

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION - - - Salem Church April 3, 1982

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION ---- Traveler's Rest Church
July 3, 1982

ANNUAL SESSION ------ Lovewood Church
Friday Night, 7:00 P.M. October 1, 1982
Saturday, 10:00 A.M. October 2, 1982