

MINUTES

OF THE

88th ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

COTTONDALE CHURCH

1983

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MISSION BOARD

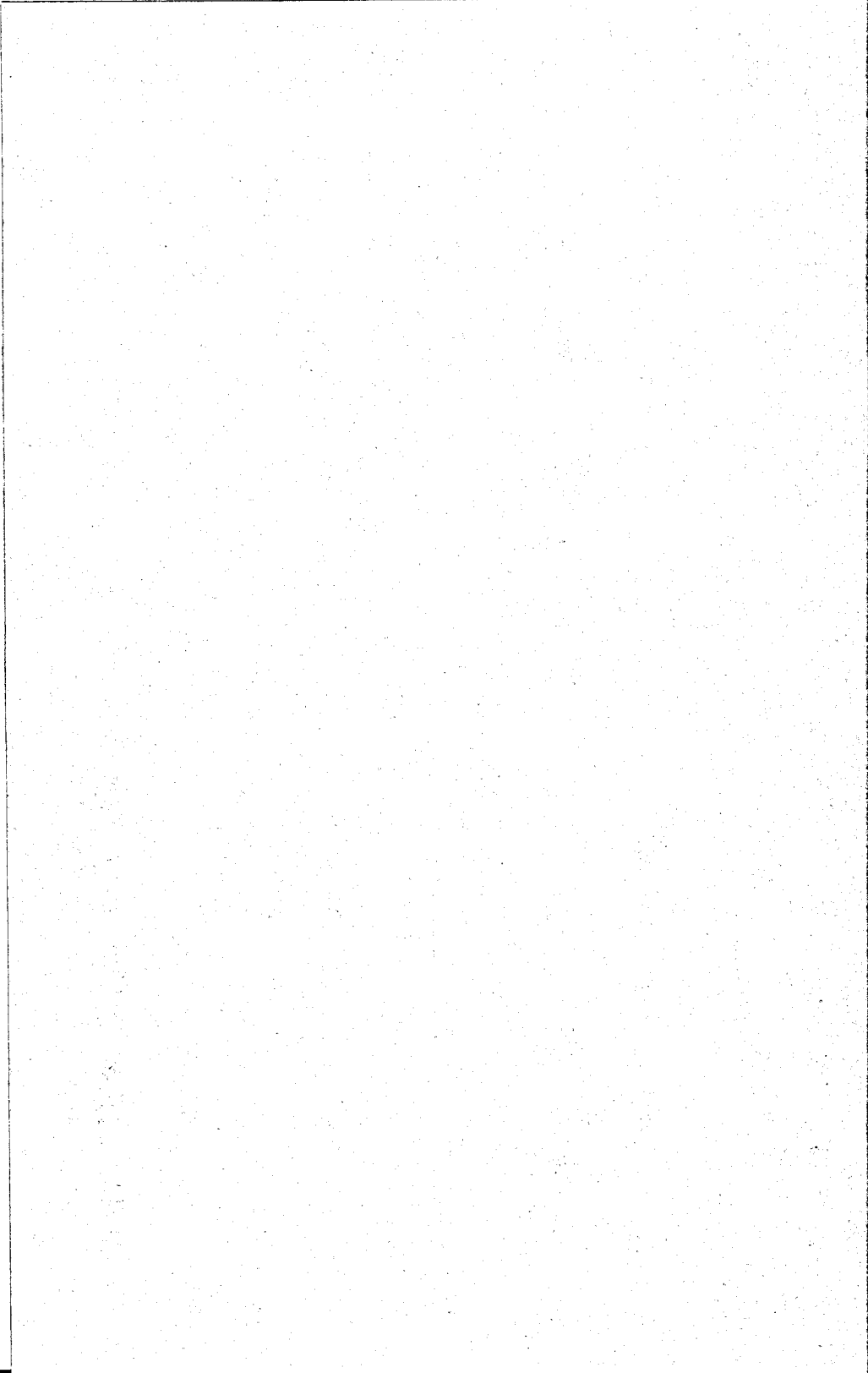
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FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

First Free Will Baptist of Sneads

January 1, 1983

Registration for the session began at 9:45 and at 10:00. Rev. John Amburgey led the congregation in a song and praise service, with Mrs. Amburgey at the piano.

After singing "He Hideth My Soul" Bro. Richard Rehberg led in a prayer. Then "Breathe On Me," was selected. With Mrs. Amburgey as pianist, Rev. Amburgey rendered a special message in song, entitled, "It Is Finished". The Whitehead sisters thrilled the congregation by singing "I've Come To Far to Turn Back."

Bro. Edward Baxter brought a timely devotion based upon Rom. 8:28. Rev. Odis Whitehead led in prayer. Bro. Baxter reminded all that believers are anchored by Christ. Christ did it all. God is for us if we trust and are obedient. Nothing can separate one from the love of God. Rev. John Amburgey led in prayer.

The Vice-Moderator, Bro. H. L. Padgett, called the body to order for a business session, and called for a partial report of the Credential Committee. MSC that the report be accepted. He recognized the standing delegates and charged them with seating the elected delegates. He recognized the elected delegates and received a MSC to seat the elected delegates. He recognized the visitors, Rev. & Mrs. Coley Baxter of the State Line Association. He called for any reports ready at this time. There were none. He declared a fifteen minute recess before the morning worship hour.

Congregational singing resumed with Rev. John Amburgey leading and Mrs. Amburgey at the piano. "Happy Birthday" was sung to the Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead. After singing "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" Rev. Coley Baxter led in prayer. Bro. W. J. Cressley, Jr. offered the offertory prayer and the regular offering was taken. With Miss Whitehead accompanying him at the piano, Bro. Eddie Clemmons sang a special "Is He Satisfied."

The Rev. Bill George brought the morning message. He read I Peter 4:7,10,12,17 and entitled his message, "Living With The End in View." The dramatic message challenged and inspired all present to stand firm in God, face reality in living for Christ, bear each others burdens, strive to get close to the Lord, to think soberly be aware of sin, cultivate the love of God and come back to the first love -- a total commitment, putting God first in 1983 and living in the light of John 3:16.

With soft piano music an invitation to the altar was made. Prayers for recommitment was led by Rev. David Isaac and Rev. Carlie Lloyd.

Rev. John Amburgey, the host pastor, extended an invitation to lunch and Rev. Charles Powell gave the benediction and blessing on the food.

After a bountiful lunch and the fellowship period, piano music by Mrs. Amburgey signaled the time to reconvene. Rev. John Amburgey led in singing the song, "Brethren We Have Met To Worship."

Rev. C. A. Williams brought the afternoon devotion. He read Numbers 10: 29-32 and led in prayer. His topic was "New Trials 1983." The invitation to Christ should be based on what Christ can do for the individual. God doesn't need us, but we need Him. The church needs individuals and the individuals need the church. Rev. John Amburgey led in prayer.

Bro. Padgett declared a business session and called for the final report of the Credential Committee. MSC to accept. MSC to adopt the same budget for 1983. Rev. Bill George gave an oral report from the Ordaining Council. They recommended Rev. John Amburgey as a pastor to the Association based on a letter of recommendation from the Indian River Association. MSC to welcome Rev. Amburgey. Rev. George extended the hand of fellowship in behalf of the Association. He also mentioned a letter of information from the State Line Association to be kept on file.

The Finance Committee report was given. MSC to accept. Rev. David Isaac announced that the Association Skating Social sponsored by the Youth Board, needed better attendance. Rev. Bill George is speaking on the radio during January. The Men's

Fellowship meets with Salem Church in January. The Youth Rally for January is called off, but will meet with the Sneads Church in February. A missionary will be in the area February 3-11.

MSC to give Sneads Church a rising vote of thanks for their kind hospitality in hosting this session. Rev. Odis Whithead pronounced the benediction.

First Quarterly Session Jan. 1, 1983	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Camp Mt. Pleasant	Gainesville	Children's Home	Superannuation	Assn. General Fund	
Christian Home			240.00		75.00				40.00	355.00	
Cottdendale									32.00	32.00	
Cypress Creek											
Damascus	830.00								20.00	850.00	
Hickory Grove			30.00						20.00	50.00	
Holly Grove	200.00								15.00	215.00	
Lovewood	36.31								10.00	46.31	
Malone	294.62							309.62	15.00	619.24	
Marvin Chapel	60.00								15.00	75.00	
Midway								4.00	2.00	6.00	
New Hope		39.30							15.00	54.30	
Pine Grove											
Salem	511.00								10.00	521.00	
Sneads	100.00								15.00	115.00	
Traveler's Rest	541.22		49.98			24.97			40.00	656.17	
Offering									58.00	58.00	
Totals	\$2,573.15	39.30	319.98	75.00	24.97	313.62		307.00	\$3,653.02		

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

First Free Will Baptist Church of Malone
April 2, 1983

The service opened with congregational singing "He Keeps Me Singing" with Rev. James Pelt leading and Mrs. Janet Baxley at the piano. Rev. Walter Baxley led in prayer. The song "The Old Rugged Cross," was sung. The pastor, Rev. Walter Baxley, made the preliminary remarks. Bro. Clemmons sang "Were You There?"

Rev. Gerald Fowler brought the morning devotion based on Rom. 6:23 and entitled "The Invisible Price Tag of Sin." After reading the scripture, he prayed. He reminded us that the devil cheats. The wages of sin is death and condemnation. Sin hinders from being the successful christian. Such sins as lying, stealing and gossiping cause lack of power in churches.

The host pastor spoke words of welcome and greetings. The Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead, called the session to order for business. MSC to receive a partial report of the Credentials Committee. The standing delegates stood and were recognized. The elected delegates were recognized. MSC that the standing delegates seat the elected delegates for this session. The Moderator called for any committee report. He spoke on the duty of a committee to be aware of its duties and responsibilities in every session and be ready to act. He called for any old or unfinished business. He declared a recess before the morning worship hour. Rev. Charles Powell gave the benediction. A period of greetings and fellowship followed.

Rev. James Pelt led in singing "Holy, Holy, Holy" and Rev. Bill George led in prayer. Bro. Eddie Clemmons sang a special, "Were You There?" An offering was received with prayer by Bro. Raymond Baxter. The congregation sang, "Christ arose."

Rev. Baxley introduced the speaker of the hour, pastor of Chipley FWB Church. Rev. Cliff Holland read several passages of scripture including; Rom. 8:36-40, John 3:16, Rom. 5:8, Luke 6:27, but his text was Songs of Solomon 2:5,6. His message was love-sickness

for Jesus based on a personal encounter and experiences with Jesus. There is joy in loving Jesus, but greater joy in realizing that Jesus loves me.. He charged that churches and members have left their first love. Invitational hymn was "Just As I Am."

The host pastor gave directions and invitation to lunch. The Moderator pronounced a blessing and a benediction.

Rev. James Pelt led in singing "Footprints of Jesus" and Rev. Carla Lloyd led in prayer. "Blessed Assurance" was sung.

The Moderator introduced Rev. Gerald Fowler, as the promotor of Florida Free Will Baptist, with the purpose to challenge churches to do more. There is strength in cooperation. "The Free Will Baptist Story", as prepared by Bro. Fowler, was shown by means of slides showing churches and their pastors. Bro. Fowler took many pictures of this session to add to the story.

MSC to accept the final report of the Credentials Committee.

MSC to accept the Finance Committee report.

MSC to receive the Nomination Committee report.

Bro. Chason replaced Bro. Willie Sellers on the Executive Committee, and Br. W. J. Cressley, Jr. replaced Bro. Blackman on the Youth Board.

MSC to send the Gainesville Mission \$500.00 from the general fund. MSC to extend to the host church a rising vote of thanks for its hospitality.

Announcements: Youth Camp-three weeks beginning June 12. Camp Meeting at Camp Mount Pleasant Aug. 7-12. Homecomings; Cottondale April 10, Lovewood April 24, Sneads April 3. Pastors of Salem Assn. and their families meet at Camp Mt. Pleasant on April 4. Sunrise service at Salem April 3. Youth Rally at Salem. The Salem Youth competition coming soon. Revival at St. John Church April 3.

MSC to adjourn. Benediction by Rev. James Roberts. Credentials Committee report; 15 churches, 11 ministers, 9 deacons, 29 delegates and 40 visitors registered.

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Second Quarterly Session	Cooperative Program	Bishop Account	Pinkerton Account	Payne Account	Home Missions	Camp Mt. Pleasant	Gainesville	Children's Home	Superannuation	Assn. General Fund	Totals
Christian Home				120.00	120.00	75.00				40.00	355.00
Cottondale										32.00	32.00
Cypress Creek	202.58									5.00	207.58
Damascus	703.00									15.00	718.00
Hickory Grove				30.00						20.00	50.00
Holly Grove	200.00									15.00	215.00
Lovewood	33.18									10.00	43.18
Malone	312.73							327.73		15.00	655.46
Marvin Chapel	60.00									15.00	75.00
Midway					2.00			4.00		2.00	8.00
New Hope		47.64								15.00	62.64
Pine Grove											
Salem	544.00									10.00	554.00
Sneads	100.00									15.00	115.00
Traveler's Rest	637.45		37.55	49.78			24.77			25.00	774.55
Offering										57.30	57.30
Totals	2,792.94	47.64	37.55	199.78	122.00	75.00	24.77	331.73		291.30	\$3,922.71

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

New Hope Free Will Baptist Church

July 2, 1983

Registration began at 9:45. At 10:00 a song and praise service was led by Daniel Collins with Mrs. Susan Carr at the piano. The song "Heavenly Sunlight" was followed by a prayer by Rev. David Isaac. "I am Resolved" was sung.

The host pastor Rev. Douglas Carr, introduced Rev. John Amburgey to bring the morning devotion. Isaiah 5:1-7 was read and a prayer was given. The speaker reminded all that God gives vineyards, or areas of service to individuals and churches. God is displeased with unfruitfulness and will take the opportunities away. When this happens one will draw away from God. He will not give you up, but you might give up God.

Rev. Douglas Carr expressed a gracious welcome to everyone. The Vice-Moderator, Bro. H.L. Padgett, presided in the absence of the Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead, who was in Mississippi.

Letters from the churches were called for. A partial report of the Credential Committee was requested, given and MSC. Rev. Joe Murkerson was recognized as a visitor from the State Line Association. The standing delegates were recognized and charged with the responsibility of seating the elected delegates. The elected delegates stood and were recognized. MSC to seat them. MSC to recess until after the morning worship service. Rev. Charles Powell pronounced the benediction.

The congregation was called to order by piano music. The song leader chose "Love Lifted Me" and "There's Power In The Blood." A special message in song, "Try Jesus," was rendered by Rose Green and Susan Carr.

The host pastor introduced the speaker for the morning, Rev. Joe Murkerson. Romans 10: 9-13 was read and prayer offered. Rev. Murkerson based his message on the second paragraph of the Free Will Baptist Covenant. In this the members promise to (1) love, (2) avoid all appearance of evil, (3) avoid all sinful amusement, (4) abstain from all alcoholic beverages and (5) provide all things honest.

An offering was taken. The congregation sang "Living By Faith" and "Victory In Jesus." Announcements were given as follows: The Florida State Association will convene with Marvin Chapel Church on Nov. 2,3,4 , 1983; Homecoming at Salem Church; Lovewood Church revival July 10; New Hope Church revival July 17 and registration being made now for Holly Grove Christian School for next Term.

The host pastor gave directions for lunch and the benediction and blessing on the food was given by John Rawls.

After a delicious lunch, the congregation re-convened and sang "When The Saints Go Marching In."

Rev. Carr introduced Rev. David Isaac to bring the afternoon devotion. After reading Gal. 5:1 and uttering a prayer, Rev. Isaac brought a message on freedom. Our national freedom and individual freedoms required sacrifices. But freedoms from Jesus give liberty to do what one ought to do. Jesus furnishes one (1) freedom from the curse of the law, (2) freedom from the guilt of sin, (3) freedom from the dominion of sin, (4) freedom from the power of darkness, (5) freedom from the sting of death and (6) freedom from fear.

Vice-Moderator called to order for business session. Called for reports. Final report of the Credentials Committee was given. MSC to accept. Finance Committee report given. MSC to accept it. The report of the Missions was presented and MSC. (see end of minutes) The report of the Nomination Committee was given and MSC. The report of the Youth Board was given and MSC. The National Association will convene in Tampa, Florida in 1989. A slide presentation of the Florida work is available. See Rev. Charles Powell. MSC to give thanks to the host church for its hospitality. The Youth Rally will be held at Malone July 2. MSC to adjourn. Benediction was by Rev. Carla Lloyd.

Final report of the Credentials Committee:

Number of ministers present _____ 14
 Number of deacons present _____ 11
 Number of delegates present _____ 31
 Number of visitors present _____ 41
 Total _____ 97

Number of churches represented _____ 15

Third Quarterly Session	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Camp Mt. Pleasant	Gainesville	Children's Home	Superannuation	Assn. General Fund	Totals
Christian Home				130.00		75.00	130.00			40.00	375.00
Cottondale										32.00	32.00
Cypress Creek	106.30										106.30
Damascus	713.00									15.00	728.00
Hickory Grove				30.00						20.00	50.00
Holly Grove	200.00									15.00	215.00
Lovewood	33.67									10.00	43.67
Malone	202.60							217.60		15.00	435.20
Marvin Chapel	60.00									15.00	75.00
Midway	2.00							4.00		2.00	8.00
New Hope										15.00	15.00
Pine Grove											
Salem	617.00									10.00	627.00
Sneads	100.00									15.00	115.00
Traveler's Rest	693.34			87.24			62.23			20.00	862.81
Offering										57.82	57.82
Totals	2727.91			247.24		75.00	192.23	221.60		281.82	\$3,745.80

ANNUAL SESSION

Cottdendale Free Will Baptist Church
September 30, 1983, 7 P.M.

The congregation led by Rev. John Amburgey and Miss Whitehead at the piano, sang "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus." Bro. Richard Rehberg led in prayer. The host pastor, Rev. Henry Matthews, welcomed those attending the annual session.

The Moderator, Rev. Odis Whitehead, responded to the welcome in behalf of the congregation and declared a business session. The standing delegates were recognized and charged with the responsibility of seating the elected delegates. The elected delegates were recognized and charged with the responsibility of voting on issues raised. MSC that the elected delegates be seated.

Moderator called for reports. A report on Education from Christian Home was received. MSC to accept. Marvin Chapel reported on Stewardship. MSC to receive it. The Resolution Committee was the Sneads Church, who gave the report. MSC to accept. A partial report of the Credentials Committee totaled 55 present. MSC to accept.

Congregational singing resumed with "Breathe On Me." Special music was rendered by Misses Connie, Brenda and Jeanette Whitehead, "He Grew the Tree."

Rev. James Pelt brought the evening message, "The Love of God," based on I John 1:3. He discussed the terms friend, friendship, fellowship, communion and partnership. The Love of God and the fellowship with Christ mean all the things. God wants His children to have access to all that He is and has, but in order to experience this relationship one must hold nothing back, but give all. Rev. David Isaac prayed the benediction.

October 1, 1983, 10 A.M.

The song service was led by Rev. James Pelt, with Miss Connie Whitehead at the piano. Singing "When I See The Blood" blessed all hearts; then Rev. Bill George led in prayer. The next song was "The Solid Rock."

The host pastor welcomed the congregation and Rev. Whitehead responded. Rev. Bill George again led in prayer.

The devotion was given by Rev. Carlie Lloyd. He read Romans 6:1-12 and from this showed that one can live as a christian. The needed power and grace is available. He then led in prayer.

The Moderator again the standing and elected delegates present charged them with their duties. MSC to seat the elected delegates. He called for any reports ready. The Committee on Committees reported. MSC to accept. The report of the Temperance Committee was given. MSC to accept. The Auxiliaries Committee reported. MSC to accept. Called for corresponding letters - none. Called for corresponding delegates - none. Rev. Sizemore was recognized as a visitor. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Buddy Bell and a recess was declared until the worship service.

Congregational singing resumed with "Higher Ground." Rev. David Isaac led in prayer, followed by "He Leadeth Me." Rev. Charles Powell led the offertory prayer and an offering was taken. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace." A message in song entitled "Sweet Beulah Land" was brought by Myrtle and Renee Matthews. The Moderator introduced the speaker for the morning, Rev. Buddy Bell.

Rev. Bell read Acts 11:26 and Acts 26:25-29. He spoke on the cause of church problems; mainly, no decisions for Christ. A lack of right teaching leads to a lack of loyalty to Christ, to His services, a lack of obligation to the church, lack of financial support, lack of love to sinners and christians and a lack of living a christian life.

Rev. Whitehead led in prayer. It was announced that the Fla. State Association meets at Marvin Chapel Church in November. Pastor's wives should see Mrs. Powell about the food during the noon hour. The benediction and blessing on the food was pronounced by W. J. Cressley, Jr.

After a bountiful lunch and fellowship hour, the congregation reassembled and sang "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth." Eddis Clemmons led in prayer. Rev. James C. Pelt sang "How Great Thou Art," and the Whitehead sisters sang "I've Been To Calvary" and "I Won't Have To Worry Any More."

Devotion was brought by Rev. Elias Hurst. He led in prayer and read Heb. 6:1-7. He stressed the fact that Satan constantly seeks to draw one away from God, but, by God's help, one should press toward perfection.

In the business session, the final report of the Credentials Committee was given. MSC to accept. The Finance Committee report was received and MSC to accept. The Obituary Committee report was given and MSC to accept. The recommendation from the Executive Board was read and MSC to accept. The Nomination Committee presented its report and each office, one at a time, was opened for further nominations, then elected by acclamation.

The Ordaining Council reported that they accepted Rev. Leon Culpepper from a former examination and accept Rev. Buddy Bell at this session. MSC to accept. Rev. George gave an oral report from the Children's Home. MSC that the Association issue Ministerial cards. MSC that the same budget be used for 1983-1984 year. MSC to extend to Cottdonale Church for its splendid hospitality. Moderator appointed Mrs. Glass, Mrs. Amburgey, Mrs. Freda Powell and Mrs. Ruby Pelt as delegates to the State Association. MSC that the Moderator be given the power to appoint others as needed.

Announcements included Youth Rally 7 P.M. Oct. 1, Damascus Church to have a Youth Revival Oct. 24-28 and the Salem Women's Retreat to be held Oct. 14-15. MSC to adjourn.

Missions Board report:

- (1) Give \$600, \$100 for each missionary (6) for our Area Wide Missions Conference in October 1983.
- (2) Give the remainder of the present funds, including this session funds, to the First Free Will Baptist Church of Niceville, Florida.
- (3) Give quarterly, starting the next quarter, 50% of all missions incoming funds to the

Niceville First Free Will Baptist until directed otherwise.

Respectfully submitted,

Bro. Richard Rehberg

Rev. John Amburgey

Bro. Charlie Lovering

Rev. David Isaac

YOUTH BOARD REPORT:

Propose to give \$500 to the Salem youth choir and \$80 to each of the other 5 contestants on their expense to the National Meeting.

	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Camp Mt. Pleasant	Gainesville	Children's Home	Superannuation	Assn. General Fund	Totals
Christian Home				220.00		75.00				40.00	335.00
Cottondale										32.00	32.00
Cypress Creek	94.50									5.00	99.50
Damascus	655.00									15.00	670.00
Hickory Grove				30.00						20.00	50.00
Holly Grove	200.00									15.00	215.00
Lovewood	27.77									10.00	37.77
Malone	190.21							205.21		15.00	410.42
Marvin Chapel	60.00									15.00	75.00
Midway	4.00							4.00		2.00	10.00
New Hope										15.00	15.00
Pine Grove										10.00	10.00
Salem	513.00									10.00	523.00
Sneads	100.00									15.00	115.00
Traveler's Rest	604.43			55.79			30.78			20.00	711.00
Offering										75.30	75.30
Totals	2448.91			305.79		75.00	30.78	209.21		314.30	\$3,383.99

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 3, 1982-October 1, 1983

		Received	Dispersed	Balance
10-1-82	Brought Forward	\$1,940.33		1,940.33
10-27-82	Evans Printing Co. (200 minutes)		263.50	1,676.83
1-1-83	First Quarterly Session	3,653.02		5,329.85
1-6-83	W.J. Amerson Cooperative ---	1,929.86		
	Bishop Account ---	39.30		
	Payne Account ----	319.98		
	Mt. Pleasant -----	75.00		
	Gainesville Mission	24.97		
	Children's Home	313.62		
4-4-83	C&M Sporting Goods		2,702.73	2,627.12
4-4-83	Randall House Publications		98.58	2,528.54
4-4-83	Second Quarterly Session	3,922.71	72.60	2,455.94
4-7-83	W.J. Amerson Cooperative	2,094.70		6,378.65
	Bishop Account	47.64		
	Pinkerton Acc't	37.55		
	Payne Account	199.78		
	Home Missions	122.00		
	Mt. Pleasant	75.00		
	Gainesville Mission	524.77		
	Children's Home	331.73		
4-22-83	Janet Baxley, Youth		3,433.17	2,945.48
4-25-83	Competition Dues Salem Church	35.00	125.00	2,820.48
	Damascus	70.00		
	Mrs. P. Shores	45.00		
	Sneads Church	60.00		
	Malone Church	60.00		
7-5-83	Salem Church Youth Choir		270.00	3,090.48
	Sneads "		500.00	2,590.48
	Malone "		160.00	2,430.48
	Holly Grove Church (Youth)		160.00	2,270.48
7-11-83	Third Quarterly Session		80.00	2,190.48
7-11-83	First F.W.B. Church of Niceville, FL	3,745.80		5,936.28
7-11-83	W.J. Amerson Cooperative	2,045.92	715.30	5,220.98
	Payne Account	247.24		
	Mt. Pleasant	75.00		
	Gainesville Mission	192.23		
	Children's Home	221.60		
8-2-83	Missionary Conference Speakers		2,781.99	2,438.99
10-1-83	Rev. Odis Whitehead, Moderator		600.00	1,838.99
10-1-83	Annual Session	3,383.99	50.00	1,788.99
	Refund Holly Grove Church (Youth)	80.00		5,172.98
10-3-83	State Association (delegates fees)		225.00	5,252.98
10-3-83	W.J. Amerson Cooperative	1,836.66		5,027.98
	Payne Account	305.79		
	Mt. Pleasant	75.00		
	Gainesville Mission	30.78		
	Children's Home	209.21		
10-6-83	Ruby C. Pelt, Clerk -Treasurer		2,457.44	2,570.54
10-6-83	First F.W.B. Church of Niceville, FL		50.00	2,520.54
			199.01	2,321.53
Totals -----		\$16,995.85	14,674.32	

MISSION BOARD REPORT
October 3, 1982-October 1, 1983

		Received	Dispersed	Balance
10-3-83	Brought Forward	0		0
1-1-83	Cooperative - First Session	418.14		418.14
4-8-83	Cooperative -Second Session	453.86		872.00
7-8-83	Cooperative -Third Session	443.30		1,315.30
7-8-83	First FWB Church of Niceville, FL		715.30	600.00
8-2-83	Missionary Conference Speakers		600.00	0
10-1-83	Cooperative - Annual Session	398.03		398.03

YOUTH BOARD REPORT
October 3, 1982-October 1, 1983

		Received	Dispersed	Balance
10-3-82	Brought Forward	\$377.17		377.17
1-1-83	Cooperative First Session	160.82		537.99
4-4-83	C&M Sporting Goods		98.58	439.41
4-4-83	Randall House Publications		72.60	366.81
4-8-83	Cooperative -Second Session	174.56		541.37
4-22-83	Mrs. Janet Baxley		125.00	416.37
4-25-83	Dues -Salem Church ----- \$35.00			
	Damascus Church 70.00			
	Sneades Church 60.00			
	Malone Church 60.00			
	Mrs. Shores 45.00	270.00		886.37
7-5-83	Salem Church -Youth to National Assn.		500.00	386.37
	Sneads Church		160.00	226.37
	Malone Church		160.00	66.37
7-5-83	Cooperative - Third Session	170.49		236.86
7-5-83	Holly Grove Church to National Assn.		80.00	156.86
10-1-83	Refund from Holly Grove Church	80.00		236.86
10-1-83	Cooperative -Annual Session	153.09		389.95

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	REC BAPTISM	OTHER WAYS	DEATHS	DIS. BY LETTER	MEMBERSHIP	PAID PASTOR	PAID EVANGELIST	COOPERATIVE PROGRAM
Christian Home	Rev. J. C. Pelt PO Bx 431 Blountstown, FL 32424	Falfa Clark Rt. 1, Bx 275 Blountstown, FL 32424	0	4	4	2	193	11,200.	400.00	
COTTONDALE	Rev. Henry Matthews Rt. 5, Bx 688 Chipley, FL 32428	Jack E Glass Rt. 7, Bx 243 Marianna, FL 32446	0	2	1	1	44	3,975.	250.00	128.00
CYPRESS CREEK	Rev. Elias Hurst Rt. 4, Bx 247 Chipley, FL 32428	J.W. Dilmore Rt. 4, Bx 425 Marianna, FL 32446	0	0	1	0	45	2,600.		408.38
Damascus	Rev. O. Whitehead Rt. 4, Bx 74 Marianna, FL 32446	H.L. Padgett Rt. 6, Bx 344 Marianna, FL 32446	2	0	0	1	105	13,000.	431.00	3,029.00
Hickory Grove	Revca Williams PO Bx 215 Sneads, FL 32460	Mildred Ditty Rt. 1, Bx 121 Bascom, FL 32423	2	0	2	1	72	5,340.		
HOLLY GROVE	Rev. D.E. Isaac Rt. 6, Bx 38 Marianna, FL 32446	Davine Shores Rt. 2, Bx 53 Cottondale, FL 32431	4	7	1	1	64	9,275.	830.00	800.00
LOVEWOOD	Rev. J.M. Holland Rt. 4, Bx 17 Bonifay, FL 32425	Jean Foxworth Rt. 1, Bx 167-H Chipley, FL 32428	0	0	1	0	22	3,924.57	200.	130.93
MALONE	Rev. Buddy Bell PO Bx 385 Malone, FL 32445	Carolyn Baxter PO Bx 262 Malone, FL 32445	1	5	1	5	135	7,300.	485.00	1,156.87
MARVIN CHAPEL	Rev. C. Powell Rt. 6, Bx 180 Marianna, FL 32446	Audrey Eiland Rt. 1, Bx 36 Marianna, FL 32446	1	3	1	9	169	11,960.	702.52	240.00
MIDWAY	Rev. J.W. Roberts Rt. 1, Bx 76 Sneads, FL 32460	Willia Roberts Rt. 1, Bx 76 Sneads, FL 32460	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	4.00
NEW HOPE	Rev. D. Carr Rt. 2, Bx 266 Ashford, AL 30312	Lena Green Rt. 1, Bx 215 Bascom, FL 32423	3	4	1	0	57	8,390	325.00	0
PINE GROVE	Rev. L. Culpepper Rt. 1, Bx 77 Sneads, FL 32460	Rick Wise Rt. 1, Bx 148B Blountstown, FL 32424	0	0	0	0	40	0	0	0
SALEM	Rev. W.E. George Rt. 1 Bonifay, FL 32425	Mildred Phillips Rt. 1 Cottondale, FL 32431	0	1	3	0	100	6,175.	300.00	2,245.00
SNEADS	Rev. J. Amburgey PO Box Sneads, FL 32460	Frances Cloud PO Bx 297 Sneads, FL 32460	4	6	0	5	83	10,660	600.00	400.00
TRAVELER'S REST	Rev. C. Lloyd Rt. 1, Bx 123 Altha, FL 32421	Ella Grantham Rt. 1, Bx 71 Altha, FL 32421	9	0	1	0	63	8,800.	650.00	2,476.44
TOTALS			26	31	17	25	798	102,599.	5,173.52	11,018.62

FOREIGN MISSIONS	HOME MISSIONS	EDUCATION	CHILDREN'S HOME	SUPER- ANNUATION	ASSOCIATIONAL PROJECTS	ST. & NAT'L PROJECTS	OTHERS	TOTAL OPERATION	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY	VALUE OF PASTORAGE
	1,052.00	2,962.13	326.45	0	0	0	0	29,944.74	75,000.00	20,000.00
0	24.00	994.73	50.00	0	0	0	1,226.34	12,781.78	100,000.00	20,000.00
0	0	90.74	100.00	0	0	0	0	4,000.00	10,000.00	
0	162.44	1869.62	230.00	0	0	0	5,949.68	26,969.67	40,000.00	20,000.00
240.00		397.97	120.00	0	0	0	1,890.01	9,288.71	100,000.00	
100.00	571.50	7,396.83	180.00	60				22,157.54	90,000.00	
		117.71	200.00		40.00		1,705.57	13,262.28	27,240.00	
		1,805.51	1,216.87					40,042.95	115,000.00	50,000.00
378.00	2,063.50	2,590.23	285.00				9,737.77	44,244.21	110,000.00	50,000.00
					26.00	4.00		140.00	2,000.00	
86.94	285.02	406.80	100.00		160.00		3,473.97	20,054.57	37,500.00	
25.00	404.05	1,880.36	185.00				12,623.00	23,837.41	40,000.00	20,000.00
200.00	210.00	976.43	240.00				2,009.37	28,499.06	50,000.00	20,000.00
315.77	107.32	1,468.70	100.00				10,121.57	27,157.84	60,000.00	7,500.00
1345.71	4,779.83	22,957.76	3332.45	60.	226.00	4.00	48,737.28	302,378.73	856,740.00	207,500.00

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Rev. John Amburgey, P.O. Box Sneads Florida 32460
Rev. Buddy Bell, P.O. Box 385, Malone, Florida 32445
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Rev. Elias Hurst, Rt. 4, Box 247, Chipley, Florida 32428,
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Rev. David Isaac, Rt. 6, Box 38, Marianna, Florida 32446,
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Rev. Carlisle Lloyd, Rt. 1, Box 39-E, Altha, Florida 32421,
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Rev. Henry Matthews, Rt. 5, Box 688, Chipley, Florida 32428,
638-7184
Rev. J. E. Nichols, Rt. Altha, Florida 32421
Rev. C. H. Pelt, 1502 College St., Marianna, Florida 32446,
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LICENSED MINISTERS

John Meredith, Rt., Graceville, Florida 32440
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Frank Edenfield, Marianna, Florida 32446

BUDGET FOR 1983-1984

- (1) A goal for the cooperative plan of support of
\$12,000.00
- (2) Percentages for dividing the cooperative funds;
State Association ——— 75%
Salem Association ——— 25%
- (3) Percentages for dividing the Association
Cooperative funds;
Mission Board ——— 65%
Youth Board ——— 25%
Salem general fund - 10%

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Number of churches reporting	15
Number of ministers registering	17
Number of deacons registering	13
Number of delegates registering	33

TEMPERANCE

In general, temperance means self-restraint and moderation in eating and drinking, in conduct, in expression and in the taking of pleasures. In other words self-control.

Temperance puts wood on the fire, meal in the barrel, flour in the bin, money in the purse, credit in the country, contentment in the home, clothes on the back and vigor in the body.

II Peter 1:5-8. And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Knowledge is a prerequisite to temperance, and temperance to patience. It is difficult for an intemperate person to be patient.

The danger in the indulgence of stimulating foods and drink is that they create an unnatural appetite and thirst leading to excess. All food and drinks should be nourishing and non-stimulating.

All abusive drugs and intoxicating drinks are deceptive. They never give strength, but weakness; never impart vitality, but destroy life; seems to promote happiness but cause the greatest unhappiness and misery the world has ever known.

The drug and liquor traffic is the most degrading and ruinous of all human pursuits. Its history is written in tears and blood. This traffic cannot exist or thrive without the patronage of each generation, a large number of whom it must necessarily ruin. The money our states receive as revenue taxes is like unto a father fishing for dangerous sharks and baiting his hook with his own children.

In all walks and relationships of life we should always stand for temperance. Temperance must begin in the home, for unless parents practice it they cannot expect their children to do so.

I Peter 2: 11&12 - Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, that they by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

We have the wonderful opportunity to study and to teach God's Holy Word. We have two of the best possible places in which to teach: our homes and our churches. We have the best reason to teach, because those we are attempting to instruct are our own people. These things being true, every effort should be made to be the best possible teachers and church leaders. Therefore, we urge every church to constantly evaluate its educational program making sure it is a good program, and that it accomplishes its goals. We should also support the educational institutions of our denomination financially and with our prayers.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON AUXILIARIES

Sunday Schools	13
C.T.S.	0
Prayer Meetings	11
Women's Auxiliaries	7
Master's Men	2

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

Auxiliaries	Sneads Church
Committee on Committees	Holly Grove Church
Christian Education	Traveler's Rest Church
Finance	Damascus Church
Nominations	Salem Church
Obituaries	New Hope Church
Resolutions	Malone Church
Stewardship	Christian Home Church
Temperance	Lovewood Church

First Quarterly Session	Hickory Grove Church December 31, 1983
Second Quarterly Session	Christian Home Church March 31, 1984
Third Quarterly Session	Traveler's Rest Church June 30, 1984
Annual Session	Salem Church October 5,6 1984

The Women of the Salem Association held their first Ladies Retreat on April 29, 30, 1983, at Camp Mount Pleasant in Bonifay. A second retreat for all ladies is scheduled at the Campgrounds for Oct. 14, 15, 1983.

REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Christ's earnestness in His parable on stewardship should make us shudder when we think of His judgement upon those who waste their opportunities to be good stewards.

We are all aware of Christ's emphasis on the use of our talents and God's financial plan for the support of His work, but woven through the pages of God's Holy Word is the most precious gift of God's love OUR TIME.

Many thousands of Free Will Baptist excel in using not only their time but God's in pursuing their own selfish motives with little concern for the will of God.

Christ's return is imminent and may He find His servants spending their time praying, studying scriptures, and being faithful in church attendance.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin Chapel FWB Church

The Executive Board recommends that the Nominating Committee be allowed to fill vacancies on boards with the best qualified individuals available, and the Executive Board be allowed more time to consider appropriate changes in the constitution.

Rev. Odis Whitehead
Mrs. Ruby Pelt
Mr. Howard Chafin
Mr. Olin Rehberg
Rev. Charles Powell

REPORT OF THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Moderator — Rev. Bill George
Assistant Moderator — Rev. David Isaac
Clerk-Treasurer — Ruby Pelt
Executive Board — Hubert Isler
Ordaining Council — Rev. Odis Whitehead
Mission Board — R. Q. Addison
Youth Board — Mrs. Odis Whitehead
Camp Board — Rev. Charles Powell
Bro. Herbert Padgett

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We as Free Will Baptist should take a stand against sexual liberalism across America - referencing the Holy Scriptures: Romans 1:26-32 and the second paragraph of the Church covenant.

We should oppose or resist the acceptance of adultery and homosexuality as normal behavior. Furthermore, homosexuals should not be a candidate for ordination as a minister or deacon in any Free Will Baptist Church.

These immoral practices are not only condoned by public media television, movies, books; but are accepted as normal practices in our schools. Also, some churches accept these immoral acts as being normal.

These immoral acts are an abomination to God and He has demonstrated His displeasure by inflicting AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) upon homosexuals (which is a new disease), and herpes upon adultery - of which both of these plagues are incurable.

We as Christians, Free Will Baptist, should heartily oppose these immoral acts that are sapping the strength of America; and to discourage the acceptance as normal behavior.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Bessie Taylor

God in His infinite mercy saw it fit to call Sister Bessie Taylor to her eternal home on June 1 1983. She gave her life to God at an early age, having been reared not far from Salem Church and in a christian home, always faithful to her church as long as health permitted. The last few years her health was not to the extent she could not attend services as her heart desired, but whether she was in church or not, her heart was always there. Her life was one of service to her family, friends and to God. She will be greatly missed by her loved ones, her church and community.

Mrs. Essie Barnes

On June 23, 1983, Salem Church suffered a great loss in the passing of one of our members, Sister Essie Barnes. God in His infinite mercy saw it fit to call her from our midst to a house not made with hands. She was the wife of Bro. Lewis Barnes, who was a deacon of the church for many years. She was a life-long member of the church, having become a christian at an early age. Due to a few months illness she was not able to attend services. But I'm sure her heart was always there. Miss "Essie", as she was known by all, was loved and adored, and she will be greatly missed by all her family, loved ones and community. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and pray God's richest blessings on them.

Mrs. Julia L. Brannon

God called from our midst Sister Julia L. Brannon, age 86, on Sept. 26, 1983. She had been a member of Salem Church for most of her lifetime. Due to her health, she had been confined at home for a number of years and unable to attend church. She will be greatly missed by her family, loved ones and friends. May God's blessings be with each one.

Wiste McColumm

On March 11, 1983, the Lord called from our church Wiste McColumm. Although she had been a member of Christian Home Church for a short while, she was loved by all. She leaves to mourn her passing a husband, two sisters, three brothers, several nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Leroy Yon

On April 17, 1983 Christian Home Church lost a beloved brother Leroy Yon. He was a faithful member as long as health permitted. He will be greatly missed by his church and friends. He leaves a wife and a nephew to mourn his passing and a host of friends.

B. M. Baily

On Sept. 13, 1983, the Lord called from our midst Brother B. M. Baily. B. M. was a faithful servant of the Lord and a faithful member of the Christian Home Church. He served as a deacon for several years. He will be missed by his church, family and community. B. M. is survived by his wife, two daughters, three sons, fifteen grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held by his pastor, Rev. James C. Pelt, and associate pastor, Rev. D. W. Poole.

Mrs. Bonnie Hewett

Holly Grove Church lost Mrs. Bonnie Hewett, a dedicated servant of God, the last of August. She was a faithful member for over forty years and taught the junior class for over thirty years. We are still seeing the results of her earthly life through the upbuilding of God's Kingdom. We thank God for His grace shown through this yielded vessel. By her dedication and love to God a lasting impression has been made on the hearts of very many people.

Mrs. Exie Pierce

Mrs. Exie Pierce died July 3, 1983. She was born August 27, 1896 in Alabama and moved to Calhoun County in 1936 with her ten children. Mrs. Pierce became a member of Traveler's Rest Church in 1941.

Mrs. Ida D. Gause

Our Heavenly Father in His infinite mercy saw it fit to call Sister Ida D. Gause to her eternal home on July 4, 1983. In her passing the church lost one of its oldest members and the community one of its beloved citizens. She was a faithful member of Marvin Chapel Church and served the Lord happily even in the moment of death. She will be missed by her church, family and community, but we bow in humble submission to God's will.

Mrs. Minnie Lee Sexton

On January 17, 1983 our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, called our sister, Minnie Lee Sexton, unto Himself to dwell in a home not made with hands. Damascus Church suffered a great loss in the passing of this our sister in Christ who was a long time faithful and dedicated member. She was a faithful supporter of the church, giving freely of her time and finances to the work of the Lord. Because of bad health, she was taken by her family to Blakely, Ga. to live her last few years. "Aunt Minnie Lee," as she was affectionately known, was loved and adored by all who knew her, she was greatly missed by all when she left our community. She will be missed even more now, but we know she is in a place where she will not suffer anymore, but rejoice forever more. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Odis Whitehead and burial followed in the church cemetery. "Our loss is Heaven's gain."

From Hickory Grove Church:

W. Willard McDaniel, March 15, 1983

Mrs. Dessie Robinson, August 8, 1983

Bert McDonald, December 15, 1982

From Malone Church:

Cornelia B. Hall, Jan. 29, 1917-July 9, 1983

**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 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

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

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.

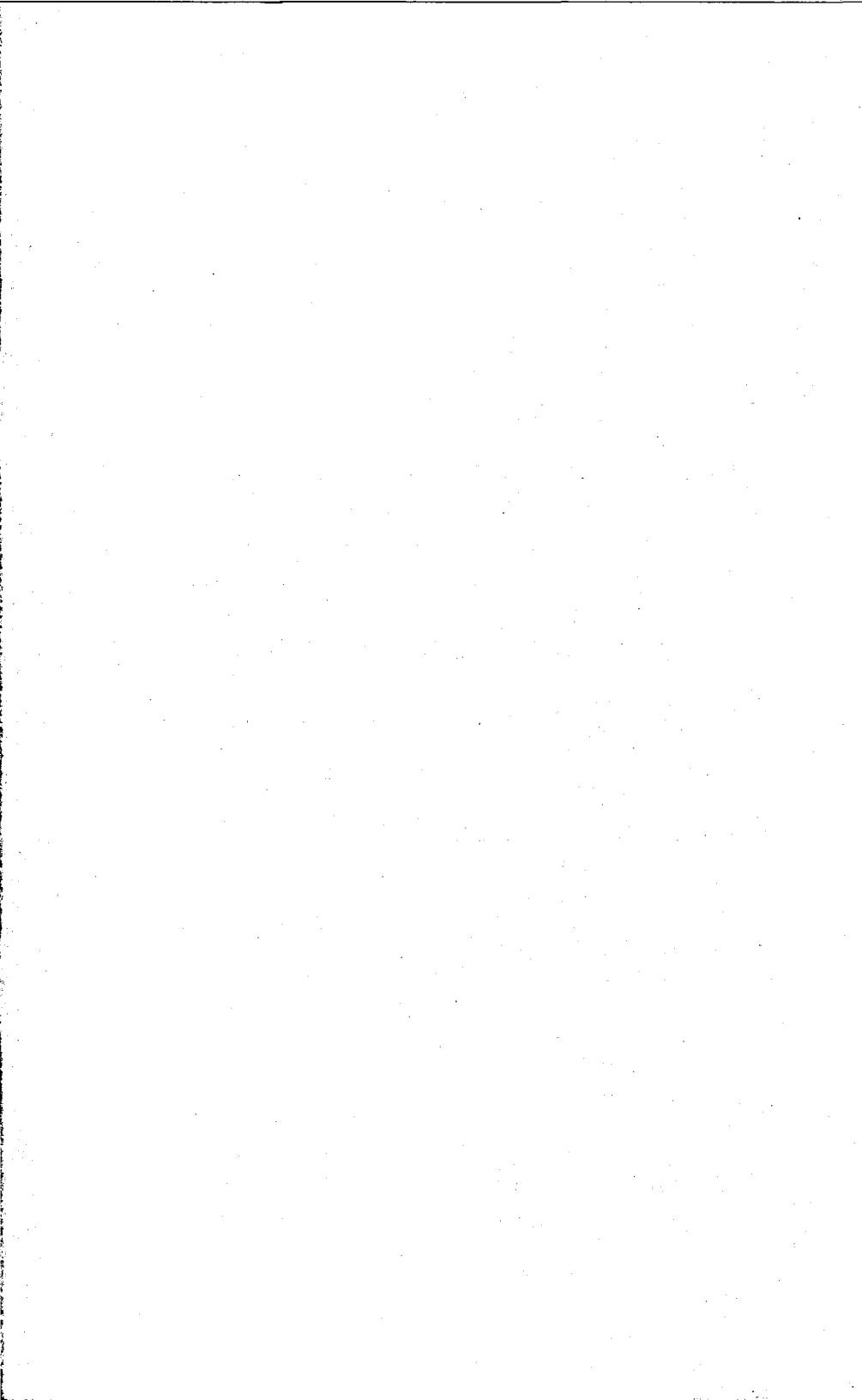
(B) He shall see that all the action taken by this body is carried out, unless otherwise delegated by the Association.

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.....	Hickory Church December 31, 1983
SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION..	Christian Home Church March 31, 1984
THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION....	Traveler's Rest Church June 30, 1984
ANNUAL SESSION.....	Salem Church
Friday Night, 7:00 P.M.	October 5, 1984
Saturday, 10:00 A.M.	October 6, 1984

