

**MINUTES  
Of the 95th  
QUARTERLY and ANNUAL SESSIONS  
of the  
SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
held with  
SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH  
1990**

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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Rev. David Womack.....1992  
Bro. James Elmore.....1990  
Rev. Jim Pelt.....1990

**ORDAINING COUNCIL**

Rev. Bill Stover.....1992  
Rev. Carlie Lloyd.....1990  
Rev. Doug Carr.....1990

**MISSION BOARD**

Bro. Jack Glass.....1991  
Bro. R. Q. Addison.....1990  
Rev. Jerry Whitworth.....1990  
Bro. Glen Watson.....1991  
Bro. Richard Rehberg.....1992

**YOUTH BOARD**

Sis. Margaret Lloyd.....1990  
Sis. Barbara Elmore.....1991  
Bro. Frank Nelson.....1990

**CAMP BOARD**

Bro. Brent Vickery.....1991  
Rev. Carlie Lloyd.....1990

**FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION**  
**Christian Home FWB Church**  
**January 13, 1990**

Registration began at 9:45 a.m., and the session began at 10:00 with the congregation singing "Count Your Blessings". Bro. Doug Carr led in prayer. Bro. Jerry Whitworth welcomed everyone, and then the congregation sang "Since Jesus Came into my Heart."

The devotion presented by Bro. Glen Watson of Holly Grove, was taken from Ephesians 6:11: "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand". Be a week-day Christian not just a Sunday Christian.

The moderator, Bro. Bill George, brought the business session to order by calling the Standing Delegates to rise and seat the Church Delegates. There being no new or old business to discuss, the moderator asked Bro. Donald Hannah from the Office of Promotional Secretary in Tallahassee, for a report. He stated that we had given \$11,508.00 last year into the Co-Op. program, which was an increase from the previous year. He asked that each Association give extra to help support the Office of Promotional Secretary and the Co-ordinator and extra expenses that are necessary now. He reported that Bro. Turnbough's church in St. Petersburg is in financial difficulty now because their mortgage was sold to a bank in North Carolina and they have called the whole mortgage of \$185,000 due and payable. They are talking to the Home Mission Board in Nashville, about re-financing, but their funds are quite shallow right now. He also reported that Bro. Wayne Hicks had the heart transplant and is home and doing well and Thanks everyone for the Love Offering.

After some general discussion, initiated by Bro. Jerry Whitworth, MSC to recommend to the Ordaining Committee that they draw up some sort of questionnaire to be used in determining the qualification of applicants proposed for Ordination, and present this Questionnaire to the Association for approval. The Ordination Committee was asked to rise, and Bro. Doug Carr announced that they were already working on this project. Meeting recessed at 10:40.

The meeting re-convened at 11:00, with the congregation singing, "Sunlight" and then "Deeper, Deeper." The morning offering was taken then Bro. Tim McDonald of Marvin Chapel led in prayer. There was no special singing so the congregation was led in singing "Amazing Grace". Bro. Wayne Hartzog of Cypress Creek Church brought the morning message, based on Ezekial 2:5 and 3:4-7. "How many of us could be as obedient as Ezekial; through such suffering, hardships and rejection? It can be said of all Christians that we only believe the things we put into practice." He asked the question, "What is your call and commission from God? We who aren't called to be missionaries, are called to serve "comfortably" at home and shouldn't complain about things being rough. Look around in hospitals, nursing homes, etc. before complaining about how rough we have it. Sermon was closed with prayer by Bro. Hartzog.

Bro. Jerry Whitworth asked for the congregation to stand and sing "Victory in Jesus" and meeting was dismissed by prayer and Blessing of the mid-day meal.

At 1:00, the meeting re-convened with the song; "When We All Get to Heaven". Prayer was given by Bro. Bill George.

Bro. D. W. Poole gave the afternoon devotion from 2 Cor. 7:12: "America is in the worst shape it has ever been. We need some real humility and family altars where children hear parents pray. Don't be proud of things, be thankful. This would be pleasing to God. The Bible has the solutions to any and all problems if we would only use it."

The moderator then called for the Credentials Report. It was reported that 86 were present. Twelve churches were represented, with 31 Delegates, 10 Ministers, 11 Deacons, and 34 Visitors. MSC to accept. The Financial Report was given and MSC to accept. It was noted that the morning offering goes to Home Missions.

There being no further business, MSC to adjourn by prayer of Bro. Carlie Lloyd.

1st QUARTERLY SESSION JAN. 13, 1990 Session	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Gainesville Mission	Camp Mount Pleasant	Children's Home		Association General Fund	TOTALS
Christian Home											
Cottondale										32.00	32.00
Cypress Creek	50.00									10.00	60.00
Damascus	2297.08									20.00	2317.08
Hickory Grove					30.00					20.00	50.00
Holly Grove	200.00									15.00	215.00
Lovewood	150.68									10.00	160.68
First Church of Malone	150.00							150.00		15.00	315.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00									25.00	115.00
Midway											
New Hope								100.00		15.00	115.00
Pine Grove											
Salem	968.00									20.00	988.00
First Church of Sneads										15.00	15.00
Traveler's Rest	1247.32		71.72			46.73				20.00	1385.77
Offering					73.80						73.80
TOTALS	5153.08		71.71		103.80	46.73		250.00		217.00	5842.33

## **SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION**

### **Travelers Rest FWB Church**

**April 14, 1990**

Meeting was opened by Welcome of Bro. Carlie Lloyd and the congregation singing, at 10:00. Bro. Doug Carr of the Malone Church was introduced as the speaker for the morning devotion. He spoke about the problems caused in our Churches when Christians aren't separated from the world. We are called from the world and to service.

Moderator, Bro. Bill George, then called the meeting to order and asked the Standing Delegates to rise and seat the Church Delegates. He then recognized several visitors to be: Bro. Tim McDonald's father, Billy Brown, of Randall House Publications and Odis Whitehead from Jacksonville. There were no reports or business, so meeting adjourned for a recess.

Morning service was started by congregational singing and then special song by the choir. Bro. Jerry Whitworth, brought the morning message, entitled, "Idle Words." "We should tell someone about Jesus every day or else something is wrong. Is it really wonderful news to us or just idle words? If we can't stand and testify in church amongst fellow Christians, how can we tell the world? If we don't visit or call the visitors to our churches, it isn't wonderful news to us, it's just idle words." The meeting adjourned for lunch.

At 1:00, the meeting reconvened with a congregational song and a special entitled, "He was there all the time." Bro. Sam Nickles brought the afternoon devotion: "Preaching a Living Book to a dying man; Christianity is Christ in me and living through my life. Man is a failure and must look to the unfailing word of God for it gives the peace the world can't take away."

Bro. Odis Whitehead reported on the progress of the mission work in Jacksonville. They really need to buy property and will appreciate all donations. Please send all financial help you can to their building fund c/o Nashville and designate it to the Building Fund for the Odis Whitehead mission work in Jacksonville, Fla. They have about \$2,000 in the fund but they need approximately \$25,000 by next year for a down payment on some land. The going price is between \$40,000 and \$125,000 per acre.

Bro. Billy Brown from Randall House Publications in Nashville, had a display of materials in the fellowship hall and spoke for a few minutes on the literature designed to teach us to teach others. He said the worst illiteracy is Bible illiteracy.

MSC to accept the financial report given by Bro. Elmore. MSC to accept Bro. Tim McDonald as replacement for Bro. Bill Stover on the Ordaining Council as he had resigned. MSC to accept the Credentials report of : 11 pastors and deacons, 25 delegates, and 35 visitors, for a total of 71 present. It was reported that New Hope Church would mail their report to the clerk.

After some general discussion by Bro. Carlie Lloyd and others on the Ordaining Board, MSC to let the churches ordain their own Deacons. The Ordaining Council would act only on ordaining preachers. MSC to have the Ordaining Council draw up some written guidelines and submit to Salem Association for approval.

There was some general discussion on the Buzzers for the Youth Competitions but was tabled until next Quarterly session.

Bro. Doug Carr reported that the Childrens Home would be at his church on Saturday, May 5th. He also reported that they are getting so many more children now that they need to buy a mobile home.

Bro. Bill George reported he would have surgery on May 3rd and would be incapacitated for about 3 to 6 weeks.

MSC to give Travelers Rest a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality. Bro. James Hill dismissed session with prayer.



**2nd QUARTERLY  
SESSION  
APRIL 14, 1990  
Session**

	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Gainesville Mission	Camp Mount Pleasant	Children's Home		Association General Fund	TOTALS
Christian Home	1109.00									20.00	1129.00
Cottdendale										32.00	32.00
Cypress Creek	1635.28										
Damascus										20.00	1655.28
Hickory Grove					30.00					20.00	50.00
Holly Grove	200.00									15.00	215.00
Lovewood	166.00									10.00	176.00
First Church of Malone	150.00							150.00		15.00	315.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00									25.00	115.00
Midway											
New Hope											
Pine Grove											
Salem	922.00									20.00	942.00
First Church of Sneads										15.00	15.00
Traveler's Rest	1327.99		109.27			84.27				20.00	1541.53
Offering					72.38						72.38
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>5600.27</b>		<b>109.27</b>		<b>102.38</b>	<b>84.27</b>		<b>150.00</b>		<b>212.00</b>	<b>6258.19</b>

### **THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION**

Cottdale FWB Church

July 14, 1990

The meeting convened at 10:00 by congregation singing "At Calvary," led by Sis. Joanne Truett. Everyone was extended a warm welcome by Bro. George Bush. Bro. Womack then gave a response to the welcome and turned it over to Bro. Doug Carr as moderator, in the absence of Bro. Bill George.

Standing Delegates were asked to rise and seat the Church Delegates. MSC. Bro. Carr asked for any old business and there being none, asked for any new business. Bro. Stover mentioned that we might want to think about changing the 3rd Quarterly meeting so it wouldn't interfere with the National Association each time. This was tabled until the Annual Session.

Clerk, Jean Foxworth, read letter from the State Treasurer, Bro. R. C. Wiggins, stating he needed to know if the Association wants its Co-Op. funds to continue going to the "Florida" (born & bred) missionaries, and the Florida, only, Home Missions. MSC to continue as usual: (Home Missions would be split between our 3 Florida Missions, and Foreign Missions to go to any Florida (born & bred) missionaries. There being no further business, Bro. George Bush sang a beautiful song entitled, "The Third Cross Should Have Been Mine." Bro. Doug Carr announced that we would not have an afternoon session if there would not be any business to attend to.

Bro. Ted Medley from Eufala, Alabama, brought the morning devotion. "If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from Heaven, heal their land and forgive their sins." We must humble ourselves so we can get the message to this lost and dying world. We can't do his work when we are puffed up.

MSC to accept the Credentials Committee report: 7 ministers, 9 deacons, 34 delegates and 19 visitors for a total of 67. There were 13 churches reporting. Meeting adjourned for a short recess.

The meeting re-convened at 11:00 with congregational singing. Bro. Carr called for any other committee reports and asked if we wanted to omit afternoon session since we really had no business to attend to, and some other Associations have already adopted this practice.

Bro. Wayne Hartzog mentioned that Bro. R. C. Wiggins was in need of our prayers and financial help because of severe heart problems and complications and up-coming surgery.

Brother Eddie volunteered to sing a special for us and then Sister Joanne Truett sang "I'll Talk to the Father." Bro. Poole came forward and sang a verse of "Until Then" and gave a beautiful testimony and asked that we remember his wife in prayer. Bro. Carr announced that Bro. Ed Evans at Marvin Chapel needed our prayers also.

Bro. Stover then came and preached the morning message entitled, "I find no fault in Him," taken from I John 19. "We need to come to the knowledge of the truth. Greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world. Don't ask God to move all our mountains, ask Him for grace to climb them. Don't go out into this world without the life-jacket, JESUS! I can find no fault in Him, His Word, or His Plan of Salvation."

MSC to accept the financial report given by Bro. Elmore. There being no further business to discuss, some general announcements were given and then the meeting adjourned with prayer and Blessing of the food by Bro. Jim Pelt.

3rd QUARTERLY SESSION JULY 14, 1990 Session	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Gainesville Mission	Camp Mount Pleasant	Children's Home		Association General Fund	TOTALS
Christian Home	1029.00									20.00	1049.00
Cottondale										32.00	32.00
Cypress Creek	50.00									10.00	60.00
Damascus	1465.76									20.00	1485.76
Hickory Grove					30.00					20.00	50.00
Holly Grove	200.00									15.00	215.00
Lovewood	211.93									10.00	221.93
First Church of Malone	150.00							150.00		15.00	315.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00									25.00	115.00
Midway											
New Hope	50.00									15.00	65.00
Pine Grove											
Salem	1054.00									20.00	1074.00
First Church of Sneads										15.00	15.00
Traveler's Rest	1399.29		120.08		10.00	120.08				20.00	1669.45
Offering					91.03						91.03
TOTALS	5699.98		120.08		131.03	120.08		150.00		237.00	6458.17

**ANNUAL SESSION**  
**Salem FWB Church**  
**October 12, 1990**

The meeting began with the congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" led by Bro. Ben Hall with Bro. Wayne Hill as pianist. After prayer led by Bro. Doug Carr, the congregation sang "At Calvary" and "Victory in Jesus." The pastor, Rev. Bill George welcomed everyone and called the session to order. Sister Connie Croxton then sang, "The Lord's Been so Good to Me."

The message brought by Bro. Brent Vickery was taken from Eph. 5:18, "How to be filled with the Spirit of God."

1. Must be willing to deal honestly with all sin in his life.
2. Must be willing to die to self
3. Must be willing for God's spirit to work through you.

The moderator called for any business and there being none, the meeting adjourned with the Benediction by Bro. Fred Sapp.

**October 13, 1990: Saturday**

Registration began at 9:45 a.m., then the session was opened at 10:00 with a warm welcome, congregational singing and prayer. Bro. David Womack delivered the morning devotion taken from Hebrews 13:17-18. He charged us all to "Submit to those who rule over us; to care and pray for them; especially our preachers who are charged by God to look after us and who are burdened for us."

Moderator, Bro. Bill George called the morning business session to order by having the Standing Delegates rise and seat the elected Church Delegates. Bro. Carlie Lloyd read the Temperance report submitted by Travelers Rest Church. MSC. A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given at this time and it was noted that 155 were present. MSC.

Bro. Jerry Whitworth read the Christian Home Church report on Education. MSC. Bro. Tim McDonald read the Marvin Chapel Church report on Stewardship. MSC. Bro. Bill George then asked for prayer requests from the congregation. After many requests were spoken, Bro. George asked that all pastors come to the front of the altar and have special prayer. The prayer was led by Bro. George Bush and closed by Bro. Fred Sapp. Meeting was dismissed for a short recess.

The meeting re-convened by the congregational singing and then a prayer led by Bro. Henry Matthews. The morning offering was taken up and then the "Clouds of Joy" group from Salem Church sang two specials.

Bro. David Young of Damascus Church brought the morning message based on Jeremiah 18:1-6, entitled, "The 4 D's of Christianity." (1) Dependence (on God); (2) Duty; (3) Difficulties; (4) Desires (of Christians). The pastor's job is to preach God's word and God does the potter's job of molding. The Christian's job is to study God's word diligently and regularly and tell others; To invite God into our homes like Mary did and Listen to what he teaches us. There is always a "few" in every church that do the work but we don't need to let ourselves suffer "Burn-out." There is no retirement for Christians; Bro. Young closed his sermon with prayer. Bro. Bill George then cautioned us all about "Getting in touch with God, TODAY! Death is an ever present reality and it comes quickly and mostly without a lot of warning! Bro. Tim McDonald led the Benediction and gave the Blessing for the food. The meeting adjourned for lunch.

The afternoon session reconvened with singing and prayer led by Bro. Jerry Whitworth. Bro. Clemmons then came and did a beautiful job of singing "Beulah Land."



Bro. Carlie Lloyd gave the afternoon devotion taken from Luke 10:2 and Genesis 37:13: "We have a desperate need for laborers as a lot of Christians today want to be served instead of being a servant." The Salem group, "Clouds of Joy" sang another special at this time.

Bro. George called the evening session to order. MSC to accept the financial report given by Bro. Elmore. Bro. Henry Matthews read the Lovewood Church report on Resolutions, along with two Resolution Requests: MSC.

1. Resolve that the clerk of the Assoc. draw up and deliver a letter from our Assoc. voicing our disagreement with the use of the term "pastor" in the Jackson County Floridan article on October 12, 1990, referring to the conviction of a former Jackson County clergyman for lewd activity in Dothan, Al.
2. Resolve that a letter and/or schedule of Activities for the coming Salem Assoc. Quarterly meetings be sent from the clerk to each of the churches two weeks prior to the meetings.

MSC to accept the final report of the Credentials Committee: 19 pastors, 14 deacons, 52 delegates, and 73 visitors present for a total of 158. MSC to accept the Sneads Church report on Auxiliaries. Bro. Truett gave the Cottondale Church report on Obituaries, a scripture reading and a moment of silent prayer. MSC to accept report. Bro. Doug Carr read the Ordination Committee report. MSC Bro. Brent Vickery read the Nominations Committee report MSC.

Bro. Bill George asked for volunteers to go to the State Assoc. in Seffner, Fla. on October 31, and November 1 & 2. Sis. Margaret Lloyd volunteered but since no one else volunteered, MSC to have the Assoc. moderator appoint any of the brethren present as delegates. MSC to accept the Committee on Committees report given by Sis. Carr.

No change was asked for in the budget for 1990-91, so it was MSC to stay the same. MSC to leave the funds for the Buzzer Boards as is, until the new in-coming committee can decide on what to do.

Bro. Bill George asked for any announcements, and then a rising vote of Thanks was given for the host church and Bro. Olin Rehburg dismissed the session with prayer.

ANNUAL SESSION OCTOBER 13, 1990 Session	Cooperative Program	Bible College	Foreign Missions	Payne Account	Home Missions	Gainesville Mission	Camp Mount Pleasant	Children's Home		Association General Fund	TOTALS
Christian Home	920.00									20.00	940.00
Cottondale										32.00	32.00
Cypress Creek											
Damascus	1477.49									20.00	1497.49
Hickory Grove					30.00					20.00	50.00
Holly Grove	200.00									15.00	215.00
Lovewood	165.43									10.00	175.43
First Church of Malone	150.00							150.00		15.00	315.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00									25.00	115.00
Midway											
New Hope	50.00									15.00	65.00
Pine Grove											
Salem	1098.00									20.00	1118.00
First Church of Sneads										15.00	15.00
Traveler's Rest	1195.38		33.45		5.00	33.45				20.00	1287.28
Offering					128.71						128.71
TOTALS	5346.30		33.45		163.71	33.45		150.00		227.00	5953.91

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	TOT.	REC.	DIED	INCOME	PROP. VALUE	ORD. MIN.	SS ENR.	SS AVG.	CTS ENR.	CTS AVG.	WA
Christian Home	Rev. Jerry Whitworth Rt. 1, Box 864 Blountstown, Fla. 32424	Falfa Clark Rt. 1, Box 953 Blountstown, Fla. 32424	200	7	1	51,775.36	250,000.00	2	72	60	0	0	13
Cottondale	Rev. George Bush P.O. Box 361 Cottondale, Fla. 32431	Jack Glass Rt. 7, Box 243 Marianna, Fla. 32446	53	7	0	12,674.53	140,000.00	1	25	20	0	0	0
Cypress Creek	Rev. Curtis Peacock Hwy. 277 South Chipley, Fla. 32428	Jerry Corbin 521 South 5th St. Chipley, Fla. 32428	25	1	0	7,000.00	35,000.00	1	15	14	15	12	0
Damascus	Rev. David Young Rt. 7, Box 453 Marianna, Fla. 32446	Annette Chafin 4018 Laramore Rd. Marianna, Fla. 32446	185	0	2	68,756.03	310,000.00	1	100	105	0	0	0
Hickory Grove	Rev. D. W. Poole P.O. Box 611 Blountstown, Fla. 32424	Mildred Ditty Rt. 1, Box 71 Bascom, Fla. 32423	71	9	0	12,152.84	100,000.00	2	38	22	0	0	0
Holly Grove	Rev. Brent Vickery Rt. 6, Box 38 Marianna, Fla. 32446	Brenda Thomas Rt. 6, Marianna, Fla 32446	90	20	0	35,000.00	150,000.00	2	55	50	0	0	0
Lovewood	Rev. Henry Matthews Rt. 5, Box 668 Chipley, Fla 32428	Mary Walskey Rt. 1, Box 187-A Cottondale, Fla. 32431	40	3	2		27,240.00	1	0	0	0	0	0
Malone	Rev. Doug Carr Rt. 2, Box 266 Ashford, Al 36312	Carolyn Baxter P.O. Box 262 Malone, Fl 32445	124	2	3	27,695.18	150,000.00	2	37	32	0	0	0
Marvin Chapel	Rev. Tim McDonald Rt. 6, Box 180 Marianna, Fla. 32446	Evelyn Grant 4905 Davis Dr. Marianna, Fla. 32446	175	2	3	55,317.67	150,000.00	3	60	46	24	21	10
Midway		Willa Roberts Rt. 1, Box 76 Sneads, Fla. 32460	6				800.00						
New Hope	Rev. David Womack Rt. 2, Box 133-A Cottonwood, Al 36320	Lena Green Rt. 1, Box 125 Sneads, Fl 32460	39	0	0	15,423.36	50,000.00	1	25	22	0	0	0
Salem	Rev. W. E. George Rt. 1, Box 544 Bonifay, Fla 32425	Mildred Phillips Rt. 2, Box 167 Cottondale, Fla. 32431	123	1	3	41,910.00	214,000.00	1	71	62	35	30	7
Sneads	Rev. Sam Nickles P.O. Box 244 Sneads, Fla. 32460	Bernneice Beauchamp P.O. Box 267 Sneads, Fla. 32460	39	0	2	24,548.93	90,000.00	1	27	18	18	15	12
Travelers Rest	Rev. Carlie Lloyd Rt. 1, Box 123 Altha, Fla. 32421	Marcia Heath Rt. 2, Box 131-E Altha, Fla. 32421	88	5	4	67,705.59	208,000.00	1	179	87	40	40	8

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

First Quarter, January 12, 1991 .....	Damascus
Second Quarter, April 13, 1991 .....	Malone
Third Quarter, July 13, 1991 .....	Holly Grove
Fourth Quarter (Annual) October 11-12, 1991 .....	Marvin Chapel
Auxiliaries .....	Malone
Committee on Committees .....	New Hope
Christian Education .....	Salem
Finance .....	Travelers Rest
Nomination .....	Marvin Chapel
Obituaries .....	Hickory Grove
Resolutions .....	Christian Home
Stewardship .....	Sneads
Temperance .....	Damascus

## BUDGET FOR 1990-1991

No change was made, so the same will be used:

1. A goal for the cooperative plan or support of \$12,000.
2. Percentages for dividing the cooperative funds:

State Association .....	75%
Salem Association .....	25%
3. Percentages for dividing the Salem Association Cooperative Funds:

Mission Board .....	60%
Scholarship .....	10%
Youth Board .....	20%
Salem General Fund .....	10%



## **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**(Marvin Chapel)**

As the Stewardship Committee, we would like to commend each of the dedicated members who have been faithful stewards this past year. I Corinthians 4:2, says. . . “Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.” Someone had given this definition of stewardship: “The managing of life and its resources for God and the Good of all.” If we realize that all we have and are, is a trust from God, then certainly we will rejoice in the privilege of using it for Him in His Church. As an example, He gave us our time; we must use it according to His will. He enables us to earn money; we must give our silver and gold to advance His cause. All we are and have must be used for God and the good of all because we are His.

Just as sure as night follows day, the day of reckoning for every Christian Steward is coming. The day may be delayed, but God will finally call everyone to account. Are you ready? Is your church ready? We would encourage all to work together as Christian Stewards and be careful that our resources and talents are invested and used to the glory of God.

## **RESOLUTION REPORT**

**(Lovewood Freewill Baptist Church)**

Some of us at some time or other has made New Year resolutions. But how significant is that? Was not January 1, another day just like all the others, with twenty-four hours in which to live, work, eat, sleep, play, and do all the other usual things? Or was it really different?

The daily confession of our sins is a resolution that we all should practice. A day for new beginnings and great resolutions. In fact we should make resolutions on a day to day basis. While January 1, probably holds no more promise or opportunity than did December 31, it is what we do with each day that makes it more significant than the others.

We can make this a time of real growth in our own lives and perhaps influence others for Christ.

We have not been ones for the practice of New Year resolutions, but join us in one:

**Resolution:**

A desire to see real spiritual growth in my life; to apply myself by attention to the study of God's word, earnest prayer for others and myself and willingness to tell others of Christ by what I say and do.

## **TEMPERANCE REPORT**

### **(Travelers Rest FreeWill Baptist Church)**

The well-balanced Christian today may have problems being understood. The continual drifting of church attenders (including Pastors) from the "straight-and-narrow" has led to a twisted view of Christian liberty that, in practice, has become a "license to sin." Entire church congregations are plagued with compromise and worldliness. Confusion exists as to what is sinful or questionable. Even well-meaning Christians struggle with what is right or wrong, or what is best, for their family life.

The safe approach is to find out what the Bible really means! Some things are specifically condemned or condoned in God's Word, others must be inferred. Bible principles do not change! If a godly Pastor, or other good Christian, condemns some lifestyle or practice, then it would be wise to avoid even "the appearance of evil." It is better to be safe than sorry--and if there are any doubts about some action or activity, it is best to not participate (Romans 14:23).

God's Word challenges Christians to live in such a restrained (moderate, gentle) manner that others would not condemn their actions or lifestyle, souls could be led to Christ, and Jesus would receive all the glory.

**Philippians 4:5** "Let your moderation (restrained, gentle lifestyle) be known unto all men."

## **AUXILIARIES COMMITTEE REPORT**

### **(Sneads FreeWill Baptist Church)**

There are (2) reporting Women's Auxiliaries in the Salem Association.

**SNEADS.** . .Active Members. . .9. Gave to Foreign Missions, \$125.00; Home Missions, \$50.00; Childrens Home \$20.00; Retired Ministers \$20.00. Sent Hospital in Ivory Coast items that could not be bought such as; vitamins, rubber gloves and sterile pads.

**SALEM.** . .Gave to the Childrens Home \$90.00; Home Missions, \$60.00; Foreign Missions, \$60.00; Womens National Association, \$70.00; Board of Retirement \$30.00.

## **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT**

**(Holly Grove FreeWill Baptist Church)**

The Nominations Committee Submits the following nominations for the 1990-1991 year:

Retain Rev. Bill George as Moderator.

Retain Rev. Doug Carr as Vice-Moderator.

Retain Rev. Carlie Lloyd on Ordaining Council. 1993

Retain Rev. Jerry Whitworth on Mission Board. 1993

Retain Rev. Carlie Lloyd on Camp Board. 1992

Replacing Bro. Frank Nelson; Rev. David Young on Salem Youth Board. 1993

Replacing Sis. Margaret Lloyd who resigned; Sis.

Terry Vickery on Salem Youth Board. 1992

Replacing Rev. Jim Pelt; Rev. George Bush on the Executive Committee. 1993

Replacing Sis. Jean Foxworth who resigned; Sis.

Myra Hill as Clerk-Treasurer.

## **SALEM ASSOCIATION EDUCATIONAL REPORT**

We recommend that every Christian Parent and Church member be involved in the secular and spiritual education of our children. Active participation at all grade levels of public instruction is encouraged. A strong program of spiritual indoctrination at every level within the church body is also vital to the complete education of our people. Public schools should be accountable to parents and all parents should be aware of the content of all subjects being taught in our schools.

We recommend that biblical creationism should be taught in our schools, as well as in our churches.

We recommend that our high school students seek higher education upon graduation and that they be encouraged to consider our denominations Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tn. as their choice.

We recommend that pastors and churches support through prayer and financial giving the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tn. Our college is to be commended for its forward thinking and progressive approach to a well rounded education of our young people.

We recommend that the Salem Association and/or its member churches consider sponsoring off campus college level courses offered by our Free Will Baptist Bible College External Studies program.

We recommend that our churches encourage their pastors and lay people to attend workshops, seminars and classes to better prepare our people for church growth and the reaching of the lost in an ever changing world of the 21st century.

Respectfully submitted  
Christian Home FWB Church

**OBITUARIES**  
**(Cottondale FreeWill Baptist Church)**

**Christian Home**

On March 23, 1990, the Lord called from our midst, Sis. Mary Ray. She had been a member of Christian Home Church for several years. She attended faithful until health failed her.

**Damascus**

On December 28, 1989, God called home, Sis. Helen Croft. She will be missed by the Church and family.

On June 28, 1990, God called home, Bro. Brooks Gainer. He will be missed by all who knew him.

**Holly Grove**

On the 19th day of May, 1990, Bro. Jesse (Homer) Hewett was called from our fellowship into the fellowship of our Lord and Savior. He has been missed by our entire church and his love for God will never be forgotten. He was 76 years of age but only 1 year and 4 months old in christ.

**Lovewood**

Mrs. Mae Johnson - A sweet Lady with a smiling face was called home from our midst this year. A long-time, faithful christian worker until her health failed her in recent years. She is greatly missed.

Mr. Marty Justice - Another long-time, faithful member of our Church departed to his Heavenly Home this year. We all miss his warm smiles and quick wit. We know he is happy in the presence of our Lord.

**Malone**

Mrs. Myrtle Baxter was called from our midst this year.

Mr. Tommy Harkrider passed away this year.

Bobbie Nell Tindell Rodgers - born on December 01, 1943, passed away on February 22, 1990. Bobbie will be greatly missed by her family and friends. She was a devoted Christian and we know that she is with the Lord, for she was one of God's angels.

**Marvin Chapel**

The members of Marvin Chapel FreeWill Baptist Church witnessed the departure from this vale of tears, of three members during this year. Sis. Dora Gause, Bro. W.W. Eiland, Bro. Ed Evans

Both of these Brothers, had been Deacons for many years. Bro. Eiland was Chairman of the Deacon Board and Bro. Evans was our eldest Deacon.

Let us continue to further the cause for which these have borne so much of the burden and the heat of the day for the spread of the Gospel of Christ!

**Sneads**

The Lord in his infinite wisdom has called from our midst this year, Bro. Leonard Wester and Sister Vera Mae Wester.



## **Salem**

On October 4, 1989, the Lord called Sis. Pearlie Bush. She was born November 17, 1892, and had been a member of Salem for many years. She will be missed by family and friends.

Sister Gladys G. Foster went to be with the Lord on April 1, 1990. She was a wonderful Christian lady that served the Lord faithfully. Due to illness she was unable to attend in her later days at Salem.

On April 23, 1990, Bro. John N. Phillips went to be with the Lord. He was born Feb. 2, 1921, and was ordained as a Deacon on Dec. 18, 1964, and served until his death. Bro. Phillips was loyal to Salem Church, family and friends. He will be greatly missed in our church.

## **Travelers Rest**

On Jan. 7, 1990, Mrs. Trixie Laramore was called from our midst. She was born on April 15, 1910, and will be missed by all. We pray God's richest blessings on the friends and loved ones she left behind.

Bro. Clyde Wallen was called from this earth to be with the Lord on Jan. 17, 1990. He was a faithful member as long as he was able to attend. He is greatly missed by all.

On March 7, 1990, Bro. William P. (Bill) Hensley went to be with the Lord. He was born June 10, 1907.

On May 27, 1990, Vander Richard Shiver, Sr., was called from this earth and will be greatly missed by his friends and loved ones.

# TREASURER'S REPORT

## October 15, 1989 — October 15, 1990

DATE		RECEIVED	DISBURSED	BALANCE
10/15/89	Balance Brought Forward			10,981.59
	Interest earned - Nov.	55.96		11,037.55
	Interest earned - Dec.	45.36		11,082.91
01/02/90	Postal Service (Stamps)		10.00	11,072.91
01/10/90	Thompson Printing Co. (Minutes)		442.50	10,630.41
01/12/90	Interest earned - Jan.	45.53		10,675.94
01/13/90	First Quarterly Session	5,842.33		16,518.27
01/13/90	State Assoc. of F.W.B.			
	Cooperative .....	3,864.81		
	For. Missions .....	71.72		
	Home Missions .....	103.80		
	Gains Mission .....	46.73		
	Childrens Home .....	250.00		
			4,337.06	12,181.21
01/13/90	Rev. Odis Whitehead		386.48	11,794.73
02/07/90	Christian Home (Dues)	20.00		11,814.73
02/12/90	Interest earned - Feb.	53.86		11,868.59
04/17/90	Second Quarterly Session	6,258.19		18,126.78
04/17/90	Fla. State Assoc. of FWB			
	Cooperative .....	4,200.20		
	For. Missions .....	109.27		
	Home Missions .....	102.38		
	Gains. Mission .....	84.27		
	Childrens Home .....	150.00		
			4,646.12	13,480.66
03/13/90	Interest earned - Mar.	45.52		13,526.18
04/11/90	Interest earned - Apr.	48.96		13,575.14
04/17/90	Rev. Odis Whitehead		420.02	13,155.12
04/23/90	State Assoc. (Youth Comp)		12.50	13,142.62
05/01/90	New Hope Church	65.00		
05/01/90	Salem (Youth Competition)	25.00		13,232.62
05/14/90	Interest earned - May	77.17		13,309.79
06/13/90	Interest earned - June	55.36		13,365.15
07/14/90	Third Quarterly Session	6,458.17		19,823.32
07/14/90	Barbara Elmore (Trophies)		15.00	19,808.32
07/15/90	State Assoc. of F.W.B.			
	Cooperative .....	4,274.98		
	For. Missions .....	120.08		
	Home Missions .....	121.00		
	Odis Whitehead .....	10.00		
	Gains. Mission .....	120.08		
	Childrens Home .....	150.00		
			4,796.17	15,012.15
07/15/90	Rev. Odis Whitehead		427.50	14,584.65
07/16/90	Postal Service (stamps)		10.00	14,574.65
07/13/90	Interest earned - July	54.92		14,629.57
08/13/90	Interest earned - Aug.	77.44		14,707.01
09/12/90	Interest earned - Sept.	60.44		14,767.45
10/15/90	Annual Session (Oct. 13)	5,953.91		20,721.36
10/15/90	Rev. Odis Whitehead		400.97	20,320.39
10/15/90	Rev. W. E. George (Mod. fee)		50.00	20,270.39
10/15/90	Jean Foxworth (Clerk fee)		50.00	20,220.39
10/15/90	State Assoc. (Delegate fees)		225.00	19,995.39
10/15/90	State Assoc. of F.W.B.			
	Cooperative .....	4,009.73		
	For. Missions .....	33.45		
	Home Missions .....	158.71		
	Terry Miller .....	5.00		
	Gains. Mission .....	33.45		
	Childrens Home .....	150.00		
			4,390.34	15,605.05

## MISSION BOARD ACCOUNT

01/01/90 Balance Brought Forward			3,054.74
01/17/90 First Quarterly Session	772.96		3,827.70
01/17/90 Rev. Odis Whitehead		386.48	3,441.22
04/17/90 Second Quarterly Session	840.04		4,281.16
04/17/90 Rev. Odis Whitehead		420.02	3,861.24
07/14/90 Third Quarterly Session	855.00		4,716.24
07/14/90 Rev. Odis Whitehead		427.50	4,288.74
10/15/90 Annual Session	801.94		5,090.68
10/15/90 Rev. Odis Whitehead		400.97	4,689.71

## YOUTH BOARD ACCOUNT

10/15/89 Balance Brought Forward			1,125.38
01/13/90 First Quarterly Session	257.65		1,383.03
04/17/90 Second Quarterly Session	280.01		1,663.04
04/23/90 State Assoc. (Youth Compet.)		12.50	1,650.54
04/23/90 Salem Church (Youth Compet.)	25.00		1,675.54
07/14/90 Third Quarterly Session	285.00		1,960.54
07/14/90 Barbara Elmore (Trophies)		15.00	1,945.54
10/15/90 Annual Session	267.31		2,212.85

## SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT

10/15/89 Balance Brought Forward			1,256.29
01/13/90 First Quarterly Session	128.83		1,385.12
04/14/90 Second Quarterly Session	140.01		1,525.13
07/14/90 Third Quarterly Session	142.50		1,667.63
10/15/90 Annual Session	133.66		1,801.29

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# **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 the 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. on the second (2) Saturday in each quarter with the exception of the fourth (4th) quarter. This fourth session in each year will meet on Friday night (before the 2nd Saturday) at 7:00 p.m. and the second (2nd) Saturday 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 its members be licensed or ordained to preach the gospel, it should request the association through it's 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 Quarter, January 12, 1991.....	Damascus
Second Quarter, April 13, 1991.....	Malone
Third Quarter, July 13, 1991.....	Holly Grove
Fourth Quarter, (Annual) Oct. 11-12, 1991.....	Marvin Chapel

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### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. David Womack.....	1992
Bro. James Elmore.....	1990
Rev. George Bush.....	1993

### ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Tim McDonald.....	1992
Rev. Carlie Lloyd.....	1993
Rev. Doug Carr.....	1990

### MISSION BOARD

Bro. Jack Glass.....	1991
Bro. R. Q. Addison.....	1993
Rev. Jerry Whitworth.....	1993
Bro. Glen Watson.....	1991
Bro. Richard Rehberg.....	1992

### YOUTH BOARD

Sis. Terry Vickery.....	1992
Sis. Barbara Elmore.....	1991
Rev. David Young.....	1993

### CAMP BOARD

Bro. Brent Vickery.....	1991
Rev. Carlie Lloyd.....	1992