

MINUTES
OF THE 101TH
QUARTERLY and ANNUAL SESSIONS
of the
SALEM ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS
1996

OFFICERS

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MISSION BOARD

Bro. Richard Rehberg -----	1998
Rev. Jerry Johnson -----	1999
Bro. Jack Glass-----	2000
Rev. Donnie Hussey-----	2001
Rev. Alan Austin-----	2002

YOUTH BOARD

Rev. Ron Hunter, Jr., Chairman-----	1998
Bro. Greg Burkett-----	1999
Rev. David Womack-----	2000

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

Rev. Mark Fejes-----	1998
Bro. James Elmore, Chairman-----	1999
Rev. Tim McDonald-----	2000

CAMP BOARD

Bro. Richard Rehberg-----	1998
Rev. Glen Watson-----	1999

Rev. Allan Austin - State Executive Board Representative- Term Expires 1998

First Quarterly Session, Friday Night, April 12, 1996
Cottdale Free Will Baptist Church

The services convened with the Vice Moderator, Rev. Jerry Johnson appointing the following people to serve on the Committee on Committees for this session: Richard Rehberg, Pug Morris, and Mark Fejes.

The congregation joined together in singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." An opening prayer was voiced by Rev. James Deese, pastor of Malone church.

A warm welcome was extended by Pastor, Rev. Mark Fejes.

The Vice Moderator declared the body in session. All standing delegates were asked to stand. All elected delegates were asked to stand. MSC to seat elected delegates.

Announcements were made of various meetings, etc. being held in different churches.

An offering in the amount of \$72.32 was received. This offering is to be divided equally between Rev. Carlie Lloyd, Home Missionary to Wisconsin and the Free Will Baptist Children's Home.

The congregation joined together again in singing "Standing on the Promises." For the special music, a beautiful song "Let's Meet by the River" was sung by Joann Truett, Elaine and Jack Glass of the Cottdale church.

The evening message was preached by Rev. David Womack. He pointed out that we as Christians are exhorted to warn them that are unruly, comfort the feeble-minded, support the weak and be kind to all men (the importance of learning to truly love people and to help them).

The finance report was given by Greg Burkett. MSC. The Credentials Report was given by Jack Glass with a total of 58 present. MSC.

Various announcements were made concerning revivals, dates for Youth Camp, plans for a men's prayer meeting and plans for a Missions Conference. Rev. Johnson said delegates to the State Association meeting would be appointed at the meeting. Services were dismissed with prayer by Bro. Olan Rehberg.

Cottondale Apr. 12, 1996 1st Qtrly. Session	Cooperative Fund	Home Missions	Presbytery Account	Children's Home	Delegate Fees	Offering	Totals
Christian Home	1,165.00				20.00		1,185.00
Cottondale					15.00		15.00
Damascus	2,569.85				25.00		2,594.85
Hickory Grove		30.00			20.00		50.00
Holly Grove							
Huntington Oaks	734.08						734.08
Lovewood	142.50				10.00		152.50
Macedonia							
Malone	100.00			100.00	15.00		215.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00				25.00		115.00
Midway							
New Hope	80.00				15.00		95.00
Salem	1,673.00				20.00		1,693.00
Sneads	535.65						535.65
Traveler's Rest					20.00		20.00
Offering						72.32	72.32
Totals	7,090.08	30.00		100.00	185.00	72.32	7477.40

Second Quarterly Session Saturday, July 13, 1996
Malone Free Will Baptist Church

The services opened with the congregation singing, "We Have Come Into His House." Rev. Mark Fejes prayed the opening prayer. Rev. Alan Austin, Moderator, declared the body in session for business. The standing delegates were asked to stand, then all elected delegates were asked to stand. The standing delegates moved for the elected delegates to be seated. MSC. The Moderator appointed the following to the Committee on Committees for this session: Bro. Eddie Clemmons, Rev. Jerry Johnson and Rev. Donnie Hussey.

The offertory prayer was voiced by Bro. Don Grant and an offering in the amount of \$86.00 was received.

Rev. James Deese, Pastor of Malone church, come forward and extended a warm welcome to the congregation.

The Moderator called for Board Reports.

The following responses were given:

Mission Board - Rev. Donnie Hussey, no report.

Youth Board - No Report

Christian Education Board - Rev. Tim McDonald, Chairman, gave information concerning the recent Prayer Fest at Men's Fellowship. He said prayer was very important and also a blessing, and he challenged the Association to gather together to share needs and pray.

Camp Board - No report.

Children's Home - The Home is planning to build a multi-purpose room with funds willed to them. Also, there is a great need for houseparents, especially men. Please pray about this.

Millard Sasser, State Executive Secretary, was asked to come forward and give us an update on the latest happenings at the State level. He told of the need for pastors in some of the churches and encouraged people with a pastor to reach out to the ones in need. He praised the work of Bro. Curtis Alligood in St. Petersburg (their property is paid for). He asked everyone to please pray for Bro. Tommy Capps, assistant to Rev. Odis Whitehead in Jacksonville Mission as he continues to recuperate from an accident. The work in Miami is doing good, 70 or 80 in services. He asked that we commit ourselves to work together to make things better.

The following people were appointed to serve on the Committee on Committees for this session:

Finance - Rev. Ron Hunter, Jr., Sis. Teresa Womack, and Sis. Pat Johnson;

Resolutions - Rev. Doug Carr, Bro. Mark Fejes, and Bro. Richard Rehberg. MSC.

The Historical Committee Report was given by Sis. Glenda Clark. Information was obtained by the committee that the Salem Association met for the first time in December 1897, at Salem Free Will Baptist Church. Therefore, we will not celebrate our 100 years birthday until December, 1997. The following recommendations were made by the committee:

The Association will have a special meeting on December 6, 1997, at the Salem Church to

commemorate our 100th Session. MSC. The speakers for the special session will be Revs. Bill George and Jim Pelt. MSC. Rev. Ron Hunter, Jr. will design bulletin cover for this session. MSC.

Executive Board recommended that the Budget for this year be amended as follows: Mission Board will receive 40% of Association dollars and Free Will Baptist Children's Home will receive 10%. Other percentages will remain the same. MSC.

We were dismissed for a short recess.

Services reconvened with the Credentials Report being given for a total of 73 present. MSC. Resolutions Committee Report: "We, the Resolution Committee, recommend that the Salem Association give no support to Disney World because of their stand on the Homosexuality and gay rights." "The Southern Baptist are boycotting Disney World and we feel that we should support all Christian brethren in what we believe to be morally right and spiritually correct. We should support all Christian brethren in what we believe to be morally right and spiritually correct." "We need to send a letter to each church in our Association, The National Convention, and also to Bro. Millard Sasser that we are taking this stand against Disney World." MSC.

Mission Report - Rev. Tim McDonald gave a brief report on his brother, who is a missionary to Japan. They have just returned to the field and he expressed appreciation to all who support him.

Financial Report was given by Rev. Ron Hunter, Jr. MSC.

The congregation joined together in singing "He Keeps Me Singing" and "Til The Storm Passes By". Prayer requests were given and Rev. Ron Hunter prayed for the needs mentioned. Another song, "Jesus Hold My Hand" was sung by the congregation.

A special, a melody of several songs giving thanks to God, was sung by Ben and Cleo Hall and Alice Bush. Several people stood and gave testimonies of God's goodness to them.

The morning message was preached by Rev. Ricky Carroll. He told us we are in a battle daily, but that we serve a God who is able to give us victory in all things. We need to live in the fullness of the victory Christ has given us. Obedience is essential to victory. Are you living in the victory? It was a good sermon.

Announcements were made. MSC to adjourn. Directions were given for noon meal and a prayer of thanks was voiced by Rev. James Deese.

Malone July 13, 1996 2nd Qtrly. Session	Cooperative Fund	Home Missions	Presbytery Account	Children's Home	Delegate Fees	Offering	Totals
Christian Home	1,120.60				20.00		1,140.60
Cottondale					15.00		15.00
Damascus	2,049.35				25.00		2,074.35
Hickory Grove		30.00			20.00		50.00
Holly Grove							
Huntington Oaks	723.82						723.82
Lovewood	92.30				10.00		102.30
Macedonia							
Malone	100.00			100.00	15.00		215.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00				25.00		115.00
Midway							
New Hope	100.00				15.00		115.00
Salem	1,747.00				20.00		1,767.00
Sneads	636.03				15.00		651.03
Traveler's Rest					20.00		20.00
Offering						86.00	86.00
Totals	6,659.10	30.00		100.00	200.00	86.00	7,075.10

Third Quarterly Session, Friday Night, October 11, 1996
First Free Will Baptist Church of Sneads

The services began with the congregation singing "Deeper, Deeper", led by Bro. Bill Cressley. An opening prayer was voiced by Rev. Tim McDonald. Rev. James Bradley, pastor the Sneads extended a cordial welcome to all. The services were turned over to the Moderator, Rev. Allan Austin, who declared the body in session. The Standing Delegates were asked to stand, and then the elected delegates were recognized. MSC to seat elected delegates. The Moderator appointed the Committee on Committees for this session. They were: Bro. Greg Burkhardt, Bro. Don Grant and Rev. James Deese.

Ushers were called to receive the evening offering. An offertory prayer was prayed by Bro. Irvin Jennison. An offering in the amount of \$58.00 was received.

Rev. Millard Sasser, Executive State Secretary, was asked to come forward and give a report of the State work. He extended to us greetings from all over the State of Florida. He gave a brief report on our State Missionaries: Rev. Odis Whitehead, Rev. Curtis Alligood and Rev. Rodriquez. He requested our prayers for the State Home Mission Board, as they keep these different works going. He also requested prayer for the Christian Education Board and the Youth Board. He once again encouraged all churches to support the cooperative fund.

The Committee on Committees nominated the following to serve on committees for this session: Finance - Ben Hall, Loreida Austin and James Elmore; Resolutions - Gloria Cressley, Glen Watson and Jan McDonald; and Nominations - Tim McDonald, Doug Carr and Jerry Johnson. MSC.

The congregation once again joined together singing "Til The Storm Passes By". Rev. Jerry Johnson led in prayer for the many, many requests voiced throughout the congregation for the many physical and spiritual needs that were expressed.

The Finance report was given by James Elmore. MSC. The Credentials Report was given with a total of 52 present.

A special in song, "I'd Rather Have Jesus", was shared by Bro. Irvin and Sis. Roberta Jennison. It was a blessing.

The evening message was preached by Rev. Glen Watson from Holly Grove. He expressed the need for a spirit filled revival in our land and reminded us that we need to give God the praise and glory due Him for what he has done for us. Rev. Allan Austin led in prayer. Announcements were made. Rev. James Deese dismissed the session with prayer.

Sneads Oct. 11, 1996 3rd Qtrly. Session	Cooperative Fund	Home Missions	Presbytery Account	Children's Home	Delegate Fees	Offering	Totals
Christian Home	1,220.00				20.00		1,240.00
Cottondale					15.00		15.00
Damascus	2,136.05				25.00		2,161.05
Hickory Grove		30.00			10.00		40.00
Holly Grove					5.00		5.00
Huntington Oaks	763.17						763.17
Lovewood	72.76				10.00		82.76
Macedonia							
Malone	100.00			100.00	15.00		215.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00				25.00		115.00
Midway							
New Hope	100.00				15.00		115.00
Salem	1,937.00				20.00		1,957.00
Sneads	507.00				15.00		522.00
Traveler's Rest					20.00		20.00
Offering						58.00	58.00
Totals	6,925.98	30.00		100.00	195.00	58.00	7,308.98

Annual Session, Friday Night, January 10, 1997
Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church

The services were opened with a congregation song, "Send the Light". Rev. Jerry Johnson, Pastor, extended a warm welcome to everyone.

Services were turned over to the Moderator, Rev. Allan Austin, who called the meeting to order. Standing delegates were recognized. The elected delegates were asked to stand. MSC to seat elected delegates. The following men were appointed by the Moderator to serve on the Committee on Committees for this session: David Womack, Bill Cresley, and Jerry Johnson. The floor was opened for business. There was no business at this time. Prayer requests were received and a special prayer was voiced for these needs. The session recessed for a few minutes of fellowship.

Services resumed with the Committee on Committees nominating the following people to serve on Committees for this session: Obituary - David Womack; Finance - Greg Burkett, Loreida Austin, and June Clemmons; Resolutions - Richard Rehberg, James Elmore and Mark Fejes. MSC.

The Credentials Report was given with a total of 53 present.

The special music was provided by Coy Huckaby, "Burdens are Lifted at Calvary."

The evening message was preached by Rev. Allan Austin. His text was Lamentations 3:19-32, titled "God's Faithfulness."

Services were recessed until Saturday morning, 9:00 a.m. Refreshments were served by the host church.

Saturday Morning, January 11, 1997

The meeting reconvened with the congregation singing, "Joy Unspeakable." Rev. Doug Carr led in prayer. Pastor, Rev. Jerry Johnson, extended a warm welcome to everyone.

The Offertory prayer was voiced by Rev. Henry Matthews and an offering in the amount of \$94.90 was received.

The Moderator called the session to order again and recognized standing delegates. All elected delegates were asked to stand. MSC to seat elected delegates. Committee reports were requested.

- Mission Board - Rev. Donnie Hussey - In addition to his report, he stated that the Mission Board had voted to give \$1,000.00 toward the Make a Way to Uruguay project. MSC.
- Youth Board - No Report
- Christian Education by Rev. Tim McDonald (Information only) - He once again urged the body to pray for the need in our association for a man who

would be willing to be trained at financial seminars and then go to our churches and teach basic elements for finance, an area where Satan works so hard on our people.

- Camp Board by Rev. Austin (Information only) - Work is progressing slowly. There are many jobs that need to be done. Please continue to remember the camp in your prayers and with your financial support. The dates for Summer Camp are: June 8 -13 for Teens and June 22-27 for Juniors. Please encourage your youth to attend.
- Historical Committee by (Information only) - Please remember the date, Saturday, December 6, 1997, 9:00 a.m. at the Salem Church. We will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary of the Salem Association. Please encourage everyone to attend.
- State Executive Board by Rev. Austin (Information only) - They are working on a plan to help our missionaries (Home & Foreign) that will underwrite a portion of the total mission budget. In doing so, they will be asking Associations, churches and individuals to buy shares at a cost of approximately \$45.00 a month. They will be contacting you on a personal basis to get you involved in this plan. Also, they are working on a TV spot (30 sec.) focusing on family for Free Will Baptists. This will be on prime time TV right before Easter.

Nominating Committee - Rev. Tim McDonald presented the following resolutions before giving report: 1) A rising vote of thanks be given for our Moderator, Rev. Allan Austin, for a job well done. MSC. 2) A rising vote of thanks to our officers and board members for the job they have done for this Association this past year. MSC. In submitting their nominations this year, they took into consideration that improvement could be made in our association by electing new people to different positions, instead of the same person filling the same position every year. It would give all men more experience and they would be able to do any task.

Rev. Donnie Hussey resigned from the Christian Education Board. Rev. Mark Fejes was elected to fill this slot. MSC.

The session recessed for 20 minutes.

The session resumed with the new moderator, Rev. Jerry Johnson, in charge.

He announced the places and dates for meetings for the quarterly and annual sessions for 1997-98:

April 11, Friday Night - Christian Home

July 12, Saturday Morning - Huntington Oaks

October 10, Friday Night - Holly Grove

December 6, Saturday Morning - Historical Meeting

January 9 & 10, Friday Night and Saturday Morning - Damascus

The moderator asked what the body would like to do with offerings received during the coming year. This past year the offering was divided between Rev. Carlie Lloyd, Home Missionary to Madison, Wisconsin and our FWB Children's Home in Eldridge, Al. MSC to continue this for 1997.

MSC to adopt the same budget for 1997-98 as we had in 1996-97. Announcements were made for ministers and deacons to pick up their membership cards.

The credentials report was given with a total of 50 present. MSC. The Finance report was given by Greg Burkett. MSC.

The worship service was opened by the congregation singing "Tell it to Jesus." Prayer was voiced by Mark Fejes. Another congregation song, "All That Thrills My Soul" was sung.

A special in music, "Going Home", was sung by a group from Travelers Rest. It was a real blessing.

The morning message was preached by Rev. Donnie Hussey. He reminded us that "there is POWER in the blood." There is hope in the blood for our spiritual, physical, financial, family and church needs. There is also healing in the blood.

An invitation hymn was sung. Announcements were made. MSC to dismiss. James Elmore dismissed in prayer and blessed the noon meal. A rising vote of thanks was given to the host church for their hospitality.

Travelers Rest Jan. 10 & 11, 1997 Annual Session	Cooperative Fund	Home Missions	Presbytery Account	Children's Home	Delegate Fees	Offering	Totals
Christian Home	1,239.00				20.00		1,259.00
Cottdale					15.00		15.00
Damascus	2,130.58				25.00		2,155.58
Hickory Grove		30.00			10.00		40.00
Holly Grove					10.00		10.00
Huntington Oaks	644.44						644.44
Lovewood	58.64				10.00		68.64
Macedonia							
Malone	100.00			100.00	15.00		215.00
Marvin Chapel	90.00				25.00		115.00
Midway					10.00		10.00
New Hope	90.00				15.00		105.00
Salem	1,862.00				20.00		1,882.00
Sneads	455.57				15.00		470.57
Traveler's Rest					20.00		20.00
Offering/Presbytery			65.00			94.90	159.90
Totals	6,670.23	30.00	65.00	100.00	210.00	94.90	7,170.13

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	REC.	LOST	INCOME	PROP. VALUE	ORD. MIN.	SS ENR.	CTS ENR.	WA ENR.	MM ENR.
Christian Home	Rev. David Womack Rt. 2, Box 864 Blountstown, FL 32424	Falfa Clark Rt. 2, Box 953 Blountstown, FL 32424	189	4	6	57,594.77	497,000	2	71		12	
Cottondale	Rev. Mark Fejes 4052 Old Cottondale Rd. Marianna, FL 32448	Jack E. Glass 3911 W. Hwy. 90 Marianna, FL 32448	59	1	1	24,106.04	235,000	1	17			
Damascus	Rev. Allan Austin 2396 Martin Road Marianna, FL 32448	Annette Chafin 4018 Laramore Road Marianna, FL 32448	199	7	1	88,858.30	385,000	1	83			
Hickory Grove	Rev. Ricky Carroll P. O. Box 476 Ashford, AL 36312	Mildred Ditty 5519 Gemstone Rd. Bascom, FL 32423	55	1	4	14,199.18	100,000	1	14			
Holly Grove	Rev. George Bush 2699 Hwy. 73 South Marianna, FL 32448	Linda Smith 2179 Harvey Lane Marianna, FL 32448	18	0	1	25,600.86	192,000	2	15			
Huntington Oaks	Rev. Ron Hunter, Jr. 3637 Old Bainbridge Rd. Tallahassee, FL 32303	Pam Hunter 3637 Old Bainbridge Road Tallahassee, FL 32303					400,000					
Lovewood	Rev. Henry Matthews Rt. 5, Box 688 Chipley, FL 32428	Jean Foxworth 560 Hwy. 90 Chipley, FL 32428	22	1	0	17,451.51	80,113	1	15			
Malone	Rev. James Deese Rt. 6, Box 182-D Dothan, AL 36303	Carolyn Baxter P. O. Box 262 Malone, FL 32445	113	1	2	29,227.51	150,000	1	25	13		
Marvin Chapel	Rev. Tim McDonald 4885 Magnolia Rd. Marianna, FL 32446	Evelyn Grant 4905 Davis St. Marianna, FL 32446	175	0	0	44,763.97	330,000	2	34	8	8	
Midway	Rev. Johnny M. Hamilton 6808 Americus Rd. Marianna, FL 32446	Lousie Johnson 7484 Hwy 90 Sneads, FL 32460	29	1	2	3,861.81	17,000	1	12			
New Hope	Rev. Doug Carr 4068 S. Rocky Creek Rd. Ashford, AL 36312	Susan Carr 3028 Paront Road Grand Ridge, FL 32442	40	0	0	21,115.33	62,800	1	22			
Salem	Rev. Donnie Hussey 4504 Magnolia Rd. Marianna, FL 32448	Myra Hurst 2305 Phillips Rd. Cottondale, FL 32431	177	23	1	76,801.00	280,000	2	127	63	16	
Sneads	Rev. James Bradley 2080 Tanna Ave. Sneads, FL 32460	LaVelle S. Jones 2304 River Road Sneads, FL 32460	21	0	0		90,000	2	18		7	4
Travelers Rest	Rev. Jerry Johnson Rt. 1 Box 123 Altha, FL 32421	June Clemons Rt. 1, Box 104 Altha, FL 32421										

OBITUARIES

CHRISTIAN HOME

Alma Brown passed away on October 27, 1996. She became a Christian at an early age, and in a few days she would have been 98 years old. She was a faithful member and worked in the church in any way she could. She was always willing and ready to help until she got disabled and had to go into the nursing home. She was loved by everyone that knew her. We all miss her very much.

Leo Kirkland passed away on November 12, 1996. He served as a deacon from July 8, 1979 until his death. He also served as a Trustee until June 28, 1990, when he resigned due to illness. He was very faithful to serve as long as his health allowed. His church family has missed him very much.

Lola Morris passed away on December 7, 1996. She was a faithful member to our church, working in any area that she was needed, until she got sick. The church family and all her friends miss her very much.

Morgan Peacock passed away on January 1, 1996. She was a faithful member serving as Sunday School teacher for the Adult class for many years. She also served as President for the Women's Auxiliary for several years. She was willing to help in church activities. She came to church right on until just a few weeks before her death. She was in her late eighties when she passed. The church family misses her very much.

Mable Philips passed away on February 20, 1996. Mrs. Mable united with Christian Home in 1963. She was an active member until her health got bad. We all miss her very much.

Vera Spears passed away on October 6, 1996. She united with Christian Home October, 1949. She served as a Sunday School teacher, as an officer in the Women's Auxiliary and in any other way she could, until her health got bad. Her church family and friends miss her very much.

COTTONDALE

On Tuesday, August 27, 1996, the Lord called from our midst our Sister, **Mary (Glass) Coley**. She will be missed in the church and in the community.
"Going Home Tuesday"

DAMASCUS

Annie Lou Hill passed away on October 6, 1996. She had been a member of Damascus for several years. She is missed by her family and her church.

HICKORY GROVE

Robert P. Hatcher passed away on December 1, 1996.

David Finuff passed away on June 22, 1996.

James H. King passed away on June 23, 1996. Bro. King was very active in the church, serving as Superintendent of Sunday School, Cemetery Committee, Building Committee and other committees, until he become disabled. The last few years were hard on him and his family because of the cancer and heart condition that disabled him.

Lettie M. Robinson passed away on May 1, 1996. Sister Robinson was the wife of a long time Deacon of Hickory Grove. She was faithful in supporting him in his work and doing all she could for the church. She is greatly missed.

HOLLY GROVE

Cora Crawford passed away.

SALEM

L. D. Coley passed away on January 8, 1996.

BUDGET FOR 1997

1. A goal for the cooperative plan or support of \$12,000.00.
2. Percentages for dividing the cooperative funds:

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

Mission Board.....	40%
Christian Education Board.....	10%
Camp Mt. Pleasant.....	20%
Youth Board.....	10%
FWB Children's Home.....	10%
General Fund.....	10%

The offerings received will be divided equally between Rev. Carlie Lloyd, Home Missionary to Wisconsin, and the FWB Children's Home in Eldridge, Alabama.

NOMINATIONS REPORT

The following are nominated to serve in the Salem Association in positions listed:

Rev. Jerry Johnson - Moderator - Term expires January, 1999.
Rev. James Bradley - Vice Moderator - Term expires January, 1999.
Myra Hill - Clerk/Treasurer - Term expires January, 1999.
Rev. Alan Austin - Mission Board - Term expires 2002.
Rev. David Womack - Youth Board - Term expires 2000.
Rev. Tim McDonald - Christian Education Board - Term expires 2000.
Rev. Glen Watson - Camp Board - Term expires 1999.
Rev. Allan Austin - State Executive Board - Term expires 1998.

Respectfully Submitted: Tim McDonald, Jerry Johnson, Doug Carr

MISSION BOARD REPORT

The Salem Association Mission Board is going to attempt to schedule a Missions Conference in which we plan to use the four Florida missionaries. They are Bros. Dennis Owen, Hose Rodriguez, Odis Whitehead and Curtis Alligood. We would like to have four services per night for four nights. It would be good for area churches to assemble together to help bring this to pass. A Missions Conference will not only be beneficial to the missionaries, it will be beneficial to your church. We would like to ask for your participation and cooperation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Donnie Hussey, Glen Watson, Jack Glass
Richard Rehberg, Jerry Johnson,

TREASURER'S REPORT
JAN. 1 - DEC. 31, 1996

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
FEB. 1	BAL. FORWARD			\$12,002.72
FEB. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$21.41	\$0.00	\$12,024.13
MAR. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$20.05	\$0.00	\$12,044.18
MAR. 11	HOLLY GROVE	\$0.00	\$252.50	\$11,791.68
APR. 1	THOMPSON BRO. PRINTING	\$0.00	\$480.65	\$11,311.03
APR. 8	FL STATE ASSN OF FWB	\$0.00	\$420.00	\$10,891.03
APR. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$19.56	\$0.00	\$10,910.59
APR. 12	BAYSHORE FWB CHURCH	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$9,910.59
APR. 12	1ST QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$7,506.35	\$0.00	\$17,416.94
MA. 3	POSTMASTER	\$0.00	\$32.00	\$17,384.94
MA. 12	INTEREST EARNED	\$23.69	\$0.00	\$17,408.63
MA. 13	FL STATE ASSN. OF FWB		\$5,447.56	\$11,961.07
MA. 13	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME	\$0.00	\$36.16	\$11,924.91
MA. 13	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$354.50	\$11,570.41
MA. 13	HOME MISSION BOARD	\$0.00	\$390.66	\$11,179.75
MA. 13	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$354.50	\$10,825.25
MA. 17	MICHAEL WADDELL	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$10,325.25
MA. 17	SALEM FWB CHURCH	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$10,225.25
JUN. 10	INTEREST EARNED	\$21.93	\$0.00	\$10,247.18
JUL. 10	INTEREST EARNED	\$16.84	\$0.00	\$10,264.02
JUL. 13	2ND QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$7,075.10	\$0.00	\$17,339.12
JUL. 24	FL STATE ASSN OF FWB	\$0.00	\$5,124.32	\$12,214.80
JUL. 24	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME	\$0.00	\$209.48	\$12,005.32
JUL. 24	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$332.95	\$11,672.37
JUL. 24	HOME MISSION BD	\$0.00	\$309.36	\$11,363.01
JUL. 25	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$266.36	\$11,096.65
AUG. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$20.97	\$0.00	\$11,117.62
SEPT. 9	INTEREST EARNED	\$17.72	\$0.00	\$11,135.34
SEPT. 16	WALMART	\$0.00	\$9.98	\$11,125.36
OCT. 12	HENRY MATTHEWS	\$0.00	\$12.80	\$11,112.56
OCT. 11	3RD QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$7,308.98	\$0.00	\$18,421.54
NOV. 4	FL STATE ASSN OF FWB	\$0.00	\$5,324.49	\$13,097.05
NOV. 4	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME	\$0.00	\$202.15	\$12,894.90
NOV. 4	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$346.29	\$12,548.61
NOV. 4	HOME MISSION BOARD	\$0.00	\$306.04	\$12,242.57
NOV. 4	BD OF FOREIGN MISSION	\$0.00	\$277.04	\$11,965.53
OCT. 13	INTEREST EARNED	\$20.73	\$0.00	\$11,986.26
NOV. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$23.13	\$0.00	\$12,009.39
DEC. 9	POSTMASTER	\$0.00	\$32.00	\$11,977.39
DEC. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$25.28	\$0.00	\$12,002.67
DEC. 31	MYRA HILL	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$11,952.67
DEC. 31	ALLAN AUSTIN	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$11,902.67
JAN. 2	WAL-MART	\$0.00	\$4.82	\$11,897.85
JAN. 11	ANNUAL SESS RECEIPTS	\$7,170.13	\$0.00	\$19,067.98
JAN. 12	INTEREST EARNED	\$21.60	\$0.00	\$19,089.58
JAN. 25	CHUCKWAGON HOUSE	\$0.00	\$81.47	\$19,008.11
FEB. 1	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$333.51	\$18,674.60
FEB. 1	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME	\$0.00	\$214.21	\$18,460.39
FEB. 1	HOME MISSION BOARD	\$0.00	\$314.25	\$18,146.14
FEB. 1	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$266.80	\$17,879.34
FEB. 1	FL STATE ASSN OF FWB	\$0.00	\$5,132.67	\$12,746.67
FEB. 1	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$11,746.67

CAMP BOARD ACCOUNT

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURE	BALANCE
	BALANCE FORWARD			\$0.00
APR. 12	1ST QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$354.50	\$0.00	\$354.50
MA. 13	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$354.50	\$0.00
JUL. 13	2ND QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$332.95	\$0.00	\$332.95
JUL. 13	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$332.95	\$0.00
OCT. 11	3RD QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$346.29	\$0.00	\$346.29
NOV. 3	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$346.29	\$0.00
JAN. 11	ANNUAL SESSION RECEIPTS	\$333.51	\$0.00	\$333.51
FEB. 1	CAMP MT. PLEASANT	\$0.00	\$333.51	\$0.00

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ACCOUNT

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURE	BALANCE
FEB. 1	BAL. FORWARD			\$2,531.46
APR. 12	1ST QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$177.25	\$0.00	\$2,708.71
MAY. 17	SALEM FWB CHURCH	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$2,658.71
JUL. 13	2ND QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$166.48	\$0.00	\$2,825.19
OCT. 11	3RD QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$173.15	\$0.00	\$2,998.34
JAN. 11	ANNUAL SESSION RECEIPT	\$166.76	\$0.00	\$3,165.10

FWB CHILDREN'S HOME ACCOUNT

NEW ACCOUNT 7/96

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDS	BALANCE
JUL. 13	2ND QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$166.48	\$0.00	\$166.48
JUL. 24	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME	\$0.00	\$166.48	\$0.00
OCT. 11	3RD QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$173.15	\$0.00	\$173.15
NOV. 4	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME	\$0.00	\$173.15	\$0.00
JAN. 11	ANNUAL SESSION RECEIPTS	\$166.76	\$0.00	\$166.76
FEB. 1	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME	\$0.00	\$166.76	\$0.00

GENERAL ACCOUNT

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
FEB. 1	BAL FORWARD			\$2,975.83
FEB. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$21.41	\$0.00	\$2,997.24
MAR. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$20.05	\$0.00	\$3,017.29
APR. 1	THOMPSON BROS. PRINTING (MINUTES)	\$28.95	\$480.65	\$2,565.59
APR. 8	FL STATE ASSN (REPRESENTATION FEE)	\$0.00	\$420.00	\$2,145.59
APR. 10	INTEREST EARNED	\$19.56	\$0.00	\$2,165.15
APR. 12	1ST QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$434.58	\$0.00	\$2,599.73
MA.3	POSTMASTER(STAMPS)	\$0.00	\$32.00	\$2,567.73
MA. 12	INTEREST EARNED	\$23.69	\$0.00	\$2,591.42
MA. 13	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME (1/2 OFFERING)	\$0.00	\$36.16	\$2,555.26
MA. 13	HOME MISSION BOARD (CARLIE LLOYD)	\$0.00	\$36.16	\$2,519.10
JUN. 10	INTEREST EARNED	\$21.93	\$0.00	\$2,541.03
JUL. 10	INTEREST EARNED	\$16.84	\$0.00	\$2,557.87
JUL. 13	2ND QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$452.48	\$0.00	\$3,010.35
JUL. 24	HOME MISSION BOARD (CARLIE LLOYD)	\$0.00	\$43.00	\$2,967.35
JUL. 24	FWB CHILDRENS HOME (1/2 OFFERING)	\$0.00	\$43.00	\$2,924.35
AUG. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$20.97	\$0.00	\$2,945.32
SEPT. 9	INTEREST EARNED	\$17.72	\$0.00	\$2,963.04
SEPT. 16	WALMART	\$0.00	\$9.98	\$2,953.06
OCT. 13	INTEREST EARNED	\$20.73	\$0.00	\$2,973.79
OCT. 11	3RD QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$426.15	\$0.00	\$3,399.94
NOV. 4	HOME MISSION BOARD(CARLIE LLOYD)	\$0.00	\$29.00	\$3,370.94
NOV. 4	FWB CHILDRENS HOME	\$0.00	\$29.00	\$3,341.94
NOV. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$23.13	\$0.00	\$3,365.07
DEC. 9	POSTMASTER (STAMPS)	\$0.00	\$32.00	\$3,333.07
DEC. 11	INTEREST EARNED	\$25.28	\$0.00	\$3,358.35
DEC. 31	MYRA HILL (CLERK SERVICES)	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$3,308.35
DEC.31	ALLAN AUSTIN (MODERATOR SERVICES)	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$3,258.35
JAN. 2	WAL-MART (OFFICE SUPPLIES)	\$0.00	\$4.82	\$3,253.53
JAN. 11	ANNUAL SESSION RECEIPTS	\$471.65	\$0.00	\$3,725.18
JAN. 12	INTEREST EARNED	\$21.60	\$0.00	\$3,746.78
FEB. 1	FWB CHILDREN'S HOME (1/2 OFFERING)	\$0.00	\$47.45	\$3,699.33
FEB. 1	HOME MISSION BOARD (CARLIE LLOYD)	\$0.00	\$47.45	\$3,651.88

MISSIONS ACCOUNT

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURE	BALANCE
FEB. 1	BAL. FORWARD			\$2,878.80
APR. 12	BAYSHORE FWB CHURCH	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,878.80
APR. 12	1ST QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$886.26	\$0.00	\$2,765.06
MA. 13	HOME MISSION BOARD	\$0.00	\$354.50	\$2,410.56
	WHITEHEAD - 177.25			\$2,410.56
	ALLIGOOD - 177.25			\$2,410.56
MA. 13	BD. OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$354.50	\$2,056.06
	D. FRANKS - 177.25			\$2,056.06
	D. OWEN - 177.25			\$2,056.06
JUL. 13	2ND QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$665.91	\$0.00	\$2,721.97
JUL. 24	HOME MISSIONS BOARD	\$0.00	\$266.36	\$2,455.61
	WHITEHEAD - 133.18			\$2,455.61
	ALLIGOOD - 133.18			\$2,455.61
JUL. 24	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$266.36	\$2,189.25
	D. FRANKS- 133.18			\$2,189.25
	D. OWENS - 133.18			\$2,189.25
OCT. 11	3RD QUARTER RECEIPTS	\$692.60	\$0.00	\$2,881.85
NOV. 4	HOME MISSION BOARD	\$0.00	\$277.04	\$2,604.81
	WHITEHEAD - 138.52			\$2,604.81
	ALLIGOOD - 138.52			\$2,604.81
NOV. 4	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$277.04	\$2,327.77
	D. FRANKS - 138.52			\$2,327.77
	D. OWENS- 138.52			\$2,327.77
JAN. 11	ANNUAL SESSION RECEIPT	\$667.02	\$0.00	\$2,994.79
FEB. 1	HOME MISSION BOARD	\$0.00	\$266.80	\$2,727.99
	WHITEHEAD- 133.40			\$2,727.99
	ALLIGOOD - 133.40			\$2,727.99
FEB. 1	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$266.80	\$2,461.19
	D. FRANKS - 133.40			\$2,461.19
	D. OWENS - 133.40			\$2,461.19
FEB. 1	BD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,461.19
	"MAKE A WAY FOR URUGUAY"			\$1,461.19

YOUTH BOARD

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
FEB. 1	BALANCE FORWARD			\$3,489.63
	HOLLY GROVE			
MAR. 11	(YOUTH EXP)	\$0.00	\$252.50	\$3,237.13
	1ST QUARTER			
APR. 12	RECEIPTS	\$177.25	\$0.00	\$3,414.38
	MICHAEL WADDELL			
MAY. 17	(REVIVAL)	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$2,914.38
	SALEM FWB CHURCH			
MAY. 17	(PIZZA)	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$2,864.38
	2ND QUARTER			
JUL. 13	RECEIPTS	\$166.48	\$0.00	\$3,030.86
	3RD QUARTER			
OCT. 11	RECEIPTS	\$173.15	\$0.00	\$3,204.01
	ANNUAL SESSION			
JAN. 11	RECEIPTS	\$166.76	\$0.00	\$3,370.77
	HOUSE (MEAL-			
JAN. 25	COLLEGE MEN)	\$0.00	\$81.47	\$3,289.30

PRESBYTERY ACCOUNT

DATE	ACCOUNT/VENDOR	RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURES	BALANCE
FEB. 1	BAL. FORWARD			\$127.00
OCT. 12	HENRY MATTHEWS	\$0.00	\$12.80	\$114.20
JAN. 11	HENRY MATTHEWS	\$65.00	\$0.00	\$179.20

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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, COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, vice moderator and clerk-treasurer, who shall be elected every two years on the odd year, except to fill vacancies.

Section 2. The Standing Boards of this Association shall be the Executive Board, Missions Board, Youth Board and Christian Education Board.

Section 3. The committees of this Association shall be: Committee on Committees, Resolutions, Finance, Nominations, and Obituaries.

Section 4. Representatives:

(1) The Association shall elect two laypersons to serve on the Camp Mt. Pleasant Board of Directors, one member elected each year to serve 2 year terms.

(2) The Association shall nominate one person annually to represent the Association to the Florida State Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII — BOARDS

Section 1. The Executive Board shall be composed of the officers of the Association, the chairperson of each standing board and one representative at large from each church.

Section 2. Missions Board - composed of 5 members from different churches, elected annually on a rotating basis.

Section 3. Youth Board - composed of 3 members from different churches, elected annually on a rotating basis.

Section 4. Christian Education Board - composed of 3 members from different churches, elected annually on a rotating basis.

ARTICLE VIII — COMMITTEES

The Committees of this Association will be appointed and elected at each meeting of the Association.

(A.) Committee on Committees: composed of 3 members from different churches, appointed by the moderator to recommend the persons to fill the regular committees of the Association.

(B.) Regular Committees:

Resolution: 3 members from different churches

Finance: 3 members from different churches

Nominations: 3 members from different churches

Obituaries: 1 member

ARTICLE IX — SESSIONS

The sessions of this Association shall be held quarterly. The Fall and Spring sessions will convene on Friday night before the second (2nd) Saturday in October and April. The Summer session will convene on the second (2nd) Saturday in July and the Winter session, which is our Annual session, will convene on Friday night before the second (2nd) Saturday and on the second (2nd) Saturday of January. Annual letters and reports shall be received in this session.

ARTICLE X — 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 XI — 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 XII — PRESBYTERY

Section 1. This body of ordained ministers and deacons shall promote fellowship, issue cards of good standing, provide opportunities for continuing education, discipline its members and ordain new ministers to preach the Gospel.

Section 2. New pastors of the Salem Association shall be examined and approved by the Salem Presbytery or its representatives.

Section 3. The Salem Presbytery shall have its own constitution and by-laws and function as an independent body from the Salem Association.

ARTICLE XIII — 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.

CONSTITUTION OF THE PRESBYTERY OF THE SALEM ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

ARTICLE I — NAME

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

ARTICLE II — PURPOSE

The purpose of this Presbytery shall be the furtherance of the Gospel, to promote fellowship, issue cards of good standing, provide opportunities for continuing education (such as seminars and retreats), and discipline its members.

ARTICLE III — MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this Presbytery shall consist of all ordained ministers and deacons holding cards of good standing in the Presbytery. This Presbytery may invite visiting ministers and deacons to sit in council with it in any assembly thereof. Licensed ministers in good standing with a member church of this Association are associate members of the Presbytery with no voting privileges.

ARTICLE IV — OFFICERS

The officers of this Presbytery shall be moderator, assistant moderator, clerk and treasurer, who shall be elected annually and shall serve until their successors are elected at the next meeting.

ARTICLE V — MEETINGS

This Presbytery shall hold annual sessions on Friday night at the Fourth Session of the Salem Association. Called sessions may be held at the call of the moderator, or any five members of said Presbytery who deem it necessary, upon written notice to the membership. Ten members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VI — COMMITTEES

(A.) The discipline committee shall consist of the moderator, clerk, and the chairman or his representative from the examination committees.

(B.) The examination committee shall consist of at least 3 ordained ministers elected annually by the Presbytery. This committee will examine and make recommendations concerning ordination to the Presbytery, of new members.

(C.) Other committees, as they are needed, may be appointed by the moderator.

ARTICLE VII — AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Presbytery by a two-thirds majority of the members present.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I — ORDINATION AND RATIFICATION

This Presbytery shall have the responsibility to establish guidelines relating to the ordination of applicants to the Gospel Ministry and ratification of the credentials of ordained ministers transferring to the Salem Presbytery.

ARTICLE II — CARDS OF STANDING

This Presbytery shall issue annually cards of good standing to ministers upon the presentation of a report in person (in case of sickness or some other legitimate reason letters may be accepted). Cards of good standing shall be issued annually to deacons upon the presentation of a letter of recommendation from their local churches. A donation of \$5.00 per member is requested.

Any minister or deacon failing to hold a card of good standing shall not have voice in this Presbytery. Any minister having lost his card of good standing may be reinstated in this Presbytery upon the presentation of his report and who manifests a sincere interest in the work of the Lord.

Ministers who have retired or who have reached the age of retirement and have continued to manifest a sincere interest in the work of the Lord may be issued a lifetime card of good standing which they may hold as long as they hold membership in this Presbytery or as long as their conduct is unquestionable.

Ministers who are members of churches in the Salem Association who do not have cards of good standing do not have the approval of this body to present themselves in other Free Will Baptist meetings as a Free Will Baptist minister in good standing.

ARTICLE III — DISCIPLINE

The Presbytery shall have the power to try and withdraw fellowship from any member upon evidence of guilt of unchristian conduct, or who is teaching or preaching heresy or who has proven to be disloyal to the tenets of faith as expressed in the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptist, as held by the Salem Association of Free Will Baptist of Florida.

ARTICLE IV — DONATIONS

Each member of this Presbytery shall be asked to donate \$5.00 annually upon the presentation of his report. This fund is to be used for acquiring necessary equipment, the printing of such materials as cards of good standing, constitution and by-laws, stationery, minutes of meeting and for defraying of necessary traveling and mailing expenses, and other expenses as authorized by the Presbytery.

ARTICLE V — AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended at any meeting of the Presbytery by a two-thirds majority vote of members present.

GUIDELINES FOR LICENSED MINISTERS IN THE SALEM ASSOCIATION

I. RULES PERTAINING TO THE LICENSED MINISTER

A. Qualifications for the Licensee:

1. He must be a member of a church which belongs to the Salem Association.
2. He must give evidence to his church that he is divinely called to preach, whereupon the local church is authorized to examine him for license. This examination should include the areas of the candidate's life, doctrine, reputation, and his convictions and abilities regarding the work of the ministry. His present and prospective educational and professional qualifications should also be considered. Upon completion of such an examination, the local church shall determine whether or not to grant license. Their ministerial license shall be valid for a period of one year but is renewable annually.
3. He must have his license renewed by said church and kept in force until ordination.

B. The Activities of the Licensee:

1. According to the general practices of Free Will Baptists, a licensed minister is urged to afford himself of every opportunity to preach the word. He is free to exercise all the privileges and responsibilities of an ordained minister with the exception of pastoring a church and officiating at the observances of the ordinances and weddings.
2. The licensee should consider the years between his receiving license and being ordained as years of study and training in preparation for his calling.

C. His Relationship to the Presbytery:

1. The clerk of the church should report the names of licensed ministers to the clerk of the Presbytery who will forward a copy of these guidelines to each licensee.
2. Licensed ministers will be eligible to hold associate membership in the Presbytery.

II. SUGGESTIONS FOR PREPARATION FOR ORDINATION

- A. Attend a Free Will Baptist Bible College if possible.
- B. Seek counsel of an experienced pastor or pastors.
- C. Make as thorough a study as possible of the following:
 1. The Holy Bible
 2. Systematic Theology
 3. Homiletics
 4. Pastoral Theology and Church Administration
 5. Evangelism
 6. Church History (especially FWB history).

III. A SUGGESTED SCHEDULE OF WORK LEADING TO ORDINATION

- A. As soon as licensee feels that he is qualified to become a candidate for ordination, he should request a list of study questions from the Examining Committee of the Presbytery. We would strongly encourage him to proceed with his examination before entertaining a call to a church.
- B. At least two months before the Examining Committee meets, he should secure the examination. He should make three (3) copies of the completed examination (one for each member of the Committee), and send them to the Examining Committee no later than two weeks before its meeting.
- C. The Candidate is required to pass an oral examination administered by the Committee.
- D. The Committee will report to the candidate on whether he passed or what areas he may need additional study in.
- E. When the approved candidate has passed the examination and have received a call to a church or is engaged in some other form of Christian service that would justify his being ordained, the Committee will recommend his ordination to the Presbytery. This recommendation will usually be made only after the candidate has been licensed for one full year.

1st Quarterly Session, Friday Night, April 11, 1997
Christian Home

2nd Quarterly Session, Saturday, July 12, 1997
Huntington Oaks

3rd Quarterly Session, Friday Night, October 10, 1997
Holly Grove

Special Session - Historical Meeting, Saturday Morning
December 6, 1997
Salem

Annual Session, January 9 & 10, 1998
Damascus