

MINUTES OF THE 121<sup>ST</sup> QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE SALEM  
ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS 2016

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#### QUARTERLY MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Mar. 29, 2016 This meeting was called to order by the moderator, Bro. Richard Rehberg who opened in prayer. There were 5 members present. An update by the youth board was given for information only. Rev. Allan Austin has agreed to speak at our upcoming association meeting to be held at Traveler's Rest. No new or old business was noted. We were closed in prayer by Bro. Richard Rehberg.

June 28, 2016 We were opened in prayer by Rev. Timothy Hamblen and brought to order by Bro. Richard Rehberg. 10 members were present. The mission board was asked to find a guest speaker for our annual meeting in Jan. pertaining to missions. A MSC to recommend at our upcoming meeting, we give a one-time yearly scholarship to an eligible candidate from our scholarship fund under the leadership of the Christian education board. Rev. John Jackson has agreed to speak at our upcoming meeting at Sneads. A youth board update was accepted as information only. With no further business, we were dismissed in prayer by Rev. Ezra Caynor.

Sept. 27, 2016 This meeting was opened in prayer by Rev. Timothy Hamblen and called to order by Bro. Richard Rehberg. There were 8 members present. Rev. Duane Littlefield, pastor from Malone, has agreed to speak at our upcoming meeting at Marvin Chapel. There was no new nor old business discussed. We were closed in prayer by Rev. Allan Austin.

Dec. 27, 2016 This meeting was opened in prayer by Rev. Duane Littlefield and called to order by Bro. Richard Rehberg. 8 members were present. Rev. Lazaro Riesgo from the FWB INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS in Tenn. has agreed to speak at our upcoming annual meeting in Jan. at Damascus. A MSC to give him a donation of \$300.00 and cover his motel room for 3 nights as he will also speak over the weekend at sister churches. A MSC to recommend we retain our current budget and give a quarterly donation of \$150.00 to the Al. Children's Home from the general acct. at our annual meeting. Dates of next year's meetings were given. No other business was noted. We were closed in prayer by Bro. Richard Rehberg.

#### FIRST QUARTERLY MINUTES OF THE SALEM ASSOCIATION

April 8, 2016 at Traveler's Rest Free Will Baptist Church at Clarksville

PASTOR: REV. ALLAN AUSTIN CLERK: JUNE CLEMMONS

This meeting was opened in song, then followed in prayer led by Rev. Allan Austin. Bro. Richard Rehberg called us to order by having first the standing delegates rise, followed by the elected delegates with a MSC to seat the delegates. Credentials show there were 9 standing delegates, 15 elected delegates and 15 visitors present. Annual minutes and treasurer's report were deferred as they are to be found in the minutes booklets available to members present. Rev. Randy Bryant, our state executive board representative gave an update on current events and missions. After an offering prayer by Bro. Coy Huckaby, we received \$41.00. The youth and camp board reports were for information only. This concluded our business portion and we began worship service with special music by Bro. Coy Huckaby, singing "I Saw The Light". Rev. Allan Austin brought us a message from Joshua chapters 7 and 8 with an emphasis on "the seriousness of sin". Rev. Allan Austin closed the meeting in prayer with a blessing on the food prepared.

#### SECOND QUARTERLY MINUTES ON JULY 9, 2016 at First Free Will Baptist Church of Sneads

PASTOR: TIMOTHY HAMBLÉN CLERK: LAVELLE JONES

This meeting was opened in prayer by Rev. Ezra Caynor and called to order by Bro. Richard Rehberg. After having the standing delegates rise, followed by the elected delegates a MSC to seat the delegates. Credentials show there were 12 standing delegates, 15 elected delegates and 12 visitors present. The minutes were read and a copy of the treasurer's report was handed out with a MSC to accept. A MSC to give a once yearly scholarship of \$500.00 from our scholarship fund under the leadership of the Christian education board to eligible applicants. Camp board report was for information only. Rev. Randy Bryant gave an update on state affairs and missions. Bro. Don Brannon led in the offering prayer with \$104.00 received. Business was concluded with prayer by Bro. Wayne Hill.

Worship service began in song. Sis. Delma Hamblen blessed with special music "And Then Came Morning" and "When He Was on the Cross". Rev. John Jackson brought us a message from 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians with an emphasis on "brotherly love". We were closed in prayer with a blessing on the food by Rev. Allan Austin.

THIRD QUARTERLY MINUTES ON OCT. 7, 2016 at Marvin Chapel Free Will Baptist Church at Marlanna

PASTOR: IRVIN JENNISON CLERK: ROBERTA JENNISON

This meeting was opened in prayer by Rev. John Jackson and called to order by Bro. Richard Rehberg. The standing delegates were asked to rise followed by the elected delegates with a MSC to seat the delegates. There were 11 standing delegates, 15 elected delegates and 15 visitors present per the credentials report. The committee on committees was appointed by the moderator. They were given a short recess to recommend persons to fill the nominating committee. Upon their return, a MSC to accept their recommendations. After the minutes were read and a copy of the treasurer's report was handed out there was a MSC to accept. Rev. Tim Owen brought us the state executive board report for information only. After an offering prayer led by Rev. Tim Owen, we received \$66.00. This concluded business and we began worship in song with a special by Sis. Roberta Jennison. Rev. Duane Littlefield brought us the message from Acts 4 with an emphasis on "having boldness to stand, regardless of the consequences". We were closed in prayer and a blessing on the food by Rev. Irvin Jennison.

ANNUAL MINUTES ON JAN. 13-14, 2017 at Damascus Free Will Baptist Church at Marlanna

PASTOR: EZRA CAYNOR CLERK: RUBY PITTS

DAY 1-This meeting was opened in prayer by Rev. Ezra Caynor and the meeting was called to order by Bro. Richard Rehberg by having the standing delegates rise followed by the elected delegates. A MSC to seat the delegates. The moderator selected persons to fill the committee on committees to recommend persons to fill the regular committees. They were given a short recess to fill these

committees and upon their return a MSC to accept their recommendations. An offering prayer was led by Bro. Glen Williams. Rev. Randy Bryant gave the state executive board report. Bro. Jacob Austin thanked us for his scholarship to enable him to go to Welch College. Camp and Youth board reports were given for information only. With no further business to be discussed this night, we began worship services in song. Bro. James Young blessed us with "Had It Not Been". Rev. Lazaro Riesgo brought the message from Rev.2:10 with emphasis on "faithfulness". We were closed in prayer with a blessing on the food by Rev. Ezra Caynor.

DAY 2- This meeting was resumed with prayer led by Rev. Ezra Caynor. Bro Richard Rehberg, opened this meeting by having the standing delegates rise to be followed by the elected delegates with a MCS to seat the delegates. Credentials show there were 15 standing delegates 18 elected delegates and 19 visitors present. The minutes were read and a copy of the treasurer's report were handed out with a MSC to accept. After an offering prayer led by Rev. Charles Powell we received \$161.00. MSC to accept recommendations of the nominating committee to fill standing boards. MSC to accept the Resolutions committee and the Obituary committee report. A MSC to accept the executive board recommendation to keep the budget unchanged and to give the Al. Children's Home \$150.00 quarterly out of the general acct. A standing vote of confidence was given to our host church. Prayer for our recently departed members was led by Rev. Timothy Hamblen. This concluded business and we began worship in song. Bro. Terry and Sis. Pam Mayo blessed us by singing "I Need You More Today". Rev. Lazaro Riesgo again brought us a message, this time from Acts 22: 14-15 with emphasis on "Our witness". We were closed in prayer by Bro. Terry Mayo with a blessing on the food prepared.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT submitted by Rev. Ezra Caynor, Rev. Timothy Hamblen and Rev. Charles Powell       Whereas, our nation was founded on Christian principles. Whereas, we as a people have departed from many of God's laws and precepts. Whereas, murder, violence, immorality and lawlessness abound in our land. Be it resolved that we pray daily for God to send a great awakening to our land. Be it further resolved that we pray daily for our President, Donald J. Trump as he leads our nation in 2017. Be it resolved that we give the Damascus church a rising vote of confidence for hosting the 121<sup>st</sup> annual session of the Salem Association of Free Will Baptists.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT submitted by Sis. Linda Smith, Bro. Terry Mayo and Rev. Timothy Hamblen       We the nominating committee nominate Sis. Linda Smith to replace Rev. J.W. Watson as asst. clerk/treasurer. We nominate Bro. Terry Mayo to replace Bro. Ernest Tutton on the mission board. We nominate Sis. Kristie Barnes to replace Sis. Linda Dutch on the youth board. All other positions to expire this year we nominate those now serving in these positions to replace themselves.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE submitted by Sis. Gloria Cressley   Absent from the body but present with the Lord, are Bro. David Todd Davis and Bro. John Amerison from Love Wood, Sis. Connie Jones from Traveler's Rest, Sis. Dorothy Stewart from Marvin Chapel, and Sis. Joyce Kent and Sis. Annette Jackson from Damascus.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT submitted by Sis. Roberta Jennison   A motion is made to continue the present budget for the year 2017 and to give the Al. Children's Home \$150.00 quarterly from the general acct.

YOUTH BOARD REPORT submitted by Sis. Karen Redmon, chairperson  
The bowling party in Feb. which correlated with the Welch College preacher's trip, had over 80 in attendance. The Resurrection Celebration held in Mar. at Traveler's Rest, had 9 in attendance. The walkathon for missions received \$1,584.26. At our annual meeting, a plaque was presented to Bro. Kenny Wayne Hussey of Damascus in commendation for having collected over \$1,000.00 for the walkathon. Upcoming events for 2017 will be a bowling party in Mar., a Resurrection Celebration in April and a walkathon for missions in Oct.

**DEDICATION OF SIDEWALK AT LOVE WOOD IN HONOR OF REV. HENRY  
MATTHEWS 1987-2015**

A special service was held to honor the late Rev. Henry Matthews who served over 28 years at Love Wood Free Will Baptist Church on Jan. 15, 2017. Rev. Robert Harrison officiated and brought a message from 2 Corinthians emphasizing our need to go out into the world and present the Gospel of Christ. Special music was presented by Sis. Ilene Williams and Bro. Greg Walters and by Sis. Mamie Hayes. Refreshments and a time of fellowship followed in the fellowship hall.

QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT APRIL 8,2016

CHURCH	COOP	DUES	PRESB.	MISS.	CAMP	TOTAL
DAMASCUS	\$4,623.09	75.00	30.00			\$4,728.09
MALONE			10.00			10.00
SNEADS	297.55	75.00				372.55
HOLLY GR.			5.00			5.00
LOVE WD.	205.00	75.00	15.00			295.00
M.CHAPEL	600.00	75.00	5.00	100.00		780.00
SALEM	1,508.10	75.00		300.00		1,883.10
T. REST	300.00	75.00				375.00
OFF.						41.00
TOTALS	\$7,533.74	450.00	65.00	400.00		\$8,489.74

QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT JULY 9,2016

CHURCH	COOP	DUES	PRESB.	MISS.	CAMP	TOTAL
DAMASCUS	\$5,011.21	75.00				\$5,086.21
SNEADS	615.95	75.00				690.95
LOVE WD.	100.00	75.00				175.00
M.CHAPEL	600.00	75.00		27.00		702.00
SALEM	1,143.23	75.00		300.00	300.00	1,852.49
T. REST	300.00	75.00				375.00
OFF.						104.00
TOTALS	\$7,770.39	450.00		327.00	300.00	\$8,985.65

QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT OCT.7,2016

CHURCH	COOP	DUES	PRESB.	MISS.	CAMP	TOTAL
DAMASCUS	\$4,856.47	75.00				\$4,931.47
LOVE WD.	146.35	75.00				221.35
M.CHAPEL	600.00	75.00				675.00
SALEM	1,674.57	75.00				1,749.57
SNEADS	597.83	75.00				672.83
T.REST	175.00	75.00				250.00
OFF.						66.00
TOTALS	\$8,050.22	450.00				\$8,566.22

QUARTERLY TREASURER'S REPORT JAN.13-14,2017

CHURCH	COOP	DUES	PRESB.	MISS.	CAMP	TOTAL
DAMASCUS	\$5,581.18	75.00				\$5,656.18
SALEM	1,599.30	75.00		600.00		2,274.30
SNEADS	623.48	75.00	10.00			708.48
HOLLY GR.		300.00	FROM SNEADS/MC			300.00
LOVE WD.	137.43	75.00	15.00			227.43
M.CHAPEL	300.00	75.00	15.00	40.00		430.00
T.REST	300.00	75.00	5.00			380.00
OFF.						161.00
TOTALS	\$8,541.39	750.00	45.00	640.00		\$10,147.39

ANNUAL ITEMIZED TREASURER'S REPORT JAN.2016-2017

ACCT.	DEBITS	CREDITS	BALANCE
BR.FWD			\$15,013.46
1/7BOWLING		420.00	14,593.46
PAV.		275.00	14,318.46
4/5 EASTER		87.04	14,231.42
4/7 DEV.DESIGN		195.60	14,035.82
4/8 1 <sup>ST</sup> QTR	8,414.74		22,450.56
COOP		3,766.87	
MISS.		1,806.75	16,867.94
CAMP		753.37	16,123.57
EASTER		230.27	15,893.30
4/16 CL/SUPP		25.00	15,863.30
5/2 REC.	175.00		16,043.30
5/5 PRINT.SUPP.		90.00	15,953.30
6/23 PO		94.00	15,859.30
7/1 W/A/T	1,406.00		17,265.30
7/8 W/A/T	61.26	SC 5.00	17,321.56

7/9 2 <sup>ND</sup> QTR	8,783.65	26,105.21
COOP	3,885.19	
MISS.	1,854.08	20,365.94
CAMP	1,111.30	19,254.64
8/16W/A/T	27.00	19,281.64
SCHOLARSHIP	500.00	18,781.64
8/24W/A/T	1,594.26	17,412.38
REC.	225.00	17,412.38
10/7 3 <sup>RD</sup> QTR	8,416.72	25,828.60
COOP	4,025.11	
MISS.	1,610.05	20,193.44
CAMP	805.02	19,388.42
10/8 REC.	75.00	19,463.42
10/20 MISS.	300.00	19,763.42
12/3 MOD.	50.00	
CLERK	50.00	19,663.42
12/20 PO	94.00	19,569.42
1/4MICROTEL	165.00	19,404.42
1/13 L.RIESGO	300.00	19,104.42
1/14ANN.QTR	9,762.39	28,866.81
ST DUES	2,400.00	26,466.81
COOP	4,270.69	
MISS.	2,348.28	19,347.84
CAMP	854.14	18,993.70

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ACCT.

ACCT.	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE
BR.FWD.			\$2,723.58
4/81 <sup>ST</sup> QTR	376.68		3,100.26
7/9 2 <sup>ND</sup> QTR	388.52		3,488.78
10/73 <sup>RD</sup> QTR	402.51		3,891.29
1/14 ANN'L	427.07		4,318.36

## GENERAL ACCT.

ACCT.	DEBIT	CREDIT	BALANCE
BR.FWD			\$1,660.28
4/7DEV.DES.		195.60	1,464.63
4/81 <sup>ST</sup> QTR	376.69		1,841.32
OFF.	41.00		1,882.32
4/16 SUPP.		25.00	1,857.32
5/5 INK/PRINTER SUPP		90.00	1,767.32
6/23 PO		94.00	1,673.32
7/92 <sup>ND</sup> QTR	388.52		2,061.84
OFF.	104.00		2,165.84
10/73 <sup>RD</sup> QTR	402.51		2,568.35
OFF.	66.00		2,634.35
12/3 MOD.		50.00	
CLERK		50.00	2,534.35
12/20 PO		94.00	2,440.35
1/4MICROTEL		165.00	2,275.35
1/14L.RIESGO		300.00	1,975.35
ANN'L	427.07		2,402.42
OFF.	161.00		\$2,563.42

## YOUTH ACCT.

ACCT.	DEBIT	CREDIT	TOTAL
FWD BAL.			\$3,930.05
1/27 BOWLING		420.00	3,510.05

W/A/T	275.00	3,235.05
4/81 <sup>ST</sup> QTR 376.69		3,611.74
EASTER	87.04	
EASTER	230.27	3,294.43
7/9 SC COINS CTR	5.00	3,289.43
2 <sup>ND</sup> QTR 388.82		3,677.95
10/73 <sup>RD</sup> QTR 402.51		4,080.46
1/14ANN'L 427.07		\$4,507.53
MACEDONIAN ACCT.		\$1,893.45

PRESBYTERY ACCT.

ACCT.	DEBIT	CREDIT	TOTAL
FWD BAL			\$506.15
4/81 <sup>ST</sup> QTR 65.00			571.15
1/14ANN'L 45.00			\$616.15

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

ACCT.	DEBIT	CREDIT	TOTAL
FWD BAL.			\$4,000.00
4/81 <sup>ST</sup> QTR 376.69			4,376.69
7/92 <sup>ND</sup> QTR 388.52			4,765.21
8/16 WELCH COLLEGE		500.00	4,265.21
10/73 <sup>RD</sup> QTR 402.51			4,667.72
1/14ANN'L 427.07			\$5,094.79

DELEGATE DUES      REC. \$2,400.00   PAID \$2,400.00

STATE COOP      REC. \$15,947.86   PAID \$15,947.86

MISSIONS      REC. \$7,619.16   PAID \$7,619.16

CAMP MT. PLEASANT   REC. \$2,523.83   PAID \$2,523.83

WALKATHON      REC. \$1,594.26   PAID \$1,594.26

CHURCH STATS

DAMASCUS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PASTOR: REV. EZRA CAYNOR CLERK: SIS. RUBY PITTS

BAPTISMS 5 RECEIVED 10 LOST 2 SUN.SCHOOL 70

TOT. MEMBERS 108

ORDAINED PASTORS 2 ORDAINED DEACONS 6

INCOME \$210,607.00 PROPERTY VAL. \$55,000.00

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF MALONE

PASTOR: REV.DUANE LITTLEFIELD CLERK: SIS. CLEO HALL

BAPTISMS RECEIVED 2 LOST SUN.SCHOOL 20

TOTAL MEMBERS 20

ORDAINED PASTORS 1 ORDAINED DEACONS 2

INCOME PROPERTY VALUE

FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF SNEADS

PASTOR: REV. TIMOTHY HAMBLIN CLERK: SIS LAVELLE JONES

BAPTISMS RECEIVED LOST 1 SUN.SCHOOL 12

TOTAL MEMBERS 20

ORDAINED PASTORS 1 ORDAINED DEACONS 1

INCOME \$28,073.63 PROPERTY VALUE \$90,000.00

HOLLY GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PASTOR: REV. CHUCK THEALL CLERK: SIS. LINDA SMITH

BAPTISMS RECEIVED LOST 13 SUN.SCHOOL TOTAL MEMBERS 7

ORDAINED PASTORS 1 ORDAINED DEACONS

INCOME PROPERTY VALUE \$200,000.00

LOVE WOOD FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PASTOR: CLERK: SIS. JEAN FOXWORTH

BAPTISMS RECEIVED 8 LOST 2 SUN.SCHOOL 12

TOTAL MEMBERS 23

ORDAINED PASTORS ORDAINED DEACONS 2

INCOME PROPERTY VALUE \$80,113.00

MARVIN CHAPEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PASTOR: REV.IRVIN JENNISON CLERK: SIS. ROBERTA JENNISON

BAPTISMS RECEIVED LOST 1 SUN.SCHOOL 8

TOTAL MEMBERS 57

ORDAINED PASTORS 2 ORDAINED DEACONS 2

INCOME \$42,000.00 PROPERTY VALUE \$52,500.00

SALEM FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PASTOR: CLERK: SIS. LINDA DUTCH

BAPTISMS 6 RECEIVED 17 LOST SUN.SCHOOL 45

TOTAL MEMBERS 116

ORDAINED PASTORS 1 ORDAINED DEACONS 3

INCOME \$34,532.00 PROPERTY VALUE \$600,000.00

TRAVELER'S REST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

PASTOR: REV. ALLAN AUSTIN CLERK: SIS. JUNE CLEMMONS

BAPTISMS RECEIVED 1 LOST 1 SUN.SCHOOL 30

TOTAL MEMBERS 76

ORDAINED PASTORS 1 ORDAINED DEACONS

INCOME PROPERTY VALUE

TOTALS: CHURCHES 8 MEMBERS 427 BAPTISMS 11 RECEIVED 32 LOST 20

PASTORS 9 DEACONS 16 INCOME \$304,212.73 PROPERTY VALUE \$2,045,113.00

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

**PREAMBLE**

We, the believers in Christ according to the doctrines of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, having been baptized into 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 this organization shall be to unify the work of the churches composing this association by devising and executing such measures as will spread the Gospel of Christ as we interpret it.

**ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP**

Any regularly and organized and well-disciplined Free Will Baptist Church conforming to the usage's of the Free Will Baptist Denomination as set forth in the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Free Will Baptist of the National Association may upon proper application and voice of the association, become members of the association.

**ARTICLE IV- COMPOSITION**

The sessions of the association shall consist of the 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 the association shall have the right to

make suggestions, but the voting rights shall be reserved for the delegates of the Salem Association. All officers of the association shall be standing delegates.

#### ARTICLE V-REPRESENTATION

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

#### ARTICLE VI-OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES

The purpose of each board is to promote itself domestically and internationally within the Salem Association of Free Will Baptists biblically, ethically and morally to formulate and promote a lively program by the aiding of our churches, the establishment of new churches and by an earnest effort to keep a spirit of revival present in the association. SECTION 1. The officers of this association shall be a moderator, a vice-moderator, a clerk/treasurer and an asst. clerk/treasurer, who shall be elected every 2 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 2 laypersons to serve on the Camp Mt. Pleasant Board of Directors. One member elected each year to serve a two- year term. 2. The association shall nominate one person annually to represent the association to the Florida State Executive Board.

#### 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. Mission board shall be composed of 5 members elected annually on a rotation basis. The chairperson shall be elected annually. SECTION 3. Youth board shall be composed of 3 members elected annually on a rotation basis. The chairperson shall be elected annually. SECTION 4. Christian education board shall be composed of 3 members elected annually on a rotation basis. The chairperson shall be elected annually.

#### ARTICLE VIII-COMMITTEES

The committees of the association shall be appointed annually. A. Committee on committees will be composed of 3 members appointed by the moderator, to recommend the persons to fill the regular committees of the association. B. Regular committees: Resolutions-composed of 3 members.....Nominations-composed of 3 members.....Finance-composed of 3 members and Obituaries composed of 1 member.

#### ARTICLE IX-SESSIONS/MEETINGS

The sessions of this association shall be held quarterly. The spring and fall sessions will convene on Fri. night before the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. In April and Oct. The summer session will convene on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. In July and the winter session, which is our annual session, will convene on Fri. night before the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. In Jan. Annual letters and reports shall be received in this session.

#### ARTICLE X-FINANCE

SECTION 1. Churches represented in this body are asked to pay \$75.00 quarterly or \$300.00 annually for the state representative fees. SECTION 2. Each church is asked to send at least 10% of its income for the cooperative plan of support. SECTION 3. All cooperative funds coming into this body shall be spent under a budget plan. The budget must be approved by the body while in session. SECTION 4. The moderator and clerk/treasurer shall receive \$50.00 annually for their services. The clerk/treasurer may spend monies as needed for such items as computer, ink, programs and misc. items to assist in their services.

#### ARTICLE XI-DISCIPLINE

The 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 its actions are inconsistent with the doctrine and usage 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. The 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 it's representatives. SECTION 3. The Salem Presbytery shall have it's own constitution and by-laws and will function as an Independent body from the Salem Association. SECTION 4. Each church will request the Salem Presbytery to examine the new pastor within 30 days of calling him as their pastor. SECTION 5. The Salem Presbytery will examine the new pastor within 30 days of receiving a request by the church that called him.

#### ARTICLE XIII-AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be altered or amended by a majority vote of the association at any regular annual session provided the suggested amendment is received by the clerk in writing 1 day before a 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 case of a tie. A. The moderator shall be chairman of the executive board. B. He shall see that all actions 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 a 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.

## NOTES



FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT APRIL 7, 2017  
HOLLY GROVE FWB CHURCH

SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING SAT. MORNING JULY 8, 2017  
FIRST FWB CHURCH OF SNEADS

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING FRIDAY NIGHT OCT. 13, 2017  
FIRST FWB CHURCH OF MALONE

ANNUAL MEETING FRI NIGHT AND SAT MORNING JAN. 12-13, 2017  
TRAVELER'S REST

ALL FRIDAY NIGHT SESSIONS BEGIN AT 7PM

ALL SATURDAY MORNING SESSIONS BEGIN AT 10AM