

MINUTES
FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION
of the
SALINE ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS



Held With
MACEDONIA CHURCH
Cleveland County
SEPTEMBER 5-6-7, 1947



Next Session will be held with Harmony Church
Cleveland County, Arkansas

Eld. J. E. White, Moderator New Edinburg, Ark.
Bro. Ottis Cook, Clerk Star City, Ark.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Eld. J. C. Moring England, Ark.
Eld. J. E. White New Edinburg, Ark.
Eld. W. P. White Warren, Ark.
Eld. R. M. Moore Tarry, Ark.
Eld. D. A. Bryan Warren, Ark.

PROCEEDINGS

The Ministers, Deacons, Delegates and Church Clerks, composed in that part of the Church of God or Christ, commonly known as Free Will Baptist, met in annual session with Macedonia Church, September 5-6-7.

Arrangements for the reception of those in attendance were planned by the Macedonia Church. The welcome, hospitality, comforts and good eats were enjoyed by all.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The Moderator, Eld. J. E. White called the body together. Song by Bro. H. C. Dyer No. 1 "This World Is Not My Home", Prayer by Eld. W. P. White. Scripture Reading by Moderator, 1 Cor. 3-9-14 Eph. 2-8-21. Talk by Moderator. Song by Eld. Stanton, "White Farther Along" No. 38. Reading of letters by Assistant Clerk, Bro. Dallas Jones. Song.

Five Minute Recess.

Called to order by Moderator. Song Service directed by Sister Haskel Bolin, No. 90, "I'll Live In Glory", No. 124—"He Bore It All". Introductory Message by Eld. Stanton White and Eld. W. P. White, Text, St. Luke 10-42. One Thing Is Needful. Song by Eld. J. E. White No. 78, "When We All Get To Heaven. Handshaking. Dismissal for noon by Bro. Dallas Jones.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Song by Bro. H. C. Dyer, No. 86 "Jesus Is Mine". Scripture reading, Acts 17:24-31. Prayer by Bro. Murry Funderburg. Song, No. 96, "Stay On The Jerico Road," by Sister Haskel Balen. Proceeded with reading of letters and seating of delegates.

MACEDONIA—Sister Lizzie Bryant, Sallie Trammell, Cora Harrelston, Venna Barnett, Lee Parkman, Bro. Ben Thompson and T. H. Brown.

SNOW CHAPEL—Bro. Archie Beavers, Sis. Taylor and Sis. Winchester.

HARMONY—Bro. Garfield Edwards, Sis. Garfield Edwards, Sis. W. W. Clark, Sis. Lillian Brown, Ethel Taylor and Bro. Joe Brown.

PLEASANT VALLEY—Sis. Ruthie May Greenwood, Mable Daggett, Bro. Hermon Greenwood, Bro. Leonard Dogget and Orris Dogget.

PLEASANT GROVE—Bro. Elvie Funderburg, Bro. Sid Horn, Sis. Lizzie Funderburg and Sis. Sid Horn.

UNION CHAPEL—Sis. Lilion Hall, Sis. Amalee Hall, Francis Wedge and Bro. Tom Craig.

PINE HILL—Sis. Gracie Williams, Leo West, Lela Cook, Bro. Houston Morgan and Ottis Cook.

FREE HILL—Bro. S. N. Kimble, Lonnie Rawls, Sis. Mady Morgan and Geneva Rawls.

SPRING HILL—Sis. Sam Armand, Sis. Noble Scroggins, Bro. Noble Scroggins and Bro. Sam Armand.

DURDON CHAPEL—Sis. Homer Parker, Martha Lee Taylor and Sylvie Teel.

WILLOUGHBY—Bro. Douglas Andrews, Charlie, Freer, Rufus Doggett, Sis. Charlie Freer and Sis. Stanton White.

ROSE HILL—Bro. Eunice Barnett, Ernest Nowlen, Sis. Hattie Clemmons and Mertle Barnett.

YORKTOWN—Sis. Ethel Moore, Eva Tucker, Ola Mae Moore and Helen Dodds.

OLIVEDELL—Bro. O. W. Evans, John Whitehead and Robert Price.

MT. PLEASANT—Bro. Levi Pennington, Haskel Bolin, J. L. Johnson, Clark High and Sis. Clark High.

OAK GROVE—Bro. and Sis. J. E. McMahon.

Song, No. 88. Handshake. Election of permanent officers. Moderator, Eld J. E. White; Assistant, Eld. Lewis Barker; Clerk, Bro. Ottis Cook; Assistant, Sis. Eva Tucker; Song Director, Eld. Stanton White; Assistant, Bro. Leonard Dogget.

Clerk's report:

Received from the different churches	\$92.98
To the State Association	\$21.00
For printing of Minutes	\$40.00
Mailing Minutes	\$ 1.98
Balance in Treasury	\$20.00
Old Minister's Tombstone fund in Treasury	\$15.90

Moderator Eld. J. E. White appointed the following committees
Resolution—Bro. Murry Funderburg, Bro. Rogers, Bro. Lonnie Rowls, Bro. O. W. Evans and Bro. Dallas Jones.

Saboth School—Bro. Leroy Thompson and Bro. Sid Horn.

Obituary—Bro. Brown, Sis. Helen Dodds and Sis. Hattie Clemens

Non-Represented Churches— Bro. Cliff Dyer, Eld. J. M. Spikes and Sis. Sam Orman.

Credential—Bro. Tom Brown, Bro. Houston Morgan, Bro. Robert Price, and Sis. Vera Frer.

Statistical—Sis. Leo West, Sis. Larrine Dogget, Sis. Murry Funderburg, Sis. Eva Tucker and Cora Harrelston.

Temperance—Bro. Garfield Edwards Eld. W. P. White, Sis. Lela Cook, Sis. Ola Mae Moore, Sis. Helen White.

Song No. 51, Dismissed for five minutes recess.

Song by Bro. Levi Pennington, No. 33. Prayer by Eld. Jonnie Hartley. Called for unfinished business. Report of Ministers and Deacons Alliance read and accepted as read. Eld. J. C. Moring, chairman of Old Ministers Tombstone fund reports \$184.35 collected.—Paid out \$168.45, Balance on hand \$15.90 turned over to the Clerk and Discharge committee. The body extended thanks to the committee.

Committee on Devine Service recommended Eld Stanton White to fill the stand at 11:00 o'clock Friday, followed by Eld. W. P. White Friday night, Eld. J. E. White followed by Eld J. M. Spikes. Sunday Eld. Wheeler, followed by Eld. Lewis Barker.

The next Sunday School Rally to be held with Yorktown Church
Officers for rally: President, Bro. Dallas Jones; Sect., Sis Eva Tucker; Song Directed by Eld. R. M. Moore. Dismissed until evening service by Bro. Murry Funderburg.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Song by Bro. Van Thompson, No. 7, Song quartet, No. 104 "Down On My Knees", Song No. 64, "There Is A City" By Two Girls. Song, 106 by Bro. Ervin Dyer. Prayer by Eld. D. A. Bryan. Quartet by two girls, "Mother Is Not Dead, She Is Only Sleeping". Devotional Service conducted by Bro. Murry Funderburg. Song by Bro. Cliff Dyer No. 138, "I Am Riding On The Glory Bound Train". Prayer by Bro. Ottis Cook,

Preaching Service conducted by Eld. J. E. White, reading 15th., Chapter, 1 Cor. beginning at 25th., verse, Ephens 5-23, Subject, The Glorified Church, Or the Bride, The Lamb's Wife, followed by Eld. J. M. Spikes. Song No. 308, "Ouly Trust Him", by Bro. Cliff Dyer.

Dismissed by Eld M. H. Snow.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Song No. 38 "Farther Along", by Eld. J. E. White. Song No. 33 "Empty Mansion", by Eld. D. A. Bryan. Scripture reading by Eld. J. E. White, Matthew 7-1-12. Prayer by Eld. J. E. White. Song No. 307 "Amazing Grace" by Eld. J. E. White. Proceeding letters read and delegates seated.

Petitionary letter from Snow Chapel Church, motion and second that we receive Snow Chapel Church into the Association and was carried. Song No. 139, "I Am Getting Ready To Go Home By Eld Stanton White. Handshake.

Report by Bro. Murry Funderburg of Home Mission Money in Treasury, \$154.73. Received report and retained committee.

The next regular session of the Association will go to Harmony Church.

Introductory Sermon by Eld. M. H. Snow. Alternate, Eld Lewis Barker. Memorial Sermon by Eld. R. M. Moore. Alternate, Eld. L. W. Wheeler.

Free Hill letter read and received as read. Dismissed for recess by Bro. J. E. McMahon.

House called to order by Moderator. Song No. 7, "No Wonder I Sing", Song No. 18 "Dip Your Soul In Gods Sunshine" by Eld. Stanton White. Poem by Little Robert Lewis Barker. Song No. 64 "There Is A Gift", by Bro. Leonard Dogget.

Memorial Sermon by Eld. J. C. Moring. Prayer by Eld. W. P. White. Reading, 1 Cor. 15-24. Prayer by Eld. M. H. Snow. Song, "What A Friend We Have In Mother", by Yorktown quartet. Reading St. John 14 Chap. Gal. 3-5 Gen. 50-1.

Song No. 115 "If We Never Meet Again." Handshake, passed out for the noon hour.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Song by Eld. Stanton White, "He Is My Trusting Friend."

Song by Bro. Edward Martin, No. 33 "Praise Him." Prayer by Bro. J. E. McMahon. Report of Devine committee recommended Eld. M. H. Snow fill the stand to-night, followed by Eld. D. A. Bryan.

Report from Eld. Homer Parker on the National Association that met in Detroit, Michigan. He reported a wonderful meeting and that the next session would be at Pocahontas.

Election of delegates to State Association.

Delegates, Sis. Homer Parker, Sis. Lela Cook, Helen Dodds, Iva Mae McClellan and Sis. J. E. McMahon.

Alternates, Sis. Gracie Williams, Bro. Otis Loyd, Bro. Elvie Funderburg.

Song No. 314 "I Want To Be A Worker", by Eld. Stanton White. Bro. Emmett Pope was ordained Deacon from Spring Hill Church.

Dismissed for recess by Eld. Lewis Barker.

Song No. 140 "Just Over In The Glory Land", by Eld. Stanton White. Poem by little Willie Jean Barker. Talk on arranging League Program by Eld. Lewis Barker and program read for next-meeting.

Song No. 146, "I Had Rather Have Jesus". Offering taken up for Bro. Winford Davis, offering \$31.23.

The body bids Eld. W. P. White, God Speed in his work he is doing in Louisiana. Motion and second, that we carry resolution No. 2 that was passed in 1946, be carried in 1947 minutes. Motion and second that we elect an Executive committee.

Committee—Eld. W. P. White, Eld. D. A. Bryan, Bro. Rufus Dogget, Bro. J. D. Divine and Eld. Stanton White.

Song, No. 248 "I'll Be Satisfied."

Dismissed by Eld. R. M. Moore.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Song service directed by Eld. Stanton White and Bro. Cliff Dyer. A quartet was given that was enjoyed by all. Prayer by Sis. J. E. White. Prayer by Sis. Eva Tucker. Devotional by Eld. R. M. Moore. Sermon by Eld. M. H. Snow, Text Acts 8-35, followed by Eld. D. A. Bryan. Song "Called for Sinners Or Backsliders"

Dismissed by Eld. Loyd Williams.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

Song by class. Prayer by Eld. H. P. McClelland.

Sunday School, a good lesson was enjoyed by all. Song by Bro. Van Thompson No. 31. Song No. 102 Nellie Fay Dyer. Song Eddie Lee McClelland No. 78. Song Eld. Stanton White No. 35. Song Edward Martin No. 18. Prayer by Eld. H. L. Myers. Song by Eld. Stanton White No. 87.

11:15 Preaching by Eld. L. W. Wheeler. Scripture reading Math. 28-16-20. Prayer by Eld. Stanton White. Subject, "The Great Commission. Song by Bro. H. C. Dyer No. 69, followed by Eld. Lewis Barker. Dismissed by Bro. H. C. Dyer

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Sunday afternoon was spent in song service and a sermon by Eld. A. B. Cummings. Subject, "The Hand Writing On The Wall.

Dismissed by Bro. T. H. Brown.

Remarks: All who attend the State Meeting at Ft. Smith reported a wonderful meeting and the next meeting meets with the Saline Association at Pine Hill near Star City.

MINISTERS REPORT

ELD. W. P. WHITE—I have pastored one church, Preached at one Mission point in Louisiana. They have called me for their pastor. We are doing a great work in Louisiana.

ELD J. C. MORING, England, Ark., Rt. 3—I have pastored one church. Preached at one Mission point, helped in two revivals, received for Baptism 26, additions to the Church 26, Funerals preached 2. Money received \$226.84. Pray for me that God may use me for the Glory of God.

ELD. D. A. BRIAN—Pastored 3 churches, Traveled 12,072 miles, received \$657.95. 20 Saved, 8 Additions to the church, 2 Reclaimed, Tithes paid out \$157.09, Offerings \$50.00, Tithes on hand \$48.21, Married 5 couples. God has blessed the work very much in the past. I pray God for a successful year in His Divine Kingdom—Pray for me

ELD. STANTON WHITE—I have preached 20 sermons, traveled 470 miles, received \$80.00, helped in one meeting, Baptized none. I

Pray God for a greater service next year—Pray for me.

ELD. J. M. SPIKES, Sherrill, Ark., Rt. 1 Box 188A—Preached 37 Sermons, Preached in 8 Mission points, received \$43.06, helped establish 1 church, helped in 3 revivals. Please Pray for me.

ELD. R. M. MOORE—Pastored 3 churches, Received \$800.00. Had a pleasant year.

ELD. HOMER PARKER— I have pastored 3 churches, preached 116 sermons, traveled 9659 miles, received cash \$1,000.33, produce \$75.00, converted 9, baptized 7, members received 12, donations paid out \$103.28, collected and mailed to Eld. J. R. Davidson, Nashville, Tenn., on college expansion program \$85.00. Give the praise to Christ for this years work. Pray for wife and I, that we may do more next year.

TEMPERANCE—We, your committee on Temperance recommend that our association do everything in our power to put strong drink out for it tares up churches, recks homes and lives and damns souls.

Sis. Ola Mae Moore, Chairman

CREDENTIALS—We, your committee on Credentials find that all Ministers are in good standing as far as we can find out except D. F. Dodson refered back to Association body, gave clerk power to have his credentials revoked.

Bro. Houston Morgan, Chairman

SUNDAY SCHOOL—We, your committee on Sunday School find that all our churches have Sunday School but 2. We recommend that if possible they organize a Sunday School for we believe that a good lively Sunday School is worth more to our church than any thing we can have to train our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Bro. Ottis Cook, Chairman

STATISTICAL—We, your committee on Statistics beg leave the following report:

Pastoral Work	\$ 3,493.29
Evangelists	\$ 1,125.21
Church Property	\$11,300.00
Publication	\$ 1,095.13
Home Mission	\$ 14.00
Foreign Mission	\$ 82.88
Minute Money	\$ 61.98
Help take care of State Association	\$ 31.00
Monument fund	\$ 15.90

Total \$17,219.39

Received into churches	54
Baptized	48
Dismissed	10
Died	7
Ministers	19
Deacons	33
Members in Sunday School	545
Number in League	260
Taking Church Paper	44
Total Church Membership.	1,322

Sis. Leo West, Chairman

OBITUARY—We, your committee on Obituary find that God in His infinite wisdom saw best to call from our Association to their reward, Bro. Carl Bealin, Bro. Clarence Gates, Spring Hill; Sister Cester Bradshaw, Yorktown; Sis. L. E. Jones, Pleasant Valley; Sis. Morandey Lee, Bro. Forrest Myers, Pleasant Grove; Sis. Molly Orr, Harmony Church.

Bro. T. H. Brown, Chairman

UNION OF CHURCHES—We, your committee find that all our churches in the Association are in harmony with each other and in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, and in union with each other.

Eld. W. P. White, Chairman

NON REPRESENTED CHURCHES—We, your committee find that we have 100 percent representation.

Bro. H. C. Dyer, Chairman

RESOLUTION NO. 1—

We ask that each church of our association pay \$2.50 per quarter and send it to the Quarterly Meeting to be applied on our quota of Foreign Mission Funds. This resolution offered by Eld. Homer Parker.

RESOLUTION NO. 2—

Be it resolved that Saline Association elect a Home Mission Board of three members to handle all office work of said board. One of the three members act as chairman, one as treasurer. The above board is held responsible for all funds and duties performed by the board. At each fifth Sunday they are to make a general report on finance and expenditures and Home Missions work.

The resolution takes the place of Resolution No. 2 passed by this body in 1944 session.

Homer Parker, Chairman

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **GOD**—We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, equal in divine essence, Purpose, power, and glory. St. John 1:1; 1st Cor. 8:6, 1 John 5:7; St. John 10:30.

2. **CHRIST**—We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God; was with the Father and the Holy Spirit at the time of the creation; left the Courts of Heaven and came to this earth. Took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin excepted, by being born of the virgin Mary, manifested his power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's new tomb, arose from the dead the third day, completing the great plan of salvation; walked and talked with his disciples, publicly ascending up to heaven, and that he will descend to gather his jewels home. Isiah 9:6; St. John 1: 14; Luke 7:26-28; 24:50-53; Math. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; 15:22-41; Acts 1:9-12; 1st Thes. 4:13-18.

3. **HOLY SPIRIT**—We believe the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages, and especially since the ascension of the Son back to the Father, and its coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up its office work among all nations of people as a Divine Reprover, Comforter, and Guide. Judges 6:34; 11:29; St. John 16:18-14; Isiah 63:10-12; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:17-20.

4. **THE BIBLE**—We believe the Bible, which is composed of the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, was given by inspiration of God, is our waybill from earth to Heaven, and only infallible rule of faith and practice. II Peter 1:19-21; II Timothy 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Math. 24:14.

5. **THE FALL OF MAN**—We believe that God created man good, gave him a just law by which he should be governed, with promises of reward for faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great Enemy of souls, voluntarily transgressed the Law of God, fell under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave to them the hope of salvation through the coming of Christ. Gen. 1:27; 2:16-17 Romans 11:11-35; 5:18; Psalms 37:23-24.

6. **REDEMPTION, SALVATION, ADOPTION**—We believe that Jesus Christ, by his birth, death, burial, resurrection and ascension, paid the purchase price of the redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who came to Him upon Gospel terms; and a law of adoption into the Kingdom of Heaven, and an eternal inheritance in the glorified Kingdom above. Hebrews 9:12; 1:3-4; Gal. 3:13; 4:4-5; Titus 2:14; St. John 3:16, Isa. 45:22.

7. **CONDITIONS OF SALVATION**—We believe that all persons dying in infancy, and all idiots, are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any act upon their part; that persons coming to the years of accountability, transgressing the Law of God, must upon their part exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father, and by the Holy Spirit they pass through the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ or God. John 3rd chapter; Math. 19:13-22; II Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:16-17; St. John 4:11-16, Psalms 98:3.

8. **SALVATION FREE**—We believe that God desires the salvation of all; Christ died for all; the gospel invites all; the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the Gospel. I Peter 1:9-25; 2:9, 24-25; Rev. 22:17.

9. **BAPTISM**—We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, in which is represented the burial and resurrection of Christ! also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbytery of elders are qualified to administer the same. Math 3:14-16; 28:18; 3:5-6; I Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47.

10. **COMMUNION AND FEET WASHING**—We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of feet are ordinances of the gospel of Christ; the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Saviour to commemorate his broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world, and to show our remembrance of Him till He comes. All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper, and should be invited; "let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of feet was instituted at the same time that the supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until his second coming. Luke 22:19-20; I Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-18; Math. 26:26-29.

11. THE SABBATH—We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God; that we should abstain from all inful amusements, and secular employments, works of mercy and piety excepted. Exodus 20:11; 31:12-18; Detu. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20-12; Math. 28:1; Luke 23-56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27.

12. CALL TO THE MINISTRY—We believe in a divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impresses His Ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent that the call become irresistible with personal contentment, that when they yield to the call and exercise their native gifts according to the scripture with a full reliance upon Him He accompanies them in the person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to His purpose. Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; Math. 28:19.

13. THE INVISIBLE CHURCH—We believe that the invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous Abel to the restitution of all things from every kindred, nation, tongue, and people. Eph. 3:16-21; 2:19-22; Heb. 12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Acts 2:47; Math. 16:18.

14. THE VISIBLE CHURCH—We believe that a visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the gospel. II Thes. 1:1; Acts 16:5; 20:28; III John 1:10; Math. 18:17; Rev. 1:4, 11-20; 2nd Cor. 8:18-19.

15. PERSEVERANCE—We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine grace, and in the knowledge of the truth that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life that all the combined force of the great enemy of souls on earth in Hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from his hand so long as they walk in the path of duty; but those who sidestep and willfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty they would backslide and if persistently continued would be eternally lost. II Cor. 9:10; II Peter 1:4-8; I Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39; Apostasy; II Peter 1:8-9; I Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17, 6:1-16, 3:12, 1st John 5:16; I Tim. 4:1-2; St. John 15:1-7; Math. 12:31-32; Jude 1st chapter.

16. CHRIST THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH—We believe that Christ is the great head of the Church and the government of the local church is with the body. Col. 1:18-19; Math. 16:-18, 21:42; Heb. 12:23; Eph. 1:22; Acts 16:4-5.

17. SANCTIFICATION—Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly

growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. And the sanctification of the body (which is held under subjection) will take place in the resurrection. I Cor. 6:11; II Thes. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; 1st Thes. 5:19-23; St. John 17:17-19; II Timothy 2:20-21.

18. THE SOUL—The soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery according to the spiritual character here possessed. Philp. 1:23; Luke 22:43, 16:19-25; Rev. 6:9; Math. 10:28.

19. THE RESURRECTION—We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and wicked. When the resurrection shall take place the soul and body shall be reunited, the righteous shall be received in to everlasting happiness to reign with God forever; but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment. Math. 28:6; St. John 5:28-29; I Cor. 15:51-58.

20. JUDGMENT—We believe that there will be a great universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works, whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into everlasting happiness. II Thes. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13, 20:12-13, 21:8; II Cor. 5: 10; Math. 12:36-37; Acts 17:31.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with a prayer.

2. Those who speak shall rise, address the Moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided.

3. All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.

4. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.

5. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes unless so ordered at the time.

6. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without special leave from the body.

7. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

8. No member shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator.

9. At the future sessions of this Association arrangements shall be made so as to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises which shall be equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and that the chair announce just before adjournments who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.

10. Alternations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Association called to order by Moderator, or in his absence the Clerk.
3. Letters from the Churches of this Association called for, read and messengers invited to seats.
4. Right hand of fellowship.
5. Call for letters from newly organized Churches.
6. Corresponding Associations.
7. Election of permanent officers.
8. Reading Rules of Order and Minutes of last Association by Chairman or Clerk.
9. Appointment of the following Committees: (a) Resolutions; (b) Finance; (c) Arrangements of Preaching; (d) Temperance; (e) Sabbath Schools; (f) Obituaries; (g) Condition of Non-Represented Churches; (h) Union of Churches; (j) Credential; (k) Statistics.
10. Report of Committees appointed at last Association, and other unfinished business.
11. Report of new committees.
12. New business.
13. Adjournment.