

Minutes

Sixty-First Annual Session

OF THE

SALINE ASSOCIATION

OF

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

Macedonia F. W. B. Church

New Edinburg, Arkansas

AUGUST 30 and 31, 1957

Next Session To Be Held With

SPRING HILL F. W. B. CHURCH

Banks, Arkansas

Eld. Lewis Barker, Moderator

513 W. Trotter, Monticello, Ark.

Eld. Donald T. Brown, Clerk

308 W. 5th St., Carlisle, Ark.

EXAMINING BOARD

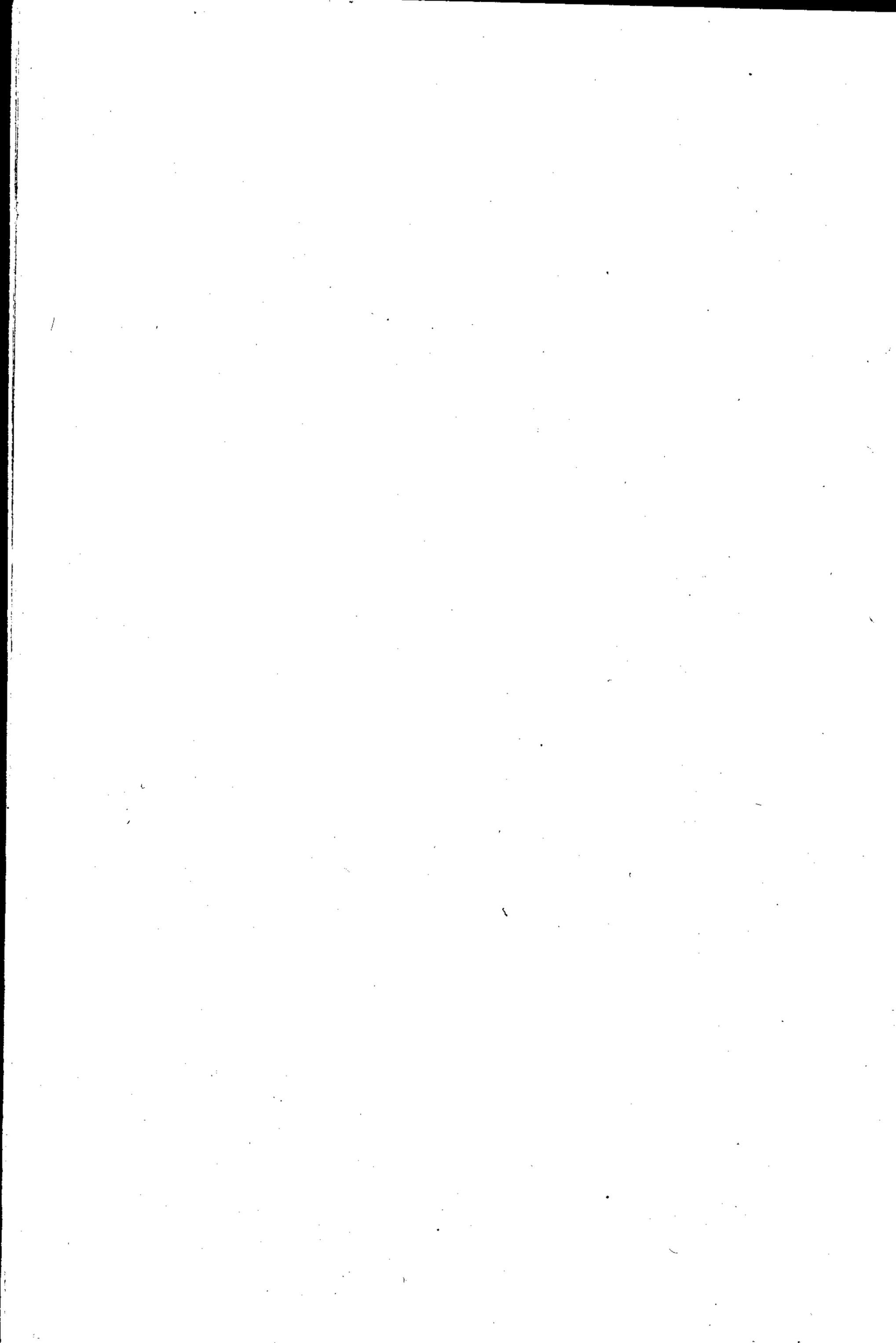
Eld. J. C. Moring ----- England, Arkansas

Eld. Elro Driggers ----- Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Eld. Lewis Barker ----- Monticello, Arkansas

Eld. J. E. White ----- New Edinburg, Arkansas

Eld. H. E. Taylor ----- Hamburg, Arkansas



PROCEEDINGS

The 61st annual session of the Saline Association met with the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church, New Edinburg, Ark., August 30 and 31, 1957.

Composed of ministers, deacons, delegates, and church clerks, commonly known as Free Will Baptist. The welcome hospitality, comfort, and good eats were enjoyed by all.

FRIDAY MORNING

9:45 House called to order by the clerk, Eld. Donald T. Brown, and Moderator introduced.

Song No. 133 by Eld. John Rich.

Moderators message by Eld. Lewis Barker.

Scripture reading St. John 1st Chapter.

Prayer by Eld. J. C. Moring.

Welcome address by Sis. Sally Trammell.

Appointment of the following Committee chairmen by the Moderator.

Statistics, Eld. Elbert McClellan.

Sunday School, Sis. Alma West.

Obituary, Sis. J. E. McMahon.

Election of someone to bring the Introductory sermon in the absence of Eld. John Lindsey. The body selected Eld. Hershel Sharpton as the speaker.

Reading of church letters by Eld. Elro Driggers.

M. S. C. that the letters be accepted and delegates seated.

Dismissed for recess by Eld. Lewis Barker.

House called to order by Moderator.

Song, "Love Lifted Me." by song director.

Prayer by Eld. Cecil Sanders.

Introductory Sermon by Eld. Hershel Sharpton.

Scripture reading, Galations 5:16.

Prayer by Eld. J. E. White.

Song and handshake. Dismissed for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Songs "To The Work and When I See The Blood" by Bro. J. E. McMahon.

Prayer by Eld. L. W. Wheeler.

Call for letters from newly organized churches.

There was one letter from 1st Free Will Baptist Church of Warren.

After questioning and some discussion the receiving of the Warren Church into Saline Asso. was tabled over to later in the session. Eld. J. E. White was selected by the body to work with Eld. H. E. Taylor on Home Mission Board to examine Eld. John M. Rich and the church at Warren.

Appointment of the following committees:

Sunday School—Sis. Alma West, Chairman; Sis. Willie Dean Collins, Sis. Marie Gibson.

Statistics—Eld. Elbert McClellan, Chairman; Eld. Hershel Sharpton, Sis. H. E. Taylor.

Obituary—Sis. J. E. McMahon, Sis. Hazel Mann, Sis. R. B. Doss.

Finiance—Eld. Johnnie Hartley, Sis. Mazingo, Bro. Lon Johnson.

Pulpit—Bro. J. E. McMahon, Chairman; Bro. Noble Scroggins, Bro. Edward Chappell, Bro. Jim Brown, Sis. Mary Ingram.

Temperance—Eld. H. E. Taylor, Chairman; Sis. Lonnie Doss, Bro. Alvin McMahon.

Non-Represented Churches—Eld. J. C. Moring, Chairman; Eld. J. T. Ply, Sis. J. E. White.

Credential— Bro. Fay Mann, Chairman; Eld. H. L. Woods, Sis. Willie Loyd. M. S. C. to seat Eld. and Sis. Cecil Sanders as advisory members of Asso.

Election of officers:

Moderator—Eld. Lewis Barker.

Asst. Moderator—Eld. H. E. Taylor.

Clerk—Eld. Donald T. Brown.

Asst. Clerk—Eld. Elro Driggers.

Song Director—Bro. Lonnie Brown.

Asst. Song Director—Bro. J. E. McMahon.

Song, "Amazing Grace" by Bro. Lonnie Brown.

Prayer by Eld. Elbert McClellan.

Ten minute recess.

House called to order by Moderator.

Song No. 175 by Bro. Lonnie Brown.

Prayer by Eld. Henry Brown.

M. S. C. to receive the Warren Church into Saline Association and seat their delegates.

M. S. C. that next Association go to Spring Hill church.

Eld. J. C. Moring was elected to bring the Introductory Sermon next year.

Eld. Bob King is his Assistant.

Eld. Henry Brown was elected to bring the Memorial Sermon next year.

Eld. Elro Driggers is his assistant.

Report from the Pulpit committee. They selected Eld. Henry Brown to preach tonight.

M. S. C. that Eld. Elbert McClellan replace Eld. Roy Moore on examining board for this session.

M. S. C. that we adjourn business until Saturday morning at 9:00.

Dismissed by Eld. Herman Greenwood.

FRIDAY NIGHT

7:00 Song service directed by Bro. J. E. McMahon.

Prayer by Eld. Herman Greenwood.

Special song, by Sis Geraldine Sanders and Sis Bertie Mae McClellan.

Prayer by Eld. H. E. Taylor.

7:30 Devotional Service led by Eld. Cecil Sanders.

Scripture reading Isaiah 53:1-9.

Prayer by Eld. Cecil Sanders.

There were 42 that testified.

8:00 Sermon by Eld. Henry Brown.

Scripture reading Luke 24:13-35.

Subject: Walking with God.

Song and alter call.

Dismissed by Eld. J. T. Ply.

SATURDAY MORNING

9:00 Song service led by Bro. Lonnie Brown.

Prayer by Eld. Cecil Cornett.

Devotional by Eld. Loyd Williams.

Scripture reading Matt. 5:1-14.

Prayer by Eld. Henry Brown.

Reading of tardy church letters and delegates seated.

Election of delegates to go to State Association were as follows:

Sis. J. C. Moring
Sis. Sally White
Sis. Henry Brown
Sis. Ida McClellan
Sis. J. W. Moore

Alternates were: Sis. John Rich

Bro. Edward Chappell

Sis. J. E. McMahan

M. S. C. that these delegates represent us at the Ar. State Asso.

Reading of tardy letter from Yorktown Church.

M. S. C. to seat the delegates from Yorktown Church.

Substitution of delegates.

M. S. C. to seat these delegates.

Replacement of committee members.

Dismissed for recess by Eld. Lewis Barker.

Song service led by song director, Bro. Lonnie Brown.

Prayer by Eld. Edd Mozingo.

Song No. 103 "No Tears in Heaven" by Bro. Lonnie Brown.

Memorial Sermon by Eld. J. E. White.

Special song by Marnell and Linda Faye Thompson, "Will It Do Precious Lord."

Scripture reading 2nd Corinthians 4:15.

Reading of obituary list by Eld. J. E. White.

Text: John 17:24.

Prayer by Eld. Elro Driggers.

Song and handshake and dismissed for lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

1:00 House called to order by moderator.

Prayer by Eld. Oris Doggett.

Report from examining board by Eld. H. E. Taylor.

The examining board suggested that Bro. Earl Freer from Warren church, be ordained as a deacon. But rejected the ordination of Bro. Jimmy Adams, due to his age (18) and possible lack of experience.

M. S. C. to accept the report.

Report from Home Mission Board chairman; Eld. Lewis Barker.

M. S. C. to accept the report.

M. S. C. to accept Eld. Lewis Barker's resignation from the Home Mission Board.

Eld. H. E. Taylor was elected to replace Eld. Lewis Barker on Home Mission Board for 2 years, as chairman.

Eld. J. E. White was elected to the Home Mission Board for 3 years.

The body voted for the next Rally (Sunday School) go to Fairview church.

M. S. C. to retain the present Sunday School Officers.

The officers are as follows:

President—Eld. Oris Doggett

Asst. President—Eld. Charlie Collins

Secretary—Sis. Ollie Doggett

Asst. Secretary—Sis. Hazel Mann

Song Director—Bro. Leonard Doggett

Asst. Song Director—Eld. Charlie Collins

M. S. C. that we ask for the next Ark. State Association and it meet with the Macedonia Church.

Committee reports read and accepted as read.

Reading of ministers reports.

M. S. C. to receive the reports.
 M. S. C. that the present resolution committee be retained another year.
 The committee members are as follows:
 Eld. H. E. Taylor, Chairman; Eld. J. W. Moore, Eld. Cecil Cornett,
 Eld. Elro Driggers, Eld. J. E. White.
 M. S. C that Saline Asso. go on record in favor of retaining the Articles of
 Faith in the Arkansas State Association minutes.
 Report from the Pulpit committee. They selected Eld. Herman Greenwood
 to preach tonight and Eld. H. E. Taylor to lead the Devotional service.
 M. S. C. to receive the report as read.
 M. S. C. that all committee members be discharged, accept those on
 standing committees.
 M. S. C. to receive Eld. Henry Brown's ministers report for past year.
 M. S. C. that the business session of Saline Asso. adjourn untill we meet
 next year at Spring Hill Church.
 Dismissed by Eld. Lewis Barker.

SATURDAY NIGHT

7:00 Song Service.
 Special song by Eld. Stanton White and Sis. Marie Adams "Talk It Over
 With Jesus."
 Prayer by Eld. L. W. Wheeler.
 Special by Sis. Geraldine Sanders and Sis. Bertie Mae McClellan, They
 sang "The Blood That Stained The Old Rugged Cross."
 Song No. 307 "Amazing Grace" by Bro. Cliff Dyer.
 7:49 Devotional led by Eld. H. E. Taylor.
 Scripture reading Proverbs 21: 21.
 There were 29 that testified.
 8:00 Ordination Service.
 Song No. 49 "I'll Go Where He Sendeth Me."
 The charge was given by Eld. J. E. White.
 Prayer of consecration led by Eld. H. E. Taylor.
 Laying on of hands by ministers and deacons.
 Song No. 241 by Bro. Cliff Dyef. "I Shall Not Be Moved."
 8:20 Sermon by Eld Herman Greenwood.
 Scripture reading Amos 3:1-8.
 Song and altar call.
 Bro. Billy Mack White of Willoughby church surrendered to the call to the
 ministry.
 Song, and handshake.
 Dismissed by Eld. Oris Doggett.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

We, the committee on Credentials, wish to report that all the minis-
 ters in Saline Association are in good standing, except Eld. Bill Smith.
 Who has been reported to this committee as being slack in keeping his ap-
 pointments with his churches.

Bro. Fay Mann, Chairman
 Sis John Rich
 Sis. Willie Loyd

We, the committee on Non-Represented churchs, find that all Non-Rep-
 resented churches are in good standing. But they feel that they are unable
 to pay Pastor's expense in travel to and from their church.

Eld. J. C. Moring, Chairman
 Eld. J. T. Ply
 Sis. J. E. White

Committee Reports (Continued)

We, your committee on Obituary, find that God has called 20 of our Brethern and Sisters from our midst the past year. But our loss is Heaven's gain.

Sis. J. E. McMahon, Chairman
Sis. Hazel Mann
Sis. R. B. Doss

We, your committee for Sunday School, find that all the churches that are represented have good Sunday Schools. We have an overall total enrollment of 1523.

We recommend each church contact Eld. Mischler, our National Sunday School director. And for Teachers Training Course taught by him be used for the upbuilding of our Sunday Schools.

Sis. Marie Gibson, Chairman
Sis. Alma West
Sis. Willodene Collins

We, your committee on Finance, find that there was \$24.00 received for Saline minutes, \$41.50 for Ark. State Asso. Host Church expense, \$2.50 for Home Mission, and \$2.50 for Foreign Missions making a total of \$70.50 received at this sesion through the church letters and gifts. We find that there is \$51.00 in the Saline District Quarterly Meeting treasurer. Which makes a grand total of \$221.50. We find there are some current expenses due, which are as following:

\$2.50 Home Mission (by request of church that sent it).
2.50 Foreign Mission (by request of church that sent it).
10.00 Clerk Hire.
2.80 letter forms.
.75 Postage.
41.50 For Host Church expenses of Ark. State Asso.
\$60.05 Total to be paid out.

This leaves a balance fo \$160.45 in the Saline Quarterly Meeting treasurer to pay for the Saline Asso. Minutes and other operational expenses of the Saline Association.

Eld. John S. Hartley, Chairman
Eld. Henry Brown
Eld. Curtis Aschraft

We, your Committee on Temperance, pledge our support to the Nationwide group of Free Will Baptist against all Sanction of the use and sale of alcoholic beverages. We pray our people will some day be educated to the same.

Eld. H. E. Taylor, Chairman
Bro. J. A. McMahon
Sis. Clara Beel Doss

REPORT ON HOME MISSION:

But if our Gospel be hid it is hid to them that are lost. 2 Cor. 4:3.

Amount in treasurer Sept. 1, 1956 -----	\$ 786.19
Amount received this year(Including refund from the England church of \$150.00). -----	526.49
Grand Total -----	\$1,312.68
Spent this year -----	221.33
In Treasurer Sept. 1, 1957 -----	\$1,091.35

Eld. Lewis Barker, Chairman

We, your committee on Statistics, submit the following report:

Church Membership -----	2129
Resident Members -----	1339
Non-resident -----	790
Members received this year -----	181
By Baptism -----	77
By letter -----	88
By statement of faith -----	14
Members dismissed -----	65
By letter -----	51
Numbers deceased -----	20
Sunday School enrollment -----	1523
League enrollment -----	722
Woman's Auxiliary membership -----	128
Number of ordained ministers -----	31
Number of ordained deacons -----	73
Pastoral work -----	\$20,679.71
Evangelistic work -----	3,687.14
Building and repairs -----	9,975.34
Literature -----	1,718.63
Advertising -----	19.25
Minutes -----	\$77.50
Miscellaneous -----	2,754.81
Cooperative Plan -----	2,114.89
Foreign Mission -----	943.76
Home Mission -----	249.95
Education -----	357.15
League Rally -----	21.10
Value of church property -----	138,500.00
Value of Parsonage property -----	22,000.00
Money spent this year -----	\$42,512.73

Eld. Elbert McClellan, Chairman
 Eld. Hershel Sharpton
 Sis. H. E. Taylor

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 1 - 1952

We, your Resolution Committee, recommend that Ministers and Deacons coming from another Association to our Association or any other denomination must come before the Ordaining Council of the Saline Association and that all ministers be issued Ministers Certificate Cards annually.

RESOLUTION NO. 1 - 1955

Be it resolved that seats for delegates be reserved and all delegates asked to sit in these reserved seats.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 - 1955

Be it resolved that we ask the ministers of Saline Association to refrain from teaching or preaching that the wicked will have a chance of Salvation at the Second Coming of Christ.

Eld. H. E. Taylor, Chairman
 Eld. J. C. Moring
 Eld. Loyd Williams
 Eld. J. W. Moore
 Eld. H. Reedy Saverance

RESOLUTION NO. 1 - 1956

Be it resolved that this Association go on record as opposing any form of Legalized gambling, dog racing car racing, or horse racing.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 - 1956

Be it resolved that any person affiliated with any Church in the Saline Association that drinks intoxicating beverages of any kind or has to do with the sale of the same, or votes to legalize strong drink, shall be subject to his or her discipline.

Furthermore, that any church which fails to discipline its members for the same, shall subject to withdrawal of fellowship with the association.

Eld. John M. Rich
Eld. Hershel Sharpton
Sis. Louise Galloway

Motion and second that this Resoulution was sponsored by the Temperance Committee.

MINISTERIAL REPORPTS

I beg leave to report I have preached 31 sermons, traveled 400 miles, money received \$205.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Stanton White

I beg leave to report that I have preached 176 sermons, pastored 1 church, held 4 revivals, professions witnessed 42, Baptized 15, additions to church 38, churches organized 1, Miles traveled 15,000, money \$3,120.00, Married 2 couples. Pray for me.

Eld. John Rich

I beg leave to report that I have preached 160 sermons, pastored 2 churches, revivals held 4, professions witnessed 21, number baptized 9, additions to church 19, funerals preached 14, Married 8 couples, miles traveled 4,725, money received \$1,603.22. Pray for me.

Eld. J. E. White

I beg leave to report that I have preached 150 sermons, churches pastored 1, revivals held 2, professions witnessed 50, number baptized 40, additions to church 78, funerals preached 4, money received \$3,380.14. Pray for me.

Eld. Elro I. Driggers

I beg leave to report that I have preached 150 sermons, pastored 2 churches, revivals held 4, professions witnessed 8, number baptized 3, additions to church 5, funerals preached 2, miles traveled 8,000, Money received \$700.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Edward Mozingo

I beg leave to report that I have preached 119 sermons, churches pastored 1, revivals held 1, professions witnessed 3, number baptized 3, additions to church 4. Pray for me.

Eld. J. T. Ply

I beg leave to report that I have preached 150 sermons, churches pastored 2, revivals held 2, additions to church 2, miles traveled 4,250, money received \$744.27. Pray for me.

Eld. Loyd Williams

I beg leave to report that I have preached 119 sermons churches pastored 1, revivals held 3, professions witnessed 4, number baptized 2, additions to church 7, organized 1, funerals preached 2, miles traveled 8,000, money received \$1,526.00. Pray for me

Eld. Lewis Barker

I beg leave to report that I have preached 110 sermons, pastored 1 church, revivals held 1, professions witnessed 6, number baptized 3, additions to church 7, funerals preached 2, money received \$2,700.00. Pray for me.

Eld. J. W. Moore

I beg leave to report that I have preached 122 sermons, churches pastored 2, professions witnessed 3, additions to church 1, funerals preached 2, miles traveled 10,000, money received \$924.11. Pray for me.

Eld. Hershel Sharpton

I beg leave to report that I have preached 21 sermons, miles traveled 105, money received \$20.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Johnnie Hartley

I beg leave to report that I have preached 8 sermons, miles traveled 645, money received \$33.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Donald T. Brown

I beg leave to report that I have pastored 1 church, revivals held 1, professions witnessed 3, additions to church 3, money received \$1,835.00. Pray for me.

Eld. H. E. Taylor

I beg leave to report that I have preached 96 sermons, churches pastored 1, revivals held 1, professions witnessed 5, additions to church 11, miles traveled 4,268, money received \$625.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Cecil Cornett

I beg leave to report that I have preached 6 sermons, professions witnessed 4, funerals preached 2, money received \$50.00. Pray for me.

Eld. J. C. Moring

I beg leave to report that I have preached 15 sermons, miles traveled 145, money received \$29.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Ralph Doggett

I beg leave to report that I have preached 47 sermons, preached at one mission point, revivals held 1, money received \$110.65. Pray for me.

Eld. Oris Doggett

I beg leave to report that I have preached 141 sermons, churches pastored 2, revivals held 1, professions witnessed 1, funerals preached 3, miles traveled 7,473, money received \$956.15. Pray for me.

Eld. Herman Greenwood

I beg leave to report that I have preached 156 sermons, churches pastored 1, revivals held 2, number baptized 3, additions to church 6, funerals preached 4, preached mission point (Shady Grove), miles traveled 4,491, money received \$660.05. Pray for me.

Eld. Elbert McClellan

I beg leave to report that I have preached 15 sermons, miles traveled 470, money received \$47.00. Pray for me,

Eld. Curtis Ashcraft

I beg leave to report that I have preached 9 sermons, miles traveled 575, money received \$44.75. Pray for me.

Eld. L. W. Wheeler

I beg leave to report that I have preached 13 sermons, miles traveled 2,517, money received \$77.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Henry P. Brown

I beg leave to report that I have pastored one (1) church half-time($\frac{1}{2}$), money received \$1,075.00. Pray for me.

Eld. Roy M. Moore

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. GOD—We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in Divine essence, purpose, power and glory. St. John 1:1; 1 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 ascended up to Heaven, and that He will descend again to gather His jewels home. Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 1:26-28; Matt. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-16; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mark 15:22-41.

3. HOLY SPIRIT—We believe that the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages and especially since the ascension of the Son back to the Father, and is 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 16:8-14; Isaiah 63:10-12; Eph. 4:30; Acts 8:17-20.

4. 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 Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 21:42.

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 and 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, 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; Gen. 2:16-17; Rom. 11:11-35; Psalms 37:23-24; Rom. 5:18.

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

7. CONDITION 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 an 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 an ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ. John 3rd chapter; Matt. 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 whomsoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the gospel. I Peter 1:9-13; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

9. BAPTISM—We believe that Christian Baptism is the emmersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, 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. Matt. 3:14, 15, 16; I Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

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 by our Lord 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; Matt. 26:27-29.

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 sinful amusements and secular employments, works of mercy and piety excepted. Exodus 2:11; Exodus 31:11-18; Duet. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:12; Matt. 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 becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise their native gifts according to the scriptures 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. John 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; Matt. 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 Able to the restitution of all things, from every kindred nation, tongue and people. Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Eph. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 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 good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the gospel. II Thes. 1:1 Acts 16:5; III John 1:10; Matt. 18:17; Acts 20:28; Rev. 1:4-11-20.

15. PERSEVERANCE—We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in Divine grace, and in the knowledge of the truth and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and 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; II Peter 1:8-9; I Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17; I John 5:16; Heb. 6:16; I Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 12:31-32.

16. CHRIST THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH—We believe that Christ is the Great Head of the Church, and that the government of the local church is with the body. Col. 1:18-9; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21:42, 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. 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. I Cor. 6:11; 2 Thes. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; II Thes. 5:19-23; St. John 17:17-19; II Tim. 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 possessed. Phil. 1:23; Luke 23:42; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10:28.

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

20. JUDGMENT—We believe that there will be a general, 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 eternal happiness. II Thes. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13; Acts 17:31; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:8; II Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13.

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 reflection shall be avoided.

3. All motions made and seconded shall be opened 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. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes unless so ordered at the time.

6. No person or persons shall speak twice on the same subject without special leave from the Moderator.

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Association called to order by the clerk and introduce the Moderator.
2. Moderator's message.
3. Welcome address.
4. Appointment of Chairman for Sunday School, Statistics, and Obituary Committees.
5. Call for letters from the Churches, seating of delegates, and right hand of fellowship.
6. Call for letters from newly organized churches.
7. Introductory message.
8. Appointment of the following committees: Finance, Arrangement of Preaching, Temperance, Sunday School, Obituary, Condition of Non-Represented Churches, Credentials, and Statistics.
9. Recognition of Corresponding Associations.
10. Election of Permanent Officers.
11. Reading of Rules of Order by Chairman or Clerk.
12. Report of committees appointed at last Association and other unfinished business.
13. New business.
14. Report of New Committees.
15. Election of Resolution Committee.
16. Adjournment.

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