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Minutes

Seventy-Eighth Annual Session

Of The

SALINE ASSOCIATION

Of

FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Held With

Warren First

Free Will Baptist Church

Warren, Arkansas

AUGUST 2, 3, 1974

Next Session To Be Held With

**MACEDONIA FREE WILL
BAPTIST CHURCH**

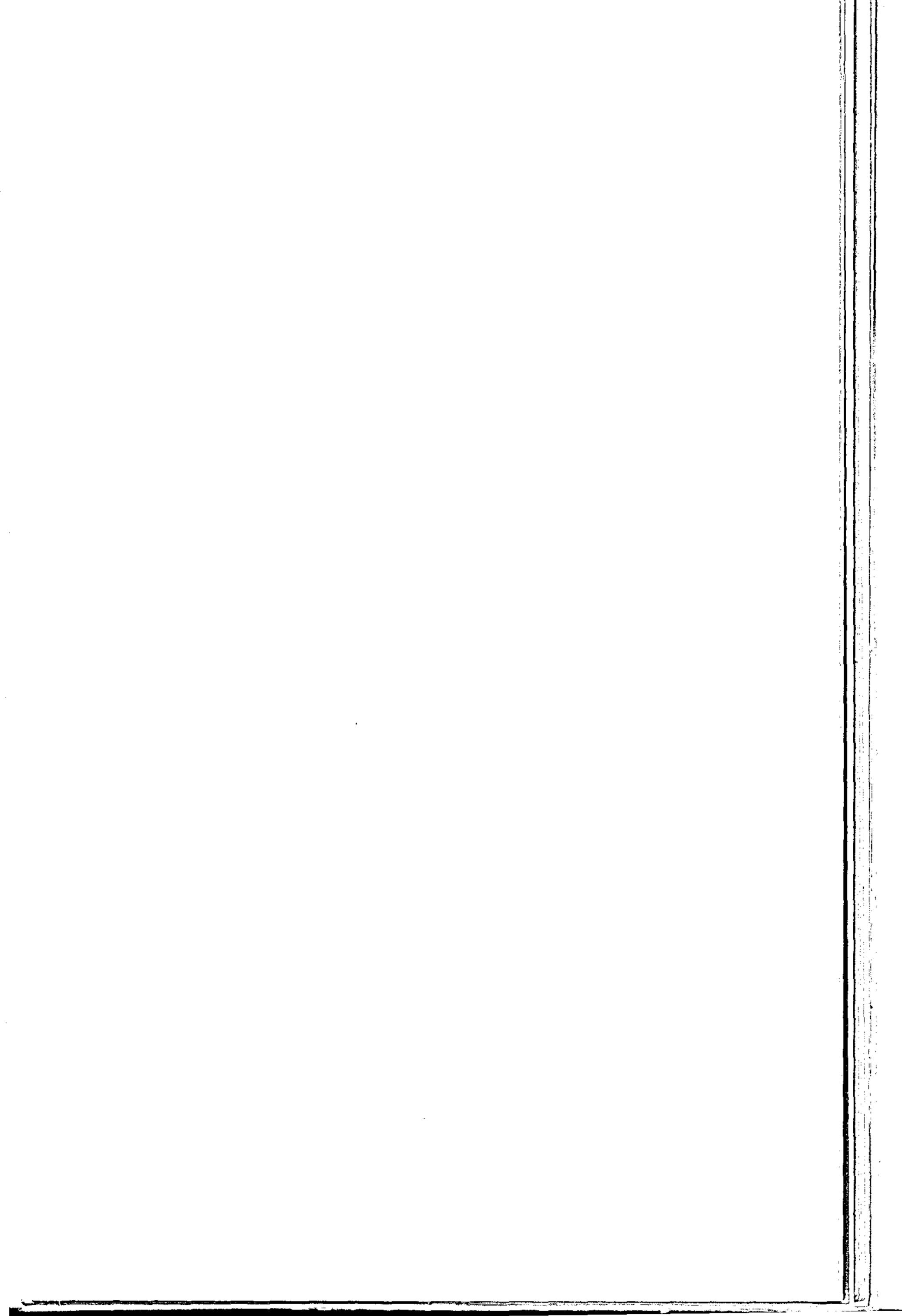
New Edinburg, Arkansas 71660

August 1, 2, 1975

Time — 9:30 A. M.

Rev. Roy L. Thompson. Moderator ----- Monticello, Arkansas 71655

Bro. S. L. Woodard. Clerk ----- Warren, Arkansas 71671



OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

of the

SALINE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

Moderator, Rev. Roy L. Thompson	Monticello, Ark. 71655
Assistant Moderator, Rev. Roy Williams	Warren, Ark. 71671
Clerk, Bro. S. L. Woodard	Warren, Ark. 71671
Assistant Clerk, Billy Joe Aulds	Downsville, La. 71234
Statistician, Bro. Buddy Cook	Star City, Ark. 71667
Parliamentarian, Rev. Jack R. Dodson	Crossett, Ark. 71635

HOME MISSION BOARD

Roy Williams	5 Year Term
Elvis Funderburg	4 Year Term
Oris Doggett	3 Year Term
Elbert McClellan	2 Year Term
Charlie Collins	1 Year Term

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Jack R. Dodson	5 Year Term
J. E. White	4 Year Term
Johnny Foy III	3 Year Term
Lloyd Williams	2 Year Term
Boyd Allen	1 Year Term

EXAMINING BOARD

Johnny Bullard	5 Year Term
Roy L. Thompson	4 Year Term
Johnny L. Jones	3 Year Term
Cecil Sanders	2 Year Term
Otis Cook	1 Year Term

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Bill Wheeler	5 Year Term
James Bullock	4 Year Term
Kenneth Faison	3 Year Term
Rev. Lester G. Waggoner	2 Year Term
Rev. Mack Williams	1 Year Term

PROCEEDINGS

The 78th Annual Session of the Saline Association of the Free Will Baptists met with the Warren First Free Will Baptist Church in Warren, Arkansas on August 2, 3, 1974.

FRIDAY MORNING

The Saline Association and Quarterly Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Jack R. Dodson.

Group singing directed by James Bullock.

Prayer, Bro. Oris Doggett.

Song No. 247, Bro. Charlie Collins.

Bro. Jack R. Dodson, the Moderator, gave his greeting and message to the congregation. Scripture reading, Exodus 20:1-21.

Prayer, Bro. J. E. White.

The Moderator recognized the officers of the Saline Association.

Bro. J. E. White was elected Assistant Moderator, since Bro. Herman Greenwood moved out of the state into Louisiana.

All church letters were read and corrected.

Motion and second to receive all church letters as read and seated the delegates. Carried.

The Rules of Order were read by Bro. J. E. White.

Bro. Louis Camble from the Book Store in Conway, Arkansas, gave a verbal report in regard to its growth. The Book Store, we can justly be proud of.

The Moderator and the Assistant Moderator appointed the following committees:

FINANCE—Bro. Duncken McClellan, Bro. Charlie Collins, Chairman, and Bro. Sam Ormand.

TEMPERANCE—Bro. Stephen Becker, Chairman, Sis. Lizzic Funderburg, and Bro. James Bullock.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Bro. Elvin Funderburg, Chairman. Sis. Ollie Mae Moring, and Sis. Helen Shepherd.

OBITUARY — Sis. Leo West, Chairman, Sis. Minnelee Ashcraft, and Fay Mann.

CREDENTIAL—Bro. Forrest Barnett, Chairman, Bro. Leroy Jordan, and Sis. Dorothy Doggett.

STATISTICS—Bro. Ottis Cook, Chairman, Sis. Nancy Myers, and Sis. Shelby Jean Reep.

PLACEMENT—Sis. Phillis Williams, Chairman, Sis. Jany Wynn, and Sis. Ruth Futch.

RESOLUTION—Bro. Oris Doggett, Chairman, Bro. Johnny Bullard, and Bro. Boyd Allen.

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES—Sis. Fern Rawls, Chairman, Sis. Mary Bryant, and Sis. Erma Peters.

Bro. Lester G. Wagoner gave a financial report on the El Dorado Mission building program and stated the spirit of the church was good. He announced there would be a revival starting September 9, 1974. The evangelist would be Bro. Carl Chesher. Everyone is invited.

Prayer, Bro. J. E. White.

RECESS

11:00 A. M. Message.

Singing, "Where He Leads I'll Follow", Bro. Charlie Collins.

Prayer—Bro. Cecil Sanders

Special Music—Grace Trio from Gordon Avenue Church

Two numbers, "Heaven's Going to Shine," "Tour That City."

The Bryant Sisters from Warren First Church, two numbers, "Glad Reunion Day", "This is What Heaven Means to Me."

Introducing Bro. Herman Greenwood by Bro. J. E. White

Text, When God's patience wears out, then what?

Scriptures, Ezekial 22:29-31, II Peter 2:9, Jeremiah 8:6, and Romans 8:6.

An invitation to sinners to accept Christ.

Prayer, Bro. Herman Greenwood.

Saturday morning session begins at 9:00 A. M.

Benediction and Blessing food for noon meal, Bro. Elbert McClellan.

NOON

1:30 P. M. FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Congregational singing, "Lilly of the Valley", Bro. Charlie Collins.

Prayer, Bro. Boyd Allen

Special Music—Peace Makers from Gordon Avenue Church. Two numbers, "The Only Bible", "The Light of Home."

Bro. Bob Shokey, National Home Mission Director, gave a very interesting report in regard to his Home Mission Work.

Bro. Elbert McClellan gave his yearly report in regard to Home Mission work and the financial standing.

Motion and Second to receive his report. Carried.

S. I. Woodard, Clerk, gave his yearly report. Motion and second to receive his report. Carried.

Reading of reports

The Saline Association will meet in Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in August, 1975. Time 9:30 A. M.

Obituary Committee's report was read and approved.

A silent prayer for the deceased concluded by Bro. Bill Wheeler.

Election of five State Delegates at large: Bro. Stephen Decker, Sister Vernice Wynn, Sister Ollie Mae Moring, Sister Faye Faison, and Sister Mary Bryant.

Alternates—Bro. Gordon Bryant, Sis. Teresa Aulds, and Sis. Lillie Mae Burns.

Placement Committee's report read and approved.

Non Represented Churches Committee's report read and tabled until Saturday, August 3, 1974.

Sunday School Committee's report read and approved.

Credentials Committee's report read and approved.

Scholarship Committee's report read and approved.

Motion and Second to adjourn. Carried

Benediction, Bro. Herman Greenwood

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION — 7:30 P. M.

Bro. J. E. White, Assistant Moderator, called the meeting to order.

Congregational singing, "Heaven of Rest", Bro. Charlie Collins, song director

Prayer, Bro. J. C. Rawls.

Singing two numbers, "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus", "Amazing Grace", Bro. Charlie Collins.

Devotional, Sister Ollie Doggett.

Song, "To God Be The Glory", Sis. Ollie Doggett.

Special Music—Peace Makers from Gordon Avenue Church. Two numbers, "Because of Him", "If I Could, Still Wouldn't Take Nothing."

Bryant Sisters—Warren First Church. two numbers, "Touring that City",

8 p. m. Message, Bro. Stephen Becker

"After All."

Scriptures—St. John 16:15, I Corin. 2:10.

Prayer—Bro. Stephen Becker.

Singing—Bro. Charlie Collins.

Benediction—Bro. Johnny Bullard.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION—9:00 A. M.

Congregational singing—Bro. Charlie Collins

Prayer—Bro. J. E. White.

Bro. Roy L. Thompson was elected to investigate the work if any being done on ventahood at the Youth Camp, and if not, go to work and get them built. The ventahood over the cook stoves is the project. the

Saline Association has agreed to do.
 The Non Represented Churches Committee report was reread. More church delegates reported. The report was approved.
 Temperance Committee report was read and approved.
 The Examining Board's report was read and approved.
 The Resolution Committee's report was read and approved.
 Resolution No. 1, Be it resolved that the Saline Association pay the clerk fifty dollars for the two days of work each District Meeting.
 Resolution No. 2, Be it resolved that each Free Will Baptist Church in Saline Association send five dollars with their church letter to the District meeting. This money is to be turned over to the host church for for them to use in helping take care of the expense of entertaining the two-day meeting.
 Resolution No. 3, Be it resolved that one hundred dollars from the General Fund be paid to the host church, Warren First Free Will Baptist, in Warren, Ark., to help defray the expense of this year, 1974. District meeting.
 Resolution No. 4, Be it resolved that we extend a hearty vote of thanks and appreciation to the host church for their wonderful hospitality in taking care of the District meeting.
 Motion and Second for each resolution to be approved. Carried.
 Statistics Committee report read and approved.
 Bro. Jim McKeown gave a verbal report on his need for \$1,500.00 in order for him to go to Puerto Rico as a missionary. A check for \$870.51 was turned over to him by Bro. Jack R. Dodson and \$700.00, the difference, was pledged by different churches.
 He left the following Thursday, and we know there are other ways to help beside money. Unity and oneness is what make things happen. Let's give God the praise. A public collection of \$370.51 plus \$500.00 from the Saline Association General Fund equaled \$870.51.
 Motion and Second to adjourn for the 11:00 A. M. Message. Carried.

RECESS

11:00 A. M. Message.
 Congregational Singing—Bro. Charlie Collins.
 Prayer—A large group of ministers came into the altar. Bro. Johnny L. Jones began the prayer and Bro. J. E. White concluded.
 Song—Bro. Lonnie Wagges.
 Special Music—The Bryant Sisters from Warren First. one number. "Stroll Over Heaven With You."
 Memorial Message, Bro. Billy Joe Aulds.
 Scripture reading, Jude 3:3, John 1:12.
 Prayer—Bro. Billy Joe Aulds.
 A call to the unsaved.
 Prayer and blessing on the food, Bro. Stanton White.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION—1:30 P. M.

Congregational Singing, Bro. Charlie Collins.
 Special Music—Peace Makers from Gordon Avenue Church. Two numbers, "The Only Bible", "The Light of Home."
 Sherrill, Fordyce, Antioch delegates were seated.
 Election of Board Members:
 Home Mission Board, Bro. Roy Williams, 5 year term, Bro. Elvin Funderburg, 4 year term.
 Executive Board, Bro. Jack R. Dodson, 5 year term, Bro. Lloyd Williams, 2 year term.
 Examining Board, Bro. John Bullard, 5 year term.
 Sunday School Board, Bro. Bill Wheeler, 5 year term, Bro. James Bullock, 4 year term.

Election of Officers:

Moderator—Bro. Roy L. Thompson
Assistant Moderator—Bro. Roy Williams.
Clerk—S. L. Woodard and
Assistant Clerk—Bro. Billy Joe Aulds
Statistician—Bro. Ottis Cook.
Parliamentarian—Bro. Jack R. Dodson
Alternate—Bro. J. E. White
Song Director—Bro. Charlie Collins
Alternate—Bro. James Bullock.

The speakers for the 1975 District Meeting:

Friday 11:00 A. M. Message

Speaker, Bro. Lonnie Wagges, Alternate, Bro. Ralph Doggett

Friday Evening, 7:30 P. M. Message:

Speaker, Bro. James Bullock, Alternate Bro. J. C. Rawls.

Memorial Service, 11:00 A. M.

Speaker, Bro. J. E. White. Alternate Bro. Bill Wheeler.

Motion and second to adjourn. Carried.

Benediction Bro. Jim McKeown.

August 24, 1974, was set for free labor on the El Dorado Free Will Baptist Church building.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PLACEMENT. We, the Placement Committee, recommend that the Saline Association go to Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in August, 1975. Time 9:30 A. M.

Sister Phillis Williams, Chairman
Sister Ruth Frith
Brother James Wynn

FINANCE. We, the Finance Commee, find \$16,630.37 from August 3, 4, 1973 through August 2, 3, 1974. All churches paid ~~\$2.00~~ except one, Fordyce. \$20.00

Bro. Charlie Collins, Chairman
Bro. Ducan McClellan
Bro. Sam Ormand

NON REPRESENTED CHURCHES. We, your Non Represented Churches Committee, find all churches were represented by letter. A number of churches were not represented with delegates for the opening session, but we trust they will come in before the meeting is over. This report was tabled until the next day. More churches were represented the next day. It was reread and adopted.

Sister Erma Peters, Chairman
Sister Mary E. Bryant
Sister Fern Fawls

TEMPERANCE. We, the Temperance Committee, all too often, we strive for temperance with a negative approach by stating those we can't do. We of the Temperance Committee believe we must also strive for temperance with a positive approach by stating something we can do. As said, "Be ye Holy," "This Lord for I am Holy." Should we strive for holiness, temperance in all things will surely follow. Lev. 20:7.

Rev. Stephen Decker, Chairman
Rev. James Bullock
Sister Murry Funderburg

SUNDAY SCHOOL. We, your Sunday School Committee, find twenty-one churches and one mission reported a total enrollment of 1737 in Sunday School. Literature in the amount of \$8,411.53 was bought the past year. We

thank the Lord for this growth in Sunday School. We pray that the Lord will continue to bless and to add to this number. We find an increase of 277. Praise the Lord.

Bro. Elvin Funderburg, Chairman
Sis. Ollie Mae Moring
Sis. Helen Shepherd

CREDENTIALS. We, your Credentials Committee, find that all our churches are in good standing, so far as we know. We also find that all churches are represented by letter in the Saline Association and almost every church and mission by delegates.

Bro. Forrest Barnett, Chairman
Bro. Leroy Jordan
Sis. Dorothy Doggett

RESOLUTIONS. We, your Resolutions Committee, recommend four resolutions to the Saline Association.

Bro. Oris Doggett, Chairman
Bro. Johnny Bullard
Bro. Boyd Allen

The Scholarship Committee recommends that a scholarship fund be set up for students attending a Free Will Baptist School. The following standards would have to be met by each applicant:

1. Be a ministerial student, they have first priority.
2. Attend a Free Will Baptist School.
3. Maintain a grade average of "C" or better.
4. Make a written application to the Scholarship Committee each semester.
5. Be a member of the Saline Association Free Will Baptist Church in good standing.

We recommend a committee of at least three be elected by the Saline Association to administer this fund.

We recommend that at least \$150.00 per semester be granted to each applicant meeting the above qualifications.

We recommend that these scholarship grants come from the Christian Education fund.

The Scholarship Grant Committee is S. L. Woodard, Chairman, Rev. Roy Williams, and Bro. Kenneth Faison.

Bro. Billy Jo Aulds, Jr. and Bro. Alvin McMahon were recommended and approved by Saline Association August 3, 1974. They will be students in Hillsdale College during the school year 1974-1975.

OBITUARY—We, your Obituary Committee, find through our churches yearly report that thirty-two of our members have been called from this earth's service, since our last association met one year ago. Also we are reminded that the young have been called as well as the older members. We miss them, but feel that our lives were made richer by having known them and feel that our loss is Heaven's gain.

The list of deceased are: Bro. Garvin Brewster, Sis. Alena Beaty, Sis. J. H. Craig, Sis. R. W. Estelle, Bro. Andrew Kelley, Sis. Nolan Jeffers, Sis. Iva Castleberry, Sis. Veta Young, Bro. Bud Peters, Bro. Robert Hamilton, Bro. Fate Parks, Sis. Earlie McLure, Sis. Alma Cox, Bro. Herman Thompson, Bro. W. H. Golden, Sis. Bobbie McClellan, Sis. Pearl McKinzie, Sis. Kate Johnson, Sis. Sue Allen, Sis. Erma Jean Evans, Sis. Effie Roberts, Bro. Steve Adams, Bro. Clyde White, Sis. Inez Pierce, Sis. Frances Wheeler, Sis. Nelson Dobbs, Bro. Greg Morgan, Bro. Jackie Best, Bro. Alford Owens, Bro. Tom Craig, Bro. Dave Reap, and Sis. Shelton Adams.

Sister Leo West, Chairman
Bro. Fay Mann
Sis. Minelee Ashcraft

STATISTICIAN'S report was given by Bro. Ottis Cook.

Bro. Ottis Cook, Chairman
 Sis. Nancy Myers
 Sis. Shelby Jean Reep

We, your Examining Board, have examined Bro. Johnny Bullard and find that he is sound in the doctrine. We find no reason not to accept him into Saline Association, upon a receipt of a letter of recommendation from his home Association. We further recommend that this body receive him into full fellowship in Saline Association. Carried.

Rev. Roy L. Thompson, Bro. Ottis Cook, Rev. Bill Wheeler, and Rev. Cecil Sanders.

We, your Examining Board, have examined Bro. Stephen Decker for a license to preach the Gospel for one year. We find him sound in doctrine and recommend that he be licensed for one year.

Motion and Second that Stephen Decker's request be granted. Carried.

Rev. Cecil Sanders, Rev. Bill Wheeler, Bro. Ottis Cook, and Rev. Roy L. Thompson.

We, the Examining Board, have met and examined Bro. Lonnie Wagges for ordination to the ministry. He has been faithful during the time he has been licensed and now has a need to be ordained. We have found him sound in doctrine and practice and therefore recommend that he be ordained. Motion and Second that Rev. Lonnie Wagges be ordained. Carried.

Rev. Cecil Sanders, Rev. Roy L. Thompson, Rev. Bill Wheeler, and Bro. Ottis Cook.

Home MISSION REPORT of the Saline Association:

Balance August 4, 1973	-----	\$5,124.42
Income:		
Rev. J. E. White	-----	\$ 75.00
Interest	-----	\$ 140.00
Quarterly Meeting	-----	\$4,158.96
	-----	\$4,373.96
Grand Total	-----	\$9,498.38
Disbursement:		
State Mission	-----	\$2,550.00
El Dorado Mission Bonds	-----	\$5,000.00
Mileage	-----	10.40
	-----	\$7,560.40
August 3, 1974 Balance	-----	\$1,937.98
		Rev. Elbert J. McClellan
CLERK'S YEARLY REPORT, Aug. 3-4, 1973—Aug. 2-3, 1974:		
Total Income	-----	\$16,630.37
Disbursement:		
Cooperative Plan	-----	\$ 4,739.66
Designated Monies	-----	\$3,112.72
	-----	\$1,626.94
Home Mission	-----	\$6,319.54
Designated Monies	-----	\$2,160.58
	-----	\$4,158.96
General Fund brought forward	-----	\$3,874.83
Income	-----	\$3,159.77
	-----	\$7,034.60

Expense		\$560.59	
Balance			\$6,474.01
C. T. S. Fund, brought forward			\$1,201.61
Income			789.95
Balance			\$1,991.56
Christian Education, brought forward			\$1,226.57
Income			789.93
Balance			\$2,016.50
Operating Expense, brought forward			\$ 278.10
Income			\$ 831.52
Total			\$1,109.62
Disbursement:			
Designated Monies	\$	253.55	
Mileage	\$	74.27	
Stamps	\$	40.00	
Stationary	\$	13.79	
Miscellaneous	\$	35.66	
Service	\$	115.00	
Forms	\$	83.19	
Script for Minutes	\$	66.00	
Postage	\$	8.59	
Total	\$	690.05	
Aug. 2, 3, 1974 Balance			\$ 419.57

S. L. Woodard, Clerk

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Name of Church	Literature	Miscellaneous	Foreign Mission	Home Mission	Church Lib. or Education	El Dorado Church Bond Association Project	State Project	Bus Ministry
Harmony -----	619.00	349.00	128.00	125.00				
Free Hill -----	94.00	36.15						
Pine Hill -----	746.90	811.68	369.94	843.39	640.35	El Dorado Bond 500.00	40.00	55.75
Corbin Ferry -----	217.28	472.34		61.55		113.00	20.00	
Macedonia -----	323.01	465.07		130.00			20.00	
Oak Grove -----	683.05			40.00			20.00	865.00
Warren First -----	366.37	548.70		100.00			20.00	678.63
Pleasant Grove -----	66.95	502.77					20.00	Other 225.00
Gordon Avenue -----	189.96	287.39	72.07	60.00			20.00	
Fairview -----	107.55	35.84				20.00		
Willoughby -----	422.61			1,149.99			20.00	
Rose Hill -----	912.75	988.49	300.00	354.20		28.00	20.00	
Yorktown -----	366.93	1,337.72	60.00	658.78			20.00	2,147.54
Pleasant Valley -----	324.35	1,060.12	314.97	399.00				
Mt. Pleasant -----	318.30	308.91		50.00				
Ncrth Crossett -----	2,120.30	341.17	896.57	60.00	96.00		60.00	
Sherrill -----	130.15	161.21				15.00	5.00	
Spring Hill -----	71.78	72.89		10.00			11.80	
Rolfe Chapel -----								
Antioch -----	53.00			60.00				
Fordyce -----	80.00	35.00		14.80			20.00	700.00
El Dorado Mission -----	75.35			326.07				
Total -----	8,299.68	7,813.45	2,141.55	4,452.78	736.35	676.00	316.00	4,672.12

Saline Association, October 28, 1974, S. L. Woodard, Clerk

DESIGNATED MONIES

Name of Church	Bobby and Sue Aycock	Ernie Deed	Larry Russell	Patsy Vanhook	El Dorado Mission or Property	Orphanage	Insurance	Pension	Other
Harmony -----				128.00					
Free Hill -----									
Pine Hill -----	57.00	12.00	303.30	117.00	450.00	60.00	507.75	400.00	1,410.00
Corbin Ferry -----								67.00	12.00
Macedonia -----									12.00
Oak Grove -----					40.00		226.50		12.00
Warren First -----					100.00				
Pleasant Grove -----									
Gordon Avenue -----							296.00		
Fairview -----							31.25		
Willoughby -----	300.00	5.00	5.00	46.00	5.00		183.80		Ronnie Blanks 16.00
Rose Hill -----		300.00	60.00	43.60	90.00		304.00		
Yorktown -----	10.00		131.00	50.00	603.47				Leland Horton 62.00
Pleasant Valley -----	71.50	274.12		42.00	154.00		81.00		J'm McKeown 155.00
Mt. Pleasant -----							174.90		
North Crossett -----				456.07			1,180.95		Leland Horton 81.00
Sherrill -----									
Spring Hill -----									
Rolfe Chapel -----									
Antioch -----					60.00				
Fordyce -----					3.00				199.00
El Dorado Mission -----									
Total -----	438.50	591.42	499.39	882.67	1,505.47	60.00	2,986.15	467.00	1,947.00

Saline Association, October 28, 1974, S. L. Woodard, Clerk

CHURCH YEARLY REPORT

Name of Church	Members	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Sunday School	C. T. S.	Women's Auxiliary	Master Men	Deacon	Minister
Harmony	170	16	3	112	45			4	1
Free Hill	53			28	20			2	2
Pine Hill	185	12	8	161	55	13		6	1
Corbin Ferry	143	8		60			10	3	2
Macedonia	243	5	14	103		12		4	4
Oak Grove	100	7	2	60	40			4	2
Warren First	87	11	4	72				2	1
Pleasant Grove	47	7	2	40	30			1	1
Gordon Avenue	96	16	7	64				1	1
Fairview	86	2		50				2	3
Willoughby	207	12	10	90	30			5	5
Rose Hill	172	22	1	120	42	16			2
Yorktown	105	8		109	45	7		2	2
Pleasant Valley	91	10	11	48	36	14		4	2
Mt. Pleasant	174	10	6	100				4	1
North Crossett	382	38	1	355	130	25	32	6	1
Sherrill	91	4		36				3	1
Spring Hill	58	10		25					
Rolfe Chapel	64	40	1	53	41	11		1	1
Antioch	47	8		25					
Fordyce	27		6	20				1	
El Dorado Mission				18					1
Total	2,628	246	75	1,449	514	98	42	55	34

Saline Association, October 28, 1974, S. L. Woodard, Clerk

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

Name of Church	Cooperative Plan	Total Offering	Evangelist Work	Pastor's Salary	Value of Church	Building Repair	Utilities	Bible College	Value of Parsonage
Harmony -----	576.00	6,199.00	445.00	3,320.00	25,000.00		243.00		
Free Hill -----	20.00	1,288.26	180.10	651.25	3,500.00	172.00	37.79		
Pine Hill -----	2,062.21	23,796.58	310.00	7,545.00	56,000.00	7,001.84	709.69	820.00	25,000.00
Corbin Ferry -----	113.00	4,896.59	200.00	2,122.27	15,000.00	989.07	222.14		
Macedonia -----	512.23	7,500.84	325.00	3,515.10	20,000.00	335.00	267.24		
Oak Grove -----	402.25	6,134.10	200.00	1,670.00	25,000.00	19,162.48	115.90		
Warren First -----				4,170.00	40,000.00	1,470.72	1,056.39		10,000.00
Pleasant Grove -----	336.09	3,347.23	160.00	1,275.00	8,000.00	760.15	173.48		
Gordon Avenue -----	618.62	6,104.81		1,775.00	50,000.00	1,569.94	507.31		
Fairview -----	179.30	2,729.64	150.00	1,135.00	6,000.00		64.43		
Willoughby -----	1,149.99	11,556.55	322.15	6,479.00	25,000.00	211.04	914.37	130.00	12,000.00
Rose Hill -----	877.01	13,621.08	292.00	5,530.00	25,000.00	3,055.33	1,110.95		10,000.00
Yorktown -----	1,551.00	13,731.53	336.00	5,930.00	45,000.00	681.02	1,025.86	104.00	20,000.00
Pleasant Valley -----	564.81	6,565.74	293.55	1,200.00	25,000.00		166.42	500.00	
Mt. Pleasant -----		6,926.00	495.00	5,830.00	10,000.00	36.11	388.09		15,000.00
North Crossett -----	2,350.00	33,971.01	1,967.95	9,720.10	150,000.00	9,107.94	1,768.89	150.00	10,000.00
Sherrill -----	48.44	921.65	100.00	471.76	10,000.00	36.20	201.33		
Spring Hill -----	25.00	892.03	130.00	367.00	6,000.00	84.98			
Rolfe Chapel -----									
Antioch -----	129.00	1,822.43		650.00	4,500.00		106.32		
Fordyce -----									
El Dorado Mission -----	326.07	3,251.97		520.00	38,000.00		285.94	5.00	
Total -----	\$10,831.02	155,256.04	5,906.75	62,956.48	577,000.00	44,673.82	9,363.53	1,709.00	102,000.00

Saline Association, October 28, 1974, S. L. Woodard, Clerk

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE HOLY SCRIPTURES**—These are the Old and the New Testaments; they were written by holy men, inspired by the Holy Spirit, and are God's revealed word to man. They are a sufficient and infallible rule and guide to Salvation and all Christian worship and service. II Peter 1:18-21; II Timothy 3:16, 17; Ex. 4:15; Psa. 32:8; Heb. 1:1, 2.

2. **BEING AND ATTRIBUTES OF GOD**—The Scriptures teach that there is only one true and living God, who is Spirit, self-existent, eternal, immutable, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent, independent, good, wise, holy, just, and merciful; the . . . Creator, Preserver, and Governor of the universe; the Redeemer, Saviour, Sanctifier, and Judge of men; and the only proper object of worship.

The mode of His existence, however, is a subject far above the understanding of man—finite things cannot comprehend Him. There is nothing in the universe that can justly represent Him, for there is none like Him. He is the fountain of all perfection and happiness. He is glorified by the whole creation, and is worthy to be loved and served by all intelligence. Deut. 6:4; I Cor. 8:4; Jer. 10:10; John 7:28; II Cor. 1:19; I John 5:20; I Tim. 6:17; John 4:24; II Cor. 3:17; Ex. 3:14; Psa. 83:18; John 5:26; Rev. 1:4; Psa. 90:2; Deut. 33:27; Isa. 57:15; Rom. 1:20; I Tim. 1:17; Mal. 3:6; Num. 23:19; James 1:17; I Kings 8:27; Jer. 23:24; Psa. 139:7-10; Acts 17:24; Rev. 19:6; Job 42:2; Psa. 135:6; Matt. 19:26; Mark 14:36; Luke 18:27; Eph. 4:6; Job 9:12; Isa. 14:13; Dan. 4:35; Rom. 11:33-36; Psa. 119:68; Psa. 25:8; 106:1; 145:9; Matt. 19:17; Rom. 16:27; Dan. 2:20; I Tim. 1:17; Jude 25; Lev. 19:2; Job 6:10; Deut. 32:4; Psa. 92:15; 119:137; Zeph. 3:5; Eph. 2:4; Ex. 34:6; Neh. 9:17; Psa. 100:5; Gen. 1:1; Ex. 20:11; Psa. 33:6-9; Col. 1:16; Heb. 11:3; Neh. 9:6; Job 7:20; Heb. 1:3; Psa. 47:7; II Chron. 20:6; Psa. 95:3; Isa. 47:4; Psa. 78:35; Prov. 23:11; Isa. 41:14; 59:20; Jer. 50:34; Isa. 45:21; 43:3-11; 49:26; Ex. 31:13; I Thes. 5:23; Jude 1; Heb. 12:23; Gen. 18:25; Psa. 50:6; II Tim. 4:8; Ex. 34:14; Ex. 20:4-5; Matt. 4:10; Rev. 19:10; Job 11:7; Isa. 40:28; Rom. 11:33; Job 26:14; Ex. 9:14; 8:10; I Chron. 17:20; Psa. 19:1-2; 145:10; 150:6; Acts 15:18; I Chron. 28:9; Psa. 94: 9, 10; Acts 1:24.

3. **DIVINE GOVERNMENT AND PROVIDENCE**—A. God exercises a providential care and superintendence over all His creatures, and governs the world in wisdom and mercy, according to the testimony of His Word.

B. God has endowed man with power of free choice, and governs him by moral laws and motives; and this power of free choice is the exact measure of man's responsibility.

C. All events are present with God from everlasting to everlasting; but His knowledge of them does not in any sense cause them, nor does He decree all events which He knows will occur. Acts 17:28; Matt. 10:30; Psa. 104:13,14; Job 14:6; Eph. 1:11; Psa. 22:28; Psa. 97:2; Isa. 33:22; Ex. 34:6; Job 36:5; Deut. 30:19; Isa. 1:18-20; John 5:40; Rom. 2:14,15; Pvo. 1:24-28; Ezek. 33:11; Acts 15:18; I Sam. 2:30; Ezek. 18:20-25,31; Jer. 44:4.

4. **CREATION**—A. Of the World. God created the world, and all things that it contains, for His own pleasure and glory and the employment of His creatures. B. Of the Angels. The angels were created by God to glorify Him and obey His commandments. Those who have kept their first estate He employs in ministering blessings to the heirs of salvation and in executing His judgments upon the world. C. Of man. God created man, consisting of a material body and a thinking, rational soul. He was made in the image of God, to glorify his Maker. Rev. 4:11; Isa. 43:7; I Tim. 6:17; Col. 1:16; Rev. 7:11; Psa. 103:20; Heb. 1:14; Jude 6; II Sam. 24:16; Rev. 16:1; Gen. 2:7; 1:27; I Cor. 6:20.

5. **PRIMITIVE MAN, AND HIS FALL**—Our first parents, in their original state, were upright. They naturally preferred and desired to obey their Creator, and had no preference or desire to transgress His will until they were influenced and inclined by the tempter to disobey God's commands. Previous to this, the only tendency of their nature was to do righteousness.

In consequence of the first transgression, the state under which the posterity of Adam came into the world is so different from that of Adam that they have not the righteousness and purity which Adam had before the fall; they are not willing to obey God, but are inclined to evil. Hence none, by virtue of any natural goodness and mere work of their own, can become the children of God; but they are all dependent for salvation upon the redemption effected through the blood of Christ, and upon being created anew unto obedience through the operation of the Spirit; both of which are freely provided for every descendant of Adam. Eccl. 7:29; Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:10; Psa. 51:5; Rom. 8:7; Eph. 2:3; Psa. 58:3; Gen. 8:21; John 3:6; Gal. 5:19-21; Rom. 5:12; John 6:44; I Cor. 2:14; John 3:3; Heb. 12:14; John 3:5; 1:13; Col. 1:14; Titus 3:5.

6. OF CHRIST—Jesus Christ, the Son of God, possesses all divine perfections. As He and the Father are one, He in His divine nature, filled all the offices and performed the works of God to His creatures that have been the subjects of revelations to us. As man, He performed all the duties toward God that we are required to perform, repentance of sin excepted.

His divinity is proved from His titles, His attributes, and His works.

A. His Titles. The Bible ascribes to Christ the titles of Saviour, Jehovah, Lord of hosts, the first and the last, God, true God, great God, God over all, mighty God, and the everlasting Father.

B. His Attributes. He is eternal, unchangeable, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent, holy, and is to be worshipped.

C. His Works. By Christ the world was created. He preserves and governs it; He has provided redemption for all men and He will be their final Judge. Isa. 45:21; 43:10,11; John 4:42; Phil. 3:20; II Tim. 1:10; Titus 2:13; Psa. 83:18; Isa. 40:3; Luke 1:76; Isa. 8:13,14; I Peter 2:4-6; Isa. 6:5; John 12:41; Rev. 22:13; Isa. 44:6; Rev. 1:1; I Tim. 3:16; Rev. 1:11; I John 3:16; John 1:1; Heb. 1:8; John 20:28,29; I John 5:20; Titus 2:13; Rom. 9:5; Isa. 9:6; Col. 1:17; Micah 5:2; Heb. 1:8; 5:20; Titus 2:13; Rom. 9:5; Isa. 9:6; Col. 1:17; Micah 5:2; Heb. 13:8; 1:12; John 3:13; Matt. 18:20; 28:20; Eph. 1:23; John 16:30; 2:24,25; 21:17; Rev. 2:23; Col. 2:8-10; Matt. 28:18; Heb. 1:8; Rev. 1:8; Acts 3:14; Luke 1:35; Heb. 7:26; Rev. 3:7; Heb. 1:6; John 5:23; Phil. 2:10,11; Matt. 28:9; Luke 24:52; Heb. 1:8,10; John 1:3,10; Col. 1:16,17; I Peter 3:22; Eph. 1:21; 1:7; Heb. 9:12; Gal. 3:13; Isa. 44:6; I Peter 1:18,19; Rev. 5:9; II Tim. 4:1; Matt. 25:31-46; John 5:22.

7. THE INCARNATION OF CHRIST—The Word, which in the beginning was with God and which was God, by whom all things were made, condescended to a state of humiliation in being united with human nature and becoming like us, pollution and sin excepted. In this state, as a subject of the law, He was liable to the infirmities of our nature; was tempted as we are, but lived our example, perfect obedience to the divine requirements. As Christ was made of the seed of David, according to the flesh, He is "The Son of Man," and as the divine existence is the fountain from which He proceeded, and was the only agency by which He was begotten, He is "The Son of God," being the only begotten of the Father, and the only incarnation of the Divine Being. John 1:14; Phil. 2:6,7; II Cor. 8:9; Heb. 4:15; 2:17; Matt. 8:17; 4:2; 8:24; John 11:33,35; 19:28; Isa. 53:3; Luke 22:44; Heb. 4:15; Matt. 4:1-11; I Peter 2:21; John 13:15; I John 2:6; Isa. 42:21; Matt. 5:17; 3:15; Gal. 4:4; Luke 19:10; John 16:27; Matt. 1:18,20; Luke 1:35; Mark 1:1; John 1:34; 20:31; 3:16,18.

8. THE ATONEMENT AND MEDIATION OF CHRIST—A. The Atonement. As sin cannot be pardoned without a sacrifice, and the blood of beasts could never wash away sin, Christ gave Himself a sacrifice for the sins of the world, and thus made salvation possible for all men. He died for us, suffering in our stead, to make known the righteousness of God, that He might be just in justifying sinners who believe in His Son. Through the redemption effected by Christ, salvation is actually enjoyed in this world, and will be enjoyed in the next by all who do not in this life refuse obedience to the known requirements of God. The atonement for sin was

necessary. For present and future obedience can no more blot out our past sins than past obedience can remove the guilt of present and future sin. If God pardoned the sins of men without satisfaction for the violation of His law, it would follow that transgression might go on with impunity; government would be abrogated, and the obligation of obedience to God would be, in effect, removed.

B. Mediation of Christ. Our Lord not only died for our sins, but He arose for our justification, and ascended up to Heaven, where, as the only Mediator between God and man, he makes intercession for us until He comes again.

C. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God, in their own persons are only subject to the first death, which was brought on by the fall of the first Adam, and not that any one of them dying in that state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin for of such is the Kingdom of God. I John 2:2; Isa. 53:5; 10:11; Rom. 4:25; Matt. 20:28; I Peter 3:18; John 1:29; Heb. 9:26; Rom. 5:6,8; Titus 2:11; Heb. 2:9; I Tim. 2:6; Isa. 45:22; II Peter 3:9; IICor. 5:14, 15; I Tim. 4:10; Rom. 3:25,26; 5:9,18; Matt. 26:28; Eph. 1:7; Rev. 5:9; I Peter 2:24; Rom. 5:18: 8:1; 2:14,15; Mark 16:15; Heb. 9:22; Eph. 1:7; Rom. 4:25; I Cor. 15:17; Acts 1:11; Mark 16:19; Heb. 7:25; 9:24; Rom. 8:34; I Cor. 15:32; Matt. 18:2-5; Mark 9:36,37; Matt. 19:14.

9. THE HOLY SPIRIT—A. The Scriptures ascribe to the Holy Spirit the acts and attributes of an intelligent being. He guides, knows, moves, gives information, commands, forbids, sends forth, reproveth, and can be sinned against.

B. The attributes of God are ascribed to the Holy Spirit.

C. The works of God are ascribed to the Holy Spirit; creation, inspiration, giving of life, and sanctification.

D. The apostles assert that the Holy Spirit is Lord and God.

From the foregoing the conclusion is that the Holy Spirit is in reality God, and one with the Father in all divine perfections. It has also been shown that Jesus Christ is God—one with the Father. Then these three; the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, are one God.

The truth of this doctrine is also proved from the fact that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost are united in the authority by which believers are baptized; and in the benedictions pronounced by the apostles, which are acts of the highest religious worship. John 16:13; I Cor. 2:11; Gen. 1:2; Acts 8:39; 10:19; I Cor. 2:13; Acts 21:11; John 14:26; Acts 13:2; 16:6; 13:4; John 16:8; Gen. 6:3; Mark 3:29; Isa. 63:10; Acts 7:51; Eph. 4:30; Job 33:4; 26:13; Psa. 104:30; II Peter 1:21; I Peter 3:18; Rom. 8:11; I Cor. 6:11; Isa. 6:8,9; Acts 28:25,26; John 3:16; Matt. 1:18; 28:19; II Cor. 13:14; I Peter 1:2.

10. THE GOSPEL CALL—The call of the Gospel is co-extensive with the atonement to all men, both by the word and strivings of the Spirit, so that salvation is rendered equally possible to all; and, if any fail of eternal life, the fault is wholly his own. Mark 16:15; Isa. 45:22; Prov. 8:4; Isa. 55:1; Rev. 22:17; Joel 2:28; John 16:8; John 1:9; Isa. 55:11; Luke 2:10; I Tim. 2:4; Acts 10:34; Ezek. 33:11; II Peter 3:9; Hosea 13:9; Prov. 1:24-31; Isa. 65:12; Jer. 7:13,14; Zech. 7:11-13; John 5:40; Matt. 23:37.

11. REPENTANCE—The repentance which the Gospel requires includes a deep conviction, a penitential sorrow, an open confession, a decided hatred, and an entire forsaking of all sin. This repentance God has enjoined on all men; and without it in this life the sinner must perish eternally. II Cor. 7:10; Psa. 51:17; Prov. 28:13; Psa. 32:3,5; Ezek. 36:31; Psa. 51:3,4; Ezek. 18:30; Acts 17:30; Luke 13:5; 3:19

12. FAITH—Saving faith is an assent of the mind to the fundamental truths of revelation, and acceptance of the Gospel, through the influence of the Holy Spirit, and a firm confidence and trust in Christ. The fruit of faith is obedience to the Gospel. The power to believe is the gift of God, but believing is an act of the creature, which is required as a condition of pardon, and without which the sinner cannot obtain salvation. All men are

required to believe in Christ, and those who yield obedience to this requirement become the children of God by faith. Heb. 11:6; 11:1; John 5:46,47; Rom. 10:9; 10:10; Gal. 5:22; I Cor. 12:8,9; Acts 16:31; John 3:16; Rom. 4:20-22; Eph. 3:12; Jas. 2:17; Gal. 5:6; I Tim. 1:5; Phil. 1:29; II Peter 1:1; Eph. 2:8; John 3:36; Mark 16:16; John 8:21,24; Heb. 11:6; John 1:7; Gal. 3:26; Acts 10:43; Rom. 5:1; John 3:15.

13. REGENERATION—As Man is a fallen and sinful being, he must be regenerated in order to obtain salvation. This change is an instantaneous renewal of the heart by the Holy Spirit, whereby the penitent sinner receives new life, becomes a child of God, and is disposed to serve Him. This is called in Scripture being born again—born of the Spirit, being quickened, passing from death unto life, and a partaking of the divine nature. John 3:3; Heb. 12:14; Rev. 21:27; Gal. 5:19-21; John 3:5; 1:3; Ezek. 36:26,27; Titus 3:5; Eph. 2:10; Rom. 8:16; John 1:12; 5:25; James 1:18; II Cor. 5:17; Ezek. 11:19,20; I Peter 2:5; John 3:6; 3:7,8; I John 4:7; 5:1; Eph. 2:1; Psa. 119:50,93; Eph. 2:5; Col. 2:13; John 5:24; I John 3:14; II Peter 1:4; Heb. 3:14.

14. JUSTIFICATION AND SANCTIFICATION—A. Justification. Personal justification implies that the person justified has been guilty before God; and, in consideration of the atonement of Christ, accepted by faith, the sinner is pardoned and absolved from the guilt of sin and restored to the divine favor. Christ's atonement is the foundation of the sinner's redemption, yet without repentance and faith, it can never give him justification and peace with God.

B. Sanctification in the continuing of God's grace by which the Christian may constantly grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. Rom. 5:1; 5:16; Acts 13:39; Isa. 53:11; Acts 3:19; Heb. 4:2; 11:6; Rom. 9:31,32; Acts 13:38,39; I Thess. 5:23; II Cor. 7:1; II Peter 3:18; Heb. 6:1; I John 5:4; Col. 4:12; Prov. 4:18; I John 1:7,9; I Peter 1:16.

15. PERSEVERANCE OF THE SAINTS—There are strong grounds to hope that the truly regenerate will persevere unto the end, and be saved, through the power of divine grace which is pledged for their support; but their future obedience and final salvation are neither determined nor certain, since through infirmity and manifold temptations they are in danger of falling; and they ought, therefore, to watch and pray lest they make shipwreck of their faith and be lost. Gal 2:20; Rom. 8:38,39; I Cor. 10:13; II Cor. 12:9; Job 17:9; Matt. 16:18; John 10:27,28; Phil. 1:6; II Chron. 15:2; II Peter 1:10; Ezek. 33:18; John 15:6; I Cor. 10:12; Heb. 6:4-6; 12:15; I Chron. 28:9; Rev. 2:4; I Tim. 1:19; II Peter 2:20,21; I Cor. 9:27; Matt. 24:13; Acts 1:25; Rev. 22:19.

16. THE SABBATH—This is one day in seven, which from the creation of the world God has set apart for sacred rest and holy service. Under the former dispensation, the seventh day of the week as commemorative of the work of creation, was set apart for the Sabbath. Under the Gospel, the first day of the week, in commemoration of the resurrection of Christ, and by authority of Christ and the apostles, is observed as the Christian Sabbath. On this day all men are required to refrain from secular labor and devote themselves to the worship and service of God. Gen. 2:3; Mark 2:27; Neh. 9:14; Ex. 20:8-11; Luke 24:1-6,33-36; John 20:19,26; Acts 2:1; 20:7; I Cor. 16:2; Rev. 1:10; Psa. 118:22-24; Isa. 58:13,14; 56:2; Ex. 20:8-11.

17. THE CHURCH—A Christian Church is an organized body of believers in Christ, who statedly assemble to worship God, and who sustain the ordinances of the Gospel according to the Scriptures. Believers in Christ are admitted to this church on giving evidence of faith in Christ, obtaining consent of the body, being baptized, and receiving the right hand of fellowship.

The Church of God, or members of the body of Christ, is the whole body of Christians throughout the whole world, and none but the regenerate are its members. I Cor. 1:2; Acts 2:41,47; 20:7; I Cor. 16:1,2; Rev. 1:4;

Eph. 5:25,27; 1:22,23; I Cor. 12:27,28; Col. 1:18,24; I Peter 2:5; John 18:36; 15:2,6; Acts 2:41; 8:12; Gal. 3:27.

18. **TITHING**—Both the Old and New Scriptures teach Tithing as God's financial plan for the support of His work. Gen. 14:20; 28:22; Deut. 14:22; Mal. 3:8-10; I Cor. 16:2; Matt. 23:23; I Cor. 9:9-14; Heb. 7:9-17; II Cor. 9:6-8.

19. **THE GOSPEL MINISTRY**—A. Qualification of Ministers. They must possess good, natural and acquired abilities, deep and ardent piety, be especially called of God to the work, and ordained by prayer and the laying on of hands.

B. Duties of Ministers. These are to preach the Word, administer the ordinances of the Gospel, visit their people, and otherwise perform the work of faithful ministers. II Tim. 2:15; 4:13-15; Titus 1:9; 2:7,8; II Tim. 1:7; 2:2; I Tim. 3:2-7; Psa. 50:16; II Tim. 1:8-11,14; 2:22; 3:5; Titus 1:5-9; I Cor. 2:12-16; Acts 20:28; Heb. 5:4; I Cor. 9:16; Acts 13:2; I Tim. 1:6; Acts 13:3; Mark 16:15; II Tim. 4:2; II Cor. 4:5; Ezek. 33:7; Matt. 28:19; Luke 22:19,20; Acts 20:11; 27:35; I Cor. 11:23-28; 10:16; Heb. 13:17; I Peter 5:2; Jer. 3:15.

20. **ORDINANCES OF THE GOSPEL**—A. Christian Baptism. This is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, in which are represented the burial and resurrection of Christ, the death of Christians to the world, the washing of their souls from the pollution of sin, their rising to newness of life, their engagement to serve God, and their resurrection at the last day. Matt. 28:19; Col. 2:12; Acts. 8:36-39; Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:5; John 3:23; Acts 16:32-34; 2:41; Rom. 6:4; Col. 3:3; 2:12; Titus 3:5; Gal. 3:27; I Cor. 15:29.

B. The Lord's Supper. This is a commemoration of the death of Christ for our sins, in the use of bread which He made the emblem of His broken body, and the cup, the emblem of His shed blood, and by it the believer expresses his love for Christ, his faith and hope in Him, and pledges to Him perpetual fidelity. I Cor. 11:23-26; Matt. 26:26-28; I Cor. 10:16,21; 11:27-29; 10:17; Rom. 14:1,10; I Cor. 12:12-27; Acts 2:42; 20:7.

C. Washing the Saints' Feet. This is a sacred ordinance, which teaches humility, and reminds the believer of the necessity of a daily cleansing from all sin. It was instituted by the Lord Jesus Christ, and called an "example" on the night of His betrayal, and in connection with the institution of the Lord's Supper. It is the duty and happy prerogative of every believer to observe this sacred ordinance. John 13:4-8; I Tim. 5:1-10.

21. **DEATH**—As a result of sin, all mankind is subject to the death of the body. The soul does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to the character here possessed. Rom. 5:12; Heb. 9:27; I Cor. 15:22; Psa. 89:48; Eccl. 8:8; 12:7; Phil. 1:23; Luke 23:43; Matt. 17:3; 22:32; Acts 7:59; Matt. 10:28; II Cor. 5:8; Luke 16:22-26; Rev. 6:9.

22. **SECOND COMING OF CHRIST**—The Lord Jesus who ascended on high and sits at the right hand of God, will come again to close the Gospel dispensation, glorify His saints, and judge the world. Acts 1:11; Matt. 25:31; I Cor. 15:24-28; I Thess. 4:15-17; II Thess. 1:7-10; II Peter 3:3-13; Matt. 24:42-44.

23. **THE RESURRECTION**—The Scriptures teach the resurrection of the bodies of all men, each in its own order; they that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil to the resurrection of damnation. John 5:28,29; Acts 24:15; I Cor. 15:22,23; II Tim. 2:18; Phil. 3:21; I Cor. 15:35-44; Dan. 12:2.

24. **THE JUDGMENT AND RETRIBUTION**—A. The Judgment. There will be a judgment, when time and man's probation will close forever. Then all men will be judged according to their works. Acts 17:31; I Cor. 15:24; Rev. 10:6; 22:11; II Peter 3:11; Eccl. 9:10; II Peter 3:12; II Cor. 5:10; Eccl. 12:14; Matt. 12:36; Rev. 20:12; Rom. 2:16.

B. Retribution. Immediately after the judgment, the righteous will enter into eternal life, and the wicked will go into a state of endless punishment.

Matt. 25:46; II Thess. 1:8-10; Rom. 6:23; II Peter 1:11; Mark 3:29; 9:43,44, Jude 7; Rev. 14:11; 21:7,8,27; Matt. 13:41-43; Rom. 2:6-10.

CONSTITUTION FOR THE SALINE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

PREAMBLE: From long experience, we the members of the Free Will Baptist Churches of this district, having been baptized by immersion upon a profession of our faith in Christ as Saviour and Lord, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among our churches; do, for the purpose of coordinating our efforts for the extension of the Kingdom of God, ordain this Constitution for the betterment of our Associational Government.

ARTICLE I.

NAME: This organization shall be called the "Saline Association of Free Will Baptists," affiliated with the State Association of Free Will Baptists of Arkansas, which is a member of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II.

PURPOSE: The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of its various boards and churches composing this association. And to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Gospel of Christ in connection with the various boards, auxiliaries and churches, or those that may hereafter be represented therein.

ARTICLE III.

REPRESENTATION: Section 1. This association shall be composed of quarterly meetings which in turn are composed of well regulated Free Will Baptist Churches, maintaining Gospel order, subscribing (agreeing) with the Denomination in doctrine and practice, favoring the various enterprises that have been endorsed by this association and the Denomination proper.

Section 2. The acting members of this association shall be regularly ordained Ministers, Deacons and Church Clerks who are in good standing with their local churches. Also each church shall be represented by delegates elected as follows: Two (2) delegates for the first fifty (50) resident members or fraction thereof, and one (1) delegate for each subsequent twenty-five (25) resident members or fraction thereof. A letter from said churches shall accompany said delegates as requested by this body.

Section 3. In event only part of the elected delegation is present from a church, they, together may in conciliation with their Pastor fill said vacancies with other members who are present from said church. Said delegation to be approved by this body.

Section 4. Ministers and Deacons coming from another State, Association or Denomination shall be received after complying with the rules as stipulated in the by-laws of the Examining Board of this body.

ARTICLE IV.

DISCIPLINE: Section 1. This Association has the same right to discipline the Quarterly Meetings of which it is composed, as the Quarterly Meetings have to discipline the churches of which they are composed.

Section 2. When a Quarterly Meeting neglects to report itself, or when it becomes heretical or corrupt in practice, this Association may pursue the same course with it that a Quarterly Meeting does with a disorderly church.

Section 3. Churches which compose the Quarterly Meetings, which in turn composed the Association, are admonished not to call a pastor or an evangelist that has been excluded (dismissed) from another church or association for disorderly conduct, etc.

Section 4. Each Church in Saline Association send \$16.00 to the District Association to be sent to help take care of the State Association and also send \$1.00 from each Church in Saline Association to help pay for printing State Minutes and general expense. In the event any Church within Saline Association fails to pay the above mentioned fees, the delegates, deacons, church clerk and ministers of that church shall not be

seated in the State Association.

ARTICLE V.

FINANCE: The Cooperative Plan income shall be distributed in the following manner: Home Mission 40%, State Cooperative Plan 30%, Saline Association General Fund 20%, C. T. S. 5%, Christian Education 5%. This Association recommends that each church belonging to said body give one tenth (10%) of its tithes and offerings to the Cooperative Plan of support for the support of District, State, and National programs.

ARTICLE VI.

OFFICERS: Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer. These officers shall be elected annually, on the last day of the Association, at the close of the business period.

ARTICLE VII.

Section 1. Be it resolved that Article VII of the constitution be amended to make the following change: That if any member elected to any board of the Association shall miss every board meeting, for the Associational Year, that member shall automatically be dismissed from that board, and a new member elected, unless said member has missed meeting with his board because of a providential hinderance.

Section 2. **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES.** The Standing Boards of this Association shall be the Executive Board, Home Mission Board, Sunday School Board, and the Examining Board. The District Woman's Auxiliary Convention and the District C. T. S. Convention shall be considered Auxiliaries of this Association. Each are requested to report yearly to this body. The Credential Committee, as well as other committees deemed necessary, shall be appointed by the Moderator, or by the body if it so desires.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUTIES AND RULES OF BOARDS: All Boards and Committees are to organize when elected or appointed, also, at the beginning of each associational year. They shall have a Chairman, Assistant Chairman, Secretary and a Treasurer when funds are entrusted to a Board. Each Board or Committee shall keep a written report of each meeting, the receiving and disbursement of its funds, etc., and shall make a written report to this body of its work done during the year, or as requested by the body. Each standing Board shall have its own by-laws which shall govern its activities, only when stated by this Constitution. All by-laws are to conform to the Principle and tenets of this Association.

Section 1. The Executive Board is delegated the power to act in behalf of and for the Saline Association or its Quarterly Meetings, when either of these bodies is not in session. (It shall have power to fill vacancies that may occur on any of the Standing Boards or office of the Association or Quarterly Meetings.) This Board shall be responsible for all legal matters that might claim the attention of this body. It shall hold in trust and supervise all properties that belong to or have been purchased by said body, unless otherwise ordered by the body.

Section 2. **MISSION BOARD:** It shall be the duty of this board to promote an active missions program within the State. It shall work in conjunction with the National Home and Foreign Missions Board in the arranging of Missionary conferences, Missionary itineraries and assist in the raising of the state quota for the National Missions Programs.

This board shall investigate, and assist, in the establishing of new churches and missions, particularly where there is no Free Will Baptist work. This board shall not participate in the organization of any church or mission that is located within common boundaries of a district association that has no such board, then this board, upon consultation with officials of said district association, shall assist in such work.

Furthermore, this board shall not participate in the organization of any church or mission in a town, city or community where there is an organized Free Will Baptist Church without seeking the cooperation of said church. Neither shall this board assist in the organization of a group that is out of fellowship with an established church.

Section 3. The Sunday School Board shall work in cooperation with the State Sunday School Board. It shall assist the churches of this association in teaching and training programs, work shops, and in recommending methods and materials for the betterment of the Sunday School. It shall also be responsible for a yearly Sunday School Rally.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Examining Board to examine all candidates (Ministers and Deacons) at the request of the local church. Such candidates shall be members in good standing with the local church. (Having been a Christian long enough to show Christian maturity,) (2) All licensed ministers seeking ordination shall be given a written examination. (Questionnaire to be furnished by this Board.) Ministers coming from other States, Associations or Denominations shall be examined by this Board, at the request of the local church. These shall also be given the questionnaire furnished by this Board. Deacons shall be examined according to the Scripture and Practice of Free Will Baptist. (See Treatise).

ARTICLE IX.

MEETINGS: This Association shall meet annually at such time and place as shall be decided upon by said body.

ARTICLE X.

RULES FOR CONDUCTING BUSINESS: Either Robert's Rules of Order or Hall & Sturgis Rules of Order shall be used as a guide in all business transactions, parliamentary usages, etc.

ARTICLE XI.

AMENDMENTS: This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular (yearly) session of the Saline Association by a two-thirds vote of members present, provided proposed amendments or alterations be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

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 Credentials Committee.
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, Temperance, Sunday School, Obituary, Condition of Non - Represented Churches, Credentials, Statistics, Resolutions, and Placement.
9. Recognition of Corresponding Associations.
10. Election of Board Members.
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 New Officers.
16. Adjournment.

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