

Minutes

Eighty Annual Session
Of The
SALINE ASSOCIATION
Of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Held With
Willoughby
Free Will Baptist Church

Warren, Arkansas 71671

July 30, 31, 1976

Next Session To Be Held With
**HILLSVIEW FREE WILL
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Bastrop, Louisiana 71230

August 5, 6, 1977

Time — 9:30 A. M.

Rev. Roy L. Thompson. Moderator ----- Rt. 2, Box 134A
Monticello, Arkansas 71655

Bro. S. L. Woodard. Clerk ----- Rt. 2, Box 463
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, Johnny Bolin	Crossett, Ark. 71635
Statistician, Bro. Buddy Cook	Star City, Ark. 71667
Parliamentarian, Rev. Jack R. Dodson	Crossett, Ark. 71635

HOME MISSION BOARD

Hermon Greenwood	5 Year Term
Albert Halbrook	4 Year Term
Roy Williams	3 Year Term
Elvis Funderburg	2 Year Term
Oris Doggett	1 Year Term

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Lloyd Williams	5 Year Term
Edd Mozingo	4 Year Term
Jack R. Dodson	3 Year Term
Cecil Sanders	2 Year Term
Johnny Foy III	1 Year Term

EXAMINING BOARD

J. E. White	5 Year Term
Ottis Cook	4 Year Term
Charlie Collins	3 Year Term
Bill T. Whittaker	2 Year Term
Stanton White	1 Year Term

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Jim Baker	5 Year Term
Johnny Bolin	4 Year Term
Bill Wheeler	3 Year Term
James Bullock	2 Year Term
Troy Mann	1 Year Term

PROCEEDINGS

The 80th Annual Session of the Saline Association of the Free Will Baptists met with the Willoughby Free Will Baptist Church in New Edinburg, Arkansas on July 30, 31, 1976.

FRIDAY MORNING, JULY 30, 1976

The Saline Association meeting was called to order by the Clerk, S. L. Woodard, with his preliminaries in introducing the Moderator, Rev. Roy L. Thompson.

Prayer, Rev. J. E. White.

Congregational singing — Director, Rev. Charlie Collins.

The Rules of Order were read by the Moderator.

All church letters were read and corrected.

Motion and second to receive all church letters with the correction and seating of delegates. Carried.

A good fellowship with the Moderator and the assistant and all present was very emotional from the warmth and spiritual atmosphere.

A petitionary letter from First Star City Free Will Baptist Church in Star City, Arkansas, was read. It was asking to be admitted into Saline Association. This church was organized May 9, 1976 with 52 members. They now have 61 members. They are worshiping in the back room of an office building. We need your prayers that we will always be in the Lord's will. --Pastor, Rev. Gary Thomas

Motion and second that we accept First Star City Free Will Baptist Church, Star City, Arkansas into the Saline Association.

Appointments of Committees. The Moderator and Assistant Moderator appointed the following committees:

FINANCE—Rev. Roy Williams, Sis. Linda Stevens, and Sis. Mildred Brown

TEMPERANCE—Rev. Albert Halbrook, Sis. Dorothy Doggett, Sis. Ida McClellon.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Sis. Bessie Curry, Sis. Leo West, Sis. Ethel Foy.

OBITUARY — Sis. Ollie Moring, Sis. Syble Brown, Sis. Gracie Williams.

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES — Sis. Janis Doggett, Sis. Regina Barrett, Bro. Fred Curry.

CREDENTIAL — Sis. Bessy Harton, Sis. Lula Jones, Sis. Lois Nichols.

STATISTICIAN — Bro. Ottis Cook, Bro. Cecil Sanders, Bro. Hermon Greenwood.

PLACEMENT — Bro. H. C. Dyer, Sis. Erma Peters, Sis. Ester Gates.

RESOLUTION — Rev. J. E. White, Rev. Oris Doggett, Bro. Jim Brown.

Song — #76 . . . Bro. Charlie Collins, Director.

Home Mission report by Rev. Elbert McClellon, Secretary and Treasurer.

Motion and second to accept Bro. Elbert McClellon's report. As so ordered.

Motion and second that Rev. Charlie Harris bring the 11:00 o'clock message in place of Rev. Roy L. Thompson. Carried.

Benediction — Rev. Johnny Foy III.

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11:00 A.M. Message by Rev. Charlie Harris.

Scripture — II Chronicles, Chapter Fifteen.

A very inspiring message. It was enjoyed by everyone present.

Prayer—Rev. Charlie Harris.

During the invitation, many hands were held up.

Benediction and the blessing on the food were given by Rev. Oris Doggett.

NOON

Friday Afternoon Session, July 30, 1976, 1:30 P.M.

Congregational singing, Rev. James Bullock.

Public Collection for Rev. Charlie Harris, a missionary. Amount, \$109.02.

Prayer, Rev. James Bullock.

Rev. Lester G. Waggoner's report was given to Rev. Roy L. Thompson and he gave his report in order for Bro. Lester G. Waggoner to return quickly to El Dorado.

The speaker for next year at 11:00 A.M., Friday, will be Rev. Oris Doggett.

Alternate — Rev. Johnny Foy III.

Friday Evening Message, 7:30 P.M.

Evangelistic Message, Rev. Roy L. Thompson.

Alternate — Rev. Cecil Sanders.

Memorial Service, 11:00 A.M., Saturday, Rev. Bill T. Whittaker.

Alternate, Rev. Lewis Barker.

Song, No. 280, Rev. James Bullock.

Rev. Oris Doggett gave a verbal report on the El Dorado Mission.

Motion and second to accept Bro. Oris Doggett's report.

Motion and second that the Home Mission Board investigate or look into the Fordyce Mission and find out what the possibilities are for setting up a full-time ministry.

If it is possible, they will work out in detail a plan for setting up a mission in Fordyce.

If you choose Rev. Oris Doggett, he will have to resign off the Home Mission Board in order for him to serve as the full-time minister. He stated that he would resign off the Home Mission Board.

A motion and second that each church is placed on their word and honor to get behind this full-time ministry in faith and finance to see that this mission ministry is supported if it is set up. It will take our prayers and our loyalty to our fellowman. God loves a cheerful giver.

Election of State Delegates to the State Meeting: Sis. Hazel Mann, Sis. Leo West, Sis. Mildred Brown, Sis. Willine Wynn, and Sis. Ethel Foy III.

Alternates, Sis. Rosie Wheeler, Sis. Christine Halbrook, and Sis. Linda Stevens.

Song, No. 156, Rev. Charlie Collins.

Special Music:

Duet, "I Can Not Find the Way", First Star City Free Will Baptist Church.

Duet, "One of His Children", Bro. and Sis. Jim Baker from Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church.

Benediction, Rev. Charlie Collins.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Singing, "Higher Grounds," Rev. Stanton White.

Congregational Singing, "My God is Real", Rev. Stanton White.

Prayer, Rev. J. E. White.

Song, No. 31, "Do You Know My Jesus", Rev. Stanton White.

Duet, "You Are Not Alone", Bro. and Sis. Oris Doggett.

Duet, "What the Master Will Say", Bro. and Sis. Oris Doggett.

Song, "Whispering Hope", Rev. Stanton White.

Prayer, Rev. Johnny Foy III.

Dedication, Rev. Albert Halbrook.

This was one of the best meetings during the Association and enjoyed by all.

Prayer, Rev. Bill T. Whittaker.

A fellowship with all in order to help anyone in need of the Lord and the desire to serve the Creator of us all.

Message Friday Evening, 7:30.

Bro. Jim Baker delivered the message.

Scripture, Colossians 2: 1-9.

Prayer, Bro. Jim Baker.
II Chronicles 3:2.
A very inspiring message.
Prayer, Rev. Jim Baker.
Song, "I Gave My Life for Thee", Bro. Stanton White.
Benediction, Rev. Oris Doggett.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION, JULY 31, 1976

9:00 A.M.

Song, No. 236, "I Feel Like Traveling On", Bro. Charlie Collins.

Song, No. 254, "Keep on the Firing Line", Bro. Charlie Collins.

Prayer, Rev. Ralph Doggett.

Devotion, Rev. James Bullock.

Prayer, Rev. James Bullock.

Solo, "The Way He Loves", Sis. Ethel Foy.

One State Delegate was nominated by a person not a delegate to Saline Association. This was done Friday, but was corrected Saturday. The same person will be a state delegate.

Rev. Johnny Bullard's resignation was verified by Rev. Johnny Foy III.

Bro. Johnny Bolin gave the Sunday School Board's report.

Motion and second this report be accepted. As so ordered.

Motion and second that all churches pay their fees. Carried.

Motion and second that all churches pay their 10% tithe on the total income taken in during the quarter to cooperative plan. As so ordered.

Motion and second the \$5.00 fee to the host church be increased to \$8.00 from each church to help take care of the Saline Association's hospitality so well done. Carried.

The Scholarship Committee for the incoming year is S. L. Woodard, chairman; Bro. Gary Thomas and Bro. Larry Cook.

Special music.

Duet, "A Crown of Thorns", Bro. and Sis. Weldon Wynn.

Bro. Johnny Belin gave a verbal report for the Master Men's Organization.

Solo, Rev. James Bullock.

Rev. David Jostlen gave a verbal report and an explanation on the financial statement given to each one present.

Election of Officers:

Moderator—Rev. Roy L. Thompson.

Assistant Moderator — Rev. James Bullock.

Clerk — S. L. Woodard.

Assistant Clerk — Bro. Johnny Bolin.

Statistician — Bro. Ottis Cook.

Parliamentarian — Rev. Lewis Barker.

Assistant Parliamentarian — Rev. Ralph Doggett.

Song Director — Rev. Charlie Collins.

Assistant director — Rev. Stanton White.

Home Mission Board:

Rev. Herman Greenwood, 5 year term.

Executive Board:

Rev. Lloyd Williams — 5 year term.

Rev. Cecil Sanders — 2 year term.

Examining Board:

Rev. J. E. White — 5 year term.

Sunday School Board:

Rev. Jim Baker — 5 year term.

Bro. Troy Mann — 1 year term.

Sis. Roy L. Thompson gave a verbal report for the Ladies Auxiliary.
 Solo, "Country Church", Sis. Johnny Jones.
 Rev. Elbert McClellon discussed the full-time ministry in Fordyce that is needed to put this into practice.
 Benediction, Rev. Bill Wheeler.
 11:00 A.M. Memorial Service.
 Congregational singing, No. 168, "Victory in Jesus", Bro. Charlie Collins.
 "Amazing Grace", Bro. Charlie Collins.
 Prayer, Rev. Lewis Barker.
 Quartet, "I Can't Find the Way Alone", Bro. Charlie Collins, Bro. and Sis. Oris Doggett and Bro. Johnny Foy III.
 Memorial Service:
 Rev. J. E. White.
 Duet, "Have you Thought", Bro. and Sis. Oris Doggett.
 Text — The Chrisitans Hope.
 Scripture — John 13 and 19 Chapter, Revelations, Chapter seven.
 Song, "I'll Meet You in the Morning", Bro. Charlie Collins.
 An old time hand shake and Oh how the spirit took over.
 Song, "O the Glory Did Roll", Bro. Charley Collins.
 Song, No 280, "A Little Talk With Jesus".
 Benediction and Blessing on food, Rev. Bob Thompson.

NOON SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15 P.M.
 Singing, "Nothing Can Compare", Rev. J. E. White, Director
 Prayer, Bro. Wilburn Stevens.
 Special Music, Duet, Rev. Lonnie and Sis. Bertha Wages.
 Rev. Charlie Harris from California and Denver, Colorado, gave his itinerary and where he is to establish a church in Denver, Colorado.
 Bro. Ottis Cook gave the statistical report. Motion and second to accept the report. Carried.
 \$9,300.00 was the estimated amount it would take to put a full-time ministry to work in the Fordyce Mission.
 Motion and second that the General Fund pay half of the expense of this ministry when the plan is worked out and a date is set to begin. As so ordered.
 No resolutions were turned into the Resolution Committee.
 A standing vote of thanks to the host church, Willoughby, for the fine hospitality shown and the good will and fellowship that was appreciated by all.
 Benediction, Bro. Johnny Bolin.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE — We, The Finance Committee, after consulting the clerk's records, recommended that each church be faithful in paying all dues including \$15.00 State Association fee, State Minutes \$5.00, and host church \$8.00. Also, we recommend we all pay 10% of total church income. We recommend raising host church fee to \$8.00.
 Rev. Roy Williams, Chairman; Sis. Linda Stevens and Sis. Mildred Brown.
TEMPERANCE — We, your Temperance Committee, recommend the following: (1) That we do all in our power to discourage the use of alcohol and drugs among our young people and others involved, (2) That we, as much as possible, not paternize places that sell alcohol beverages.
 Rev. Albert Halbrook, Chairman; Sis. Ida McClellan, Sis. Dorothy Doggett.
SUNDAY SCHOOL — We, your Sunday School Committee find twenty-three churches and two missions represented in Sunday School work. A

total enrollment of 1,854. Amount spent for literature, \$15,264.66. We realize that all Christian teaching, a lot of children receive is in Sunday School and church. So we recommend that we elect dedicated Christians, who live by the word of God to teach in their Sunday School. It is through our Sunday School a lot of people can be reached for Christ.

Sis Bessie Curry, Chairman; Sis. Leo West, Sis. Ethel Foy.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE — We, the Obituary Committee find through our church yearly reports that sixteen of our members have been called home from this earth service, since our last association, one year ago. We miss them, but feel that our lives were made richer by having known them and feel that our loss is heavens gain.

LIST OF DECEASED — Sis. Annie Eddy, Bro. James George, Sis. Audie McKenzie, Bro. Waldo Wynn, Sis. Flossie Wynn, Sis. Ella Baker, Sis. Anna Burks, Sis. Ellie Herron, Bro. Hainson Cox, Bro. T. H. Brown, Bro. Wallace Murry, Sis Mary McGhee, Bro. Jimmy Judkins, Bro. Ulysses McDaniel, Bro. R. C. Teague, and Sis. Roma Tripplett.

Sis. Ollie Moring, Chairman; Sis. Syble Brown, Sis. Gracie Williams.

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES — We, the Non-Represented Church Committee, find all twenty-three churches and two missions represented by letter or delegate. All churches are in good standing.

Bro. Fred Curry, Chairman; Sis. Regenia Barrett, Sis. Janis Doggett.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE — We, the Credential Committee, find twenty-three churches and two missions. We recommend that each church and mission strive to get all reports in at the proper time.

Sis. Bessie L. Harton, Chairman; Sis. Lula Jones, Sis. Lois Nichols.

STATISTICAL COMMITTEE — Bro. Ottis Cook gave the report in person.

Bro. Ottis Cook, Chairman; Bro. Cecil Sanders, Bro. Hermon Greenwood.

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE — No resolution turned in. No report.

Bro. J. E. White, Chairman; Bro. Oris Doggett, Bro. Jim Brown.

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE—We, the Placement Committee, recommend that the Saline Association go to the Hillview Free Will Baptist Church on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in August, 1977.

Bro. H. C. Dyer, Chairman; Sis. Ester Gates, Sis. Erma Peters.

A motion and second was made that each committee report be received. Carried.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD have examined Bro. Steve Gregory and recommend that he be licensed for one year. Motion and second that Bro. Steve Gregory be licensed for one year. As so ordered.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD, have examined Bro. Wilburn Stevens and find him sound in the doctrine and recommend that he be licensed to preach for one year. Motion and second that Bro. Wilburn Stevens be licensed for one year. Carried.

These two men were examined by these men: Bro. Cecil Sanders, Bro. Charlie Collins, Bro. Ottis Cook, and Bro. Bill T. Whittaker, the Examining Board.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD, have examined Rev. Bob Thompson from Sheridan Free Will Baptist Church and recommend that he be received into Saline Association on condition of a letter of recommendation from his association in Oklahoma. Motion and second that Rev. Bob Thompson be received into the Saline Association with a letter of good standing from his district association. As so ordered.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD, have examined Rev. Larry Cook from Pine Hill Free Will Baptist Church and recommend that he be received into Saline Association on condition of a letter of good standing from his association in Illinois. Motion and second that Rev. Larry Cook be received into Saline Association with a letter of good standing from his

district association. As so ordered.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD, have examined Rev. Gary Thomas from the First Star City Free Will Baptist Church and recommend that he be accepted into Saline Association on condition of a letter of good standing from his association in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Motion and second that Rev. Gary Thomas be received into Saline Association with a letter of good standing from his district association. As so ordered.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD, have examined Rev. Early White and find him sound in the doctrine and we recommend that he be received into Saline Association granting him all rights and privileges promised. Motion and second that Rev. Early White be received into Saline Association with a letter of good standing from his district association. Carried.

All four ministers were examined by the Examining Board: Bro. Cecil Sanders, Bro. Charlie Collens, Bro. Ottis Cook and Bro. Bill T. Whittaker.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD, have examined Bro. Jamie Wynn as a deacon and recommend that he be ordained at the pleasure of his church. This was done on Friday, July 30, 1976.

WE, THE EXAMINING BOARD, have examined the following men: Bro. Jimmy Moore, Bro. Dale Trussell, Bro. Charlie Baggett, Bro. Mike West and Bro. Don E. Martin and recommend they be ordained as deacons in the First Star City Free Will Baptist Church. Motion and second that these fine men and Bro. Jamie Wynn be ordained as deacons in the First Star City Free Will Baptist Church at their pleasure. As so ordered.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD REPORT—The Sunday School Board met three times in the year 1975-76. We sponsored a Sunday School Ralley in North Crossett Free Will Baptist Church on April 24, 1975 with Bro. Carl Cheser as teacher. The Ralley cost us \$125.00 plus a few minor expenses for telephone calls, gas mileage, etc. The Sunday School Board will be closely working with the National Sunday School Board in achieving our twenty-five year goal. 200,000 to 1,000,000 by the year 2000. We as a board will be recommending and suggesting to each church to take stock of our Sunday School and more power.

Respectfully submitted.

Bro. Bill Wheeler, Chairman; Bro. Johnny Bolin, Bro. James Bullock. Motion and second that this report be accepted. Carried.

HOME MISSION REPORT, Saline Association

Balance in treasurer Aug. 1, 1975	\$ 4,515.80
Balance from Quarterly Meeting.	6,337.72
Interest.	490.00
Received from Churches and Individuals for building fund	4,193.16
Grand Total	\$15,536.68

DISBURSEMENT:

Fordyce Mission Plumbing	\$ 797.06
Down P'ment & P'ment on land	5,886.32
State Mission, El Dorado work	1,900.00
Paid on trailer, Fordyce Chapel	3,000.00
Interest, trailer, Jim Pirtle	129.00
Laneer Wynn.	15.00
Deposit on gas	30.00
Rev. Oris Doggett, work	1,235.00
Total disburs.	\$12,992.38
Balance, July 30, 1976	\$2,544.30

Rev. Elbert McClellon

S. L. Woodard, Clerk's Report for Year:
1975-1976 Date given July 30, 1976

Cooperative Plan Money	\$16,678.20
Designated money	8,975.27
Interest	<u>490.00</u>
Grand Total	\$26,143.47

Disbursement:	
Cooperative Plan	\$ 4,753.29
Home Mission	6,337.72
General Fund	3,168.86
C.T.S., Fund	318.90
Christian Education	792.21
Sunday School Board	475.33
Operating Expense	<u>832.89</u>
Total disbursement	\$16,679.20
Designated money	<u>8,975.27</u>
Sub Total	\$25,654.47
Interest	<u>490.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$26,144.47

BALANCE IN EACH DEPARTMENT

General Fund	\$ 8,183.67
C.T.S. Fund	1,816.44
Christian Education	666.72
Reserve Scholarship Fund	510.05
Operating Expense Fund	<u>657.06</u>
Sub Total	\$11,833.94
Church Bonds	<u>7,000.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$18,833.94

The amount that came through this department for the Fordyce project, \$1,727.90.

S. L. Woodard, Clerk

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Name of Church	Literature	Miscellaneous	Foreign Mission	Home Mission	Church Lib. or Education	Association Project	State Project	Bus. Ministry
Harmony	\$ 870.90	556.58	94.08	200.00	55.65		25.00	
Free Hill	186.83					25.00	25.00	
Pine Hill	1,310.39	2,961.79	574.83	186.00			50.00	
Corbin Ferry	225.91	341.56					25.00	
Macedonia	550.48	315.60	396.37	50.50	25.00		25.00	
Oak Grove	588.81	357.80	100.00	400.00			25.00	50.00
Warren First	349.76	2,836.17	139.86				25.00	
Pleasant Grove	70.73	155.77					25.00	
Gordon Avenue	143.86	79.03		10.00			25.00	
Fairview	173.63	72.98					25.00	
Willoughby	516.63	733.15	358.00	126.00			25.00	266.06
Rose Hill	1,143.73	2,608.59	467.00	485.00	150.00	80.00	55.00	
Yorktown	661.64	608.80	63.00	608.73	45.00	158.57	87.57	974.10
Pleasant Valley	348.68	228.24	431.66	1,160.25		270.00	131.52	
Mt. Pleasant	342.54	368.56		50.00			70.00	
North Crossett	6,672.78	2,369.16	428.45	92.00		811.45	25.00	
Sherrill	256.25						25.00	
Spring Hill	105.25	347.67					40.00	
Rolfe Chapel	150.00						25.00	
Antioch	108.00	1,228.54				138.00	10.00	
Fordyce	26.82						25.00	
El Dorado Mission	93.24	31.00		404.00				
Sheridan	233.37	288.28					25.00	
Hillsvie	411.02	2,298.84	81.30	50.00	25.00	225.00	25.00	
Star City	237.16						25.00	
TOTAL	15,778.43	20,497.11	3,234.55	3,822.48	300.65	1,708.02	869.09	1,290.16

Saline Association, October 26, 1976, 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	194.08			23.68			200.00		
Free Hill							438.15		
Pine Hill	95.00						193.00		
Corbin Ferry . . .							189.00	Fordyce M.	50.50
Macedonia	222.66	173.71					269.10		
Oak Grove	100.00						293.00		
Warren First . . .	77.25						69.00		
Pleasant Grove . .							303.00		
Gordon Avenue . .			10.00				132.00		
Fairview							280.00		126.00
Willoughby	358.50						254.75		430.00
Rose Hill		360.00	55.00						
Yorktown							81.00		1,130.25
Pleasant Valley . .	233.66	198.00	20.00		10.00		230.00	McCown Hale	
Mt. Pleasant . . .							934.00	15.00	33.00
North Crossett . .	77.45		52.00	80.00	12.00	21.00	105.00		
Sherrill							121.00		
Spring Hill									
Rolfe Chapel	58.00						254.00		
Antioch							86.00		
Fordyce	10.00						168.00		
El Dorado Mission							600.00		
Sheridan	85.98								177.45
Hillsvie	81.30		50.00						
Star City									
TOTAL	1,493.88	731.71	187.00	103.68	22.00	21.00	5,010.90	15.00	1,847.20

Saline Association, October 26, 1976, 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	189	24		125	65			4	1
Free Hill	45	2		38	20			2	2
Pine Hill	128	15	55	95	75	17			
Corbin Ferry	156	6	2	52			10	2	2
Macedonia	238	11	10	103		17		4	2
Oak Grove	105	6	2	48	40			4	2
Warren First	88	7		54				1	1
Pleasant Grove	47	4		27	10			1	2
Gordon Avenue	92	4		50				2	2
Fairview	81	8	10	55				2	2
Willoughby	195	7	12	57	34	12		5	4
Rose Hill	202	32	2	174	70	21			2
Yorktown	135	29	5	139	35	10		4	2
Pleasant Valley	89	2	1	50	36	12		3	2
Mt. Pleasant	180			101	50	10		6	1
North Crossett	515	26	3	300	140	25	25	6	1
Sherrill	91	44		46				3	2
Spring Hill	68	10		35				4	2
Rolfe Chapel	75			50	35	12		1	1
Antioch	52	10	2	18	11				
Fordyce	20			8				1	
El Dorado Mission	20			26					2
Sheridan	37	16	3	48				4	1
Hillsview	53	3	2	40	15			4	1
Star City	61	61		85	65	25		3	1
TOTAL	2962	327	109	1,724	691	161	35	66	38

Saline Association, October 26, 1976, 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	\$ 1,019.99	10,916.50	171.52	3,055.00	30,000.00	663.40	333.86		
Free Hill	20.00	2,086.00	320.00	989.00	3,000.00	200.00	86.16		
Pine Hill	3,007.17	30,071.66	490.00	9,060.00	75,000.00	7,986.21	973.30	1,000.00	20,000.00
Corbin Ferry	100.00	8,889.78	322.57	2,772.41	27,000.00	12,623.06	259.30		
Macedonia	650.84	11,061.33	457.39	3,600.00	38,000.00	1,170.33	342.87		
Oak Grove	400.14	7,438.50	335.00	2,155.00	20,000.00	176.96	286.48		5,000.00
Warren First	658.08	10,586.38	200.00	2,655.00	35,000.00	513.19	1,077.23		
Pleasant Grove	298.90	3,118.41	175.00	2,050.00	7,500.00	383.81	220.35		
Gordon Avenue	565.56	6,738.81	125.00	2,927.22	50,000.00	2,258.27	708.77		
Fairview	263.54	2,691.42	110.00	1,016.11	14,000.00	1,611.66	142.80		
Willoughby	1,294.38	12,943.78	300.00	7,210.00	25,000.00	2,606.29	808.21	425.23	12,000.00
Rose Hill	2,160.00	28,529.40	717.50	8,750.00	49,000.00	19,869.39	1,701.81		10,000.00
Yorktown	1,325.00	16,610.53	8,935.75	6,035.00	45,000.00	7,544.12	1,531.45		10,000.00
Pleasant Valley	794.04	7,586.41	275.55	1,400.00	25,780.00	269.71	272.63		
Mt. Pleasant	45.00	13,503.67	225.00	6,960.00	10,000.00	1,756.15	412.29		15,000.00
North Crossett	4,962.23	49,309.87	1,728.13	11,608.78	200,000.00	9,297.75	2,131.88	165.00	15,000.00
Sherrill	85.00	3,422.08	309.10	2,423.27	10,000.00	150.82	282.64		
Spring Hill	40.00	3,044.88	320.00	412.50	20,000.00	1,678.61	79.91		
Rolfe Chapel	80.00	2,270.00	120.00	1,200.00	30,000.00	500.00	120.00		
Antioch	211.65	6,334.14		1,300.00	30,000.00	3,170.23	129.46		
Fordyce	20.00	170.74	100.05		24,000.00		125.00		
El Dorado Mission	404.00	4,104.00		1,380.00	45,000.00	469.00	337.00		
Sheridan	307.19	13,685.60	250.00	4,140.00	65,000.00	3,910.49	613.81		
Hillsvie	125.00	9,371.16	300.00	5,625.00	20,000.00		355.00		
Star City		18,146.27		425.00	50,000.00	15,987.33			
TOTAL	\$18,837.71	282,631.82	16,287.56	89,149.29	918,280.00	94,796.78	13,332.21	1,590.23	87,000.00

Saline Association, October 26, 1976, 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, reproves, 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; Psal. 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; Psal. 51:17; Prov. 28:13; Psal. 32:3,5; Ezek. 36:31; Psal. 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. 23:46; 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 \$15.00 to the District Association to be sent to help take care of the State Association and also send \$5.00 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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