

Minutes

Eighty-Third Annual Session
Of The
SALINE ASSOCIATION
Of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH
**Macedonia Free Will
Baptist Church**

New Edinburg, Arkansas 71660

August 4, 1979

Next Session
August 2, 1980
Time – 9:30 A.M.

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OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS of the SALINE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

Moderator, Bro. Robert A. Francis	Star City, Ark. 71667
Assistant Moderator, Bro. Wilbur Stevens	Monticello, Ark. 71655
Clerk, Bro. S. L. Woodard	Warren, Ark. 71671
Assistant Clerk, Bro. James Bullock	Pioneer, La. 71266
Statistician, Bro. Ottis Cook	Star City, Ark. 71667
Parliamentarian, Bro. Cecil Sanders	New Edinburg, Ark. 71660
Assistant Parliamentarian, Bro. Lewis Barker	Monticello, Ark. 71655
Song Director, Bro. Charlie Collins	Monticello, Ark. 71655
Assistant Director, Bro. Charles Doggett	Warren, Ark. 71671

HOME MISSION BOARD

Bill Wheeler	5 year term
Elvin Funderburg	4 year term
James Doggett	3 year term
James Barillock	2 year term
Wilburn Stevens	1 year term

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Ronnie Ivey	5 year term
Cecil Sanders	4 year term
Fay Mann	3 year term
Lloyd Williams	2 year term
Ed Mozingo	1 year term

EXAMINING BOARD

Charlie Collins	5 year term
Lowell Graham	4 year term
Stanton White	3 year term
J.E. White	2 year term
Ottis Cook	1 year term

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Dale Underwood	5 year term
Lewis Barker	4 year term
Ronnie Blanks	3 year term
Ronnie Ryburn	2 year term
Johnny Bolin	1 year term

PROCEEDINGS

The 83rd annual session of the Saline Association of the Free Will Baptists met with the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church near New Edinburg on August 4, 1979.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 4, 1979

(Bro. Charlie Collins and Bro. Charles Doggett will serve as song directors for the yearly meeting and quarterly meeting.)

The Eighty-third Saline Association yearly meeting was called to order by Bro. Roy L. Thompson, moderator.

Congregational singing.

Prayer — Bro. J. E. White.

The moderator gave his preliminaries and comment on the get-together in fellowship and praise to the Lord.

Scripture — Hebrew 13:14, Luke 19:13.

The rules of order were read by the moderator.

The reading and correcting of all church letters.

Motion and second to accept the letters as read and corrected and as so ordered.

Seating of delegates.

Bro. Cecil Sanders was elected Assistant Moderator in place of Bro. Herman Greenwood, who moved out of the Association.

Appointment of Committees:

FINANCE: Bro. Lewis Barker, Sis. Ollie Moring, and Sis. Cora Veil.

PUBLIC MORAL: Sis. Marie Gibson, Sis. Effie Lou Huffman, and Bro. Thomas Bradley.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Bro. Charles Doggett, Sis. Vera Waitts, and Sis. Erlie Batty.

OBITUARY: Bro. Curtis Sanders, Bro. Jimmy Sharpton, and Sis. Angelia Jones.

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES: Bro. Ralph Doggett, Bro. Roy Gates, and Sis. Lela Cook.

CREDENTIALS: Bro. Monroe McMahan, Sis. Mildred Cole, and Sis. Leo West.

STATISTIC: Bro. Ottis Cook, Sis. Mildred Brown, and Bro. Vernon Thompson.

RESOLUTION: Bro. Lowell Graham, Bro. J. E. Moore, and Sis. Debbie Page.

Bro. S. L. Woodard, the Clerk, gave his yearly report.

Motion and second to accept the report as read. As so ordered.

Bro. Roy Williams gave the Home Mission Board report.

Motion and second to accept the report as read. As so ordered.

Bro. Dale Underwood was elected in place of Bro. Herman Greenwood on the Examining Board for August 4, 1979. Bro. Greenwood moved out of the Association.

Prayer — Bro. Elbert McClellan.

RECESS

11 P.M.

Congregational singing directed by Charlie Collins.

Prayer — Bro. Cecil Sanders.

Special Music:

Solo — "Touching Jesus", Jimmy Sharpton.

Song — No. 152, "I'll Make It My Home", Bro. Charlie Collins.

Memorial Service — Bro. Johnny L. Jones.

Scripture — Romans 10-1 and James.

Prayer — Bro. Johnny L. Jones.

Benediction and blessing on food: Bro. Oris Doggett.

NOON

1:00 P.M. SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Congregational singing directed by Bro. Damon Parker.

"Do You Know My Jesus"

"I Had Rather Have Jesus"

Prayer 8 Bro. Elbert McClellan.

Devotion — Bro. Robert A. Francis.

Scripture: II Peter 3:10-13.

Prayer — Bro. Robert A. Francis.

Bro. Wilbur Stevens gave a verbal report on the church building in Fordyce Mission in Fordyce. He stated the building would be 30 ft. x 54 ft. and it would begin soon.

Bro. Lowell Graham gave a verbal report on the El Dorado Mission.

Motion and second to change from two days in the yearly meeting to one day. Carried.

Motion and second to accept the First Free Will Baptist Church of Warren ratification of Bro. Roy Gates paper as an ordained deacon in good standing for over three years and he has served for eighteen months as a deacon under watch care. As so ordered.

The moderator, Bro. Roy L. Thompson, recommended that the five elected delegates at large by Saline Association be paid their gas, night lodging, and meals during the three days going and returning from the State Association in Fort Smith, August 14-16, 1979.

Motion and second that the Saline Association pay each of the five elected delegates from the Saline Association, their expenses of gas, night lodging, and meals from the General Fund. Carried.

A standing vote of thanks to Bro. Roy L. Thompson, the outgoing moderator for his never tiring service.

After reading Bro. Billy Joe Aulds' letter stating his resignation from the Home Mission Board because he could not attend regular on account of the distance. A motion and second to accept Bro. Billy Joe Auld's resignation. Carried.

The five state delegates at large are: Bro. Elvin Funderburg, Sis. Hazel Mann, Sis. Rosie Wheeler, Sis Becky Francis, and Bro. Ray Sanders.

Place for October 6, 1979 meeting — Harmony Free Will Baptist Church.
Speaker — Bro. Robert A. Francis.
Alternate — Bro. Gary Page.

BOARD MEMBERS:

HOME MISSION BOARD:

- Bro. Bill Wheeler 5 Year Term
- Bro. James Doggett 3 Year Term

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

- Bro. Ronnie Fuey 5 Year Term
- Bro. Fay Mann 3 Year Term

EXAMINING BOARD:

- Bro. Charlie Collins 5 Year Term
- Bro. Lowell Graham 4 Year Term

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD:

- Bro. Dale Underwood 5 Year Term

HOME MISSION BOARD OFFICERS:

- Bro. Wilburn Stevens Chairman
- Bro. Elvin Funderburg Secretary and Treasurer

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

- Bro. S. L. Woodard Chairman
- Bro. Elbert McClellan, and Bro. Steven Gregory.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Moderator Bro. Robert A. Francis
- Assistant Moderator Bro. Wilburn Stevens
- Clerk Bro. S. L. Woodard
- Assistant Clerk Bro. James Bullock
- Statistician Bro. Ottis Cook
- Parliamentarian Bro. Lewis Barker
- Song Director Bro. Charlie Collins
- Assistant Director Bro. Charles Doggett

A vote of thanks to the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church for their fine way of entertaining with good food and plenty of it. The fellowship was great. May the Lord bless them.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

We, your Finance Committee, after checking the records and consulting the clerk, S. L. Woodard, find the total to be 35,979.27. A total of 27,333.27 was sent out to various organization. As of this date there is a balance of \$30,359.57 in the treasury. Bro. Lewis Barker, Chairman, Sis. Ollie Morring, and Sis. Cora Veil.

PUBLIC MORAL:

We, your Public Moral Committee desire to emphasize to God's people that since we last met our moral teaching and examples have weakened. We would remind you that God's word has not changed and the Apostle Paul admonishes in Galations 6:7, Be not declared, God is not mocked for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap. Sis. Marie Gibson, Chairman, Sis. Effie Lou Huffman, and Bro. Thomas Bradley.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

We, the Sunday School Committee, find twenty-five churches and two missions have Sunday School with enrollment 1899. We, the committee, recommend each church to put an all out effort to promote their Sunday School. Bro. Charles Doggett, Chairman, Sis. Vera Waits, and Sis. Erla Beaty.

OBITUARY:

We, the Obituary Committee, find through checking each church letter that eleven of our loved ones and friends have departed from our fellowship.

Bro. Aston Walker, Sis. Mary Ella Sweeney, Bro. Johnny S. Foy III, Bro. Ernest Williams, Bro. Parmer McFalls, Bro. Wallace Ashcraft, Sis. Orah McClellan, Bro. Roy Conner, Bro. Grover C. Poole, Sis. Emma Gifford, and Bro. Eugene Robert.

Bro Curtis Sanders, Chairman, Bro. Jimmy Sharpton, and Sis. Angelia Jones.

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES:

We, your committee on Non-Represented Churches, find all churches were up — represented by letter or delegates. Bro. Ralph Doggett, Chairman, Sis. Lela Cook and Bro. Roy Gates.

CREDENTIAL:

We, the Credential Committee, find all ministers of our Association in good standing. Bro. Monroe McMahon, Chairman, Sis. Leo West, and Sis. Mildred Cole.

RESOLUTION

No. 1. The National C.T.S. has written a code of dress for the young people who participate in the C.T.S. competition. Be it resolved that ministers, ministers wives, deacons, deacons wives, Sunday school teachers, C.T.S. leaders, and all other officers abide by this code of dress.

Motion and second that this resolution be accepted. Carried.

No. 2. Since we only have one day for the annual meeting; instead of sending \$8.00 to the host church annual, each church send \$4.00 to the quarterly meeting host church. This will four times each year.

Motion and second that this resolution be adopted. Carried.

No. 3 Be it resolved that we give the host church, Macedonia a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality and fellowship.

Motion and second that this resolution be adopted. Carried.

No. 4. 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, workshops, and in recommending methods and materials for the betterments of the Sunday School.

Tabled until the next quarterly meeting October 6, 1979.

The above resolution #4 was removed from the table by a motion and second for discussion. Carried.

A motion and second to accept the resolution #4 without amendment. As so ordered.

This was done October 6, 1979 while in session at the Quarterly Meeting at Harmony Free Will Baptist Church.

No. 5. The constitution may be amended or altered at any regular or yearly meeting or session of the Saline Association by a two-third vote of members present provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body on session in advance.

Motion and second to accept this resolution. As so ordered.

No. 6. At the future meeting of the Saline Association, arrangements shall be made so as to insure one sermon instead of two.

Motion and second that this resolution be approved.

As so ordered.

No. 7. Introductory message the first three quarterly meetings and yearly meeting, memorial service.

Motion and second to accept this resolution.

As so ordered.

EXAMINING BOARD:

We, your Examining Board, met with Bro. Robert A. Francis from First Church in Star City. We recommend he be accepted into Saline Association.

He had his letter of recommendation with him and handed it in to the clerk.

Motion and second that both be accepted.

As so ordered.

We, your Examining Board, met with Bro. Ronnie Ivey from First Church in Warren and recommend that he be accepted into Saline Association.

He has to get a letter of recommendation from his Association.

Motion and second that he be accepted into Saline Association.

Carried.

We, your Examining Board met with Bro. Ray Marvin Sanders. He was examined and we recommend that he be licensed to preach for one year.

Motion and second that Bro. Ray Marvin Sanders be licensed for one year.

Carried.

We, your Examining Board met with Bro. Thomas Edwin Baine from Trinity Church. We recommend that he be received into Saline Association.

He has to get a letter of recommendation from his association.

Motion and second that Bro. Baine be received into Saline Association.

As so ordered.

We, your Examining Board, met with Bro. Gary Page from Gordan Avenue Church, Monroe, Louisiana. We examined him and recommend that he be accepted into Saline Association.

He must get a letter of recommendation from his association.

Motion and second that Bro. Page be received into Saline Association.

Carried.

DEACONS EXAMINED

We, your Examining Board met with Bro. Leonard Morgan, Bro. Ken Griffin and Bro. John McDaniel. We recommend they be ordained for deacons in each one's respective church.

Motion and second that these men be ordained for deacons.

As so ordered.

We, your Examining Board, met with Bro. Ronnie Smith and we examined him for the office of deacon. We recommend him to be ordained deacon of his church.

Motion and second that he be ordained as Deacon.

Carried.

The Examining Board for all the above examination of preachers and deacons were Bro. Dale Underwood, Bro. Stanton White, Bro. J.E. White, Bro. Charlie Collins, and Bro. Ottis Cook.

Statistical Committee turned in their report without being read, to the clerk, Bro. S. L. Woodard.

I mailed Bro. Gary Page a standardized questionnaire for ministers August 11, 1979 to complete in order that his files would be like the other four ministers examined on the same day, August 4, 1979.

The ministers' identification cards were issued the first time October 16, 1973.

In 1979 these were changed to the annual ministerial certificate. These were first handed out October 6, 1979. From now on these certificates will be given out on Saturday before the first Sunday in October each year during the Saline Association's Quarterly Meeting.

Quarterly Meeting which meets at this time.

Yearly Report of the Saline Sunday School Board

The Sunday School Board sponsored a sunday school workshop February 26 through March 3, 1979. Brother Lewis Campbell was the instructor. The first three sessions were held at the Rose Hill Church and the final three were held at the North Crossett Church. Each of the sessions were well attended and Brother Campbell did a fine job. The following is a financial report of the board.

Balance brought forward	\$,424.35
Income:	
1-17-79	204.12
4-4-79	178.75
8-10-79	230.53

Balance brought forward	\$1,424.35
Income:	
1-17-79	204.12
4-4-79	178.75
8-10-79	230.53
Total	613.40
	<u>613.40</u>
	\$2,037.75

Expenses:	
Phone Calls	17.28
Postage	3.90
Motel for Bro. Campbell	67.78
Refreshments for Workshop	25.00
Lewis Campbell	200.00
Total	313.96
	<u>313.96</u>

Balance	\$1723.79
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—Bro. Ronnie Blanks, Secretary, Treasurer

SALINE ASSOCIATION YEARLY REPORT OF HOME MISSION BOARD

August 5, 1978 - August 4, 1979

Balance brought forward	\$ 3,518.66
Received	12,929.72
Sub Total	16,448.38
DISBURSEMENT:	
Salary	\$10,400.00
Land Note	1,772.64
Utility	469.17
El Dorado	2,015.00
Insurance	256.00
Miscellaneous	69.50
Total Expense	\$14,982.31
Balance in Checking Account	\$ 1,466.07
Balance in Saving Account	1,024.87
Total Balance	2,490.94

Bro. Roy Williams, Clerk and Treasurer

SALINE ASSOCIATION CLERK'S YEARLY REPORT

August 5, 1978-August 4, 1979

Cooperative Plan	\$27,333.27
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Designated Money	6,034.95
Sub Total.	\$33,368.22
Interest on Church Bond	502.50
Interst on Saving Account.	1,352.49
Fees Collected	771.00
Grand Total Collected	\$35,994.21

DISBURSEMENT OF COOPERATIVE PLAN:

Arkansas Cooperative Plan	\$ 7,789.98
Saline Home Mission Board	10,386.64
General Funa	5,193.32
C.T.S. Fund	519.33
Christian Education Fund.	1,298.34
Sunday School Board	778.99
Operating Expense	1,366.67
Sub Total.	\$27,333.27

FEES COLLECTED:

State Association	\$ 405.00
Host Church	216.00
State Minutes	135.00
National Association	15.00
Total Fees Collected	771.00

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Interst on Saving Account	1,352.49
Grand Total Collected	\$35,994.21

MONEY ON HAND IN EACH DEPARTMENT:

General	\$17,542.92
C.T.S. Fund	3,666.45
Christian Education Fund.	2,896.14
Scholarship Reserve Fund	548.88
Operating Expense Fund	705.18
Sub Total.	\$25,359.57

AMOUNT INVESTED IN CHURCH BONDS:

General Fund	\$2,500.00
Christian Education Fund	1,000.00
C.T.S. Fund	1,500.00
Total	\$ 5,000.00

GRAND TOTAL	\$30,359.57
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S.L. Woodard, Clerk

CHURCH YEARLY REPORT

	Members	Members Received	Members Dismissed	Sunday School	C.T.S.	Women's Auxiliary	Master Men	Deacon	Minister
Harmony	197	12	1	110	60			4	1
Free Hill	74	16		50	40			3	3
Pine Hill	165	6	11	103		50	15	3	1
Corbin Ferry	145	4		68				2	1
Macedonia	230	4	4	103		22		5	3
Oak Grove	115	2	3	59		14		5	1
Warren First	118	4	1	97				4	1
Pleasant Grove	40	1							
Gordon Avenue	38	12	3	30					
Fairview	73			43				2	3
Willoughby	189	4	3	60				3	3
Rose Hill	204	3	1	185	70	25			2
Yorctown	180	17		139	45	16		4	1
Pleasant Valley	107	2	6	46	35	14		3	5
Mt. Pleasant	176	3		60	30			6	1
North Crossett	440	13	8	350	200	25	15	6	1
Sherrill	28		1	28				3	
Spring Hill	63		2	36				4	2
Rolfe Chapel	71	4	2	50	30	10			
Antioch	50	7	1	25	15			1	1
Fordyce	21	4		21					
El Dorado Mission	15	4		15	10				
Sheridan	33	7						4	1
Hillview	58		2	28				4	
Star City	102	16		140		18		9	1
Bastrop	55								
Trinity	76	12	5	78	61	11		5	2
TOTAL	3,063	156	54	1914	596	205	30	80	34

Saline Association, October 17, 1979, S. L. Woodard, Clerk

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

	Cooperative Plan	Total Offering	Evangelist Work	Pastor's Salary	Value of Church	building Repair	Utilities	Bible College	Value of Parsonage
Harmony	\$1,660.78	18,263.24	750.00	7,800.00	55,000	2,029.00	808.28		
Free Hill		3,232.00		2,100.00	6,000				
Pine Hill	910.00	20,904.83	205.00	9,480.00	75,000	2,755.58	2,012.80		22,000.00
Corbin Ferry	100.00	11,312.36		5,225.00	25,000		591.94		
Macedonia	995.85	17,447.03	500.00	4,550.00	77,000	10,514.18	537.38	150.00	
Oak Grove	1,510.67	13,690.40	400.00	4,335.00	25,000	10,317.34	921.34	63.95	
Warren First	2,097.24	22,771.74	1,511.77	4,747.00	54,000	7,568.11	2,594.60		26,000.00
Pleasant Grove									
Gordon Avenue	941.52	9,415.19	220.00	1,920.00	40,000	3,460.35	755.36		
Fairview	262.15	2,586.81	150.00	1,275.00	15,000	335.00	225.71		
Willoughby	2,336.05	22,457.97	163.50	10,203.00	37,000	788.05	1,141.27	44.50	12,000.00
Rose Hill	2,573.58	42,382.38	893.02	9,276.00	75,000	24,261.85	2,476.34		25,000.00
Yorktown	2,629.00	27,026.60	842.00	10,690.00	60,000	1,782.34	1,969.65	76.00	12,000.00
Pleasant Valley	1,005.34	12,708.69	357.40	4,965.00	20,000	10,706.25	552.66		
Mt. Pleasant	286.00	16,728.00	400.00	9,400.00	30,000	1,347.10	1,120.75		30,000.00
North Crossett	5,490.67	58,914.36	489.35	14,042.50	250,000	10,992.84	3,825.45	110.00	10,000.00
Sherrill	26.09	1,539.67	442.91	1,407.48	6,000		277.09		
Spring Hill	40.00	2,483.69	213.36	963.36	15,000	880.21	257.92		
Rolfe Chapel			300.00	2,400.00	30,000		250.00		5,000.00
Antioch	253.24	4,805.07	197.12	375.00	30,000	1,978.00	512.72	50.00	25,000.00
Fordyce	60.00	1,676.45							
El Dorado Mission	623.24	7,071.51	310.00	800.00	65,000	2,538.00	579.61		
Sheridan	70.00	12,080.84		2,880.00	65,000		1,727.29		30,000.00
Hillview	100.00	10,961.89	222.08	5,450.00	200,000		1,049.99		
Star City	3,505.02	42,333.31	1,205.00	4,300.00	175,000	9,374.83	1,454.88	240.00	40,000.00
Bastrop									
Trinity	1,193.93	16,881.19	385.00	6,475.00	100,000	910.28	818.12		
TOTAL	28,460.27	399,664.28	10,157.51	139,159.34	1,534,000	102,539.02	26,576.15	733.45	197,000.00

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

	Literature	Miscellaneous	Foreign Mission	Home Mission	Church Lib. or Education	Association Project	State Project	Bus Ministry
Harmony	\$ 673.80		767.00	650.00		28.00		
Free Hill	285.00	329.00				28.00		
Pine Hill	1,211.82	1,490.21		780.51	70.00	28.00	210.07	
Corbin Ferry	410.33	786.02				28.00		
Macedonia	597.15	928.61	223.00	53.80		28.00		
Oak Grove	343.80	1,792.01	150.00			1,510.67	28.00	
Warren First	1,174.30	1,328.74				28.00		
Pleasant Grove						28.00		
Gordon Avenue	142.60	1,003.90				28.00		
Fairview	162.68	311.77				28.00		
Willoughby	556.00	1,724.00	1,427.65			28.00		
3 Rose Hill	1,462.67	9,586.49	602.00	760.17		100.00	70.00	100.00
Yorktown	823.36	1,804.05	100.00	301.00		88.00	50.00	8,233.88
Pleasant Valley	729.41	271.53	782.30			30.00	200.00	
Mt. Pleasant	240.38	863.00				28.00		
North Crossett	3,381.19	3,298.31	90.00	118.80	2,022.19	72.00		
Sherrill	118.86							
Spring Hill	127.23					28.00		
Rolfe Chapel						15.00		
Antioch	280.64			95.00		28.00		
Fordyce	349.36	100.00				28.00		
El Dorado Mission	452.47	114.87	25.00	918.24		28.00		
Sheridan	234.17	129.72				28.00		
Hillview	292.87			63.25		28.00		1,400.00
Star City	1,199.52	4,000.00	215.95	1,408.34		28.00		
Bastrop						28.00		
Trinity	773.89	2,401.95				28.00		95.75
TOTAL	16,020.50	31,564.18	4,382.90	5,149.11	2,092.19	2,431.67	558.07	9,829.63

Saline Association — October 16, 1978 — S. L. Woodard, Clerk

DESIGNATED MONIES

	Bobby and Sue Aycock	Ernie Deed	Larry Russell	Patsy Vanhook	El Dorado Mission or Property	Orphanage	Insurance	Pension	Other	Wades	Richards	Youth Campe	Ad Kissons	Dicksons e
Harmony				24.84			374.40							
Free Hill														
Pine Hill	20.00	56.00	27.50	15.00	15.00	27.50			401.00	36.00	30.00	25.00	40.00	20.00
Corbin Ferry														
Macedonia		223.00					716.00							
Oak Grove									150.00	World Visions				
Warren First							387.00							
Pleasant Grove														
Gordon Avenue														
Fairview						10.00	219.00							
Willoughby	618.00	44.00					785.20	136.00	56.00	299.15	43.50	56.00	100.00	75.00
Rose Hill		425.00	287.00			300.00	1,909.83		178.17		45.00	50.00	245.00	32.00
Yorktown														
Pleasant Valley	485.00	297.27					341.20							
Mt. Pleasant							557.00							
North Crossett	90.00						1,380.40							
Sherrill							145.00							
Spring Hill							145.00							
Rolfe Chapel														
Antioch			30.00											
Fordyce														
El Dorado Mission														
Sheridan														
Hillview								901.10						
Star City	215.95	743.03												
Bastrop									450.36					
Trinity							682.00		400.00					
TOTAL	1,428.95	1,388.40	344.05	39.84	15.00	337.50	6,742.03	1,047.10	635.53	453.65	88.50	131.00	385.00	127.00

REPORT OF SALINE DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The district Auxiliary convention is a connecting link between the local woman's Auxiliary and the State Woman's Auxiliary. It is a vital force in sustaining promotion of all inspiration and fellowship with members from other Free Will Baptist churches. It also has a responsibility to assist in organizing Woman's Auxiliary organizations in any church within the association where there is need. The purpose of the district is to bring the women of each local church together for the purpose of fellowship, sharing of information, encouraging one another in the work of the Lord, and furthering the purpose and goals of the WNAC. Our watchword is "Laborers together with God" I Corinthians 3:9, the definition is "A Missionary Service of the Church, and the purpose is "To help the woman fulfill her place in the GREAT COMMISSION". We, the Seven Local Auxiliaries already organized and belonging to our Saline District Auxiliary would like to challenge all the other pastors and churches who do not have auxiliary or those who have them but do not join in with our district, to please be in much prayer and concern and notify one of the executive committee and organize an Auxiliary for your church.

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; Psalms 32:8; Hebrews 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; Psalms 83:18; John 5:26; Rev. 1:4; Psalms 90:2; Deut. 33:27; Isaiah 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; Psalms 139:7-10; Acts 17:24; Rev. 19:6; Job 42:2; Psalms 135:6; Matt. 19:26; Mark 14:36; Luke 18:27; Eph. 4:6; Job 9:12; Isaiah 14:13; Dan. 4:35; Rom. 11:33-36; Psalms 119:68; Psalms 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; Psalms 92:15; 119:137; Zeph. 3:5; Eph. 2:4; Ex. 34:6; Neh. 9:17; Psalms 100:5; Gen. 1:1; Ex. 20:11; Psalms 33:6-9; Col. 1:16; Heb. 11:3; Neh. 9:6; Job 7:20; Heb. 1:3; Psalms 47:7; II Chron. 20:6; Psalms 95:3; Isaiah 47:4; Psalms 78:35; Prov. 23:11; Isaiah 41:14; 59:20; Jer. 50:34; Isaiah 45:21; 43:3-11, 49:26; Ex. 31:13; I Thes. 5:23; Jude 1; Heb. 12:23; Gen. 18:25; Psalms 50:6; II Tim. 4:8; Ex. 34:14; Ex. 20:4-5; Matt. 4:10; Rev. 19:10; Job 11:7; Isaiah 40:28; Rom. 11:33; Job 26:14; Ex. 9:14; 8:10; I Chron. 17:20; Psalms 19:1-2; 145:10; 150:6; Acts 15:18; I Chron. 28:9; Psalms 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; Psalms 104:13,14; Job 14:6; Eph. 1:11; Psalms 22:28; Psalms 97:2; Isaiah 33:22; Ex. 34:6; Job 36:5; Deut. 30:19; Isaiah 1:18-20; John 5:10; Rom. 2:14,15; Psa. 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; Isaiah 43:7; I Tim. 6:17; Col. 1:16; Rev. 7:11; Psalms 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. 13:3; 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; 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; Psal. 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; Psal. 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%, CTS 2%, Sunday School 3%, 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.

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 session 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 sermons, or other devotional exercises, which shall be equivalent thereto, 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 introduced 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. Message.
8. Appointment of the following committees: Finance, Public Morals, Sunday School, Obituary, Condition of Non-Represented Churches, Credentials, Statistics, Resolutions, and Placement.
9. Recognition of Corresponding Association.
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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