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Of  
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Time—9:30 A.M.

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OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS  
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OFFICERS

Moderator, Bro. Roy L. Thompson . . . . . Warren, Ark. 71671  
Assistant Moderator, Bro. Jack R. Dodson . . . . . Crossett, Ark. 71635  
Clerk, Bro. S. L. Woodard . . . . . Warren, Ark. 71671  
Assistant Clerk, Bro. James Bullock . . . . . Cottingston, Ark. 71229  
Statistician, Bro. Ottis Cook . . . . . Star City, Ark. 71667  
Parliamentarian, Bro. J. E. White . . . . . New Edinburg, Ark. 71660  
Assistant Parliamentarian, Bro. Randy Scott . . . . . Star City, Ark. 71667  
Song Director, Bro. Charlie Collins . . . . . Monticello, Ark. 71655  
Assistant Director, Bro. Jimmy Sharpton . . . . . Bastrop, La., 71220

HOME MISSION BOARD

James Bullock . . . . . 5 year term  
Bobby Ray Williams . . . . . 4 year term  
Charlie Nichols . . . . . 3 year term  
Elvin Funderburg . . . . . 2 year term  
James Doggett . . . . . 1 year term

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Stephen E. Trail . . . . . 5 year term  
Lawnie Coffman . . . . . 4 year term  
Ronnie Ivey . . . . . 3 year term  
Randy Scott . . . . . 2 year term  
Fay Mann . . . . . 1 year term

EXAMINING BOARD

Marshall Parker . . . . . 5 year term  
Johnny Jones . . . . . 4 year term  
Charlie Collins . . . . . 3 year term  
Oris Doggett . . . . . 2 year term  
Stanton White . . . . . 1 year term

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

Ronnie Palmer . . . . . 5 year term  
Jerry Sadler . . . . . 4 year term  
Bill Wheeler . . . . . 3 year term  
Lewis Barker . . . . . 2 year term  
Ronnie Blanks . . . . . 1 year term

## PROCEEDINGS

The 85th annual session of the Saline Association of the Free Will Baptists met with the Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church near New Edinburg on August 1, 1981.

### SATURDAY MORNING AUGUST 1, 1981

The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Bro. Stephen Earl Trail.

Congregational singing, "I Remember the Time", Director, Bro. Charlie Collens.

Prayer — Bro. Roy Gates.

The moderator gave his remarks and read the rules of order.

The Credential Committee was appointed by the moderator:

Bro. Randy Scott, chairman, Bro. Roy Gates, and Bro. Lewis Barker.

The church letters were read and corrected.

A motion and second to accept the church letters with their correction as so ordered.

The Scholarship Committee: Bro. S. L. Woodard, chairman, Bro. Jack R. Dodson, and Bro. Roy L. Thompson.

This committee was appointed by the moderator.

Appointment of Committees:

FINANCE: Bro. Ronnie Ivey, chairman, Bro. Ronnie Blanks, and Bro. Elbert McClellon.

PUBLIC MORALS: Bro. Roy Williams, chairman, Bro. Jimmy Sharpton, and Sis. Hazel Mann.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Bro. Cecil Sanders, chairman, Bro. Charles Doggett, and Bro. Johnny Jones.

OBITUARY: Sis. Lois Nichols, chairman, Sis. Betty Thompson, and Sis. Myrtle Barrett.

NON-REPRESENTED CHURCHES: Bro. Bill Wheeler, chairman, Bro. Ronnie Palmer, and Sis. Irene Rogers.

STATISTIAN: Bro. Ottis Cook, chairman, Bro. Charles Scroggins, and Bro. Otis Lloyd.

RESOLUTION: Sis. Sharon Beard, chairman, Sis. Dorothy Estelle, and Sis. Linda Blanks.

PLACEMENT: No Committee.

The clerk, Bro. S. L. Woodard, gave his yearly report.

The secretary and treasurer of the Home Mission Board, Bro. Elvin Funderburg, gave his report.

The secretary and treasurer of the Sunday School Board, Bro. Ronnie Blanks, gave his report.

A motion and second to accept all three reports as they were given carried.

A motion and second that all three reports be printed each year, so they can be handed out at the yearly meeting, as so ordered.

Bro. Lonnie Coffman made a partial report for the Executive Board in regard to the El Dorado Mission as what to do with the property. The state



was willing to turn it over to the Home Mission Board, if they would accept it, the responsibility, and make the payments or the state would sell it and get out of the El Dorado Mission.

Bro. Jim Baker made a verbal report on the Fordyce Mission.

Bro. J. E. White ask that we adjourn for the 11:00 a.m. service.

Prayer — Bro. Cecil Sanders.

## RECESS

### 11:00 A.M. Service

Congregational singing, Director Bro. Charlie Collins.

Prayer — Bro. Lewis Barker.

Message — Bro. Cecil Sanders.

Scripture — Hebrew 11:4.

A Memorial Service

Twenty of our loved ones and friends have departed from our fellowship.

Prayer — Bro. Cecil Sanders.

Benediction and Blessing on food, Bro. Ronnie Ivey.

## NOON

## AFTERNOON SESSION

### 1:00 P.M.

Congregational singing, Director Bro. Charlie Collins.

Prayer — Bro. Roy L. Thompson.

Motion and second to bring the resolution from the table that was tabled at the Quarterly Meeting, April 4, 1981 in the First Free Will Baptist Church in Star City, Arkansas.

The resolution was Arkansas State Cooperative Plan 30%, Saline Home Mission 41%, General Fund 18%, Christion Education 5%, C.T.S. 1%, Hillsdale College 2%, and Sunday School Board 3%. If this resolution passed, the Home Mission 41% would be retroactive back to April 4, 1981. The resolution lost.

Motion and second that the actual miles and phone calls of the Executive Board members be paid out of the General Fund. The mileage would be twenty cents per mile, as so ordered.

Motion and second that the Saline Home Mission Board take charge of the El Dorado Mission and assume all responsibilities that need to be taken care of as long as it is a mission, as so ordered.

Motion and second that the Saline Home Mission Board be authorized to use their savings account in helping to take care of their expense and debt the Home Mission Board owes, as so ordered.

A short discussion on the pre-millennial question was soon over and the moderator moved on to the business of the association.

Motion and second that the actual miles and phone calls of the moderator be paid for out of the General Fund. The amount paid per mile at twenty cents, as so ordered.

Motion and second that the Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College be on the yearly letter form, carried.

Five State Delegates, Sis. Debbie Scott, Sis. Lela Cook, Sis. Dorothy

## BOARD MEMBERS

### HOME MISSION BOARD:

Bro. James Bullock . . . . . 5 year term

### EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Bro. Stephen E. Trail . . . . . 5 year term

### EXAMINING BOARD:

Bro. Marshall Parker . . . . . 5 year term

Bro. Johnny Jones . . . . . 4 year term

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD:

Bro. Ronnie Palmer . . . . . 5 year term

Bro. Jerry Sadler . . . . . 4 year term

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moderator — Bro. Roy L. Thompson

Assistant Moderator — Bro. Jack R. Dodson

Clerk — Bro. S. L. Woodard

Assistant Clerk — Bro. James Bullock

Statistician — Bro. Ottis Cook

Parliamentarian — Bro. J. E. White

Assistant Director — Bro. Jimmy Sharpton

Assistant Parliamentarian — Bro. Randy Scott

Song Director — Bro. Charlie Collins

Speaker — Bro. ~~Johnny Jones~~

Alternate — Bro. ~~J. E. White~~

*Jack R. Dodson*  
*Herman Greenwood*

Bro. Randy Scott's letter of recommendation was read and approved.

Ray Marvin Sanders license were extended one more year.

Billy G. Fox did not receive a letter of recommendation from his association, Polk Bayou.

Bro. Bobby Cox was given a letter of recommendation from Saline Association and he was dismissed from our list of ordained ministers. A letter of recommendation was sent 8-8-1981.

We, the Examining Board, examined Bro. Richard E. Brown and recommend that he be received into the Saline Association. We recommend that he receive a letter of recommendation from his association.

Bro. J. E. White, Bro. Stanton White, Bro. Charlie Collins, and Bro. Oris Doggett.

Motion and second, that this report be accepted, carried.

We, the Executive Board, recommend to the Saline Association the property of El Dorado, Arkansas be leased to the Bible Baptist Church on a yearly basis at \$250.00 per month.

The doctrine of the church is acceptable to our position. The Saline Home Mission Board is to assume the responsibility of all the needs of the property and Saline Association will be the owner of this property.

Bro. Lonnie Coffman, Bro. Randy Scott, Bro. Ronnie Ivey, Bro. Fay Mann, and Bro. Lloyd Williams.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FINANCE:

We, your Committee of Finance, have checked the records of the Association treasurer and find:

Balance brought forward 8-1-81 . . . . .	\$24,225.00
Money Received during the year . . . . .	34,224.46
Grand Total. . . . .	\$59,449.46
Paid out during the year . . . . .	46,349.46
Balance on hand 8-1-1981 . . . . .	\$13,099.69

Bro. Ronnie Ivey, chairman, Bro. Ronnie Blanks, and Bro. Elbert McClellon.

### PUBLIC MORAL:

We, your Public Moral Committee, desire to express our concern about the decreased standards of morals. We feel as stated in Matthew 24:12 (Because iniquity shall abound the love of many shall wax cold). We therefore pray that our love for God will grow that iniquity may cease. Also, follow the teaching of I Timothy 2: 8-10 that men and women dress modest. We admonish all to follow pure religion as stated in James 1:27 unspotted from the world.

Bro. Roy Williams, chairman, Bro. Jimmy Sharpton, and Sis. Hazel Mann.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL:

We, the Sunday School Committee, find twenty-three churches and one mission with 1,831 enrollment. This number was taken from the church letters presented to the association in the 1981 yearly meeting.

We, the committee, admonish all churches to promote Sunday School and keep good records for an accurate report. The report for 1980 was 1920. This year enrollment was 1831. This shows a decrease of 89 which should serve as a challenge to all churches to put forth a greater effort to promote the work of God through Sunday School.

Bro. Johnny Jones, chairman, Bro. Cecil Sanders, and Bro. Charles Doggett.

### OBITUARY:

We, your Obituary Committee, find in checking through each church letter, twenty of our loved ones and friends have departed from our fellowship: Pleasant Valley Bro. Ray Mann; Macedonia, Bro. Earl Bryant, Bro. Willie Cox, Bro. Robert King, Bro. Horace McClellan, and Bro. Lester Thompson; Willoughby, Bro. Dan Wheeler, Bro. A. B. Culp, Bro. Cecil Pierce, Sis. Etta Tenbarger, and Sis. Donnie Hayes; North Crossett, Bro. Jason High; Star City First, Sis. Cleo Carrington and Sis. Mary West;



Pleasant Grove, Sis. Mary Pritchard; Rose Hill, Sis. Hattie Clemmons and Sis. Velma Mitchell; Oak Grove, Sis. Loraine Kulbreath; Spring Hill, Bro. Jim Vines; Warren, First, Sis. Dot Wood; Harmony, Bro. George Hamilton.

Sis. Lois Nichols, Chairman, Sis. Betty Thompson and Sis. Myrtle Barrett.

**NON—REPRESENTED CHURCHES:**

We, the Non-represented Church Committee, find that two churches belonging to our association have failed to report by either letter or delegates.

Inquiry indicates their failure may be due to recent change in pastor.

Bro. Launie Coffman has agreed to contact these two churches personally and encourage them and express the associations' concern.

Bro. Launie Coffman, Chairman, Bro. Bill Wheeler and Sis. Irene Rogers.

**CREDENTIAL:**

We, The Credential Committe, find all ministers of our association in good standing with the exception of Bro. Billy G. Fox who didn't receive a letter of recommendation from his former association.

We recommend that representation fees to the State Association for Churches who didn't pay, be paid from the General Fund. We further recommend that the clerk be instructed to write letters to these churches explaining why it is so important that these fees be paid each year and if at all possible send these fees not paid to the association.

Bro. Randy Scott, Chairman, Bro. Lewis Barker, and Bro. Roy Gates.

**PLACEMENT:** NO committee.

**RESOLUTION:**

We, your Resolution Committee, recommend that we give the church a rising vote of appreciation for the fine meal and their hospitality during this yearly meeting.

Sis. Sharon Beard, Chairman, Sis. Dorothy Estelle, and Sis. Ronnie Blanks.

1980-1981

**THE SALINE DISTRICT LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT:**

Our District is made up of seven local Auxiliaries with a membership of 109. Each of these groups has been active throughout the year in many different projects, such as Bible Study, special books read, nursing home visits, and hospital ministeries.

As a District, we have sent the following monies:

Auxiliary Literature and Supplies . . . . .	\$295.14
Membership Fees . . . . .	168.50
Co-Laborer Offerings . . . . .	154.71
W.N.A.C. . . . .	70.24
Youth Camp . . . . .	73.40



State Projects . . . . .	416.00
Foreign Mission . . . . .	\$165.60
Home Mission . . . . .	137.12
State Mission . . . . .	25.00
Other Special Offerings . . . . .	185.78
Childrens Home . . . . .	233.68
Local Church Activities . . . . .	170.03

Sub Total \$2,095.80

Also Non Cash Gifts . . . . .	412.50
Childrens Home . . . . .	78.90
Missionary Provision Closet . . . . .	75.00

Total \$566.40

Grand Total \$2,662.20

We, as a group, would like to encourage the other churches of this district to join with us in this phase of our Lord's work.

District President, Sis. Betty Thompson

### REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD TREASURER TO THE SALINE YEARLY ASSOCIATION AUGUST 1, 1981

Period covered in this report . . . . . Aug. 1, 1980 - July 31, 1981

Balance brought forward, 8-1-1980 . . . . . \$1,234.97

#### INCOME:

8-6-80 Check from Clerk . . . . . \$204.81

10-7-80 Check from Clerk . . . . . 173.97

1-7-81 Check from Clerk . . . . . 149.17

4-9-81 Check from Clerk . . . . . 152.46

Total . . . . . \$680.41

#### Expense:

None

#### IN SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

July 31, 1981 Balance . . . . . \$1,915.38

BRO. RONNIE BLANKS, Treasurer  
Of The Saline Sunday School Board

### YEARLY REPORT OF SALINE HOME MISSION BOARD August 1, 1981

Brought forward from 1980 report . . . . . \$3,587.75

#### INCOME:

Cooperative Plan . . . . . \$8,755.09

Designated Money Given . . . . . 1,586.90

From Saving Account . . . . . 600.00

Total . . . . . \$10,941.99

GRAND TOTAL . . . . . \$14,529.74

Expense 1980-1981:

Bro. Bill Wheeler (Fill-in) . . . . .	\$250.00
Bro. Jim Baker (11 mos. salary) . . . . .	11,750.00
Bro. Jim Baker Moving Expense . . . . .	83.59
Air Condition Repair and Water Bill for Aug. 1980, Fordyce Mission . . . . .	53.01
Insurance, Fordyce Mission . . . . .	225.00
Land Note (11 x 147.72) . . . . .	1,624.92
Miscellaneous, Phone Calls	
Stamps, Supplies . . . . .	27.00
Total	\$14,013.52

Checking Balance . . . . .	\$516.22
Saving Account, Aug. 1, 1980 . . . . .	2,623.89
Interest on Saving Account . . . . .	146.01
Coupons Clipped from Bonds . . . . .	490.00
Total	\$3,259.90

Transferred from Saving on Permission from Executive Board . . . . .	\$600.00
Balance in Saving Account 8-1-81	\$2,659.90
Bro. Elvin Funderburg, Sec. Treasurer 8-1-81	

SALINE ASSOCIATION CLERK'S YEARLY REPORT  
August 2, 1980-August 1, 1981

Cooperative Plan Money . . . . .	\$23,874.12
Designated Money . . . . .	8,765.96
Sub Total	\$32,640.08

Interest on Church Bonds . . . . .	\$315.00
Interest on Saving Account . . . . .	647.38
One Church Bond . . . . .	500.00
Total	\$1,462.38

Fees collected:	
State Association . . . . .	\$540.00
State Minutes . . . . .	135.00
Host Church . . . . .	432.00
National Association . . . . .	15.00
Total	\$1,122.00

Grand Total	Total	\$35,224.46
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Disbursements of Cooperative Plan:	
Arkansas Cooperative Plan . . . . .	\$6,804.12
Saline Home Mission . . . . .	8,755.09
General Fund . . . . .	4,536.08
C.T.S. Fund . . . . .	453.61
Christian Educational . . . . .	1,134.02
Sunday School Board . . . . .	680.41
Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College . . . . .	317.08
Operating Expense . . . . .	1193.71
Sub Total	\$23,874.12

Designated Money . . . . .	8,765.96
Bond and Interest . . . . .	1,462.38
Fees Collected . . . . .	1,122.00

Grand Total	\$35,224.46
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General Fund:

Disbursement:

Paid Bobby and Sue Aycock, 8-4-80 . . . . .	\$1,000.00
Paid Aline Coffman, expense to State Association, 12-14-80 . . . . .	90.00
Paid Terry Forrest	
Is it Legal to sell Alcohol in Dry County . . . . .	200.00
Paid on Air Conditioner at Youth Camp, 10-6-80 . . . . .	3,600.00
Paid Sheridan F.W.B.C., 10-6-80 . . . . .	4,000.00
Paid Ernie Deed, 1-6-81 . . . . .	1,000.00
Paid Bobby and Sue Aycock, 1-6-81 . . . . .	1,000.00
Paid Norman Richard, 1-6-81 . . . . .	1,000.00
Paid Minister Retirement, 1-6-81 . . . . .	500.00
Paid Bank Charge . . . . .	1.00

Total	\$12,391.00
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Balance \$3,191.21, 8-1-81. \$529.61 in checking account. \$2,661.60 in saving account.

Christian Education Fund:

Disbursement:

Ray Marvin Sanders . . . . .	\$300.00
Deborah Gardner . . . . .	300.00
Mark Elliott . . . . .	300.00
Mrs. Mark Elliott . . . . .	300.00
Timothy Ebarb . . . . .	150.00
Paid on Air Conditioner at Youth Camp . . . . .	2,000.00

Total	\$3,350.00
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Balance, 8-1-81 . . . . .	\$1,616.08
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C.T.S. Fund:

Disbursement:

Paid Minister Retreat, 10-2-80 . . . . .	\$500.00
Paid on Air Conditioner at Youth Camp . . . . .	2,000.00

Total	\$2,500.00
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Balance, 8-1-81 . . . . .	\$3,253.76
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Money in Each Department:

General Fund . . . . .	\$3,191.21
C.T.S. Fund . . . . .	3,253.76
Christian Education Fund . . . . .	1,616.08
Scholarship Reserve Fund . . . . .	736.26
Operating Expense . . . . .	302.38

\$9,099.69

Amount Invested in Church Bonds:

General Fund . . . . .	\$2,000.00
C.T.S. Fund . . . . .	1,000.00
Christian Education Fund . . . . .	1,000.00
	Total \$4,000.00
Grand total on Hand . . . . .	\$13,099.69

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 . . . . .	201	14		117	65			4	1
Free Hill . . . . .	77	3	2	60	30	12	10	3	2
Pine Hill . . . . .	157	8	13	98	45	6		2	1
Corbin Ferry . . . . .	120	5	3	68				2	1
Macedonia . . . . .	247	8	12	140		30		7	5
Oak Grove . . . . .	110	8	6	55	25			5	2
Warren First . . . . .	59	3		65				4	1
Pleasant Grove . . . . .	51	3		20	20			2	4
Gordon Avenue . . . . .	37	8	6	32	8	8		2	1
Fairview . . . . .	76			51				1	3
Willoughby . . . . .	197	18	10	100				5	3
Rose Hill . . . . .	273	41		200	70	23	10	4	1
Yorktown . . . . .	209	29		95	40	15	15	5	
Pleasant Valley . . . . .	86			40	27	10		2	2
Mt. Pleasant . . . . .	165	4	4	85	40	12		5	1
North Crossett . . . . .	519	12		270	120	21		6	1
Sherrill . . . . .	74			21				4	
Spring Hill . . . . .	61		1	35				4	2
Rolfe Chapel . . . . .									
Antioch . . . . .	51	4	2					2	1
Fordyce . . . . .									
El Dorado Mission . . . . .									
Sheridan . . . . .	36	6	4					3	1
Hillview . . . . .									
Star City . . . . .	110	18	4	104	70	16	16	7	1
Bastrop . . . . .	40	5		12					3
Trinity . . . . .	98	18	2	100	90	10		5	
Total . . . . .	3,044	215	69	1,768	720	163	51	80	36

Trustees

# STATISTICAL INFORMATION

	Cooperative Plan	Total Offering	Evangelist Work	Pastor's Salary	Value of Church	Building Repair	Utilities	Bible College	Value of Parsonage
Harmony . . . . .	\$1,789.52	\$20,374.62	\$791.32	\$9,575.00	\$60,000.00	328.82	1,149.49		
Free Hill . . . . .		5,000.00	500.00	2,500.00	6,000.00	175.00			
Pine Hill . . . . .	600.00	19,247.24	752.91	9,380.00	85,000.00	1,704.03	1,645.09		35,000.00
Corbin Ferry . . . . .	115.00	11,678.64		7,050.00	40,000.00	232.46	750.22		12,000.00
Macedonia . . . . .	1,556.56	30,011.14	825.00	5,920.00	127,000.00	16,182.17	1,207.56	600.00	
Oak Grove . . . . .	890.92			4,160.00		4,062.18	1,105.00		
Warren First . . . . .	497.25	21,336.18	600.00	9,015.00	88,000.00	793.79	2,262.89	1,334.53	35,000.00
Pleasant Grove . . . . .	441.00	3,927.00	156.00	2,340.00	20,000.00	32.92	432.91		
Gordon Avenue . . . . .	678.70	7,121.00	250.00	2,240.00	37,000.00	1,860.00	831.32	50.00	
Fairview . . . . .	582.30	4,452.15	200.00	1,820.00	12,000.00	2,964.08	440.02		
Willoughby . . . . .	1,935.83	23,852.81	70.00	12,158.80	80,000.00	1,034.10	1,510.57	90.00	30,000.00
Rose Hill . . . . .	3,851.05	46,636.38		12,650.00		4,860.22	3,003.83		
Yorktown . . . . .	3,886.00	33,327.90	1,250.00	13,150.00	80,000.00	25,343.11	2,727.95		25,000.00
Pleasant Valley . . . . .	1,492.09	15,011.16	386.80	7,800.00	30,000.00	75.70	895.21		12,000.00
Mt. Pleasant . . . . .	400.00	16,663.36	240.00	11,440.00	40,000.00		1,378.37	193.00	40,000.00
North Crossett . . . . .	2,274.73	71,425.64	2,948.18	16,653.00	275,000.00	8,369.96	6,042.97		15,000.00
Sherrill . . . . .	40.00	1,170.87	516.53	1,153.90	6,000.00		328.85		
Spring Hill . . . . .	40.00	3,068.63	243.00	1,023.00	15,000.00	132.00	220.13		
Rolfe Chapel . . . . .									
Antioch . . . . .		2,152.86	100.00		30,000.00	107.21	472.20		
Fordyce . . . . .									
El Dorado Mission . . . . .									
Sheridan . . . . .	200.00			2,880.00	60,000.00		1,367.29		40,000.00
Hillview . . . . .						30.00			
Star City . . . . .	3,116.78	39,494.40	500.00	11,890.00	185,000.00		2,037.66	804.05	55,000.00
Bastrop . . . . .		2,128.00		30.00	12,000.00	6,487.94	265.17		
Trinity . . . . .	340.00	22,959.12	771.00	11,150.00	110,000.00	3,765.50	1,419.65		50,000.00
Total	\$24,721.73	\$398,516.20	\$11,100.14	\$156,048.70	1386,000.00	\$77,540.19	\$31,493.98	\$3,071.58	\$349,000.00

# CHURCH ACTIVITIES

	Literature	Miscellaneous	Foreign Mission	Home Mission	Church Lib. or Education	Association Project	State Project	Bus Ministry
Harmony . . . . .	\$1,413.65	\$1,310.82	\$600.00	\$600.00				
Free Hill . . . . .	735.00	1,112.00	160.00					
Pine Hill . . . . .	606.26	8,982.36	214.33			29.00		
Corbin Ferry . . . . .	634.70	1,462.62				34.00		
Macedonia . . . . .	925.61	1,507.98	412.50			29.00		
Oak Grove . . . . .	537.00	50.00	204.50			29.00	200.00	
Warren First . . . . .	865.46	162.11	527.00	475.00				
Pleasant Grove . . . . .	147.20	155.07						
Gordon Avenue . . . . .	210.17	392.38						
Fairview . . . . .	520.41	168.81				9.00		
Willoughby . . . . .	1,487.93	1,057.49	3,053.42	297.31				
Rose Hill . . . . .	2,575.22	6,917.59	1,407.00	642.90				
Yorktown . . . . .	1,933.79	2,041.80		500.00		5.00	20.00	2,679.68
Pleasant Valley . . . . .	585.33	2,441.14	1,090.27	250.00		29.00		
Mt. Pleasant . . . . .	575.28	869.77	114.00				100.00	
North Crossett . . . . .	3,336.26	5,290.79	360.00	50.00	413.00	493.00	225.00	
Sherrill . . . . .	108.00	202.09				29.00		
Spring Hill . . . . .	194.04	230.78						
Rolfe Chapel . . . . .								
Antioch . . . . .	238.81							
Fordyce . . . . .								
El Dorado Mission . . . . .								
Sheridan . . . . .	250.00			30.00				
Hillview . . . . .								1,000.00
Star City . . . . .	1,399.45	10,000.00	161.91	1,150.95				
Bastrop . . . . .	40.78	235.06					Youth Camp 120.00	
Trinity . . . . .	1,523.06	2,153.35						
Total . . . . .	20,843.41	46,743.41	8,304.93	2,815.21	413.00	696.00	665.00	\$3,679.68

# DESIGNATED MONIES

	Bobby and Sue Aycock	Ernie Deed	Larry Russell	Patsy Vanhook	El Dorado Mission or Property	Orphanage	Insurance	Pension	F.W.B.C.	June Arnold	Norman Richard	Mike Lake	Pat Dickens	World Vision
Harmony . . . . .				\$20.00		\$1,800.00	\$466.00	\$550.00	\$10.00	\$80.00				
Free Hill . . . . .														
Pine Hill . . . . .							939.13							
Corbin Ferry . . . . .														
Macedonia . . . . .	212.50	200.00					628.00							
Oak Grove . . . . .	204.50						294.00							
Warren First . . . . .														
Pleasant Grove . . . . .							109.00		25.00					
Gordon Avenue . . . . .							278.00							
Fairview . . . . .							240.00							
Willoughby . . . . .	2,901.42	24.00							90.00	105.00	23.00	292.31	5.00	1,530.00
Rose Hill . . . . .		570.00				25.00	1,847.36				449.50		65.00	
Yorktown . . . . .			500.00						750.00	S.S. Fordyce Mission				
Pleasant Valley . . . . .	133.00	498.45				25.00	311.00			224.43				
Mt. Pleasant . . . . .							547.00							
North Crossett . . . . .			20.00	45.00			1,188.00			225.00	45.00	Charlie Harris		
Sherrill . . . . .							176.00							
Spring Hill . . . . .							156.75							
Rolfe Chapel . . . . .														
Antioch . . . . .							267.00							
Fordyce . . . . .														
El Dorado Mission . . . . .														
Sheridan . . . . .							558.00							
Hillview . . . . .														
Star City . . . . .	75.75		410.00				1,319.04	286.00	16.80	70.00	624.34	116.67		
Bastrop . . . . .														
Trinity . . . . .							1,923.50				446.00	Local Donation		
Total . . . . .	3,327.17	1,292.45	930.00	65.00		1,850.00	11,161.62	550.00	881.80	704.43	1,141.34	408.92	70.00	1,530.00



## 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; 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; 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; 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 stately 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%, 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. 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 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. Introductory 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.

NAME OF CHURCH

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Corbin Ferry	Bro. Richard E. Brown, Rt. 3, Box 199B, Lake Providence, La.	71254
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Mt. Pleasant	Bro. Lawnie Coffman, Rt. 1, Box 279A, Hamburg, Ark.	71646
North Crossett	Rev. Jack R. Dodson, Rt. 2, Box 106, Crossett, Ark.	71635
Oak Grove	Bro. Roy Williams, Rt. 2, Box 472A, Warren, Ark.	71671
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Sherrill		No Pastor
Spring Hill	Rev. Junior Grice, Star Route, Banks, Ark.	71631
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