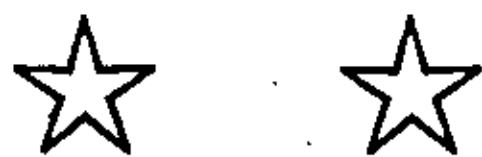


**THE  
SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS**



**1958**



**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
EIGHTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION**



**Convened At**

**O'KEAN CHURCH**

**O'Kean, Arkansas**

CHURCH	CLERK	PASTOR	Members Rec'd	Baptised	Dismissed	Deceased	Women's Aux.	Sunday School	League	Own Church P	Value of Church Prope	Members
Walnut Ridge	Paul Bean	H. Glynn Campbell	16	13	1	2	y	y	y	y	\$15,000.00	114
Pocahontas	Alta Lee Miller	J. Reford Wilson	33	23	8	3	y	y	y	y	25,000.00	333
New Covenant	Mrs. J. W. Smith	L. D. Johnson	2	2		1	n	y	y	n		114
Warm Springs	Martha Holt	Henry Pauley					n	y	n	y	2,000.00	43
O'Kean	Dora Walker	O. D. Winfery	16	5	3	1	y	y	y	y	20,000.00	84
Mt. Zion	Clata McNutt	Zane Kirkland	5				n	y	y	y	4,000.00	38
Pirtle	Edith Britton	Melvin Shelton	3	1	1		y	y	y	y	5,000.00	140
Pruett Chapel	Grace Walker	Ira Gates	6	5			n	y	y	y	4,000.00	120
Corning	Harvey Hawkins	Eugene Davis	8	3			n	y	y	y	9,500.00	30
Poplar Valley	Geneva Pope	J. W. Russell	1				n	y	y	y	4,000.00	165
Stony Point	Susie Hulvey	Ben Hawkins	1				n	y	y	y		83
Union Grove	Nola Howard	Ben Hawkins				1	n	y	n	n	2,000.00	10
Jonesboro	Mrs. W. L. Stovall	Alton Loveless	2				y	y	y	y	15,000.00	52
Alice Brooks	Thelma Graham	E. L. Bibb					y	y	y	y	6,000.00	65
Elnora	Bessie Jarrett	Carl High	4	2			n	y	y	y	2,000.00	57
Little Brown	Hazel Martin	Lowell Graham	2	1		2	n	y	y	y	3,500.00	57
Oldham's Chapel	Kathrine Starnes	G. E. Hester				1	n	y	n			22
New Bethel	Ethel Brown	Leonard Milligan					n	y	n	y		10
Clear Lake	Madge Davis	Henry Pauley					n	y	y	n	4,000.00	27
Grand View	Addie Jones	Henry Pauley					n	y	n	y	2,000.00	68
Sugar Tree Grove	Nora Murrell	Will S. White					n	y	y	y	7,000.00	25
Old Reyno	Jake Edington	Will S. White	6		5	2	n	y	y	y	4,000.00	59
Arbor Grove	Ruby Cole	Wayne House	5	2	4	1	n	y	y	y		100
Rickey Chapel	Cina Like	Claude Harmon					n	y	y	y		25
Sutton	Glenn Childress	Grady Linebaugh				14	n	y	n	y		
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**Minutes of the**  
**Eighty-Fourth Annual Session**  
**OF**  
**Social Band Association**  
**OF**  
**Free Will Baptists**

**HELD WITH THE**  
**O'KEAN CHURCH**  
**O'KEAN, ARKANSAS**

**AUGUST 14, 15, 16, 1958**

The next session of the Association will be held with the Poplar Valley Church near Bono, Arkansas, beginning Thursday night before the third Sunday in August, 1959.

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**OFFICERS**

**MODERATOR—REV. CARL HIGH, PEACH ORCHARD, ARK.**  
**ASSISTANT MODERATOR—REV. DEWEY THOMPSON, POCAHONTAS, ARK.**  
**CLERK—MRS. LEORA HIGH, PEACH ORCHARD, ARK.**

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**PROCEEDINGS**

The 1958 session of the Social Band Association of Free Will Baptists was held with the O'Kean Church August 14, 15 and 16. Twenty-four of the twenty-five churches were represented.

**THURSDAY NIGHT**

Call to order by Assistant Moderator.

Songs directed by Sister Edith Smith, Bros. Melvin Shelton, Raymond McNutt, Zane Kirkland, Tom Bennett and Howard Martin. Specials by Pirtle Quartet.

Prayers by Bros. Dalioun Stone, John Boatner and Tom Bennett.

Bro. Zane Kirkland directed the devotional services.

Rev. Wayne House brought the evening message. Scripture reading Isaiah 55, Theme "John 3:16".

Dismissed by Rev. Ira Gates.

**FRIDAY MORNING**

Call to order by Moderator.

Singing directed by Bro. Howard Martin, Lowell Graham and John Edington, Jr.

Prayer by Bros. Hermon Johnson, Oran Smith and Rev. Wayne Tucker.

Moderator read the rules of order, Scripture reading II Cor. 5:17-21.

Sisters Edith Smith and Edith King read the church letters. The Delegates were seated in conference with a song and handshake.

Committees appointed were:

Sunday School and League—Edith Smith, Lorene White, Crystal Gipson, Barbara Campbell and Anne Rothe.

Obituary—Clarence Carner, Ralph Morrow, Oneal Quarry, Ruby Rexroad and Edward Rickey.

Finance—Leora High, Mary Noblin, Ralph Taylor, Ramona McNutt, Lucille Goodwin.

Resolution Committee Elected for One Year—Oran Smith, John Edington, Jr., L. D. Johnson, E. L. Bibb and Ralph Jarrett.

Presbytery Board—Rev. Wayne Tucker for three years; Rev. J. Reford Wilson for two years; Rev. Will S. White for one year.

The Executive Board is composed of the Presbytery Board and two Deacons, Bros. Raymond McNutt and Hermon Johnson.

Rev. Wayne Tucker gave a very interesting talk on the history of the Social Band Association. He has attended every Association since 1919. The entire body gave him a rising vote of appreciation for the things he could tell us about our association.

After a ten minute intermission singing was directed by Rev. Dewey Thompson, prayer by Rev. W. C. Lakey.

Bro. Henry Connelly gave the welcome address. Rev. H. Glen Campbell gave the response.

Rev. Ira Gates brought the morning message. Theme (The Second Coming of Christ). Scriptures: Matt. 27:50-53; Revelation 20:1-8; 19:6-8; I Thes. 4:14-18.

After song, "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes," we were dismissed by Rev. Will S. White.

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON**

Singing directed by Rev. Melvin Shelton, Bro. Jess Murphey.

Prayers by Revs. Eugene Davis and J. W. Russell.

Rev. Dewey Thompson led the devotional service, reading St. John 28:32.

Call for tardy letters, Corning responded.

Delegates elected for the state association were: Mary Lee Jarrett, Clata McNutt, Agnus Palmer, Doris Kirkland, and Lorene White.

Each local church is allowed one delegate to the national association.

The radio program is to continue as it. The radio committee is, Dewey Thompson, Jess Murphey, Claude Harmon, Henry Connelly and Melvin Shelton.

Motion made and sustained that the Home Mission Board send \$100.00 to the New Bethel Church to help repair their church.

We were dismissed by Bro. Ralph Morrow.

**FRIDAY NIGHT**

Called to order by Assistant Moderator. Singing directed by Sister Edith Smith, Revs. Melvin Shelton and Lowell Graham.

Prayers by Bros. W. E. Holder, Howard Martin.

Rev. Lowell Graham led the devotional service, reading Psalms 27.

The girls' quartet from Pirtle sang two numbers.

Rev. Wayne Tucker brought the evening message. Reading St. John 13. Text, "If You Love Me You Will Keep My Word."

Bros. Dalioun Stone and Oran Smith assisted moderator with communion services. Oran Smith led prayer for the bread, D. Stone offered prayer for the cup. Twenty-four women and seventeen men took communion and feet-washing. Rev. Leonard Milligan directed the song, "I Am Thine O Lord" as the congregation went out.



**SATURDAY MORNING**

Singing by Leroy Scudder. Prayers by Revs. E. L. Bibb, Claude Harmon. Quartet composed of Leroy Scudder, Lucille Boatner, Eulin Light, Carl High, with Delores High at the piano, rendered two numbers.

Moderator read Hebrews 2:1-7. Theme verse 3. Call for tardy letters. Jonesboro, Clear Lake, New Bethel, Grandview and Oldham's Chapel responded. Poplar Valley was selected as place for the next association. Rev. Reford Wilson was chosen to preach the memorial message. Rev. Carl High as alternate. Rev. O. D. Winfrey is alternate for Thursday night if the pastor isn't there. Rev. Zane Kirkland will be the speaker Friday morning, alternate Rev. Alton Loveless. Rev. Dewey Thompson will bring the message of Communion and Footwashing Friday night. Alternate, Rev. E. L. Bibb.

Rev. Eugene Davis gave report on Home Mission. He also offered his resignation as treasurer of the Home Mission Board. We decided to have a Home Mission Board and elected the board as follows: Alton Loveless for five years; Howard Martin for four years; Ralph Morrow for three years; Eugene Davis for two years; Lowell Graham for one year. Ralph Morrow was selected as treasurer.

Quarterly meeting clerk gave report.

**Intermission**

Singing directed by Eulin Light, Prayer by Ralph Jarrett. The old original O'Kean Quartet composed of Carl High, Dora Walker, Melvin Shelton, Deloss Walker, sang two numbers.

Rev. W. C. Lakey delivered the Memorial message. Scripture John 14:1 and 2. While singing "Heaven Holds All To Me" and "When We All Get To Heaven" we had an old-time handshake. Dismissed by Bro. Eulin Light.

**SATURDAY AFTERNOON**

Singing directed by John Edington, Jr. Prayers by Charles Doherty and O. D. Winfery.

Assistant Moderator read Psalms 133. Alta Lee Miller gave talk on Women's Auxiliary. Motto for this year "Go Set A Watchman."

Officers elected for next year were, Carl High, Moderator; Dewey Thompson, Assistant Moderator; Leora High, Clerk.

The Presbytery Board recommended the Union Grove Church give Bro. and Sister Charles Doherty a letter of recommendation from their church. If they felt they couldn't give this kind of recommendation to let the Presbytery Board know the reason.

Several boards gave reports. A love offering was given to help pay off indebtedness at camp at Conway. \$29.37 was given.

**REPORTS**

**OBITUARY**—We your Obituary committee find God has seen fit to call from our midst, Sisters Zelma Forrester, Susie Freeman, Kathryn Holland, Tsiha Young, Dona Johnson, Lorene Ivy, Birdie Smith, Brothers Oscar Martin, B. Norris, O. D. Walker, Bill Draby, Robert Persful, Perry Cavenor, Jim Light and Carl Hutson.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE**—We your Sunday School and League committee find 24 churches represented. All have Sunday School, 15 have League. We would stress the importance of League in training the youth of our churches.

**HOME MISSION TREASURER**—I only wrote two checks the past year, \$11.20 for a broadcast and \$100.00 to the State League Camp. I now have \$277.53 in the treasury. Twenty-one churches sent the \$5.00 to the host church to help pay the expense of the association. Be sure to remember to send your money next year.

## MINISTERS' REPORTS

I worked as pastor of Corning church the past year. Preached about 100 sermons, witnessed several conversions, received eight into fellowship, baptised three, preached several funerals. Received for services about \$150.00.  
EUGENE DAVIS, Reyno, Arkansas

I have preached 28 sermons, received \$37.01, traveled 587 miles. Have accepted Rickey Chapel Church full time.  
CLAUDE HARMON, O'Kean, Arkansas

I pastored Pruett Chapel half time, witnessed 10 conversions, received six into church, received \$457.75; Richwoods one-fourth time, one conversion, received \$109.25; Ever Green one-fourth time, received \$88.71. One trip to Poplar Valley, received \$8.50. Married four couples, received \$8.00. Conducted 12 funerals, received \$45.00. Total received \$717.21.  
W. C. LAKEY, Hoxie, Arkansas

I pastored New Covenant Church full time. Assisted in two revivals, witnessed 25 conversions, preached one funeral, 96 sermons, drove approximately 2600 miles, received \$362.05.

L. D. JOHNSON, Walnut Ridge, Ark., Route Three

I pastored Union Grove one-fourth time, preached 16 sermons, received \$59.18. Conducted two funerals, received \$15.50; Preached 39 sermons elsewhere, received \$92.00. Helped in revival at Clear Lake, received \$27.50. Have been called to Union Grove one-fourth time and Stony Point one-half time.

BEN HAWKINS, North Star Rt., Imboden, Arkansas

I have preached fulltime at Sharum. Held one revival at that place, witnessed seven conversions, conducted five funerals, received for labor \$508.00. Preached on radio, KPOC, four times.

E. L. BIBB, Pocahontas, Arkansas

I pastored Walnut Ridge church, preached 106 sermons, traveled 522 miles, witnessed 21 conversions, 16 additions to the church, baptised 12. Preached 11 funerals, married two couples. My church salary as \$2030.00 and the additional contributions for funerals, marriages and revivals made \$2171.50.

H. GLYNN CAMPBELL, Walnut Ridge, Ark., Rt. 2, Box 116

I pastored Sugartree Grove one-half time, received \$242.00, Old Reyno one-half time for the last four months, received \$155.00. Before taking work at Reyno I visited the following churches, Oldham's Chapel, Pruett Chapel, Elnora, O'Kean, Sharum, Arbor Grove, Walnut Ridge, Sutton, Little Brown, New Covenant, Jonesboro, Rickey Chapel, Mt. Zion and Clear Lake. Received \$43.00. Assisted in one revival, witnessed two conversions, conducted one funeral, officiated in two marriages, preached 80 sermons, received \$440.00.

WILL S. WHITE, Pocahontas, Arkansas

I pastored O'Kean church full time, preached 82 sermons, traveled 2268 miles, received \$513.00, one confession. Have assisted in seven revivals, traveled 2157 miles, received for labor \$272.00, witnessed 43 conversions, conducted three funerals, received \$18.00. Other places, traveled 716 miles, received \$24.25. Total traveled, 5391 miles; received \$827.25.

O. D. WINFERY, Hoxie, Ark., Rt. 1, Box 149-C

I pastored Mt. Zion full time, preached 98 sermons, witnessed two conversions, traveled 2323 miles, received \$910.35. Preached revival at Little Brown, 12 sermons, three conversions, baptised one, traveled 480 miles, received \$70.00. Preached five sermons elsewhere, received \$12.19, married two couples, traveled 2803 miles, received \$987.10.

LOWELL GRAHAM, Alicia, Ark.

I pastored Clear Lake and Stony Point churches. At Clear Lake preached 42 sermons, traveled 1617 miles, received \$177.56. At Stony Point preached 28 sermons, traveled 1875 miles, received \$108.75. At other places 11 sermons,



traveled 500 miles, received \$14.50. Helped in revival at Grand View, two conversions, baptised two, received \$6.00. Revival at Pirtle, 13 sermons, two conversions, traveled 216 miles, received \$40.00.

HENRY PAULEY, Route One, Beech Grove, Arkansas.

I pastored Oldham's Chapel full time. Preached 10 sermons other places, married one couple, received \$200.00 for my work.

G. E. HESTER, Route Three, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas

I pastored Poplar Valley full time, received \$269.14. Preached nine sermons at rest home in Jonesboro, conducted one funeral.

J. W. RUSSELL, 607 W. Gum, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas

I pastored Arbor Grove full time, one addition to church, received \$791.27. Assisted in two funerals, married one couple, received \$10.00. Total received, \$801.27.

WAYNE HOUSE, 226 Walnut St., Jonesboro, Ark.

I pastored Oak Grove two and one-half months, preached nine sermons, traveled 80 miles, received \$27.50. Preached 13 sermons elsewhere, received \$15.25. On June 22-58 reorganized the church at New Bethel, preached five sermons, traveled 128 miles, received \$10.00.

LEONARD MILLIGAN, P. O. Box 244, Black Rock, Ark.

I pastored Little Brown full time, preached 94 sermons, four radio programs, preached two sermons each at Arbor Grove and Elnora. Attended all quarterly meetings and several fellowship meetings and league rallies. Conducted one funeral, baptised one. Total sermons, 102; traveled 4,789 miles; received \$560.00.

DEWEY THOMPSON, Pocahontas, Arkansas

I pastored Rickey Chapel full time, preached 99 sermons, preached 12 sermons elsewhere, witnessed one conversion, married one couple, traveled 1250 miles, received \$127.06.

ROBERT L. GARRETT, Delaplaine, Ark., Route One

I pastored First Free Will Baptist church of Russellville Sept. 1957 to April 1958, received into membership four, baptised three, performed two marriages. Pastored Pocahontas church April 1958, received into membership 25, baptised 23, performed seven marriages, conducted nine funerals. I conducted one revival in Oklahoma, one in Missouri, two in Arkansas. Preached 128 sermons, 32 radio addresses, witnessed 43 conversions, traveled 19,000 miles. Attended the Missionary conference and Bible conference at Nashville, Tenn., and the National Association in St. Louis, Mo. I am now moderator of the Arkansas State Association and recording secretary of the National Foreign Mission Board. I have received for my services \$4280.00.

L. REFORD WILSON, Pocahontas, Arkansas.

I have pastored Elnora church full time, preached 82 sermons, traveled 2244 miles, witnessed five conversions, baptised two. Received \$765.00. I conducted two revivals at New Covenant. Preached 21 sermons, witnessed 23 conversions, traveled 926 miles, received \$132.00. Baptised eight. Revival at Newport, preached nine sermons, traveled 1098 miles, witnessed nine conversions, received \$125.71. Revival at O'Kean, preached six sermons, traveled 168 miles, witnessed 13 conversions, received \$28.27. Preached five sermons at other places, officiated at three weddings, conducted six funerals, traveled approximately 400 miles, received \$97.57. Preached total of 137 sermons, traveled 5036 miles, witnessed 51 conversions, baptised ten, received \$1196.05. I attended the National Association at St. Louis, also the League Camp at Conway on Saturday. Have accepted Elnora Church for the coming year.

REV. CARL HIGH, Peach Orchard, Arkansas

### REPORT OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION

The first Quarterly meeting convened with the O'Kean Free Will Baptist Church, Sept. 27-28, 1957. There were 21 churches represented, \$17.50 for minutes, \$9.00 clerk hire, \$1.00 for Home mission, \$4.00 for Foreign mission, \$22.10 for Youth Camp, Co-op Plan \$395.44.

The second Quarterly meeting convened with the Alice Brooks Free Will Baptist Church, Dec. 27-28, 1957. There were 21 churches represented. \$16.00 for minutes, \$9.50 for clerk hire, \$16.00 for Home mission, \$28.00 for Foreign mission, \$133.86 for Youth Camp, \$433.84 for Co-op Plan, \$15.00 to Bible College.

The third Quarterly meeting convened with the Pirtle Free Will Baptist Church, March 28-29, 1958. There were 16 churches represented. \$14.00 for minutes, \$8.50 for clerk hire, \$28.58 for Home mission, \$71.00 Foreign mission, \$26.00 for Youth Camp, \$5.00 National Home Mission, \$280.20 Co-op Plan.

The fourth Quarterly meeting convened with the Elnora Free Will Baptist church, June 27-28, 1958. There were 22 churches represented. \$20.50 for minutes, \$12.50 clerk hire, \$17.00 for Home mission, \$38.26 Foreign mission, \$123.00 to Youth Camp, \$48.32 to Bible College, \$45.00 Association fee paid to the O'Kean church, \$357.57 Co-op Plan.

There were two deacons ordained during the past year, Bros. John Thomas and Raymond Gipson. Rev. Wayne Waggoner was ordained to the ministry. Licensed ministers are Bros. Leonard Milligan, J. O. Martin, Claude Harmon, Jim Wheelless, and Zane Kirkland.

Balance in treasury on August 14, 1958 is \$87.39.

EDITH SMITH, Clerk

RESOLUTION OF THANKS: Be it resolved that a rising vote of thanks be given to the O'Kean church, expressing our appreciation for their hospitality.

Dismissed by Bro. Marvin Riggs.

Article IV of the State Association This association shall be supported by 28 percent of the Cooperative receipts that come to the State Treasurer. Also, each district association shall send \$3.00 for each church belonging to said association, which will go to the host church for entertainment expenses.



**SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION**

**Ordained Ministers**

J. Reford Wilson	Pocahontas, Arkansas
L. W. Hodge	Bono, Arkansas
Grady Linebaugh	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
J. W. Russell	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
George Million	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Dewey Thompson	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Henry Pauley	Beech Grove, Arkansas
Eugene Davis	Reyno, Arkansas
Wayne Tucker	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
Edwin Bibb	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Charles Doherty	Ponder, Missouri
O. D. Winfery	Hoxie, Arkansas
H. Glynn Campbell	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Ira Gates	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
Thurman Johnson	Biggers, Arkansas
Carl High	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
Henry Clemants	Black Rock, Arkansas
Melvin Shelton	O'Kean, Arkansas
Will S. White	Pocahontas, Arkansas
B. S. Forrester	Rockford, Illinois
Lowell Graham	Alicia, Arkansas
L. D. Johnson	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Ben Hawkins	Imboden, Arkansas
Wayne Waggoner	
Robert Garrett	Delaplaine, Arkansas
G. E. Hester	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
W. C. Lakey	Hoxie, Arkansas
Orville Cox	St. Louis, Missouri

**Licensed Ministers**

Leonard Milligan	Black Rock, Arkansas
Zane Kirkland	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Claude Harmon	O'Kean, Arkansas
Jim Wheelless	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas

### CONSTITUTION

1. This Association, when properly organized, shall consist of a moderator and a clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present. The duty of the moderator shall be to keep the Association in order, state questions fairly and take the vote thereon; to have the liberty of speech as other members, providing his seat be filled; to have no vote unless the Association be equally divided, in which case he shall have the deciding vote. The duty of the clerk shall be to keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Association.

2. The Association shall be composed of ordained ministers, deacons, their wives who are members, and licentiates together with the messengers duly chosen by the several churches in our union and sent to represent them in this Association, whom the members judge best qualified for the purpose, who, on producing letters certifying to their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

3. In the letters from the several churches shall be expressed their respective number of members in fellowship, and the number received, dismissed, excluded or died since the last sitting of the Association, and day of church meeting.

4. No query shall be received by the Association from any church unless it has been acted on in said church and cannot be settled, in which case the Association shall take same and act upon it.

5. Every church in the Association shall be entitled to a representation of messengers, not exceeding five.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be acted upon unless withdrawn by the mover.

7. The Association shall not have the power to lord it over God's heritage so as to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches; nevertheless, we agree that churches composing the Association shall stand in the same relationship to each other in this Association that individuals do to each other in the church; that is to say, if a church trespass against a sister church the church shall try to reclaim them by Gospel steps; if they cannot be reclaimed, they shall be dropped from our union.

8. We agree to do business by a majority of all members present.

9. Any church may be admitted into this Association by letter and messengers. If upon examination it is found to be orthodox and orderly, such admission shall be manifested by the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship to the messengers thereof.

10. This association shall have power to sit as an advisory council to give churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause why churches neglect to represent themselves in this Association; to appoint members, by and with his or her consent to transact any business they may deem necessary; to invite brethren in the ministry to a seat with the Association; to adjourn the Association at any time and place that may be thought necessary; to exclude from his seat any member who does not conform to the rules of decorum, and shall report his or their conduct to the churches from which he or they were messengers.

11. The Association possesses appellate jurisdiction in all cases of difficulty that may arise in the churches.

12. The Lord's Supper and feet washing shall be administered at each annual session of the Association.

13. Each Annual Association shall be held on Thursday before the third Sunday in August.

14. This Constitution may be changed at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds majority provided the intended change be announced in writing one day before the vote.

### 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 reflections shall be avoided.
3. All motions made and seconded shall be open 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. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless so ordered at the time.
6. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without special leave from the body.
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. Arrangements shall be made so as to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto in addition to the business session each day, and the Moderator announces at the adjournment of each business session who is to have charge of said service.
10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE**—The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.
- II. **GOD**—There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the creator, Preserver and Righteous Governor of the Universe, and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey.
- III. **CHRIST**—Christ is God manifest in the flesh; In His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The Mediator between God and Man, once crucified, He is now risen and once glorified, and is our ever present Savior and Lord.
- IV. **THE HOLY SPIRIT**—The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.
- V. **THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD**—God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.
- VI. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN**—Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.
- VII. **THE WORK OF CHRIST**—The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.
- VIII. **THE TERMS OF SALVATION**—The conditions of salvation are: (1) Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. (2) Faith or the unreserved committal of ones self to Christ as Savior and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a Child of God. (3) Continuance in faith and obedience until death.
- IX. **ELECTION**—God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.



X. **FREEDOM OF WILL**—The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.

XI. **SALVATION FREE**—God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.

XII. **PERSEVERANCE** — All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

XIII. **GOSPEL ORDINANCES**—Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet-washing, an ordinance teaching humility of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers.

XIV. **TITHING**—God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23) and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him. (I Cor. 16:2a).

XV. **THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH**—The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

XVI. **RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION**—The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

### **FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT**

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ and adopted the word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant. We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid the appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity of the world; from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit," in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scripture, secret prayer, family devotions and social worship, and by self-denial, faith and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observances of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denomination enterprises, the support of the missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic effort for the salvation of souls, and the conversion of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

CHURCH	L.M.	S.M.	N.M.	F.M.	H.M.	Y.C.	B.C.	CO-OP PLAN	STATE CONV.	CLERK HIRE
New Covenant	1.50								3.00	1.00
Elnora	2.00	1.00	1.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	10.00	52.50	3.00	1.50
Alice Brooks	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.76				52.09	3.00	2.15
O'Kean	2.00	2.00	2.00	5.89	5.88	24.00		70.12	3.00	1.00
Poplar Valley	1.50	1.00	1.00						3.00	1.50
Mt. Zion	1.00					60.00		86.86	3.00	1.50
Stony Point	1.00	1.00								.50
Pirtle	2.00	1.00	1.00					33.82	3.00	1.50
Sugar Tree Grove	2.00	.50		2.00	1.00					.50
Union Grove	2.00									.50
Walnut Ridge	1.50	2.00	2.00						5.00	1.50
Warm Springs	2.00	1.00		1.00	5.00					1.00
Old Reyno	2.00	1.00	1.00	12.50	15.00			80.00	3.00	1.00
Pocahontas	3.00	2.00	3.00	190.01		470.07	120.00	836.15	3.00	1.00
Little Brown	2.50	3.00	1.50						3.00	2.00
Pruitt Chapel	3.00	1.00							3.00	1.00
Arbor Grove	2.00	1.50	2.00	14.85		29.83		113.43	3.00	1.00
Rickey Chapel	1.50								3.00	1.00
Corning	1.00	1.00	1.00	12.00	5.00					1.00
Oldham Chapel	1.00									1.00
Grand View	1.00	1.00	1.00		2.00					1.00
Jonesboro	2.00	1.00	1.00	20.00	15.00			17.00		1.00
Clear Lake	1.00	1.00		8.00					3.00	1.00
New Bethel	1.00									1.00
TOTAL	41.50	24.00	19.50	292.01	62.88	588.90	130.00	1341.97	47.00	27.15

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