

THE
Social Band Association
OF
Free Will Baptists



1961



PROCEEDINGS OF THE
EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Convened At
Alice Brooks Free Will Baptist Church
Pocahontas, Ark., Route

CHURCH	CLERK	PASTOR	Members Rec'd	Members Baptised	Dismissed	Died	W. Auxiliary	Sunday School	League	Own Ch. Prop.	Val. of Ch. Prop.	Members
Clear Lake	Mrs. Relton Forehand	J. W. Russell					N	Y	N	Y	\$2,500.00	27
Sugar Tree Grove	Nora Murrell						N	Y	N	Y		15
Union Grove	Nola Howard	Ben Hawkins					N	Y	N	N		15
Pirtle	Edith Britton	Dewey Thompson	3	3	7	1	Y	Y	Y	Y	8,000.00	143
Pocahontas	Viella Wymore	Ben Scott	9	5	10	3	Y	Y	Y	Y	62,000.00	384
Pruitt Chapel	Grace Walker	Robert Garrett	1		3	2	N	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	68
Poplar Valley	Geneva Pope	Lowell Graham	5		1	3	Y	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	90
Grandview	Addie Jones	Henry Pauley	1			2	N	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	70
O'Kean	Naomi Denton	Grady Linebaugh				2	Y	Y	Y	Y	25,000.00	82
Mt. Zion	Clata McNutt						Y	Y	Y	Y	4 500.00	27
Warm Springs	Martha Holt						N	Y	N	Y	2,000.00	41
Corning	Austin Cavenor	John Warner	2				N	Y	Y	Y	6,500.00	40
New Covenant	Mrs. J. T. Holland	L. D. Johnson				1	N	Y	Y	N		113
Elnora	Bessie Jarrett	Carl High	6	1	2		Y	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	74
Oldham's Chapel	Katherine Starnes	Leonard Milligan					N	Y	Y	N		22
Sutton	Dorothy Childress	Zane Kirkland	3			11	Y	Y	Y	Y	10,000.00	110
Alice Brooks	Thelma Graham	Melvin Shelton	2	2	2	1	Y	Y	Y	Y	6,000.00	64
New Bethel	Ethel Brown	Edwin Bibb	4	1			N	Y	N	Y	3,500.00	23
Arbor Grove	Wanda Bonds	O. D. Winfery	4	3		1	N	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	123
Rickey Chapel	Cina Like	Claude Harmon	1				N	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	27
Old Reyno	Tilmer Graham	Bob Francis	10	7	5	1	N	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	114
Thorn Grove	Janis Spinks	Wayne Tucker	12					Y	Y			12
Little Brown	Irene Crider	Wayne House	11	7		1	N	Y	Y	Y	6,000.00	71
Stony Point	Susie Hulvey	Ben Hawkins				2	N	Y	N	Y	6,000.00	81
Walnut Ridge	Kathy Belew	Keith Johnson	12	8	6	2	Y	Y	Y	Y	23,000.00	153
			86	37	36	23					193,000.00	1989

Minutes of the
Eighty-Seventh Annual Session
OF
Free Will Baptists
OF
Social Band Association

HELD WITH THE
ALICE BROOKS CHURCH
POCAHONTAS, ARKANSAS

AUGUST 17, 18, 19, 1961

The next session of the Association will be held with the O'Kean Church beginning Thursday night before the third Sunday in August, 1962.

OFFICERS

MODERATOR—REV. CARL HIGH, PEACH ORCHARD, ARKANSAS
ASSISTANT MODERATOR — REV. ZANE KIRKLAND, WALNUT RIDGE, ARK.
CLERK—MRS. LEORA HIGH, PEACH ORCHARD, ARKANSAS

PROCEEDINGS

The 1961 session of the Social Band Association of Free Will Baptist was held with the Alice Brooks Church, August 17, 18, 19, with 25 churches represented.

THURSDAY NIGHT

Call to order by Moderator. Singing was directed by Bros. Tom Haynes, Dewey Thompson, Carl High.

Prayers were led by Bros. Leonard Milligan, Lee Litherland, Robert Garrett.

Scripture reading, St. John 15:1-7. Theme, verse 7 (The great need of Abiding in Christ).

Rev. Melvin Shelton brought the evening message. Scripture, St. Luke 11: 27-30. Text verse 29. Eph. 5:16 "This is an evil generation".

After singing "Saviour More Than Life To Me" we were dismissed by Bro. Raymond McNutt.

FRIDAY MORNING

Singing directed by Bros. Claude Harmon, Johnny Whitlow, Coley High, Doris Kerby and Carl High.

Prayers by Rev. Wayne Tucker and Bro. Oran Smith.

Moderator read James 1:1-7. Theme verse 5 "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God".

Church letters were read by Sisters Alta Lee Miller and Naomi Denton.

Rev. Dewey Thompson led the singing in the seating of the delegates.

Committees appointed were:

Sunday School and League—Dora Walker, Ruth Swan, Mazie Lee, Judy Surles, Janis Spinks.

Obituary—Sisters Clearwater, Estalee Winfery, Mardell Hutcherson, Lizzie Jarrett and Bro. Bill Dixon

Finance—Leora High, Brooks Little, Iva Herring, Gladys Hufstedler, Sister Fowler.

Bro. Loggins gave the welcome address. Bro. Ralph Jarrett gave the response. Rules of order were read by the moderator.

Intermission

Singing directed by Orvil Edington, Carl High. Prayer by Rev. Claude Harmon. Rev. Ben Scott, Lee Litherland, Paulene Starr and Cecil Hufstedler sang two quartet numbers.

Rev. W. C. Lakey brought the morning message, reading Matt. 25: 1-11; Eph. 6:6. Sermon was concluded by Rev. Wayne Tucker. After song and handshake we were dismissed by Rev. Lowell Graham and offering of thanks for the noon meal was given by Rev. Henry Pauley.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Singing by Mary Lee Jarrett and Edith Smith. Prayer by Sister Lizzie Jarrett.

Special singing trio by Dora Walker, Mary Lee Jarrett and Naomi Denton. Quartet—Johnny Edington, Paulene Starr, Ben Scott and Cecil Hufstedler.

Prayer by Rev. Ira Gates. Rev. Claude Harmon had charge of the devotion-al services. Scripture John 14:1-3.

Sister Edith Smith gave a talk and report on Women's Auxiliary.

Rev. Ben Scott gave a report on the National Association.

Called for tardy letters.

Presbytery Board elected as follows: Rev. Dewey Thompson for three years; Rev. Ben Scott for two years; Rev. Wayne Tucker for one year.

The Executive Board consists of the Presbytery Board and two Deacons: Oran Smith and Ralph Jarrett.

O'Kean was chosen as place for next Association. Speakers elected for next session were: Thursday night—Pastor; alternate, Rev. Claude Harmon; Friday morning—Rev. Ben Scott; Alternate, Rev. Wayne Tucker; Friday night (Com-munion and feet washing), Rev. Dewey Thompson; alternate, Rev. Lowell Gra-ham; Saturday morning (Memorial), Rev. Carl High; Alternate, Rev. Henry Pauley.

Delegates for the State Association were: Bros. Edd Sutton, Lee Lither-land, Sisters Iva Herring, Kate Sutton and Mable Knight. Motion sustained that the delegates have power to appoint another delegate if all the chosen delegates do not attend.

Home Mission Board: Ralph Morrow for five years; Dalioun Stone for four years; Lowell Graham for three years; Marvin Riggs for two years; J. W. Rus-sell for one year.

Women's Auxiliary Committee: Edith Smith, Mary Staten, Katie James, Lu-cille Kerby and Floy Gates.

Business adjourned until nine o'clock Saturday morning.

Special prayer was called for Rev. Ben Hawkins in his illness and for the Rev. Thurman Johnson family in their bereavement of the loss of their son. Prayer was led by Bro. Coley High and Carl High.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Singing directed by Bros. Tom Haynes, Elmer Swift, Zane Kirkland and Melvin Shelton. Prayer by I. C. Staten and Dalioun Stone. Rev. Ira Gates had charge of the devotional services, reading Psalms 63.

Special numbers were sung by Carl High, Ben Scott, Zane Kirkland and Melvin Shelton.

Rev. Zane Kirkland brought the message on communion and feetwashing. Scripture John 13:17 (The blessings of God).

Rev. Grady Linebaugh offered thanks for the bread, Rev. Dewey Thompson offered thanks for the cup. Twenty-two men and twenty-one women took part in the services. We sang a hymn and went out.

SATURDAY MORNING

Singing was directed by Eulen Light and Raymond McNutt. Prayers by Bro. Lirly Smith, Revs. O. D. Winfery and L. D. Johnson.

Scripture reading, John 5:39-40: Thought (We will find faith and encouragement if we ask for it.) Tardy letters, Clear Lake and Union Grove.

Resolutions committee elected were, Raymond McNutt, Grady Linebaugh, Will S. White, Alden Jones and O. D. Winfery.

Quarterly meeting clerk gave report. Ministers gave reports. Women's Auxiliary gave report.

Motion sustained that we seat Rev. Virgil Mustain in council with us today.

Motion sustained that we place Scripture references in Articles of Faith.

Intermission

Singing directed by Loretta Jarrett. Prayer by Rev. Virgil Mustain.

Elnora Women's Auxiliary had charge of the service. President, Betty Ann Snow, read Scripture, Revelation 14:12-13. Poem "He is Not Dead, He's Just Away". Loretta Jarrett and Carolyn Wheelless, accompanied at the piano by Onetta Jarrett, sang "Just A Rose Will Do" (White flowers were dropped into a vase in memory of our deceased). After reading the "Thanatopsis" we closed with a congregation song (Heaven) and prayer by Rev. Will S. White.

Rev. Ben Scott brought the Memorial Message, reading I Thes. 4:13-18 "Where are they and what are they doing?" Gen. 49:33; Matt. 8:11—Shall we see them again?

After singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "When the Saints Go Marching In" we were dismissed by Bro. Ray Knight and the offering of thanks was given by Bro. Alden Jones.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Singing directed by Bro. Ray Knight. Prayer by Bro. John Lee Pope.

Rev. Claude Harmon had charge of the devotional service, reading John 15: 1-8.

The Radio committee gave their report. Committee elected was: L. D. Johnson, Doris Kerby, Bob Garrett, Elmer Swift and Claude Harmon.

Sunday School and League gave report. Finance committee gave report.

Resolution No. One carried, No. Three carried.

Election of officers for the coming year. Note on first page.

Bro. Ray Knight of Poplar Valley and Bro. Floyd Howard of Union Grove were ordained as Deacons. Rev. Ben Scott gave the charge, reading I Tim. 3:10-13 "Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier." Rev. Dewey Thompson began the ordination prayer and Rev. Wayne Tucker closed it.

Dismissed by Bro. Cecil Hufstedler.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OBITUARY—We, your Obituary committee, find that God has seen fit to call from our midst: Rev. G. E. Hester, Bros. Billy John Hawkins and Estis Schisler of Poplar Valley, Sisters Mattie Lovell and Maggie Johnson of O'Kean; Bro. Hallie Jolly (Deacon), Bro. Ivan Duff of Grandview; Sister Lee Wiley, Bros. Joe Buckner and Ed Snell of Pocahontas; Bro. Lavon Freeman of Arbor Grove; Bro. George Dowdy of Alice Brooks; Sister Ida Kincade of Sutton; Sister Rhoda Bailey, Bro. Levi Foster of Pruett Chapel; Bro. H. E. Carter of New Covenant; Sister Gladys Jones, Bro. Roger Johnson of Old Reyno; Bro. A. C.

Pendergrass (Deacon), Sister Annie Toliver of Stony Point; Bro. Clayton Lindley of Pirtle; Sister Hattie Nelson of Jonesboro and two from Walnut Ridge whose names were not given.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE—We, the committee on Sunday School and League, find of the 25 churches represented, all have Sunday School and only 12 have League. We recommend that the pastors of the churches that have no League make a special effort in helping their church organize one, as League work is the training of our youth and a blessing and help for the adults also.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY—We, your committee, find that of the 25 churches represented only nine have an Auxiliary. They are: Pirtle, Alice Brooks, Pocahontas, Sutton, O'Kean, Walnut Ridge, Mt. Zion, Elnora and Jonesboro. We recommend that more churches organize an Auxiliary. We believe it to be an organization where women can do more work for the Lord. We appoint Sister Lucille Kirby to be the speaker for the next session of the Association on Saturday morning. Alternate speaker, Sister Dora Walker.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT—The first quarterly meeting convened with the New Bethel Church Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, 1960. There were 21 churches represented. Money received: \$28.00 for minutes; \$19.50 for clerk fee; \$260.21 for Foreign Mission; \$36.95 for Home Mission; \$44.98 for Youth Camp; \$30.00 for Bible college; \$238.90 for Cooperative plan.

The second quarterly meeting convened with the Pirtle Church Dec. 30, 31, 1960, with 16 churches represented. Money received: \$21.00 for minutes; \$14.50, clerk fee; \$834.91, Foreign Mission; \$29.36, Home Mission; \$57.20, Youth camp; \$30.00, Bible college; \$201.59, Cooperative plan.

The third quarterly meeting convened with the New Covenant Church on March 30 and April 1, 1961 with 20 churches represented. Money received, \$27.00 for minutes; \$19.50 for clerk fee; \$28.67, Home mission; \$194.85, Foreign mission; \$72.49 youth camp; \$67.25, Bible college; \$246.84, Cooperative plan.

The fourth quarterly meeting met with Grandview Church June 30 and July 1, 1961. There were 20 churches represented. Money received—\$28.00 for minutes; \$17.50, clerk fee; \$79.26, Foreign mission; \$73.50, Home mission; \$50.63, youth camp; 2.00, Bible college; \$183.77, Co-op plan; \$8.00, local association expenses. There has been one minister ordained during the year, Rev. John Small of Jonesboro church. Balance in treasury August 17, 1961 is \$47.57.

—Alta Lee Miller (Clerk and Treasurer)

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE—

No. 1. Be it resolved that each church in the Association give its past and present pastors' name as there is plenty of room on the letter forms.

No. 2. Be it resolved that the Social Band Association give the Alice Brooks Church a rising vote of thanks for their generous hospitality shown us in entertaining this eighty-seventh session of the Association.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

Name	ADDRESS
Ben Scott	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	St. Louis, Missouri
Wayne Tucker	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
Edwin Bibb	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Charles Doherty	Ponder, Missouri
O. D. Winfery	Hoxie, Arkansas

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

H. Glynn Campbell	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Ira Gates	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
Thurman Johnson	Biggers, Arkansas
Henry Clemants	Black Rock, Arkansas
Melvin Shelton	O’Kean, Arkansas
Will S. White	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Lowell Graham	Alicia, Arkansas
L. D. Johnson	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Ben Hawkins	Imboden, Arkansas
Wayne Waggoner	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Robert Garrett	Delaplaine, Arkansas
Carl High	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
W. C. Lakey	Hoxie, Arkansas
Orville Cox	Corning, Arkansas
Leonard Milligan	Black Rock, Arkansas
Zane Kirkland	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Claude Harmon	O’Kean, Arkansas
John Small	Biggers, Arkansas
Wayne House	Jonesboro, Arkansas

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DEACONS

NAME	ADDRESS
Church—Little Brown	
Harold Statler	Walnut Ridge, Ark., Rt. No. 3
Herman Johnson	Walnut Ridge, Ark., Rt. No. 3
Jess Murphey	Walnut Ridge, Ark., Rt. No. 3
Church—Warm Springs	
Benton Holt	Warm Springs, Ark.
Almus Bingham	Warm Springs, Ark.
Church—Pocahontas	
Robert Counts	Pocahontas, Ark., Rt. No. 2
Luther Crays	Pocahontas, Ark., Rt. No. 2
Paul Hatfield	Walnut Ridge, Ark., N. W. 4th St.
Veral Jones	1502 Carter St., Pocahontas, Ark.
Golman Wooldridge	Pocahontas, Ark., Rt. No. 2
Loyd McCann	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Church—Grandview	
Ernest Jones	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Alden Jones	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Ernie Jolly	Corning, Arkansas
Church—Sutton	
Edd Kincade	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Vass Sutton	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Glen Childress	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Arlie Melton	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Church—Pirtle	
Wiley Ricker	294 Park Ave., So. Haven, Mich.
Oran Smith	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
John Boatner	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
Church—Walnut Ridge	
Oliphant Holder	Hoxie, Arkansas
Leonard Douthitt	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Arthur Ring	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Joe Floyd	Hoxie, Arkansas
Grover Duncan	Hoxie, Arkansas

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DEACONS (Continued)

Name	Address
Church—Poplar Valley	
John Lee Pope	Bono, Arkansas
Ray Knight	Bono, Arkansas
Charley Bandy	Bono, Arkansas
Church—New Covenant	
Lirlie Smith	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Lum Witcher	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Church—Rickey Chapel	
Elmer Swift	Delaplaine, Arkansas
Thead Richardson	Neelyville, Mo.
Willis Cribbs	Delaplaine, Arkansas
Church—Alice Brooks	
I. C. Staten	Pocahontas, Arkansas
M. D. Riggs	Delaplaine, Arkansas
Guy Ward	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Milas Haynes	2611 W. State St., Rockford, Ill.
G. D. Graham	Delaplaine, Arkansas
Church—Old Reyno	
C. F. Jones	Success, Arkansas
Jewell Graham	Biggers, Arkansas
Ralph Morrow	Biggers, Arkansas
John Edington, Jr.	Reyno, Arkansas
Church—Arbor Grove	
Eulen Light	Hoxie, Arkansas
Church—Mt. Zion	
Raymond McNutt	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Tom Bennett	110 W. Hazel St., Wal. Ridge, Ark.
Church—New Bethel	
Charlie Thorpe	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Vernon Richey	Pocahontas, Ark., Rt. No. 2
Oris Richey	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Church—Elnora	
Raymond Gipson	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Ralph Jarrett	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
R. E. Gray	Pocahontas, Arkansas
Church—O’Kean	
Howard Martin	O’Kean, Arkansas
Junior Morris	Delaplaine, Arkansas
Dalioun Stone	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Church—Stony Point	
Dan F. Kirk	Pocahontas, Ark, Dalton Route
Church—Sugar Tree Grove	
G. W. Hopper	Poyner, Missouri
Church—Corning	
Everett Johnson	Corning, Arkansas
Ervin Clark	Corning, Arkansas
Ambrose Cavenor	Corning, Arkansas
Harvey Hawkins	Corning, Arkansas
Church—Jonesboro	
Frank Jowers	Jonesboro, Arkansas
Paul Bean	Jonesboro, Arkansas
L. T. Hobgood	Jonesboro, Arkansas

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DEACONS (CONTINUED)

Name	Address
Church—Pruett Chapel	
Rosco Miller	Beech Grove, Arkansas
G. W. Cox	Beech Grove, Arkansas
Church—Union Grove	
Floyd Howard	Ponder, Missouri

MINISTERS' REPORT

I pastored half time at Sugar Tree Grove, preached 52 sermons, Assisted in two revivals, received \$260.00. Pastored half time at Old Reyno, preached 52 sermons, baptised one, received \$390.00. Conducted revival at New Covenant, witnessed one conversion, received \$50.00. Conducted three funerals, officiated in six marriages, received \$77.00. Preached two sermons at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Jonesboro. Total sermons, 115; total miles traveled, 3,000; total money received, \$777.00. —WILL S. WHITE, Pocahontas, Arkansas

I pastored Warm Springs Church, preached 64 sermons, traveled 2,400 miles, received \$320.00—DEWEY THOMPSON, Route 2, Pocahontas, Ark.

I pastored Stony Point Church half time, preached eight sermons, received \$57.65. Union Grove Church half time, preached 14 sermons, received \$297.81. Preached one sermon at Gravesville, received \$8.50. Have been called to Union Grove half time for the coming year.— BEN HAWKINS, North Star Rt., Imboden, Arkansas

I pastored Sutton Church past year, baptised eight, confessions and rededications, 12, received into fellowship, 19. Preached one revival Alice Brooks. No conversions. Conducted three funerals, preached approximately 110 sermons, traveled 6,000 miles, received approximately \$1000.00. Have accepted New Covenant Church for the coming year.—L. D. JOHNSON, Walnut Ridge, Ark., Rt. 3

I preached one-fourth time at Richwoods, received \$121.00, one sermon at Clear Lake, received \$5.50, one sermon at Mt. Vernon, received \$5.00, one sermon at Ever Green, received \$10.00, one sermon at Walnut Corner, received \$8.02, one sermon at Union Bank, received \$10.00; Married nine couples; Conducted 4 funerals; Total received, \$194.02.—W. C. LAKEY, Hoxie, Arkansas

During the past year I have conducted three revivals, received \$225.00, witnessed seven conversions, drove approximately 1,200 miles, preached 135 sermons. The Mt. Zion Church paid me \$771.03. Total received, \$996.00. I have accepted pastoral duties at the Sutton Church for the coming year. — ZANE KIRKLAND, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas.

I pastored Rickey Chapel Church full time. Traveled 362 miles, preached 92 sermons, received \$165.20. Received \$4.50 as a gift. Married one couple, received \$2.00. Preached four sermons over KPOC, traveled 112 miles. Assisted in two revivals, witnessed six conversions, baptised six, received nine into the church. Have accepted Rickey Chapel this year. — CLAUDE HARMON, Delaplaine, Arkansas.

I pastored Thorn Grove Church half time. Preached 20 sermons, traveled 300 miles, received three into fellowship of the church. Helped in organizing Thorn Grove Church, conducted one dedication service, received for services \$90.00. This makes my 43rd annual meeting without missing or being tardy for which I am very thankful to the Lord.—WAYNE TUCKER, Peach Orchard, Arkansas.

I have preached one sermon at Stony Point, one at Coffman, several at Alice Brooks. I have performed three marriages, conducted two funerals and have accepted New Bethel Church for the coming year.—EDWIN BIBB, Pocahontas, Arkansas.

I have pastored Arbor Grove Church the past year. Preached 69 sermons, witnessed five conversions, traveled 208 miles, received \$699.45. Assisted in four revivals, preached 28 sermons, witnessed 10 conversions, traveled 1753 miles, received \$300.05. Performed one marriage, conducted two funerals, re-

ceived \$25.00. Preached nine sermons elsewhere, traveled 385 miles, witnessed three conversions, received \$40.00. Total 106 sermons, witnessed 18 conversions, baptised six, received four into church fellowship, traveled 2,346 miles, received \$1,039.50. I have accepted Arbor Grove Church for this year.—O. D. WINFERY, Hoxie, Arkansas, Route One.

I have pastored Little Brown Church full time, witnessed seven conversions, 11 additions to the church, preached 90 sermons, traveled 4,000 miles, received \$820.00. Revival at Mt. Zion, preached 10 sermons, traveled 320 miles, received \$50.00; revival at Rickey Chapel, preached 10 sermons, traveled 500 miles, received \$28.38. Revival at Coffman, preached six sermons, traveled 50 miles, received \$60.00. Performed one marriage, received \$5.00, conducted one funeral, four sermons over KPOC, preached one sermon at Poplar Valley, received \$5.00, preached two sermons at Arbor Grove, received \$8.00, Total received \$976.38, traveled 5,045 miles, preached 123 sermons. Have accepted Poplar Valley for this year.—LOWELL GRAHAM, Hoxie, Arkansas.

As pastor of Elnora Church, I have preached 90 sermons, six additions to the church, traveled 6,500 miles, received total of \$1220.00, including revival. Revival at Little Brown, preached 10 sermons, witnessed eight conversions, traveled 750 miles, received \$70.00. Revival at Oakland, preached seven sermons, witnessed 18 conversions, rec'd \$70.. Revival at Newport, preached 10 sermons, traveled 1,240 miles, received \$150.00. Revival at Island, preached six sermons, witnessed six conversions, traveled 780 miles, received \$100.00. At Thorn Grove, preached 14 sermons, traveled 350 miles, received \$76.02, performed three weddings, conducted seven funerals, received \$55.00. Received from individuals \$34.00. Total, 137 sermons, 11,254 miles, 32 conversions. \$1,775.02.—CARL HIGH, Peach Orchard Arkansas.

As pastor of O'Kean Church I preached 104 sermons, witnessed one conversion, received \$530.00. I have accepted Little Brown Church for this year.—WAYNE HOUSE, 732 Crest Drive, Jonesboro, Arkansas.

Have had pastoral care of Pirtle Church, preached 98 sermons, witnessed three conversions, baptised two, received three into church fellowship, traveled 2,100 miles, received \$541.; Revival at Rickey Chapel, preached 13 sermons, witnessed 5 conversions, received \$32.45; revival at Thorn Grove, preached eight sermons, traveled 376 miles, received \$35.85. Seven sermons at radio station and other places, Conducted two funerals and assisted in one, received \$16.05. Total sermons 156, 2,840 miles; received for labors, \$624.95.—HENRY PAULEY, Beech Grove, Arkansas, Route One.

I pastored New Bethel Church one-half time, preached 45 sermons, witnessed three conversions, received four into church fellowship, baptised one, assisted in revival, received \$150.00; pastored Oldham's Chapel one-half time beginning in December, preached 25 sermons, traveled 200 miles, received \$40.00. Have accepted Oldham's Chapel Church full time for this year. —LEONARD MILLIGAN, Portia, Arkansas, P. O. Box 194.

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.

1. 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 meetings of the Association.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **GOD.** We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed on the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in divine Essence, Purpose, Power and Glory.—St. John 1:1; 1 Cor. 8:6; St. John 10:30.
2. **CHRIST.** We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God. Was with the Father and Holy Spirit at the time of Creation, left the Courts of Heaven and came to this earth. Took upon Himself the form of Humanity, sin excepted, by being born of the Virgin Mary, manifested His Power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's tomb, rose from the dead the third day, completed the great plan of salvation, walked and talked with His disciples, publicly ascended up to Heaven, and that He will descend again to gather His jewels home.—Luke 1:26-28; Matt. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mark 15:22-47.
3. **HOLY SPIRIT.** We believe that the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages, and especially since the ascension of the SON back to the Father and His coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up His office work among nations of the people, as a divine Reprover, Comforter and Guide.—Judges 6:34, 11-29; St. John 16:8-14; Isaiah 63: 10-12; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:17-20; Ezek., 36-27; Joel 2:28.
4. **THE BIBLE.** We believe the Bible, which is composed of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, was given by Inspiration of God, is our waybill from earth to heaven, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice.—2 Peter 1:19-21; 2 Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matthew 21:42.
5. **THE FALL OF MAN.** We believe that GOD created man good, gave him a just law by which he should be governed; with promise of reward for faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great enemy of souls, voluntarily transgressed the law of God, fell, with their posterity, under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave them hope of salvation through the coming CHRIST.—Gen. 1:27, 2:16-17; Psalms 51-5; Gen. 3, Gen. 6-5; Rom. 5:12-19; John 3:6; Eph. 2:3; Matt. 18:3; Acts 17:24-29.
6. **REDEMPTION, SALVATION, ADOPTION.** We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial, resurrection and ascension paid the purchase price for the redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who come upon gospel terms and the law of adoption into the kingdom of Heaven, and an eternity inheritance into the glorified Kingdom above. — Heb. 9:12; Titus 2:11-14; Heb. 1:4; St. John 3:16, 45:22; Heb. 2:9; Rev. 5:9; 1 Tim. 4:10.
7. **CONDITIONS OF SALVATION.** We believe that all persons, dying in infancy and all idiots are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any act on their part; that persons coming to the years accountability, transgressing the law of God, must upon their part, exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father and by the Holy Spirit they pass thru the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted

in the Kingdom of Christ.—John, 3rd Chapter; Matt. 19:13-22; 2 Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:16-17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3.

8. **SALVATION FREE.** We believe that God desires the salvation of all; Christ died for all; the Gospel invites all; the Holy Spirit strives with all and whosoever will, may come and be saved upon the terms of the Gospel.—I Peter 1:9-25, 2-9-25; Revelation 22:17.

9. **BAPTISM.** We believe that Christian baptism 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; also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbytery of the elders are qualified to administer the same.—Matt. 3:14-16, 3:5-6; Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

10. **COMMUNION AND FEET WASHING.** We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of the Saint's feet are ordinances of the Gospel of Christ; the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Saviour to commemorate His broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world, and to show our remembrance of Him till He comes. All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper and should be invited; "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of feet was instituted by our Lord at the same time that the Supper was instituted, as an act of humility to show our love for each other, and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until His second coming.—Luke 22:19-20; I Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-17; Matt. 26:26-29.

11. **LORD'S DAY.** We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God; that we should abstain from all sinful amusements and secular employment, work of mercy and piety excepted.—Exodus 20:11, 31.12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20-12; Matt. 28:1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27; I Cor. 16:1-2; Heb. 10:25.

12. **CALL TO THE MINISTRY.** We believe in a divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impresses His ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent that the call becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise the native gifts according to the Scriptures, with a full reliance upon Him, He accompanies them in the person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to his purpose.—Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; I Cor. 9-14; Matt. 28:19; Matt. 9-28; Heb. 5:4; II Cor. 11:14-23.

13. **THE INVISIBLE CHURCH.** We believe that the Invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous Abel to the restitution of all things, from every kindred, nation, tongue and people.—Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; I Pet. 2:5; Eph. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 16-18; Eph. 5:23-25; Rev. 5:9.

14. **THE VISIBLE CHURCH.** We believe that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the Gospel.—2 Thess. 1:1; Acts 16-5; 3 John 1:10; Matt. 18:17; Acts 20:28; Revelation 1:4-20.

15. **PERSEVERANCE.** We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine grace, and in the knowledge of the truth, and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life, and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from His hand so long as they walk in the path of duty; but those who side-step and willfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty, they would backslide if persistently continued, would be eternally lost. 2 Pet. 1:12; I Cor. 9:10; 2 Peter 1:4-18; 2 Peter 2:2; Apost. 2; Peter 1:8-9; I Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17; I John 5:16; Heb. 6:1-6; Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 12:31-32.

16. **CHRIST THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH.** We believe that Christ is

the Head of the Church, and that the government of the local church is with the body.—Cor. 1:18-19; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21-42; Eph. 1:22; Acts 16:4-5.

17. **SANCTIFICATION.** Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration, and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.—I Cor. 6:11; 2 Thes. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil 3:21; St. John 17:17-19; 2 Tim. 2:20-21.

18. **THE RESURRECTION.** We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and the wicked. When the resurrection shall take place, the soul and body shall be reunited, the righteous shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God forever; but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment.—Matt. 28:6; John 5:28-29; I Cor. 15:51-58; Dan. 12:2; Acts 24:15.

19. **THE SOUL.** The soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to the spiritual character here possessed. Phil. 1:23; Luke 23-43; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10-28; Rev. 20:4-5; Gen. 3-5, 18:19; I Kings 17:22.

20. **JUDGMENT.** We believe that there will be a general universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works, whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into eternal happiness.—2 Thess. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13; Luke 16:23; Re. 21-8; 2 Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13; Acts 17:31.

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 the 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 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.	Bible College	Clerk Hire	Co-op Plan	Edu.	State Conv.	Host Church
Rickey Chapel	200	1.00	1.00					1.50			3.00	5.00
Pocahontas	2.50	2.00		1,062.78	14.20	110.00	60.25	1.00	631.46		3.00	5.00
O'Kean	2.00	2.00	2.00			24.00		1.00			3.00	5.00
Old Reyno	2.00	1.00	1.00		50.00	20.00	15.00	1.50			3.00	5.00
Grand View	1.00	1.00		2.50	2.50			1.00			3.00	5.00
Pirtle	2.00	2.00	2.00			22.32		1.50			3.00	5.00
Warm Springs	1.00				5.00			.50	15.00			5.00
Mt. Zion	2.00			2.75		60.00		1.50				5.00
Elnora	2.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	30.00		1.00			3.00	5.00
Oldham Chapel	1.00							1.00				5.00
Alice Brooks	2.00	2.00	1.50	20.00	20.00	30.00		1.50			3.00	
Poplar Valley	1.50	1.00	1.00	25.00		36.95		1.50			3.00	5.00
Stoney Point	2.00							1.00				5.00
Little Brown	3.00	2.00	2.00					2.00			3.00	5.00
Thorn Grove	2.00	1.00	1.00					1.00			3.00	5.00
Sutton	2.50	1.00	1.00					1.00	10.00		3.00	5.00
New Bethel	1.00							1.00				
Sugar Tree Grove	2.00	1.00	1.00					1.00				3.00
Arbor Grove	2.00	1.00		104.23		25.00		1.50			3.00	5.00
Pruitt Chapel	2.00	1.00						1.00			3.00	5.00
Corning	2.00	1.00	1.00					1.00				5.00
Walnut Ridge	2.00	2.00	2.00	44.00	40.00			1.00			3.00	3.00
New Covenant	2.00			2.50	2.50			1.00			3.00	5.00
Clear Lake	2.00				5.50			1.00				5.00
Union Grove	1.00				1.00			.50				
	\$4550	23.00	17.50	1,268.76	140.00	358.27	75.25	28.50	656.46		48.00	106.00