

THE
Social Band Association
OF
Free Will Baptists

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE
EIGHTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

Convened At
O'Kean Free Will Baptist Church
O'Kean, Arkansas

CHURCH	PASTOR	CLERK	Members Rec'd	Members Baptised	Dismissed	Died	Women's Auxiliary	Sunday School	League	Own Ch. Prop.	Val. of Ch. Prop.	Members
Thorn Grove	Thurman Johnson	Janis Spinks	15			1	N	Y	Y	N		26
Grandview	Henry Pauley	Addie Jones	4		3		N	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	72
Jonesboro	Oscar Wright	Mrs. Paul Byrd	18	16			Y	Y	Y	Y	20,000.00	90
New Covenant	L. D. Johnson	Millie Holland	4	4	2		N	Y	N	N		115
Pruett Chapel	Claude Harmon	Grace Walker			4	2	N	Y	N	Y	4,000.00	62
Alice Brooks	Melvin Shelton	Thelma Graham	3	3	1		Y	Y	Y	Y	6,000.00	66
Elnora	Carl High	Carolyn Wheeless	6	3		1	Y	Y	Y	Y	6,000.00	79
Clear Lake	J. W. Russell	Mrs. Roscoe Marshall	10	7	3	1	N	Y	Y	Y	4,000.00	33
Sutton	Zane Kirkland	Dorothy Childress			3	5	Y	Y	Y	Y	13,000.00	102
Old Reyno	Robert Francis	Tilmer Graham	14	12	3		Y	Y	Y	Y	4,500.00	125
Rickey Chapel	Robert Garrett	Harry Midgett					N	Y	N	Y	4,500.00	37
Pirtle	Ira Gates	Iva Barksdale	2	2	1	1	Y	Y	Y	Y	6,000.00	140
Warm Springs	E. L. Bibb	Martha Holt					N	Y	N	Y	4,000.00	41
Arbor Grove	Glenn Campbell	Wanda Bonds	4			1	N	Y	Y	Y	6,000.00	110
Pocahontas	Ben Scott	Viella Wymore	25	17	2	3	Y	Y	Y	Y	62,000.00	294
New Bethel		Ethel Brown	1		2	1	N	Y	N	Y	3,500.00	22
Little Brown	Wayne House	Irene Crider			4		N	Y	Y	Y	5,000.00	67
Walnut Ridge	Keith Johnson	Kathy Belew	45	29	7	1	Y	Y	Y	Y	25,000.00	190
Sugar Tree Grove		Nora Murrell					N	Y	N	N		15
O'Kean	Grady Linebaugh	Dora Walker	1			2	Y	Y	Y	Y	25,000.00	83
Oldham Chapel	Leonard Milligan	Katherine Starnes	12	12		1	N	Y	N	Y	5,000.00	34
Poplar Valley	Lowell Graham	Geneva Pope	16	12	2		Y	Y	Y	Y	8,000.00	108
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Minutes of the
Eighty-Eighth Annual Session
OF
Free Will Baptists
OF
Social Band Association

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

AUGUST 16, 17, 18, 1962

The next session of the Association will be held with the Pocahontas Church beginning Thursday night before the third Sunday in August, 1963.

OFFICERS

MODERATOR—REV. KEITH JOHNSON, WALNUT RIDGE, ARKANSAS
ASSISTANT MODERATOR—REV. L. D. JOHNSON, WALNUT RIDGE, ARK.
CLERK—MRS. EDITH SMITH, PEACH ORCHARD, ARKANSAS

PROCEEDINGS

The 1962 session of the Social Band Association of Free Will Baptist was held with the O'Kean Church August 16, 17, 18, with 23 churches represented.

THURSDAY NIGHT

Call to order by Moderator Carl High. Singing directed by Bros. Tom Haynes, Dewey Thompson, Carl High, Doris Kerby and Zane Kirkland.

Prayers by Revs. Wayne Tucker, Oscar Wright, Bro. Marvin Riggs.

Scripture reading—Phil. 1:1-12. Theme (The Advancement of the Gospel). Rev. Claude Harmon delivered the evening message. Isaiah 58:11 Thought (The Lord Our Guide). After singing "O How I Love Jesus" we were dismissed by Rev. Leonard Milligan.

FRIDAY MORNING

Singing directed by Johnny Whitlow, Coley High and Elmer Swift.

Prayers by Rev. Dewey Thompson and Bro. Arthur Ring.

Scripture reading by moderator—Phil. 2:1-11 thought (Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus.) Church letters were read by Sisters Edith Smith and Barbara Johnson. Delegates were seated.

Committees appointed were:

Sunday School and League—Geneva Pope, Edith Britton, Gussie Jarrett, Helen Gosha and Thelma Graham.

Obituary—Lorene White, Edd Sutton, Anne Rothe, Almus Crider, John Risenhoover.

Finance—Leora High, Edsel Ramer, Lee Litherland, Quint Tyler, Johnny Whitlow.

North Side Free Will Baptist Church, of Pocahontas, seated in council.

Motion made that we seat Rev. Reford Wilson in our conference.

Rev. Claude Harmon gave the welcome address. Rev. Keith Johnson gave the response. Moderator read the rules of order. Rev. Reford Wilson gave a talk on Foreign Missions. As the congregation stood Rev. Ira Gates led in prayer for our missionaries.

Intermission

Singing directed by Edith Smith. Prayer by Ralph Jarrett.

Rev. Ben Scott brought the morning message. Scripture II Timothy 3:1-6 "Sins of the Times". Dismissal prayer by Bro. Oran Smith, offering of thanks Rev. Will S. White.

Noon

Friday afternoon singing directed by Johnny Edington. Prayer by Rev. Lowell Graham. Women's Auxiliary Committee—Barbara Johnson, five years; Doris Kirkland, four years; Geneva Pope, three years; Goldie Edington, two years; Agnus Palmer, one year.

Presbytery Board—Robert Francis, three years; Dewey Thompson, two years; Ben Scott, one year.

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

Home Mission Board—Johnny Edington, five years; Ralph Morrow, four years; Dalioun Stone, three years; Lowell Graham, two years; Marvin Riggs, one year.

Motion made that we expand our Home Mission Board to arrange itineraries in our association. Motion sustained that we underwrite salary for one year for our missionary Rev. Ernie Deeds, paying \$75.00 per month.

Send your Home Mission offerings to Ralph Morrow, Biggers, Arkansas.

Resolution Committee—Melvin Shelton, Glen Campbell, Henry Pauley, J. W. Russell, Claude Harmon. It was decided that we drop radio program. The Moderator turned in his resignation. Accepted.

Motion entertained we take love offering for Rev. W. C. Lakey and Rev. Ben Hawkins who are ill. Rev. Melvin Shelton offered prayer of thanks for the offering of \$75.33 which was divided equally between Bro. Lakey and Bro. Hawkins.

Pocahontas was chosen as place for next association. Speakers chosen were: Thursday night, Robert Francis, alternate Lowell Graham; Friday morning, Keith Johnson, alternate Grady Linebaugh; Friday night (Communion and feet-washing), Carl High, alternate Ira Gates; Saturday (Memorial) Oscar Wright, alternate L. D. Johnson.

Delegates elected for the State Association were: Lee Litherland, Doris Kirkland, Barbara Johnson, Edith Smith and Gussie Jarrett.

Motion that we adjourn business until Saturday morning. We were dismissed by Coley High.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Singing was directed by O. D. Winfery, Cecil Hufstedler, Ben Scott, Carl High.

Prayers by Bros. Raymond Gipson and Dalioun Stone. Special singing by quartet composed of Howard Jarrett, Cecil Hufstedler, Melvin Shelton and Carl High, accompanied by Roselyn Ragsdell at the piano. Trio by David Winfery, Bernadine Bonds and Danny Winfery, accompanied by Esterlee Winfery.

Devotional by Rev. Grady Linebaugh. Scripture, Romans 11:34-36; 12:1.

Singing "My Thanks to Him". We were led in prayer by Rev. Oscar Wright.

Rev. Dewey Thompson brought the message on Communion and feetwashing. Scripture I Cor. 11:23-26, John 2:5. Theme "Whatsoever He sayeth unto you do it." Rev. Ben Scott offered prayer for the bread and Rev. Wayne Tucker offered prayer for the cup. Twenty-seven women and 18 men took part in the services. Deacons Ralph Jarrett and Dalioun Stone waited on the tables. We sang a hymn and went out.

SATURDAY MORNING

Call to order by moderator, singing directed by Johnny Whitlow, Cecil Hufstedler and Earl Dunham. Prayers by Lee Litherland, Lirly Smith and L. D. Johnson. Scripture II Cor. 6:1-8 Thought "But in all things approving ourselves as ministers of God." Tardy letters read from New Covenant and Pruitt Chapel. Rev. Glen Campbell led in prayer in seating the delegates. Quarterly meeting report read and approved. Lucille Kerby gave very interesting talk on Women's Auxiliary. Ministers gave their reports. Rev. Ben Scott gave report on the National Association. Song directed by Deloss Walker, accompanied by Onetta Jarrett at the piano. Prayer by Howard Jarrett. Sunday school and League, Women's Auxiliary and Obituary gave reports.

Intermission

Singing directed by Cecil Hufstedler, prayer by Grady Linebaugh. Memorial services rendered by Pocahontas Auxiliary. Duet "Somewhere" by Helen Bennett and Mary Depriest accompanied by Barbara Johnson. Judy Bennett and Debbie Litherland lighted candles as Genell Scott read the names of the deceased. The duet then sang, "Beyond the Sunset". The memorial message was brought by Rev. Carl High. Scripture Psalm 116:15 "The death of the Saints is precious." After singing "When We All Get to Heaven" and an old-time handshake, we were dismissed by Rev. Dewey Thompson. Offering of thanks by Rev. Larry Russell.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Singing directed by H. Glen Campbell, prayer by Marvin Riggs. Quartet Cecil Hufstedler, Betty Ann Snow, Howard Jarrett and Carl High, sang "Will It Do Precious Lord?" Solo by Deloss Walker, prayer by Rev. Henry Pauley. Finance report accepted. Officers were elected (see front of book). Resolution of thanks, announcements, dismissed by Edgar Moler.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

OBITUARY—We, your committee, find that God has called from our midst: Bro. Arthur Foster of Thorn Grove; Bro. Will Winfery of Arbor Grove; Bros. Edd Cardwell, A. J. Atkins and Ted Helms of Pocahontas; Bro. J. A. Ponder of Walnut Ridge, Sis. Harry Lane of Pirtle; Sis. Rosie Martin, Bro. John Dearlove of O'Kean; Sis. Maggie Todd, Maud Hutsell and Bros. Edd Kincade and Ben Million (deacons) of Sutton; Sis. Gladys Gregory of Elnora; Sisters Mary Norris and Louella Smith of Pruitt Chapel; Sis. Sarah Clearwater of New Bethel; Sis. Danil Moore of Jonesboro, one from Oldhams Chapel and one from Clear Lake whose names were not given.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE—We, your committee, find of the 23 churches represented all have Sunday schools and only 15 have league. We recommend that all pastors make a special effort on helping their church organize one as League work is the training of our youth and a blessing and help for adults also.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY—We, your committee find that we have 11 auxiliaries, three Y.P.A. and two G.T.A. We have selected Sister Barbara Johnson to be the speaker at the next annual association. Old Reyno Auxiliary will have charge of the memorial service.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT—The first quarterly meeting convened with the Pocahontas church September 29, 30, 1961 with 20 churches represented. Monies received—\$29.00 for minutes; \$18.50, clerk fee; \$151.28, foreign mission; \$34.93, home mission; \$1.00 Bible college; \$47.83, youth camp; \$348.22, cooperative plan; \$5.00 local expenses. The second quarterly meeting convened with the Elnora church January 5-6, 1962 with 19 churches represented. Money received—\$28.00 for minutes; \$18.50, clerk fee; \$145.62 foreign mission; \$24.38, home mission; \$142.11, youth camp; \$344.53, co-op plan; \$5.00, local association expenses.

The third quarterly meeting convened with the Arbor Grove church March 30-31, 1962 with 19 churches represented. Money received—\$25.50 for minutes; \$19.00, clerk fee; \$25.50, home mission; \$175.90, foreign mission; \$265.50, Bible college; \$64.12, youth camp; \$390.48, cooperative plan.

The fourth quarterly meeting was held with the Little Brown church June 29-30, 1962 with 19 churches represented. Money received—\$26.50 for minutes; \$18.50, clerk fee; \$33.53, home mission; \$179.84, foreign mission; \$42.88, youth camp; \$228.50 Bible college; \$310.40, cooperative plan; local association expenses, \$20.00. Two deacons were ordained, Bros. Quint Tyler and Dwaine Jarrett of Thorn Grove church. Bro. Larry Russell of Poplar Valley was licensed to the ministry. Balance in treasury August 16, 1962, \$77.10. I sent sympathy cards and the resolution requested to Sister Hester.

—ALTA LEE MILLER (clerk and treasurer)

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE—

Be it resolved that the Social Band Association give the O'Kean church a rising vote of thanks for their generous hospitality shown us in entertaining this 88th session of the Association.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS

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
Robert Francis	Reyno, Arkansas
Keith Johnson	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
H. Glen Campbell	Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
Ira Gates	Peach Orchard, Arkansas
Thurman Johnson	Biggers, Arkansas
Henry Clemmants	Black Rock, Arkansas

Melvin Shelton
 Will S. White
 Lowell Graham
 L. D. Johnson
 Ben Hawkins
 Wayne Waggoner
 Robert Garrett
 Carl High
 W. C. Lakey
 Orville Cox
 Leonard Milligan
 Zane Kirkland
 Claude Harmon
 John Warren
 Wayne House
 D. W. Pinkston
 Oscar Wright
 Larry Russell (licensed)

O'Kean, Arkansas
 Pocahontas, Arkansas
 Hoxie, Arkansas, Box 322
 Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
 Pocahontas, Arkansas
 Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
 Delaplaine, Arkansas
 Peach Orchard, Arkansas
 Hoxie, Arkansas
 Corning, Arkansas
 Black Rock, Arkansas
 Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
 O'Kean, Arkansas
 Corning, Arkansas
 Jonesboro, Arkansas
 Walnut Ridge, Arkansas
 Jonesboro, Arkansas
 Nashville, Tennessee

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DEACONS

Church—Little Brown

Harold Statler
 Herman Johnson
 Jess Murphey

Walnut Ridge, Ark., Route 3
 Walnut Ridge, Ark., Route 3
 Walnut Ridge, Ark., Route 3

Church—Warm Springs

Benton Holt
 Almus Bingham

Warm Springs, Ark.
 Warm Springs, Ark.

Church—Pocahontas

Robert Counts
 Luther Crays
 Paul Hatfield
 Veral Jones
 Colman Wooldridge
 Loyd McCann

Pocahontas, Ark., Route 2
 Pocahontas, Ark., Route 2
 Walnut Ridge, Ark., N. W. 4th St.
 1502 Carter St., Pocahontas, Ark.
 Pocahontas, Ark., Route 2
 Pocahontas, Ark.

Church—Grandview

Ernest Jones
 Alden Jones
 Ernie Jolly

Pocahontas, Ark.
 Pocahontas, Ark.
 Corning, Arkansas

Church—Sutton

Vass Sutton
 Glenn Childress
 Arlie Melton

Pocahontas, Ark.
 Pocahontas, Ark.
 Pocahontas, Ark.

Church—Pirtle

Wiley Ricker
 Oran Smith
 John Boatner

294 Park Ave., South Haven, Mich.
 Peach Orchard, Ark.
 Peach Orchard, Ark.

Church—Walnut Ridge

Oliphant Holder
 Leonard Douthitt
 Arthur Ring
 Joe Floyd
 Grover Duncan

Hoxie, Ark.
 Walnut Ridge, Ark.
 Walnut Ridge, Ark.
 Hoxie, Ark.
 Hoxie, Ark.

Church—Poplar Valley

John Lee Pope
 Ray Knight
 Charley Bandy

Bono, Ark.
 Jonesboro, Ark.
 Bono, Ark.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DEACONS (Continued)

Church—New Covenant

Lirlie Smith
Lum Witcher

Walnut Ridge, Ark.
Walnut Ridge, Ark.

Church—Rickey Chapel

Elmer Swift
Thead Richardson
Willis Cribbs

Delaplaine, Ark.
Neelyville, Mo.
Delaplaine, Ark.

Church—Alice Brooks

I. C. Staten
M. D. Riggs
Milas Haynes
Guy Ward
G. D. Graham

Pocahontas, Ark.
Pocahontas, Ark.
2611 W. State, Rockford, Ill.
Pocahontas, Ark.
Delaplaine, Ark.

Church—Old Reyno

C. F. Jones
Jewell Graham
Ralph Morrow
John Edington, Jr.

Success, Ark.
Biggers, Ark.
Biggers, Ark.
Reyno, Ark.

Church—New Bethel

Charley Thorpe
Vernon Richey
Oris Richey

Pocahontas, Ark.
Pocahontas, Ark., Route 2
Pocahontas, Ark.

Church—Elnora

Howard Jarrett
Raymond Gipson
Ralph Jarrett
R. E. Gray

Walnut Ridge, Ark.
Walnut Ridge, Ark.
Walnut Ridge, Ark.

Church—O'Kean

Howard Martin

O'Kean, Ark.

Church—O'Kean

Junior Morris
Dalioun Stone

Delaplaine, Ark.
Walnut Ridge, Ark.

Church—Stony Point

Dan F. Kirk

Pocahontas, Ark., Dalton Route

Church—Sugar Tree Grove

G. W. Hopper

Poyner, Mo.

Church—Corning

Everett Johnson
Ervin Clark
Ambrose Cavenor
Harvey Hawkins

Corning, Ark.
Corning, Ark.
Corning, Ark.
Corning, Ark.

Church—Jonesboro

Frank Jowers
Ray Brandon
Paul Bean
Curtis Smith
L. T. Hobgood

Jonesboro, Ark.
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Jonesboro, Ark.

Church—Pruett Chapel

Rosco Miller
G. W. Cox

Beech Grove, Ark.
Beech Grove, Ark.

Church—Union Grove

Floyd Howarl

Ponder, Missouri

Church—Thorn Grove

Quint Tyler
Dwayne Jarrett

Corning, Ark.
Knobel, Ark.

MINISTERS' REPORT

As pastor of Grandview church I preached 76 sermons, witnessed four conversions, baptised five, received two in church fellowship, traveled 3,964 miles, received for labor \$521.00. Preached 17 sermons at other places, traveled 706 miles, received \$34.50. Performed two marriages, received \$4.00. Total, 93 sermons, 3964 miles, \$559.50.—REV. HENRY PAULEY, Beech Grove, Ark.

I pastored Thorn Grove church one-half time, preached 49 sermons, received into fellowship 19, baptised 14, received for labor, \$271.00. Preached one sermon at Grandview, received \$10.00, one dedication service, four radio broadcasts, 512 miles, received \$311.00.—ELD. WAYNE TUCKER, Peach Orchard, Arkansas.

I have pastored the North Side Free Will Baptist mission full time, which is now organized into the North Pocahontas Free Will Baptist church. Witnessed four conversions in our regular services, assisted in revival, witnessed four conversions, conducted two radio programs, officiated in one marriage, assisted in one funeral. Total, 60 sermons, traveled 500 miles. Have accepted the North Pocahontas church for full time this year.—REV. WILL S. WHITE, Pocahontas, Arkansas.

I pastored Poplar Valley church full time, helped with two revivals at church, witnessed 18 conversions, baptised 14, received 16 members into church fellowship. Preached 101 sermons at church, received \$810.00. Preached one sermon at rest home in Jonesboro; one sermon at First Free Will Baptist church in Jonesboro, conducted two funerals, married two couples, received \$10.00. Total miles, 2336; total money, \$820.00. Have accepted Poplar Valley church for another year.—REV. LOWELL GRAHAM, Hoxie, Ark., Box 322.

As pastor of New Covenant church I preached 100 sermons. Preached four revivals, witnessed 11 conversions, traveled 4500 miles, received \$600.00. Conducted one funeral. Have accepted New Covenant for following year.—REV. L. D. JOHNSON, Walnut Ridge, Ark., Route Three.

I pastored no church and have no church for this year, preached 15 sermons, witnessed two conversions, received \$35.82. Preached two sermons on radio.—REV. D. W. PINKSTON, Walnut Ridge, Ark., P. O. Box 294

I pastored Pirtle church full time, preached 88 sermons, baptised two, witnessed one conversion, received \$760.00. Helped in one revival, received \$40.00; performed one marriage, helped in two funerals, received \$10.00, received from other sources \$45.00. Total miles traveled, 3500; received \$755.00.—REV. DEWEY THOMPSON, Pocahontas, Ark., Route Two.

While pastoring Old Reyno church this year I preached 109 sermons, conducted four funerals, one wedding, witnessed 14 conversions, baptised nine, held one revival at the Pirtle church.—REV. ROBERT A. FRANCIS, Reyno, Ark.

I have preached 97 sermons, traveled 384 miles, received \$168.00, married one couple, received \$5.00, preached four sermons over KPOC. Have accepted Pruett Chapel church for this year.—REV. CLAUDE HARMON, O'Kean, Ark.

I pastored Clear Lake full time, preached 48 sermons, married two couples, received \$10.00; baptised three, received 10 into church, preached twice on radio, held pre-Easter services at Poplar Valley, two services at the Craighead County Rest Home.—REV. J. W. RUSSELL, 609 W. Gum, Walnut Ridge, Ark.

As full time pastor of Little Brown church I preached 108 sermons, witnessed two conversions, received one into the church, received \$780.00; preached 10 night revival at Alice Brooks, received \$55.00; assisted in three funerals, received \$30.00; married one couple, received \$5.00; total, 118 sermons, \$870.00.—REV. WAYNE HOUSE, 732 Crest Drive, Jonesboro, Ark.

As pastor of Oldham Chapel church I preached 98 sermons, witnessed two conversions, received 13 into fellowship, baptised three, received \$160.00, trav-

eled 1800 miles, preached two sermons at Pocahontas Mission, one revival, witnessed four conversions, received \$36.00, two sermons over KPOC, married six couples, \$17.00; one funeral, \$5.00; received \$24.65 elsewhere.—REV. LEONARD MILLIGAN, Box 194, Portia, Ark.

During the past year I have preached 134 sermons, conducted two revivals, received \$150.00, witnessed 11 conversions, six rededications, received three into church fellowship, performed two weddings, received \$10.00; conducted three funerals, received \$15.00; traveled 6000 miles. The Sutton church paid me \$1230.00, total received for year, \$1405.00. Have accepted Sutton church another year.—REV. ZANE KIRKLAND, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas.

As pastor of Arbor Grove church I preached 79 sermons, received three into fellowship, traveled 395 miles, received \$701.36; assisted in five revivals, preached 43 sermons, witnessed 29 conversions, baptised 19, received into fellowship 17, traveled 1687 miles, received \$349.36; conducted five funerals, received \$42.00; performed two marriages, received \$20.00; total 122 sermons, 2364 miles, 29 conversions, received \$1112.72.—REV. O. D. WINFERY, Hoxie, Ark., Route One, Box 149-C.

As pastor of Elnora church I preached 81 sermons, witnessed three conversions, baptised three, six additions to the church, traveled 6725 miles, received \$1175.00. Two revivals at Thorn Grove, preached 20 sermons, witnessed 15 conversions, traveled 500 miles, received \$95.00. Revival at New Covenant, preached 10 sermons, witnessed seven conversions, baptised six, traveled 500 miles, received \$70.00. Revival at Rockford, preached 12 sermons, witnesses three conversions, traveled 1200 miles, received \$154.00. Performed three weddings, conducted 13 funerals, preached one church dedication, six sermons elsewhere, traveled 1000 miles, received \$118.00. Total 130 sermons, 9925 miles, 28 conversions, received \$1612.00.—REV. CARL HIGH, Peach Orchard, Ark.

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; neverthe-

less, we agree that churches composing the Association shall stand in the same relationship to each other in the 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 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; I 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 come 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; 45:32; Heb. 2:9; Rev. 5:9; I 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; Rev. 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.	H. M.	F. M.	Y. C.	Bible College	Clerk Hire	Co-op Plan	State Conv.	Host Church
O'Kean	2.00	2.00	2.00					1.00		3.00	
North Side Pocahontas ..	1.50							1.00			5.00
Rickey Chapel	2.00	1.00	1.00					1.50			5.00
Oldham Chapel	1.00	1.00	1.00					1.00		3.00	
Arbor Grove	2.00	1.00			103.78	23.00		1.50		3.00	5.00
Pirtle	2.00	2.00	2.00					1.50		3.00	5.00
Grandview	2.00				5.00			1.00		3.00	5.00
Clear Lake	1.00							1.00			5.00
Warm Springs	1.50			5.00				1.00			5.00
Thorn Grove	2.00	1.00	1.00		1.00	18.00		1.00		3.00	5.00
Alice Brooks	2.00	2.00	1.50	20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	1.50		6.00	5.00
Jonesboro	2.00	2.00	1.50		63.89		100.00	1.50	639.07	3.00	5.00
Pocahontas	2.50	2.00		24.05	271.01	120.00	258.97	1.00	776.73	3.00	5.00
Poplar Valley	1.50	1.00	1.00		11.00			1.50	15.00	3.00	5.00
Elnora	2.00	2.00	1.00		20.00	28.00		1.50		3.00	5.00
New Bethel	1.00							1.00			
Sugar Tree Grove	2.00			1.00	1.00			1.00			
Sutton	2.50	2.00	2.00		46.00			1.00	50.00	6.00	5.00
Old Reyno	2.00	1.00	1.00			20.00	60.00	1.50	19.56	3.00	5.00
Little Brown	3.00	2.00	2.00			100.00		2.00		3.00	5.00
Walnut Ridge	2.00	2.00	2.00					1.00		6.00	5.00
Pruitt Chapel	2.00	1.00						1.00		3.00	5.00
New Covenant	2.00			2.50	2.50			1.00			5.00
	\$43.50	25.00	19.00	52.55	545.18	319.00	428.97	28.00	1500.36	57.00	95.00

—Lee Literland, Quint Tyler, Johnny Whitlow, Edsel Ramer