

***Minutes  
of the  
One Hundred Eighth Session  
of the  
Social Band Association  
of  
Free Will Baptists  
at the  
First Free Will Baptist Church  
of Jonesboro, Ark.  
July 9-10, 1982***

***The next quarterly meeting will convene  
at the Old Reyno Church  
October 1-2, 1982***

***The next annual meeting will convene  
at the Walnut Ridge Church  
July 8-9, 1983***

## **Officers**

Moderator .....	Rev. O. D. Winfrey
Asst. Moderator .....	Rev. Ken Haney
Clerk .....	Delma Gunnels
Asst. Clerk .....	Bernadine Privett

## **Presbytery Board**

Rev. Carl High .....	Term expires 1985
Rev. Alvie Richmond .....	Term expires 1984
Rev. Early White .....	Term expires 1983

## **Executive Board**

Rev. Vernon Gunnels .....	Term expires 1983
Rev. Henry Pauley .....	Term expires 1983
Rev. David Roach .....	Term expires 1983
Rev. Terry Forrest .....	Term expires 1983
Rev. Jimmie Bundy .....	Term expires 1983

## **Mission Board**

Rev. Dale Price .....	Term expires 1987
Brooks Crossno .....	Term expires 1986
Paul Bean .....	Term expires 1985
Marvin Riggs .....	Term expires 1984
Charles Rickey .....	Term expires 1983

## **Woman's Auxiliary Committee**

Estalene Winfrey .....	Term expires 1987
Gaye Sullinger .....	Term expires 1986
Pam Anis .....	Term expires 1985
Mable Croom .....	Term expires 1984
Donna Forrest .....	Term expires 1983

## **Scholarship Committee**

Boyce Williams .....	Term expires 1985
Gary Weeks .....	Term expires 1984
James Risenhoover .....	Term expires 1983

## **Resolutions Committee**

Rev. Joe Barnett .....	Term expires 1985
Rev. Ron Parker .....	Term expires 1984
Ron McCoy .....	Term expires 1983

## **Program Committee**

**Richard Bowers, Alan Barnett and Joe McDonald**

## ***Proceedings of July 9-10 Session***

### ***Friday, 9:00 a.m.***

Services opened with singing led by Bro. Ken Haney with Sis. Bernadine Privett, pianist.

Prayer was led by Bro. Alan Barnett.

Bro. Forrest read Hebrews 4:14-.

Singing continued.

Bro. Paul Bean gave the devotional, reading Psalms 133 and 134.

Welcome was given by Bro. Ken Haney.

Bro. O. D. Winfrey gave the response to the welcome.

Bro. Forrest explained the progress on the liquor issue.

Prayer and seating of delegates was conducted by Bro. Gene Cullum.

The following committees were chosen: Sunday School and CTS, obituary and finance.

Bro. Ron Parker gave a report on the work of the Christian Academy at Pocahontas First Church.

Prayer of intermission was by Bro. Carl High.

Services resumed with the choir singing, led by Bro. Ken Haney, with Sis. Haney at the piano.

Prayer was by Bro. Vernon Gunnels.

Special, "It Is Finished," was sung by Bro. Ray Knight.

Bro. Ron Parker delivered the message, using Haggai 1:2-10 and Rev. 3:14. Invitational hymn, "I Surrender All," was sung.

Bro. Joe McDonald was chosen to serve in Bro. Richmond's absence on the Presbytery Board.

Dismissal prayer and blessing on noon meal was by Bro. Early White.

### ***Friday Afternoon***

The meeting assembled with singing, led by Bro. Ken Haney, with Sis. Haney as pianist.

Bro. O. D. Winfrey led in prayer.

Delegates were chosen for state meeting: Sisters Stella Pauley, Mary Lea Jarrett, and Delma Gunnels and Brothers Raymond McNutt and Daniel Hewett.

The Walnut Ridge Church was chosen to host next associational meeting.

The Old Reyno Church was chosen to host the quarterly meeting in October.

### ***Friday Night, 7:30***

Service opened with singing, "All That Thrills My Soul," "Have Faith in God," and "Whosoever Meaneth Me."

Bro. Forrest read Psalm 27:1-5, followed by a prayer and praise service, conducted by Bro. Forrest.

Special was by Bro. Ken Haney and Bro. Alan Prescott. They sang "Beulah Land."

Bro. Forrest led in prayer.

Message was delivered by Bro. Dale Price, using Jeremiah 12:1-5.

The dismissal prayer was by Bro. Jess Pratt.

### ***Saturday, 9:00 a.m.***

Service opened with singing, led by Bro. Ken Haney, with Bernadine Privett, pianist.

Devotional was by Bro. Alvie Richmond, using Hebrews 10:22-26.

Singing continued.

Bro. David Joslin gave a report on the promotional work.

The item of selection of an associational missionary and a historian was brought from table. The vote for an associational missionary was defeated. The vote for a historian carried. Leora High was elected historian.

SS and CTS reports were given. (See *Reports*.)

Obituary report was given. (See *Reports*.)

Home mission report was given. (See *Reports*.)

Financial report was given. (See *Reports*.)

Motion was made and carried to give a rising vote of thanks to the Jonesboro First Church for their splendid hospitality.

Motion was made and carried to send letter from Social Band Assn. to the college letting them know we support them.

### ***Ordination Service***

Congregation sang "Jesus Call Us."

Bro. Alvie Richmond introduced Bro. Pauley, who gave charge — to Bro. Robert Alan Barnett — reading from II Tim. 4.

Prayer opened by Bro. Alvie Richmond, prayer of the laying on of hands by Bro. Alan's father, Bro. Joe Barnett.

Intermission prayer was by Bro. Early White.

New officers, board members and committees were elected (see page one).

Motion was made and carried to combine yearly and quarterly meeting program committees. Those elected to serve are Bro. Richard Bowers, Bro. Alan Barnett, and Bro. Joe McDonald.

Bro. Jeral Dean was licensed to preach and Bro. Alan Barnett was ordained to the ministry.

Letter of greetings from Bro. Raymond Riggs was read.

Announcements were given.

Prayer was by Bro. Forrest.

### ***Memorial Service***

Service opened with singing "He Is Able to Deliver Thee," led by Alan Prescott, with Sis. Haney pianist.

Bro. Gary Weeks led in prayer.

The memorial message entitled "Father, I Thank Thee," using John 14:1, was by Bro. O. D. Winfrey; accompanied by Bro. Jimmy Clark and Bro. Nelbert Rickey.

Special singing was by a trio from Jonesboro First Church, accompanied by Bro. Alan Prescott, pianist. They sang "Come Morning."

Bro. John Lee Pope led in prayer.

Bro. Ken Haney delivered the message, reading Eph. 3:14-21.

"Wherever He Leads I'll Go" was the invitational hymn, led by Bro. Richmond, accompanied by Bro. Alan Prescott at the piano.

Dismissal prayer and blessing on the meal was by Bro. Jess Pratt.

### ***Board and Committee Reports***

#### ***Resolutions Committee***

Whereas, there have been recent attacks upon the character of our FWBBC and some of the faculty and staff of FWBBC. . . .

Whereas, these attacks are an apparent effort to divide our denomination. . . .

Be it resolved that we, as the Social Band Association, send a letter to our FWBBC stating our support for the college and our desire for unity among Free Will Baptists.

Be it resolved that we give the Jonesboro Church a rising vote of thanks for the marvelous way in which they hosted the meeting.



## Obituary Report

We, your obituary committee, find God has seen fit to call from our midst the following:

Sutton: Sis. Kate Sutton and Sis. Dorothy Childress.

Warm Springs: Bro. Benton Holt (deacon), Sis. Lillie Allison, and Sis. Lillie Moore.

Walnut Ridge: Bro. Harla Smith, Sis. Susie Trantham, and Sis. Jessie Mae Davis.

Corning First: Sis. Nadene Cavenor and Sis. Mazie Lee.

Pirtle: Sis. Sherry Lynn Palmer and Bro. Colman Heiston.

Jonesboro First: Sis. Vela Taylor.

Eastvale: Bro. August W. Lilly.

Pruett Chapel: Bro. Marian Henry Walker.

Clear Lake: Sis. Myrtle Pinkston.

Old Reyno: Bro. Leonard Whitehead, Sis. Sally Carlton, and Sis. Alma Dean Risenhoover.

New Covenant: Bro. Bill Housdan (deacon).

First Pocahontas: Sis. Nell Lindley Potter.

Grandview: Sis. Birdie Duff and Bro. Orville Pride.

The bereaved have our heartfelt sympathy.

Committee: *Leora High, Birdie Boatner, and Marilea Barnett.*

## Home Missions Board

Fiscal Report, July 1, 1981-July 1, 1982

Amount brought forward July 1, 1981.....\$196.51

Received:

Corning First .....\$ 5.00

O'Kean..... 412.35

Poplar Valley ..... 144.00

Social Band Assn. .... 10.00

Abby Williams ..... 150.00

Total received .....\$721.35

Total.....\$917.86

Paid out:

Pioneer Church .....\$538.51

Paragould ..... 273.84

Total paid .....\$812.35

Leaving a balance in treasury .....\$105.51

Your Missions Board this July 1, 1982.

*Oran Smith, Marvin Riggs, Brooks Crossno, Charles Rickey, Paul Bean*

## Sunday School and CTS

We, the SS-CTS Committee, find that all churches reporting have Sunday School. Nine of the reporting churches do not have CTS.

We urge churches who do not have CTS to begin these services. A real blessing from the Lord is being missed by not having CTS services.

*Bernadine Privett, chm., Roselynd Ragsdell, Alice McDonald*

## Presbytery Report

We, the committee, have examined Jeral Dean and find him to be sound in faith and we find him sound in doctrine and we do recommend he be licensed for one year.

We, the committee, have examined Bro. Alan Barnett and we find him to be faithful to God's work and his doctrine. We do hereby recommend he be ordained to the full ministry.

*Rev. Henry Pauley, Early White, Joe McDonald*

### ***Promotional Committee***

Having completed a study on the feasibility of establishing a promotional office and having met with the pastors of the Association. It is felt that the establishing of a promotional office would not be feasible.

### ***Program for the Quarterly Meeting of the Social Band Association of Free Will Baptists at the Old Reyno Church October 1-2, 1982***

#### ***Friday Evening***

- 7:30 Singing, scripture and prayer
- 7:45 Devotional: Ralph Morrow  
Special Singing
- 8:00 Message: Bro. Vernon Gunnels  
Alternate: Bro. Jerry Fields

#### ***Saturday Morning***

- 9:00 Singing, scripture and prayer
- 9:15 Devotional: Bro. W. H. Cox
- 9:25 Welcome: Host Church  
Response: Bro. Joe Barnett
- 9:30 Reading of letters, seating of delegates, recognition of visitors, appointment of committees, designation of offering and other business
- 10:45 Intermission
- 11:00 Worship  
Message: Bro. Alvie Richmond  
Alternate: Bro. Carl High
- 12:00 Lunch

#### ***Saturday Afternoon***

- 1:15 Singing and prayer
- 1:30 Reports of Boards and Committees  
Ordination  
Adjournment

## ***Deacons and Church Clerks***

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7. Rev. Joe Barnett  
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9. Rev. Eugene Davis  
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10. Rev. D. W. Pinkston

## STATISTICAL REPORT

CHURCHES	Membership				S.S. Avg.	CTS Avg.	Pastor's Salary	Evange- listic Work	Op-op Plan	Missions		Bible College	Orphan- age	Youth Camp	Scholar- ship Fund	State & Nat. Conv. Fees	Social Band Fees & Host Church
	Total	Rec.	Dis.	Died						Foreign	Home						
Alice Brooks	111	4	3	0	69	39	\$ 11,900.00	\$ 200.00	0	\$ 400.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 5.00	0	\$ 60.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 20.00
Arbor Grove	73	6	3	0	86	51	9,200.00	360.00	\$ 1,070.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Clear Lake	8	2	0	1	14	0	720.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20.00
Corning, 1st	79	4	1	2	0	0	7,540.00	499.50	1,388.42	140.00	284.00	76.00	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Eastvale	58	14	12	1	47	0	10,803.05	475.00	1,870.43	557.31	25.00	0	0	120.00	0	35.00	20.00
Elnora	135	4	0	0	87	33	14,934.00	340.64	0	80.00	0	0	0	225.00	0	35.00	20.00
Faith, Corning	27	0	0	0	30	0	395.00	0	0	32.00	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Faith, Jonesboro	94	3	2	0	78	0	0	0	0	623.56	111.58	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Grandview	60	1	0	2	40	25	0	0	0	30.00	45.00	0	0	0	0	15.00	20.00
Jonesboro, 1st	152	14	6	1	98	39	10,400.00	0	1,160.00	929.50	469.00	0	0	150.00	0	35.00	20.00
Mountain Home	52	19	4	0	72	0	11,700.00	670.00	0	642.27	554.34	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
New Bethel	11	1	2	0	13	0	720.00	0	0	0	178.75	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
New Covenant	56	10	2	1	47	28	6,225.00	227.75	0	40.00	40.00	40.00	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Northside	85	1	3	0	76	0	5,200.00	105.00	0	222.06	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
O'Kean	153	0	0	0	82	62	10,196.66	333.00	3,811.32	0	706.69	128.40	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Oldham Chapel*																	
Old Reyno	178	12	3	3	136	67	13,111.95	452.50	3,087.72	238.91	224.12	82.25	\$72.42	1,724.82	0	35.00	20.00
Paragould, 1st	62	2	0	0	47	0	3,170.00	0	0	0	81.00	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Pioneer	15	0	0	0	17	5	3,600.00	330.60	0	170.00	80.00	0	0	10.00	0	35.00	20.00
Pirtle	40	0	4	2	15	12	90.00	0	0	120.00	0	0	0	26.00	0	35.00	20.00
Pocahontas, 1st	227	7	9	1	113	48	15,600.00	927.39	4,511.27	2,117.00	165.25	120.00	0	203.80	0	35.00	20.00
Poplar Valley	128	2	2	0	58	34	3,960.00	230.00	1,343.22	720.43	144.00	40.00	0	48.00	50.00	35.00	20.00
Pruett Chapel	30	2	1	1	36	22	2,080.00	280.00	0							35.00	20.00
Rickey Chapel	50	0	0	0	22	0	2,850.00	200.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Stoney Point	11	0	0	0	20	0	2,080.00	0	100.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Sugar Tree Grove*																	
Sutton	260	32	2	2	0	0	0	0	4,637.58	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
Thorn Grove	32	0	0	0	17	0	2,450.00	0	0	15.00	15.00	0	0	30.00	0	35.00	20.00
Walnut Ridge, 1st	275	33	3	3	221	0	12,335.00	1,195.16	449.36	1,372.41	5,210.87	1,105.00	0	45.00	747.18	35.00	20.00
Warm Springs		4		3	43	0	6,000.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35.00	20.00
TOTALS	2,462	177	62	23	1,584	465	\$167,260.66	\$6,826.54	\$30,429.32	\$8,450.45	\$8,354.60	\$1,596.65	\$72.42	\$2,642.62	\$842.18	\$925.00	\$560.00

\*No Report

## ***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 all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to 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 faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, 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 Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance 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.

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 church and 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.

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

## ***Rules of Order***

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with 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 anytime by a majority of the members of the Association.

4. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.

5. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless 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. Alternations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.



## **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, provided his seat is 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, church clerks, and licentates together with the messengers duly chosen by the several churches in our union and sent to represent them in this Association, who 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 representative 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 power to lord 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 advisory council to give churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; to inquire into the cause why churches neglect to represent themselves in the 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 church from which he or they were messengers.

11. All resolutions of this body will cease to be in force at the close of the annual session each year unless they are renewed at that session.

12. This Association possesses appellate jurisdiction in all cases of difficulty that may arise in the churches.

13. The Lord's Supper and feet washing shall be at the option of the host church be administered at the annual session of the Association.

14. Each annual Association shall be held on Friday morning before the second Sunday in July.

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

16. No person shall hold two offices or positions on standing boards at the same time in the Association. No person may serve more than two consecutive terms in any office, and no person shall succeed himself on a standing board.



## *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.

2. 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.

3. 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 glorified, and is our every present Savior and Lord.

4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

5. 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.

6. 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.

7. 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.

8. The Terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's 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.

9. 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.

10. Freedom of the 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.

11. 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.

12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

13. 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, is of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

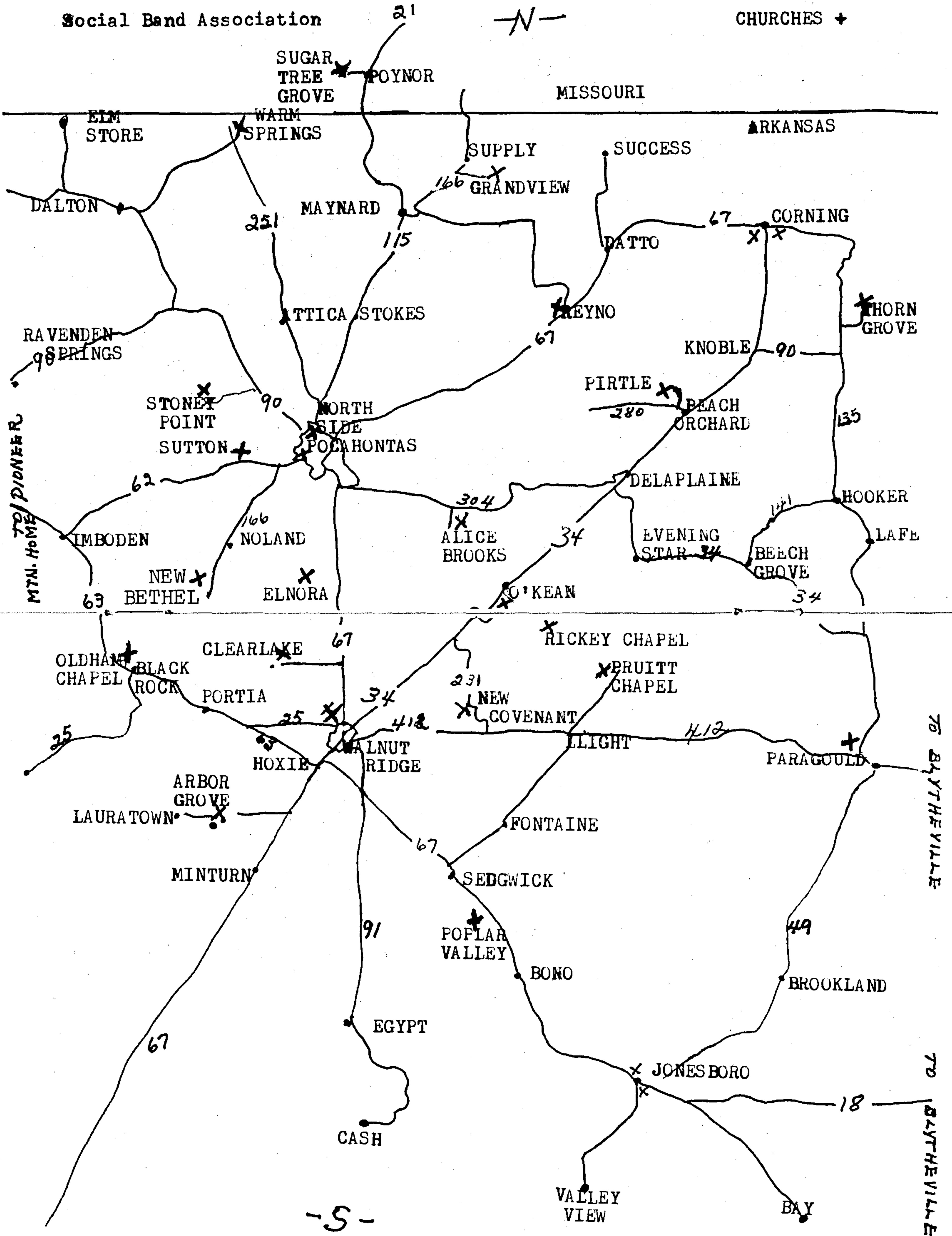
14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (1 Cor. 16:2a).

15. 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.

16. Resurrection, Judgment, 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."

## Social Band Association Financial Report

Check No.	Date	Receipts	Disbursements		Balance
			Paid To	Amount	
	7-18-81				\$ 488.03
0126	8-28-81		Times Dispatch (yearly minutes)	\$ 264.51	224.03
0127	9- 8-81		Times Dispatch (envelopes)	10.20	213.83
0128	9-10-81		Postmaster (postage for minutes)	35.64	178.19
0129	9-28-81		Times Dispatch (assn. letter forms)	29.87	148.32
0130	10- 3-81		Rev. Earnie Hale (love offering)	100.00	48.32
	10- 5-81	\$ 530.00			578.32
0131	10-17-81		Ark. FW Baptists	230.00	348.32
0132	10-17-81		Scholarship Fund	20.00	328.32
0133	10-17-81		Social Band Home Mission	10.00	318.32
0134	10-17-81		Estalene Winfrey, clerk hire	50.00	268.32
	10-22-81		Bank Service Charge	1.00	267.32
0135	11- 9-81		Times Dispatch (quarterly minutes)	99.60	167.72
0136	11-18-81		Postmaster (for minutes)	26.07	141.65
0137	1- 6-82		County Clerk (copies of map)	5.00	136.65
0138	1- 7-82		Wal-Mart (register book and pens)	12.00	124.65
	1-13-82	725.30			849.95
0139	1-15-82		Ark. FW Baptists	395.30	454.65
0140	1-15-82		Social Band Scholarship Fund	30.00	424.65
0141	1-15-82		Estalene Winfrey, clerk hire	50.00	374.65
0142	2-26-82		Ozark Journal (3M revival handbills)	80.00	294.65
0143	3- 1-82		Times Dispatch (stamps, env., qtly. min.)	112.81	181.84
0144	3- 1-82		Times Dispatch (stamp ink pad)	2.00	179.84
0145	3- 9-82		Postmaster (postage for minutes)	19.55	160.29
0146	3-26-82		VOID		
	3-23-82	651.48			811.77
	3-29-82	580.69			1,392.46
0147	3-26-82		Rev. Rupert Pixley, evangelist	400.00	992.46
0148	3-26-82		Rev. Gilbert Pixley, evangelist	400.00	592.46
0149	3-26-82		Best Western Motel	103.00	489.46
0150	3-26-82		Eugene Schafer (custodian, Sutton)	100.00	389.46
0151	4- 9-82		Kelly's Grill (meals for evangelists)	41.83	347.63
	4- 9-82	580.35			927.98
0152	4-14-82		Ark. FW Baptists	309.70	618.28
0153	4-14-82		Social Band Scholarship Fund	30.00	588.28
0154	4-14-82		Estalene Winfrey, clerk hire	50.00	538.28
0155	6-14-82		Postmaster (postage, quarterlies)	44.64	493.64
0156	6-18-82		Times Dispatch (quarterly minutes)	91.57	402.07
	3-24-82		Bank Service Charge	3.00	399.07
0157	7-10-82		1st Church, Jonesboro, Host	270.00	129.07
0158	7-10-82		VOID		
0159	7-10-82		Social Band Scholarship Fund	15.00	114.07
0160	7-10-82		Estalene Winfrey, clerk hire	50.00	64.07
	7-12-82	1,543.25			1,607.32
0161	7-10-82		Ark. FW Baptists	1,103.25	504.07



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