

Minutes
Of The
One Hundred Fifteenth Session
Of The
Social Band Association
Of
Free Will Baptists
Meeting At The
Wynne Free Will Baptist Church
July 7-8, 1989

The next Quarterly Meeting will convene at the
Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church
October 6-7, 1989

The next Annual Meeting will convene
July 7-8, 1989
(HOST CHURCH UNDETERMINED AT THIS TIME)

SUMMARY OF LETTERS FOR ANNUAL MEETING
JULY 7-8, 1989

CHURCHES	MEMBERSHIP					SS EN	CTS EN	WA EN	MM EN	ORD MIN	LIC MIN	ORD DEC	FEES
	TOT	REC	DIS	DEC	BAP								
ALICE BROOKS	143	5	-	1	5	80	-	-	-	2	-	1	15.00
ARBOR GROVE	129	-	-	-	-	95	-	-	-	2	-	-	15.00
CLEAR LAKE	10	-	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	2	-	1	15.00
COFFMAN	35	1	-	-	-	32	18	-	-	1	-	2	15.00
CORNING 1ST	45	2	2	-	-	40	-	-	-	1	1	-	15.00
EASTVALE	44	2	-	-	-	32	25	-	7	1	-	2	15.00
ELNORA	142	-	-	-	2	94	-	13	-	1	-	5	15.00
FTH CORNING	26	3	-	-	1	26	-	-	-	1	-	2	15.00
FTH J'BORO	101	5	-	-	2	101	101	10	10	2	-	2	15.00
GRANDVIEW	57	-	-	-	-	22	15	-	-	-	-	-	15.00
HARMONY	LETTER NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PRINTING												
J'BORO 1ST	110	1	-	-	4	98	48	14	8	3	-	5	15.00
MT. HOME 1ST	52	10	-	-	2	50	-	8	-	1	-	-	15.00
NEW BETHEL	17	-	-	-	-	20	8	-	-	1	-	1	15.00
NORTHSIDE	134	-	-	-	-	80	-	-	-	2	-	2	15.00
O'KEAN	LETTER NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PRINTING												
OAK GROVE	73	1	-	1	4	109	-	10	-	1	-	2	15.00
OLD REYNO	198	3	-	-	-	150	75	10	10	2	-	5	15.00
PARAGOULD	54	2	-	-	2	83	-	14	12	3	-	2	15.00
PIONEER	29	4	-	-	2	29	-	7	-	2	-	1	15.00
POCAHONTAS	205	4	1	-	-	126	75	23	-	1	-	1	15.00
POP'LR VAL	66	-	-	-	-	66	30	-	-	1	-	1	15.00
PRUETT CHPL	38	-	-	1	-	30	12	-	-	1	-	1	15.00
RICKEY CHPL	39	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	1	1	15.00
STONY POINT	12	-	-	-	1	22	-	-	-	1	-	-	15.00
BUTTON	271	6	-	-	6	108	-	18	6	2	-	6	15.00
THORN GROVE	24	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	1	-	1	15.00
WALNUT RIDGE	211	-	13	2	-	260	90	20	-	2	-	1	15.00
WARM SPRINGS	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	1	-	2	15.00

TOTALS	2281 2281	49 49	16 16	5 5	87 87	1008 1008	497 497	156 156	52 52	37 37	2 2	45 45	405.00 405.00
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OFFICERS - 1989-90

MODERATORBro. Sam Rogers
ASST. MODERATORBro. Gene Cullum
CLERKBernadine Privett
ASST. CLERKBeatrice Graham

PRESBYTERY BOARD

Bro. Graddy LinebaughTerm expires 1992
Bro. Lowell GrahamTerm expires 1991
Bro. Glynn CampbellTerm expires 1990

EXECUTIVE BOARD/PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Bro. Clinton HolderTerm expires 1994
Bro. Terry LathamTerm expires 1993
Bro. J.W. BlanksTerm expires 1992
Bro. Fred ScottTerm expires 1991
Bro. Dewey ThompsonTerm expires 1990

MISSION BOARD

Bro. Darrell HollowayTerm expires 1994
Bro. Tommy TimsTerm expires 1993
Bro. James GoshaTerm expires 1992
Bro. J.W. RussellTerm expires 1991
Bro. Paul BeanTerm expires 1990

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Sis. Mable LinebaughTerm expires 1994
Sis. Ruth LanierTerm expires 1993
Sis. Imogene CarterTerm expires 1992
Sis. Kathy DeanTerm expires 1991
Sis. Pat SmithTerm expires 1990

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Bro. J.W. DuffTerm expires 1992
Bro. Joe McDonaldTerm expires 1991
Bro. Jim WilliamsTerm expires 1990

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Bro. Clarence PriceTerm expires 1992
Bro. Melvin SheltonTerm expires 1991
Bro. Jeral DeanTerm expires 1990

Minutes Of The Annual Meeting Held At The Wynne Free Will Baptist Church July 7-8, 1989

Friday Evening

Friday evening service opened with a welcome by pastor, Bro. O.D. Winfrey. Bro. Glynn Campbell led the congregation in singing, with prayer by Bro. Zane Kirkland. The Wynne Quartet sang "What A Happy Day" and "Too Much to Gain to Lose".

Bro. Loy Counts brought the evening message using scripture from Joshua, Chapter 3. His message was titled: "Go After Them: A Change in Salvation, Service, Separation, Challenge, Commitments and Steadfastness".

An altar of prayer was led by Bro. Counts at the end of his message. Dismissal prayer was led by Bro. Robert Spencer.

Saturday Morning

Saturday morning session opened by moderator, Bro. O.D. Winfrey. Bro. Clinton Holder led singing: "I Am Resolved", with Bro. David Winfrey as pianist. Scripture was read by Bro. Gene Cullum from Ephesians 1:1-3, which he followed with prayer. Singing continued with "Holy Spirit, Breathe on Me". Prayer was led by Bro. J.W. Blanks.

The morning devotional was given by Bro. David Winfrey. Bro. David used Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1 and Matthew 9:10-13 as his text. He closed the devotional with prayer.

Welcome was given by church pastor, Bro. O.D. Winfrey. Response offered by Bro. Paul Bean.

Next on the agenda was the seating of delegates by prayer.

Visitors were recognized. Members of the Home Missions were in attendance to dedicate the new church at Wynne: Bro. Robert Spencer, Ft. Smith; Bro. Zane Kirkland, Conway; Bro. Hoover Lewis, Batesville; Bro. Loy Counts, Rogers; Bro. Terry Forrest, Monticello. Other visitors included Bro. David Joslin from state office in Conway, and Bro. Dan Huddleston and his family, lay missionaries preparing to go to Ivory Coast, West Africa.

Bro. Dan Huddleston spoke concerning the burden he and his family have concerning this work and requested prayers for them as they go.

The morning offering was designated to go to Bro. Huddleston.

The moderator called for a report from the Social Band Home Mission Board concerning old business from April. The board was to meet and give stipulations concerning disbursements of money in this account. Those in attendance agreed there had been no action since the April meeting, therefore no report was available.

Motion carried to send the money to Eastvale Church in Blytheville since this was our mission project.

Officers for 1989-90 were elected at this time. (See inside front cover.)

Meeting dates and places which had already been decided were given as:

October 6-7	Oak Grove
January 5-6	Undecided
April 6-7	Paragould
July 6-7	Undecided

Bro. J.W. Blanks expressed appreciation to Social Band Association from the Eastvale Church in Blytheville for support.

Reports of S.S./C.T.S.; Women's Auxiliary; and Obituary were given at this time. (SEE REPORTS).

Delegates from Social Band to State Meeting were elected: Beatrice Graham, Delca Blanks, Mable Linebaugh, Erma Jones, Estalene Winfrey and Stella Pauley (alternate).

Bro. David Joslin spoke concerning the work of Arkansas Free Will Baptists.

Following prayer by Bro. Tommy Tims, the morning offering was taken. Offering amount was \$106.30.

INTERMISSION

Meeting resumed with singing led by Bro. Zane Kirkland, with Bro. David Winfrey at the piano: "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". Bro. Fred Scott followed with prayer.

Bro. David Williford introduced the State Home Mission Board and gave the program outlay for the dedication service.

Special singing was presented by the Winfrey Family, "What A Meeting in the Air", "I'm Gonna Go To There", "Beulah Land", and "We May Be Leaving Today".

Bro. Terry Forrest gave the dedication message. He chose John 3:8 as his text and spoke on "The Spirit of God". Bro. Terry used this message to give encouragement to the newly established church at Wynne, as to all in attendance at the meeting.

Bro. Bob Spencer gave the charge to Wynne Free Will Baptist Church. He used II Timothy 4:1 and I Corinthians 4:2 as his scripture. His charge was:

BE FAITHFUL:	In Attendance, In Prayer, In Bible Study,
	In Tithes and Offerings, In Love For One Another,
	In Teamwork, In Love For The Church.

The dedication service was closed with a dedicatory prayer by Bro. Loy Counts.

At this time, the Resolutions Report and the Program Report were given. (SEE REPORTS). Closing songs were led by Bro. Zane Kirkland: "Love Lifted Me" and "Power in the Blood".

Closing prayer and blessing on the noon meal led by Bro. Hoover Lewis.

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

S.S./C.T.S. (Prepared by clerk from letters.)

According to information in the letters received (28 of 29), there are 28 active Sunday Schools, with 11 churches having active C.T.S. Programs.

JULY 1989 REPORT

Total S.S. Enrollment 1998
Total C.T.S. Enrollment 517
Average S.S. Attendance 71
Average C.T.S. Attendance 47

JULY 1988 REPORT

(1720)
(416)
(61)
(38)

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY (Prepared by clerk from letters.)

Of the 28 churches reporting, 13 report active auxiliaries, with total membership of 168.

OBITUARY REPORT (Prepared by clerk from letters.)

During the past year, God has seen fit to call from our midst the following:

Lucille Robins Arbor Grove
Nathan Rice Alice Brooks
Inez Murphy Alice Brooks
Loren "Bud" Anis Alice Brooks
Georgia Hargrave Mountain Home 1st
Lester Barnes Northside
Birdie Boatner Northside
Mae Ricker Northside
Virgil Ross (Deacon) Oak Grove
Mahalia Ross Oak Grove
George Morgan Oak Grove
John Norris Paragould
Cora Atkins Pocahontas
Cecil Hufstedler Pocahontas
Ruth Swann Pocahontas
Melvin Huffman Pruett Chapel
Oldrick Simek Sutton
Tommy Baird Walnut Ridge

HOME MISSION BOARD

No Report.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

No Report.

PRESBYTERY BOARD

No Business.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Resolve that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for the gracious hospitality received by the Social Band Association during the 1989 Annual Meeting.

Clarence Price
Paul Bean
J.W. Russell

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

PROGRAM FOR THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE SOCIAL BAND ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS MEETING AT THE OAK GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

October 6-7, 1989

Friday Evening

7:30 Singing, Scripture, Prayer
7:45 Special Singing, Host Church
8:00 Message: Bro. J.W. Russell
Alternate: Bro. Graddy Linebaugh

Saturday Morning

9:00 Singing, Scripture, Prayer
9:15 Devotional - Bro. Don Winfrey
9:25 Welcome: Host Church
Response:
9:30 Seating of Delegates, Recognition
of Visitors, Business Session
10:45 INTERMISSION
11:00 WORSHIP
Message: Bro. David Williford
Alternate: Bro. Gene Cullum
12:00 LUNCH

STATE DELEGATES FROM CHURCHES (REPORTED IN LETTERS): Dorothy Holloway - Alice Brooks; Vela Russell - Poplar Valley; Edith Smith - Thom Grove.

Social Band Association of Free Will Baptists

Rt. 1 Box 274

FINANCIAL REPORT

Hoxie, AR 72433

Check No.	Date	Receipts	DISBURSEMENTS		Balance
			Paid To	Amount	
					\$ 1,044.32
158	9/15/88		U.S. Post Office	\$ 7.00	\$ 1,037.32
159	9/29/88		U.S. Post Office	\$ 8.00	\$ 1,029.32
160	10/05/88		Ozark Journal	\$ 358.20	\$ 644.12
161	10/08/88		Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$ 100.00	\$ 544.12
162	10/08/88		O.D. Winfrey (Mileage)	\$ 61.82	\$ 482.30
163			VOID		
164	11/14/88		Social Band Scholarship Fd.	\$ 223.00	\$ 259.30
165	12/17/88		Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$ 100.00	\$ 159.30
	12/19/88	\$ 678.00			\$ 837.30
166	12/27/88		Postage	\$ 12.60	\$ 824.70
167	1/06/89		Arkansas Free Will Baptists	\$ 45.00	\$ 779.70
168	1/06/89		Social Band Home Missions	\$ 30.00	\$ 749.70
	1/20/89	\$1,393.05			\$ 2,042.75
169	2/17/89		Ozark Journal	\$ 125.00	\$ 2,017.75
170	2/20/89		Arkansas Free Will Baptists	\$ 677.55	\$ 1,340.20
171	2/20/89		Social Band Home Missions	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,325.20
172	2/20/89		O.D. Winfrey (Mileage)	\$ 61.82	\$ 1,263.38
173	2/20/89		Social Band Scholarship Fd.	\$ 120.00	\$ 1,143.38
174	2/20/89		Pocahontas Free Will Baptist	\$ 145.00	\$ 998.38
175	2/20/89		Wheeler Fund	\$ 130.50	\$ 867.88
176	3/24/89		Ozark Journal	\$ 125.00	\$ 742.88
177	3/27/89		Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$ 100.00	\$ 642.88
178	3/28/89		Postage	\$ 19.40	\$ 623.48
	3/28/89	\$ 545.00			\$ 1,168.48
179	5/25/89		Arkansas Free Will Baptists	\$ 190.00	\$ 918.48
180	5/25/89		Arbor Grove Free Will Baptist	\$ 145.00	\$ 833.48
181	5/25/89		Social Band Home Missions	\$ 15.00	\$ 818.48
182	5/28/89		Social Band Scholarship Fd.	\$ 40.00	\$ 778.48
183	6/06/89		Postage	\$ 4.80	\$ 773.68
184	6/22/89		Supplies for mail-out (Wal-Mart)	\$ 6.70	\$ 766.98
185	6/23/89		Copies for mail-out (SBC)	\$ 6.50	\$ 760.48
186	6/23/89		Postage for mail-out	\$ 25.25	\$ 735.23
187	7/07/89		Bernadine Privett (Clerk Hire)	\$ 100.00	\$ 635.23
188	7/07/89		Ozark Journal	\$ 128.00	\$ 507.23
189	7/08/89		Wynne Free Will Baptist	\$ 145.00	\$ 362.23
	7/17/89	\$1,631.30			\$ 1,993.53
190	8/02/89		Arkansas Free Will Baptists	\$1,191.30	\$ 802.23

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Social Band Association of

CHURCHES	Membership					SS EN	
	Total	Rec.	Dis.	Dec.	Bap.		
Alice Brooks	143	7	0	3	9	93	
Arbor Grove	133	11	4	1	3	137	
Clear Lake	10	0	0	0	0	18	
Coffman	35	0	0	0	0	32	
Corning First	45	0	0	0	0	40	
Eastvale	42	7	0	0	1	32	
Elnora	142	0	0	0	4	103	
Faith Corning	23	1	0	0	1	28	
Faith Jonesboro	96	3	0	0	1	96	
Grandview	57	0	0	0	0	24	
Harmony	LETTER NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PRINTING						
Jonesboro First	109	6	0	0	4	98	
Mountain Home First	42	2	2	1	0	45	
New Bethel	17	0	0	0	0	22	
Northside	134	4	2	3	0	80	
O'Kean	87	0	8	0	0	75	
Oak Grove	73	5	0	1	4	109	
Old Reyno	195	4	4	0	0	150	
Paragould	51	11	2		3	77	
Pioneer	17	0	0	0	0	31	
Pocahontas	202	2	5	3	2	126	
Poplar Valley	66	7	1	0	0	66	
Pruett Chapel	39	0	0	0	0	39	
Rickey Chapel	39	0	0	0	0	14	
Stony Point	12	0	0	0	1	35	
Sutton	265	5	2	1	2	100	
Thorn Grove	24	0	0	0	0	24	
Walnut Ridge	227	14	3	1	2	260	
Warm Springs	22	1	0	0	6	44	
TOTALS	2347	90	33	14	43	1998	

of Free Will Baptists

CTS EN	WA EN	MM EN	ORD MIN	LIC MIN	ORD DEC	FEES
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0	0	0	2	0	1	50.00
20	0	0	1	0	2	50.00
0	0	0	1	1	0	50.00
25	0	7	1	0	2	50.00
0	13	0	1	0	5	50.00
0	0	0	1	0	2	50.00
96	10	10	2	0	2	50.00
15	0	0	0	0	0	50.00
48	14	8	3	0	5	50.00
0	7	0	1	0	0	50.00
8	0	0	1	0	1	50.00
0	0	0	2	0	2	50.00
0	12	0	0	0	1	50.00
0	10	0	1	0	3	50.00
75	10	10	2	0	5	50.00
	14	12	3	0	2	50.00
0	7	0	2	0	1	50.00
71	22	0	1	0	1	50.00
30	0	0	1	0	1	50.00
39	0	0	1	0	1	50.00
0	0	0	0	1	1	50.00
0	0	0	1	0	0	50.00
0	20	6	2	0	6	50.00
0	0	0	1	0	1	50.00
90	20	0	2	0	1	50.00
0	9	0	1	0	2	50.00
517	168	53	38	2	49	1400.00

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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 Saviour 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 any time by a majority of the members of the Association.
4. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.
5. Motion made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless ordered at the time.
6. No one shall speak more than once on the same object 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 as to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, in addition to the business session each day, and the moderator

announces at the adjournment of each business session who is to have charge of said service.

10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

Articles of Faith

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

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 ever present Saviour 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 Saviour 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, Judgement, and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrec-

tion 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."

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 the 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 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. AMENDMENT: No person may serve more than two consecutive terms in any office, except Associational Clerk, and no person shall succeed himself on a standing board.

17. AMENDMENT to #14. Each annual Association shall be held Friday evening and Saturday morning before the second Sunday in July.

* AMENDMENT to #10. Since it is the belief of the Social Band Association of Free Will Baptists as well as the belief of the Arkansas State Association of Free Will Baptists, and the National Association of Free Will Baptists that the local church is autonomous, we do not feel it necessary for us to set any standards other than those already given in the Bible, and the commonly accepted standards set forth and practiced among Free Will Baptists everywhere.

A common process for all candidates for licensing and/or ordination ought to be:

1. A divine call from God.

2. The recognition of one's calling to the ministry by his local church.

A. The local church should first be convinced that an individual has indeed been called of God.

B. The person called has the burden of proof concerning his calling to the gospel ministry and field of work.

3. The local church may request that the Presbytery Board examine a candidate to determine his qualifications and to discern his desire to serve. This request must be made in the quarterly church letter, and it must state the precise reason for requesting the examination (for example - licensing, renewing or extending a license, ordination, or to be received into the Social Band Association as an ordained minister).

4. The Presbytery Board will examine each person according to the request of the local church, and it will then report its findings to the Association along with any recommendation(s) they may have.

5. Any ordained minister who is a member of the Association in good standing may ask questions of any person who is to be examined (whether for licensing, ordination, etc.) as to their calling, doctrinal beliefs, practices, or interpretation of what Free Will Baptists believe. This may be done in writing signed by the person who is asking the question(s), or by requesting to meet with the candidate in the presence of the Presbytery Board, or with permission from the moderator a question may be asked from the floor. We urge discretion please.

6. Any other questions concerning this process is covered by either the Bible, the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptists, or the Associational Constitution.

Done for and at the direction of the Social Band Association. Submitted for approval this date 07-09-88.

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