

**1965 MINUTES**  
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**STATE ASSOCIATION**  
**of**  
**FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

  
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Rev. Robert Edwards, Moderator

Rev. Dan Merkh, Clerk

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South Carolina State Association of Original  
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## Directory of State Association Officers

### STATE OFFICERS:

Moderator ..... Rev. Robert Edwards, Turbeville, S. C.  
 Assistant Moderator ..... Rev. Jack Millwood, Spartanburg, S. C.  
 Clerk ..... Rev. Melvin Worthington, Darlington, S. C.  
 Assistant Clerk ..... Rev. Ansil Smith, Valley Falls, S. C.  
 Treasurer ..... Bro. Joe Lynch, Scranton, S. C.

### FIELD DIRECTORS:

Foreign Missions ..... Rev. Gene Anderson, Pamplico, S. C.  
 Superannuation ..... Rev. William D. Sealy, Manning, S. C.  
 Christian Education ..... Rev. Paul Reid, Lancaster, S. C.  
 Sunday School ..... Rev. Carroll Alexander, Columbia, S. C.  
 Church Training Service  
 (C. T. S.) ..... Rev. Dennis Wiggs, Charleston, S. C.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Rev. Edison Kirby, Lake City, S. C. .... 1966  
 Mr. Herbert Orrael ..... 1967  
 Rev. Lloyd Gore, Andrews, S. C. .... 1968  
 Mr. Lewis Bass Hanna, Hemingway, S. C. .... 1969  
 Rev. Taylor Watford, Florence, S. C. .... 1970

### BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Rev. Julius Vause, Timmonsville, S. C. .... 1966  
 Mr. Carlie Jones ..... 1967  
 Mr. Arris Powell, Johnsonville, S. C. .... 1968  
 Rev. Dennis Wiggs, Charleston, S. C. .... 1969  
 Rev. Ronnie Lee Jones, Johnsonville, S. C. .... 1970

### SUPERANNUATION BOARD:

Rev. Jack Millwood, Spartanburg, S. C. .... 1966  
 Rev. Hoyt Powell, Pamplico, S. C. .... 1967  
 Rev. Paul Sheehan, Turbeville, S. C. .... 1968  
 Rev. F. J. Ard, Johnsonville, S. C. .... 1969

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD:

Rev. Floyd Seay, Whitney, S. C. .... 1966  
 Mr. Demry Stone, Johnsonville, S. C. .... 1967  
 Mr. Lavern Hanna, Lake City, S. C. .... 1968  
 Rev. Ralph Osborne, Pamplico, S. C. .... 1969

### PUBLIC MORALS COMMITTEE:

Rev. Joe Cagle, Pamplico, S. C. .... 1966  
 Rev. Carl Shook, Lancaster, S. C. .... 1967  
 Rev. Bobby Bowers, Spartanburg, S. C. .... 1968  
 Mr. E. H. Brewer ..... 1969  
 Rev. Paul Reid, Lancaster, S. C. .... 1970

### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Hoyt Smith, Coward, S. C. .... 1966  
 Rev. Ansil Smith, Valley Falls, S. C. .... 1967  
 Rev. Paul Sheehan, Turbeville, S. C. .... 1968  
 Rev. Liston Williams, Lake City, S. C. .... 1969

### CHILDREN'S HOME BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Beaver Creek Association ..... 1966  
 Rev. L. H. Clayton  
 Rev. Donnie Seay  
 S. C. Conference ..... 1967  
 Mr. Creighton Gibbons  
 Mr. Judson Osborne  
 Mr. Dudley Hicks  
 Eastern Conference ..... 1968  
 Rev. Hoyt Powell  
 Mr. Weldon Poston  
 Central Conference ..... 1969  
 Mr. R. B. Jones  
 Mr. Louis Bass Hanna  
 Children's Home Superintendent ..... Rev. Paul Sheehan

### PUBLICITY COMMITTEE:

Rev. Reedy Saverance, Pamplico, S. C.  
 Rev. I. Bennie Turner, Johnsonville, S. C.  
 Mr. Herbert Israel, Spartanburg, S. C.

### PROGRAM COMMITTEE 1965:

Rev. Robert Edwards, Turbeville, S. C.  
 Rev. Jack Millwood, Spartanburg, S. C.  
 Rev. Melvin Worthington, Darlington, S. C.

### GENERAL BOARD MEMBER:

Rev. Dennis Wiggs, 1510 Marietta, North Charleston, S. C.

## Proceedings of the State Association

THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 18, 1965

The Twenty-third Annual Session of the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists convened at Mill Branch Church, on November 18, 1965.

The meeting was opened by the congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Rev. Ralph Osborne led the singing for this Association and Rev. Sherwood Lee was pianist. Rev. Conrad Williford brought the devotional thought, emphasizing the need for the power of the Holy Spirit in the church today. God honors those who trust Him, and by faith go out to work for Him. He closed with prayer. The congregation then sang "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship."

The Moderator, Rev. Robert Edwards, called the Association to order. The welcome was given by the pastor of the host church, Rev. Joseph Cagle. The Moderator responded to the welcome and then brought his message to the body (see Appendix I).

MSC to adopt the printed program as corrected by the Moderator, as our agenda, and that we adhere to it as closely as possible.

The following were appointed as the Committee on Committees: Rev. Bobby Bowers, Rev. Reedy Saverance, Rev. J.A. Hucks, Rev. Sherwood Lee, and Rev. Paul Sheehan.

The churches who did not mail in their reports were asked to bring the reports to the Clerk. The following visiting ministers were recognized: Rev. Winfred Floyd of Elizabethton, Tenn., Rev. Don Peagram of Wilson, N. C., and Rev. W. L. Kell of Marion, N. C.

Rev. Don Peagram was called on to lead in prayer and the Moderator declared a short recess.

The Morning Worship Hour began by the congregation singing "Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us," followed by prayer by Rev. W. L. Kell. Rev. Jack Millwood introduced the speaker for the morning, Rev. Winfred Floyd from Elizabethton, Tenn. Bro. Floyd spoke from I Corinthians 1:17-23. "For We Preach Christ Crucified." He emphasized the fact that we preach "Christ," than we preach Christ "Crucified" and stated that the cross shows God's attitude toward sin, and the sinner. The cross brings us to God and brings forgiveness of sin. He closed the message with prayer.

The Report of the Credentials Committee was adopted by motion (see Appendix II).

The Report of the Committee on Committees was adopted by motion (see Appendix III).

Various announcements were made and the body recessed for the noon hour. Lunch was provided by the host church at the Hanna Lodge Hall.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 18, 1965

The afternoon session was opened by congregation singing "I Am Thine Oh Lord" followed by the devotional thought by Ansel Smith. He brought

out our need to meet Christ at the feet of the cross and to follow in Christ's footsteps by reaching out to men on the level they live, and by being an example to them. He closed with prayer.

The Moderator opened the business session by a few remarks concerning the proper procedures of the business.

MSC to pay seven cents a mile travel and \$25.00 honorarium to the three invited speakers of the Association.

The Report of the National Home Mission Board was given by Rev. Homer Willis. This board had received \$2,374.56 from South Carolina for the calendar year. MSC to receive the oral report as information.

MSC that a committee consisting of Mr. Marion Todd, Rev. Paul Sheehan, Mr. Joe Lynch, Rev. I. Bennie Turner, and Rev. Reedy Saverance be appointed to revise the Constitution and By-Laws and to include the duties of all officers, and to recommend report blanks for the local churches and the conferences to use in reporting to the Association.

The following Constitution and By-Laws changes were presented to the body.

### CONSTITUTION:

ARTICLE FOUR: This association shall have an executive board of five members: Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer; composed of ordained ministers or lay members, in good standing in the association, to act officially in the event any case may arise in this association, when and only when it is deemed necessary or expedient for the best interest of the cause of the church in general.

ARTICLE FIVE: The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer.

### BY-LAWS:

(The By-Laws are to be amended to change the names of the officers to comply with Articles Five and Six of the proposed Constitutional change.)

No. 6 to read as follows: "The executive board of the association and all boards shall be elected by the association. All other committees may be either appointed by the Moderator or elected by the body."

No. 7 to be deleted.

No. 9 to read as follows: "It shall be required of all members of the association to remain throughout the entire session unless they are excused by the Moderator."

No. 14 to read as follows: "The officers of the association, except that of the Board of Trustees, shall be for a term of two years."

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the report of the Constitutional changes. MSC to table the motion until tomorrow's session.

The Moderator recognized the following visiting ministers: Dr. L. C. Johnson, Rev. Homer Willis, Rev. Roger Reeds, all of Nashville, Tenn., and Rev. Jack Paramore of Greenville, N. C.

The Report of the Children's Home was given by Rev. Paul Sheehan and received by motion (see Appendix IV).

Rev. Jack Paramore gave an oral report of the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tenn. MSC to receive the report as information.

The Report of the Church Training Service Board was given by Dennis Wiggs and received as information with the recommendations to be voted on individually (see Appendix V).

Recommendation No. 1: That the South Carolina State Association accept the total Church Training Service Program. MSC.

Recommendation No. 2: That the State CTS Director be elected each year at the State Associational Meeting along with the other officers of the association. MSC.

Recommendation No. 3: That Rev. Dennis P. Wiggs be elected as director for the coming year. MSC.

The Moderator appointed Bro. Johnny Bullman to fill the vacancy on the Nomination Committee, replacing Bro. Paul Reid.

The Report of the Board of Christian Education was presented by Rev. Melvin Worthington and adopted by motion (see Appendix VI).

Rev. Roger Reeds reported concerning the National Sunday School Board. He gave a short four-point outline on Sunday School Involvement in the Evangelization of the World from Matthew 28:19, 20. Come, Train, Go, Teach. MSC to receive the report as information.

The Report of the State Woman's Auxiliary was given by Mrs. Paul Sheehan and received as information (see Appendix VII).

The Report of the Board of Superannuation was given by Rev. Edison Kirby. MSC to adopt the report (see Appendix VIII).

The Treasurer's Report was given by Bro. Joe Lynch. MSC to adopt the report (see Appendix IX).

A partial report of the Finance Committee was given by Bro. Lynch and adopted by motion.

Motion made and seconded to change the Constitution, Article Two, by deleting the word "Leagues" and substituting the words "Church Training Service (C. T. S.)". MSC to table until tomorrow's session.

After several announcements concerning the session, Bro. Homer Willis led in prayer, remembering especially Rev. Ard's son who was to receive an operation the next day.

The session was adjourned until the 7:30 P. M. service.

#### **THURSDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 18, 1965**

The evening service opened by the singing of "Follow On". The Moderator was in charge of the service and called up Dr. LeVerne Miley to lead in prayer. The congregation then sang "Take Time to Be Holy." followed by two special numbers by Bro. Cagle, host pastor.

The Moderator then introduced the guest speaker, Dr. L. C. Johnson, President of the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee. Dr. Johnson spoke on the theme "Who Am I?" These three questions were asked.

Where did we come from? What are we doing here? Where are we going? He used Psalm 8 as his text. He then closed in prayer. An offering of \$55.51 was received for the F. W. B. Bible College.

The Evening Service was closed by the congregation singing "Have Thine Own Way" and Bro. Jack Millwood pronounced the benediction.

#### **FRIDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 19, 1965**

The second day's session of the Twenty-third Annual Session of the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists opened by the congregation singing "All Hail the Power." Rev. Jack Millwood, Assistant Moderator, presided.

The devotion was brought by Rev. Lloyd Gore from Psalm 92:3. Our Brethren bring good tidings and publish peace. We are to get each member of our body "Tuned" for the work of the Lord. He closed with prayer.

The following visiting ministers were recognized and welcomed. Dr. LaVarne Miley, Africa, and Bro. Sam Johnson, Nashville, Tennessee.

MSC to accept the report of the Public Morals Committee (see Appendix XI).

Bro. Sam Johnson, Director of the National Office of the Church Training Service, gave a report of his department. MSC to receive the report as information.

The Report of the State Sunday School Board was given by Bro. Ralph Osborne and received by motion (see Appendix XII).

The Report of the State Foreign Mission Board was given by Bro. Gene Anderson and a letter read that was received from Bro. J. Reford Wilson, Director of our Foreign Mission Department. MSC to receive the report (see Appendix XIII).

The congregation was led in singing "Tell It to Jesus," after which the Moderator took the chair.

The Report of the Promotional Secretary was given by Rev. I. B. Turner and received by motion (see Appendix XIV).

The Report of the Resolutions Committee was given by Bro. Ansel Smith, and the report was received and the resolutions adopted by motion (see Appendix XV).

Two churches requested the next State Association, Tabernacle and Horse Branch. Horse Branch was chosen by vote of the Body.

The Report of the Publicity Committee was given by Dennis Wiggs and adopted by motion (see Appendix XVI).

The Final Report of the Finance Committee was accepted by Motion (see Appendix VIII).

MSC to remove from the table the Constitutional Change, Article Two, which was tabled during Thursday afternoon session. The change was accepted by motion (see proceedings for Thursday Afternoon Session).

MSC to remove from the table the Constitutional changes for Articles 4 and 5 and By-Laws 6, 7, 9, and 14 (see proceedings for Thursday Afternoon Session). Each of the proposed changes was carried.

# APPENDICES

## APPENDIX I

### ENLARGING AND STRENGTHENING OUR WORK

Isa. 54:1-3

Intro. As we look at this passage of Scripture, I would like for you to make an application of this passage to our work for the Lord. There are many areas in which we need to enlarge the place of our work, but at the same time we must remember that it is of equal importance that all our advancements are in keeping with the Word of God. We would consider:

#### I. AREAS OF ENLARGEMENT.

1. Missions. It is very important that Free Will Baptist of S. C. enlarge their vision as far as missionary work is concerned, whether it be local, state, National or Foreign. There are many places in our own State that need a FWB Church, but this will not be possible until we realize our responsibility to these areas and give that a Church may be established. Also, we could do much more for missions under the HOME heading on a National level. Our giving for this phase of missions is lagging. Many of our people do not seem to think it their responsibility, but alas, Christ has commanded that we Witness at home and in surrounding localities as well. Of course, we as a denomination have barely scratched the surface in Foreign Missions work, but we should thank God for the areas abroad in which we have a Witness for Christ, and pray and give and go to other places as God makes it possible.

2. Education. Our local Churches present some very good places to begin an expansion program in Christian Education. We surely need to improve the S. S. program in most of our Churches as one of the areas of enlargement. We need more and better qualified teachers. Also, we need more and better pupil participation in the S. S. lessons, more teaching time, etc. Our CTS training program could stand more implimentation. We have many good ideas, but most of the time they are not put to work. The reason for this is that it takes men and women working faithfully and prayerfully to have a going and growing CTS, and many times we are not willing to pay the price for this. Our Bible College has served the Denomination well in time past, but it has become very necessary to move forward in this area of work if we are to meet the growing needs of our growing Denomination. Therefore, we find that our Bible College is just beginning a One Million Dollar expansion program. If OUR people love God enough, this will not have to be a long drawn out affair in order to raise the money for this expansion program. One thousand persons giving one thousand dollars for this purpose will provide one million dollars. We must increase our giving to the BC if it is to meet the need of this age.

#### II. SPARE NOT, LENGTHEN AND STRENGTHEN.

1. As we enlarge our outreach in many areas of service, we must at the same time see that our Foundation upon which our Superstructure is built remains solid. A large building built upon shifting sand will not stand the

MSC to place the Church Covenant in the back of the minutes each year. The Nomination Committee Report was accepted by motion and each item to be voted on separately.

Each officer was elected by acclamation except the representative for the General Board. Rev. Dennis Wiggs was elected to this position. (For list of officers, see Directory of State Associational Officers.)

MSC that the chair appoint a committee of three to take care of the property of the Promotional Secretary and that they bring back a report concerning the office of Promotional Secretary. The committee is: Rev. I. Bennie Turner, Rev. Reedy Saverance, and Rev. Sherwood Lee.

MSC to accept Bro. William D. Sealy as Field Director of the Board of Superannuation to replace Bro. Edison Kirby.

MSC that the treasurer be given \$100.00 for past services and that he be paid \$25.00 per year, plus expenses in the future.

MSC to give a rising vote of thanks to Bro. Edison Kirby for his work with the Board of Superannuation and to rise and thank the host church.

MSC to allow the Moderator and Clerk to appoint delegates for the National Association and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the fee for that meeting.

MSC to recess for five minutes.

The morning worship service began by the singing of "Rescue the Perishing" and Bro. Monroe Harrell led in prayer. A quartet, consisting of Carroll Alexander, Ralph Osborne, Reedy Saverance, and Melvin Worthington sang "Bringing in the Sheaves" and an offering was received for Foreign Missions of \$50.23. Bro. Robert Edwards introduced the guest speaker, Dr. LeVerne Miley, Missionary to Africa.

Dr. Miley explained the display table and the literature and showed several interesting posters on stamps, and money of the Ivory Coast. He also showed a map and an artist's drawing of native quarters in the hospital at Doropo. He then spoke to us on the "Unfinished Task" John 10:14-16. He described the love and compassion of Christ for the world and showed the necessity for our Personal Acceptance of the Great Commission and the Realization of our Personal Accountability to God. He closed the message with prayer.

After a few remarks from the moderator and the host pastor, the session was adjourned by prayer, led by Rev. Jack Paramore.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Session of the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists is to convene with the Horse Branch Church, Turbeville, S. C., on November 17, 18, 1966.

strain and stress of the times in which we live. Our foundation must remain SOLID.

2. Some things in which we must be steadfast and unmoveable are: a) The BIBLE is the INSPIRED, INFALLIBLE Word of God. We must never lessen our belief in the fact that our Bible is indeed God's Word. Many believe that the Bible contains the Word of God, but we must believe and continue to do so, that it is ALL THE WORD OF GOD. b) Person and Work of Jesus. If we believe that the Bible is indeed God's Word, then it naturally follows that we will believe that which it teaches of Jesus. We believe that Jesus is God's Son. God is very God. He and the Father are one. We believe in His Virgin birth, His Vicarious death, His literal Resurrection, His ascension to the Father, and His soon coming again. We must never leave any of these teachings concerning Christ and His Word in order to expand our work.

3. Also we must remain steadfast in the Doctrines of our Denomination. We say we believe in three Ordinances of the Gospel: Baptism, Communion and Feet washing. Yet there are some of our preachers that would not be too alarmed if we were to leave off Feetwashing. I don't believe it is essential of salvation, but I do believe it is a direct command of Jesus, and we ought to do it. Let's Enlarge our Outreach for God, and at the same time stay true to His Word.

Moderator Bro. Robert Edwards

## APPENDIX II

### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Credentials Committee, recommend that we seat the 38 ministers and 38 delegates that have registered.

The Beaver Creek Association, the Eastern Conference, the Central Conference and the South Carolina Conference and the First District Quarterly Meeting of the S. C. Conference have duly represented and we recommend that their delegates be seated.

We recommend that delegates from churches that have represented with a fee be seated.

We recommend that the 21 visitors who have registered be extended a welcome to our sessions.

If the various districts submit a representation fee, we recommend that we seat their delegates.

Respectfully submitted,  
A. C. Allen  
Lavern Hanna  
Ansel Smith  
Paul Sheehan

## APPENDIX III

### COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

#### Resolution Committee:

1. Ansel Smith—Beaver Creek Association
2. Lonnie Brown—Central Conference
3. Julius Vause—South Carolina Conference
4. Hoyt Powell—Eastern Conference
5. Conrad Williford—South Carolina Conference

#### Nomination Committee:

1. Fred Kirby—South Carolina Conference
2. Paul Reid—Beaver Creek Association
3. Jessie Norris—Central Conference
4. Lloyd Gore—Eastern Conference
5. Gene Anderson—South Carolina Conference

#### Finance Committee:

1. Joe Lynch
2. Emmerson Hayes
3. W. A. Turner

#### Program Committee:

1. Robert Edwards
2. Jack Millwood
3. Melvin Worthington

#### Publicity Committee:

1. Reedy Saverance
2. Bennie Turner
3. Herbert Israel

Respectfully submitted,  
Bobby Bowers  
Paul Sheehan  
J. A. Hucks  
H. Reedy Saverance  
Sherwood C. Lee

## APPENDIX IV

### CHILDREN'S HOME

(Condensed by Clerk)

#### Beaver Creek Association:

Cash received .....\$ 2,095.57  
Commodities received ..... 488.64

#### Central Conference:

Cash received ..... 520.50  
Commodities received ..... 122.87

#### South Carolina Conference:

Cash received ..... 4,891.91  
Commodities received ..... 876.63

Eastern Conference:	
Cash received .....	772.33
Commodities received .....	154.90
Other Income:	
Individual Gifts .....	1,727.75
Other Organizations .....	1,882.69
Memorial Gifts .....	162.00
Farm Commodities Sold .....	10,582.23
Individual Commodities .....	534.65
Total Expenses of Children's Home .....	\$20,465.06
Balance in Bank October 1, 1964 .....	13,224.91
Cash Received through September 1965 .....	22,634.98
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	\$35,859.89
Total Disbursements through September 1965 .....	20,465.06
Balance in Bank October 1, 1965 .....	\$12,140.16

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Sheehan

## APPENDIX V CHURCH TRAINING SERVICE REPORT

January, 1965, was the official date for complete change over from Free Will Baptist League to Church Training Service as approved by the National Association of Original Free Will Baptists in their Kansas City session in 1964. Therefore, 1965 has been a transitional year in the State Church Training Service work. CTS has not eliminated any of its former ministries but the new program has added a systematic, well-rounded challenging program of Christian training for every age of our Free Will Baptist Family.

The Church Training Service Board in Nashville, Tennessee, presently offers a program of training in six different age levels. They are Helpers for Christ, ages 2-5; Learners for Christ, ages 6-8; Adventurers for Christ, ages 9-11; Heralds for Christ, ages 12-14; Crusaders for Christ, ages 15-17; and Adults for Christ, ages 18 up. The materials offer weekly and monthly schedules of training, usable at the discretion of the local church.

Also offered to our young people on the local, district, state and national level are competitive activities, namely the Sword Drill for the Adventurers, the Tic Tac Toe Bible Game for the Heralds for Christ and the Bible Bowl for the Crusaders for Christ. These activities are already teaching our young people more of the Word of God through the local and district level of competition. The State and National CTS rallies will conduct the elimination contests this next year to determine the winners in these three fields.

The purpose of the Church Training Service is "that part of a Free Will Baptist Church specifically dedicated to the task of providing an adequate program of Christian training to the total church family in order that each

member may come to know Christ as Saviour and Lord and be able to make Him known to others in an effective manner."

In April, 1965, the State Church Training Service convened in Columbia for a program of instruction and challenge by guest speakers Mr. Samuel Johnson, national CTS director, and Evangelist Bobby Jackson. At this convention the body voted to recommend to the South Carolina State Association the acceptance of the total Church Training Service program. They also recommended that the State CTS director be elected each year at the State Associational meeting along with the other officers of the association. The State CTS recommendation before this body today for its director is the Reverend Dennis P. Wiggs of Charleston Heights, S. C. The other officers will be elected by the State CTS at its April meeting.

Miss Peggy Ridgeway of the Liberty Church won the National Declamation Contest this year; Miss \_\_\_\_\_ won second place in the National Sword Drill contest.

We encourage all of our churches to participate fully in the total Church Training Service program that our Free Will Baptist people may be adequately trained in the ways of the Lord.

Dennis P. Wiggs, President  
State Church Training Service

## APPENDIX VI EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Education Committee, make the following report:

Whereas:

To prepare ministers and missionaries for service in our denomination, it is essential that we have an adequate Bible College,

Therefore:

We recommend that our churches wholeheartedly support the Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee, in their expansion program—many South Carolina Free Will Baptist could contribute \$1,000.00 toward the school's expansion program—and we recommend that our people pray about this opportunity to assist our young people in their educational preparation. Also, some, if not all, our churches could give a thousand dollar gift plus their regular giving to the Free Will Baptist Bible College during 1966.

Respectfully submitted,  
Melvin Worthington

## APPENDIX VII WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORT

"O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In His hand are the deep places of the earth; and the strength of the hills is His also. The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands formed the dry land. O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our Maker." Psalms 95:1-6.

This Psalm sings with thanksgiving and praise to God and that is as it should be. We must praise the Lord for His blessings. As the Woman's

Auxiliary of South Carolina He has blessed us without measure. He is our great God and great King. This past year has been one of blessing and we thank the Lord for what has been done. Still more needs to be done—and each of us can still do more. God is depending on His children to get the messages to lost souls. The only way we can do this is by uniting, praying and giving.

The purpose of the auxiliary is Missions, our Aim is to go ye, and teach all nations.

Some of the financial attainments this past year are:

Student Loan Fund .....	\$ 70.00
Camp Fund .....	105.00
Designated Fund .....	16.00
Children's Home .....	17.00
Cuban Fund .....	144.62
Foreign Missions .....	98.40
National Home Missions .....	175.79
State Home Missions .....	114.28
Co-Laborer Fund .....	93.04
Superannuation .....	4.75
W. N. A. C. Furniture .....	47.06
State Project .....	2,589.07
Value of Clothing Sent to Cuban Refugees .....	125.00

The South Carolina State Project for the year 1965-1966 is a mission goal of \$3,000.00. First \$1,000.00 to go to the Aldridges in Africa and the remaining \$2,000.00 to be put on a vehicle for the Willey Jr's.

We wish to thank the women of S. C. for their cooperation, love and understanding during this year. Continue to pray for me as, your president, to always let God's Will be done in my life.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Paul Sheehan, President

### APPENDIX VIII

#### SUPERANNUATION REPORT

(Condensed by Clerk)

Cash on hand beginning of year .....	\$2,755.51
Cash received for year:	
South Carolina Conference .....	\$449.59
Beaver Creek Association .....	40.00
Central Conference .....	48.00
Total received .....	\$537.59
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Retired ministers .....	\$300.00
Blue Cross Insurance .....	513.90
Travel Expenses .....	209.96
Phone, mail, paper, etc. ....	11.65
Total Expenditures .....	\$1,035.51
Cash on hand end of year .....	\$2,257.58

### APPENDIX IX TREASURER'S REPORT

(Condensed by Clerk)

#### Received for State Association for 1964-65:

Brought forward .....	\$ 90.60
Received 1964 State Association .....	345.00
Total in Treasury Nov. 13, 1964 .....	\$435.60
Received during year .....	55.34
Total to account for .....	\$490.94

#### Expenditures:

Clerk Fees .....	\$50.00
Moderator Fees .....	25.00
Post payment .....	50.00
Foreign Missions .....	30.34
Telegram .....	3.90
National Association .....	45.00
Jack Bilt Corp. (Badges) .....	21.00
Balance Carried Forward .....	\$225.24
	\$265.70

Respectfully submitted,  
Joe Lynch

### APPENDIX X

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your Finance Committee, make the following report.

Cash on hand at the State Association .....	\$447.00
Received the second day of Association .....	45.00
Total received this convention .....	\$492.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Joe Lynch  
Emmerson Hayes  
W. A. Turner

### APPENDIX XI

#### PUBLIC MORALS COMMITTEE

We, the Public Morals Committee, ask that all our ministers take a part in our State concerning obscene literature as we feel that our churches should take a stand against this evil.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack B. Millwood  
Joseph L. Cagle  
Bobby Bowers

### APPENDIX XII

#### REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

The Word of God commands its teaching to old and young alike. The home has the first and greatest opportunity to do this. However, in as much

as most homes fail in this responsibility, this all important task has fallen to the Sunday School. Because the Sunday School is the only place many children will receive any religious training, the following suggestions are given:

1. That teacher training programs be set up in the local church, or a group of churches co-operate in this endeavor.
2. That a religious survey be taken in the church area to find those not in Sunday School and an effort be made to enroll them.
3. That a standard be used to measure accomplishments in the Sunday School.
4. That in the training the teacher be taught how to win the pupils to Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph Osborne  
Laverne Hanna

### APPENDIX XIII

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

We thank God for the number of missionaries we have on the Foreign Mission field.

South Carolina is represented by three missionaries, Janie Aldridge, Geneva Poole, and Carlisle Hanna.

I hope you will faithfully continue the Hanna's support.

South Carolina is in the upper bracket of giving to Foreign Missions among the States. For this we are thankful. Let us faithfully continue this support.

I would like to enclose the following statistics to show how much progress we have made in the past few years:

Dear Friends of Missions:

Greetings to your state association.

Progress is no accident. It is something for which we plan and pray. Our missionary personnel has increased from 13 Free Will Baptist missionaries in 1955 to 30 in 1959 and 66 in this year, 1965. Our **Heartbeat** circulation is almost 32,000 and our literature ministry has expanded into seven foreign languages. We believe God has greater things for Free Will Baptist Foreign Missions.

Your concern and compassion is indicative by the following figures:

South Carolina gave in 1960—\$8,544.77; 1961—\$12,553.25; 1962—\$13,514.22; 1963—\$13,641.51; 1964—\$22,516.12.

Through September of 1965, your state had given \$15,226.76 on a suggested quota of \$18,500.00 for 1965.

"To God be the glory" for all that has been done. I believe your state will continue to make progress in its missionary outreach.

Yours in Christ, J. Reford Wilson, General Director.

Have a missionary conference or missionary in your church this coming year. It will be a blessing to you and your church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gene Anderson

### APPENDIX XIV

#### PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY REPORT

Balance from 1964 (August, September, October Issues of The Post).....\$220.99

#### Receipts—1965:

Contributions:

State Association .....	\$ 91.30	
Rev. William Sealy .....	2.00	
Liberty Free Will Baptist Church .....	63.00	
Valley Falls Free Will Baptist Church .....	7.00	
First Church, Florence .....	70.43	
First Church, Chester .....	25.00	
1st Dist. Quarterly, S. C. Conference .....	100.00	
Sunday School Conv., S. C. Conference ..	50.00	

\$408.73

Subscriptions and Renewals .....

62.00

Remainder from Nashville trip (Promotional Sec. Mtng.) 20.00 490.73

Total Balance presently on treasurer's books .....\$269.74

#### Disbursements—1965:

Printing (Nov. Dec., Feb. issues of The Post) .....\$146.93

Postage .....

36.20

Travel .....

76.80

Miscellaneous .....

4.00 263.93

Balance on treasurer's books November 17, 1965 .....\$ 5.81

Balance in bank November 17, 1965 ..... 18.54

Respectfully submitted,

I. Bennie Turner

State Promotional Secretary

Because of a lack of support consistently from our churches and people, THE POST has been discontinued. Our most sincere thanks go to those who gave to help erase the deficit that was on last year's report, and with this report, left a little to the paper's credit in the bank.

I would suggest that before the state proceed any further with a Promotional Secretary's Office, they have a solid foundation of reserve funds and some definite workable plans as far as raising these funds and meeting the expenses incurred in this office.

With this report, I resign as Promotional Secretary and turn in to this body the following properties belonging to the state:

- 1 Royal typewriter
- 1 Mimeograph Machine
- 1 Camera
- 1 File Cabinet, large
- 1 File Cabinet, small
- Records of Promotional Secretary

Sincerely,

I. Bennie Turner

## APPENDIX XV

### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Resolutions Committee, make the following recommendations:

1. Recommend that our clerk write a letter to our State Senators to let them know that we as a State Association are against the Supreme Court's decision freeing the Communist Party members from registering with our Federal Government, freeing them to step up their activities and bringing them out in the open. We oppose our government's soft attitude toward Communism.

2. We recommend that we as a state try to raise the rest of our quota for National Home Missions. Our quota is \$4,500.00, only half of which has been raised. November is Home Missions month. We recommend that each church receive an offering this month.

We also recommend that we step up our support for our local Home Mission work.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ansil Smith  
L. P. Brown  
H. E. Powell  
Conrad Williford  
J. B. Vause

## APPENDIX XVI

### PUBLICITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Whereas:

Free Will Baptist churches often are not well known in the state of South Carolina and often our denomination is confused with other churches; this is especially true in the cities where we are beginning new work.

Therefore:

We recommend that our churches:

1. Advertise their services and special services in the local newspapers and on the radio and T. V.
2. Construct neat, well placed signs along the highways and in front of the churches.
3. Produce advertising literature for general distribution in the neighborhood.
4. We recommend that each minister, when he returns home, write an article for the local newspaper about this State Associational meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dennis Wiggs

## APPENDIX XVII

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dear Fellow Servants,

The following is a report on the finances of the Poston-Badgette Memorial Loan Fund.

In Treasury, November 1964 .....	\$706.25
Received from S. C. 2nd Quarterly Conference 12-19-64 .....	15.33
Received from S. C. 2nd Quarterly Conference 3-31-65 .....	17.00
Received from S. C. 2nd Quarterly Conference 4-16-65 .....	13.33
Received from S. C. 2nd Quarterly Conference 7-20-65 .....	14.16
Received from S. C. 2nd Quarterly Conference 10-13-65 .....	18.33
Received Interest on above money 12-30-64 .....	2.34
Received Interest on above money 6-29-65 .....	15.65
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Balance in Treasury .....	\$802.39

The above is deposited in the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Lancaster, 208 South Main Street, Lancaster, S. C. Account No. 08120.

I have received the following checks from the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church, Route 1, Foreston, S. C. Mr. T. E. Hodge, Treasurer, made out to the order of Nashville Bible School. These checks were forwarded to the Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tenn.: December 28, 1964, \$18.75; April 15, 1965, \$18.75; September 8, 1965, \$37.50; total, \$75.00.

There were no applications for loans received and no one paid on their present loans.

Yours in His Service,  
Rev. Paul C. Reid  
Field Director  
Christian Education

## APPENDIX XVIII

### CONFERENCE REPORTS

#### BEAVER CREEK ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REPORT

Ending July 31, 1965

#### MEMBERSHIP:

Membership at beginning of year .....	2,788
Total increase this year .....	217
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Present Membership .....	3,005

#### MINISTERS:

Ordained .....	34
Licensed .....	6
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Total .....	40

#### FINANCES:

Balance Brought Forward .....	\$ 11,396.79
Total receipts for year .....	133,687.85
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Grand Total .....	\$145,084.64

**EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR:**

Building and Repair .....	\$ 29,534.52
Children's Home .....	2,098.06
Christian Education .....	896.67
Foreign Missions .....	2,263.84
Home Missions .....	1,642.53
Pastors Salaries .....	51,124.10
Revivals .....	3,409.40
Superannuation .....	247.00

Total Expenditures for the Year ..... \$ 91,216.12

**PROPERTY:**

Number of Churches .....	24
Missions .....	2
Total .....	26
Value of Church Property .....	\$545,200.00

**Moderator:**

Rev. Paul C. Reid  
78 Brooklyn Avenue  
Lancaster, S. C. 29720

**Clerk:**

Mr. James Haynes  
Route 4, Box 205-A  
Lancaster, S. C. 29720

**NAMES AND ADDRESS OF MINISTERS OF THE**

**BEAVER CREEK MINISTERS CONFERENCE**

David H. Anders .....	500 Front St., Spartanburg, S. C.
George Baker .....	1103 Standard St., Rock Hill, S. C.
James D. Beheler .....	Valley Falls, S. C.
Eddie E. Bennett .....	Box 636, Cowpens, S. C.
Bobby E. Bowers (Lic.) .....	688 Saxon Ave., Spartanburg, S. C.
William H. Broome .....	307 W. Hampton Ave., Lancaster, S. C.
Edward Bryant (Lic.) .....	783 Saxon Ave., Spartanburg, S. C.
Larry T. Buchanan .....	Rt. 1, Woodruff, S. C.
Johnnie Bullman .....	1 Adger St., Saxon Mill, Spartanburg, S. C.
Roy Calvert .....	R. F. D. 6, Spartanburg, S. C.
J. F. Cantrell .....	Box 417, Lockhart, S. C.
L. H. Clayton .....	79 Woodworth Homes, Spartanburg, S. C.
Paul Clayton .....	Box 155, Enoree, S. C.
B. F. Cousins .....	R. F. D. 2, Inman, S. C.
Edgar Deese .....	1346 13th St., Lancaster, S. C.
Jack Elders .....	10 Graham St., Enoree, S. C.
Perry J. Faile, Sr. ....	1531 Nicholson Ave., Rock Hill, S. C.

L. S. Gray .....	179 Oakwood St., Spartanburg, S. C.
Creston A. Hollifield .....	8 Wall St., Converse, S. C.
Bob King .....	208½ West Elliot St., Chester, S. C.
Daniel McAbee .....	14 Hub City Courts, Spartanburg, S. C.
James R. Miller .....	7632 Lone Oak Rd., Spartanburg, S. C.
Jack B. Millwood .....	680 Saxon Ave., Spartanburg, S. C.
Joe Myers (Lic.) .....	Rt. 2, Fort Mill, S. C.
Coleman Pate .....	1010 10th St., Lancaster, S. C.
Gene H. Ramsey (Lic.) .....	1241 Amelia Ave., Rock Hill, S. C.
Walter Ramsey .....	653 Izard St., Rock Hill, S. C.
Paul C. Reid .....	78 Brooklyn Ave., Lancaster, S. C.
L. D. Revis .....	Box 411, Union, S. C.
James I. Sanford .....	543 Avon Drive, Spartanburg, S. C.
H. J. Sawyer .....	108 Gandle St., Pineville, N. C.
Donald Seay .....	Temple St., Arcadia, S. C.
Floyd W. Seay .....	847 Iron Ore Rd., Spartanburg, S. C.
Wade D. Seay (Lic.) .....	Box 139, Enoree, S. C.
Daniel A. Sexton (Lic.) .....	Rt. 3, York, S. C.
Carl F. Shook .....	Rt. 4, Lancaster, S. C.
Ansel Smith .....	109 1st St., Valley Falls, S. C.
John B. Smith .....	103 Apt. C, Stafford Ave., Greenville, S. C.
Ralph Smith .....	Box 201, Arcadia, S. C.
O. L. West .....	Box 463, Chesnee, S. C.
Orain Nunn .....	Rt. 3, Box 273, Rockingham, N. C.
Stanley Outlaw .....	Apt. 8B, Woodland Homes, Greenville, S. C.

**DIRECTORY OF MINISTER CONFERENCE OFFICERS**

Moderator .....	Bob King
Assistant Moderator .....	Donald Seay
Clerk .....	Paul C. Reid
Reading Clerk .....	David Anders
Treasurer .....	O. L. West
Assistant Treasurer .....	Frank Cantrell
Chorister .....	J. B. Smith

ORDAINING COUNCIL—L. H. Clayton, W. H. Broome, Floyd Seay, Walter Ramsey, Frank Cantrell

PROGRAM COMMITTEE—J. B. Smith, Floyd W. Seay, L. H. Clayton

NOMINATING COMMITTEE — Walter Ramsey, Frank Cantrell, Carl Shook

**BEAVER CREEK CHURCH ASSOCIATION OFFICERS**

Moderator .....	Paul C. Reid, 78 Brooklyn Ave., Lancaster, S. C.
Assistant Moderator .....	L. H. Clayton, 79 Woodworth Homes, Spartanburg, S. C.
Clerk .....	Mr. James Haynes, Rt. 4, Lancaster, S. C.
Treasurer .....	Mr. Floyd Sawyer, Arcadia, S. C.
Assistant Treasurer .....	Donald Seay, Temple St., Arcadia, S. C.

## THE EASTERN CONFERENCE

The Eastern Conference submits the following report to the S. C. State Association of Original Free Will Baptist convening with Mill Branch Church November 18-19, 1965.

### Membership Report:

Received by Baptism .....	46
Received by Letter .....	6
Dismissed .....	21
Died .....	9
Increase for Year .....	22
Total Membership .....	499

### Finance Report:

Total Receipts for Year .....	\$ 39,006.76
Total Expenditures for Year .....	34,849.48
Total Balance in Treasury .....	4,611.07
Value of Churches and Property .....	156,663.71
Number of Churches (full time 2, half time 4) .....	6
Number of Ministers (ordained 9, licensed 3) .....	12

We send as delegates Bro. Z. G. Tanner and Bro. Emerson Hayes.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Rev. Hoyt E. Powell, Moderator  
 Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.  
 Carlisle Jones, Clerk  
 Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.

### EASTERN CONFERENCE OF ORIGINAL F. W. B. LIST OF CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

HAPPY HOME—Rt. 1, Andrews, S. C.; Rev. Lloyd Gore, Rt. 1, Andrews, S. C.; Clerk, Bro. Omega McCutchen, Rt. 1, Andrews, S. C.

HILL SIDE—Pamplico Hwy., Florence, S. C.; Rev. Melvin Adams, Pamplico Hwy., Florence, S. C.; Clerk, Bro. Lenwood Poston, Florence, S. C.

MILL BRANCH—Rt. 1, Johnsonville, S. C.; Rev. Joseph Cagle, Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.; Clerk, Rev. Ronnie Lee Jones, Rt. 1, Johnsonville, S. C.

NEW PROSPECT—Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.; Rev. J. A. Hucks, Rt. 3, Conway, S. C.; Clerk, Bro. Carlisle Jones, Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.

ST. JOHN—Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.; Rev. Joseph Cagle, Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.; Clerk, Bro. Willie Powell, Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.

WILLIAMS HILL—Rt. 3, Hemingway, S. C.; Rev. Paul Sheehan, Children's Home, Turbeville, S. C.; Clerk, Bro. T. B. Williams, Rt. 3, Hemingway, S. C.

### CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

The Central Association submits the following Annual Report to the South Carolina State Association convening with the Mill Branch Church on November 18, 1965.

### Membership Report:

Total on Roll at Beginning of Year .....	654
Received by Letter .....	4
Received by Baptism .....	66
Received by Statement .....	15
Total Received .....	85
Dismissed by Letter .....	11
Dismissed by Expulsion .....	10
Died .....	5
Total Dismissed .....	26
Increase for the Year .....	59
Total on Roll at Ending of Year .....	713

### Financial Report:

Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year .....	\$ 2,443.18
Total Receipts for the Year .....	29,515.02
Grand Total for the Year .....	31,958.20
Expenditures for the Year—	
Children's Home .....	\$ 513.73
Christian Education .....	462.97
Charity .....	1,269.00
Foreign Missions .....	1,920.70
Home Missions .....	486.49
Superannuation .....	78.00
Revivals .....	1,820.88
Pastor .....	11,695.11
Building and Repair .....	2,731.29
Operating Expense (fuel, lights, etc.) .....	3,730.90
Total Expenditures for the Year .....	\$ 24,709.07
Total Balance in All Treasuries .....	\$ 7,249.18

### Church Property Report:

Value of Church and Equipment .....	\$176,622.00
Total Value of All Property and Equipment .....	\$176,622.00

We send as delegate Brother B. E. Thompson. We send as Association Fee \$10.00 cash.

Rev. J. A. Hucks, Moderator  
 Rt. 3, Conway, S. C.  
 L. N. Coker, Clerk  
 Rt. 2, Johnsonville, S. C.

### SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The South Carolina Conference submits the following Annual Report to the South Carolina State Association convening with the Mill Branch Church on November 18, 19, 1965.

**Membership Report:**

Total on Roll at Beginning of Year .....	3,643
Received by Letter .....	136
Received by Baptism .....	148
Received by Statement .....	84
Total Received .....	368
Dismissed by Letter .....	101
Dismissed by Expulsion .....	36
Died .....	28
Total Dismissed .....	165
Increase for the Year .....	203
Total on Roll at Ending of Year .....	3,846

**Financial Report:**

Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year .....	\$ 21,744.21
Total Receipts for the Year .....	262,610.43
Grand Total for the Year .....	\$283,354.64

## Expenditures for the Year—

Children's Home .....	\$ 5,183.07
Christian Education .....	6,979.49
Charity .....	3,531.45
Foreign Missions .....	15,201.37
Home Missions .....	5,650.79
Superannuation .....	713.22
Revivals .....	5,858.96
Pastor .....	74,839.46
Building and Repair .....	84,214.02
Operating Expense (fuel, lights, etc.) .....	1,829.10
Total Expenditures for the Year .....	\$240,830.05
Total Balance in All Treasuries .....	\$ 29,161.56

**Church Property Report:**

Value of Church and Equipment .....	\$ 985,600.00
Value of Parsonage and Equipment .....	161,000.00
Total Value of All Property and Equipment .....	\$1,146,600.00

We send as delegates—Gayle Hardy, Norma Baxley, John O'Neal, Barbara Barnhill, Zalline Williams.

## Moderator

Rev. Carroll Alexander  
1130 S. Kilborne Rd.,  
Columbia, S. C.

## Clerk

Melvin Worthington  
Box 441,  
Darlington, S. C.

## CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

### Of the South Carolina State Association Of Original Free Will Baptists

**PREAMBLE:** We, the officials, ministers and delegates of this the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists, while in session at Una Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina, November 13, 14, 1946, do accept and adopt the foregoing constitution and by-laws.

**ARTICLE ONE:** This body shall be known henceforth as the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists.

**ARTICLE TWO:** It shall be the purpose of this organization to cooperate with the National Association in its efforts to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of the Free Will Baptist church, for the promotion of home and foreign missions, Christian education, Sunday school, Free Will Baptist C. T. S., superannuation, and woman's auxiliary work and for the extension of the Kingdom of God in general.

**ARTICLE THREE:**

**SECTION ONE:** This association shall consist of delegates duly appointed or elected by the church or organizations to represent, and ordain and license Free Will Baptist ministers, who are of good repute in the Original Free Will Baptist Church, and who reside in South Carolina, or hold membership in, or pastor a church in South Carolina.

**SECTION TWO:** Each annual association and quarterly conference may represent in this association on the basis of two delegates for each association or quarterly conference of one thousand members or less, and one delegate for each additional thousand members or fractions thereof.

**SECTION THREE:** Any local church that desires may send an additional delegate, and each church shall send a contribution of \$10.00 or more. Each member association and quarterly meeting shall also be requested to send a representative fee of one dollar per church.

**ARTICLE FOUR:** This association shall have an executive board of five members: Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer; composed of ordained ministers or lay members, in good standing in the association, to act officially in the event any case may arise in this association, when and only it is deemed necessary or expedient for the best interest of the cause of the church in general.

**ARTICLE FIVE:** The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assitant Clerk, and Treasurer.

**ARTICLE SIX:** All officers of this association, all members of its committees and boards, all its secretaries, missionaries, and agents appointed by the association or by any of its boards, shall be members of regular Free Will Baptist organizations in South Carolina and cooperating with this association.

**ARTICLE SEVEN:** All missionaries, teachers and Christian workers approved, appointed, or supported by this association must be fundamental in their views of the Bible and its teachings, and in harmony with the doc-

trines of the Original Free Will Baptist Church. They must also give evidence of genuine Christian piety, for fervent zeal in the service of Christ, and of ability to do the work for which they are considered.

ARTICLE EIGHT: This association shall hold its meeting annually on Thursday and Friday of the week between the second and the third Sundays in November, beginning at 10:00 a. m., unless, or until, some change of the time of the year shall be thought best.

ARTICLE NINE: Articles may be altered or amended at any regular session of the association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present providing the change is recommended at least one day before the vote is taken.

### BY-LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. A portion of the Scripture shall be read and prayer offered at the beginning of each morning and afternoon session of the association and prayer shall be offered at the close of each session.

This is to be done by the Moderator or someone appointed by him.

2. The Moderator or Assistant Moderator shall call the association to order at the hour designated by the program committee.

When neither the Moderator nor the Assistant Moderator is present, the Recording Secretary shall call the association to order and a President Pro Tem shall be elected by the body, who shall preside for that session of the association.

3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to enroll the delegates of the association who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their right to seats therein, and those enrolled by the Clerk shall compose the association.

4. Each organization represented in the association shall send into the association as large a contribution as they can from time to time. This money to be used to meet the expenses of the association and to promote the work it undertakes.

5. On the first day of the association meeting the Moderator shall appoint a resolution committee to consist of three members, all resolutions not connected with the reports of boards and committees shall be referred to this committee, which shall report on all resolutions referred to it, with or without recommendation.

6. The executive board of the association and all boards shall be elected by the association. All other committees may be either appointed by the Moderator or elected by the body.

8. The duties of the executive committee shall be as follows: (1) To act for the association on matters that demand its consideration between the regular annual sessions of the association. (2) To have oversight of arrangements for meetings of the association with authority to change, if necessary, the time and place of meeting. (3) To fill vacancies in the association that may be caused by death, resignation, etc., between the regular sessions of the association.

9. It shall be required of all members of the association to remain throughout the entire session unless they are excused by the Moderator.

10. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise and address the president, and shall wait until he is recognized before speaking further.

11. The president shall not allow discussions that are unchristian in spirit and that tend to create envy and strife among the brethren, and anyone resenting the ruling of the president in such matters shall be liable to censure of the body.

12. No one shall be allowed to speak more than 15 minutes or more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

13. It shall be the duty of the president to have his annual message so prepared and arranged that it can be handed to the secretary for publication in the minutes of each session of the association.

14. The officers of the association, except that of the Board of Trustees, shall be for a term of two years.

15. These by-laws may be altered at any regular session of the association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, providing the change is recommended at least one day before the vote is taken.

### 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.