## MINUTES

of the

## SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION

of

## FREE WILL BAPTISTS

meeting with

## HARMONY CHURCH-LAKE BUTLER

January 27,1968

## IMMANUEL CHURCH-JACKSONVILLE

April 27, 1968

#### MEMORIAL CHURCH-JESUP

July 27, 1968

## NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

held at

### FIRST CHURCH—JESUP

October 26, 1968

#### PRESIDING OFFICERS

MODERATOR-W. Theron Long \_\_\_\_\_ Douglas, Georgia CLERK-W. L. Collins \_\_\_\_\_ Jacksonville, Florida

## DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

## FOR 1968 - 1969

MODERATOR-Rolla Smith, 5210 Skidway	Savannah, Ga.				
ASST. MODE. R. Corbett, Route2					
CLERK-Larry Montgomery, 211 So. Main,	•				
ASST. CLERK-Larry D. Dalton, 844 Lynton	Jacksonville, Fla.				
TREASURER—Harold K. Swann, Jr. 2117 N. Fernwoo					
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE					
The above elected officers and the chairman	of each standing				
board.  ORDAINING COUNCIL					
OKDAINING COUNCIL					
EMMETT McDUFFIE 106 Glendale /	Ave, Baxley, Ga.				
JOE ESTHER 2830 Edison Ave,	Jacksonville, Fla.				
BILL JACKSON 2073 Firnwood Circ	le, Augusta, Ga.				
YOUTH CAMP BOARD					
Thermon W. Long, 116 N. Pearl Ave., Douglass,	Ga(1972)				
Luther Burns, 2106 Mayfair Place, Waycross, Ga					
Harold Swann, Jr. 2117 N. Fernwood Dr., Savann					
E. R. Corbett, Route 2, Surrency, Ga.,					
Larry Montgomery, 211 S. Main St., Glennville, C					
Walter Keheley, Route 2, Folkston, Ga.,	(1969)				
MISSION BOARD					
J. B. Brigman, Route 4, Alma, Georgia					
Frank Steedley, 2001 Russell Rd., Waycross, Ga.,					
Rolla Smith, 5210 Skidway Rd., Savannah, Ga					
Theron W. Long, 116 N. Pearl Ave., Douglas, Ga					
B. L. Shivar, 806 2nd Street, Folkston, Ga					
Eugene Hales, 533 So. 4th Street, Jesup, Ga					
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ORDAINED MINISTERS					
OF THE SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION					
Raymond Altman, Box 153, Folkston, Ga	496-9677				
Carl Baker, Route 1, Box 95A, Metter Ga					
W. E. Brown, Box 91, Surrency, Ga	367-4491				
Luther Burns, 2106 Mafair Place, Waycross, Ga	283-8126				
J. C. H. Carter, 47 Dixie Drive, Brunswick, Ga	265-0145				
E. R. Corbett, Route 2, Surrency, Ga	367-4898				

W. L. Collins, 503 Cynthia St., Jacksonville, Fla	787-0547
Larry D. Dalton, 844 Lynton St., Jacksonville, Fla	765-3474
J. R. Davidson, 506 Kennedy St., Glennville, Ga	654-3872
William H. Dayghtry, Route 3, Jesup, Ga	584-3051
I. J. Blackwelter, Alma, Ga	· <del>- ·</del> · · · · · · ·
Joe Esther, 2830 Edison Ave., Jacksonville, Fla	387-3603
Eugene Hales, 533 South 4th Street, Jesup, Ga	427-3254
Wilford Harden, 510 Bay Street, Baxley, Ga	367-4437
G. S. Holton, Route 2, Lyons, Ga	578-5783
Billy Jackson, 2073 Fernwood Circle, Augusta, Ga	· <b>-</b> -
Walter D. Keheley, Route 2, Folkston, Ga	496-6343
Theron W. Long, P. O. Box, Douglas, Ga	384-3705
David A. Matthews, Route 3, Glennville, Ga	
Clarence McMillan, Folkston, Ga	496-7104
Jimmy McDuffie, 106 Glendale Ave., Baxley, Ga	
William L. Morris, Route 2, Box 37, Lake Butler, Fla	e de la Maria dela Maria
Larry Montgomery, 211 South Main, Glennville, Ga	_
W. L. Purvis, Route 2, Box 273A, Jesup, Ga	
Larry Powell, Missionary to Virgin Islands	
Luther Reed, Hazlehurst, Ga	
John H. Reed, Route 4, Alma, Ga.	
L. L. Sapp, Perry, Ga.	
Rolla Smith, 5210 Skidway, Savannah, Ga	-
*Robert D. Smith, 2141 Blain St., Brunswick, Ga	265-1992
B. L. Shivar, 806 2nd Street, Folkston, Ga	
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## MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING

## SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION

in the held at the

## HARMONY FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH LAKE BUTLER, FLORIDA JANUARY 27, 1968

The South Georgia Quarterly Meeting met on January 27, 1968 at the Harmony Free Will Baptist Church, Lake Butler, Florida. The choister led in singing "Jesus Is All The World To Me."

Words of welcome were extended the host pastor, Rev. Buddy Morris. The response was given by Rev. Luther Reed. A short devotional was brought by Brother Joe Esther from Jeramiah 20:8,9 dealing with "What Needs Revival."

The session was called to order by the Clerk, Brother Grant Saverance, who introduced the Moderator, Brother Theron Long.

Roll call of preachers was made by the Clerk. Standing delegates were recognized and seated.

Committees were appointed by the Moderator as follows:

RESOLUTION-W. L. Collins, Jim Wallace, Billy Jackson.

OBITUARY—Walter Keheley, Kenneth Clyatt, Virgil Crosby.

FINANCE-Harold Swann, Harry Chesser, E. M. Mallard.

Roll call of churches was then given.

Brother J. R. Davidson gave a report on the Bible College expansion program and its development over the past years.

Brother Leroy Scudder led the congregation in singing "I Love To Tell The The Story." The Rev. J. C. "Hubert" Carter spoke from Acts 2—"Who Gives Revivals." The morning session was closed in prayer by Rev. Rolla Smith.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of "Nothing But The Blood", followed in prayer by Brother Larry Dalton. The state promotional report was then given by Rev. Mance Cason. Brother Luther Burns brought the afternoon message on "Results of Revival" (Acts 11:19-30).

Brother W. L. Collins gave the report of the Resolutions Co-

mmittee (see report). The Obituary report was given by Brother Walter Keheley (see report). The Financial report was given by Brother Harold Swann (see report). The Ordaining Council gave its report (see report).

The adjournment prayer was given by Brother Leroy Schudder.

### REPORT ON THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Resolutions Committee, wish to make the following report:

- 1. That we as Christians and Free Will Baptists should recognize the seriousness of our day and pray that our President would trust God completely in each and every decision.
- 2. That our pastors return to their churches with the spirit of the messages we've heard today and a challenge to do greater soul-winning.
  - 3. That we give a rising vote of thanks to the host church.

W. L. COLLINS
BILLY JACKSON
JIM WALLACE

## REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Obituary Committee, make the following report:

CORINTH-M. J. Jordan, C. R. Williams

PHILADELPHIA—Everett Roberson

STONEY HILL-Mrs. Bell Wills

HARMONY-Harry Pinkston, Frank Harrison

CALVARY—Jessie Martin

#### REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

We, the Ordaining Council, met with Brother Larry Dalton, present pastor of the Immanuel Free Will Baptist Church. We find him sound in Free Will Baptist doctorine and very enthusiastic in the work of God. We gladly recommend him to the South Georgia Association.

EMMETT McDUFFIE

J. M. COBB

### CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

ALABAHA—Mr. and Mrs. Ted Harris, Mrs. J. E. Wood.

AUGUSTA—Donald Smith.

BETHEL-By Letter.

BAXLEY-Mrs. Emmett McDuffie.

BRUNSWICK-Mrs. Betty Henderson, Diana Carter, Margie Carter.

CALVARY—Mrs. Hazel Williams, Mr. Howard Craven, Mr. Allen Orvin.

CORINTH—Gary Carter, Cecil Tamer, Edward White, Harry Lee Jordan, Mr. Jim Wallace.

EBENEZER-Mrs. Grant Saverance.

GLENNVILLE—Mrs. Hurter Baxter, Mrs. Rita Baxter, Mrs. Kate Manning, Charles Barnard.

HARMONY—Mrs. Iris Brooks, Mr. Maurice Brown, Mr. Kenneth Clyatt, Mrs. Betty Grace Crawford, Mrs. Romona Long, Mrs. Opel Howard.

NEW HOPE-Mrs. W. H. Daughtry.

OKEFENOKEE-Becky Steedley, Sue Steedley, Delores Burns.

OAK GROVE—Jimmy Tillman.

PHILADELPHIA—Pearl Naryworth, Debbie Roddenberry.

SATILLA-Mrs. Lucille Reed, Milly Fussell, Karen Williams.

SPRING GROVE-P. D. Aldridge, E. M. Mallard.

SAVANNAH—Leroy Scudder, Agnes Smith, Lou Scudder, Rudy Woods, Donna Woods, Kennon Harris.

STONEY HILL—By Letter.

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Charles W. L. J. J. A. L. St. B. B. B. J. J. St. B. W. J. J. W. J. B. C. B.

We, your Finance Committee, wish to make the following report:	
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Received for Entertainment of State Assn 200.00	•
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Total Disbursements 441.92  BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 27, 1968 \$120.04	
Respectfully submitted,	w.

Harold K. Swann, Jr., Treasurer-Chairman

## MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING

OF THE A COUNTY OF THE A COUNT

## SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION

HELD AT

## IMMANUEL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

APRIL 27, 1968

The second Quarterly Meeting of the South Georgia Association was held April 27, 1968, at the Immanuel Free Will Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida. The choirster opened the session by singing "The Name of Jesus." Brother Larry Montgomery led in prayer. The congregation sang "At Calvery."

Brother Malone Cobb brought the devotional from Proverbs 13:22. The Clerk called the session to order by introducing the Moderator. The Moderator's remarks were from Matthew 24. The roll call of ministers was given by the Clerk, Standing delegates were recognized and seated. The Moderator recognized visiting ministers.

Several committees were appointed:

RESOLUTION—E. R. Corbett, W. H. Daughtry, Mrs. Sammie Montgomery.

FINANCE—Raymond Altman, Harry Chesser, Wilford Harden.

Roll call of churches was given with 22 responding. Special music was given by the host church. Rev. Billy Jackson brought a challenging message on "What If It Were Today." Words of welcome and announcements were given by the host pastor. Brother 1. J. Blackwelder led in the dismissal prayer.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began by singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder." The devotional message was given by Brother Emmett McDuffie from II Peter 3:1-7.

The Finance report was given by Brother Wilford Harden (see report). Item number one was not adopted. Items two, three, and four were adopted (see report). The Ordaining Council report was given by Brother Emmett McDuffie (see report). Names of the Obituary report were given from the floor (see report).

A committee to set up a workshop each quarter for Christian Education was appointed: Malone Cobb, Luther Burns, Luther Reed. Adjournment prayer was given.

## REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Resolutions Committee, wish to make the following report:

- 1. That the list of delegates and money be turned in to the treasurer or clerk before the meeting is called to order, this would save time.
  - 2. That a committee be appointed to look into the possibility of a workshop each quarter for Christian Education. These workshops should include some of the E. T. T. A. courses.
- 3. That we give a rising vote of thanks to the host church for their hospitality.
- 4. That this body elect a Parliamentarian.

E. R. CORBETT

W. H. DAUGHTRY

MRS. S. MONTGOMERY

## REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

We, the Ordaining Council, recommend the following:

- 1. Jimmy McDuffie has been examined and found sound in the faith and Free Will Baptist Doctrine. We recommend him for ordination.
  - 2. James P. Wallace, recommend for license.

- 3. H. D. Hood comes with license to be accepted into the South Georgia Association.
- 4. That W. A. Olds be demanded to return the Ordination Certificate given by said conference.

J. M. COBB
BUDDY MORRIS

## REPORT OF THE OBITUARY

(given from the floor)

MARIETTA	
CALVARY	• •
NEW HOPE	
AUGUSTA Je SATILLA	essie Cocks, Evelyn Hornsby
ALABAHA	
CORINTH	
MEMORIAL	L. O. Morris
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Balance Forward from last report	\$120.04
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	296.00
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TOTAL  DISBURSEMENTS:  Moderator  Clerk and Minutes  Mrs. A. B. Adams  Mrs. B. A. Altman  Mrs. Joe Harris  Mrs. E. L. Paulk	296.00 \$416.04  \$5.00  10.00  15.00  15.00  15.00  15.00
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TOTAL  DISBURSEMENTS:  Moderator  Clerk and Minutes  Mrs. A. B. Adams  Mrs. B. A. Altman  Mrs. Joe Harris  Mrs. E. L. Paulk  Mrs. J. R. Graham  Bank Service Charge	296.00 \$416.04  \$5.00  10.00  15.00  15.00  15.00  15.00  3.90
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Respectfully submitted,

s/REV. RAYMOND ALTMAN s/BRO. HARRY CHESSER s/REV. WILFORD HARDEN

## **CHURCHES AND DELEGATES**

	Mrs. J. E. Woods, Helen Allen
AUGUSTA	Donald N. Smith
BAXLEY	Mrs. Cynthia McDuffie
CALVARY	Doyle Hood, Jim Wallace, Charles Nettles
	By Letter
DOUGLAS	Ronnie Music
EBENEZER	Mrs. Carolyn Saverance
	_ Mrs. Donna K. Harrell, Mrs. Sammie Montgomery
HARMONY	Mrs. Martha Morris
MARIETTA	By Letter
	Mrs. W. H. Daughtry, Kay Daughtry
OAK GROVE	Jeanette Harden
PHILADELPHIA -	Pearl Nazworth, Faye McMillian
PINE LEVEL	Sharron Hand, Hazel Aughtman.
PINEY GROVE	Conrad Dixon
SATILLA M	rs. Luther Reed, Vernice Thompson, Karen Williams.
SPRING GROVE	L. C. Teston, Ted James, A. J. McMorris.
	Denson Wheeler, Kenneth Crawford, Mike Collins Juanita Costner.

## MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING

## SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION

held at

## MEMORIAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH JESUP, GEORGIA

JULY 27, 1968

The third session of the Quarterly Meeting of the South Georgia Association was held July 27, 1968, at Memorial Free Will Baptist Church, Jesup, Georgia. The congregation joined in singing "Standing On The Promises." The Rev. E. R. Corbett led in prayer. The congregation again joined in singing, "Jesus Savior Pilot Me." The Rev. Emmett McDuffie brought the devotional message from Proverbs 3:6.

The Rev. J. R. Davidson gave instructions on Parliamentary Law.

The session was called to order by the Clerk, the Rev. Grant Saverance, who introduced the Moderator, the Rev. Wendell Long.

The roll call of preachers was made by the Clerk.

Committees were appointed by the Moderator as follows:

FINANCE—Harold Swann, Raymond Altman, Vernon King.

RESOLUTIONS-W. J. Purvis, Clearance McMillian, Ted Harris.

MISSION BOARD—A motion was made that the Moderator appoint E. R. Corbett and Luther Reed as proxy for two board members.

Delegates from various churches were recognized and seated. The Rev. Luther Burns and Larry Montgomery gave a report on the Youth Camp at Waycross.

Testimony time was announced by the Moderator.

The congregation sang, "I Shall Not Be Moved."

The Rev. Grant Saverance brought the message from Acts 1:8 concerning First Century Evangelism.

The Rev. Rolla Smith gave a report on the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Mr. W. L. Purvis led in the adjournment prayer.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

The choister opened the afternoon session by leading the group in singing "Blessed Assurance." The Rev. W. H. Daughtry brought the afternoon devotion from Proverbs 3:1-5.

The minutes were read and approved. The Finance Report was given by Harold Swann (see report). The Resolution Committee presented their report (see report). The Obituary report was given from the floor. The Clerk read the report from the Executive Committee and it was adopted (see report). The Mission Board presented their report (see report). There was a motion made and adopted to receive the report item by item. Item No. 1 was that the South Georgia Association give \$25.00 per week to help support the Hazlehurst Mission for one year. The motion was adopted. Item No.2 was that an offering be taken for the mission. Item No. 3 was that the state be requested to match this amount at the state meeting, retroactive to September 1. This motion was adopted. Item No. 4 was that an offering be taken for the South Georgia Mission Board. This motion was also adopted. Item No. 5 was that the Rev. E. R. Corbett serve as proxy in the absence of J. E. Blanton. This motion was adopted.

The Rev. J. R. Davidson gave a report on the new work at Santa Claus. The chair recognized the Rev. Taylor Merritt concerning the new work.

The Rev. Emmett McDuffie was elected to replace Rev. J. E. Blanton on the State Mission Board. There was a motion made that the Chair appoint two men on the Ordaining Council. This motion was adopted. The Chair appointed the Rev. Joe Esther and the Rev. Billy Jackson on the Ordaining Council. The Rev. W. L. Purvis was appointed to the Christian Education Committee.

An offering was taken for the various sources.

The Rev. Joe Esther led in the adjournment prayer.

## REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE

MEMORIAL		Mrs.	Charlie Mann
NEW HOPE	Mrs. J	oe Harris,	Eulee London
CORINTH		Waymon	Hollingsworth
STONY HILL		R	loss Anderson

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, your Executive Committee, wish to make the following fecommendations: that the Constitution and Church Doctrine be placed in the minutes each year.

## REPORT ON THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, the Resolutions Committee, present the following recommendations: that we give the Memorial Church a raising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality during this session of the Quarterly Meeting.

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your Finance Committee, wish to maport for your consideration.	ake the foll	owing re-
Balance from last meeting	,	. \$286.85
Received from churches	\$305.01	
Youth Camp Offering	86.00	.*
	,	391.01
TOTAL		_ \$677.86
DISBURSEMENTS:		
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Moderator	•	•
Clerk and Minutes	10.00	
Treasurer	5.00	•
Deceased Ministers' wives:		
Mrs. A. B. Adams	15.00	
Mrs. B. A. Altman	15.00	
Mrs. E. L. Paulk	•	
Mrs. J. R. Graham	15.00	•,
Bank Service Charges	2.60	
Flowers for Mrs. Joe Harris	8.78	
Telephone Expense	4.87	·
Executive Committee Travel	10.64	
Youth Camp Offering		
South Georgia Youth Camp		: *
South Georgia Mission Board	50.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS,		342.89
Balance on hand July 27, 1968		\$334.97

Respectfully submitted,

Harold K. Swann L. B. King Raymond Altman

CHURCH	MEMBERS RECEIVED	MEMBERS LOST	DIED	TOTAL	PAID	CO-OP PLAN	MISSIONS
ALABAHA	3	3	2	50	\$1,985.00	\$110.0	\$11C
AUGUSTA	9	5	3	34	916.63	- -	
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BETHEL	2				1,589.81		
BRUNSWICK	8	6		95	3,570.00		
CALVARY	12		. '	64	4,316.00		40
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EBENEZER	8	5	3	160	4,566.00	·	946
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GLENNVILLE	5	12		195	4,505.00	488.00	<u>.</u>
HARMONY	3	2	2	147	5,460.00	300.00	5
IMMANUEL	44	5		170	1,027.00		1,330
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PINEY GROVE	4	8	2	140	3,315.00	35.0	25
SATILLA	9	2	2	206	5,110.00	<b>171</b> .0	83
SAVANNAH	29	21	1	387	7,056.00	141.0	(7,8,1
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# PROCEEDING OF THE ANNUAL SESSION SOUTH GEORGIA OCTOBER 26, 1968

The Ninety First Annual Session of the South Georgia Association met at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Jesup, Georgia. Rev. Larry Dalton led in singing "Trust And Obey." Prayer by the Rev. Emmett McDuffie. A stirring devotion was brought from Romans 12 and John 13 by Rev. Larry Dalton.

Rev. Eugene Hales, the host pastor, gave the welcome. The response was given by the Clerk, Rev. W. L. Collins.

Rev. Damon C. Dodd was recognized as a visiting minister. Lay visitors were also recognized.

The Moderator, Rev. Wendell Long, called the session to order and directed the clerk to call the ministerial roll. The ministers along with the deacons present were recognized and seated as standing delegates.

The Clerk also called the church roll with 29 churches and one mission responding.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator: OBITUARY—Ken Crawford, Natlie Teston, Evelyn Long.

RESOLUTIONS-Rev. Luther Burns, R. D. Smith, Larry Dalton.

DIGEST AND CREDENTIALS—Harold Swann, Rolla Smith, P. D. Aldridge, Luther Reed.

NOMINATING-Walter Keheley, Grover Harrington, Russell Brewton.

Rev. Rolla Smith of the South Georgia Mission Board moved to receive the Gethsemane Free Will Baptist Church at Brunswick into the fellowship of this body.

Mrs. Smith of the Lyons Georgia Mission was recognized. She advised that the Rev. J. R. Davidson was serving the Mission as pastor—this as information.

Rev. Luther Reed, pastor of the new work in Hazlehurst, gave a report on the the work there. This report prompted a suggestion by Rev. Rolla Smith that a regular progress report of the Hazlehurst work as information.

Rev. Mance Cason, State Promotional Director, reported a thrilling success of the Harvest Day Drive for the Alabama Children's Home—\$2,230.80 (cash) and \$5,802.00 worth of produce were raised.

The morning worship hour began in song with Rev. Luther

Reed directing "Marching To Zion." Prayer by Rev. Damon Dodd followed. The congregation then joined Brother Reed in singing "Victory In Jesus" and "Heavenly Sunshine." The message—"Knowing The Time"—was brought by Rev. Larry Montgomery. His texts were Romans 13 and Hebrews 1.

Benediction and blessing upon the food was prayed by Rev. Buddy Morris.

### **AFTERNOON SESSION**

The session opened with Rev. Luther Reed leading "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Prayer by Rev. J. C. Carter followed. The song service was concluded with the singing of "Glory In My Soul." Brother Larry Harrell brought the afternoon devotion Job 21:15 and James 4:2. Prayer followed.

#### BUSINESS SESSION

The Chair yielded the floor to Brother O. B. Eaverson who spoke on the need of the Bible College general fund. An offering amounting to \$133.31 was received as the congregation sang "Love Lifted Me." Prayer was given by W. L. Purvis.

Reports of the various committees and boards were given by chairman of each and adopted per move and second. Upon adoption of the Obituary report, a time of silent prayer was observed. The moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to candidates coming before the Ordaining and Credentials Committee.

The Chair appointed the following delegates from this body to the state association: Russell Brewton, W. S. Todd, Leroy Schudder, Martha Morris, and Mrs. W. L. Purvis

The retiring officers were given a vote of appreciation by the body.

Prayer of benediction was prayed by Grover Herrington.

## REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that:

We give a rising vote of thanks to the host Church for their kind hospitality and delicious meal enjoyed by all.

We pledge continued prayer for the Gethsamne Free Will Baptist Church, Brunswick, Ga.

We recommend that no one serve simultaneously on more than one committee.

Prayerfully, REV. LUTHER BURNS REV. R. D. SMITH REV. LARRY DALTON

## REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Churches report the following have deceased:

Rupert Jones, Glennville Church. John H. Howard, Harmony Church. Florence Aspinwall, Spring Grove Church. M. J. Jordan, W. N. Hollinsworth, A. P. Wade, Corinth Church. Iris Logan, Alma Collins, Lower Corinth Church. Herbert Steedley, Okefenokee Church, Willie Driggers, Troy Sikes, Ebenezer Church. Yulee London, Paul Bruner Reedy Edinfield, New Hope Church, Jewell V. Lewis, Marrietta Church. Cone Waters, First Church Metter.

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## REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

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(Annual Session

The council met with the Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church near Bristol, Georgia, August 28, 1968.

The following Brethern having met all requirements were ordained, Rev. Jimmy McDuffie and Rev. B. L. Shivar.

The Rev. Emmett McDuffie preached the message, and also charge was by Rev. Joe Esther. Presentation of the Bible was by Rev. Billy Jackson.

October 26, 1968 in the annual session the council received Rev. Eugene Hales with a letter of recommendation from the general conference of Free Will Baptist of North Carolina. We recommend him to full fellowship.

Pending receipt of letters of recommendation for the following we recommend them to your fellowship.

Rev. A. C. Truluck, Orlando, Fla., Rev. John Reid, Salem Assoc., Fla., Rev. David A. Matthews, Cumberland Assoc., Tennessee.

Prayerfully,

REV. EMMETT McDUFFIE REV. BILLY JACKSON REV. JOE ESTHER

## REPORT OF MISSION BOARD

The board met at the Jesup Church on May 31, 1968, to hear a report by Rev. Luther Reed regarding plans for a Free Will Baptist Church in Hazlehurst.

In the July meeting the South Georgia Association voted upon recommendation of the mission board to give twenty-five dollars per week in support of the Hazlehurst work for a period of one year beginning September 1, 1968.

The South Georgia Association also voted upon recommendation of the mission board to petition the state mission board to give twenty-five dollars per week for one year toward the support of the Hazlehurst project.

The board met with the Brunswick Mission and organized them into a church on September 5, 1968. Forty three persons became charter members. Rev. J. R. Davidson was elected interim pastor and Mrs. Vera Parker was elected church clerk. The church was officially named Gethsemane Free Will Baptist Church. Mr. F. H. Steedley presided at the organizational meeting, Rev. Rolla Smith presented the Bible and Rev. Theron Long presented the church covenant.

Following is the financial report:

Balance on hand October 1, 1967	\$287.52
Money Received	
Alabaha	30.00
Brunswick	•
CorinthCorinth S. S	82 50
Ebenezer	600.00
Glennville	000.00
Harmony	250.00
. Immanuei	353.84
Jesup Marietta	600.00
Marietta	110.00
Memorial	80.00
Oak Grove	140.00
Oak GroveOak Hill	14.50
Oak Hill C. T. S	10.30
Okefenokee	
PhiladelphiaPhiladelphia	11.00
Pine Level	425.00
Satilla	270.00
Savannah	325.00

South Georgia Association Spring Grove	20.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	4,688.51
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR	
Disbursements:	
Sammy Wilkinson Account	
Hazlehurst Project	125.00
Book and J. T. Blanton Account	111.65
Target City Project	90.00
Youth Camp	86.00
Travel Board: Members Travel	41.82
Augusta Church	
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	2,902.18
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Respectfully submitted, Rolla D. Smith, Secretary-T	reasurer
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## REPORT OF DIGEST COMMITTEE

(As of October 26, 1968)

1966-67		1967-68
	Mission Churches Reporting _	
27	Churches Reporting _	29
2,431	Active Members	2,568
766	Inactive Members	895
	Baptism	
	By Letter	
13	Statement of Faith	73
159	Dismissed	112
35	Deceased	37
27	Sunday School	28
2,216	Enrollment	2,255
	Average Attendance	
	C. T. S	
997	Enrollment	1,106
	Average Attendance	
	Woman's Auxiliary	
237	Enrollment	262
187	Average Attendance .	193
	Master's Men	
72	Enrollment	77
44	Average Attendance .	51
25	Prayer Meeting	28
696	Average Attendance	716
9	Li_Vacation Bible School	10
574	Average Attendance	642
-34	Ordained Ministers _	41
4	Licensed Ministers	5
116	Deacons	129
22	Full Time Churches	25
4	Half-Time Churches _	4
41	Revivals	42
\$240,160.45	Total Offerings	\$310,249.76
\$84,710.40	Paid Pastor	\$92,432.89
\$6,832.66	Paid Evangelist	\$7,486.87
\$4,014.06	Cooperative Plan	\$4,684.85
\$55,697.65	Build and Repair	\$137,530.60
\$12,179.93	Literature	\$10,630.43
\$19,783.54	Missions	\$21,839.00
	Bible College	
\$26,391.08	Miscellaneous	\$46,420.54

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## SOUTH GEORGIA YOUTH CAMP FINANCIAL REPORT

(1968 Camp Year)

BROUGHT FORWARD	\$27.77
MONEY RECEIVED:	
South Georgia Association	100.00
Camper Fees	_ 1,585.00
Canteen	
Gifts from Churches	141.10
Missionary Offering (Ken Eagleton Acct.)	166.85
Reimbursement From Coca-Cola Bottling Co. for	
'Overpayment	
Sale of Camp Pictures	
Sale of Food Items	109.26
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR:	\$2,455.48
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Meals	\$668.46
Y. M. C. A. (Camp Rental)	225.00
Y. M. C. A. (Camp Clean-up)	50.00
Camp Insurance	88.20
Literature (C. T. S. Dept.)	59.40
Literature (C. T. S. Dept., Last year's Camp)	
Rev. Ken Eagleton	
Rev. Dave Franks (Last Year's Camp)	
Lifeguards	
Mileage	
Stewart Candy Company	
G. H. Fort (Candy and Peanuts)	
Pepsi Cola Bottling Company	
Coca Cola Bottling Company	
*Doctor's Fees, Drugs, Emergency Room Fees	•
First Aid Supplies	·
Sporting GoodsTelephone	
Camp Pictures	
Postage and Supplies	
Miscellaneous	
TOTAL DISBURMENTS:	
TOTAL TO ACCOUNT FOR:	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:	
*To be reimbursed by insurance company.	φ 3U/.Y&

We, your Finance Committee, wish to make	the following report:
BALANCE FORWARD FROM LAST REPORT	
RECEIVED FROM CHURCIES	
BIBLE COLLEGE OFFERING	_ 133.31
BIBLE COLLEGE OFFERING	565.31
TOTAL	
DISBURSEMENTS:	•
Moderator	
Clerk and Minutes	
Treasurer Widows of Deceased Ministers	
Mre A R Adame	15.00
Mrs. A. B. Adams Mrs. B. A. Altman Mrs. E. L. Paulk	15.00
Mrs. D. A. Allingii	15.00
Mrs. J. R. Graham	15.00
Bank Service Charges	2.05
Executive Committee Travel	3.73 40.73
State Association	
State to National Association	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Stamps	0.00
Unified ProgramBible College	23.00 23.31
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Wilkinson Account Children's Home	_ 100.00
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BALANCE ON HAND OCTOBER 26, 1968	\$322.29
Respectfully submi	itted,
Harold K. Swann, J	r., Treasurer-Chairman
DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL ASS	
ALABAHA—Rev. B. L. Shivar, John B. Thorn	
AUGUSTA—Brother Tanner, Royce Abney.	
BAXLEY—Mrs. W. E. Brown, Mrs. Jessie Co	
Mrs. Emmett McDuffie.	wari, Sharron Kemz,
BETHEL—Jack Gross, Jo Ann Altman and Dia	nno Altman
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FIRST OF BRUNSWICK—(by letter).  CALVARY—Oscar Davis, Howard Craven and	Loo Darkon
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GETHSEMANE—R. D. Smith, Curtis Smith, Edward Parker, Mr. McDuffie.

GLENNVILLE—(by letter).

HARMONY—Kenneth Clyatt, Mrs. Kenneth Clyatt, Mrs. Ramona Long Mrs. Martha Morris.

IMMANUEL—Jane Dalton, Vera Wheeler, Willie Crosby, Kenneth Crawford.

FIRST OF JESUP—Ed Seymour, Alton Cauley, Mrs. Alton Cauley, Mrs. Hilda Burke, Mrs. Nellie Arnett.

LOWER CORINTH—Zera Holton, Franceno Frindley, Mr. and Mrs. John Lairscy.

MARIETTA—A. D. Mayo, Ira Branch, Mrs. A. D. Mayo, Mrs. Pike Mc Lean, Grace Lewis.

MEMORIAL—James Blanton, Troy L. Dykes, Betty Dykes, Evelyn Long Mrs. E. R. Corbett, Doric Long.

METTER—James F. Beasley, Rauph Lively.

NEW HOPE—Sol Mallard, Asa Lee Mallard, Betty Daughtry.

OAK GROVE—Janet Harden, P. F. McLean, Travic Carter.

OAK HILL-Willard Taylor.

OKEFENOKEE—Talmadge Neugent, Helen Neugent, Jo Bryson, Doloris Burns.

PHILADELPHIA—Pearl Nazworth, Mrs. Harry Cresser.

PINE LEVEL—Mrs. Ocie Cauley, Bill Johnson, Debbie Hyers, Elizabeth Johnson, Jan Douglas, Dannete Rigdon, Mrs. and

PINEY GROVE—Cola Rogers, Nadean Westberry, Inez Brannen. Mr. J. W. L. Johnson.

SATILLA-Roger Beecher, Athelle Beecher.

FIRST OF SAVANNAH—Lily Nesmith, Mrs. Rauph Carter, Russell Brewton.

SPRING GROVE—Pete Aldridge, Alma Lane, Nathell Teston, Zona Baker.

STONEY HILL—Dottie Flowers, Mrs. Joe Hagan, Junior Jernigan.
LYONS MISSION—Taylor Merritt, Mrs. Evon Smith, Mrs. Lanie Wiggins, Leon Wiggins.

#### CHURCH PASTOR CLERK AND ADDRESSES

Alabaha—B. L. Shivar—W. T. Thornton, Rt. 1, Blackshear, Ga. Augusta—Billy Jackson—Mrs. W. Davis, 1840 Walker St. Augusta. Baxley—Emmett McDuffie—Cynthia McDuffie, 106 Glendale, Baxley BETHEL\*—V. L. Pritchett—H. F. Johnson, Jr. Rt. 3, Baxley, Ga.

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## Constitution

### **PREAMBLE**

The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the people and strengthen the work of the various churches composing the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist and to devise and recommend measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in association with the various churches which do now and may later comprise this organization.

ARTICLE 1. NAME:—This fellowship of churches shall be known as the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists of Georgia. ARTICLE 2. COMPOSITION:—This Association shall be composed of such regularly organized and well disciplined Free Will Baptist Churches as may conveniently embody themselves in this fellowship.

ARTICLE 3. REPRESENTATION—Representation shall be by delegates duly authorized by the local churches comprising the South Georgia Association, and shall be determined on the basis of one (1) delegate for each twenty (20) members or fraction thereof. Standing delegates are all ordained ministers and deacons in good standing with the South Georgia Association; missionaries who hold memberships in a church in the South Georgia in this capacity.

ARTICLE 4. OFFICTRS:—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the close of each annual session. No member of this Association shall be eligible to serve as Moderator for more than two consecutive years unless no other member be competent to serve.

Section 2.—BOARDS AND COMMITTETS—In addition to a Mission Board, other Boards may be set up as needed, such as Board of Finance, Board of Education, Superannuation Board, Sunday School and Training Service Boards, Presbytery Board (Ordaining Council), etc. The personnel of each of these shall be elected as follows: The first named for a period of five years (or three years of the Board numbers less than five members), the second for a termof four years, the third for a term of three years, the fourth for a term of two years, the fifth for a term of one year. Succession to office thereafter shall be for a period of five years or three as the case may be. Committees, as necessary, shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise provided for, and shall hold office until their work is completed or until their successors are named. The Executive Committee shall consist of the standing officers and the Chairman of each of the Boards of the South Georgia Association.

ARTICLE 5. MEETINGS—The meetings of the South Georgia Association shall be held quarterly on the fourth Saturday in January, April, July, and October each year. It shall be the duty of the Church of this Association to represent themselves by letter and delegates, and report their standing prospects and statistics; at which time the Association shall act upon such questions and topics as may be referred to by its respective member churches and transact other business not repugnant to this constitution, nor to the practices of the denomination, as in its judgement may promote the cause of Christ and the interests of the churches within the limits of this Association.

ARTICLE 6. FINANCES—Member churches in this Association are requested to observe the following suggestions relative to gifts to be sent with quarterly reports:

Total membership of 50 or less \_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 Total membership of 51 to 150 \_\_\_\_\_ \$12.50 Total membership of 151 to 500 \_\_\_\_ \$15.00

(Compliance with this recommendation is not compulsory for affiliation. More ore less may be sent according to the ability and pleasure of each church).

ARTICLE 7. Section 1. DISCIPLINE—This Association shall have power to act only as an advisory council to give churches advice in matters of difficulty, to exclude for disorderly walk and to withdraw the hand of fellowship if labor proves unsuccessful, but in no case to reverse their decisions nor to interfere with any of their internal regulations.

Section 2.—All matters involving discipline sahll be handled according to the Treastise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE 8. BY-LAWS—This Association shall have power to adopt any regulations or by-laws not inconsistant with this Constitution, which may be deemed essential to the further regulations of its sessions.

ARTICLE 9. AMENDMENTS—This Constitution may be amended or altered by a two-thirds vote of delegates present at any regular session, notice of intended alteration having been given in writing, and recorded at the previous session.