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# SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF

# Will Baptists

# 1987 - 1989

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# MINUTES

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Spring Grove Free Will Baptist Church January 24, 1987

The quarterly meeting of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met January 24, 1987 at the Spring Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Jesup, Georgia.

The meeting began by the congregation singing "Blessed Assurance", which was led by Mark Stripling. Rev. Larry Williams, host pastor, welcomed everyone and led the congregation in prayer.

The session was called to order by the clerk, Rev. David Thomas. The clerk recognized the Moderator, Rev. William Travis.

Rev. Buddy Morris read scripture from Matthew 5:1-2, 12 and brought a challenge to us dealing with mission concerns and the upcoming Missions Conference.

The roll call of churches and ministers was taken, and a motion to seat the delegates was then adopted. The visitors were recognized. They were Mr. and Mrs. Gleason Fowler, Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid and Mr. Harold McWhorter.

The minutes of the previous session were read and the report of the Executive Committee was given. A motion to approve the minutes and the Executive Committee report was adopted. (The report is on file with the clerk).

The Obituary Report was given by the Clerk: HARMONY CHURCH - Tom Rymer NEW HOPE CHURCH - Clayton Westberry, Roma Gunther SATILLA CHURCH - Vernon Hughes, Mrs. Ernie Williams SPRING GROVE CHURCH - Sanford Manning, Loretta Devereaux Rev. James Ursrey led in prayer. The following committees were appointed for this session: FINANCE - James Horne, Harris Nix and Preston Bryan RESOLUTIONS - Billy Livesay, Vernon Thompson and Randy Corn Gleason Fowler came and spoke concerning the Master's Men and the work they are doing on the State Youth Camp.

Herbert Waid gave a report on the state work.

Harold McWhorter then sang, "My House is Full", and Rev. Amos McMillan dismissed the session for recess with prayer.

The session returned to order by singing, "Jesus Saves" led by Mr. McWhorter.

The Mission Board report and their financial report was given by Rev. Buddy Morris. He informed the churches of the upcoming Missions Conference. He also announced that all Missions Conference offerings are to be sent to Troy Dykes by March 10, 1987. M/S/C.

The Mission Board nominated Tim Thompson to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Malone Cobb on the Mission Board. M/S/C.

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne. The following recommendations were given for disbursement: \$200.00 for Georgia Master's Men program on the State Camp; \$200.00 to Rev. William Travis for his medical expenses; \$100.00 to Mr. McWhorter. M/S/C.

The Youth Board report was given by Horace Minchew. Mark Stripling then gave the dates for the Youth Camp. March 14, 1987 is the date for the youth CTS competition, which is to be held at Glennville Free Will Baptist Church. M/S/C.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Rev. Billy Livesay. M/S/C to accept the report and act on the recommendations:

- 1. Be it resolved that all the churches of the association support the upcoming Missions Conference through prayer and financial commitments.
- 2. Be it resolved that the return address be included on the quarterly church report.
- 3. Be it resolved that we give the host church, Spring Grove, a rising vote of thanks for the meal and the warm hospitality shown throughout the quarterly meeting.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Rev. Rex Lynn. The following recommendations were given and a motion was adopted to act upon the recommendations item by item:

1. That a letter be sent to the Martin Association on behalf of Rev. Ken Faison. M/S/C.

2. That Rev. Walter Summerlin be accepted into our fellowship upon receiving a letter from his former association in North Carolina of good standing. M/S/C.

The Worship Service began by Rev. Tom Lightsey introducing Mr. McWhorter, who then presented a program in song, concerning missions, while Rev. Lightsey read scriptures. At the conclusion of the service an offering was taken with Rev. Larry Williams praying the offertory prayer.

A motion to adjourn was offered and approved. We were dismissed in prayer by Rev. Bud Hill. The Spring Grove Church then served a very delicious meal.

> Rev. Bill Travis, Moderator Rev. David Thomas, Clerk

FINANCIAL	REPORT	
South Georgia Association	of Free Will H	Baptists
January 24	, 1987	
Balance brought forward		\$ 1,660.04
RECEII	PTS	
Gifts from Churches	\$ 665.00	
Worship Service Offering	79.00	
Late Gifts	127.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	871.00	
DISBURSEN	MENTS	
Moderator	30.00	
Clerk	60.00	
Treasurer	30.00	
Retirement Gifts	75.00	
Executive Committee Travel	167.87	
Appropriation for Minutes, State		
& National Fees	262.50	
Clerk's Expense	11.31	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		636.68
Balance carried forward		\$ 1,894.36
MINUTES, STATE AND NAT	IONAL FEES A	CCOUNT
Balance brought forward		\$ 1,166.59
RECEIP	TS	
Appropriations from Budget	\$ 262.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	ii	262.50
DISBURSEN	AENTS	
Georgia State Master's Men	200.00	
William Travis	200.00	
Harold McWhorter	100.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		500.00
Balance carried forward		\$ 929.09
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# FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board October 1 - December 31, 1986

Balance brought forward

\$ 1,302.01 RECEIPTS Baxley Church \$ 80.00 Bethel Church 60.00 Ebenezer Church 105.00 First Church, Savannah 150.00 Georgia State Association 90.00 Glennville Church 125.00 388.27 Harmony Sunday School Mamie Tyre Circle 15.00 New Hope Church 50.00 Statesboro Church 211.38 28.00 Surrency Church TOTAL RECEIPTS

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Plaque for Kenneth Faison	32.71
Supplies	9.06
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	

1,302.65

41.77

Balance carried forward

\$ 2,562.89

Philadelphia Church has sent \$177.00 for the Missionary Conference, 1987, that is not included in the above figures. This will be reported in the quarter of the Missionary Conference.

> Troy Dykes Treasurer

FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Youth Board July 1 - December 31, 1986				
Balance brought forward		\$ 1,400.38		
RECEIPT	ГS			
Earnings on Checking Account	\$ 37.13			
Ebenezer Church	80.00	•		
Okefenoke REA	5.86			
Northside Interest on Bonds	180.00			
TOTAL RECEIPTS		302.99		
DISBURSEMENTS				
VIP Office Supplies	11.80			
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		11.80		
Balance carried forward		\$ 1,691.57		
SAVINGS ACC	OUNTS			
Great Southern Federal	\$1,196.69			
Interest earned	32.24			
FWBBC Investment Fund	5,000.00			
Northside Church Bonds	3,000.00			
Glenn Wright Investments	8,000.00			
Balance carried forward		\$17,228.93		

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Horace Minchew Treasurer

#### MINUTES

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Statesboro Free Will Baptist Church April 25, 1987

The quarterly meeting of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met April 25, 1987 at the Statesboro Free Will Baptist Church, Statesboro, Georgia.

The meeting began by the congregation singing "The Solid Rock" which was led by Mark Stripling. Rev. Frank Breeden accompanied the singing on the piano for the conference. Rev. Buddy Morris then welcomed the conference and gave instructions. Howard Price gave a history of the Statesboro Church.

The conference was called to order by the clerk, Rev. David Thomas. The clerk recognized the Moderator, Rev. William Travis. Brother Travis read several passages from Nehemiah and gave an outline of the book pertaining to the gates mentioned in the book and their relationship to Calvary, Soul winning, Consecration, the Holy Spirit, the Word of God and the Lord's return. He then led in prayer.

The roll call of churches and ministers was taken, with 14 ministers present and 17 churches represented. There were 17 churches that sent in report forms. A motion was made, seconded and passed to seat the delegates. The visitors were then recognized. They were Rev. Frank Breeden from Free Will Baptist Bible College and Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Waid from our State Office.

The minutes of the previous session were read but the Executive Board

Meeting report was not present for reading by the clerk. A motion was received and approved to adopt the report as read.

The Obituary Report was given by the Clerk: EBENEZER CHURCH - Carl Wilkerson OAK HILL CHURCH - Elberta Crowder SATILLA CHURCH - J. Q. Hughes SPRING GROVE CHURCH - Charles Yeomans

Rev. Amos McMillan led in prayer.

The following committees were appointed for this session: FINANCE - James Horne, Troy Dykes and Linda McMillan RESOLUTIONS - Randy Corn, David Hutchison and Mary Hill NOMINATING - Wilford Harden, Virgil Carter and David Thomas (These were appointed to serve for the annual session)

At this time a letter was presented from the Ogeechee Conference. The Stoney Hill Church has petitioned that conference for membership (letter is on file with the clerk). A motion was made, seconded and approved to grant a letter of good standing for the Stoney Hill Church to the Ogeechee Conference.

Rev. Buddy Morris informed all that tomorrow is Bible College emphasis day in our churches. It is also Foreign Missions "Call-a-thon" Sunday. We did not have students from the Bible College for the conference this time as we had just brought them here in our October meeting. The "Pass the Torch" campaign from the Bible College was then introduced by Frank Breeden. Herbert Waid then gave a report on the state work. M/S/C to receive the reports as information.

We were dismissed in prayer for the recess by James Horne.

The meeting reconvened by the congregation singing "Sunlight".

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. The Missionary Conference was very successful. The total gifts of cash and pledges were \$36,996.00. Some changes will be implemented in the next conference to aid the churches and the missionaries. That information will be sent to the churches before the next conference. Brother Morris then urged each church to contribute to a retirement fund for Miss Laura Belle Barnard. The Indian group that gave support to her has asked that we pick up this amount.

Brother Troy Dykes gave a testimony as to the benefit of the Missions Conference to himself and his church. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Youth Board report was given by Mark Stripling. The dates of the Youth Camp were given. They are June 7 - 12 for Teen Camp and June 21 - 26 for Junior Camp. An appeal was made for workers for the weeks of camp. The date of the CTS competition was moved to March 28. Five churches competed in the competition. The Youth Board presented a recommendation to the body that we give \$25.00 for each competitor from our association that wins at the Georgia State competition and goes to the National competition this year. The youth rally in June will be postponed. M/S/C to receive the report and recommendation.

Bud Hill then gave information regarding the State youth Competition. He encouraged the churches to participate. The dates for the State competi-

tion are May 1 - 2. The speaker will be Gary Fry and Miss Lorie Clyatt will be singing.

The Finance Committee Report was given by James Horne. The report is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to receive the report.

Buddy Morris recommended that \$300.00 be given the Bible College. M/S/C to accept this recommendation.

The Ordaining Board Report was given by Rex Lynn. The following recommendations were given:

- 1. That we receive Rev. Gene Gilbert into our association pending a letter of good standing from his association in Alabama. M/S/C.
- 2. That we receive Rev. Steve Petty into our association pending a letter of good standing from his association in Indiana. M/S/C.
- 3. That Rev. Alan Colson be removed from the roll of ministers of this association. M/S/C.
- 4. That a letter of good standing be sent to the First Oklahoma Association for Rev. Sam Wilkinson. M/S/C.

The Resolutions Committee Report, was given by Randy Corn:

1. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and the meal. M/S/C.

The Worship Service began by singing "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart".

An offering was received with Brother James Aldrich praying the offertory prayer.

Rev. Frank Breeden then brought the message for the conference. He spoke from Luke 10:35. His message was pertaining to "And who is my neighbor?" He spoke concerning the churches' and christians' failure in presenting to the lost world the true message of salvation and what a christian is. We are not meeting the needs of the world, while other "false messages" are going out by those who are not true christians, he said.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that we adjourn. Rev. Rex Lynn prayed the prayer of benediction and blessing on the meal.

Bill Travis, Moderator David Thomas, Clerk

## FINANCIAL REPORT

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

April 25, 1987

Balance brought forward

\$ 1,894.36

#### RECEIPTS

Gifts from Churches	\$ 660.00
Worship Service Offering	130.50
Late Gifts	57.50

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TOTAL RECEIPTS	848.00	
DISBURSEMEN	TS	
Moderator	30.00	
Clerk	60.00	
Treasurer	30.00	
Retirement Gifts	75.00	
<b>Executive Committee Travel</b>	202.08	
Appropriation for Minutes, State &		
National Fees	262.50	
Clerk's Expenses	27.41	
Glennville Printing Company (Minutes)	1,533.00	
Moderator's Expenses	7.12	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		2,227.11
Balance carried forward		\$ 515.25
MINUTES, STATE AND NATION.	AL FEES ACCOU	NT
Balance brought forward		\$ 929.09
RECEIPTS		
Appropriation from Budget	\$ 262.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		262.50

#### DISBURSEMENTS

## TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

Balance carried forward

James Horne Lynda McMillan Troy Dykes

# FINANCIAL REPORT

South Georgia Mission Board

January 1 - March 31, 1987

Balance brought forward

\$ 2,562.89

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RECEIPTS				
Baxley Church	\$	30.00		
Bethel Church		60.00		
Ebenezer Church		70.00		
Glennville Church		75.00		
Georgia State Association		60.00		
Mamie Tyre Circle		15.00		
Mission Board Members		32.33		
New Hope Church		75.00		
New Hope Ladies Circle		50.00		
Philadelphia Church		30.00		
Savannah Church		150.00		
Statesboro Church		80.52		
South Georgia Missions Conference	16,	,680.00		
TOTAL RECEIPTS			17,407.85	
DISBURSEMENTS				
Mileage	\$	461.00		
Meals		352.36		
Rayland Corp (taxes)		37.05		
Debbie Griffin (designated)		50.00		
Telephone		39.53		
Harold McWhorter		200.00		
South Georgia Missions Conference	14,	,595.26		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			15,735.20	
Balance carried forward			\$ 4,235.54	
Late Receipt from Corinth Church		212.25		
Troy Dykes Treasurer				

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\$ 1,191.59

# FINANCIAL REPORT

# South Georgia Missions Conference Financial Report

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CHURCH	CASH	PLEDGES
Alabaha Church	\$ 565.00	\$ 180.00
Baxley Church	288.05	
Bethel Church	88.20	
Bethany Church	200.00	
Brunswick Church	695.00	1,872.00
Ebenezer Church	785.00	,
Glennville Church	1,579.00	
Harmony Church	2,238.25	660.00
Jesup Church	648.00	240.00
Liberty Church	173.88	1,440.00
Memorial Church	444.78	300.00
New Hope Church	1,180.00	
Oak Hill Church	50.00	
Philadelphia Church	429.00	2,148.00
Pine Level Church	1,133.67	720.00
Piney Grove Church	818.00	
Satilla Church	1,205.00	1,716.00
Spring Grove Church	1,295.22	3,840.00
Statesboro Church	2,200.00	7,200.00
Surrency Church	610.00	
Individual Gifts	53.95	
TOTALS	\$16,680.00	\$20,316.00
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Laura Belle Barnard (d	lesignated) \$ 10.	00
National Foreign Missi		
National Home Mission		
Georgia Home Mission		
South Georgia Mission	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
TOTAL DISBURSEM		
		\$16,680.00

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FINANCIAL REPO South Georgia Youth January 24 - April 24	Boar		
Balance brought forward			\$ 2,101.57
RECEIPTS			
Ebenezer Church	\$	20.00	
Checking Account Earnings		22.70	
District Competition Fees		230.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			272.70
DISBURSEMENT	TS .		
Mileage (Board Meetings)		198.00	
Captain Joe's Restaurant		45.01	
Great Southern Bank (Safety Deposit			
Box)		15.00	
Youth Camp Deposit (2 weeks)		100.00	
Randall House (Guidelines, Judges			
sheets)		8.90	
Office Supplies		11.36	
State Competition Fees		195.00	
		11.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			584.27
Balance carried forward			\$ 1,790.00

# SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

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Money Market Account	\$1,234.40
Interest on Account	5.01
Northside Church Bonds	3,000.00
Balance carried forward	

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\$ 4,239.41

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#### MINUTES

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Surrency Free Will Baptist Church August 1, 1987

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met August 1, 1987 at the Surrency Free Will Baptist Church, Surrency, Georgia.

The meeting began by the congregation singing "To God Be the Glory," which was led by Mark Stripling and Mrs. Debbie Stripling accompanied the singing on the piano. Troy Dykes then welcomed the conference and gave instructions.

The conference was called to order by the clerk, Rev. David Thomas. The clerk recognized the Moderator, Rev. William Travis. The moderator then called on Rev. James Ursrey to open with a word of prayer. The moderator then called on Rev. J. M. Herrald to bring a devotion. Brother Herrald read from Isaiah 45:22 and spoke on the lost world's vastness and the need for the church to reach them.

The roll call of churches was taken, with 22 ministers present and 22 churches represented. There were 20 churches sending in report forms. A motion was made, seconded and passed to seat the delegates. The visitors were then recognized. They were Mrs. Naomi Gant of Glennville and Mrs. Ruth Williams of Hazlehurst.

The minutes of the previous session were read and the minutes of the past

two Executive Board Meetings were read. The motion was received and approved to adopt the reports as read.

The Obituary Report was given by the Clerk:

BRUNSWICK CHURCH - Cora Pye

EBENEZER CHURCH - Lonnie Driggers, Charlie Pugh, Mrs. Maggie Sikes and Doris Sikes

JESUP CHURCH - Paul Powell PHILADELPHIA CHURCH - Ruth Mattox SPRING GROVE CHURCH - Johnnie Williams

Rev. Danny Ryals led in prayer.

The following committees were appointed for this session: FINANCE - James Horne, Willard Taylor and Mrs. P. R. Crowder RESOLUTIONS - C. B. Dowdney, Loren Hughes and Preston Bryan The meeting was recessed for a few minutes.

The meeting returned to order by singing "A Shelter in the Time of Storm" which was led by Rev. James Ursrey and accompanied by Mrs. Debbie Stripling. Brother Bud Hill then led in prayer.

The Mission Board Report was given by Rev. Buddy Morris. He urged us to pray for the work in Kingsland, that someone might feel the Lord leading them there. He informed the body that the next Missions Conference would be February 14 - 28, 1988. He urged each church to plan for the conference and not to arrange revivals, meetings, etc., during that time so that we might have a more unified conference. He indicated there would be some changes in the conference which would be beneficial to the program. We will have five services in each church; the conference would be divided into four groups. The fellowship suppers will be February 14 and 20. We will be notified by the Mission Board of other changes at a later time. Brother Morris introduced the work being opened in Douglas and asked Rev. Gene Gilbert to come and share with us about the work there. Brother Gilbert is serving as the pastor of the mission. The church will be called Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church. He appealed for support from our churches for the work there.

The Mission Board recommends that each church consider some support for the church. Also they request each church to donate a square of shingles for the church building. The money for these shingles is to be sent to the Mission Board treasurer, Troy Dykes. M/S/C to receive the report. The financial report is on file with the clerk.

The Youth Board report was given by Mark Stripling. He said that there were 7 decisions during the Teen Week of Camp; there were 47 young people at Teen Camp. Junior Week, there were 73 campers with 23 decisions with 7 first time decisions. We had three National Association winners in the CTS competition. There were nine groups or individual entries. The next Youth Rally will be September 12, in Lake Butler, Florida at 5:00 p.m. The financial report was then given (report is on file).

The Youth Board has money invested with Glenn Wright, Inc. Brother Troy Dykes came and gave a report about the status of our money and the stability of the company. The Glenn Wright investment group will attempt

to pay 40% of the money that we have invested back to us with interest by 1993, and hopefully the balance after that. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Ordaining Board Report was given by Rev. Rex Lynn. He informed the conference that the letters of good standing came to us for Rev. Steve Petty and Rev. Gene Gilbert. The following recommendations were given:

- 1. That we receive Rev. Dwight Fletcher into our association pending a letter of good standing from the Southern Mississippi Conference. M/S/C.
- That we receive Rev. J. M. Herrald into our association pending a letter of good standing from the Georgia Union Association. M/S/C.

The Financial Committee Report was given by James Horne. (Report is on file). M/S/C.

The Resolution Committee Report was given by Rev. Preston Bryan:

1. Be it resolved that we give the Surrency Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and fine meal they have prepared. M/S/C.

The Nominating Committee Report was given by Rev. Wilford Harden:

- 1. Moderator James Ursrey M/S/C.
- 2. Assistant Moderator David Thomas M/S/C.
- 3. Clerk Randy Corn M/S/C.

4. Treasurer - James Horne M/S/C.

5. Assistant Clerk/Treasurer - Steve Petty M/S/C.

6. Ordaining Board - Harris Nix (expiring 1990) M/S/C.

7. Mission Board - Calfrey Harris (expiring 1992) M/S/C.

8. Youth Board - Rex Lynn (expiring 1992) M/S/C.

9 State Trustee - Kenneth Upright (expiring 1991) M/S/C.

10. State Mission Board - Benny Larisy (expiring 1991) M/S/C. M/S/C to accept the report from the Nominating Committee.

Rev. Bud Hill made a motion that we give a rising vote of thanks to the outgoing officers for their service. M/S/C.

The Worship Service began by singing "Victory in Jesus" led by Mark Stripling and accompanied by Debbie Stripling. Brother Harris Nix led in prayer.

The special music was rendered by a youth duet from First Free Will Baptist Church, Savannah, which competed at the CTS competition at the National Association. They sang "Smile, God Loves You." Brother Mark then led the congregation in singing "He Keeps Me Singing." An offering was received with Brother Gene Gilbert praying the offertory prayer. Another duet from First Free Will Baptist Church, Savannah, which also competed at the National sang "He's More Wonderful." Rev. and Mrs. Dwight Fletcher sang "Touching Jesus" before the message.

Rev. Steve Petty then brought the message for the conference. He spoke from Acts 5:28-42 and Joshua 24:14-15. Joshua was used of God because He was willing to be used. He had a heart for God and truly feared God. The challenge goes out to pastors, teachers, Christians and churches to preach the pure and true gospel of Jesus Christ.

The new officers were called to the front and issued a challenge by Rev. Travis.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that we adjourn. Brother Bud Hill prayed the prayer of benediction and blessing on the meal.

> William Travis, Moderator David Thomas, Clerk

# FINANCIAL REPORT

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

August 1, 1987

Balance brought forward

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#### 515.25

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#### RECEIPTS

Gifts from Churches	\$ 662.50
Worship Serving Offering	91.75
Late Gifts	97.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS	851.75

DISBURSEMENTS	1			
Moderator		30.00		
Clerk		60.00		
Treasurer		30.00		
Retirement Gifts		75.00		
Executive Committee Travel		154.49		
Appropriation for Minutes, State &				
National Fees		262.50		
Bulletins		10.14		
Free Will Baptist Bible College		300.00		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			92	22.13
Balance carried forward			<b>\$</b> 44	14.87
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIONAL	. FE	EES ACCO	UNT	
Balance brought forward			\$ 1,19	91.59
RECEIPTS				
Appropriation from Budget	\$	262.50		
TOTAL RECEIPTS			26	52.50
DISBURSEMENTS	÷			
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS				.00
Balance carried forward			\$ 1,45	54.09
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# Willard Taylor

# FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board April 1 - June 30, 1987

Balance brought forward

\$ 4,235.54

RECEIPTS	
Baxley Church	\$ 40.00
Bethel Church	60.00
Corinth Church	332.25
Ebenezer Church	105.00
Georgia State Association	20.00
Glennville Church	75.00
Harmony Church	271.02
Mamie Tyre Circle	15.00
New Hope Church	75.00
Savannah Church	150.00
Statesboro Church	113.98
Philadelphia Church	15.00

#### TOTAL RECEIPTS

1,272.25

DISBURSEMENTS	
Foreign Missions (Dale Bishop Acct.)	60.00
National Home Missions (Luther	
Burns Account)	60.00
Meals	28.09
Mileage	\$ 120.60
Supplies	17.56
Telephone	7.79
Signs for Kings Bay property	40.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	

Balance carried forward

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Philadelphia Church has sent \$120.74 for the Missions Conference, 1988, that is not included in the above figures. This will be reported in the quarter of the Missions Conference.

Troy Dykes Treasurer

# FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Youth Board

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## MINUTES

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Swainsboro Free Will Baptist Church October 24, 1987

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met October 24, 1987 at the Swainsboro Free Will Baptist Church, Swainsboro, Georgia.

The meeting began with Mark Stripling leading the congregation in singing "My Savior's Love." Brother David Hutchinson, the host pastor, welcomed the quarterly meeting and gave instructions.

The conference was called to order by the clerk, Randy Corn. The clerk recognized the Moderator, Rev. James Ursrey who asked those present to turn to Genesis 3:8 for our morning devotion. He emphasized the phrase, "they hid themselves." He then mentioned some of the things they hid themselves from and those from which they could not hide. The Moderator called upon Rev. Tom Lightsey to lead in prayer.

The roll call of churches and ministers was taken, with 16 ministers present and 21 churches represented. A motion was made, seconded and passed to seat the delegates.

The minutes of the previous quarterly meeting and the Executive Board meeting were read. A motion was made and approved to adopt the reports as read. Growing out of the Executive Board minutes a motion was M/S/C to replace Bud Hill with Mark Stripling on the State Camping Board. Brother Hill pointed out that his resignation was due to schedule conflicts, not lack of interest. It was noted that Rev. Kenneth Upright had left the association, so a motion was M/S/C to replace him on the State Board of Trustees with Rev. Bill Travis. In both of these cases it was pointed out that these men come as nominees to these positions and will be elected at the State Association meeting.

The following committees were appointed for this session:

FINANCE - James Horne, Loran Hughes and Tom Lightsey RESOLUTIONS - Tim Thompson, Billy Livesay and Troy Dykes

Before the break the Moderator called for any business from the floor. David Thomas noted that praise should be given for the recovery of Bill Travis. Others pointed out other prayer and praise items. They were Larry Williams, J. C. Carter, J. E. Woods and Buddy Morris' mother. The Moderator called upon Brother Thomas to lead in prayer. The Moderator then informed the body about the proposal the Bible College has made about changing the association's Bible College Day.

There was a short break, followed by the reports of the committees.

The Missions Board report was given by Brother Buddy Morris. He called on Brother Bill Travis to explain the schedule of the upcoming Missions Conference. Brother Travis also shared his testimony about his recent kidney transplant and expressed thanks to all who had supported him in prayer. Brother Troy Dykes gave the Mission Board Financial Report which is on file with

the clerk. Brother Morris urged the association to support the upcoming Laura Belle Barnard Day, pray for the Kingsland Project and both pray and financially support for the Fellowship Church in Douglas. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Youth Board report was given by Brother Mark Stripling. There were no recommendations, but there were two announcements:

- 1. The Youth Rally will be held in Brunswick on Saturday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. The State Youth Retreat will be held over the Thanksgiving weekend at a cost of \$15 per child. Only 100 can come, so everyone was urged to respond early.

M/S/C to receive the report.

The Ordaining Board had no report.

The Finance Committee Report was given by Brother James Horne and the report is on file with the clerk. There was one motion in the report.

1. Motion to give \$300 to the Douglas Church for their roof. M/S/C.

The Resolution Committee Report was given by Brother Tim Thompson. The Committee submitted the following:

1. Be it resolved that we give the host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality and the meal they have prepared for the association. M/S/C.

The Moderator recognized Brother Gene Gilbert and Brother Theron Long to give an informational report on the Douglas Church. Brother Gilbert stressed the need of both financial and prayer support. Brother Long stressed that he is no longer associated with the church in any way. It was further noted that the property deed would be transferred from the former to the current congregation. Brother Ursrey reemphasized the fact that this is a new work.

The Moderator then asked for volunteers who would be willing to serve as delegates to the state meeting. The delegates were: Mark Stripling, Gloria Cabaniss, Dottie Hardin, Barbara Fletcher and Mary Hill. M/S/C to give the Moderator power to appoint the delegates at the state meeting.

Brother Buddy Morris informed the association about the proposed new approach to the Bible College Day. A motion was M/S/C to adopt the new approach and to let the Executive Board work out the details.

M/S/C to adjourn from the business meeting and open the worship service. Brother Mark Stripling led the congregational singing and rendered the special music. Brother Dwight Fletcher, pastor of the Piney Grove Church, preached the message. His text was Colossians 1:9-29 from which he developed the idea that preaching must be based on Christ and centered on the needs of men. He stressed the fact that pastors must serve as examples. The service was closed with prayer.

FINANCIAL REPOR South Georgia Association of Free		Vill Ban	tists	
October 24, 1987		, m Dup	•1505	
			\$	444.87
Balance brought forward			*	
RECEIPTS	ው			
Gifts from Churches	\$	630.50		
Worship Service Offering		73.00		
Late Gifts		132.50		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		836.00		
DISBURSEMENTS				
Moderator		30.00		
Clerk		60.00		
Treasurer		30.00		
Retirement Gifts		75.00		
Executive Committee Travel		206.49		
Appropriation for Minutes, State &				
National Fees		262.50		
Clerk's Expenses		46.19		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS				710.18
Balance carried forward			\$	570.69
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIONAL	FE	LES ACC	OUN	NT
Balance brought forward			\$	5 1,454.09

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Appropriation from Budget	\$ 262.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		262.50
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		.00
Balance carried forward		\$ 1,716.59
FINANCIAL South Georgia M	ission Board	
July 1, - Septemb	per 30, 1987	
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July 1, - Septemb Balance brought forward RECEIP		\$ 5,173.75

Harmony Sunday School	79.51	
Mamie Tyre Circle	10.00	
New Hope Church	75.00	
Piney Grove Church	25.00	
Savannah Church	150.00	
Satilla Church	68.00	
Statesboro Church	87.71	
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TOTAL RECEIPTS		1,183.19
DISBURSEMENTS		
Miss Laura Bell Barnard	\$ 25.00	
Gene Gilbert	167.71	
Telephone Calls	12.20	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		204.91
Balance carried forward		\$ 6,152.03
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Philadelphia Church has sent \$120.74 for the Missionary Conference, 1988, that is not included in the above figures. This will be reported in the quarter of the Missionary Conference.

Troy Dykes Treasurer

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

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South Georgia Youth Bo July 30 - October 23, 19		
Balance brought forward	\$ 1,405.36	
RECEIPTS		
Earnings on checking account	\$ 19.14	
TOTAL RECEIPTS	19.14	
DISBURSEMENTS		
Printing of Checks	. 27.27	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	27.27	
Balance carried forward	\$ 1,397.23	
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	S	
Great Southern Federal	\$1,522.86	
Northside Church Bonds	3,000.00	
Balance carried forward	\$ 4,522.86	

## MINUTES

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Alabaha Free Will Baptist Church January 23, 1988

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met January 23, 1988 at the Alabaha Free Will Baptist Church. The meeting began with Mark Stripling leading the congregation in singing 'I Am Resolved.'' Rex Lynn prayed the opening prayer. A welcome and instructions were given by the host pastor, Tom Lightsey.

The conference was called to order by the clerk, Randy Corn. The clerk recognized the Moderator, Rev. James Ursrey who asked those present to turn to II Timothy 2:1-2 for the morning devotion. It was centered on the question, "What is becoming of the next generation?"

The roll call of churches and ministers was taken, with 23 ministers present and 21 churches represented. M/S/C to seat the delegates. The clerk read the minutes of the previous quarterly meeting and the Executive Board meeting. M/S/C to adopt the reports as read.

Growing out of the Executive Board report was information concerning the new approach to our association-wide Bible College weekend. This new approach, which would include seminars on topics of interest as well as preaching, was discussed. It was noted that this will fall on Roll Call Sunday, March 27, 1988. M/S/C to adopt the new format.

The following committees were appointed for this session: FINANCE - James Horne, Billy James and Wilford Harden

RESOLUTIONS - Willard Taylor, Preston Bryan and Gene Gilbert Following a short break the various committees gave their reports.

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne. This report is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Preston Bryan. Two resolutions were brought:

- Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the Alabaha Free Will Baptist Church for the hospitality and gracious meal given. M/S/C.
- 2. Be it resolved that more attention be given to the youth of our association and support to District and State activities. M/S/C.

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. He recognized Bill Travis who gave a report on the upcoming Missions Conference. Troy Dykes was then asked to give the Mission Board's financial report. This report is on file with the clerk. Brother Morris urged all of the churches to support the Missions Conference. Further all churches would be receiving a questionnaire about the Missions Conference. He then reminded the conference to make out all offering checks from the conference to the South Georgia Mission Board. He then requested that all the participating churches be diligent to send in their offerings as soon as possible. He noted also that the Mission Board had purchased 100 cardboard church coin collectors. He urged everyone who could use them for missions to do so. M/S/C to adopt the report. Brother Morris then informed the association that his bookstore will be sponsoring a VBS workshop on March 1, 1988.

The Youth Board report was given by Bud Hill. The financial report was given first and is on file with the clerk. Brother Hill then informed the association of various upcoming events.

- 1. District CTS competition will be April 16 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Savannah.
- 2. The State youth competition will be held May 27 28 at Norman Park
- 3. Welcome Days at Free Will Baptist Bible College will be March 31 - April 2, 1988.
- State-wide Teen Week at Camp will be June 12 17, 1988. Our association will have its own Junior Week on June 5 - 10. Brother Hill urged the association to support the camp as counselors.

Brother Dwight Fletcher will serve as Camp Director.

M/S/C to receive the report.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Harris Nix. The Ordaining Board moved that a letter of good standing be granted to Brother Eddie Hodges who now pastors a church in the Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptists. M/S/C to adopt.

An informational report was given by Herbert Waid, the State Executive Secretary. He began with some comments on how the state ministries were doing financially. He commented that our Target 90 efforts are working better than in some other states. He urged the association to be much in prayer for Brother Jack Lysaker who has suffered two heart attacks. Brother Waid then shared a list of upcoming events:

- 1. State Woman's Auxiliary Retreat at Norman Park on March
  - 18 19.
- 2. Minister's Retreat on May 16 17.
- 3. National Woman's Auxiliary Retreat on September 8 10.
- 4. Couples Retreat on October 21 22.

M/S/C to receive this report as information.

Brother Gene Gilbert, pastor of the Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church in Douglas, gave an informational report about his church. He asked for support from the association through both prayer and finance. M/S/C to receive this as information.

The business meeting was adjourned and the worship service was begun with Calvin and Ramsey Bennett rendering the special music. Mark Stripling led the congregational singing. Brother Bob Shockey of Free Will Baptist Bible College was the speaker of the hour. He challenged us with a message from Matthew 16:13-20. The meeting was closed with prayer and the host church served a delicious meal.

> James Ursrey, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk

FINANCIAL REPO South Georgia Association of F		Vill Bap	otists	
January 23, 198	88			
Balance brought forward			\$	570.69
RECEIPTS				
Gifts from Churches	\$	697.50		
Worship Service Offering		49.25		
Late Gifts		122.50		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		869.25		
DISBURSEMENT	ГS			
Moderator		30.00		
Clerk		60.00		
Treasurer		30.00		
Retirement Gifts		75.00		
<b>Executive Committee Travel</b>		141.45		
Appropriation for Minutes, State &				
National Fees		262.50		
Clerk's Expenses		11.03		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS				609.98
Balance carried forward			\$	829.96
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIONA	AL FE	EES ACC	COUN	Т
Balance brought forward				1,716.59
RECEIPTS				
Appropriation from Budget	\$	262.50		
TOTAL RECEIPTS				262.50
DISBURSEMEN	ГS			
State and National Association Dues		375.00		
Fellowship Free Will Baptist Church		300.00		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS				675.00
Balance carried forward			\$	1,304.09
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# FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board October 1 - December 31, 1987

Balance brought forward

\$ 6,152.03

#### RECEIPTS

Baxley Church	\$ 120.00
Bethel Church	20.00
Ebenezer Church	105.00
Georgia State Association	890.12
Glennville Church	150.00
Harmony Church	68.15
Mamie Tyre Circle	20.00
New Hope Church	75.00
Pine Level Church	289.67
Savannah Church	150.00
Statesboro Church	382.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	
DISBURSEMENTS	

Mission Board Expense	193.40
Mission Board Supplies	104.00
Gene Gilbert	661.00

## TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

Balance carried forward

\$ 7,463.57

958.40

2,269.94

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> Troy Dykes Treasurer

# MINUTES

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Baxley Free Will Baptist Church April 23, 1988

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met April 23, 1988 at the Baxley Free Will Baptist Church, Baxley, Georgia. The meeting began with the congregation singing "To God Be the Glory," under the direction of Mark Stripling. Virgil Carter prayed the opening prayer. A welcome and instructions were given by the host pastor, Danny Ryals.

The meeting was called to order by the clerk, Randy Corn. The clerk recognized the Moderator, Rev. James Ursrey, who asked those present to turn to Matthew 28 for the morning devotion. The emphasis of his message was the need we all have to practice the presence of God.

The roll call of churches and ministers was taken, with 18 ministers present and 21 churches represented. M/S/C to seat the delegates. Rev. J. M. Harrald rose to ask why his name was not called during the roll call. It was explained by the moderator that a letter of good standing had not been received from the Georgia Union Association. It was decided to have Brother Harrald to meet with the Ordination Board to straighten out this problem. Rev. Gene Gilbert then rose to ask what his standing was with the quarterly. After some discussion it was decided that Brother Gilbert should meet with the Executive and Mission Board of the association.

The clerk read the minutes of the previous quarterly meeting and the meeting of the Executive Board. It was noted that the date of Junior Week at camp had been changed to July 3 - 8, 1988. M/S/C to adopt the minutes as corrected. The Obituary Report was given by the Clerk as follows: EBENEZER CHURCH - Bertha Todd, Gladys Stanfield PINE LEVEL CHURCH - Clyde Bennett-PINEY GROVE CHURCH - Jesse Bell, Kyle Aspinwall SPRING GROVE CHURCH - John Denison STATESBORO CHURCH - Elizabeth Morris It was also noted that we should remember the family of Sam Wilkinson, former missionary to Brazil.

Gene Gilbert led in prayer.

The following committees were appointed for this session:

FINANCE - James Horne, Billy James and James Blanton

RESOLUTIONS - Harris Nix, C. B. Dowdney and Amos McMillan

Following a short break the various committees and boards gave their reports.

The Youth Board report was given by Bud Hill. He noted the lack of enthusiasm for CTS competition. He urged the association to emphasize this more. M/S/C to receive this report as information. The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. He gave a financial report on the recent Missions Conference. It was noted that the Alabaha Church was misspelled to read "Alabama" on the report. There was an explanation of the division of the funds raised. It was based upon the number of services an individual missionary was present for. Brother Morris urged all the churches present to support the South Georgia Missions account on a monthly basis. It was also noted that the next Conference will be February 12 -26, 1989. Brother Morris asked for suggestions on how to make the conference even more effective in the future.

Rev. David Thomas raised a question about the retirement account of Miss Laura Belle Barnard. Brother Morris noted that all contributions to that account should be sent to Troy Dykes, our Mission Board treasurer, who will forward it to the National Foreign Mission Board.

M/S/C to receive this report as information.

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne. The report is on file with the clerk. It was also brought as a motion to the body that \$200 be given to the Sam Wilkinson Memorial Fund which will benefit the Brazil Bible Institute.

M/S/C to receive the report and adopt the recommendation.

The Resolutions Committee Report was given by Larry Williams:

1. Be it resolved that the association give a rising vote of thanks to the Baxley Free Will Baptist Church for their hospitality and for providing the meal. M/S/C.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Harris Nix. They had two recommendations to the session:

- 1. That Brother Mark Williford be reinstated on the good standing list of ministers in the South Georgia Association. He had been delinquent in attending the sessions due to his work situation and ignorance of the rule about attendance. M/S/C.
- 2. That we accept Rev. J. M. Harrald into the South Georgia Association as a minister in good standing. M/S/C.

An informational report was given on the work in Douglas by Brother Gene Gilbert. He noted that four were recently baptized and seven have joined the church. He asked for both prayer and financial support from the association.

The business session was closed and the worship service was begun. Brother Mark Stripling led the congregational singing. A solo was performed by Brian Spence of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Savannah. The speaker of the hour was Rev. Bud Hill. He developed a message based upon Ezekiel 22:30. After the challenge from the Word of God the meeting was dismissed. The host church then served a delicious meal.

> James Ursrey, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk

FINANCIAL REPO	RT			
South Georgia Association of Fr	ee W	Vill Bap	tists	
April 23, 1988			ሙ	
Balance brought forward			\$	829.96
RECEIPTS	-			
Gifts from Churches	\$	640.00		
Worship Service Offering		90.00		
Late Gifts		32.50		
Special Gift (FWWBC)		59.00		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		821.50		
DISBURSEMENT	S			
Moderator		30.00		
Clerk		60.00		
Treasurer		30.00		
Retirement Gifts		75.00		
Executive Committee Travel		150.53		
Appropriation for Minutes, State &				
National Fees		262.50		
Clerk's Expenses		25.00		
Moderator's Expenses		9.85		
Free Will Baptist Bible College		59.00		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS				701.88
Balance carried forward			\$	949.58
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIONA	L FE	ES ACC	OUN	Г
Balance brought forward			\$	1,304.09
RECEIPTS				
Appropriation from Budget	\$	262.50		
TOTAL RECEIPTS				262.50
DISBÙRSEMENT	'S			
Sam Wilkinson Memorial	~	200.00		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS				200.00
Balance carried forward			\$	1,366.59
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# FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board January 1 - March 31, 1988

Balance brought forward

\$ 7,463.57

#### RECEIPTS

Baxley Church	\$	70.00
Bethel Church		150.00
Corinth Church		80.00
Ebenezer Church		265.00
Glennville Church		125.00
Georgia State Association		394.53
Mamie Tyre Circle		15.00
Harmony Church		181.84
New Hope Church		75.00
Philadelphia Church		202.54
Pine Level Church		50.00
Savannah Church		150.00
Statesboro Church		153.23
South Georgia Missions Conference	1	,743.13
TOTAL RECEIPTS		

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Mission Board Expenses	171.10	
Mission Board Supplies	40.00	
National Foreign Missions (Dale		
Bishop Acct.)	40.00	
National Home Missions (Luther		
Burns Acct.)	40.00	
Douglas Work	646.46	
Miss Laura Belle Barnard (Designated)	270.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		1,207.56
Balance carried forward		\$ 9,911.28

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# FINANCIAL REPORT

# South Georgia Missions Conference Financial Report

CHURCH	CASH	PLEDGES
Alabaha Church	\$ 300.00	
Baxley Church	154.50	\$ 1,260.00
Bethel Church	271.23	
Bethany Church	212.69	
Corinth Church	420.00	
Ebenezer Church	500.00	
First Church, Brunswick	578.00	2,460.00

First Church, Jesup	346.00	
Glennville Church	884.85	
Harmony Church	2,025.00	
Liberty Church	123.95	1,200.00
Memorial Church	375.00	
New Hope Church	1,125.00	300.00
Oak Hill Church	50.00	
Philadelphia Church	120.74	5,472.00
Pine Level Church	722.72	60.00
Piney Grove Church	1,000.00	
Satilla Church	1,000.00	1,476.00
Spring Grove Church	1,000.00	3,480.00
Statesboro Church	2,000.00	7,980.00
Surrency Church	600.00	
Swainsboro Church	135.37	
TOTALS	\$13,945.05	\$24,276.00
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TOTAL CASH AND PLEDGES FOR MISSIONS CONFERENCE

\$38,221.05

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Troy Dykes, Treasurer FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Youth Board January 22 - April 21, 1988

Balance brought forward	\$ 2,081.04			
REC	EIPTS			
Earnings on checking	\$ 19.24			
Glen Wright Company	109.35			
Rural Electric Company	5.71			
FWBBC Investment interest	350.00			
District Competition Fees	205.00			
TOTAL RECEIPTS	689.30			
DISBUR	SEMENTS			
State Board of Camping	50.00			
Safety Deposit Box Rental	15.00			
Postage	9.00			
Board Meetings mileage and m	eals 170.46			
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	244.46			
Balance carried forward	\$ 2,525.88			
SAVINGS ACCOUNTS				
Northside Church Bonds	\$2,500.00			
Free Will Baptist Bible College				
Investment	5,000.00			
Great Southern Federal Certificate of				
Deposit	1,545.38			

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Balance carried forward

\$ 9,045.38

#### MINUTES

# South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Bethel Free Will Baptist Church August 6, 1988

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met August 6, 1988 at the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church near Baxley, Georgia. The meeting was begun with a congregational song led by Brother Mark Stripling. Following an opening word of prayer a welcome and instructions were given by the host pastor, Gary Page.

The meeting was called to order by the clerk, Randy Corn, who then recognized the Moderator, Brother James Ursrey. The Moderator asked all to turn to Ephesians for the morning devotion. His remarks centered on the ''shield of faith.''

The roll call of ministers and churches was taken, with 17 ministers present and 22 churches represented. M/S/C to seat the delegates. The clerk read the minutes from the previous quarterly meeting and the Executive Board meeting minutes. It was noted that two names had been misspelled in the minutes. M/S/C to adopt the minutes as corrected.

The Obituary Report was given by the Clerk as follows: GLENNVILLE CHURCH - Gerald Waters MEMORIAL CHURCH - Philip Carter NEW HOPE CHURCH - Tifton Anderson and Cecil Westberry PINEY GROVE CHURCH - Norma Jean Lightsey OTHER - Benny Coursey

Rex Lynn led in prayer.

The following committees were appointed for this session: FINANCE - James Horne, Loran Hughes and Preston Bryan RESOLUTIONS - Benny Lariscy, Larry Williams and Tom Lightsey

The Moderator then recognized Brother Bill Fulcher and asked him to give an informational report on his outreach to migrant workers in the Glennville area. He noted he was available to speak in area churches about this mission field on our door step.

Following a short break the reports of the boards and committees were : received:

The Youth Board report was given by Bud Hill. He gave a report on summer camp and commended the job of everyone involved, especially Dwight Fletcher, who had served as Camp Director. He further noted that Laura Godwin of Savannah had taken top honors at the National Youth Competition. The next youth rally will be September 10 at 5 p.m. at the Pine Level Church. M/S/C to receive this report.

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. He noted that the dates for the annual Missions Conference were February 12 - 26, 1989 and asked all churches to plan accordingly. He also asked that if any of the participating churches had a particular missionary they would like to hear they should request that missionary. The Mission Board would try to schedule in

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light of those requests. Finally, he asked all present to pray for the work in King's Bay. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne. This report is on file with the clerk M/S/C to receive the report.

The Resolution Committee Report was given by Tom Lightsey. Four resolutions were brought to the body for their consideration:

1. Be it resolved that the South Georgia Association support the efforts of Free Will Baptist Bible College in fielding an intercollegiate basketball team based on the best judgment of the College.

Buddy Morris rose to ask about the ambiguity of the motion. David Thomas spoke in favor of the motion and informed the conference about the vote on this issue at the National Association meeting in Kansas City. He stressed that this was a way of supporting our school. Brother Morris spoke in response to this and stressed that this was a compromise of our standard about dress. He then made a motion to amend the motion dropping the reference to basketball making it just a resolution of support for Free Will Baptist Bible College. The amendment was defeated. Randy Corn rose to clarify one aspect of the motion. It would also serve as a vote of confidence in the leadership of our college, especially the Board of Trustees. The question was called and the resolution was defeated.

- 2. Be it resolved that the association give a rising vote of thanks to the Bethel Church for their hospitality as host church for today's meeting. M/S/C.
- 3. Be it resolved that the South Georgia Association include active ordained deacons as standing delegates.

It was pointed out that this would involve a constitutional change and , would have to be carred over to the next quarterly meeting. M/S/C.

4. Be it resolved that this association go on record as opposing any showing of the extremely degrading film, "The Last Temptation of Christ." Churches are asked to contact all local theaters and protest the same. M/S/C.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Harris Nix and contained five recommendations which were considered and voted upon as a group.

- 1. The Ordaining Board recommends the ordination of Brother Roger Beecher to the ministry.
- 2. That Brother C. D. Rentz be restored to the list of ministers in good standing with the association.
- 3. That Brother John Amburgy be accepted as a minister in good standing pending a letter from the Georgia Union Association.
- 4. That Brother Gary Page be accepted as a minister in good standing pending a letter from the Southern Quarterly of the Cumberland Association.
- 5. That Brother Jackie Barnard be accepted as a minister in good standing pending a letter from the Northeast Mississippi Association.

M/S/C to accept these recommendations. All present were extended the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

The Moderator then recognized Brother Benny Lariscy to give a report from the State Missions Board. He urged support of Brother Luther Burns and spoke briefly about the Dublin work.

The Moderator appointed a nominating committee for the annual session to consist of Bud Hill, Harris Nix and Larry Williams.

The business meeting was adjourned and the worship service began. The speaker of the hour was Brother Danny Ryals who developed his message from Galatians 5:19-21. The emphasis of his message was how we can please God. The worship service was dismissed with prayer and the host church served a delicious meal.

James Ursrey, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk

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#### FINANCIAL REPORT

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

August 6, 1988

Balance brought forward

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#### RECEIPTS

Gifts from Churches

652.00

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Gifts from Churches	\$	652.00	·
Worship Service Offering		53.62	
Late Gifts		57.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		763.12	
DISBURSEMENTS	5		
Moderator		30.00	
Clerk		60.00	
Treasurer		30.00	
Retirement Gifts		75.00	
Executive Committee Travel		73.50	
Appropriation for Minutes, State &			
National Fees		262.50	
Clerk's Expenses		35.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			566.00
Balance carried forward			\$ 1,146.70
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIONAL	L FEI	ES ACCO	UNT
Balance brought forward			\$ 1,366.59
RECEIPTS			:
Appropriation from Budget	\$	262.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			262.50

### DISBURSEMENTS

### TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

### Balance carried forward

.00 \$ 1,629.09 

## FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board April 1 - June 30, 1988

Balance brought forward

\$ 9,911.28

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RECEIPTS

Baxley Church	\$ 78.00
Bethel Church	40.00
Corinth Church	40.00
Ebenezer Church	165.00
Glennville Church	100.00
Georgia State Association	125.00
Harmony Church	111.67
Mamie Tyre Circle	5.00
New Hope Church	75.00
Pine Level Church	47.00
Savannah Church	150.00
Statesboro Church	64.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Mission Board Supplies		20.75	
Mission Board Expenses		135.97	
Douglas Work		141.43	· .
Miss Laura Belle Barnard		90.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	5		388.15
Balance carried forward			\$10,523.80
MISSION CONFERENCE			
DISBURSEMENTS		\$ 14,332.29	*
	Troy Dykes		

Treasurer

## FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Youth Board April 24 - August 4, 1988

Balance brought forward

\$ 2,525.88

### RECEIPTS

Youth Competition Fees	\$ 70.00	
Bond maturity and interest	1,650.00	
Harmony Church	100.00	
Interest on checking	49.88	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		1,869.88
DISBURSEMENTS		
Junior Camp (crafts, music, director)	263.04	
Teen Camp (film rental)	89.05	
State Youth Conference Fees	255.00	
Office Expense	18.02	
National Youth Competitors (14@\$25)	350.00	
Randall House (Medals and awards)	131.05	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		1,106.16
Balance carried forward		3,289.60

SAVINCE ACCOUNTS

SAVINGS ACCO	DUNTS		
Northside Church Bonds	\$	1,000.00	
Free Will Baptist Bible College			
Investment		5,000.00	
Great Southern Federal Certificate of			
Deposit		1,592.87	
Balance carried forward			\$ 7,592.87

## MINUTES

## South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Corinth Free Will Baptist Church October 29, 1988

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met October 29, 1988 at the Corinth Free Will Baptist Church near Alma, Georgia. The meeting was begun with a congregational song led by Brother Mark Stripling. Following an opening word of prayer a welcome and instructions were given by the host pastor, Brother Wilford Harden.

The meeting was called to order by the clerk, who then recognized the Moderator, Brother James Ursrey. The roll call of ministers and churches was taken with 21 churches represented and 17 ministers present. M/S/C to seat the delegates. The clerk read the minutes from the previous quarterly meeting and the Executive Board meeting. It was noted that one name in the obituary report had been assigned to the wrong church. M/S/C to adopt the minutes as corrected.

The Obituary Report was then given by the clerk: ALABAHA CHURCH - Rev. J. C. H. Carter SATILLA CHURCH - Opal Summerlin

The Moderator called upon Brother Bud Hill to offer a word of prayer. The following committees were appointed for this session: FINANCE - James Horne, Harold Aldridge and C. D. Rentz RESOLUTIONS - Gary Page, Nolan Purcell and Dwight Fletcher

1. In the category of Miscellaneous Business the Moderator took off the table the proposed change in the constitution. After some discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

- 2. This discussion of the Constitution resulted in a motion to grant the Moderator the power to appoint a committee to study and suggest revisions in the Constitution. The motion was M/S/C and the following men were appointed by the Moderator: Larry Williams, David Thomas, Troy Dykes, Loran Hughes and Buddy Morris. Brother Morris was to serve as chairman.
- 3. Nominated to serve as delegates from our association to the Georgia State Meeting were: Mary Hill, Ann Travis, Emma Dean Harris, Lynda McMillan, James Horne, Mark Stripling, Janice Ursrey and Barbara Fletcher.

M/S/C to elect these to serve. In connection with this a motion was M/S/C to grant the Moderator power to appoint delegates as needed at the State Meeting.

Following a short break the reports of the board and committees were received:

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne. This report is on file with the clerk M/S/C to adopt this report as read.

The Youth Board report was given by Bud Hill. It was noted that the next Youth Rally would be in Savannah on December 3. A Youth Evangelistic Team is being started for the South Georgia Association and a prospective sum-

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mer tour is already being set up. The first practice will be November 5 in Savannah at 11:00 a.m. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. He urged all to plan with the upcoming Mission Conference in mind. The dates for that meeting will be February 12 thru 26, 1989. Troy Dykes gave the Mission Board financial report which is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Tom Lightsey. It involved two motions which were:

- 1. That David Kemper be accepted as a minister in good standing pending a letter of good standing from the Twin Cities Association.
- 2. That Gerald Baxley be accepted as a minister in full fellowship as per his letter of good standing from the Chattahoochee Association. M/S/C to adopt both of these items.

The Nominating Committee report was given by Bud Hill as follows:

1. Ordaining Board - Amos McMillan (1991), Larry Williams (1989)

2. Youth Board - Dwight Fletcher (1992)

3. Mission Board - Buddy Morris (1993)

4. General Officers - Moderator: James Ursrey

Assistant Moderator: David Thomas

Clerk: Randy Corn

Treasurer: James Horne

Assistant Clerk/Treasurer: Gary Page

M/S/C to elect this slate of nominees by acclamation.

The Resolution Committee report was given by Dwight Fletcher and contained the following resolutions:

- 1. Be it resolved that the association give a rising vote of thanks to the Corinth Church for their hospitality as host church for today's meeting.
- 2. Be it resolved that the association give our officers for this past year a rising vote of appreciation and express our appreciation to the nominating committee for their efforts in securing a slate of nominees.

M/S/C to adopt each of these resolutions.

In the category of Old Business the Moderator asked for a motion to adopt the budget the association had operated on in the previosu year. M/S/C to do so.

The Moderator then recognized Herbert Waid to give us an informational report on the various aspects of the state ministry. This report was received as information.

Having concluded all of the business of the association the worship service was begun. The speaker of the hour was Rev. Jackie Barnard. Upon conclusion of the message, the host church served lunch.

> James Ursrey, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk

FINANC	IAL REPORT
0	ation of Free Will Baptists
Octob	er 29, 1988
Balance brought forward	\$ 1,146.70
R	ECEIPTS
Gifts from Churches	\$ 600.00
Worship Service Offering	91.60
Late Gifts	65.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	756.60
DISBU	IRSEMENTS
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	60.00
Treasurer	30.00
Retirement Gifts	75.00
<b>Executive Committee Travel</b>	119.59
Appropriation for Minutes, S	tate &
Local Fees	262.50
Clerk's Expenses	28.18
Moderator's Expenses	31.77
Larry Williams Expenses	35.26
Bud Hill Expenses	24.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	696.30
Balance carried forward	\$ 1,207.00
MINUTES, STATE AND	NATIONAL FEES ACCOUNT
Balance brought forward	\$ 1,629.09
R	ECEIPTS
Appropriation from Budget	\$ 262.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS	262.50
DISBU	JRSEMENTS
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	S
Balance carried forward	\$ 1,891.59
	James Horne
	C. D. Rentz
	Harold Aldridge

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## FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board July 1 - September 30, 1988

Balance brought forward

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\$10,523.80

RECEIPTS

Baxley Church	\$ 12.00	
Ebenezer Church	105.00	
Georgia State Association	82.00	
Glennville Church	200.00	
Harmony Church	137.66	
Mamie Tyre Circle	20.00	
New Hope Church	75.00	
Philadelphia Church	15.00	
Satilla Church	120.00	
Savannah Church	150.00	
Statesboro Church	306.47	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		
DISBURSEMENTS		
Mission Board Expense	94.00	

Mission Board Expense	94.00		
Miss Laura Belle Barnard	195.00		
Dale Bishop	20.00		

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Dale Bishop		20.00	
Luther Burns		20.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEME	ENTS		329.00
Balance carried forward			\$11,417.93
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## MINUTES

## South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists First Free Will Baptist Church of Brunswick January 28, 1989

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met Saturday, January 28, 1989 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Brunswick, Georgia. The meeting was begun with congregational singing and a word of prayer by Brother David Thomas. A welcome and instructions were given by the host pastor, Brother Preston Bryan. The Moderator, Brother James Ursrey, gave a brief devotion based upon I Peter 1:15-16.

The meeting was then called to order by the clerk who recognized the Moderator. The roll call of ministers and churches was taken, with 20 ministers present and 20 churches represented. The delegates were then seated and visitors recognized.

In the category of old business it was noted that an extension needed to be granted to the Constitutional Review Committee. M/S/C to do so.

The Obituary Report was then given: BRUNSWICK CHURCH - Martha Landon HARMONY CHURCH - Jerry O'Hern JESUP CHURCH - James Fulton MEMORIAL CHURCH - Lela Surrency NEW HOPE CHURCH - Lela Surrency NEW HOPE CHURCH - Jim Edenfield PHILADELPHIA CHURCH - Charles Lance PINEY GROVE CHURCH - Gene Westberry and Travis O'Steen

SATILLA CHURCH - Mrs. Dicey Strickland and Mrs. Frances Hughes Following a word of prayer, the following committees were appointed for this session:

FINANCE - James Horne, David Hutchinson and James Blanton RESOLUTIONS - Jackie Barnard, Billy James and Tom Lightsey

Returning to the category of old business it was recommended that April 30 be designated Bible College Sunday and that the Executive Board work out the details for any Saturday activities. M/S/C.

Following a break the various reports were given to the association.

The Migrant Work in Glennville was reported on by Tim Thompson. He noted that Brother Bill Fulcher was no longer involved and that Brother Roger Busbe was currently heading the effort. Any contributions should be mailed to: Laura Belle Barnard, 314 Herrington Street, Glennville, Georgia 30427.

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne and is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to receive the report.

Benny Lariscy gave a brief informational report on state home mission works:

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Jackie Barnard:

1. Be it resolved that the South Georgia Association give a rising vote of thanks First Free Will Baptist Church of Brunswick for their hospitality as host church for today's meeting.

2. Be it resolved that the South Georgia Association go on record as being opposed to any form of state run lottery and that both the Governor and our state representatives be notified of this stand.

M/S/C to adopt each of these resolutions.

The Youth Board report was given by Mark Stripling.

- 1. He noted that the District Youth Competition will be April 1 at 1:00 p.m. at the Lake Butler Free Will Baptist Church.
- 2. May 12-13 are the dates for the State Youth Competition and that they will be held at Norman Park.
- 3. A Youth Evangelistic Team has been formed for the South Georgia Association and three practices have already been held. A summer tour is not being set up.

This report was received as information.

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris, Bill Travis and Troy Dykes.

1. Buddy Morris gave a report on the construction at Luther Burns church. Everything is going well.

2. Bill Travis discussed the schedule of the upcoming Missions Conference.

3. Troy Dykes gave the financial report which is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to receive this report.

A brief informational report was given by Herbert Waid the State Executive Secretary. He urged all churches to greater participation in the cooperative program. M/S/C to receive this report as information.

The business of the association being completed we entered into the Worship Service. The morning message was brought by Brother Harris Nix. At the conclusion of the message, the host church served lunch.

James Ursrey, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists January 28, 1989			
Balance brought forward	\$ 1,207.00		
RECEIP	ΓS		
Gifts from Churches Worship Service Offering Late Gifts TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 545.00 84.47 57.50 686.97		
DISBURSEM	ENTS		
Moderator Clerk Treasurer Retirement Gifts Executive Committee Travel Appropriation for Minutes, State & National Fees 44	30.00 60.00 30.00 75.00 175.53 262.50		

Clerk's Expenses	12.06
Moderator's Expenses	10.46
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	655.55
Balance carried forward	\$ 1,238.42
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIONAL	L FEES ACCOUNT
Balance brought forward	\$ 1,891.59
RECEIPTS	
Appropriation from Budget	\$ 262.50
TOTAL RECEIPTS	262.50
DISBURSEMENTS	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	.00
Balance carried forward	
	\$ 2,154.09
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FINANCIAL REPO	RT
South Georgia Mission	Board
October 1 - December 3	
Balance brought forward	\$11,417.93
RECEIPTS	
Baxley Church	\$ 16.00
Ebenezer Church	105.00
Glennville Church	150.00
Georgia State Association	437.03
Harmony Church	53.09
Mamie Tyre Circle	20.00
New Hope Church	75.00
Savannah Church	150.00
Satilla Church	60.00
Statesboro Church	155.26
TOTAL RECEIPTS	1,221.38
DISBURSEMENTS	5
Mission Board Expenses	126.62
Miss Laura Belle Barnard	120.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	246.62
Balance carried forward	\$12,392.69
Philadelphia Church has sent \$390.40 for the Mi	
is not included in the above figures.	

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## FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Youth Board September 27, 1988 - January 27, 1989

Balance brought forward

\$ 3,191.20

RECEIPTS

Interest on checking Northside Church bond and interest	\$ 56.57 1,060.00	
FWBBC interest on investment	350.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		1,466.57
DISBURSEMENTS		
Youth Evangelistic Team (music and		
drama)	139.84	
Office materials (Phone, postage,		
plaque engraving)	14.00	
Safety Deposit Box rental	21.00	
Deposit for Junior week of camp	50.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		224.84
Balance carried forward		4,432.93
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	TS	
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Deposit	\$1,642.18	
FWBBC Student Loan Investment		
Fund	5,000.00	
Balance carried forward		\$ 6,642.18

## MINUTES

## South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Ebenezer Free Will Baptist Church April 22, 1989

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met Saturday, April 22, 1989 at the Ebenezer Free Will Baptist Church near Glennville, Georgia. The meeting was begun with a congregational song and a word of prayer. A welcome and instructions were given by the host pastor, Galen Dunbar. The meeting was called to order by the clerk who then recognized the Moderator, James Ursrey.

Following a brief devotion by the Moderator, a roll call of ministers and churches was taken. There were 22 ministers present and 22 churches represented. The delegates to this session were then seated. The minutes of the previous meeting as well as the minutes of the Executive Board were read and approved.

In the category of old business the Constitutional Review Committee pointed out some of the changes they desired to make in our associational constitution. A question was raised about the standing of Deacons. At this point the motion was tabled until after the worship hour. M/S/C.

The Obituary Report was made as follows: ALABAHA CHURCH - Murrel Allen EBENEZER CHURCH - Annie Deloach PINE LEVEL CHURCH - Sallie Ann Wheeler and Ethel Wheeler PINEY GROVE CHURCH - Mrs. Inez Brannen SATILLA CHURCH - George Spann

Following a word of prayer, the following committees were appointed for this session:

FINANCE - James Horne, Ann Travis and Willard Taylor RESOLUTIONS - Jackie Barnard, Gerald Baxley and Nolan Purcell NOMINATIONS - Tom Lightsey, Dwight Fletcher, Troy Dykes, Billy James and David Hutchinson

Following a short break the various committees and boards reported. The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne and is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to adopt the report.

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. He explained the distribution of funds to the missionaries involved in our Missions Conference. M/S/C to adopt.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Jackie Barnard:

1. Be it resolved that the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists give the Ebenezer Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of thanks for their warm hospitality as host church. M/S/C to do so.

The Youth Board report was given by Bud Hill. He noted that the Associational Junior Camp would be July 2 - 7 and that Dwight Fletcher would be serving as director. June 11 - 16 are the dates for the State Wide Teen Camp. The State Youth Competition will be held at Norman Park on May 12 - 13. Mark Bracewell is to speak and sing at that meeting. May 27 was to be camp clean up day. M/S/C to adopt the report.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Larry Williams. They brought the following recommendation:

 We recommend that Rev. Galen Dunbar be accepted into the South Georgia Association in full fellowship. His letter of good standing from the First Kansas Quarterly Conference has been received and is on file. M/S/C to do so. Brother Dunbar was given the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

In the category of Miscellaneous Business the following items were considered:

- 1. There was an informational report on Brother Williams' work at Martinez.
- 2. There was some discussion of the associational budget. M/S/C to adopt the budget from the previous year.

The Moderator brought out the fact that Mr. Jerry Rogers had approached more than one member of our association about becoming an ordained minister. It was pointed out that Mr. Rogers cannot hold membership in our association. Churches are asked to be discerning about potential minister's qualifications.

The business of the quarterly was halted for the morning message. It was delivered by Missionary Rick Bowling.

Following the message there was a motion to take the constitutional amendment off the table for further consideration. Following several questions it was decided the best thing to do was to further study the proposed changes. Buddy Morris made a motion to table the amendment. M/S/C to table.

The business of the conference being completed the host church served lunch.

James Ursrey, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk

# FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

April 22, 1989

Balance brought forward

\$ 1,238.42

#### RECEIPTS

Gifts from Churches	\$ 602.50
Worship Service Offering	85.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	687.50
DISBURSEMENTS	
Moderator	30.00
Clerk	60.00
Treasurer	30.00
Retirement Gifts	75.00

Executive Committee Travel	221.44	
Appropriation for Minutes, State &		
National Fees	262.50	
Clerk's Expenses	40.81	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		719.75
Balance carried forward		\$ 1,206.17
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIO	NAL FEES ACCOU	JNT
Balance brought forward		\$ 2,154.09
RECEIPTS	5	
Appropriation from Budget	\$ 262.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		262.50
DISBURSEME	NTS	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		.00
Balance carried forward		\$ 2,416.59
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South Georgia Miss	ion Board	
January 1 - March	31, 1989	
Balance brought forward		\$12 392 69

Balance brought forward

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RECEIPTS
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Baxley Church	\$ 8.00	
Ebenezer Church	105.00	
Glennville Church	150.00	
Georgia State Association	39.82	
Harmony Church	84.45	
Mamie Tyre Circle	15.00	
New Hope Church	75.00	
Savannah Church	150.00	
Satilla Church	60.00	
Statesboro Church	189.62	
Surrency Church	105.00	
Food Reimbursement	49.79	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		1,031.68
DISBURSEMENTS		
Mission Board Expense	213.69	
Miss Laura Belle Barnard	45.00	
Rick Bowling	60.00	
Allan Crowson	30.00	
Debbie Griffin	15.00	

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

Balance carried forward

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

South Georgia Missions Conference

CHURCH	CASH	PLEDGES
Alabaha Church	\$ 400.00	
Baxley Church	190.00	\$ 1,500.00
Bethany Church	116.50	676.00
Brunswick Church	710.00	3,120.00
Corinth Church	324.72	240.00
Ebenezer Church	700.00	
Glennville Church	906.50	
Jesup Church	557.00	
Harmony Church	1,822.00	240.00
Liberty Church	100.00	960.00
Memorial Church	725.28	
New Hope Church	1,360.00	
Oak Hill Church	90.00	480.00
Philadelphia Church	845.40	4,404.00
Pine Level Church	1,334.95	60.00
Piney Grove Church	913.00	600.00
Satilla Church	500.00	2,580.00
Spring Grove Church	1,395.00	4,380.00
Statesboro Church	2,400.00	8,400.00
Surrency Church	788.00	1,200.00
Swainsboro Church	258.00	•
TOTALS	\$16,436.35	\$28,840.00
	Troy Dykes	

Treasurer

## MINUTES

## South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists First Free Will Baptist Church of Jesup August 5, 1989

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met Saturday, August 5, 1989 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Jesup, Georgia. The meeting was begun with a congregational song and a word of prayer. A welcome and instructions were given by the Associate Pastor of the church, Brother John Gilliland. The meeting was then called to order by the clerk who recognized the Moderator, James Ursrey.

Following a brief devotion by the Moderator, a roll call of ministers and churches was taken. There were 22 ministers present and 22 churches represented. The delegates for this session were then seated. The minutes of the previous meeting as well as the minutes of the Executive Board were read and approved.

The Obituary Report was given by the clerk: ALABAHA CHURCH - J. W. Cheshire HARMONY CHURCH - Herman Taylor JESUP CHURCH - Geneva Brannen PINE LEVEL CHURCH - Mike Hoverton SPRING GROVE CHURCH - Morris Brooker and Ethel Lane SURRENCY CHURCH - Jerry Coleman Following a word of prayer the following committees were appointed f

Following a word of prayer the following committees were appointed for this session: FINANCE - James Horne, Parnell Aldridge and Warner Yeomans RESOLUTIONS - Virgil Carter, C. B. Dowdney and Galen Dunbar

An informational report was given by Brother Ronald Creech about Free Will Baptist Bible College.

After a short break the Moderator called upon Herbert Waid, the State Executive Secretary to give an informational report. He urged those present to give their opinion about moving the State Office and to support CO-OP. He reminded the association of these upcoming events:

1. Couples retreat - September 15 - 16 with Robert Morgan

2. National Ministries Sunday - September 24

3. Laura Belle Barnard Day - October 8

M/S/C to receive this report as information.

The various boards and committees were then called upon to give their reports:

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. He noted that the dates for the South Georgia Missions Conference will be February 12 -25, 1990. The board is still searching for a missionary to go to Kingsland and is planning a survey of the area on September 9, 1989. The church in Douglas had petitioned the board for membership in the Association. The board will report back to the association about the Douglas work at our next quarterly meeting. The record of income and expenses for the previous quarter was distributed and a copy is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to adopt.

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne and is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to adopt the report.

The Youth Board report was given by Bud Hill. He noted that at the South Georgia Junior Camp we had 73 enrolled with 6 conversions and 6 rededications. He also noted that there would be a Youth Rally at the Philadelphia Church on Saturday, September 23, 1989. M/S/C to adopt the report.

The Ordination Board report was given by Larry Williams:

1. At the request of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Jesup, we have examined John Gilliland for licensing in the ministry. We recommend him back to the church for licensing. M/S/C to adopt the report.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Virgil Carter and contained two items:

- 1. Be it resolved that the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists give First Free Will Baptist Church of Jesup a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality as host church. M/S/C to adopt.
- 2. Be it resolved that each pastor encourage members of their church to write letters, make telephone calls, etc., to express Biblical views on (1) Abortion, (2) Pornography, (3) Desecrating the American Flag, and

(4) Prayer at School Affairs. M/S/C to adopt.

The Nominating Committee report was given by Dwight Fletcher. It contained the following recommendations:

1. For General Officers:

Assistant Moderator ..... Galen Dunbar Assistant Clerk/Treasurer . . . . . . Gary Page 2. For the South Georgia Boards: Ordaining Board David Hutchinson (1992) Missions Board ..... Troy Dykes (1994)

Youth Board ..... Kile McDowell (1994)

3. For State Board Positions:

Christian Education .....Bud Hill

Since there were no nominations from the floor it was decided to vote in this slate of nominations by acclamation. M/S/C to do so.

Dwight Fletcher then made a motion to give the outgoing officers a rising vote of thanks for their service. M/S/C to do so.

The Moderator then asked for potential delegates to the Georgia State Association Meeting. Along with granting the Moderator the power to appoint delegates at the session, the following names were nominated: Barbara Fletcher, Kile McDowell, Anna Travis, Barbara Dunbar, Mary Hill, Linda McMillan. M/S/C for these to serve.

The Moderator then recognized Buddy Morris to present the proposed changes in the associational constitution. It was noted that the changes would affect three parts of the existing constitution. Those are Article II, Section 2,

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B; Article III, Section 3, D; and By-Laws, Section 3, both A and B. After some discussion a motion was made to adopt all of the proposed changes. M/S/C to do so.

One aspect of these changes in the constitution called for another member to be added to the Ordaining Board. Randy Corn was nominated. M/S/C to elect.

The business of the association having been completed the worship service was begun. The music featured the South Georgia Youth Evangelistic Team. The speaker of the hour was Evangelist Bobby Jackson. At the conclusion of the service, the host church served lunch.

> James Ursrey, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk

### FINANCIAL REPORT

## South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

August 5, 1989

Balance brought forward

\$ 1,206.17

#### RECEIPTS

Gifts from Churches	\$ 682.50
Worship Service Offering	90.90
TOTAL RECEIPTS	773.40

DISBURSEMENTS

DIODOROLINIL			
Moderator		30.00	
Clerk		60.00	
Treasurer		30.00	
Retirement Gifts		75.00	
<b>Executive Committee Travel</b>		195.85	
Appropriation for Minutes, State &			
National Fees		262.50	
Moderator's Expenses		11.38	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			664.73
Balance carried forward			\$ 1,314.84
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIO	NAL FEI	ES ACCO	UNT
Balance brought forward			\$ 2,154.09
RECEIPTS	•		
Appropriation from Budget	\$	262.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			262.50

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Rick Bowling TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS Balance carried forward

> James Horne Parnell Aldridge Warner Yeomans

## FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board April 1 - June 30, 1989

Balance brought forward

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#### \$13,060.68

#### RECEIPTS

Baxley Church	\$	15.00	
Ebenezer Church		105.00	
Glennville Church		150.00	
Georgia State Association		25.00	
Harmony Church		237.29	
Mamie Tyre Circle		15.00	
New Hope Church		75.00	
Oak Hill Church		85.00	
Satilla Church		60.00	
Savannah Church		150.00	
Statesboro Church		164.92	
Missions Conference		2,054.85	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			3,137.06
DISBURSEME	ENTS		
Mission Board Expense		19.65	
Miss Laura Belle Barnard		45.00	r
Rick Bowling		55.00	
Allan Crowson		30.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			149.65
Balance carried forward			\$16,048.09
MISSION CONFERENCE I	DISBUR	SEMENTS	
Foreign Missions	\$	9,098.50	
Home Missions		5,283.00	• • •
South Georgia Missions		2,054.85	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			\$16,436.35
Troy Dy	ykes		
Treasure			÷

200.00

\$ 2,216.59

200.00

## MINUTES

## South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists First Free Will Baptist Church of Savannah October 28, 1989

The quarterly conference of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists met Saturday, October 28, 1989 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Savannah, Georgia. The meeting was begun with a congregational song and a word of prayer. A welcome and instructions were given by the host pastor, Randy Corn. The meeting was then called to order by the clerk who recognized the Moderator, Bud Hill.

Following a devotion by the Moderator, a roll call of ministers and churches was taken. There were 16 ministers present and 19 churches represented. The delegates for this session were seated. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The minutes of the Executive Board contained two motions for consideration by the association:

1. Because of three resignations following the recent election within the South Georgia Association, it was suggested that a new slate of officers be elected. After much discussion it was decided to elect all the officers for the association from the floor of the current meeting. The following slate of officers was nominated and then elected by acclamation:

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ModeratorBud Hill
Assistant Moderator James Ursrey
Clerk
Assistant ClerkGalen Dunbar

Treasurer . . . . . . . . . James Horne

- The following motion also came from the Executive Board: "Motion to accept the Douglas Church in the association on mission status with the understanding that the property and deeds be transferred to the association until their reestablishment as a church." M/S/C.
   The Obituary Report was given by the clerk:
- JESUP CHURCH Maggie Anderson
- PINE LEVEL CHURCH Lollie McLeod
- The following committees were appointed for the session:
- FINANCE James Horne, Danny Denkins and Billy James
- RESOLUTIONS Galen Dunbar, Larry Williams and Nolan Purcell Following a brief recess, the boards and committees gave their reports.

The Mission Board report was given by Buddy Morris. He reported on the survey of the Kingsland area on October 14. He urged the association to pray about a potential missions pastor. Further, he exhorted us to participate in the annual missions conference. Luther Burns gave an informational report on his work in Atlanta. M/S/C.

The Youth Board report was given by Dwight Fletcher. He noted that a Youth Rally had been held at the Philadelphia Church on September 23, 1989 and that the youth elected officers for the upcoming year. They were as follows: President . . . . . . . . . . . Lee Smith Vice President . . . . . Nathan Thomas Secretary/Treasurer . . . . Leslie Baxter

The next Youth Rally will be December 2, 1989 at Piney Grove Church. The March Youth Rally will be the time for the district competition and will be held at Pine Level Church on March 3, 1990. M/S/C to adopt the report.

The Finance Committee report was given by James Horne and is on file with the clerk. M/S/C to adopt the report.

The Resolutions Committee Report was given by Galen Dunbar and contained two resolutions:

1. In light of the action taken by the National Association of Free Will Baptists reversing the action we acted upon last year, and returning the decision back to the Board of Trustees regarding the basketball team at Free Will Baptist Bible College wearing regulation uniforms, which are shorts and;

Whereas, Free Will Baptist Bible College has always stood for high moral standards on and off campus, and

Whereas, the Bible College is an example of moral integrity for our denomination, and

Whereas, the basketball team represents Christ, the Bible College, and Free Will Baptists everywhere:

Be it resolved that the South Georgia Association send a letter and a copy of this resolution to the Board of Trustees, each member, and a copy to the President of our Free Will Baptist Bible College expressing our objection and disapproval of our athletic teams wearing shorts as "regulation uniforms" to represent our Lord Jesus Christ, our college and Free Will Baptists everywhere.

After extended discussion the question was called and the resolution passed by a vote of 27 to 18.

2. Be it resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the First Free Will Baptist Church of Savannah for their hospitality shown to us at this session. M/S/C.

The Ordaining Board report was given by Randy Corn. It contained one motion. We recommend the acceptance of Jerry Endres as a minister in good standing pending a letter from the Tidewater Association. M/S/C to adopt.

Because of the extended debate on the resolution a motion was made to postpone the preaching until after lunch. M/S/C to do so.

Following the noon meal the message was brought by Rev. David Hutchinson.

Bud Hill, Moderator Randy Corn, Clerk

FINANCIAL REPOR South Georgia Association of Fre October 28, 1989		Vill Bapt	ists	
Balance brought forward			\$	1,314.89
RECEIPTS				
Gifts from Churches Worship Service Offering Special Gifts	\$	$577.50 \\ 81.90 \\ 27.88$		
TOTAL RECEIPTS		687.28		
DISBURSEMENTS				
Moderator Clerk Treasurer Retirement Gifts Executive Committee Travel Appropriation for Minutes, State & National Fees TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		30.00 60.00 30.00 75.00 237.07 262.50		694.57
Balance carried forward			¢	1,307.60
MINUTES, STATE AND NATIONAL Balance brought forward	FE	ES ACCO	OUN	,

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RE	CEIPTS		
Appropriation from Budget		\$ 262.50	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			262.50
DISBU	RSEMENTS		
Bobby Jackson		50.00	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS			50.00
Balance carried forward			\$ 2,429.09
	James Horne Billy L. James D. R. Dinkins		

## FINANCIAL REPORT South Georgia Mission Board July 1, - September 30, 1989

Balance brought forward

\$16,048.09

#### RECEIPTS

Baxley Church	\$	37.50	
Ebenezer Church		105.00	
First Church, Jesup		75.00	
Glennville Church		150.00	
Georgia State Association		55.00	
Harmony Church		95.80	
Mamie Tyre Circle		10.00	
New Hope Church		75.00	
Savannah Church		150.00	
Satilla Church		60.00	
Statesboro Church		200.59	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			1,
DISBURSEMENTS			
Mission Board Expense		293.04	
Miss Laura Belle Barnard		120.00	

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

413.04

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#### Balance carried forward

### \$16,648.94

## Troy Dykes Treasurer

## SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

### 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 Baptists, 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 hereafter comprise this Organization.

## ARTICLE I

This fellowship of churches shall be known as the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists.

## ARTICLE II

### **SECTION 1: MEMBERSHIP**

- A. Membership in this Association shall consist of such regularly organized churches that adhere to the doctrines and practices of Free Will Baptists as set forth in the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.
- B. Missions endorsed by the Missions Board of this Association may be received under the watchcare of the Association until duly organized and have complied with the aforesaid statement relative to membership. SECTION 2: REPRESENTATION
  - A. Voting representation shall be by delegates duly authorized by the local churches comprising the South Georgia Association, and upon payment of fees described in SECTION 4 of this article.
    - B. The number of delegates shall be determined on the basis of two (2) per church and one (1) additional delegate for each one hundred (100) members or fraction thereof, based on the active membership roll.
  - C. Standing delegates will consist of all ordained ministers, deacons active on the Board, missionaries, general officers and standing Board members in good standing with the South Georgia Association. \*See article regarding requirements for ministers and deacons for good standing located in the By-Laws.

**SECTION 3: DISCIPLINE** 

The Association's only "power" over the local church is limited to dealing with the church's rights as a member of the Association. At the request of a church or an aggrieved minority within a local church the Association may act only as an advisory council to give advice in matters of difficulty. All matters involving discipline shall be handled according to the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists. SECTION 4: FEES

Representation fees must be paid in order for delegates to be seated (elective and standing) at any regular session of this Association. Representation fees shall be determined by the budget adopted by this Association in its April session each year. The budget will cover a period from September 1 through August 31 of each year.

#### ARTICLE III

#### SECTION 1: GENERAL OFFICERS

The General Officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and an Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the close of the August session. The Moderator shall serve a period of two (2) years and may succeed himself for only one term.

#### **SECTION 2: COMMITTEES**

- A. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall consist of the General Officers stated in SECTION 1 of this article.
- B. Other Committees: Committees, as necessary, shall be appointed by the Moderator unless otherwise provided for in this document and shall hold office until their work is completed or until their successors are named.

#### **SECTION 3: BOARDS**

- A. Executive Board: The Executive Board shall consist of the General Officers, the Chairman of each of the Standing Boards, and the previous Moderator for one (1) year following his term of office.
- B. Board of Missions: The Board of Missions shall consist of five (5) members, so elected that one (1) member will be elected each year.C. Youth Board: The Youth Board shall consist of five (5) members, so elected that one (1) member shall be elected each year.
- D. Ordaining Board: The Ordaining Board shall consist of five (5) members, so elected that one (1) member will be elected each year. SECTION 4: COMPLIANCE

Any person/s elected to a Board or Committee

- A. May not serve on more than one Standing Board at any one time, with the exception of the Executive Board.
- B. Must make every effort to attend each Board or Committee meeting.
- C. In the event of any hindrance/s, he is asked to either send a proxy or contact the Chairman by telephone or letter. Failure to comply with the above means that his position may be declared vacant and that the Board or Committee is open to recommend a replacement at the next Quarterly Meeting.

#### ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS: The meetings of the South Georgia Association shall be held on the fourth Saturdays of October, January, April and the first Saturday in August, unless otherwise agreed upon.

#### ARTICLE V

AFFILIATION: By a voluntary act of this Body, this Association shall be a member of the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists. Membership

with the State Body also gives us affiliation with the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

### ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS: This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote at any regular session. Notice of intended amendment must be given in writing to the Clerk, and must be read to the Association Body at the beginning of the session, to be voted on after the worship hour.

### **BY-LAWS**

## SECTION 1: GENERAL OFFICERS

- A. Moderator: The Moderator shall preside at the meetings of the Association and the Executive Committee/Board, and shall serve as Chairman of the Executive Committee/Board.
- B. Assistant Moderator: The Assistant Moderator serves as Moderator in the absence of or at the request of the Moderator.
- C. Clerk: The Clerk shall keep accurate records of the Association and the Executive Committee/Board meetings. He shall call the Association into order and introduce the Moderator; and shall carry out the instructions of the Association or Executive Committee/Board in correspondence, etc.
- D. Treasurer: The Treasurer receives all Association funds and disburses them as instructed by the Association or Executive Committee/Board.
- E. Assistant Clerk/Treasurer: The Assistant Clerk/Treasurer shall serve

in the absence of or at the request of the Clerk or Treasurer. The Assistant Clerk/Treasurer shall be able to sign checks in the event the Treasurer is incapacitated.

SECTION 2: COMMITTEE/BOARD FUNCTIONS AND MEETINGS

A. Executive Committee/Board: The Executive Committee/Board gives general leadership to the Association, serves as the Association between sessions of the Association, and makes reports to the Association for adoption.

This Committee/Board shall meet quarterly to plan and approve the Association program, to hear reports from the Standing Boards and/or Committees, and to take care of any business which may claim its attention. These meetings will be at a time and place selected by the Committee/Board or Moderator.

- B. Board of Missions: The Board of Missions shall offer leadership in areas of local as well as world-wide Missions. It shall meet at its discretion.
- C. Ordaining Board: The Ordaining Board shall examine candidates for licensing and/or ordination who have been recommended by his local church. They shall plan and conduct ordination services as the need arises. They shall examine ministers petitioning the Association for membership and make recommendations relative to the petition. It shall meet at its discretion.

D. Youth Board: The Youth Board shall have general oversight of youth related activities as approved by the Association such as Christian Camping, Youth Rallies and CTS Competitive Activities. It shall meet at its discretion.

### SECTION 3: REQUIREMENTS FOR MINISTERS AND DEACONS AT THE ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS.

A. Ministers: Ordained Ministers of the South Georgia Association who do not represent at the District Meeting in person, by letter, by telephone, etc., within three (3) consecutive meetings will be dropped from the roll call of Ministers. In order to be re-instated he must meet with the Ordaining Board for their recommendation back to the Association.

Be it also understood, that when a Minister's name has been dropped from this roll, he does not have the voting rights and privileges of an Ordained Minister as a "standing delegate" until he has been re-instated.

B. Deacons: Deacons of the South Georgia Association's member churches who do not represent at the district meeting in person, by letter, by telephone, etc., within three (3) consecutive meetings will lose his "standing delegate" status. He must attend two (2) consecutive meetings in order to be re-instated to voting privileges as a "standing" delegate".

#### **SECTION 4: AMENDMENTS**

1.

These By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote at any regular session. Notice of intended amendment must be given, in writing, to the Clerk, and must be read to the Association Body at the beginning of the session, to be voted on after the morning worship hour.