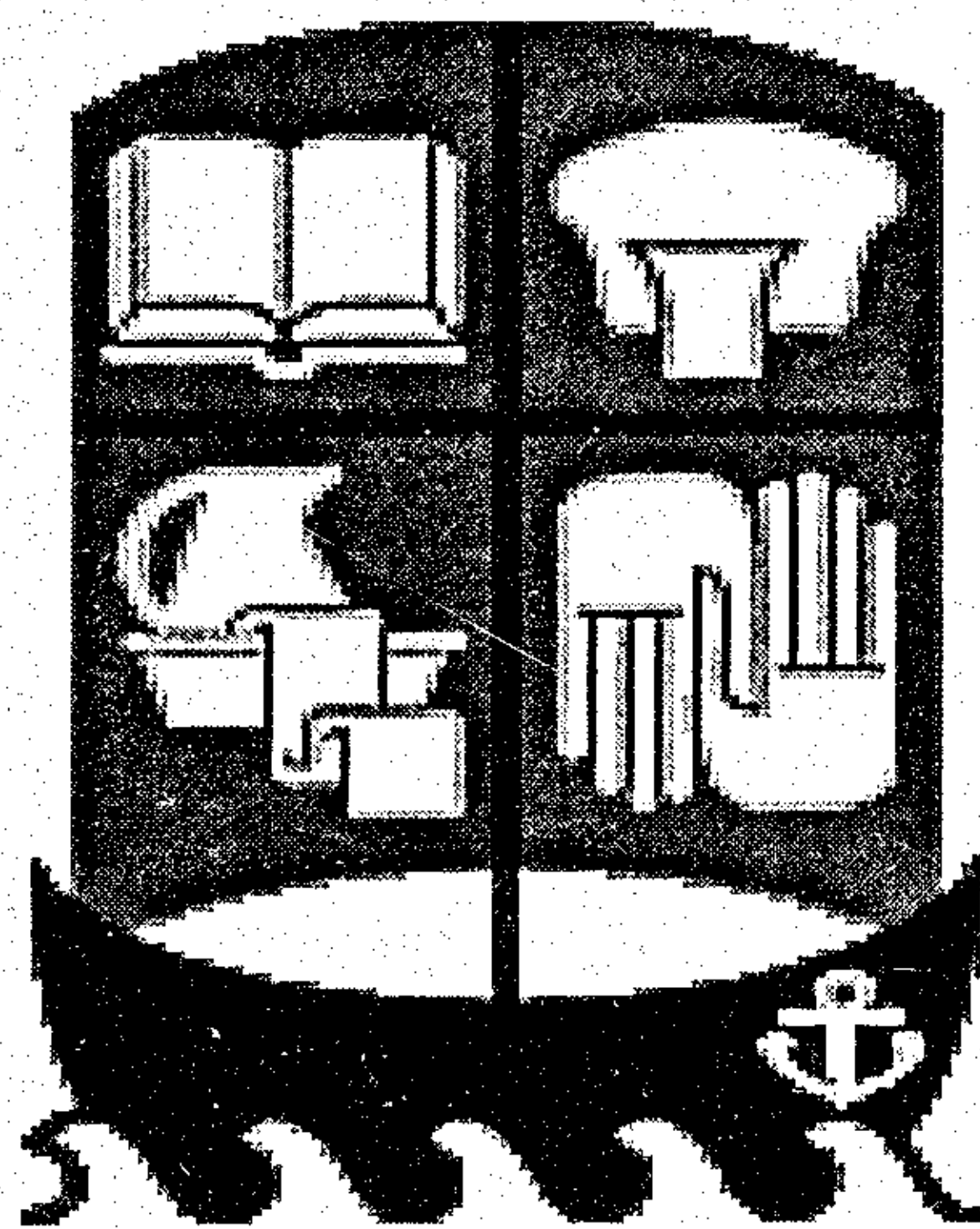


Minutes
Of the
South Georgia
Association
Of



Free Will Baptist

2005

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist Directory

Moderator

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Statesboro, GA 30461
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Asst. Moderator

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Clerk

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Treasurer

Mr. Benny Lariscy
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Rev. William (Buddy) Morris
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Statesboro, GA 30458

Mission Board

2006	Wayne Miracle	912-764-9724
2007	Benny Lariscy	912-283-1670
2008	Mike Edwards	912-427-4263
2009	Mark Kennedy	912-375-5481
2010	Reuben Cason	912-654-3878

Ordaining Board

2006	Roy Woods	912-366-9482
2007	Amos McMillan	912-367-7933
2008	Tim Horne	912-586-2098
2009	Dale Yarborough	912-632-6814
2010	Steve Hughes	912-355-1686

Youth Board

2006	David Amburgey	912-367-7633
2007	Stephen Windham	912-366-8337
2008	Todd Horne	912-294-2831
2009	Eric Brown	912-632-5240
2010	Wendy Horne	912-586-2098

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Church	Pastor	Church Clerk
Alabaha FWB Church 4400 Hwy 203 Blackshear, GA 31516 912-449-4896	4400 Hwy 203 Blackshear, GA 31516 912-449-4896	Mrs. Angie Sapp 307 Strickland Ave Blackshear, GA 31516 912-449-9622 timandang@atc.cc
Baxley FWB Church Fair & Plier Street Baxley, GA 31513 912-367-7177	Rev. David Amburgey 67 E. Glendale Avenue Baxley, GA 31513 912-367-7633 amburgeyd@hotmail.com	Mrs. Lila C. Everett 67 Robin Street Baxley, GA 31513 912-367-2050
Bethel FWB Church 7770 County Farm Road Baxley, GA 31513 912-367-2312	Rev. Stephen Windham 1722 Cain Road Baxley, GA 31513 912-366-8337 iamw2002@juno.com	Mrs. Edna Vaughn 7770 County Farm Road Baxley, GA 31513 912-367-2312 cowtrac@altamaha.net
Corinth FWB Church 181 Corinth Church Road Alma, GA 31510 912-632-6814	Rev. Dale Yarborough 181 Corinth Church Road Alma, GA 31510-9802 912-632-6814 daley@accessatc.net	Mrs. April Roberson 142 Amante Lane Alma, GA 31510 912-632-5377 aprilroberson@hotmail.com
Ebenezer FWB Church 1580 Ebenezer Church Road Glennville, GA 30427-9250 912-654-3878	Rev. Reuben Cason 1580 Ebenezer Church Road Glennville, GA 30427-9250 912-654-3878 krcason@gnet.net	Mr. Royce Folsom 500 Folsom Lane Glennville, GA 30427 912-654-4811 rjolsom@pineland.net
First Brunswick FWB Church 4231 US 17 North Brunswick, GA. 31520 912-261-2098	Rev Aaron Baldrige 705 Island View Drive Brunswick, GA 31525 912-399-6609 aaron@ffwbbrun.com	Mrs. Aletha Becklhimer 110 Allen Lane Brunswick, GA 31525 912-267-1240
First Jesup FWB Church 795 South 1st Street Jesup, GA 31545 912-427-4401	Rev. Mike Edwards 132 Pleasant Way Jesup, GA 31540 912-427-4263 mkejesup@bellsouth.net fwbjesup@bellsouth.net fwbpastor@bellsouth.net	Mrs. Mary Kicklighter P.O. Box 1165 Jesup, GA 31598 912-427-7681
Stephen Jackson -Associate 107 Hollywood Ave Jesup, GA 31545 912-530-9174		Todd Horne - Music P.O. Box 175 Jesup, GA 31598 912-294-2831 toddhorne@hotmail.com

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Church	Pastor	Church Clerk
First Savannah FWB Church 5210 Skidaway Road P.O. Box 15935 Savannah, GA 31416-2635 912-355-1686	Rev. Steve Hughes 5212 Skidaway Road P.O. Box 15935 Savannah, GA 31416-2635 912-354-0971 pastor@fwbcsavannah.com	Mrs. Jeanie Howard 253 Shipyard Road Savannah, GA 31406 912-352-9294
Glennville FWB Church P.O. Box 308 211 S. Downing Musgrove Hwy Glennville, GA 30427 912-654-3601	Rev. Parnell Aldridge P.O. Box 308 211 S. Downing Musgrove Hwy Glennville, GA 30427 912-654-2621	Mrs. Barbara Roberts 514 Railroad Street Glennville, GA 30427 912-654-2436
Liberty FWB Church 129 University Blvd. Waycross, GA 31501 912-283-7511	Rev. John Rentz 3862 Marvin Strickland Road Waycross, GA 31503 912-283-1407 jarentz@tds.net	Mrs. Barbara Sumner 3417 17th Street Waycross, GA 31503 912-285-7273
Memorial FWB Church 5136 GA Hwy 121 South East Surrency, GA 31563 912-367-7933	Rev. Amos McMillon 5136 GA. Hwy 121 S.E. Surrency, GA 31563 912-367-7933	Mr. Gene Mann 10702 Poor Robin Road Surrency, GA 31563 912-367-7925 bmenn@cybersouth.com
New Hope FWB Church 1790 New Hope Road Jesup, GA 31545 912-586-6320	Rev. Tim Horne 1240 New Hope Road Jesup, GA 31545-9329 912-586-2098 twhorne@accessatc.net	Mrs. Joyce Oakes 7777 Beards Bluff Road Odum, Ga 31555 912-586-2583 jobo@accessatc.net
New Life Fellowship FWB Church 23574 Hwy 80 East Statesboro, GA 30461 912-764-2150	Rev. Wayne Miracle 617 Sweetheart Lane Statesboro, GA 30461 912-764-9724 waynemiracle@frontiernet.net	Mrs. Marie C. Bowen 201 Circle Drive Statesboro, GA 30461 912-764-3082 mcbowen@frontiernet.net
Oak Hill FWB Church 6876 Red Oak Road Baxley, GA 31513 912-367-6275	Rev. Johnny Smith Route 2 Box 245D Cochran, GA 31014 478-934-3777	Mrs. Rhonda Waters 7475 Red Oak Road Baxley, GA 31513 912-367-9508 rhonwt2@aol.com

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Church	Pastor	Church Clerk
Philadelphia FWB Church RR 2, Box 3682 Folkston, GA. 31537 912-496-2655	Rev. Nathan Barrington RR 2 Box 3682 Folkston, GA 31537 912-496-2655	Mrs. Debra Mizell 107 Mizell Street Folkston, GA 31537 912-496-7747
Pine Level FWB Church 551 Pine Level Church Road Alma, GA 31510 912-632-4100	Rev. Eric Brown 551 Pine Level Church Road Alma, GA 31510 912-632-5240 ericbrown@accessatc.net	Mrs. Kay Peterson 158 Dolphin Road Alma, GA 31510 912-632-8768 peterson@accessatc.net
Piney Grove FWB Church 1994 Piney Grove Road Bristol, GA 31518 912-367-9798	Rev. Philip Tipton 1902 Piney Grove Road Bristol, GA 31518 912-367-9798 youngpreacher25@msn.com	Mrs. Diane Metts 19019 Blackshear Hwy Bristol, GA 31518 912-367-4659 johhnymetts@bellsouth.net
Satilla FWB Church 750 Satilla Church Road Hazlehurst, GA 31539 912-375-7492	Rev. Mark Kennedy 102 Quinn Road Hazlehurst, GA 31539 912-375-5481	Mrs. Joanne Herrington 123 Spell Road Hazlehurst, GA 31539 912-375-5138
Spring Grove FWB Church 2601 Spring Grove Road Jesup, GA 31545 912-427-4987	Rev. Johnny Lewis 114 Lewis Road Jesup, GA 31545-8943 912-427-9354	Mrs. Lovie Emery 575 Mill Creek Road Jesup, GA 31545 912-427-2004
Surrency FWB Church Hwy. 121 South P.O. Box 153 Surrency, GA 31563 912-367-3184	Rev. Roy Woods 373 South Main Street Surrency, GA 31563 912-366-9482 wood2691@bellsouth.net	Mrs. Merlene Mock 3676 Holmesville Road Surrency, GA 31563 912-367-2835
Swainsboro FWB Church 434 Lambs Bridge Road Swainsboro, GA 30401 912-237-9551	Rev. William (Buddy) Morris 303 Marvin Avenue Statesboro, GA 30458 912-681-1335	Mrs. Eloise Hodges 1721 Hwy 57 West Swainsboro, GA 30401 912-469-3110 ehodges@pineland.net

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Mission Church

Camden FWB Church
Gross Road
Kingsland, GA 31545
912-729-8447

Rev. Rev. Kraig Spivey
222A Lynn Dr.
St. Mary's, GA 31558
912-673-9551

Licensed Pastors

Rev. James Hardwick
575 Crystal Road
Alma, GA 31510
912-632-2331

Corinth FWB Church

Ordained Pastors

Rev. Charles Barnard
741 Walden Lane
Brunswick, GA 31525
912-270-0703 - cell

Brunswick Christian Academy

Rev. Roger Beecher
26 Hog Hell Bay Road
Hazlehurst, GA 31539
912-375-9284

Satilla FWB Church

Rev. Billy Livesay
834 Old Screven Road
Jesup, GA 31545
912-427-2255

First Jesup FWB Church

Lay Speakers

Charles Branch
2007 Orvin Road
Baxley, GA 31513
912-367-9355

Bethel FWB Church

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists
Executive Board Meeting
January 4, 2005

The Executive Board of the South Georgia Association met on January 4, 2005 in Jesup, Georgia with the following members present: Tim Horne, Benny Lariscy, Mike Edwards, Leon Gibson, Bruce Jones, William Morris, and Wayne Miracle.

The meeting was called to order and prayer requests were taken. Rev. Leon Gibson led the prayer.

Old Business

There was no other business

New Business

The next South Georgia Association Meeting will be at the Ebenezer FWB Church in Glennville, Ga. on January 22, 2005. Rev. Billy Bevan Jr. will be the morning worship speaker with Rev. Bruce Jones as the alternate. Rev. William Smith will provide the Morning Seminar Session.

Ordaining Board

Rev. Leon Gibson reported:

Rev Stephen Windham, pastor at Bethel Free Will Baptist will be presented at the January Meeting for acceptance of his credentials from his previous association.

M/S/C to receive this report.

Youth Board

Rev. Wayne Miracle reported that the Laura Belle Barnard Scholarship was awarded to Ashley Price.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Mission Board

- Rev. Mike Edwards reported on the upcoming Missions Conference. We will use the January Meeting with a Missions emphasis.
- Rev. Frank Miller has resigned his position from the Mission Board.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Treasury Report

Benny Lariscy gave the finance report.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Other Business

- The dates for the remaining Executive Board are: April 5, 2005
July 12, 2005
October 4, 2005
- Discussion was made concerning the term limits of the moderator. According to our Constitution the moderator shall serve a period of two (2) years and may succeed himself for only one term.
 - A recommendation was made to notify the association that we are in violation of the constitution and to recommend to the association that we leave Rev. Wayne Miracle as the moderator for the next two years and allow the Executive Board to examine this issue.

M/S/C to accept this recommendation.

- Discussion was concerning election of the board chairman.
 - A recommendation was made to make a constitutional amendment that would allow electing the board officers on a yearly basis.

M/S/C to accept this recommendation.

Old Business

- None

Prayer to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Miracle, Moderator

Tim Horne, Clerk

Minutes of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists
Convening at Ebenezer FWB Church, Glennville, GA
January 22, 2005

The association began with Billy Bevan Jr. leading the congregation in singing "When We All Get to Heaven" "Rev Steve Hughes opened the meeting with prayer. Host pastor Rev. Rueben Cason extended the welcome to attendees.

Call to Order:

The clerk, Tim Horne, called the meeting to order and introduced the moderator, Wayne Miracle, who opened the session with prayer.

Roll Call and Seating of Delegates:

The roll calls of ministers and churches were taken. Delegates to the association were seated. A welcome was made to all of the visitors present. Rev William Smith and Ms. Debbie Griffin were in attendance.

Approval of Minutes and Executive Board Report:

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. M/S/C to receive the report.

The Executive Board report was read. M/S/C to receive the report.

Obituary Report:

The Obituary Report was given. Mr. Tommy Sharpe – New Hope FWB Church; Mrs. Dorothy Broadhurst – Spring Grove FWB Church; Mrs. Nell Altman – Philadelphia FWB Church; Mr. Milton Douglass – Mr. Jody Rigdon – Pine Level FWB Church Mr. Berley Henry – Swainsboro FWB. Rev. Roger Beecher offered a prayer in memory of those who had passed.

Committees:

- Finance: Troy Dykes, Calfry Harris, Filmore Waters
- Resolutions: John Rentz, Mike Price, Henry Clay

M/S/C to receive the committee appointees.

Miscellaneous Business:

1. Rev. Eric Brown reported on the upcoming Youth Conference Competition. The entry forms need to be mailed to Rev. Eric Brown by March 30, 2005

The dates for year's junior camp are June 20-24 at the W.W. Mann retreat center in Statesboro, GA

This year the Youth Board awarded Ashley Price, member of New Life Fellowship FWB, with a one-time \$500.00 scholarship to Free Will Baptist Bible College.

2. Rev. Leon Gibson reported that we have received a letter of recommendation and approval for Rev. Stephen Windham's credentials from his previous association. M/S/C to accept the transfer of his credentials.
3. Mrs. Debra Adams reported on the upcoming South Georgia WAC district convention. The meeting will be held February 5, 2005 at the Philadelphia FWB Church in Folkston, Ga. The Georgia WAC Convention will meet March 17, 2005 at the Shallowford FWB Church in Marietta.
4. Rev. William Morris gave an invitation to come by and visit with book store.

A motion was made to close the business session and enter into our worship time

Worship:

Rev. Billy Bevan Jr., Pastor of Camden FWB Church shared the morning message from Luke 14:16-24 "Fill the House"

Rev. Mike Edwards came and dismissed in prayer.

After a brief recess the meeting re-convened, Rev. Mark Kennedy came and led the congregation in singing of "I am Resolved."

Report from Japan:

Ms. Debbie Griffin came and shared with the association of news from the mission field. She shared from Ephesians 2:1-12, Acts 19:35, Ephesians 1:15-22, and Ephesians 6:12-18. Her plea to our assembly was for us to pray for the people of Japan that they would receive the hope of Jesus Christ.

Congregational singing:

Rev Mark Kennedy came and led the congregation in worship with "Victory in Jesus"

Offering:

The offering received was used to support of our mission work at the Camden FWB. Rev Chip Sekulich led the offertory prayer

Special Music:

A ladies duet from the Ebenezer FWB came and shared "Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place". A trio from the Ebenezer FWB came and shared "Beulah Land"

Report from State Office:

Rev. William Smith came and presented a report from the State Office

A motion was made to re-open the business session:

Other Business:

1. Delegates to the State Meeting were elected: Martha Morris, Faye Dinkins, and Janet Aldridge. We gave the moderator the authority to appoint other delegates at the State Meeting.
2. We need to suspend Section 1A of the Constitution concerning the term limits of the moderator.
3. A recommendation was made to send a letter to the President of the United States requesting that we return to our Christian principles. We request that prayer be returned to local schools.

Resolutions Committee:

The committee offered the following resolutions:

- To give the Ebenezer FWB Church a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality shown in hosting the meeting.
- To continue to pray for military.

M/S/C to receive the resolution.

M/S/C to close the business session and enter into the worship service.

Host pastor, Rev. Rueben Cason gave instructions for the meal and asked the blessing for the meal.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Miracle, Moderator
Tim Horne, Clerk

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist
Treasurer Report

October 1, 2004 Thru Deceber 31, 2004

Balance brought forward October 1,2004

\$ 3,979.20

Receipts for Quarter

Church Dues:

Alabaha	\$ 62.50
Baxley	\$ 70.00
Bethel	\$ 70.00
Corinth	\$ 70.00
Ebenezer	\$ 70.00
First Brunswick	\$ 70.00
First Jesup	\$ 77.50
First Savannah	\$ 77.50
Glennville	\$ 70.00
Liberty	\$ 62.50
Memorial	\$ 70.00
New Hope	\$ 70.00
New Life Fellowship	\$ 70.00
Oak Hill	\$ 62.50
Philadelphia	\$ 70.00
Pine Level	\$ 70.00
Piney Grove	\$ 70.00
Satilla	\$ 70.00
Spring Grove	\$ 70.00
Surrency	\$ 62.50
Swainsboro	\$ 62.50

Total Church Dues

\$ 1,447.50

Offering, Ouarterly Meeting

\$ 143.00

Total Receipts

\$ 1,590.50

Total Accountable

\$ 5,569.70

Expenses

Wayne Miracle, Moderator	\$ 30.00
Wayne Miracle, Mileage	\$ 37.50
Tim Home, Clerk	\$ 60.00
Tim Home, Postage & Cards	\$ 32.47
Benny Lariscy, Treasurer	\$ 30.00
Benny Lariscy, Mileage	\$ 23.50
W. L. Morris	\$ 37.50
Alex Sekulich	\$ 21.50
Captain Joe's	\$ 116.58
Church Mutual Insurance	\$ 672.50
Bank Charge, check order	\$ -
Jesup Office Products	\$ 285.59
Steve Hughes, Copies	\$ 36.19

Total Expense

\$ 1,383.33

Balance Forward Deceber 31, 2004

\$ 4,186.37

Free Will Baptist Foundation, Trust Accounts, Opened 10/4/2004

Mission (Douglas) Account

\$ 83,554.62

Youth Account

\$ 22,228.25

South Georgia Association Of Free Will Baptist
Board Of Missions
Treasurer Report
October 1, 2004 Thru December 31, 2004

Balance Brought Forward, October 1, 2004	\$ 11,783.93
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Receipts:

Piney Grove Church	\$ 195.00
Philadelphia Church	\$ 300.00
State Office, Spring Grove Ch	\$ 125.64
State Office, Savannah	\$ 150.90
New Life Fellowship	\$ 284.65
Liberty Church	\$ 333.00

Total Receipts	<u>\$ 1,389.19</u>
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Total Accountable	\$ 13,173.12
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Expenditures:

Mark Kennedy	\$ 22.50
Wayne Miracle	\$ 37.50
Frank Miller	\$26.50
Benny Lariscy	\$23.50
Western Sizzlin	\$51.39
Church Mutual Insurance Co.	\$606.00

Total Expenditures	\$767.39
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Balance Forward December 31, 2004	\$ 12,405.73
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South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists
Executive Board Meeting
March 28, 2005

The Executive Board of the South Georgia Association met on March 28, 2005 in Jesup, Georgia with the following members present: Tim Horne, Benny Lariscy, Mike Edwards, Bruce Jones, William Morris, Eric Brown, and Wayne Miracle.

The meeting was called to order and prayer requests were taken. Bro. Benny Lariscy led the prayer.

New Business

The next South Georgia Association Meeting will be at the First FWB Church in Brunswick, Ga. on April 23, 2005. Rev. Bruce Jones will be the morning worship speaker with Rev. Rueben Cason as the alternate. Bro. Fred Lockwood will provide the Morning Seminar Session.

Old Business

- We received a letter from Rev. Jackie Creech giving thanks for the offering that was given to the South India project. We have given to this date \$20,381.00. We were challenged to give \$25,000.00 from our association.
- We recommend that we make an addendum to:

Section 2: Committees:

- E. Each board of the South Georgia shall elect board officers each year at the first meeting after the general election of board members.

M/S/C to recommend this to the body.

- We recommend that we make a change to the constitution:

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 every two years at the general election of board members.

M/S/C to recommend this change to the body

- We voted as an executive board to meet and develop a policy that will allow the association to deal with moral issues of our ordained ministers in the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist. M/S/C

Ordaining Board

Rev. Tim Horne reported:

- Rev. Stephen Windham, pastor at Bethel Free Will Baptist will be presented at the April Meeting for acceptance of his credentials from his previous association.
- We have received a letter from New Life Fellowship to petition the Georgia Union Association for a letter of recommendation for Rev. Charles Barnard. A letter has been sent to the Georgia Union Association for this recommendation.

M/S/C to receive this report.

Youth Board

Rev. Eric Brown reported:

- We had a meeting on March 1, 2005 to make plans for the upcoming camp session.
- Laura Belle Barnard Scholarships will be awarded after the April meeting.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Mission Board

Rev. Mike Edwards reported on the following:

- The mission board will recommend Rev. Rueben Cason to serve on the mission board vacancy left after Rev. Frank Miller's resignation.
- A clear definition of our pledge to the Camden work is: We are going to support him with \$1000.00 per month from the mission board. Any money that comes in designated to the work will be used to make up the \$1000.00 support.

M/S/C to receive the report.

M/S/C to clarify our pledge to the Camden work

Treasury Report

Benny Lariscy gave the finance report.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Other Business

- The dates for the remaining Executive Board are: July 12, 2005
October 4, 2005

Prayer to adjourn. Rev Buddy Morris

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Miracle, Moderator
Tim Horne, Clerk

Minutes of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

Convening at First FWB Church, Brunswick, GA

April 23, 2005

The association began with Todd Horne leading the congregation in singing "This is the Day"
"Rev Parnell Aldridge opened the meeting with prayer. Host pastor Rev. Aaron Baldrige extended the welcome to attendees.

Call to Order:

The clerk, Tim Horne, called the meeting to order and introduced the moderator, Wayne Miracle, who opened the session with prayer.

Roll Call and Seating of Delegates:

The roll calls of ministers and churches were taken. Delegates to the association were seated. A welcome was made to all of the visitors present.

Approval of Minutes and Executive Board Report:

- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. M/S/C to receive the report.
- The Executive Board report was read. M/S/C to receive the report.

Old Business

1. We recommend that we make a change to the constitution:

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 every two years at the general election of board members.

2. We recommend that we make an addendum to:

Article III Section 2: Committees:

E. Each board of the South Georgia shall elect board officers each year at the first meeting after the general election of board members.

M/S/C to recommend this to the body.

- A motion was made to table the addendum and the change to the constitution

Obituary Report:

The Obituary Report was given. Mrs. Ruby O'Quinn – Philadelphia FWB Church; Mrs. Mary Lou Dixon – Piney Grove FWB Church; Mrs. Hazel Odum, Mrs. Irene Tyre – Spring Grove FWB Church; Mrs. Dolora Johnson – Pine Level FWB Church; Mr. Willie Claxton – Baxley FWB Church; Rev. Williford Hardin offered a prayer in memory of those who had passed.

Committees:

- Finance: Billy James, Charles Tyre, Winston Everett
 - Resolutions: Craig Spivey, Danny Dinkins, Virgil Carter
- M/S/C to receive the committee appointees.

Morning Seminar Session:

Bro. Fred Lockwood came and gave a very moving testimony of the wonderful Amazing Grace of God.

Congregational singing:

Todd Horne came led the congregation in worship with "Majesty, Our God Reigns, Blessed Be the Lord Almighty"

Ordaining Report:

- A motion was to send a letter of recommendation to transfer his credential to the Georgia Union Association for Rev. Arthur Smith. M/S/C to accept
- A motion was made to accept the credentials of Rev. Charles Barnard from the Georgia Union Association into the South Georgia Association. M/S/C to accept
- A motion was made to accept the credentials of Rev. Aaron Baldrige from the Chattahoochee Association into the South Georgia Association. M/S/C to accept
- A motion was made to accept the credentials of Rev. Steven Windham from his previous association. M/S/C to accept

Mission Board Report:

No Report

Youth Board Report:

Rev. Eric Brown reported on the following:

- The State C.T.S Competition will be held at the Albany FWB Church on Saturday, May 7, 2005. We do not have any one competing from our association.
- Laura Belle Barnard Scholarship will be awarded within the next two weeks.
- Camp will be held on June 20-24, 2005 at W.W. Mann Retreat in Statesboro, Ga. We have requested that each church give a gift of \$100.00 to help with the Camp Expenses.

Finance Report:

Bro. Benny Lariscy came and presented the financial report. M/S/C to receive the report

Nominating Committee:

A motion was made to elect Rev. Reuben Cason to fill the vacancy on the Mission Board of Rev. Frank Miller.

Resolutions Committee:

- To give the First FWB a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality shown(especially to the ladies for the meal) to the South Georgia Association
- The South Georgia Association to extend a very warm and cordial welcome to Bro. Fred Lockwood into a renewed fellowship with the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist.

A motion was made to close the business session and enter into our worship time

Worship:

Rev. Rueben Cason came and presented the morning message.

Host pastor, Rev. Aaron Baldrige gave instructions for the meal and asked the blessing for the meal.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Miracle, Moderator

Tim Horne, Clerk

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist
Treasurer Report
January 1, 2005 Thru March 31, 2005

Balance brought forward January 1,2005			\$ 4,186.37
Receipts for Quarter			
Church Dues:			
Alabaha	\$	62.50	
Baxley	\$	70.00	
Bethel	\$	70.00	
Corinth	\$	70.00	
Ebenezer	\$	77.50	
First Brunswick	\$	70.00	
First Jesup	\$	77.50	
First Savannah	\$	77.50	
Glennville	\$	70.00	
Liberty	\$	62.50	
Memorial	\$	70.00	
New Hope	\$	70.00	
New Life Fellowship	\$	70.00	
Oak Hill	\$	62.50	
Philadelphia	\$	70.00	
Pine Level	\$	70.00	
Piney Grove	\$	70.00	
Satilla	\$	70.00	
Spring Grove	\$	70.00	
Surrency	\$	70.00	
Swainsboro	\$	62.50	
Total Church Dues			\$1,462.50
Offering, Ouarterly Meeting, See Mission Board Report.			\$ -
Total Receipts			<u>\$ 1,462.50</u>
Total Accountable			\$ 5,648.87
Expenses			
Wayne Miracle, Moderator	\$	30.00	
Wayne Miracle, Mileage	\$	37.50	
Tim Horne, Clerk	\$	60.00	
Benny Lariscy, Treasurer	\$	30.00	
Benny Lariscy, Mileage	\$	23.50	
W. L. Morris, Mileage	\$	37.50	
Bruce Jones, Mileage	\$	17.50	
Captain Joe's, Meals	\$	108.57	
Tim Horne, Postage, Printing	\$	253.43	
PrimeSouth Bank, Lock Box	\$	14.00	
GA State Assoc., National Dues	\$	2,425.00	
Tim Horne, Office Supplies	\$	63.31	
Postmaster, Stamps	\$	60.00	
Secretary of State of GA, Incorporation Fees	\$	90.00	
Total Expense			<u>\$ 3,250.31</u>
Balance Forward March 31, 2005			\$ 2,398.56
Certificates Of Deposit			
Mission Account (Douglas)			\$83,554.62
Youth Account			\$22,228.25

South Georgia Association Of Free Will Baptist
Board Of Missions
Treasurer Report
January 1, 2005 Thru March 31, 2005

Balance Brought Forward, January 1, 2005		\$ 12,405.73
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Receipts: Offering from January Quarterly Meeting	\$ 1,909.00
Piney Grove Church	\$ 195.00
Philadelphia Church	\$ 429.60
New Life Fellowship	\$ 276.59
Liberty Church	\$ 292.00
New Hope Church	\$ 200.00
State Office, Savannah Church	\$ 391.18
State Office, Satilla Church	\$ 80.00
State Office, Baxley Church	\$ 70.00
State Office, Philadelphia Church	\$ 50.00
State Office, Corinth Church	\$ 10.00

Total Receipts		<u>\$ 3,903.37</u>
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Total Accountable		<u>\$ 16,309.10</u>
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Expenditures

Camden Church, January 2005	\$1,000.00
Camden Church, February 2005	\$1,000.00
Camden Church, March 2005	\$1,000.00
Camden Church, Mission Conference Offering	\$1,909.00

Total expenditures		\$4,909.00
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Balance Forward March 31, 2005		\$ 11,400.10
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South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists
Executive Board Meeting
July 12, 2005

The Executive Board of the South Georgia Association met on July 12, 2005 in Jesup, Georgia with the following members present: Tim Horne, Benny Lariscy, Mike Edwards, Eric Brown, and Wayne Miracle.

The meeting was called to order and prayer requests were taken. Rev. Eric Brown led the prayer.

New Business

The next South Georgia Association Meeting will be at the First FWB Church in Jesup, Ga. on August 6, 2005. Rev. David Amburgey will be the morning worship speaker with Rev. Parnell Aldridge as the alternate. Rev. Willie Martin will provide the Morning Seminar Session.

Old Business

- We recommend that we make an addendum to:

Section 2: Committees:

E. Each board of the South Georgia shall elect board officers each year at the first meeting after the general election of board members.

M/S/C to recommend this to the body.

- We recommend that we make a change to the constitution:

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 every two years at the general election of board members.

M/S/C to recommend this change to the body

- We voted as an executive board to meet and develop a policy that will allow the association to deal with moral issues of our ordained ministers in the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist. M/S/C

Ordaining Board

No business to report.

Youth Board

Rev. Eric Brown reported:

- The South Georgia Camp Session was a great success. See attached report.
- The Laura Belle Barnard Scholarships has been awarded to Christopher Edwards of the First FWB in Jesup, Ga.
- He discussed future plans of the board. See attached report

M/S/C to receive the report.

Mission Board

Rev. Mike Edwards reported on the following:

- We have a report from Rev. Billy Bevan Jr. from the Camden Mission Work. The church is doing well as the report shows. See attached report.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Treasury Report

Benny Lariscy gave the finance report.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Other Business

- The Nominating Committee for the upcoming elections in October will be:

Benny Lariscy – Liberty FWB Church - Chairman

Mike Price – New Life Fellowship FWB Church

Pete Peterson – Pine Level FWB Church

Prayer to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Miracle, Moderator

Tim Horne, Clerk

Minutes of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

Convening at First FWB Church Jesup, GA

August 6, 2005

The association began with Todd Horne leading the congregation in singing "Soon and Very Soon, Lift Up your Heads, The King is Coming, What a Day That Will Be". Host pastor Rev. Mike Edwards extended the welcome to attendees.

Call to Order:

The clerk, Tim Horne, called the meeting to order and introduced the moderator, Wayne Miracle, who opened the session in prayer.

Roll Call and Seating of Delegates:

The roll calls of ministers and churches were taken. Delegates to the association were seated. A welcome was made to all of the visitors present. Rev. Willie Martin

Approval of Minutes and Executive Board Report:

- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. M/S/C to receive the report.
- The Executive Board report was read. M/S/C to receive the report.

Obituary Report:

The Obituary Report was given. Mr. Gene M. Folsom – Ebenezer FWB Church ; Mrs. Irene Tyre – Spring Grove FWB Church; Rev. Dwight Fletcher – former pastor of Piney Grove FWB Church; Bro. Billy James offered a prayer in memory of those who had passed

Committees:

- Finance: Troy Dykes, Amos McMillan, Henry Clay
- Resolutions: John Rentz, Danny Dinkins, Steve Windham
- The Nominating Committee for the upcoming elections in October will be:
Benny Lariscy – Liberty FWB Church - Chairman
Mike Price – New Life Fellowship FWB Church
Pete Peterson – Pine Level FWB Church

M/S/C to receive the committee appointees.

Morship Seminar Session:

Rev. Willie Martin, pastor of First FWB Church in Columbus, GA came and gave the morning seminar session on "Pastoral Longevity".

After a brief recess we started back with the morning Seminar session with Rev. Willie Martin.

Congregational singing:

Todd Horne came led the congregation in worship with "Let There be Praise. We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise. He Has Made Me Glad".

Old Business

1. We recommend that we make a change to the constitution:

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 every two years at the general election of board members.

M/S/C to remove from the table

Rev. Mark Kennedy proposed an amendment to this amendment.

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 every two years at the general election of board members. The moderator shall serve no more than four (4) consecutive terms.

M/S/C to accept an amendment to this change

2. We recommend that we make an addendum to:

Article III Section 2: Committees:

E. Each board of the South Georgia shall elect board officers each year at the first meeting after the general election of board members.
M/S/C to accept this amendment.

Report from Executive Secretary/Treasurer

Rev. William Smith came and gave a brief report from the State Association of Free Will Baptist.

Ordaining Report:

No Report

Mission Board Report:

Rev. Mike Edwards came and presented a report from the Mission Board.

The board met on August 6th, 2005.

See attached report.

Youth Board Report:

Rev. Tim Horne reported on the following:

- Camp was held on June 20-24, 2005 at W.W. Mann Retreat in Statesboro, Ga.
- Laura Belle Barnard Scholarship has been awarded to Christopher Edwards of First FWB Church in Jesup, GA.
- We will be having Rev. Mark Walker come to our meeting in October to provide information on CTS competitions.

Finance Report:

Bro. Benny Lariscy came and presented the financial report. M/S/C to receive the report

Georgia Women Active for Christ:

Mrs. Debra Adams came and presented her report.

Resolutions Committee:

- To give the First FWB a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality shown (especially to the ladies for the meal) to the South Georgia Association

A motion was made to close the business session and enter into our worship time

Congregational singing:

Todd Horne came led the congregation in worship with "Hallelujah Praise the Lamb, Thou Art Worthy."

Worship:

Rev. David Amburgey came and presented the morning message.

Host pastor, Rev. Mike Edwards gave instructions for the meal and asked the blessing for the meal.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Miracle, Moderator

Tim Horne, Clerk

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist
Treasurer Report
April 1, 2005 Thru June 30, 2005

Balance brought forward, April 1, 2005 \$ 2,398.56

Receipts for Quarter

Church Dues:

Alabaha	\$ 62.50
Baxley	\$ 70.00
Bethel	\$ 70.00
Corinth	\$ 70.00
Ebenezer	\$ 77.50
First Brunswick	\$ 70.00
First Jesup	\$ 77.50
First Savannah	\$ 77.50
Glennville	\$ 70.00
Liberty	\$ 62.50
Memorial	\$ 70.00
New Hope	\$ 70.00
New Life Fellowship	\$ 70.00
Oak Hill	\$ 62.50
Philadelphia	\$ 70.00
Pine Level	\$ 70.00
Piney Grove	\$ 70.00
Satilla	\$ 70.00
Spring Grove	\$ 70.00
Surrency	\$ 70.00
Swainsboro	\$ 62.50

Total Church Dues

\$ 1,462.50

Offering, Quarterly Meeting

\$ 194.00

Total Receipts

\$ 1,656.50

Total Accountable

\$ 4,055.06

Expenses

Wayne Miracle, Moderator	\$ 30.00
Wayne Miracle, Mileage	\$ 37.50
Tim Horne, Clerk	\$ 60.00
Tim Horne, Reimburse for Postage	\$ -
Benny Lariscy, Treasurer	\$ 30.00
Benny Lariscy, Mileage	\$ 23.50
Bruce Jones, Mileage	\$ 17.50
W. L. Morris, Mileage	\$ 37.50
Eric Brown, Mileage	\$ 25.00
Captain Joes, Meals	\$ 113.84
Church Mutual Insurance	\$ 672.50
	\$ -

Total Expense

\$ 1,047.34

Balance Forward June 30, 2005

\$ 3,007.72

Certificates Of Deposit, Balance June 30, 2005

Douglas / Missions

Interest \$ 1,796.42

\$85,351.04

Holding in Trust (Interest For Youth Board)

Interest \$ 477.91

\$22,706.16

**South Georgia Association Of Free Will Baptist
Board Of Missions
Treasurer Report
April 1, 2005 Thru June 30, 2005**

Balance Brought Forward, April 1, 2005 \$ 11,400.10

Receipts:

Piney Grove Church	\$ 195.00
Philadelphia Church	\$ 686.65
State Office, Savannah	\$ 369.20
State Office, Spring Grove Ch	\$ 303.59
New Life Fellowship	\$ 266.00
Liberty Church	\$ 350.00
New Hope Church	\$ 400.00
State Office, WGAC	\$ 200.00
State Office, Baxley Church	\$ 95.00
State Office, Satilla Church	\$ 120.00
State Office, Corinth Church	\$ 10.00

Total Receipts \$ 2,995.44

Total Accountable \$ 14,395.54

Expenditures:

Camden Church April 2005	\$1,000.00
Camden Church, May 2005	\$1,000.00
Camden Church, June 2005	\$1,000.00
Church Mutual Insurance, Camden	\$606.00

Total Expenditures \$3,606.00

Balance Forward June 30, 2005 \$ 10,789.54

**South India Bible Institute
Corinth Church**

\$ 500.00
\$ -

Total

\$ 500.00

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists
Executive Board Meeting
October 4, 2005

The Executive Board of the South Georgia Association met on October 4, 2005 in Jesup, Georgia with the following members present: Tim Horne, Benny Lariscy, Mike Edwards, Eric Brown, William Morris, and Wayne Miracle.

The meeting was called to order and prayer requests were taken. Rev. Eric Brown led the prayer.

New Business

The next South Georgia Association Meeting will be at the First FWB Church in Savannah, Ga. on October 22, 2005. Rev. Steven Windham will be the morning worship speaker with Rev. Charles Barnard as the alternate. Bro. Mark Walker will provide the Morning Seminar Session.

Ordaining Board

Rev. Tim Horne reported:

- The board met on September 26, 2005 at Shoney's in Hinesville, Ga. We are in the process of re-organizing the procedures of our board.
- The board has met Rev. Johnny Lewis, pastor of Spring Grove FWB, and we have examined him for membership into the South Georgia Association of FWB. We will recommend him to be received into our association when the paperwork has been received from his previous association, Twin Cities, and all the proper forms have been filled out.

Youth Board

Rev. Eric Brown reported:

- Bro. Mark Walker will be coming to our association in October to present a morning seminar session on C.T.S. Competition.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Mission Board

Rev. Mike Edwards reported on the following:

- Rev. Billy Bevan Jr. has resigned from the Camden FWB Church, and Rev. Craig Spivey has been voted in, by the church, as their pastor. Rev. Spivey has provided a report to show that things are going well for the church.
- See attached report.

M/S/C to receive the report.

Treasury Report

Benny Lariscy gave the finance report.
M/S/C to receive the report.

Nominating Committee

Benny Lariscy made the following nominations for the upcoming year for the South Georgia Association.

Assistant Moderator		Reuben Cason	
Mission Board			
2010	Reuben Cason	replacing	Frank Miller
Ordaining Board			
2010	Steve Hughes	replacing	Steve Hughes
2006	Roy Woods	replacing	Leon Gibson
Youth Board			
2010	Wendy Horne	replacing	Alex “Chip” Sekulich
2006	David Amburgey	replacing	Bruce Jones
2007	Steven Windham	replacing	John Rentz

This was received as information only

- It was determined by this board that the current Moderators second term will begin in 2006 if elected.

Other Business

This board recommends that we set the mileage to the current I.R.S. rate. The current I.R.S. rate is \$.485.

M/S/C to receive the report.

M/S/C to adjourn form the meeting.

Prayer to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Miracle, Moderator

Tim Horne, Clerk

Minutes of the South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists
Convening at First FWB Church Savannah, GA
October 22, 2005

The association began with Tim Horne leading the congregation in singing "To God be the Glory". Host pastor Rev. Steve Hughes came and opened the service for prayer and extended the welcome to attendees.

Call to Order:

The clerk, Tim Horne, called the meeting to order and introduced the moderator, Wayne Miracle, who opened the session in prayer.

Roll Call and Seating of Delegates:

The roll calls of ministers and churches were taken. Delegates to the association were seated. A welcome was made to all of the visitors present.

Approval of Minutes and Executive Board Report:

- The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. M/S/C to receive the report.
- The Executive Board report was read. M/S/C to receive the report.

New Business

A motion was made to raise the I.R.S. mileage rate for members attending board meetings to the current I.R.S. rate of \$.485.
M/S/C to accept the motion.

Obituary Report:

The Obituary Report was given. Mr. Alan F. Purcell, Mr. R.D. Folsom, Mrs. Ruth Hughes – Ebenezer FWB; Mrs. Eta Mae Carter, Mrs. Odell Whitehead – Satilla FWB: Rev. William Morris offered a prayer in memory of those who had passed

Committees:

- Finance: Mr. Charles Tyre, Curtis McMillan, Loran Hughes
- Resolutions: Rev. Roy Woods, Mr. Winston Everett, Mrs. Jeanie Gaskins

M/S/C to receive the committee appointees.

Morship Seminar Session:

Bro. Mark Walker, C.E./Youth pastor of First FWB Church in Albany, GA came and gave the morning seminar session on "NYC Competition".

After a brief recess we started back with the morning Seminar session with Bro. Mark Walker.

Congregational singing:

Tim Horne came led the congregation in worship with "7"

Old Business

Ordaining Report:

Rev. Steve Hughes came and reported on the following:

- We are striving to organize and function more properly as a board.
- He introduced three new pastors, Rev. Phillip Tipton, Rev Nathan Barrington, Rev Jimmy Smith to our association. We will meet with them

Mission Board Report:

Rev. Tim Horne came and presented a report from the Mission Board.

- Rev. Kraig Spivey came and greeted the association. He has been selected as the new pastor of Camden FWB church.

See attached report.

Youth Board Report:

No report

Finance Report:

Bro. Benny Lariscy came and presented the financial report. M/S/C to receive the report

Nominating Committee Report

Assistant Moderator	Rueben Cason	M/SC to elect
Clerk	Tim Horne	M/SC to elect
Treasurer	Benny Lariscy	M/SC to elect
Assistant Clerk/Treasurer	William Morris	M/SC to elect
Mission Board		
2010	Reuben Cason replacing	Frank Miller M/SC to elect
Ordaining Board		
2010	Steve Hughes replacing	Steve Hughes M/SC to elect
2006	Roy Woods replacing	Leon Gibson M/SC to elect
Youth Board		
2010	Wendy Horne replacing	Alex Sekulich M/SC to elect
2006	David Amburgey replacing	Bruce Jones M/SC to elect
2007	Steven Windham replacing	John Rentz M/SC to elect

Georgia Women Active For Christ:

No report at this time

Resolutions Committee:

- To give the First FWB a rising vote of appreciation for their hospitality shown to the South Georgia Association

A motion was made to close the business session and enter into our worship time

Congregational singing:

Tim Horne came led the congregation in worship with "The Old Rugged Cross."

Receiving of offering:

Special Music:

The quartet from the First Free Will Baptist church came and shared in special music.

Worship:

Rev. Stephen Windham, pastor of Bethel FWB Church in Baxley, Ga., came and presented the morning message.

Host pastor, Rev. Steve Hughes gave instructions for the meal and asked the blessing for the meal.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Miracle, Moderator

Tim Horne, Clerk

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptist
Treasurer Report
July 1, 2005 Thru September 30, 2005

Balance brought forward July 1, 2005		\$ 3,007.72
Receipts for Quarter		
Church Dues:		
Alabama	\$ 62.50	
Baxley	\$ 70.00	
Bethel	\$ 70.00	
Corinth	\$ 70.00	
Ebenezer	\$ 77.50	
First Brunswick	\$ 70.00	
First Jesup	\$ 77.50	
First Savannah	\$ 77.50	
Glennville	\$ 70.00	
Liberty	\$ 62.50	
Memorial	\$ 70.00	
New Hope	\$ 70.00	
New Life Fellowship	\$ 70.00	
Oak Hill	\$ 62.50	
Philadelphia	\$ 70.00	
Pine Level	\$ 70.00	
Piney Grove	\$ 70.00	
Satilla	\$ 70.00	
Spring Grove	\$ 70.00	
Surrency	\$ 62.50	
Swainsboro	\$ 62.50	
Total Church Dues		\$1,455.00
Offering, Quarterly Meeting		\$ 145.00
Total Receipts		<u>\$ 1,600.00</u>
Total Accountable		\$ 4,607.72
Expenses		
Wayne Miracle, Moderator	\$ 30.00	
Wayne Miracle, Mileage	\$ 37.50	
Tim Horne, Clerk	\$ 60.00	
Benny Lariscy, Treasurer	\$ 30.00	
Benny Lariscy, Mileage	\$ 23.50	
W.L. Morris, Mileage	\$ -	
Captain Joe's	\$ 82.09	
Tim Horne, Postage	\$ -	
Jesup Office Products, Clerk	\$ 55.81	
Rev. Willie Martin, Honorarium & mileage	\$ 300.00	
Eric Brown, Mileage	\$ 25.00	
Total Expense		<u>\$ 643.90</u>
Balance Forward September 30, 2005		\$ 3,963.82
Free Will Baptist Foundation, Trust Accounts,		
Missions Account (Douglas)		\$85,351.04
Youth Account		\$22,706.16

South Georgia Association Of Free Will Baptist
Board Of Missions
Treasurer Report
July 1, 2005 Thru September 30, 2005

Balance Brought Forward, July 1, 2005	\$ 10,789.54
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Receipts:

Piney Grove Church	\$ 195.00
Philadelphia Church	\$ 618.64
State Office, Savannah	\$ 189.92
State Office, Spring Grove Ch	\$ 312.23
Satilla Church,	\$ 540.00
New Hope Church,	\$ 300.00
New Life Fellowship	\$ 266.42
Liberty, Church	\$ 326.00
Baxley Church	\$ 75.00
Cross Road Church	\$ 10.00

Total Receipts	<u>\$ 2,833.21</u>
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Total Accountable	\$ 13,622.75
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Expenditures:

Camden Church, July, 2005	\$1,000.00
Camden Church, August, 2005	\$1,000.00
Camden Church, September, 2005	\$1,000.00

Total Expenditures	\$3,000.00
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Balance Forward September 30, 2005	\$ 10,622.75
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South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists Constitution and Bylaws

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 Boards of this association may be received under the watch care 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 to 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

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 every two years at the general election of board members. The moderator shall serve no more than four (4) consecutive terms

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 shall 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 (1) member is elected each year.

E. Each board of the South Georgia shall elect board officers each year at the first meeting after the general election of board members.

Section 4: Compliance

Any person(s) elected to a board or committed:

A. May not serve in more than one standing board at any 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 of 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 give 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 worldwide 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 assist the candidate in planning and conducting his ordination service 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 reinstated 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 reinstated.

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 reinstated to voting privileges as a standing delegate.

Section 4: Amendments

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.

An Ordination Standard

South Georgia Association of Free Will Baptists

1. The Licensed Minister

A person must be licensed for a period of one year before he can be ordained. He must also be called to the care of one or more churches, or into other services which require ordination.

2. Qualifications of Ministers

They must possess good, natural and acquired abilities, deep and ardent piety, be especially called of God to the work, and ordained by prayer and the laying of hands.

3. Duties of Ministers

These are to preach the Word, administer the ordinances of the Gospel, visit their people, and otherwise perform the work of faithful ministers.

4. The Question of Divorce

No individual shall be ordained to the Gospel ministry who has been married and divorced, and in the process has more than one living companion. No individual shall be ordained whose wife has been previously married and divorced.

Note: These regulations are set forth to comply with the Biblical standard for ministers found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7.

5. The Ordination of Women

Traditionally and historically Free Will Baptist in the State of Georgia have not ordained women to the Gospel ministry. So far as we are able to discern, this is still the true sentiment over the state. Therefore, until the thinking of our Free Will Baptist constituency becomes more definitive on this matter, we do not ordain women.

6. The Authority to Ordain

Free Will Baptists, committed to the doctrine of congregational church government, understand that the authority to ordain ministers is in the local church. In practice, however, the Free Will Baptist churches in Georgia work together in the matter of ordination by delegating the authority for ordination to the association of churches in which the local church holds membership. The true source of this authority should never be lost sight of.

REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP
SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION ORDAINING BOARD

Church _____ Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

We do hereby respectfully request by a motion carried in our church business conference that the
Ordaining Board of the South Georgia Association examine _____

for the purpose of:

_____ License

_____ Ordination

_____ Transfer of Credentials from another FWB Association.

Name of FWB Association _____

State _____

Association Clerk _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Phone _____

Respectfully submitted on _____ (date).

Signed, _____ Pastor

Signed, _____ Clerk

Please send the completed letter to the clerk of the South Georgia Association of FWB:

Tim Horne
1240 New Hope Road
Jesup, GA 31545

**PRE-EXAMINATION FOR LICENSING OR ORDINATION MEMBERSHIP
SOUTH GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST**

Name _____ Church _____ Member of Church _____

Address _____ City & State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Office Phone _____

1. Are You an Ordained Minister ? _____ If so, What Denomination _____
When _____ Where _____
2. Where are you presently Pastoring? _____
3. Marital Status: Single _____ Married _____ Divorced (Present or Past) _____
4. Please list your children and their ages _____
5. Is your family living in Biblical Subjection? _____
6. When and where were you saved? _____
7. Have you ever been a member of another denomination? _____ If so list _____
8. Is your wife in support of your call to the ministry? _____
9. Do you or your wife use tobacco or alcoholic beverages in any form? _____
10. Do you uphold the Scriptural practice of abstaining from sinful amusements? _____
11. Do you now practice tithing in the local church you presently attend? _____
12. How is your credit rating? Good _____ Fair _____ Poor _____ Do you have overdue bills? _____
13. Is the gift of speaking in tongues to be practiced today? _____ Please explain

14. What is your belief concerning the Security of the Believer? _____

15. What is your feelings concerning the homosexual and lesbian lifestyle? (Provide scripture reference) _____

16. Should women be ordained FWB to the ministry? _____
17. Do you fully agree with the Free Will Baptist Treatise? _____
18. Will you actively support the work of the South Georgia Association? _____
19. What kind of preparation have you made for the ministry? (Correspondence course, Bible College, etc)

20. What church association were you a member of before coming here? _____

21. What positions or offices have you held in your former associations?

22. Are you interested in becoming ordained Free Will Baptist? _____
23. Please provide the following information from your former association:

Clerk _____ His/Her Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

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Quarterly Church Report for the South Georgia Assoc. Of FWB

Please fill out this form completely and return it to the address below. Be sure to include all information and your registration fee. Your help and cooperation are greatly appreciated.

Association Meeting Place: _____

Date of Association: _____

Church Information

Church: _____

Pastor: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Telephone: _____

Telephone: _____

Clerk: _____

Active Deacons: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Telephone: _____

Please list names and addresses of ministers who are members of your church other than the pastor named above:

NAME	ADDRESS	LICENSED (CHECK)	ORDAINED (ONE)

Delegates

Obituary Report

Total membership of 50 or less \$62.50

Total membership of 51 - 150 \$70.00

Total membership of 151 or more \$77.50

*Representation fees must be paid in order for delegates to be seated (elective and standing) at any regular session of this association (South Georgia Association Constitution, Article II, Section 4).

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