

1996 MINUTES OF

THE QUARTERLY MEETINGS

AND THE

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH

ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION

OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

CHURCHES

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SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OFFICERS
SERVING DURING 1997

BRO. RALPH BAKER-MODERATOR
3422 HWY 131
CLAYTON, ALABAMA 36016
334-775-9703

BRO. RICKY GILMORE-VICE
P. O. BOX 507
EUFULA, ALABAMA 36072
334-616-7070

CLERK/TREASURER
VACANT AT PRESENT

THOMAS KIRKLAND-ASST.
ROUTE 2 - BOX 49
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-5024

SOUTHEASTER ASSOCIATION 1997 MEETING DATES, PLACES AND SPEAKERS

MEETING JANUARY 18, 1997		PLEASANT HILL CHURCH
	REGISTRATION BEGINS 9:30 AM	
MORNING SPEAKER	THOMAS KIRKLAND	PASTOR-NEW ZION CHURCH
MEETING APRIL 19, 1997		HICKORY GROVE CHURCH
	REGISTRATION BEGINS 9:30 AM	
MORNING SPEAKER	JOEY PETTIS	PASTOR-EVERGREEN CHURCH
MEETING JULY 12, 1997		SARDIS CHURCH
	REGISTRATION BEGINS 9:30 AM	
MORNING SPEAKER	DAVE COLLINS	PASTOR-UNION GROVE CHURCH
MEETING OCTOBER 17, 1997	FRIDAY NIGHT	PILGRIM'S REST CHURCH
	REGISTRATION BEGINS 6:30 PM	
EVENING SPEAKER	DENNIS HAYGOOD OR DAN IRELAND	HOME MISSIONARY
MEETING OCTOBER 18, 1997	SATURDAY	CHESTER CHAPEL CHURCH
	REGISTRATION BEGINS 9:30 AM	
MORNING SPEAKER	DENNIS HAYGOOD OR DAN IRELAND	HOME MISSIONARY
MEMORIAL SERVICE	BOBBY REGISTER	PASTOR-NEW PROSPECT
SUBSTITUTE FOR THE YEAR	C.L. CULPEPPER	PASTOR-PILGRIM'S REST

CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION PLANNING FOR 1997

YOUTH RALLIES - 7:00 PM EACH MEETING

PLEASANT HILL - HEADLAND, AL. - FEBRUARY 15, 1997

SARDIS - EUFAULA, ALABAMA - MAY 17, 1997

EVERGREEN - ARITON, ALABAMA - AUGUST 16, 1997

NEW PROSPECT CHURCH - CLOPTON, ALABAMA - NOV. 15, 1997

YOUTH REVIVAL:

HOST CHURCH NOT SELECTED - MARCH 24 - MARCH 26, 1997

SERVICES WILL BEGIN NIGHTLY AT 7:00 PM

EVANGELIST TO BE NAMED LATER

YOUTH CAMP:

COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS - JUNE 23 - 27, 1997

CAMP DIRECTOR - PENDING MEETING OF BOARDS OF CHRISTIAN

EDUCATION FROM STATE LINE AND SOUTHEASTERN

CAMP EVANGELIST - PENDING MEETING OF TWO BOARDS

DISTRICT LADIES AUXILLARY MEETING:

THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION DISTRICT LADIES AUXILLARY

MEETING WILL BE AT SARDIS CHURCH MARCH 28, 1997

BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM WITH REFRESHMENTS SERVED AFTERWARD.

STATE MEETINGS:

THE ANNUAL PASTORS AND WORKERS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD
FEB. 3, 4 & 5, 1997 - MADISON FWB CHURCH-MADISON, ALABAMA

THE ANNUAL STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING IS
NOVEMBER 6-7, 1997 - FIRST FREE WILL - FLORENCE, ALABAMA

NATIONAL MEETINGS:

CINCINNATI, OHIO JULY 20-24, 1997

TULSA, OKLAHOMA JULY 12-16, 1998

ATLANTA, GEORGIA JULY 18-22, 1999

ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA JULY 16-20, 2000

DETROIT, MICHIGAN JULY 15-19, 2001

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE JULY 21-25, 2002

SCHEDULE OF ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTERS
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

MINISTERS

BROTHER RALPH BAKER
3422 HWY 131
CLAYTON, ALABAMA 36016
334-775-9703

BROTHER DAVE COLLINS
5479 3RD. AVE. EXIT
DOTHAN, ALABAMA 36301
334-677-7793

BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER
P. O. BOX 241
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36072-0241
334-687-4462

BROTHER JAMES FRANKLIN
ROUTE 1 - BOX 14
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-5867

BROTHER RICKY GILMORE
P. O. BOX 507
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36072-0507
334-687-5821

BROTHER CHARLES HINESLY
ROUTE 5 - BOX 5
ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310
LICENSED MINISTER

BROTHER D. L. KIRKLAND
ROUTE 5 - BOX 94
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-4515

BROTHER D. L. KIRKLAND
ROUTE 5 - BOX 94
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-4515

BROTHER PAUL MALLORY
ROUTE 2
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-3107

BROTHER TED MEDLEY
104 W. CLENDINDEN
ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310

BROTHER ROSS PETERS
ROUTE 1 - BOX 84
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311
334-762-2946

BROTHER JOEY PETTIS
ROUTE 3 - BOX 466
OZARK, ALABAMA 36360
334-795-6741

BROTHER BOBBY REGISTER
ROUTE 1 - BOX 78A
CLOPTON, ALABAMA 36317
334-585-3983

BROTHER LARRY SOWELL
ROUTE 1 - BOX 75
CLOPTON, ALABAMA 36317
334-585-5724

BROTHER GENE WHITE
ROUTE 3 - BOX 241
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3879

BROTHER PAT WILSON
ROUTE 1 - BOX 206-118
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-7604

SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION LIST OF COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING

BROTHER RALPH BAKER	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 2000
BROTHER BOBBY REGISTER	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 2000
BROTHER WILLIAM SOWELL	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
BROTHER D. L. KIRKLAND	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997
BROTHER LOWELL VICKERS	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION

BROTHER MIKE O'HEARN	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
BROTHER ASHLEY CULP	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
BROTHER JOEY PETTIS	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

CHILDREN HOME

SISTER MIRIAM SHELLEY	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
BROTHER GENE WHITE	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
SISTER WILMA BULLARD	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

FINANCE

SISTER ESTELLE BLALOCK	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
SISTER EDNA WHITEHEAD	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
SISTER LEIGH ADAMS	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

MISSIONS

BROTHER DAVE COLLINS	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
BROTHER RICKY GILMORE	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
BROTHER PAT WILSON	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

NOMINATING

SISTER LINDA SOWELL	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
SISTER NINA VICKERS	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
SISTER BARBARA REGISTER	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

PLACEMENT

SISTER RUBY MONEY	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
SISTER LILLIE THOMPSON	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
SISTER VIRGINIA KIRKLAND	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

RESOLUTIONS

BROTHER GENE WHITE	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1999
SISTER WINNIE RENTZ	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1998
SISTER PAM PETTIS	TERM EXPIRES OCTOBER 1997

SCHEDULE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SERVING THROUGH ANNUAL SESSION 1997

MODERATOR, VICE-MODERATOR, CLERK/TREASURER AND ALL ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO
ARE PASTORING A CHURCH IN THIS ASSOCIATION, AND PASTOR AND CHURCH BOTH,
ARE IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS ASSOCIATION, PLUS ELECTED MEMBERS LISTED.

CHESTER CHAPEL
BROTHER JOHN E. COATES
819 PUMP STATION ROAD
EUFULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-5229

NEW ZION
SISTER EDNA WHITEHEAD
312 MURRAY STREET
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-2759

EVERGREEN
BROTHER BROTHER LARRY PEAVY
ROUTE 1 - BOX 253
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311
334-762-2092

PILGRIMS REST
BROTHER VICTOR WILSON
ROUTE 2
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345

FIRST FREE WILL
SISTER DORIS WILSON
ROUTE 1 - BOX 206-118
EUFULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-7604

PLEASANT HILL
BROTHER LEVON OVERSTREET
302 STONE STREET
DOTHAN, ALABAMA 36301
334-792-7208

HICKORY GROVE
BROTHER KENNETH BLALOCK
ROUTE 1 - BOX 22
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310

SARDIS
BROTHER JOHNNY GILMORE
1064 HIGHWAY 30
CLAYTON, ALABAMA 36016
334-687-5416

MOUNT ZION
BROTHER LOWELL VICKERS
607 HOLLY DRIVE
EUFULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-3463

UNION GROVE
BROTHER HOLT STOKES
ROUTE 4 - BOX 521
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3030

NEW PROSPECT
BROTHER TROY BARRON
ROUTE 1 - BOX 70 A
CLOPTON, ALABAMA 36317
334-585-2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENT - ALL FUNDS
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FWB
OCTOBER 1, 1995-SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND-ALL FUNDS	10/1/95	\$1,198.62
DEPOSITS	10/1-12/31/95	\$1,238.05
DEPOSITS	1/1/96-3/31/96	\$503.89
DEPOSITS	4/1/96-6/30/96	\$886.20
DEPOSITS	7/1/96-9/30/96	\$3,795.91

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$6,424.05
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TOTAL FUNDS	\$7,622.67
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DISBURSEMENTS:

OFFICERS	\$180.60
CHILDREN HOME	\$273.00
CHILDREN HOME BOARD MEMBER FEES	\$100.00
ALABAMA STATE DUES	\$550.00
CURTIS 1000	\$536.61
YOUTH REVIVAL	\$250.00
COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS	\$5,098.50
YOUTH CAMP EVANGELIST	\$450.00
NON SUFFUCUENT CHARGES	\$44.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$7,482.71
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NET FUNDS - 9/30/96	\$139.96
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SEE SCHEDULE A FOLLOWING FOR GENERAL ACCOUNT

SEE SCHEDULE B FOLLOWING FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION

SEE SCHEDULE C FOLLOWING FOR MISSIONS FUND

SCHEDULE E

SCHEDUL A - GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT
 SOUTNEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FWB
 OCTOBER 1, 1995-SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

GENERAL TREASURY BALANCE	10/1/95	\$262.61
DEPOSITS	10/1-12/31/95	\$1,238.05
DEPOSITS	1/1-3/31/96	\$403.65
DEPOSITS	4/1-6/30/96	\$433.20
DEPOSITS	7/1-9/30/96	\$430.10
		\$0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$2,505.00

TOTAL FUNDS	\$2,767.61
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DISBURSEMENTS:	
OFFICERS	\$180.60
CHILDREN HOME BOARD MEMBER DUES	\$100.00
CHILDREN HOME	\$273.00
ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION	\$550.00
CURTIS 1000	\$536.61
MISSIONS FUNDS AND TRANSFERS	\$198.70
BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TRANSFERS	\$298.04
BROTHER FRED JONES-MISSIONARY-BAL. OF MISSIONS GIFT	\$0.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$2,136.95

GENERAL FUND BALANCE 9/30/96	630.66
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SCHECULE F

SCHEDUL B - CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FWB
OCTOBER 1, 1995-SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

BALANCE ON HAND	10/1/95	\$936.01
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES	10/1-12/31/95	\$163.20
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES	1/1-3/31/96	\$135.49
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES/PLATE	4/1-6/30/96	\$503.17
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES	7/1-9/30/96	\$3,415.23
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$4,217.09
TOTAL FUNDS		\$5,153.10
DISBURSEMENTS:		
YOUTH REVIVAL		\$250.00
YOUTH CAMP		\$5,548.50
NON SUFFUICIENT FUNDS		\$44.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$5,842.50
BALANCE ON HAND 9/30/96		(\$689.40)
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BALANCE 9/30/96		(\$689.40)

SCHEDULE 6

SCHEDUL C - MISSIONS TREASURY
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FWB
OCTOBER 1, 1995-SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

BALANCE ON HAND	10/1/95	\$0.00
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES	10/1-12/31/95	\$108.80
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES	1/1-3/31/96	\$23.50
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES/PLATE	4/1-6/30/96	\$33.45
RECEIPTS-PERCENT OF DUES	7/1-9/30/96	\$32.95
MISSIONS REVIVAL		\$0.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$198.70
TOTAL FUNDS		\$198.70

DISBURSEMENTS:

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$0.00
BALANCE ON HAND 9/30/96	\$198.70
MISSIONS BALANCE 9/30/96	\$198.70

SCHEDULE H

TABLE ONE - CHURCH DIRECTORY
OCT. 1, 1995 - SEPT. 30, 1996

CHURCH NAME	PASTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS	CLERK'S NAME AND ADDRESS	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS	CTS DIRECTOR AND ADDRESS	LADIES AUXILIARY PRESIDENT AND ADDRESS	MASTER'S MEN PRESIDENT AND ADDRESS
CHESTER CHAPEL	BRO. D. L. KIRKLAND RT. 5 - BOX 94 EUFULA, AL. 36027	SIS. MILDRED COATES 819 PUMP ST. ROAD EUFULA, AL. 36027	BRO. JOHN COATES 819 PUMP ST. ROAD EUFULA, AL. 36027			
EVERGREEN	BRO. JOEY PETTIS RT. 3 - BOX 466 OZARK, AL. 36360	SIS. BEULAH PEAVY RT. 1-BOX 263 ARITON, AL. 36311	BRO. RODNEY HOFFETT RT. 1 - BOX 25 ARITON, AL. 36311	BRO. ALAN HOFFETT RT 1 ARITON, AL. 36311	SIS. LISA HARDEN ROUTE 2 ARITON, AL. 36311	
FIRST FREE HILL		SIS. WILMA BULLARD ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310				
HICKORY GROVE	BRO. JAMES FRANKLIN ROUTE 1 - BOX 14 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310	BRO. WILLIAM LEE 108 L&PINE STREET ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310	BRO. CHARLES HIMSLEY ROUTE 5 - BOX 5 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310		SIS. EUNICE STARLING ROUTE 1 - BOX 12 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310	BRO. CHARLES HIMSLEY ROUTE 5 - BOX 5 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310
MOUNT ZION	BRO. RALPH BAKER 3422 HWY 131 CLAYTON, AL. 36016	BRO. LOWELL VICKERS 607 HOLLY DRIVE EUFULA, AL. 36027	BRO. LOWELL VICKERS 607 HOLLY DRIVE EUFULA, AL. 36027		SIS. LILLIE THOMPSON 402 KENT DRIVE EUFULA, AL. 36027	BRO. LOWELL VICKERS 607 HOLLY DRIVE EUFULA, AL. 36027
NBI PROSPECT	BRO. BOBBY REGISTER ROUTE 1 - BOX 78A CLOPTON, AL. 36317	SIS. JOYCE HULLINS ROUTE 1 - BOX 131H CLOPTON, AL. 36317	BRO. WILLIAM SOWELL ROUTE 1 - BOX 138 CLOPTON, AL. 36317			
NBI ZION	BRO. THOMAS KIRKLAND ROUTE 3 - BOX 49 HEADLAND, AL. 36345	SIS. EDNA WHITEHEAD 302 MURRAY STREET HEADLAND, AL. 36345	BRO. TOM SHELLEY ROUTE 2 - BOX 129 HEADLAND, AL. 36345			
PILGRIMS REST	BRO. C. L. CULPEPPER P. O. BOX 241 EUFULA, AL. 36072	SIS. RUBY HONEY ROUTE 1 - BOX 131 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310	BRO. LAMAR BUXTON ROUTE 1 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310	BRO. GENE CARR 111 DOTHAN ROAD ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310		
PLEASANT HILL	BRO. GENE WHITE ROUTE 3 - BOX 241 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310	BRO. LEVON OVERSTREET 302 STONE STREET DOTHAN, AL. 36301	BRO. DANNY HENDERSON ROUTE 1 - BOX 251 HEADLAND, AL. 36345	BRO. DANNY HENDERSON ROUTE 1 - BOX 251 HEADLAND, AL. 36345		
SARDIS	BRO. RICKY GILMORE P. O. BOX 507 EUFULA, AL. 36072	SIS. SUSAN HURST 5 PINE HILL DRIVE EUFULA, AL. 36027	BRO. EVERETT O'HEARN ROUTE 1 - BOX 194-G EUFULA, AL. 36027		SIS. GEORGIA GILMORE 1064 HWY 30 CLAYTON, AL. 36016	
UNION GROVE	BRO. DAVE COLLINS 5479 3RD AVE EXIT DOTHAN, AL. 36301	SIS. SYLVIA ETHRIDGE ROUTE 4 - BOX 490 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310	BRO. HILL MADDOX ROUTE 4 - BOX 546 ABBEVILLE, AL. 36310			

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION - ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 1995/1996

ADDITIONS MADE FOR 1996										LOSSES FOR 1996				MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION									
CHURCH NAME	I DATE	I MEM.	I	I	I PROF.	I TOT.	I	I ALL	I TOT.	I MEM.	I SS	I	I CTS	I	I LAD.	I	I MAS.	I	I PRAY	ORD.	I LIC.		
	I ORG.	I 9/30/95	I BAP.	I LET.	I FAITH	I OTH.	I REC.	I DEA.	I LET.	I OTH.	I LOST	I 9/30/96	I ROLL	I AVE.	I ROLL	I AVE.	I AUX.	I AVE.	I MEN	I AVE.	I AVE.	I MIN.	I MIN.
CHESTER CHAPEL	I 1911	I 60	I 1	I	I	I	I 1	I 1	I 3	I	I 4	I 57	I 30	I 20	I	I	I	I	I	I	I 1	I	
EVERGREEN	I 1885	I 57	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I 57	I 34	I 25	I 25	I 20	I	I	I	I 20	I 2	I	
FIRST FREE WILL	I 1939	I 37	I	I 1	I	I	I 1	I	I 5	I 22	I 27	I 11	I 9	I 7	I	I	I	I	I	I 7	I 1	I	
HICKORY GROVE	I 1938	I 123	I	I 3	I	I	I 3	I 2	I 2	I	I 4	I 122	I 31	I 24	I	I	I 8	I 6	I 5	I 5	I 23	I 3	I
MOUNT ZION	I 1881	I 82	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I 82	I 19	I 9	I	I	I 12	I 9	I 5	I 4	I 5	I 1	I
NEW PROSPECT	I 1874	I 85	I	I 1	I	I	I 1	I	I	I	I	I 86	I 35	I 33	I	I	I	I	I	I 18	I 2	I	
NEW ZION	I	I 126	I 3	I	I	I	I 3	I 3	I	I	I 3	I 126	I 63	I 50	I	I	I	I	I	I 35	I 2	I	
PILGRIMS REST	I 1884	I 94	I 2	I 1	I	I	I 3	I 3	I	I	I 3	I 94	I 19	I	I 20	I	I	I	I	I 9	I 1	I	
PLEASANT HILL	I 1876	I 63	I 1	I 1	I	I	I 2	I 1	I	I	I 1	I 64	I 20	I 18	I 9	I 9	I	I	I	I 18	I 1	I	
SARVIS	I 1906	I 182	I 3	I 2	I	I	I 5	I	I 1	I	I 1	I 186	I 61	I 50	I	I	I 10	I 5	I	I 50	I 1	I	
UNION GROVE	I 1877	I 35	I	I 1	I	I	I 2	I	I	I	I	I 37	I 21	I 16	I	I	I	I	I	I 10	I 1	I	
TOTALS	I	I 944	I 10	I 10	I 0	I 1	I 21	I 10	I 11	I 22	I 43	I 922	I 342	I 252	I 54	I 29	I 30	I 20	I 10	I 9	I 195	I 16	I 0

Schedule J

1995/1996 CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST
ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR COMPILED 10/1/95 - 9/30/96

CHURCH NAME	CHURCH INCOME	RENOVATION REPAIRS	CHURCH SUPPLIES	CHURCH UTILITIES	REVIVALS/ RETREATS	HOME MISSIONS	YARD/LAWN MAINTENANC.	CHILDREN HOME	DELEGATES DUES	YOUTH ACTIVITY	MISC/STAFF EXPENSE	PASTOR SALARY	PROPERTY VALUES
CHESTER CHAPEL	\$21,092.52	\$1,050.25	\$463.89	\$1,058.45	\$265.00	.	.	\$1,278.18	\$161.00	\$0.00	\$244.00	\$6,910.00	\$55,000.00
EVERGREEN	\$33,187.21	\$4,250.22	\$500.00	\$2,282.79	\$425.00	\$5,635.50	.	\$0.00	\$205.00	\$705.00	\$0.00	\$13,250.00	\$100,000.00
FIRST FREE HILL	\$10,714.51	\$601.66	\$557.54	\$1,356.02	.	\$793.15	\$387.07	\$89.24	\$115.00	.	.	\$5,000.00	\$143,000.00
HICKORY GROVE	\$30,443.37	\$4,514.49	\$1,220.74	\$3,659.89	\$366.33	\$870.00	.	\$205.50	\$115.00	.	\$3,000.00	\$16,900.00	\$192,000.00
MOUNT ZION	\$16,721.79	\$793.77	\$1,589.04	\$2,167.83	\$686.97	\$150.00	\$540.00	\$125.00	\$275.00	\$170.00	.	\$7,380.00	\$83,000.00
NEW PROSPECT	\$24,324.12	\$3,156.40	\$888.51	\$2,989.54	\$1,530.78	\$785.04	\$1,031.00	\$290.36	\$250.00	\$773.56	\$3,266.88	\$8,475.00	\$151,000.00
NEW ZION	\$65,522.60	\$4,992.52	\$3,340.73	\$4,988.65	\$1,119.03	\$4,194.54	\$920.00	\$2,340.97	\$250.00	\$2,385.00	\$7,179.63	\$21,425.00	\$300,000.00
PILGRIMS REST	\$18,221.24	\$1,737.41	\$146.51	\$2,883.24	\$550.00	\$559.50	\$100.43	\$300.00	\$192.50	.	\$2,653.30	\$6,500.00	\$100,000.00
PLEASANT HILL	\$16,731.00	\$2,025.00	\$1,020.00	\$2,336.12	\$600.00	\$536.00	\$528.00	\$200.00	\$173.00	\$130.00	.	\$9,100.00	\$120,000.00
SARDIS	\$65,076.85	\$7,673.83	\$580.15	\$11,242.68	\$3,352.36	\$870.00	\$600.00	.	\$225.00	\$417.87	\$11,948.43	\$24,247.50	\$415,000.00
UNION GROVE	.	NOT PROVIDED.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TOTALS	\$302,035.21	\$30,795.55	\$10,307.11	\$36,965.21	\$8,895.47	\$14,393.73	\$4,106.50	\$4,829.25	\$1,961.50	\$4,581.43	\$28,292.24	\$119,187.50	\$1,659,000.00

Schedule K

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION
MOUNT ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
JANUARY 20, 1996

THE FIRST SESSION OF THE NEW YEAR BEGAN WITH REGISTRATION AT 9:30 AM ON SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 20, 1996. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE MODERATOR, BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER, AT 10:00 AM. BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND, PASTOR OF NEW ZION LED THE OPENING PRAYER. BROTHER CULPEPPER MADE HIS OPENING REMARKS CONCERNING THE OPERATION WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION AND HOW WE NEEDED TO WORK TOWARD A UNIVERSALLY FRIENDLY, UNITIZED, COMPASSIONATE BODY OF BELIEVERS DOING THE LORD'S WORK. AS HE STATED THERE IS NO REASON WE CANNOT WORK HARMONIOUSLY TO BRING ABOUT A GREAT WORK FOR THE LORD'S PRAISE AND GLORY.

SISTER LEIGH ADAMS GAVE THE WELCOME FOR THE HOST CHURCH AND BROTHER JOEY PETTIS, PASTOR OF EVERGREEN CHURCH, GAVE THE RESPONSE. ALREADY WE COULD ALL FEEL AND SENSE THE LORD'S WONDERFUL PRESENCE WITH US AS WE BEGAN THIS MEETING.

BROTHER RICKY GILMORE WITH SISTER LEIGH ADAMS AT THE PIANO LED US IN CONGREGATIONAL SINGING. WE SANG "I'LL BE SATISFIED" AND "LIVING BY FAITH."

BROTHER RALPH BAKER, PASTOR OF THE HOST CHURCH, BROUGHT THE MORNING DEVOTION FROM MARK'S WRITINGS OF THE GOSPEL. TEXT CAME FROM MARK 12:28-33 WITH OTHER READINGS FROM LUKE 14:25-33, HEBREWS 10:19-25, ACTS 2:46-47 AND HEBREWS 2:1-4. EMPHASIS WAS PLACED ON TWO POINTS; ONE, THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON IN YOUR LIFE IS GOD, AND TWO, THE MOST IMPORTANT INSTITUTION IN YOUR LIFE IS THE CHURCH, THE LIVING BODY OF CHRIST OUR LORD. DO WE TRULY LOVE THE LORD AS WE OUGHT WHEN WE FIND EVERY REASON NOT TO SERVE HIM WITH ALL OUR HEART, SOUL, MIND AND STRENGTH? CAN WE LOOK AROUND US TODAY AND REALIZE THAT WE HAVE CANCELLED AUXILIARY MEETINGS, WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER SERVICE, SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICE? LUKE 2:41-49 SHOWS US THAT WE MUST BE ABOUT OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS EVEN AS JESUS WAS ABOUT THE FATHER'S BUSINESS. CLOSED WITH TURNING TO PSALM 119:105-112. WHERE DO WE STAND TODAY ON THE ISSUES? CLOSED WITH PRAYER.

RECOGNITION OF MINISTERS, DEACONS, DELEGATES AND VISITORS AT THIS TIME. BROTHER CULPEPPER FIRST ASKED FOR VISITORS OF NON DENOMINATION ORIGIN. WE HAD NONE WITH US THIS DAY. WE DID HAVE SEVERAL OF OUR OWN PEOPLE VISITING AS NON DELEGATES. SIX STOOD TO BE RECOGNIZED.

MINISTERS PRESENT WERE BROTHERS RALPH BAKER, DAVE COLLINS, C. L. CULPEPPER, JAMES FRANKLIN, RICKY GILMORE, DAVEY LEE KIRKLAND, THOMAS KIRKLAND, JOEY PETTIS, BOBBY REGISTER, GENE WHITE. A TOTAL OF 10.

THERE WAS 6 DEACONS PRESENT; KENNETH BLALOCK, JOHNNY GILMORE, DANNY HENDERSON, HUBERT PHILLIPS, WILLIAM SOWELL, AND JOE WHITEHEAD.

DELEGATES WHO ANSWERED THE ROLL CALL WERE FROM THE FOLLOWING SISTER CHURCHES. CHESTER CHAPEL: WILMA BULLARD, VIRGINIA KIRKLAND; EVERGREEN: GRACE KLOCKE, LILLIAN WILSON, MARJORIE PHILLIPS, PAM PETTIS; HICKORY GROVE: ESTELLE BLALOCK, LODELL HANKINS; MOUNT ZION: MELINDA OWENS, DOLLY VICKERS, LEIGH ADAMS, LILLIE THOMPSON, NINA VICKERS; NEW PROSPECT: BARBARA REGISTER, LINDA CORDELL, JOYCE MULLINS, LANG SOWELL, GWEN SOWELL; NEW ZION: BARBARA KIRKLAND, EDNA WHITEHEAD, JACK SHELLEY, FAYE CULP, FRANCES SPANN; PILGRIM REST: VICTOR WILSON, BETTY WILSON; PLEASANT HILL: DOROTHY OVERSTREET, GRACE GRAHAM, MARY FOLDS, LINDA HENDERSON; SARDIS: GEORGIA GILMORE, PAUL GOODSON, VIRGINIA GOODSON; UNION GROVE: SYLVIA ETHRIDGE, BETTY ETHRIDGE, PEGGY STOKES, A TOTAL ANSWERING AS DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES WAS 35.

BROTHER CULPEPPER GAVE ALL CHURCHES AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS THEY MIGHT WISH TO MAKE. THERE WAS SEVERAL MADE. NEW PROSPECT WILL BE IN REVIVAL THE LAST OF JULY WITH BROTHER JOHN GIBBS AS THE EVANGELIST. YOUTH REVIVAL WILL BE AT PLEASANT HILL IN MARCH WITH BROTHER RAYMOND RIVERS AS THE SPEAKER EACH NIGHT. THE DATES ARE MARCH 18, 19 AND 20 BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM EACH NIGHT. PASTOR AND WORKER CONFERENCE TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 5, 6 AND 7 AT FIRST FREE WILL IN FLORENCE, ALABAMA. THERE WILL BE VERY DYNAMIC SPEAKERS EACH SERVICE IN CONNIE CARIKER, RANDY SAWYER, AND FRED WARNER. PRAY AND PLAN TO ATTEND.

AS THERE WAS TIME AVAILABLE WE TOOK SOME OF THE BUSINESS REPORTS AT THIS TIME. READY TO REPORT WAS THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ADVISED OF THE FINALIZING OF THE YOUTH REVIVAL AND THE CHANGING OF THE DATES. THE YOUTH REVIVAL WILL BE AT PLEASANT HILL AS PLANNED BUT WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 18, 19, AND 20 WITH SERVICES TO BEGIN AT 7:00 PM EACH NIGHT. THE SPEAKER WILL BE BROTHER RAYMOND RIVERS, PASTOR AT CORINTH IN THE STATE LINE ASSOCIATION. THE YOUTH CAMP WILL BE HELD JUNE 24-28, 1996 AT COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS. BROTHER MIKE BECKON WILL BE THE DIRECTOR, BROTHER CARL SEXTON, SPEAKER.

THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE MADE A MOTION THAT QUARTERLY SESSIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION CONVEENE WITH REGISTRATION BEGINNING AT 8:30 AM INSTEAD OF 9:30 AM, THAT THE MEETING BE CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM AND END WITH THE NOON LUNCH. FURTHER THEY PROPOSED THAT THE FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION BE DISCONTINUED AND IF NECESSARY EXTEND THE ANNUAL SATURDAY SESSION TO A FULL DAY. THIS MOVE MADE WITH FACTS IN EVIDENCE THAT WE NEED YOUNGER PEOPLE TO BECOME INTERESTED IN THE ASSOCIATION, WE HAVE GREATER TELECOMMUNICATIONS AMONG OUR PEOPLE, WORK HINDERS SOME ATTENDING ALL DAY SESSIONS. TABLED UNTIL APRIL.

WE REASSEMBLED AT 11:00 AM FOR THE MORNING SERVICE. AFTER OPENING WITH PRAYER BROTHER RICKY GILMORE LED IN SINGING WITH SISTER LEIGH ADAMS AT THE PIANO. WE SANG FIRST HYMN NUMBER 113 FOLLOWED BY THE MORNING OFFERING. WE THEN SANG HYMN NUMBER 57 FOLLOWING WHICH THE MORNING MESSAGE WAS BROUGHT BY BROTHER GENE WHITE, PASTOR AT PLEASANT HILL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH. THE THEME OF THE MESSAGE THIS YEAR IS "EXERCISE THYSELF RATHER UNTO GODLINESS." HE READ FROM I TIMOTHY 4:1-6. HE BEGAN HIS MESSAGE BY POINTING OUT THAT THE TERM CHRISTIAN SIMPLY INDICATES TO US THAT WE ARE TO BE CHRIST LIKE. HIS NEXT POINT WAS, HAVE YOU BEEN TO CALVARY, REALLY BEEN TO CALVARY? IF WE HAVE BEEN TO CALVARY WE WENT THERE TO ACCEPT CHRIST, HOWEVER, SOME GO FOR DIFFERENT REASONS. OUR REAL PURPOSE IS TO SERVE CHRIST, TO PRAY ONE FOR ANOTHER, TO BE CAREFUL OF WHERE OUR ATTENTION IS FOCUSED AND WHOM WE FOLLOW. A GOOD, POINTED MESSAGE. BROTHER CULPEPPER, THE MODERATOR ASKED FOR AN INVITATIONAL HYMN TO BE SUNG AND THE ALTER WAS OPENED TO ALL WHO FELT THE NEED OR CARED TO COME AND PRAY. WE THEN RECESSED FOR THE NOON MEAL. AN EXCELLENT MEAL HAD BEEN PREPARED AND WAS ENJOYED BY ALL.

AT 1:00 PM WE REASSEMBLED FOR THE EVENING SESSION. WE OPENED WITH PRAYER, SANG ONE HYMN ENTITLED "JUST A LITTLE WHILE" FOLLOWED BY THE EVENING BUSINESS SESSION.

THE BUSINESS SESSION WAS AS FOLLOWS: THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE HAD NO REPORT. THE CHILDREN HOME COMMITTEE CONSISTED ONLY OF THE BASIC UPDATE ON MEMBERS, PROGRESS OF BUILDING, STATUS OF WORKERS, ETC. AND WAS RECEIVED AS INFORMATION. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THE PLATE OFFERING BE RETAINED IN THE LOCAL TREASURY TO BUILD UP FINANCES. MSC. THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORTED EFFORTS TO GET TOGETHER A MISSIONARY MEETING AT SOME LATER DATE. THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE HAD NO REPORT TO GIVE AND NEITHER DID THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE. THERE WAS NO MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND WE HAD REGISTERED FOR THE DAY A TOTAL OF 61. ON GIVING THE HOST CHURCH A RISING VOTE OF THANKS WE WERE DISMISSED BY PRAYER BY BROTHER BOBBY REGISTER.

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION
PILGRIM REST FREE WILL BAPTIST
APRIL 20, 1996

REGISTRATION FOR THE SECOND QUARTER BEGAN AT 9:30 AM IN THE MORNING OF APRIL 20, 1996. WE WERE CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 AM BY THE MODERATOR, BROTHER CLARENCE CULPEPPER. OPENING PRAYER BY THE MODERATOR AND OPENING COMMENTS ALSO BY THE MODERATOR. THE WELCOME WAS GIVEN BY BROTHER GENE CARR. THE RESPONSE WAS GIVEN BY BROTHER ROY DEAN SMITH. FOLLOWING THE RESPONSE IT WAS NOTED THAT WE HAD A SISTER WITH US WHO HAD BEEN FAITHFUL THROUGHOUT THE YEARS AND NOW WAS HER BIRTHDAY. THIS WAS SISTER LORRAINE JERNIGAN FROM THE FIRST FREE WILL IN EUFAULA AND SHE WAS CELEBRATING HER 81ST BIRTHDAY. THE SONG SERVICE WAS LED BY BROTHER RICKY GILMORE WITH SISTER PAM PETTIS PROVIDING MUSIC. "WHEN WE ALL GET TO HEAVEN", "THERE IS POWER IN THE BLOOD" AND "VICTORY IN JESUS".

THE MORNING DEVOTION BROUGHT BY BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER OF THE HOST CHURCH REVOLVED AROUND THE THEME "CHANGES IN THE LOCAL CHURCH." SOME OF THESE CHANGES REFLECTED ARE; COMPLACENCY, SELF SATISFACTION, CARELESS AND UNCONCERNED. TO THE CHURCH, GET RIGHT WITH GOD, NOT THE WORLD; JESUS IS NOT ONLY SAVIOUR, BUT IS LORD OF OUR LIVES ALSO. CHECK YOUR STANDING TODAY. MEASURE YOUR LIFE BY BIBLE STANDARDS. BELOVED, AS JESUS ADDRESSED PETER AND ASKED THE QUESTION "WHOM DO THE PEOPLE SAY THAT I AM?" AND THEN THE POINTED AND DIRECT QUESTION "PETER, WHOM SAY YE THAT I AM?" THAT, TODAY, IS THE QUESTION. "WHOM SAY YE THAT CHRIST IS?" A VERY GOOD DEVOTION.

ROLL CALL SHOWED 11 MINISTERS, 6 DEACONS, 7 VISITORS AND 25 DELEGATES ANSWERING THE ROLL CALL AND OR STANDING TO BE RECOGNIZED. DELEGATES WERE SEATED FOR ANY BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BODY.

MINISTERS WHO REGISTERED WERE; BROTHER DAVEY LEE KIRKLAND, CHESTER CHAPEL; BROTHER JOEY PETTIS, EVERGREEN; BROTHER JAMES FRANKLIN, HICKORY GROVE; BROTHER RALPH BAKER, MOUNT ZION; BROTHER BOBBY REGISTER, NEW PROSPECT BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND, NEW ZION; BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER, PILGRIM REST; BROTHER GENE WHITE, PLEASANT HILL, BROTHER RICKY GILMORE, SARDIS AND BROTHER DAVE COLLINS, UNION GROVE.

DEACONS WHO REGISTERED WERE: BROTHER GENE CARR, PILGRIM REST; BROTHER JOE WHITEHEAD, NEW ZION; BROTHER LAVON OVERSTREET, PLEASANT HILL; BROTHER WILLIAM SOWELL, NEW PROSPECT; BROTHER KENNETH BLALOCK, HICKORY GROVE; BROTHER JESSIE BARNETTE.

REGISTERED VISITORS WERE: HOPE HARDEN, EVERGREEN; WILMA BULLARD, FIRST FREE WILL; TED MEDLEY, HICKORY GROVE; JUNIOR OVERSTREET, PLEASANT HILL; WILMA BARNETTE, NEW ZION; GENE SPENCE, GWEN SPENCE, AND SIX FROM THE HOST CHURCH WHO DID NOT REGISTER.

DELEGATES ANSWERING THE ROLL CALL: BROTHERS AND SISTERS LISA HARDEN, MARJORIE PHILLIPS, JONI PETTIS, EVERGREEN; VELMA WILLIAMS, LORRAINE JERNIGAN, DORIS WILSON, FIRST FREE WILL; ESTELLE BLALOCK, LODELL HANKINS, HICKORY GROVE; NINA VICKERS, MOUNT ZION; LINDA SOWELL, BARBARA REGISTER, LANG SOWELL, NEW PROSPECT; LARRY WHITEHEAD, ROY DEAN SMITH, EDNA WHITEHEAD, NEW ZION; VICTOR WILSON, BETTY WILSON, RUTH SMITH, PILGRIM REST; DOROTHY OVERSTREET, LINDA HENDERSON, GRACE GRAHAM, PLEASANT HILL; MIKE O'HEARN, SARDIS; BETTY ETHRIDGE, MINNIE ETHRIDGE, SYLVIA ETHRIDGE, UNION GROVE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: REVIVAL AT NEW ZION 4/21/96; SING AT FIRST CHURCH OF EUFAULA 5/11/96; WALK-A-THON NEXT SATURDAY AT GOODWATER, REVIVAL AT NEW PROSPECT WITH JOHN GIBBS 7/28-7/31/96 NIGHTLY; PILGRIM REST HAVING HOMECOMING 5/5/96 WITH REVIVAL FROM MAY 6 -10, 1996. BROTHER RICKY GILMORE FOR HOMECOMING SERVICE AND PAT WILSON FOR REVIVAL. MIKE O'HEARN REMINDED ALL OF CAMP AND NEED TO GET THEM TO CAMP.

AT 10:43 WE HAD A DISCUSSION OF OLD BUSINESS WHICH CONCERNED THE TABLED ITEM TO CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION. A QUESTION WAS RAISED AS TO THE ORDER OR NON ORDER OF THE MOTION. BRO. JAMES FRANKLIN ASKED IF THE MOTION WAS IN PROPER FORM OR NOT. IN THE OPINION OF THE MODERATOR AND THE CLERK IT WAS NOT. THE MOTION SHOULD HAVE ADDRESSED THE SECTION, ARTICLE AND VERBIAGE THAT WAS TO BE CHANGED. IT WAS MOVED, SECOND AND CARRIED THAT THE MOTION BE REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OF AND THE PROPER FORMAT NEEDED TO PRESENT THE MOTION. IF NOT PROPER, MAKE IT PROPER, IF PROPER THEN PRESENT IT TO THE NEXT MEETING WHICH WOULD BE IN JULY AT NEW ZION.

WE ENTERED THE MORNING WORSHIP HOUR WITH BROTHER RICKY GILMORE LEADING THE SINGING AND SISTER PAM PETTIS AT THE PIANO. WE SANG FIRST "I WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT MY LORD" THEN "JESUS, HOLD MY HAND" THEN "WHEN HE PUT A LITTLE SUNSHINE IN" THEN WE SANG A REAL OLD FAVORITE "AMAZING GRACE" FOLLOWING WHICH WE RECEIVED THE MORNING OFFERING WITH OFFERATORY PRAYER BEING OFFERED BY BROTHER GENE CARR. A PLATE OFFERING OF \$84.00 WAS RECEIVED AND WILL BE DESIGNATED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE THIS AFTERNOON. CLOSING THE SONG SERVICE WE SANG "I'D RATHER BE AN OLD TIME CHRISTIAN."

THE MODERATOR INTRODUCED THE MORNING SPEAKER, BROTHER DAVE COLLINS, PASTOR OF UNION GROVE CHURCH. BEFORE THE MESSAGE BROTHER COLLINS AND SISTER ANNETTE WHITE SANG "LOOK FOR ME AT JESUS FEET" AS A SPECIAL IN SONG.

FOR HIS MESSAGE BROTHER COLLINS USED SCRIPTURE FROM MATT. 16:18, ACTS 2:42, 1 THESS. 3:1, MATT. 28:30 AND EPH. 5:1. IN HIS MESSAGE HE ADDRESSED SUCH POINTS AS "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH" "CONTINUED STEADFASTNESS," "BEHOLD I SHOW YOU A MYSTERY" "GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD" "WALK IN THE SPIRIT" AND "BE YE FOLLOWERS OF GOD AS DEAR CHILDREN." INDEED A GOOD MESSAGE AND VERY PLAINLY AND EASILY PUT FORTH. HE CLOSED BY POINTEDLY SHOWING HOW WE NEED TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE LOCAL CHURCH, PARTICIPATOR IN THE LOCAL CHURCH, GET BACK TO SIMPLE BASICS IN THE GOSPEL, BECOME SPIRITUALLY FILLED FOR THE WORSHIP SERVICE OF GOD. THE SERVICE WAS CLOSED WITH AN INVITATION "JUST AS I AM."

WE RECESSED FOR LUNCH AND CERTAINLY A VERY GOOD MEAL HAD BEEN PREPARED BY THE LADIES AT PILGRIM'S REST CHURCH. WE FEEL EVERYONE HAD A MOST ENJOYABLE LUNCH AND TIME OF GENUINE FELLOWSHIP.

WE RECONVENED AT 1:02 WITH PRAYER BY BROTHER JOEY PETTIS. WITH BROTHER RICKY GILMORE LEADING AND SISTER LINDA SOWELL PLAYING PIANO THE CONGREGATION SANG "LIVING IN CANAAN NOW" AND "JESUS IS THE ONE."

ENTERING INTO THE BUSINESS SESSION WE ONLY HAD COMMITTEE REPORTS SINCE OLD BUSINESS HAD BEEN HANDLED AT THE MORNING SESSION. THE MODERATOR, BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER, CALLED FOR THE REPORTS TO BE GIVEN.

THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, IN RESPONSE TO HICKORY GROVE'S REQUEST, RECOMMENDED THAT BROTHER TED MEDLEY BE ACCEPTED INTO THIS ASSOCIATION IN GOOD STANDING, PENDING RECEIPT OF A LETTER OF GOOD STANDING FROM HIS FORMER ASSOCIATION. THIS WAS PASSED BY THE BODY.

THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HAD A VERY LENGTHY REPORT TO GIVE AND WAS MOST INFORMATIVE. THE LAST YOUTH RALLY AT PILGRIM'S REST HAD BEEN A VERY GOOD ONE. 87 ATTENDED. THE PROGRAM DEALT WITH THE GANG AND DRUG PROBLEM WE WERE FACING IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY. THE HENRY COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT GAVE THE PROGRAM WHICH WAS MOST INFORMATIVE.

THE YOUTH REVIVAL AT PLEASANT HILL AND CONDUCTED BY BROTHER RAYMOND RIVERS WAS VERY GOOD WITH SOME VERY HEART WARMING MESSAGES FROM THIS MAN OF GOD. MANY FOLK REALLY FELT THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD IN THEIR LIFE.

THE YOUTH CHOIR HAD DONE A GOOD JOB AT THE YOUTH REVIVAL AS WELL. NEW PROSPECT AND NEW ZION PUT ON TWO EXCELLENT SKITS FOR THE REVIVAL ATTENDER. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK PLEASANT HILL FOR ALL ITS HOSPITALITY DURING THIS SERVICE AS WELL AS THOSE WHO GAVE FINANCIALLY TO SUPPORT THIS SERVICE.

OUR JOINT CAMP BOARDS MET AT NEW ZION APRIL 8, 1996 TO CONTINUE THE FINALIZING OF THE CAMP WHICH CERTAINLY SEEMS TO BE GOING QUITE WELL AT THIS TIME. WE DO HAVE APPLICATIONS WITH US TODAY FOR CHURCHES TO TAKE BACK WITH THEM. WE ASK THEY BE FILLED IN COMPLETELY IN EVERY DETAIL. WE ALSO ENCOURAGE YOUTH MINISTERS, PASTORS AND ALL OTHERS TO ENCOURAGE THEIR YOUTH TO ATTEND CAMP THIS YEAR.

AS YOU KNOW THE CAMP RAISED COST TO US LAST YEAR TO \$99.00 PER PERSON. WE WERE ABLE TO HOLD COST TO THE \$55.00 PER PERSON LEVEL LAST YEAR, BUT, THIS YEAR WE MUST INCREASE THE FEES TO \$65.00 PER PERSON. THIS WILL LEAVE THE BOARD WITH \$34.00 PER PERSON TO OFF SET BY HELP FROM THE CHURCHES. WE CERTAINLY THANK EACH ONE FOR THEIR SUPPORT DURING THE PAST YEARS AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE CONTINUED SUPPORT FROM ALL OF YOU, WHICH, WITHOUT, WE COULD NOT HAVE ACHIEVED WHAT WE HAVE.

SUBMITTED BY BROTHER MIKE O'HEARN, ASHLY CULP AND JOEY PETTIS.

THE CHILDREN HOME BOARD MEMBER, BROTHER DAVEY LEE KIRKLAND, GAVE A REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES AT THE HOME. WE HAVE 30 CHILDREN PRESENTLY AT THE HOME. THESE HAVE HAD THE NORMAL RUN OF CHILD HOOD AILMENTS, SNIFFLES, COLDS, RUNNY NOSES, ETC. THE OLD BUILDING IS CONDEMNED BY THE STATE, BUT SINCE WE HAVE COMPLETED ONE BUILDING AND OTHERS ARE IN THE OFFING, THEY GRACIOUSLY ALLOWED US TO CONTINUE USING THE OLD BUILDING UNTIL THE NEW ONES CAN BE COMPLETED AND READY FOR OCCUPANCY. MSC AS INFORMATION.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THE PLATE OFFERING BE RETAINED IN THE GENERAL TREASURY FOR LOCAL CAUSES. MSC.

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE, THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE, THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE HAD NO REPORTS TO OFFER. THE REGISTRATION COMMITTEE GAVE NO REPORT.

WE STOOD IN RECOGNITION TO PILGRIM'S REST CHURCH FOR A GREAT DAY IN THE LORD'S SERVICE AND FOR THE WONDERFUL MEAL PREPARED FOR US.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS TO MEET AT 7:00 PM ON MAY 20, 1996 AT PILGRIM'S REST TO HANDLE THE DEFERRED MOTION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE. WE WERE DISMISSED FROM THIS SESSION WITH PRAYER.

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION
NEW ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
JULY 13, 1996

THE THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION MET WITH NEW ZION CHURCH AS HOST ON JULY 13, 1996. REGISTRATION BEGAN AT 9:30 AM. BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER, THE MODERATOR, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:00 AM. BROTHER DAVE COLLINS OPENED THIS SESSION WITH PRAYER ASKING FOR DIVINE INTERVENTION IN TODAY'S ACTIVITIES. THE WELCOME WAS GIVEN BY BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND, THE HOST PASTOR. THE RESPONSE WAS GIVEN BY BROTHER RICKY GILMORE.

DURING THE EARLY SINGING WE WERE LED BY SISTER JOANN SMITH WITH SISTER; JEAN ETHRIDGE PROVIDING MUSIC. WE SANG ONLY TWO SONGS AT THIS TIME, "PRAISE HIM, PRAISE HIM" AND "JOY UNSPEAKABLE."

BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND, HOST CHURCH PASTOR, BROUGHT THE MORNING DEVOTION USING 2 TIMOTHY 4:8 AND MADE THREE QUICK AND VERY DEEP POINTS TO THE CONGREGATION. WHAT CHRIST OFFERS AND BRINGS TO US IS PEACE OF HEART AND SOUL; THIS PRODUCES A PROFITABLE PRESENT LIFE AS WELL AS A PROFITABLE FUTURE LIFE. LIFE HERE IS MADE MORE ABUNDANT AND FULL LIFE IS PROMISED IN THE HEREAFTER. A VERY GOOD DEVOTION.

WE HAD TWELVE (12) MINISTERS PRESENT. THESE WERE BROTHERS DAVEY LEE KIRKLAND, JOEY PETTIS, PAT WILSON, RALPH BAKER, BOBBY REGISTER, THOMAS KIRKLAND, C. L. CULPEPPER, GENE WHITE, RICKY GILMORE, DAVE COLLINS, PAUL MALLORY, LARRY SOWELL. TWO VISITORS; BROTHERS TED MEDLEY AND RICHARD CORDELL.

WE HAD 7 DEACONS REGISTERING: THESE WERE BROTHERS LARRY PEAVY, LOWELL VICKERS, WILLIAM SOWELL, JOE WHITEHEAD, KYLE HARDY, LAVON OVERSTREET AND JOHNNY GILMORE.

THERE WERE 10 VISITORS WITH US THIS DAY. THE CLERK PAUSES HERE TO APOLOGIZE FOR NOT OBTAINING THE REGISTRATION SHEETS FOR THIS DAY. HE DOES NOT RECALL THE EVENTS THAT CAUSED HIM NOT TO PICK THEM UP SINCE THIS IS SOMETHING DONE AT EVERY MEETING. THE MINISTERS LISTED ABOVE IS FROM MEMORY AND THE DEACONS ARE FROM MEMORY. THE VISITORS HE CANNOT RECALL AND HEREBY OFFERS AN APOLOGY FOR THE OVERSIGHT.

DELEGATES WHO ANSWERED THE ROLL FROM THE 11 CHURCHES WERE: CHESTER CHAPEL DELEGATES MILDRED COATES, KAY LUDLAM, THELMA CLARK; EVERGREEN DELEGATES PAM PETTIS, GRACE KLOCKE, BEULAH PEAVY; FIRST FREE WILL

DELEGATES WILMA BULLARD, VELMA WILLIAMS, LORAIN JERNIGAN; MOUNT ZION DELEGATES ANN BAKER, LEIGH ADAMS, DOLLY VICKERS, NINA VICKERS; NEW PROSPECT DELEGATES GWEN SOWELL, JOYCE MULLINS, MELANIE HEMBREE, DANA MULLINS; NEW ZION DELEGATES JEANETTE TRAMMELL, JEAN ETHRIDGE, JO ANN SMITH, FAYE CULP, MIRIAM SHELLEY, EDNA WHITEHEAD (ALTERNATE); PILGRIM REST DELEGATES VICTOR WILSON, BETTY WILSON, RUBY MONEY; PLEASANT HILL DELEGATES GRACE GRAHAM, LINDA HENDERSON, DOROTHY OVERSTREET (ALTERNATE); SARDIS DELEGATES JENNINGS GILMORE, MIKE G'HEARN, GEORGIA GILMORE, SCOTT LAND, RENEE GILMORE; AND UNION GROVE DELEGATES JEWELL FARMER, VIVIAN HOPKINS AND PEARL COLLINS (ALTERNATE).

WE WILL HAVE NO BUSINESS THIS MORNING DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE OLD BUSINESS. THIS ITEM WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL THE EVENING BUSINESS TIME AND HANDLED THEN. WE RECESSED UNTIL 10:40 AM.

WE REASSEMBLED FOLLOWING THE SHORT RECESS AT WHICH TIME BROTHER RICHARD CORDELL WAS GIVEN SOME TIME TO INFORM THE ASSOCIATION OF CERTAIN STATE EVENTS THAT WAS OCCURRING. HE INFORMED US OF PRAYER CARDS THAT WERE AVAILABLE, FAITH PROMISE CARDS, STATE WORK, UNWRITTEN BY THE NATIONAL, WNAC FUNCTIONS AND MINISTERS NEWS AS TO WHAT WE SHOULD KNOW. VERY INFORMATIVE TIDBITS.

WE ENTERED THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE WITH SISTER JO ANN SMITH AND SISTER JEAN ETHRIDGE LEADING SONG SERVICE AND PROVIDING MUSIC. WE SANG SEVERAL SONGS "GRACE FOR EVERY NEED" "LET MY LIFE BE A LIGHT" "OH I WANT TO SEE HIM." FOLLOWING THESE SONGS THE MORNING OFFERING WAS RECEIVED BY BROTHERS RICKY GILMORE AND ASHLY CULP WITH OFFERATORY PRAYER BY BROTHER GILMORE. THE MORNING OFFERING WAS \$100.60. THIS WILL BE DESIGNATED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE DURING BUSINESS THIS AFTERNOON. AT THIS TIME BROTHER GENE WHITE, BOB DAVIS AND SISTER ANNETTE WHITE SANG "HE WILL ROLL ME OVER THE TIDE." GOOD SINGING.

BROTHER RICHARD CORDELL BROUGHT THE MORNING MESSAGE. HE USED ROMANS CHAPTER 8 FOR HIS TEXT -FOCUSING ON VERSE 44. HE MADE SEVERAL VERY GOOD POINTS IN HIS MESSAGE. SOME OF THE POINTS COVERED IN DETAIL WERE JESUS ADDRESSES THE JEWS, SATAN IS LIMITED IN POWER AND IN SCOPE BUT WHILE LIMITED HE HAS MANY DEVICES OPEN TO HIM. THE DEVIL LIES. HE LIES TO GOD ABOUT MAN AND HE LIES TO MAN ABOUT GOD. HE USED JOB AS A GOOD EXAMPLE OF HOW SATAN USES MANKIND AND MANKINDS HUMAN BODY TO TRY AND DEAL AGAINST HIM. HE ALSO LIES TO MEN ABOUT MEN. THIS WAS INDEED A VERY INFORMATIVE MESSAGE. CLOSED WITH PRAYER.

BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND GAVE US DIRECTIONS FOR THE NOON MEAL AND ASKED GOD TO BLESS THE FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP FOR THE DAY.

FOLLOWING THE NOON MEAL WE REASSEMBLED AT ABOUT 1:10. WE WERE A LITTLE LATE DUE TO THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE HAVING A LATE AND LENGTHY MEETING.

FOLLOWING PRAYER OPENING THE EVENING SESSION THE MODERATOR ASK FOR A ROLL CALL OF THE DELEGATES TO INSURE AN ACCURATE COUNT TO VOTE ON THE ONE AMENDMENT COMING UP FOR DISCUSSION THIS BUSINESS SESSION. ANSWERING THE ROLL WAS 32 DELEGATES WITH 17 ORDAINED STANDING DELEGATES FOR A TOTAL COUNT OF 49. IT WILL TAKE A TWO THIRDS MAJORITY TO PASS THE AMENDMENT WHICH DEALS WITH CHANGING THE TIME OF MEETINGS AND THE FORMAT OF MEETINGS AS WELL AS ELIMINATING THE FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION ALTOGETHER.

BROTHER CULPEPPER HAD ALL THE DELEGATES TO SIT ON ONE SIDE OF THE CHURCH SO AN ACCURATE COUNT COULD BE MADE. AFTER THE PRELIMINARIES WERE COMPLETE THE MODERATOR THEN HAD THE CLERK READ THE PROPOSED CHANGE IN ITS ENTIRETY, INCLUDING THE OLD READING AND THE NEW PROPOSED READING. BROTHER LOWELL VICKERS SPOKE ON THE MERITS OF THE PRESENT SYSTEM AND THE GOOD IT HAD DONE. BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND SPOKE ON HOW OTHER GROUPS CONDUCTED THEIR MEETINGS AND THAT IT WOULD HELP US TO CHANGE TO SOMEWHERE ALONG THESE LINES. BROTHER JOHNNY GILMORE CALLED TO QUESTION, STATING WE WERE HERE TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSAL WHICH HAD BEEN PRESENTED. DEBATE WAS CUT OFF AND A VOTE WAS TAKEN. THE VOTE TO KEEP THE CONSTITUTION AS IS AND NOT MAKE A CHANGE WAS COUNTED FIRST. THERE WERE 26 IN FAVOR OF REMAINING AS WE WERE. AS THIS CONSTITUTED OVER 50 PERCENT OF VOTING DELEGATES AND SINCE A CHANGE REQUIRED AT THE MINIMUM A TWO THIRDS MAJORITY, NO FURTHER VOTE WAS TAKEN. ALL THE REMAINING 23 DELEGATES MAY HAVE VOTED FOR THE CHANGE OR SOME MAY HAVE VOTED FOR AND SOME COULD HAVE ABSTAINED. IN ANY CASE THE CONSTITUTION REMAINS AS IS.

THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT BROTHER TED MEDLEY OF HICKORY GROVE BE RECEIVED INTO THE ASSOCIATION WITH FULL RIGHTS AS AN ORDAINED MINISTER. WE HAVE A LETTER FROM THE STATE LINE ASSOCIATION AND ALSO VERBAL STATEMENT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE CHILDREN HOME IN ELDRIDGE, ALABAMA THAT HE KNEW OF NO REASON NOT TO GRANT SUCH A LETTER. THE HOME, OR THAT ASSOCIATION, COULD NOT GRANT SUCH A LETTER SINCE BROTHER TED'S LETTER NEVER HAD BEEN MOVED TO THEIR DISTRICT. NSC.

THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION THANKED EVERYONE FOR THEIR HELP WITH AND IN THE YOUTH CAMP JUST CONCLUDING. EVEN THOUGH THE BOARD CAME OUT

APPROXIMATELY \$550.00 IN THE "RED" (SHORT), THE CAMP WAS A SUCCESS. WE HAD 41 CAMPERS AND 9 WORKERS FOR A TOTAL OF 50. A SLIGHT INCREASE IN FEES HAD BEEN MADE AND WITH WHAT SUPPORT THE MAIN GROUP OF CHURCHES GAVE WE ALMOST MET OUR OBLIGATION. THE TWO ASSOCIATIONS COMBINED HAD ABOUT 115 IN CAMP. THE BOARD IS PLANNING TO PRESENT A SLIDE SHOW AND RECEIVE AN OFFERING FROM ANY CHURCH THAT WILL HOST THEM. THEY HOPE TO MAKE UP THEIR SHORTFALL THROUGH THIS MEANS.

THE NEXT YOUTH RALLY IS AUGUST 17, 1996 AT NEW ZION CHURCH. THE BOARD ENCOURAGED ALL CHURCHES AND PEOPLES TO ATTEND.

THE COMBINED BOARDS ARE WORKING TO GET A WINTER RETREAT TOGETHER, JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE TWO ASSOCIATION YOUTH BOARDS. WE WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED.

BROTHER ASHLY CULP
BROTHER JOEY PETTIS
BROTHER MIKE O'HEARN

THE CHILDREN HOME BOARD MEMBER BROUGHT US UP TO THE LATEST NUMBER IN THE HOME, WHAT THE HOME WAS DOING, WHERE THE BUILDING PROJECT WAS AT THIS TIME, ETC. MSC AS INFORMATION.

BROTHER DAVEY LEE KIRKLAND

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THE PLATE OFFERING RECEIVED TODAY, \$100.60, BE PLACED IN THE GENERAL TREASURY FOR LOCAL USE. MSC.

SISTER LEIGH ADAMS
SISTER EDNA WHITEHEAD

THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE, RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE, PLACEMENT COMMITTEE AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE HAD NO REPORTS TO GIVE.

THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 83 REGISTERED FOR THE DAY. A RISING VOTE OF THANKS WAS GIVEN TO NEW ZION FOR A GREAT DAY IN THE LORD AND FOR A MOST WONDERFUL MEAL HAVING BEEN PREPARED FOR US.

DISMISSED WITH PRAYER BY BROTHER BOBBY REGISTER.

ANNUAL SESSION -FRIDAY NIGHT
EVERGREEN FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 18, 1996

FRIDAY NIGHT WE ASSEMBLED WITH THE GOOD FOLKS AT EVERGREEN FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH. WE BEGAN REGISTERING AT APPROXIMATELY 6:30 PM IN THE EVENING AND THE VICE-MODERATOR, BROTHER LOWELL VICKERS WAS IN CHARGE OF THIS EVENINGS SERVICES. WE WERE CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM. WE WERE WELCOMED BY THE HOST CHURCH FOLLOWING OPENING PRAYER BY BROTHER BOBBY REGISTER. THE SONG SERVICE WAS LED BY BROTHER JEFFERY PETTIS WITH HIS MOTHER, PAM PETTIS, PROVIDING MUSIC. SONGS SELECTED FOR THE SERVICE WAS "THIS WORLD IS NOT MY HOME" "ON THE JERICHO ROAD" FOLLOWING WHICH AN OFFERING WAS RECEIVED. SERVING AS USHERS WERE BROTHER RICKY GILMORE AND BROTHER WILLIAM SOWELL. BROTHER WILLIAM SOWELL PRAYED THE OFFERATORY PRAYER. AN OFFERING OF \$29.00 WAS RECEIVED. WE THEN CONCLUDED THE SONG SERVICE FOR THE EVENING SINGING "JESUS, HOLD MY HAND" AND "IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL"

BROTHER LOWELL MADE A FEW REMARKS ABOUT TODAY'S LOCAL CHURCH AND PEOPLE SERVING. MANY DON'T SERVE, OR DID NOT SERVE, BECAUSE THEY SIMPLY DID NOT KNOW. MANY HAVE THAT "IT DOES NOT MATTER ATTITUDE". TODAY THE WORD IS SO WIDE SPREAD THAT NO ONE CAN FAIL TO "KNOW". THEY SIMPLY REJECT GOD AND HIS GREAT POWER AND AUTHORITY.

THE EVENING MESSAGE WAS BROUGHT BY BROTHER JOEY PETTIS, THE HOST CHURCH PASTOR. HE BROUGHT A VERY SIMPLE, POWERFUL, STRAIGHT FORWARD MESSAGE ON PRO AND CON, POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE. HE DEALT AT LENGTH ON THE COMPASSION AND LONG SUFFERING OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR. HE SPOKE OF MERCY, LOVE, COMPASSION, PRACTICING TO SHOW OURSELVES ACCEPTABLE UNTO GOD. HE USED IN HIS MESSAGE SCRIPTURES FROM I TIMOTHY 4:8, MATT. 9:35, 9:23 AND 9:32. HE DWELT ON MATT. 23:37 WHERE JESUS WEPT. HE CLOSED BY ALL FOLK STANDING AND LEADING IN PRAYER. WE HAD A SONG OF INVITATION AT THAT TIME "ONLY TRUST HIM."

WE WERE IN RECESS UNTIL TOMORROW MORNING AT 10:00 AM AT UNION GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH. COMMITTEES COULD NOW MEET FOR THE NEXT HOUR OR SO, WE WOULD HAVE REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP, AND THEN WANDER OFF HOME IN THE NEXT HOUR OR SO. THIS WAS A VERY GOOD MEETING, THOUGH FEWER IN NUMBER THAN AS WAS ACCUSTOMED, THERE MOST CERTAINLY WAS A WONDERFUL SPIRIT IN THIS PLACE.

AFTER DISMISSAL THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE EARNESTLY MET AND SOUGHT TO FILL NOMINATIONS FOR TOMORROWS BUSINESS SESSION. THIS IS THE BUSIEST TIME OF THE YEAR FOR THIS COMMITTEE.

ANNUAL SESSION -SATURDAY
UNION GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 19, 1996

THE SECOND DAY OF THE ANNUAL MEETING WAS HOSTED BY UNION GROVE CHURCH ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1996 AND BEGAN WITH REGISTRATION AT 9:30 AM. THE MODERATOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:00 AM WITH OPENING PRAYER OFFERED BY BROTHER PAUL MALLORY. BROTHER CULPEPPER THEN MADE A FEW REMARKS CONCERNING PRAYER FOR VARIOUS THINGS, BUT ESPECIALLY THE CHURCH. THE WELCOME BY THE HOST CHURCH WAS GIVEN BY SISTER LINDA FLOYD. SISTER BARBARA KIRKLAND GAVE THE RESPONSE TO THE WELCOME.

WE HAD A SHORT SONG SERVICE AT THIS TIME LED BY BROTHER DAVE COLLINS WITH SISTER VIVIAN HOPKINS AS MUSICIAN AT THE PIANO. WE SANG "THE OLD RUGGED CROSS" AND "LOVE LIFTED ME."

THE MORNING DEVOTION TO BE GIVEN BY THE HOST CHURCH WAS BROUGHT BY BROTHER DAVE COLLINS, THE PASTOR OF THE HOST CHURCH. USING AS HIS TEXT SCRIPTURE FOUND IN ST. LUKE 18:1 HE CALLED OUR ATTENTION TO POINTS OF: 1. BOLDLY IN PRAYER. 2. EARNEST IN PRAYER. 3. SUBMISSION TO GOD IN PRAYER. 4. ASSURANCE OF FAITH. CLOSED WITH PRAYER.

THE MORNING RECOGNITION OF MINISTERS, DEACONS, VISITORS AND OTHERS WAS THEN CALLED FOR. STANDING TO BE RECOGNIZED WAS MINISTERS: BROTHERS RALPH BAKER, DAVE COLLINS, CLARENCE CULPEPPER, RICKY GILMORE, THOMAS KIRKLAND, PAUL MALLORY, JOEY PETTIS, BOBBY REGISTER AND GENE WHITE. MINISTERS NOT ATTENDING THIS SESSION WAS: BROTHERS JAMES FRANKLIN, TED MEDLEY, ROSS PETERS, LARRY SOWELL, AND PAT WILSON. BROTHER DAVEY LEE KIRKLAND WAS IN THE HOSPITAL AND UNABLE TO ATTEND. NINE ATTENDED AND 6 NOT ATTENDING.

DEACONS STANDING TO BE RECOGNIZED WAS: BROTHERS JESSIE BARNETT, JOHNNY GILMORE, EARL MONEY, LEYON OVERSTREET, OSCAR RICHARDS, LOWELL VICKERS, JOE WHITEHEAD. SEVEN DEACONS ATTENDED AND REGISTERED.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES ANSWERING THE ROLL CALL WAS: CHESTER CHAPEL; THELMA CLARK, VIRGINIA KIRKLAND; EVERGREEN; PAM PETTIS, RITA MOFFITT (ALTERNATE); FIRST FREE WILL; WILMA BULLARD, GUIDA WATSON; HICKORY GROVE; ESTELLE BLALOCK, LODELL HANKINS; MOUNT ZION; DOLLY VICKERS, MELINDA OWENS, NINA VICKERS, LEIGH ADAMS; NEW PROSPECT; JOYCE MULLINS, CHRISTINE BROWN, BARBARA RESISTER; NEW ZION; MIRIAM SHELLEY, EDNA WHITEHEAD, BARBARA KIRKLAND, JOHNNIE RUTH TAYLOR, WILMA NELL BARNETTE (ALTERNATE).

PILGRIMS REST CHURCH; MARY CULPEPPER, RUBY MONEY, WINNIE RENTZ; PLEASANT HILL CHURCH; GRACE GRAHAM, DOROTHY OVERSTREET; SARDIS; GEORGIA GILMORE, MIKE O'HEARN; UNION GROVE CHURCH; LINDA FLOYD, PEARL COLLINS, MINNIE ETHRIDGE, WILLIE MAE SKEEN (ALTERNATE, VIVIAN HOPKINS (ALTERNATE). TOTAL DELEGATES 26 - TOTAL ALTERNATES 4 - GRAND TOTAL 30.

VISITORS WHO REGISTER WAS: RUTH SMITH, ELLEN BROOKS, ROSA LEE BAGWELL, HEATHER SANDERS, THELMA HANNOCK, LINDA SOWELL, JONI PETTIS. A TOTAL OF 7 REGISTERED.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND AND SECONDED BY BROTHER LOWELL VICKERS TO SEAT THE DELEGATES AND WAS CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE. THE VOTING BODY FOR BUSINESS TODAY IS COMPRISED OF THE 9 MINISTERS, 7 DEACONS, AND 26 DELEGATES AND 1 ALTERNATE MOVING UP TO DELEGATE STATUS. THE ALTERNATE MOVING TO DELEGATE STATUS WAS RITA MOFFITT OF EVERGREEN.

A TIME FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY VARIOUS CHURCHES WAS THEN MADE AVAILABLE AND THERE WAS SEVERAL MADE. SARDIS HAVING REVIVAL BEGINNING SUNDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 10, 1996 WITH BROTHER RICHARD CORDELL DOING THE SPEAKING. SARDIS ALSO HAVING A SING NOVEMBER 30, 1996 AND WILL FEATURE AS MANY OF THE SINGERS FROM SARDIS AS CAN BE MASSED FOR THE SERVICE. NEW PROSPECT IS HOSTING A CARNIVAL SERVICE ON HALLOWEEN AT THE NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY IN ABBEVILLE. MANY ARE SUPPORTING THE GOBLINS OF HALLOWEEN AND WE NEED TO PUT FORTH THE IMAGE OF OUR LORD, OUR CHURCH AND OUR PEOPLE. THIS IS ONE WAY OF DOING THAT. PROMOTE CHRIST ON THESE HOLIDAY OCCASIONS. THE FIRST FREE WILL ASK FOR PRAYER FOR A NEW PASTOR. EVERGREEN IS HAVING HOMECOMING ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1996.

WE HANDLED TWO ITEMS OF BUSINESS AT THIS TIME. THE CHILDREN HOME COMMITTEE GAVE AS INFORMATION THE FOLLOWING REPORT. FINISH UP HARVEST DRIVE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND ADVISE OF ANY ITEM NEEDED TO BE CARRIED TO THE HOME. BROTHER GENE WILL SEE IT GETS THERE. ALSO THE HOME IS ASKING THAT THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION PROVIDE CARPET, BLINDS AND CURTAINS FOR ONE ROOM AT THE HOME IN THE NEW BUILDING. URGED ALL TO START THINKING ON HOW TO ACCOMPLISH THIS AND GET BUSY DOING THIS. NO SUGGESTIONS OFFERED OR PLANS PUT FORTH TO DO THIS OR A TIME TABLE TO GET IT DONE. THIS WAS OFFERED, MOTIONED, SECONDED AND CARRIED AS INFORMATION.

THE STATE LETTER WAS THEN COMPLETED BY ADDING NAMES OF THOSE WHO WISHED TO ATTEND AND WHO HAD NOT ALREADY BEEN SELECTED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE CHURCH BODY. THOSE SELECTED BY THEIR OWN HOME CHURCH ARE AS FOLLOWS: MARTHA BLALOCK, HICKORY GROVE; NINA VICKERS, MOUNT ZION; BARBARA REGISTER, NEW PROSPECT; ANNETTE WHITE, PLEASANT HILL; ADDED AT THE ASSOCIATION MEETING WAS BARBARA KIRKLAND, NEW ZION.

THERE FOLLOWED A SHORT RECESS BY THE MODERATOR OF ABOUT 10 MINUTES. WE WERE TO REASSEMBLE AT 10:50 AM TO BEGIN THE MORNING WORSHIP HOUR.

WE REASSEMBLED AT THE APPOINTED TIME FOR THE MORNING WORSHIP HOUR AND WAS LED IN SONG BY BROTHER DAVE COLLINS AND SISTER VIVIAN HOPKINS WHO PROVIDED MUSIC. WE SANG SEVERAL SONGS, "POWER IN THE BLOOD", "KNEEL AT THE CROSS", AND "WHERE HE LEADS I WILL FOLLOW."

THE MORNING OFFERING WAS RECEIVED BY BROTHER JOEY PETTIS AND JOHNNY GILMORE WITH OFFERATORY PRAYER BY BROTHER PETTIS. THE PLATE OFFERING WILL BE PLACED WITH THE OFFERING FROM LAST NIGHT AND WILL BE DESIGNATED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AT THE BUSINESS SESSION THIS AFTERNOON DURING THE BUSINESS SESSION.

BROTHER DAVE COLLINS RENDERED A SONG SPECIAL AND HE SANG "I FIRMLY PROMISE YOU." THIS WAS A VERY GOOD AND UPLIFTING SONG FOR ALL.

BROTHER CULPEPPER THEN INTRODUCED THE MORNING SPEAKER, BROTHER RICKY GILMORE. BROTHER GILMORE BROUGHT A VERY SIMPLE BUT PROFOUND MESSAGE ON PREACHING, ALL THINGS ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL. IN THE MESSAGE HE USED MUCH SCRIPTURE, BEGINNING AT EPH. 4:14 AND FOLLOWING WITH JEREMIAH 3:15, ACTS 20:28, JEREMIAH 10:21, EZEKIEL CLOSED OUT THE MESSAGE ON VALLEY OF DRY BONES. WILLING TO GO, WILLING TO STAY, WILLING MY PLACE TO FILL, WHERE EVER IT MAY BE. CLOSED WITH PRAYER. BROTHER CULPEPPER GAVE AN INVITATIONAL HYMN "LORD, I'M COMING HOME." THE HOST PASTOR GAVE US THE DIRECTIONS FOR THE NOON MEAL AND ASKED GOD'S BLESSINGS ON THE NOON MEAL.

REASSEMBLED AT 1:00 PM WITH PRAYER BY BROTHER CLARENCE CULPEPPER. BROTHER AND SISTER WHITE RENDERED A SONG SPECIAL ENTITLED "LOOK FOR ME AT JESUS FEET." VERY INSPIRING. SISTER ELLEN SANG LORD, I NEED YOU AGAIN TODAY." ANOTHER VERY INSPIRING MOMENT IN SONG.

BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND BROUGHT THE MEMORIAL MESSAGE HONORING THOSE WHO HAS PASSED ON INTO THE GREAT BEYOND. SEVERAL ANSWERED THE FINAL CALL. THESE WERE JACK ELBERT VINSON, CHESTER CHAPEL; IRENE BLALOCK AND FRANK ROLLINS, HICKORY GROVE; MRS. TOMMIE STOKES, MRS. MARTHA SHELLEY, AND WADE WHIDDON, NEW ZION; LOUISE WILSON, VERDELL MURPHY AND LASS DAVIS, PILGRIMS REST; HENRY FARMER, PLEASANT HILL; MAY THESE ENJOY FOREVER ALL THE RAPTURE OF GLORY WITH THE LORD AND SAVIOUR. TRIBUTE PAID BY STANDING IN SILENT PRAYER FOR A MOMENT AND THEN BROTHER KIRKLAND LED IN VOCAL PRAYER.

ENTERING THE BUSINESS SESSION WE HAD NO OLD BUSINESS TO ATTEND TO SO WE MOVED DIRECTLY INTO CURRENT REPORTS AND BUSINESS ITEMS.

THE CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE ACTING ON REQUEST FROM BROTHER PAUL MALLORY TO GRANT HIM A LETTER OF GOOD STANDING PENDING RECEIPT OF REQUEST FROM THE FLORIDA STATE LINE ASSOCIATION. BROTHER MALLORY HAS ACCEPTED THE PASTORATE AT MACEDONIA CHURCH AND THEIR ASSOCIATION IS BEFORE OURS, SO TO MOVE THINGS ALONG WE VOTED TO GRANT HIM A LETTER A GOOD STANDING PENDING RECEIPT OF THE PROPER PAPERWORK FROM THE SISTER ASSOCIATION. MSC.

THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORTED ON THE PAST YOUTH CAMP AS WELL AS THE APPROACHING CAMP. THE 1996 YOUTH CAMP WAS A SUCCESS. WE OVERSPENT A LITTLE, BUT WE ARE WORKING ON REDUCING THE DEFICIT. THE FWBBC IS HOSTING WELCOME DAYS ON THE CAMPUS NOVEMBER 14-16. ANY HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES, JUNIORS OR SENIORS INTERESTED IN ATTENDING MAY CONTACT BROTHER JOEY PETTIS FOR DETAILS ON REGISTRATION. THE COST TO ATTEND IS \$25.00 WHICH COVERS MEALS, LODGING AND TICKETS TO THE COLLEGE BASKETBALL GAME. THE FLORIDA STATE LINE ASSOCIATION HAS INVITED THIS ASSOCIATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A WINTER RETREAT JANUARY 3 AND 4, 1997 AT THE COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS. COST IS \$45.00 PER PERSON. THE BOARD IS PLANNING A SLIDE PRESENTATION TO SHOW TO ANY OR ALL THE CHURCHES WHO WISHES TO SPONSOR THE VIEWING. A OFFERING WILL BE REQUESTED TO BE RECEIVED TO SUPPORT THE CAMP FUND. SEE THE LISTINGS OF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MINUTES FOR YOUTH RALLY TIMES AND PLACES AND OTHER FUNCTIONS.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE GAVE ITS REPORT AND MOVED THAT THE PLATE OFFERING BE RETAINED FOR LOCAL CAUSES, PRIMARILY PRINTING OF THE MINUTES. OUR FUNDS AT THIS TIME IS VERY LOW AND WE NEED ALL WE HAVE FOR OPERATIONS. MSC. NEXT THE COMMITTEE GAVE ITS ANNUAL REPORT IN WHICH THE COMMITTEE EXPLAINED THE VARIOUS NEEDS OF THIS BODY AND IN MEETING SOME NEEDS, OTHER NEEDS MUST BE ADJUSTED TO MEET THE OVERALL PICTURE. THE BUDGET FOR THE COMING YEAR WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL TREASURY	35% OF DUES RECEIVED
BOARD OF EDUCATION	25% OF DUES RECEIVED
CHILDREN HOME	15% OF DUES RECEIVED
MISSIONS COMMITTEE	5% OF DUES RECEIVED
MODERATOR	7% OF DUES RECEIVED
CLERK/TREASURER	7% OF DUES RECEIVED
VICE MODERATOR	3% OF DUES RECEIVED
ASST. CLERK/TREASURER	3% OF DUES RECEIVED

SISTER EDNA WHITEHEAD
SISTER LEIGH ADAMS

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE GAVE ITS REPORT AS FOLLOWS:

MODERATOR	BROTHER RALPH BAKER
VICE MODERATOR	BROTHER RICKY GILMORE
CLERK/TREASURER	NONE
ASST. CLERK/TREASURER	BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND

OFFICERS ARE NOMINATED AND ELECTED AT EACH ANNUAL SESSION.

CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE

RALPH BAKER - TERM EXPIRES 2000

BOBBY REGISTER - TERM EXPIRES 2000

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

BROTHER MIKE O'HEARN - TERM EXPIRES 1999

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

BROTHER DAVE COLLINS - TERM EXPIRES 1999

CHILDREN HOME COMMITTEE

SISTER MIRIAM SHELLEY - TERM EXPIRES 1999

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

SISTER LINDA SOWELL - TERM EXPIRES 1999

FINANCE COMMITTEE

SISTER ESTELLE BLALOCK - TERM EXPIRES 1999

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

SISTER RUBY MONEY - TERM EXPIRES 1999

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

BROTHER GENE WHITE - TERM EXPIRES 1999

SISTER NINA VICKERS

SISTER BARBARA REGISTER

SISTER LINDA SOWELL

THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE GAVE AS ITS REPORT THE FOLLOWING; DUE TO A LACK OF OPERATING FUNDS WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO HAVE ANY ACTIVITY THIS ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR. OUR PRAYER IS THAT WITHIN THE NEXT YEAR WE WILL BE ABLE TO EXERCISE SOME EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL OUR

CHURCHES. WSC AS INFORMATION ONLY.

BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND
BROTHER RICKY GILMORE
BROTHER PAT WILSON (ABSENT)

THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE GAVE ITS REPORT AND REQUESTED THE FOLLOWING CHURCHES HOST MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION ON THOSE DATES.

JANUARY 18, 1997 - PLEASANT HILL CHURCH - FIRST QUARTER

APRIL 19, 1997 - HICKORY GROVE CHURCH - SECOND QUARTER

JULY 12, 1997 - SARDIS CHURCH - THIRD QUARTER

OCTOBER 17, 1997- PILGRIMS REST CHURCH - FRIDAY ANNUAL

OCTOBER 18, 1997 - CHESTER CHAPEL CHURCH- SATURDAY ANNUAL

SISTER RUTH SMITH
SISTER VIRGINIA KIRKLAND
SISTER LEIGH ADAMS

THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE HAD NO REPORT TO OFFER AT THIS TIME.

SISTER PAM PETTIS
SISTER WINNIE RENTZ
SISTER BARBARA KIRKLAND

THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS SO THE PAST MODERATOR, BROTHER CLARENCE CULPEPPER TURNED OVER THE GAVEL TO THE INCOMING MODERATOR, BROTHER RALPH BAKER. THE MODERATOR REQUESTED THAT NEW ZION CHURCH HOST THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 29, 1996 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLANNING THE 1997 PROGRAM. HE ALSO ASK FOR THE COOPERATION, PRAYERS AND SPIRITUAL SUPPORT OF ALL THE ASSOCIATION. WE ARE STARTING OUT ON A NEW VENTURE AND TREADING WHERE WE HAVE LITTLE EXPERIENCE, BUT, WITH GOD'S GRACE AND YOUR HELP WE WILL LEARN.

A MOTION WAS ENTERTAINED TO GIVE UNION GROVE A RISING VOTE OF THANKS FOR THEIR HOSPITALITY AND A FINE DINNER SERVED. A MOTION WAS THEN ENTERTAINED TO ADJOURN. CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE MEETING

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CAME TOGETHER AT NEW ZION CHURCH ON TUESDAY NIGHT THE 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1966 TO PLAN THE COMING YEAR'S PROGRAM. THE MODERATOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND OPENED WITH PRAYER AT 7:00 PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL OF THE HOST CHURCH.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS ATTENDING WERE JOHN E. COATES, CHESTER CHAPEL; JOEY PETTIS AND LARRY PEAVY, EVERGREEN; RALPH BAKER AND LOWELL VICKERS, MOUNT ZION; BOBBY REGISTER AND TROY BARRON, NEW PROSPECT; THOMAS KIRKLAND AND EDNA WHITEHEAD, NEW ZION; CLARENCE CULPEPPER AND VICTOR WILSON, PILGRIMS REST; LEVON OVERSTREET, PLEASANT HILL; RICKY GILMORE AND JOHNNY GILMORE, SARDIS; DAVE COLLINS AND HOLT STOKES, UNION GROVE. SISTER BARBARA KIRKLAND WAS PRESENT AS WELL.

THE FIRST ITEM OF BUSINESS DISCUSSED WAS A THEME TO FOCUS ON FOR THE COMING YEAR. THREE WERE PUT FORTH AND THE COMMITTEE SETTLED ON ONE OFFERED BY BROTHER JOHNNY GILMORE IN WHICH ALL THREE THEMES PROFFERED COULD CONCEIVABLY BE INCORPORATED. THE THEME IS "PREACH THE WORD" WITH SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE BEING 2 TIMOTHY 4:12.

SPEAKERS FOR THE YEAR WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

FIRST QUARTER - PLEASANT HILL -BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND

SECOND QUARTER- HICKORY GROVE -BROTHER JOEY PETTIS

THIRD QUARTER - SARDIS -BROTHER DAVE COLLINS

FRIDAY NIGHT - PILGRIMS REST -BROTHER DENNIS HAYGOOD
OR BROTHER DAN IRELAND

SATURDAY - CHESTER CHAPEL -BROTHER DENNIS HAYGOOD
OR BROTHER DAN IRELAND

IT BEING OUR PLAN TO HAVE A MISSIONS OR EVANGELISTIC TYPE SERVICE COVERING BOTH SERVICES AT THE ANNUAL SESSION. IF WE ARE UNABLE TO OBTAIN THE SERVICE OF BROTHER HAYGOOD WE WILL TURN TO BROTHER IRELAND, IF HE IS UNABLE TO ATTEND, THE MODERATOR IS CHARGED WITH FINDING A SUITABLE REPLACEMENT.

THE SUBSTITUTE SPEAKER FOR THE YEAR WILL BE BROTHER CLARENCE CULPEPPER. THE MEMORIAL SPEAKER WILL BE BROTHER BOBBY REGISTER. BENEDICTION AND BLESSINGS ON REFRESHMENTS OFFERED BY BRO. KIRKLAND.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SOUTHEASTERN FREE WILL BAPTIST LADIES AUXILIARY

THE SOUTHEASTERN FREE WILL BAPTIST LADIES AUXILIARY MET AT MOUNT ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH ON FRIDAY NIGHT, MARCH 29, 1996 AT 7:00 PM.

MRS. JUDY WILSON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. MRS MARTHA BLALOCK LED IN PRAYER. MRS. LEIGH ADAMS GAVE OUR DEVOTION USING MATTHEW 28:18-20.

DURING THE BUSINESS SESSION MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE READ AND APPROVED. OFFICERS WERE ELECTED TO SERVE THE NEXT TWO YEARS. THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS: PRESIDENT, MRS. MARTHA BLALOCK; VICE PRESIDENT, MRS. LEIGH ADAMS; SECRETARY AND TREASURER, MRS. NINA VICKERS; FIELD WORKER, MRS. JUDY WILSON.

THE HOST CHURCH FOR THE 1997 SESSION WILL BE SARDIS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH ON MARCH 28 AND WILL CONVENE AT 7:00 PM.

WE SHARED PROJECTS THAT EACH AUXILIARY WERE CARRYING ON IN THEIR CHURCHES. FOUR CHURCHES WERE REPRESENTED: MOUNT ZION, HICKORY GROVE, SARDIS, AND PILGRIMS REST WITH 21 MEMBERS ATTENDING.

MRS. RENEE GILMORE WAS OUR GUEST SPEAKER. SHE USED ROMANS 8:28 FOR HER SCRIPTURE AND GAVE A VERY INSPIRING MESSAGE ABOUT THEIR WORK WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS RANCH.

WE WERE DISMISSED WITH PRAYER AND REFRESHMENTS WERE SERVED BY THE HOST CHURCH IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

MRS. NINA VICKERS, SECRETARY

TREASURER'S REPORT
SOUTHEASTERN FREE WILL BAPTIST LADIES AUXILIARY

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$194.42
RECEIVED AT CONVENTION	32.00
BALANCE	\$226.42
PAID TO RENEE GILMORE (SPEAKER)	25.00
BALANCE ON HAND MARCH 29, 1996	\$201.42

MRS. NINA VICKERS, SECRETARY

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL
BAPTIST CHURCHES

PREAMBLE:

IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE AND INSPIRE THE CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION TO ENGAGE IN A MORE DEFINITE PLAN OF WORK, TO LABOR TOGETHER IN UNITY AND TO COORDINATE THEIR EFFORTS FOR A GREATER PROGRAM TO CHRIST AND HIS KINGDOM, WE DO HEREBY ADOPT THIS CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

CONSTITUTION:

ARTICLE 1. NAME - THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES.

ARTICLE 2. OFFICERS - THE OFFICERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL BE A MODERATOR, AN ASSISTANT MODERATOR, A CLERK AND TREASURER AND AN ASSISTANT CLERK AND TREASURER. THE OFFICES OF CLERK AND TREASURER MAY BE COMBINED.

ARTICLE 3. MEMBERSHIP - THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL BE COMPOSED OF CHURCHES IN GOOD STANDING ACCORDING TO THE FAITH AND PRACTICES OF THE TREATISE OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST.

ARTICLE 4. ADDITIONS - CHURCHES DESIRING MEMBERSHIP IN THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL SEND DELEGATES BEARING A PETITIONARY LETTER. IF THE ABOVE CHURCH(ES), UPON EXAMINATION BY THE CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE, ARE FOUND TO BE IN ORDER AND PROPERLY ORGANIZED AS SPECIFIED IN THE TREATISE, THEY SHALL, BY VOTE OF THIS BODY, BE RECEIVED IN FULL FELLOWSHIP.

ARTICLE 5. REPRESENTATION - EACH CHURCH IN THIS ASSOCIATION IS EXPECTED TO BE REPRESENTED AT EACH QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION BY LETTER AND DELEGATES AS PRESCRIBED IN THE BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 6. INDEPENDENCE OF CHURCHES EACH CHURCH OF THIS ASSOCIATION IS A DISTINCT AND INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION HAVING FULL AND ABSOLUTE AUTHORITY TO MANAGE IT'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS, TO ELECT IT'S PASTOR, OFFICERS, TO RECEIVE AND DISMISS MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. EACH CHURCH IN THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL HAVE, HOLD AND CONTROL IT'S PROPERTY, REAL AND OTHERWISE.

SECTION 2. THE ASSOCIATION HOLDS NO AUTHORITY OVER OR IN THE MEMBER CHURCHES. IT IS ONLY A VEHICLE THROUGH WHICH MEMBER CHURCHES FELLOWSHIP, WORK AND COOPERATE IN ALL THINGS WHICH TEND TO PROMOTE AND ADVANCE THE CAUSE OF CHRIST AND THE FREE WILL BAPTIST FAITH IN GOD'S KINGDOM.

SECTION 3. DISCIPLINE - THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL ACT ONLY IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY. SHOULD THERE ARISE IN THE LOCAL CHURCH ANY QUESTION IN DOCTRINE, PRACTICES OR DISCIPLINE, THE BIBLE AND THE TREATISE OF THE FAITH AND PRACTICES OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST SHALL BE CONSIDERED THE FINAL AUTHORITY. HOWEVER, IF SAID CHURCH(ES) FAIL TO COMPLY WITH SAME, THIS BODY, WHEN IN SESSION, MAY, BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE DELEGATES PRESENT, WITHDRAW THE HAND OF FELLOWSHIP UNTIL SUCH TIME AS CHURCH(ES) HAVE SET THEIR HOUSE IN ORDER.

ARTICLE 7. MEETINGS - THE ASSOCIATION SHALL MEET IN QUARTERLY SESSIONS ON SATURDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN JANUARY AND APRIL. THE JULY SESSION WILL CONVENE ON SATURDAY BEFORE THE SECOND SUNDAY. (CHANGE MADE 4/95. THE ANNUAL SESSION SHALL CONVENE ON FRIDAY NIGHT BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER FROM 7:00 PM UNTIL 9:00 PM AND ON SATURDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER. THE THREE QUARTERLY SESSIONS AND THE SATURDAY ANNUAL SESSION SHALL BE CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 AM ON EACH DAY OF THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 1. ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER SHALL BE USED AS A GUIDE IN ALL BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS AND PARLIAMENTARY USAGES.

ARTICLE 8. PASTORS - ALL CHURCHES IN THIS ASSOCIATION ARE EXPECTED TO REQUIRE THEIR PASTOR TO BE A MEMBER OF THE CONGREGATION HE SERVES. IN THE EVENT A PASTOR SERVES MORE THAN ONE CHURCH HE IS EXPECTED TO BECOME A MEMBER OF ONE OF THE CHURCHES HE SERVES. ALL CHURCHES ARE EXPECTED TO REQUIRE A PASTOR JOINING THE CHURCH TO PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THIS BODY NOT LATER THAN THE NEXT ASSOCIATION MEETING. (SEE THE CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE SECTION UNDER THE BY-LAWS FOR RULES AND REQUIREMENTS ON BECOMING A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING FOR MINISTERS.)

ARTICLE 9. PROVISION FOR THE ORDAINED AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. ALL ORDAINED MINISTERS AND DEACONS MUST BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING WITH A CHURCH IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 2. ORDAINED MINISTERS AND DEACONS CANNOT HAVE MORE THAN ONE LIVING WIFE, LIKEWISE, ORDAINED MINISTERS AND DEACONS WIVES CANNOT HAVE MORE THAN ONE LIVING HUSBAND.

SECTION 3. ORDAINED MINISTERS CAN HOLD NO CREDENTIALS OTHER THAN THOSE RECOGNIZED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST AND THIS ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 10. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THIS COMMITTEE IS COMPOSED OF THE MODERATOR, VICE MODERATOR, CLERK AND TREASURER, ALL ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO ARE IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS ASSOCIATION AND PASTORING A CHURCH IN GOOD STANDING IN THIS ASSOCIATION, ALONG WITH ONE ELECTED MEMBER FROM EACH CHURCH IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 11. OTHER ELECTED COMMITTEES TO HELP PLAN, PROMOTE, ORGANIZE AND ASSIST IN CARRYING ON THE BUSINESS OF THE ASSOCIATION IN A CHRISTIAN MANNER THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES ARE ELECTED BY THE ASSOCIATION WHILE IN SESSION FROM THOSE PROPERLY NOMINATED TO HOLD THAT OFFICE. THE DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THESE ELECTED COMMITTEES ARE SET OUT IN THE BY-LAWS OF THE CONSTITUTION. THESE COMMITTEES ARE:

A. CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF SEVEN MEMBERS FROM THE ORDAINED AUTHORITY OF THE ASSOCIATION IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS BODY AND MEMBERS OF A CHURCH IN THIS ASSOCIATION IN GOOD STANDING. THESE SHALL BE ELECTED TWO FOR FOUR (4) YEARS, TWO FOR THREE (3) YEARS, TWO FOR TWO (2) YEARS AND ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE OR MORE MEMBERS SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RENOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR THE DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

B. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM NOMINATIONS PRESENTED TO THE BODY WHILE IN SESSION. THESE ARE ELECTED ONE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, ONE FOR TWO (2) YEARS, ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE MEMBER SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RE-NOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR THE DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

C. MISSIONS COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM NOMINATIONS PRESENTED TO THIS BODY WHILE IN SESSION. THESE ARE ELECTED ONE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, ONE FOR TWO (2) YEARS, ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE MEMBER SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RE-NOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR THE DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

D. CHILDREN HOME COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM NOMINATIONS PRESENTED TO THIS BODY WHILE IN SESSION. THESE ARE ELECTED ONE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, ONE FOR TWO (2) YEARS, ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE MEMBER SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RE-NOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR THE DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

1. AT THE ANNUAL SESSION EACH YEAR A NOMINEE SHALL BE PLACED BEFORE THE ASSOCIATION TO SERVE AS A BOARD MEMBER TO THE CHILDREN HOME. THIS BOARD MEMBER IS TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS AT THE HOME, VOTE ON THE PROCEEDINGS AT THE HOME AND KEEP THIS ASSOCIATION PROPERLY INFORMED OF ALL THAT OCCURS AT THE HOME THAT WOULD HAVE MEANING TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION. THE BOARD MEMBER WOULD NOT BE AN ACTIVE PART OF THE CHILDREN HOME COMMITTEE UNLESS ALSO SERVING AS AN ELECTED MEMBER OF THAT COMMITTEE WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION.

E. PLACEMENT COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM NOMINATIONS PRESENTED TO THIS BODY WHILE IN SESSION. THESE ARE ELECTED ONE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, ONE FOR TWO (2) YEARS, ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE MEMBER SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RE-NOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR THE DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

F. NOMINATING COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM NOMINATIONS PRESENTED TO THIS BODY WHILE IN SESSION. THESE ARE ELECTED ONE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, ONE FOR TWO (2) YEARS, ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE MEMBER SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RE-NOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR THE DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

G. FINANCE COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM NOMINATIONS PRESENTED TO THIS BODY WHILE IN SESSION. THESE ARE ELECTED ONE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, ONE FOR TWO (2) YEARS, ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE MEMBER SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RE-NOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR THE DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

H. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE MEMBERS ELECTED FROM NOMINATIONS PRESENTED TO THIS BODY WHILE IN SESSION. THESE ARE ELECTED ONE FOR THREE (3) YEARS, ONE FOR TWO (2) YEARS, ONE FOR ONE (1) YEAR. EACH YEAR AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ONE MEMBER SHALL BE UP FOR REPLACEMENT OR RE-NOMINATION. SEE THE BY-LAWS FOR DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED.

ARTICLE 12. ANY INDIVIDUAL NOMINATED TO HOLD ANY OFFICE OR POSITION IN THIS ASSOCIATION MUST BE A MEMBER OF GOOD STANDING WITH A MEMBER CHURCH OF THIS ASSOCIATION THAT IS IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 13. REQUIRED QUORUM - THIRTY (30) DELEGATES FROM SIX (6) OR MORE CHURCHES WHO ARE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM. A LESSER NUMBER MAY ADJOURN UNTIL SUCH A QUORUM IS PRESENT.

BY-LAWS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF
FREE WILL BAPTIST

ARTICLE 1. OFFICERS - ALL OFFICERS SHALL BE ELECTED ANNUALLY. ANY OFFICER MAY SUCCEED THEMSELVES IN OFFICE IF SO NOMINATED.

ARTICLE 2. DUTIES OF ASSOCIATION OFFICERS:

SECTION 1. MODERATOR - THE MODERATOR SHALL PRESIDE OVER ALL MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION, APPOINT TEMPORARY COMMITTEES AND CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TOGETHER WHEN NECESSARY.

SECTION 2. VICE MODERATOR - THE VICE MODERATOR SHALL PRESIDE OVER THE MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION IN THE ABSENCE OF THE MODERATOR, CALL THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE INTO SESSION IN THE ABSENCE OF THE MODERATOR WHEN NECESSARY AND ASSIST THE MODERATOR IN THE GENERAL WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 3. CLERK - THE CLERK SHALL RECORD THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND SHALL HAVE THEM EDITED AND PRINTED INTO ANNUAL MINUTES. CLERK SHALL TURN ALL RECORDS OF THE ASSOCIATION OVER TO HIS/HER SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE. THE CLERK OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL PREPARE AN ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT TO THE ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 4. TREASURER - THE TREASURER SHALL HAVE CHARGE OF ALL ASSOCIATION FUNDS. TREASURER SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF ALL MONIES RECEIVED AND PAID OUT BY THE ASSOCIATION. TREASURER SHALL DISTRIBUTE FUNDS AT THE DIRECTION OF THE ASSOCIATION WHILE IN SESSION OR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BY A MAJORITY PRESENT. TREASURER SHALL TURN ALL RECORDS OF THE ASSOCIATION OVER TO HIS/HER SUCCESSOR IN OFFICE.

SECTION 5. PROVISION FOR MODERATOR IN CASE OF THE ABSENCE OF BOTH THE MODERATOR AND VICE MODERATOR, THE SENIOR MINISTER OF THE STANDING DELEGATES SHALL ACT IN THAT CAPACITY.

ARTICLE 3. DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OTHER ELECTED COMMITTEES ESTABLISHED BY THE CONSTITUTION:

SECTION 1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET IN OCTOBER FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION ON A DATE, TIME AND PLACE APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLANNING THE NEXT YEARS ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MIGHT PROPERLY COME BEFORE THIS COMMITTEE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES.

A. THIS COMMITTEE MAY BE CALLED INTO ORDER AT ANY TIME THE ASSOCIATION IS NOT IN SESSION BY THE MODERATOR OR IN HIS ABSENCE, THE VICE MODERATOR.

B. THIS COMMITTEE SHALL ACT AS THE PROMOTIONAL AGENCY FOR THE VARIOUS WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION.

C. THIS COMMITTEE SHALL ACT FOR THE ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES ON THINGS WHEN IT IS NOT IN SESSION THAT CANNOT WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT SESSION.

SECTION 2. CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO EXAMINE ALL CHURCH LETTERS PRESENTED TO THE ASSOCIATION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATION AS TO ORDER OF LETTER AND DELEGATES.

B. TO EXAMINE, AT THE REQUEST OF THE LOCAL CHURCH, ANY CANDIDATE DESIRING A LICENSE TO PREACH AS A FREE WILL BAPTIST MINISTER AND MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THE BODY.

C. TO EXAMINE ALL CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE OF DEACON, AT THE REQUEST OF THE LOCAL CHURCH, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THE BODY.

D. TO EXAMINE ALL CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION, MINISTER OR DEACON, AT THE REQUEST OF THE LOCAL CHURCH AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THIS BODY.

E. TO EXAMINE ALL MINISTERS COMING FROM OTHER SISTER ASSOCIATIONS TO PASTOR IN THIS ASSOCIATION AND MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THIS BODY.

F. TO EXAMINE ALL MINISTERS COMING FROM OTHER DENOMINATIONS OR INDEPENDENT CHURCHES WHO DESIRE TO OBTAIN LICENSE TO PREACH IN THE FREE WILL BAPTIST DENOMINATION. SUCH CANDIDATES MUST FIRST SURRENDER ANY CREDENTIALS CURRENTLY HELD. ANY CANDIDATE COMING FROM ANOTHER DENOMINATION OR INDEPENDENT CHURCH WILL BE PLACED UNDER THE WATCH CARE OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR A PERIOD OF TIME NOT LESS THAN ONE YEAR. ANY CANDIDATE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THIS BODY WILL HAVE ALL PERSONAL PAPERS RETURNED TO HIM.

G. THIS COMMITTEE MAY USE ORAL, WRITTEN OR COMBINATION OF BOTH, IN IT'S EXAMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE. WRITTEN FORMS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THIS COMMITTEE.

H. THIS COMMITTEE SHALL GRANT TO A MINISTER LEAVING THIS ASSOCIATION HIS LETTER OF GOOD STANDING FROM THIS ASSOCIATION TO A NEW ASSOCIATION IN THE TIME THIS ASSOCIATION IS NOT IN SESSION, PROVIDED THERE ARE NO CHARGES FILED BY THE CHURCH HE IS LEAVING OR THERE ARE NO ASSOCIATIONAL CHARGES FILED AGAINST HIM.

SECTION 3. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO PLAN, ORGANIZE AND SUPERVISE YOUTH RALLIES, A YOUTH REVIVAL, CTS COMPETITION, SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION AND SUMMER CAMPS FOR THE ASSOCIATION.

B. TO PROMOTE THE BIBLE COLLEGE AND EDUCATION OF OUR PEOPLE.

C. TO RECOMMEND TO THE ASSOCIATION A CAMP DIRECTOR WHO IS TO BE NOMINATED AND ELECTED NO LATER THAN THE APRIL SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION. THIS COMMITTEE AND THE ELECTED CAMP DIRECTOR SHALL HAVE AUTHORITY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE PLACE CAMP IS HELD, SECURE AN EVANGELIST, SOLICIT WORKERS, PURCHASE SUCH TEACHING MATERIALS AND AIDS AS NECESSARY, ESTABLISH DRESS CODES FOR CAMP AND SET UP THE ACTIVITIES FOR THE CAMP.

SECTION 4. MISSIONS COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO PROMOTE MISSION WORK IN THIS ASSOCIATION.

B. TO KEEP BEFORE THE CHURCHES OF THIS ASSOCIATION THE NEEDS OF OUR MISSIONARY FAMILIES, HOME AND FOREIGN.

C. TO BRING TO OUR ASSOCIATION MEETINGS MISSIONARY FAMILIES OR THE MISSIONARY HIMSELF WHEN POSSIBLE, TO KEEP ALL INFORMED; TO PLAN RETREATS, CONFERENCES, ETC. IN THE MISSION AREA.

SECTION 5. CHILDREN HOME COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO PLAN WAYS WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION TO RAISE FUNDS TO RELIEVE STRAIN ON THE HOME.

B. TO KEEP THE ASSOCIATION INFORMED AS TO THE PRESSING NEEDS OF THE HOME.

C. TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE HOME AS OFTEN AS POSSIBLE TO GIVE THE ASSOCIATION A FEELING OF THE HOME.

SECTION 6. PLACEMENT COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO CO-ORDINATE WITH OUR SISTER CHURCHES THE PLACES FOR THE QUARTLY AND ANNUAL SESSIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 7. NOMINATING COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS ANNUALLY.

B. TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR VARIOUS COMMITTEES COMING UP FOR ELECTION AT EACH ANNUAL SESSION.

C. TO NOMINATE REPLACEMENTS FOR VARIOUS COMMITTEES WHEN NECESSARY AT QUARTERLY SESSIONS WHEN A COMMITTEE HAS LOST A MEMBER FOR ANY REASON.

SECTION 8. FINANCE COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO PREPARE AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE ASSOCIATION AND PRESENT IT TO THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL.

B. TO RECOMMEND TO THE ASSOCIATION AT EACH SESSION THE DISPOSITION OF THE PLATE OFFERING.

C. TO ASSIST, AT THEIR REQUEST, THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION IN FINANCING THE CAMP, THE RALLIES, THE YOUTH REVIVAL.

SECTION 9. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE DUTIES:

A. TO BRING TO THE ASSOCIATIONS ATTENTION ANY MATTER THAT NEEDS OUR ATTENTION IN THE AREA OF LOCAL, STATE OR NATIONAL AREAS.

SECTION 10. EACH COMMITTEE SHALL GIVE A REPORT OF ITS ACTIVITIES AT EACH SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION IN ORDER TO KEEP THE ASSOCIATION PROPERLY INFORMED.

SECTION 11. ANY COMMITTEE MAY BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE MODERATOR MATTERS THAT COULD AFFECT THE ASSOCIATION IN SUCH A WAY THAT A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO HANDLE THE MATTER. IF THE MODERATOR FEELS THE NEED TO BE PRESSING AND CANNOT WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT REGULAR SESSION HE MAY CALL THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE INTO SESSION TO HANDLE SUCH MATTER.

ARTICLE 4. REPRESENTATION OF CHURCHES TO THE ASSOCIATION:

SECTION 1. EACH CHURCH IS EXPECTED TO SEND QUARTERLY AND ANNUAL REPORTS OF PROGRESS ON FORMS FURNISHED BY THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 2. EACH CHURCH IS EXPECTED TO BE REPRESENTED AT EACH SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION BY ELECTED DELEGATES DETERMINED BY THE NUMBER OF ACTIVE CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AS PRESENTED AT THE PRECEDING ANNUAL SESSION. EACH CHURCH SHALL BE ENTITLED TO THREE (3) DELEGATES FOR THE FIRST 50 ACTIVE MEMBERS OR PORTION THEREOF. EACH CHURCH SHALL BE ENTITLED TO ONE (1) ADDITIONAL DELEGATE FOR EACH ADDITIONAL 25 MEMBERS OR PORTION THEREOF.

SECTION 3. ALL ORDAINED MINISTERS AND DEACONS WHO ARE MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING WITH A CHURCH IN GOOD STANDING WITH THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL BE A STANDING DELEGATE.

SECTION 4. DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES SEATED AT ANY SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION MUST HAVE BEEN ELECTED BY THEIR HOME CHURCH AND THEIR NAME SHOWN ON THE CHURCH'S LETTER PRESENTED TO THAT SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION. NO APPOINTMENTS MAY BE MADE BY A CHURCH PASTOR NOR MAY ANY SUBSTITUTE BE MADE IN ANY OTHER MANNER TO STAND IN FOR AN ELECTED DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE. TO BE SEATED THE NAMES MUST BE ON THE CHURCH LETTER.

SECTION 5. DELEGATE DUES ARE FIXED AT \$5.00 PER AUTHORIZED DELEGATE TO THE QUARTERLY SESSIONS AND \$10.00 PER DELEGATE TO THE ANNUAL SESSION.

SECTION 6. TO HELP DEFRAY THE COST OF THE OPERATION OF THE ASSOCIATION IT IS REQUESTED THAT EACH CHURCH SEND AN ADDITIONAL FIFTY CENTS (\$.50) PER ACTIVE CHURCH MEMBER TO SUPPORT LOCAL CAUSES IN THE ASSOCIATION TO EACH SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 5. USE OF FUNDS:

SECTION 1. FUNDS ARE TO BE USED FOR PRINTING OF THE ANNUAL MINUTES.

SECTION 2. ASSOCIATION IS TO SUPPORT HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS, PROMOTE THE BIBLE COLLEGE IN NASHVILLE, THE CHILDREN HOME AND THE SUPERANNUATION OF OUR OLDER MINISTERS.

SECTION 3. PAY SUCH FUNDS AS PRESCRIBED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET.

SECTION 4. FUNDS DESIGNATED AT ANY SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR SUCH CAUSE AS MAY PROPERLY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE ASSOCIATION AND VOTED ON.

SECTION 5. PLATE OFFERINGS, SPECIAL OFFERINGS OR OTHER GIFTS AS DESIGNATED BY THE BODY AT EACH SESSION.

SECTION 6. FUNDS ARE TO BE DISBURSED AT THE TIME AUTHORIZED AND IN SUCH QUANTITY AS AUTHORIZED AND TO WHOM AUTHORIZED.

ARTICLE 5. AMENDMENTS:

SECTION 1. THIS CONSTITUTION AND THESE BY-LAWS SHALL NOT BE CHANGED OR ALTERED EXCEPT AND ONLY BY A TWO-THIRDS (2/3) MAJORITY VOTE OF DELEGATES PRESENT FROM MEMBER CHURCHES IN ANY SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 2. ALL AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS SHALL BE PRESENTED IN WRITING TO ANY SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION AND SHALL BE READ IN THE HEARING OF THOSE ASSEMBLED DELEGATES AND SHALL BE TABLED UNTIL THE NEXT SCHEDULED ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING AND THEN SHALL BE REMOVED FROM THE TABLE, READ AGAIN IN THE HEARING OF THOSE ASSEMBLED, AND THEN ACTED UPON BY THE ASSOCIATION.

RULES OF DECORUM:

1. THE ASSOCIATION, WHEN CONVENED, SHALL BE OPENED AND CLOSED BY SINGING AND PRAYER.
2. ONLY ONE PERSON SHALL SPEAK AT A TIME, AND HE WILL RISE TO HIS FEET AND ADDRESS THE MODERATOR.
3. EACH PERSON THUS SPEAKING SHALL NOT BE INTERRUPTED IN SPEECH, EXCEPT BY THE MODERATOR, UNTIL HE GETS THROUGH; NOR SHALL THE MODERATOR INTERRUPT HIM UNLESS HE GETS OUT OF ORDER.
4. THE PERSON THUS SPEAKING SHALL ADHERE TO THE QUESTION AND SHALL IN NO WAY CAST REFLECTIONS ON ANY PERSON WHO MAY HAVE SPOKEN BEFORE HIM.
5. NO PERSON SHALL SPEAK MORE THAN THREE (3) TIMES ON THE SAME SUBJECT WITHOUT LEAVE OF THE ASSOCIATION.

6. NO PERSON SHALL LAUGH OR WHISPER IN TIME OF PUBLIC SPEECH.

7. MEMBERS SHALL ADDRESS EACH OTHER BY THE APPELLATION OF BROTHER OR BRETHERN AND SISTER(S).

8. NO MEMBERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL ABSENT HIMSELF WHEN THE ASSOCIATION IS SITTING IN CONFERENCE WITHOUT LEAVE OF THE MODERATOR.

9. THE NAMES OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL BE ENROLLED AND CALLED AS OFTEN AS THE ASSOCIATION THINKS IS NECESSARY.

10. NO MEMBER SHALL SPEAK LONGER THAN FIVE (5) MINUTES AT ANY ONE TIME WITHOUT LEAVE OF THE MODERATOR.

ARTICLES OF FAITH:

1. THE BIBLE - THE SCRIPTURE OF THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS WERE GIVEN BY INSPIRATION OF GOD AND ARE OUR INFALLIBLE RULE OF FAITH AND PRACTICE.

2. GOD - THERE IS ONE TRUE AND LIVING GOD, REVEALED IN NATURE AS THE CREATOR, PRESERVER AND RIGHTEDUS GOVERNOR OF THE UNIVERSE AND IN SCRIPTURE AS FATHER, SON AND HOLY GHOST, YET AS ONE GOD, INFINITELY WISE AND GOOD, WHOM ALL INTELLIGENT CREATURES ARE SUPREMELY TO LOVE, ADORE AND OBEY.

3. CHRIST - CHRIST IS GOD MANIFEST IN THE FLESH; IN HIS DIVINE NATURE TRULY MAN. THE MEDIATOR BETWEEN GOD AND MAN, ONCE CRUCIFIED, HE IS NOW RISEN AND GLORIFIED, AND IS OUR EVER PRESENT SAVIGUR AND LORD.

4. THE HOLY SPIRIT - THE SCRIPTURES ASSIGN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT ALL THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD.

5. THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD - GOD EXERCISES A WISE AND BENEVOLENT PROVIDENCE OVER ALL THINGS BY MAINTAINING THE CONSTRUCTION AND LAWS OF NATURE. HE ALSO PERFORMS SPECIAL ACTS, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR AS THE HIGHEST WELFARE OF MEN REQUIRE.

6. THE SINFULNESS OF MAN - MAN WAS CREATED INNOCENT, BUT BY DISOBEDIENCE FELL INTO SIN AND CONDEMNATION. HIS POSTERITY THEREFORE INHERIT A FALLEN NATURE OF SUCH TENDENCIES THAT ALL WHO COME TO YEARS OF ACCOUNTABILITY SIN AND BECOME GUILTY BEFORE GOD.

7. THE WORK OF CHRIST - THE SON OF MAN BY HIS INCARNATION, LIFE AND SUFFERINGS, DEATH AND RESURRECTION EFFECTED FOR ALL A REDEMPTION FROM SIN THAT IS FULL AND FREE AND IS THE GROUND OF SALVATION BY FAITH.
8. THE TERMS OF SALVATION - THE CONDITIONS OF SALVATION ARE; (1) REPENTANCE OR SINCERE SORROW FOR SIN AND THE HEARTY RENUNCIATION OF IT. (2) FAITH OR THE RESERVED COMMITMENT OF ONE'S SELF TO CHRIST AS SAVIOUR AND LORD WITH PURPOSE TO LOVE AND OBEY HIM IN ALL THINGS. IN THE EXERCISE OF SAVING FAITH THE SOUL IS RENEWED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, FREED FROM THE DOMINION OF SIN AND BECOMES A CHILD OF GOD. (3) CONTINUANCE IN FAITH AND OBEDIENCE UNTIL DEATH.
9. ELECTION - GOD DETERMINED FROM THE BEGINNING TO SAVE ALL WHO SHOULD COMPLY WITH THE CONDITIONS OF SALVATION. HENCE BY FAITH MEN BECOME HIS ELECT.
10. FREEDOM OF THE WILL - THE HUMAN WILL IS FREE AND SELF CONTROLLED, HAVING POWER TO YIELD TO THE INFLUENCE OF THE TRUTH AND THE SPIRIT; OR TO RESIST THEM AND PERISH.
11. SALVATION FREE - GOD DESIRES THE SALVATION OF ALL, THE GOSPEL INVITES ALL, THE HOLY SPIRIT STRIVES WITH ALL, AND WHosoever WILL MAY COME AND TAKE OF THE WATER OF LIFE FREELY.
12. PERSEVERANCE - ALL BELIEVERS IN CHRIST, WHO THROUGH GRACE PERSEVERE IN HOLINESS TO THE END OF LIFE, HAVE PROMISE OF ETERNAL SALVATION.
13. GOSPEL ORDINANCES - BAPTISM - THE IMMERSION OF BELIEVERS IN WATER AND THE LORD'S SUPPER ARE ORDINANCES TO BE PERPETUATED UNDER THE GOSPEL. FEET WASHING, AN ORDINANCE TEACHING HUMILITY, OF UNIVERSAL OBLIGATION, AND TO BE MINISTERED TO ALL BELIEVERS.
14. TITHING - GOD COMMANDED TITHES AND OFFERINGS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT AND JESUS CHRIST ENDORSED IT IN THE GOSPEL (MATT: 23:23), AND THE APOSTLE PAUL SAID "UPON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK LET EVERY ONE OF YOU LAY BY HIM IN STORE AS GOD HATH PROSPERED HIM", (1 CORINTHIANS 16:2).
15. THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH - THE DIVINE LAW REQUIRES THAT ONE DAY IN SEVEN BE SET APART FROM SECULAR EMPLOYMENTS AND AMUSEMENTS FOR THE REST, WORSHIP, HOLY WORKS AND ACTIVITIES AND FOR THE PERSONAL COMMISSION WITH GOD.
16. RESURRECTION, JUDGEMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION - THE SCRIPTURES TEACH THE RESURRECTION OF ALL MEN AT THE LAST DAY, THEY THAT HAVE DONE

GOOD WILL COME FORTH TO THE RESURRECTION OF LIFE AND THEY THAT HAVE DONE EVIL UNTO THE RESURRECTION OF DAMNATION; THE WICKED WILL "GO AWAY INTO ETERNAL PUNISHMENT, BUT THE RIGHTEOUS INTO LIFE ETERNAL."

CHURCH COVENANT:

HAVING GIVEN OURSELVES TO GOD, BY FAITH IN CHRIST, AND ADOPTED THE WORD OF GOD AS OUR RULE OF FAITH AND PRACTICE, WE NOW GIVE OURSELVES TO ONE ANOTHER BY THE WILL OF GOD IN THIS SOLEMN COVENANT.

WE PROMISE, BY HIS GRACE, TO LOVE AND OBEY HIM IN ALL THINGS, TO AVOID ALL APPEARANCE OF EVIL, TO ABSTAIN FROM ALL SINFUL AMUSEMENTS AND UNHOLY CONFORMITY TO THE WORLD, FROM ALL SANCTION OF THE USE AND SALE OF INTOXICATING BEVERAGES, AND TO "PROVIDE THINGS HONEST IN THE SIGHT OF ALL MEN."

WE AGREE FAITHFULLY TO DISCHARGE OUR OBLIGATIONS IN REFERENCE TO THE STUDY OF THE SCRIPTURES, SECRET PRAYER, FAMILY DEVOTIONS AND SOCIAL WORSHIP; AND BY SELF DENIAL, FAITH AND GOOD WORKS ENDEAVOR TO "GROW IN THE GRACE AND KNOWLEDGE OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST."

WE WILL NOT FORSAKE THE ASSEMBLING TOGETHER FOR CHURCH CONFERENCE, PUBLIC WORSHIP AND THE OBSERVANCE OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE GOSPEL, NOR FAIL TO PAY ITS POOR AND ALL ITS BENEVOLENT WORK.

WE AGREE TO ACCEPT CHRISTIAN ADMONITION AND REPROOF WITH MEEKNESS, AND TO WATCH OVER ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE, ENDEAVORING TO "KEEP THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT" IN THE BONDS OF PEACE, TO BE CAREFUL OF ONE ANOTHER'S HAPPINESS AND REPUTATION AND SEEK TO STRENGTHEN THE WEAK, ENCOURAGE THE AFFLICTED, ADMONISH THE ERRING, AND SO FAR AS WE ARE ABLE, PROMOTE THE SUCCESS OF THE CHURCH AND THE GOSPEL.

WE WILL EVERYWHERE HOLD CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLE SACRED AND CHRISTIAN OBLIGATIONS AND ENTERPRISES SUPREME, COUNTING IT OUR CHIEF BUSINESS IN LIFE TO EXTEND THE INFLUENCE OF CHRIST IN SOCIETY, AND CONSTANTLY PRAYING AND TELLING THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD MAY COME, AND HIS WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

TO THIS END WE AGREE TO LABOR FOR THE PROMOTION OF EDUCATIONAL AND DENOMINATIONAL ENTERPRISES, THE SUPPORT OF MISSIONS, THE SUCCESS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND THE EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS FOR THE SALVATION OF THE WORLD. AND MAY THE GOD OF PEACE SANCTIFY US WHOLLY AND PERSEVERE US BLAMELESS UNTO THE COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.

DID YOU KNOW?

IN CHOWAN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA IN 1727 THE FIRST FWB CHURCHES WAS FORMED BY PAUL PALMER. THIS WAS KNOWN AS THE FWB CHURCHES OF THE SOUTH. FIFTY YEARS LATER BENJAMIN RANDALL FORMED THE FWB CHURCHES OF THE NORTH. THERE WAS DIFFERENCE IN THE ORDINANCES ON THE PRACTICE OF FEET WASHING BETWEEN THE TWO. THE SOUTH PRACTICED FEET WASHING, BUT THE NORTH DID NOT.

IN THE YEAR 1827 THERE WAS THREE CHURCHES IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

THE FWB DENOMINATION MOVED ON TO THE STATE OF GEORGIA IN APPROXIMATELY 1835 AND SETTLED IN THE COLUMBUS, GEORGIA AREA. WE BELIEVE THE FWB THEN MOVED ON TO THE EUFAULA, ALABAMA AREA AS COLUMBUS, GEORGIA AND EUFAULA, ALABAMA WAS TRADING POST CENTERS. AS THE PEOPLE MOVED THE FWB MOVED. THIS TOOK PLACE SOMETIME BETWEEN 1835 AND THE CIVIL WAR.

WE BELIEVE THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION HAD ITS BEGINNING IN THE YEAR OF 1878.

JOSEPH WHITAKER WAS BORN IN 1865. HE IS BURIED AT THE HOWARD GROVE FWB CHURCH AND WE HAVE OBTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM HIS RECORDS. IN THE YEAR OF 1879 HOWARD GROVE FWB CHURCH WAS A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FWB. IN THE YEAR 1886 THE SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION CONVENED AT GOODWATER FWB CHURCH THEN LOCATED IN DALE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE YEAR OF 1886 THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION PROPOSED TO DO AWAY WITH THE PRACTICE OF FEET WASHING AS A CHURCH CHRISTIAN ORDINANCE. HOWARD GROVE FWB CHURCH LEFT THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION FOLLOWED BY HICKORY, SILVER RUN, AND NEW PROSPECT CHURCHES. THEY APPOINTED HOWARD GROVE AS THEIR MEETING PLACE AND FORMED THE STATE LINE ASSOCIATION.

IN THE EARLY CHURCHES PEOPLE WAS SO MANY TIMES CALLED UP FOR DOING WRONG. DANCING AND DRINKING WAS ONE OF THE MAIN ACKNOWLEDGMENTS MADE.

FROM THE EARLY MINUTES OF THE UNION GROVE CHURCH ESTABLISHED IN 1877 WE HAVE TAKEN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION.

ON SATURDAY BEFORE THE 5TH SUNDAY IN AUGUST 1890 THERE WAS AN ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING AT MOUNT ZION. THIS WAS TO ESTABLISH OR DISCUSS A NEW CONSTITUTION FOR THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION. ON AUGUST 1, 1891 DELEGATES WAS ELECTED FROM UNION GROVE TO GO TO THE ASSOCIATION. IN 1891 UNION GROVE CHURCH PAID .50 FOR ASSOCIATIONAL PURPOSES.

THE ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING WAS HELD AT PLEASANT HILL FWB CHURCH ON THE 3RD SATURDAY IN DECEMBER 1892.

IN APRIL 1894 THE CHURCH OF UNION GROVE APPROVED THE BUYING OF ONE HALF DOZEN HYMN BOOKS.

IN SEPTEMBER 1896 UNION GROVE ELECTED DELEGATES TO REPRESENT THEM IN THE ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING AND THE CHURCH PAID \$1.00 FOR MINUTES AND \$.75 FOR ASSOCIATIONAL PURPOSES.

IN THE YEAR OF 1897 THE ASSOCIATIONAL DUES WAS RAISED TO \$2.00 (TIMES HAVE CHANGED).

IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1898 THE ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION WAS HELD WITH PROSPECT CHURCH IN HENRY COUNTY, ALABAMA. PINEY GROVE, NEW PROSPECT, ANTIOCH AND EVERGREEN WITHDREW FROM THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION WITHOUT ANY AUTHORITY FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE CHURCHES. THEY THEN FORMED AN ASSOCIATION KNOWN AS THE EVERGREEN ASSOCIATION. THIS ASSOCIATION WAS CONTRARY TO ANY PRECEDENT KNOWN TO THE ECCLESIASTICAL LAW AND WITHOUT AUTHORITY FROM THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION AND ADOPTED A DECORUM CONTRARY TO ANY BAPTIST OR CONGREGATIONAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT. THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION WOULD NOT ALLOW ANY PASTOR OF THE EVERGREEN ASSOCIATION TO SERVE IN A CHURCH IN THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION.

ON FRIDAY BEFORE THE 3RD. SUNDAY IN OCTOBER 1910 THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST CONVENED AT NEW PROSPECT CHURCH IN HENRY COUNTY, ALABAMA FOR THE 32ND ANNUAL SESSION. BROTHER J. H. GUILFORD WAS MODERATOR AND BROTHER C. B. SEARCY, CLERK. THE FOLLOWING REPORT WAS BROUGHT BEFORE THE ASSOCIATION ON DOCUMENTS.

TEMPERANCE: WE YOUR COMMITTEE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING REPORT. AS THE LORD HAS COMMANDED HIS CHILDREN TO BE TEMPERATE IN ALL THINGS, WE WILL SUBMIT AND SURRENDER TO BE TEMPERATE IN SUCH ACTS AND DEEDS AND AS GOD'S WORD PRONOUNCES "WOE UNTO HIM THAT GIVETH HIS BROTHER DRINK OR PUTTETH THE BOTTLE TO HIS NEIGHBOR'S LIPS TO MAKE HIM DRUNK." WE WILL NOT ONLY ABSTAIN FROM IT OURSELVES, BUT DO EVERYTHING AGAINST THE SALE OF IT OR THE USE OF IT IN ANY WAY. WE SEE THAT WHISKEY IS A DESTRUCTION OF HUMANITY AND THE CHURCH. WE GIVE BELOW THE ESTIMATE OF WHAT ONE BUSHEL OF CORN WILL MAKE. THE DISTILLER GETS 4 GALLONS OF WHISKEY WHICH RETAILS AT \$16.00; THE FARMER GETS \$1.00 FOR HIS CORN; THE GOVERNMENT GETS \$4.40; THE RAILROAD GETS \$1.00 FOR CARRYING ; THE MANUFACTURER GETS \$9.35; THE DRAYMAN GETS \$.15; THE CONSUMER GETS DRUNK; THE WIFE AND CHILDREN GO HALF CLAD IN IGNORANCE AND SHAME.

IN 1910 THE ASSOCIATION PAID \$15.00 FOR THEIR MINUTES AND ON SATURDAY THE PUBLIC COLLECTION WAS \$8.65. A MOTION WAS MADE TO SEND \$10.00 TO THE AYDEN, NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL. THERE WAS ALSO A MOTION MADE TO PAY THE MODERATOR \$10.00 FOR HIS SERVICES.

ONLY 4 CHURCHES IN THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION WAS HAVING A SUNDAY SCHOOL (SABBATH SCHOOL). C. A. ARNOLD ASKED THAT THE CHURCHES PUT FORTH A SPECIAL EFFORT TO HAVE SABBATH SCHOOLS AS IT WAS A STEPPING STONE TO RELIGION FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS.

IN 1910 THERE WAS 15 CHURCHES IN THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION. THEY WERE: ANTIOCH, BETHSAIDA, CHRISTIAN HOME, EPHEBUS, EVERGREEN, GOODWATER, JUDSON, MOUNT ZION, NEW PROSPECT, PINEY GROVE, PLEASANT HILL, PILGRIM'S REST, SARDIS, UNION GROVE AND ZION.

ON FRIDAY BEFORE THE 3RD. SUNDAY IN OCTOBER 1936 THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION CONVENED AT NEW ZION CHURCH FOR THEIR 58TH ANNUAL SESSION. BROTHER J. H. GUILFORD, MODERATOR; BROTHER D. F. PELT, VICE MODERATOR; BROTHER J. S. VICKERS, CLERK; AND D. E. SHIRLEY, TREASURER.

THE FOLLOWING REPORT WAS GIVEN ON TEMPERANCE. WE URGE THAT OUR MEMBERS OBEY PAUL'S INSTRUCTIONS, "BE YE TEMPERATE IN ALL THINGS." ESPECIALLY PERTAINING TO STRONG DRINKS, AND WE RECOMMEND THAT ALL OUR CHURCHES DEAL WITH ITS MEMBERS THAT WALK DISORDERLY IN ANY RESPECT.

SIX CHURCHES REPORTED AS HAVING SUNDAY SCHOOLS. EACH CHURCH WAS URGED TO ORGANIZE A SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TAKE THE WORK TO HEART.

BROTHER J. T. HUTTO HELD THE CONGREGATION ALMOST SPELLBOUND WITH OLD TIME PREACHING. THIS WAS VERY IMPRESSIVE AND ENJOYED BY ALL.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION WAS SET TO MEET SATURDAY BEFORE THE 2ND. FIFTH SUNDAY IN 1937 AND GOES TO GOODWATER.

THE FOLLOWING MEN WAS GIVEN AS MINISTERS; E. D. SELLERS, BOB BEASLEY, J. H. GUILFORD, C. P. GUILFORD, THOMAS GILLEY, J. M. SHIRLEY, D. F. PELT. THERE WAS 12 CHURCHES IN THE ASSOCIATION IN 1936.

ON FRIDAY BEFORE THE THIRD SUNDAY IN OCTOBER 1938 THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST MET AT UNION GROVE CHURCH. BROTHER J. H. GUILFORD, MODERATOR; D. F. PELT, VICE MODERATOR; J. S. VICKERS, CLERK; AND J. L. STOKES (LONG), TREASURER.

ON FRIDAY BROTHER T. B. MILLETTE PREACHED THE TRUE GOSPEL OF CHRIST TO A CONGREGATION THAT ENJOYED IT AND WAS TRULY THANKFUL FOR SUCH A MESSAGE. AN INTERMISSION OF ONE HOUR AND FIFTEEN MINUTES AND GIVEN DURING WHICH TIME A BOUNTIFUL FEAST WAS SPREAD AND ENJOYED BY ALL. SONG SERVICE WAS LED BY BROTHER BOB STOKES.

ONLY FIVE CHURCHES WAS HAVING SUNDAY SCHOOL IN 1938.

PILGRIM CHURCH GAVE THE FOLLOWING REPORT. FROM THE DAYS OF JESUS DOWN TO OUR AGE OR THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE HISTORY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION, WOMEN HAVE BEEN FOUND AMONG THE MOST LOYAL AND ARDENT FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST. THE LADIES AUXILIARY WORK AFFORDS OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN TO LEND A HELPING HAND IN CARRYING OUT JESUS' COMMAND "GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD."

A MOTION WAS MADE TO PAY THE CLERK \$15.00 AND \$10.00 WAS GIVEN TO BROTHER D. F. PELT FOR HIS EXPENSES TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION. THERE WAS 12 CHURCHES IN THE ASSOCIATION. EVERGREEN HAD THE LARGEST ATTENDANCE WITH 229 MEMBERS. BROTHER G. W. NOBLES WAS PASTOR.

ON FRIDAY BEFORE THE 3RD. SUNDAY IN OCTOBER THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST CONVENED WITH SARDIS CHURCH FOR THE 68TH ANNUAL SESSION. THIS WAS IN THE YEAR 1946. BROTHER D. F. PELT WAS MODERATOR; J. L. STOKES, TREASURER.

ON SATURDAY MORNING THE SONG SERVICE WAS LED BY BROTHER LONG STOKES. BROTHER HUMAN HAD THE DEVOTION FOR THE MORNING AND BROTHER PELT IN THE AFTERNOON.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO SELL JAMES CHAPEL CHURCH AND THE PROCEEDS TO BE DONATED TO HOLMES NEW CHURCH.

THERE WAS 14 CHURCHES IN THE ASSOCIATION. THEY WERE: CHESTER CHAPEL, EVERGREEN, FRIENDSHIP, GOODWATER, HICKORY GROVE, HOLMES, JUDSON, MOUNT ZION, NEW PROSPECT, NEW ZION, PILGRIM'S REST, PLEASANT HILL, SARDIS AND UNION GROVE.

EVERGREEN STILL HAD THE LARGEST MEMBERSHIP WITH 239 MEMBERS.

ON FRIDAY BEFORE THE 3RD. SUNDAY IN OCTOBER 1947 THE SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST CONVENED AT UNION GROVE CHURCH FOR THE 69TH ANNUAL SESSION.

BROTHER D. F. PELT WAS MODERATOR; LUCILLE BODIFORD, CLERK; AND J. LONG STOKES, TREASURER. THE THEME FOR THIS SERVICE WAS "CHRISTIANITY WILL NEVER END."

BROTHER K. V. SHUTES GAVE A REPORT ON THE JUNIOR COLLEGE, THE CHILDREN HOME IN ELDRIDGE, ALABAMA AND A DONATION OF \$47.28 WAS GIVEN.

PILGRIM'S REST HAD JOHNNIE WILSON AND CARL WILSON ORDAINED AS DEACONS.

J. LONG STOKES WAS TREASURER AND HE SHOWED A BALANCE OF \$51.20 IN THE TREASURY.

THERE WAS 14 CHURCHES LISTED AS MEMBERS. THE LARGEST MEMBERSHIP WAS UNION GROVE WITH 191 MEMBERS. THE PASTOR PAID THE LARGEST SALARY WAS T. B. MILLETTE FROM FRIENDSHIP. HE WAS PAID \$600.00.

TIMES HAVE REALLY CHANGED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF OUR ASSOCIATION. SOME FOR THE BETTER, SOME FOR THE WORSE.

IT IS A PLEASURE TO HAVE HAD YOU WITH US AT GOODWATER ON THIS 100TH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION.