
2006 Minutes
of the
Quarterly Meetings
and the
One Hundred Twenty-Eighth
Annual Session
of the
Southeastern Association
of
Free Will Baptist Churches



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OCTOBER 1, 2005 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2006



SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES
2007 OFFICERS

MODERATOR-JOEY PETTIS, 9716 COUNTY ROAD 99, HEADLAND, ALABAMA
36345 TELEPHONE 334-693-5024:

VICE MODERATOR-DANNY HENDERSON, 366 COUNTY ROAD 83 S,
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345 TELEPHONE 334-693-2051:

CLERK/TREASURER-RALPH BAKER, 3422 HIGHWAY 131, CLAYTON,
ALABAMA 36016 TELEPHONE 334-775-9703:

ASSISTANT CLERK/TREASURER-NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS, 607 HOLLY
DRIVE, EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027 TELEPHONE 334-687-3463:

MEETING DATES AND PLACES FOR 2007

FIRST QUARTER MEETING JANUARY 20, 2007 AT PILGRIM'S REST
WITH THE SPEAKER TO BE BROTHER BILLY BEVAN.

SECOND QUARTER MEETING APRIL 14, 2007 AT SARDIS CHURCH
WITH THE SPEAKER TO BE CHOSEN BY MISSIONS COMMITTEE.

THIRD QUARTER MEETING JULY 7, 2007 AT NEW ZION CHURCH
WITH THE SPEAKER TO BE BROTHER JOEY PETTIS.

ANNUAL SESSION FOR FRIDAY NIGHT WILL BE AT NEW PROSPECT
WITH THE SPEAKER TO BE BROTHER KENNY COUSAR.

ANNUAL SESSION FOR SATURDAY WILL BE AT UNION CHURCH
WITH THE SPEAKER TO BE BROTHER RALPH BAKER.

THE THEME FOR 2007 IS "WALKING IN THE LIGHT" WITH THE TEXT
TAKEN FROM 1ST. JOHN 1:7.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE WILL BE CONDUCTED BY BROTHER DANNY
HENDERSON AT THE SATURDAY SESSION HELD AT UNION CHURCH.

THE SUBSTITUTE SPEAKER FOR 2007 IS BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND.

THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULES

DECEMBER 28 AND 29, 2006 THERE WILL BE A WINTER RETREAT
HELD AT COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS. COST FOR THIS MEETING WAS
NOT SET. THE SPEAKER WILL BE BROTHER RAYMOND RIVERS.

THERE WILL BE A COUPLES RETREAT HELD MARCH 10, 2007 AT THE
COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS.

THERE WILL BE A MEN'S RETREAT HELD AT COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS ON APRIL 27 AND 28, 2007.

THE JUNIOR YOUTH CAMP WILL BE HELD THE WEEK OF JUNE 18-22, 2007. THE SPEAKER HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED AT THIS TIME.

THE SENIOR YOUTH CAMP WILL BE HELD THE WEEK OF JUNE 25-29, 2007. THE SPEAKER HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED AT THIS TIME.

THE COST FOR RETREATS AND CAMPS WAS NOT PUBLISHED IN THE REPORT GIVEN BY THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS SCHEDULED 4 YOUTH RALLIES DURING THE COURSE OF THE ASSOCIATION YEAR TO BE HOSTED BY THE FOLLOWING CHURCHES:

NEW PROSPECT CHURCH ON FEBRUARY 24, 2007.

NEW ZION ON MAY 19, 2007.

EVERGREEN ON AUGUST 18, 2007.

SARDIS ON NOVEMBER 17, 2007.

ALL MEETINGS WILL BEGIN AT 7:00 PM.

THE ALABAMA STATE ASSOCIATION MEETING WILL BE NOVEMBER 7-9, 2007. FIRST FREE WILL OF DOTHAN WILL HOST THE MEETING.

THE ALABAMA STATE PASTOR'S AND WORKER'S CONFERENCE MEETING ON FEBRUARY 19-21, 2007. SOUTH HIGHLAND FWB CHURCH IN MUSCLE SHOALS WILL BE THE HOST CHURCH.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION MEETS IN THE FOLLOWING CITIES ON THE DURING THE MONTH OF JULY AND LISTED DATES.

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS	JULY 15 - 18, 2007
CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA	JULY 20 - 23, 2008
CINCINNATI, OHIO	JULY 19 - 22, 2009
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA	JULY 18 - 21, 2010
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA	JULY 17 - 20, 2011
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE	JULY 15 - 18, 2012
TAMPA, FLORIDA	JULY 21 - 24, 2013
FORT WORTH, TEXAS	JULY 27 - 30, 2014
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN	JULY 19 - 22, 2015

ANNUAL COMMITTEE REPORTS GIVEN OCTOBER 14, 2006:

THE CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE HAVING EXAMINED FOR OFFICE OF DEACON AT NEW ZION CHURCH BROTHERS CHRIS CULP AND BROTHER JERRY WHITEHEAD AT THE FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION OF THE ASSOCIATION AND FINDING THESE TWO BROTHERS TO BE QUALIFIED FOR THE OFFICE OF DEACON DO HEREBY RECOMMEND TO THIS BODY WE ACCEPT THE CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION WITH THE ORDINATION TENTATIVELY SET FOR THE 19TH OF NOVEMBER AT NEW ZION CHURCH AND WILL BE CONFIRMED BY LETTER TO THE CHURCHES OF THE ASSOCIATION BY NEW ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH. THE PRESENCE AND PARTICIPATION OF THE ORDAINED AUTHORITY OF THE ASSOCIATION AND ALL WHO WOULD LIKE TO COME ARE WELCOME.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED THIS 14 DAY OF OCTOBER 2006 BY BROTHERS THOMAS KIRKLAND, DANNY HENDERSON, WILLIAM SOWELL, JACK ARMSTRONG, C. L. CULPEPPER, JOEY PETTIS, (RALPH BAKER, NOT PRESENT) MSC

THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION GAVE THEIR REPORT AND THIS IS RECORDED ON PAGE 1 AND 2 OF THIS SET OF MINUTES. PLEASE SEE THE DATES, TIMES, AND PLACES AS SET FORTH THERE.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED THIS 14 DAY OF OCTOBER 2006 BY: BROTHERS CHRIS CULP, TRACEY ARMSTRONG, JEFFREY PETTIS. MSC

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT GIVEN BY BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON THE ASSOCIATION CONTINUE TO PERCENTAGE DUES AS SET FORTH AT THE PRESENT TIME AND BEING; 20% BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, 15% MISSIONS COMMITTEE, AND 15% CHILDREN'S HOME. THE REMAINING 50% TO REMAIN IN THE ASSOCIATION TREASURY FOR LOCAL ASSOCIATION CAUSES. THE PLATE OFFERING OF \$202.00 FOR OCTOBER 13 AND 14, 2006 RECOMMENDED TO GO INTO GENERAL FUND.

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED THIS 14 DAY OF OCTOBER 2006 BY: SISTERS DOT WHITENER, EDNA WHITEHEAD, AND BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON. MSC

THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THE FOLLOWING CHURCHES AND DATES TO HOST THE 2007 MEETINGS:

JANUARY 20, 2007 - PILGRIM'S REST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
APRIL 14, 2007 - SARDIS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
JULY 7, 2007 - NEW ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 19, 2007 - NEW PROSPECT FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 20, 2007 - UNION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED THIS 14 DAY OF OCTOBER 2006 BY: SISTERS SYLVIA ETHRIDGE, DOLLY VICKERS, AND JOYCE MULLINS. MSC

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE GAVE THE FOLLOWING REPORT:

MODERATOR - BROTHER JOEY PETTIS
VICE MODERATOR - BROTHER DANNY HENDERSON
CLERK TREASURER - BROTHER RALPH BAKER
ASSISTANT CLERK/TREASURER - SISTER NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS
OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION ARE ELECTED EACH OCTOBER.

CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE NOMINEES WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2010: BROTHERS THOMAS KIRKLAND AND JACK ARMSTRONG

CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2009
BROTHER TRACEY ARMSTRONG

CHILDREN'S HOME COMMITTEE WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2009 BROTHER
JOHNNY GILMORE

CHILDREN'S HOME BOARD MEMBER WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2007
BROTHER RALPH BAKER

MISSIONS COMMITTEE WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2009 SISTER JOHNNIE
RUTH TAYLOR

NOMINATING COMMITTEE WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2009 SISTER NINA
VICKERS-FLOWERS

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2009 SISTER SYLVIA
ETHRIDGE

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE WITH TERM EXPIRING IN 2009 SISTER
SHARON PETERS

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED THIS 14 DAY OF OCTOBER 2006 BY:
SISTERS NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS, CHRISTINE BROWN, MELINDA OWENS
MSC

THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE DID NOT HAVE A REPORT

THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE DID NOT GIVE A REPORT

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL MEET AT MOUNT ZION FREE
WILL BAPTIST CHURCH ON THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 26, 2006 AT
7:00 PM TO PLAN THE 2007 ASSOCIATION YEAR. THE HOST CHURCH
WILL PROVIDE REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING THE MEETING. ALL MEMBERS
OF THIS COMMITTEE ARE URGED TO ATTEND.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MET WITH MOUNT ZION CHURCH ON THURSDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 26, 2007, AT 7:00 PM. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE MODERATOR, BROTHER JOEY PETTIS, AT 7:02 PM. ALL SEVEN CHURCHES WAS REPRESENTED. EVERGREEN BY BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND; MOUNT ZION BY BROTHER RALPH BAKER AND SISTER NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS; NEW PROSPECT BY BROTHER EVERETTE MULLINS; NEW ZION BY BROTHER JOEY PETTIS AND SISTER EDNA WHITEHEAD; PILGRIM'S REST BY BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER; SARDIS BY BROTHER MICKEY GILMORE; AND UNION BY BROTHER HOLT STOKES.

THE MODERATOR READ FROM THE BOOK OF HEBREWS, CHAPTER 6 AND VERSE 1. OPENING PRAYER BY BROTHER MICKEY GILMORE.

THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS WAS A CHANGE IN THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT GIVEN AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ON OCTOBER 14, 2006. TERM DATES FOR BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED TO BE CHANGED FROM ENDING IN 2009 WITH THE CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING COMMITTEE TO 2010 AND THE OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS WOULD END IN OCTOBER 2009 RATHER THAN OCTOBER 2008. MOVED AND SECOND THAT THE CLERK BE ALLOWED TO MAKE DATE CORRECTIONS SO COMMITTEE MEMBERS WOULD APPEAR IN THE ANNUAL MINUTES WITH ACCURATE ENDING DATES FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE TERMS.

THE MODERATOR THEN MADE US AWARE THAT JEFFREY PETTIS HAD TAKEN A CHURCH SOUTH OF DOTHAN, LIBERTY, AND WOULD NO LONGER BE IN THIS ASSOCIATION. IT BECAME NECESSARY TO NOMINATE A REPLACEMENT FOR HIM ON THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION TWO NAMES WAS PLACED ON THE FLOOR, BROTHER KENNY COUSAR FORM SARDIS AND BROTHER LARRY SOWELL FROM NEW PROSPECT. BROTHER LARRY SOWELL WAS ELECTED.

A TOTAL OF 6 THEMES WITH SCRIPTURE WAS OFFERED AND THE THEME FOR THE COMING YEAR WAS SELECTED. THE THEME WILL BE "WALKING IN THE LIGHT" AND THE SCRIPTURE WILL BE 1ST JOHN 1:7.

SPEAKERS WERE NOMINATED AS FOLLOWS: BROTHER BILLY BEVAN FOR THE JANUARY SESSION AT PILGRIMS REST; A MISSIONARY NAMED BY THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE FOR THE APRIL SESSION AT SARDIS; BROTHER JOEY PETTIS FOR THE JULY SESSION AT NEW ZION; BROTHER KENNY COUSAR FOR THE FRIDAY NIGHT ANNUAL SESSION AT NEW PROSPECT AND BROTHER RALPH BAKER FOR THE SATURDAY ANNUAL SESSION AT UNION. THE SUBSTITUTE SPEAKER FOR THE YEAR WILL BE BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND AND THE MEMORIAL SPEAKER WILL BE BROTHER DANNY HENDERSON.

THE MODERATOR THEN READ OUT THE YOUTH RALLY MEETINGS FOR 2007 WITH 2/24/07 AT NEW PROSPECT; 5/19/07 AT NEW ZION; 8/18/07 AT EVERGREEN; AND 11/17/07 AT SARDIS.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS MSC TO ADJOURN.

COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS AND EXAMINING

THOMAS KIRKLAND	OCTOBER 2010
JACK ARMSTRONG	OCTOBER 2010
DANNY HENDERSON	OCTOBER 2009
WILLIAM SOWELL	OCTOBER 2009
RALPH BAKER	OCTOBER 2008
JOEY PETTIS	OCTOBER 2007
C. L. CULPEPPER	OCTOBER 2007

CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION

TRACEY ARMSTRONG	OCTOBER 2009
CHRIS CULP	OCTOBER 2008
LARRY SOWELL (BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE)	OCTOBER 2007
BROTHER JEFFREY PETTIS WENT TO LIBERTY-STATELINE	

CHILDREN'S HOME

JOHNNY GILMORE	OCTOBER 2009
BARBARA KIRKLAND	OCTOBER 2008
MIRIAM SHELLEY	OCTOBER 2007
RALPH BAKER-BOARD MEMBER	OCTOBER 2007

FINANCE

DOT WHITENER	OCTOBER 2009
EDNA WHITEHEAD	OCTOBER 2008
LAMAR BUXTON	OCTOBER 2007

MISSIONS

JOHNNIE RUTH TAYLOR	OCTOBER 2009
PAUL DYSON	OCTOBER 2008
PAM PETTIS	OCTOBER 2007

NOMINATING

NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS	OCTOBER 2009
CHRISTINE BROWN	OCTOBER 2008
MELINDA OWENS	OCTOBER 2007

PLACEMENT

SYLVIA ETHRIDGE	OCTOBER 2009
DOLLY VICKERS	OCTOBER 2008
JOYCE MULLINS	OCTOBER 2007

RESOLUTIONS

SHARON PETERS
LILLIAN WILSON
MARVELL ARMSTRONG

OCTOBER 2009
OCTOBER 2008
OCTOBER 2007

ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTERS OCTOBER 14, 2006

EVERGREEN

THOMAS KIRKLAND
105 MAR-CAR DRIVE
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-6347

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

MOUNT ZION

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

NEW PROSPECT

DANNY HENDERSON
366 COUNTY ROAD 83 S
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-2051

LARRY SOWELL
224 BROAD STREET
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-0324

NEW ZION

JOEY PETTIS
9716 COUNTY ROAD 99
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-5024

PILGRIM'S REST

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

SARDIS

BILLY BEVAN
P. O. BOX 503
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36072
334-687-8967

UNION (CLERK)

SYLVIA ETHRIDGE
9753 COUNTY ROAD 65
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-2859

OFFICERS

MODERATOR-JOEY PETTIS
9716 COUNTY ROAD 99
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-5024

CLERK/TREAS-RALPH BAKER
3422 HIGHWAY 131
CLAYTON, ALABAMA 36016
334-775-9703

DANNY HENDERSON-VICE MODERATOR
366 COUNTY ROAD 83 S
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-2051

ASST CLERK/TREAS-NINA VICKERS
607 HOLLY DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-3463

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EVERGREEN
BROTHER LARRY PEAVY
P. O. BOX 453
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311
334-762-2092

MOUNT ZION
SISTER NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS
607 HOLLY DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-3463

NEW PROSPECT
BROTHER EVERETTE MULLINS
3674 COUNTY ROAD 75 N
CLOPTON, ALABAMA 36317
334-585-6869

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

PILGRIM'S REST
BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON
7320 HIGHWAY 10 E
ABBEVILLE ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3250

SARDIS
BROTHER MICKEY GILMORE
204 WILLOW OAKS COURT
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-7529

UNION
BROTHER HOLT STOKES
6485 COUNTY ROAD 53
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3030

CHURCH CLERKS

EVERGREEN
SISTER BEULAH PEAVY
P. O. BOX 453
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311
334-762-2092

MOUNT ZION
SISTER NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS
607 HOLLY DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-3463

NEW PROSPECT
SISTER JOYCE MULLINS
3674 COUNTY ROAD 75 N
CLOPTON, ALABAMA 36317
334-585-6869

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

PILGRIM'S REST
BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON
7320 HIGHWAY 10 E
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3250

SARDIS
SISTER GEORGIA GILMORE
1064 HIGHWAY 30
CLAYTON, ALABAMA 36016
334-687-5416

UNION
SISTER SYLVIA ETHRIDGE
9753 COUNTY ROAD 65
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-2859

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

EVERGREEN
BART HARDEN
SUTTONS DAIRY ROAD
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311

MOUNT ZION
CHARLES THOMPSON
402 KENT DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-5994

NEW PROSPECT
TRACEY ARMSTRONG
204 ROCKDALE COURT
DOTHAN, ALABAMA 36301
334-794-3609

NEW ZION
TOM SHELLEY
295 COUNTY ROAD 26
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345

PILGRIM'S REST
ODIS L. BUXTON
7320 STATE ROAD 10 E
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3250

SARDIS
MICKEY GILMORE
204 WILLOW OAKS COURT
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027

UNION
WILL MADDOX
2651 COUNTY ROAD 53
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310

C I S DIRECTORS

PILGRIM'S REST
ODIS L. BUXTON
7320 STATE ROAD 10 E
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3250

W N A C AUXILIARY

MOUNT ZION
NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS
607 HOLLY DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-3463

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

MASTER'S MEN

MOUNT ZION
DONALD WHITENER
1707 COUNTY ROAD 31
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-585-3150

ORDAINED DEACONS

EVERGREEN

HUBERT PHILLIPS
218 SUTTON DAIRY ROAD
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311
334-762-2974

BART HARDEN
211 SUTTON DAIRY ROAD
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311
334-762-2688

LARRY PEAVY
P O BOX 453
ARITON, ALABAMA 36311
334-762-2092

NEW PROSPECT

WILLIAM SOWELL
2777 COUNTY ROAD 75 N
CLOPTON, ALABAMA 36317
334-585-5318

TRACEY ARMSTRONG
204 ROCKDALE COURT
DOTHAN, ALABAMA 36301
334-794-3609

PILGRIM REST

GENE CARR
111 DOTHAN ROAD
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-2627

ODIS L. BUXTON
7320 STATE ROAD 10 E
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3250

SARDIS

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

BRYAN GILMORE
495 HIGHWAY 30
CLAYTON, ALABAMA 36016
334-687-4568

MOUNT ZION

JAMES M LIPSCOMB
BOX 3046 COUNTY ROAD 221
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-3799

WALLACE STANLEY
101 SUNSET DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-5687

CHARLES THOMPSON
402 KENT DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36027
334-687-5994

NEW ZION

TOM SHELLEY
295 COUNTY ROAD 26
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-2839

BILLY SHELLEY
1471 COUNTY ROAD 122
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-2248

CLEVELAND SHELLEY
9355 COUNTY ROAD 99
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-2783

KYLE HARDY
11087 COUNTY ROAD 99
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-2758

JACK ARMSTRONG
213 BROAD STREET
HEADLAND, ALABAMA 36345
334-693-3068

EVERETTE O'HEARN
18 O'HEARN DRIVE
EUFAULA, ALABAMA 36024
334-687-3560

UNION

WILL MADDOX
2651 COUNTY ROAD 53
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310
334-585-5013

JACK STARLING (INACTIVE)
713 COUNTY ROAD 57 N
ABBEVILLE, ALABAMA 36310

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE 9/30/05		\$4,671.67
OCTOBER 2005 DEPOSITS:		2,268.73
DISBURSEMENTS:		
CHILDREN HOME	\$197.00	
STATE ASSOCIATION	945.00	1,142.00
<u>BALANCE 12/31/05</u>		<u>\$5,579.40</u>

JANUARY 2006 DEPOSITS:		626.04
DISBURSEMENTS:		
CHILDREN HOME	42.40	
COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS	250.00	
BANK CHARGE FOR CANCELLED CHECKS	10.00	302.40
<u>BALANCE 3/31/06</u>		<u>\$6,122.04</u>

APRIL 2006 DEPOSITS:		1,260.24
DISBURSEMENTS:		
THE PAPER YARD FOR MINUTES	368.78	
JEFF LUNSFORD-MISSIONARY	200.00	
CHILDREN HOME	24.45	
SPRING RETREAT	548.50	
JR AND SR YOUTH CAMPS	1,224.00	
BOARD MEMBER TRIP TO CHILDREN HOME	100.00	
BANK CHARGE FOR CANCELLED CHECKS	10.00	2,475.73
<u>BALANCE 6/30/06</u>		<u>\$4,907.05</u>

JULY 2006 DEPOSITS:		1,947.00
DISBURSEMENTS:		
BANK CHARGE FOR CANCELLED CHECKS	15.00	15.00
<u>BALANCE 9/30/06</u>		<u>\$6,854.05</u>

GENERAL FUND
\$2,934.40

MISSIONS FUND
\$586.85

BOARD OF EDUCATION
\$3,335.80

TOTAL FUNDS AT 9/30/06
\$6,854.05

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION - ASSOCIATIONAL YEAR 2005 - 2006
BEGINNING/ADDITIONS/LOSSES

CHURCH	ORG.	MEM.	IBAP.	LETT.	IOTH.	IDEA.	LETT.	ITOT.	IS.	S.	AVE.	CTS	AVE.	WNAAC	AVE	IM.M.	AVE.	ORD.	ILIC.	PRAYER
NAME	DATE	I 05	I 06	I 06	I 06	I 06	I 06	I 06	I 06	MEM.	IATT.	MEM.	IATT.	MEM.	IATT.	MEM.	IATT.	MIN.	MIN.	MEETING
EVERGREEN	1885	31	0	0	0	0	0	30	25	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	15
MOUNT ZION	1881	55	0	3	0	0	0	58	16	10	0	0	15	12	7	5	1	0		
NEW PROSPECT	1874	114	0	2	0	0	0	116	45	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	25
NEW ZION	1907	166		1	-2	0	-2	163	60	50								1	0	35
PILGRIM'S REST	1884	76			-2			74	10	9	10	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7
SARDIS	1906	264	12	8	-5	0	-2	277	190	100	0	0	19	12	0	0	2	0	125	
UNION GROVE	1879	80	1	3		-2		82	18	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	
TOTALS		786	13	17	-9	-2	-4	800	364	239	10	8	34	24	7	5	7	0	215	

2005 / 2006 CHURCH FINANCIAL INFORMATION
SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

CHURCH NAME	INCOME	REPAIRS & RENOV.	SUPPLIES OTHER COST	UTILITIES	REVIVALS	MISSIONS	CHILDREN HOME	YOUTH ACTIVITY	SALARY	DUES	PROPERTY VALUE
ERGREEN	\$30,758.77	\$0.00	\$1,205.00	\$3,937.66	\$0.00	\$4,275.88	\$0.00	\$122.00	\$16,350.00	\$380.00	INOT SHOWN
UNT ZION	\$32,465.60	IYARD \$1,000.00 \$13,282.16	\$984.12	\$4,010.73	\$1,925.00	\$707.00	\$400.00	\$120.00	\$10,000.00	\$617.00	\$273,819.00
W PROSPECT	\$51,141.00	IYARD \$1,750.00 \$4,650.00	\$0.00	\$3,689.00	\$2,857.00	\$1,660.00	\$0.00	\$1,880.00	\$15,900.00	\$510.00	INOT SHOWN
W ZION	\$113,839.59	IYARD \$1,625.00 \$959.07 EXPANSIONS \$103,008.66	\$7,926.74	\$13,398.12	\$1,615.15	\$19,837.65	\$3,421.77	\$0.00	\$29,603.19	\$375.00	\$550,000.00
ILGRIM'S REST	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A
ARDIS	\$301,668.00	IYARDS \$2,108.00 \$7,027.00 EXPANSIONS \$5,500.00	\$14,471.00	\$25,157.00	\$14,400.00	\$25,089.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,250.00	\$53,640.00	\$370.00	\$1,230,000.00
NION GROVE	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	INOT SHOWN	\$255.00	INOT SHOWN
TOTALS	\$529,872.96	\$140,909.89	\$24,586.86	\$50,192.51	\$20,797.15	\$54,904.53	\$5,021.77	\$3,372.00	\$159,113.27	\$2,507.00	\$2,053,819.00

THE FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION OF 2006 WAS HELD AT NEW ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH WITH REGISTRATION BEGINNING AT 8:30 AM. THE MODERATOR, BROTHER JOEY PETTIS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:04 AM. BROTHER PETTIS READ FROM II PETER 3:11-12 WITH A FEW COMMENTS ON "SEEING THEN THAT ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE DISSOLVED"

THE WELCOME WAS EXTENDED BY BROTHER JOEY PETTIS AND THE RESPONSE GIVEN BY BROTHER JOHNNY GILMORE WHO CALLED TO MEMORY A TIME WHEN THE TEMPERATURE WAS 6% AT NEW ZION FOR A MEETING.

BROTHER ROSS PETERS OPENED WITH PRAYER FOLLOWED WITH CONGREGATIONAL SINGING LED BY BROTHER KENNETH ETHRIDGE AND SISTER BOBBIE SHELLEY. SELECTED HYMNS WAS "POWER IN THE BLOOD" AND "WHAT A SAVIOUR".

USHERS THEN RECEIVED THE MORNING OFFERING WHICH WILL BE DESIGNATED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AT THE BUSINESS SESSION. A TOTAL OFFERING OF \$213.54 WAS RECEIVED.

BROTHER JOEY PETTIS THEN BROUGHT THE MORNING DEVOTION USING SCRIPTURE FROM ROMANS 3:19 AND 7:21-23-25; CHAPTERS 8:1-4.

TODAY WE HAD 7 MINISTERS, 5 DEACONS, 18 VISITORS, ALONG WITH 23 DELEGATES AND 6 ALTERNATES. MINISTERS PRESENT WERE BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND FROM EVERGREEN; BROTHER RALPH BAKER FROM MOUNT ZION; BROTHER DANNY HENDERSON FROM NEW PROSPECT; BROTHER JOEY PETTIS FROM NEW ZION; BROTHER C. L. CULPEPPER FROM PILGRIM'S REST; BROTHER BILLY BEVAN FROM SARDIS; BROTHER ROSS PETERS FROM EVERGREEN AND BROTHER JEFFREY PETTIS WHO BROUGHT THE MESSAGE. DEACONS PRESENT WERE LAMAR BUXTON, PILGRIM'S REST; BART HARDEN, EVERGREEN; JACK ARMSTRONG, NEW ZION; JOHNNY GILMORE, SARDIS; AND WILLIAM SOWELL, NEW PROSPECT. VISITORS WAS 1 FROM EVERGREEN; 1 FROM MOUNT ZION; 7 FROM NEW PROSPECT; 9 FROM NEW ZION. THE DELEGATES WERE SEATED BY A MOTION FROM BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON AND SECOND BY BROTHER DANNY HENDERSON.

SARDIS WILL HAVE THE GROUP ASSURANCE FOR A FEBRUARY 9, 2006 MEETING, THURSDAY, BEGINNING AT 7:00 PM. ALL ARE INVITED.

WE RECESSED AT 10:00 AM FOR A SHORT RECESS. WE CAME BACK TOGETHER SHORTLY AFTER 10:00 AM AND BEGAN THE BUSINESS SESSION. THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE ONLY HAD THE SEATING OF DELEGATES TO REPORT. THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTED THERE WAS A YOUTH WINTER RETREAT DECEMBER 29 AND 30 AT COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS WITH BROTHER JOE BECKON AS SPEAKER. WE HAD APPROXIMATELY 26 CAMPERS AND COUNSELORS. THE NEXT YOUTH RALLY WILL BE 2/25/06 AT SARDIS.

THE COUPLES RETREAT WILL BE MARCH 11, 2006 AT COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS WITH RICHARD AND CAROLYN HENDRIX AS GUEST SPEAKERS. REGISTRATION WILL BE AT 8:30 AND NO COST WAS GIVEN. MEN'S RETREAT WILL BE APRIL 28 AND 29, 2006 AT COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS WITH REGISTRATION AROUND FRIDAY NOON WITH EATING AT 6:00 PM. THE FIRST SERVICE WILL BE AT 7:00 PM FRIDAY NIGHT. THE SPEAKER ALONG WITH COST WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER. JUNIOR CAMP WILL BE JUNE 12-16 WITH BROTH MARK CASH AS SPEAKER. THE SENIOR CAMP WILL BE JUNE 19-23 WITH SPEAKER TO BE ANNOUNCED. THE COST PER CAMPER IS \$122.00. REST OF YOUTH RALLIES WILL BE NEW ZION ON MAY 13, 2006; EVERGREEN ON AUGUST 19, 2006; AND SARDIS ON NOVEMBER 11, 2006. SUBMITTED AS INFORMATION BY THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION, MOVED, SECONDED AND PASSED.

THERE WAS NO REPORT BY THE CHILDREN'S HOME COMMITTEE, THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE NOR THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE. EVERGREEN AND UNION HAD AGREED MUTUALLY TO SWAP THEIR RESPECTIVE MEETING DATES WITH EVERGREEN TAKING THE JULY SESSION AND UNION TAKING THE FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON, SISTER DOT WHITENER, AND SISTER EDNA WHITEHEAD MOVED THE PLATE OFFERING BE RETAINED IN THE LOCAL TREASURY. MSC

THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE HAS SCHEDULED DENNIS HAGOOD FOR THE APRIL SESSION. THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE GAVE US A RESOLVE WHICH I MISPLACED OR DID NOT GET. I APOLOGIZE FOR THE ERROR. THERE WAS 59 REGISTERED FOR TODAY'S SESSION.

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING FOLLOWED WITH BROTHER KENNETH ETHRIDGE AND SISTER BOBBIE SHELLEY. SONGS SELECTED WERE "WHY SHOULD HE LOVE ME SO" "VICTORY IN JESUS" THANK YOU FOR SAVING MY LIFE". A SPECIAL WAS GIVEN BY BROTHER KENNETH AND SISTER JEAN ETHRIDGE, "SOMETIMES A MOUNTAIN"

THE MORNING MESSAGE WAS BROUGHT BY BROTHER JEFFREY PETTIS AND USED EXTENSIVE SCRIPTURE; MATT: 9:35-36; JUDE VERSES 17-23; MATT 18:11; ROMANS CHAPTER 3; MATT 28:16-20; ROMANS 3:9-12-23; ROMANS 5:8; GALATIANS 5:16-17. A VERY GOOD MESSAGE. CLOSED WITH INVITATION HYMN "JUST AS I AM." THERE WAS A GATHERING IN THE ALTAR FOR PRAYER AND COMMITMENT.

THERE WAS A RISING VOTE OF THANKS TO THE HOST CHURCH FOR ALL THE HOSPITALITY SHOWN AND WE WERE DISMISSED FOR A WONDERFUL MEAL PREPARED BY THE HOST CHURCH. DISMISSED WITH PRAYER ASKING GOD'S BLESSINGS ON THE MEAL AND THE SAFETY OF TRAVEL BACK TO OUR RESPECTIVE HOMES. NEXT MEETING WILL BE IN APRIL AT NEW PROSPECT CHURCH.

THE SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING WAS HOSTED BY NEW PROSPECT CHURCH ON APRIL 15, 2006. REGISTRATION BEGAN AT 8:30 AM AND THE MODERATOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM.

THE MODERATOR MENTIONED THAT NOT OFTEN DOES THE ASSOCIATION MEETING FALL IN THE EASTER WEEKEND BUT THIS ONE DID. WE SERVE A RISEN SAVIOUR TODAY AND WE NEED TO SHARE THAT TRUTH AND KNOWLEDGE. BROTHER TRACEY ARMSTRONG THEN LED IN OPENING THE SESSION WITH PRAYER.

THE WELCOME GIVEN BY BROTHER WILLIAM SOWELL OF THE HOST CHURCH WITH BROTHER CLARENCE CULPEPPER GIVING THE RESPONSE.

BROTHER DANNY HENDERSON AND SISTER LINDA SOWELL THEM LED IN CONGREGATIONAL SINGING OF "HE SET ME FREE" AND "JUST A LITTLE TALK WITH JESUS"

THE MORNING OFFERING WAS RECEIVED BY BROTHER TRACEY ARMSTRONG AND WILLIAM SOWELL WITH BROTHER SOWELL GIVING THE OFFERTORY PRAYER.

THE DEVOTION WAS GIVEN USING 1ST JOHN CHAPTER 1 AS READING. REMARKS FROM 1:5-9 AND 2:1-3. RESPONSIBILITY, CONFESSING, STRIVING FOR PERFECTION, AND KEEPING HIS COMMANDMENTS.

WE HAD FIVE (5) MINISTERS REGISTERED TODAY: RALPH BAKER, C. L. CULPEPPER, DANNY HENDERSON, THOMAS KIRKLAND, JOEY PETTIS. ALSO PRESENT WAS MISSIONARY JEFF LUNSFORD.

WE HAD 4 DEACONS REGISTERED: TRACEY ARMSTRONG, JACK ARMSTRONG, MERLYN LIPSCOMB, AND WILLIAM SOWELL.

WE HAD 4 REGISTERED AS VISITORS: SHELLEY ANDERSON, KAILEE ANDERSON, JANE SOWELL, EDNA WHITEHEAD.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES CALLED AND SEATED ARE: BARBARA KIRKLAND, EVERGREEN; DOT WHITENER, DOLLY VICKERS, MELINDA OWENS, NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS, MOUNT ZION; LINDA SOWELL, CHRISTINE BROWN, EMMA TEW, ALTERNATES SUSAN ANDERSON, LINDA HENDERSON, AND GWEN SOWELL, NEW PROSPECT; FAY CULP, MARVELL ARMSTRONG, MARY TEAT, JERRY WHITEHEAD, BETTY WHITEHEAD, AND ALTERNATE MIRIAM SHELLEY, NEW ZION; MARY CULPEPPER, PILGRIM REST; SARDIS NONE; LINDA FLOYD, SYLVIA ETHRIDGE, JOANN ELLIOTT, PEGGY HERRING, UNION. MSC

FOLLOWING A SHORT RECESS WE ENTERED INTO A LITTLE BUSINESS. THE CREDENTIALS, PLACEMENT, NOMINATING, CHILDREN'S HOME, RESOLUTIONS, MISSIONS COMMITTEES HAD NO REPORTS TO GIVE. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MOVED THE PLATE OFFERING GO INTO THE GENERAL TREASURY. THIS IS \$143.00. MSC

THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORTED A YOUTH RALLY ON 2/25/06 HOSTED BY NEW PROSPECT WITH APPROXIMATELY 75 IN ATTENDANCE. ON MARCH 11TH A COUPLES RETREAT WAS HELD AT COFFEE BAPTIST VINEYARDS WITH APPROXIMATELY 14 COUPLES. THE BOARD ALSO REMINDED US OF UPCOMING EVENTS: MEN'S RETREAT APRIL 28 AND 29. YOUTH RALLY MAY 13 AT NEW ZION. JUNIOR AND SENIOR CAMPS JUNE 12-16 AND 19-23. CAMP COST IS \$122.00 PER CAMPER. MSC

THE WORSHIP SERVICE BEGAN WITH CONGREGATIONAL SINGING LED BY DANNY HENDERSON/LINDA SOWELL. SONGS OF PRAISE WERE "HE'S BEEN SO GOOD TO ME" "THAT GLAD REUNION DAY" "I'LL MEET YOU IN THE MORNING" "WHOSOEVER MEANETH ME". SISTER LISA SANG A SPECIAL "PAID IN FULL." THERE WAS AN ALTAR PRAYER AND TESTIMONY SERVICE HELD.

BROTHER JEFF LUNSFORD, FORMER MISSIONARY TO MONGOLIA, WAS THEN INTRODUCED AS OUR SPEAKER FOR THE DAY. SOME VERY INTERESTING AND COLORFUL REMARKS WAS MADE BY THIS MAN WHO OBVIOUSLY HAD A HEART FOR THE MISSION WORK AND WAS WILLING TO GO AND PAY THE PRICE. MONGOLIA IS THE OLDEST COMMUNIST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD. OVER 800 YEARS OLD. MONGOLIA IS MOST REMEMBERED FOR GHENGIS KHAN, MARCO POLO AND OTHERS. MARCO POLO WAS TOLD SEND ME 1,000 MISSIONARIES AND IF CONVINCE WE WILL BECOME CHRISTIAN. MARCO FOLD WENT BACK AND TOLD WHAT THE KHAN HAD SAID. THE CHURCH DECIDED TO SEND TWO, ONE WHICH DECIDED NOT TO GO AND THE OTHER DIED IN ROUTE. IT WAS NOT UNTIL RECENTLY CHRISTIANITY HAS COME TO MONGOLIA. SINCE 1990 ENGLISH SPEAKING HAS ENTERED INTO MONGOLIA. THERE IS A NEED FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, OLD PEOPLE, MIDDLE AGE PEOPLE, RETIRED PEOPLE. THE DOORS OF OPPORTUNITY ARE OPEN. WHEN THE DOORS WERE FIRST OPENED IN MONGOLIA I BELIEVE JEFF SAID THERE WAS 5 CHRISTIANS. TODAY THERE IS OVER 25,000. THE FIELDS ARE RIPE UNTO THE HARVEST. THERE IS 40,000 RETIRED FREE WILL BAPTIST AND IF 10% WOULD CONSENT TO GO FOR A SPELL OF TIME THAT IS 4,000 MISSIONARIES ON THE FIELD. IF 3, 4, OR 5 HAS COME THIS FAR, HOW FAR COULD 4,000 GO?

THE MODERATOR CLOSED WITH AN INVITATIONAL HYMN "CALLING TODAY". WE THEN HAD A RISING VOTE OF THANKS FOR THE HOST CHURCH WITH DISMISSAL PRAYER BY BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND. A WONDERFUL MEAL WAS ENJOYED BY ALL.

THE THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION WAS HOSTED BY EVERGREEN FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH ON JULY 9, 2006. REGISTRATION BEGAN AT 8:30 AM AND THE MODERATOR CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM OR THEREABOUT. BROTHER DAVID TEAT OPENED WITH PRAYER.

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING LED BY LARRY AND BEULAH PEAVY SINGING "REDEEMED" AND "HE KEEPS ME SINGING".

BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND GAVE THE WELCOME FOR THE HOST CHURCH AND BROTHER WILLIAM SOWELL GAVE THE RESPONSE.

THE MORNING OFFERING WAS TAKEN AND \$166.00 WAS RECEIVED. THIS WILL BE DESIGNATED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AT THE BUSINESS SESSION. BROTHERS DAVID TEAT AND CHRIS CULP SERVED AS USHERS WITH BROTHER CHRIS GIVING THE PRAYER OF THANKS.

A SPECIAL IN SONG BY THE HOST CHURCH "HOW GREAT THOU ART".

THE MORNING DEVOTION WAS BROUGHT BY THE HOST CHURCH PASTOR, BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND USING JOHN 14:15. "IF YE LOVE ME KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS" "IF" IS THE CONDITIONAL WORD AND "LOVE" IS THE MESSAGE TO BE GIVEN. "KEEPING" IS OUR EFFORT AND INTENT. A VERY MOVING AND ENJOYABLE DEVOTION. HE CLOSED WITH PRAYER.

WE HAD 5 MINISTERS PRESENT: RALPH BAKER, BILLY BEVAN, THOMAS KIRKLAND, JOEY PETTIS, DANNY HENDERSON.

WE HAD 5 DEACONS: LAMAR BUXTON, JOHNNY GILMORE, LARRY PEAVY, HUBERT PHILLIPS, AND WILLIAM SOWELL.

WE HAD 10 VISITORS: FREDDIE WATFORD, LINDA HENDERSON, RITA MOFFETT, ANNIE MORRIS, IAN MOFFETT, MARY PORTWOOD, EDNA WHITEHEAD, BETTY WHITEHEAD, JERRY WHITEHEAD AND ELIZABETH GARNER.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES: EVERGREEN CHURCH LILLIAN WILSON, MARJORIE PHILLIPS, BARBARA KIRKLAND; MOUNT ZION MELINDA OWENS, DOLLY VICKERS, NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS; NEW PROSPECT EVERETTE MULLINS, JOYCE MULLINS, MARIE CARROLL, CHRISTINE BROWN, ALTERNATE; NEW ZION DAVID TEAT, MARY TEAT, JEANETTE TRAMMELL, PAM PETTIS, ALTERNATE CHRIS CULP; PILGRIM'S REST NONE; SARDIS GLORIA BEVAN, CARLA CUTCHENS, KENNY COUSAR; UNION LINDA FLOYD, SYLVIA ETHRIDGE, PEGGY HERRING. THESE WERE SEATED BY THE ORDAINED AUTHORITY. MOTION BY THOMAS KIRKLAND SECOND BY LAMAR BUXTON. MSC

THERE WERE SEVERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE BY SEVERAL CHURCHES; REVIVALS, SPEAKERS, RALLIES, SPECIAL SINGS, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, ETC. WE HAD A SHORT RECESS.

FOLLOWING RECESS A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON AND SECONDED BY BROTHER HENDERSON WE ENTER INTO BUSINESS SESSION. BROTHER JOHNNY GILMORE LED IN PRAYER.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE IS ASKED TO EXAMINE TWO CANDIDATES FROM NEW ZION, BROTHERS CHRIS CULP AND JERRY WHITEHEAD, FOR THE OFFICE OF DEACON. IN OCTOBER 2005 THE CHURCH HAD SET

ASIDE THESE TWO TO SERVE IN THIS CAPACITY WHILE BEING UNDER THE WATCH CARE OF THE CHURCH AND TAUGHT BY BROTHER PETTIS. THE CHURCH NOW REQUEST THIS COMMITTEE EXAMINE THESE CANDIDATES PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL SESSION FOR THIS OFFICE. MSC BY THE BODY

THE CHRISTIAN BOARD OF EDUCATION HAD COUPLES RETREAT IN APRIL, RALLY IN MAY, JUNIOR AND SENIOR CAMP IN JUNE 2005.

THE CHILDREN HOME COMMITTEE DID NOT REPORT.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MOVED THE PLATE OFFERING BE PLACED IN THE GENERAL TREASURY. THE COLLECTION WAS \$166.00. MSC

THE MISSIONS COMMITTEE REPORTED AS INFORMATION: JEFF LUNSFORD GIVEN \$200.00 PREVIOUS QUARTER FOR SPEAKING AT EVERGREEN. PRAY FOR SUSAN TURNBOUGH WHO WILL RETURN TO SPAIN JULY 31 AND JEFF TURNBOUGH WILL FOLLOW THE NEXT WEEK FOLLOWING REQUIRED MEETINGS. A COPY OF RICK CASH' REPORT WAS GIVEN TO THE CLERK WHEREIN THIS ASSOCIATION IS THANKED FOR THIS YEAR TO DATE OFFERING TO THE ACTS 1:8 PROGRAM \$10,414.56 AND THE TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR YEAR TO DATE JUNE IS \$275,128.89. TO GOD BE THE GLORY FOR ALL HE HAS DONE. MSC AS INFORMATION.

THE RESOLUTIONS, NOMINATING, PLACEMENT COMMITTEES HAD NO REPORT.

WE HAD 40 REGISTERED FOR THE DAY ACCORDING TO REPORTS.

THE BUSINESS SESSION WAS OVER AND WE STARTED THE WORSHIP HOUR WITH SINGING WITH LARRY AND BEULAH PEAVY AS LEADERS. WE SANG "I WILL SING THE WONDROUS STORY" "PLACE YOUR HAND IN THE NAIL SCARRED HAND" AND "HIGHER GROUND."

THE MORNING SPEAKER WAS INTRODUCED AND BROTHER DANNY HENDERSON OF NEW PROSPECT CHURCH DELIVERED A STIRRING MESSAGE USING 11 PETER 2 AS SCRIPTURE. HIS POINTS SERVE WITH MIND, HEART AND SOUL. BE GROUNDED IN THE FAITH. JESUS IS OUR ARK OF SAFETY. KNOWN BY TALK AND ACTIONS. GOD KNOWETH HOW TO DELIVER OUT OF THE HAND OF THE TEMPTER. INVITATION HYMN "JUST AS I AM" LED BY LARRY AND BEULAH PEAVY. THE SERVICE THEN TURNED OVER TO THE MODERATOR WHERE WE HAD A TESTIMONY TIME. BROTHER LAMAR BUXTON MOVED WE GIVE EVERGREEN A RISING VOTE OF THANKS FOR THEIR HOSPITALITY SECONDED BY BROTHER JOHNNY GILMORE. DISMISSED FOR LUNCH BY BROTHER BILLY BEVAN.

THE ANNUAL FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION WAS HOSTED BY UNION CHURCH AND REGISTRATION BEGAN AT 6:30 PM WITH THE MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY HE MODERATOR, BROTHER JOEY PETTIS. DUE TO CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THE CLERK AND ASSISTANT CLERK WAS NOT AVAILABLE NO MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE. THE CLERK HAD A CHILDREN

HOME BOARD MEETING OF VITAL INTEREST OF SECURING A NEW DIRECTOR FOR THE HOME IN ELDRIDGE, ALABAMA. THE ASSISTANT CLERK SISTER NINA HAD FAMILY MEMBERS HOSPITALIZED AND WAS NOT ABLE TO ATTEND. I AM AWARE THAT THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE DID MEET AT UNION WITH CANDIDATES JERRY WHITEHEAD AND CHRIS CULP AND AFTER A THOROUGH EXAMINATION BOTH MEN WERE TO BE RECOMMENDED TO THE ASSOCIATION FOR ORDINATION AS DEACONS. ALSO THE SPEAKER AT THE FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION WAS BROTHER KENNY COUSAR FROM SARDIS AND ACCORDING TO ALL REPORTS DID A WONDERFUL JOB.

THE SATURDAY ANNUAL SESSION HOSTED BY MOUNT ZION BEGAN WITH REGISTRATION AT 8:30 AM AND THE CALL TO ORDER AT 9:00 PM BY THE MODERATOR, BROTHER JOEY PETTIS. SISTER NINA SERVED AS CLERK SINCE THE CLERK WAS AT THE CHILDREN HOME IN ELDRIDGE FOR A SPECIAL MEETING.

THE WELCOME WAS GIVEN BY THE HOST CHURCH, SISTER NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS. THE RESPONSE BY BROTHER JOHNNY GILMORE.

THE HOST CHURCH WITH SISTER DOT WHITENER AND SYLVIA BRANNON LED THE CONGREGATION IN SINGING "VICTORY IN JESUS."

AN OFFERING WAS RECEIVED TOTALING \$129.00. THE FRIDAY NIGHT OFFERING OF \$73.00 MAKES THE PLATE OFFERINGS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION \$202.00.

BROTHER CHARLES THOMPSON GAVE THE MORNING DEVOTION AND DID A VERY GOOD JOB.

THERE WERE 8 MINISTERS PRESENT: BILLY BEVAN, C. L. CULPEPPER, DANNY HENDERSON, THOMAS KIRKLAND, JOEY PETTIS, LARRY SOWELL, VISITING EVANGELIST ANDREW TONKIN, AND KENNY COUSAR, YOUTH MINISTER FROM SARDIS.

THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 6 DEACONS PRESENT: JACK ARMSTRONG, LAMAR BUXTON, JOHNNY GILMORE, JACK RYAL, WILLIAM SOWELL, AND CHARLES THOMPSON.

VISITORS NOT AS DELEGATES WERE LINDA HENDERSON, DAVID TEAT, AND MARY TEAT.

DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES ARE: BARBARA KIRKLAND, EVERGREEN; SYLVIA BRANNON, MELINDA OWENS, NINA VICKERS-FLOWERS, DOLLY VICKERS, DOT WHITENER, ALTERNATE LILLY THOMPSON, MOUNT ZION; CHRISTINE BROWN, EVERETTE MULLINS, JOYCE MULLINS, ALTERNATES LINDA CORDELL, JACK RYALS, LINDA SOWELL, NEW PROSPECT; MARVELL ARMSTRONG, JEANETTE TRAMMELL, BETTY WHITEHEAD, EDNA WHITEHEAD, JERRY WHITEHEAD, ALTERNATE JOHNNIE RUTH TAYLOR, NEW ZION; CAROLYN BUCKZAR, PAM DYSON,

AMANDA OWENS, ALTERNATES MR. BUCKZAR, (FIRST NAME NOT LISTED), PAUL DYSON, PILGRIM'S REST; JIMMY BAXTER, GLORIA BEVAN, TIM WALKER, SARDIS; AND JOANN ELLIOTT, LINDA FLOYD, PEGGY HERRING, ALTERNATES SYLVIA ETHRIDGE, JEAN MCKNIGHT, UNION. BY THE ORDAINED AUTHORITY THESE ARE SEATED. MSC

MOUNT ZION ANNOUNCED IT WAS HOSTING A FISH FRY SUPPER WITH SING ON SATURDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 21, 2006.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE WAS GIVEN BY BROTHER THOMAS KIRKLAND USING PSALMS 90:4-10. HE MADE MENTION OF THE DECEASED FROM THE VARIOUS CHURCHES. HE MENTIONED THAT BETWEEN BIRTH AND DEATH ON A TOMBSTONE THERE IS A DASH. WHAT YOU DO WITH YOUR LIFE IS ONLY DASH. HE CLOSED WITH PRAYER. THOSE NAMES DECEASED ARE BARBARA MONEY AND ALICE MONEY, PILGRIM'S REST; RACHEL BOOTHE, DANNY CARPENTER, G. W. CUTCHEN, NADINE DANIEL, AND RICHARD PEARSON, SARDIS; AND HENRY B. CULPEPPER, MINNIE PARKER ETHRIDGE, UNION.

PLEASE SEE PAGES 3, 4, AND 5 FOR FULL COMMITTEE REPORTS GIVEN AT THE ANNUAL SESSION ON SATURDAY HOSTED BY MOUNT ZION.

THE HOST CHURCH THEN LED IN CONGREGATIONAL SINGING WITH SISTER DOT WHITENER AND SYLVIA BRANNON. SONGS SELECTED AND SUNG WERE "JESUS HOLD MY HAND" "THE OLD RUGGED CROSS" AND "WHAT A DAY THAT WILL BE." A GOOD SPIRITUAL SONG SERVICE.

THE MODERATOR THEN INTRODUCED THE MORNING SPEAKER, BROTHER LARRY SOWELL. BROTHER LARRY USED AS SCRIPTURE READING PROVERBS 3:1-3 AND HEBREWS 2:9-22, ALSO MATT. 26. FROM THERE BROTHER LARRY QUOTED MANY SCRIPTURES, MADE MANY POINTS ABOUT THE MESSAGE TITLE "RECIPE FOR HOLINESS" ONE VERY GOOD POINT WAS "IF YOU DON'T PUT JESUS IN YOUR LIFE IT WILL NOT COME OUT RIGHT." IT WAS A VERY GOOD MESSAGE AND ENJOYED BY ALL.

A RISING VOTE OF THANKS WAS GIVEN TO THE HOST CHURCH AND PRAYER WAS HAD FOR THE FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP BY BROTHER JERRY WHITEHEAD.

Constitution and By-Laws of the
Southeastern Association of Free Will Baptist Churches

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 for Christ and His Kingdom, we do hereby adopt this Constitution and By-Laws.

Constitution

Article One - Name: This organization shall be known as the Southeastern Association of Free Will Baptist Churches.

Article Two - Officers: The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, a Vice Moderator, a Clerk/Treasurer, and an Assistant Clerk/Treasurer. The office of Clerk/Treasurer may be combined.

Article Three - 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 Four - Additions: Churches desiring membership in this Association shall send delegates bearing a petitionary letter. If the Church, 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 Five - 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 Six - Independence of Churches: Each Church of this Association is a distinct and independent organization having full and absolute authority to manage its internal affairs, to elect its Pastor, Officers, and to receive and dismiss members.

Section One: Each Church in this Association shall have, hold, and control its property, real and otherwise.

Section Two: 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 Three - 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) has set its house in order.

Article Seven - 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 in 1995.) 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 9:00 AM, (registration begins at 8:30 AM), on each day of the association. (Change made in July 2000.)

Section One: Roberts' rules of order shall be used as a guide in all business transactions and parliamentary usages.

Article Eight - 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 Credentials and Examining Committee section under the By-Laws for rules and requirements on becoming a member in good standing for ministers.)

Article Nine - Provision for Ordained Authority:

Section One: All ordained ministers and deacons must be a member in good standing with a church in good standing with this Association.

Section Two: 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 Three: Ordained ministers can hold no credentials other than those recognized by the National Association of Free Will Baptist and this Association.

Article Ten - Executive Committee: This committee is composed of the moderator, vice moderator, clerk/treasurer all ordained ministers who are in good standing with a church in good standing with this Association, along with one elected member from each church in good standing with this Association.

Article Eleven - 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 this 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 years, two for three years, two for two years and one for one year. Each year at the annual session one or more members shall be up for replacement or re-nomination. See By-Laws for duties to be performed.

B. Christian Board of Education composed of three members elected from nominations presented to the body while in session. These are elected one for three years, one for two years and one for one year. Each year at the annual session one or more members 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 the body while in session. These are elected one for three years, one for two years, one for one year. Each year at the annual session one or more members 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 the body while in session. These are elected one for three years, one for two years one for one year. Each year at the annual session one or more members shall be up for replacement or re-nomination. See the By-Laws for the duties to be performed.

D1. At the annual session each year a nominee shall be placed before the Association to serve as the Board Member to the Children Home. This member is to be able to attend the meetings at the Home, vote on the proceedings at the Home, and keep this Association 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 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 shall be elected one for three years, one for two years, one for one year. Each year at the annual session one or more members 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 shall be elected one for three years, one for two years, one for one year. Each year at the annual session one or more members shall be up replacement or be re-nominated. See the By-Laws for the duties to be performed.

G. Resolutions committee composed of three members elected from nominations presented to this body while in session. These shall be elected one for three years, one for two years, one for one year. Each year at the annual

session one or more members shall be up for replacement or be re-nominated. See the By-Laws for the duties to be performed.

H. Finance Committee composed of three members elected from nominations presented to his body while in session. These shall be elected one for three years, one for two years, one for one year. Each year at the annual session one or more members shall be up for replacement or be re-nominated. See the By-Laws for the duties to be performed.

Article Twelve: 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 Thirteen -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 One - Officers: All officers shall be elected annually. Any officer may succeed himself in office if so nominated.

Article Two - Duties of Officers:

Section One - Moderator: The moderator shall reside over all meetings of the Association, appoint temporary committees, and call the Executive Committee together when necessary.

Section Two - 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 when necessary, and assist the Moderator in the general work of the Association.

Section Three - Clerk: The Clerk shall record the proceedings of the quarterly and annual session of the Association and of the Executive Committee, and shall have them edited and printed into the annual minutes. The Clerk shall turn all records of the Association over to his/her successor in office.

Section Four - 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 Five - Provision for Moderator: In case of the absence of both Moderator and the Vice Moderator, the senior minister of the standing delegates shall act in that capacity.

Article Three - Duties of elected committees:

Section One - Executive Committee: This committee shall meet in October following the annuals session of the Association on a date, time, and place appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of planning the next years Association calendar, and any other business that might properly come before this committee.

A. May be called into session at any time the Association is not in session by the Moderator, or in his absence, the Vice Moderator.

B. Shall act as the promotional agency for the various work of the Association.

C. Shall act on behalf of the Association of Churches on things when the Association is not in session that cannot wait until the next meeting.

Section Two - Credentials and Examining Committee:

A. Examine all church letters presented to the Association and make recommendations as to the order of letters and delegates.

B. Examine, at the request of the local church, any candidate desiring a license to preach as a Free Will Baptist Minister and make recommendations to the body.

C. Examine all candidates for the office of deacon, at the request of the local church, and make recommendation to the body.

D. Examine all candidates for ordination; minister or deacon, at the request of the local church, and make a recommendation to this body. The candidate is required to meet with the Credentials and Examining Committee twenty (20) days prior to the Association meeting in which the Committee chairman will make a recommendation on the candidate to the body present in his report to the Association. It will be the duty of the candidate to inform the Clerk or Committee chairman for this meeting to be scheduled.

E. Examine all ministers coming from other sister Associations to pastor in this Association and make a recommendation to the body.

F. Examine all ministers coming from other denominations or independent churches who desire to obtain a 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. Committee may use oral, written, or a combination of both, in its' examination of candidates for office. Written forms shall be provided by this Committee.

H. 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 is no Association charges filed against him.

Section Three - Christian Board of Education:

A. To plan, organize, and supervise youth rallies, a youth revival, CTS competition, Sunday School promotion, and summer camp 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 camp Director shall have the 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 four - Missions Committee:

A. To promote mission work in the Association.

B. To keep before the churches of the 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 us informed; to plan retreats, conferences, etc. in the mission area.

Section five - Children Home Committee:

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 six - Placement Committee:

To coordinate with our Sister churches the places for the Quarterly and Annual sessions of the Association.

Section seven - Nominating Committee:

A. Nominate candidates for Association offices.

B. Nominate candidates for various Committees at each Annual session.

C. Nominate replacements for various Committees when necessary at Quarterly sessions when a Committee has lost a member for any reason.

Section eight - Finance Committee:

A. Prepare an Annual budget to be presented to the Association at the annual session for approval or disapproval.

B. 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, youth rallies, youth revival.

Section nine - Resolutions Committee:

Bring to the Associations' attention any matter needing our attention in the local, state, or national interest.

Section Ten - Reports:

Each Committee shall give a report of its' activities at each session of the Association in order to keep the Association properly informed.

Section eleven:

Any Committee may bring to the attention of the Moderator matters that could affect the Association in such a way that the meeting of the Executive 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 matters.

Article Four - Representation of Churches:

Section One:

Each church is expected to send quarterly and annual reports of progress on forms furnished by the Association

Section Two:

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 fifty (50) active members or portion thereof. Each church shall be entitled to one (1) additional delegate for each additional twenty five (25) members or portion thereof.

Section Three:

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 Four:

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 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 Five:

Delegate dues are fixed at five dollars (\$5.00) per authorized delegate tot he quarterly sessions and ten dollars (\$10.00) per delegate to the annual session.

Section Six:

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 Five - Use of funds:

Section One:

Funds are to be used for the printing of the annual minutes.

Section Two:

The 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 Three:

Pay such funds as prescribed in the annual budget.

Section Four:

Funds designated at any session of the Association for such cause as may properly come before the Association and voted on.

Section Five:

Plate offerings, special offerings, or other gifts as designated by the body at each session.

Section Six:

Funds are to be distributed at the time authorized and in such quantity as authorized and to whom authorized.

Article Six - Amendments:

Section One:

This constitution and these By-Laws shall not be changed or altered except and only by an two thirds (2/3) majority vote of delegates present from member churches in any session of the Association.

Section Two:

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 Association meeting and then shall be removed from the table, read again in the hearing of those assembled, and then acted on by the Association.

Rules of Decorum

1. The Association, when convened, shall be opened and closed by singing and with prayer.
2. Only one person shall speak at a time, and he shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator.
3. Each person that is speaking shall not be interrupted in speech, except by the Moderator, until he gets thorough ; nor shall the Moderator interrupt him unless he gets out of order.
4. The person thus speaking shall adhere tot he 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 Moderator.
6. No person shall laugh or whisper in time of public speech.
7. Members shall address each other by the appellation of brother or brethren and sister(s).
8. No member 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 Moderator 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 Righteous 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 to supremely 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 Saviour and Lord.

4. The Holy Spirit. The scripture assign 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 his disobedience fell into sin and condemnation. His posterity therefor 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:

A. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and the hearty renunciation of it. B. Faith, or the reserved committal of one's self to Christ as saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God, and, C. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who would comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence, by faith men become His elect.

10. Freedom of will. The human spirit is free and self controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the Truth and Spirit; or 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 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 is an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all believers.

14. Tithing. God commands 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 everyone lay by him in store as God hath prospered him. (1 Corinthians 16:2.)

15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law required 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 of God.

16. Resurrection, Judgement, and final Retribution. The scriptures teach the resurrection of the 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 and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions and social worship, and by self denial,

faith and good works, endeavor to "grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conference, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay to support 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 anothers 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 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 preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Did You Know?

In Chowan County, North Carolina in 1927 the first FWB church 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 differences in the ordinances on the practice of feet washing between the two. The South practiced feet washing and the North did not.

In the year 1827 there were 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 were 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 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 of 1886 the Southeastern Association convened at Goodwater 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 left the Southeastern Association, followed by Hickory Grove, 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 were 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 fifth Sunday in August 1890 there was an Association meeting at Mount Zion. This was to establish or discuss a new constitution for the

Southeastern Association. On August 1, 1891 delegates were elected from Union Grove to go to the Association. In 1891 Union Grove Church paid \$.50 for Association purposes.

The Association meeting was held at Pleasant Hill FWB Church on the 3rd. Saturday in December 1892.

In April 1894 Union Grove approved the buying of one half dozen Hymn books.

In September 1896 Union Grove elected delegates to represent them in the Association meeting and the church paid \$1.00 for minute and \$.75 for Association purposes.

In the year of 1897 the Association 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 to his brother drink or putteth the bottle to his 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 on 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 \$9.85; 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 its minutes and on Saturday the 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 were having Sunday School (Sabbath School). C. A. Arnold asked that the churches put forth a special effort to have Sabbath Schools, as it is a stepping stone to religion for the boys and girls.

In 1920 there were 15 churches in the Southeastern Association. They were Antioch, Bethsaida, Christian Home, Ephesus, 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 instruction, "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 went to Goodwater.

The following men were given as ministers. S. O. Sellers, Bob Beasley, J. H. Guilford, C. P. Guilford, Thomas Bailey, J. M. Shirley, and D. F. Pelt. There were 12 churches in the Association in 1936.

On Friday before the 3rd Sunday in October 1938 the Southeastern Association of Free Will Baptist met at Union Grove church. Brother J. H. Guilford, moderator, Brother 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 thankful for such a message. An intermission of one hour and fifteen minutes was given during which time a bountiful feast was spread and enjoyed by all. Song service was led by Brother Bob Stokes.

Only five churches were having Sunday School in 1938.

Pilgrim Rest 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 expense to the National Association. There were 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 the year 1946. Brother D. F. Pelt was moderator and 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 were 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 for the junior college, the Children Home in Eldridge, Alabama, and a donation of \$47.28 was given.

Pilgrim's Rest had Johnny Wilson and Carl Wilson ordained as deacons.

J. Long Stokes was treasurer and he showed a balance of \$51.20 in the treasury.

There were 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.

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