

1960

MINUTES
Of The
24th Annual Session
Of The
SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA
ASSOCIATION
Of
Freewill Baptist Churches
Held With The
Beech Grove Freewill Baptist
Church
BIG STONE GAP, VIRGINIA

May 14, 1960

The next session will convene with the Mount Hope Freewill Baptist Church near Jonesville, Virginia, on Route 58, on Saturday before the third Sunday in May, 1961, at 9:00 A. M. (EST)

GREETINGS

To All Ministers of The Southwest Virginia Association

We, th Associaton, feel it necessary to come to you by letter, requesting each minister in the bounds or this association to make a special effort to be at every session of the association.

In the bounds of the association, We have 86 ordained ministers and nine licentates. We were happy to have 22 of this membership present at our last session, but we hope you will agree with us the attendance should be much higher. If you don't need us, we need you. So, please make your plans to attend your next association, that we might know you and you know us.

Done by request of the Association.

LESLIE G. KETRON, Clerk

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 sanctions 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 grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ".

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all 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, admonish the erring, and, so far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief purpose in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling 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 evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless unto the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

P R E F A C E

For well over two hundred years there has been a Baptist people in the United States who preached and practiced "Freedom of the Will". A great many of the Baptists came from Wales and London to the eastern part of the United States in the early settling of this country. Among the earliest records available, we find the name of Paul Palmer, who preached and organized a church in Perquimns, North Carolina, in the year 1727. This church was later lost to the Calvinistic Baptists. Not only this church was lost, but several others in the course of time were lost, but a sufficient number kept the "Faith once delivered to the saints" that a steady increase has prevailed throughout the years.

Those who are called Free Will Baptists in North Carolina were first called by this name by those who opposed the doctrine of "Freedom of the will". The same thing was true in the north with the Rev. Benjamin Randall and his followers, whose church was organized at New Durham, N. H., in the year of 1780. The name was later adopted by the believers in "Salvation by Grace through Faith", who preached freedom of the will.

Among these believers it was deemed wise to set forth certain outstanding fundamental doctrines as believed by the denominations. In several of the states there were booklets published setting forth the "Articles of Faith". Many of the Disciplines set forth had different ways of doing things, while the fundamental doctrine was the same in all. These Disciplines and the Articles of Faith set forth the fact that "these were set forth for the convenience" with the solemn declaration that "the Bible is infallible" and in every instance it was plainly set forth that "We believe the whole Scriptures to be the word of God".

In the year 1935, at Cofer's Chapel, Nashville, Tenn., a committee was elected for the purpose of formulating, by way of a revision, a treatise out of the various Disciplines and former Treatise, to be used in Free Will Baptist churches. This committee was composed of the following ministers, namely: J. C. Griffin, chairman; and Winford Davis, E. B. Joyner, J. S. Frederick, E. E. Morris, W. B. Davenport, Millard Vanhooose, C. B. Thompson, and Ralph Staten, with two laymen, M. L. Morris and Hubert Post.

This committee worked for several hours and then reported. A motion was carried that the report be accepted. In the year 1947, while the National Association was in session at Highland Park, F.W.B. Church in Detroit, Michigan, a resolution was passed in which several members of the General Board of the National Association and one member from each affiliated state convention or association was to meet and revise the Treatise and report at the next session of the National Association. This committee, composed of the following ministers, namely: J. L. Welch, chairman; R. B. Crawford, J. C. Griffin, J. F. Miller, K. V. Shutes, F. S. Vanhooose, L. A. Holliday, I. W. Yandall, M. L. Sutton, Ralph Staten, Harry Beatty, H. E. Willis, Floyd Cherry, R. N. Hinnant, Seldon Bullard, C. H. Curry and J. A. Lambert met at Cofer's Chapel in Nashville, Tenn., in April and the revision was made and presented to the National Association in session in the Pocahontas Free Will Baptist Church, Pocahontas, Arkansas, July, 1948, and was adopted.

O F F I C E R S

Elder Ralph Flanary, Dungannon, Va.	Moderator
Elder S. M. McFall, Clintwood, Va.	Assist. Moderator
Leslie G. Ketron, Herald, Va.	Clerk
Minnie Belle Ketron, Herald, Va.	Assist. Clerk
E. J. Kilgore, Coeburn, Va.	Treasurer

LEAGUE FIELD WORKERS

Elder Hershel Ramey	Norton, Va.
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EXECUTIVE BOARD

	Exp. of Office
Wilton H. Dail, 3322 Lens Ave., Norfolk, Va.	1961
Elder Bobby Laney, Coeburn, Va.	1962
Elder W. B. Galloway, Big Stone Gap, Va.	1963

Committee To Deal With Problems Of Ministers

Elder H. V. Johnston, Norton, Va.	1961
Elder Lacy Powers	1962
Elder Fred A. Rivenbark, 3301 Verdun Ave., Norfolk, Va.	1963

TIDEWATER EXECUTIVE BOARD

Elder J. B. Chism, Jr., 618 N., Hudson Terrace, Newport News, Va.	1960
Elder Raymond Riggs, 4624 Larkin St., Norfolk, Va.	1960
Mrs. Joe Strickland, 306 E. Willow St., Virginia Beach, Va.	1960
H. G. Findley, 8051 Roberts Road, Norfolk 3, Va.	1961
E. T. Jackson, 2210 Cromwell Rd., Norfolk, Va.	1962

TIDEWATER ORDAINING COUNCIL

Elder Fred A. Rivenbark, 3301 Verdun Ave., Norfolk, Va.	1960
Elder J. B. Chism, 618 N. Hudson Terrace, Newport News, Va.	1961
Elder Eugene Waddell, 1616 Lansing Ave., Portsmouth, Va.	1962
Elder Charles Sapp, 5210 Monument Ave., Richmond, Va.	1963
Elder Raymond Riggs, 4624 Larkin St., Norfolk, Va.	1964

LEE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BOARD

Clarence Ramey, Jonesville, Va.....	1961
Frank Shoemaker, Pennington Gap, Va.....	1962
D. C. Sturgill, Dryden, Va.	1963

LEE COUNTY ORDAINING COUNCIL

Elder L. H. Martin, Jonesville, Va.....	1961
Elder Paul Pennington, Pennington Gap, Va.....	1962
Elder E. E. Edens, Keokee, Va.....	1963

WISE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BOARD

Elder H. V. Johnston, Norton, Va.....	1961
Elder Ralph Flannary, Dungannon, Va.....	1962
J. D. Sturgill, Rt. 2, Wise, Va.	1963

WISE COUNTY ORDAINING COUNCIL

Elder L. J. Fields, Norton, Va.....	1961
Elder P. H. Miller, Big Stone Gap, Va.....	1962
Elder Hobert Addington, Esserville, Va.....	1963

ENROLLMENT

DELEGATES: Mrs. E. J. Kilgore, Mrs. W. B. Galloway, Mrs. H. V. Johnston, Mrs. Octavie Jones, Jackie Culbertson Mrs. Ralph Flannary, Mattie Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fields, Roscoe Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Vernard Collins, Jack Nave, Joe Bolinsky, Marion Pochodzay, Maxie Pochodzay, Charles Castle, Henry Hammonds, M.E. Howard

MINISTERS: H. V. Johnston, Ralph Flannary, David Powers, Robert Dixon, Della Salyer, Jess Cowden, Melvin Moore, Gale Scott, W. B. Galloway, W. A. Hales, S. M. McFall, Enoch Rose, V. B. Thacker, Paul Butler, John Brannon, Eddie Sturgill, Hobert Addington, Robert L. Ramey, Wade Powers, Ben Powers, H. W. Ashworth, Ray Gardner.

DEACONS: E. J. Kilgore, Proctor Kennedy, Charlie Castle, Jack Nave, Joe Bolinsky, Edgar Jackson, Leslie Ketron.

PROCEEDINGS

The twenty-fourth annual session of the Southwest Virginia Association of Freewill Baptists met with the Beech Grove Freewill Baptist Church at Big Stone Gap, Virginia, May 14, 1960.

The Association was called to order with Congregational singing under the direction of Elder H. V. Johnston. Special singing was rendered by Elders Ben and Wade Powers.

The moderator, Elder Ralph Flannary, took charge, reading for scripture lesson John 3rd chapter. Prayer by E. J. Kilgore. Elder H. V. Johnston, pastor of church, gave a hearty welcome to everyone present at the association.

Business resumed as follows:

Enrollment of all delegates as they appear in these minutes. Corresponding messengers were asked for their reports. Sister Jones was the only messenger reporting. She made a wonderful talk concerning the need of a Ladies' Auxiliary in every church, as well as turning in a written report of the fine work of the ladies of the Tidewater district. This report was received by regular motion as it appears elsewhere in these minutes.

Minutes of the last association were approved as read.

Reports from three quarterly meetings were read and approved as they appear in these minutes.

The Association was very happy to receive a letter of correspondence from Elder Fred A. Rivenbark. We were very sorry Elder Rivenbark could not be with us in person.

Elder W. A. Hales was accepted into the association, by letter, from the Eastern Conference of Free Will Baptists of North Carolina. Elder Hales was once a member of our Association and was a great inspiration to all of us to go forward in every phase of our work. To you, Elder Hales, we say, "Welcome home".

Sister Jackie Culbertson (field worker for Ladies' Auxiliary) gave a wonderful talk concerning the need of a Ladies' Auxiliary in every church. Her remarks were in the form of a plea, please let us mothers work in that part of our great organization, which was so ordered for us, namely a Ladies' Auxiliary.

Talks concerning the need of training our young people were given by Elder Enoch Rose, Elder Hobert Addington, and Elder Ben Powers. The talks were very inspiring to each of us. Do we want our church to grow? Do we want

our organization to prosper? Do we want trained leaders for tomorrow? If so, let's remember the training department our church, namely a youth league.

By regular motion the association was adjourned until 1:00.

11:00

Congregational singing under the direction of Elder Ben Powers. Special singing by Elder Enoch Rose and wife. Special singing by Brother Riner.

Messenger, Elder Wade Powers.

Scripture reading consisted of a part of 12 chapter of Romans, 4th chapter of first Timothy, and James 3rd chapter. A very able prayer was offered by Elder Ben Powers. Text: "Faith without works is dead", from which Elder Powers brought a very timely message.

Elder S. M. McFall made a fine report on the Childrens' Home. The offering for the home was \$55.65.

Benediction by Elder Paul Butler.

One O'Clock

Singing under the direction of Bro. Riner. The Moderator took charge, reading the 23rd Psalm. Prayer by Elder Enoch Rose.

Business resumed as follows:

Two members were absent from the Executive Board. Elder J. W. Brannon and Elder C. W. Hales were selected to serve for the day.

The treasurer's report was received as it appears in these minutes. Power was granted to the treasurer to write checks to cover the expense of the association.

By regular motion, the following donations were voted from the treasury: Childrens' Home \$100.00; Alaskan Mission \$50.00

The Association was glad to receive a fine report from Elder Billy B. Walker from the Tidewater District, as well as many fine oral reports concerning his ministerial work in that section, given by his brethren present at the association. By regular motion, it was voted to return Elder Walker's card to Elder Rivenbark to make sure the card was in its proper order since we had no letter of transfer of this minister to this association.

Election of officers as they appear elsewhere in these minutes.

Annual ministers' reports were accepted as recorded in these minutes.

Elder Raymond Riggs was selected to bring the message at the next association. Elder Billy Walker was chosen as alternate.

The clerk of this association was instructed to include in the minutes an urgent request that all our ministers make a special effort to attend each session of our association.

One thousand minutes were ordered printed.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kilgore were selected to carry the letter to the State Association.

The Association wishes to thank the Beech Grove Church for its fine hospitality and fellowship shown throughout the association.

By regular motion, conference was adjourned until Saturday before the third Sunday in May, 1961, when it will convene with Mt. Hope Freewill Baptist Church near Jonesville, Virginia.

Benediction by Elder Gale Scott.

Note of Error—Donation of \$100.00 to Home Missions left out by mistake.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Of The Southwest Virginia Association of Free Will
Baptists For May 14, 1960

Balance brought forward from last year's report	--\$465.53
Receipts:	1959 1960
Wise County Quarterly meeting	180.20 199.90
Lee County Quarterly Meeting	37.90 41.00
Tidewater Quarterly Meeting	172.60 157.60
	390.70 398.50

Total Amount of receipts	-----	789.20
Total Amount of receipts and balance	-----	\$1,254.73

DISBURSEMENTS

1959 May 16th	
State Minutes	50.00
Rev. Joe R. Hess, moderator	10.00
Leslie Ketron, Manuscript and postage	55.00
Foreign Mission	50.00
Home Mission, W. H. Dale, Treas.	100.00
F.W.B. Home for Children	100.00
Alaska Mission	50.00
Beverly's Print Shop, Minutes	104.75

Total Disbursements ----- \$519.75

Balance in treasury as of May 13, 1960----- \$734.98

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. KILGORE, Treas.

Southwest Virginia Association of

Free Will Baptists

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF TIDEWATER DIST.

President, Mrs. J. B. Chism Address, Newport News, Va.

Treasurer, Mrs. Clyde Roughton Address, Norfolk, Va.

Number of Auxiliaries reporting—6

Amount per capita Representation Fees

Sent to Treasurer ----- \$51.90

I. Enlistment Department:

1. Enrollment at beginning of convention year 165;

Present enrollment 171.

2 Number new members 23; Number lost 29

II. Youth Department:

1. Number youth organizations: G.T.A. 6; Y.P.A. 4;
B.A. 3

2. Total membership: G.T.A. 71; Y.P.A. 81; B.A. 17

3. Number mission declamation contests held, 1

4. Number active church libraries, 4

5. Number essay contests held, 1

6. Other activities: Youth banquet in January; Youth
Rally May 8

III. Study Course Department

1. Courses conducted, 61 in all. Attendance

Missions ----- 6 ----- 39

Stewardship ----- 3 ----- 101

Manual ----- 4 ----- 55

Evangelism ----- 5 ----- 91

Prayer ----- 4 ----- 67

2. Reading Circles, 3

3. Number daily Bible readers, 82

IV. Program—Prayer Department:

1. Number Weeks of Prayer conducted, 16 (6 churches

2. Total number of Family Altars, 49
 3. Total members observing Prayer Fellowship, 35
- V. Personal Service Department:
1. Number making soul-winning efforts, 80
 2. Number souls won, 48
- VI. Publicity Department:
1. Number subscribers to Free Will Baptist papers 35
 2. Number articles written for publication, 6
 3. Other publicity work done, 490 cards and 7 posters.

VII. Personal Gifts:

Special Offerings:	
Missions—Mexico	\$128.54
Childrens' Home	120.00
Superannuation	20.00

Mrs. J. L. Whitehunt, Recording Sec'y
6237 Toppa Ransock Drive
Norfolk 9, Virginia

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF TIDEWATER DISTRICT

I. STEWARDSHIP OF POSSESSIONS:

Number Auxiliary members contributing to missions	165
Number tithers on roll at beginning of convention year,	75
Number of tithers as result of Stewardship	
Study Courses	5
Number of new tithers this convention year.....	5
Present number of tithers	80

II. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Amount of offering sent to WNAC Co-Laborer	
Fund	\$ 80.00
Amount of Easter offering for foreign missions...	165.00
Amount of Thanksgiving offering for	
State Home Missions	13.00
Amount of Christmas offering for National	
Home Missions	20.50
Cash gifts to Orphanage	190.00
Value of boxes to orphanage	175.00
Cash gifts to Free Will Baptist Bible College...	20.00
Total gifts to Missions sent to W.N.A.C. treasury this	

convention year: by Woman's Auxiliary, \$51.90
Total amount spent for auxiliary literature, \$210.00
Total amount spent this convention year for local church activities, \$585.00

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. W. Roughton, Treasurer
Norfolk, Va.

Wise County, Va., May 14, 1960

GREETINGS: To the Southwest Virginia Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with Beech Grove Free Will Baptist Church, May 14, 1960

We have chosen all delegates from our last conference as messengers. These, we pray, may sit with you in your Godly work.

Our standing is as follows:

Number of churches	----- 35	Membership	----- 1999
Members received	----- 197	Members dismissed	----- 40
		Members died	----- 32
Number Sunday Schools	-- 35	Membership	----- 2865
Number Youth Leagues	-- 18	Membership	----- 480
Ordained Ministers	----- 69	Licentees	----- 4
Minute fund enclosed \$199.90.			

Done by order of the Wise County Quarterly Conference while in regular session with Meade Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, April 9, 1960.

Elder W. B. Galloway, Moderator
Big Stone Gap, Va.
Leslie G. Ketron, Clerk
Herald, Va.

Norfolk, Va., May 14, 1960

GREETINGS: To the Southwest Virginia Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with the Beech Grove Freewill Baptist Church, Big Stone Gap, Va., May 14, 1960.

We have chosen all delegates from our last conference as corresponding messengers. These we pray may sit with you in your Godly work.

Our standing is as follows:

Number of churches -----	6	Membership -----	1576
Received this year -----	234		
Number Sunday Schools---	6		
Number Youth Leagues ---	6		
Number Prayer Meeting--	6		
Number Missions -----	3	Membership -----	106
Ordained Ministers -----	12	Licentees -----	5
Minute fund enclosed \$157.60			

Done by order of Tidewater Quarterly Meeting of Free Will Baptists while in regular session with the First Free Will Baptist Church, Portsmouth, Va., April 16, 1960.

Elder J. B. Chism, Jr., Moderator
 618 N. Hudson Terrace
 Newport News, Va.
 Mrs. Joe Strickland, Clerk-Treas.
 306 Willow Street, East
 Virginia Beach, Va.

Lee County, Va., May 14, 1960

GREETINGS:

To the Southwest Virginia Association of Free Will Baptists when convened with Beech Grove church, May 14, 1960.

We have chosen all delegates from our last conference as messengers. These, We pray, may sit with you in your Godly Work.

Our standing is as follows:

Number of churches-----	7	Membership -----	410
Members Received -----	39	Members deceased ---	2
Number Sunday Schools ---	7	Membership -----	566
Number of leagues -----	2	Membership -----	60
Ordained Ministers -----		5	

Minute fund enclosed, \$41.00.

Done by order of the Lee County Quarterly Conference, while in regular session with Oconita Church, April 2, 1960.

L. H. Martin, Moderator, Jonesville, Va.
 Mrs. Howard Sally, Clerk, Woodway, Va.

TIDEWATER QUARTERLY MEETING—ANNUAL REPORT

CHURCH	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fairmount Park, Norfolk, Va.-----	66	746	\$.00	\$.00	400.00	\$1,497.70
Hyde Park, Norfolk, Va.-----	34	160	13,481.58	13,782.58	.00	278.63
Betheny, Norfolk, Va. -----	17	143	12,293.31	12,052.65	9.56	42.90
First F.W.B., Newport News, Va. 35	179		17,181.99	16,726.19	.00	391.01
First F.W.B., Richmond, Va.-----	3	92	16,318.85	16,231.54	15.37	5.60
First F.W.B., Portsmouth, Va.-----	36	150	17,411.86	17,195.94	.00	118.10

TIDEWATER QUARTERLY MEETING—ANNUAL REPORT (Cont'd)

CHURCH	7	8	9	10	11
Fairmount Par, Norfolk, Va.-----	\$510.00	\$1,078.00	\$87.50	\$1,333.70	\$1,992.60
Hyde Park, Norfolk, Va. -----	146.00	.00	15.00	40.00	632.00
Betheny, Norfolk, Va. -----	.00	.53.58	1.61	35.71	237.05
First F. W. B., Newport News, Va.---	326.29	.00	61.48	425.11	1,303.01
First F.W.B., Richmond, Va.-----	24.00	44.01	.00	7.01	56.09
First F.W.B., Portsmouth, Va.-----	.10.00	.00	.00	135.19	2,087.28

KEY TO REPORT

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| 1—Members Received | 5—Promotional Work | 9—Superannuation |
| 2—Membership | 6—Home Missions | 10—College |
| 3—Receipts | 7—Orphanage | 11—Foreign Missions |
| 4—Paid Out | 8—Co-op Program | |

ANNUAL REPORT OF WISE COUNTY CHURCHES

CHURCH	Total Membership	Amt. Paid Pastor	Evangelistic Work	Orphanage	Super- Annuation	Home Mission	Foreigh Missions	Literature	Pastor
Dungannon -----	146	\$125.89	\$545.81	\$272.74	\$18.00	\$ 2.25	\$324.73	\$99.00	Ralph Flannary
Beech Grove -----	29	135.00	55.00	91.00	9.00	3.00	.00	26.35	H. V. Johnston
Gillenwater -----	No report for the year				.00	.00	.00	.00	
Beckner's Chapel --	51	97.00	106.87	40.00	7.00	.00	.00	68.74	Carson Dotson
Mary's Chapel ----	130	655.63	84.00	57.15	3.00	.00	100.00	129.35	B. R. Powers
Tacoma -----	31	24.00	95.00	20.00	12.00	13.00	.00	89.30	S. M. McFall
Ramsey -----	75	150.00	38.36	.00	10.00	.00	.00	22.67	Jim Ramey
Steven's Chapel --	27	10.00	30.00	5.00	.00	27.00	.00	38.30	Harold Kilgore
Mt. Olive -----	38	43.94	33.39	30.00	15.00	.00	.00	25.20	Lacey Powers
Wilson's Chapel --	41	32.25	30.00	53.13	27.00	.00	4.00	36.11	H. V. Johnston
Mt. View -----	28	71.35	101.00	.00	3.00	.00	.00	23.00	Bobby Laney
Indian Creek -----	122	.00	.00	38.21	22.07	.00	16.07	101.81	Carson Dotson
Davis Chapel ----	35	110.00	37.00	.00	.00	10.00	.00	31.00	Lacey Powers
Stallard Memorial	20	48.50	119.80	62.64	10.00	.00	4.59	38.60	James Hobbs and Bobby Laney
Meade Chapel ----	80	.00	99.00	45.00	9.00	.00	.00	47.23	Jim L. Meade
Oak Grove -----	126	600.00	100.00	360.00	40.00	99.29	138.05	197.05	W. B. Galloway
Hopkins Chapel --	63	120.00	142.64	.00	13.00	.00	.00	29.58	Lacey Powers
West End -----	73	600.00	130.00	61.68	.00	5.00	.00	33.50	P. H. Miller

Valley View -----	52	20.59	74.22	.00	2.00	.00	.00	22.50	Pat Bishop
Lone Pine -----	88	122.00	.00	30.00	.00	68.71	.00	69.62	J. D. Kilgore
Martha's Chapel --	53	.00	177.78	35.78	15.00	142.43	.00	45.34	Kermit Moore
Glamorgan -----	63	428.50	.00	60.00	8.00	.00	.00	60.65	Robt. Lee Stanley
Dry Fork -----	39	96.05	187.10	43.07	10.00	.00	3.30	30.68	James Rose
Central -----	137	1668.60	150.00	240.00	.00	.00	201.61	101.39	W. F. Harrison
Calvary -----	32	115.00	14.50	5.00	1.50	5.00	10.00	11.42	H. E. Ramey
Inman -----	26	115.88	40.06	45.00	5.00	.00	.00	38.92	James Ramey
West Norton -----	31	106.62	30.00	30.00	.00	.00	.00	20.22	Ray Robinette
Bondtown -----	30	.00	31.60	38.92	.00	.00	.00	44.40	H. V. Johnston
Esservile -----	74	240.00	159.28	.00	15.00	33.43	.00	85.16	Hobart Adington
Addison's Chapel -	41	101.78	141.82	.00	13.00	3.00	15.54	28.82	Jim Ramey
Huff Cloverlick ---	36	.00	10.00	.00	2.00	.00	.00	41.00	Emit R. Begley
Durham Chapel --	33	.00	65.48	.00	.00	.00	.00	49.24	Sam Sluss
Flatwoods Chapel -	51	.00	.00	.00	10.00	.00	.00	26.78	Ralph Flannary
Pippin's Chapel --	39	.00	25.00	.00	4.00	.00	.00	16.75	Wade Powers
Bethel Chapel ----	15	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	12.25	Jack Richmond

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LEE COUNTY CHURCHES

CHURCH	Membership	Pd. Pastor	Orphan age	Evangelistic	Literature	PASTOR
Mt. Hope -----	51	\$385.00	\$60.00	\$255.00	\$17.65	Ray Gardner
Rock Lick -----	56	263.75	55.68	71.41	57.19	L. H. Martin
Mt. Caramel -----	94	526.80	99.38	172.96	83.00	S. B. Culbertson
Ocoonita -----	83	282.85	50.00	95.93	.00	S. B. Culbertson
Willis Chapel ----	50	197.34	.00	.	18.16	L. H. Martin
Minton Memorial -	50	480.00	21.00	.00	.00	P. H. Miller
Hoover's Chapel --	26	82.28	.00	.00	20.64	Paul Pennington

ANNUAL MINISTERS' REPORT

	Sermons Preached	Churches Pastored	Revivtls Held	Professn's Witnessed	Number Baptized	Additions to Church	Funerals Preached	Miles Traveled	Money Received
Hobart Addington--	95	2	1	19	33	15	7	2189	\$ 316.37
C. B. Addison -----	102	0	1	12	7	0	0	00	.00
H. W. Ashworth ----	0	0	5	45	28	0	25	Unknown	Unknown
Burlie Berry -----	50		1	10	3	0	1	600	None
J. W. Brannon -----	25	0	0	22	0	0	3	2000	None
Paul Butler -----	96	1	5	10	3	0	1	00	50.00
J. B. Chism, Jr. ----	128	1	0	52	15	27	1	15000	3,640.00
George Collins -----	45	0	2	18	14	0	1	400	26.00
Jessie R. Cowan ----	Many		Many		0	25	4	many	20.00
S. B. Culbertson ---	90	2	0	20	17	21	8	475	824.16
Robert Dixon -----	20	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	25.00
Ralph Flannary ----	140	2	4	37	18	40	10	1500	300.00
W. B. Galloway ----	40	1	0	3	34	1	5	1500	250.00
Ray Gardner -----	30	0	3	20	0	0	11	300	200.00
Harley Greene -----	60	0	1	9	3	0	2	700	0
W. A. Hales -----	171	1	4	60	55	61	7	1900	4,725.00
Clarence Johnson --	60	1	0	0	0	0	1	400	0
H. V. Johnston ----	106	0	2	6	0	4	0	1600	154.00
J. D. Kilgore -----	77	1	2	6	5	0	11	5025	72.63

James H. Kilgore --	115	0	6	27	4	0	2	1600	105.00
Bobby Laney ----	300	1	7	130	100	0	3	None	None
L. H. Martin ----	89	2	2	23	1	1	0	0	461.00
S. M. McFall -----	No report kept.								
Melvin E. Moore --	53	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	100.00
Paul Pennington --	65	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	85.00
David Powers ----	125	2	3	45	35	0	8	0	00
Ben R. Powers ----	104	2	2	22	16	11	78	0	1055.00
Wade Powers ----	104	2	4	14	11	11	50	800	100.00
Fred A. Rivenbark-	134	1	3	85	66	106	7	17000	5,200.00
James Ramey ----	300	4	4	125	80	70	35	6000	700.00
Hershel E. Ramey--	90	1	1	13	5	2	0	3359	146.75
Robert L. Ramey --	65	0	2	14	2	0	1	2000	75.00
James Rose -----	50	1	0	0	0	0	2	500	99.55
Eddie Sturgill ----	120	0	2	13	5	0	1	1128	55.00
Mrs. Della Salyer--	12	0	0	0	0	0	4	150	30.00
Gale Scott -----	No report due to health								
Hoy Tompkins ----	50	1	0	11	6	16	6	2500	18.00
V. B. Thacker ----	97	1	0	7	0	4	13	1676	.00
Eugene Waddell --	214	2	6	55	23	36	12	18000	4,700.00
Billie B. Walker --	168	1	2	18	12	12	4	12000	3,297.00
Wythe White -----	No report due to health. Active in home church.								

IN MEMORY

MRS. NANNIE L. HAYES, age 66, departed this life Oct. 2, 1959. She had been a christian and a faithful member of Wilson's Chapel Church for a number of years. The last three years of her life she was a shut-in, but she never gave up. She always greeted everyone with a smile. She was always ready to help with her kindly advice in time of trouble. We have lost a loving aunt and the community a good friend, but our loss was heaven's gain.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Jack Owens

Mrs. Jessee Wells

MRS. OLLIE BRICKEY

Mrs. Ollie Brickey, aged 66 years, departed this life Aug. 3, 1958. She was a member of Wilson's Chapel Church since 1912, and lived a devoted christian life until death. She will be sadly missed by the church and community. Her seat is empty in the church she loved so well, but she has moved to Heaven to dwell.

Funeral services were conducted by Elders Jim Ramey and Della Salyers.

Respectfully submitted,

Elder Della Salyer

CHARLIE C. AKERS

Our beloved brother, Charlie C. Akers, age 77 years and 11 days, departed this life April 4, 1960. Brother Akers was converted 26 years ago and took up fellowship with Davis Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. He live a devoted christian life and was loved by all. We'll miss his presence at the church, but we know he is resting in the Great Paradise of God. When the great day dawns, that God's child get up from the sleeping dead, to meet the Lord in the air, we will all be united again where trouble and dying will cease. There we will meet our beloved brother again.

May God ever watch over his family.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JANIE BRICKEY

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1. The clerk or assistant clerk, or in their absence, the senior minister in years, shall call the association into conference, and if a quorum is present, the moderator, or in his absence, the assistant moderator shall take charge; and if neither of them be present, the senior minister in years shall act as moderator.

2. It shall be the duty of the clerk to enroll the delegates to the association, who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their rights to seats therein, and those enrolled by the clerk shall compose the association. In case of questionable representation, however, the case under question shall be referred to the credential committee.

3. It shall be the duty of every body belonging to this association to send a letter to every annual session of this association reporting in the same its spiritual condition, benevolent work, and its statistics. Any body belonging to this association which shall fail to represent itself for two successive sessions may be dismissed from the association by a two-thirds vote of all members present.

4. Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and with prayer, and shall be closed with prayer.

5. By a two-thirds vote of all members present, ruling of the moderator may be overruled.

6. This association may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

7. This association shall sit with open doors except when it shall go into a committee of the whole.

8. Any person not a member of this association may be allowed to take part in its discussions by obtaining permission from the moderator.

9. It shall be the duty of all members of the association to be present at the time appointed for each meeting, and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

10. No member shall absent himself from the association during its meeting without first obtaining permission from the moderator.

11. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee, provided the person nominated be elected.

12. The moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in a Christian spirit or when he thinks it will

cause discord or division.

13. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the moderator by the appellation, "Brother Moderator", but shall not speak further until recognized by the moderator.

14. The "yeas" and "nays" may be counted on any question by request of one-fifth of the members present.

15. No member of this association shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes nor twice on the same subject without permission from the moderator.

16. It shall be the duty of the moderator to seat delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.

17. These by-laws may be altered or amended at any regular or adjourned session of this association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

18. It shall be the duty of every minister who holds membership in this association to report in writing to every annual meeting of the association. If any minister fails to report to the association for two successive sessions, he may be dismissed from the association by two-thirds of the members present.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **THE BIBLE.** The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. **GOD.** There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures 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 God; in His human 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 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 beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for,

as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. **THE SINFULNESS OF MAN.** Man was created innocent but by disobedience fell into a state of 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 God by His incarnation, life, suffering, death and resurrection affected 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 hearty renunciation of it; 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of ones 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 in Christ 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, or 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 true believers.

14. **TITHING.** God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Mat. 13:23), 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" (I Cor. 16:2).

15. **THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH.** The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements for rest, worship, holy works and

activities, and for personal communion with God.

16. RESURECTION, JUDGMENT AND FINAL RETRI-BUTION. 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; then the wicked will "go away in eternal punishment; but the righteous into eternal life".

