

MINUTES

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION

OF

Freewill Baptist Churches



Held With The

LONE PINE FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

May 15, 1965

POUND, VIRGINIA

The next session will convene with the
Mt. Olive Church, Wise, Virginia, Saturday
before the third Sunday in May, 1966, at 9:00
A. M. (E. S. T.)

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 Perquims, 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. Vanhoose, 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.

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.

the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are under 15 years of age is expected to increase from 1.1 billion to 1.5 billion. The number of people aged 65 and over is expected to increase from 250 million to 450 million. The number of people aged 15 and over is expected to increase from 3.5 billion to 4.5 billion. The number of people aged 15 and over is expected to increase from 3.5 billion to 4.5 billion. The number of people aged 15 and over is expected to increase from 3.5 billion to 4.5 billion.

John S. Craft, Treasurer. 704 Ky. Ave., Norton, Va.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

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WISE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BOARD

J. D. Sturgill, Rt. 2, Wise, Va. _____ 1966

WISE COUNTY ORDAINING COUNCIL

Howard Ashworth, Box 203, Kingsport, Tenn.____ 1966

LEE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BOARD

D. C. Sturgill, Dryden, Va.----- 1966

LEE COUNTY ORDAINING COUNCIL

J. V. Estep, Big Stone Gap, Va.-----1966

League Field Worker

Rev. John S. Craft, 704 Ky. Ave., Norton, Va.---- 1966

ENROLLMENT

MINISTERS

G. T. Francis Jeff Salyer Emory Vanover

Notes minutes

DEACONS

E. J. Kilgore
Oscar Shepard

A. C. Easterling
Owen Brannon
Wilton Dail

Joe Shepard
Arthur Hall

DELEGATES

Mary Powers
Lois Addington
Bonnie Willis
Rudine Kennedy

Martha Bentley
Nora Kilgore
Polly Estep
Willie Salyer
Mrs. Billy Ray Heaberlin

Andrew Cantrell
Janett Kilgore
Mrs. Joe Shepard
Mrs. Paul Sams

PROCEEDINGS

The association opened with a short devotional; singing under the direction of Bro. Berry Honeycutt; scripture reading from 8th chapter of Romans by Elder G. T. Francis, prayer by Elder Charles Brown.

The Moderator took charge and business resumed as follows: a few moments of silent prayer was observed in remembrance of Elders V. B. Thacker, L. J. Fields, and Andrew Stidham

Enrollment of all delegates as they appear elsewhere in these minutes. The reading of the minutes of the last Association were accepted as read. Officers were elected as they appear in these minutes. The Moderator was given power to select an assistant moderator at the next Association. Bro. A. C. Easterling, the only moderator present of the Executive Board, was given authority to select two protoms, namely, Elders Harold Kilgore and John Craft. By regular motion, reports from Wise and Lee Counties were accepted as they appear elsewhere in these minutes. A letter of correspondence from Tidewater was gladly received, along with a fine messenger, Elder Charles Brown. By request of Elder G. T. Francis, the ministers Conference was accepted by the Association on the condition said conference be governed by the by-laws of our National Treaty.

Due to the absence of Elder Jim Boatwright, Elder Charles Brown was chosen to bring the eleven o'clock message. By regular motion, conference was adjourned until 1:00 o'clock.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

Service was opened by Eld. Harold Kilgore; Prayer by Eld. John Craft; messenger—Eld. Charles Brown;

scripture reading 3rd chapter of Ezekiel (17 verses). Text: "Watchman, what of the night?" from which Eld. Brown brought a very timely message.

Offering received for the Childrens' Home, \$30.00. Fellowship service enjoyed by all. Benediction, Elder Jeff Salyer.

ONE O'CLOCK

The Association opened with a short devotional; singing under direction of Bro. Owen Branham; scripture reading by Elder G. T. Francis; prayer by Elder Bill Honeycutt.

The moderator took charge and business resumed as follows: Treasurer's report accepted as it appears elsewhere in these minutes. Bro. Wilton Dail made a wonderful report on home missions, which was gladly received. Ministers' reports were accepted as they appear in these minutes. Delegates were elected to the state association: namely, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Daily, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shepherd and Mrs. B. L. Bentley. The treasurer was given authority to write checks to cover the expenses of the association.

Elder Bill Harrison was selected to bring the message at the next Association. In his absence, Elder John Craft was selected as a substitute.

Seven hundred minutes were to be printed.

The Conference was adjourned until Saturday before the third Sunday in May, 1966, when it will convene with Mt. Olive Church on Wise Mountain. Benediction by Elder G. T. Francis.

Greetings: To the Southwest Virginia Association of Freewill Baptists when convened with Lone Pine Chapel Freewill Baptist Church May 15, 1965, at Pound, Va.

We have chosen all delegates from our last Conference, whom we pray may sit with you and aid in your Godly work. Our standing is as follows:

Number of Churches -----	36
Church membership -----	1975
Number of Sunday Schools -----	36
Sunday School membership -----	2768

Number Youth Leagues -----	19
League Membership -----	607
Number Ordained Ministers -----	70
Licentates -----	1
Donations to Pastors -----	\$8,809.95
Evangelistic Work -----	3,831.40
Orphanage -----	2,117.05
Superannuation -----	251.03
Home Missions -----	978.58
Foreign Missions -----	449.04
Literature -----	2,085.27
Minute Fund -----	197.50

Done by order of the Wise County Quarterly Conference of Freewill Baptists while in regular session with the Dungannon Church, April 10, 1965, Dungannon, Va.

Moderators: Rev. Ralph Flannery
Rev. John Craft
Clerks: Mrs. L. G. Ketron
Mr. L. G. Ketron

Greetings: To the Southwest Virginia Association of Freewill Baptists when convened with Lone Pine Chapel Church, Pound, Va., May 15, 1965:

We have chosen all delegates from our last conference, whom we pray may sit with you in your godly work

Our standing is as follows:

Number of churches----	7	Youth Leagues -----	1
Church membership--	303		
No. Sunday Schools --	7	Membership -----	40
Sunday School Member-		Ordained ministers ----	4
ship -----	422		

Minute Fund enclosed \$30.30

Done by order of the Lee County Quarterly Conference of Freewill Baptists while in regular session with Ocoonita Church, April 3, 1965

Moderator: L. H. Martin
Clerk: Mrs. Howard Salley

In Memory

ELDER LEONARD J. FIELDS
West Norton Church

ELDER VOLLEY B. THACKER
Central Church

ELDER ANDREW STIDHAM
Davis Chapel

WE, the Southwest Virginia Association of Free-will Baptists, wish to express our deepest sympathy to the companions, families and friends of the deceased in their hours of loneliness and loss.

Also in unanimous voice, we wish to thank God for their stay with us, who through their work and efforts here many of us have been led to Christ and strengthened along the way. May their passage give us renewed strength and courage to press onward and upward while the cross is in view, for surely for them, and us too if we endure, a crown is waiting us there.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Balance forwarded, May 16, 1964 -----	\$19.85
Received Wise County Quarterly Conference ----	198.70
Received Lee County Quarterly Conference ----	34.40
E. J. Kilgore -----	2.05
Total Balance -----	\$255.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Freewill Baptist Home for children -----	25.00
Leslie Ketron, Clerk, manuscript and postage --	55.00
W. B. Galloway, Moderator -----	10.00
Rev. J. B. Chism for state ass'n minute fund ----	50.00
Beverly's Print Shop, Printing Minutes -----	115.00
TOTAL -----	\$255.00

WISE COUNTY ANNUAL CHURCH REPORT

CHURCH	Members	Paid Pastor	Paid Evangelist	Orphanage	Super-annuation	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Literature	PASTOR
Dungannon	166	\$480.00	\$309.40	\$240.43	\$20.00	\$222.81	\$244.15	\$139.90	Ralph Flannery
Beech Grove	29	80.00	.00	35.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	S. M. McFall
Gillenwater Chapel	40	.00	.00	40.00	6.00	.00	.00	20.00	Roy Kilgore
Beckners Chapel	49	.00	.00	10.00	.00	.00	.00	84.99	Hansford Mullins
Mary's Chapel	133	675.00	222.99	146.21	20.00	25.00	.00	137.80	W. E. Harrison
Tacoma	23	374.00	181.00	75.00	10.00	.00	.00	36.20	Paul Harry Miller
Ramsey	110	130.47	251.51	30.07	9.00	.00	10.00	38.53	James A. Ramey
Stevens Chapel	61	180.00	70.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	41.52	Eddie Sturgill
Mt. Olive	41	104.00	.00	10.00	10.00	50.00	25.00	96.45	G. T. Francis
Wilsons Chapel	40	120.00	25.00	97.00	20.00	.00	.00	45.15	Harold Kilgore
Mountain View	28	80.00	.00	.00	.00	50.00	.00	42.00	Covy Robinette
Indian Creek	102	28.00	103.45	99.99	9.00	27.00	.00	84.24	Eddie Sturgill
Davis Chapel	32	165.35	211.14	27.00	13.00	20.26	.00	46.00	Paul Leonard
Stallard Memorial.....	43	252.67	352.93	330.86	20.00	54.51	74.67	15.07	J. L. Hicks
Bethel Chapel	23	.00	62.99	.00	5.80	.00	.00	42.38	Casper Lane
Oak Grove	136	600.00	12.00	336.00	20.00	60.00	60.00	259.60	W. B. Galloway
Hopkins Chapel	60	180.00	.00	.00	20.00	.00	.00	44.00	Eddie Sturgill
West End	84	650.00	245.00	98.57	.00	127.00	21.10	22.80	Paul Harry Miller
Valley View	26	122.00	4.76	.00	23.73	.00	.00	18.96	Perry Honeycut
Lone Pine	52	256.25	.00	50.00	12.00	25.00	.00	120.35	Wade Powers
Martha Chapel	59	105.00	15.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	7.98	Richard McFarlin

Glamorgan	53	1300.00	.00	45.00	9.00	.00	.00	73.60	Ben Powers
Dry Fork	32	169.66	58.37	80.00	6.00	.00	.00	41.55	Jeff Salyers
Central	64	1860.00	42.40	60.00	.00	120.00	.00	156.01	John Craft
Inman	57	76.76	203.07	60.00	.00	.00	.00	32.06	Howard Ashworth
West Norton	38	97.00	86.59	45.00	6.00	3.00	15.12	27.10	J. T. Greear
Esserville	72	420.00	143.00	151.15	15.50	85.00	.00	151.61	Harold Kilgore
Bondtown	30	10.00	.00	.00	6.00	.00	.00	28.75	Jess Cowden
Addison Chapel	39	34.00	131.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	17.00	C. B. Addison
Huff Cloverlick	25	21.00	.00	.00	5.00	.00	.00	17.28	Alonzo Fields
Durham Chapel	35	14.38	64.90	10.00	.00	.00	.00	30.57	Robert Dixon
Flat Woods	60	99.40	.00	20.00	.00	.00	.00	22.50	Ralph Flannery
Pippins Chapel	39	.00	.00	18.78	4.00	.00	.00	11.00	Willard Kiser
Kelly View	44	35.00	.00	1.00	1.00	.00	.00	2.95	William Maness
Toms Creek	36	10.00	35.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	3.52	Paul Leonard
Bull Run 1st	14	40.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	.00	12.85	Edgar Baltimore

LEE COUNTY ANNUAL CHURCH REPORT

CHURCH	Member ship	Paid Pastor	Paid Evang.	Literature	Orphanage	PASTOR
Mt. Hope	54	\$200.00	\$522.64	\$18.00	\$60.00	Bobby Laney
Rock Lick	31	63.15	.00	5.12	.00	J. V. Estep
Mt. Carmel	98	583.91	.00	218.52	80.00	S. B. Culbertson
Ocoonka	56	367.85	.00	26.30	83.03	
Willis Chapel	23	217.47	.00	21.00	.00	L. H. Martin
Hoover Chapel	26	99.87	65.87	23.28	5.00	Paul Pennington
Calvary Baptist	15	88.70	30.00	28.29	5.00	J. V. Estep

ANNUAL MINISTERS' REPORT

Sermons Preached	Churches Pastored	Revivals Held	Professions Witnessed	Number Baptised	Additions to church	Funerals Preached	Miles Traveled	Money Received
Addington, Hobert	74	1	4	0	1	0	2563	\$391.00
Addison, C. B.	21	0	4	0	0	1	0	00
Baltimore, Edgar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bolling, J. M.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Culbertson, S. B.	67	0	3	3	3	0	0	583.01
Craft, Jonn S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cowden, J. R.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dixon, Robert	20	0	0	0	0	0	200	15.00
Do'son, Carson	60	1	4	8	0	0	300	0
Estep, J. V.	69	2	6	3	0	0	3446	156.47
Francis, G. T.	125	1	6	12	12	2	2000	500.00
Flannery Ralph	150	1	70	49	17	0	2000	500.00
Greear, J. T.	142	2	40	30	0	5	2000	0
Graham, V. L.	104	1	42	24	0	8	4000	250.00
Holmes, Theodore	167	1	15	6	0	7	6710	0
Honeycutt, P. W.	75	1	1	0	0	3	1500	250.00
Hicks, J. L.	90	1	6	6	1	1	0	40.00
Hall, Milam	91	2	8	10	0	5	105	25.00
Harrison, W. E.	105	2	31	16	18	1	2000	740.00
Jessie, Vestus	31	0	0	15	0	1	0	45.00
Kiser, Willard	41	1	0	0	0	2	0	0

Kilgore, J. H.	105	2	2	5	4	8	15	1000	225.00
Kilgore, J. D.	172	1	5	17	15	7	21	7491	231.65
Lane, C. B.	50	1	0	9	9	3	0	0	25.00
Laney, James	140	3	1	35	20	0	4	0	840.00
Leonard, Paul	80	1	3	7	5	2	0	2000	100.00
McFall, S. M.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McFarland, Richard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maggard, J. B.	85	0	5	35	0	0	4	1400	106.75
Martin, L. H.	50	1	0	0	0	0	0	1200	217.47
Maness, W. C.	152	1	4	26	2	0	1	0	52.07
Miller, Earl	60	2	10	12	2	0	10	500	340.00
Miller, Paul H.	72	2	2	20	18	8	5	900	380.00
Moore, Kermit	100	1	0	25	5	50	0	5000	100.00
Moore, Melvin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	450	260.00
Mullins, George	75	2	2	3	3	7	4	0	0
Mullins, Hansford ..	75	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Pennington, Paul	35	0	1	1	0	0	1	800	0
Powers, Ben	52	1	1	15	12	6	101	0	1,200.00
Powers, Wade	56	0	0	3	3	3	75	0	300.00
Powers, David	54	0	0	8	0	0	8	0	0
Rose, James	60	2	2	5	0	0	4	520	60.00
Salzer, Della	30	1	2	12	0	6	2	217	85.00
Salzer, Jeff	82	2	4	17	8	5	16	2600	0
Sturgill, Eddie	120	2	0	6	6	4	6	5733	442.00
West, Jim	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vanover, Robert H. ...	92	0	1	0	..	0	1	200	0

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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

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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 RETRIBUTION.** The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away in eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life".

