MINUTES.

OF THE

THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

STATE LINE F. W. B. ASSOCIATION

CONVENED WITH

MAGNOLIA CHURCH

Dale County, Alabama, October 10, 11, 1918.

OFFICERS:

REV. W. S. COOK, Moderator	 	Pansy, Ala.
J. W. D. STEPHENS, Clerk	 • • • • • • • • • •	Bascom, Fla.
W. H. HAYS, Treasurer	 Cot	tonwood, Ala.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

R. G. Hatcher, Bascom, Fla., W. H. Jenkins, Ashford, Ala., J. W. Conner, Dothan, Ala., E. Rabon, G. R. Dunlap.

HOME MISSION BOARD.

A. Holland, Bascom, Fla., J. M. Murdock, Ashford, Ala., M. J. Mercer, C. A. Lewis, L. C. Mixon.

The next session meets with New Hope church, Dale county, Ala., on Thursday at 11 o'clock, before the Second Sunday in October, 1919, located ten miles north of Midland City, where the train will be met Thursday morning and evening.

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PROCEEDINGS

The State Line Free Will Baptist Association convened in its Thirty-third Annual Session with Magnolia church, Dale county, Alabama, Thursday, October 10, 1918.

Introductory services by Rev. G. W. Cherry.

The moderator appointed a committee of five, namely: J. W. D. Stephens, R. L. Hunter, G. R. Dunlap, J. A. Weed and Bro. Lane, to investigate and ascertain whether or not we would hold our session at this time, because of the circumstances caused by the influenza epidemic. Adjourned for dinner.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The former moderator, Rev. W. S. Cook, called the body to order.

Called for the report of the committee appointed before dinner.

The committee reported that we do not hold our session at this time.

The report was received but not adopted, and the body vot-

ed to organize and proceed with business.

Called for letters from the different churches. Bros. C. W. White, J. J. Granger and A. J. Granger were appointed to read them.

Names of churches and delegates as follows:

New Harmony.—J. J. Granger, A. J. Granger.

New Hope.—R. C. Baxley.

Rocky Grove.—By letter.

Howard's Grove.—W. H. Hays, J. T. Hodges.

Long Branch.—C. W. White, W. A. Dixon.

Hickory Grove.—J. J. Hatcher, J. W. D. Stephens, A. Holland, Myers Conrad, Edmond Hatcher, Frank Hatcher, J. T. Hatcher, J. W. Rodgers.

Magnolia.—C. A. Lewis, L. R. Dasinger, John Paramore, W.

L. Lee, J. A. Weed, G. R. Dunlap.

New Pelham.—A. W. Pelham, A. C. Stephens.

Prospect.—E. Grice, J. W. Conner, J. M. Davis, Frank Cherry, W. W. Clark, C. L. Hays.

Union Springs.—W. H. Jenkins.

Freewill's Rest.—M. J. Mercer, J. A. Baxter.

Springfield.—I. A. Dickerson, Johnie Ingram.

Pleasant Ridge.—J. W. Day, G. G. Deese.

Shiloh.—By pastor.

The letters were received and adopted as read.

Called for petitionary letters.

The body was permanently organized by electing moderator and clerk.

Rev. W. S. Cook was re-elected moderator, and J. W. D. Stephens was re-elected clerk.

Called for correspondents from sister associations. Rev. S. Eley responded from Midway, and J. L. Parker from Southeastern.

The body extended the right hand of fellowship while singing, "At the Cross."

The following committees were appointed:

Divine Services.—G. R. Dunlap, J. W. Conner, C. W. White, State of Churches and Character of Ministers.—W. S. Hays, W. A. Dixon, W. H. Jenkins.

Documents.—J. W. Day, G. G. Deese, A. Holland.

Education.—G. W. Cherry, C. A. Lewis, M. J. Mercer.

Home Mission.—A. M. Kirkland, S. Eley, J. J. Hatcher.

Nominations.—E. Grice, Frank Cherry, Myers Conrad.

Suggestions.—A. Holland.

Sunday Schools.—J. T. Hodges, I. A. Dickerson, J. L. Parker.

Temperance.—I. A. Dickerson, R. C. Baxley.

Finance.—J. J. Granger, W. L. Lee, W. A. Dixon.

Obituaries.—A. W. Pelham, A. C. Stephenson, John Ingram.

Roll Call. Reading of Decorum.

By motion Bro. Dawson Meritt, a Primitive Baptist, was given a seat of welcome in the body.

On motion of Rev. R. L. Hunter adjourned till 9 o'clock Friday morning. Prayer by G. W. Cherry.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Reassembled and joined the moderator in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name." The moderator read the fourth chapter of James. Prayer by J. W. D. Stephens.

Callled for reports of committees.

Report on state of churches and character of ministers read and adopted.

Report on Home Missions read and adopted.

Report on nomination read and adopted. Report on Suggestions read and adopted.

Report on Obituaries read and adopted.

Appointed correspondents to sister associations.

To Midway.—J. W. Conner, A. M. Kirkland, G. W. Cherry.

To Southeeastern.—A. M. Kirkland, R. L. Hunter.

To Martin.—J. M. Murdock.

To Salem.—Jefferson D. Stephens.

Report on Sunday Schools read and adopted.

Report on Temperance read and adopted.

My motion, release the absent members of the committee on Documents and appoint some one in their place.

Report on Finance read and adopted.

By motion pay clerk back the amount that he paid in getting out the minutes. A collection of 85c was made, making 5c more than was needed which was turned into the treasury.

Adjourned till 2 p. m. for preaching and refreshments. Rev.

S. Eley preached the 11 o'clock sermon.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The moderator read the fifth chapter of second Kings. Frayer by G. W. Cherry.

The report on Documents was read and adopted with the amendment to adopt the Free Will Baptist of Ayden, N. C.

The report on Education read and adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

Miscellaneous.

By motion the regular order of business was suspended and the following officials of the association were elected by acclamation:

Executive Committee.—R. G. Hatcher, W. H. Jenkins, E. Rabon, J. W. Conner, G. R. Dunlap.

Home Mission Board.—A. Holland, J. M. Murdock, M. J.

Mercer, C. A. Lewis, L. C. Mixon.

Treasurer.—W. H. Hays.

By motion of M. J. Mercer, pay clerk \$12.00.

At this juncture a colection of \$5.05 was made to defray expenses of Rev. S. Eley from the Midway Association.

By motion return heartfelt thanks of the Association to Magnolia church and community for their kind hospitality dur-

ing our session.

On motion of M. J. Mercer, next Union Meeting be held with Freewill's Rest church on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in June 1919. Rev. J. M. Murdock to preach the introductory sermon and Rev. G. W. Cherry, close; and that the Executive Committee arrange a program.

By motion adjourned to meet with New Hope church on Thursday at 11 o'clock before the second Sunday in October 1919.

Took parting hand.

REV. W. S. COOK, Moderator.

J. W. D. STEPHTNS, Clerk.

Treasurer's Report.

The treasurer begs leave to make the following report: On October 12, 1917 received \$37.10 belonging to State Line Association. Paid clerk \$10.00 for his services, leaving a balance of \$27.10, which was turned over to the clerk to pay for minutes.

W. H. HAYES, Treasurer.

Divine Services.

We, your committee on Divine Services report as follows: Friday at 11 A. M., Rev. S. Ely preach.

Report of State of Churches and Character of Ministers.

We, your committee on the State of the Churches and Character of Ministers beg leave to make the following report: We find that the churches and ministers are all all in good standing. We find that some of the ministers are not doing much. We ask that they go to doing something. We find that some churches in the Association are not represented. We ask the ministers to go to them and try to revive them.

W. M. JENKINS, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Documents.

We, your committee on Documents beg leave to make the following report: We urge our churches to use our Free Will Baptist literature for Sunday Schools, published at Ayden, N. C. Take some religious literature for the benefit of our wives and children.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. DAY, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

We, the committee on Nominations report as follows:

We nominate New Hope church for the next session of this Association. We nominate Bro. R. L. Hunter to preach the introductory sermon, and Bro. A. L. Kirkland to close. The church is located 2 1-2 miles south of Echo, on Echo and Beaverett Bridge road, ten miles north of Midland city, where these coming by rail will be met on Thursday morning and evening.

E. GRICE, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Education.

We, your committee on Education beg leave to submit the

following:

We should do more for the education of our young ministers and also for our children, as it fits and prepares for every emergency of life, both church and state. It also fits us to reach the more enlightened people of our land and country. We should lose no time in this important work. Also let each church look after the Orphan children and see that they are not neglected, and see that they are put in school somewhere.

G. W. CHERRY, Chairman.

Report of the Committee on Home Missions.

We, your committee on Home Missions beg leave to report as follows:

There has been some work done in regard to the Home Mis-

sion funds, and we insist that each delegate continue to urge the Mission work in their churches, and urge that each member pay as much as 5c or more if he or she desires, and it will be highly appreciated. Further that we hold our preachers to account for not preaching on missions more.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. KIRKLAND, Chairman.

Report of Sunday School Committee.

We, your committee on Sunday Schools beg to report that we find five in our churches. We find one evergreen Sunday school. We recommend that the pastor of each church encourage the Sunday school in every way possible. We further recommend that each church try to have an evergreen Sunday school. We further suggest that every Sunday school have a children's day in some way for the encouragement of the school.

J. T. HODGES, Chairman.

Report of Temperance Committee.

We, your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report. We believe that intoxicating liquors is one of the worst evils that is among us. We ask all our preachers to preach on the preaches at least one sermon to each church they serve during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

I. A. DICKERSON, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Finance.

We, your committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows:

Received for Associational purposes \$15.90; received for minutes \$16.75; received for Home Missions \$32.56; total \$55.21.

J. H. GRAINGER, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Obituaries.

We, your committee find that there have been 15 deaths in our Association during the year. We recommend that the clerk of each church furnish the clerk of the Association with obituaries that they may be placed in the Free Will Baptist paper. Names as follows:

Clara Lee, Prospect; D. O. Olive, Union Springs, Rebecca Lykes, Free Wills Rest; J. W. Foman, Magnolia, Ala.; James Crelvenhouse, Hickory Grove; (four deceased, no names given), Long Branch; Janie Duce, Howards; Henrietta Matthews, Howards; J. W. Brown, Howards; Russ Bell, Rocky Grove; Harriett Everett, New Harmony; Maggie Fulton, Springfield; Martha Peacock, Pleasant Ridge.

A. C. STEPHENS, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Suggestions.

We, your committee on Suggestions beg leave to submit the following report. We suggest that each delegate to this Asso-

ciation, give a more consecrated service to the church with his attendance and his means, with which God has blessed him. We suggest that each church come together with their pastor and elect a Finance Committee, that they take up a collection quarterly to be placed in the hands of the treasurer for the support of the pastor and other societies of the church. We furthermore suggest that the body sustain its resolutions and meet its obligations. We furthermore suggest that each pastor preach one sermon on Home Missions at his church during this Associational year. We further suggest that each pastor use his influence to have a Sunday school in each church. We further suggest that each preacher of the Association report to the next session a detailed itemized statement of his work for the year. We further suggest that we use the Free Will Baptist literature if possible.

A. HOLLAND, Chairman.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be composed of delegates sent annually from the churches upon which it is based.

- Art. 2. Each church shall be entitled to two delegates for every twenty-five members, and one delegate for the fractional part of twenty-five. Providing any church having less than twenty-five members, it shall be entitled to two delegates.
- Art. 3. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their election, to which shall be subjoined a table stating the number baptized, received by confession of faith, by letter, by restoration, dismissed by letter, excluded or died within last Associational year, amount of all contributions, the time of the monthly meeting, the membership, ordained and licentiated ministers with their postoffice, and signed by the pastor and clerk of the church with their postoffice.
- Art. 4. Newly constituted, or other churches, desiring admission into this union shall petition by delegation and letter, and if, upon examination, found to be orthodox and orderly, they shall be received into the Association, and such reception shall be manifested by giving the right hand of fellowship.
- Art. 5. It is expected that the churches composing this body will send delegates and contributions every session and that no church withdraw from the Association without assigning reason for the intended withdrawal.
- Art. 6. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk. Treasurer, Executive Committee and Home Mission Board. The Executive Committee and Home Mission Board shall be composed of five members each.
 - Art. 7. The Association shall meet annually, according to adjournment,

and shall have power to transact all business pertaining to the general good of the body.

Art. 8. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a majority of the delegates present during any session.

DECORUM.

- Article 1. The Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Executive Committee and Home Mission Board shall be elected by ballot annually.
- Art. 2. Moderator shall preside over the deliberations of Association when in session, preserve order and submit motions and other matters. He shall have the same right to vote as any other member, and, provided the chair is occupied, the same right of speech.
- Art. 3. Every motion receiving a second shall be submitted to the body unless withdrawn.
- Art. 4. Only one person shall be allowed to speak at a time and such speaker shall address the Moderator, and shall not be interrupted while speaking except by the Moderator, and then only when he departs from the subject under debate. Provided, however, any brother may address the Moderator to a point of order.
- Art. 5. The Clerk shall record the proceedings of the body when in session and superintend the publication of the same, and do all other writing pertaining to the business of the Association. He shall also preserve a file of the minutes of the Association, which he shall deliver to his successor in office.
- Art. 6. The Treasurer shall keep a correct account of all funds received and disbursed by him, showing balance, if any, on hand. He shall only pay out money on the order of the Association or the Executive Committee.
- Art. 7. The Executive Committee shall have power to execute the laws and regulations of the Association when the Association is not in session, and to make rules for their government, provided such rules are not repugnant to the Constitution or Decorum of the Association.
- Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Home Mission Board to work for church extension and church preservation, for which purpose they shall draw on the Executive Committee and various churches for the necessary funds when the Association is not in session. The Board make rules and regulations for their own government that are not in conflict with the Constitution or Decorum of the Association.
 - Art. 9. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- Art. 10. The name of the delegates shall be enrolled and called as often as the Association may deem proper.
- Art. 11. No church or minister shall be received into this Association that refuses to comply with this Decorum or the ordinances which are given us in the Gospel.
- Art. 12. This Decorum may be altered or amended by a majority of the delegates present during any session.

CHURCH DECORUM.

- 1. The church may choose a pastor annually at the last regular conference in Associational year; or, if they prefer, it may choose a pastor for an indefinite length of time, to continue from year to year, so long as they may deem it proper to keep up connection.
- 2. When it becomes necessary, a pastor may be chosen at any other time, but if the choice be made at a special conference, the time must be appointed at a monthly meeting of the church.
- 3. The pastor shall be moderator of the church, but when he is absent or does not sit as moderator, being present some suitable brother shall be appointed to sit in his place.
- 4. The pastor of each church shall have power to form a presbytery and ordain deacons for the church; also examine preachers who may apply for such, also to examine ordained ministers who make application to our order, shall be set apart in rank, but not re-ordained.
- 5. There shall be two or more deacons in the church whose duty it shall be to superintend the collection and disbursement of the contributions made by the church for the pastor, etc., and to distribute the bread and wine in the Administration of the Lord's Supper.
- 6. The deacons shall take notice of such members as refuse or neglect to partake of the Lord's Supper and endeavor to ascertain the cause, that the same may be laid before the church in conference if necessary.
- 7. Some suitable member shall be appointed clerk, and it shall be his duty to do all the recording and other writing pertaining to the business of the church, and to preserve a file of the minutes of the Association.
- 8. When a new clerk is appointed all the books, etc., belonging to the clerk shall be immediately delivered to him by his predecessor.
- 9. When a church deems it necessary, a committee of not less than three male members well acquainted with business, shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to give advice to brethren who apply to them relative to cases of dealing, etc., with the church.
- 10. The church shall hold a two days' meeting monthly, embracing Saturday and the Lord's Day following, the first of which shall be the regular time of conference.
- 11. It shall be the duty of every member, male and female, to attend each conference meeting if they can, for on that day the pastor is expected to instruct the church in a spiritual manner by giving plain and pointed lessons on doctrine, discipline, and the rule of holy living.
- 12. Any church member who shall fail to attend three successive conferences, and any member whatever who may be generally remiss in attending the meetings of the church according to the covenant (Art. 10), shall be cited to appear in conference and answer for his neglect, but the church may exempt members from this rule if necessary.
- 13. Conference after prayer or divine service shall be opened and conducted as follows: (1) Inviting brethren to seats. (2) Opening door of church for the reception of members. (3) Calling for the reading of the minutes' of the last conference. (4) Calling for absentees. (5) For ac-

- knowledgements. (6) For new matters of dealing which are to come before the body. (8) For miscellaneous business.
- 14. Visiting brethren, as helps called from sister churches, shall be allowed to speak and make motions but not allowed to vote.
- 15. Any orderly member of the Baptist church may be received into the church without a letter, when it is made apparent that his Christian character is unimpeachable and that he has applied for a letter and could not obtain it becase he desired to join this or some sister church. All other members must join by letter or baptism.
- * 16. No member shall be received without the unanimous consent of the members present, but unreasonable objections shall not be valid, and unless withdrawn the member who makes them shall be liable to be taken under dealing by the church.
- 17. When the moderator calls for absentees, the clerk shall inform the church what members have been absent from three successive conference, and the moderator shall appoint some brother or brethren to cite each of them to the next conference.
- 18. No member shall be expelled unless he has been cited verbally or in writing to attend his trial, provided his residence be known to the church.
- 19. When a witness, not a member of the church, is introduced, he shall not be examined till the question has been put to the church: "Will you hear the testimony of this witness?"
- 20. The evidence in every case of dealing and acknowledgement shall be minuted in the church book.
- 21. Members dismissed from the church by letter who become disorderly, or continue to hold their letters without a good reason, shall be cited to the conference to answer for their conduct.
- 22. Expelled members may be restored to fellowship on their petition if their walk since expulsion has convinced the church that they have sincerely repented of their former evil conduct.
- 23. A vote shall not be taken upon any question without a move and a second, and in all important questions the vote shall be taken by rising to the feet.
- 24. No motion shall be made while a move and a second is before the conference.
- 25. It shall be considered disorderly for any member to absent himself from conference when an important question is to be decided, but a member upon his request may be exempted from voting on either side in peculiar cases.
- 26. No member shall leave the house during conference without sufficient cause, nor engage in conversation or whispering without being subject to be called to order by the moderator.
- 27. All discussions in conference must be conducted with calmness and good feeling: those who wish to speak must rise to their feet and address the moderator and keep to the point in the debate.
- 28. No one shall speak more than three times on the same motion without permission from the moderator, nor shall the remarks of any one be unreasonably long.

- 29. When the moderator speaks in debate he must nominate some brother moderator in his stead.
- 30. No one shall be interrupted while speaking unless it is necessary to call him to order.
- 31. It shall be the rule of the church to attend to the administration of the Lord's Supper at least four times a year, and the expenses are to be paid by the church.
- 32. Members not in good standing shall not commune, but the administration shall not be deferred on account of any ordinary matter of dealing.
 - 33. Feet washing shall be attended to as the church sees proper.
- 34. Public fasting, humiliation and prayer shall be observed on proper occasions.
- 35. The Decorum may be amended or altered by the vote of two-thirds of the members present at any two successive monthly conferences.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

- 1. OF GOD.—We believe that there is one and only one living and true God, infinite in all His attributes, the Creator, Preserver and Governor of the universe, revealed to us in the Scriptures as the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.—Tim. 1:7; Isaiah 45:22; St. John 17:2.
- 2. THE HOLY SCRIPTURES.—We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God and are binding on all as our infallible rule of faith and practice.—II. Tim. 3:16; Rom. 16:4 and 4:23-44; Peter 1:21.
- 3. OF CHRIST.—We believe He is God manifest in the flesh; being in His divine nature the true God, in human nature the true man, united in person the Messiah and the mediator for the redemption of the world.—Luke 2:4-12 inclusive; Matt. 1:18-21.
- 4. OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.—We believe that He is the third person in the Holy Trinity and possesses all personal divine attributes, being the Reprover, Comforter and Sanctifier.—St. John 14:25, 15-26 and 16:7-15, inclusive.
- 5. OF SALVATION.—That the blessings of salvation are made free to all by the Gospel, that it is the immediate duty of all to receive it by cordial and obedient faith, and that nothing prevents the salvation of any, so long as the spirit continues to strive with them; but their own voluntary refusal to submit to the Lord Jesus Christ.—Rom. 1:16; Phil. 2:12; Heb. 2:3.
- 6. THE FALL OF MAN.—We believe that man was created sinless, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. All his posterity inherited this falling nature and all who come to years of accountability will sin and come short of the glory of God except that they receive Salvation through the Lord Jesus Christ.—Gen. 3:6, 1-26, 5:1 and 9-6; Rom. 3:23; Mark 16:16; Acts 10:43.
- 7. ATONEMENT.—We believe that Christ in His great compassion offered Himself as a sacrifice in our stead; therefore God desires the salvation of all, and the gospel invites all, and whomsoever will may come and

partake of the water of Life.—I. Cor. 1:7; Eph. 5:2; Heb. 2:9; Rom. 5:5; Rev. 22:17.

- 8. OF ELECTION.—We believe that God has not fixed the future state of man by any unconditional decree delivered from the beginning, except to save all who comply with the terms of salvation.—John 8:31; Luko 11:28; Acts 10:35; Deut. 11:26-28.
- 9. OF PERSEVERENCE.—We believe that none will be finally saved but those who through grace persevere in holiness to the end.—John 8:31; Tim. 1:19; Peter 2:21-22.
- 10. GOSPEL ORDINANCES.—We believe that baptism or the burial of believers in water and the Lord's Supper and washing of the Saint's feet are ordinances" to be perpetuated under the Gospel of universal salvation, and to be observed by all true believers. Reference for baptism: John 3:5 and Rom. 6:4! Reference for the Lord's Supper: Matt. 26:26-28. Reference for washing the Saint's feet: John 13:5-17, inclusive.
- 11. The Lord's Supper.—We believe that the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Savior as a commemorative ordinance; that the bread and wine represents His body and blood; that it was instituted for Christians, and that all Christians should unite in performing the sacred service, regardless of name, denomination or distinction.—Gal. 6:4; Matt. 7:10; Rom. 4:3-4.
- 12. OF THE RESURRECTION.—We believe in the Resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and when the resurrection takes place the soul and body will reunite and form an immortal being, that the righteous will be received into everlasting happiness and the wicked driven into everlasting darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.—John 5:29 Acts 14:16; Isa. 17; Heb. 9:27.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1. Organize.
- 2. Invite visiting brethren to seats with us.
- 3. Call for letters from the different churches.
- 4. Call for petitionary letters.
- 5. Elect officers.
- 6. Call for Correspondence from Sister Associations.
- 7. Appoint committees.
- 8. Call roll and read Decorum.
- 9. Appoint correspondents to Sister Association.
- 10. Call for report of committees.
- 11. Call for Treasurer's report.
- 12. Call for miscellaneous business.
- 13. Adjournment.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- D. L. Chandler, Springfield, Ashford, Ala.
- G. W. Cherry, Prospect, Dothan, Ala.
- W. S. Cook, Union Springs, Pansy, Ala.

- J. A. Givens, Springfield, Webb, Ala.
- A. L. Granger, New Life, Grangeburg, Ala.
- R. L. Hunter, New Pilgrim, Columbia, Ala.
- J. C. Ingram, Pleasant Home, Ashford, Ala.
- J. M. Murdock, Howard Grove, Ashford, Ala.
- G. W. Oliff, Howard Grove, Ashford, Ala.
- J. D. Pearce, New Harmony, Cottonwood, Ala.
- C. G. Ray, New Harmony, Cottonwood, Ala.
- J. D. Stephens, Hickory Grove, Marianna, Fla.
- Joseph Whitzker, Howard Grove, Ashford, Ala.
 - J. A. Widner, Springfield, Webb, Ala.

LICENTIATES.

- O. O. Adams, Magnolia, Midland City, Ala.
- W. T. Carter, New Pelham, Crosby, Ala.
- · Wm. Fears, New Harmony, Cottonwood, Ala.
- J. D. Calloway, New Harmony, Cottonwood, Ala.
- A. M. Kirkland, New Hope, Midland City, Ala.
- A. B. Radney, Prospect, Webb, Ala.
- Otis A. Sellers, New Harmony, Cottonwood, Ala.

STATISTICS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The State Line Free Will Baptist Association was Organized at Howard Grove Church, November 20th, 1886.

Year Moderator	Clerk	Church Mem	ı.
1886—D. L. Chandler	Calvin Dykes	Howard Grove 44	9
1887—D. L. Chandler	. Calvin Dykes	Beulah 57	7
1888—R. M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Macedonia 40	3
1889—R. M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Friendship 51	6
1891—R. M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Lovewood 44	3
1891-R. M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Prospect 33	9
1892-R. M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Silver Run 44	4
1893—D. L. Chandler	J. D. Stephens	Hickory Grove 45	0
1894—R. M. Gray	J. D. Stephens	Spring Hill 42	2
1895—D. L. Chandler	J. D. Stephens	Pittman Creek 503	3
1896—Calvin Dykes	J. D. Stephens	Howard Grove 56	8
1897—D. L. Chandler	J. D. Stephens	New Hope 65	3
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1901—Calvin Dykes	J. W. D. Stephens	Antioch 910	5
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1906—J. D. Stephens.	J. W. D. Stephens	Springfield 95	3

1907-R. L. Hunter J. W. D. Stephens	Rocky Grove1099
1908-J. D. Stephens J. W. D. Stephens	Pleasant Home1199
1909—J. D. Stephens J. W. D. Stephens	Freewill Rest1315
1910-D. L. Chandler J. W. D. Stephens	Silver Run1365
1911—D. L. Chandler J. W. D. Stephens	New Life1442
1912—D. L. Chandler J. W. D. Stephens	Pittman Creek1477
1913—J. M. Murdock J. W. D. Stephens	Spring Hill1462
1914—G. W. Cherry J. W. D. Stephens	Union Springs1553
1915—J. D. Stephens J. W. D. Stephens	Hickory Grove1721
1916—W. S. Cook J. W. D. Stephens	Rock Grove1611
1917-W. S. Cook J. W. D. Stephens	Magnolia1456
1918—W. S. Cook J. W. D. Stephens	Long Branch1715

SUPERINTENDENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

- R. G. Hatcher, Hickory Grove, Bascom, Fla.
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- Wilbern Davis, Magnolia, Midland City, Ala.
- J. J. Granger, New Harmony, Cottonwood, Ala.
- M. R. Newton, Prospect, Dothan, Ala.
- S. J. Roley, Springfield.
- W. S. Cook, Union Springs, Pansy, Ala.

STATISTICAL TABLE

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Churches Pastor	Clerks and Postoffices	Baptism	Confession	Letter	Restoration		Death	Membership	Meeting Day	Associationa	Minutes	Missions	Paid pastor	Valúe of Church Buil	Value of Church Prop	Sunday Scho Enrollment
Freewills Rest J. M. Murde	ck J. A. Baxter, Sneads, Fla	12	İ	7.	4.		1	$ $ $\overline{185}$	1 1		' '		\$15.00			
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New Hope J. C. Ingran	C. R. G. Kirkland, Midland City, Ala.	$ \cdot \cdot \cdot $	• • •	• • •	•••	•••		. 47	3	.75	.75	2,35	••••	125	25	• • • •
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