MINUTES

of the

State Line Association

of

Free Will Baptists 1960-61

THEME FOR 1961-62: FAITHFUL STEWARDS

First Quarter: Stewardship of Possessions

Second Quarter: Stewardship of Time, Talents and Work

Third Quarter: Faithful Stewards to the Association

Annual: Faithful Stewards In Missions

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

First Quarterly Session: Spring Hill—Saturday, January 13, 1962 Speaker—Rev. Billy Melvin, Executive Secretary of National Association

Morning Devotion—Rev. A. H. Retherford Afternoon Devotion—Rev. James D. Elmore

Second Quarterly Session: Union Springs—Saturday, April 7, 1962 Speaker—Dr. L. C. Johnson, President, Free Will Baptist Bible College

Morning Devotion—Rev. George Stephens Afternoon Devotion—Rev. B. H. Grace

Third Quarterly Session: Shiloh—Saturday, July 7, 1962

Speaker—Rev. Harold C. Harrison, Dean, Florida FWB Bible Institute

Morning Devotion—Rev. Rufus Hyman Afternoon Devotion—Rev. Trim Finch

Annual Session:

First Day: Pittman Creek—Thursday, October 11, 1962

Speaker-Rev. Rolla Smith, Director of Foreign Missions

Morning Devotion—Rev. Aubrey Brannon

Afternoon Devotion—Rev. L. D. Hughes

Second Day: Panther Creek—Friday, October 12, 1962

Speaker—Rev. Rolla Smith

Morning Devotion—Rev. Earl Stevens

Afternoon Devotion—Rev. Bobby Register

League Rally: Friday evening before second Sunday in each month

League Convention: Friday evening, May 11, 1962—Place to be announced

League Workshop: Saturday, May 12, 1962-First Church, Dothan

Sunday School Rally:

Sunday (2:00 p.m.) December 31, 1961—Place to be announced

Sunday (2:00 p.m.) April 29, 1962—Place to be announced

Sunday (2:00 p.m.) July 29, 1962—Place to be announced

Sunday School Convention: Sunday, September 30, 1962—Springfield

Woman's Auxiliary Convention: Friday evening, January 26, 1962
—Cowarts Creek

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LICENSED MINISTERS

Rev. Walter Houston, Route 2, Ashford, Alabama _____Shiloh Rev. O'Neal Kirkland, Midland City, Alabama _____Pleasant Home

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

November 22, 1960—Cowarts Creek Church

The moderator read from Philippians 2, after which Fletcher Bolin led in prayer.

The moderator officially opened the meeting, and after giving instructions regarding organizing a ministers' conference, presided for the ministers to elect officers of the conference. Officers elected for the ministers' conference were: Rev. Bobby G. Register, president; Rev. Rufus Hyman, secretary; Rev. Trim Finch, treasurer. The moderator then delegated the responsibility of making plans for the conference to the newly elected officers.

The Board, after retiring from the ministerial meeting, selected the following themes for the 1960-61 year:

A year of progress . . .

First Quarter-through the Sunday Schools

Second Quarter-through the Leagues

Third Quarter—through Education

Annual—through Superannuation

Speakers selected for the coming year were:

First Quarter—Rev. Burket F. Bolin

Alternate-Rev. Rufus Hyman

Second Quarter—Rev. L. R. Curtis

Alternate—Rev. Horace Herndon

Third Quarter-Rev. John Edwards

Alternate—Rev. Bobby G. Register

Annual—First Day—Rev. K. V. Shutes

Second Day—Rev. K. V. Shutes

MSC to postpone the selection of an alternate speaker for the annual session.

MSC to pay Rev. K. V. Shutes \$50.00 toward expenses involved in attending the annual session.

The following persons were selected to bring the devotions:

First Quarter-Morning-Dorman Deal

Afternoon—Shelley Fowler

Second Quarter---Morning---Norman Smothers

Afternoon-David Rabon

Third Quarter—Morning—Buddie Bell

Afternoon-Dannie Sue Jones

Annual—First Day—Morning—Mrs. Bessie Hall

Afternoon—Dewey Jones

Second Day—Morning—Mrs. Glenda Fowler

Afternoon—Fletcher Bolin

MSC to instruct the moderator and clerk to draw up a letter to verify the appointment of the Home Missions Board as trustees of the Association.

MSC to adopt minutes of quarterly and annual sessions.

The moderator elaborated on the need for a field worker in the Association.

MSC that the clerk be instructed to write the Executive Department of the National Association to determine if large covenants suitable for framing and displaying in the church are available.

MSC that the Board recommend at the first quarterly session that a publicity chairman be elected.

MSC that the number of minutes printed be restored from 400 to 500.

Adjournment.

Benediction pronounced by Dewey Jones.

Ralph Bell, chairman.

Wayne Love, secretary

February 17, 1961—Howard Grove Church

The moderator read from II Timothy 2. Dewey Jones led the opening prayer.

The moderator opened the meeting and the Board heard the minutes of the 75th annual session and the first quarterly session of the associational year. MSC to adopt minutes of both sessions.

The Board elected Rev. B. H. Grace as alternate speaker for the second quarterly session.

Treasurer reported \$102.07 in the Home Mission Fund and \$55.28 in the General Fund.

The Board suggested that the Home Missions Board follow up the suggestion made by the Credentials Committee at the July, 1960 quarterly session regarding churches failing to report to quarterly sessions.

MSC to instruct clerk to write churches reminding them of suggestions made by the Suggestions Committee at annual session and offering the assistance of the Board if needed.

The Board considered items for improvement in the Association and concluded the following: MSC to hold a meeting before next quarterly session and map plans for increasing attendance. MSC that the Board recommend that all churches in the Association adopt the Unified Plan for church treasury.

Adjournment.

Benediction.

Ralph Bell, chairman

Wayne Love, secretary.

March 17, 1961—Springfield Church

The moderator read from St. John 20, after which he commented on the problems confronting the Christian.

The moderator declared the Board in session for the transaction of business.

The ministers and board members made several suggestions regarding program improvements. After discussing the several suggestions, the Board instructed the moderator and clerk to plan for more elaborate and varied programs.

By mutual consent the Board agreed to visit the churches not participating in the quarterly sessions.

The chairman of the committee on revising the constitution, Rev. L. R. Curtis, reported progress on revising the constitution.

Adjournment.

Benediction.

Ralph Bell, chairman.

Wayne Love, secretary.

June 5, 1961—Union Hill Church

The moderator read from II Thessolonians 3. Dewey Jones led the opening prayer.

The third quarterly session was discussed. The Board heard the minutes of the last Board meeting and the quarterly session.

MSC to authorize clerk to purchase stationary and other needed supplies.

It was pointed out that the Association needed a fireproof storage for its old minutes.

Adjournment.

Benediction pronounced by Fletcher Bolin.

Ralph Bell, chairman.

Wayne Love, secretary.

September 12, 1961—Corinth Church

The chairman read from St. John 1:12. In initiating the meeting, the chairman spoke on the needs of the Association.

The discussion centered around perfecting items already under consideration.

The Board discussed visiting the newly admitted Church in Geneva. MSC that the Board visit the First Free Will Baptist Church of Geneva.

Adjournment.

Benediction.

Ralph Bell, chairman.

Wayne Love, secretary

HOME MISSION BOARD MEETINGS

The Home Mission Board was called to order October 23, 1960 at Samson by the chairman, Rev. John Edwards, for the purpose of starting regular services in the Mission. The service was opened by prayer by Rev. Trim Finch.

MSC to begin services at the Samson Mission full time beginning first Sunday in November. The services will be as follows:

Sunday School—10:00 A.M.

Morning Worship—11:00 A.M.

Free Will Baptist League—6:00 P.M.

Evening Worship—7:00 P.M.

MSC to pay a man \$5.00 per week for his expense to the Samson Mission, and if funds come in, he is to be given more according to the income.

MSC that the preacher shall receive an offering at each regular service and shall turn it over to the treasurer of the State Line Association to be used on the Samson Mission only.

MSC that we elect Rev. Burket Bolin to be in charge of the services at the Samson Mission.

Adjournment.

The Home Mission Board was called to order November 19, 1960 at Samson by the chairman, Rev. John Edwards, for the purpose of cleaning up the property and painting the building. The following members were present: Rev. John Edwards, chm., Rev. Madison Taylor, Rev. Trim Finch. In addition a group came to help with the work and the grounds and building looked quite different when the day was over.

Adjournment.

The Home Mission Board was called to order by the chairman, Rev. John Edwards, December 3, 1960 at Samson for the purpose of finishing the work and buying a heater for the building. The following members were present: Rev. John Edwards, Rev. Madison Taylor, Rev. Trim Finch.

MSC that we have two gas heaters put into the Church with a two-hundred and fifty gallon tank; the heaters and tank full of gas to cost \$256.52, which includes the taxes and interest and to be paid for at \$10.72 per month.

A group of people came and helped put another coat of paint on the church and fix up the doors and windows.

Adjournment.

The Home Mission Board was called to order by the chairman, Rev. John Edwards, February 27, 1961 at Slocomb, Alabama for the purpose of having a revival at the Samson Mission. The following members were present: Rev. John Edwards, Rev. Madison Taylor, Rev. Trim Finch.

MSC that we have a revival at Samson beginning the 27th day of March; the services to begin at 7:30. The evangelists will be Rev. John Edwards and Rev. Trim Finch, neither of whom is to receive pay for the services. Rev. Madison Taylor is to help with the singing without any pay.

MSC that the chairman of the Board send a letter to all churches that are not attending the quarterly sessions of the Association and encourage them to represent with letter and delegates.

The Home Mission Board has continued the radio program over Radio WOOF. The program is heard each Sunday afternoon at 3:00. Different churches are in charge of the service each Sunday.

The Home Mission Board asks that more churches cooperate by sending in a regular offering each month to the projects.

Adjournment.

The Home Mission Board was called to order by the chairman, Rev. John Edwards on May 29, 1961 at Slocomb Free Will Baptist Church. The following members were present. Rev. John Edwards, Rev. Madison Taylor and Rev. Trim Finch.

MSC to accept Rev. Burkett Bolin's resignation from the Samson Mission.

MSC to elect Rev. J. A. Moon to be in charge of the Samson Mission.

MSC to have a missionary conference in the State Line Association; this conference to be for one week.

MSC to try and get four churches to take the radio program; each church having one service each month. Each church is to pay for its own program.

MSC to discontinue the radio program if four churches will not take the program.

Adjournment.

The Home Mission Board was called to order August 7 by the chairman, Rev. John Edwards.

MSC to have Saturday night service at the Samson Mission with Rev. Trim Finch as Mission Director.

MSC that the Home Mission Board work with Rev. Trim Finch until a full time Church could be started.

MSC to adjourn.

The Home Mission Board was called to order September 9, 1961 by the chairman, Rev. John Edwards at Samson, Alabama. The purpose of this meeting was to organize the Mission into a full time church.

MSC after meeting with the people to organize the Mission into a church.

The service was conducted by the chairman of the Mission Board as follows:

- 1. Song service.
- 2. Devotion Rev. John Edwards.
- 3. Opening doors of the Church for membership and twenty-two (22) came forward for membership.
 - 4. Church covenant was read and accepted by the twenty-two.
 - 5. Prayer of consecration was led by Rev. Trim Finch.
 - 6. The following people were elected to office:

Pastor: Rev. Aubrey Brannon, 102 Toledo Ave., Defuniak Springs, Fla.

Clerk: Mrs. Willie Paul, Route 2, Kinston, Alabama Treasurer: Ondrus Paul, Route 2, Kinston, Alabama Trustees: Melvin Maloy, Robert Paul, Sherrill Maloy

- 7. After a testimony meeting, we were dismissed with prayer by Rev. Rufus Hyman.
 - 8. The services were scheduled as follows:

Sunday School—9:45 A.M.

Morning Worship—11:00 A.M.

Young People's meeting—6:30 P.M.

Evangelistic Services—7:30 P.M.

9. The name of this Church shall be THE FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH OF SAMSON.

We had the following people at the Saturday night services:

First night 23; second night 25; third night 29; fourth night 32 and the night the Church was organized there were 73 present.

The Home Mission Board also recommends that if the Church sends a petitionary letter they be received into the Association.

ORDAINING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Report at the January Quarterly Session—We your Ordaining Council make the following report: On the fifth Sunday of last quarter, we met with the Sunday School Rally in New Hope Church for the purpose of ordaining David Lee Kirkland and Randall Miller. On Saturday night before the third Sunday in November, 1960, we met in Springfield Church and ordained David Rabon as deacon. We have been asked to examine and license Burket Bolin and J. A. Moon.

On Tuesday night, January 24, we met in the home of Rev. Bobby Register for the purpose of examining questionnaires of Johnny

Moon for ordination and Burket Bolin for license and to plan an ordination service.

We met in the First Free Will Baptist Church of Slocomb on the night of February 5, 1961 to ordain Johnny Moon and license Burket Bolin. Rev. Trim Finch brought a wonderful message on "Duties of Ministers". Rev. Register asked the questions and presented the Bible. Rev. John Edwards gave the charge. Rev. Madison Taylor presented the certificates.

We were requested by New Hope Church to question Earl Stevens for license. Rev. Edwards and Rev. Taylor met with Rev. Register in Slocomb March 10. We find upon examination that he is entitled to be licensed for the ministry for one year, which we would like to do after the business is over today. (April 8, 1961).

May, 1961—We were asked to go to Slocomb for the purpose of ordaining C. Q. Quattlebaum as deacon.

October, 1961 — We your Ordaining Council have examined Aubrey Brannon and T. R. Maloy and have found them safe in the doctrines and practices of the Free Will Baptist denomination and hereby recommend that they be given credentials from our Association. They in turn agree to turn in their credentials in event they do not conduct themselves according to the rules of our Association.

We have eighteen ministers making annual reports as follows: Rufus Hyman, Bobby G. Register, M. H. Taylor, Burket Bolin, Ralph Bell, Perry Earl Stevens, George D. Stephens, A. H. Retherford, J. A. Moon, L. C. Mixon, Hubert Henderson, W. W. Hall, B. H. Grace, Trim Finch, John A. Edwards, L. R. Curtis, Charles B. Craddock, P. A. Brackins.

We have received \$6.00 for the Presbytery.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION FIRST CHURCH, SLOCOMB—JANUARY 7, 1961

Congregational singing led by Dorman Deal opened the morning session. The invocation was offered by Rev. Bill George.

Rev. Trim Finch, pastor of the host church, extended a cordial welcome to the Association. The response was given by Mrs. Zelmodean Mallory.

The moderator appointed Shelley Fowler, Dorman Deal, David Rabon, Byron Mallory, and C. J. Duke to serve in the capacity of credentials committee.

LaGerald Baxley led the congregation in prayer.

Rev. H. D. Harrison, pastor of the First Church of Chipley, told of the plans of the Florida State Association and the Liberty Association to inaugurate a Free Will Baptist Bible Institute in the near future at the old youth camp site and encouraged the material and prayerful support of this very worthwhile gesture.

Dorman Deal, president of the Sunday School Convention, brought the morning devotion. His scripture was Acts 2:41-42. He emphasized that the Sunday School is an important agency of the

church for evangelizing, teaching, fellowship, and for worship. Our Sunday Schools, he stated, should be organized properly so that the Sunday School can fulfill its purposes.

The moderator officially opened the session for the transaction of business.

The credentials committee reported 12 out of 20 churches reporting by letter and encouraged the support of all of the churches of the Association.

MSC to adopt the report of the committee and seat the delegates. The chair appointed the following finance committee: C. E. Kirksey, Larry Austin, and LaGerald Baxley.

The moderator pointed out the increase in Sunday School and Auxiliary attendance and enrollment and encouraged all of the churches to support the Association. He stressed the need of the support of the ministers.

MORNING WORSHIP

Dorman Deal led congregational singing with Norman Smothers at the piano.

The moderator introduced Rev. Burket Bolin, who read from John 1:1. Through the Sunday School lesson, he illustrated the value of God's word as it is taught in the Sunday School. The message was concluded with a chain prayer by the fourteen ministers present. The congregation sang "Living for Jesus" and was dismissed by A. C. Womack.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After congregational singing, Shelley Fowler brought the devotion. He read from Matthew 4:23 and, in pointing out Jesus as the greatest teacher, stated that one must humble themselves and display sincerity to be a good teacher.

Dorman Deal, State Line Association trustee for the Children's Home reported on the Children's Home and pointed out some of the imperative needs.

Larry Austin, president of the State Sunday School-League Convention, spoke on "The Value of the Sunday School". He listed the Sunday School as (1) a collective teaching ministry, (2) a personal winning ministry. The ultimate aim of Christian education is to bring the new Christian to maturity, he said.

Ministers were recognized. The count revealed that 14 were present. 12 deacons were recognized.

The finance committee reported \$61.50 received from 13 churches. MSC to adopt the report.

The digest committee reported and MSC to adopt the report. (See Reports of Committees).

Minutes of the Executive Board were read and MSC to adopt. The Home Mission Board reported and MSC to adopt the report. The Ordaining Council reported and MSC to adopt the report. Treasurer's Report was read and MSC to adopt the report.

An offering of \$28.38 was received for the Home Mission Board. MSC to receive an offering at each session during the worship hour to be designated for Home Missions.

MSC for the chair to appoint a publicity chairman. Jo Ann West was appointed.

A rising vote of thanks was given the host church for the hospitality shown.

Adjournment.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Thorn.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION MAGNOLIA—APRIL 8, 1961

Congregational singing led by Gordon Odom with Mrs. L. R. Curtis at the piano opened the Second Quarterly Session. Rev. Coy Watson led the invocation.

The moderator officially opened the session, after which he called the attention to the financial growth, material growth, and spiritual growth of the Association.

Bobby Register, Rufus Hyman Sinthy Jackson, L. R. Curtis, and Earl Stevens were appointed as credentials committee.

The welcome was given by Cecil Parramore and Gordon Odom of Shiloh gave the response.

David Rabon brought the morning devotion. His scriptural thought was Proverbs 22:6. Training, the service of the League, he pointed out is essential for the success of the church. The results of training in League, his devotion indicated is shown in leadership for the church.

Visitors, ministers, and deacons were recognized.

Charles Mathis, Thurman Drinkwater, and Ralph Baxley were appointed to serve as finance committee.

Rev. John Edwards led the congregation in prayer.

The credentials committee reported 14 churches representing. MSC to adopt report and seat delegates.

"Following Jesus", a special selection, was rendered by the L. R. Curtis family.

MORNING WORSHIP

Gordon Odom led the congregational singing. Rev. B. H. Grace led the invocation for the worship hour.

After a period of singspiration, Buddie Bell led the congregation in prayer. The moderator presented Rev. L. R. Curtis who brought the morning message. "The transgression of being too much engaged" was the theme of his informative message. He read from I Kings 20: 39-43. The church, he said, should not avoid its duty—training, teaching, evangelizing and working for the Lord. Church members—Leaguers—are so preoccupied that the church becomes a secondary agent, he stated.

Rev. W. W. Hall pronounced the benediction for the noon hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a song service, Buddie Bell reported on the Bible Conference.

Rev. George Stephens, in bringing the afternoon devotion, read Romans 1:15. He spoke on the readiness with which Paul served Christ and the cause of Christ.

Rev. John Edwards gave an object lesson on "What a League means to a Church". The church, he said, is the supreme agency of the land. He pointed out the importance of the various auxiliaries of the church and emphasized the value of a League as the training agency of the church.

Finance committee reported. MSC to adopt report.

Digest committee reported. MSC to adopt report. (See reports of Committees).

Executive Board reported. MSC to adopt report.

Home Mission Board reported. MSC to adopt report.

Ordaining Council reported. MSC to adopt report.

Treasurer's report was made. MSC to adopt report.

Rev. Rufus Hyman reported on the progress of the Florida Free Will Baptist Bible Institute. Rev. Hyman made a motion to endorse the school. MSC.

MSC to reproduce single copies of old minutes as acquired so that the associational records might be preserved.

MSC to accept the resignation of Davey Lee Kirkland from the ministry.

MSC that the clerk be instructed to advise clerk of church which he is pastoring of action of Association regarding Davey Lee Kirkland.

MSC that the discussion against Davey Lee Kirkland be closed.

The Ordaining Council conducted an ordination service. Earl Stevens was licensed to preach the gospel.

MSC to give rising vote of thanks to Magnolia Church. Adjournment.

Benediction pronounced by Rev. Charles Craddock.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION NEW HOPE—JULY 8, 1961

The meeting was called to order by the moderator with the singing of a couple of songs. Prayer was by Rev. M. H. Taylor.

The clerk being away in summer school, Rev. Rufus Hyman was appointed clerk pro tem.

The moderator stated that the new constitution and by-laws were ready to be presented to the body for consideration.

The moderator, Rev. Ralph Bell, requested each church to raise their contribution from 5.00 to 6.00.

The credentials committee, which is the Executive Board, was asked to serve with Bobby Register and Edward Brown being added.

Petitionary letter from Geneva Church seeking membership was read. MSC that the letter be referred to the Executive Board.

Billy Ammons gave the welcome address. Response was given by LaGerald Baxley.

Devotion was given by Buddie Bell. His scripture was II Timothy 2:15. We should follow the word of God, the speaker stated.

Finance committee appointed consisting of L. R. Curtis, Billy D. Ammons, and Earl Culpepper.

Program of special music was presented by Mrs. Grace Whitaker, who sang "Take up thy cross and follow me".

The congregation sang a hymn, after which Rev. Trim Finch led the congregation in prayer.

Credentials committee made its report and the letters were accepted and delegates seated.

MSC that the motion be amended: to examine Geneva Church today.

Song "Bringing in the Sheaves" was rendered.

Prayer was offered by Rev. L. D. Hughes, pastor of the First FWB Church, Geneva.

The congregation sang "When we all get to heaven". The morning offering was received. Prayer was offered by Charles Mathis.

Morning worship opened with "Power in the Blood". The moderator, Rev. Ralph Bell, presented Rev. John Edwards, who brought the morning message on the subject of "Progress through Christian Education". He called for 11 persons to stand up who had had Christian training in some Christian school. Hosea 4:6 was used as a text, "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge". What is involved in Christian Education? We must have knowledge to do anything. Teaching is helping to know. Training is helping to know and do. Sources of training, his message reflected, are the Sunday School, the League, the Woman's Auxiliary, Vacation Bible Schools, Prayer meetings, Bible College and Christian schools. Closing prayer was by John Edwards.

Noon hour announcement by the pastor, Rev. M. H. Taylor. Rev. Bobby Register gave the benediction.

Afternoon session opened with song "He is my friend". Rev. Hubert Henderson led in prayer. The moderator read the Shiloh Church letter as the Credentials committee was in session.

MSC that the letter be accepted and delegates seated.

"Christian Education—the key to a better tomorrow for Free Will Baptists" was given by Mrs. Aletha Deese. This belongs to those who prepare for it.

The devotion was given by Dannie Sue Jones from the conflict between Saul and the Philistine giant. David, a lad, prepared himself over a period of time and won, and so may we win in the great conflict between Christian and non-Christian forces today.

Letter from Howard Grove read and delegates seated.

Finance committee made report. MSC to adopt.

Digest committee made report. MSC to adopt.

MSC that the moderator appoint a committee of two to investigate the bank and safety vault for keeping papers and to report at annual session.

Home Mission Board made report. MSC to adopt report. Rev. John Edwards requested that the churches respond with contribution for home missions.

Rev. Leo Curtis made report from committee on constitution and by-laws. MSC to accept this report.

Ordaining Council made report. MSC to adopt report. Executive Board made report. MSC to adopt report. A rising vote of thanks was given to the host church. Motion that business adjourn for this quarterly session.

Ralph Bell, moderator Rufus Hyman, clerk, pro tem

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION UNION HILL AND COWARTS CREEK OCTOBER 5 AND 6, 1961

Congregational singing opened the seventy-sixth session. The invocation was led by Wayne Love. The welcome was given by Rev. Rufus Hyman and the response by Thurman Drinkwater of Union Springs.

The moderator officially opened the session and his initial remarks charged delegates and churches to be more responsive.

A call was issued for petitionary letters and two responded, viz: First Free Will Baptist Church of Geneva and the First Free Will Baptist Church of Samson. The Executive Board was appointed to serve in the capacity of credentials committee and David Rabon was named chairman pro tem.

Miss Bessie Hall gave the morning devotion reading from Hebrews 4: 1-10. "A renewed faith which we attain through the rest of Christians" was the subject of her informative devotion.

Rev. T. B. Mellette led the congregation in prayer.

Corresponding delegates were recognized with the following responding: Rev. W. T. Hutto of the Southeastern Association.

Ministers, Deacons and visitors were recognized.

Rev. Bill George led the congregation in prayer.

The Credentials Committee reported stating that only four out of nineteen church letters were complete. MSC that the report be adopted and delegates seated.

MSC to receive the First Free Will Baptist Church of Geneva into full fellowship.

The committee reported the petitionary letter from Samson in order. Motion was made to receive church under watchcare for twelve months. Amendment: MSC to receive church and seat delegates today.

The moderator appointed the following committees: Auxiliaries, Education, Character of Ministers and State of Churches, Finance,

Obituaries, Placement, Suggestions, Temperance (see Report of Committees for personnel of committees).

MORNING WORSHIP

Congregational singing opened the morning worship hour. Rev. L. R. Curtis led the invocation for the worship hour. An offering for the Children's Home was received. Rev. Bobby Register led the offertory response.

The moderator presented Rev. Harrold Harrison, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Chipley, who brought the morning message. He read from Psalm 11:3. The subject of his illuminating message was "If the foundation be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" A good foundation is essential for successful work—a good foundation of truth, he stated. He emphasized the faithfulness that is required by God.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. B. Lovering.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a song service, Rev. Walter Eldridge led the opening prayer. The afternoon devotion was given by Mrs. Agnes Bottoms. She read Psalms 69:13. The effectiveness of prayer was emphasized in her devotion.

The following officers were elected:

Moderator—Rev. Ralph Bell

Assistant Moderator-Rev. John Edwards

Clerk—Wayne Love

Treasurer—David Rabon

Executive Board Member—Dorman Deal (Term expires 1966)

MSC that the office of Rev. Randall Miller be declared vacant and a member elected to fill his unexpired term on the Home Mission Board.

Rev. L. R. Curtis was elected to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Horace Herndon, whose office was vacated when he assumed pastoral work and membership in another association. (Term expires 1963).

Rev. Bobby G. Register was elected to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Randall Miller (term expires 1962).

Rev. Johnny Moon was elected for a five year term on the Home Mission Board (term expires 1966).

Rev. Rufus Hyman was elected for a three year term on the Ordaining Council (term expires 1964).

MSC to adopt report of Executive Board. (See minutes of Executive Board Meetings).

MSC to adopt report of Home Mission Board, (See Minutes and Reports of Home Mission Board).

MSC that report (partial) of Ordaining Council be adopted. (See Minutes and Reports of Ordaining Council).

MSC that report (partial) of Digest Committee be accepted.

Rev. Rufus Hyman stated that Christian Home Church wished to have its name removed from the roll and minutes of the State

| TABLE I | CHURCH MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | | | | AUXILIARY STATISTICS | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|-------|----------|----------|------------------|-------------------------|-----|----------------------|----------------|--------------|-----|-------|--------------|---------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| CHURCHES | Date church organized | ec'd by | Rec'd by letter | Rec'd by Statement of faith | st by | Excluded | Deceased | Resident Members | Non-Resident Members | 8.E | B. lmen | n's A ershi | Master's Men | ung | iliar | 1 03 | rship eek r Service | er of or | Time of Meeting |
| Antioch | *1881 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 2 | 1 and 3 |
| Corinth | 1922 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 72 | 42 | 60 | 32 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | O | No | 6 | 1 and 3 |
| Cowarts Creek | 1924 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 70 | 44 | 41 | 19 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | Yes | 7 | 2 and 4 |
| First Ch., Dothan | 1867 | 23 | 6 | 1 | 2 | _0 | 1 | 197 | 139 | 228 | 119 | 55 | 30 | 0 | 16 | | Yes | 14 | Full Time |
| First Ch., Geneva | 1961 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | (71 | 1) | 48 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | Yes | 3 | Full Time |
| First Chl. Samson | 1961 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 0 | No | 15 | Full Time |
| First Ch., Slocomb | 1955 | 15 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 50 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Yes | 3 | Full Time |
| Grangerburg | 1932 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0_ | 0 | | <u> 29)</u> | 30 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 1 | 2 and 4 |
| Howard Grove | 1879 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 8 | 300 | 1149 | 125 | 72 | <u> 15</u> | 0 | 13 | 10 | 0 | Yes_ | 14 | Full Time |
| Magnolia | 1912 | | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 51 | 78 | 63 | 46 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Yes | 5 | 1 and 3 |
| New Harmony | 1897 | | 0 | 0 | 2 | _3_ | 1 | 55 | 52 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 2 | 1 and 3 |
| New Hope | 1860 | 4 | 2 | 1. | | _3_ |) | 29 | 13 | 38 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 2 | 2 and 4 |
| Panther Creek | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | <u> </u> | 0 | 33 | 48 | 40 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Yes_ | 3 | Full Time |
| Pittman Creek | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0_ | 1 | 30 | 23 | 57 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 4 | I. |
| Pleasant Home | ×1896 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | _0_ | 2 | 149 | | 50 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 2 | 3 |
| Pleasant Ridge | *191 <u>3</u> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _0_ | 1 | | <u> </u> | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 3_ | 2 and 4 |
| Shiloh | 1906 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | (20 | 00) | 48 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Yes | 5 | l and 3 |
| Springfield | 1897 | 6 | 9 | 0 | 5 | _0_ | 0 | 73 | 62 | 55_ | 53 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Yes | 5 | Full Time |
| Spring Hill | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | <u>3</u> | 0 | | 167 | 37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Yes | 2 | 2 and 4 |
| Union Hill | 1908 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 84 | 23 | 74 | 42 | 12 | 0 | 9 | 8 | | Yes | 7 | Full Time |
| Union Springs | 1891 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 71 | 100 | 41 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | No | 2 | 1 and 3 |
| ASSOC. TOTALS | | 69 | 35 | 26 ¹ | +7 | 12 | 21 | 1774 | 36 | 166 | 578 | 135 | 30 | 51 | 34 | 0 | 11 | 77 | 8 Full Time 11 Half Time |
| | * N | lot ' | Ver | ifie | d | | | 17 | 11 | | | | | | | | | | 2 Quarter Time |

TABLE II CHURCH DIRECTORY

| Churches | Pastors and Addresses | Clerks and Addresses | Sunday School Supts. and Addresses | F. W. B. L. 'residents and Address | Muster's Men Presidents and Addresses | Woman's Auxiliary Presidents and Addresses | Young People's Auxiliary Presidents and Addresses |
|-----------------------|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| Antioch | | Mrs. Carolyn Register Route, Graceville, Fla. | | | | | |
| Corinth | | LaGerald Baxley Rt. 1, Midland City, Ala. | Earl Culpepper Rt. 1, Midland City, Ala. | Linda Mallory Rt. 1, Midland City, Ala. | | Mrs. Zelmodean Mallory Rt. 1, Midland City, Ala. | |
| Cowarts Creek | George Stephens 1205 W. Woodland Dr. Dothan, Ala. | Mrs. Maude Fowler Rt. 3, Box 98 Dothan, Ala. | James Fowler Rt. 1, Ashford, Ala. | Lewis Mallory Rt. 1, Ashford, Ala. | | Mrs. Mary Smith 1008 E. Collins St. Dothan, Ala. | |
| First Church, Dothan | John Edwards 1217 Bruce St. Dothan, Ala. | Mrs. Donald Arnold 600 Windson Ct. Dothan, Ala. | Dorman Deal 107 Guilford Dr. Dothan, Ala. | Bill Brown 108 W. Spring St. Dothan, Ala. | Larry Austin 308 Reid St. Dothan, Ala. | Mrs. Betty Deal 107 Guilford Dr. Dothan, Ala | |
| First Church, Geneva | L. D. Hughes Rt. 2, Geneva, Ala. | Robbie Hughes Rt. 1, Box 195 Geneva, Ala. | Mose Grantham 119 Purvis St. Geneva, Ala. | | | | Preston Phillips 511 Campbell St. Geneva, Ala. |
| First Church, Samson | Aubrey Brannon 102 Toledo Ave. Defuniak Spgs., Fla. | Mrs. Willie N. Paul Rt. 2, Kinston, Ala. | Sib Owens Rt. 2, Kinston, Ala. | | | | Melvin Maloy Samson, Ala. |
| First Church, Slocomb | Trim Finch Slocomb, Ala. | Miss Faye Forehand Slocomb, Ala. | C. Q. Quattlebaum Malvern, Ala. | Trim Finch Slocomb, Ala. | | | |
| Grangerburg | Charles Craddock 511 Madison Ave. Dothan, Ala. | Mrs. Royce Askew Rt. 1, Gordon, Ala. | B. W. West Cottonwood, Ala. | Linda Whitehead Cottonwood, Ala. | | | |
| Howard Grove | L. R. Curtis Box 253 Ashford, Ala. | A. C. Womack Rt. 1, Cottonwood, Ala. | Harold Womack 705 W. Adams St. Dothan, Ala. | Myrias Womack 1215 Robbins St. Dothan, Ala. | | Mrs. L. R. Curtis Box 253, Ashford, Ala. | Bennie F. Jones Rt. 1, Cottonwood, Ala. |
| Magnolia | Bobby Register Rt. 2, Graceville, Fla. | Edna Dykes Box 72, Dinkard, Ala | Charlie Segars Rt. 2 Midland City, Ala. | Mary Ann Keel Rt, 2, Midland City, Ala. | - | Janis Young 1028 N. Oates Ext. Dothan, Ala. | |
| New Harmony | W. T. Hutto Midland City, Ala. | Mrs. James Calloway Box 211, Cottonwood, Ala. | George Puckett Rt., Dothan, Ala. | | | | |
| New Hope | | Z. A. Ammons Rt. 1, Midland City, Ala. | Billy D. Ammons Rt. 1, Midland City, Ala. | Billy D. Ammons Rt. I. Midland City, Ala. | | | |
| Panther Creek | W. W. Hall 1400 N. Appletree St. Dothan, Ala. | Mrs. Bes Lewis Rt. 2, Slocomb, Ais. | Edsel Smith Slocomb, Ala. | Edsel Smith Sictions, Ala. | | | |
| Pittman Creek | L. C. Mixon Rt. 1, Black, Ala. | Earl Sowell Rt. 1. Black, Ala. | Jeff Hawthorne Rt. 1, Black, Ala. | | | | |
| Pleasant Home | L. C. Mixon Rt. 1, Black, Ala. | Loyd Bottoms 104 Olive St. Geneva, Ala. | Joe Bottoms Rt. 1, Black, Ala. | Loyd Bottoms 104 Olive St. Geneva, Ala. | | | |
| Pleasant Ridge | | Signey Tindell Rt 1, Cottonwood, Ala. | Ralph Monday Rt. 2, Marianna, Fla. | | | | - 1 |
| Shiloh | Biakley, Ga. | Wills Dean Henderson 2107 Dykes St. Dothan, Als. | Sterling Lanton Rt. 2, Ashford, Ala. | Gordon Odom Rt. 2, Columbia, Ala. | | | |
| Springfield | B. H. Grace 603 Headland Ave. Dothan, Ala. | Billy Rabon Box 102, Ashford, Ala. | Arthur Swezey Box 212, Ashford, Ala. | David Rabon Box 276, Ashford, Ala. | | Mrs. Vera M. Hamrick Rt. 2, Ashford, Ala. | |
| Spring Hill | Bobby Register Rt. 2, Graceville, Fla. | Billy Earl Ethridge Rt. 1, Gordon, Ala. | C. E. Kirksey Rt. 1, Gordon, Ala. | | | | |
| Union Hill | James D. Elmore Box 35, Slocomb, Ala. | Elsie Morris Rt. 1, Slocomb, Ala. | Mrs. Bessie Hall Rt. 1, Slocomb, Ala. | Ennis Hyman Rt. 1, Slocomb, Ala. | | Mrs. Marilyn Butler Slocomb, Ala. | Mrs. Loyce Collins Box 43, Slocomb, Ala. |
| Union Springs | A. H. Retherford Rt. 1, Ashford, Ala. | Thurman Drinkwater Rt. 2, Ashford, Ala. | Maxwell Sims Rt. 2, Ashford, Ala. | Thurman Drinkwater Rt. 2, Ashford, Ala. | 1 | | |

TABLE III -- COLLECTIONS AND EXPENDITURES

| | | LOCAL EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | | | | IDE | ЕХР | ENDIT | URE | s | | 1 0 | OFFER | | | |
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| hurches | Pastor's Salary | Evang. Vork | Bldg. & Repair | Lit. & Educ. Mat. | Advert- 1sing | Programs | Maint. & Upkeep | Misc. | Total Local Exp. | Coop. Prog. | Foreign Missions | Home Miss Missions | Educa. | Children Home | Super- annuation | Assoc. Project | State and National Project | Total Expenditur | General Offerings Received | Building Rundigfe | Value of Church Property | Value of Parsonage Property |
| ntioch | 0 | 0 | 0_ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Q | 0 | 3.00 | 0 | _ 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.00 | 0 | 0 | 2500 | 0 |
| orinth | 701-85 | 91.65 | 80.17 | 3.50 | 56,20 | 0 | 79.38 | 103.09 | 1115.84 | 0 | 0 | 13.55 | 1 | 40.00 | 0 | 28.00 | 0 | 90.80 | 1234.15 | | 9550 | |
| owarte Creek | 685.00 | 70.00 | 8960.00 | 141.51 | 0 | 0 | 55.04 | 107.59 | 10019.14 | 0 | 0 | 102.00 | 0 | 60.00 | 0 | 113.67 | 0 | 275.67 | 1417.01 | 1490.53 | 12000 | 0 |
| at Ch. Dothan | 3640.00 | 370.00 | 3175.35 | 471.01 | 20.00 | 146.00 | 1291.00 | 965.89 | 10079.25 | 879.98 | 187.43 | 22.94 | 163.80 | 289.87 | 0 | 283.52 | 0 | 1851.74 | 12073.76 | 241.00 | 50000 | 10000 |
| et Ch. Geneva | 239.05 | 0 | 377.52 | 56.90 | 0 | 0 | 81.82 | 462.11 | 1215.40 | 0 | 36.60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36.60 | 1039.98 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| at Ch. Samson | 96.60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37.97 | 134.57 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 154.33 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| st Ch. Slocomb | 1342.96 | 107.50 | 13.40 | 131.60 | 21.60 | 0 | 110.23 | | 1727.29 | . 0 | 0 | 11.00 | 15.00 | 4.60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30.60 | 1791.24 | 0 | 15000 | 0 |
| rangerburg | 480.00 | 65.00 | 0 , | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 545.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 689,89 | 0 | 7000 | 0 |
| oward Grove | 3589.38 | 170.00 | 74.04 | 149.23 | 40.40 | 73.21 | 141.76 | 926.05 | 5164.07 | 1.0 | 9.00 | 30.00 | 64.00 | 51.71 | 22.00 | 30.00 | 20.00 | 386.03 | 5793.13 | 1371.46 | 22000 | 0 |
| agnolia | 885.00 | 115.00 | 101.78 | 152.66 | 0 | 0 | 40.00 | 156.70 | 1451.14 | 0 | 35.00 | 40.00 | 0 | 30.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 105.00 | 972.61 | 150.68 | 6700 | 0 |
| ew Harmony | 556.03 | 146.03 | 49.43 | 67.00 | 0 | 0 | 48.00 | 15.00 | 881.49 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10.00 | 545.37 | 0 | 6000 | 0 |
| ew Hope | 496.20 | 195.00 | 708.22 | 94.69 | 60.30 | 0 | 0 | 81.96 | 1636.37 | 6 | . 0 | 124.88 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 94.15 | 0 | 219.03 | 274.86 | 1614.23 | 10000 | 0 |
| anther Creek | 472.09 | 6 | 91.44 | 50.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 54.15 | 667.68 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15.00 | 0 | 15.00 | 107.53 | 141.88 | 8000 | 0 |
| ittman Creek | 320.00 | 40.00 | 150.00 | 15.00 | 0 | 0 | . 0 | 0 | 728.53 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 153.53 | 2000 | 0 |
| leasant Home | 410.00 | 50.00 | 0 | 50.00 | 0 | 0 | 190.00 | 0 | 700.00 | -0 | 0 | 0 | · · › ' O | 100.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100.00 | 900.00 | 0 | 3000 | • 0 |
| leasant Ridge | 515.46 | 124.03 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 37.90 | 15.00 | 692.39 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | o_ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 741.86 | 0 | 4000 | 0 |
| hiloh | 366.00 | 45.00 | 0 | 94.93 | 50.00 | 0 | 85.35 | 40.03 | 679.31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | i: 0 | 0 | 0 | 20.00 | 0 | 20.00 | 699.31 | 0 | 4000 | 6 |
| pringfield | 1546.00 | 185.00 | 1502.15 | 158.60 | 8.32 | 0 | 139.87 | 0 | 3539.94 | 0 | 0 | 10.59 | 25.50 | 70.00 | 0 | 156.52 | 0 | 262.61 | 3572.09 | 0 | 7200 | 0 |
| pring Hill | 840.00 | 100.00 | 47.15 | 42.00 | 60.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1449.15 | 0 | 0 | 78.00 | 45.00 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 123.00 | 1346.66 | 340.00 | 5000 | 0 |
| nion Hill | 687.76 | 287.38 | 50.00 | 147.76 | 0 | 0 | 75.00 | 97.50 | 1345.40 | 200.00 | 136.70 | 52.25 | 0 | 350.00 | 10.50 | 31.00 | . 0 | 780.45 | 1458.47 | 1300.00 | 25000 | 0 |
| nion Springs | 875.00 | 0 | 0 | 123.28 | 25.00 | 0 | 14.77 | 190,40 | 1228.45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | . 0 | 67.00 | 0 | 10.00 | 0 | 77.00 | 1266.39 | 90.26 | 10000 | 0 |
| ssoc. Totals | 18744.38 | 2161.59 | 15380.65 | 1949.67 | 341.82 | 219.21 | 2390.12 | 3253.44 | 45004.41 | 1079.98 | 404.73 | 488.21 | 322.55 | 1073.18 | 32.50 | 781.86 | 20.00 | 4386,43 | 36078.64 | 6893.57 | 208950 | 10000 |
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| TADLE IV | | | | | | | 1111 | TOTE | 111111 | 1 1111 | 711200 | | | | |
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| Ministers | Sermons preached | Prayer meegings held | Funerals conducted | rriage Jemniz | cial S | Revivals conducted | nvers tress | ceived urches | Bap ti zed | Homes visited | Miles traveled | Condition of Work | Received for Services | Revivals assisted | churchées) in charge for ensuing year |
| Ralph L. Bell | 122 | Ó | 12 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 16 | 18 | 14 | 150 | 7500 | Good | 1310.00 | 4 | Corinth; Goodwater |
| Burket Bolin | 62 | | | | 6 | | | | | | | | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| P. A. Brackin | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0_ | . 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | | 5,00 | 0 | |
| Charles Craddock | 100 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0_ | 3 | 4 | 4_ | 150 | 4000 | Good | 2040.00 | 2 | Marvin Chapel |
| L. R. Curtis | 173 | 40 | 14 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 128 | 2 | 4 | 1022 | <u> 5028</u> | Good | 3589.38 | 2 | Howard Grove |
| Wyatt Edmonson | Did | not | rep | <u>ort</u> | <u> </u> | · | | | <u> </u> | · | | | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| John Edwards | 175 | <u>40</u> | <u> </u> | <u>3</u> | 6 | 10 | <u>66</u> | _30 | <u> 24</u> | 200 | 20000 | <u>Good</u> | 4345.00 | _2_ | First Ch., Dothan |
| Donald Elmore | addı | ress | unk | nowr | <u>1</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Trim Finch | <u> 215</u> | ? | 4 | <u> </u> | 41_ | <u> 5 </u> | <u> ? </u> | _37_ | <u> 6</u> | <u> 100</u> | <u> 15000</u> | Good | 1342,96 | 4 | First Chl. Slocomb |
| B. H. Grace* | <u>60</u> | _24 | <u> </u> | 0_ | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | <u> 21</u> | <u> 15</u> | <u>6</u> | <u>90</u> | <u> 2500</u> | Good | <u>840.00</u> | 1 | Springfield |
| W. W. Hall | <u> 116</u> | _52 | <u> 8</u> | - | 0_ | <u>2</u> | <u> </u> | | <u>4</u> | <u> 150</u> | <u> 5000</u> | Good | 800.00 | _2 | Panther Creek |
| Hubert Henderson | | <u>o</u> _ | 0 | _ | 9 | <u> 0</u> | <u> 18</u> | <u> 15</u> | <u> 13</u> | 30 | 2622 | Fair | 700.50 | <u> </u> | Friendship, I |
| Rufus Hyman | <u> 105</u> | <u> </u> | 0 | | _5_ | 2 | 200 | <u> </u> | 0 | 50 | 1500 | Good | 1150.00 | | Pleasant Hill |
| Randall Miller | | no t | repo | | | | | | | | 7000 | | 0== | | |
| L. C. Mixon | <u>60</u> | <u>30</u> | <u> 28</u> | <u>6</u> | 10 | | 10_ | 0 | <u>o</u> _ | 100 | 1200 | Good | <u>875.00</u> | _0_ | |
| J. A. Moon | <u>54</u> | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | <u> </u> | 1 | ~ ? | 1144 | Good | 150.00 | 1 | Preasant Home |
| Stanley Outlaw | | 4 4 | rep | $\overline{}$ | | | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | |
| Bobby Register | 52 | <u>48</u> | | <u> </u> | 0 | <u>o</u> _ | 0 | | 0 | <u>```</u> | <u>~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~</u> | Good | 1320.00 | <u> </u> | Spring Hill, Magnolia |
| A. H. Retherford | | <u> 25</u> | <u>4</u> | | 2 | | | <u>_</u> | | 90 | 2500 | GGod | 1300.00 | 1 | Union Spgs, Hammock Spgs |
| George Stephens | <u>89</u> | 41 | <u>3</u> | 2 | <u> </u> | 0 | 0 | 3_ | <u> </u> | ~~~~ | <u>4500</u> | Good | 1649.00 | | Cowarts Ck. Sardis |
| Earl Stevens | 51 | <u> </u> | 1 | 0 | 2_ | 1 | 4 | 4 | <u> </u> | <u> 15</u> | 3116 | Good | 461.13 | <u> </u> | St. John |
| Madison Taylor | 120 | 15 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 50 | 20 | 16 | 150 | 10000 | Good | 1150.00 | 6 | Damascus |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

^{*} served church for only 7 months of 1960-61 associational year.

Line Association. MSC to remove the name of the church. MSC to drop Rev. J. A. Pettis' name, who is a member of the church.

MSC to give a rising vote of thanks to Union Hill for hospitality shown.

Benediction was pronounced by Rev. John Edwards.

FRIDAY MORNING

After a period singspiration, Rev. George Stephens led the invocation. Rev. Stephens, pastor of the host church, gave the welcome, and Nell Rose Parramore of Magnolia gave the response.

Mrs. Glenda Fowler in bringing the morning devotion read from Psalms 121 and spoke on the availability of God.

Visitors, Ministers, and Deacons were recognized.

A supplementary offering was received for the Children's Home. The roll was called.

The Education committee reported. MSC to adopt the report. MSC that the State Line Association Churches support the Free Will Baptist Bible Institute at Cottondale.

The Suggestions committee reported. MSC to adopt the report.

A historical resume of the State Line Association was given by Wayne Love, and former officers of the Association were recognized. J. W. D. Stephens, and C. B. Green, both from Hickory Grove Church, a former member of the State Line Association, were recognized. They related some of their experiences from the yesteryear of the Association. Clerks of the Association covering a period of sixty years (1901-1961) were present during the day, namely: J. W. D. Stephens, C. B. Green, Mrs. Mary Edna Cook, Wayne Love, making this a session of historical significance.

MORNING WORSHIP

Congregational singing opening the morning worship hour. Rev. I. O. Cook led the invocation for the worship hour.

Rev. John Edwards, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Dothan, brought the morning message reading from Revelation 21:1-4. Speaking on Free Will Baptist doctrine, he informed Christians of the necessity of preparedness.

Benediction was pronounced by Shelley Fowler.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After congregational singing, Rev. Trim Finch brought the afternoon devotion. His devotional thoughts were taken from St. John 1: 1-10. The origin, value, and truth of the Word was reflected in his devotion.

Entering into the business session, the finance committee reported. MSC to adopt report.

The committee on Character of Ministers and State of Churches reported. MSC to adopt report.

Auxiliaries committee reported. MSC to adopt report. Placement committee reported. MSC to adopt report. Treasurer's report was given. MSC to adopt report.

Ordaining Council reported. MSC to adopt report. MSC to amend: to strike out the part including events concerning the Council since September 1, 1961.

MSC to grant Ordaining Council permission to extend licenses of Rev. Lindbergh Thorn through the duration of his stay in Germany (1964).

Temperance report was given. MSC to adopt report.

A memorial service was conducted by Rev. Rufus Hyman. The congregation paused in memory of the deceased, after which Rev. Ralph Bell led the commemorative prayer.

MSC to adopt report of Obituary committee.

A complete Digest was submitted. MSC to adopt report.

MSC that a committee be appointed by the chair to investigate the possibilities of a vault to keep associational papers safe. The chair appointed Wayne Love, chm., David Rabon, and Madison Taylor.

The chair appointed the following delegates to the State Association: Mrs. Maude Fowler, Mrs. Ralph Bell, Mrs. Irell Cedre, Mrs. Katherine Vickers, Mrs. B. W. West.

MSC that the moderator be given the authority to appoint delegates from those attending the State Association, if necessary.

The following corresponding delegates were appointed to the Liberty, Midway, and Southeastern Associations: Trim Finch, Madison Taylor, B. G. Register, Ralph Bell, Shelley Fowler, David Rabon, Wayne Love, Lois Clark, and Irell Cedre.

MSC that the chair appoint a committee to do further study on the constitution and report at the First Quarterly Session. The moderator, clerk, and chairman of each board were named to serve in that capacity.

MSC that the chair appoint a three member Supernannuation Board whose duty shall be to plan a local program of superannuation; appointment to be for a three year period, a two year period, and a one year period with the expiring office being filled annually. The chair appointed Mrs. Maude Fowler, 3 years, Mrs. B. W. West, 2 years, and Mrs. James Calloway, 1 year.

MSC that the chair appoint a three member Board of Education whose duty shall be to plan for the support of the educational institutions of the denomination and to draw up plans for a scholar-ship and/or loan fund to assist worthy students; appointment to be for a three year period, a two year period, and a one year period with the expiring office being filled annually. The chair appointed Billy D. Ammons, 3 years, Mrs. Agnes Bottoms, 2 years, and Mrs. Mary Smith, 1 year.

MSC that the Executive Board be instructed to prepare a budget to submit to the First Quarterly Session.

MSC that the chair appoint a historical commission. The chair appointed Wayne Love, chairman, Mrs. Glenda Fowler, and Mrs. Vera Hammrick.

MSC that changing the meeting date of the annual session of the Association be submitted to the body for consideration and tabled until the Second Quarterly Session at which time a decision is to be made.

MSC to receive an offering for Rev. D. W. Poole, a former treasurer of the Association.

MSC to give a rising vote of thanks to Cowarts Creek Church for the hospitality shown.

Adjournment.

Benediction.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

AUXILIARIES

We, your committee on Auxiliaries, upon examination of the church reports, make the following report:

No. of Churches reporting-22

No. of Sunday Schools—20 Enrollment—1166

No. of Leagues—14 Membership—578

No. of Woman's Auxiliaries—7 Membership—135

No. of Master's Men-2 Membership-30

No. of Young People's Auxiliaries—3 Membership—51

No. of Go Tell Auxiliaries—2 Membership—32

Billy Ammons Lois Clark Mrs. Jessie West

CHARACTER OF MINISTERS AND STATE OF CHURCHES

We, your committee on character of ministers and state of churches, make the following report:

We find the character of our ministers to be good and the churches to be in fair to good condition.

We wish to thank our ministers for a job well done thus far and pray that they may lead us to even a greater understanding of God's word and will that many more souls might be saved and brought into the church family.

> Mrs. Vera Bolin Mrs. Agnes Bottoms Shelley Fowler

DIGEST COMMITTEE

We, your digest committee, make the following report:

First Quarter: 15 ministers, 24 visitors, 48 delegates, 4 deacons Total 91.

Second Quarter: 15 ministers, 31 visitors, 42 delegates, 14 deacons—Total 102.

Third Quarter: 10 ministers, 36 visitors, 45 delegates, 6 deacons—Total 97.

Annual—1st day: 17 ministers, 41 visitors, 70 delegates, 7

deacons—Total 135.

2nd Day: 10 ministers, 41 visitors, 53 delegates, 5 deacons—Total 109.

Total both days (excluding duplicates) 21 ministers, 9 deacons, 75 delegates, 77 visitors—Total 182.

Mrs. Ralph Bell Mrs. Mary Smith Mrs. Kathryn Vickers Mrs. Irell Cedre

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

We, your committee on education, make the following report:
As there are many evil forces in the world such as communism, evolution, etc., that are trying to capture the minds of our young people, be it resolved:

That our pastors encourage our young people, upon finishing high school, to attend the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

That our churches support the Bible College with their finances. That our pastors and teachers try their best to attend the Free Will Baptist Bible Institute at Cottondale, Florida.

That our churches do their best to send their pastor to the two week summer school at the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

As you know, Paul gave young Timothy some good advice in II Timothy 2:15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth."

Mrs. John Edwards Mrs. Glenda Fowler Mrs. Earl Culpepper

FINANCE COMMITTEE

(Annual Session only) The offering from the Churches was \$258.00. The offering for the Children's Home was \$74.17. The Home Mission offering was \$49.87.

Rev. Bobby Register James Calloway Mrs. Lois Sowell

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your committee on obituaries, make the following report: We find from the church letters that we have 24 deceased members since our last annual session.

They are as follows:

Corinth

A. J. Benefield Irwin Woodham First Church, Dothan Mrs. Era Cherry Union Hill

John Bell

Cowarts Creek

Mr. Corey Vann

Mrs. H. D. Atkins

Mr. W. T. Clark

Howard Grove

Roy Rhodes

Dorothy Boyett

Charlie Skinner

Bessie Booth

Pearl Lingo

Susie Dudley

Mancel McCord

Lela Bowen

Grangerburg

Lewis Granger

Pittman Creek

Mrs. Vassie King

Pleasant Home

Charles Clayton Mixon

Thomas Lee Mixon

New Harmony

Woodrow Herring

Pleasant Ridge

T. C. Hart

First Church, Geneva

James Nathan Whitaker

Union Springs

J. O. White

Melvin White

Your committee,

R. A. Sellers

L. C. Mixon

Bentley Outlaw

Rufus Hyman

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

Home for Second Quarterly Session—Spring Hill Home for Second Quarterly Session—Union Spr

Home for Second Quarterly Session—Union Springs

Home for Third Quarterly Session—Shiloh

Home for Annual Session—First Day—Pittman Creek

Second Day—Panther Creek

Thurman Drinkwater Donie Dasinger Donie Calloway

SUGGESTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your committee on Suggestions, make the following report: We know there has been much improvement in our churches and in our association, and we suggest that we continue to move forward by having more activity in our churches.

We suggest that all churches have a youth revival and a vacation Bible school to give our young people more training in the activities of our churches. Also, we suggest that those who are elected delegates to the association attend.

> Mrs. Vera Mae Hamrick Miss Beatrice Howell Mrs. Hettie Howell

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your Temperance Committee, report the-following:

That we request our brethren and sisters to be temperate in all things, to live as Christians should and abstain from all forms of evil.

Furthermore, we suggest that we use our influence against the use of strong drink for the Bible says "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess but be with the Spirit". Ephesians 5:18.

Let us be led and filled with the Holy Spirit and according to the scripture, and all problems regarding in temperance will find its solution.

> Rufus Hyman, Mrs. W. T. Culver Emmitt Dunn

TREASURER'S REPORT

| Cash in Bank, September 1, 1960 | . \$ | 109.57 |
|---------------------------------|------|--------|
| Receipts | | |
| General Fund \$506.20 | | |
| Home Mission Fund 800.79 | | |
| Total Receipts | 1 | 306.99 |
| Total to account for | .\$1 | 416.56 |
| General Fund \$466.72 | | |
| Home Mission Fund854.45 | | |
| Total Disbursements | | 321.17 |
| Cash in bank, September 1, 1961 | \$ | 95.39 |
| General Fund 93.10 | • | |
| Home Mission Fund 2.19 | | |

MINUTES OF THE STATE LINE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Theme: Forward in the Free Will Baptist Sunday School. Philippians 3:13-14.

The State Line Sunday School Convention met with Spring Hill Church July 30, 1961 for its annual session.

The session opened with singing "Standing on the Promises" led by Buddy Bell, who was song director throughout the days session. Prayer was offered by Billy Rabon of Springfield.

Song "At the Cross" and "I Am Thine, O Lord".

Devotion by Dannie Sue Jones of Howard Grove. Her scripture was Luke 10:30-34.

The president, in his opening remarks, spoke on the theme of the convention.

Business: Eight standing delegates were present. They voted to seat the delegates.

MSC that the president appoint a program committee to plan a program for next year's convention. This committee was Gordon Odom, Thurman Drinkwater, Arthur Swezey.

The following committees were appointed before the convention from the reports already received:

Credentials committee—Maude Fowler, Mary Smith, and Jessie Clark

Banner committee—Joan West, Bessie Hall, and Mrs. Hill Lewis Nominations committee—Thurman Drinkwater, Billy Ammons, and Harold Womack

Resolutions committee—Arthur Swezey, Faye Tolar

Home committee—Mrs. R. G. Burkett, Ann Sword, and Ralph Baxley

Finance committee—Mrs. Vera Bolin, George Mallory

Digest committee—Mrs. Faye Tolar

The minutes were read and adopted.

The convention sang "Footsteps of Jesus" after which Earl Stevens brought the Sunday School lesson. He closed with an invitation to each one to accept or dedicate themselves to the service of the Lord. Invitation hymn "Have Thine Own Way, Lord".

The dismissal prayer for the noon hour was by Rev. Bobby Register.

After the noon hour we assembled for the afternoon session, singing "Praise Him, Praise Him". Prayer was offered by Rev. Madison Taylor.

The devotion was by Mrs. Bessie Hall of the Union Hill Church. Her scripture was Psalms 1.

Buddy Bell led in singing a few choruses, after which Larry Austin led in a testimony service.

The president then recognized the following: Ministers — 2; superintendents—9; visitors—9.

Mrs. B. W. West gave a talk on mission work in Japan.

Dannie Sue Jones and Buddy Bell rendered a special number in song, "It's Real". A speech entitled "Other sheep I have" was given by Jerome Brown of First Church of Dothan. A special number was rendered by Linda Gail and Jerome Brown accompained at the piano by Mrs. Larry Austin.

Mrs. Hall, Miss Hyman, and Mr. Bolin of Union Hill sang "Nailed to the Cross".

Next the convention entered into its business session. There was no old business. A discussion on changing the time or the annual convention was called for. After a discussion on this, it was moved and carried that the president appoint a committee to work this out. The president appointed the Sunday School superintendent of each Sunday School to meet with the Executive Board of the Convention for this purpose.

Report of Committees:

Banner—Cowarts Creek won the banner.

Home—Springfield will be the home of the 1962 session.

Resolution—

- 1. Resolve that we try harder to carry out last years resolutions.
- 2. Recommend that the Sunday School Superintendent and all members be more zealous and punctual in their attendance at all church services.
- 3. Recommend that all pupils be better prepared with their lessons.
- 4. Recommend that parents encourage the Daily Bible readings at home by all members of the family.
- 5. Encourage more active participation at the Sunday School Convention.

Credentials Committee—No. Sunday Schools—14; attendance—874; no. classes—72; average attendance—652; average studied lesson—359; average attending preaching—619; average Bible brought—392; average on time—592; total offering—\$5896.86; Total sent Home Missions, Foreign missions, Bible college, Children's Home, Superannuation — Unified treasure; Total paid for literature \$833.29; all other purposes—\$515.66.

Nominations committee—The nominations committee nominated the following as officers for the Sunday School Convention for the coming year:

President—Dorman Deal

Vice-President—Billy Rabon

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Maude Fowler

Asst. Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Ann Jones

Finance

| Balance brought forward | \$ 97.12 |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Dues | 55.00 |
| Free Will offerings | 25.00 |
| Total | \$177.12 |

It was moved and carried that the offering be sent to foreign missions.

Digest

| Ministers | 4 |
|-----------|----|
| Visitors | 96 |
| Delegates | |
| Total | |

A rising vote of thanks was given Spring Hill for her kind hospitality.

The convention was dismissed by Rev. L. R. Curtis.

Dorman Deal, president Larry Austin, vice-president Maude Fowler, secretary-treasurer Sara Lou Scott, asst. secretary-treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT

June 1, 1960—May 30, 1961

| Balance brought forward | | 62.00 |
|--|-------|----------|
| OfferingFifth Sunday Rally (April) | | |
| Total | (| \$132.12 |
| Disbursements | | |
| Postage | 5.00 | |
| Secretary's work | 10.00 | |
| Dues to State Sunday School Convention | 21.00 | |
| Paid to State Line Association for minutes | 5.00 | |
| Total | | 41.00 |
| Balance in Treasure | · | 91.12 |

MINUTES OF THE COOPERATIVE LEAGUE CONVENTION

The annual session of the Cooperative League Rally met with Union Springs Church, May 12, 1961.

The singing was led by Mrs. Leo Curtis. Rev. John Edwards led the opening prayer.

Mr. Ray Turnage from the National League Board brought the devotion, using Matthew 28:18-20 for his scripture.

There were 158 members present. Six visitors and six ministers were recoginzed.

MSC to suspend with the reading of the minutes.

MSC to have the reading of the letters. Six leagues were represented by letter and dues: Cowarts Creek, Grangerburg, New Hope, Howard Grove, Springfield, First Church, Dothan. Three leagues were represented by dues only: Union Hill, Corinth, Union Springs.

David Rabon, Billy Ammons, and Wayne Love were appointed as the banner committee.

The attendance banner was awarded to Union Springs with 100%. The nominating committee made the following report:

President-David Rabon

Vice-President—Gladys Hagler

Secretary—June Austin

Treasurer—Byron Mallory

Bible Quiz Leader-Maude Fowler

Youth Camp Board-Billy D. Ammons

MSC to accept the committee's report.

MSC to elect the officers as reported.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The offering's were received.

The banner committee made a motion to postpone the awarding of the banner one month. This motion was carried.

MSC to give the dues received to the National League Board.

MSC for the Saturday workshop to go to the Dothan Church next year.

Gary Edwards of the Dothan Church was winner of the Bible drill.

MSC that the June Rally go to Cowarts Creek.

We were dismissed by the League benediction.

Gladys Hagler, President Sara Lou Scott, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Cooperative District Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened Friday night, January 27, 1961 at Howard Grove Church. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Mary Edna Cook.

The convention was opened with a song "Stand up for Jesus". Prayer was offered by Rev. Leo Curtis.

MSC to accept printed programs. Another song "Take the name of Jesus" was sung. The president read a verse of scripture taken from Philippians 3:13.

Mrs. Leo Curtis gave the welcome. Mrs. Peggy West gave the response.

Mrs. Lewis Mallory, Mrs. Peggy West, and Mrs. George Stephens were appointed on the Credentials committee.

The devotion was given by Mrs. Glenda Fowler.

MSC to accept Credentials committee's report. MSC to accept Union Springs and Magnolia into the Convention.

The minutes were read and adopted.

Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

DISTRICT OFFICER'S REPORTS

Credentials committee's report: Having examined the reports, we find that we have nine auxiliaries reporting with membership, dues, and officers.

Enlistment Chairman: Mrs. Eunice Jones-no report.

Youth Chairman: Mrs. Patsy Howell, reported that we have one new G. T. A., one new Y. P. A. Total 2 G. T. A.'s, membership 26; 2 Y. P. A.'s, membership 29, Corinth G T. A. gave presents to Children's Home. Y. P. A. gave basket to needy, promoted Bible School and youth choir practice.

Howard Grove Y. P. A. sacrificed their Christmas gifts exchanging so that they could give to the Children's Home, helped a boy and his family that was in a wreck on Christmas Day, helping to supply his needs.

Dothan G. T. A. gave a total of 13.90 to missions. \$3.00 of this amount was given for the National Project. Projects included (1)Out-of-Doors-Day" held at Sanitary Dairy Park. Highlights of the day were a study course on "Christian Boys' Problems" and "Christian Girls' Problems" and a study course on "How to pray for our missionaries". (2) Participated on programs in Woman's Auxiliary business meeting, week of prayer. (3) Adopted the Sparks as the G. T. A. missionary to especially pray for and to correspond with. (4) Sent flowers at the death of leading church members. (5) Had twelve meetings—one each month.

As District Youth Chairman: (1) Assisted in Vacation Bible School. (2) Presented program on Student Loan Fund. (3) Gave devotion at District Convention. (4) Participated on program at District Convention. (5) Gave devotion at State Convention. (6) Directed the out-of-doors day at the Dothan Church. (7) Directed study course on Christian Girls' problems. (8) Directed District Workshops on youth. (9) Gave object lesson at State Youth Rally. (10) Promoted National project. (11) Wrote 26 cards, 8 letters.

Study Course Chairman: Mrs. Peggy West—no report.

Personal Service Chairman: Mrs. Virginia Lawler reported:

Howard Grove—visited the sick; sent flowers; cards; held one prayer service in the home of a shut-in member.

Cowarts Creek—31 visits to the hospitals 37 cards; made several calls; mailed 2 packages overseas.

Springfield—50 visits to hospital; 75 cards; 12 sunshine boxes Christmas Children's Home valued at \$68.50; Roy Thomas, home mission \$13.50; visited 75 sick in the community; sent food and clothing to needy in community; sent flowers to hospital and homes; three or four gifts to hospitals.

Corinth—gave a box to Children's Home.

First Church, Dothan—233 visits to the sick; 8 cards sent; 119 basket trays to needy; \$167.88 to Children's Home (clothing); \$7.00 to Children's Home: Equipment \$37.45; Children's Home commodities; made tray cards for Thanksgiving dinner at General hospital; sponsored one child at Alabama Children's Home. Each circle sponsors a prayer mother (or mothers) to whom gifts and cards are given for special days during the year; gave a Christmas gift for each child at the Children's Home; gave Bibles to new babies; gave a gift to auxiliary members who are in the hospital.

All auxiliaries sent food and clothing to Children's Home valued at \$320.00. Auxiliaries making donations to National Project: First Church \$15.00; Springfield \$5.00; Howard Grove sent directly.

Prayer Stewardship: Mrs. Zelmodean Mallory reported:

24 family altars; 38 daily Bible readers; 14 special programs; 11 weeks of prayer; 43 tithers.

TREASURER'S REPORT

| Balance brought forward | \$19.32 |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Dues to convention | \$40.20 |
| Special offering | \$26.15 |
| Total | \$85.67 |

It was recommended that two-thirds go to the State Convention and one-third be retained in our local treasure. We recommend that the Convention give Mrs. Edwards \$35.00.

MSC to accept report.

Registration Committee: 21 members, 31 officers, 4 ministers, 13 visitors. Total present—70. Mrs. Aubrey Mae Silcox, Mrs. Eunice Jones, committee.

Home Committee: Cowarts Creek was selected for the next Convention. Mrs. Virginia Lawler, Mrs. Linnie Pearl Sewell, committee.

Nominating Committee:
President—Mrs. Mary Edna Cook

Vice-President-Mrs. Ralph Bell

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Lewis Mallory

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. L. R. Curtis

Youth Chairman—Mrs. Patsy Howell

Study Course Chairman—Mrs. S. O. Fowler

Personal Service Chairman-Mrs. Peggy West

Stewardship Prayer Chairman—Mrs. Zelmodean Mallory

Mrs. Ralph Bell, Mrs. Betty Deal, Mrs. Zelmodean Mallory, committee.

MSC to accept Executive Committee's recommendations.

Delegates to State Convention: Miss Sara Lou Scott, Mrs. Maude Fowler, Mrs. Leo Curtis, Mrs. June Austin, Mrs. Patsy Howell, Mrs. Irell Cedre.

Mrs. Eunice Edwards was our speaker for the evening.

Dismissed the convention with prayer by Rev. John Edwards.

Mrs. Mary Edna Cook, President Mrs. Lewis Mallory, Rec. Sec.

STATISTICS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The State Line Association was organized at Howard Grove Church, November 20, 1886.

| Year | Moderator | Clerk | Treasurer | Church | (es) | Mem. |
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| 1886E |). L. Chandler, | Calvin Dyl | kes, Howard G | rove | | 449 |
| 1887—E |). L. Chandler, | Calvin D | ykes, Beulah | | | 557 |
| 1888—F | R. M. Gray, Cal | vin Dykes | , Macedonia | | | 403 |
| 1889F | R. M. Gray, Cal | vin Dykes | , Friendship | | | 516 |
| | R. M. Gray, Cal | • | | | | 448 |
| | R. M. Gray, Calv | • | _ | | | 339 |
| | R. M. Gray, Calv | | | Violeom | . Crosso | 444 456 |
| | D. L. Chandler, J. R. M. Gray, J. | - | | , mickory | y Grove | 422 |
| | D. L. Chandler, | - | , - O | Creek | | 503 |
| | Calvin Dykes, J. | | | | | 568 |
| | D. L. Chandler, | - | • | | Hope | 653 |
| 1898—I | D. L. Chandler, | J. D. Stepl | nens, G. L. Lov | e, Rocky | Grove | 633 |
| | D. L. Chandler, | _ | • | , | - | 671 |
| | G. W. Cherry, J | - | • | • | | |
| | Calvin Dykes, J. | | • | ŕ | | 916 |
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| | R. L. Hunter, J. | | • | · • | • | |
| 1908—J | J. D. Stephens, | J. W. D. Š | tephens, R. L. | Hunter, | | |
| | | | | Pleasant | Home | 1199 |
| 1909—J | J. D. Stephens, | J. W. D. | Stephens, R. I | . Hunter | r, | |
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| | D. L. Chandler, | | • | • | | |
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| 1921—0 | G. W. Cherry, | J. W. D. S | tephens, R. B. | Robinso | n, | |
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| 1922—G. W. Cherry, J. W. D. Stephens, R. B. Robinson, | 0040 |
| Pleasant Home | 2043 |
| 1923—J. D. Stephens, J. W. D. Stephens, R. B. Robinson, | |
| New Harmony | 2039 |
| 1924—J. C. Howell, J. W. D. Stephens, R. B. Robinson, Corinth | 2094 |
| 1925—J. C. Ingram, J. W. D. Stephens, R. B. Robinson, Magnolia | 2042 |
| 1926—G. W. Cherry, C. B. Green, R. B. Robinson, Springfield | 2392 |
| 1927—J. J. Burdeshaw, J. W. D. Stephens, R. B. Robinson, | |
| Hickory Grove | 2344 |
| 1928—W. S. Cook, J. W. D. Stephens, R. B. Robinson, Prospect | 2229 |
| 1929-J. W. D. Stephens, C. B. Green, R. B. Robinson, | |
| Rocky Grove | 2875 |
| 1930—J. W. D. Stephens, C. B. Green, R. B. Robinson, | |
| Union Springs | 2450 |
| 1931—J. W. D. Stephens, C. B. Green, R. B. Robinson, | |
| Howard Grove | 2323 |
| 1932-J. W. D. Stephens, C. B. Green, R. B. Robinson, | |
| Free Will Rest | 2374 |
| 1933—A. H. Godfrey, C. B. Green, A. J. Granger, Springhill | 2360 |
| 1934—A. H. Godfrey, C. B. Green, A. J. Granger, Shiloh | 2539 |
| 1935-W. S. Cook, C. B. Green, A. J. Granger, Pleasant Home | 2495 |
| 1936—A. H. Godfrey, C. B. Green, A. J. Granger, New Harmony | 2479 |
| 1937—G. W. Nobles, C. B. Green, A. J. Granger, Corinth | 2447 |
| 1938—G. W. Nobles, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, Prospect | 2536 |
| 1939—G. W. Nobles, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, | |
| Pleasant Ridge | 2661 |
| 1940—G. W. Nobles, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, | |
| Hickory Grove | 2619 |
| 1941—G. W. Nobles, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, Rocky Grove | 2853 |
| 1942—J. C. Howell, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, | |
| Pleasant Home | 2672 |
| 1943—G. W. Nobles, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, | |
| Pittman Creek | 2727 |
| 1944—G. W. Nobles, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, | |
| Howard Grove | 2788 |
| 1945—G. H. Jordan, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, Union Springs | |
| 1946—G. H. Jordan, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, Cedar Grove | |
| 1947—G. H. Jordan, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, Springfield | |
| 1948—G. H. Jordan, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, Springhill | 2743 |
| 1949—G. H. Jordan, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, | 9760 |
| New Harmony 1950—G. H. Jordan, C. B. Green, J. W. D. Stephens, | 2760 |
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| Prospect and Pleasant Ridge 1951—G. H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, D. W. Poole, | 3083 |
| Pleasant Home and Pittman Creek | 2761 |
| 1952—G. H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, D. W. Poole, | 2101 |
| Howard Grove and Cowarts Creek | 2747 |
| 1953—G. H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, A. C. Womack, | AIT! |
| Springhill and Union Springs | 2663 |
| Spring. and Onion Springs | 2000 |

| 1954—G. H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, A. C. Womack, | |
|--|------|
| Corinth and Magnolia | 2577 |
| 1955-G. H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, A. C. Womack, | |
| Pleasant Ridge and Grangerburg 1956—G. H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, A. C. Womack, | 2527 |
| New Harmony and Springfield | 2476 |
| 1957—G. H. Jordan, Wayne Love, Junior Ward, | |
| Shiloh and New Hope | 2402 |
| 1958—Ralph Bell, Wayne Love, Junior Ward, | |
| First Church, Dothan and Pleasant Home | 2415 |
| 1959—Ralph Bell, Wayne Love, Junior Ward, | |
| Springhill and Union Springs | 2493 |
| 1960—Ralph Bell, Wayne Love, Junior Ward, | |
| Howard Grove and Corinth | 2540 |
| 1961—Ralph Bell, Wayne Love, David Rabon, | |
| Union Hill and Cowarts Creek | 2910 |