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OF THE
NINETY EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
STATE LINE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS
When Convened At
HOWARD GROVE AND NEW HOPE
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES
October 7 & 8, 1983

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

GENERAL THEME: "Abiding in Christ" (John 15:4a)

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION: First Headland, Saturday, January 7, 1984

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Junior Ward

Message: "Abiding in Christ Cast Out All Fear" (II Timothy 1:7)

Speaker: Rev. Tyson Bell

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Rev. Madison Taylor

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION: Shiloh, Saturday, April 7, 1984

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Braxton Click

Message: "Abiding in Christ Develops Convictions" (Colossians 1:10)

Speaker: Rev. Rodney Outlaw

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Rev. Roger Bennett

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION: Magnolia, Saturday, June 30, 1984

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Levy Paramore

Message: "Abiding in Christ Develops Compassion" (Matthew 14:14)

Speaker: Rev. Jimmy McNeil

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. J. B. Hall

ANNUAL SESSION: First Day - Union Hill, Friday, October 12, 1984

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Rev. Randy Corn

Message: "Abiding in Christ Develops a Sound Mind" (Philippians 2:5)

Speaker: Bro. Trymon Messer (Rev. Roger Bennett)

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Earl Culpepper

ANNUAL SESSION: Second Day - Springfield, Saturday, October 13, 1984

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Terry Drinkwater

Message: "Abiding in Christ Prepares for His Return" (I John 3:2, 3)

Speaker: Bro. Trymon Messer (Rev. John Edwards)

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Harvey Windham

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Cowarts Creek	Rev. Roger Bennett
Eastside	Bro. Junior Ward
First, Dothan	Rev. Alex Oberneder
First, Enterprise	Bro. Braxton Click
First, Headland	Rev. Rodney Outlaw
First, Samson	Bro. Gorden Spear
Howard Grove	Bro. J. B. Hall
Magnolia	Bro. Levy Paramore
New Hope	Bro. Harvey Windham
Panther Creek	Bro. Huey Enfinger
Pine Hills	Rev. Madison Taylor
Shiloh	Bro. Rudolph Lanton
Springfield	Bro. James Cureton
Spring Hill	Rev. Tyson Bell
Union Hill	Bro. Sam Morris
Union Springs	Bro. Terry Drinkwater

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Taylor, Bro. Braxton Click and Bro. Junior Ward

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Rev. Charles Davis (1988)

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GENERAL BOARD MEETING

The General Board met Monday, October 4, 1982 at 7:00 in the evening at Eastside Free Will Baptist Church. Rev. Thomas Kirkland led in prayer.

The first item of business was to plan the program for the new associational year. MSC to adopt this program:

GENERAL THEME: "... upon this rock I will build my church ..."
(Matthew 16:18)

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION: Eastside, Saturday, January 8, 1983

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Brian Bruley

Message: Building the Church Through Preaching (II Timothy 4:2,
I Corinthians 1:21)

Speaker: Rev. Tim Hackett

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Rev. John Meredith

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION: Springfield, Saturday, April 9, 1983

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. LaDon Joyner

Message: Building the Church Through Praying (James 5:16, Matthew 7:7)

Speaker: Rev. Charles Davis

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Maxwell Sims

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION: Spring Hill, Saturday, June 25, 1983

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Van Clements, Jr.

Message: Building the Church Through Singing

Speaker: Rev. Randy Corn

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Rev. Alex Oberneder

ANNUAL SESSION: First Day - Howard Grove, Friday, October 7, 1983

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. J. B. Hall

Message: Building the Church Through Personal Soul Winning (Proverbs
11:30, Mark 1:17)

Speaker: Rev. Thomas Kirkland

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Rev. Mike Harrell

ANNUAL SESSION: Second Day - New Hope, Saturday, October 8, 1983

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Rev. Roger Bennett

Message: Building the Church Through Giving (Luke 6:38, II Corinthians 9:7)

Speaker: Rev. Thomas Coxwell

Scripture Reading and Prayer: Bro. Levy Paramore

The Executive Committee was elected as follows: Bro. J. B. Hall, Bro. LaDon Joyner, Rev. Roger Bennett, Bro. Maxwell Sims and Rev. Alex Oberneder. These elected were to serve with the Moderator, Rev. John Edwards, and the Clerk, Sis. Shirley Kennedy.

MSC to adjourn. Rev. Alex Oberneder dismissed in prayer.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

EASTSIDE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

January 8, 1983

The first quarterly session of the State Line Association met at Eastside Church. The session opened with the congregation singing, "A Shelter in the Time of Storm". Rev. Bobby Peters led in prayer. The congregation then sung, "The Kingdom is Coming".

The Welcome was given by Rev. John Edwards, pastor of Eastside Church. The Response was by Rev. Ricky Carroll.

The Clerk officially opened the session.

The Moderator said in his opening remarks, "We have good attendance today. I hope you have come for no other purpose than to praise the Lord."

The Credentials Committee was appointed as follows: Rev. Roger Bennett, Chairman; Rev. Charles Davis and Rev. Ricky Carroll.

A call for petitionary letters was made. There were none.

Brother Brian Bruley had scripture reading and prayer. His scripture was taken from Isaiah, Chapter 12.

Ministers, deacons and visitors were recognized. We had 17 ministers, 25 deacons and 4 visitors. The 4 visitors were from the Southeastern Association.

MSC to accept the report of the Credentials Committee and seat the delegates from the 17 churches reporting.

The Finance Committee was appointed as follows: Sis. Ann Jones, Chairman; Sis. Martha Clements, and Sis. Mary Smith.

Following a short recess, the session resumed with the congregation singing, "I Am Resolved" and "The Solid Rock".

MSC to accept the letter from the Enterprise Church and seat their delegates.

The offering was taken and Rev. Charles Davis prayed the offertory prayer. MSC that the offering be put into the general fund.

Before the morning message, Bro. Van Clements, Jr., Sis. Annette Weed and Rev. Alex Oberneder sang, "Come to Calvary".

Rev. Tim Hackett brought the morning message. His scripture was taken from I Corinthians 1:21, II Timothy and Matthew, Chapter 16.

Rev. Randy Corn dismissed the congregation in prayer for the noon meal.

The afternoon session resumed with the congregation singing, "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder". Bro. Bobby Kennedy led in prayer.

Bro. Van Clements, Jr., Sis. Annette Weed and Rev. Alex Oberneder sang, "Worthy the Lamb".

Rev. Roger Bennett had scripture reading and prayer.

Rev. Edwards informed the Association that Rev. A. J. Lambert had died this past week. Everyone was asked to stand to their feet for a moment of silent prayer for the Lambert family. Bro. Aubrey Brannon led in prayer.

MSC to accept the report of the Home Mission Board as information.

MSC to accept the report of the Board of Christian Education as information.

MSC to accept the report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance.

MSC to accept the report of the Finance Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the Treasurer.

MSC to accept the report of the Youth Camp Board.

MSC to accept the report of the Children's Home Trustee.

MSC to accept the report of the Registration Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the General Board.

MSC to accept the report of the Ordaining Council.

A letter was read from Corinth Church petitioning the Association to accept the credentials of Rev. Earl Stevens and accept him as an ordained minister into our Association. There was a motion to this effect and a second. It was carried.

MSC to accept the report of the Nominating Committee.

MSC to give the Eastside Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

MSC to adjourn.

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Barnett Crowley.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

SPRINGFIELD FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

April 9, 1983

The Second Quarterly Session of the State Line Association met at Springfield Church. The session opened with the congregation singing, "Higher Ground". Rev. Roger Bennett led in prayer. The congregation then sang, "Count Your Blessings".

The Credentials Committee was appointed as follows: Rev. Mike Harrell, Chairman; Bro. Buster O'Hearn and Bro. Lewis Mallory.

The Welcome was given by Rev. Joe Murkerson, pastor of the host church.

The Response was given by Rev. Thomas Kirkland, pastor of the Enterprise Church.

The session was officially opened by the Clerk.

In his opening remarks the Moderator said, "Romans 8:28 says all things work together for good, and I believe that will be true today if we stand for principles, convictions and on the Word of God instead of personalities. I am looking forward to a great day here at Springfield Church."

A call for petitionary letters was made. There were none.

Bro. Maxwell Sims had scripture reading and prayer. His scripture was taken from Matthew 6:6-13.

Ministers, deacons and visitors were recognized. We had 14 ministers, 17 deacons and 1 visitor. Rev. Walter Baxley from the Salem Association in Florida was present.

The Finance Committee was appointed as follows: Sis. Ann Jones, Chairman; Sis. Niria Ammons and Sis. Maude Fowler.

Rev. Rodney Outlaw read a copy of the By-Laws of the Presbytery and the changes the Ordaining Council was recommending for adoption. MSC that this item of business be laid on the table until the afternoon session (see report of the Ordaining Council).

MSC to accept the resignation of Rev. Alex Oberneder from the Youth Camp Board.

MSC to accept the resignation of Rev. Mike Harrell from the Ordaining Council and the Youth Camp Board--to be effective at the end of this session.

Rev. Sam Shuemaker gave the congregation information concerning the school he founded in Dothan-Bethany Theological Seminary and Bible College.

Following a short recess, the congregation sang, "Praise Him! Praise Him!", and "He Keeps Me Singing". Rev. Thomas Coxwell led in prayer.

The offering was taken and Bro. Lewis Mallory prayed the offertory prayer.

Rev. Thomas Kirkland led a special prayer for Bro. Wayne Love who was in Atlanta, Georgia, in the hospital.

Rev. Charles Davis, pastor of Union Hill Church, brought the morning message. His scripture was taken from Acts 12:1-17.

We were dismissed for the noon hour in prayer by Rev. Tim Hackett.

The afternoon session resumed with the congregation singing, "Victory in Jesus". Bro. Junior Ward led in prayer.

Special music was provided by Bro. Van Clements, Jr., Sis. Starla Franklin and Sis. Annette Weed. They sang, "Pick Up the Broken Pieces".

Scripture reading and prayer was by Bro. Junior Ward. His scripture was taken from Psalm 1.

MSC to accept the report of the Home Mission Board.

MSC to accept the report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance.

MSC that the morning offering be put in the Board of Retirement and Insurance account.

MSC to accept the report of the Ordaining Council.

MSC to accept the report of the Finance Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the Treasurer.

MSC to accept the report of the Youth Camp Board.

MSC to accept the report of the Children's Home Trustee.

MSC to accept the report of the Registration Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the Nominating Committee.

We then entered into miscellaneous business. MSC to give the Springfield Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

MSC to give Rev. Mike Harrell a rising vote of thanks for the work he did in our Association. Rev. Harrell is moving to Arizona to take a church there.

MSC to take the item off the table concerning the By-Laws of the Presbytery. MSC that these By-Laws be adopted by our Association (see report of the Ordaining Council).

MSC to adjourn. Rev. Sam Shuemaker led in the dismissal prayer.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

SPRING HILL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

June 25, 1983

The Third Quarterly Session of the State Line Association met at Spring Hill Church. The session opened with the congregation singing, "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus". Rev. Tim Hackett led in prayer.

The Welcome was given by Rev. Horace Herndon, pastor of Spring Hill Church.

The Response was given by Bro. Bill Mullis.

The session was officially opened by the Clerk.

In his opening remarks, the Moderator said, "It is good to be at Spring Hill Church today. We are here to worship the Lord, have good fellowship and a good time. The main purpose of our Association is to present the gospel in a unified way."

The Credentials Committee was appointed as follows: Rev. Ricky Carroll, Chairman; Rev. Aubrey Brannon and Rev. Thomas Coxwell.

A call for petitionary letters was made. There were none.

Bro. Van Clements, Jr., and his group; Sis. Starla Franklin, Sis. Libba Clearman, Rev. Alex Oberneder and pianist, Sis. Martha Dixon, presented a program of music.

Ministers, deacons and visitors were recognized. We had 18 ministers and 14 deacons.

MSC to accept the report of the Credentials Committee and seat the delegates from the 18 churches reporting. MSC to seat the Shiloh Church delegates with a promise from them to send their church letter to the Clerk later.

The Finance Committee was appointed as follows: Sis. Ann Jones, Chairman; Sis. Rhett Butler and Sis. Annette Weed.

Following a short recess, the session resumed with the congregation singing, "The Kingdom is Coming".

MSC for the offering to go to the General Fund of the Association. Bro. Lewis Mallory prayed the offertory prayer.

Before the morning message, a special in music was presented by Bro. Van Clements, Jr., Sis. Starla Franklin, Sis. Libba Clearman and Rev. Alex Oberneder.

The morning message was brought by Rev. Randy Corn, pastor of Howard Grove Church. His scripture was taken from Colossians 3:15-17.

Rev. Aubrey Brannon dismissed the congregation for the noon hour with prayer.

The afternoon session resumed with the congregation singing, "Joy Unspeakable". Rev. Charles Davis led in prayer.

Bro. Van Clements brought the scripture reading and prayer. His scripture was taken from Psalms 118:22-24.

The following committees were appointed to bring reports to the Annual Session:

- Obituary Enterprise
- Auxiliary Howard Grove
- Registration Eastside
- Suggestions New Hope
- Temperance First-Headland
- Placement First-Dothan
- Nominating: Rev. Roger Bennett, Chairman; Rev. Jimmy McNeil and Bro. Braxton Click

- MSC to accept the report of the Home Mission Board.
- MSC to accept the report of the Board of Retirement and Insurance.
- MSC to accept the report of the Finance Committee.
- MSC to accept the report of the Treasurer.
- MSC to accept the report of the Children's Home Trustee.

MSC to accept the oral report of the Youth Camp Board. The report being that they had a good camp. There were 7 saved and 22 rededications.

MSC to accept the report of the Registration Committee.

The congregation sang, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms". Bro. Junior Ward sang "Haven of Rest".

MSC to accept the report of the Ordaining Council. MSC that the local church be allowed to examine and ordain its deacons if it so chooses or send them to the Association if they desire. Also, the questions mentioned in the Ordaining Council's report be used as a subjected guideline for our churches and Association.

We then entered into miscellaneous business. MSC that upon the request of New Harmony Free Will Baptist Church that they be dropped from our Association.

MSC to give the Spring Hill Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality during this session.

MSC to adjourn. Rev. John Edwards dismissed in prayer.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NINETY EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

HOWARD GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

October 7, 1983

The Ninety Eighth Annual Session of the State Line Association opened with the congregation singing, "The Old Account Was Settled" and "At Calvary". Rev. Paul Mallory led in prayer.

The Welcome was given by Rev. Randy Corn, pastor of the host church.

The Response was given by Rev. Charles Davis.

The session was officially opened by the Clerk.

In his opening remarks the Moderator said, "It is good to be at Howard Grove Church today for the first day of the Annual Session. We want to come back in two years for the Annual Session because the Association will have its One Hundredth Annual Session. The Association was organized at Howard Grove Church. Therefore, we would like to meet here for the One Hundredth Annual Session."

A call for petitionary letters was made. There were none.

The Credentials Committee was appointed as follows: Rev. Roger Bennett, Chairman; Bro. Bobby Kennedy and Rev. Charles Davis.

The congregation then sang, "Blessed Be the Name".

Bro. J. B. Hall brought the morning scripture reading and prayer. He said, "Ye are the light of the world. Let your light shine."

Ministers, deacons and visitors were recognized. We had 16 ministers, 8 deacons and 3 visitors. Rev. and Sis. Dennis Haygood were visiting from the Southeastern Association.

The Finance Committee was appointed as follows: Sis. Ann Jones, Chairman; Sis. Maxine Bennett, and Sis. Wynell Brown.

MSC to accept the report of the District Woman's Auxiliary Convention given by Sis. Maxine Bennett.

Sis. Linda Edwards gave a report of the Missions Provision Closet Shower to be held November 8, 1983 at New Hope Church.

Rev. Bobby Ned Peters gave a report on his new mission work in Ozark. The Sunday before was their first meeting with 59 attending Sunday School, 22 Sunday evening and 18 Wednesday night.

The session was dismissed for a short recess.

The session resumed with the congregation singing, "There is Power in the Blood" and "The Old Rugged Cross". Bro. Junior Ward led in prayer.

The offering was taken and voted to go to the General Fund. Rev. Charles Davis prayed the offertory prayer.

For the special music, the congregation sang, "Wonderful Grace of Jesus".

Rev. Thomas Kirkland brought the morning message. His scripture was taken from Mark 1:16-20, Proverbs 11:30 and Psalm 126:5-6.

The session was dismissed in prayer for the noon hour by Rev. Alex Oberneder.

The afternoon session resumed with the congregation singing, "Count Your Blessings" and "The Lily of the Valley". Rev. Madison Taylor led in prayer.

Scripture reading and prayer was brought by Rev. Tyson Bell. His scripture was taken from II Timothy 1:7.

MSC to accept the report of the Home Mission Board.

MSC to accept the report of the Youth Camp Board.

MSC to accept the report of the Placement Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the Registration Committee.

State delegates were appointed as follows: Sis. Jan Baxley, Sis. Shirley Kennedy, Sis. Willie Mae Barfield, Sis. Annette Weed, Sis. Emma Jean Mallory and Sis. Pam Hackett.

MSC that if the chairmen of the Boards and Committees of the Association cannot be present on Friday of the Annual Session, that their report be mailed in to be given when requested.

MSC to give Howard Grove Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

MSC to recess until Saturday. Rev. Aubrey Brannon dismissed in prayer.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NINETY EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

NEW HOPE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

October 8, 1983

The second day of the Annual Session of the State Line Association was held at New Hope Church. The meeting opened with the congregation singing, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and "Faith is the Victory". Rev. Charles Davis led in prayer.

The Welcome was given by Rev. Jimmy McNeil, pastor of the host church. The Response was by Rev. Walter Baxley.

Ministers, deacons and visitors were recognized. We had 19 ministers, 10 deacons and 4 visitors.

The congregation then sang, "Glory to His Name" and "A Shelter in the Time of Storm".

Rev. Roger Bennett had scripture reading and prayer. His scripture was taken from II Corinthians 9:6-7.

MSC to accept the report of the Board of Christian Education.

MSC to accept the report of the Children's Home Trustee.

MSC to accept the report of the Auxiliary Committee.

MSC to accept the names sent in by the churches for the General Board.

After a short recess, the session resumed with the congregation singing, "Higher Ground", "We'll Work Till' Jesus Comes" and "I Want to be a Worker".

The offering was taken which was to be put in the General Fund. Bro. Lewis Mallory prayed the offertory prayer.

Before the morning message, special music was provided by Rev. Alex Oberneder, Bro. Van Clements, Jr. and Sis. Starla Franklin.

Rev. Thomas Coxwell brought the morning message. His scripture was taken from Mark 12:41-44.

The session was dismissed in prayer for the noon hour by Rev. Tim Hackett.

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing, "We're Marching to Zion". Rev. Ricky Carroll led in prayer.

Special music was provided by Bro. Van Clements, Jr. He sang, "The Sun's Coming Up".

Bro. Levy Paramore had scripture reading and prayer. His scripture was taken from Matthew 8:27.

MSC to accept the report of the Nominating Committee and to elect the people they recommended for the various offices.

MSC to accept the report of the Obituary Committee. Rev. Randy Corn led in prayer in memory of the 13 deceased members of our Association.

MSC to accept the report of the Finance Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the Treasurer.

MSC to accept the report of the Registration Committee.

MSC to accept the report of the Ordaining Council.

MSC to give New Hope Church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

MSC to adjourn. Rev. Paul Mallory dismissed the session with prayer.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION
FIRST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH (ENTERPRISE, AL)
February 5, 1983

The State Line Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened Saturday, February 5, 1983 at First Free Will Baptist Church in Enterprise, Alabama.

"She That Winneth Souls is Wise", Proverbs 11:30b was the 1983 theme for the Convention.

The Convention began with the congregation singing, "The Kingdom is Coming" led by Sis. Ann Jones and pianist, Sis. Dina Woodham. Sis. Barbara Kirkland, from the host church, led the opening prayer.

Sis. Irene Click, from the host church, gave the Welcome. The President, Sis. Maxine Bennett, gave the Response.

Sis. Rhetta Butler was appointed Chairman of the Credentials Committee. Serving with her were Sisters Martha Clements and Barbara Kirkland.

Pastors, sister auxiliaries and visitors were recognized. Rev. Ken Bailey, missionary appointee to Japan, Sis. Judy Bailey, wife of Rev. Bailey and their daughter, Tracey were visitors.

Scripture reading and prayer was brought by Sis. Judy Bailey. Her scripture text was I John 5:10. "Every believer must be a witness. God has a purpose for wherever you are."

The Credentials Committee report was read and accepted with all auxiliaries reporting on dues and membership: Enterprise, Howard Grove, First-Dothan, Bethel, Union Hill, Springfield, Shiloh, Cowarts Creek, Eastside, Corinth and New Hope.

The President appointed the following committees:

Resolution: Sisters Shirley Kennedy, Mildred Snell and Mary Edna Cook

Finance: Sisters Loretta Culpepper, Grace Edwards and Joyce Harrell

Registration: Host Church

Sis. Glenda Johnson then conducted a sharing time using three churches: First-Dothan, Union Hill and Eastside.

Sis. Annette Weed reported the First Church in Dothan had engaged in the following activities: two study courses; the Missions Action Chairman gave missionary profiles at each meeting; a covered dish supper on June 18 in honor of Rev. Lynn and Sis. Ramona Miley; invited District Auxiliaries, had a money tree, and gave \$25.00; Sis. Ramona Miley presented the July program; a food pounding for the Rev. Ken Bailey family in August; forwarded packages to the Rev. Lynn Miley family in December; the Golden Agers met monthly; and a Secret Pal Program.

Sis. Rhetta Butler reported the Union Hill Church had engaged in the following activities: a grocery shower in January for the interim pastor and then again in September for the full-time pastor; VBS; a prayer chain; assisted in raising money

for youth activities; a Secret Pal Program; Nursing Home Visitation; contributed \$55.00 to the Rev. Lynn Miley family at a fellowship supper in June; and a special offering above the regular offering for special needs.

Sis. Mary Edna Cook reported the Eastside Church had engaged in the following activities: updated the Library with 642 books and 95 tapes; supported the Children's Home; gave \$125.00 to the Rescue Mission; gave \$60.00 to a local family; forwarded Mother's Day cards to senior citizens; two special programs for the church (Pre-Easter and Pre-Thanksgiving); promoted the Missions Conference (Dave Franks) and served refreshments; gave \$300.00 to the Rev. Lynn Miley family; gave the Rev. Mickey Kirkland family a Communion set, \$130.00, and their son, Matthew, a gift; gave \$150.00 to Sis. Molly Barber; and a shower for Rev. and Sis. Edwards and gave a \$200.00 cash gift.

We were then dismissed for recess.

The morning worship service began with the congregation singing, "Whosoever Meaneth Me". Prayer was led by Sis. Ruby Houston.

In the absence of the President and Vice-President, Sis. Rhetta Butler presided for the remainder of the day.

Sis. Willie Mae Barfield and Sis. Annette Weed received the morning offering and a prayer of thanksgiving was offered by Sis. Weed.

Sis. Joy Corn, from Howard Grove Church brought the special music, "I Am Satisfied With Jesus". Sis. Katrina Pickett played the piano.

Rev. Ken Bailey, missionary appointee to Japan, brought the morning message. Rev. Bailey used Matthew 25:14-30. Rev. Bailey stated, "If anything is accomplished for the Lord we must do it." He challenged us by saying, "The greatest love we can show to another individual is by winning them to Christ."

Sis. Niria Ammons asked the blessing on the food and dismissed us for the morning. A delicious covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by all.

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing, "Take the Name of Jesus With You". Prayer was led by Sis. Katrina Pickett.

Special music was again by Sis. Joy Corn, "Rejoice in the Lord". Sis. Katrina Pickett played the piano.

Scripture reading and prayer was brought by Sis. Ethel Vaughn from Eastside Church. Her scripture text included James 5:20, Isaiah 55:3 & 58:10, and Psalms 49:8-9. Sis. Vaughn reminded us that "It is wise to watch over the person that you have won to the Lord, watch over that soul, and feed them."

Personal gifts were presented to Rev. and Sis. Ken Bailey. Sis. Bailey was observing her birthday.

A Nominating Committee was appointed to begin working on the 1984 officers: Sis. Shirley Kennedy, Chairman; and Sisters Ann Jones and Barbara Kirkland.

The afternoon business session began with reports from the following persons:

Missions Study: Sis. Glenda Johnson

<u>Church</u>	<u>Courses</u>	<u>No. Attending</u>
Corinth	2	10
Cowarts Creek	1	5
First-Dothan	2	38
Howard Grove	1	5
<u>Totals</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>58</u>

MSC to accept this report.

Missions Prayer: Sis. Annette Tomlinson

A Missions Prayer Retreat was held in October at "The Vineyard" in Ariton, Alabama. Sis. Pat Thomas was the guest speaker. A total of 35 attended. A love offering of \$62.00 was given to Sis. Thomas and \$347.60 was given to the Home Missions Department in Nashville, Tennessee.

MSC to accept this report.

Missions Action: Sis. Linda Edwards

A Provision Closet Shower was held in November at the First Church in Enterprise. There were 10 churches represented.

<u>Articles Received:</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Qty.</u>
	Hand Towels	18
	Bath Towels	91
	Wash Cloths	53
	Fitted Sheets	13
	Flat Sheets	13
	Pillow Cases	8
	<u>Kitchen Sets</u>	<u>4</u>
	Total	200

Approximate Value: \$622.25

In June there was a Pot Luck Supper held for the Rev. Lynn Miley family. Three churches were represented. An offering of \$134.00 was given to the Miley's for personal use.

It was voted for the District to participate in the State Provision Closet Shower. Articles to be brought are bedspreads and mixers.

MSC to accept this report.

The business session continued with reports from the following committees:

Finance: Sis. Loretta Culpepper

Total Receipts	722.50
Dues	174.00
Project	598.50
Love Offering	60.03
Balance From Treasury	<u>63.85</u>
	896.38

Recommended Disbursements

General Fund	100.00
Prayer Retreat	100.00
State Project	100.00
State Line for Minutes	30.00
Alabama State Dues (87 Members)	152.25
Reimbursement for Sis. Maxine Bennett	16.42
Phone Calls for Sis. Maxine Bennett	
Postage for Sis. Maxine Bennett	5.65
Rev. Ken Bailey Account	332.03
Love Gift to Rev. Ken Bailey	60.03
Total Disbursements	896.38

Submitted by Sisters Loretta Culpepper, Grace Edwards and Joyce Harrell
MSC to accept this report.

Resolutions:

Be it resolved that:

1. We be more concerned that our local auxiliary activities center around our missionaries and their work. This is to include our programs, projects, giving, etc.
2. Each church in our district is to do something special for the three missionary families that have been or are now members of our churches: Rev. Lynn Miley, Rev. Mickey Kirkland, and Rev. Jeff Turnbough.
3. That we incorporate with special emphasis one of the following three areas- Missions Action, Mission Prayer or Missions Study - into our Convention programs.
4. A standing date be set for our Annual Provision Closet Shower.

MSC to accept this report.

Registration:

Delegates	41
Visitors	2
Ministers	1
Total	44

Delegates to the State Convention were appointed as follows: Sisters Maxine Bennett, Standing Delegate; Shirley Kennedy; Linda Edwards; Willie Mae Barfield; Annette Weed; Rhett Butler; Joy Corn; and Ann Jones. Sis. Mable Wiley will be the guest speaker at the State Woman's Auxiliary Prayer Retreat.

Announcements were made. All officers (District) will meet at 9:30 A.M. at the April Associational Meeting.

The Pastor and Worker's Conference will be held at the First Church in Dothan on February 7.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the host church.

Sis. Grace Edwards dismissed the 1983 Convention in prayer.

The 1984 Convention will be held at Howard Grove Church.

Sis. Maxine Bennett, President

Sis. Emma Jean Mallory, Secretary

HOME MISSION BOARD

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Home Mission Board, make the following report:

1. A shortage of working funds has handicapped our plans.
2. We, therefore, are working on a plan which would use tapes and literature to promote missions, followed by an association-wide Missions Study in June.
3. An association-wide Missions Week is in the planning for the third week in August with three special speakers. In addition, a Missions Rally Night is planned during Youth Rally Night in August (Saturday), if approved by the Youth Rally Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jimmy McNeil
Rev. Ricky Carroll
Rev. Randy Corn

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

The State Line Missions Conference will be held August 17-21 and will feature four missionaries: Brothers Larry Inscoe, Jesse Dunn, Ken Bailey, and Mickey Kirkland. There will be a skate-a-thon held in July on the regular monthly skating night (for missions). Also, a Missions Rally will be held at Eastside Church on Saturday, August 20 at 7:00 P.M.

Forms and literature regarding the entire missions effort will be mailed to each pastor and church next week. A financial goal of \$5,000 has been established. A request for supporting the Missions Conference in the local churches by prayers and offerings, was made.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jimmy McNeil
Rev. Ricky Carroll
Rev. Randy Corn

ANNUAL SESSION

Due to financial difficulties, the Missions Conference was canceled for this year. However, Rev. Bobby Ned Peters, Rev. Mickey Kirkland and Rev. Rodney Outlaw received some financial support.

Plans are to have Bro. Trymon Messer January 11-15, 1984, to speak to our Association. We also plan to support Rev. Bobby Ned Peters, Rev. Mickey Kirkland and Rev. Jeff Turnbough with one-third each of our mission funds after administration expenses for the Missions Conference have been disbursed.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jimmy McNeil
Rev. Ricky Carroll
Rev. Randy Corn

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ANNUAL SESSION

We, the Board of Christian Education, submit the following report: attendance at the rallies and skating socials has been good. We would encourage all our churches to participate and involve their youth in these events. We appreciate those who support the Board in these areas.

We sent two participants to the State Competition this year and hope to send more next year. We would like to thank the churches and parents of these two who supported and encouraged them. Churches should begin now preparing their youth for next year's competition.

**Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Joey Pettis
Bro. Rodney Everett
Bro. Gary Edwards**

BOARD OF RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

Our Board paid out a total of \$850.00 this quarter as follows: Sis Addie Hyman - \$200; Sis. Ruby Nobles - \$200; Rev. Madison Taylor - \$250; and Sis. Johnnie Ruth Isaac - \$200.

Last quarter, our share of the money received was \$400. We need \$525 per quarter to meet our budget. Please keep this in mind and give as liberally as you can.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Heyward Butler
Bro. David Rabon
Rev. Aubrey Brannon

ANNUAL SESSION

During the associational year of 1982-83, the Board of Retirement and Insurance paid out the following:

Rev. Madison Taylor	600.00
Birthday	50.00
Christmas	50.00
Sis. Addie Hyman	600.00
Birthday	50.00
Christmas	50.00
Sis. Ruby Nobles	600.00
Birthday	50.00
Christmas	50.00
Sis. Johnnie Ruth Isaac	300.00
Birthday	50.00
Christmas	50.00
<hr/> Total	<hr/> \$2,500.00

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Heyward Butler
Bro. David Rabon
Rev. Aubrey Brannon

ORDAINING COUNCIL

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Ordaining Council, make the following report:

Rev. Thomas Coxwell's letter has been received and he has been questioned and found to be of sound doctrine and character.

Rev. Thomas Kirkland's letter has been received since our questioning him last meeting at which time he was approved and found to be of sound doctrine and character.

Rev. Charles Davis' letter was received since our questioning him last meeting at which time he was approved and found to be of sound doctrine and character.

Rev. Joe Murkerson was examined and approved to be of sound character and doctrine.

Rev. Tim Hackett was examined and approved to be of sound character and doctrine.

Rev. Randy Corn was examined and approved to be of sound character and doctrine.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Horace Herndon
Rev. Rodney Outlaw

Bro. J. B. Hall
Rev. Mike Harrell
Rev. Thomas Kirkland

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

The Ordaining Council met with Bro. Frank Hughes concerning questioning for ordination of the office of deacon at Eastside Church in Dothan.

We, the Ordaining Council, after having examined Bro. Hughes in the area of doctrine, character and morals, have found him to be sound and capable to hold the office of deacon, and recommend he be accepted as a deacon in this Association, pending his ordination.

We, the Ordaining Council, recommend these changes in the By-Laws of the Presbytery:

MINISTERS

II. QUALIFICATIONS

(A) Licensed

1. The individual must satisfactorily answer questions prepared by the Ordaining Council.
2. Candidates that are married must not have more than one living wife or candidate's wife must not have more than one living husband (any man who has been divorced disqualifies himself as an approved minister in this Association).
3. He and his wife must abstain from the use and sale of any alcoholic beverages and, or the use of tobacco.

(B) Ordination

1. The individual must satisfactorily answer questions prepared by the Ordaining Council.
2. Candidates that are married must not have more than one living wife or candidate's wife must not have more than one living husband (anyone who has been divorced disqualifies himself as an approved minister in this Association).
3. He and his wife must be of sound character.
4. He and his wife must abstain from the use and sale of any alcoholic beverages and, or the use of tobacco.
5. He must hold license for not less than one year before applying for ordination.
6. He must be called to a Christian work before applying for ordination.

(C) Ministers Making Application From Other Association

1. AS IS
2. AS IS
3. Ministers making application from another association will be required to meet the requirements stated above under Section II. QUALIFICATIONS.

(D) Ministers Making Applications From Other Denominations: AS IS

DEACONS

I. APPLICATION FOR ORDINATION

1. AS IS
2. AS IS
3. AS IS

II. QUALIFICATIONS

1. The individual must satisfactorily answer questions prepared by the Ordaining Council.
2. Candidates that are married must not have more than one living wife or candidate's wife must not have more than one living husband (anyone who has been divorced and or whose wife has been divorced disqualifies himself as an approved deacon in this Association).
3. He and his wife must be of sound character.
4. He and his wife must abstain from the use and sale of any alcoholic beverages and, or the use of tobacco.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Horace Herndon
Rev. Rodney Outlaw
Rev. Thomas Kirkland
Rev. Mike Harrell

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Ordaining Council, make the following report:

1. We met with Bro. Levi Parramore and his pastor, Rev. Paul Mallory. We recommend him to the Association for ordination of deacon.
2. We met with Bro. Walter Baxley and recommend that we receive him into our fellowship as pastor of Corinth Church.
3. We recommend these QUESTIONS FOR EXAMINING DEACONS as guidelines for the churches and our Association.

QUESTIONS FOR EXAMINING DEACONS

I. PERSONAL QUESTIONS

1. Have you read and gained understanding of Acts 6:1-15 and I Timothy 3:1-13?
2. Tell briefly about your conversion and why you know that you are saved.
3. How long have you been saved?
4. How long have you been a Free Will Baptist?
5. Have you ever been a member of some other denomination? If so, explain.
6. Have you ever been ordained as a deacon in some other church?
7. Why do you want to be ordained as a deacon?
8. Do you feel being a deacon makes one a better or greater Christian?
9. Stewardship is a serious qualification. Do you believe in and practice tithing (giving God at least a tenth of your income)? Malachi 3:10; I Corinthians 16:1-3 Will you contribute to your church regularly?
10. Are you married?
11. How many children do you have?
12. Have either you or your wife ever been divorced?
13. Is your wife saved? Does she faithfully attend and labor where you worship?
14. Are your children saved? Are they faithful in attendance and works?
15. Can you say that you consistently try to witness and win souls to Christ? Will you support the soul-winning program of visitation carried on by your church?
16. Do you believe that the main mission of the believer is to carry out the Great Commission of Christ as stated in Matthew 28:19-20? Are you fully sold on the program, promotion, preaching, music and ministry of your church?
17. Can you give a "biblical" plan of salvation?
18. Will you keep the observance of the LORD'S DAY above reproach? Will you work for the active advancement of your church, moving by faith to make it a great and growing church for the glory of God?
19. Do you or your wife use tobacco in any form?
20. Do you or your wife use any alcoholic beverages for any reason?
21. The Bible demands "modest apparel" (I Timothy 2:9), insists that "the woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man", etc. (Deuteronomy 22:5) and that we are to "abstain from all appearance of evil" (I Thessalonians 5:22). Do you and your wife and children dress properly and modestly in public (for instance, no shorts, mini skirts or other scant, sexy or questionable attire)?
22. Are you the head of your home with your wife and children in subjection; do your children mind you respectfully, and do you have them under control (Ephesians 5:22-25 & I Timothy 3:12)?
23. Will you work with the pastor and other deacons on the basis of frank, brotherly confidence and cooperation?
24. God's Word insists on separation from worldly practices. Do you go to or allow your children to go to dances, theaters, card parties, or such things?
25. Do both you and your wife know to hold your tongues against spreading gossip or talking critically about others? Can you and your wife avoid holding grudges, and do you maintain a ready spirit of forgiveness? Can your wife qualify as a deacon's wife as stated in I Timothy 3:8-11?
26. Do you believe in the principle of majority rule. Will you quietly abide by the decision of the people in church business matters?
27. Is your wife in total support of your standards and these mentioned herein? Will she support you as a deacon?
28. New Testament deacons were men "full of the Holy Ghost." Have you so surrendered and do you purpose daily to live a Spirit-filled life of consecrated service?
29. Is Christ and His church really FIRST in your life--ahead of other activities?

II. DOCTRINAL BELIEFS

1. Do you believe that the Bible is the verbally inspired Word of God? Do you firmly believe in the Virgin Birth, the Atoning Blood and the personal return of Christ?
2. Do you believe in the possibility of apostasy and being lost after one has been saved?
3. What is your stand on the "Charismatic Movement" of today? What do you believe about "tongues speaking"?
4. Do you believe in a literal hell?
5. When does the Holy Spirit enter the believer?
6. What is salvation?
7. Do you believe and practice the ordinances of Free Will Baptist?
8. Explain what you believe the Bible teaches about Baptism?
9. What is the Lord's Supper?
10. What is the purpose of footwashing?
11. Do you believe in creation or evolution?
12. What is the Church?
13. What is the mission of the Church?
14. What is the New Testament teaching concerning church discipline?
15. How many persons are there in the Godhead?
16. What are the distinctive doctrines of Free Will Baptist?
17. What are the duties of the Deacon?
18. What are the duties of the Pastor?
19. What role do you believe the deacons have in relation to the Pastor and the church?
20. What do you believe the Bible teaches about the end of time?

STATEMENT: I declare that these answers are my beliefs.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Horace Herndon
Rev. Rodney Outlaw

Rev. Thomas Kirkland
Bro. J. B. Hall
Rev. Tim Hackett

ANNUAL SESSION

We, the Ordaining Council, recommend that the present Minister's Report be discontinued.

We, the Ordaining Council, recommend Bro. Tyson Bell, pastor of Spring Hill Church in Gordon, Alabama, as a member of our Association, pending the receiving of his letters from his present church and past association or church.

The following ministers received a card of good standing for the associational year September 1, 1983 through August 31, 1984: Rev. Walter Baxley, Rev. Roger Bennett, Rev. Aubrey Brannon, Rev. Ricky Carroll, Rev. Randy Corn, Rev. Thomas Coxwell, Rev. Charles Davis, Rev. John Edwards, Rev. Donald Gainey, Rev. Tim Hackett, Rev. Horace Herndon, Rev. Thomas Kirkland, Rev. Paul Mallory, Rev. Jimmy McNeil, Rev. Joe Murkerson, Rev. Alex Oberneder, Rev. Rodney Outlaw, Rev. Steve Sanders and Rev. Earl Stevens.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Horace Herndon
Rev. Rodney Outlaw

Rev. Tim Hackett
Rev. Thomas Kirkland
Bro. J. B. Hall

YOUTH CAMP BOARD

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Youth Camp Board, make the following report:
The camp at Kolomoki Mounds State Park has been reserved for the second, third, or fourth week in June. We are also checking into a camp purchased by Bro. Shuemade of the Bethany Bible College here in Dothan. This camp is located at Ponce de Leon, Florida. We plan to have the biggest and best camp ever.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Alex Oberneder
Rev. Rodney Outlaw

Bro. Larry Jones
Rev. Mike Harrell
Rev. Charles Davis

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

Time is rapidly approaching for our annual Youth Camp. Remember the date is set for Monday, June 6 through Friday, June 10. We have reservations made at Kolomoki Mounds State Park. We also have looked into Mt. Zion Camp in Ponce de Leon, Florida.

Regardless of where we go, the cost this year will be approximately \$25.00 per camper. This cost does not show the donation per camper that will be underwritten by the Association.

We have determined that Mt. Zion Camp would be more appropriate this year. All efforts are now being directed to this end and the reclamation of our \$200.00 deposit at Kolomoki.

The Board elected Rev. Charles Davis to chair the Youth Camp Board.

Applications will be forthcoming this month with a definite cost. We suggest that each church plan to sponsor fund-raising programs to make it possible for our young people to go.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Alex Oberneder
Rev. Rodney Outlaw

Rev. Mike Harrell
Rev. Charles Davis
Bro. Larry Jones

ANNUAL SESSION

Youth Camp was very successful this year. Nine first-time decisions for the Lord in salvation were made. All campers made decisions or commitments of some sort. The Youth Camp operated below the allocated budget.

We recommend more support and promotion by the pastors in anticipation of a greater camp next year.

We urge more participation by every pastor and church in the areas of teaching and counseling.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Charles Davis
Rev. Rodney Outlaw

Rev. Randy Corn
Bro. Steve Reynolds
Bro. Larry Jones

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEE

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

I have just received a report from the Children's Home, saying that each one there had a real good Christmas. Some of the boys and girls were away during the holiday, visiting with friends and families. I want to thank each of you who sent things to the Home for them to enjoy during the Christmas season. I would like to express my appreciation to each church who has given to this cause also. Ten members from Springfield Church went to the Children's Home on December 11, 1982 and carried gifts, food and clothing from Shiloh, Howard Grove and Springfield churches. This was a very enjoyable and rewarding trip.

We thank you for renewing your Foster Parent Membership dues. Through this program the children are able to have a weekly allowance for school.

We have a total of 22 children at the Home. Twenty-one are residing at the Home at the present time and we have one young lady, Miss Helen Welch, who is in college.

Bro. A. J. Lambert, one of the Board members, has passed away since Christmas. We sure are sorry to hear of this.

May the Lord bless you for the support you have given us this past year. Please remember to pray for the work as it continues to go on.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Maxwell Sims

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

During the months of January, February and March, the Home has been receiving some good donations from churches within our own Association. We do appreciate this very much. We have also received some new members into our Foster Parents Club which is a great help to the children's school allowances. We also have a college fund set up for Miss Helen Welch. As you know, Helen is attending the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee and from all reports that we have received, she is doing very well.

I would like to thank each of you for your prayers and your support to the Home. May the Lord continue to bless you for every effort. Please continue to remember us in your prayers and support to the Home in every way that you can.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Maxwell Sims

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

Funds for the Home have been flowing in fairly good up to the present time. However, as you know, contributions are usually slow this time of year.

The Home has received a new sign which now directs traffic from the highway to the Home. The sign was a donation from Free Will Baptist employees of the 3-M Company in Guin, Alabama.

We have been receiving many nice gifts such as linens, clothing, food and equipment. A new lawn mower was given by the Master's Men of Hamilton, Alabama. The Ladie's Auxiliary Convention of Little Brown Creek Free Will Baptist Association of Mississippi, generously gave \$1,075 to the Home which was used to purchase a new commercial dryer. We do appreciate all these gifts and support very much.

Youth Camp time for the children is July 10-15 for the teens and August 1-6 for the juniors. If any church Auxiliary or Master's Men would like to sponsor one of the children, please send your gift for this to the Home, ear-marked YOUTH CAMP. The cost per child is \$25.00.

We would like to also remind everyone that from July 1 through the month of October is the renewal time for the Foster Parents dues. We would also like to recruit new Foster Parents for this coming year. Thanks again for your thoughtfulness, your kindness and support. May the Lord bless each of your endeavors. Please remember to pray for the Home and the staff as this work continues.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Maxwell Sims

ANNUAL SESSION

We have had a fairly good year at the Home. Presently, we have 18 children; 9 boys and 9 girls. Three children were discharged during the year to live with their relatives. The Home is now considering more applications from Fayette County.

The boys and girls really enjoyed Summer Camp this year. Additionally, the girls visited Six Flags.

Helen Welch is still in College and is doing fine. She was nominated for the National Dean's List by the Bible College. She will be graduating from the Bible College next year. She comes back to visit the Home quite often.

I would like to thank our Foster Parents who have renewed their dues and say WELCOME to our new Foster Parents. If there are any of you who would like to donate a minimum of \$5.00 per year for the childrens' school allowances, it is not too late to do so.

Some items that are needed in the Home at the present time, are:

Boy's Knit Shirts, Size 18

Men's Knit Shirts, Sizes Small & Medium

Boy's Jeans, Sizes 28/32; 33/30 & 34/30

Tennis Shoes, Sizes 5 through 9½

October is Harvest Month, so if you have anything such as food and clothing, please send it to the Home. Please do not forget the children as Christmas approaches. You might like to send gifts or money which could be used to purchase gifts.

I would also like to thank each of you and all of our churches who have supported the Home in many ways for many years. We trust that you will continue to support the Home; both with your material gifts, as well as your spiritual gifts of prayer. May the Lord bless each of you for your kindness shown to the Home.

Respectfully submitted,
Bro. Maxwell Sims

PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

We, your Placement Committee, make the following report:

First Quarterly Session.....First-Headland
Second Quarterly Session.....Shiloh
Third Quarterly Session.....Magnolia
Annual Session - First DayUnion Hill
Annual Session - Second Day.....Springfield

Respectfully submitted,
First - Dothan

AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

We, your Auxiliary Committee make the following report:

		<u>Membership</u>	<u>Avg. Attendance</u>
No. Churches reporting	19	2119	
No. Sunday Schools reporting	16	1049	861
No. C.T.S.'s reporting	13	456	417
No. Woman's Auxiliary reporting	13	144	108
No. Master's Men reporting	3	42	36
No. Prayer Meetings reporting	13		349

Respectfully submitted,
Howard Grove Church

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, the Obituary Committee, make the following report:

We had 13 deceased members for the period September 1, 1982 through August 31, 1983.

<u>Church</u>	<u>Deceased Members</u>
Bethel.....	Bros. Codie McGowan and Hubert K. Glover
First-Dothan.....	Sis. Etta Holley
First-Headland.....	Bro. Buddy Hall
Howard Grove.....	Bros. Henry Jordan, Addis Bowen, Wayne Love; and Sis.'s Cora Johnson, Lucinda Booth, Vera Mae Hamrick & Geraldine Monday
Magnolia.....	Sis. Ada Hammock
Union Springs.....	Sis. Edrie Sewell and Bros. Rufus White & A. W. Sims

Rev. Randy Corn led prayer in memory of these deceased members.

Respectfully submitted,
First-Enterprise

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Nominating Committee, make the following report:
We recommend that Rev. Randy Corn replace Rev. Kenneth Driggers on the Home Mission Board. His term expires in 1983.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Roger Bennett
Bro. Maxwell Sims
Rev. Charles Davis

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Nominating Committee, make the following report:
We recommend that Rev. Tim Hackett replace Rev. Mike Harrell on the Ordaining Council. His term expires in 1986.

We recommend that Rev. Randy Corn replace Rev. Alex Oberneder on the Youth Camp Board. His term expires in 1984. We also recommend that Bro. Steve Reynolds replace Rev. Mike Harrell on the Youth Camp Board. His term expires in 1986.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Roger Bennett
Bro. Maxwell Sims
Rev. Charles Davis

ANNUAL SESSION

We, the Nominating Committee, make the following recommendations for nomination:

Moderator.....	Rev. John Edwards
Assistant Moderator.....	Rev. Roger Bennett
Clerk.....	Sis. Shirley Kennedy
Assistant Clerk.....	Sis. Dina Woodham
Treasurer.....	Sis. Ann Jones
Home Mission Board (3-Year Term).....	Rev. Randy Corn
Board of Retirement and Insurance (3-Year Term)	Bro. Lewis Mallory
Board of Christian Education (3-Year Term).....	Rev. Walter Baxley
Youth Camp Board (5-Year Term).....	Rev. Tyson Bell
Ordaining Council (3-Year Term).....	Rev. Charles Davis
Children's Home Trustee.....	Bro. Maxwell Sims
Song Leader.....	Rev. Alex Oberneder
Pianist.....	Sis. Jan Baxley

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Roger Bennett
Rev. Ricky Carroll
Rev. Jimmy McNeil

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Registration Committee, make the following report:

Delegates	77
Deacons	25
Ministers	17
Visitors	61
<u>Total</u>	<u>180</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Springfield Church

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Registration Committee, make the following report:

Delegates	65
Deacons	17
Ministers	14
Visitors	29
<u>Total</u>	<u>125</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Springfield Church

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

We, the Registration Committee, make the following report:

Delegates	63
Deacons	14
Ministers	18
Visitors	29
<u>Total</u>	<u>124</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Springfield Church

ANNUAL SESSION

We, the Registration Committee, make the following report:

FIRST DAY

Delegates	41
Ministers	16
Deacons	8
Visitors	17
<u>Total</u>	<u>82</u>

SECOND DAY

Delegates	53
Ministers	19
Deacons	10
Visitors	35
<u>Total</u>	<u>117</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Eastside Church

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

We, your Finance Committee, make the following report:

From the Churches	\$1,682.77
Association Offering	112.53
Total	\$1,795.30

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. Ann Jones
Sis. Martha Clements
Sis. Mary Smith

SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION

We, your Finance Committee, make the following report:

From the Churches	\$2,734.57
Association Offering	75.42
State Line District Woman's Aux. (Minutes).....	30.00
Total	\$2,839.99

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. Ann Jones
Sis. Niria Ammons
Sis. Maude Fowler

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION

We, your Finance Committee, make the following report:

From the Churches	\$2,862.67
Association Offering	80.76
Youth Camp Deposits	725.00
Skate-A-Thon for Missions	215.36
Mission Rally Offering	73.36
Total	\$3,957.15

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. Ann Jones
Sis. Rhetta Butler
Sis. Annette Weed

ANNUAL SESSION

We, your Finance Committee, make the following report:

From the Churches	\$2,945.88
Association Offering	145.25
Total	\$3,091.13

Respectfully submitted,
Sis. Ann Jones
Sis. Maxine Bennett
Sis. Wynell Brown

STATE LINE ASSOCIATION PLAN OF SUPPORT

General Fund.....	20%
Home Mission Board.....	14%
Board of Retirement and Insurance.....	18%
Board of Christian Education.....	8%
Youth Camp Board.....	20%
State Association Cooperative Plan.....	10%
Total	100%

TREASURER'S REPORT 1982-83

Balance on Hand September 1, 1982		\$ 548.77
RECEIPTS FROM CHURCHES AND OTHER SOURCES		
	<u>ASSOCIATION</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
Antioch	125.00	
Bethel		
Children's Home		75.00
Home Missions	25.00	
Corinth	515.25	
Cowarts Creek	400.00	
Children's Home		50.00
Home Missions		50.00
Foreign Missions		50.00
Bible College		50.00
Eastside	1,224.46	
First-Dothan	2,143.38	
First-Enterprise	740.00	
First-Samson	295.07	
Retirement & Insurance		55.59
Howard Grove	155.00	
Retirement & Insurance		645.82
Magnolia	125.00	
New Hope	525.00	
Retirement & Insurance		225.00
Home Missions	63.60	
Panther Creek	40.00	
Pleasant Ridge	20.00	
Shiloh	55.00	
Springfield	384.44	
Children's Home		319.70
Foreign Missions		71.79
Joe Haas		167.34
Sherwood Lee		51.41
Home Missions		256.27
Retirement & Insurance		55.42
Spring Hill	413.32	
Pine Hills		200.00
Union Hill	800.00	
Retirement & Insurance		200.00
Mission Board	225.00	
Union Springs	85.00	

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant. We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, or its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace. To be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel. We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end, we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday Schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

STATE LINE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

ADOPTED APRIL 7, 1962

Article I - Name

This organization shall be known as the State Line Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article II - Composition

This Association shall be composed of such regularly organized and well-disciplined Free Will Baptist Churches, conveniently located as may embody themselves under this Constitution.

Article III - Representation

SECTION I: (Standing Delegates) All elected officers, Board members, licensed ministers, ordained ministers, and ordained deacons who are members of a member church shall be standing delegates.

SECTION II: (Elected Delegates) Each church shall be entitled one (1) delegate for every twenty-five (25) members and one (1) delegate for the fractional part of twenty-five (25) members, it shall be entitled to two (2) delegates.

SECTION III: (Certification) No one will be seated as an elected delegate unless they are certified as such on their church letter.

Article IV - Admission

SECTION I: (Churches) Newly constituted or other churches maintaining gospel order, and preaching, agreeing with the denomination in doctrine and practices, as are contained in the NATIONAL TREATISE OF FAITH AND PRACTICE OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST, in favor of benevolent enterprises such as Sunday School, C. T. S., missions, and education, desiring admission into this union shall petition with delegates and letter at any session, and if, upon examination, are found to be orthodox and orderly, after not less than three (3) months under the watch-care of the Association, shall be received into the Association, and such reception shall be manifested by the right hand of Christian fellowship given by the chair.

SECTION II: (Ministers) Admission of ministers shall be subject to a recommendation of the Ordaining Council and approval of the Association.

Article V - Discipline

SECTION I: (Duties) Any church who shall fail to attend three successive sessions and whosoever shall be generally remiss, and whosoever shall fail to conform to the practices and adopt the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist Denomination, and whosoever shall fail to comply with the rules, regulations, and decisions of this Association shall be subject to discipline and exclusion.

SECTION II: (Duties of Moderator) The Moderator shall preside over all sessions and shall serve as chairman of the General Board and Executive Committee.

SECTION III: (Power) This Association shall have no authority and/or power in the internal affairs of any church in this Association, nor shall they have any power over the property of any church.

Article VI - General Officers

SECTION I: (Officers) The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually, and who shall be a member of a member church.

SECTION II: (Duties of Moderator) The Moderator shall preside over all sessions and shall serve as chairman of the General Board.

SECTION III: (Duties of the Assistant Moderator) The Assistant Moderator shall assist the Moderator and act as Moderator in the Moderator's absence.

SECTION IV: (Duties of the Clerk) The clerk shall record and preserve the proceedings of the body when in session and shall record and preserve the proceedings of the General Board. He shall compile and have published the minutes of the Association. All records shall be delivered to his successor in office.

SECTION V: (Duties of the Treasurer) The treasurer shall receive all funds and shall be responsible to give a correct account of all funds received and disbursed by him.

Article VII - Boards

SECTION I: (Standing Boards) Standing Boards of the Association shall include the General Board, Executive Board, Home Mission Board, Board of Retirement and Insurance, Ordaining Council, and the Board of Christian Education, and the Youth Camp Board.

SECTION II: (Personnel) Standing Boards, exclusive of the General Board and Executive Board, shall be elected as follows: the first named for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years, and the third for a term of three years, and so forth. Succession to the office thereafter shall be as order requires.

SECTION III: (General Board) The General Board shall be composed of the Moderator, the Assistant Moderator, the Clerk, and the Treasurer, and one representative from each church. The names of the representatives shall be submitted by each church at the annual session and shall be elected by the body.

SECTION IV: (Duties of the General Board) The General Board shall have power to act in behalf of, and for the Association from one regular session to another, to carry out the plans and undertakings of the Association, to fill any irregular vacancies that may occur in any department between sessions of the Association, to plan a program of work for the Association, and to handle all matters coming within the scope of the work of the Association. It shall be the duty of this Board to make written reports of all its work to each of the Associational sessions for final approval.

SECTION V: (Executive Committee) The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Clerk and five (5) members of the General Board. The General Board will elect these five members. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact emergency business when the Association is not in session. The Executive Committee shall give a written report of business transacted at each session of the Association.

SECTION VI: (Duties of Boards) It shall be the duty of the various standing Boards to plan a program and supervise its operation in their respective fields. They shall organize themselves and regulate their work as may become necessary and create such by-laws as may be deemed essential for thier government, consistent with the constitution. It shall be the duty of such Board to make a written report at each session of the Association for final approval.

Article VIII - Finance

SECTION I: (Policy) The financial policy of the Association shall be the giving of tithes and offerings. It is suggested that each church pay 10 per cent of its income to the association.

SECTION II: (Offerings) A free will offering shall be received at each session.

SECTION III: (Disbursements) All disbursements shall be made by check and all checks shall be signed by the moderator and the treasurer.

SECTION IV: (Budget) Each standing Board shall prepare a budget of its proposed financial expenditures at the beginning of each Associational year and present same for approval of the Association before any expenditures are made for the year.

SECTION V: (Unified Treasury) Funds of all departments shall be handled by the treasurer of the Association and may be disbursed from any account upon the demand of the Association, the General Board or the Board holding such account with the treasurer.

Article IX - Meeting

SECTION I: The Association shall convene quarterly. The first and second quarterly sessions shall convene on Saturday before the second Sunday in January and April. The third quarterly session shall convene on the last Saturday in June. The fourth meeting shall be the annual session and shall convene for two days, which shall be on Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in October.

Article X - Alteration

This constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session by a two-thirds vote of members present provided proposed amendment or alteration has been presented in writing at the previous session.

BY-LAWS OF THE STATE LINE ASSOCIATION ADOPTED APRIL 7, 1962

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

2. Questions of fellowship, expulsion, and all other items of business of the Association shall be settled according to the **NATIONAL TREATISE OF FAITH AND PRACTICES OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS.**

3. All business of the Association shall be brought before the body by move and second and shall be disposed of according to Robert's Rules of Order.

4. The associational year shall begin September 1 and end August 31.

5. Churches and their pastors shall serve as committees and shall be named by the chair at least three months before the annual session.

6. Each church shall send a letter to each session certifying the election of their delegates and containing general, financial, and statistical information about their church and any other information that the Association may request.

7. No church shall be recognized in this body who does not commune and wash feet at least once a year.

8. By a two-thirds vote of all members present a ruling of the Moderator can be over-ruled.

9. It shall be the duty of the moderation to seat all delegates in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.

10. No member shall absent himself while the Association is in session without first obtaining permission from the moderator.

11. No person shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes nor twice on the same subject without special permission from the moderator.

12. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member provided the person nominated is elected.

13. Ministers pastoring in the State Line Association of Free Will Baptists must be in good standing with a local Association of Free Will Baptists which is affiliated with a State Association of Free Will Baptists which is affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptists. A minister pastoring in the State Line Association and his wife if married must not have two living wives or husbands. Any church in the State Line Association that calls a pastor not meeting the above qualifications will automatically be out of fellowship with the State Line Association. (Anyone who has been divorced and remarried is considered as having two living wives or husbands.)

14. These by-laws may be amended or altered at any regular session by two-thirds vote of members present, provided proposed amendment or alteration is presented in writing.

STATE LINE ASSOCIATION By-Laws of the Presbytery

MINISTERS

1. Admission and Standing

(A) Candidates for licensing and Ordination

1. An individual shall first unite with a church that is a member of the Association.

2. This church shall petition the Association through the Ordaining Council of the Association for licensing and ordination of its candidate.

(B) Ordained and licensed ministers coming from other Associations.

1. He must unite with a church in the State Line Association.

2. His church must petition for his membership in the Associa-

tion through the Ordaining Council of the Association. This must be done by the next Associational meeting after calling the pastor.

3. Any church who calls a pastor who does not wish to unite with the Association must be examined by the Ordaining Council. This must be done by the next Associational meeting after calling the pastor.

(C) Ministers coming from other denominations.

1. He must first unite with a church in the State Line Association.

2. This church must petition for his membership in the Association through the Ordaining Council of the Association.

(D) Certificate of Standing

1. All Ministers who are members of the Association must make an annual report.

2. Ministers whose report is satisfactory will be issued a card certifying their membership in this Association.

II. Qualifications.

(A) Licensed

1. The individual must satisfactorily answer questions prepared by the Ordaining Council.

2. Candidates that are married must not have more than one living wife or candidates wife must not have more than one living husband.

3. He must be of sound character.

4. He must abstain from the use of any alcohol beverages and, or the use of tobacco.

(B) Ordination

1. The individual must satisfactorily answer questions prepared by the Ordaining Council.

2. Candidates that are married must not have more than one living wife or candidates wife must not have more than one living husband.

3. He must be of sound character.

4. He must abstain from the use of any alcohol beverages and, or the use of tobacco.

5. He must hold license for not less than one year before applying for ordination.

6. He must be called to a Christian work or presently enrolled in Free Will Baptist Bible College and completed at least one year before applying for ordination.

(C) Ministers Making Application From Other Association

1. Must present license or ordination certificate to Ordaining Council for ratification by Council.

2. He must present a letter of recommendation from Association from which he comes or from his licensing body which is affiliated with a State Association of Free Will Baptists which is affiliated with the National Association of Free Will Baptist, provided he was licensed or ordained by this licensing body.

(D) Ministers Making Applications From Other Denominations:

(a) Licensed

1. Must surrender license from denomination of which he was previously a member.

2. Must hold FWB license for one year before ordination.

3. He must answer questions prepared by Ordaining Council.

(b) Ordained

1. Must have ordination papers ratified by Ordaining Council.

2. Must answer questions prepared by Ordaining Council for ordination.

3. He will not be re-ordained, but upon approval of the Ordaining, he will be granted a FWB Ordination Certificate.

DEACONS

MSC that the local church be allowed to examine and ordain its deacons if it so chooses or send them to the Association if they desire.

I. Deacons Sent to Association for Ordination:

1. He must be a member of a church in the State Line Association.

2. He must have been elected by his church to the office of deacon.

3. The church shall petition the Association through the Ordaining Council of the Association for ordination of its candidate.

II. Qualifications

1. He must be of sound character.

2. He must be the husband of one wife and candidates wife must be the wife of one husband.

3. He must believe and practice FWB doctrine.

STATISTICS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The State Line Association was organized at Howard Grove Church, November 10, 1886.

Year	Moderator	Clerk	Treasurer	Churches	Mem
1886	D. L. Chandler,	Calvin Dykes,	Howard Grove		449
1887	D. L. Chandler,	Calvin Dykes,	Beulah		557
1888	R. M. Gray,	Calvin Dykes,	Macedonia		403
1889	R. M. Gray,	Calvin Dykes,	Friendship		516
1890	R. M. Gray,	Calvin Dykes,	Lovewood		448
1891	R. M. Gray,	Calvin Dykes,	Prospect		339
1892	R. M. Gray,	Calvin Dykes,	Silver Run		444
1893	D. L. Chandler,	J. D. Stephens,	G. L. Love,	Hickory Grove	456
1894	R.M. Gray,	J.D. Stephens,	Springhill		422
1895	D.L. Chandler,	J.D. Stephens,	Pittman Creek		503
1896	Calvin Dykes,	J.D. Stephens,	Howard Grove		568
1897	D.L. Chandler,	J.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	New Hope	653
1898	D.L. Chandler,	J.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Rocky Grove	633
1899	D.L. Chandler,	J.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Prospect	671
1900	G.W. Cherry,	J.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Free Will Rest	803
1901	Calvin Dykes,	J.W.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Antioch	916
1902	Calvin Dykes,	J.W.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Union Springs	947
1903	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Hickory Grove	786
1904	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Howard Grove	786
1905	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	New Pilgrim	745
1906	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	G.L. Love,	Springfield	958
1907	R.L. Hunter,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.L. Hunter,	Rocky Grove	1099
1908	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.L. Hunter,	Pleasant Home	1199
1909	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.L. Hunter,	Free Will Rest	1315
1910	D.L. Chandler,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.L. Hunter,	Silver Run	1365
1911	D.L. Chandler,	J.W. Stephens,	R.L. Hunter,	New Life	1442
1912	D.L. Chandler,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.L. Hunter,	Pittman Creek	1447
1913	J.M. Murdock,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.L. Hunter,	Spring Hill	1462
1914	G.W. Cherry,	J.W.D. Stephens,	H.G. Green,	Union Springs	1553
1915	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	H.G. Green,	Hickory Grove	1721
1916	W.S. Cook,	J.W.D. Stephens,	H.G. Green,	Rocky Grove	1611
1917	W.S. Cook,	J.W.D. Stephens,	Long Branch		1715
1918	W.S. Cook,	J.W.D. Stephens,	W.H. Hayes,	Magnolia	1456
1919	W.S. Cook,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.B. Robinson,	New Hope	1656
1920	G.W. Cherry,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.B. Robinson,	Prospect	1804
1921	G.W. Cherry,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.B. Robinson,	Howard Grove	2004
1922	G.W. Cherry,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.B. Robinson,	Pleasant Home	2043
1923	J.D. Stephens,	J.W.D. Stephens,	R.B. Robinson,	N. 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 Gr.	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, Howards Grove	2788
1945—G.H. Jordan, C.B. Green, J.W.D. Stephens, Union Springs	2717
1946—G.H. Jordan, C.B. Green, J.W.D. Stephens, Cedar Grove	2756
1947—G.H. Jordan, C.B. Green, J.W.D. Stephens, Springfield	2756
1948—G.H. Jordan, C.B. Green, J.W.D. Stephens, Springhill	2743
1949—G.H. Jordan, C.B. Green, J.W.D. Stephens, New Harmony	2760
1950—G.H. Jordan, C.B. Green, J.W.D. Stephens, Prospect and Pleasant Ridge	3083
1951—G.H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, D.W. Poole, Pleasant Home & Pittman Creek	2761
1952—G.H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, D.W. Poole, Howards Grove & Cowarts Creek	2747
1953—G.H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, A.C. Womack Springfield and Union Springs	2663
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	2527
1956—G.H. Jordan, Mary Edna Cook, A.C. Womack, 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 & 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 & Cowarts Creek	2919
1962—Ralph Bell, Gerald Baxley, David Rabon, Pittman Creek & Panther Creek	2872

1963—John Edwards, Gerald Baxley, Billy Ammons, First Church, Dothan & Howards Grove	2703
1964—John Edwards, Mrs. Ralph Bell, Billy Ammons, New Harmony & Slocomb	2685
1965--John Edwards, Mrs. Ralph Bell, Mrs. Betty Bradshaw, Samson and Union Springs	2710
1966--John Edwards, Mrs. Ralph Bell, Mrs. Maude Fowler, Corinth, Howard Grove	2287
1967--John Edwards, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Springhill, Samson	1983
1968- John Edwards, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Cowarts Creek, Union Springs	2320
1969--John Edwards, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, New Hope, Panther Creek	2281
1970--John Edwards, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Cowarts Creek, Springfield	2421
1971--John Edwards, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Howard Grove, First Church, Dothan	2410
1972--John Pettis, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Corinth, Shiloh	2511
1973--John Pettis, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, New Hope, Union Springs	2609
1974—John Pettis, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Howard Grove, Magnolia	2846
1975- Dean Dobbs, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Springfield, Faith	3055
1976 --Dean Dobbs, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Union Hill, Union Springs	3036
1977—Dean Dobbs, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Panther Creek, Springfield	3040
1978 -Dean Dobbs, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Mrs. Billy Ammons, Spring Hill, First Dothan	3014
1979--Dean Dobbs, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Heyward Butler, Corinth, Union Springs	3014
1980--Jim Turnbough, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Heyward Butler, Howard Grove, New Hope	2961
1981—Jim Turnbough, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Heyward Butler, First, Headland, Union Springs	2782
1982—Jim Turnbough, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Miss Ann Jones, First, Dothan, Bethel	2524
1983—John Edwards, Mrs. Bobby Kennedy, Miss Ann Jones Howard Grove, New Hope	2504

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CHURCHES	Received by Profession & Statement	Received by Letter	Lost by Letter	Deceased	Resident Members	Non-Resident Members	Sunday School Enrollment	S.S. Average Attendance	C.T.S. Enrollment	C.T.S. Average Attendance	Woman's Auxiliary Enrollment	W.A. Average Attendance	Master's Men Enrollment	M.M. Average Attendance	Average Prayer Meeting Attendance	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Deacons
Antioch		3	6		25	9	25	35	25	18					10	1		2
Bethel	1		3	2	93	0	44	39	32	27	7	6				2	1	5
Corinth	2	10	3		104	26	57	51	44	42	9	5			20	4	4	6
Cowarts Creek		2			66	2	30	25			5	4			15	1		
Eastside	17	7	7		221	17	120	91		49	12	8			33	3		8
First-Dothan	13	11	16	1	380	138	245	182			26	20	20	18	98	3		6
First-Enterprise	1		2		25	8	35	29			5	3			12	1		2
First-Headland			6	1	55						10	8				1		
First-Samson					36	4	22	15	17	16						1	1	4
Howard Grove				5	238	147		114	93	76	58	6	5		36	1	1	6
Magnolia	4	3	3	1	76	29	56	40			13	9			15	1		5
New Hope	2				59	16	78	65	68	51	21	18	12	10	32	1		3
Fanther Creek	5		5		74	47			30	25					22		1	1
Pine Hills	17		6												10	1		
Shiloh			2		15	39	28	25	19	17	6	4				1		3
Springfield		4	2		146	42	64	48	49	38	12	9	10	8	36	1		5
Spring Hill		2	10		81	4	39	40	29	26								2
Union Hill	1				101	30	52	48	33	29	12	9				1		8
Union Springs	1		2	3	100	51	40	35	28	21					10			4
TOTALS	64	42	76	13	1895	609	935	882	467	435	196	109	47	36	349	24	8	70

MINISTERS	Sermons Preached	Prayer Meetings Held	Funerals	Marriages	Special Services Held	Revivals Conducted	Conversions Witnessed	Received Into Church	Baptized	Home Visited	Miles Traveled	Condition of Work	Revivals Assisted In	CHURCHES IN CHARGE ENSUING YEAR
Baxley, Walter	26	16	0	1	0	1		7	6			very good		Corinth
Bennett, Roger	95	46	1	0	14	0	0	2	0		9600	good	1	Cowarts Creek
Brannon, Aubrey	110			1	2	0		0	0	60	5000	good	0	First-Samson
Carroll, Ricky	40	15	0	0	0	0			0	70		good	0	Eastside (Associate)
Corn, Randy	84	42	7	3	0	0	5	5	1					Howard Grove
Coxwell, Thomas	109	50	1	0	2	0	2	6	0	200	8000		0	Union Springs
Davis, Charles	131	50	5			3	6	6	4			good		Union Hill
Edwards, John	120	46	7	1	5	5		18	8		25000	good	1	Eastside
Gainey, Donald	85	0	0	0	4	1	2	1	0			fair	0	
Hackett, Tim	166	50	2	1		2		24	15	500	16000	good	4	First-Dothan
Herndon, Horace	115	52	4	3	1	1	3	1				fair	1	
Kirkland, Thomas	110	52	3			1	2	1				poor	1	First-Enterprise
Mallory, Paul	102	50				1	4	7	4			fair	1	Magnolia
McNeil, Jimmy	101	50	1		4	1			3			good		New Hope
Murkerson, Joe	109	33	0	2	4	1	4	1	0		7000	good	1	Springfield
Oberneder, Alex	20	7		2			10			420		excellent		First-Dothan (Associate)
Outlaw, Rodney	189	42	3			7			22					First-Headland
Sanders, Steve	104	50	3	2	3	0	3	3	3			good	3	Antioch
Stevens, Earl	57	0	2	1	3	2	5	0	0	40	6542	fair	1	Shiloh



