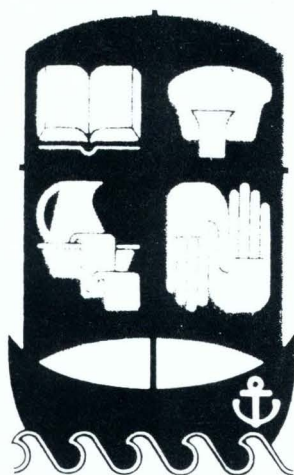


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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Location: Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church  
Date: January 11, 2003  
Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church  
Speaker: Rev. Mark Kelly

### ***SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:***

Location: Cowarts Creek Free Will Baptist Church  
Date: April 12, 2003  
Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church  
Speaker: Rev. Duane Peyatt

### ***THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:***

Location: First Free Will Baptist Church, Enterprise  
Date: June 28, 2003  
Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church  
Speaker: Rev. Terry Drinkwater

### ***ANNUAL SESSION:***

Location: First Free Will Baptist Church, Dothan  
Date: October 11, 2003  
Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church  
Speaker: Rev. Fred Jones or Rev. Wayne Wilson

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## **GENERAL BOARD MEETING**

First Free Will Baptist Church – Dothan, AL

December 11, 2001

The State Line Association General Board met on December 11, 2001, at First FWB Church of Dothan. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Glenn Poston. He thanked everyone for coming. He asked that we each introduce ourselves for the benefit of any newcomers to the Board.

Rev. Fred Hersey gave the devotion. He quoted Acts 20:35b, *"It is more blessed to give than to receive."* He said, "We have no trouble giving our 15% tips in a restaurant but don't want to give our 10% to the Lord. I'm thankful that God gave His son to us and for us."

The General Board Session was officially opened by the Association Clerk.

The Moderator said we had several of our national leaders who had stepped down and new ones coming on board – President of the Bible College, Thomas Malone replaced by Matt Pinson; Home Missions Director, Trymon Messer replaced by Larry Powell; Alton Loveless, Sunday School and Church Training General Director replaced by Ron Hunter. The Moderator said that the State Promotional Office will be funded through the Acts 1:8 plan.

We completed the **CALENDAR OF EVENTS** for 2002 as follows

### **FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:**

Location: New Hope FWB Church

Date: January 12, 2002

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Chris Mitchell

### **SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:**

Location: New Harmony FWB Church

Date: April 13, 2002

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Donald Gainey

### **THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:**

Location: Pine Hills FWB Church

Date: June 29, 2002

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Barry Long

### **ANNUAL SESSION:**

Location: Union Hill FWB Church

Date: October 12, 2002

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Matt Pinson – ALT. Rev. Larry Powell

MSC to accept each of these speakers and to approve the Calendar of Events.

The Executive Board was elected as follows: Moderator, Rev. Glenn Poston; Assistant Moderator, Rev. Lonnie Skiles; Clerk, Sis. Loretta Culpepper; Treasurer, Sis. Becky Dixon. General Board members to serve are: Bro. David Miller, Rev. Fred Hersey, Bro. Earl Culpepper, Bro. Tommy Taylor and Rev. Donald Gainey.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

(Reference Annual Session Minutes of October 13, 2001, first and second paragraphs under "Miscellaneous Business" quoted as follows:

"The Liberty Association of North Florida wants to sponsor radio spots produced by the Free Will Baptist Media Commission to be aired over radio station WRJM, "The Rose", in Ozark, AL. The radio spots would give a good positive message to visit one of the Free Will Baptist churches in Southeast Alabama or North Florida. Pastor David Williford of Chipley, FL says we can get twenty-two spots for one hundred dollars. They are wanting to know if our association would like to co-sponsor some of the ads. The more money we would commit to, the more spots we could have. They are suggesting one hundred dollars monthly."

The Moderator said this letter was read for information. The floor was opened to a motion. Rev. Paul Mallory made a move we support it. Discussion followed about how long. One month was recommended. Recommended the General Board meet and come back with a recommendation. Rev. John Taylor made a move to amend the original motion to sponsor for one month, 22 spots for \$100.00. The Treasurer, Sis. Ann Kennedy, asked the question, "Where is the money coming from?" She said there isn't extra money in the treasury to cover it. A comment was made who listens to WRJM, "The Rose", radio station and recommended a straw poll be taken to see how many people presently listened to that station. The response was the spots were to air to non-church going people. The amendment MSC. Original motion was seconded and carried. The Association will try for one month and the General Board will discuss and report to First Quarterly Meeting in January 2002.

NOTE: It was originally reported to the association and recorded in the Annual Session minutes that it was the Salem Association which had come forward with this project. It was corrected at the General Board Meeting. MSC that for lack of information at the General Board Meeting, this item was tabled until further information is received.

Sis. Becky Dixon, new Treasurer, reported that the General Fund has a present balance of \$763.75.

Printing of Association minutes was discussed. The cost for printing the minutes for year 2000 was \$1,113. Moderator said he could get minutes printed for considerably less. A motion was made by Rev. Ronnie Dobbs to let Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Poston have our minutes printed and to get paid for doing it not to exceed existing amount of \$1,113. Bro. Tommy Taylor made the second. The motion was carried.

Bro. Gred Ammons who represented New Hope FWB Church for Rev. Frank Fagan, their General Board Member, needs to get New Hope to send the Association a letter requesting he replaced Rev. Fagan as General Board Member for New Hope Church.

Bro. David Miller reported that Rev. Wayne Parker would be coming off the Youth and Education Board since he is pastoring in another Association. The Youth and Education Board will be presenting a recommendation for a replacement at the First Quarterly Session as part of their report.

Due to the great amount of work required of the Treasurer in keeping up with the funds of the Association including all the different boards and sending out the monthly retirement checks, an increase in the honorarium given to the Treasurer was discussed. Bro. Tommy Taylor made a motion to increase the Treasurer and Clerk honorarium to \$100.00 per year from the present amount of \$75.00 per year. Bro. David Rabon made the second. Motion was carried.

The Moderator asked Board members to encourage our churches to support and participate in our Association and to tell them we are doing a good work as an Association.

Bro. David Miller announced the Winter Youth Retreat on December 28-29 at The Vineyard in Ariton, AL. Rev. David Crowe will be the speaker. Summer camp for juniors will be June 17-21 and senior camp will be June 24-28 at The Vineyard. This was announced by Bro. David Miller.

Bro. David Miller announced a special service Saturday night, December 15 at Harvest FWB Church in Ozark. Six of our young preachers from this Association will be preaching, one right after the other. They are Jason Miller, Jeremiah Overstreet, Kenny Osborn, Andrew Fisher, Jeffrey Pettis, and Greg Dekle. Services will begin at 6:00 PM.

MSC to adjourn.

REV. GLENN POSTON, Moderator / SIS. LORETTA CULPEPPER, Clerk

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Earl Culpepper, Corinth; Rodney Fowler, Cowarts Creek; Rev. Fred Hersey, First FWB Church, Dothan; Rev. Greg

Ramsey, First FWB Church, Enterprise; Rev. Donald Gainey, First FWB Church, Samson; David Miller, Harvest; Greg Ammons, New Hope; Rev. Ronnie Dobbs, Panther Creek; Tommy Taylor, Pine Hills; David Rabon, Springfield; Roy Dixon, Springhill; Rev. Christ Mitchell, Union Springs; Rev. Glenn Poston, Moderator; Sis. Loretta Culpepper, Clerk; Sis. Becky Dixon, Treasurer.

## **PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION 2002**

### **January 12, 2002 – New Hope FWB Church**

The Session opened with congregational singing led by Bro. Van Clements and Sis. Sara Poston at the piano. Songs were "At Calvary," "He Keeps Me Singing," "Peace Like A River," "What A Day That Will Be." Invocation was given by Bro. Stephen Windham and welcome was given by Rev. Frank Fagan. Response was by Bro. Tommy Taylor.

Session was officially opened by Association Clerk, Sis. Loretta Culpepper. Moderator Rev. Glenn Poston recognized the goodly number of young people present. His initial remarks were taken from Ephesians 6:10-17, "The Armor of God." He expressed appreciation to our military and others who defend our country. He said we as Christians have always been at war with Satan and sin. It is important that we have on God's armor. We should not rely on ourselves. He listed the body armor God provides His children – loins gird with truth, breastplate of righteousness, feet shod with gospel of peace, shield of faith, helmet of salvation, and sword of the Spirit. He said the helmet of salvation may be the most important piece of armor as it protects the head. He closed his remarks with prayer.

The Moderator appointed the Credentials Committee. They were Rev. Stephen Windham, chairman, Rev. Barry Long and Bro. Tommie Johnson. He appointed the Finance Committee consisting of Sis. Becky Dixon, chairperson, Sis. Ann Kennedy and Sis. Sherry Reynolds. These two committees were dismissed to perform their duties.

Petitionary letters were called for. There were none. Rev. Wayne Parker, former pastor of Springfield FWB Church, was present from Midway Association in Georgia.

There were 17 ministers, 12 deacons and 15 visitors present.

Scripture reading and prayer were given by Bro. Harvey Windham. He read II Peter 3. In this passage Peter was saying, *"....I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance."*

Credentials Committee reported 20 churches reporting with letters, 19 with delegates, one with no delegate. MSC to accept report and seat the delegates. Roll was called with 42 delegates present.

## **REPORTS OF STANDING BOARDS AND TRUSTEE**

GENERAL BOARD report given by Clerk. (See General Board Minutes in State Line Minutes for year 2002). MSC to accept report.

MISSIONS report was given by Rev. Larry Reynolds. He encouraged churches to support the Acts 1:8 Plan. Our Alabama missionaries have their support ready without having to go out and raise it. He reminded churches to pick up their missions' packets up front. Let Rev. Reynolds know how many will be attending the Banquet from your church. Get with your missionary speaker at the banquet and make sure he knows how to get to your church and any other information he may need. MSC to accept report.

YOUTH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION report was given by Bro. David Miller. MSC to accept report.

MINISTER'S RETIREMENT report was given by Bro. Levy Parramore. MSC to accept report.

ORDAINING COUNCIL report was given by Rev. Lonnie Skiles. The Board recommended the ordination of Rev. Chris Mitchell who is pastoring Union Springs FWB Church. MSC to accept report and that Rev. Mitchell be ordained. The ordination service will be at Rev. Mitchell's church, Union Springs FWB Church, next Sunday, January 20 at 2:00 PM.

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEE report. Rev. Thomas Coxwell was sick and did not attend but the Moderator reported that Rev. Randy Key, Children's Home Director, was supposed to have been present at this meeting but was unable to attend. He will be here at the Second Quarterly meeting in April.

FINANCE COMMITTEE report was given by Sis. Becky Dixon. TREASURER'S report was given by Sis. Becky Dixon. MSC to accept reports.

REGISTRATION report was given by Bro. Jason Miller. MSC to accept report and give host church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality.

STATE LINE DISTRICT WAC report was given by Sis. Terri Martin. MSC to accept report for information.

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### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

The Moderator pointed out that in accordance with Article III, Representation, Section III State Line Association Constitution, delegates to the Association must be sent in on the church letter and cannot be appointed after getting to the Association Meeting.

The Moderator announced Association Minutes will be available at the Missions Banquet on February 2.

The Clerk read letters from New Hope FWB Church requesting their General Board Member be changed from Rev. Frank Fagan to Bro. Greg Ammons, and Eastside FWB Church Board Member be changed from Bro. Junior Ward, who resigned, to Bro. Virgle Hagler. MSC.

Pastors and Workers Conference will be February 11-13 at Eastside FWB Church. A banquet will be at Golden Corral, pay as you go, on February 11 at 5:00 PM. Rev. Tom Malone, Rev. John Gibbs and Dr. Dan Ireland will be speakers. Services will begin at 7:00 PM on Monday night, February 11. Morning services begin at 8:30-9:00 AM Tuesday and Wednesday. There will be two messages each night. Services will be on Wednesday afternoon with a "question and answer" time.

The Moderator urged our churches to support our association and its activities.

A question was asked from the floor why CELF, who has our money market certificate, dropped interest rates from 6% to 5.5%. Sis. Ann Kennedy said she did not know but that CELF sent a letter so stating the change. It is still a better rate than bank rates.

A motion was made by Bro. David Miller, with a second from Rev. Lonnie Skiles, to have a moment of silence in memory of Bro. Braxton Click and to send our morning offering to the Alabama FWB Children's Home in his memory. Bro. Click served as the State Line Trustee to the home for many years. MSC. The moment of silence was observed and Rev. John Edwards led in prayer.

The Moderator reminded us of the Missions Banquet and Conference. Banquet will be Saturday night, February 2, 2002 at 6:00 PM at the Wiregrass Rehabilitation Banquet Room. Rev. Richard Atwood will be speaker.

The Moderator reminded us of the Pastors and Workers Conference February 11-13 at Eastside Church.

Mrs. Poston announced the Master's Men/WNAC Couples Retreat at Pigeon Forge, TN on March 1-2. The Moderator announced the Couples Retreat in Florence, AL on March 1-2 and the State Line Couples Retreat at The Vineyard, Arton, AL on April 6. Let Bro. David Miller know by April 1, if possible, but if you decide later that you can come, just come on. Speakers on April 6 will be Rev. and Mrs. Johnny Sexton.

Next Association meeting will be April 13 at New Harmony FWB Church. New Harmony is located south of Cottonwood.

Union Springs FWB Church will be in revival March 10-14 at 7:00 PM. Speaker will be Rev. Tim Stout.

Rev. Bobby Peters asked we have special prayer for Bro. Bobby Kennedy who is in the hospital and for other sick folks including Rev. Tom Coxwell. He led this prayer and dismissed for recess.

The Association reconvened for worship hour with singing led by Bro. Van Clements and Sis. Sara Poston. Songs were, "*Praise The Name of Jesus*" and "*In The Shadow Of The Cross*." Bro. Van Clements paid tribute to the memory of Bro. Click by saying Bro. Click was such a faithful attendee of the Association. We sang "*Because He Lives*," "*This World Is Not My Home*," "*Where The Soul Never Dies*."

The Moderator asked if anyone had a testimony to share and several did.

Ushers were appointed as follows: Rev. Terry Drinkwater, who prayed the offertory, and Bro. Tommy Taylor. The Moderator reminded us the offering would go to the Children's Home in memory of Bro. Click. Special music was presented by Rev. Frank Fagan. He sang "*Look For Me*." Special music is presented by the host church.

Rev. Chris Mitchell, pastor of Union Springs FWB Church, brought the message. He read II Kings 6:1-6 which is the account of the floating axe head. He entitled his message, "How To Stay On The Cutting Edge."

I. Axe head was not owned by borrowed. The strength we need it not our own but borrowed from God. He read John 15:1-5 about the vine and the branches. He said by God's power we can be what He wants us to be.

II. Axe head not optional but necessary. We are guilty of trying to do spiritual jobs with fleshly means. Teachers, song leaders, special music, and others, let us ask God's anointing upon that which we are going to do. He read II Cor. 10:3-4. He shared some advice that had been given to him as a young preacher boy. It was, "What you win someone with is what you will win them to." Win others with the Word of God!

III. Make sure the axe is secure on the handle. Be sure you don't "fly off the handle." He read Proverbs 18:19, Luke 10:38-42, where Mary was chided by her sister Martha about sitting at Jesus' feet while she prepared for company. He said we should worship at the Lord's feet for a while. He quoted Revelation 2:4 where the Church of Ephesus was told, "I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast lost thy first love." The Word of God is the stick that can raise the axe.

Bro. Van led in a song of invitation, "*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus.*" Rev. Fred Hersey asked the blessing and dismissed in prayer. Meeting Adjourned.

REV. GLENN POSTON, Moderator / SIS. LORETTA CULPEPPER, Clerk  
(Day was overcast, very cool and windy. It rained later in the afternoon.)

## **PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION 2002**

### **April 13, 2002 – New Harmony FWB Church**

The Session opened with prayer by Rev. Bobby Ned Peters. Congregational singing was led by Rev. Lonnie Skiles with Sis. Sara Poston at the piano. Songs were, "*He Hideth My Soul,*" "*Glory To His Name,*" and "*Lead Me To Calvary.*"

Welcome was extended by host church pastor, Rev. Doug Carr. He said this was the first Association meeting at New Harmony since 1964. Response was given by Moderator Glenn Poston. Session was officially opened by the Association Clerk, Sis. Loretta Culpepper.

Initial remarks were made by the Moderator. He read Psalm 85. Emphasis was on verse 6. He said, "We all long to see revival. God is telling us if we do certain things, He will send revival. Five things I believe hinders revival from coming to a church or an individual are: (1) unconfessed sins; (2) unspiritual attitude; (3) uninterested in things of God; (4) unwillingness to work; (5) unconcern for the lost."

Credentials committee was appointed – Bro. Tommy Taylor, Bro. Ricky Cox, and Bro. Howard Temples.

Finance Committee was appointed – Chairperson Sis. Becky Dixon, Sis Sarah Fagan, and Sis. Geraldine Hall.

There were no petitionary letters or delegates from sister associations. Sixteen ministers, 14 deacons and two visitors, Rev. and Mrs. David Isaacs.

Scripture reading and prayer were by Rev. Doug Carr. He read Hebrews 12:1-5. He said, "Our forefathers worked hard to get us where we are today. Let us continue to press on."

Credentials committee report was given by Bro. Tommy Taylor. Twenty churches reported by letter, 19 with delegates, one without delegates. MSC to accept report and seat the delegates. Roll was called and delegates seated.

Rev. Rick Cash, Promotional Director for the Alabama State Association of FWB, attended the meeting. He brought greetings from the promotional office. He said, "Thanks for being allowed to serve as Promotional Director, thanks for supporting Acts 1:8. The Acts 1:8 program received over \$497,000, exceeding the budget by some \$22,000. The excess was divided between home and foreign missions. Thank you for 13 of our State Line churches supporting the Acts 1:8 with gifts of \$35,792.35. Russia has a broad open door for Free Will Baptist Doctrine. Dr. Robert Picirilli wrote a book about Calvinism/Armenianism. Alabama FWB paid for publication and giving of the books to each Russian pastor. Alabama FWB bought kitchen equipment with some of the Acts 1:8 excess. God is making a difference in the world. I am excited about being an Alabama Free Will Baptist." He had handouts at front of church.

Rev. Poston announced the Russian delegation with Rev. Mike Corley would be at First Church, Dothan on May 14 at 7:00 PM. The Association churches are invited.

## **REPORTS OF STANDING BOARDS AND TRUSTEES**

MISSIONS REPORT was given by Bro. Tommy Taylor. He reported a successful missions' banquet with 230 attending. He said we need more money to pay the banquet bills. MSC.

YOUTH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT was given by Bro. David Miller. He said he wanted to talk a moment from his heart. The Couples Retreat had only 8 couples from the State Line Association. He

encouraged the churches to support the Couples Retreat. MSC. The Moderator asked the question, "Do we not have the money to pay for our camp workers?"

MINISTER'S RETIREMENT AND ORDAINING COUNCIL had no report.

CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT – A report was given as information by Rev. Rick Cash. He reported that things are going well at the Alabama FWB Children's Home. Next Saturday, April 20, will be a dedication service at the home with lunch to follow. Everyone was invited to attend. MSC to accept report as information.

FINANCE COMMITTEE AND TREASURER'S REPORT was given by Sis. Becky Dixon. MSC to accept.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT was given by Sis. Linda Miller. MSC.

WAC REPORT was given by Sis. Rhetta Butler. WAC members are excited about our organization. She announced the State Women Active for Christ Annual meeting will be May 4 at First FWB Church, Vernon, AL. Rev. Randy Key, Director of the Alabama FWB Children's Home, will be the speaker. Sis. Sherry Reynolds had prepared a map and information sheet for interested persons. Sis. Rhetta reported on a good WAC District meeting on March 2. Rev. Randy Key was speaker and he was given over \$900.00 to their account and a generous love offering plus a van load of paper towels, detergents, cleaning supplies, etc.

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Rev. Rick Cash said in 2006, Alabama will host the National Association of FWB. We will be expected to pay \$30,000. He proposed each church in the state pay \$45.00 per year for the next four years and that will about take care of it.

Rev. Lonnie Skiles made a move that the by-laws stipulate what the requirements are for a minister to be eligible to receive a card of good standing from the State Line Association each year. A second was received. Discussion followed. Rev. Poston said other associations he had been a part of had such standards. Sis. Rhetta Butler referred to pages 54-55 of the State Line Association Minutes 2001 Minutes. Someone suggested a written report be required from each minister, an evaluation at the end of each year. A move was made by Rev. James Osborn to refer the matter to the Ordaining

Council and that they meet and look into recommendations. Rev. Skiles withdrew his motion. Rev. Osborn's motion was seconded and so carried.

Bro. Ricky Cox made a motion to pay for the camp workers who attend camp. A second was made and the floor was opened for discussion. Bro. Tommy Taylor said we would have to make sure the Youth and Education Board had the money. The present cost is \$98.00 per person. The attendee has to pay \$75.00 and the Board pays the remaining \$23.00 was pointed out by Rev. Chris Mitchell. The question was asked does this not go back to the Board? The Moderator recommends that it does. Bro. David Miller said it was the intent of the camp that anyone who wanted to attend camp be able to do so and if anyone knows of a worker who wants to go and is unable to pay, to let him know. They will try to work with them. It was recommended the churches pay their workers way. Bro. Cox withdrew his motion.

Meeting adjourned for recess with prayer.

THE WORSHIP HOUR began with congregational singing led by Rev. Skiles and playing by Sis. Poston. Songs were "*He Keeps Me Singing*," "*Onward Christian Soldiers*," and "*Trust and Obey*." Opening prayer was led by Rev. David Isaacs from Niceville, FL.

Rev. Poston said he wanted to recognize some people. He asked Rev. Greg Ramsey, pastor of First FWB Church, Enterprise, to come forward. He commended Rev. Ramsey for the way he has blessed our Association and First Church, Enterprise. Rev. Ramsey is in need of a hip replacement. He has no health insurance. Rev. Poston encouraged all the churches to help him. Rev. Greg said the Enterprise church is doing well. God has provided. They are near to being financially able to go full time. The doctor wants him to live with his hip problems as long as he can due to his age. They don't like to do hip replacements on younger people. Rev. Greg thanked everyone for the outpouring love and appreciation to him and his family.

Rev. Poston recognized Rev. James and Sister Carmen Osborn for their years of faithfully pasturing in the State Line Association and faithful service to the Lord. This will be their last weekend serving at Howard Grove. They are leaving us today to go over to Moultrie, GA. They have felt the need to step down from full time service. He said to Rev. Greg Ramsey, "This is the best place to be when you are in need. This Association has been a blessing. Two words are hard to express and that is 'love' and 'thank you'."

All ministers and deacons came up to the front of the church and laid hands on Bro. Osborn. Prayer for Bro. and Sis. Osborn for his health, relocation, guidance and strength was led by Rev. Bobby Peters.

Rev. Skiles praised God for his blessings of health and urged us to be in prayer for these two preachers. He shared how God had miraculously healed his wife. Rev. Fagan shared that his wife, Sis. Sarah Fagan, has an inoperable brain tumor which causes her to have seizures which sometimes come frequently. Rev. Carr shared how his grandson had a similar brain tumor and God healed him. Sis. Glenda Johnson praised God for preachers and said that God is faithful to supply all the needs of His preachers. A great spirit covered the congregation.

The Moderator appointed Bro. Tommy Taylor and Bro. Lewis Mallory to receive the offering. Bro. Lewis Mallory prayed the offertory prayer.

A motion was made by Bro. Tommy Taylor to designate the morning offering to be equally divided between Rev. Osborn and Rev. Greg Ramsey. Rev. Osborn said he deferred his part to Rev. Ramsey because the Association had done so much for him over the years of his illness. Bro. Taylor said his motion stood as he had me it but Rev. Osborn could do his wishes about deferring it to Rev. Ramsey. MSC.

Rev. Donald Gainey, our morning speaker from First Church, Samson, said, "I don't know when I have been in a service like this." He read Romans 8:31-39. Special attention was given to verse 37, "*we are more than conquerors.*" He likened this to a boxer who gets in the ring and takes the blows. He is victorious and receives the prize money. His wife is safe at home. He takes the money home and she helps spend the prize money. That is what Christ did for us. He suffered and died for us but we get to enjoy the blessings which He paid for. Christ doesn't just love us in this world; He takes us to His home. The blood that was shed on Calvary is the most important thing we can talk about. He challenged us to go home and share Christ. He closed in prayer.

Rev. Skiles led us in a song of invitation, "*Whiter Than Snow.*"

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AS FOLLOWS:

Goodwater FWB Church will have a revival May 1-5 with Rev. Glenn Poston, Evangelist.

Magnolia FWB Church will have a revival May 5-8 with Rev. Barry Long, Evangelist.

Lunch instructions were given and prayer of blessing on the food and the benediction was given by Rev. Doug Carr.

Meeting adjourned.

REV. GLENN POSTON, Moderator / SIS. LORETTA CULPEPPER, Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION 2002**  
**June 29, 2002 – Pine Hills FWB Church**

The Third Quarterly Session of the State Line Association of FWB was opened by prayer led by Rev. Fred Hersey. Congregational singing was led by Bro. Van Clements. Sis. Sara Poston was pianist. Songs were, *"I Will Sing Of The Mercies Of The Lord," "Living By Faith," "My Hope Is Built," "His Grace Is Sufficient," "Stepping In The Light,"* and *"He Leadeth Me."*

Welcome was given by host pastor, Rev. John Taylor. Response was given by Bro. Van Clements from First Church, Dothan.

Association Clerk officially opened the meeting.

Opening remarks were made by Moderator Glenn Poston. He read Zechariah 3:1-3. He said, "On the brink of this Independence Day 2002, I am proud to be an American. We must acknowledge though that we are a corrupt and vile people. America needs to turn back to God." John and Ben Lunsford, sons of Rev. Jeff and Sis. Melissa Lunsford, missionaries to Mongolia, held the Christian and American flags for our pledges.

Credentials committee was appointed by the Moderator. They are Rev. Frank Fagan, Rev. Doug Carr, and Rev. Ricky Carroll.

Finance committee was appointed by the Moderator. They are Sis. Becky Dixon, Chairperson, Rev. Rodney Brazil, Bro. Bobby Kennedy, and Rev. Bobby Peters.

There were no petitionary letters. Rev. John Edwards represented Southeastern Association. There were 19 ministers, 17 deacons, 60 delegates, 38 visitors recognized for a total of 134 present.

Scripture reading was given by Bro. Brent McKee and prayer by Rev. John Taylor from the host church. Bro. McKee read I Cor. 15:56-58. He said he was saved about a year ago and that he wants to shout every time he reads or hears these verses.

Credentials committee report was given by Rev. Doug Carr. They reported 20 churches sending in reports with 19 reporting delegates. MSC to accept report and seat the delegates. Roll was called.

The Moderator appointed the following committees to report to the annual meeting October 12, 2002:

## APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR ANNUAL SESSION

Auxiliaries .....	Clerk
Obituary .....	Pine Hills
Placement .....	First Church, Dothan
Registration .....	Goodwater
Suggestions .....	Eastside
Temperance .....	Harvest
Nominating Committee.....	Rev. Doug Carr, Chairman
	Rev. John Taylor, Member
	Rev. Greg Ramsey, Member

Rev. and Mrs. Jeff Lunsford and family, missionaries to Mongolia, and Rev. Randy Key, Director of Alabama FWB Children's Home, were recognized as visitors, and Bro. Keith Kenemer, as the new Christian Education Director at First FWB Church, Dothan was introduced. Rev. Poston announced the Lunsford's would be present at First Church, Dothan on June 30 evening service.

## REPORTS OF STANDING BOARDS AND TRUSTEE

MISSIONS REPORT – Rev. Larry Reynolds said they had no report.

YOUTH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT was given by Bro. David Miller. He reported two wonderful weeks of camp. Several testimonies were given. One lady said, "There is no greater honor that could be given a Christian than to serve as a worker at youth camp." Bro. David said 12 churches sent young people to camp. During Junior Camp, one young man answered the call to preach and 16 accepted Jesus as their Savior. During Teen Week, five young men answered the call to preach, three answered the call to be missionaries and five accepted Jesus as their Savior. A total attendance of 170. Bro. David asked Rev. Bobby Peters to pray a prayer of dedication for those young men who answered the call to preach and be missionaries. In his prayer, Bro. Peters prayed the churches these young men belong to that they would guide them, guard them, and be an example to them. MSC to accept report.

MINISTER'S RETIREMENT REPORT was given by Rev. John Taylor. The report said we are paying out more than is coming into the account. Only five churches are giving designated gifts to the retirement account. They challenged other churches to give more. MSC to accept.

ORDAINING COUNCIL REPORT was given by Rev. Lonnie Skiles. MSC to accept report. MSC by standing vote to accept the recommended "Stipulations For Receiving A Card of Good Standing In The State Line Association." (See Ordaining Council report for requirements.)

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEE REPORT was given by Rev. Thomas Coxwell. Bro. Tom said he was unable to attend the last two meetings of the Children's Home due to illness. He said we should be proud of our Children's Home. He submitted his resignation. MSC to accept report but would deal with his resignation during the miscellaneous business session.

FINANCE COMMITTEE AND TREASURER'S REPORTS were given. MSC to accept.

REGISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT was given by Harvest FWB Church by Rev. Bobby Peters. There were a total of 134 present.

DISTRICT WNAC REPORT was given by Sis. Rhetta Butler and Sis. Annette Tomlinson. Rhetta announced the Provision Closet Shower in October at Corinth FWB Church. Annette Tomlinson announced the Missionary Cook-out for August 17, at Goodwater FWB Church at 5:30 PM. She challenged the pastors to BE THERE, BRING ALL YOUR MEMBERS, BRING YOUR MONEY. The goal is 100 present with a \$1,000.00 offering. Let Goodwater know by Sunday or Monday before cookout. MSC to accept as information.

A brief intermission was called by the Moderator and Bro. Van led in singing "*God Is So Good.*" A brief time of fellowship followed.

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Rev. Randy Key reported on the FWB Children's Home. He said in making nomination for a Children's Home Trustee not to forget the ladies. There is one now on the board who is doing a great job. He thanked us for our support. He said the building program is now complete. He said \$750-\$780 thousand dollars was spent on this building program, and PRAISE THE LORD, all of it is paid for. He said the 200 acres of land belonging to the Children's Home known as "The Hill" is going to be developed into a hunting, fishing, and other recreation area for kids at the home and also he invited the churches to bring their kids for an overnight trip. There will be cabins but no electricity or water. It won't be a "Holiday Inn."

Sis. Sarah Hannah from First Church, Enterprise announced the making of an Association Cookbook. Proceeds would be used as 75% to help retire First Church, Enterprise's mortgage, 25% to Acts 1:8. She encouraged all who would to send in recipes by July 15. Rev. Rick Cash is planning to carry the books on his trips around Alabama to help sell them. The book will sell for \$10.00 each.

Rev. Rodney Brazil, Youth Pastor at Eastside, said they were looking into starting a home school program at Eastside to help young people in the Dothan area. If interested, please contact Rev. Brazil or Rev. Larry Reynolds.

A motion was made by Bro. David Miller for Rev. Rodney Brazil to fill the unexpired term on the Youth and Christian Education Board left vacant by Rev. Wayne Parker who is now pastoring in another association. A second received and the motion was carried.

Rev. Thomas Coxwell nominated Rev. Doug Carr to fill his unexpired term as Children's Home Trustee. No further nominations were received. Rev. Carr was voted in by the voting delegates.

Rev. Jeff Lunsford, missionary to Mongolia, gave a brief report. He said, "Pictures are worth a thousand words. Here are some pictures." He said they are about to get back into the swing of Western Civilization and culture. He said they were not allowed to go back to the same area last year. They stayed in the capitol city of Mongolia and attended the "Mother church" of the one they attended their first tour. This "Mother Church" has started 27 mission churches in Mongolia. This church decided they needed a Bible College so Bro. Jeff and Sis. Melissa will teach there but it is a secret. This church has been in existence about ten years. Bro. Jeff challenged our 20 churches to establish one mission church. They will not be getting more language study when they return. They will teach English in the University. He thanked the Association for their support of them and the Acts 1:8 plan. He said that it was an honor to represent us over in Mongolia. Email them or keep in touch. He said, "Send three or four of the youth from the Association to spend the summer with them in Mongolia." One of the mission churches in Mongolia baptized 44 people on one Sunday.

Bro. Gary Coxwell has answered the call to preach the gospel. Bro. Bobby Burkett testified to the love of God in his life and encouraged churches to visit the lost.

Bro. Tommy Johnson made a move to dedicate our services to those of our country who have gone on before us and made the supreme sacrifice and those who have been POW's and MIA's. MSC.

Bro. Taylor testified about his niece who went to youth camp. There are so many children who don't know the Lord. We must tell them. A child can make a world of difference. He challenged us to send those that aren't our children to camp. The illustration of "Trot Line Fishing" was given. A trot line has more than one hook on the line.

Bro. Keith Kenemer, Director of Christian Education at First Church Dothan

said a Christian is in the Army also. The enemy we face will damn us for eternity. We must train our people. Greatest tool we have to train our people is Sunday School. Ephesians 4:11-12 – “*grow in full measure.*”

The death of former President and founder of Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, TN, Dr. L.C. Johnson was announced. He served 39 years. He was 88 years old. His funeral will be tomorrow, June 30. Please pray for his family. Ricky Cox led in prayer.

MSC to adjourn business session. The Moderator said we had good reports and a good business session. We were dismissed for recess with prayer.

Worship hour began with Bro. Van leading singing and Sis. Poston at the piano. Songs were, “*Burdens Are Lifted At Calvary,*” “*Sweet Hour of Prayer,*” “*Amazing Grace,*” and “*The Battle Hymn of The Republic.*”

Rev. John Taylor and Bro. Tommy Taylor were appointed as ushers to receive the morning offering. Rev. John Taylor gave the offertory prayer.

A motion was made by Bro. Tommy Taylor to designate offering to go as a love offering to the Jeff Lunsford family. Rev. Jeff Lunsford made an amendment to the motion that the money be used to establish a fund to send some kids as summer missionaries to Mongolia next summer. MSC,

Special music was song by Bro. Tommy Taylor. He sang, “*Just Suppose.*”

Rev. Barry Long said this was certain to leave imprints on our hearts. Many challenges issued today. It is our duty and obligation to see that our young people are afforded an opportunity to attend camp. He sang a song, “*Father These Were With Me, They Are Part of The Family.*” Rev. Barry Long announced he had resigned at Springhill FWB Church.

Rev. Long’s message was from Psalms 91 and the topic was “Security of God’s House.” He said, “Forsake not the assembling of ourselves together.” The House of God is: 1) A place of refuge. ‘He that dwelleth in the secret place.’ 2) A place of rejuvenation. Older people sometimes want to ‘sit back and let the younger folks do it.’ If we don’t serve God with the same intensity we did when we were saved, we need to be rejuvenated. 3) A place of restoration. We are not going to heaven on mama/daddy, grandma/grandpa’s coattail. He closed with an altar call.

Lunch instructions were given by host church and prayer of blessing on the food and the benediction was prayed by Rev. Larry Reynolds. There was a really good spirit in the services today.

REV. GLENN POSTON, Moderator / SIS. LORETTA CULPEPPER, Clerk  
Weather Report: Beautiful warm day.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION 2002  
Of The State Line Association  
October 12, 2002 – Union Hill FWB Church**

The 117<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the State Line Association of FWB was opened with congregational singing led by Bro. Van Clements with Sis. June Hersey at the piano. We sang, *"Praise The Name of the Lord," "Little Is Much When God Is In It," "Where He Leads, I'll Follow."*

Invocation was given by Rev. Doug Carr. Welcome was by Bro. Jimmy Smith and response by Bro. Bobby Kennedy.

The Association Clerk officially opened the session.

Rev. Fred Hersey served as Moderator in the absence of both Moderator and Assistant Moderator. He was appointed by Rev. Glenn Poston, Moderator.

In Rev. Hersey's opening remarks, he read Luke 10:40-42. He said we should keep our eyes focused on Jesus. The Lord wants all of our time. He closed his remarks with prayer.

Credentials committee was appointed as follows: Rev. Ricky Carroll, Bro. David Rabon, and Rev. James Deese.

Finance committee was appointed as follows: Sis. Rhetta Butler and Sis. Ann Kennedy to serve with Treasurer, Sis. Becky Dixon.

There were no petitionary letters. Sis. Pam Pettis was present from the Southeastern Association. There were 16 ministers and 17 deacons. Rev. Matt Pinson, Free Will Baptist Bible College President, and Rev. Duane Peyett, new pastor of Springhill FWB Church were recognized.

Scripture reading and prayer were delivered by Bro. Jimmy Smith from the host church. He read I John 3:1 and remarked, "Today, more than ever before, Christians are hated and persecuted."

While waiting for the Credentials committee to complete their report, Rev. Matt Pinson gave a report from the Free Will Baptist Bible College. His report included the following points:

1. All is Bible based.
2. Main purpose is equipping men and women to serve God and find God's Will for their lives.
3. The Bible College is a "Christian Community" – a place of faith and learning.

4. The college is fully accredited. Credits may be transferred to any school.
5. Provide pastors for churches.
6. Expanding to secular degrees other than pastoral/missions, equipping men and women for service in any field.

He said we could help the college by: (1) Praying; (2) Sending students; (3) Giving financially.

Credentials committee report was given by Rev. Ricky Carroll. Twenty churches reported – 18 with delegates, 2 without delegates. MSC to accept report and seat the delegates. The roll was called.

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEES FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION**

AUXILIARIES report was given by Association Clerk. MSC.

OBITUARY report was given by Bro. Tommy Taylor for Pine Hills, MSC.

PLACEMENT report was given by Rev. Fred Hersey for First Church, Dothan. MSC.

REGISTRATION Committee for 2003 is Goodwater FWB Church. MSC.

SUGGESTIONS Committee report was given by Rev. Rodney Brazil for Eastside. MSC.

TEMPERANCE Committee report was given by Sis. Annette Tomlinson for Harvest. MSC.

NOMINATING Committee report was given by Rev. Doug Carr. Serving with him was Rev. John Taylor and Rev. Greg Ramsey.

MSC to accept this report and elect slate of officers submitted by this committee.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING BOARDS AND TRUSTEE**

MISSIONS BOARD report was given by Bro. Tommy Taylor. He extended greetings from the Lunsford's in Mongolia.

YOUTH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD report was given by Rev. Rodney Brazil. MSC.

MINISTER'S RETIREMENT BOARD report - No report.

ORDAINING COUNCIL report was given by Rev. Thomas Coxwell. He said Chris Mitchell had submitted his Ordination Certificate to the Ordaining Council. He asked for questions. There were none asked. MSC.

CHILDREN'S HOME report was given by Rev. Doug Carr. He said they

visited the home and enjoyed it very much. Rev. & Mrs. Roger Bennett are at the home as houseparents and maintenance. He challenged all the churches to visit the home. MSC.

FINANCE COMMITTEE AND TREASURER'S report was given by Sis. Becky Dixon. A question was asked if any of the regular Association money went to the Minister's Retirement. The answer was 29%. MSC.

REGISTRATION Committee report was given by Harvest Church with Sis. Annette Tomlinson giving the report. MSC to accept report and give the host church a rising vote of thanks.

DISTRICT Women Active for Christ (WAC) report was given by Sis. Sherry Reynolds. MSC to accept as information.

#### APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION

Heyward Butler	June Hersey
Rhetta Butler	Mark Kelly
Priscilla Clark	Ann Kennedy
Gary Coxwell	Zelmodean Mallory
Terry Coxwell	Mary Smith
Loretta Culpepper	Kirk Spinard
Randy Dean	Shirly Sullivant
Pam Dean	Tommy Taylor
Geraldine Hall	Betty Temple
Don Hartzog	Annette Tomlinson

ALTERNATES: Gladys Hagler and Maude Fowler

No delegates were appointed to sister associations, but Sis. Pam Pettis invited everyone to the Southeastern Association to be held October 19.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

MSC to give today's offering to the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Rev. Greg Ramsey announced he had cookbooks with him and ones for each church contact person to carry to their church.

Rev. Peyett announced revival at Springhill Church.

After being dismissed for a brief recess, the meeting resumed with congregational singing led by Bro. Clements and Sis. Hersey at the piano. Songs were, "*Stepping In The Light*" and "*Til The Storm Passes By.*"

Ushers appointed were Bro. Tommy Taylor, Rev. Larry Reynolds, Bro. Ricky Cox and Bro. Kirk Spinard.

Union Hill furnished special music. She sang, "*I Can Touch Him Now,*" and "*Would You Still Be Here If Jesus Came Back Five Minutes Ago?*" Rev. Duane Peyett said he felt led to sing a song. He sang, "*I've Got So Much To Thank Him For.*"

Rev. Matt Pinson, President of Free Will Baptist Bible College, brought the morning message. His scripture text was from Ecclesiastes 1 and 2. The message title was, "The Meaninglessness of Life Without God." Four ways Solomon looked and searched for meaning in life:

1. Knowledge – Ecc. 1:12-18
2. Pleasure – Ecc. 2:1-3 – God does not always want us to leave church feeling pleasureable. Sometimes He wants us to feel guilty. Christ does not want us to be "cool."
3. Wealth – Ecc. 2:4-11
4. Work – Ecc. 2:17-23 – Lots of us are workaholics.

All these things left Solomon empty – All is vanity he said. We have the answer to true meaning in life through Jesus Christ our Lord - Ecc. 2:24-26. When God becomes the reference point in our life, He gives us good gifts.

Meeting was dismissed and blessing asked on the lunch.

Meeting adjourned.

REV. FRED HERSEY, Acting Moderator / SIS. LORETTA CULPEPPER,  
Clerk

WEATHER REPORT: Weather was cloudy and rainy.

**THE FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF  
STATE LINE WOMEN NATIONALLY ACTIVE FOR CHRIST  
Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church  
March 2, 2002**

The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the State Line Women Nationally Active for Christ met Saturday, March 2, 2002, at Union Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Slocumb, AL.

The theme for 2002 is "For Such A Time A This" – Esther 4:14. *"For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this."*

The convention began with singing "This Is The Day" led by Cynthia Knowles. Rita Sullivan was the pianist for the day. The group then sang another song, "I'm So Glad."

President Rhetta Butler read from scripture Psalm 46:1-3 and 90:1-12. She then prayed the opening prayer. Following the prayer she called the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention to order.

The WELCOME was given by Betty Morris from the host church. Lee Taylor from Pine Hills Church gave the Response.

The following committees were appointed:

Credentials: Terri Martin, Chairperson, Sondra Skiles, Janice McKee

Finance: Annette Tomlinson, Chairperson, Jackie Peters, Loretta Culpepper

Nominations: Martha Clements, Chairperson, Barbara Taylor, Niria Ammons

Resolutions: Ann Kennedy, Chairperson, Debbie Jones, Shirley Sullivan

Registration: Host Church

Special music was by Amy Porter. She sang, "A Miracle In Me."

**COMMITTEE AND CHAIRMEN REPORTS:**

Credentials: We the credentials committee find the following WNAC groups reporting with dues and membership: Corinth, Lydia Day-Dothan, Lydia Night-Dothan, Eastside, Faithful, Goodwater, Harvest, New Hope, Pine Hills, Shiloh, Union Hill. Total membership of 117. A move was made by the District Recording Secretary Emma Jean Mallory to seat the delegates.

Terri Martin, Chairperson, Sondra Skiles, Janice McKee

MSC

### NOMINATIONS:

We the nominating committee recommend the following to be our officers for 2003-2003:

Coordinator – Sherry Reynolds  
Assistant Coordinator – Rhetta Butler  
Secretary – Emma Jean Mallory  
Treasurer – Annette Tomlinson  
Mission/Service Chairperson – Cynthia Knowles  
Prayer Chairperson – Niria Ammons  
Study Chairperson – Betty Coxwell  
Historian – Terri Martin  
Fieldworkers – Martha Clements and Jennifer Miller  
Martha Clements, Chairperson, Barbara Taylor, Niria Ammons MSC

### RESOLUTIONS:

We the resolutions committee make the following report:

1. We give special thanks to our speaker Bro. Randy Key for his willingness to come and take part of our program.
2. We thank all those on our program for their faithfulness to perform their duties for making this a special day for our district.
3. We encourage each local group to remember the 2006 project by sending their \$100.00 for this year to the State WNAC if it has not already been done.
4. We suggest that next year we bring salads and sandwiches for our lunch rather than the usual covered dish, with the host WNAC group serving soup.
5. We thank Union Hill for their warm welcome and hospitality and give them a rising vote of thanks.

Ann Kennedy, Chairperson, Debbie Jones, Shirley Sullivan, MSC

### CHAIRPERSON REPORTS

MISSIONS: No Report

### PRAYER CHAIRPERSON:

Prayer Fellowship	30
Family Devotions	18
Pre-Easter Week of Prayer	64
Pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer	64
State Home Missions Week of Prayer	14
National Association Day of Prayer & Fasting	20
World Day of Prayer	20
<u>Prayer studies:</u>	
Number	8
Average Attendance	25

Prayer Reminders – Prepared	82
Prayer Retreats – Planned: 1	Attendance: 2
Concerts of Prayer – Planned: 0	Attendance: 0
Starla Parker, Chairperson	MSC

#### SERVICE CHAIRPERSON

Missionary Kids	\$ 435.00	
Summer Mission Cookout	\$ 900.00	
Annual Provision Closet	<u>\$ 535.00</u>	
TOTAL	\$1,870.00	
Cynthia Knowles, Chairperson		MSC

#### STUDY CHAIRPERSON

A District WNAC workshop was held August 18, 2001, 9:00 AM to noon, at Pine Hills FWB Church, Dothan. The purpose of the workshop was to give the local officers a better understanding of their positions as stated in the WNAC Manual. District officers were enlisted to teach their positions to the local officers. Twenty-six members attended. The Pine Hills' ladies served as hostesses and provided coffee, cokes, fruit and pastries that were enjoyed by all.

Betty Coxwell, Chairperson MSC

#### FIELDWORKERS:

On August 28, 1002, a workshop was held at Pine Hills FWB Church, Dothan, AL. During this workshop each individual district officer was asked to discuss their office. During the time allotted for the Fieldworker, it was stressed for each WNAC group to utilize the district Fieldworker. The Fieldworker is not just for starting new WNAC groups but for all kinds of activities. She is to help with District, State and National projects that might be coming up in the future as well as assisting all the other district officers with projects or meeting that they might have. State Line WNAC has an advantage over other associations because we have two Fieldworkers at your convenience who are both willing and able to assist any WNAC need that you may have. Currently one of the projects that is taking place in the WNAC is the start of an actionnets at the Harvest FWB Church in Ozark. Currently the girls call their group "Point of Praise" and have eight members. They have been involved in the community and have been established for three months. The key to WNAC survival is our young women. We urge you as a WNAC to encourage all the young ladies in your church to attend your meetings. If you do not have a program in your meeting that will attract younger ladies, start one. If you need assistance, call on your Fieldworkers.

Martha Clements, Chairperson & Jennifer Miller MSC

HISTORIAN: No Report

### REGISTRATION:

Members	47
Visitors	<u>9</u>
TOTAL	56

Sherl Bolin and Betty Morris

MSC

### DELEGATES TO STATE MEETING:

Emma Jean Mallory, Ann Kennedy, Rhett Butler, Terri Martin, Robin Creel, Qvanna Love, Patsy Andrews, Martha Clements, Renee Nance, Jackie Peters, Robin McLaney, Helga McKee, Betty Morris, Debbie Jones, Ashley Brazil, Annette Tomlinson, Janie McKee, Angela Mefford, Annie Nelson, Jennifer Miller.

Rhett Butler read a thank you note from the family of Mrs. Annie Stevens. Jackie Peters led in prayer for the family. Rhett Butler presented certificates and gifts to the officers. Annette Tomlinson presented Rhett Butler a plaque for her years of service to the District WNAC.

Rev. Randy Key shared information about the children's home. Main goal of the children's home is to help each child to have self-esteem and give them an opportunity for salvation. The home has a staff of 12 with 26 children. The home began in 1895.

The morning worship began with singing "*To God Be The Glory*" and "*Send The Light*." Ashley Brazil led in prayer. The morning offering was received by Amy Porter and Shedora Nelson. Zelmolean Mallory led in prayer.

### FINANCE:

#### RECEIPTS

Balance from Treasury	\$ 158.30
Dues (117 members @ \$11.50 per member)	\$1,345.50
Faith Project Money	\$ 917.94
Food - State	\$ 110.00
Love Offering	\$ 341.00
Minutes - National	\$ 11.00
National - Birmingham (2006)	\$ 325.00
Postage	\$ 11.00
Scrapbook	\$ 95.00
Shirley Kennedy Memorial Offering	<u>\$ 410.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS TO ACCOUNT FOR	\$3,724.74

#### RECOMMENDED DISBURSEMENTS

Food - State	\$ 110.00
Gift to speaker	\$ 917.94
Love Offering	\$ 341.00

Minutes – National	\$ 11.00
Minutes – State Line Assoc.	\$ 30.00
National – Birmingham (2006)	\$ 325.00
Postage	\$ 11.00
Scrapbook	\$ 95.00
Shirley Kennedy Memorial Offering	\$ 410.00
State & National Dues (117 members @ \$11.00 per member)	\$ 1,287.00
Treasury	<u>\$ 58.50</u>
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 3,596.44</b>

Annette Tomlinson, Chairperson, Jackie Peters, Loretta Culpepper MSC

Annette Tomlinson presented Rev. and Mrs. Randy Key with a check for \$917.94 for the children's home and also a love offering to Rev. and MRs. Key for \$341.00

Melissa Sims sang a special *"Talk To The Father."*

Using the theme text Esther 4:14, Bro. Key gave us four points to endure in times such as this:

- 1) Courage 2) Conviction 3) Commitment 4) Consecrated

Martha Clements installed the officers using the theme "Jewels" with scripture verses from Matthew 3:17 and Proverbs 20:15. Ann Kennedy led in a prayer of dedication.

Rhetta Butler dismissed the 2002 convention in prayer. A delicious covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by all.

Rhetta Butler, President

Emma Jean Mallory, Secretary

(The morning began with rain – by noon there was sunshine).

#### AUXILIARIES COMMITTEE REPORT:

We, the Auxiliaries Committee, make the following report:

Classification	# of Churches	Membership (Current)	Membership History*			
			2001	2000	1999	1998
Churches Reporting	20	2661	2631	2677	2544	2551
Sunday Schools	20	696	895	915	959	813
Church Training Service	7	185	206	208	187	193
WNAC's	10	133	135	170	87	92
Master's Men	2	35	31	28	8	6

Loretta Culpepper, Clerk, Auxiliaries Committee

\*Membership History shown for comparison.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Slate of Officers    October 12, 2002**

We, the Nominating Committee, make the following report:

<b><u>OFFICER</u></b>	<b><u>NAME PRESENTLY</u></b>	<b><u>NOMINATION</u></b>
Moderator	Rev. Glenn Poston	Rev. Fred Hersey
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Lonnie Skiles	Rev. Greg Ramsey
Clerk	Sis. Loretta Culpepper	Sis. Loretta Culpepper
Assistant Clerk	Sis. Gladys Hagler	Sis. Gladys Hagler
Treasurer	Sis. Becky Dixon	Sis. Becky Dixon
Song Leader	Bro. Van Clements	Bro. Van Clements
Pianist	Sis. Sara Poston	Sis. Sara Poston

<b><u>BOARDS</u></b>	<b><u>NAME PRESENTLY</u></b>	<b><u>NOMINATION</u></b>	<b><u>ENDS</u></b>
Missions Board	Rev. Larry Reynolds	Bro. Earl Culpepper	2005
Ordaining Council	Rev. John Edwards	Rev. John Edwards	2007
Minister's Retirement	Bro. David Rabon	Bro. David Rabon	2005
Youth & Education	Rev. Wayne Parker	Rev. Rodney Brazil	2007
Children's Home	Rev. Thomas Coxwell	Rev. Doug Carr	

**GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS** – These are turned in on the church letters and attached on a separate list. List is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Doug Carr, Chairman, Rev. John Taylor, Rev. Greg Ramsey

**GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS – ANNUAL SESSION****OCTOBER 12, 2002**

<b><u>CHURCH</u></b>	<b><u>GENERAL BOARD MEMBER</u></b>
Antioch	None (Not able to attend meetings)
Corinth	Bro. Earl Culpepper
Cowarts Creek	Bro. Rodney Fowler
Eastside	Bro. Virgle Hagler
First, Dothan	Rev. Fred Hersey
First, Enterprise	Rev. Greg Ramsey
First, Samson	Bro. Janateoies Paul
Goodwater	Rev. Lonnie Skiles
Harvest	Bro. David Miller
Howard Grove	Rev. Mark Kelly
Magnolia	Bro. Levy Parramore
New Harmony	Bro. Thomas E. Johnson
New Hope	Bro. Harvey Windham
Panther Creek	Rev. Ronnie Dobbs
Pine Hills	Bro. Tommy Taylor
Shiloh	Rev. Thomas Coxwell
Springfield	Bro. David Rabon
Springhill	Bro. Roy Dixon
Union Hill	Bro. Sam Morris
Union Springs	Bro. Jerry Dixon

## **OBITUARY**

We, the Obituary Committee, make the following report: There were 31 deceased members for the period September 1, 2001 to August 31, 2002.

Antioch	-0-
Corinth	Mrs. Minnie Jackson
Cowarts Creek	Shelly Fowler; Romell Elmore; R.L. Tice
Eastside	Sid David Lynn, William M. Woodham, Dollie Inez Chappell, Tulles Mixon, Aliene Brown, Jefferson Junior Cook
First, Dothan	Betty Thomas
First, Enterprise	-0-
First, Samson	Mary Burkett; Jewell Hughes
Goodwater	Quyeda Draughon
Harvest	-0-
Howard Grove	Rex Womack; Sara Nell Barber; Flossie Bowen; William Monday
Magnolia	Harland M. Kimler; Mary Edna Estes; Otho Dykes, Toy Andrews; Charlie Segars
New Harmony	-0-
New Hope	Mrs. Annie Stevens; J.W. Smith; Ethel Harris
Panther Creek	Mrs. Ethel Vann
Pine Hills	Mrs. Betty Dove
Shiloh	-0-
Springfield	-0-
Springhill	-0-
Union Hill	Mrs. Lola Holland
Union Springs	Mrs. Mary Thorne Lowe; Mrs. Eunice Burnett
Psalms 116:15 – <i>"Precious in the lives of the Lord is the death of His saints."</i> A moment of silence in memory of the deceased was observed.	
Bro. Tommy Taylor led in prayer.	
Respectfully submitted, Tommy Taylor, Pine Hills FWB Church,	

## **PLACEMENT COMMITTEE**

We, the Placement Committee, make the following report:

### **FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:**

Location: Shiloh FWB Church

Date: January 11, 2003

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Mark Kelly

### **SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:**

Location: Cowarts Creek FWB Church

Date: April 12, 2003

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Duane Peyatt

### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

Location: First FWB Church, Enterprise

Date: June 28, 2003

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Terry Drinkwater

### ANNUAL SESSION:

Location: First FWB Church, Dothan

Date: October 11, 2003

Scripture Reading & Prayer: Host Church

Speaker: Rev. Fred Jones or Rev. Wayne Wilson

(Speakers were not submitted on report but were added)

Respectfully submitted, First FWB Church, Dothan

MSC

### TEMPERANCE REPORT

We, the Temperance Committee, make the following report:

Thanks be unto GOD the FATHER, His SON and our SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, the powerful HOLY SPIRIT that dwells within every Christian and the written WORD of GOD that we may follow.

In our society where very wicked devise of mankind is to be tolerated, overlooked and not condemned, the pressures of compromise overpowering, the necessity of personal temperance in every aspect of life must be practiced if our doctrines are to be preserved. The generations to come will not know of fundamental Christianity if we fail in our practice of TEMPERANCE IN ALL THINGS.

*TITUS 2:1-8 – “But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine: That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience. The aged women, likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children; To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God not be blasphemed. Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded. In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works; in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.”*

Respectfully submitted, Sis. Annette Tomlinson, Harvest FWB Church

### SUGGESTIONS COMMITTEE

We at Eastside Free Will Baptist Church make the following suggestion:

In this fast paced society we live in, the modern day Christian will give God approximately five hours each week. As a result of this practice, our churches may be growing numerically, but our homes are declining spiritually. While our families may see God at church, they very seldom see God at home. The modern day Christian has forgotten the prior commitments to God and failed to totally surrender to God's will. While we

make a good display publicly, privately we have compromised our most prized possessions, our family, and allowed the enemy to get a foot in the door to our home. Thus we have broken families, rebellious children, irreverent attitudes, disruptive spirits, and selfish agendas.

We strongly suggest that we all take into account Nehemiah 3. Here Nehemiah records the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem, specifically the 10 gates to the city. Each gate has a significance in relation to our home and the walls that must be rebuilt.

The sheep gate, verse 1, relates to priesthood. We must re-establish the Lamb of God to His priestly position.

The fish gate, verse 3, relates to humility and submission. We must have the same mind as Christ. (Phil. 2:5)

The old gate, verse 6, relates to humility and submission. We must retain traditional values of right and wrong.

The valley gate, verse 13, relates to proper priorities. We must prioritize our lives to revolve around God's will in order to protect our families from the world's system of religion.

The dung gate, verse 14, relates to daily dumping out the garbage that has distorted our view. We must expel the trash from our life.

The fountain gate, verse 15, relates to restoring intimacy with God. We must have an intimate relationship with God.

The water gate, verse 26, relates to the Word of God. We must expose ourselves to His Word to keep our relationship pure and strong.

The horse gate, relates to dignity and honor. We must view each other as members of the Body of Christ treating each other with grace and dignity.

The east gate, verse 29, relates to the access of God's presence. We must see ourselves worthy through Christ in order to experience God's presence.

The miphkad gates, verse 31, relates to accountability. We must realize that we are responsible for what God has given to us.

We can see that Nehemiah faced opposition, criticism, rebuke and scorn. But what we can learn is simply recognized. When there is a necessity, there must be a will. And when there is a will, there is a way. That way is through Jesus Christ. Let's rebuild the walls that have been destroyed.

Respectfully submitted, Eastside FWB Church, Rev. Rodney Brazil MSC

## **MISSIONS REPORT**

### **FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION**

We, the Missions Board of the State Line Association, submit to the body the following report as information: 17 of our churches will be participating with a missions' service for the conference, February 3. Praise the Lord! The annual Missions' Banquet will be on Saturday, February 2, at the Wiregrass Rehabilitation Center at 6:00 PM. A love offering for missions will be received. A heart-felt thanks is extended to our churches and pastors

for their support and cooperation. We need to continue to listen to God's heartbeat for missions both here and there. The "*Lo, I am with you always*" is interjoined with the "*Go ye therefore.*" (Matthew 28:19, 20)

### FEBRUARY 3, 2002

CHURCH	SERVICE	MISSIONARY	PASTOR
Corinth	AM	Dave Franks, Jr.	Ed Peters
Midland City	PM	-----	
Cowarts Creek	AM	-----	Ricky Carroll
Asford	PM	Wayne Wilson	
Eastside	AM	-----	Larry Reynolds
Dothan	PM	Jamie Lancaster	
First	AM	Jimmy Aldridge	Glenn Poston
Dothan	PM	Fred Jones	
First	AM	-----	Greg Ramsey
Enterprise	PM	Dennis Haygood	
Goodwater	AM	Fred Jones	Lonnie Skiles
Newton	PM	Dave Franks, Jr.	
Harvest	AM	Jamie Lancaster	Bobby Peters
Ozark	PM	-----	
Howard Grove	AM	Rick Bowling	James Osborn
Cottonwood	PM	-----	
Magnolia	AM	Rick Cash	James Deese
Midland City	PM		
New Harmony	AM		Doug Carr
Granger	PM	Rick Cash	
New Hope	AM	Richard Atwood	Frank Fagan
Midland City	PM	-----	
Pine Hills	AM	-----	John Taylor
Dothan	PM	Jimmy Aldridge	
Shiloh	AM	Dennis Haygood	Thomas Coxwell
Columbia	PM	-----	
Springfield	AM	Wayne Wilson	
Ashford	PM	-----	
Springhill	AM	Fred Hersey	Barry Long
Gordon	PM	-----	
Union Hill	AM	-----	Rodney Brazil
Slocumb	PM	Fred Hersey	
Union Springs	AM	-----	Chris Mitchell
Pansey	PM	Rick Bowling	

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Fred Hersey, Rev. Larry Reynolds, Bro. Tommy Taylor

### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:

Thanked churches for support for mission conference. There were 230 attending. Churches were asked to support Mission Board with money.

Respectfully submitted, Missions Board

Rev. Fred Hersey, Rev. Larry Reynolds, Bro. Tommy Taylor

### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

No report.

### ANNUAL SESSION:

We the Mission Board are asking each church in the Association to receive an offering at Thanksgiving to send to the Mission Board for the Mission Banquet in February, 2003.

### LUNSFORD'S INVITATION

Remember at our last meeting when the Lunsford's invited some of our young people from the State Line Association to visit them next summer? Well, without going into a lot of detail, they made that invitation on the spur of the moment. Recently they have been in contact with our Mission Board (State Line) concerning their plans and ideas.

They have asked us, the Mission Board, to try to promote the trip for them. They realize that there needs to be a lot of planning, preparing and praying for such an undertaking. One must keep in mind that anyone who does go will not be involved in any type of ministry – merely observation as a visitor or as one sight-seeing there.

They would like for a couple or family to come. In addition, two to four young people – ages 12-college age. The total length of the trip will be about three weeks and the best time to come is the last two weeks in June and first week of July.

If anyone is interested in this, please get in contact with Fred Hersey for further information. Preparations need to be made as soon as possible.

Fred Hersey

(334) 678-9560

P.O. Box 5503

Dothan, AL 36302

Respectfully submitted, Missions Board

Rev. Fred Hersey, Bro. Tommy Taylor

### MINISTERS RETIREMENT BOARD

#### First Quarterly Session:

The Board of Retirement met on December 1, 2001, at Pine Hills FWB Church. Those in attendance were Rev. John Taylor, Bro. Levy Parramore, and Bro. David Rabon. The business before the Board was to elect a chairman. Bro. Levy Parramore was elected as chairman. We also discussed the need for some information from the Treasurer to decide whether we are currently taking in the same amount of money as we are

paying out. Then we talked about some of the by-laws and the need for clarification. We will address these issues this next year. Financial information can be found in the Treasurer's report.

Submitted by: Rev. John Taylor, Bro. Levy Parramore, Bro. David Rabon

#### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:

No report.

#### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

Bro. David Rabon, Rev. John Taylor and Bro. Levy Parramore met on June 29 at 8:30. Our out-go is more than our income about \$500.00 and would like to encourage all the other churches not giving to minister's retirement to start giving. We would like to see each additional church to give \$30.00 a quarter.

Submitted by: Rev. John Taylor, Bro. David Rabon, Bro. Levy Parramore

#### ANNUAL SESSION:

No report given.

### ORDAINING COUNCIL

#### FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:

The Ordaining Council met January 12, 2002 with Rev. Lonnie Skiles, Rev. Terry Drinkwater, and Dr. John Edwards present. Motion and second to recommend ordination of Bro. Chris Mitchell since he is now pastoring the Union Springs Church. The Union Springs FWB Church requested this ordination.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Lonnie Skiles, Rev. Terry Drinkwater, Dr. John A. Edwards

#### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:

No report.

#### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

The Ordaining Council met June 29, 2002 at Pine Hills FWB Church. Motion and passed to recommend stipulations for receiving a card of good standing and present them to this quarterly meeting. (Clerk Note: see stipulations below.)

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Thomas Coxwell, Rev. Terry Drinnkwater, Dr. John Edwards and Rev. Lonnie Skiles.

### STIPULATIONS FOR RECEIVING A CARD OF GOOD STANDING IN THE STATE LINE ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

1. Must be a member of good standing in a Free Will Baptist Church in this quarterly conference.

2. Must attend regularly a Free Will Baptist Church.
3. Should, unless providentially hindered, attend at least two quarterly conferences per year.
4. Should attempt to preach as often as possible, until he obtains a regular preaching appointment.
5. Should live a life consistent with the Word of God and the qualifications of a minister as outlined in the Word of God.

#### ANNUAL SESSION:

The Ordaining Council met with Duane Peyatt and Gary Coxwell. Council members present were Rev. Thomas Coxwell, Dr. John Edwards, Rev. Ronnie Dobbs and Rev. Terry Drinkwater.

Move and second to accept Bro. Duane Peyatt into the fellowship of the State Line Association pending letter of good standing from his former conference. Motion carried. Move and second to grant license to preach to Gary Coxwell for one year. Motion is carried.

Rev. Thomas Coxwell met with Chris Mitchell. Chris had questions about some things and after this meeting he voluntarily surrendered his Certificate of Ordination.

Move and second to accept Rev. Mark Kelly into the fellowship of the State Line Association pending letter of good standing from Vernon Association. Submitted by: Rev. Thomas Coxwell, Dr. John Edwards, Bro. Terry Drinkwater, Rev. Ronnie Dobbs

#### YOUTH AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

##### FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:

The Youth Retreat was held on December 28-29, 2001 at The Vineyard. A total of 71 attended. Rev. David Crowe did an outstanding job. Most all of our young people were at the altar during invitation time. Praise God!

We want to thank our staff for their efforts and for our Association's support from our young people for without these young people attending, we would not be able to have these retreats. We feel much fruit in the lives of our youth will result from these efforts.

Our Association Couples Retreat will be April 6, 2002, at The Vineyard. Dr. Johnny Sexton and his wife will be our speakers. The family is under attack today and our church families' homes are not immune to Satan's attacks. Please encourage all of your couples to attend this retreat. Unmarried or dating couples are encouraged to attend at the discretion of their churches.

Our youth camps are: Junior Week – June 17-21, 2002 and Teen Week – June 24-28, 2002 at The Vineyard. Bro. Randall Wright will be our junior

Evangelist and Bro. Nate Ange will be our teen evangelist. We ask that you being to promote these two weeks for your youth. Begin now to help those who need financial help to raise the funds. The cost will be \$75.00 for each camper and worker and the Board pays the remaining cost.

God has blessed in so many ways our past camps, and we pray this year will be no different. Each year on testimony night many will share how they did not want to come to camp, but how they are glad they did. So pastors, you hold the key. Please don't let your young people miss our on what God is doing during camp.

Submitted by Youth & Education Board,  
Rev. Chris Mitchell, Bro. Terry Sellers, Bro. Jason Miller, Bro. David Miller

#### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:

Our couples retreat was held at The Vineyard on April 6, 2002. Bro. Johnny Sexton and Miss Peggy were our guest speakers. While our attendance was not what we had hoped it would be, the retreat was a blessing to all who came.

Our youth camps have been planned at The Vineyard. Information and applications will be sent to each church soon. Please be encouraging the youth in your churches to come and be a part of this year's camp. God has been so good to us at our past camps, and we pray He will meet with us in a special way this year. Please pray with us that God will put His hand on our young people.

Junior Camp Week is June 17-21, 2002. Our speaker will be Bro. Randall Wright. Teen Camp Week is June 24-28, 2002. Our speaker will be Bro. Nate Ange.

The winter retreat will be December 27-28, 2002 at The Vineyard. Our speaker will be Bro. Chip Sekulich. Our second Back-To-School Youth Rally will be on August 3, 2002, at Harvest FWB Church in Ozark. Bro. Rick Cash will be our speaker.

Respectfully submitted, Youth and Christian Education Board  
Bro. David Miller, Rev. Chris Mitchell, Bro. Jason Miller, Bro. Terry Sellers

#### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

PRAISE GOD FOR ANOTHER GREAT YEAR OF YOUTH CAMP! For Junior Week we had a total attendance of 95 including our staff and evangelist. Twenty one times from Monday until Friday, the Word of God was shared with these junior campers. Praise God He honored His word. One young man answered the call to preach and 16 accepted Jesus as their savior.

For Teen Week our total attendance was 85 giving a two week total of 170. Thirty times from Monday until Friday, God's Word was presented to our campers. Five young men answered the call to preach. Three answered the call to be missionaries and five received and accepted Jesus as their savior.

We thank God for the fruit of these two weeks of camp and believe that much more will come in the days and weeks ahead. We would like to thank our association for their support of our efforts to serve the young people from our churches. Twelve of our churches sent campers for which we say "thank you." Please be in prayer for all of these young people.

August 10<sup>th</sup>, a "Back to School" youth rally will be at Harvest with Bro. Rick Cash. More details to come. December 27-28 is the winter retreat at The Vineyard.

The following young men answered God's call to service - Ministry: David Groom, Hunter Knight, Mikie Mitchell, Joe Thomas, Blake Nance. Missions: Corey Gilmore, Joshua McLaney, Joseph Lunsford  
Submitted by the Youth & Education Board,  
Bro. David Miller, Bro. Terry Sellers, Rev. Chris Mitchell, Bro. Jason Miller

#### ANNUAL SESSION:

On August 10, our "Back to School" youth rally was held at Harvest FWB Church, Ozark, AL. Seventy two people, made up of youth and adults, attended. Bro. Rick Cash delivered a challenge to our youth. We plan to hold this rally annually.

On September 9, we resumed an old program of skating at Bob-A-Lou's in Dothan. We had 75 in attendance and all seemed to have an enjoyable time. Our next skating will be on Tuesday, October 15 at Bob-A-Lou's. Skating is open to all ages and is held from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. The cost is \$4.00 per person. Please encourage all to participate.

On Saturday, November 30, 2002, the Youth and Education Board will be sponsoring a Walk-A-Thon for the Acts 1:8 Program. We were asked to sponsor such a program and after discussion felt it was a very worthy cause. While the walk is open to all, we hope to use this as a tool to challenge our young people to be a part of supporting missions. This walk will be held at the Dale County Lake walking trail in Ozark, AL at 9:00 AM. Please make pledge sheets available to all interested and encourage them to raise support for the Acts 1:8 Program. For each one that raises \$50.00, a t-shirt will be given. Please state the size desired on the pledge sheet. Your support will be much appreciated.

On December 27-28, 2002, our Winter Youth Retreat will be at The Vineyard. Registration begins at 9:00 AM on the 27<sup>th</sup> and we should be

finished around 4:00 PM on the 28<sup>th</sup>. The cost if \$30 per person. The ages are 8-19 years old. Bro. Chip Sekulich will be our Evangelist. Please be promoting and encouraging your youth to be part of this retreat. Applications and further information will be forth coming.

We make a motion that this report be accepted.  
Respectfully submitted, Youth and Christian Education Board  
Bro. David Miller, Bro. Terry Sellers, Rev. Chris Mitchell, Bro. Jason Miller

**CHILDREN’S HOME REPORT**

**FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:**

No report.

**SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:**

No report.

**THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:**

The new cottage has been finished and the big celebration day was at the home during the last meeting.  
Submitted by: Thomas Coxwell, Children’s Home Trustee

**ANNUAL SESSION:**

We’re glad to report that our Children’s Home is doing well. At the present we have 28 children, 5 younger girls, 5 older girls, 9 younger boys, 9 older boys. We lost 4 children – 2 older boys and 2 older girls. The “hill” project is going well with the development of two hunting areas. We now have two ponds with one stocked with fish. I understand that one cabin is finished with others to follow.

The plan to purchase the neighboring house is still ongoing with an offer of \$25,000. We are almost finished with gathering of the video history of the home and production will begin soon.

Roger Bennett was added to the paid staff as a part-time house parent.  
Submitted by:, Rev. Doug Carr

**REGISTRATION COMMITTEE**

**FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:**

We, your Registration Committee, make the following report:

Ministers .....	17
Deacons .....	12
Delegates .....	47
Visitors .....	<u>16</u>
TOTAL .....	92

Respectfully submitted, Harvest FWB Church, Registration Committee

### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:

We, your Registration Committee, make the following report:

Ministers .....	16
Deacons .....	14
Delegates .....	48
Visitors .....	<u>17</u>
TOTAL .....	95

Respectfully submitted, Harvest FWB Church, Registration Committee

### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

We, your Registration Committee, make the following report:

Ministers .....	19
Deacons .....	17
Delegates .....	60
Visitors .....	<u>34</u>
TOTAL .....	130

Respectfully submitted, Harvest FWB Church, Registration Committee

### ANNUAL SESSION:

We, your Registration Committee, make the following report:

Ministers .....	16
Deacons .....	17
Delegates .....	54
Visitors .....	<u>20</u>
TOTAL .....	107

Respectfully submitted, Harvest FWB Church, Registration Committee  
Annette Tomlinson and Jackie Peters

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

#### FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:

We, your Finance Committee make the following report:

Association .....	\$3,028.46
Other .....	<u>\$4,210.19</u>
TOTAL .....	\$7,238.65

Respectfully submitted, Finance Committee  
Sis. Becky Dixon, Sis. Ann Kennedy, Sis. Sherry Reynolds

#### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:

We, your Finance Committee make the following report:

Association .....	\$3,783.56
Other .....	<u>\$4,581.22</u>
TOTAL .....	\$8,364.78

Respectfully submitted, Finance Committee  
Sis. Becky Dixon, Sis. Sarah Fagan, Sis. Geraldine Hall

THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

We, your Finance Committee make the following report:

Association .....	\$3,069.67
Other .....	<u>\$3,984.92</u>
TOTAL .....	\$7,054.59

Respectfully submitted, Finance Committee

Sis. Becky Dixon, Rev. Rodney Brazil, Bro. Bobby Kennedy,  
Rev. Bobby Peters

ANNUAL SESSION:

We, your Finance Committee make the following report:

Association .....	\$4,127.40
Other .....	<u>\$2,690.36</u>
TOTAL .....	\$6,817.76

Respectfully submitted, Finance Committee

Sis. Becky Dixon, Sis. Rhetta Butler, Sis. Ann Kennedy

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**YEAR 2001 – 2002**

Balance Brought Forward		\$39,466.31
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>ASSOC.</u>	<u>DESIGNATED</u>
Antioch	270.00	
Corinth	790.31	
Acts 1:8		600.00
Cowarts Creek	400.00	
Southeastern College		573.25
Home Missions		573.25
Children's Home		450.50
Acts 1:8		573.25
Youth & Education		200.00
Missions		214.00
Eastside	1,285.02	
Minister's Retirement		1,503.03
Missions		293.97
First, Dothan	2,671.03	
Missions		109.00
First, Enterprise	185.00	
First, Samson	1,201.82	
Minister's Retirement		1,201.85
Goodwater	300.00	
Harvest	400.00	
Howard Grove	400.00	
Magnolia	629.70	
Acts 1:8		1,259.41
Children's Home		629.70
FWBBC		629.70
New Harmony	400.00	
New Hope	800.00	
Minister's Retirement		400.00
Panther Creek	475.00	
Pine Hills	400.00	
Shiloh	400.00	
Children's Home		339.45
FWBBC		339.45
Minister's Retirement		339.45
Acts 1:8		1,925.35
Springfield	400.00	
Youth & Education		450.88
Minister's Retirement		450.88
Springhill	150.00	
Union Hill	1,200.00	
Union Springs	340.00	

Interest Minister's Retirement	46.70	
Assoc. Offering Rev. Crowe	163.86	
Assoc. Offering Children's Home	228.85	
Assoc. Offering Greg Ramsey	226.25	
Assoc. Offering Mongolia	211.07	
SE Assoc. Youth & Ed.	391.50	
CELF Interest Min. Retirement	1,727.68	
Renae Nance Youth & Ed	25.00	
Rachel Barber Min. Retirement	100.00	
Winter Retreat Youth & Ed.	1,010.00	
Missions Conference	898.33	
State Line Dis. WNAC	30.00	
Meadow Brook G. Ramsey	100.00	
Couples Retreat	720.00	
Retreat Fees Youth & Ed.	8,520.00	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$13,097.88</b>	<b>\$27,455.61</b>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>\$80,019.80</b>

### DISBURSEMENTS

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Loretta Culpepper	55.07
Loretta Culpepper Honorarium	75.00
Rev. Glenn Poston Honorarium	50.00
Ann Kennedy Honorarium	50.00
Alabama State Assoc. (Dues)	1,700.00
Postmaster	45.36
Free Will Baptist Home Missions	400.00
Fairfield Inn	128.62
Bank Charges	77.03
FWB Children's Home	228.85
Sara Poston (Minutes-Type & Printing)	800.00
Bro. Greg Ramsey	326.25
Ann Kennedy	35.52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,971.70</b>
<u>MINISTER'S RETIREMENT</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Mrs. Juanita Taylor	1,100.00
Mrs. Maudeen Bell	1,100.00
Mrs. Della Brannon	1,700.00
Mrs. Rachel Barber	800.00
Rev. John Edwards	1,700.00
Rev. Thomas Coxwell	1,100.00
Mrs. Louise Herndon	1,100.00
Rev. Paul Mallory	1,700.00
Rev. Lonnie Skiles	700.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,000.00</b>

<u>MISSIONS</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Holiday Inn	656.18
Wiregrass Rehab Center	<u>1,887.60</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,543.78</b>

<u>YOUTH &amp; CHRISTIAN EDUCATION</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Coffee Baptist Vineyard	14,429.75
Rev. David Crowe	150.00
Jason Senn	100.00
Johnny Sexton	400.00
Rev. Nate Ange	498.00
Rev. Randall Wright	300.00
Harvest FWB Church	100.00
Rev. Rick Cash	<u>50.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,027.75</b>

<u>STATE CO-OPERATIVE PLAN</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
General Fund	523.95
Fred Jones	130.97
Children's Home	130.97
Christian Education	130.97
ALCAP	<u>261.94</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,178.80</b>

<u>DESIGNATED</u>	<u>TOTALS</u>
Children's Home	1,419.65
Free Will Baptist Bible College	969.15
Acts 1:8	4,358.01
Southeastern Bible College	573.25
Fred Jones	<u>573.25</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,893.31</b>

**TOTAL DISBURSED** **- \$ 42,615.34**

Brought Forward 2001	\$ 39,466.31
Receipts	\$ 40,553.49
TOTAL to account for	\$ 80,019.80
TOTAL Disbursements	<u>\$ 42,615.34</u>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 37,404.46</b>

BALANCE OF ACCOUNTS

General Fund	\$ 2,366.46
Ministers Retirement	\$ 1,985.66
Youth & Christian Ed.	\$ 1,510.44
CELF Investment	\$ 30,000.00
Missions Board	\$ 1,330.83
Youth & Christian Ed (Mongolia Fund)	<u>\$ 211.07</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$37,404.46</b>

## PLAN OF SUPPORT

General Fund	26%
Ministers Retirement	29%
Youth & Education Board	24%
Missions Board	12%
* Alabama State Association	9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>
* General Fund	4%
Home Missions	1%
Children's Home	1%
Board of Christian Education	2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9%</b>

## WNAC REPORT

### FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION:

The State Line District Women Active for Christ Annual District Meeting will be March 2 at Union Hill FWB Church. Rev. Randy Key, Director of Alabama FWB Children's Home, will be the speaker. Bring a covered dish for lunch.

Respectfully submitted, Sis. Terri Martin

### SECOND QUARTERLY SESSION:

The State Line District WAC report was given by Sis. Rhetta Butler. WAC members are excited about our organization. She announced the State Women Active for Christ Annual Meeting will be May 4 at First FWB Church, Vernon, AL. Rev. Randy Key, Director of the Alabama FWB Children's Home, will be the speaker. Sis. Sherry Reynolds has prepared a map and info sheet for interested persons. Sis. Rhetta Butler reported a good WAC District meeting March 2. Rev. Randy Key was speaker and he was given over \$900.00 to their account and a generous love offering plus a van load of paper towels, detergents, cleaning supplies, cereals, pancake syrup, etc.

Respectfully submitted, Sis. Rhetta Butler

### THIRD QUARTERLY SESSION:

The State Line District WAC report was given by Sis. Rhetta Butler and Sis. Annette Tomlinson. Rhetta announced the Provision Closet shower in October at Corinth FWB Church. Annette Tomlinson announced the missionary cook-out for August 17 at Goodwater FWB Church at 5:30 PM. She challenged the pastors to BE THERE, BRING ALL YOUR MEMBERS,

BRING YOUR MONEY. The goal is 100 in attendance - \$1,000.00 offering for the Acts 1:8 Plan. Let Goodwater know by Sunday or Monday before cookout.

Respectfully submitted, Rhetta Butler

(Clerk's note: The cookout was a tremendous success. There were 125 in attendance and \$2,228.00 offering and a very spiritual service with a number of people going to the altar.)

#### ANNUAL SESSION:

The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention was held on March 2, 2002 at Union Hill FWB Church. Guest speaker for the day was Rev. Randy Key from the Alabama Children's Home in Eldridge, AL. An offering of \$900.00 was given to Rev. Randy and the Children's Home. Also, food items were given to the Children's Home. The theme for the meeting this year is, "At Such A Time As This" taken from Esther 4:14.

The mission service for this year was held at Goodwater FWB Church on August 17, 2002. Bro. Rick Cash presented a video on updates of Russia. Our guest speaker was Bro. Wayne Wilson from the mission church in Prattville, AL. A love offering of \$2,231.39 was given to the mission work in Prattville. Our WAC appreciates the work of these two men of God.

The State Line WAC has 11 groups in our District with a membership of 122 ladies. We invite all ladies to be a part of our WAC and help us to fulfill our place in the Great Commission.

Our missionary provision closet shower will be held on October 29, 2002 at Corinth FWB Church.

#### DATES TO REMEMER

October 29, 2002 Provision Closet Shower at Corinth FWB Church

Nov. 6-8, 2002 State WAC Meeting at Eastside FWB Church

Nov. 7, 2002 State WAC Banquet at Wiregrass Rehab.

Nov. 11-15, 2002 Pre-Thanksgiving Week of Prayer for Home Missions

March 1, 2003 District WNAC Convention at Corinth FWB Church

Respectfully submitted, Sherry Reynolds, Coordinator

Phil. 4:13

# STATISTICAL REPORT

CHURCH	Members Added	Number of Baptisms	Members Lost	Deceased	Total Membership	Sunday School Enrollment	Church Training Service (CTS) Enrollment	Women Active For Christ Enrollment	Master's Men Enrollment	Licensed Ministers	Ordained Ministers	Ordained Deacons	COUNTY
ANTIOCH	0	0	0	0	12	20	No	No	No	0	1	2	Geneva
CORINTH	2	1	1	1	81	35	No	9	No	0	2	5	Dale
COWARTS CREEK	2	1	5	3	55	Yes	No	1	No	0	1	1	Houston
EASTSIDE	34	16	12	6	353	135	73	15	No	0	3	7	Houston
FIRST CHURCH, DOTHAN	21	9	3	1	536	Yes	Yes	45	30	0	3	12	Houston
FIRST CHURCH, ENTERPRISE	4	1	0	0	102	40	30	No	No	0	2	1	Coffee
FIRST CHURCH, SAMSON	0	0	0	2	41	25	12	No	No	0	1	1	Geneva
GOODWATER	2	1	6	1	135	75	No	10	No	0	1	0	Houston
HARVEST	1	0	1	0	139	80	No	20	No	0	1	0	Dale
HOWARD GROVE	3	0	12	4	308	74	No	No	No	0	1	5	Houston
MAGNOLIA	8	2	0	5	66	Yes	No	No	No	0	2	2	Dale
NEW HARMONY	0	0	0	0	43	15	No	No	No	0	1	1	Houston
NEW HOPE	4	1	4	3	82	41	27	10	5	0	2	3	Dale
PANTHER CREEK	0	0	1	1	104	25	No	No	No	0	1	0	Houston
PINE HILLS	1	0	1	1	41	19	No	8	No	0	1	0	Houston
SHILOH	4	4	1	0	81	12	No	7	No	0	1	2	Houston
SPRINGFIELD	0	0	0	0	140	Yes	No	No	No	0	0	4	Houston
SPRINGHILL	2	0	2	0	80	40	No	No	No	0	1	1	Houston
UNION HILL	0	0	3	1	121	35	23	8	No	0	1	4	Geneva
UNION SPRINGS	2	2	4	2	141	25	20	No	No	0	1	1	Houston
TOTALS	90	38	56	31	2661	696	185	133	35	0	27	52	

## 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 (3) 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 decision 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 and Executive Committee.

**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 Committee, Missions Board, Board of Minister's Retirement, Ordaining Council, Youth and Education 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 session 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, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, 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 their 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. Designated and Co-Operative funds cannot be transferred from one account to another.

#### **Article IX – Meeting**

**SECTION I:** The Association shall convene quarterly. The first and second quarterly session 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 one day, which shall be on 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**

- I. 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 Association 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.
- 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 Baptists, 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 Council, 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.

## GUIDELINES FOR THE STATE LINE MINISTER'S RETIREMENT

I. NAME: State Line Association Minister's Retirement

### II. WHO QUALIFIES FOR BENEFITS?

- A. Any minister who has attained sixty-five (65) years of age and has pastored or is pastoring a church in the State Line Association for a minimum of five (5) years.
- B. The Minister's time will begin on the date he starts pastoring in a church in the State Line Association which supports the Association with regular offerings.
- C. The church has contributed to the Board of Minister's Retirement regularly; either through the Association's Co-Operative Plan or directly to the Board of Retirement for at least five (5) years.
- D. The minister does not have to cease pastoring in order to be eligible for benefits.
- E. The minister who is drawing retirement, at his death, his widow would be eligible to draw his retirement, providing she is at least sixty five (65) years of age or disabled.
- F. Any minister who has not reached the age of retirement and becomes physically disabled to perform his pastoral duties may apply for retirement benefits if he has fulfilled all other requirements.

### III. THE MINISTER'S MEMBERSHIP:

- A. The minister who has reached the age of retirement must maintain membership in a local Free Will Baptist Church which is affiliated with the local, state, and National Association of Free Will Baptists.
- B. If the minister's membership is in a Free Will Baptist Church outside the State Line Association, that church of FWB Association in which he is affiliated must submit a letter of good standing to the State Line Association each year stating that fact.

### IV. RETIREMENT BENEFITS:

- A. The retiring or disabled minister must have his church submit an application to the State Line Association for approval **before** he receives any benefits.
- B. Benefits shall be paid according to the following scale:

5-10 years pastoring	\$50.00 per month
10-15 years pastoring	\$75.00 per month
15-20 years pastoring	\$100.00 per month
Over 20 years pastoring	\$125.00 per month
- C. If funds are not available, all retirees benefits shall be prorated.

- D. Birthday and Christmas bonuses will be determined by the Board of Retirement as funds are available.
- E. Pastoring outside the State Line Association will not be used in calculating benefits.
- F. Pastoring a church in the State Line Association after **April 13, 1996** that does **not** support the Minister's Retirement plan will not be used in calculating benefits.
- G. The retired ministers shall be governed by the State Line Association Presbytery's rules.
- H. The retirees are urged to attend all Associational Meetings.
- I. These guidelines will not effect those who are already receiving retirement benefits.

**Please note:** Changes have been made to Section II B & E; Section III A & B; Section IV A, F, G, H & I. These changes were made prior to 2000.

**The following changes were made 2001:** Section II B & E; Section IV B.

## STATISTICS OF THE ASSOCIATION

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

YEAR	MODERATOR	CLERK	TREASURER	PLACE HELD	# MEM.
1886	D.L. Chandler	Calvin Dykes	Same	Howard Grove	449
1887	D.L. Chandler	Calvin Dykes	Same	Beulah	557
1888	R.M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Same	Macedonia	403
1889	R.M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Same	Friendship	516
1890	R.M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Same	Lovewood	448
1891	R.M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Same	Prospect	339
1892	R.M. Gray	Calvin Dykes	Same	Silver Run	444
1893	D.L. Chandler	J.D. Stephens	G.L. Love	Hickory Grove	456
1894	R.M. Gray	J.D. Stephens	Same	Springhill	422
1895	D.L. Chandler	J.D. Stephens	Same	Pittman Creek	503
1896	Calvin Dykes	J.D. Stephens	Same	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.D. 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	Springhill	1462
1914	G.W. Cherry	J.W.D. Stephens	H.G. Green	Union Springs	1553
1915	J.D. Stephens	J.W.D. Stephens	J.W.D. Stephens	Hickory Grove	1721
1916	W.S. Cook	J.W.D. Stephens	J.W.D. Stephens	Rocky Grove	1611
1917	W.S. Cook	J.W.D. Stephens	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

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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	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	2717
1946	G.H. Jordan	C.B. Green	J.W.D. Stephens	Cedar Grove	2756
1947	G.G. 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 & 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	Howard Grove & Cowarts Creek	2747
1953	G.H. Jordan	Mary Edna Cook	A.C. Womack	Springfield & Union Springs	2663
1954	G.H. Jordan	Mary Edna Cook	A.C. Womack	Corinth & Magnolia	2577

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1955	G.H. Jordan	Mary Edna Cook	A.C. Womack	Pleasant Ridge & Grangerburg	2527
1956	G.H. Jordan	Mary Edna Cook	A.C. Womack	New Harmony & Springfield	2476
1957	G.H. Jordan	Wayne Love	Junior Ward	Shiloh & New Hope	2402
1958	Ralph Bell	Wayne Love	Junior Ward	First Ch-Dothan & Pleasant Home	2415
1959	Ralph Bell	Wayne Love	Junior Ward	Springhill & Union Springs	2493
1960	Ralph Bell	Wayne Love	Junior Ward	Howard Grove & Corinth	2540
1961	Ralph Bell	Wayne Love	David Rabon	Union Hill & Cowarts Creek	2919
1962	Ralph Bell	Gerlad Baxley	David Rabon	Pittman Creek & Panther Creek	2872
1963	John Edwards	Gerald Baxley	Billy Ammons	First Ch-Dothan & Howard Grove	2703
1964	John Edwards	Mrs. Ralph Bell	Billy Ammons	New Harmony & Slocomb	2685
1965	John Edwards	Mrs. Ralph Bell	Betty Bradshaw	Samson & 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 Ch-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

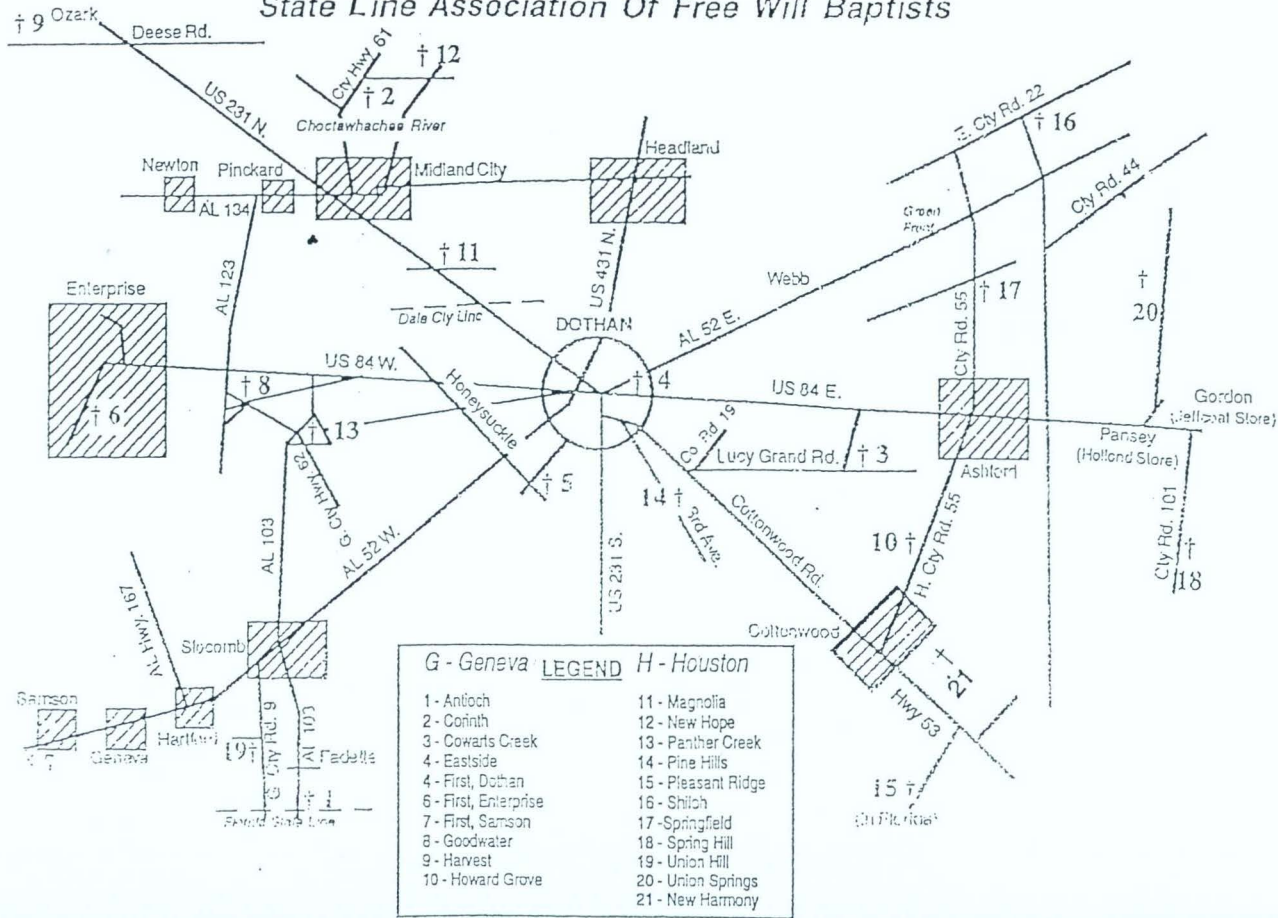
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1977	Dean Dobbs	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Mrs. Billy Ammons	Panther Creek & Springfield	3040
1978	Dean Dobbs	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Mrs. Billy Ammons	Springhill & First Ch-Dothan	3014
1979	Dean Dobbs	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Heyward Butler	Corinth & Union Springs	3014
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 Ch-Dothan & Bethel	2524
1983	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Howard Grove & New Hope	2504
1984	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Union Hill & Springfield	2413
1985	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Antioch & Union Springs	2443
1986	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Union Hill & Howard Grove	2441
1987	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	New Hope & Union Springs	2135
1988	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Union Hill & Gateway	2640
1989	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Harvest	2410
1990	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Union Hill	2324
1991	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	Enterprise	2410
1992	John Edwards	Mrs. Bobby Kennedy	Miss Ann Jones	New Hope	2266
1993	John Edwards	Mrs. Rhetta Butler	Miss Ann Jones	Howard Grove	2531
1994	John Edwards	Mrs. Rhetta Butler	Ann Kennedy	Magnolia	2579
1995	John Edwards	Mrs. Rhetta Butler	Ann Kennedy	Goodwater	2598
1996	John Edwards	Mrs. Rhetta Butler	Ann Kennedy	Howard Grove	2499
1997	Bobby Peters	Loretta Culpepper	Ann Kennedy	New Hope	2454
1998	Bobby Peters	Loretta Culpepper	Ann Kennedy	Union Springs	2551
1999	Bobby Peters	Loretta Culpepper	Ann Kennedy	Howard Grove	2544
2000	Bobby Peters	Loretta Culpepper	Ann Kennedy	Eastside	2677
2001	Glenn Poston	Loretta Culpepper	Ann Kennedy	Magnolia	2631
2002	Glenn Poston	Loretta Culpepper	Becky Dixon	Union Hill	2661

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