

MINUTES
of the
ONE-HUNDRED-THIRD
ANNUAL SESSION
Eastern Division
of the
STONE ASSOCIATION
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

When convened with

CROSS ROADS CHAPEL
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Fentress Co., Jamestown, Tenn.
October 13, 1990

Rev. Willie Wright, Moderator Jamestown, TN
Rev. Elmer McCowan, Assistant Moderator Cookeville, TN
Rev. Darrel Phillips, Clerk Monterey, TN
Bro. Doyle Vaughn, Assistant Clerk Monterey, TN

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Calling Delegates to Order
2. Electing Moderator and Clerk
3. Enrollment of Delegates
4. Offering for Associational Treasury
5. Appointment of Finance Committee
6. Appointment of Obituary Committee
7. Presbytery Appointed
8. Calling for Letters from Churches
9. Invitation for New Churches
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11. Reading Rules of Decorum
12. Report of Presbytery
13. Offering for Children's Home
14. Report of Evangelist
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17. Miscellaneous Business
18. Traveling Evangelist Appointed
19. Appointment of Next Meeting Place
20. Introductory Sermon
21. Expressing Thanks
22. Adjournment

PROCEEDINGS

The One-Hundred-Third annual session of the Eastern Division Stone Association of Freewill Baptists when convened with the Cross Roads Chapel Freewill Baptist Church in Fentress Co., TN on October 13, 1990. The former Moderator, Rev. Elmer McCowan, called the House to order at 9:00 a.m. Singing was led by Bro. Glen Creselious. Prayer was led by Rev. Omer Allred. Scripture was read from Malachi 3:16. An offering of \$67.06 was taken up for the Associational Treasury. The Association preceeded by electing officials:

Moderator	Rev. Willie Wright
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Elmer McCowan
Clerk	Rev. Darrel Phillips
Assistant Clerk	Bro. Doyle Vaughn

DELEGATES

ALLARDT	Clyde Whited, Perry Delk
BANNER SPRINGS	Georgia Young, Osbert Young, Rosie Hall
CALVARY	Elsie Bowman, Liza Miller
CENTER POINT	Flonnie Wright, Faye Cravens
CIRCLE DRIVE	Angela Coffee, Terry Coffee, Betty Cleghorn, Joyce Price
COOPERS CHAPEL	Hettie Wright, Billy Sells, Deborah Sells, Ann Manis
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Glenn Creselious, Bill Mitchel
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Freddie Looper, Oral Looper
HIGHLAND	Gary Ledbetter, Velma Ledbetter
LIBERTY	Willard Willis
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Warren Buck, Merle Welch
MIDWAY	Cecil Phillips, Hooper Farley
MT. CARMEL	Mitchell Beaty, Oakie Smith, Larry Hyder
RINNIE	Gisela Farmer, Roger Buck
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Doyle Vaughn, Ewell Tabors
TINCH TOWN	Eloise H. Bow
TYLER POINT	Clyde Looper, Hallie Looper
UNION GROVE	NOT REPRESENTED
WOODY	Herbert Ashburn

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY:

Bro. Burly Carr, Chairman, Bro. Oakie Smith

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

Rev. Darrel Phillips, Chairman, Bro. Doyle Vaughn, Bro. Roger Buck

PRESBYTERY APPOINTED BY MODERATOR:

Rev. Eugene Wright, Chairman, Rev. Jackie Reagan, Rev. Leeman Cravens, Rev. Bradley Hatfield, Rev. Darrel Phillips

CHURCH LETTERS CALLED FOR

ALLARDT	READ AND PASSED
BANNER SPRINGS	READ AND PASSED
CALVARY	READ AND PASSED
CENTER POINT	READ AND PASSED
CIRCLE DRIVE	READ AND PASSED
COOPERS CHAPEL	READ AND PASSED
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	READ AND PASSED
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	READ AND PASSED
HIGHLAND	READ AND PASSED
LIBERTY	READ AND PASSED
MARTHA WASHINGTON	READ AND PASSED
MIDWAY	READ AND PASSED
MT. CARMEL	READ AND PASSED
RINNIE	READ AND PASSED
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	READ AND PASSED
TINCH TOWN	READ AND PASSED
TYLER POINT	READ AND PASSED
UNION GROVE	NOT REPRESENTED
WOODY	READ AND PASSED

INVITATION FOR OFFICE OF ELDER

The invitation for Office of Elder was given. None responded.

INVITATION FOR NEW CHURCHES

The invitation for new churches was given. None responded.

READING THE RULES OF DECORUM

The Rules of Decorum were read, and voiced by all to accept them as read.

ADJOURNED FOR INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Rev. Claudie Richardson gave a talk representing the Children's Home. We adjourned at 11:00 a.m. for the Introductory Sermon. Singing was led by Rev. Coleman Looper. Rev. Coleman Looper, Bro. Hooper Farley and Sis. Geneva Phillips and children sang special songs. Rev. Willie Wright sang a song and preached the Introductory Sermon. He read from St. John 16:33 and took as his text "In Me ye can have peace." We dismissed at 12:00 p.m. until after lunch by prayer offered by Rev. Bradley Hatfield.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

We reconvened at 1:00 p.m. for the evening business.

PRESBYTERY REPORT

The Presbytery Report was read. Motion by Bro. Burly Carr, second by Bro. Doyle Vaughn and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

REPORT OF TRAVELING EVANGELIST

It has been a good year for me. I enjoyed preaching in all the churches, meeting brothers and sisters in Christ, and having fellowship with them.

Peter tells us to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thanks again to all the churches and the pastors for the welcome shown to me and my family.

Thank you,
Willie Wright

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Obituary Committee gave it's report. A moment of silence was held in honor of our Bros. & Sis.'s who passed away last year.

We, your Committee on Obituary, find that our churches have lost 17 members to death this year. They are as follows:

CALVARY	Woodie Key, Charles Hargis
CENTER POINT	Ida Cravens
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Ratchie Conatser
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Carson Lee, Lena McCormick, Blanche Phillips
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Cora Beaty, Willard Roberts, Lester Wilson
MIDWAY	Wonedith Howard
MT. CARMEL	Hobert Goney, Dolly Young, Stella Stults
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Emma Finley
TYLER POINT	Hershell Phillips
WOODY	Willie Watson

Bro. Burlly Carr Chairman
Bro. Oakie Smith

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee gave it's report. Motion by Bro. Bill Buck, second by Bro. Clyde Looper and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

We the Committee of Finance report the following finances for the Associational year 1989-90.

Associational Treasury:

Beginning Bal.	\$3,694.39
Ending Bal.	\$4,159.60
Children's Home	\$2,629.94

Rev. Darrel Phillips, Chairman
Bro. Doyle Vaughn
Bro. Roger Buck

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, find so much on the subject it is hard to get it in such short space. We advise each minister and church member to be temperate in his daily life. Gal. 5:22-23 "But the fruit of the Spriit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance against such there is no law." Our lives should be a daily testimony to those we meet each day. Titus 1:8 says "But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate." We should also be temperate with our tongue. Prov. 21:23 "Who keepeth his mouth and his tongue, keepeth his soul from troubles." Love should be shown in our lives before a lost world. We should urge all Christians to observe the words of the scripture; 2nd Peter 1:5-8, "and besides giving all diligence add to your faith, virtue; and to virtue, knowledge; and to knowledge, temperance; and to temperance, patience; and to patience, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, charity; for if these things be in you and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." We advise and urge all Christians to abstain from all use or sale of whiskey, beer, wine, marijuana, opium and L.S.D. 1 Cor. 6:10 "Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners shall inherit the kingdom of God."

COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee on Sunday School feel that Sunday School is the greatest way for children to learn about the Lord and be taught His word. Knowing today some children are never taught about the Lord in their home. Proverbs 22:6 says "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." This verse should remind us of the story told in Exodus of Moses's mother how she trained him. Heb. 11:23-29 tells us "By faith he chose rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; putting a greater value on God than the riches of Egypt; for he endured as seeing Him who was invisible.

We, your committee on Sunday School urge each pastor to promote Sunday School and have Godly teachers to teach them, they are the salt of the earth and the hope of the future for our churches. "And if the salt have lost its' savour, where-with shall it be salted. It is henceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out and to be trodded under foot of men." Let us remember Gal. 6:9 "And let not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION

We, your committee on Resolutions agree to remain with the former resolutions and submit the following suggestions to the Association:

We urge each pastor and all churches to strive for a greater fellowship with our churches, working together with love; and to follow the instructions on the Rules of Decorum, section 4.

Be it further resolved that each church set a standard to grow spiritually, for this is the greatest need. We hope next year we can find out more about the word Resolutions. Preachers, please search it out.

REPORT ON PRAYER MEETING

We, the committee on Prayer Meeting believe that all churches' should have Prayer Meeting service and that the Pastors and deacons should attend the services and encourage all the church to attend, that we may pray continually without ceasing. "For the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." James 5:16.

We believe our children should be taught the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 6:9-13. Jesus himself continued in prayer all night to God. Luke 6:12.

We believe in the power of prayer.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A talk was made about supporting the Association better.

Rev. Lewis Ashburn sent word that he would not be able to attend due to sickness.

Rev. Porter Penticuff gave a talk concerning the rule to drop preachers who fail to attend for two years in a row.

A question was asked about the average and fellowship columns in the minutes being reversed.

TRAVELING EVANGELIST

Rev. Leo Campbell was appointed Traveling Evangelist. Rev. Daily Norrod was appointed as Assistant Evangelist.

NEXT ASSOCIATION

It was appointed that the next Association be held at the Rinnie Church on October 12, 1991 at 9:00 a.m.

EXPRESSING THANKS

We, the ministers, deacons and delegates of the Eastern Division wish to thank the Cross Roads Chapel Church for having our sister churches in Association.

We thank the sisters of the church for the labor that they went thru in preparing the wonderful lunch we had.

May God bless you all is our prayer.

ADJOURNMENT

We dismissed at 1:42 p.m. until the next appointed time and place.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Rev. Jackie Reagan was appointed to preach the next Introductory Sermon. Rev. Oney Wright was appointed as alternate.

CHURCHES	ADDRESS	Letter Rec.	Pro.	Letter Death	Request	Exc.	Total Fellowship	Average	Day of Meeting			
ALLARDT	ALLARDT	2	0	3	5	0	2	0	30	46	ALL	2,0
BANNER SPRINGS	BANNER SPRINGS	2	2	1	2	0	0	1	41	60	ALL	3,1
CALVARY	CRAWFORD	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	130	30	ALL	1,8
CENTER POINT	JAMESTOWN	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	103	35	ALL	1,0
CIRCLE DRIVE	ALGOOD	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	30	30	ALL	1,7
COOPERS CHAPEL	JAMESTOWN	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	123	50	ALL	1,6
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	JAMESTOWN	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	125	98	ALL	6,0
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	LIVINGSTON	0	4	0	0	3	2	0	145	95	ALL	
HIGHLAND	LIVINGSTON	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	73	34	ALL	8
LIBERTY	LIVINGSTON	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	38	30	ALL	1,4
MARTHA WASHINGTON	CLARKRANGE	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	95	65	ALL	8
MIDWAY	CLARKRANGE	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	113	38	ALL	1,4
MT. CARMEL	GRIMSLEY	2	1	2	0	3	2	0	185	72	ALL	4,7
RINNIE	CROSSVILLE	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	187	114	ALL	4,5
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	MONTEREY	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	63	52	ALL	8,3
TINCH TOWN	JAMESTOWN	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	69	20	ALL	
TYLER POINT	MONTEREY	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	141	40	ALL	2,8
UNION GROVE	MONTEREY	NOT REPRESENTED										
WOODY	CROSSVILLE	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	42	19	ALL	
TOTAL		12	17	25	19	17	9	1	1733	928		42,3

Day of Meeting	Pastor	Evangelist	Other Ministers	Associational Treasury	Home for Children	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Building and Repairs	Miscellaneous
ALL	2,015.29	21.40	1,122.74	0	225.00	1,561.25	0	1,564.31	2,133.59
ALL	3,163.53	50.00	292.00	0	165.00	0	0	3,829.74	3,137.86
ALL	1,827.23	40.00	200.00	0	100.00	0	0	3,200.00	586.93
ALL	1,084.00	37.00	278.00	0	150.00	925.97	0	491.00	956.47
ALL	1,711.60	35.00	261.00	0	100.00	431.00	0	400.00	2,985.48
ALL	1,657.90	12.65	300.00	40.00	200.00	0	0	7,012.78	833.69
ALL	6,000.00	99.00	770.00	0	221.00	1,887.25	0	5,547.08	3,145.34
ALL	0	50.00	7,310.00	0	556.40	0	0	315.20	9,699.70
ALL	829.50	33.45	87.89	0	134.16	0	0	0	3,220.23
ALL	1,493.47	30.00	0	0	120.00	0	0	0	4,394.85
ALL	800.00	21.40	35.00	0	75.00	0	0	0	2,265.15
ALL	1,480.29	66.00	362.00	0	50.00	0	0	4,215.30	3,363.59
ALL	4,700.00	50.00	1,100.00	50.00	150.00	0	0	0	4,541.91
ALL	4,500.00	50.00	942.25	50.00	459.28	0	0	5,672.06	9,693.04
ALL	8,305.00	75.00	450.00	10.00	200.00	0	0	3,310.77	5,352.08
ALL	0	0	122.00	0	20.00	0	0	0	283.72
ALL	2,815.00	50.00	1,146.00	0	150.00	0	0	300.00	384.60
			NOT REPRESENTED						
ALL	0	0	69.39	0	155.00	0	0	1,248.04	634.33
	42,382.81	720.90	14,848.27	150.00	3,230.84	4,805.47	0	37,106.28	57,612.56

PRESBYTERY REPORT

AUGUST 11 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Woody Freewill Baptist Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Harold Green, from the Woody Church, for the ordination into the full ministry. After questioning, Rev. Daily Norrod made motion, seconded by Bro. Robert Taylor and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Green. Bro. Robert Taylor, Deacon of the Woody Church, sat in on the Presbytery in the absence of one of the members.

JUNE 20 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Mt. Carmel Freewill Baptist Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Larry Hyder, from the Mt. Carmel Church, for the office of Deacon. After questioning, Rev. Daily Norrod made motion, seconded by Rev. Bradley Hatfield and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Hyder.

SEPTEMBER 1 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Allardt Freewill Baptist Church for the purpose of examining Rev. Dallas Nance for permission to pastor churches in our Association. After examination, Rev. Darrel Phillips made motion, second by Rev. Jackie Reagan and voiced by all to give Rev. Nance permission to pastor our churches, providing he get a letter from the Cumberland Association.

OCTOBER 10 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Allardt Freewill Baptist Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Joey Pyle for license to preach the gospel for one year. After questioning, Rev. Darrel Phillips made motion, second by Rev. Daily Norrod and voiced by all to license Bro. Pyle for the period of one year. Rev. Willie Wright filled in the absence of some of the Presbytery.

Rev. Eugene Wright, Chairman
Rev. Bruce Cravens,
Rev. Daily Norrod,
Rev. Bradley Hatfield,
Rev. Darrel Phillips

21 Ministers signed the register book.

PASTORAL LABOR 1990-91

ALLARDT	Joey Pyle, Pastor
BANNER SPRINGS	Bruce Cravens, Pastor
CALVARY	Darrel Phillips, Pastor
CENTER POINT	Eugene Wright, Pastor
CIRCLE DRIVE	Jerry Harris, Pastor
COOPERS CHAPEL	Elmer McCowan, Pastor
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Leeman Cravens, Pastor
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	None
HIGHLAND	Billy Joe Hedgecough, Pastor
LIBERTY	Eddie Hargis, Pastor
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Richard England, Pastor
MIDWAY	Hoyt Looper, Pastor
MT. CARMEL	Jackie Reagan, Pastor
RINNIE	Bradley Hatfield, Pastor
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Daily McCowan, Pastor
TINCH TOWN	Porter Penticuff, Pastor
	Elbert Copeland, Assistant
TYLER POINT	Leon Baldwin, Pastor
UNION GROVE	Not Represented
WOODY	None

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

ALLARDT	Clancy Beeler, RR 8, Box 669, Jamestown
BANNER SPRINGS	Rosie Hall, RR 1, Box 122, Clarkrange
CALVARY	Nancy Tinch, RR 1, Box 118-C, Crawford
CENTER POINT	Omie Ringley, RR 3, Box 379, Jamestown
CIRCLE DRIVE	Lula Mae Ray, RR 7, Box 353, Cookeville
COOPERS CHAPEL	Ann Manis, RR 3, Box 406, Jamestown
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Beachel Creselious, RR 2, Box 103, Jamestown
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Mary Ledbetter, RR 4, Box 275, Livingston
HIGHLAND	Alice Faye Looper, RR 1, Box 236, Monterey
LIBERTY	Karion Lee, RR 1, Box 27-A, Livingston
MARTHA WASHINGTON ...	Alleta Stepp, RR 1, Box 673, Clarkrange
MIDWAY	Charlotte Bilbrey, RR 1, Box 440, Clarkrange
MT. CARMEL	Patricia A. Gunter, RR 1, Box 147, Jamestown
RINNIE	Gisela Farmer, RR 1, Box 365, Crossville
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Patricia Thompson, 110 Minnie Ave., Monterey
TINCH TOWN	Betty Turner, RR 4, Box 771, Jamestown
TYLER POINT	Andy Honeycutt, RR 1, Monterey
UNION GROVE	Not Represented
WOODY	Geneda Ashburn, Box 51, Clarkrange

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

Ministers	Address	Telephone
Lewis Ashburn	RR 1, Box 309, Crossville	484-6525
Leon Baldwin	RR 3, Box 407, Monterey	839-3887
Leo Campbell	RR 1, Box 69, Jamestown	879-9830
Elbert Copeland	RR 2, Jamestown	879-7305
Bruce Cravens	RR 1, Box 308, Clarkrange	863-3467
Leeman Cravens	Box 449, Jamestown	879-5656
Jimmy Dixon	RR 1, Rickman	
Richard England	RR 1, Box 7, Clarkrange	863-3320
James C. Ford	RR 2, Box 376-A, Monterey	839-3874
Harold Green	RR 1, Box 173, Crossville	484-5840
Jerry Harris	RR 3, Box 432, Livingston	
J.B. Harris	Monterey	
Bradley Hatfield	Box 384, Jamestown	879-7206
Billy Joe Hedgecough	RR 2, Box 109, Monterey	839-2383
Thurman Key	RR 3, Box 123-B, Monterey	839-3188
Hoyt Looper	Old Walton Road, Monterey	839-2838
Elmer D. McCowan	RR 7, Box 72, Cookeville	498-2715
Daily Norrod	RR 2, Box 294, Monterey	863-3881
Porter Penticuff	RR 2, Box 366, Jamestown	879-7019
Darrel Phillips	RR 1, Box 638, Monterey	839-3043
Jackie Reagan	RR 3, Box 417-C, Jamestown	879-5267
Bennie Sells	Buena Vista Subv. Livingston	823-6130
Ovle Tinch	RR 3, Box 303, Livingston	823-2685
Eugene Wright	RR 2, Box 100, Jamestown	879-7556
Oney Wright	Goulds Town Rd., Jamestown	879-8935
Willie Wright	RR 1, Box 51, Jamestown	879-7768

DISABLED MINISTERS

Omer Allred	RR 1, Box 132, Jamestown	863-3149
Buss Beaty	Grimsley	863-3547
Willie Norris	Roslin	
Oscar Smith	Tom Price Rd., Jamestown	879-7643

DECEASED MINISTERS

Woodie Key
Hershell Phillips

MINISTERS REPORT

MINISTERS	Churches Pastored	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptized	Couples Married	Funerals	Revivals	Contributions	ADDRESS
Leeman Cravens	1	110	8	0	0	0	14	1	\$6,000	Box 449 Jamestown
Elmer McCowan	1	88	3	7	2	0	4	1	1,424	RR 7, Box 72 Cookeville
Darrel Phillips	1	92	0	1	0	1	1	0	2,200	RR1, Box 638 Monterey

MINISTERS WHO MADE NO REPORT

Lewis Ashburn, Leon Baldwin, Leo Campbell, Elbert Copeland, Bruce Cravens, Jimmy Dixon, Richard England, Harold Green, Jerry Harris, J.B. Harris, Bradley Hatfield, Billy Joe Hedgecough, Thurman Key, Hoyt Looper, Daily Norrod, Porter Penticuff, Jackie Reagan, Bennie Sells, Ovie Tinch, Eugene Wright, Oney Wright, Willie Wright.

DECEASED MINISTERS

T.S. Aakins
 A.C.L. Allred
 Ben Allred
 Rolland Aytes
 Clyde Bilbrey
 L.F. Bilbrey
 Ras Bilbrey
 Archie Blair
 Jessie Blalock
 E.M. Bledsoe
 Talmadge Bowman
 W.T. Bowman
 John Brewster
 Arnil Brown
 Richard Byers
 D.T. Cantrell
 John Chapman
 Boyd Choate
 George Cook
 Melvin Cook
 Council Cooper
 David Cooper
 Woodroe Cooper
 F.M. Copeland
 L.F. Copeland
 W.L. Copeland
 Luther Cox
 D.W. Davis
 John Downs
 J.B. Esbell
 J.N. Esbell
 Sylvester Franklin
 John Fritts
 Phillips Hall
 R.S. Hall
 S.J. Hall
 T.H. Hammock
 Cordell Hargis
 Joe Hicks
 M.L. Hill
 Ervin Holloway
 Joe Hoover
 Pleasant Houge
 Albert Howard
 Ernest Howard
 Gilbert Howard
 Hilland Howard
 John Howard
 James Huling
 M.M. Isbell
 A. Jenings
 Francis Jennings
 J.T. Jennings
 S.M. Jennings

H.A. Johnson
 G.S. Jones
 Calvin Key
 Woodie Key
 Richard King
 John Ledford
 W.S. Ledford
 A.F. Lewellen
 George McCowan
 J.D. McKenzie
 E.E. Miles
 Ervin Miller
 B.A. Moore
 Leslie Murphy
 R.C. Norris
 Melvin Ooten
 George Owens
 Will Peters
 Jerry Phillips
 Hershell Phillips
 Hilary Phillips
 M.M. Phillips
 Verlie Phillips
 W.K. Pierce
 John Pryor
 W.B. Rhum
 Benton Rome
 D.F. Sargent
 J.L. Shelton
 H.M. Simms
 K.P. Simms
 Claude Smith
 Clay Smith
 D.G. Smith
 Harold Smith
 Jerry Smith
 M.E. Smith
 J.A. Sprague
 William Spurling
 Earlis Stephens
 J.W. Stephens
 W.C. Stephens
 W.H. Stepp
 John Stevens
 Frank Stowers
 G.W. Stowers
 John Stowers
 W.M. Stowers
 Levi Testament
 Will Thomason
 Robert Thompson
 Frank Tinch
 Hobert Tinch
 Logan Tinch

Dewey Todd
 S.A. Tompkins
 Louis Turner
 Tommy Vaughn
 V.V. Vaughn
 H.L. Vaught
 E.H. Walker
 Reid Watson
 Riley White
 J.R. Whitehead
 Claude Wilson
 L.S. Woods
 Charlie Wright
 J.S. Wright
 P.C. York
 Thurman York

RULES FOR DECORUM

Section 1 — No complaint shall be brought in the church against transgressing members until the aggrieved party complies with the direction given by our Lord in St. Matthews 18:13-17.

Section 2 — It shall be the duty of the deacons of the church to go to the transgressing members, talk to them, admonish them and they shall have until the second church meeting to make reconciliation. It may be the duty of the church to choose a committee to settle aggrieved causes. It shall also be the duty of the deacons of the church to look after the widows in their daily ministrations.

Section 3 — It shall be the duty of all persons who became members of the Freewill Baptist Church who have not been baptized by immersion, and that for the answer of a good conscience, to attend the ordinance.

Section 4 — We receive members into the Freewill Baptist Church by conversion and by letter and recommendation. It shall be the duty of each minister on receiving members into the church to ask applicant the following questions: First, do you feel that you love God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength? Second, are you a believer with all your heart that Jesus Christ is the Son of God? Are you willing to walk in all his holy percepts?

Section 5 — It shall be the duty of the stewards to advise the church, to promote means to sustain the church and preachers.

Section 6 — It shall be the duty of the different church clerks to keep correct minutes of their church meetings in a book kept for that purpose.

Section 7 — Each church represented in the Annual Association shall be entitled to two delegate votes whose membership does not exceed 50, and one additional for every 25 over 50.

Section 8 — No minister shall be ordained to the office of Elder until having passed a satisfactory examination upon the subjects of repentance, faith, justification, the door to the church, water baptism and washing the saints feet, the Lord's supper, and transaction of the church business in general.

Section 9 — No minister shall be ordained in the Freewill Baptist Church of Christ without first being licensed for a period of twelve months. Any ordained licensed minister, who wishes to come to us well recommended by letter from association or conference, we will receive them and ratify their credential or license. Also before issuing license to any one the presbytery shall be called by the church to examine applicants. Also that the Chairman of the Presbytery keep a record of Ministers ordained throughout the year and his report brought to the Association, that the name of those ordained be placed in the Minutes.

Section 10 — The Ministers who do not make a report to be placed in the minutes as Ministers who make no report. And also Ministers who fail to represent for two consecutive sessions of our Association be dismissed from role of Ordained Ministers. And Ministers who are unable to attend the Association be represented by letter.

Section 11 — Ministers coming from another Association to Pastor Churches in our Association be examined by our Presbytery before Pastoring our Churches in the Eastern Division. And bring a letter of recommendation from their association.

Section 12 — No one shall be ordained a minister of the Gospel, nor to the office of deacon who is living in adultery in any way.

Section 13 — No Minister belonging to the Eastern Division of the Stone Association be allowed to pastor more than two churches in one year. We also urge Pastors and Deacons and Members in the Freewill Baptist Church to really stand firm against the revised version of the Bible and the use of it in our Churches.

Section 14 — It shall be the duty of all our Churches to support their Pastors financially and support them with their presence. And any Pastor that feels a Church is not backing him and feels led to resign, will give the Church a thirty day notice that he is leaving, so that the Church may be able to find a Pastor. Also before a Church calls an Evangelist, the Pastor be consulted. And when a Deacon is called to preach the Gospel, and he is licensed to preach, his Deacon Ordination papers are annulled. Also any Minister coming from another conference or association to unite with our Association. We will ratify their credentials, if within ninety days from the date of their dismissal from their former Association.

Section 15 — Before a church meeting is called, there shall be no less than 7 members present to conduct business.

Section 16 — We urge each pastor when receiving members into the church to read the church covenant and to follow the instructions given in the Rules of Decorum, Section 4.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1 — We believe in one eternal God, the creator and upholder of all things in Jesus Christ, His Son, and in the Holy Ghost and that those three are one.

Article 2 — We believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and the only rules of faith and practice.

Article 3 — We believe that man is unable to recover himself from the fallen state that he is in by reason of sin, only by the grace of God through the exercise of faith.

Article 4 — We believe that baptism and the Lord's supper and the washing of the saint's feet are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that immersion is the only mode of baptism, not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Article 5 — We believe that no minister has the right to administer these ordinances except such as are regularly ordained.

Article 6 — We believe in the resurrection of the dead, a general judgement, the punishment of the wicked, and the joys of the righteous are eternal.

Article 7 — We believe that no persons are members of the Freewill Christian Baptist Church of Christ only those who have the witness within themselves.

Article 8 — We believe that all Christians have a right to the sacramental table upon the principles of their acceptance with him for Saint Paul says: "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup." I Cor. 11:28.

DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

Section 1 — That all power of church government is inherent to the people and the preachers; and they may have a right through their representatives to establish, alter or amend their form of church government, two-thirds agreeing thereto.

Section 2 — That a Christian Church is a society of believers in Christ, and is a divine institution, Jesus Christ being at the head of the Church and the Bible the only rule of our faith and practice.

Section 3 — That no faith and doctrine shall ever be established in the Freewill Christian Baptist Church contrary to the Bible.

Section 4 — No person who loves the Lord Jesus Christ and obeys the gospel should ever be deprived of church membership.

Section 5 — Every person has inalienable rights to private judgement in matters of religion and may speak freely of the same in a way that will not violate the laws of God, or their country or the rights of their fellowman.

Section 6 — All church trials should be conducted on gospel principles only, and no minister or member should be ex-communicated except for immorality, the propagation of an un-Christian doctrine, neglect of duty enjoined by the Word of God, or the rules of the Church.

Section 7 — The church has a right to form and enforce such rules and regulations only as are in accordance with the Holy Scriptures as may be necessary to carry into effect the great system of Christianity.

Section 8 — There may be three grades of Associations established in the Freewill Christian Baptist Church of Christ; First, the Monthly Association; second, The Annual Association; Third, the General Association; all of which may be established by the rules of the church.

Section 9 — That the church has a right to select their leaders and delegates to the Annual Association.

Section 10 — It shall be the duty of every church to elect two Deacons and one Clerk.

Section 11 — It shall be the duty of every church to send delegates with an order to the Annual Association.

Section 12 — It shall be the duty of the Annual Association to send to the General Association delegates with corresponding letters in order.

Section 13 — Be it resolved, that no minister or his wife be allowed to aid or abet either directly or indirectly in the manufacture of intoxicating drinks or illegal drugs or to indulge in the sale of them. We know by the observance that it is a great hindering cause in the upbuilding of God's Kingdom on earth.

A — Be it further resolved, that no minister, his wife or member of the Freewill Baptist Church be allowed to drink or use illegal drugs.

B — Be it further resolved, that no member of this church shall tolerate the sale or manufacture or use of intoxicating drinks, such as liquors, wines or beers; or illegal drugs anytime, anywhere, anyplace.

Section 14 — It shall be the duty of any member wishing to leave Freewill Christian Baptist Church to call for a letter before leaving.

LETTER FROM _____ CHURCH

To the Stone Association of the Freewill Baptist Church.

Date _____ 19 _____

When convened with the _____ church on _____, 19 _____, we send as delegates our beloved brethren or sister:

_____ whom we pray you to receive to sit with you in your business and Godly deliberations.

STATISTICS

State of Religion _____

Members received past 12 months:

by Letter _____

by Recommendation _____

by Profession _____

Members dismissed: _____

by Letter _____

by Exclusion _____

by Death [please state name(s)] _____

by Request _____

total membership _____

Condition of prayer meeting _____

Condition of Sunday School _____

Average No. of pupils in Sunday School _____

No. of Minutes ordered _____

Ministers belong to our church _____

Pastor's name _____

Pastor's address _____

Assistant Pastor's name _____

Assistant Pastor's address _____

We have called Rev. _____ for pastor,

and Rev. _____ for assistant pastor.

Done by order of _____ Church

assembled in regular meeting this _____ day of _____, 19 _____

with _____ members present. Our day of meeting is _____ Sunday.

_____ Moderator

_____ Clerk

_____ Clerk's address

FINANCES

Paid pastor _____

Paid traveling evangelist _____

Paid other ministers _____

Home for Children _____

with this letter _____

total for year _____

Associational Treasury _____

with this letter _____

Total for year _____

Foreign Missions _____

Home Missions _____

Building Repairs _____

Miscellaneous _____

(all other expenses) _____

