

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

When convened with

RINNIE
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Cumberland Co., Crossville, Tenn.
October 12, 1991

Rev. Elmer McCowan, Moderator	Cookeville, TN
Rev. Willie Wright, Assistant Moderator	Jamestown, TN
Rev. Darrell Phillips, Clerk	Cookeville, 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
10. Invitation for Office of Elders
11. Reading Rules of Decorum
12. Report of Presbytery
13. Offering for Children's Home
14. Report of Evangelist
15. Report on Obituaries
16. Report on Finance Committee
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-Fourth annual session of the Eastern Division Stone Association of Freewill Baptists when convened with the Rinnie Freewill Baptist Church in Cumberland Co., TN. on October 12, 1991. The former Moderator, Rev. Willie Wright, called the House to order at 9:00 a.m. Singing was led by Bro. Ewell Tabors and Bro. Doyle Vaughn. Scripture was read from Thes. 2:1-5. An offering of \$100.00 was taken up for the Associational Treasury. The Associational Treasury. The Association proceeded by electing officials.

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

DELEGATES

ALLARDT	Clyde Whited, Perry Delk
BANNER SPRINGS	Rosie Hall, Carolyn Norris
CALVARY	Linda Hickman, Melissa Anderson, Clarazene Hargis
CENTER POINT.....	Steve Wright, Danny Simpson
CIRCLE DRIVE..	Traci Rich, Angela Coffee, Randall Bilbrey, Dolan Bilbrey
COOPERS CHAPEL.....	Ann Manis, Reba Manis
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL.....	J.B. Creselious, Wayne Porténier
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON..	Kenneth Hargis, Glenn Ledbetter, Alton York
HIGHLAND.....	Brenda McDonald, Velma Ledbetter
LAKESIDE.....	Donnie Miller, Janice Miller
LIBERTY.....	Roscoe Hammock, Tommy Bilbrey
MARTHA WASHINGTON.....	Elza Cross, Bertha Cross
MIDWAY.....	Cecil Phillips, Hooper Farley
MT. CARMEL	Mitchell Beaty, Hugh Monday
RINNIE.....	Roger Buck, Donna Buck, Angela Buck, Tammy Sharp
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY.....	Doyle Vaughn, Ewell Tabors
TINCH TOWN.....	Eloise Bow
TYLER POINT.....	Clyde Looper, Hallie Looper, Treva Wilson, Dimple Hinson
UNION GROVE.....	Ruth Wilson, Johnnie Vaughn, Media Harris
WOODY.....	Herbert Ashburn, Warner Phillips

CIRCLE DRIVE..... Traci Rich, Angela Coffee, Randall Bilbrey,
Dolan Bilbrey
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON..... Kenneth Hargis, Glenn Ledbetter,
Alton York

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY:

Rev. Bradley Hatfield, Chairman, Rev. Oney Wright

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

Rev. Darrel Phillips, Chairman, Bro. Hugh Monday, Bro. Burly Carr

PRESBYTERY APPOINTED BY MODERATOR:

Rev. Bradley Hatfield, Chairman, Rev. Jackie Reagan, Rev. Leeman
Cravens, Rev. Billy Joe Hedgecough, Rev. Leon Baldwin

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
LAKESIDE	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	READ AND PASSED
WOODY	READ AND PASSED

INVITATION FOR OFFICE OF ELDER

Rev. James Phillips reunited with the Association.
Revs. Tracy Langford and Roger Sisco received permission to
pastor churches in our Association.

INVITATION FOR NEW CHURCHES

The Invitation for new churches was given. None responded.

READING THE RULES OF DECORUM

The Rules of Decorum were read. The rules were tabled for
Miscellaneous Business.

ADJOURNED FOR INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Bro. Hugh Monday read a report from and commented on the
Children's Home. An offering of \$82.95 was taken up for the Home.

We adjourned at 11:00 a.m. for the Introductory Sermon. Bro.
Connolly Beaty led the singing. Prayer was led by Rev. Bruce
Cravens. We had special songs by Bro. & Sis. Tracy Langford, Bro.
Warner Phillips, Bro. Perry Delk, and Sisters Geneva Phillips and
Treva Wilson.

Rev. Oney Wright preached the Introductory Sermon, reading
from 1 Cor. 2:9.

The Association sang "Precious Memories" in respect for our
members and loved ones we lost during the year. We adjourned at
11:58 a.m. until after lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

We reconvened at 1:00 p.m. with singing led by Bro. Ewell Tabors.
Prayer was led by Rev. Elmer McCowan. Scripture was read from
Rom. 8:28.

PRESBYTERY REPORT

The Presbytery Report was read. Motion by Bro. Hugh Monday,
second by Bro. Roger Buck and voiced by all to accept the report
as read.

REPORT OF TRAVELING EVANGELIST

The Traveling Evangelist gave his report. Motion by Bro. Hugh Monday, second by Rev. Oney Wright and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

To the Eastern Stone Association of the Freewill Baptist Assoc. I would like to express my appreciation for letting me be your Traveling Evangelist for the 1990-91 year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to report that I found all churches in good faith and standing. And wish to thank them for their love and kindness they have shown to my wife and I.

In Christ's love,
Bro. Leo Campbell

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Obituary Committee gave it's report. A moment of silent prayer and a verse of "Precious Memories" were given for those who passed away.

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

BANNER SPRINGS.....	Quitman Garrett
CALVARY.....	Nan Bowman, Oscar Sells
CENTER POINT.....	Hettie King
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL.....	Jonah Cooper, Orpha Conatser
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON.....	Daniel Wilmoth
HIGHLAND.....	Cordell H. Speck
MIDWAY.....	Daily Norrod
MT. CARMEL.....	Buss Beaty, Alice Mata
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY.....	Walter Dixon
TYLER POINT.....	Flora Phillips
UNION GROVE.....	Ike Buckner, Minnie Farley
WOODY.....	Macie Richardson, Jeffery Taylor

Rev. Bradley Hatfield, Chairman
Rev. Oney Wright

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee gave It's report. Motion made by Rev. Reagan. Second by Bro. Roger Buck and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

We the Committee of Finance report the following finances for the Associational year 1990-91:

Associational Treasury:

Beginning Bal.....	\$4,159.60
Ending Bal.....	\$4,671.63
Children's Home.....	\$4,099.32

Rev. Darrel Phillips, Chairman
Bro. Hugh Monday
Bro. Burly Carr

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 Spirit 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, viture; and to viture, 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 coveteous, 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 us 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

Rev. Hoyt Looper represented by letter. Bro. Doyle Vaughn made motion, second by Bro. Hugh Monday and voiced by all to amend section 8 of the Rules of Decorum to allow the Presbytery the liberty to ask what is needful on any questions they feel are necessary.

Rev. Bruce Cravens made motion, second by Rev. Bradley Hatfield and voiced by all for the Association to give plaques to the disabled ministers for their years of service. Bro. Hugh Monday made motion, second by Rev. Willie Wright and voiced by the Association to give the clerk \$300 a year.

Rev. Leeman Cravens made motion, second by Bro. Mitchell Beaty and voiced by all for the pastors to get in touch with the Traveling Evangelist to give him an appointment to preach. There was a discussion about the need for the churches to support the Associational Treasury.

TRAVELING EVANGELIST

Rev. Bruce Cravens was appointed Traveling Evangelist for 1991-92.

Rev. James C. Ford was appointed Assistant.

NEXT ASSOCIATION

It was appointed by majority vote that the next Association go to the Mt. Carmel Church on Oct. 10, 1992.

NEXT INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Rev. James C. Ford was appointed to preach the next Introductory Sermon.

Rev. James Phillips was appointed as alternate.

18 ministers signed the registrar book.

Visiting ministers registering, were Rev. Roger Sisco of the Western Div. and Rev. Tracy Langford of the Old Fashion.

EXPRESSING THANKS

We, the Ministers, Deacons and Delegates of the Eastern Division extend our appreciation to the Rinnie Church for hosting our Association. We wish to thank the sisters of the church for their labor in preparing all the fine food we were served. May the Lord enrich you all greatly is our prayers.

ADJOURNMENT

We adjourned at 1:42 p.m. until the next appointed time and place at Mr. Carmel on Oct. 10, 1992, at 9:00 a.m.

CHURCHES	ADDRESS	Gained By			Lost By				Total Fellowship	Average	Day of Meeting
		Letter	Rec.	Pro.	Letter	Death	Request	Exc.			
ALLARDT	ALLARDT	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	31	52	ALL
BANNER SPRINGS	BANNER SPRINGS	0	2	0	2	1	2	0	35	51	ALL
CALVARY	CRAWFORD	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	126	30	ALL
CENTER POINT	JAMESTOWN	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	105	42	ALL
CIRCLE DRIVE	ALGOOD	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	29	30	ALL
COOPERS CHAPEL	JAMESTOWN	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	121	45	ALL
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	JAMESTOWN	0	8	2	2	2	0	0	131	101	ALL
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	LIVINGSTON	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	150	99	ALL
HIGHLAND	LIVINGSTON	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	71	28	ALL
LAKESIDE	MONTEREY	4	16	1	0	0	0	0	53	52	ALL
LIBERTY	LIVINGSTON	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	40	30	ALL
MARTHA WASHINGTON	CLARKRANGE	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	90	40	ALL
MIDWAY	CLARKRANGE	0	1	1	0	1	7	0	107	43	ALL
MT. CARMEL	GRIMSLEY	4	0	0	3	2	0	0	184	71	ALL
RINNIE	CROSSVILLE	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	192	125	ALL
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	MONTEREY	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	60	45	ALL
TINCH TOWN	JAMESTOWN	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	69	20	ALL
TYLER POINT	MONTEREY	2	4	0	0	1	0	0	146	36	ALL
UNION GROVE	MONTEREY	2	1	6	4	2	0	0	112	35	ALL
WOODY	CROSSVILLE	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	39	22	ALL
TOTAL		13	42	19	23	17	15	0	1891	997	5

Average	Day of Meeting	Pastor	Evangelist	Other Ministers	Associational Treasury	Home for Children	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Building and Repairs	Miscellaneous
52	ALL	3,395.21	25.00	1,076.00	0	210.00	2,918.00	0	42.87	3,305.75
51	ALL	3,402.00	50.00	243.00	0	100.00	0	0	1,025.00	3,779.14
30	ALL	1,331.31	20.00	267.58	0	100.00	0	0	215.00	1,071.28
42	ALL	1,551.50	37.00	346.00	25.00	261.00	1,273.62	0	6,403.35	1,079.90
30	ALL	1,561.13	34.00	193.00	0	50.00	532.00	0	409.00	2,434.59
45	ALL	1,532.00	50.00	685.00	65.00	1,267.22	0	0	0	2,060.03
101	ALL	6,975.00	55.00	877.00	0	150.00	1,016.00	0	1,230.99	2,936.31
99	ALL	0	50.00	8,250.00	0	500.00	0	0	1,845.00	4,372.01
28	ALL	908.95	14.35	235.87	0	86.26	0	0	0	1,946.97
52	ALL	5,415.57	85.00	975.00	20.00	50.00	0	0	2,152.29	3,733.53
30	ALL	1,046.69	30.00	0	0	45.00	0	0	0	1,392.66
40	ALL	200.00	15.25	313.30	0	75.00	374.25	0	7,952.70	2,236.98
43	ALL	1,402.15	30.00	1,150.00	0	50.00	0	0	10,779.55	3,741.60
71	ALL	4,980.00	30.00	1,340.00	50.00	520.00	0	0	4,141.93	6,679.26
125	ALL	4,550.00	50.00	1,166.00	50.00	600.00	256.32	0	4,640.14	7,993.44
45	ALL	8,400.00	50.00	659.03	50.00	257.18	0	0	16,853.73	19,309.50
20	ALL	0	0	0	0	30.00	0	0	1,900.00	983.15
36	ALL	2,774.84	50.00	618.00	0	150.00	0	0	164.00	1,421.82
35	ALL	1,742.53	44.25	607.75	0	150.00	245.29	0	9,708.14	3,463.34
22	ALL	0	45.18	427.90	0	0	0	0	595.23	1,947.05
997		51,168.88	765.03	19,430.43	260.00	4,651.66	6,615.48	0	70,058.92	75,888.31

PRESBYTERY REPORT

November 29, the Presbytery met in regular session in conference at the Rinnie F.W.B. church in Cumberland County. Rev. Harlon Thompson, from the Lakeside F.W.B. church, came before the Presbytery to be reunited as a minister of the Eastern Division.

Bro. Joe Tudor, Deacon of the Lakeside church, came before the presbytery to be accepted as a deacon of the Eastern Division. Rev. Jackie Reagan made motion, second by Rev. Bradley Hatfield and voiced by all to re-instate Rev. Thompson and to issue Bro. Tudor credentials. Rev. Oney Wright filled in on the absence of one of the members.

June 9-The presbytery met in special session at Tinch Town F.W.B. church in Fentress Co., for the purpose of examining Bro. Herman Norris, of the Tinch Town church, for liscense to preach the gospel for one year. Rev. Leo Campbell sat in in the absense of one of the members. After examanation, Rev. Jackie Reagan made motion, to place Bro. Norris under the watch-care of the church for six months and then come back for liscense. Rev. Darrel Phillips second and voiced by the majority to place Bro. Norris under the watch-care of the church for six months.

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

PASTORAL LABOR 1991-1992

ALLARDT	Oney Wright, Pastor
BANNER SPRINGS	Willie Wright, Pastor
CALVARY	Billy Joe Hedgecough, Pastor
CENTER POINT	Eugene Wright, Pastor
CIRCLE DRIVE	Tracy Langford, Pastor
COOPERS CHAPEL	Elmer McCowan, Pastor
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Leeman Cravens, Pastor
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Roger Sisco, Pastor
HIGHLAND	Jimmy Dixon, Pastor
LAKESIDE	Harlon Thompson, 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	James Phillips, Pastor
WOODY	Lewis Ashburn, Pastor

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

ALLARDT	Clancy Beeler, RR 4, Box 669, Jamestown
BANNER SPRINGS	Rosie Hall, RR 1, Box 122, Clarkrange
CALVARY	Melissa Anderson, RR 1, Box 147, Crawford
CENTER POINT	Omie Ringley, RR 3, Box 379, Jamestown
CIRCLE POINT	Lula Mae Ray, RR 7, Box 353, Cookeville
COOPERS CHAPEL	Ann Manis, RR c, Box 406, Jamestown
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Beachel Creselious, RR 2, Box 275, Jamestown
1st F.W.B. LIVINGSTON .	Mary Ledbetter, RR 4, Box 275, Livingston
HIGHLAND	Alice Faye Looper, RR 1, Box 236, Monterey
LAKESIDE	Freddie Thompson, RR 2, Box 124, 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 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, Box 581, Monterey
UNION GROVE	Carolyn Harris, RR 3, Box 357-G, Monterey
WOODY	Geneda Ashburn, Box 51, Clarkrange

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

Ministers	Address	Telephone
Lewis Ashburn	RR 1, Box 309, Crossville	456-0417
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	498-2801
J. B. Harris	Monterey	
Bradley Hatfield	Box 384, Jamestown	879-7206
Billy Joe Hedgecough	RR 2, Box 109, Monterey	839-2383
Thurman Key	RR 2, Box 140, Monterey	839-3188
Hoyt Looper	Old Walton Rd., Monterey	839-2838
Elmer D. McCowan	RR 7, Box 72, Cookeville	498-2715
Porter Penticuff	RR 2, Box 366, Jamestown	879-7019
Darrel Phillips	RR 5, Box 225-B, Cookeville	738-8124
James Phillips	502 E. New Ave, Monterey	839-3565
Jackie Reagan	RR 3, Box 417-C, Jamestown	879-5267
Bennie Sells	Buena Vista Subv., Livingston	823-6130
Harlon Thompson	RR 1, Box 250-B, Clarkrange	863-3396
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
Willie Norris	Roslin	
Oscar Smith	Tom Price Rd., Jamestown	879-7643

DECEASED MINISTERS

Buss Beaty
Daily Norrod

MINISTERS REPORT

MINISTERS	Churches Pastored	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptized	Couples Married	Funerals	Revivals	Contributions	ADDRESS
Leeman Cravens	1	115	8	10	3	1	20	3	\$7,000	Box 449 Jamestown
Elmer McCowan	1	95	2	0	0	0	1	1	\$2,125	RR 7 Box 72 Cookeville
Darrell Phillips	1	95	0	1	0	0	0	1	\$2,500	RR 5 Box 225-B Cookeville

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, James Phillips, Porter Penticuff, Jackie Reagan, Bennie Sells, Harlon Thompson, Ovie Tinch, Eugene Wright, Oney Wright, Willie Wright.

DECEASED MINISTERS

T.S. Aakins
 A.C.L. Allred
 Ben Allred
 Rolland Aytes
 Buss Beaty
 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
 Daily Norrod
 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.F. 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.

A — The presbytery shall have the liberty to ask any question that is needful or that they feel is necessary to anyone to be ordained to the office of Elder.

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 Church 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. _____

and Rev. _____

Done by order of _____

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) _____

