

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

When convened with

**MT. CARMEL
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Fentress Co., Grimsley, Tenn.
October 10, 1992**

Rev. Elmer McCowan, Moderator Cookeville, TN
Rev. Bradley Hatfield, Assistant Moderator Jamestown, TN
Rev. Darrel 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-Fifth annual session of the Eastern Division Stone Association of Freewill Baptist when Convened with the Mt. Carmel Freewill Baptist Church in Fentress Co., TN on October 10, 1992. The former Moderator, Rev. Elmer McCowan, called the House to order at 9:00 a.m. Singing was led by Bro. Ewell Tabors. Prayer was led by Rev. Harvey Garrison. Scripture was read from Psalm 122:1-9. An offering of \$107.66 was taken up for the Associational Treasury. The Association proceeded by electing officials.

Moderator	Rev. Elmer McCowan
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Bradley Hatfield
Clerk	Rev. Darrell Phillips
Assistant Clerk	Bro. Doyle Vaughn

DELEGATES

Allardt	Perry Delk
Banner Springs	Macie Hall, Casper T. Hall
Calvary	Melissa Anderson, Clarazene Hargis
Center Point	Betty Choate, Danny Simpson
Circle Drive	Mae Ray, Evond Manis, Betty Cleghorn
Coopers Chapel	Hettie Wright, Ann Manis
Cross Roads Chapel	J. B. Creselious, Charlie Doss, Noble Delk Danny Brown
1st F.W.B. Livingston	Glenn Ledbetter, Kenneth Hargis
Highland	Brenda McDonald, Velma Ledbetter
Lakeside	Michael Swallows, Teresa Swallows
Liberty	Roscoe Hammock, Bruce Dixon
Martha Washington	Katie Cravens, Faye Ledbetter
Midway	Cecil Phillips, Alene Phillips
Mt. Carmel	Mitchell Beaty, Hugh Monday, David Miller William Conaster
Rlnnie	Wade Stover, Joshua Swallows, Paul Stults
2nd F.W.B. Monterey	Doyle Vaughn, Ewell Tabors
Tinch Town	Eloise Bōw, Shirley Bow
Tyler Point	Eulas Hinson, Jewel Hinson
Union Grove	Media Harris, Ruth Wilson, Johnnie Mae Vaughn, James Vaughn
Woody	Herbert Ashburn, Warner Phillips

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY:

Rev. Willie Wright, Chairman, Rev. Billy Joe Hedgecough

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

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

PRESBYTERY APPOINTED BY MODERATOR:

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

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. Tex Boles from the Western Division and Rev. Joey Pyle from the Bible Holiness Mission, came before the Presbytery for permission to pastor churches in the Eastern Division. Permission was granted.

INVITATIONS FOR NEW CHURCHES

The Invitation for new churches was given. None responded.

READING THE RULES OF DECORUM

The Rules of Decorum were read. Rev. Darrel Phillips made motion, seconded by Rev. James Ford and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

OFFERING FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

The amount of \$268.00 was taken up for the Children's Home. Rev. Eugene Webb, from the Children's Home, gave a talk concerning the home.

ADJOURNED FOR INTRODUCTORY SERMON

We adjourned at 11:41 a.m. for the Introductory Sermon. Rev. David Crowe, made a talk concerning an area crusade. Prayer was led by Rev. David Crowe. Rev. James C. Ford preached the Introductory Sermon, reading from Lam. 5:14-17 and taking as his text "Joy". We dismissed at 12:15 p.m. until after lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

We reconvened at 1:19 p.m. Bro. Virgil Snow led the singing. Prayer was led by Rev. Joey Pyle. Scripture was read from Psalms 1:1-6.

There was special singing by Sis Geneva Phillips & children, The Miller Family & Sis. Betty Reagan.

PRESBYTERY REPORT

The Presbytery Report was read. Bro. Hugh Monday made motion, seconded by Bro. Burly Carr and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

REPORT OF TRAVELING EVANGELIST

The Traveling Evangelist gave his report. The report passed as read.

To the Eastern Stone Association, as your traveling evangelist for the 1991-92 year, I visited all the churches that contacted me in time. I was surprised to find in some of our churches the lack of leadership, love and care they need.

My prayer is that our churches will grow in grace and understanding.

In God's Love,
Bruce Cravens

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Obituary Committee gave it's report.

We your Committee on Obituaries find that our churches have lost 22 members because of death. They are as follows.

Banner Springs	Laura Hannahan, Cora Brown
Calvary	Cella Pierce
Circle Drive	James Roberson
Crossroads Chapel	Woodie Hancock, Wheeler Conatser
1st F.W.B. Livingston	Effie Coffee
Highland	Dee Hill, Dale Ledbetter, Lonzo Dixon, Morris Dixon
Martha Washington	Paul Dixon
Midway	Eva Massengale
Mt. Carmel	Elva Smith, Learlin Dixon
Rinnie	Clyde Harville, Bud Manis, Grady Harville, Bryan Green
Tyler Point	Clyde Looper, Tilda Phillips
Union Grove	Thurman Whittaker

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee gave it's report and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

Associational Treasury:

Beginning Balance	\$4,671.63
Received for Year:	
Conf.	\$573.32

Int.	\$127.75	
Total		\$963.73
Expenditures		
Clerk	\$300.00	
Plaques for Disabled Ministers	\$62.22	
Total		\$369.22
Ending Balance		\$5,264.83
Children's Home	\$4,806.47	

Darrel Phillips, Chairman
 Hugh Monday
 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, 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 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 Associations:

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 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

Bro. Doyle Vaughn made motion, seconded by Bro. Mitchell Beaty and voiced by all that we go by the minutes concerning Ministers that have missed the Association for two consecutive years. Revs. Porter Penticuff and Elbert Copeland were dropped from the roll of ordained ministers for not attending or reporting to the Association for the last two years.

Bro. Hugh Monday gave a talk thanking everyone for coming to the Association.

Bro. Mitchell Beaty made motion, seconded by Bro. Buck and voiced by all that we have services on Friday night before the Association.

21 ministers signed the registrar.

Visiting ministers signing the registrar were Revs. Harver Garrison and Tex Boles from the Western Division.

TRAVELING EVANGELIST

Rev. Elmer McCowan was appointed Traveling Evangelist for 1992-93.

NEXT ASSOCIATION

It was appointed that the next Association go to the Circle Drive Freewill Baptist Church on October 9, 1993.

NEXT INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Rev. Raymond Doss was appointed to preach the next Introductory Sermon.

Rev. Willie Wright was appointed as alternate.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Rev. Jackie Reagan was appointed to preach the next Friday night service.

Rev. Bruce Cravens was chosen as alternate.

EXPRESSING THANKS

We, the ministers, deacons and delegates of the Eastern Division wish to express our thanks to the Mt. Carmel Church for holding our Association at their church this year. We appreciate their hospitality. Thanks to the sisters of the church for preparing all the fine food that we enjoyed at lunch time.

ADJOURNMENT

We adjourned at around 2:00 p.m. until the next appointed time and place at Circle Drive on October 9, 1993 at 9:00 a.m.

PRESBYTERY REPORT

October 12, 1991-Regular session at Association at Rinnie.

We the Presbytery examined Bro. Tracy Langford, from the Old Fashion Association, to pastor the Circle Drive Church. After examination, Bro. Jackie Reagan made motion, seconded by Bro. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ratify his credentials.

We the Presbytery examined Bro. James Phillips, from the Old Fashion Association, to ratify his credentials to pastor Union Grove and to come back into the Association. Motion made by Bro. Jackie Reagan, seconded by Bro. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all.

We the Presbytery examined Bro. Roger Sisco, from the Western Division, to pastor the 1st F.W.B. Church at Livingston. Bro Jackie Reagan made motion, seconded by Bro. Billy Joe Hedgecough and voiced by all.

December 28, 1991-The Presbytery met in Quarterly conference to examine Bro. Claude Norris for ordination for Deacon from Banner Springs. Upon examination, motion made by Bro. Leeman Cravens and seconded by Bro. Jackie Reagan and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Norris for Deacon. Bro. Willie Wright and Bro Eugene Wright sat in the absence of Bro. Leon Baldwin and Bro. Billy Joe Hedgecough.

February 6, 1992-The Presbytery met in special session at the Cross Roads church in Jamestown for the purpose of examining a preacher for license for one year and to examine a Deacon for ordination. After examination, Bro. Jackie Reagan made motion, seconded by Bro. James Phillips

CHURCHES	ADDRESS	GAINED BY			LOST BY				Total Fellowship	Average	Day of Meeting
		Letter	Rec.	Pro.	Letter	Death	Request	Exc.			
ALLARDT	Allardt	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	30	45	ALL
BANNER SPRINGS	Banner Springs	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	31	41	ALL
CALVARY	Crawford	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	126	30	ALL
CENTER POINT	Jamestown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	40	ALL
CIRCLE DRIVE	Algood	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	32	32	ALL
COOPERS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	121	31	ALL
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	7	6	2	2	0	0	140	110	ALL
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Livingston	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	149	88	ALL
HIGHLAND	Livingston	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	66	28	ALL
LAKE SIDE	Monterey	3	8	2	0	0	2	0	63	74	ALL
LIBERTY	Livingston	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	46	30	ALL
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Clarkrange	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	86	40*	ALL
MIDWAY	Clarkrange	1	1	3	1	1	0	0	110	44	ALL
MT. CARMEL	Grimsley	2	2	1	0	2	0	0	187	68	ALL
RINNIE	Crossville	0	4	0	1	4	2	0	189	124	ALL
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Monterey	0	7	5	0	0	0	0	72	45	ALL
TINCH TOWN	Jamestown	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	69	20	ALL
TYLER POINT	Monterey	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	144	32	ALL
UNION GROVE	Monterey	0	0	3	1	1	0	0	113	38	ALL
WOODY	Crossville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	22	ALL
TOTAL		8	37	23	9	22	7	0	1918	982	

Day of Meeting	Pastor	Evangelist	Other Ministers	Associational Treasury	Home for Children	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Building and Repairs	Miscellaneous
ALL	2,729.39	25.00	1,184.14	130.00	225.00	2,044.01	0	168.69	2,366.96
ALL	4,125.00	50.00	200.00	0	150.00	0	0	1,654.37	2,747.97
ALL	699.13	79.28	71.62	0	258.00	0	0	766.24	1,632.21
ALL	1,163.00	38.00	355.02	0	460.00	1,123.71	0	0	6,543.87
ALL	1,595.90	41.00	829.50	0	71.38	0	0	9,125.87	2,829.49
ALL	2,090.90	50.00	500.00	80.00	1,502.09	0	0	0	1,866.22
ALL	7,500.00	50.00	1,009.00	0	600.00	1,898.67	0	3,132.80	2,069.39
ALL	7,750.00	100.00	550.00	0	500.00	0	0	0	7,318.80
ALL	886.45	0	75.00	0	230.00	0	0	2,243.14	2,532.71
ALL	6,322.28	75.00	475.68	10.00	100.00	0	0	1,747.97	4,661.89
ALL	1,464.00	50	0	0	125.00	0	0	1,629.87	2,984.94
ALL	200.00	23.91	57.19	0	75.00	0	0	0	2,090.20
ALL	1090.78	30.00	651.00	0	50.00	0	0	12,921.39	4,776.98
ALL	4,650.00	50.00	1,120.00	50.00	1,150.00	0	0	552.40	6,173.49
ALL	4,600.00	75.00	773.00	115.00	1,004.00	0	0	4,305.08	11,289.49
ALL	8,700.00	50.00	1,100.34	50.00	250.00	0	0	8,825.04	6,075.34
ALL	0	0	250.00	0	40.00	0	0	82.39	591.40
ALL	3,154.79	0	524.25	0	150.00	0	0	1,050.05	1,502.04
ALL	1,980.00	0	555.00	35.00	250.00	257.96	0	3,349.53	6,701.90
ALL	0	31.00	599.88	25.00	25.00	0	0	1,525.32	735.35
60,701.62 818.19 10,880.62 495.00 7,215.47 5,324.35 0 53,080.15 77,490.64									

and voiced by all to license Bro. Raymond Doss to preach the gospel for one year.

Bro. Corwin Brown, from the Cross Roads Chapel Church, was examined for Deacon. After examination, we the Presbytery agreed to ordain Bro. Corwin Brown for Deacon. Motion made by Bro Jackie Reagan, seconded by Bro. James Phillips and voiced by all.

April 11, 1992-The Presbytery met at the Calvary Baptist Church to examine Bro. Tim Anderson for a Deacon. After examination, Presbytery agreed to ordain Bro. Tim Anderson. Motion made by Bro. Jackie Reagan, seconded by Bro. Leon Baldwin and voiced by all. Bro. Darrel Phillips sat in the absence of Bro. Leeman Cravens.

April 27, 1992-The Presbytery met in special called session at Coopers Chapel for the purpose of examining a Deacon for ordination, Bro. Robert Wright. After examination, of Bro. Robert Wright, motion was made by Bro. Jackie Reagan, seconded by Bro. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Wright. Bro. Elmer McCowan sat in the stead of Bro. Billy Joe Hedghcough.

August 29, 1992-The Presbytery met in quarterly conference, for the purpose of examining Bro. Lyle Ledbetter, from the Western Div. and the New Harmony Baptist Church, to pastor the Highland Church. Upon Examination, and upon his confession of faith in the lord that his record was clear of all rumors that was told that they were false. Then after examination, Bro. Billy Joe Hedgecough made motion, seconded by Bro. Bruce Cravens and voiced by all upon Bro. Ledbetter's word, because we had no proof of any thing. Bros. Bruce Cravens, Willie Wright, and Eugene Wright filled in the absence of Bro. Jackie Reagan, Leon Baldwin, and Leeman Cravens.

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

PASTORAL LABOR

AllardtBruce Cravens, Pastor; Oney Wright, Assistant Pastor
Banners Springs Willie Wright, Pastor
CalvaryBilly Joe Hedgecough, Pastor
Center PointEugene Wright, Pastor
Circle PointJerry Harris, Pastor

Coopers Chapel	Joey Pile, Pastor
Cross Roads Chapel	Leeman Cravens, Pastor; Raymond Doss, Assistant Pastor
1st. F.W.B. Livingston	Vacant
Highland	Lyle Ledbetter, Pastor
Lakeside	Harlon Thompson, Pastor
Liberty	Eddie Hargis, Pastor
Martha Washington	Darrel Phillips, Pastor
Midway	Hoyt Looper, Pastor
Mt. Carmel	Jackie Reagan, Pastor
Rinnie	Bradley Hatfield, Pastor
2nd. F.W.B. Monterey	Tex Boles, Pastor
Tinch Town	Porter Penticuff, Pastor; Elbert Copeland, Assistant Pastor
Tyler Point	Leon Baldwin, Pastor
Union Grove	James Phillips, Pastor
Woody	Vacant

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

Allardt	Clancy Beeler, RR 4, Box 669, Jamestown
Banner Springs	Mary Hedgecough, RR 1, Box 122, Clarkrange
Calvary	Melissa Anderson, RR 1, Box 147 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	Brenda McDonald, RR 1, Box 716, Livingston
Lakeside	Teresa Swallows, RR 2, Box 298, Monterey, TN
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, 1967 Old Walton Rd., 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
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
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
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
Oscar Smith	Tom Price Rd., Jamestown	879-7643

DECEASED MINISTERS

Willie Norris

MINISTERS REPORT

MINISTERS	Churches Pastored	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptized	Couples Married	Funerals	Revivals	Contributions	ADDRESS
Leeman Cravens	1	78	23	13	11	0	11	0	\$7,500.00	Box 449 Jamestown
Elmer McCowan	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	2	2,340.90	RR 7, Box 72 Cookeville
Darrel Phillips	0	60	2	0	0	0	0	1	1,000.00	RR 5, Box 225-B Cookeville

MINISTERS WHO MADE NO REPORT

Lewis Ashburn, Leon Baldwin, Leo Campbell, Bruce Cravens, Jimmy Dixon, Richard England, James Ford, Harold Green, Jerry Harris, J. B. Harris, Bradley Hatfield, Billy Joe Hedgecough, Thurman Key, Hoyt Looper, James Phillips, Jackie Reagan, Bennie Sells, Harlon Thompson, Ovle Tinch, Eugene Wright, Oney Wright and 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
 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.Jennings
 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
 Willie Norris
 Melvin Ooten
 George Owens
 Will Peters
 Jerry 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,H, Stepp
 John Stevens

Frank Stowers
 G.W. Stowers
 John Stowers
 W.M. Stowers
 Levi Testament
 Will Thomason
 Robert Thompson
 Rank 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. Matthew 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 become members of the Freewill Baptist Church who has 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 precepts?

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 the purpose.

Section 7 - Each church represented in the Annual Association shall be entitled to two delegates votes whose membership does not exceed 50, and one additional for ever 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 of 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 Easter Division of the Stone Association be allowed to pastor more than two churches in one year. We also urge Pastors and Deacons and Members i 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 go 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." 1 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 dram 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 _____	FINANCES
Members received past 12 months:	Paid pastor _____
by Letter _____	Paid traveling evangelist _____
by Recommendation _____	Paid other ministers _____
by Profession _____	Home for Children _____
Members dismissed:	with this letter _____
by Letter _____	total for year _____
by Exclusion _____	Associational Treasury _____
by Death [please state name(s)] _____	with this letter _____
_____	Total for year _____
_____	Foreign Missions _____
_____	Home Missions _____
by Request _____	Building Repairs _____
total membership _____	Miscellaneous _____
Condition of prayer meeting _____	(all other expenses) _____
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

