

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

When convened with

CIRCLE DRIVE
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Putnam Co., Algood, Tenn.
October 9, 1993

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

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

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

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

We agree to accept Christian admonitions and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world.

And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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-Sixth annual session of the Eastern Division Stone Association of Freewill Baptists when Convened with the Circle Drive Freewill Baptist Church in Putnam County, Tennessee on October 9, 1993. The 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. James Phillips. Scripture was read from *St. Jn. 14:1-6*. An offering of \$166.66 was taken up for the Associational Treasury. The Association proceeded by electing officials:

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

DELEGATES

Allardt	Clancy Beeler, Judy Cravens
Banner Springs	Carolyn Norris, Rosie Hall
Calvary	Terry Hickman, Linda Hickman
Center Point	Carlis Choate, Danny Simpson
Circle Drive	Joyce Qualls, Clara Randolph, Betty Cleghorn
Coopers Chapel	Reba Manis, Reva Manis
Cross Roads Chapel	J. B. Creselious, Luther Roysdon
1st F.W.B. Livingston	Glenn Ledbetter, James Masters, Derrick Copeland
Highland	Velma Ledbetter, Gary W. Ledbetter
Lakeside	Joe Tudor, Michael Swallows
Liberty	Roscoe Hammock, Robert Franklin
Martha Washington	Alleta Stepp, Tammy Baldwin
Midway	<i>Represented by Letter</i>
Mt. Carmel	Tilford Smith, Hugh Monday
RInnie	Gisela Farmer, Wade Stover
2nd F.W.B. Monterey	Doyle Vaughn, Ewell Tabors
Tinch Town	Shirley Bow, Eloise Bow
Tyler Point	Judy Baldwin, Jewel Hinson, Eulas Hinson
Union Grove	Media Harris, Ruth Wilson
Woody	Warner Phillips, Billy England

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY:

Bro. Tilford Smith, Chairman, Bro. Hugh Monday, Bro. Bobby Choate

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

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

PRESBYTERY APPOINTED BY MODERATOR:

Rev. Bradley Hatfield, Chairman, Rev. Ovle Tinch, Rev. Jackie Reagan,
Rev. Raymond Doss, 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
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	<i>Dropped At Their Request</i> - Read and Passed
Tyler Point	Read and Passed
Union Grove	Read and Passed
Woody	Read and Passed

INVITATION FOR OFFICE OF ELDER

Rev. Randall Hoover came to be reinstated to the Eastern Div.

INVITATIONS FOR NEW CHURCHES

The Invitation for new churches was given. None responded.

READING THE RULES OF DECORUM

The Rules of Decorum were read. Voted to amend sections 10 and 13.

OFFERING FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

An offering of \$30.00 was taken up for the Children's Home

ADJOURNED FOR INTRODUCTORY SERMON

We adjourned at 11:00 a.m. for the Introductory Sermon. Singing was led by Bro. Ewell Tabors. Prayer was led by Rev. Roosevelt Crawford. Special singing by Rev. Joey Pyle and family, singers from Coopers Chapel, and Bro. Perry Delk. Rev. Raymond Doss preached the Introductory Sermon, reading from *Rom. 13:11-13* and taking as his text "What Time Is It?" We adjourned at 12:00 a.m. until after lunch.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

We reconvened at 1:00 p.m. Singing was led by Bro. Ewell Tabors. Prayer was led by Rev. Harvey Garrison. Scripture was read from *Eph. 6:10-14*.

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 year 1992-93, I visited 18 of the churches that contacted me. I wasn't contacted by the Woody and Tinctown churches. I found a warm welcome at each church. I appreciate the churches and pray that each one will grow in spirit and in number.

Rev. Elmer McCowan

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Obituary Committee gave it's report. A moment of silent prayer was held for our members who passed away last year.

We the Committee on Obituary find our churches have lost eight members because of death.

1st F.W.B. Livingston	Ralph Bowman
Highland	Bethel Walker
Mt. Carmel	Mitchell Beaty, Harold Smith
Rinnie	Flonnie Smith, Bobbie Sisco
2nd F.W.B. Monterey	Robert Kitchen
Tyler Point	John Phipps
	Chairman, Bro. Tilford Smith
	Bro. Perry Delk
	Bro. Bobby Choate

FINANCE REPORT

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

Associational Treasury:

Beginning Balance	\$5,264.82
Received for Year:	
Conf.	590.00
Assoc.	301.66
Interest	110.80
Paid Out	<u>314.08</u>
Ending Balance	\$5,953.20

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

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERENCE

We, your committee on Temperence, 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 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

Rev. Lewis Ashburn and Rev. Leeman Cravens represented by letter.

Bro. Bruce Cravens made motion, seconded by Bro. Claude Norris and voted 7 to 3 to send a letter of apology to Rev. Porter Penticuff for any errors made by the Association.

Rev. Willie Wright made motion, seconded by Rev. James Phillips and voiced by all to change the Rules of Decorum, Section 13, to read "the old fashion King James version."

Bro. Doyle Vaughn made motion, seconded by Bro. Hugh Monday and voiced by all to place the Freewill Baptist Church Covenant in the minutes.

Bro. Tilford Smith made motion, seconded by Bro. Burly Carr and voiced by all to place in the minutes that all ministers sign the Register book while attending the Association. (*See Rules of Decorum, Sec. 10.*)

Twenty ministers signed the Register.

Visiting ministers were Rev. Roosevelt Crawford and Rev. Harvey Garrison from the Western Division; and Bro. Joey Pyle, Pastor of the Cooper's Chapel Freewill Baptist Church.

TRAVELING EVANGELIST

Rev. Harlon Thompson was appointed Traveling Evangelist for 1993-94, Rev. Eugene Wright was appointed assistant.

NEXT ASSOCIATION

It was appointed that the next Association go to the 2nd F.W.B. Church of Monterey on October 8, 1994 at 9:00 a.m.

NEXT INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Rev. Darrel Phillips was appointed to preach the next Introductory Sermon.

Rev. Willie Wright was appointed as alternate.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Rev. Jerry Harris was appointed to preach the next Friday Night Sermon.

Rev. Bradley Hatfield was appointed as alternate.

EXPRESSING THANKS

We, the Ministers, Deacons, and Delegates of the Eastern Div. wish to express our thanks to the Circle Drive church for hosting our Association. Their warm hospitality helped make this an enjoyable Association. We wish to thank the sisters of the church for their labor in preparing all the fine food.

ADJOURNMENT

Rev. Olve Tinch dismissed us by prayer at 1:50 p.m. until the next appointed time and place at the 2nd F.W.B. church of Monterey on Oct. 8, 1993, at 9:00 a.m.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERMON

The service started at 7:00 p.m. with singing led by Bro. Floyd Vaughn. The moderator, Rev. Elmer McCowan, called us in for prayer led by Rev. Darrel Phillips. Special singing by Bros. Floyd Vaughn, Herman Phipps, and Willis Wilson; and by Sisters Kathy Mayberry and Betty Cleghorn. Rev. Ovie Tinch preached the Friday Night Sermon, reading from *Gen. 29:15-17; v. 31-30:1* and taking as his text "Give Me Children Lest I Die." We dismissed at 8:30 p.m. by prayer offered by Rev. Jerry Harris.

PRESBYTERY REPORT

October 10, 1992 - The Presbytery met in regular session in Association at the Mt. Carmel Church. Rev. Tex Boles came from the Western Div. for permission to pastor churches in our Association. After examination, Rev. Bradley Hatfield made motion, seconded by Rev. Jackie Reagan and voiced by all to give Rev. Boles permission, provided he receive a letter from his Association by our next conference. (A letter was received.)

Rev. Joey Pyle came from the Bible Holiness Mission for permission to pastor churches in our Association. After examination, Rev. Bradley Hatfield made motion, seconded by Rev. Jackie Reagan and voiced by all to give Rev. Pyle permission.

January 30, 1993 - The Presbytery met in regular session in conference at the Cross Roads Chapel Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Raymond Doss, from Cross Roads Chapel, for ordination into the full ministry. After examination, Rev. Jackie Reagan made motion, seconded by Rev. Bruce Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Doss.

March 7, 1993 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Lakeside Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Michael Swallows for ordination as Deacon of the Lakeside Church. After examination, Rev. Jackie Reagan made motion, seconded by Rev. Bruce Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Swallows. Bro. Joe Turdor, Deacon from the Lakeside Church, sat in in the absence of Rev. Leeman Cravens.

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

CHURCHES	ADDRESS	GAINED BY			LOST BY				Total Fellowship	Average	Day of Meeting	
		Letter	Rec.	Pro.	Letter	Death	Request	Exc.				
ALLARDT	Allardt	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	31	46	ALL	2
BANNER SPRINGS	Banner Springs	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	31	49	ALL	4
CALVARY	Crawford	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	126	400	ALL	
CENTER POINT	Jamestown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	35	ALL	1
CIRCLE DRIVE	Algood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	30	ALL	2
COOPERS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	23	23	ALL	2
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	142	101	ALL	1
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Livingston	0	2	6	0	1	2	0	154	88	ALL	4
HIGHLAND	Livingston	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	65	28	ALL	1
LAKE SIDE	Monterey	0	2	0	0	0	8	0	57	55	ALL	5
LIBERTY	Livingston	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	47	20	ALL	1
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Clarkrange	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	88	40	ALL	
MIDWAY	Clarkrange	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	114	50	ALL	4
MT. CARMEL	Grimsley	1	1	4	0	2	0	0	191	80	ALL	6
RINNIE	Crossville	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	187	128	ALL	4
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Monterey	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	72	42	ALL	8
TINCH TOWN	Jamestown											
TYLER POINT	Monterey	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	143	35	ALL	3
UNION GROVE	Monterey	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	116	55	ALL	
WOODY	Crossville	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	47	31	ALL	
TOTAL		2	24	24	7	8	13	0	1,771	976		6

Day of Meeting	Pastor	Evangelist	Other Ministers	Associational Treasury	Home for Children	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Building and Repairs	Miscellaneous
ALL	2,926.68	50.00	670.80	40.00	170.00	1,213.44	0	5,657.30	4,716.90
ALL	4,080.00	75.00	250.00	0	135.00	0	0	0	3,888.94
ALL	707.00	50.00	352.00	0	200.00	0	0	3,354.89	1,768.74
ALL	1,798.40	51.35	238.00	0	564.43	1,631.48	0	0	702.00
ALL	2,217.14	40.00	414.00	0	75.00	0	0	2,842.80	2,231.75
ALL	2,664.29	100.00	860.00	85.00	1,081.87	0	0	0	6,261.79
ALL	11,450.00	50.00	891.81	30.00	1,200.00	4,290.77	0	7,339.65	2,017.28
ALL	4,550.00	100.00	2,200.00	0	600.00	0	0	2,078.54	8,423.01
ALL	1,099.21	50.00	125.00	0	240.00	374.68	0	266.15	2,598.67
ALL	5,383.74	30.00	450.00	30.00	175.00	0	0	9,785.05	3,919.77
ALL	1,457.00	173.00	70.00	0	125.00	0	0	3,647.00	3,412.00
ALL	1,627.19	25.00	166.45	10.00	125.00	0	0	269.85	1,983.29
ALL	4,324.72	30.00	596.00	0	50.00	0	0	6,638.50	10,832.37
ALL	6,000.00	50.00	1,000.00	50.00	1,500.00	0	0	4,235.05	7,060.89
ALL	4,450.00	100.00	529.00	115.00	982.40	0	0	3,822.09	8,502.79
ALL	8,520.00	83.00	974.42	50.00	250.00	0	242.23	7,083.51	8,071.33
ALL	3,059.60	50.00	824.00	0	100.00	0	0	5,923.87	832.35
ALL	2,335.00	50.00	420.00	35.00	250.00	0	0	12,166.01	14,097.77
ALL	0	0	601.00	0	75.00	0	0	2,840.49	1,137.11

68,649.97 1,157.35 11,532.49 445.00 7,898.70 7,510.37 242.23 77,950.75 92,458.75

PASTORAL LABOR

Allardt	Bruce Cravens, Pastor Oney Wright, Assistant Pastor
Banner Springs	Willie Wright, Pastor
Calvary	Billy Joe Hedgecough, Pastor
Center Point	Vacant
Circle Drive	Roosevelt Crawford, Pastor
Coopers Chapel	Joey Pyle, Pastor
Cross Roads Chapel	Leeman Cravens, Pastor Raymond Doss, Assistant Pastor
1st F.W.B. Livingston	Roger Sisco, Pastor
Highland	Jimmy Dixon, Pastor
Lakeside	Elmer McCowan, Pastor
Liberty	Vacant
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
Tyler Point	Leon Baldwin, Pastor
Union Grove	James Phillips, Pastor
Woody	Olmus England, Pastor

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

Allardt Clancy Beeler, RR 4, Box 669, Jamestown
Banner Springs..... Mary Hedgecough, RR 1, Box 122, Clarkrange
Calvary Melissa Anderson, 2124 Hanging Limb Hwy., Crawford
Center Point Omie Ringley, RR 3, Box 147, Jamestown
Circle Drive Lula Mae Ray, RR 7, Box 353, Cookeville
Coopers Chapel Teresa Wright, Box 1071, 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
Liberty Carol Bilbrey, Box 655, 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, 208 W. Minnie Ave., Monterey
Tyler Point Andy Honeycutt, 1697 Old Walton Rd., Monterey
Union Grove Carolyn Harris, 1494 Cedar Chapel Rd., 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	
Raymond Doss	RR 4, Box 98-A, Jamestown	879-3635
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 Alred	RR 1, Box 132, Jamestown	863-3149
Oscar Smith	Tom Price Rd., Jamestown	879-7643

MINISTERS REPORT

MINISTERS	Churches Pastored	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptized	Couples Married	Funerals	Revals	Contributions	ADDRESS
Leeman Cravens	1	83	11	0	0	0	15	1	\$11,450	Box 449 Jamestown
Raymond Doss	0	96	3	0	0	0	0	4	648	Box 98-A Jamestown
Elmer McCowan	1	80	2	0	0	0	1	4	2,074	RR 7, Box 72 Cookeville
Darrel Phillips	1	83	3	1	1	1	0	0	2,300	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, Willie Wright.

DECEASED MINISTERS

T.S. Aakins	Albert Howard	Claude Smith
A.C.L. Allred	Ernest Howard	Clay Smith
Ben Allred	Gilbert Howard	D.G. Smith
Rolland Aytes	Hilland Howard	Harold Smith
Buss Beaty	John Howard	Jerry Smith
Clyde Bilbrey	James Huling	M.F. Smith
L.F. Bilbrey	M.M. Isbell	J.A. Sprague
Ras Bilbrey	A.Jennings	William Spurling
Archie Blair	Francis Jennings	Earlis Stephens
Jessie Blalock	J.T. Jennings	J.W. Stephens
E.M. Bledsoe	S.M. Jennings	W.H. Stepp
Talmadge Bowman	H.A. Johnson	John Stevens
W.T. Bowman	G.S. Jones	Frank Stowers
John Brewster	Calvin Key	G.W. Stowers
Arnil Brown	Woodie Key	John Stowers
Richard Byers	Richard King	W.M. Stowers
D.T. Cantrell	John Ledford	Levi Testament
John Chapman	W.S. Ledford	Will Thomason
Boyd Choate	A.F. Lewellen	Robert Thompson
George Cook	George McCowan	Rank Tinch
Melvin Cook	J.D. McKenzie	Hobert Tinch
Council Cooper	E.E. Miles	Logan Tinch
David Cooper	Ervin Miller	Dewey Todd
Woodroe Cooper	B.A. Moore	S.A. Tompkins
F.M. Copeland	Leslie Murphy	Louis Turner
W.L. Copeland	Daily Norrod	Tommy Vaughn
Luther Cox	R.C. Norris	V.V. Vaughn
D.W. Davis	Willie Norris	H.L. Vaught
John Downs	Melvin Ooten	E.H. Walker
J.B. Esbell	George Owens	Reid Watson
J.N. Esbell	Will Peters	Riley White
Sylvester Franklin	Jerry Phillips	J.R. Whitehead
John Fritts	Hilary Phillips	Claude Wilson
Phillips Hall	M.M. Phillips	L.S. Woods
R.S. Hall	Verlie Phillips	Charlie Wright
S.J. Hall	W.K. Pierce	J.S. Wright
T.H. Hammock	John Pryor	P.C. York
Cordell Hargis	W.B. Rhum	Thurman York
Joe Hicks	Benton Rome	
M.L. Hill	D.F. Sargent	
Ervin Holloway	J.L. Shelton	
Joe Hoover	H.M. Simms	
Plesant Houge	K.P. Simms	

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 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 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. Also ministers should sign the Ministers Register when attending the Association

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 in the Freewill Baptist Church to really stand firm against the revised version of the Bible and the use of it in our Churches, and to allow only the Old King James Version 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	_____

