

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

When convened with

MARTHA WASHINGTON
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Fentress Co., Clarkrange, Tenn.
October 12, 1996

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

FREEWILL 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 grow 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 Ninth session of the Eastern Division Stone Association of Freewill Baptists when convened with the Martha Washington Freewill Baptist Church in Fentress County, Tennessee on October 12, 1996. 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. Jack Taylor. Scripture was read from Eph. 4:13-14. 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	Clancy Beeler, Shirley Durham
BANNER SPRINGS	Caspar Hall, Macie Hall, Carolyn Norris
CALVARY	Agnes Miller, Clara Hargis, Melissa Anderson, Clarazene Hargis
CENTER POINT	Carlis Choate
CIRCLE DRIVE	Joyce Qualls, Betty Cleghorn
COOPERS CHAPEL	Joey Wright, Ruby Wright
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	J.B. Creselious, Isic King
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Paul White, Rosie White, Lucille Hargis
HIGHLAND	Donald Ledbetter, Velma Ledbetter
LAKESIDE	Joe Tudor, Bob Reels
LIBERTY	Roscoe Hammock, Cleston Ledbetter
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Geneva Phillips, Charity Phillips
MIDWAY	Lora Norrod, Pete Stults
MT. CARMEL	Robert H. Monday, Tilford Smith
OLD BARGER	Glenn Hembree, Evelene Hembree
RINNIE	Wade Stover, Gisela Farmer
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Doyle Vaughn, Ewell Tabors
TYLER POINT	Not Represented
UNION GROVE	Vestel Whittaker, Dewayne Whittaker
WOODY	Herbert Ashburn, Mike Kirby

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY:

Rev. James Bilbrey, Chairman, Rev. Billy Joe Hedgecough.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

Rev. Darrel Phillips, Chairman, Bro. Robery Monday, Bro. Wade Stover.

PRESBYTERY APPOINTED BY MODERATOR:

Rev. Jackie Reagan, Chairman, Rev. Leon Baldwin, Rev. Leeman Cravens,
Rev. Ovle Tinch, 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
OLD BARGER	Read and Passed
RINNIE	Read and Passed
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Read and Passed
TYLER	Not Represented
UNION GROVE	Read and Passed
WOODY	Read and Passed

INVITATION FOR OFFICE OF ELDER

Bro. Derrick Copeland, from the 1st F.W.B. Church of Livingston, was licensed to preach the Gospel for one year.

INVITATION FOR NEW CHURCHES

None responded.

READING THE RULES OF DECORUM

The Rules of Decorum were read. Rev. James C. Ford made motion, seconded by Bro. Donald Ledbetter and voiced by all to accept them as read.

OFFERING FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

An offering of \$179.72 was taken up for the Children's Home. Rev. Jack Taylor, Representative of the Home, gave a talk about the 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 all Visiting Ministers. There followed a special testimonial service. Rev. Elmer McCowan preached the Introductory Sermon, reading from Eph. 5:14-19, taking as his text "Can He Depend on You?" We adjourned at 12:00 p.m. until after lunch.

We reconvened at 1:00 p.m. by singing led by Bro. Ewell Tabors. Scripture was read from St. John 1:1-5. We then proceeded with business.

PRESBYTERY REPORT

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

REPORT OF TRAVELING EVANGELIST

The Traveling Evangelist gave his report. Rev. Leeman Cravens made motion seconded by Bro. Hugh Monday and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

To the Eastern Division of the Stone Association of Freewill Baptist Churches:

Thank you for the wonderful and great opportunity of being your Traveling Evangelist for 1995-96. We visited all 20 churches and have found a Spirit of Liberty in all our churches.

It was very encouraging to see the cooperation of our churches and pastors in the invitations we received to come and preach in our churches.

This year, I had the opportunity to help hold 4 revivals. I got to see several saved or come back to the Lord. I got to help or baptize 7 people.

So God is still on the throne and doing a wonderful work.

My family and I feel we have made new friends all over this country and have had an experience we will never forget.

Thanks to all the churches and pastors for your hospitality in every way. May God bless you all is our prayers.

Bro. Leon Baldwin

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Obituary Committee gave its report. It found that we lost 25 members to death last year. A moment of silent prayer was held in remembrance.

ALLARDT	Dora Beaty
BANNER SPRINGS	Cecil Overstreet, Bertie Cook
CALVARY	Carlene Norrod
CIRCLE DRIVE	Cordie Peek, Clara Randolph
COOPERS CHAPEL	Leva Choate, Carson King
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Maxene Franklin
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Alice Robbins, Ward Ledford
HIGHLAND	Mildred Hinson
MIDWAY	Cordell Vaughn, Talmadge Looper, Warren Cravens
MT. CARMEL	Hazel Sims, Ova Stephens Walker
RINNIE	Paul Stults, Daisy Stults, Lillie Cooper, Helen Walker
UNION GROVE	Mertle Phillips, Ollie V. Harris, Delza Bilbrey
WOODY	Lois Museing

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee gave it's report. Rev. Willie Wright made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

We, the Finance Committee report the following finances for the 1995-96 year:

Assets	Associational Treasury
Conference	\$635.11
Association	220.50
Interest	<u>142.96</u>
Total	\$998.96

Paid Out	Clerk	\$400.00
	Ministers Cards	<u>23.27</u>
	Total	\$423.27

Ending Balance \$7,679.47

CHILDREN'S HOME

Conference	\$4,174.08
Association	<u>1,492.75</u>
Total	\$5,666.83

Rev. Darrel Phillips, Chairman
Bro. Robert Monday
Bro. Wade Stover

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, find so much on the subject it is hard to get in 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' savor, 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 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. Leo Campbell and Rev. Michael Swallows represented by letter.

Rev. Benny Sells and Rev. Jimmy Dixon were dropped from the Association for not representing for two consecutive years.

24 ministers signed the Register

Visiting ministers were Rev. Jack Taylor from the Children's Home and Rev. Roosevelt Crawford, Rev. Harvey Garrison and Rev. Frank Davis from the Western Division.

TRAVELING EVANGELIST

Rev. Willie Wright was appointed as Traveling Evangelist

Rev. Darrel Phillips was appointed as Assistant.

NEXT ASSOCIATION

It was appointed the next Association go to the Rinnue Freewill Baptist Church on October 11, 1997 at at 9:00 a.m.

NEXT INTRODUCTORY SERMON

It was appointed that Rev. Raymond Doss preach the next Introductory Sermon.

Rev. Elmer McCowan was appointed as alternate.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Rev. Bruce Cravens was appointed to preach the next Friday Night Sermon.

Rev. Leon Baldwin was appointed as alternate.

EXPRESSING THANKS

We, the ministers, deacons, and delegates of the Eastern Division wish to express our heart-felt thanks to the Martha Washington Church for hosting our Association. We thank the sisters of the church for the wonderful dinner they prepared. May God richly bless you all.

ADJOURNMENT

Rev. Leeman Cravens dismissed us in prayer at 1:20 p.m. until the next appointed time and place at 9:00 a.m. on October 11, 1997.

FRIDAY NIGHT SERMON

The Moderator, Rev. Elmer McCowan, opened up the service at 7:00 p.m. Singing was led by Sis. Alleta Stepp. Prayer was led by Bro. Hugh Monday. Special singing by Sis. Julie Baldwin and Sis.'s Judy Baldwin, Geneva Phillips, and Charity Phillips. Rev. Leeman Cravens preached the Friday Night Sermon taking his text from Matt. 4:16-20. We then adjourned until 9:00 a.m. Saturday.

PRESBYTERY REPORT

March 30, 1996 - The Presbytery met in regular session in conference at the Mt. Carmel Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Cleston Ledbetter for ordination as Deacon of the Liberty Church. After examination, Rev. Leon Baldwin made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to Ordain Bro. Ledbetter. Bro. Terry Reagan, from the Cross Roads Chapel Church came to be examined for license to preach the Gospel for one year. After examination, Rev. Darrel Phillips made motion, seconded by Rev. Raymond Doss and voiced by all to license Bro. Reagan. Bro. Danny Simpson came from the Center Point Church to be examined for license to preach the Gospel for one year. After examination, Rev. Raymond Doss made motion, seconded by Rev. Leon Baldwin and voiced by all to license Bro. Simpson.

June 9, 1996 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Midway Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Charles Key for ordination as Deacon of the Midway Church. After examination, Rev. Raymond Doss made motion, seconded by Bro. Roger Miller and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Key. Deacons of the Midway Church, Bro. Roger Miller and Bro. R.D. Bilbrey sat in on the Presbytery in the absence of some of the Presbytery.

June 29, 1996 - The Presbytery met in regular session in conference at the Center Point Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Aaron Warden to be reinstated as Deacon of the Coopers Chapel Church. After examination, Rev. Raymond Doss made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ratify Bro. Warden's credentials.

July 6, 1996 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Lakeside Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Michael Swallows, from the Lakeside Church, for ordination into the ministry and Bro. Dewayne Whittaker, from the Union Grove Church, for license to preach the Gospel. After examination, Rev. Darrel Phillips made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Swallows. After examination, Rev. Raymond Doss made motion, seconded by Rev. Leon Baldwin and voiced by all to license Bro. Whittaker for one year.

September 9, 1996 - The Presbytery was called to the Woody Church for the purpose of licensing Bro. Mike Kirby to preach the Gospel. Motion was made by Rev. Leon Baldwin, seconded by Rev. Raymond Doss and voiced by all to license Bro. Kirby. The Presbytery was called to the Woody Church for the purpose of

examining Rev. Billy England to ratify his credentials to come back to our Association. Rev. Raymond Doss made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to reinstate Rev. England back into the Association. Bro. Larry Scott from the Liberty Church came for ordination into the ministry. Motion was made by Rev. Leon Baldwin, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Scott. Rev. Darrell Phillips was absent.

September 21, 1996 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Mt. Carmel Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Randy Young and Bro. Dennis Lane for ordination as Deacons of the Mt. Carmel Church. After examination, Rev. Raymond Doss made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Young. After examination, Rev. Raymond Doss made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Lane.

Rev. Jackie Reagan, Chairman
 Rev. Darrel Phillips
 Rev. Raymond Doss
 Rev. Leon Baldwin
 Rev. Leeman Cravens

PASTORAL LABOR

ALLARDT	Raymond Doss, Pastor
BANNER SPRINGS	Eugene Wright, Pastor
CALVARY	Billy Joe Hedgecough, Pastor
CENTER POINT	Elmer McCowan, Pastor
	Danny Simpson, Assistant Pastor
CIRCLE DRIVE	Roosevelt Crawford, Pastor
COOPERS CHAPEL	James Bilbrey, Pastor
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Leeman Cravens, Pastor
	Terry Reagan, Assistant Pastor
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Vacant
HIGHLAND	Vacant
LAKESIDE	Harlon Thompson, Pastor
LIBERTY	Vacant
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Leon Baldwin, Pastor
	Darrel Phillips, Assistant Pastor
MIDWAY	Hoyt Looper, Pastor
MT. CARMEL	Jackie Reagan, Pastor
OLD BARGER	Leonard Brown, Pastor
RINNIE	Bradley Hatfield, Pastor
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Tex Boles, Pastor
TYLER POINT	Not Represented
UNION GROVE	James Phillips, Pastor
WOODY	Olmus England, Pastor

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

ALLARDT Clancy Beeler, RR 4, Box 669, Jamestown
BANNER SPRINGS Mary Hedgecough, RR1, Box 122, Clarkrange
CALVARY Melissa Anderson, 386 East Fork Ln., Crawford
CENTER POINT Omie Ringley, RR 3, Box 379, Jamestown
CIRCLE DRIVE Lula Mae Ray, 121 Ray Lane, Cookeville
COOPERS CHAPEL Ruby Wright, RR 3, Box 349-B, Jamestown
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL Beachel Creselious, RR 2, Box 103, Jamestown
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON Mary Ledbetter, 410 Bill White Ln., Livingston
HIGHLAND Brenda McDonald, 112, Longview Ln., Livingston
LAKESIDE Freadia Thompson, 185 Norrod Ln., Monterey
LIBERTY Gail Franklin, 973 Airport Rd., 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
OLD BARGER Margaret Brown, RR 4, Box 184, 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, 1404 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	2450 Harris Rd., Monterey	839-3887
James Bilbrey	RR 4, Box 744, Jamestown	879-6032
Leonard Brown	RR 4, Box 184, Jamestown	879-8604
Leo Campbell	RR 1, Box 69, Jamestown	879-9830
Bruce Cravens	124 S. Shade Lane, Clarkrange	863-3467
Leeman Cravens	RR 1, Box 434-N, Clarkrange	863-8019
Raymond Doss	RR 4, Box 98-A, Jamestown	879-3635
Billy England	136 Willow St., Crossville	456-9170
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	998 Lakehill Rd., Monterey	839-2383
Thurman Key	RR 2, Box 140, Monterey	839-3188
Hoyt Looper	Old Walton Rd., Monterey	839-2838
Elmer D. McCowan	4460 Rickman Rd., Cookeville	498-2715
Darrel Phillips	302 Arlington Rd., Cookeville	738-8124
James Phillips	320 Reed Place, Monterey	839-3565
Jackie Reagan	RR 3, Box 417-C, Jamestown	879-5267
Larry Scott	P.O. Box 53, Rickman	
Michael Swallows	RR 2, Box 298, Monterey	863-3065
Harlon Thompson	RR 1, Box 644, 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

Oscar Smith	Tom Price Rd., Jamestown	879-7643
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MINISTERS REPORT

MINISTERS	Churches Pastored	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptized	Couples Married	Funerals	Revivals	Contributions	ADDRESS
Leeman Cravens	1	110	10	7	13	0	14	4	\$11,100.00	RR 1, Box 434-N Clarkrange
Darrel Phillips	1	110	3	2	5	1	1	0	\$4,500.00	302 Arlington Rd. Cookeville

MINISTERS WHO MADE NO REPORT

Lewis Ashburn, Leon Baldwin, James Bilbrey, Leonard Brown, Leo Campbell, Bruce Cravens, Raymond Doss, Billy England, Richard England, James Ford, Harold Green, Jerry Harris, Bradley Hatfield, Billy Joe Hedgecough, Thurman Key, Hoyt Looper, Elmer McCowan, James Phillips, Jackie Reagan, Larry Scott, Michael Swallows, Harlon Thompson, Ovle Tinch, Eugene Wright, Oney Wright, Willie Wright.

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	1	0	0	31	41	All
BANNER SPRINGS	Banner Springs	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	30	42	All
CALVARY	Crawford	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	137	40	All
CENTER POINT	Jamestown	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	100	32	All
CIRCLE DRIVE	Algood	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	34	25	All
COOPERS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	124	20	All
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	0	7	2	1	2	0	125	99	All
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Livingston	0	4	1	0	2	3	0	148	86	All
HIGHLAND	Livingston	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	58	18	All
LAKE SIDE	Monterey	0	4	8	4	0	1	0	66	57	All
LIBERTY	Livingston	1	2	4	0	0	0	0	43	30	All
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Clarkrange	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	95	40	All
MIDWAY	Clarkrange	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	126	73	All
MT. CARMEL	Grimsley	2	2	1	2	2	0	0	186	91	All
OLD BARGER	Jamestown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	49	All
RINNIE	Crossville	0	1	0	2	4	0	0	184	125	All
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Monterey	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	75	48	All
TYLER POINT		Not Represented									
UNION GROVE	Monterey	0	1	0	1	3	1	0	113	62	All
WOODY	Crossville	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	74	30	All
TOTALS		6	26	25	14	25	9	0	1766	1008	

Pastor	Evangelist	Other Ministers	Associational Treasury	Home for Children	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Building and Repairs	Miscellaneous
2852.06	50.00	574.99	0.00	250.00	369.25	0.00	0.00	3047.31
2963.00	80.00	283.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	3053.04
928.00	70.00	520.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	2029.62	3884.69
1399.00	53.00	121.00	20.00	506.00	1050.00	0.00	0.00	1016.65
3445.02	0.00	624.00	0.00	132.00	0.00	0.00	1356.79	832.57
1235.20	50.00	988.00	50.00	794.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	2396.00
11100.00	65.00	566.00	50.00	700.00	1440.36	0.00	4850.16	7225.67
7125.00	100.00	750.00	0.00	1000.00	0.00	0.00	354.05	13434.43
0.00	0.00	670.00	0.00	140.00	239.72	0.00	0.00	4418.68
10750.00	100.00	1349.00	30.56	200.00	0.00	0.00	1250.00	6408.38
1204.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3970.00	97.00	732.43	60.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	893.44	6097.67
4670.60	30.00	664.12	0.00	2000.73	0.00	0.00	4197.73	6569.23
6000.00	50.00	900.00	60.00	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9581.41
4800.00	725.00	500.00	25.00	1209.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	400.00
5600.00	100.00	2290.00	150.00	1260.16	0.00	0.00	2302.47	9960.36
9725.00	50.00	1326.87	60.00	750.00	0.00	400.00	6757.87	10149.01
				Not Represented				
2200.00	75.43	545.00	35.00	100.00	534.20	0.00	6298.37	9072.90
1500.00	105.00	796.50	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	1092.99	1600.21
81467.89	1800.43	14200.91	540.56	10592.65	3633.53	400.00	31733.49	99148.21

DECEASED MINISTERS

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

RULES OF 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 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 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 delegate votes whose members 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 of 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 Eastern Division of the Stone Association be allowed to pastor more than two church 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 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." 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, after 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 excommunicated except for immorality, the propagation of an unchristian 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 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 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 beer; 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 month:

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 _____

with _____ members present. Our day of meeting is _____

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) _____

Moderator

Clerk

Clerk's address

