

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

When convened with

FREEWILL BAPTIST HEADQUARTERS
Putnam County, Monterey, TN
October 9, 1999

Rev. Willie Wright, Moderator Jamestown, TN
Rev. Jackie Reagan, 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 the 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 Savior Jesus Christ.

We will not for sake 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. Time of Next Meeting Place
20. Preachers for Revival Appointed by Moderator and Assistant Moderator
21. Introductory Sermon
22. Expressing Thanks
23. Adjournment

ORDER OF BUSINESS
(Conference)

1. Calling Delegates to Order
2. Electing Moderator
3. Electing Assistant Moderator
4. Offering for Associational Treasury
5. Enrollment of Delegates and Reading of Letters
6. Invitation for Office of Elder
7. Invitation for New Churches
8. Next Introductory Sermon
9. Next Friday Night Sermon
10. Financial Report
11. Miscellaneous Business
12. Offering for Children's Home
13. Introductory Sermon
14. Expressing Thanks
15. Adjournment

PROCEEDINGS

The One-Hundred Twelfth session of the Eastern Division Stone Association of Freewill Baptists when convened with the Freewill Baptist Headquarters in Putnam County, Tennessee on October 9, 1999. The former Moderator Rev. Jackie Reagan, called the House to Order at 9:00 a.m. Singing was led by Bro. Ewell Tabors and Bro. Doyle Vaughn. Prayer was led by Rev. Eugene Wright. Scripture was read from Psalms 133:1-3; Acts 3:1-7. An offering of \$396.79 was taken up for the Associational Treasury. The Association proceeded by electing officials.

Moderator	Rev. Willie Wright
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Jackie Reagan
Clerk	Rev. Darrel Phillips
Assistant Clerk	Bro. Doyle Vaughn

DELEGATES

ALLARDT	Shirley Durham
BANNER SPRINGS	Carolyn Norris, Casper Hall, Blaine Lafferty
CALVARY	Terry Hickman, David Walker
CENTER POINT	Betty Choate, Omie Ringley
CIRCLE DRIVE	Jimmy Cleghorn, Gladys Stover
COOPERS CHAPEL	Marsha Choate
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Anthony Creselious, Mary Cravens
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Joanna Carmack, Kim Taylor, Glenn Ledbetter
HIGHLAND	Gerry W. Ledbetter, Dianne Ledbetter
LIBERTY	Jim Carter, Judy Carter
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Faye Ledbetter, Naomi Dixon
MIDWAY	Pete Stults, Lora Norrod
MT. CARMEL	Hugh Monday
OLD BARGER	Johnny Smith
RINNIE	Wade Stover, Russell Ledbetter
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Doyle Vaughn, Ewell Tabors
TYLER POINT	Represented by Letter
UNION GROVE	Vestal Whittaker
WOODY	Randy Bilbrey, David Viles

INVITATION FOR OFFICE OF ELDER

Bro. Blaine Lafferty was ordained as Deacon of the Banner Springs Church.

INVITATION FOR NEW CHURCHES

None Responded.

READING THE RULES OF DECORUM

The Rules of Decorum were read and approved.

OFFERING FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

An offering of \$305.00 was taken up for the Children's Home.
Rev. Jack Taylor Represented the home.

ADJOURNED FOR INTRODUCTORY SERMON

We adjourned at 11:00 a.m. for the Introductory Sermon. Singing was led by Bro. Ewell Tabors and Bro. Doyle Vaughn. Special singing by Sis. Geneva Phillips, Sis. Betty Reagan, and Sis. Joanna Carmack. Rev. Darrek Copeland preached the Introductory Sermon, reading from I Cor. 10:12, taking as his text "When Ye Think Ye Stand Take Heed Lest Ye Fall."

PRESBYTERY REPORT

The Presbytery Report was read. Bro. Doyle Vaughn made motion, seconded by Rev. Eugene McCowan and voiced by all to accept the report as read.

REPORT OF TRAVELING EVANGELIST

As your Traveling Evangelist for the year 1998-99, I visited all 19 churches and some more than once and I find a warm welcome and good liberty. Thank you for your prayers and offerings from every church.

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

Rev. James Bilbrey

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Obituary Committee gave its' report. A moment of silent prayer was held in remembrance.

We, the Obituary Committee, find that we lost 19 members to death last year.

Allardt	Edith Guffy
Banner Springs	June Lafferty, Daisy Hall
Calvary	Pat Sisco
Center Point	Thelma Ringley
Coopers Chapel	Ruby King, Cordie King
Cross Roads Chapel	Arthur Beaty, Willie Smith, Carson Cooper, Lennie Bertram
Highland	Deloy Brown
1st F.W.B. Livingston	Payton Hunter
Midway	Ona Wilson
Mt. Carmel	Tilford Smith
Rinnie	Elsie Garrett, Otto Lowe
2nd F.W.B. Monterey	Verna Vaughn
Union Grove	Minnie Tinch

Rev. Eugene McCowen, Chairman
Rev. Danny Simpson

FINANCE REPORT

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

We, the Finance Committee report the following finances for the 1998-99 year:

ASSOCIATION

Beginning Balance	\$6,656.86
Conference	1,484.17
Association	970.79
Interest	<u>51.15</u>
2nd F.W.B. Monterey	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	\$9,192.18
Expenses	<u>\$4,959.52</u>
Ending Balance	\$4,232.66

CHILDREN'S HOME

Conference	\$4,465.64
Association	<u>1,683.50</u>
Total	\$6,149.14

Rev. Darrel Phillips, Chairman
Bro. Hugh Monday
Bro. Doyle Vaughn

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' 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. Bruce Cravens requested that his name be dropped from the Association.

Bro. Stewart Ramsey, under license, asked to be dropped as he didn't agree with the rules of the Association.

Rev. Harold Green was dropped for not representing for the last two years.

Visiting ministers were Rev. Frank Davis, and Rev. Clayton Padgett from the Western Division.

Rev. Carson Whittaker from the Liberty Association, Rev. Jeff Short from the Old Fashion Association.

Voted to put Order of Business for Conference in the minutes.

Voted to have revival week before Association. Moderator and Assistant Moderator to appoint preachers for the revival.

TRAVELING EVANGELIST

Rev. Darrel Phillips was appointed as Traveling Evangelist.

Rev. James Bilbrey was appointed as Assistant Traveling Evangelist.

NEXT ASSOCIATION

The next Association will be October 7, 2000 at the Freewill Baptist Headquarters in Monterey, TN.

PREACHERS FOR REVIVAL APPOINTED

The Association Revival will be held at the Freewill Baptist Headquarters in Monterey, TN at 7:00 p.m. on October 2-6, 2000.

Monday: Rev. Eugene Wright

Tuesday: Rev. Ovie Tinch

Wednesday: Rev. Elmer McCowan

Thursday: Rev. Darrek Copeland

Friday: Rev. Willie Wright

NEXT INTRODUCTORY SERMON

It was appointed that Rev. Bradley Hatfield preach the next Introductory Sermon.

Rev. James Bilbrey was appointed as alternate.

EXPRESSING THANKS

We, the Ministers, Deacons, and Delegates wish to express our thanks to all our churches and everyone who participated in our Association this year. We would like to thank everyone who donated money, materials, and time to the Associational Building this year. We thank everyone for the food we enjoyed at lunch. May God be with us all till we meet again.

ADJOURNMENT

Rev. Ovle Tinch dismissed us in prayer at 12:15 p.m. until October 7, 2000 at 9:00 a.m.

CHURCH LETTERS CALLED FOR

ALLARDT	Read and Passed
BANNER SPRINGS	Read and Passed
CALVARY	Read and Passed
CENTER POINT	Read and Passed
CIRCLE DRIVE	Read and Passed
COOPERS CHAPEL	Read and Passed
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Read and Passed
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Read and Passed
HIGHLAND	Read and Passed
LIBERTY	Read and Passed
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Read and Passed
MIDWAY	Read and Passed
MT. CARMEL	Read and Passed
OLD BARGER	Read and Passed
RINNIE	Read and Passed
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Read and Passed
TYLER POINT	Read and Passed
UNION GROVE	Read and Passed
WOODY	Read and Passed

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	26	42	All
BANNER SPRINGS	Banner Springs	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	24	40	All
CALVARY	Crawford	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	137	40	All
CENTER POINT	Jamestown	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	95	29	All
CIRCLE DRIVE	Algood	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	40	34	All
COOPERS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	8	3	0	2	0	0	117	33	All
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	121	102	All
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Livingston	0	5	3	0	1	0	0	162	121	All
HIGHLAND	Livingston	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	62	24	All
LIBERTY	Livingston	2	3	0	0	0	6	3	44	27	All
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Clarkrange	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	108	35	All
MIDWAY	Clarkrange	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	127	49	All
MT. CARMEL	Grimsley	0	2	2	0	1	0	0	182	87	All
OLD BARGER	Jamestown	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	34	84	All
RINNIE	Crossville	0	1	9	1	2	0	0	188	132	All
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Monterey	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	75	52	All
TYLER POINT	Monterey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	82	18	All
UNION GROVE	Monterey	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	113	70	All
WOODY	Woody	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	72	28	All
Totals	Total	5	21	41	6	19	9	3	1809	1047	

Harvey Lane

Pastor	Evangelist	Other Ministers	Associational Treasury	Home for Children	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Building and Repairs	Miscellaneous
\$2,429.95	\$100.00	\$1,300.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$394.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,760.18
2,940.00	60.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	7,021.83	3,982.47
0.00	100.00	785.00	150.00	942.29	0.00	0.00	2,298.40	4,027.43
1,314.00	44.00	349.00	0.00	744.00	694.00	0.00	0.00	2,657.61
3,839.52	50.00	1,375.25	0.00	200.00	57.00	0.00	10,936.82	4,994.18
2,655.87	100.00	550.00	60.00	868.14	0.00	0.00	9,768.37	3,313.30
10,900.00	50.00	1,066.00	310.00	450.00	3,336.99	0.00	6,773.44	5,844.60
10,000.00	100.00	2,650.00	0.00	1,254.00	0.00	600.00	501.37	22,371.86
1,420.00	45.00	1,050.00	100.00	250.00	940.00	0.00	4,284.45	8,271.80
2,550.00	50.00	1,098.00	125.00	125.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,543.09
0.00	69.00	519.00	50.00	125.00	0.00	0.00	5,056.82	3,925.92
5,229.54	25.00	1,106.00	100.00	1,530.00	0.00	0.00	586.47	5,983.98
5,900.00	50.00	1,250.00	260.00	950.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,870.00
8,800.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	1,344.50	2,325.00	0.00	3,500.00	4,115.95
6,500.00	100.00	2,452.00	125.00	705.00	0.00	0.00	52,819.09	14,344.91
9,500.00	75.00	867.52	1,300.00	1,290.00	0.00	600.00	399.97	12,476.04
2,412.60	155.00	200.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	172.28	2,876.40
5,565.00	40.00	2060.00	200.00	200.00	1,656.42	0.00	121.04	6,768.73
2,568.67	25.00	100.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	6,404.36	2,215.73
84,525.15	1,238.00	18,777.77	2,830.00	11,402.93	9,404.15	1,200.00	110,644.71	126,344.18

PRESBYTERY REPORT

October 10, 1998 - The Presbytery met in Association at the Midway F.W.B. Church for the purpose of examining Rev. Clayton Padgett, from the Western Division for the purpose of pastoring churches in our Association. After examination, Rev. Ovle Tinch made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to give Rev. Padgett permission.

December 5, 1998 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Woody F.W.B. Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Randy Bilbrey for ordination as Deacon of the Woody Church. After examination, Rev. Leeman Cravens made motion, seconded by Rev. Darrel Phillips and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Bilbrey.

January 30, 1999 - The Presbytery met in regular session at Headquarters. Bro. Daniel Robbins came from the 2nd F.W.B. Church of Monterey for the purpose of being ordained into full ministry. After examination, Rev. Ovle Tinch made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Robbins.

Rev. Lyle Ledbetter came to be given permission to pastor churches in our Association. After examination, Rev. Eugene McCowan made motion, seconded by Rev. Leeman Cravens, and voiced by all to give Bro. Ledbetter permission.

Bro. Anthony Creselious came from the Cross Roads Chapel F.W.B. Church to be licensed to preach the gospel for one year. After examination, Rev. Darrel Phillips made motion, seconded by Rev. Eugene McCowan and voiced by all to license Bro. Creselious.

February 13, 1999 - The Presbytery met in special session at the Coopers Chapel F.W.B. Church for the purpose of examining Bro. Joey Wright as Deacon of the Coopers Chapel Church. After examination, Rev. Leeman Cravens made motion, seconded by Rev. Ovle Tinch and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Wright. Rev. Darrel Phillips was absent.

Rev. James Bilbrey, Chairman
Rev. Ovle Tinch
Rev. Leeman Cravens
Rev. Eugene McCowan
Rev. Darrel Phillips

PASTORAL LABOR

ALLARDT	Raymond Doss, Pastor
BANNER SPRINGS	Stewart Ramsey, Pastor
CALVARY	Billy Joe Hedgecough, Pastor
CENTER POINT	Danny Simpson, Pastor
CIRCLE DRIVE	Roosevelt Crawford, Pastor
COOPERS CHAPEL	Michael Swallows, Pastor
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL	Leeman Cravens, Pastor
1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON	Eugene McCowan, Pastor
HIGHLAND	Lyle Ledbetter, Pastor
LIBERTY	Jeff Short, Pastor
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Willie Wright, Pastor;
	Dewayne Whittaker, Assistant Pastor
MIDWAY	NONE
MT. CARMEL	Jackie Reagan, Pastor
OLD BARGER	Leonard Brown, Pastor
RINNIE	Bradley Hatfield, Pastor
2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY	Tex Boles, Pastor
TYLER POINT	Roger Sisco, Pastor
UNION GROVE	Clayton Padgett, Pastor
WOODY	Jerry Harris, Pastor

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

ALLARDT Clancy Beeler, 1428 Pennsylvania Ave. Jamestown 38556
 BANNER SPRINGS Mary Hedgecough, 1610 Loyd Hall Loop, Deer Lodge 37726
 CALVARY Melissa Anderson, 386 East Fork Ln., Crawford 38554
 CENTER POINT Omie Ringley, 3725 Manson Rd., Jamestown 38556
 CIRCLE DRIVE Lula Mae Ray, 121 Ray Lane, Cookeville 38506
 COOPERS CHAPEL Ruby Wright, 3370 Livingston Hwy., Jamestown 38556
 CROSS ROADS CHAPEL Beachel Creselious, 1209 West Cove Rd., Jamestown 38556
 1ST F.W.B. LIVINGSTON Mary Ledbetter, 410 Bill White Ln., Livingston 38570
 HIGHLAND Brenda McDonald, 112, Longview Ln., Livingston 38570
 LIBERTY Jim Carter, 507 N. Church St., Livingston 38570
 MARTHA WASHINGTON Alleta Stepp, 155 Stepp Rd., Clarkrange 38553
 MIDWAY Charlotte Bilbrey, 198 Phillips Subdivision Rd., Clarkrange 38553
 MT. CARMEL Patricia A. Gunter, 4620 S. York Hwy., Jamestown 38556
 OLD BARGER Margaret Brown, 110 Guffey Lane, Jamestown 38556
 RINNIE Gisela Farmer, 73 Farmer Rd., Crossville 38555
 2ND F.W.B. MONTEREY Patricia Thompson, 208 W. Minnie Ave., Monterey 38574
 TYLER POINT Bruce Wilson, 210 Brushy Mountain Ln., Monterey 38574
 UNION GROVE Johnnie Mae Vaughn, 759 Anderson Rd., Monterey 38574
 WOODY Geneda Ashburn, Box 51, Clarkrange 38553

MINISTERS REPORT

MINISTERS	Churches Pastored	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptized	Couples Married	Funerals	Revivals	Contributions
Leeman Cravens	1	85	9	0	5	0	10	2	\$10,900.00
Darrel Phillips	1	105	3	2	6	0	0	0	\$3,200.00

MINISTERS WHO MADE NO REPORT

James Bilbrey, Leonard Brown, Leo Campbell, Darrek Copeland, Bruce Cravens, Raymond Doss, Billy England, Richard England, James C. Ford, Harold Green, Jerry Harris, Bradley Hatfield, Billy Joe Hedgecough, Johnny Jones, Thurman Key, Michael Kirby, Cleston Ledbetter, Hoyt Looper, Elmer McCowan, Eugene McCowan, James Phillips, Jackie Reagan, Daniel Robbins, Danny Simpson, Michael Swallows, Harlon Thompson, Ovie Tinch, Dewayne Whittaker, Eugene Wright, Oney Wright, Willie Wright.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

Ministers	Address	Telephone
James Bilbrey	125 Pyle Rd., Jamestown	879-6032
Leonard Brown	110 Guffey Lane, Jamestown	879-8604
Leo Campbell	RR 1, Box 69, Jamestown	879-9830
Darrek Copeland	998 Wilder Hwy., Alpine	445-3171
Leeman Cravens	1051 Pine Ridge Ln., Clarkrange	863-8019
Raymond Doss	610 McGhee Ave., Jamestown	879-3635
Billy England	1395 Old Walton Rd., Monterey	
Richard England	485 Deer Lodge Hwy., Clarkrange	863-3320
James C. Ford	37 Loren Ln., 70 North, Monterey	839-3874
Jerry Harris	Rt. 3, Box 432, Livingston	498-2801
Bradley Hatfield	Box 384, Jamestown	879-7206
Billy Joe Hedgecough	998 Lakehill Rd., Monterey	839-2383
Johnny Jones	1506 Campground Rd., Clarkrange	863-3907
Thurman Key	144 Ridgell Ln., Monterey	839-3188
Michael Kirby	115 Hassler Rd., Monterey	839-6353
Clesten Ledbetter	160 Puncheon Creek Lane, Allred	445-7721
Hoyt Looper	1686 Old Walton Rd., Monterey	839-2838
Elmer D. McCowan	4460 Rickman Rd., Cookeville	498-2715
Eugene McCowan	3681 Hanging Limb Hwy., Monterey	839-3378
Darrel Phillips	302 Arlington Rd., Cookeville	738-8124
James Phillips	302 Reed Place, Monterey	839-3565
Jackie Reagan	2544 Riverton Rd., Jamestown	879-5267
Daniel Robbins	Box 253, Jamestown	879-2298
Danny Simpson	215 Lance Sells Ln., Alpine	823-5949
Michael Swallows	160 Norrod Rd., Monterey	863-3065
Harlon Thompson	3060 Martha Washington Rd., Clarkrange	863-3396
Ovle Tinch	221 Hillview Dr., Livingston	823-2685
Dewayne Whittaker	127 Farley Ln., Monterey	445-7027
Eugene Wright	1408 Cove Rd., Jamestown	879-7556
Oney Wright	1230 Hamilton Field Rd., Jamestown	879-8935
Willie Wright	144 Oak Hill Dr., Jamestown	879-7768

DISABLED MINISTERS

Oscar Smith	Tom Price Rd., Jamestown	879-7643
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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
Omar 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
Talmdage 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 part 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?

A - We receive no members into the Freewill Baptist Church who teaches, believes in or practices homosexuality.

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.

A - No one shall be ordained a minister of the Gospel, nor to the office of deacon who teaches, believes in or practices homosexuality. We feel that the ERA is at the heart of the conflict. They should be rejected according to the bible. *Deut. 27:21; Lev. 18:21; Rom. 1:21-32; Rom. 2:2; 1 Cor. 3:16-17; 1 Cor. 6:9-10, 14, 19; Titus 1:15-15*. This subject was the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah. *Gen. 19:4-5*.

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 _____

_____ Sunday.

_____ Moderator

_____ Clerk

_____ Clerk's address

FINANCES

Paid Pastor _____

Paid traveling evangelist _____

Paid other ministries _____

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) _____

