

Minutes
of the
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THIRD
ANNUAL SESSION

EASTERN DIVISION
of the
STONE ASSOCIATION
FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

FREEWILL BAPTIST HEADQUARTERS
Putnam Co., Monterey, TN
October 9, 2010

Bro. Michael Swallows, Moderator	_____	Monterey, TN
Bro. Rick Cravens, Assistant	_____	Jamestown, TN
Bro. Andrew Miller, Clerk	_____	Monterey, TN
Bro. Shannon Copeland, Assistant	_____	Rickman, TN

FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves unto 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 Savior 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 admonition 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 in earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotions 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.

ASSOCIATION ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Calling Delegates to Order
2. Electing Moderator and Clerk
3. Electing Finance Committee
4. Appointment of Presbytery
5. Offering for Associational Treasury
6. Appointment of Obituary Committee
7. Enrollment of Delegates and Reading of Letters
8. Offering for Children's Home
9. Invitation for New Churches
10. Invitation for Office of Elder
11. Reading Rules of Decorum
12. Report of Traveling Evangelist
13. Report of Obituaries
14. Electing Traveling Evangelist
15. Date of next Associational Meeting
16. Next Introductory Sermon
17. Appointment of Moderators for Revivals by Moderator and Assistant
(Preachers appointed alphabetically from Ordained Ministers List)
18. Miscellaneous Business
19. Report of Finance Committee
20. Report of Presbytery
21. Introductory Sermon
22. Expressing Thanks and Adjournment

CONFERENCE ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

PROCEEDINGS

The one hundred twenty third annual session of the Eastern Division Stone Association of Freewill Baptists when convened at the Eastern Division Headquarters in Monterey, TN, on Saturday October 09, in the year of our Lord 2010. The former Moderator called the House to order at 9 AM. The Association proceeded by electing officials:

Moderator _____ Bro. Michael Swallows
Assistant _____ Bro. Rick Cravens
Clerk _____ Bro. Andrew Miller
Assistan _____ Bro. Shannon Copeland

DELEGATES

ALGOOD 1st _____ Terri Bledsoe, Kim Dillon, Terry Dillon, Clyde Presley
ALLARDT _____ REPRESENTED BY LETTER
ALLENS CHAPEL _____ Jessica Abbott, Angela Langford, Lisa Ledbetter
BANNER SPRINGS _____ Mary Hedgecoth, Carolyn Norris
CALVARY _____ NOT REPRESENTED
CENTER POINT _____ Betty Choate, Omie Ringley
CIRCLE DRIVE _____ Betty Cleghorn, Donald Cleghorn
COOPERS CHAPEL _____ Shasta Choate, Helen Cravens
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL _____ REPRESENTED BY LETTER
FAIRVIEW _____ Derek Parsons, Kenneth Watts
HANGING LIMB _____ Collin Miller, Jenny Miller
HIGHLAND _____ Dianne Ledbetter, Gary Ledbetter
LIBERTY _____ Lonnie Breeding, Buddy Maxwell
LIVINGSTON 1st _____ Glenn Ledbetter, Agnes Ward, Kenneth Ward
MARTHA WASHINGTON _____ Leon Stepp
MIDWAY _____ Herbert Ashburn, Beacher Norrod, Michael Penson, Drew Swallows
MONTEREY 2nd _____ A.G. Phillips, M.B. Phillips, Doyle Vaughn
MT. CARMEL _____ Hugh Monday
OLD BARGAR _____ NOT REPRESENTED
RINNIE _____ Bill Buck, Wade Stover
TRUE VINE _____ Jim Linder
TYLER POINT _____ Rick Hinson
UNION B _____ REPRESENTED BY LETTER
UNION GROVE _____ Ridley Blalock, Donald Harris, David Phillips, Vestel Whittaker
WOODY _____ Jennifer Viles, Justin Viles

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Bro. Hugh Monday, Bro. Richard Murphy

PRESBYTERY APPOINTED:

Chairman: Bro. Gerald Phillips, Bro. James Bilbrey,
Bro. Bradley Bowden, Bro. Johnny Jones, Bro. Tony Phillips

FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Bro. Shayne Monday, Bro. Hugh Monday

OFFERING FOR ASSOCIATION:

An offering of \$267.50 was taken up.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE:

Bro. Randy Maynard, Bro. Jeff Short

OFFERING FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

An offering of \$231.67 was taken up.

INVITATION FOR NEW CHURCHES

None

INVITATION FOR OFFICE OF ELDERS

None

READING RULES OF DECORUM

Bro. Michael Swallows read the Rules of Decorum

REPORT OF TRAVELING EVANGELIST

I want to say thanks to all that called me this year as traveling Evangelist. I really enjoyed the warm welcome I received. Even though I didn't get to finish the whole term, I have been blessed by those that love serving the Lord. Let us pray for one another and our fellow churches in this battle for our Lord.

Bro. Johnny Jones

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Obituary Committee gave its' report that a total of 21 members were lost to death last year. A moment of silent prayer was held in remembrance.

Algood 1 st	Katherine Deck, Jake Gunnels
Center Point	Mary Cravens
Fairview	Carolyn Copeland
Hanging Limb	Calvin Wellman
Highland	Earnest Hill
Livingston 1 st	Ora Gore, Arvis White, Bill & Golda Hargis, Albert Tosh
Midway	Juanita Ashburn, Mae Kay, Nancy Brumblough
Mt. Carmel	Carlie Richards, Robert Gunter
True Vine	John Fielder, McKayla Gagovski
Union B	Maxine Phillips, Lea Verden McCowan
Union Grove	Barbara Wilson

Bro. Jeff Short, Bro. Randy Maynard

TRAVELING EVANGELIST

Bro. Elmer McCowan was appointed for 2010-2011.

Bro. Cameron Wilson was appointed Assistant.

DATE OF NEXT ASSOCIATION

The next Associational Meeting will be Saturday October 8, 2011 at the Eastern Division Stone Association headquarters building, Monterey, Tn.

NEXT INTRODUCTORY MESSAGE

Bro. Kevin Whittenburg was appointed to preach the next Introductory Sermon.
Bro. Shannon Copeland was appointed as alternate.

PREACHERS APPOINTED FOR SPRING REVIVAL MAY 23-27, 2011

Mon. 24 Preaching: Eric Dillon	Moderator: Willie Wright
Tue. 25 Preaching: Ricky Dixon	Moderator: Darrel Phillips
Wed. 26 Preaching: Steve Gunter	Moderator: Kevin Whitten
Thu. 27 Preaching: Bud Hargis	Moderator: Leeman Cravens
Fri. 28 Preaching: Nathan Hargis	Moderator: Hoyt Looper

PREACHERS APPOINTED FOR FALL REVIVAL OCTOBER 10-14, 2011

Mon. 10 Preaching: Bradley Hatfield	Moderator: Danny Allen
Tue. 11 Preaching: Billy Joe Hedgecough	Moderator: John Preece
Wed. 12 Preaching: Johnny Jones	Moderator: Gerald Phillips
Thu. 13 Preaching: Michael Kirby	Moderator: Tony Pillips
Fri. 14 Preaching: Hoyt Looper	Moderator: Bradley Bowden

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- Bro. Jack Taylor spoke concerning the FWB Family Ministries Home. He asked prayer for his ill daughter.
- Bro. Hoyt Looper talked about Section 9 in the Rules of Decorum. He made a motion and seconded by Bro. Darrel Phillips to change wording in it. 14-Yeas and 7-Nays, Motion Passed.
- Bro. Darrel Phillips made a motion, seconded by Bro. Hoyt Looper, and voiced by all for the Clerk to write checks for the Clerk and Janitor.
- Bro. Chadd Brown, Bro. Keith Linder, and Bro. Danny Simpson were dropped from the list of Ordained Ministers for not representing for two consecutive years, (Rules of Decorum, Section 10).

FINANCE REPORT

The clerk, Bro. Andrew Miller, gave the financial report for 2009-2010. Voiced by the Association to accept as read.

Association

Beg. Balance	\$13,767.56
Deposits	\$ 12,663.76
Expenditures	\$ 24,967.32
Ending Balance	\$ 1,464.00
Association	\$ 2,010.00
Offering	\$ 267.50
Balance	\$ 3,741.50

Children's Home

Conferences	\$ 5,002.42
Association	\$ 1,571.00
Offering	\$ 231.67
Total	\$ 6,805.09

Bro. Steve Palmer

Total	\$ 2,600.00
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REPORT OF PRESBYTERY

The report of the Presbytery was read by Bro. Randy Maynord. Motion made, seconded and voiced by all to accept as read.

October 10, 2009- The presbytery met at the Association Headquarters for the purpose of examining Bro. Richard England, to be reinstated in the Association. After questioning, Bro. Elmer McCowan made motion, Bro. John Preece seconded and voiced by all to reinstate Bro. England's credentials.

The presbytery met to examine Bro. Craig Waters, to ordain him into the full ministry. After questioning, Bro. Elmer McCowan made motion, Bro. Jeff Short seconded and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Craig.

November 7, 2009- The presbytery met at Center Point FWB for the purpose of examining Bro. Travis Wiggins, to license him to preach the Gospel for one year. After questioning, Bro. John Preece made motion, Bro. Elmer McCowan seconded and voiced by all to license Bro. Travis.

The presbytery met to talk to Bro. Jackie Regan about preaching in our churches. After talking with Bro. Jackie, all agreed he was to be allowed to continue to preach in the churches of the Eastern Stone Association.

December 5, 2009- The presbytery met at True Vine FWB for the purpose of examining Bro. Gary Cooper, to ordain him into the full ministry. After questioning, Bro. Elmer McCowan made motion, Bro. Jeff Short seconded and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Gary.

Bro. Charlie Wright sat with us in the absence of Bro. John Preece.

February 6, 2010- The presbytery met at Union B FWB for the purpose of examining Bro. Tony Phillips, to ordain him into the full ministry. After questioning, Bro. Elmer McCowan made motion, Bro. Jeff Short seconded and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Tony Phillips.

March 20, 2010- The presbytery met at Cross Roads Chapel FWB. Bro. Sammy Dunford came before the presbytery asking to come into the Eastern Stone Association, as he is Pastor at Cross Roads Chapel. After talking with Bro. Sammy, the presbytery decided to place Bro. Sammy under watch care of the Church and Association for a period of one year. After one year, he will be reinstated. Voiced by all.

May 29, 2010- The presbytery met at the Association Headquarters for the purpose of examining Bro. Frank Best, to ordain him to the office of deacon at Cross Roads Chapel FWB. After questioning, Bro. Bradley Hatfield made motion, Bro. Jeff Short seconded and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Frank.

The presbytery met to examine Bro. Ed Shaver to pastor in the Eastern Stone Association. Bro Ed is a member of the Original Stone Association. After questioning, Bro. Randy Maynord made motion, Bro. Bradley Bowden seconded and voiced by all to allow Bro. Ed to pastor in the churches of the Eastern Stone Association.

Bro. Kevin Whittenburg came asking to be reinstated into the Association. After questioning, Bro. Kevin was asked to bring a letter from previous church. If he is unable to get a letter, he will be placed under watch care of the Church and Association for the period of one year. Bro. Randy Maynard made motion, Bro. Jeff Short seconded and voiced by all.

Bro. Bradley Hatfield and Bro. Bradley Bowden sat with us in the absence of Bro. Elmer McCowan and Bro. John Preece.

June 10, 2010- The presbytery met at Mt. Carmel FWB for the purpose of examining Bro. Ray Buck, to license him to preach the Gospel for one year. After questioning, Bro. Elmer McCowan made motion, Bro. Bradley Hatfield seconded and voiced by all to license Bro. Ray.

Bro. Kevin Whittenburg brought a letter from Stockton FWB credentials reinstated as voted on May 29, 2010.

Bro. Bradley Hatfield sat with us in the absence of Bro. John Preece.

August 14, 2010- The presbytery met at Monterey 2nd FWB for the purpose of examining Bro. Ronnie McCowan, to license him to preach the Gospel for one year. After questioning, Bro. John Preece made motion, Bro. Elmer McCowan seconded and voiced by all to license Bro. Ronnie.

The presbytery met to examine Bro. Eddie Smith to license him to preach the Gospel for one year. After questioning, Bro. Elmer McCowan made motion, Bro. Jeff Short seconded and voiced by all to license Bro. Eddie.

September 11, 2010- The presbytery met at Algood 1st FWB for the purpose to examine Bro. Cameron Wilson, to ordain him to the full ministry. After Questioning, Bro Darrek Copeland made motion, Bro. John Preece seconded and voiced by all to ordain Bro. Cameron.

Bro. Darrek Copeland and Bro. Frank Bledsoe sat with us in the absence of Bro. Delmer McCowan, Bro. Jeff Short and Bro. Elmer McCowan.

Chairman: Bro. Delmer McCowan
Bro. Randy Maynard, Bro. Elmer McCowan,
Bro. John Preece, and Bro. Jeff Short

INTRODUCTORY SERMON

We adjourned from business at 12:35 pm. Bro. Bradley Bowden preached a wonderful message on "The Churches are growing cold and the fires are going out."

EXPRESSING THANKS AND ADJOURNMENT

We thank the Lord for another opportunity to come together. When adversity arises against us, overcome it through and by the Word!

PASTORAL LABOR

ALGOOD 1st _____ Frank Bledsoe
ALLARDT _____ Bruce Cravens
ALLENS CHAPEL _____ Ed Shaver
BANNER SPRINGS _____ Hoyt Looper
CALVARY _____ Not Represented
CENTER POINT _____ None
CIRCLE DRIVE _____ Jeremy Norris
COOPERS CHAPEL _____ Rick Cravens
CROSS ROADS CHAPEL _____ None
FAIRVIEW _____ Bud Hargis
HANGING LIMB _____ Gerald Phillips
HIGHLAND _____ John Preece
LIBERTY _____ Ricky Dixon
LIVINGSTON 1st _____ Pastor-Darrek Copeland, Assistant-Eric Dillon
MARTHA WASHINGTON _____ Ray Buck
MIDWAY _____ Michael Swallows
MONTEREY 2nd _____ Eugene McCowan
MT. CARMEL _____ Shayne Monday
OLD BARGAR _____ Not Represented
RINNIE _____ Bradley Hatfield
TRUE VINE _____ Charlie Wright
TYLER POINT _____ Roger Sisco
UNION B _____ None
UNION GROVE _____ Shannon Copeland
WOODY _____ Tony Phillips

CLERKS AND ADDRESSES

ALGOOD 1st _____ Jennifer Bartlett, 3495 W.J. Robinson Rd., Cookeville 38506
 ALLARDT _____ Debbie Beeler, 1434 Pennsylvania Ave., Jamestown 38556
 ALLENS CHAPEL _____ Angela Langford, 175 Langford Ln, Hilham 38568
 BANNER SPRINGS _____ Mary Hedgecoth, 1610 Lloyd Hall Loop, Deer Lodge 37726
 CALVARY _____ Anita Walker, 225 Floyd Padgett Ln., Crawford 38554
 CENTER POINT _____ Betty Cravens, 921 Tollie Ln., Jamestown 38556
 CIRCLE DRIVE _____ Lula Mae Ray, 121 Ray Lane, Cookeville 38506
 COOPERS CHAPEL _____ Helen Cravens, 150 Price Cemetery. Rd., Jamestown 38556
 CROSS ROADS CHAPEL _____ Beachel Creselious, 1209 W. Cove Rd., Jamestown 38556
 FAIRVIEW _____ Janet Parsons, 255 Short Lane, Monterey 38574
 HANGING LIMB _____ Janet Miller, 244 Roger Norrod Ln., Crawford 38554
 HIGHLAND _____ Brenda McDonald, 109 Roberts St., Livingston 38570
 LIBERTY _____ Jamie Ledbetter, 297 Short Ln., Monterey 38574
 LIVINGSTON 1st _____ Mary Allen, 410 Bill White Lane, Livingston 38507
 MARTHA WASHINGTON _____ Alleta Stepp, 155 Stepp Rd, Clarkrange 38553
 MIDWAY _____ Charlotte Bilbrey, 198 Phillips Subdivision Rd., Clarkrange 38553
 MONTEREY 2nd _____ Charlotte McCowan, 1201 Buckner Rd., Monterey 38574
 MT. CARMEL _____ Patricia A. Gunter, 5625 S. York Hwy., Grimsley 38565
 OLD BARGER _____ Margaret Brown, 110 Guffey Lane, Jamestown 38556
 RINNIE _____ Giesla Farmer, 73 Farmer Rd., Crossville 38571
 TRUE VINE _____ Leslie M. Wright, 600 Clear Circle, Smyrna 37167
 TYLER POINT _____ Brad Hinson, 1160 Wilder Hwy, Alpine 38543
 UNION B _____ Betty Phillips, 2174 Clark-Mont. Hwy, Monterey 38574
 UNION GROVE _____ Carolyn Harris, 1404 Cedar Chapel Rd, Monterey 38547
 WOODY _____ Faye Taylor, 13202 Hwy 127 N., Crossville 38571

CHURCH	LOCATION	Rec. by Letter	Recommendation	Profession	Dismissed by Letter	Death	Request	Exclusion	Total Membership	Average	Paid Pastor(s)
ALGOOD 1 ST	Algood	0	24	10	0	2	2	0	95	90	\$15,600.00
ALLARDT	Allardt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	62	\$ 7,122.40
ALLENS CHAPEL	Hilham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BANNER SPRINGS	Banner	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	32	41	\$14,250.00
CALVARY	Crawford	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTER POINT	Jamestown	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	101	59	\$ 0.00
CIRCLE DRIVE	Algood	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	25	27	\$ 3,283.40
COOPERS CHAPEL	Jamestown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	30	\$ 2,709.59
CROSS ROADS	Jamestown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FAIRVIEW	Livingston	0	3	0	0	1	2	0	88	65	\$12,800.00
HANGING LIMB	Crawford	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	52	44	\$ 7,800.00
HIGHLAND	Livingston	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	70	24	\$ 4,700.00
LIBERTY	Livingston	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	32	42	\$ 6,800.00
LIVINGSTON 1 ST	Livingston	0	5	0	0	5	0	0	219	185	\$31,200.00
MARTHA WASHINGTON	Clarkrange	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	77	10	\$ 974.00
MIDWAY	Clarkrange	5	10	4	0	3	0	0	166	107	\$14,100.91
MONTEREY 2 ND	Monterey	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	84	39	\$12,400.00
MT. CARMEL	Grimsley	6	2	1	3	2	0	0	160	111	\$13,000.00
OLD BARGER	Jamestown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RINNIE	Crossville	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	175	126	\$12,900.00
TRUE VINE	Smyrna	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	77	73	\$10,400.00
TYLER POINT	Monterey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58	17	\$ 4,755.00
UNION B	Monterey	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	120	26	\$ 0.00
UNION GROVE	Monterey	0	4	0	0	1	1	0	128	72	\$10,800.00
WOODY	Crossville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	20	\$ 200.00

Paid Evangelists	Other Ministries	Home for Children	Associational Treasury	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Building and Repairs	Miscellaneous
\$2,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 6,140.00	\$ 5,769.28	\$ 57,345.82
\$ 0.00	\$ 2,125.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,207.07	\$ 5,004.33	\$ 3,529.99
-	-	-	\$ 100.00	-	-	-	-
\$ 200.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 11,640.17
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\$ 0.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,942.00
\$ 75.00	\$ 1,967.62	\$ 350.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,680.00	\$ 7,208.88
\$ 0.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 584.41	\$ 150.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,741.13	\$ 7,905.14
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\$ 50.00	\$ 2,412.00	\$ 1,214.46	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 10,487.51	\$ 0.00	\$ 16,111.90
\$ 0.00	\$ 1,102.79	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,497.31	\$ 352.00	\$ 5,222.18
\$ 0.00	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 696.37	\$ 8,374.36
\$ 91.00	\$ 635.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,682.59	\$ 11,740.55
\$ 0.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,299.37	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,247.42	\$ 36,733.93
\$ 0.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
\$ 75.00	\$ 892.00	\$ 893.83	\$ 100.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 436.00	\$ 13,237.69	\$ 6,693.15
\$ 100.00	\$ 2,352.52	\$ 862.55	\$ 1,160.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 12,100.43
\$ 0.00	\$ 2,975.00	\$ 2,231.50	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 19,338.41	\$ 35,500.08
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\$ 150.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 641.61	\$ 750.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 8,993.65	\$ 20,721.35
\$ 0.00	\$ 5,644.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 33,721.12	\$ 18,523.44
\$ 100.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 3,647.00
\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
\$ 50.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 2,591.13	\$ 4,499.03	\$ 12,802.14
\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,000.00

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Association voted to support Missionary Steve Palmer and his work in the Ivory Coast, Africa. The amount of \$200.00 monthly will be sent to him from the Association. There are some Churches from the Association that are also sending monthly support. We need to pray for him and his wife Rhonda as they labor for the Lord. If anyone would like more information, contact Bro. Shayne Monday.

Steve and Rhonda Palmer
Missionaries to
Ivory Coast, West Africa

Steve Palmer was born in Ivory Coast to missionary parents Lonnie and Bernice Palmer in 1962. Steve accepted Jesus Christ as Savior at the age of six during a revival held at the Ivory Coast Academy boarding school. He graduated high school at Batesville, Arkansas and received his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from the University of Little Rock, Arkansas. He met his lovely wife Rhonda at Freewill Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee.

Answering God's call to missions, Steve and Rhonda went as full time missionaries to Ivory Coast in 1994. They returned to the United States just ahead of the overthrow of the Ivory Coast government in 2002.

While stateside, Steve served as Pastor and lecturer in Indiana. Rhonda completed her nursing degree and graduated May 2007 with Bachelors in Nursing with honors.

The type of missionary work Steve and Rhonda do in the Ivory Coast involves village evangelism, discipleship, church planting, and equipping the Saints by teaching in the Bible Institute.

Steve strongly believes that the missionary is part of the body of Christ laboring on behalf of the local church. As the Apostle Paul said in Philippians 4:17, "...but I desire fruit that may abound to your account..." This joint effort is successful when God responds to prayer and sinners are born again. Please pray for the lost on Ivory Coast, West Africa.

100% of all contributions go to support Steve and Rhonda in the work in Ivory Coast.

Please send support and correspondence to:

Steve and Rhonda Palmer
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Batesville, Arkansas 72503
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MINISTERS REPORT

MINISTER	Churches Pastored	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptized	Weddings	Funerals	Revivals	Contributions
Randy Maynard	1	96	1	0	1	0	2	0	
Delmer McCowan	2	87	10	0	4	2	3	4	
Elmer McCowan	1	77	1	0	0	0	3	0	\$ 3,500.00
Shayne Monday	1	110	0	7	5	1	3	0	\$13,000.00
Darrel Phillips	0	52	2	0	0	0	1	1	\$ 2,000.00
Jeff Short	0	102	5	0	0	0	2	1	

MINISTERS WHO MADE NO REPORT

Danny Allen, James Bilbrey, Frank Bledsoe, Bradley Bowden, Chris Breeding, Leo Campbell, Gary Cooper, Darrek Copeland, Shannon Copeland, Leeman Cravens, Rick Cravens, Eric Dillon, Ricky Dixon, Richard England, James C. Ford, Steve Gunter, Bud Hargis, Nathan Hargis, Bradley Hatfield, Billy Joe Hedgecough, Johnny Jones, Michael Kirby, Hoyt Looper, Elmer McCowan, Andrew Miller, Eugene McCowan, Richard Murphy, Shane Nelson, Gerald Phillips, Tony Phillips, John Preece, Michael Swallows, Harlon Thompson, Ovle Tinch, Craig Waters, Randy Whiteaker, Dewayne Whittaker, Kevin Whittenburg, Cameron Wilson, Charlie Wright, Eugene Wright, Oney Wright, Willie Wright

Eastern Division Stone Association Licensed Ministers

Ray Buck _____ 931-879-8863
 Ronnie McCowan _____ 931-839-6026
 Derek Parsons _____ 931-260-4603
 Eddie Smith _____ 931-265-2489
 Travis Wiggins _____ 931-879-4465

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

<u>MINISTERS</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>Telephone</u>
Danny Allen	501 Stratford Ave, Monterey	839-3681
James Bilbrey	125 Pyle Rd., Jamestown	879-6032
Frank Bledsoe	129 Little Ln., Cookeville	498-4227
Bradley Bowden	636 Harding Rd., Jamestown	879-5654
Chris Breeding	150 Presley Ln., Livingston	510-6974
Leo Campbell	Mary Cromwell Rd., Jamestown	879-9830
Gary Cooper	1115 Cutoff Rd., Murfreesboro	615-904-2454
Darrek Copeland	345 Hilham Hwy., Livingston	823-3069
Shannon Copeland	1357 Okalona Rd., Rickman	510-7690
Leeman Cravens	1051 Pine Ridge Ln., Clarkrange	863-8019
Rick Cravens	150 Price Cemetery Rd., Jamestown	879-7185
Eric Dillon	332 Oneil Rd., Livingston	823-3795
Ricky Dixon	1126 Upper Hilham Rd., Livingston	823-5094
Richard England	485 Deerlodge Hwy, Clarkrange	863-3320
James C. Ford	37 Loren Ln., 70 North, Monterey	839-3874
Steve Gunter	110 Old Gatewood Ford, Jamestown	879-7081
Bud Hargis	318 Short Ln., Monterey	498-2669
Nathan Hargis	318 Short Ln., Monterey	498-2669
Bradley Hatfield	528 Price St., Jamestown	879-7206
Billy Joe Hedgecough	998 Lakehill Rd., Monterey	839-2383
Johnny Jones	1506 Campground Rd., Clarkrange	863-3907
Michael Kirby	115 Hassler Rd., Monterey	839-6353
Hoyt Looper	1686 Old Walton Rd., Monterey	839-2838
Randy Maynard	820 Boatman Rd., Cookeville	498-4063
Delmer McCowan	314 Cleveland Ave., Monterey	839-6256
Elmer D. McCowan	4460 Rickman Rd., Cookeville	498-2715
Eugene McCowan	3681 Hanging Limb Hwy., Monterey	839-3378
Andrew Miller	153 Hampton Ln., Monterey	265-6904
Shayne Monday	4431 South York Hwy., Jamestown	863-5189
Richard Murphy	306 Alvin Garrett Ln., Livingston	823-2791
Shane Nelson	812 Copeland Cove Ln., Livingston	823-0986
Darrel Phillips	Arlington Rd., Cookeville	738-8124
Gerald Phillips	377 Lowe Point Rd., Clarkrange	863-5151
Tony Phillips	225 Elmore Rd., Monterey	863-4499
John Preece	238 Bilbrey Qualls Rd. Cookeville	498-4746
Jeff Short	2775 Short Ln., Monterey	498-2474
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
Craig Waters	176 County Rd., Jamestown	879-6646
Randy Whiteaker	418 Geeseway Dr., Cookeville	537-9541
Dewayne Whittaker	127 Farley Ln., Monterey	445-7027
Kevin Whittenburg	2673 Banner Springs Rd., Jamestown	863-4939
Cameron Wilson	1072 E. Whitehall Rd., Cookeville	267-2481
Randy Whiteaker	418 Geesway Dr., Algood	537-9541
Charlie Wright	600 Clear Circle, Smyrna	615-459-7551
Eugene Wright	1408 Cove Rd., Jamestown	879-7556
Oney Wright	1230 Hamilton Field Rd., Jamestown	879-8935
Willie Wright	144 Oak Hill Dr., Jamestown	879-3891

DECEASED MINISTERS

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

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 without first being licensed for a period of twelve months. Any ordained licensed minister, who wishes to come before the Presbytery and be examined by them and upon a satisfactory examination, 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 practice 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; 1Cor. 3:16-17; 1Cor. 6:9-10, 14, 19; Titus 1:15-16.* 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 churches to support their Pastors financially and support them with their presence. And any Pastor that feels a Church is not backing him and feels lead 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-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 judgment, 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 Baptist Church, only those who have the witness within themselves.

Article 8-We believe that all Christians have a right to the sacramental table upon 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 give 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 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 judgment 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; 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 up-building 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 Baptist Church to call for a letter before leaving.

LETTER FROM _____ CHURCH

To the Stone Association of the Freewill Baptist Church on Oct. _____, 20____.

We send as delegates our beloved brethren and sisters:

_____ 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 month:	Paid Pastor _____
by Letter _____	Paid traveling evangelist _____
by Recommendation _____	Paid other ministries _____
by Profession _____	Home for Children _____
Members dismissed:	with this letter _____
by Letter _____	total for year _____
by Death [please state name(s)] _____	Associational Treasury _____
_____	with this letter _____
_____	Total for year _____
by Request _____	Foreign Missions _____
by Exclusion _____	Home Missions _____
Total Membership _____	Building and Repairs _____
Condition of Prayer Meeting _____	Miscellaneous _____
Condition of Sunday School _____	(all other expenses) _____
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 _____, 20____	
with _____ members present. Our day of meeting is _____ Sunday.	
_____ Moderator	
_____ Clerk	
_____ Clerk's address	

