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Churches	By Baptism	By Letter	By Experience	Restored	Dismissed By Letter	Withdrawn	Deceased	Membership	Sunday School	Average Attendance	Deacons	Ordained Ministers	Licensed Ministers	Church Value	Amount Paid Pastor	Pastorial Help	Home Missions	Minute Fund	Children's Homes	Meeting Days
Adamsville	3					1		82	40	40	2	4		\$58,000.00	\$2,250.00	\$300.00	\$75.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	
Antioch	2		1	5			1	42	40	30		1		\$30,000.00	\$2,393.89	\$481.00	\$40.00	\$15.00	\$50.00	
Bumpus Creek							1	99	50	50	1			\$20,000.00	\$3,601.00	\$250.00	\$75.00	\$30.00		
Meeks Grove	12			3	2			102	48	48	2	1		\$9,500.00	\$2,787.00	\$200.00		\$15.76		
Midway	2	2				1	1	94	60	45	4	1		\$50,000.00	\$3,200.00	\$795.00	\$50.00	\$20.00		
Mt. Olive		5						50	35	25				\$10,000.00	\$913.05	\$125.00	\$25.00	\$11.75		
Murphy's Chapel			1				2	68	68	40	4	2		\$86,000.00	\$2,550.00	\$800.00	\$75.00	\$35.80	\$220.00	
New Chapel							1	34	30	25				\$10,000.00	\$1,555.00	\$25.00		\$7.50		
New Home	3		1					66	57	40	2			\$16,000.00	\$2,350.00	\$300.00	\$75.00	\$25.00		
New Pleasant Grove			1		6	2		51	15	35		2		\$25,000.00	\$2,525.00	\$400.00	\$75.00	\$25.00		
Piney Grove	3	1			1			166	100	77	4	6		\$35,000.00	\$1,824.72	\$553.83	\$40.00	\$37.38		
Posey Chapel								25	7	15		1		\$20,000.00			\$25.00	\$25.00		
Rayborn Chapel			1					25	20	15	2			\$2,000.00	\$650.00	\$128.55		\$7.75	\$50.00	
Scotts Chapel	1	1	3				4	247	120	94	6	3		\$19,000.00	\$4,680.00	\$450.00	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$219.90	
Shady Grove	3							102	55	41	3			\$17,000.00	\$2,175.00	\$200.00		\$15.00		
Solitude	1						2	77	28	28	1	1	1	\$20,000.00	\$1,175.00	\$181.00	\$40.00	\$14.00		
Whites Creek	3		1	1	1			110	71	63	3	1		\$33,000.00	\$2,273.34	\$160.00	\$75.00	\$28.00		
																				Every Sun. 2nd & 4th Sun. Night
																				Every Sun., Saturday Night before 3rd Sun.

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

(as elected this year)

Moderator Rev. Marvin Morrow, Box 71A, Cypress Inn, TN
Assistant Moderator Rev. Edward Smith, Rt. 1, Box 163
Stantonville, TN
Clerk Rev. John E. Banks, Box 77B, Cypress Inn, TN

HOME MISSIONS BOARD

Secretary-Treasurer Bro. D. E. Patterson, Rt. 1, Box 155A
Savannah, TN Phone—901-925-3667.
Rev. Marvin Morrow Box 71A, Cypress Inn, TN
Bro. Carl Harper Rt. 1, Iron City, TN

ASSOCIATIONAL PASTOR

Rev. V. H. Gean Rt. 10, Box 323, Florence, AL Phone—205-766-3896

OFFICERS OF FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS

Moderator Rev. Earl Dixon, Rt. 10, Box 303, Florence, AL
Assistant Moderator Rev. J. B. Harper, Cypress Inn, TN
Clerk Bro. Donnie Joe Rich, Cypress Inn, TN

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. J. B. Harper	Cypress Inn, TN
Rev. L. L. Wilson	Adamsville, TN
Rev. Earl Rich	Cypress Inn, TN

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The purpose of this committee is to meet with churches when needed to deal with any problems that might arise. If needed contact chairman, which will be the longest experienced minister in the Tennessee River Association serving on the committee. The committee is as follows:

Rev. Earl Rich
Rev. L. L. Wilson
Rev. Clay Mullins
Rev. John Banks
Rev. V. H. Gean (Chairman)

PLACING OF THE FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS

October 1982—New Pleasant Grove
January 1983—Murphy's Chapel
May 1983—Whites Creek
July 1983—Bumpus Creek

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

Adamsville—Bro. Dwayne Smith, Stantonville, TN 38379
Antioch—Mrs. Lina Montgomery, Rt. 12, Florence, AL
Bumpus Creek—Mrs. Sue Curry, Rt. 1, Box 287, Waterloo, AL 35677
Meeks Grove—Sis. Betty Milford, Rt. 1, Stantonville, TN
Midway—Sis. Thelma Pace
Mt. Olive—Sis. Pauline Jones, Rt. 1, Waterloo, AL
Murphy's Chapel—Bro. David Montgomery, Box 12, Florence, AL
New Chapel—Sis. Betty Glissen, Rt. 1, Counce, TN 38326
New Home—Sis. Ethel Davidson, 1862 Silverton Rd., Henderson, TN 38340
New Pleasant Grove—Sis. Sue Franks, Rt. 2, Box 770, Savannah, TN 38372
Piney Grove—Bro. Roger Stults, Cypress Inn, TN 38452
Posey Chapel—Sis. Cindy Barrier, Rt. 12, Box 381C, Florence, AL 35630
Rayborn Chapel—Bro. Edgar Melson, Rt. 2, Box 102, Collinwood, TN 38450
Scotts Chapel—Sis. Carolyn Harper, Rt. 3, Box 120, Florence, AL 35630
Phone (205) 766-6297
Shady Grove—Bro. Jody Melson, Rt. 1, Olive Hill, TN 38475
Solitude—Sis. Betty Harville, Rt. 2, Adamsville, TN 38310
Whites Creek—Sis. Brenda Lambert, Rt. 1, Box 144A, Savannah, TN 38372

ORDAINED MINISTERS, THEIR ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS

John E. Banks—Rt. 1 Box 77B, Cypress Inn, TN, Phone (615) 724-4251
Emerald Bailey—Rt. 1, Iron City, TN, Phone (615) 724-4378
Benton Brown—Rt. 1, Savannah, TN, Phone (901) 925-9313
Lige Dickey—Collinwood, TN, Phone (615) 724-4809
Earl Dixon—Rt. 10, Box 303, Florence, AL, Phone (205) 764-0558
V. H. Gean—Rt. 10, Box 323, Florence, AL, Phone (205) 766-3896
Vernon Gober—Rt. 2, Box 374, Adamsville, TN, Phone (901) 632-4228
J. B. Harper—Cypress Inn, TN, Phone (615) 724-4594 (Weekends Call
(901) 989-5902)
Marvin Morrow—Box 71A, Cypress Inn, TN, Phone (615) 724-9663
Virgil Moore—Rt. 1, Morris Chapel, TN, Phone (901) 632-3256
Clay Mullins—Rt. 12, Florence, AL, Phone (205) 764-0211
Dalton Scaggs—Rt. 1, Box 13A, Collinwood, TN, Phone (615) 724-9622
Edward Smith—Rt. 1, Box 163, Stantonville, TN, Phone (901) 632-4413
Ealis Stephens—Rt. 4, Savannah, TN, Phone (901) 925-3881
Eargin Warren—Rt. 1, Collinwood, TN, Phone (615) 724-4540
Nick White—Savannah, TN, Phone (901) 925-4544
L. L. Wilson—Rt. 2, Old Shiloh Rd., Adamsville, TN, Phone (901) 632-1146
Earl Rich—Rt. 1, Box 81A, Cypress Inn, TN, Phone (615) 724-9654
Glen Bobo—1620 Pinehurst Blvd., Sheffield, AL

LICENSED MINISTERS

Bro. Jamie Smith

CHURCH PASTORS

Adamsville—Rev. Earl Rich
Antioch—Rev. Earl Dixon
Bumpus Creek—Rev. Emerald Bailey
Meeks Grove—Rev. Ealis Stephens
Midway—
Mt. Olive—
Murphy's Chapel—Rev. Jack Jones
New Chapel—Rev. L. L. Wilson
New Home—Rev. J. B. Harper
New Pleasant Grove—Rev. Vernon Gober
Piney Grove—Rev. Nick White
x Posey's Chapel—Rev. Clay Mullins
Rayborn Chapel—Rev. Dalton Scaggs
Scott's Chapel—Rev. John E. Banks
Shady Grove—Rev. Eargin Warren
x Solitude—Rev. Edward Smith
Whites Creek—Rev. Marvin Marrow

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Woman's Auxiliary of New Home Church submitted the following report. Membership 5, Financial report, Amount Received, \$426.00, total spent for projects \$312.00, total in treasury \$114.00. Projects: quilting, yard sale, paid two payments on church debt, decorated church bath rooms, sent flowers and cards to sick, in church and community.

PROCEEDINGS

Friday Morning, September 17, 1982

The Tennessee River Association met with Piney Grove Church at 10:30 o'clock.

Opening song—By Bro. Donnie Rich.

Prayer—Bro. Vernon Gober.

Welcome by—John Banks, Assistant Moderator, Alter Prayer.

Message by—V. H. Gean.

Scripture—John chapter 14.

Dismissed by Earl Rich.

Friday Afternoon Session

Song—Odel Harper

Scripture—Ealis Stephens, 1 Cor. 13.

Prayer by Lige Dickey

*Association
Murphy Chapel
Scotts Chapel
Whites Creek*

APPOINTMENT OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES

READING CLERKS—Marvin Morrow, L. L. Wilson
FINANCE—Bro. Leyone Harper, Bro. Vernon Gober, Bro. Frank Pigg
SUNDAY SCHOOL—Elzo Smith, Dennis Clayton, Bro. Donnie Rich
OBITUARY—Ira Gills, Coy Weeks, Tommy Patterson
PROGRAM—Rev. Nick White, Bro. Odel Harper, Bro. Marvin Morrow

CALLED FOR CHURCH LETTERS AND RECOGNIZED THE DELEGATES

Adamsville—Bro. R. C. Hamm, Bro. Baxter Humprey *L. L. Wilson*
Antioch—Bro. Howard Whitten, Bro. James Weems *Carl Dixon*
Bumpus Creek—Bro. Homer Scott *Emmett Bailey*
Meeks Grove—Bro. Charles Linam, Bro. Richard Sowell *Ben Bobo*
Midway—Sis. Lela Hall, Sis. Aslee Robbins *W. O. Miller*
Mt. Olive—By Letter *Allen Jones*
Murphy's Chapel—Bro. Robert Wylie, Bro. Ronnie Brown, Bro. Robbie Brown, Bro. Carl Risner *Jack Jones*
New Home—Bro. Tommy Patterson, Bro. Dennis Clayton *Paul Weaver*
New Chapel—Bro. Bill Mayhall, Bro. Billy Mayhall *Charles Linam*
New Pleasant Grove—Bro. Millard White, Bro. Rex Hargrove *Vernon Hopper*
Piney Grove—Bro. Larry Toungette, Bro. Coy Weeks, Bro. Jay Sandusky *Nick White*
Posey Chapel—By Letter
Rayborn Chapel—Edgar Melson *Dalton Stagg*
Scotts Chapel—Bro. Odell Harper, Bro. Carl Harper, Bro. Elzo Smith, Bro. Harry Sherrils *Johnny Banks*
Shady Grove—Joda Melso, Bro. Daniel Melson *Erge Warren*
Solitude—Sis. Hellen Tacker, Sis. Betty Harville, Sis. Willodean Harville, Sis. Mary Ruth Tacker. *Edward Smith*
Whites Creek—Bro. Jimmy Lambert, Bro. Boyd Stricklin, Bro. Herschel White *Single Sean*
Hunstville

APPOINTMENT OF OTHER COMMITTEES

GENERAL BUSINESS—Bros. Stencil Robbins, Dalton Skaggs, J. B. Harper, Earl Rich, Lige Dickey *Dobler Dickey Jones*
EDUCATIONAL—Bros. Joel Pigg, Edgar Melson, Jay Sandusky *Core Hoyer Clay*
TEMPERANCE—Bros. Homer Scott, Eargin Warren, Ealis Stephens *White Nick*
BENEVOLENCE—Robert Wiley, Ronnie Brown, Brady Tacker *Smith Warren*
RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS—Bros. Carl Harper, Howard Whitten, Joda Melson *Mary Ruth Helen Whitten*

Motion made to adjourn until 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning. Dismissed by Bro. L. L. Wilson.

FRIDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE

Song Service began with Bro. Donnie Rich leading the first song. Prayer was led by Rev. Earl Dixon. Rev. V. H. Gean gave opportunity for testimony service.

The first message was by Rev. Dalton Scaggs, subject, God's Man. Second message by Rev. Edward Smith, subject, Thine Inheritance Confirmed.

Dismissed by Rev. Emerald Bailey.

SATURDAY MORNING BUSINESS SESSION

Bro. Marvin Morrow began the service with a song. The scripture reading was by Bro. Benton Brown, reading Psalm 24:1-5. Prayer by Bro. Homer Scott.

Moderator V. H. Gean called for reading of reports.

THE GENERAL BUSINESS REPORT

We, your committee on general business, recommend that each church send \$75.00 or more each year to the Home Mission Board. We recommend it be sent by the first of January.

We recommend that the deacons remind the churches, because of Acts 6:3 we feel it is their duty to see that the financial needs of the home church and the association are cared for.

We recommend that our ministers pay a tenth, more or less, of the money received from ministerial work to the Home Missions Board, to be paid by August 30 of each year.

We recommend that we continue the election of an associational pastor each year and that he be paid from the Home Mission fund for his ministerial work as the Home Mission Board sees fit.

We recommend that the associational pastor and others look for places to organize new churches, and if possible begin mission work.

We recommend that any man that acknowledges that he is called of God to preach, and when the church desires that such a one of it's members be licensed to preach the gospel for one year, it request that the presbytery of the association of which it is a member to examine by council or otherwise such a person.

The licensee shall at the end of one year go before the presbytery before ordination.

We recommend that each member back the association of which he is a member.

The examination for license (or ordination) should refer to the piety and doctrine, the conviction and purposes, respecting work of the ministry and reputation for characters and ability of the candidate.

We recommend those desiring the office of a minister or deacon abstain from strong drink, beer, whiskey, or anything harmful to our body and influence of the office we hold.

We recommend that the men who desire the office of a deacon and can qualify according to the scripture be appointed under the watchcare of their church for one year and that the association be notified of such appointing. Then at the end of one year they go before the presbytery before ordination. We also recommend that they be given a certificate of ordination when ordained and if he resigns or leaves the denomination he turn in his credentials. We recommend that they back the Free Will Baptist doctrine and practice its ordinances.

We recommend that any minister coming from other bodies of this association, that brings good recommendation from the church of which he is a member, go before the presbytery and if he believes and practices Free Will Baptist doctrine, that we grant him a card. We recommend any church that calls a pastor that's not in a Free Will Baptist Presbytery, that his name not appear in the minute.

We recommend that each church get its letter to the association on Friday, and that the letter be read to the church and approved by it before sending it to the association if possible.

We recommend that if any church has a problem that they cannot work out they call the resolution committee to meet with them and if the committee cannot work it out, they have a called session of the presbytery at their church and not bring it to the association. We recommend that each church call its pastor thirty days before the association meets if possible.

We recommend that the officers of the Fifth Sunday Meeting be elected and the Fifth Sunday Meeting places be selected at the last Fifth Sunday Meeting prior to the association Meeting.

We recommend that the associational clerk be paid \$100.00 per year to be paid from the Home Mission treasury.

We recommend that the Home Mission treasurer be paid \$75.00 per year to be paid from the Home Mission board.

We recommend that the Fifth Sunday Clerk be paid \$100.00 per year from the Home Mission treasury. This report was adopted by the association.

J. B. Harper, Chairman

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We your committee on Sunday School wish to submit the following: We have 17 churches reporting with Sunday school. With a present enrollment of 844. The average attendance of churches are 711.

We recommend that each church has Sunday School regularly. We also recommend that all leaders and teachers be devout christians sound in faith and apt to teach.

We recommend that parents carry their children to Sunday School that they may be more attentive to the word of God.

We recommend that all visitors who visit our churches be followed up by a visit from their teacher or someone of the church if possible to show your appreciation of their visit.

We should pray more and show a love for one another more. This report was adopted by the association.

Donnie Rich, Chairman

EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your committee on education, find the definition of education means, "an act or process of learning by instruction, training or example." 1 Peter 2:21 says, "For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps." 2 Timothy 2:15 "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Also 2 Timothy 3:15 "And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures which are able to make thee wise unto Salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

We also recommend that Christian families have a daily Bible study and prayer with their children. Prov. 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Eph. 6:1-4 "Children obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise; That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth. And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath; but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." James 1:5 "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."

We recommend that parents cooperate with schools as long as it is not against the teaching of the Bible. Stand against that which is evil. We recommend our churches use the King James version of the Bible and Free Will Baptist literature. We recommend our churches have Bible study and prayer meeting one night weekly, and establish and maintain a youth training program along with a yearly vacation Bible school. We also recommend our churches conduct a singing school every other year that we might better learn to praise the Lord in song. Eph. 5:19 "Speaking to yourself in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord."

Joel Pigg, Chairman

TEMPERANCE REPORT

We, your committee on temperance, submit the following: We find the word temperance in regard to strong drink, beer, wine, whiskey or any drug harmful to our body to mean total abstinence from these things.

We as Christians, should remember foremost that being temperate is not only moderation but it is also abstinence from things that are displeasing to our Lord.

We find that the Bible says in I Cor. 9:25 "and every man striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things." Therefore to please God we must be temperate in all walks of life. In Philippians 4:8 the Bible says "Finally brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are of a good report? if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

Finding that the Bible tells us in Romans 13:13, Let us walk honestly, as in the day, not in rioting and drunkenness, chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. Also we find in Galatians 5:21-23 that "Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings and such like; of the which I tell you before, as I have told you in times past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God". But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance, against such things there is no law.

Ealis Stepheins, Chairman

OBITUARY REPORT

We your committee on obituaries in sorrow report the death of 12 of our members since our last association. They are as follows: Antioch-1, Bro. Anderson Montgomery; Bumpus Creek-1, Bro. Jimmy White; Midway-1, Bro. Tee Waldrep; Murphy's Chapel-2, Sis. Beulah Graben, Bro. Tom Richardson; New Chapel-1, Sis. Vestie Barenette; Scotts Chapel-4, Darlene Holt, Betty Jo Howard, Buck Gilcrist, Pearl Nichols; Solitude-2, Sis. Alvie Finley, Elsie Wharton. We trust our loss is Heavens gain.

Coy Weeks, Chairman

REPORT OF BENEVOLENCE

We the committee on Benevolence, finding that word to mean a willingness to do good, promote brotherly love, and to be kind to others. We feel a need to instill the following verses into the hearts of all those who read, believe, and obey God's Word.

In Matthew 18:27 "Then the Lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and forgave him the debt." As Christians we find in Colossians 3:13 the following, "Forbearing one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you so also do ye." Matthew 6:15 says, "But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your father forgive your trespasses."

Then for our homes I Cor. 7:3 says, "Let the husband render unto to the wife due benevolence; and likewise also the wife to the husband."

Ronnie Brown, Chairman

CLERK'S REPORT

1981 Balance left in treasury	\$ 70.43
Minute funds received from churches	370.55
Total	<u>\$440.98</u>
Expenses for 1,000 minutes	<u>\$499.84</u>
\$58.86 was transferred from Home Mission treasury to pay balance on 1981 minutes.	
Balance in treasury	0

FINANCE REPORT FOR MINUTE FUND

Adamsville	\$ 25.00
Antioch	15.00
Bumpus Creek	30.00
Meeks Grove	15.76
Midway	20.00
Mt. Olive	11.75
Murphy's Chapel	36.00
New Chapel	7.50
New Home	25.00
New Pleasant Grove	25.00
Piney Grove	37.38
Rayborn Chapel	7.75
Posey Chapel	25.00
Scott's Chapel	50.00
Shady Grove	15.00
Solitude	14.00
White's Creek	28.00
TOTAL	\$388.04

Vernon Gober, Chairman

HOME MISSIONS BOARD REPORT

1981-82 Balance Forwarded	\$1,834.23
1981-82 Received	
Assn. & Fifth Sunday Offerings	1,523.96
Shady Grove (Children's Home)	100.00
Adamsville (Children's Home)	100.00
Antioch (Children's Home)	50.00
Bumpus Creek (Children's Home)	54.00
Rayborn Chapel (Children's Home)	50.00
Scott's Chapel (Children's Home)	308.77
White's Creek (Children's Home)	116.95
Total	\$2,303.68

HOME MISSIONS FUND

Adamsville	\$ 75.00
Antioch	40.00
Bumpus Creek	75.00
Midway	50.00
Murphey's Chapel	75.00
New Home	75.00
New Pleasant Grove	75.00
Piney Grove	40.00
Posey's Chapel	25.00
Scott's Chapel	40.00
White's Creek	75.00
Total	\$645.00

MINISTERS TITHES

Rev. Benton Brown	\$ 150.00
Rev. Earl Dixon	100.00
Rev. V. H. Gean	308.75
Rev. Vernon Gober	200.00
Rev. J. B. Harper	235.00
Rev. Earl Rich	50.00
Rev. Ealis Stephens	245.00
Total	<u>\$1,288.75</u>

MISCELLANEOUS	\$20.00
Sale of old speakers	50.00
Total	<u>\$70.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$4,307.43
TOTAL RECEIVED & BALANCE FORWARDED	<u>\$6,141.66</u>

1981-82 EXPENSES

Alabama Children's Home	\$1,082.47
Tennessee Children's Home	1,082.46
Rev. Benton Brown, Assoc. Pastor (pd. \$100.00 per month)	1,200.00
Rev. J. B. Harper reimburse for ½ of what he spent on new Home church	250.00
Rev. Ted Simmons (balance on minutes)	58.86
Ted Alan Simmons	138.75
Bro. Donnie Rich (clerk)	100.00
Bro. D. E. Patterson (treasurer)	75.00
Rev. Ted Simmons (Assn. clerk)	100.00
Printing Checks and supplies	21.17
TOTAL	<u>\$4,108.71</u>
Balance Forwarded 1982-83	<u>\$2,032.95</u>

Bro. D. E. Patterson, Sec./Treas.
Rt. 1, Box 155A
Savannah, TN 38372

Home Mission books will be closed by Sept. 1 for the year. Please get your contributions in before this date.

ASSOCIATIONAL PASTOR'S REPORTS

Visited all the churches and filled in when needed. Preached 50 sermons, traveled 3,500 miles. Money received \$1,200.00. Money handed me \$133.00.

Rev. Benton Brown
Rt. 2, Box 85D
Savannah, TN 38372
Phone 901-925-9313

ASSOCIATIONAL BUSINESS

Rev. V. H. Gean asked for any petitionary letters, there were none brought forth.

Vote taken on placing of 1983 association. Adamsville received the most votes.

Rev. Robert Crawford spoke about our Free Will Baptist Bible College, also offering taken for the College.

Testimonies given by visiting ministers, Rev. Jack Jones, Rev. Verlon Jones, Rev. Jack Bowers.

SATURDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Song service began with Bro. Robert D. Wright leading song. Prayer by Rev. Homer Willis. First message by Rev. Homer Willis using subject "The Lamb" Rev. 7-9.

Second message was by Rev. Vernon Gober, using the subject "The Power of God", Mark 7:31-35; Matt. 8:1-3.

Dismissed by Rev. Gemes Brewer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Service began by congregational singing led by Bro. Odel Harper. Prayer by Bro. Jack Bowers, Scripture Reading by Bro. Emerald Bailey, reading from Isaiah 9-12. Prayer by Bro. D. E. Patterson.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PRESBYTERY SESSION

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Rev. Edward Smith. Rev. Ealis Stephens serving as his assistant. The moderator asked for the reading of the minutes of the last presbytery session. The minutes were read and approved. Churches present 13, ordained ministers 13, deacons 8, visiting ministers 4.

ORDAINED MINISTERS REPORTS

John E. Banks, present, pastored one church full time held one revival, witnessed 1 conversion, 4 rededications, baptized 5, held one funeral, money received \$4,680.00. Card granted.

Emerald Bailey, pastored one church full time, conducted 3 revivals, 1 conference, 1 communion, baptized 5, received 3 into church, held 15 funerals assisted in 6, married 2 couples, money received \$2,818.03. Card granted.

Benton Brown, present, same as associational pastor's report. Card granted.

Glen Bobo, absent, reported by letter. Pastored one church full time, conducted 4 revivals, assisted in 2, witnessed 19 professions, 3 rededications, received 4 into church, taught midweek Bible study, baptized 2, preached 162

sermons, held one communion service, married 2 couples, money received \$4,872.25, also served as chaplain with 2,750 hours of chaplain service and active. Card granted.

Lige Dickey, present, gave oral report. Card granted.

Earl Dixon, present, pastored one church full time, conducted 1 revival, 1 weekend revival, received 1 into church, held 1 communion service, conducted 5 funerals, married 1 couple, held 1 conference, money received \$2,750.00. Card granted.

V. H. Gean, present, pastored one church full time, conducted 1 revival, assisted in 1, conducted 2 communion services, conducted 1 conference, conducted 4 funerals, witnessed 9 professions, married 1 couple, money received \$4,033.20. Card granted.

Vernon Gober, present, pastored one church full time, preached 155 sermons, conducted radio program every Sunday morning at 8:15 a.m. on station W.O.R.M. Savannah, TN, held 1 revival, assisted in 1 revival, taught midweek Bible study, held 1 communion service and 1 conference, money received \$3,131.00 Card granted.

J. B. Harper, present, pastored one church full time, held 2 revivals, baptized 3, took 4 into church, married 2 couples, held 1 funeral, miles traveled 17,775, money received \$2,830.00. Card granted.

Virgil Moore, absent, sent letter, has not pastored a church due to health, preached 4 sermons, money received \$80.00 Card granted.

Marvin Morrow, pastored one church full time, held 1 revival, preached 5 revivals, baptized 7, married 2 couples, miles traveled 6,480, money received \$3,159.34. Card granted.

Clay Mullins, absent, sent report, pastored one church full time, miles traveled, unknown. Money received, unknown. Card granted.

Earl Rich, present, pastored one church full time, conducted 1 conference, 1 communion service, held 2 revivals, assisted in 1 revival, witnessed 4 professions, 5 rededications, baptized 4, received 4 into church, preached 75 sermons, traveled about 4,400 miles, money received about \$2,600.00. Card granted.

Edward Smith, present, pastored one church full time, held 1 revival, witnessed 1 profession, baptized 2, added 1 to church, held 1 funeral, money received, \$1,150.00. Card granted.

Ealis Stephens, present, pastored one church full time, held 1 revival, assisted in 1, witnessed 3 professions, baptized 12, additions to church 7, married 1 couple, miles traveled unknown, money received \$2,787.00. Card granted.

Dalton Skaggs, present, pastored one church half time, held 1 revival, added 1 to church, married 2 couples, traveled about 1,000 miles, money received \$650.00. Card granted.

Eargin Warren, present, pastored one church full time, witnessed 9 professions, baptized 4, added 3 to church, held 1 communion service, held 1 revival, assisted in 1 revival, money received \$2,305.50. Card granted.

Nick White, absent, sent report, pastored one church full time, conducted 1 revival, one weekend revival, held 3 funerals, married 3 couples, baptized 5, received 4 into church, restored by confession 1, money received \$1,824.72. Card granted.

L. L. Wilson, present, pastored 1 church full time, preached 112 sermons, held 3 funerals, miles traveled 4,160, money received \$1,555.00. Card granted.

14 *Jack Jones card granted*

Motion made to adjourn the presbytery session until October 30, 1982, at New Pleasant Grove, dismissed by prayer.

SATURDAY NIGHT WORSHIP SERVICE

Service began with congregational singing led by Bro. Donnie Rich, prayer by Rev. J. B. Harper. First message by Rev. Lige Dickey, using the subject, "Ye Must Need Be Subject," scripture reading Rom. 13:1-6.

Second message by Rev. Nick White, using the subject "Love," scripture reading John 14:2.

Dismissed by Rev. Marvin Morrow.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

We, the committee of the resolution of thanks, report to the people of Piney Grove and the surrounding churches our sincere thanks for the wonderful hospitality, friendliness and kindness shown the entire association as a whole.

We feel, speaking for the entire group, that everyone will leave here greatly enriched in their hearts, as we walk with the Lord in our daily lives.

May the Lord bless and keep each of us as we travel the journey of life.

Carl Harper, Chairman

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Song service began with Bro. Donnie Rich leading first song, prayer by Bro. Earl Dixon, special singing by Alan Gober. Offering taken by Bro. Marvin Morrow for Children's Home.

Children's offering \$40.92, adult offering \$531.80. Total of \$572.72 to be divided between Alabama & Tennessee Children's Home.

First message by Earl Rich. Subject, "Power of God," Scripture I Cor. 10:18.

Second message by Rev. J. B. Harper, subject, "Association in the Sky," Scripture Luke 21:19. Hand shake and dismissed by Rev. Earl Dixon.

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Saturday Morning Service

Opened with song led by Bro. Donnie Rich. Prayer by Rev. Ealis Stephens followed by an altar of prayer. First message by Rev. Benton Brown reading from second chapter of Timothy followed by Rev. Ted Simmons reading from the Book of Titus on Sound Doctrine. Dismissed by Rev. Vernon Gober.

Saturday Evening Service

Opened with singing, prayer by Rev. Earl Dixon. Message by Rev. Marvin Morrow reading from 2 Chronicles 5:17, followed by business session.

Business Session

Rev. Edward Smith called the meeting to order. Rev. Ealis Stephens serving as assistant. Scripture reading by Rev. J. B. Harper from thirty-fourth Psalm.

Churches represented 8, ordained ministers 13, ordained deacons 6.

Moderator asked for reading of the minutes of the last meeting, the minutes were read and approved. He then asked for letters to the presbytery, there were none.

The Moderator asked Bro. Stephens to appoint a program committee for the next Fifth Sunday Meeting which will be held at Adamsville in January 1982. Those appointed were Rev. Earl Rich, Bro. Stancil Robbins, and Bro. Carl Creasy.

Rev. Ted Simmons stated he had joined a church that was not in the association and therefore he was not a member of the Presbytery. He stated he would turn in his card. Motion made to except his card. Motion made then to nominate another clerk to serve for the remainder of the year. After some discussion motion was made to table the nomination until the next meeting of the presbytery. Motion made to close the business session. Dismissed by Bro. Leyonne Harper.

Saturday Night Service

Opened with congregational singing. Prayer by Rev. Nick White, followed by a Testimony service. First message by Rev. Oliver Bumpus reading from ninth chapter of Acts, "Believe God's Word," followed by Rev. V. H. Gean reading from second chapter of Second Thessalonians. Dismissed by Bro. Donnie Rich.

Sunday Morning Service

Opened with song being led by Bro. Ira Gillis. Prayer by Rev. Earl Dixon. Bro. D. E. Patterson was in charge of the offering for the Children's Home. First message by Rev. Edward Smith reading from tenth chapter St. John, followed by Rev. Earl Dixon speaking on the life of Jesus. Dismissed by Rev. Earl Rich.

**Minutes of the Fifth Sunday Meeting at Adamsville
Jan. 30 and 31, 1982**

Saturday Morning Service

Opened with singing led by Rev. Edward Smith. Prayer by Rev. Lige

Dickey followed with singing and an altar of prayer. First message by Rev. Emerald Bailey speaking on "The True Men", followed by Rev. Ealis Stephens reading from the twelfth chapter of Ecclesiastes. Dismissed by Rev. Vernon Gober.

Saturday Afternoon Service

Opened with congregational singing. Prayer by Rev. Glen Bobo. Messages by Rev. Lige Dickey and Rev. J. B. Harper, followed by business session.

Business Session

Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Edward Smith. Rev. Ealis Stephens serving as his assistant. Churches represented 12, ordained ministers 14, ordained deacons 8, visiting ministers 1.

The Moderator asked for the reading of the minutes of the last presbytery session. The minutes were read and approved. He then asked for letters from the churches. A letter from Meeks Grove church recommending Bro. Jamie Smith to be licensed to preach the gospel for one year. The examining committee, Rev. Earl Rich, Rev. V. H. Gean, and Bro. Herbert Clay found him worthy to be licensed.

The Assistant Moderator appointed the program committee for the next Fifth Sunday Meeting at New Home in May 1982. Rev. J. B. Harper, Rev. Lige Dickey, and Rev. Benton Brown was on the committee.

Rev. John Banks was appointed the Associational Clerk. Motion was made to give Bro. Banks the authority to appoint him as assistant, being he was also the Assistant Moderator of the Association. Motion made to adjourn. Dismissed by Bro. Herbet Clay.

Saturday Night Service

Opened with singing by Bro. Paul Hurley. Prayer by Rev. V. H. Gean and Rev. Nick White. Bro. Jamie Smith held the devotional. First message by Rev. John Banks reading the First chapter of Ephesians followed by Rev. Glen Bobo reading from the 19 chapter of Acts on Confessing Jesus. Dismissed by Bro. Glenn Clayton.

Sunday Morning Service

Opened with special song by Rev. Edward Smith. Prayer by Bro. Donnie Rich. Rev. Marvin Morrow was in charge of the offering for the Children's Homes. First message by Rev. Vernon Gober reading from the Third chapter of Second Timothy followed by Rev. Nick White reading from the 15 chapter Luke. Dismissed by Bro. Bill Martin.

**Minutes of the Fifth Sunday Meeting at New Home
May 29 and 30, 1982**

Saturday Morning Service

Opened with singing by Bro. Jamie Smith. Prayer by Rev. V. H. Gean. First message by Rev. Benton Brown reading 24 chapter of Matthew followed by Rev. Edward Smith reading from 1st Peter followed by fellowship handshake. Dismissed by Rev. Earl Dixon.

Saturday Afternoon Service

Opened with singing by Rev. J. B. Harper. Prayer by Rev. Ted Simmons. Message by Rev. Earl Rich reading from St. John followed by business.

Business Session

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Rev. Edward Smith. Rev. Ealis Stephens serving as his assistant. There were 8 churches represented, 12 ministers, 4 ordained deacons, 1 visiting minister, and 1 licensed minister.

The moderator asked for the reading of the minutes of the last presbytery session. The minutes were read and approved. The program committee for the next Fifth Sunday Meeting in August was Rev. Nick White, Rev. John Banks, and Rev. Earl Dixon.

Rev. V. H. Gean reported that the Posey Chapel church building was in need of repair. The resolution committee was asked to look into that matter.

The Moderator asked for letters from any of the churches. There were none. Motion was made to give the Sunday offering to Bro. Ted Allen Simmons due to an extended illness. Motion was made to adjourn, dismissed by Rev. Nick White.

Saturday Night Service

Opened with class singing. Special singing was enjoyed by the Murphy Chapel Singers. Devotional was held by Bro. Genny Clayton speaking on love reading 1st chapter of John followed by Rev. V. H. Gean reading from 11th chapter Hebrews and Psalms 48. Dismissed by Rev. Glen Bobo.

Sunday Morning Service

Opened with singing by Rev. Edward Smith. Prayer by Rev. V. H. Gean. First message by Rev. Marvin Morrow speaking on being satisfied, followed by Rev. Earl Dixon using the topic "Commit Thyself." Dismissed by Rev. Nick White.

Minutes of the Fifth Sunday Meeting at Shady Grove August 28 and 29, 1982

Saturday Morning Service

Opened with singing by Bro. Donnie Rich. Prayer by Bro. Ralph Tucker. First message by Rev. Ealis Stephens reading from 2nd Timothy, "A Good Soldier," followed by Rev. Jamie Smith reading 2nd chapter of St. Luke. Dismissed by Rev. L. L. Wilson.

Saturday Afternoon Service

Opened with congregational singing. Prayer by Bro. Ted Simmons. Message by Rev. Glen Bobo reading third chapter of Matthew, followed by business.

Business Session

Rev. Edward Smith, Moderator, called the meeting to order. Rev. Ealis Stephens serving as his assistant. Churches represented 13, Ordained Ministers 13, Deacons 7, visiting ministers 4, licensed ministers 1.

The Fifth Sunday Meetings for the coming year are as followed, New Pleasant Grove in Oct. 1982, Murphy's Chapel in January 1983, Whites Creek in May 1983, and Bumpus Creek in July 1983. Bro. Carl Harper, Bro. Earl Dixon, and Bro. Stancill Robbins were on this committee.

The Moderator asked for church letters to the presbytery. There were none. The program committee for the next Fifth Sunday Meeting at New Pleasant Grove were Rev. Earl Rich, Rev. L. L. Wilson and Rev. Veron Gober.

New business was that of electing new officers, they are as followed. Moderator of the Fifth Sunday Meeting, Rev. Earl Dixon; Assistant Moderator, Rev. J. B. Harper; Associational Pastor, Rev. V. H. Gean; Fifth Sunday Meeting Clerk, Bro. Donnie Rich.

Motion made to adjourn. Dismissed by Bro. D. E. Patterson.

Saturday Night Service

Opened with singing by Bro. Edward Smith and Bro. Ira Gillis. Special singing by Bro. Boyd Stricklin's family. Prayer by Rev. L. L. Wilson. First message by Rev. Veron Gober reading from James, "Be Ye a Doer of the Word," followed by Rev. J. B. Harper reading from 2nd chapter of Joel, "The Spirit." Dismissed by Rev. Nick White.

Sunday Morning Service

Opened with congregational singing. Prayer by Bro. Homer Scott. Special singing by Bro. Gary and Bro. Allen Gober. Rev. Marvin Morrow was in charge of the children's home offering.

First message by Rev. Earl Rich reading the 12th chapter of Genesis, followed by Rev. Nick White speaking on the "Laws of God." Dismissed by Bro. Donnie Rich.

FORM OF CHURCH CONFERENCE

- 1—Call church to order
- 2—Call for peace of church
- 3—Invite visiting brethren and sisters to take seats with us.
- 4—An opportunity to reception of members
- 5—Reading minutes of previous conferences
- 6—Call for unfinished business
- 7—Call for new business

THE CONSTITUTION

Article 1. The association shall be called the *Tennessee River Association of Free Will Baptists*, and shall be composed of such consistent, well regulated Free Will Baptist churches as shall unite in this compact, and agree to this constitution.

Article 2. The acting members of the association shall be such as are chosen by several churches of which the association is composed, to represent them in this association, every church being entitled to one delegate, every church containing fifty members to two delegates, and one additional delegate for every additional twenty-five members.

Article 3. The officers of this body shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a treasurer, corresponding and recording secretary, who shall be elected for a term of two years, and said election to take place one year prior to their entering upon the duties of said office.

Article 4. Any regular organized Free Will Baptist church, maintaining gospel order agreeing with the denomination in doctrine and practices, and in favor of the benevolent enterprise, as Sunday schools, missions, temperance and education may be received into their association on application, by the vote of the association to which such application is made or referred.

Article 5. This association shall have power to discipline its churches for unchristian conduct, a want of conformity to gospel order, or a violation of the conditions of the compact, and expel them in case of unsuccessful labor; to license and ordain ministers such as give evidence of being qualified and called of God, by request of churches to which such persons belong; to settle such questions of discipline and doctrine as the churches may refer to them and transact such other business as may be necessary for the benefit of religion, consistent with liberty and independence of the churches, according to the usage of the Free Will Baptist denomination, and not repugnant to the regulations of the yearly meeting with which this association may be connected; and to make bylaws necessary to its regulations, not repugnant to his constitution.

Article 6. The session of this association shall be on Friday before the third Sunday in September when it shall be the duty of all churches of which it is composed to represent themselves by letter and delegate.

Article 7. This association shall use a treatise of the faith and practices of Free Will Baptists from the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

Article 8. This constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of any session of this association, notice of such intended alteration having been given in writing at the next previous session of association.

BYLAWS

1. The clerk and assistant clerk, or in their absence, the senior minister in years, should call the association into conference, and if a quorum is present, the moderator, or in his absence, the assistant moderator, shall take charge, and if neither of them is present the senior member in years shall act as moderator.

2. All persons declared by a committee on credentials to be duly entitled to a seat in this association are hereby made constituted members of this body and authorized to act in all respects according to the provisions of constitution and bylaws under which this association is organized.

3. It shall be the duty of every body belonging to this association to send a letter to the annual session of the association, reporting to the same its spiritual condition, benevolent work and its statistics. Any body which belongs to this association, which fails to report for two successive sessions, may be dismissed from the association by a two-thirds vote of all members present.

4. Each meeting shall be opened by reading a portion of the Bible and by prayer, and shall be closed by prayer.

5. By a two-thirds vote of all members present, a ruling of the moderator can be overruled.

6. This association may correspond by messengers or otherwise with other religious bodies.

7. The association shall sit with open doors, except when it shall go into committee of the whole.

8. Any person not a member of this association may be allowed to take part in its discussion by obtaining permission from the moderator.

9. It shall be the duty of this association to be present at the time appointed for each meeting and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain leave of the moderator.

10. No member shall absent himself from the association during its meeting without first obtaining permission from the moderator.

11. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee providing the person nominated be elected.

12. The moderator shall not allow discussion when not carried on in Christian spirit or when he thinks it will cause discord or division.

13. The "yes" and "nays" may be taken on any question by request of one fifth of the members present.

14. No member of this association shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes, nor twice on the same subject without permission of the moderator.

15. It shall be the duty of the moderator to seat the delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.

16. These bylaws may be altered or amended at any regular or adjourned session of this association by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. *The Bible*—The Scriptures of the Old and New Testament were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.

2. *God*—There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as a Creator, Preserver, and righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as

Father, Son and Holy Ghost, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore and obey.

3. *Christ*—Christ is manifest in the flesh, in His divine nature truly God, His human nature truly man. The Mediator between God and man; once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever-present Saviour.

4. *The Holy Spirit*—The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God. He is the Reprover, Comforter, Guide and Sanctifier of men.

5. *The Government of God*—God exercises wise and benevolent providence over all beings by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

6. *The Sinfulness of Man*—Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity, therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin and become guilty before God.

7. *The Work of Christ*—The Son of God, by His incarnation, life, suffering, death and resurrection affected for all redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. *The Terms of Salvation*—The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance, or sincere sorrow for sin, and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith, or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord, with the purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance of faith and obedience until death.

9. *Election*—God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the condition of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

10. *Freedom of the Will*—The human will is free and self-controlled having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the spirit, or to resist them and perish.

11. *Salvation Free*—God desires the salvation of all, the gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all and whosoever will may come and take the water of life freely.

12. *Perseverance*—All believers in Christ, who through grace preserve in holiness to the end of life, have promises of eternal salvation.

13. *Gospel Ordinances*—Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper or ordinances to be perpetuated under the gospel; footwashing is an ordinance teaching humility or universal obligation, and they be administered to all true believers.

14. *The Christian Sabbath*—The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities and for personal communion with God.

15. *Resurrection, Judgment and Final Retribution*—The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men, at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation, then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in 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 will agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the 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 the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship and the observance of 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 principles 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 education 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.

Form Letter of Dismission

This certifies that _____ is a regular member of the Free Will Baptist church _____, in good standing as such. We recommend _____ to the fellowship of God's people, and when we are informed that _____, has united with some other evangelical church, we shall consider _____, regularly dismissed from this church. In behalf of the Free Will Baptist church at _____

_____, Pastor
_____, Clerk

Form of Church Letter to Association

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of Christ, at _____ send greetings to the ministers and messengers composing the Tennessee River Association, when convened with _____ Church. We send our beloved to-wit _____ to set with you in your deliberations and to help transact any legal business that may come before your body. The statistics of our church are as follows:

Received by profession of faith and baptism _____, by letter _____, by experience _____ restored by confession _____, dismissed by letter _____, withdraw _____, expelled _____, dead _____, total membership _____, number of students enrolled in Sunday school _____, average attendance _____, number of deacons _____, number ordained ministers _____, number of licensed ministers _____. We have elected Rev. _____ Address _____, to pastor our church for the ensuing year. Valuation of church house and property \$ _____, Contribution paid pastor \$ _____, pastoral help \$ _____, given to home missions \$ _____, minute funds \$ _____.
Moderator _____ Address _____
Clerk _____ Address _____

