

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-NINTH AND SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

TOE RIVER

Free Will Baptist Association

WHICH CONVENED WITH

UNION HILL CHURCH, MITCHELL COUNTY, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 20, 1919.

OFFICERS:

REV. G. HOPSON, Moderator
REV. T. C. HICKS, Association Clerk.
Elk Park, N. C.

The next session of the Association will be held with Forbs Chapel Church,
Carter County, Tenn., beginning on Thursday, before the third
Sabbath in September, 1920. Rev. T. H. McCoury to
preach the introductory sermon, Rev. G. Hopson
his alternate.

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PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-ninth Annual Session of the Toe River Free Will Baptist Association met with Tiger Creek Church, September 12, 1918 at 11 a. m. Introductory sermon delivered by T. H. McCoury, and S. P. Barnett, with good effect on all present.

On motion adjourned until 2:30 p. m.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment at 2:30 p. m. Reading by Bro. S. P. Barnett. Prayer by Bro. J. H. Arrowood, then the business was called to order by Bro. J. H. Arrowood, Moderator of the previous Association.

On motion passed to organize the Association by enrolling names of ministers, churches and delegates.

Ministers Present.

Rev. Bros. T. H. McCoury, G. Hopson, T. C. Hicks, S. P. Barnett, J. H. Arrowood, Daniel Miller, Joseph Honeycutt, W. M. D. Tolly, S. C. Tolly, D. C. Tolly, David Campbell, J. F. Davis, G. W. Brummitt.

Churches Called and Delegates Enrolled.

Little Elk.—Bob Winters.

Little Doe.—James Cates, Charles Hill, Clingman Street.

Union Hill.—J. D. Peterson.

Morgan's Chapel.—R. C. Morgan, Dewey Orr, Ed Oxendine.

Snow Hill.—E. B. Holiefield.

Mount Pleasant.—Henry Hill.

Tiger Creek.—J. P. Hopson, J. W. Blevens, Wesley Street, E. B.

Blevens.

Shell Creek.—J. S. Oaks, G. W. Phillipps.

Oak Hill.—B. G. Hyder, M. Stephens.

Beans Creek.—E. L. Honeycutt, D. C. Renfro, E. Garland.

Forbs Chapel.—Stephen Street.

Roans Chapel.—Cada Campbell, S. E. Wright.

Curtise Creek.—J. W. Miller, J. H. Pritchard, Isaac Hampton.

Fairview.—Eli Tolly.

Clark's Chapel.

Several other churches not represented at time of organizing.

Up to this time held old Clerk T. C. Hicks.

On motion, passed to elect Moderator, and Clerk vote declared Rev.

G. Hopson, Moderator, and J. H. Pritchard, Clerk.

On motion, appointed the several committees, viz.:

Pulpit.—John Blevens, James Hopson, W. Street.

Investigation.—T. C. Hicks, J. H. Arrowood, S. C. Tolly.

Business.—T. H. McCoury, W. M. D. Tolly, David Campbell.

Sabbath School.—Geo. Phillips, J. S. Oaks, Bob Winters.

Oibtuaries.—S. P. Barnett, D. C. Tolly, A. L. Cates.

Finance.—J. D. Peterson, Stephen Street.

Session.—J. D. Peterson, J. H. Pritchard, N. Hughes.

On motion, called for corresponding delegates and ministers of Sister Associations, received and seated Bro. John Campbell from Unicoi Association, and Bro. N. C. Coleman, from Wautauga Association.

On motion, adjourned the Association until 8:30 Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association met Friday at 8:30 p. m., pursuant to adjournment. Reading by Rev T. C. Hicks of the 24th Chapter of St. Matthew. Prayer by Bro. G. W. Phillipps.

On motion, minutes of Thursday session read and adopted. Bro. G. M. Erwin was enrolled as delegate from the Bethel church.

On motion, called for newly constituted churches, and the following delegates were enrolled: For the church at Spring Creek, Bro. Wilson Street.

On motion, received the Spring Creek church back into the Toe River Association, and its delegates were enrolled.

On motion, report of the Business Committee was received and discussed, to-wit. We your committee on Business would advise that this body work at least two Evangelists for the further expansion of the Gospel, and to cover the ground that belongs to Free Will Baptists. Was talked to by Rev. Bro. T. H. McCoury, J. H. Arrowood, then on motion was tabled.

On motion, the church letters were read and adopted. Then on motion seated the delegates of Spring Creek, viz.: Abe Leadford and Wilson Street.

On motion adjourned until 2:30 Friday afternoon.

Preaching by Bro. J. H. Arrowood with good effect.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Reading by Bro. S. P. Barnett. Prayer by Bro. J. S. Arnett.

On motion, minutes of forenoon session read and adopted.

On motion, enrolled names of ministers and delegates that had not been enrolled, viz.: Bro. J. S. Arnett, minister; Pigeon Roost, delegate, James Arrowood; Millers Chapel, J. W. Bell; Ivey Hill, W. F. Taylor; Dennis Cove, by letter; Bro. J. S. Arnett and Bro. J. F. Davis, were enrolled as ministers.

On motion, received report from the committee on Sabbath Schools, viz.:

Therefore, Be it Resolved, That we earnestly request that our members and churches of the Toe River Association run a Bible Sabbath School for the training of the young people, and bringing them to Christ, and further advise that we use our own literature of Ayden.

G. W. PHILLIPPS,
J. S. OAKS,
BOB WINTERS,

On motion minutes was to carry Ministerial Roll and addresses.

T. H. McCoury, Senia, N. C.

T. C. Hicks, Elk Park, N. C.

J. H. Arrowood, Relief, N. C.

D. M. Renfro, Relief, N. C.

Daniel Miller, Relief, N. C.

G. Hopson, Peppers, N. C.

David Campbell, Magnetic City, N. C.

Joseph Huneycutt, Magnetic City, N. C.

L. H. Griffin, Hunt Dale, N. C.

J. J. Hunter, Ramsey Town, N. C.

J. M. Lewis, Newland, N. C.

D. J. White, Erwin, Tennessee.

W. M. D. Tolly, Roan Mountain, R. F. D. 2, Tenn.

S. C. Tolly, Roan Mountain, R. F. D. Tenn.

W. L. Morgan, Roan Mountain, R. F. D. Tenn.

D. C. Tolly, Hampton, R. F. D. No. 1, Tenn.

G. W. Brummitt, Johnson City, R. F. D. No. 2, Tenn.

Wm. Brummitt, Johnston City, R. F. D. No. 2, Tenn.

W. F. Taylor, Johnson City, R. F. D. No. 2, Tenn.

J. S. Arnett, Hampton, R. F. D. No. 2, Tenn.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

On motion, the church at Zion, as a newly constituted church was received, and delegates enrolled, viz: C. L. Hughes and Eason Bennett.

On motion, received and adopted the report of Committee on Finance. We, your Committee on Finance report we have collected \$15.72.

J. D. PETERSON,
STEPHEN STREET.
Committee.

Postage that was given to J. H. Pritchard	\$ 1.30
Total turned over to J. H. Pritchard	17.32
Bro. Pritchard turned over to T. C. Hicks	12.70

Balance due\$ 4.62

There were no minutes printed in 1918.

On motion, the Association adjourned until Saturday 8 a. m. Preaching by Rev. J. S. Arnett, with good effect on all present.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Saturday morning 8 a. m. the Association met pursuant to adjournment. Reading by Bro. T. C. Hicks. Prayer by Bro. S. P. Barnett.

On motion, minutes of Friday afternoon read and adopted.

On motion, it was ordered to drop the church of White Oak from the list of churches.

On motion, received and discussed report from investigation, to-wit:

Will this Association allow other denominations to take possession of our church property.

On motion, the answer was "No."

On motion, received report of Committee on Obituaries, to-wit: We, your Committee on Obituaries submit the following report:

Bro. James Morgan died February 12, 1918. He was a faithful member of the Free Will Baptist church at Morgan's Chapel. Also Susan Fry, aged 30 years, died July 29, 1918. Member of the church for 14 years at Roans Chapel. Report adopted.

A. L. CATES,
S. P. BARNETT,
D. C. TOLLY,

Committee.

On motion, adjourned this Association until 2:30 Saturday afternoon. Preaching by Bro. T. H. McCoury, with good effect on all present.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Saturday afternoon at 2:30 the Association met pursuant to adjournment. Reading by Bro. David Campbell. Prayer by same.

On motion, minutes of the forenoon session read and adopted.

On motion, received report of Committee on session, viz:

We, your committee on session beg to submit the following report, viz:

Our next Association will be held with the church at Union Hill, Mitchell county, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the third Sabbath in September 1919, and that our next Ministers Conference convene with the church at Beans Creek, beginning on Thursday, before the third Sabbath in December 1918. On motion was adopted.

J. D. PETERSON,
NATHAN HUGHES,
J. H. PRITCHARD,

Committee.

On motion, it was ordered by this body that we as Free Will Baptist close our church doors against all who refuse to keep the Ordinances of God as set forth in the Bible.

On motion, Bro. J. S. Arnett was selected to preach the introductory sermon, Bro. T. H. McCoury to be his alternate, at Union Hill for the Association.

On motion, adjourned until time and place above mentioned.

G. HOPSON, Moderator.

J. H. PRITCHARD, Clerk.

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Toe River Minister's Conference met Saturday afternoon.

On motion, retained Moderator and Clerk of the Association for Ministers Conference.

On motion, the ministry was passed with good character as far as known.

On motion, minutes of last Conference was read and adopted.

On motion, this Ministers Conference withdraw from Samuel Bradshaw, and ordered the Clerk to write him to surrender his Credentials to Bro. G. Hopson.

On motion, called for applications for ordination or license to preach. Received letter from Ivey Hill church, recommending W. E. Tyre for license to preach, and after being examined by the committee, it was ordered that W. E. Tyre preach for the church only at Ivey Hill for 12 months as he was recommended by that church.

On motion, Bro. J. H. Arrowood was selected to preach the introductory sermon.

On motion, adjourned until time and place at Beans Creek, beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in December, 1918.

REV. G. HOPSON, Moderator.

J. H. PRITCHARD, Clerk.

OBITUARY OF BRO. C. G. COOK.

Bro. C. G. Cook was born December 9th, 1860, died July 24, 1919.

It is with a sad heart that I announce the death of our beloved brother, C. G. Cook, who was born December 9th, 1860, died July 24, 1919, was a church member for 37 years, and was an ordained deacon about five years of the Free Will Baptist church at Little Elk, and was a great man for Sabbath Schools, and church and Christian work of all forms.

He was a member of the Free Will Baptist church about five years; was the husband of Mrs. Caroline Cook, and the Father of twelve bright children, and had 36 living grand-children, and had many friends by all who knew him.

Whereas, On July 24th, 1919, God in His infinite love and wisdom, deemed it best to send the death angel to carry home the soul of our beloved brother, C. G. Cook, bearing his immortal soul after a long and severe spell of sickness, from its sphere of usefulness here to that sweet beyond, prepared by the Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world. He was true and loyal to himself, to his church and to his God. He was a devoted and faithful husband, a wise and loving father, neighbor and friend. Ever in the front rank when duty called him. His was a quiet and unassuming disposition, kind and courteous to all, and ever zealous in the interest of a cause he espoused. In a word he loved the teachings of the Master and practiced them. Those who knew him best loved him best. That in appreciation of this beautiful life and character and grateful for the beautiful examples set by him may it inspire his children and grand-children, to press forward to nobler deeds and greater achievements. Yet in his death, while we bow in humble submission to the will of him who doeth all things well, and may the good Lord help the bereaved family to be prepared to meet their loved ones in heaven.

T. C. HICKS.

PROCEEDINGS

The Seventieth Annual Session of the Toe River Free Will Baptist Association, met with Union Hill church September 18, 1919 at 11 a. m. Reading and prayer by Rev. J. S. Arnett. Introductory sermon by Rev. T. H. McCoury, with good effect on congregation. Then on motion adjourned until 2 p. m.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 2 p. m., pursuant to adjournment. Reading by Rev. T. C. Hicks of 95th Div. Psalms. Prayer by Rev. S. P. Tipton, the Association was called to order by Rev. G. Hopson, moderator of previous Association. Then on motion passed to organize the Association by enrolling the names of ministers, churches and delegates, to-wit:

Ministers Enrolled that Were Present.

Rev. Bros. G. Hopson, T. H. McCoury, S. P. Barnett, J. J. Hunter, T. C. Hicks, J. H. Arrowood, Dan Miller, James Arnett, W. M. D. Tolly, S. C. Tolly, D. C. Tolly, David Campbell, G. W. Brummitt, W. M. Brummitt, Brownlow Tolly.

Churches Called and Delegates Enrolled.

Curtis Creek.—L. D. Woods, J. H. Pritchard, J. W. Miller
Tiger Creek.—J. P. Hopson.
Morgan's Chapel.—A. J. Arnett, Charley Oxendine.
Shell Creek.—David Miller.
Forbs Chapel.—J. M. Miller, Stephen Street, W. M. Jarrett.
Clark's Chapel.—J. H. Clark, E. D. Bailey, W. R. Wilson.
Roans Chapel.—By letter.
Henson Creek.—Joseph Pittman.
Bethel.—G. M. Erwin, R. L. Vance, S. C. Tipton.
Macedonia.—No report.
Union Hill.—S. H. Bryant, J. W. Bennett, J. D. Peterson.
Pidgeon Roost.—Sam Barnett, James Ray.
Green Mountain.—J. W. Laws, Charley Bailey.
Snow Hill.—E. B. Holiefield, Dula Holiefield, Weldon Holiefield.
St. John.—Thos. Morgan, Sister Hattie Morgan.
Brummitt's Creek.—Zeb McCoury, Don Hughes, Dock Renfro.
Oak Hill.—B. G. Hyder, W. T. Stephens.
Millers Chapel.—Sister Hattie Bell, Isaac Grindstaff.
Dennes Cove.—By letter.

Toe River.—John Wilson, Kimsey Tipton, Chas. Hughes.

Spring Creek.—A. M. Ledford, Doney Street.

Little Doe.—

Little Elk.—Raby Elliott.

Fairview.—Sister Louvenia Carver.

Then proceeded to the election of Moderator and Clerk. Revs. G. Hopson was elected Moderator, and T. C. Hicks Clerk. Then on motion, appointed the several Committees, to-wit:

Pulpit.—Bros. John Street, Sam Bryant, John Bennett.

Investigation.—Bros. W. M. Tolly, Dan Miller, S. C. Tolly.

Business.—Bros. S. P. Barnett, J. H. Pritchard, J. H. Arrowood, J. S. Arnett.

Temperance.—Bros. G. M. Erwin, J. S. Arnett, D. C. Tolly.

Sabbath School.—Bros. W. M. Jarrett, S. P. Barnett.

Obituaries.—Bros. David Campbell, W. M. Jarrett, S. P. Barnett.

Finance.—Bros. J. H. Arrowood, J. H. Pritchard.

Session.—Bros. G. M. Erwin, James Hopson, Stephen Street.

Then on motion adjourned until Friday morning 8 a. m.

Preaching by Rev. Bro. S. C. Tolly. Prayer by Rev. Bro. J. H. Arrowood. Text: 4th chapter 2 Tim. 7th verse, with good results.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

Eight o'clock Friday morning met pursuant to adjournment. Reading by Rev. J. S. Arnett, of first John. Prayer by Rev. J. J. Hunter. Minutes of Thursday session read and adopted.

On motion, invitation for visiting brethren and corresponding delegates to seats in this body was extended. Rev. S. P. Tipton came forward from Unicoi Association; Bro. David Renfro and some delegates were seated, to-wit; delegates of Snow Hill were seated.

On motion, enrolled Bro. W. L. Morgan's name.

On motion, called for and received church letters.

On motion appointed a committee to say as to whether we would buy a book or ledger, and to collect funds during the Association to buy said ledger with, and what kind of ledger we should buy.

Then on motion, brothers were appointed: J. H. Arrowood, J. S. Arnett, Dan Miller, J. H. Pritchard.

Then on motion, received report of said committee, to-wit:

We, the committee on permanent record beg to submit the following:

1. That we buy a leather bound book of 600 pages.
2. That we appoint each minister in the Association a committee of one to solicit subscriptions for the payment of this book and work.
3. That all ministers report at the next Ministers Conference all money collected.

4. We hereby recommend that Bro. J. H. Pritchard be appointed a recorder, and to order the book.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. ARROWOOD,
J. S. ARNETT,
DAN MILLER,
J. H. PRITCHARD,

On motion, called for report of the several committees, received report Business Committee, to-wit: That we, your Business Committee do hereby recommend that this Association buy a ledger, to record the names of all our ministers, from first to the last, that died in the Free Will Baptist church, and the business or minutes of the Toe River Association and Ministers Conferences from its beginning up to the present.

Several interesting talks were given by Rev. Bros. T. C. Hicks, G. Hopson, T. H. McCoury, S. P. Barnett, and J. H. Arrowood, and then was approved.

On motion, T. C. Hicks was appointed treasurer to hold funds of the Association to buy ledger, and all funds.

On motion, adjourned the Association for preaching until 2:30 p. m. Preaching by Rev. J. H. Arrowood, with good effect on all present.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION.

Met at 2:00 p. m., pursuant to adjournment. Reading by W. M. D. Tolly, of the 12th chapter of 1 Cor. Prayer by Bro. S. P. Barnett.

Then on motion, minutes of forenoon session were read and adopted.

On motion, received the report of committee on temperance, and adopted same, to-wit: We, your committee on temperance, ask that this body discuss the temperance question, and further advise that we carry on our former temperance resolutions. Then some very interesting talks were made by Bro. T. C. Hicks, S. P. Barnett, Dan Miller, J. S. Arnett.

J. S. ARNETT,
G. M. ERWIN,
D. C. TOLLY,

Committee.

On motion called for letters, delegates and Ministers, received to-wit: Rev. D. J. White, by letter; Rev. W. L. Morgan, by letter; W. F. Taylor, by letter, Bro. Z. B. McCoury, delegate; Brummitts Creek, delegates, D. C., Renfro, Donnie Hughes.

On motion, adjourned the Association until 8:30 a. m. Saturday morning. Preaching by Rev. Bro. J. S. Arnett, with good effect on all.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment 8:30 a. m. Reading of the 19th chapter of Psalms by Bro. S. P. Barnett. Prayer by Bro. David Campbell.

On motion, minutes of Friday afternoon session read and adopted.

On motion, received the report of Committee on Sabbath Schools, and adopted the same to-wit. We, your committee on Sabbath Schools, advise that all our churches run a Sabbath school.

W. M. D. TOLLY,
STEPHEN STREET,
W. M. JARRETT,
Committee.

On motion the Clerk was to have at least \$10 for his services.

On motion of Bro. J. J. Hunter, a collection of \$5.30 cents was collected to help pay the clerk his salary.

On motion, appointed a Standing Committee to be known and designated as Business and Historical Committee, with power to have the control of gathering up the Historical and Biographical of the old Toe River Free Will Baptist Association and Ministers Conferences, from its beginning up to the present time, with the names of all the Free Will Baptist ministers and their biographical achievements, and to have the same put on record in behalf of the Association.

G. HOPSON,
T. H. MCCOURY,
S. P. BARNETT,
J. J. HUNTER,
Committee.

On motion, received report of Committee on finance, to-wit: We your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

Last year's minute money	\$12.70
Minute funds collected for 1919	19.30
By donation to the Clerk	5.30

Total minute funds \$37.30

On motion, collection was taken up to get money to buy a ledger to record past, future, and present work of the Association, and received \$10.15 which is now in the hands of the treasurer, and Bro. A. J. Arnett gave \$3.25 of that.

On motion, received and adopted report of Committee on session, to-wit: We, your Committee on Session beg to report that the next annual session of the Toe River Association be held with Forbs Chapel church, being in Carter county, Tenn. To begin Thursday before the third Sunday in September, 1920.

J. P. HOPSON,
STEPHEN STREET,
G. W. ERWIN,
Committee.

On motion, Bro. T. H. McCoury, was selected to preach the introductory sermon at Forbes Chapel church, and Bro. G. Hopson, his alternate.

On motion adjourned the Association until Thursday before the third Sabbath in September 1920, by saying we thank the good people of Union Hill, and those that help to feed the Association, for their kindness and hospitality during this series of meetings, and may God bless you all.

for the same, as you will never be forgotten.

Preaching by Bro. Daniel Miller with good effect on all present.

REV. G. HOPSON, Moderator.

REV. T. C. HICKS, of Elk Park, N. C., Association Clerk.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Toe River Ministers Conference met 2:30 Saturday afternoon.
Reading by Bro. G. W. Brummitt. Prayer by Bro. S. P. Barnett.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE.

On motion, to retain same Moderator and Clerk for this Ministers Conference of the Association.

On motion, we enroll the names of all our ministers, to-wit: Rev. J. H. Arrowood, J. S. Arnett, David Campbell, Daniel Miller, W. M. D. Tolly, S. C. Tolly, D. C. Tolly, W. M. Brummitt, G. W. Brummitt, Joseph Honeycutt, D. J. White, David Renfro, W. F. Taylor, Joseph Lewis, W. L. Morgan, L. H. Griffith.

LICENTIATES.—B. B. Tolly and James Arrowood.

On motion, character of ministers was passed on and all found good so far as known, except W. E. Tyre, Jacob Davis, was challenged.

On motion their names dropped from the Ministers Roll.

On motion, minutes of the last Ministers Conference called for, read and adopted, with some correction.

On motion, called for applications for ordination or license to preach. Received request of Bro. David Barnett, for renewal of his license for 12 months.

On motion, it was granted and the church clerk was ordered to write the words renewed for 12 months on his license.

On motion, the next Ministers Conference will convene with the church at Shell Creek, Carter county, Tenn., beginning on Thursday before the third Sabbath in December 1919.

On motion, Bro. Daniel Miller was selected to preach the introductory sermon, Bro. T. H. McCo ury, his alternate.

On motion, the Ministers Conference was adjourned until time and place. Preaching by Bro. T. C. Hicks, with large crowd and well received. The Conference gave Sister Hattie Bell \$6.61 toward shaping up the church house.

G. HOPSON, Moderator.

T. C. HICKS, Clerk.

OBITUARIES.

Of our noble and illustrious dead, whose bleached bones and sacred dust in the lonely silence of the grave; the breathless vault and lifeless in the villages of the departed whose lives have been inspired through faith in Christ, that one day they may rise and put on immortality and ever free from the cold and merciless death. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection, on such the second death hath no power, but

they shall be priest of God and of Christ and shall reign with him a thousand years.—Rev. 20:6.

By T. C. HICKS.

Report of Committee on Obituaries.

LOTTIE WALLIS.—Sister Lottie Wallis died May 1918, aged about 14 years; joined the Free Will Baptist church at Oak Hill, aged 14. Died in a living hope for future glory.

JOHN D. TIPTON.—Bro. John D. Tipton joined the Free Will Baptist church at Toe River, December 15, 1907, and died August 17th, 1919.

CHARLEY BAILEY.—Charley joined the Free Will Baptist church at Hunt dals, December 15, 1910, and died December 17th, 1918, and was greatly missed by all.

AMANDA HONEYCUTT.—Sister Amanda Honeycutt joined the Free Will Baptist church at Hunt dale December 15, 1907, and died 1917, to go home to God and to glory.

HENDERSON CARROLL.—Bro. Henderson Carroll joined the Free Will Baptist church February 18, 1912, and died September 1917.

FANNY HUGHES.—Sister Fanny Hughes, wife of Bro. Charles Hughes died October 29, 1918, aged 27 years and three months. She was a member of the Free Will Baptist church about nine years. She was a faithful member until death. She is missed by her many friends and the church, but most of all by her devoted husband and her four children, who were the delight and inspiration of her life. Her last words were, "I am going home to die no more, Charlie take care of the children and hurry and come on to me." Sleep, mother dear, and take thy rest, God called thee home, He thought it best.

BETTIE PITMAN.—Sister Bettie Pitman, wife of Joseph Pitman, departed this life June 2, 1917; a member of the Free Will Baptist church about 35 years, and lived a consecrated life to God until death.

A. L. PEETERS.—Bro. A. L. Peeters died February 1, 1919, aged 62 years; was a member of the Free Will Baptist church at Morgan Chapel for 25 years; will be badly missed in the community; leaves wife and little daughter to mourn his great loss to them, and left good evidence that he is in a better country.

WILLIAM VANCE.—Bro. William Vance died October 21, 1918, aged 34 years; was a devoted member of the Free Will Baptist church of Bethel, leaves a sorrowful and yet a loving wife, and four children and many friends to mourn his great loss. Bro. Vance was a faithful member of the church for eight years and is missed by his many friends.

DAVID CAMPBELL,

S. P. BARNETT,

W. M. JARRETT,

Committee.

I will say to the bereaved families, your darlings have conquered the last enemy and have joined the Church Triumphant, and are basking in the sunlight of God's sweet deliverance. Will say to all prepare to meet thy God in peace.

By T. C. HICKS.

To the Toe River Free Will Baptist Association, Greeting in Christ:

Date.....19....

We, the Free Will Baptist church at.....
now in session, hereby appoint and send our beloved brethren to represent
us in your Association.

Names of delegates

No. baptized No. added otherwise..... No. excluded.....

No. dismissed..... No. deaths..... Minute funds..... To-

tal membership..... Present pastor..... No. in Sabbath school

..... Amount paid pastor..... Paid for revival work.....

Revival conducted by

Pastor elect Does your
church run Sabbath School.

Remarks

Has your church Home Mission Board.....

Deceased

How much have you given for Home Missions?.....

Moderator P. O.

Clerk P. O.

Who is your Mission Board?.....

Pledge for Home Mission

How much are your members willing to give per month for Home Missions
each?

RULES OF DECORUM.

Article 1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Art. 2. There shall be no conversation by the members one with an-

other, so as to interrupt business while in session.

Art. 3. Every member wishing to speak, shall first rise to his feet and
address the Moderator.

Art. 4. No member shall interrupt another while speaking.

Art. 5. We will admit no other title but that of brother while in ses-
sion.

Art. 6. Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under con-
sideration.

Art. 7. No member shall speak more than three times on one subject.

Art. 8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to, unless
withdrawn by the person who made it.

Art. 9. No member shall absent himself from the body while in session
without leave of the Moderator.

Art. 10. On all motions made, when the vote of the body is taken, a
majority shall prevail.

Art. 11. The Moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any
other member, provided the chair is filled.

Art. 12. Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admon-
ished by the Moderator.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

Article 1. We believe that there is one and only one living and true
God, who is in personality the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and har-
monious in every divine perfection.

There is one God and one mediator between God and man, the man
Jesus Christ, who gave himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time.

—I. Timothy 2:5.

Art. 2. The Holy Scripture.—We believe that God is the author of
the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine, for
reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.—II. Timothy 3:16.

Art. 3. Original Apostasy.—We believe that Adam was created holy,
but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity and consequently involv-
ed his posterity in sin.

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it
was pleasant to the eye, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she
took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and also gave to her husband with
her, and he did eat.—Gen. 3:6.

Art. 4. Free Grace.—We believe that the grace of God comprehends
all spiritual blessings; that the gospel is the power of God unto salvation;
that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin, but is the means
whereby sinners are converted and made wise unto salvation. For there
is no difference between the Jew and the Greek for the same Lord over all is
rich unto all that call upon him.—Rom. 10:12.

Art. 5. Christian Faith.—We believe that Christian Faith is belief in
Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world and in the divinity of
the Holy Scripture, that faith comes by hearing and by the word of God.

He that believeth in the Son hath everlasting life, but he that believeth

not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him.—John 3:36.

Art. 6. Repentance.—We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin, and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be preceded by effectual conviction of sin.

Now I rejoice not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance, for ye were sorry after a Godly manner, that ye might receive damages by us in nothing. For Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of, but the sorrow of the world worketh death.—II. Cor. 7:9-10.

Art. 7. Free Agency.—We believe that the human will is free, and that men have the ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures.

He hath showed thee, O man, what is good, and what doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly and love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God.—Micah 6:8.

Art. 8. Perseverance.—We do not believe, under the Gospel dispensation any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but that those who by faith persevere to the end will be saved; but it is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of the faith, turn again to sin and be lost.

And Jesus said unto him: No man having put his hands to the plough and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God.—Luke 9:62.

Art. 9. Good Work.—We believe that good works are the result of faith, and not of necessity; that those who have faith will do works of righteousness, while those who have not faith, cannot do anything pleasing or acceptable to God.

Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire; wherefore by their fruit ye shall know them.—Matt. 7:19-20.

Art. 10. Christian Baptism.—We believe that Christian Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water, in the name of the Father, son and Holy Ghost; that baptism cannot be scripturally administered without faith in the subject who receives it.

Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also shall walk in newness of life.—Rom. 6:4.

Art. 11. The Lord's Supper.—We believe the supper was instituted by our Savior as a commemorative ordinance; that the bread and wine represents his body and blood; that it was instituted for Christians, and that all Christians should unite in service regardless of name or denominational distinction.

But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.—I. Cor. 11:28-29.

Art. 12. Feet Washing.—We believe that washing the saints' feet is a command of our Savior, and that his followers ought to practice the

same.

If I, your Lord and Master have washed your feet, ye ought also to wash one another's feet.—John 13:14.

Art. 13. The Gospel.—We believe it is the duty of all churches to support the Gospel.

Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel.—I. Cor. 9:14.

CHURCH COVENANT.

1. Having given ourselves to the Lord through Jesus Christ, we agree to adopt the Free Will Baptist Faith. We now give ourselves to each other by the help of God.

2. We solemnly covenant before God that we will carefully observe the commandment implied in a confession of faith and in the spirit of meekness, rebuke and admonish those who have gone astray and watch over each other, being careful of each other's reputation and our influence to the upbuilding of the church and for the advancement of the cause of Christ, endeavoring to seek the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, and to confess our faults one to another and to strengthen those that are weak.

3. We promise, by the help of God, that we will faithfully practice family and secret prayer, and to strive to cultivate the doctrine of God's revealed words in the minds of those under our care.

4. We also agree to use our influence for the support of the Gospel and to contribute liberally to aid the ministry according to our several abilities. Also we agree to be liberal with those that are afflicted and needy, and especially those of our own denomination.

5. We also agree to attend the monthly meetings regularly if not providentially hindered and submit to all ordinances implied in a profession of faith.

6. We also agree to abstain from all sinful and vain amusements.

7. We also agree to abstain from all intoxicating liquors and not to use it as a beverage, nor to aid or assist in the manufacture of such nor furnish it to others.

8. We also agree to encourage Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Sabbath Schools, good morals, and everything that is to the glory of God and to the welfare of men. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, that we may be happily admitted into the kingdom of God, where we can ascribe honor unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

CONSTITUTION.

Article. 1. The association shall be composed of delegates chosen and sent from each individual church.

Art. 2. The delegates chosen and sent shall be recommended in a letter from the church to which they belong, and shall include the minister and some of the most able members belonging to the church.

Art. 3. The association shall elect annually a Moderator and Clerk.

Art. 4. The Rules of Decorum shall be read immediately after the body is organized.

Art. 5. This association will encourage a sound ministry, such as present Christ as an all-sufficient Savior; having made salvation possible for every human being on the terms of the Gospel, which is freely offered to all.

Art. 6. Any minister in good standing, whether a delegate or not, may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberations and have his name enrolled in our minutes.

Art. 7. The association may appoint such committees as may be necessary for the expedition of business, and every committee appointed to any particular business, shall report their proceedings in writing to the Association while in session, and all reports made by committee may be adopted or rejected by the body.

Art. 8. All queries regularly presented in the association by any church shall be attended to.

Art. 9. The association shall have a book in which shall be recorded an accurate account of all its proceedings.

Art. 10. Any church may become a member of the association, by making application by letter or delegate, and adopting our articles of faith and church covenant.

Art. 11. The association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented.

Art. 12. There shall be an associational fund for defraying expenses and changes that may accrue and for replenishing such, each church may contribute at pleasure.

Art. 13. There shall be a treasurer appointed by the association whose duty it shall be to have care and account for all money committed to his charge.

Art. 14. The association shall use the Free Will Baptist Treatise in full.

Art. 15. Each church shall be allowed one vote for every ten members or fraction thereof.

Art. 16. The association advises all its churches to commemorate the death and suffering of our Lord at least twice a year.

Art. 17. The association shall pay its clerk at least \$5.00 for his services at each annual meeting.

Art. 18. The association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

Jackson

STATISTICAL TABLE. 1919

Churches	Pastors	No. in S. School	Baptized	Otherwise	Excluded	Dismissed	Died	No. Members	Minute Fund	Paid Pastor	Revival Work
Forbs Chapel	Tolly Brothers							54	\$1.00	\$14.00	\$ 4.20
Brummitts Creek	Daniel Miller			4						5.00	6.00
Pigeon Roost	J. H. Arrowood		1				1	103	1.00	30.00	8.00
Roans Chapel	D. C. Tolly	30	4	4			2	38	.50	8.36	4.10
Snow Hill	G. Hopson, Daniel Miller							19	.50	4.75	
Clarks Chapel	Daniel Miller	30	6	2			4	49	1.00	10.00	5.00
Henson Creek	G. Hopson			1				40	.75	28.33	20.00
Curtice Creek	J. S. Arnett	40	6	9		7	1	34	1.25	26.00	8.00
Dennis Cove	J. S. Arnett	40	6	5	2			37	.50	6.30	8.40
Shell Creek	H. Howington							90	1.05	3.40	
Morgans Chapel	David Campbell		1	7	5	1	1	55	1.10	18.40	10.00
Miller's Chapel	Frank Taylor		1	3		1		23	1.30	13.00	5.00
Tiger Creek	Daniel Miller						2	72	.75	5.00	
Oak Hill	J. H. Arrowood			1			1	69	.75	24.00	
Toe River	J. H. Arrowood						3	85	2.00	24.00	
Union Hill	Moore Howell							70	1.25	55.00	8.00
Spring Creek							2	83	.50		22.00
Bethel	J. S. Arnett		5	1			2	77	1.00	31.00	10.00
Little Doe	W. B. Vance	50	10	4					.60	40.00	36.10
Little Elk	H. Howington	45			1		1	49	.50	25.00	
St. Paul				1				129		19.90	19.95
Fairview											

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Little Elk	J. S. Arnett	40	17	7		1		50	\$.50	\$35.00	\$18.00
Beans Creek	J. H. Arrowood		1	7					1.00	23.00	
Snow Hill	G. Hopson		2	10				19	.55	8.00	4.00
Tiger Creek	G. Hopson, Daniel Miller		4	10	1			72	.75	15.00	22.00
Zion								26	1.15	4.00	
Ivy Hill	J. H. Arrowood										
Shell Creek	T. C. Hicks							96	.75	15.00	7.00
Clarks Chapel	W. F. Taylor	30	8	9				51	.90	6.00	
Farview	J. F. Davis							23	.50		
Roans Chapel	W. M. D. and S. C. Tolly							30	.50	7.00	
Oak Hill	J. H. Arrowood	30					1	71	.75		
Bethel	J. S. Arnett	60	16	5		4		61	1.10	18.00	
Mount Pleasant	Joseph Honeycutt	30	3	10		3		31	.75		
Dennis Cove	S. P. Barnett							31	.50	13.00	
Miller's Chapel	D. C. Tolly		1	2		2			.50		
Spring Creek	G. Hopson								1.00	42.00	
Curtice Creek	J. S. Arnett	30	1	2				31	.75	29.00	27.00
Little Doe	W. B. Vance	55	5	12					1.55	30.00	32.00
Morgans Chapel	J. S. Arnett	40	7	5	1		1	55	.75	26.00	5.00
Forbs Chapel	T. C. Hicks	40	3						1.45	36.00	15.00
Union Hill	W. M. Howell		6		1	5		78	.80	18.00	15.00