

**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD
ANNUAL SESSION**

OF THE

**Toe River Freewill
Baptist Association**

MINUTES

**OF THE 1952 SESSION
HELD WITH UNION HILL, TENNESSEE
RFD 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.**

OFFICERS:

**R. T. GOUGE - Moderator
ZELLIAN McCOURY - Clerk**

NEXT SESSION

Will be held with Little Doe Church, Hampton, Tenn. To begin Thursday before the third Sunday in August 1953. Rev. James Arwood is to preach the introductory sermon; Bro. Martin Hyder to be his alternate.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TOE RIVER FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The one hundred and third Annual Session of the Toe River Freewill Baptist Association met with Union Hill (Tenn.) Church, Route 2, Elizabethton, Tenn., Thursday, August 14, 1952. At 11:00 A. M., services were opened by singing. Prayer was offered by Rev. Nat Campbell. The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. Elbert Wheeler. He used for his subject, (Love), Scripture reference 4th chapter of 1st John, from which he brought an outstanding message. Then on motion adjourned until 2:00 P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The Associate met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional service was conducted by Rev. Dwight Green by reading a part of the 4th chapter of 1st John. Prayer was offered by Bro. James Morton. Then by motion proceeded to organize by enrolling all ministers, deacons, and delegates present.

Ministers enrolled were as follows: Reverends Elbert Wheeler, Carl Osborne, J. H. Arwood, W. M. Harrell R. C. Stocton, W. M. Beam, Clayton Whitson, John Buchanan, Harris Street, Orville Whitehead, E. F. Buck, Robert Potter, Gilbert Atkins, S. C. Tolley, Martin Hyder, Haudy Wilcox, Loss McCourry, Elmer White, G. C. Whitehead, Nat Campbell, Farrell Sparks, Aster Lewis, Stephens Sparks, Junior Beam, Burnie Arwood, Dwight Green, Robert Morrell, Robert Miller, David E. Jones, W. H. Woodby, J. C. and Terry Hopson, Hobart Hughes.

By motion, invited and visiting ministers, James Peterson, J. C. Higgins, and Horace Poole of the Jacks Creek Association and Bro. E. B. King from the Missionary Baptist Association, responded and were seated with the body.

Deacons enrolled: Buffalo Valley—J. C. Morton. Burbank Chapel—J. F. Troutman, Sam Stanley. Union Hill (Tenn.)—Willie Branch, Mrs. W. O. Garland. Woodby Hill—Jess Clark, Ed Bailey, W. M. Winters. Oak Hill—S. W. Bentley, J. C. Waycaster. Crab Orchard—Zellian McCourry and Thomas Ingram. Whitehead Hill—H. S. Stevens, Frank Cornett. Hampton—Bill Hughes, Hacker Julian. Keystone—Roscoe Shappard, Gilbert Abel, Selman Garland, Harley Sanders. Cedar Grove—Ed Graybeal, Robert Baker. Mt. O'Dell—Dan Lockner. College Park—Thomas Bishop. Roan Chapel—Jesse Street, George Campbell. Crabtree—Robert Mitchell. Upper Gap Creek—P. V. Arnett. Berea—Spencer Barnett.

Delegates enrolled:

TOE RIVER—C. E. Tipton, Albert Tipton.

HAMPTON—Elmer Garland, Jeffie Calhoun, Mrs. Robert Leonard, Okie Calhoun, H. C. Waycaster.

CRAB ORCHARD—Zellian McCourry, Myrtle McCourry, Bettie Stafford, Hoke Benfield.

LITTLE DOE—Henry Whitehead, Lucy Whitehead, Georgia Huder, Celia Stevens, Erma Guinn, Ida Rowe.

LYONS CHAPEL—Lula Sheets, Mae Chesser, Daisy Harrell, Gladys Norton, Lydia Chesser, Pansy Guy.

CRIPPLE CREEK—Mose Watson, Mary Watson, Pat Ocquin, Bessie Ocquin, Pauline Ocquin.

COLLEGE PARK—Hester Brunnett, Mary Elliott, Marie Lyons, John Lyons.

BURLESON'S CHAPEL—Junior Beam.

ROAN'S CHAPEL—Howard Burleson, Vernie Street, Jane Campbell.

BEREA—Jane Barnett, Pearl Bennett, Timothy Bennett, Florence Whitehead, Emely Barnett.

POPLAR—Goldie Cooper, Cora Lewis, Idella Peterson, Madge Peterson, Harvie Peterson, Roy Cooper.

CRABTREE—Robert Mitchell.

OAKHILL—Cinda McKinney, Minie Stevens, Bessie Winters.

RICH ACRE—Talmadge Price, Charles Spilters, Maybell Price.

VALLEY FORGE—Mrs. Walter Creasey, Mrs. Stanley Simms, Jimmy Hathaway.

WHITEHEAD HILL—Christine Arnett.

GLEN HILL—M. C. Street, Rosalee Stevens, Darly Arnett, Mary Arnett.

PIGEON ROOST—E. W. Jones.

By motion proceeded to elect a moderator and clerk by secret ballot, which resulted in the election of R. T. Gouge, Moderator, and Zellian McCourry as Clerk.

Then the rules of decorum were read. By motion proceeded to appoint the necessary committees to assist in the business of the Association, with the advice and consent of the delegation. The committees were as follows:

Committee on Investigation and Committee on Business was combined together. Rev. Robert Porter, Rev. Marton Hider, Rev. Handy Wilcox. This was brought up before the Association and voted on for one year.

Committee on Sabbath Schools—Bro. Jesse Clark, Bro. Jess Troutman, Rev. Higgins.

Committee on Obituaries—Rev. Amos Watson, Rev. Stanley.

Committee on Finance—Rev. E. W. Jones, Rev. Junior Beam.

Committee on Temperance—Rev. Carl Osborn, Rev. Hobert Hughes, Rev. Nat Campbell.

Committee on Time and Place—Bro. Horace Street, Bro. Jesse Clark, Bro. George Campbell.

Committee on Topics—Rev. Jack Jones, Rev. Clayton Whitson.

Committee on Pulpit—Bro. Huskins, Bro. John Peters and Bro. Willie Branch.

Then by motion adjourned until Friday morning at 9:00 A. M., for preaching at 4:00 P. M. by Rev. Clayton Whitson. Scripture reference, James 1st Chapter, a few verses. Then a few verses in 1st John 2nd chapter, and prayer by Rev. Higgins, from which he delivered an enlightening message to the people.

The 7:30 P. M. message was delivered by Rev. Higgins. He used for his Scripture reference Rev. 3-19, from which he brought a good message.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUG. 15, 1952

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional service was conducted by Rev. Nat Campbell, reading II Peter 9 verses. Prayer by Bro. Adkins. Then by motion proceeded with the business part of the Association by reading the minutes of Thursday's session. The minutes were approved as read.

By motion proceeded to enroll all ministers, deacons and delegates not previously enrolled. They were: Ministers—Rev. Sam Odom, Fred Wilson, Willie Richardson, Jeff McKinney, L. J. Oliver, Moore Howell, Woodrow Morrell.

Deacons: Evergreen—J. R. Vance and Jack Winters. Unicoi—D. H. Garland, Jr., Dave Ludge. Erwin Free Will—Phil Miller. Oak Dale—Arnold Jenkins. Jerry Chapel—John C. Birchfield. Cripple Creek—M. L. Watson. Morgan's Chapel—W. E. Elliot. Miller's Chapel, N. C.—Finley Johnson, Wilce Atkins. Toe River—Johnson Wilson. Rich Acres—Paul Burnit. Curriess Creek—John F. Couiser. St. Paul, N. C.—Clovis McKinney, Charles McKinney, Lee Hughes, Cornel Odom. Ivy Heights—Herbert Young. Hobson Chapel—Atlo Birchfield. Little Doe—J. R. Cates. Cane Creek—Robert Ledford, Tom Pitman. Morgan Branch, Tenn.—George Green Lawrence Miller, Spence Singleton.

Delegates: Burbank Chapel—R. G. Greer, Amos Watson, Laftus Hughes. Miller Chapel—James Phillips, Lockey Phillips, Quillie Miller, Leora Miller, Wilse Alkins. Upper Gap Creek—Pearl Colar, Lydia Lyons, Flowerance Arnett, Loanie Roberts. Lyons Chapel—Elizia Hubbard,

George Lyons, Nat Lyons. Fair View—Johnny Miller, Lloyd Tolley, Lil Toller, Lewis Tolley, Charlie Miller, Nancy Miller. Unicoi—Mildred Garland, Alta McLaughlin, Tillie Wilson, Billie Buchanan, Byrdie Edwards, Mary McKinney. Woodby Hill—Goldie Hyder, Kate Potter, Gladys Clark, Robert Senyd, John Corner. Mt. Odell—Mellie McKnabb, Bessie Coffee, Stella Rogers, Mrs. Emory Blevins. Crabtree—Bertha Letterman, Jim Pittman, Sam Gillie, Robert Mitchell. Cedar Grove—Ed Graybeal, Mrs. Robert Baker, Robert Baker, Jessie Turner, Mrs. Sam Buchanan. Buffalo Valley—John Roberts, Bert Higgins, J. B. Laughren. Oak Dale—Mrs. R. B. Cross, Earnest Malone, Carl Flunar, Arnold Jenkins, Doris Malone. Keystone—Mrs. Claude Parris. Erwin Freewill Church—Mrs. Phil Miller, Vance Chandler, Mrs. Anzo Ingle, Ray Tolley, Mary Ledford, Evergreen—Charlotte Winters, Willie Shell, Mary Garland. Middle District, N. C.—Charlie Street. Miller Grove and St. John—Mrs. Charles Holler, Mrs. John Marklin, Edith Sluder, Claude Wholy, Eddie Range, Louise Ostin, Charles Holler, Kyte Marklin. Dingston Church—Mrs. Richard, Mrs. Garland, Mrs. Troutman, Mrs. Purcill, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. White, Mrs. Frand, Mrs. Laudy, Mrs. Taylor. Curtiss Creek—Fannie Smith, Pearl Guinn. Covey Rock Church—I. P. Hopson, Charles Hopson. Shell Creek—Jim Greer, Ellis Greer Church. Lewis Chapel—Will Winters, Emma Caraway, Clyde McGee, Ann Vance. Bean Creek—Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Whitson, Robert Hilman, Daisy Hilman. Odom's Chapel—Farrel Bennett, Gilbert Street, Wirly Bennett. Pierce Chapel—Clyde Roberts, Virgie Roberts. St. Paul—Laura Odom, Anaray Hughes, Trivata Hughes, Vernie Hughes, Sallie Green, Jenieve Odom. Miller District—Simon Street, Mrs. Simon Street, Gladys Street. Little Doe—J. A. Cates. Hopson Chapel—Ed Hilman, Fay Hilman, Mrs. Atlo Birchfield, Mrs. Birta Roberts. Woodby Hill—Arthur Clark. Cottage Park Church—Junior Lyons, Mary Lyons. Coxes Creek—Bucker Stockton, E. R. Finnley, Everett Johnson. Little Elk—Ernest McKinney, Ruby McKinney, Ivan Crumleg. Berea Church—H. Whitehead, Sarah Whitehead, Mrs. Fred Marklin. Elk Mt.—Arville Johnson, J. T. Wright, Nouna Daniels, Rhoda Huffman, Dorothy Johnson, Lottie Daniels, Everitte Daniels, Debbie Daniels. McCourry Rock—Will McKinney, Mrs. Jim Green. Cane Creek—Tom Pitman, Robert Ledford, Mrs. Zen Ledford, Mrs. James DeGroat.

We your Committee on Topics, desire to report the following topic to this body for their thoughtful study and deliberation. What do we as Freewill Baptists advocate as a separated life? Scripture reference Rom. 13-1, Peter 5-1-6.

Respectfully submitted,
David (Jack) Jones
Clayton Whitson

By motion received the report of the Committee.
The speakers on the topic were Bro. David Jones, and Clayton Whitson who gave some sound advice and food for thought.
By motion tabled the topic under discussion.

Pulpit

Bro. Nat Campbell, 11:00 A. M., used for Scripture reference 1st chapter of I John, reading a few verses from which he delivered a good message.

By motion we tabled the topic under discussion. By adjournment until 1:00 o'clock.

FRIDAY EVENING

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. By motion the minutes of the morning session were read and adopted as read.

By motion received all church letters without their being read. By motion called for all committees to report. Their reports were as follows:

AFTERNOON SESSION WAS OPENED

Scripture reading Luke 4 chapter. Prayer by Bro. White.

By motion that the topic be discussed on authority of the pastor, by Bro. Clayton Whitson, who gave his time to Bro. Jimmy Arrowood.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS

We your Committee on Business desire to report that we recommend the Association receive the following churches as members of this body: South Watauga Freewill Baptist, Laws Chapel.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Potter
Elbert Wheeler
Loss McCourry
Martin Hyder
Handy Wilcox
W. M. Beam

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION AND BUSINESS

We your Committee of Finance and Business do report our decision We find a split over the pastor's election at Keystone and we ask that the pastor resign and this Association send a pastor for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Potter
Ebb Wheeler

Loss McCourry
Martin Hyder
Handy Wilcox
W. M. Beam (Undecided)

COMMITTEE ON SABBATH SCHOOL

We, your Committee on Sabbath School, beg to report that we fully endorse the report that was adopted by last year's Association and every Church should strive to carry out that which we have adopted from one year ago.

Respectfully submitted,
Jess Clark
J. T. Troutman
H. A. Higgins

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE

We, your Committee on Sabbath Observance, believe in taking Bible steps. We believe that if you are a true child of God your conscience will condemn you if you do not observe the Sabbath Day. If your heart condemns you God is greater than your heart, and will condemn you also.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Dwight Green
James Morton
Terry Hopson

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

We, your Committee on Temperance, wish to recommend that we as Freewill Baptist Christians must totally abstain from all worldly and sinful amusements and all intoxicating drinks. Therefore we ask that the Toe River Association go on record against all intoxicants. We should not go to extremes in anything that we do, but meekness and temperance, and do all that we do to the glory of God.

Respectfully submitted,
Nat Campbell
Carl R. Osborne
Hobart Hughes

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES

We, your Committee on Obituaries, desire to report that we have adopted all obituaries as we received them.

Respectfully submitted,
Amos Watson
Sam Stanley

OBITUARIES

Brother David Street—was born Nov. 5, 1879, departed this life April 1, 1952. He was a member of the Middle Dist. FWB Church, near Bula-dean, N. C., for a number of years. He left two brothers and two sisters and a host of friends to mourn his passing, but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Sister Hattie Honeycutt—born May 14, 1888, departed this life Dec. 8, 1951 at the age of 73. Sister Honeycutt united with the church at Little Doe several years ago where she remained a member until her death. She left 12 children, 12 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, 1 brother and 3 sisters to mourn her loss. She was a faithful mother and was well loved by everyone who knew her. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Elige S. Chambers—born April 12, 1902, died Dec. 6, 1951. He was a member of Hopson Chapel Church. Jesus called, he answered.

William Carson Hilton—was born Feb. 2, 1884. Departed this life Dec. 7, 1951. Was a member of the Mt. O'Dell Freewill Baptist Church. Left a wife and 8 children and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Daniel E. Hicks—was born Feb. 28, 1878, died Sept. 17, 1951. He was a member of Lewis Chapel Freewill Baptist Church.

Brother Merritt Adkins—departed this life Sept. 27, 1951, was born December 5, 1874. He was a faithful member of Miller's Chapel FWB Church. He leaves 3 brothers, 1 sister and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Brother Ben Winters—died June 6, 1952, at age of 39. He was one of the most faithful members of the Burbank Chapel Church. The snow did not get too deep nor did it rain too hard to keep him away from church. We have been strengthened spiritually by observing his devotion to God and his Church. Our hearts ache when we think of our and his families loss, but we feel assured it has been Heaven's gain.

John Arnett—age 80, died Feb. 21, 1952. He was a deacon of the FWB St. John, Roan Mtn. Tenn. He leaves 4 sons and 2 daughters and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Mrs. John Arnett—age 83, died Feb. 21, 1952. She was a member of the St. John FWB Church of Roan Mtn. Tenn. She leaves 4 sons, 2 daughters and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Charlie Oxendine—age 65, died at the Memorial Hospital at Johnson City, May 2, 1952. He was a member of the deacon board at St. John FWB Church at Roan Mtn. Tenn. He leaves a wife, 6 sons, 4 daughters and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

Robert Miller—was born Oct. 7, 1894, died Feb. 8, 1952. He leaves a wife, 9 children, 16 grandchildren, and a host of friends. He was a loyal member of the Unicoi FWB Church at Unicoi, Tenn. The circle has been broken and time can never mend, but we can put our trust in Jesus, and

meet him in the end.

Doby Burleson—was born April 9, 1898, died Aug. 13, 1952, age 54 years 4 months. Son of the late Billy and Ludia Burleson. Doby was a member of the Cane Creek FWB Church since an early age. A good husband and loving father, Doby will be missed by those surviving, as well as by the community. He is survived by his wife Hazel Burleson, three daughters, Mary Lee Goins and Bernice Peters, of Baltimore, Md., Joan Burleson of Hawk, and one son James of Hawk, N. C., one grandchild and a host of friends to mourn his passing away.

Mrs. Sallie Whitehead Cates, Hampton, Tennessee, Route 1—died Dec. 25, 1951, age 79 years, married 61 years. She joined the Little Doe Church at an early age and was Deaconess for a number of years. Survivors are her husband, A. L. Cates, 4 sons and 3 daughters and a host of friends to mourn her loss. Aunt Sallie said she was just waiting for the Lord to call her home.

Sister Nancy Honeycutt—departed this life July 3, 1952, age 74. She was a faithful member of the Freewill Baptist Church. She leaves a husband, 6 children, 14 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn her loss. She was a good Christian mother, loved and respected by all who knew her. We feel that our loss is Heaven's gain. She cannot come back to us, but we can go to her.

Corporal Eulis G. Grace—age 23, was killed in action December 12, 1950 near Seoul, Korea. He had been a member of Woodby Hill FWB Church since 1946. He leaves a mother, one brother, three sisters and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

William Henry Morton—was born April 28, 1874, died June 22, 1952. Place and time of service, Upper Gap Creek FWB Church, 2:00 P. M. June 24, 1952. Clergyman officiating, Rev. Dwight Green. Final resting place, Syone Cemetery.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

We, your Committee on Finance, desire to report that we have received \$138.98 for printing and mailing of minutes.

\$171.16 For the Orphanage

\$ 22.00 For the Clerk

\$332.14 Total

\$134.98 Cost of Printing and Mailing

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. Jones

Junior Beam

CHURCHES DONATING TO MINISTER FUND

Valley Forge	\$ 10.00
Erwin Freewill Church	10.00
Mt. O'Dell	40.00
Lyons Chapel	10.00
Oak Hill	10.00
Upper Gap Creek	10.00
Unicoi	3.50
Oak Dale	10.00
Rich Acre	10.00
Evergreen	10.00
Vale	10.00
Burbanks Chapel	10.00
College Park	10.00
Middle Dist.	10.00
Beans Creek	10.00
Miller's Grove	10.00
Morgan's Branch	12.00
Keystone	10.00
Crabtree	10.00
TOTAL	\$215.50

COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

Wish to report that after giving due consideration to all applications we decided it best to give the next Association to Little Doe Church, Hampton, Tenn. Rev. James Arrowood to preach the introductory sermon with Rev. Martin Hyder as his alternate. The next Minister's Conference to Emberville, Tenn. Emberville, Mt. O'Dell Church FWBC to begin on Thursday before the third Sunday in November, Farrel Sparks to preach the introductory sermon. Rev. Loss McCoury to be his alternate.

Respectfully submitted
Harris Street
Jess Clark

We, your Committee on Time and Place, wish to report that our next Preacher's Conference will be held with the Mount O'Dell FWBC, Emberville, Tenn., beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in November. Farrel Sparks to preach the introduction. Rev. Laws McCurry to be his alternate. Also our next Association to be held with Little Doe Church at Hampton, Tenn. Brother James Arrowood to preach Intro-

ductional, Bro. Martin Hyder to be his alternate. Beginning on the 3rd Sunday in August, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,
Harris Street
Jess Clark

Then by motion accepted the report of all the several committees as read and adopted same.

The Moderator extended thanks for the Association as a whole to the good and generous people of the Union Hill Church for their kindness and Christian attitude during our stay with them.

Then by motion adjourned until time and place.

R. T. Gouge, Moderator
Zellian McCoury, Clerk

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The Ministers' Conference was held in connection with the Association. By motion Rev. James Arwood was appointed by the Ministers Conference to serve as its Moderator and the Investigation and Business retained for service in the Ministers Conference.

By motion the Minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

By motion the Ministers' roll was called and the character of the Ministry was passed on as good as far as known to this body. \$38.00 was received from the ministers for the Ministers' Fund.

By motion voted to drop the name of Rev. J. C. Barnet from the Ministers Roll.

By motion called for letters of any minister desiring to represent by letter and received a letter from Rev. Fred Edwards stating his reason for not being present, his letter was accepted.

By motion voted to retain the Committee on Ministers Fund for another year.

By motion called for letters of recommendation for license to preach the Gospel, or for examination for ordination, and received letters of recommendation for Brothers Fred Tucker and Fred Markland, for license to preach the Gospel, and Bro. L. J. Oliver for examination for ordination.

By motion the letters were received, and turned over with the applications to the Ordaining Council for examination. Rev. C. M. Burnett requested membership in this body, he was received as an ordained Minister and given the hand of welcome.

By motion voted to send Rev. Loss McCoury to pastor Keystone Church for the coming year to replace Bro. Osborne.

By motion called for the report of the Ordaining Council, their report was as follows:

We, the Ordaining Council wish to report that we have examined the applicants and our decision is that we license Bro. Fred Marklin to preach the Gospel for 12 months and Bro. Fred Tucker continue to preach under the liberation of Keystone Church and Bro. L. J. Oliver be ordained.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. M. Beam

Rev. Loss McCoury

Rev. Elbert Wheeler

Rev. F. E. Sparks

Rev. Gilbert Askins

Rev. Sampson Tolley

By motion the report of the Ordaining Council was accepted and Bro. L. J. Oliver was ordained and Bro. Fred Marklin was issued license. Then by motion voted to adjourn until time and place. The next Ministers' Conference to be held with Mt. O'Dell Church, Emberville, Tenn. Bro. Loss McCoury offered the closing Prayer.

Rev. James Arwood, Moderator

R. T. Gouge, Clerk

MINISTERS' DIRECTORY

NAME	ADDRESS
Henderson Woodby	Unicoi, Tenn.
C. M. Burnett	Marietta, S. C.
Robert Morrell	Route 3, Bluff City, Tenn.
Willie Richardson	Johnson City, Tenn.
W. M. Harrell	Erwin, Tenn.
David Jones	Marion, N. C.
J. H. Arrowood	Relief, N. C.
S. C. Tolley	Route 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.
W. M. Howell	Route 2, Johnson City, Tenn.
D. C. Tolley	Route 1, Hampton, Tenn.
James Arwood	Ewart, N. C.
G. C. Whitehead	Hampton, Tenn.
A. W. Woody	Plumtree, N. C.
Ernest Buck	Shell Creek, Tenn.
W. M. Beam	Erwin, Tenn.
Carl Osborne	Unicoi, Tenn.
J. T. Wright	Crossnore, N. C.
Gilbert Adkins	Hunt Dale, N. C.
W. F. Taylor	Route 5, Johnson City, Tenn.
D. M. Laughrun	Jonesboro, Tenn.
Nat Campbell	109 Colorado St., Johnson City, Tenn.
Farrell Sparks	Route 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Fred Beam	Senia, N. C.
Robert Miller	Poplar, N. C.
Geano Barnett	Relief, N. C.
Fred Wilson	Shell Creek, Tenn.
Harris Street	Relief, N. C.
R. C. Stocton	Route 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Loss McCourry	Tipton Hill, N. C.
Aster Lewis	Route 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Virgil Deloach	Hampton, Tenn.
John Buchanan	Route 3, Bluff City, Tenn.
W. M. Leonard	Bristol, Tenn.
Hobart Hughes	Johnson City, Tenn.
Frank Humphries	Johnson City, Tenn.
Sam Odom	Buladean, N. C.
Ebb Wheeler	Sioux, N. C.
S. M. Sparks	Newland, N. C.
Robert Potter	Route 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Thomas Arnett	Route 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.
Allen Grindstaff	Route 5, Johnson City, Tenn.
Clate Whitson	Tipton Hill, N. C.
Dwight Green	Route 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
L. J. Olives	Route 1, Johnson City, Tenn.

Licentiates

Hobart Pierce	Johnson City, Tenn.
Ed Scott	Shell Creek, Tenn.
Raymond Whitehead	Route 1, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Fred Marklin	Route 1, Johnson City, Tenn.
Handy Wilcox	Newdale, N. C.
Martin Hyder	Route 1, Unicoi, Tenn.
O. C. Daniels	Hughes, N. C.

DIRECTORY

Churches	Pastor-Elect	Clerks and Addresses
Burbank Chapel	Elbert Wheeler	R. T. Gouge, Roan Mountain, Tenn.
Buffalo Valley	Dwight Green	Terry C. Hopson, Unicoi, Tenn.
Berea	Richmond Barnett	Roy H. Bennett, Rt. 1, Johnson City, Tenn.
Beans Creek	Burnie Arwood	Mary Whitson, Ewart, N. C.
Brummitts Creek	W. M. Harrell	Nora Miller, Relief, N. C.
Burlesons Chapel	Junior Beam	Mrs. A. W. Woody, Plumtree, N. C.
Cedar Grove	John Harris	Bonnie Buchanan, Rt. 3, Bluff City, Tenn.
College Park	Elbert Wheeler	W. M. Richardson, Rt. 5, J'nson City, Tenn.
Cane Creek	Pat Blevins	Burbage Buchanan, Hawk, N. C.
Crab Orchard	Creed Daniels	Betty Stafford, Plumtree, N. C.
Curtiss Creek	Fred Wilson	Lear Cower, Heaton, N. C.
Covy Rock	Gilbert Adkins	Cecil Deyton, Green Mountain, N. C.
Crabtree Chapel	Martin Hyder	Hattie Wilcox, Newdale, N. C.
Cripple Creek	Frank Humphers	Nora Quinn, Rt. 1, Watauga, Tenn.
Coxes Creek	W. M. Beam	Clifford Johnson, Rt. 3, Marion, N. C.
Clarks Chapel	Alien Grindstaff	Garrett Tolley, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Clinchfield	Gilbert Adkins	Harrison Street, Forbes, N. C.
Charity Hill	Nat Campbell	Mrs. Luther Russel, Rt. 1, E'bethton, Tenn.
Dennis Cove	Fred Wilson	Margret Piercy, 522 Holston, Erwin, Tenn.
Erwin	Burnie Arwood	Mach C. Johnson, Hughes, N. C.
Elk Mtn.	Creed Daniels	Nola Shell, Shell Creek, Tenn.
Evergreen	Thos. Arnett	Lois Tolley, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Fairview	Robert Potter	John Wilson, Relief, N. C.
Hunt Dale	Clayton Whitson	Isaac Whiskent, Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Hopson Chapel	James Arwood	Pearl Huskins, Hampton, Tenn.
Hampton	W. M. Beam	Mrs. Ruby C. Greer, Minneapolis, N. C.
Ivy Heights	Virgil Deloach	Mrs. Henry Whitehead, Shell Creek, Tenn.
Jerry's Chapel	E. F. Buck	A. W. Calloway, 216 Colorado, J. Cy, Tenn.
Keystone	Loss McCoury	Myra Laws, Rt. 1, Mareta, S. C.
Lewis Chapel	Tom Arnett	Ann Vance, Minneapolis, N. C.
Lyons Chapel	David James	Fae Lyons, Rt. 4, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Little Elk	John Buchanan	Ivan Crumby, Elk Park, N. C.
Little Doe	Robert Potter	Mildred Rowe, Hampton, Tenn.
Middle District	Sam Odom	Joe R. Street, Buladean, N. C.
Millers Grove	Burnie Arwood	Frances Stout, Rt. 4, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Morgan Chapel	Martin Hyder	Blanche Guinn, Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
McCourys' Rock	R. C. Stocton	Julia Green, Senia, N. C.
Millers Chapel	Gilbert Adkins	Mrs. Lora Miller, Ramseytown, N. C.
Morgan Branch	Thomas Arnett	Edward Miller, Rt. 1, Shell Creek, Tenn.
Mt. View	Virgil Deloach	Paul Gregg, Frank, N. C.
Mt. O'Dell	Hobart Hughes	Mrs. Emery Blevins, Embreville, Tenn.
Odom Chapel		Farrel Bennett, Buladean, N. C.
Oak Dale	Burnie Arwood	Mrs. R. B. Cross, Rt. 1, Bluff City, Tenn.
Oak Hill	Woodrow Morrel	W. B. Stevens, Hampton, Tenn.
Poplar	John Buchanan	Mrs. Dan Peterson, Poplar, N. C.
Pigeon Roost	Burnie Arwood	James B. Ray, Relief, N. C.
Pierces Chapel	Thomas Arnett	Dallas Honeycutt, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.
Roan Chapel	Sam Odom	G. A. Sheets, Buladean, N. C.
Rich Acre	Clayton Whitson	Mrs. Carmi Price, Holley St. J. City, Tenn
South Watauga	Elmer White	Hazel Humpherys, Rt. 4, J'son City, Tenn
St. Paul	Sam Odom	Virgie Hughes, Buladean, N. C.
St. John	Bill Beam	J. P. Morgan, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Union Hill, N. C.	Clayton Whitson	Mrs. I. M. Bennett, Rt. 1, Relief, N. C.
Union Hill, Tenn.	Handy Wilcox	Mrs. Handy Peters, Rt. 2, E'bethton, Tenn
Unicoi	Farrell Sparks	Alta McLaughlin, Unicoi, Tenn.
Upper Gap Creek	Dwight Green	Ruth Morton, Rt. 5, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Vale	Handy Wilcox	B. A. Calhoun, Newland, N. C.
Valley Forge	Orville Whitehead	Mrs. Will Stevens, Rt. 6, E'bethton, Tenn
Whitehead Hill	John Buchanan	Georgia Carlton, Rt. 2, Roan Mtn., Tenn.
Woodby Hill	Handy Wilcox	Mrs. Lonnie Cochran, Rt. 1, H'pton, Tenn

STATISTICAL TABLE

COLUMN 1—Number Baptized
COLUMN 2—Added Otherwise
COLUMN 3—Dismissed
COLUMN 4—Deaths
COLUMN 5—Total Membership
COLUMN 6—Number in Sunday School

COLUMN 7—Paid Pastor
COLUMN 8—Paid for Revivals
COLUMN 9—Minute Funds
COLUMN 10—Paid Orphanage
COLUMN 11—Ministers' Fund
COLUMN 12—Communions

CHURCHES AND MEETING DAYS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Burbank Chapel (all)	3	4	0	1	100	150	\$2,200.00	2.00	3.15	10.00	12.00	2
Buffalo Valley, 1st	3	8	0	1	27	350	152.00	64.44	2.40	0	0	2
Berka (all)	12	3	0	1	24	103	802.85	175.35	51.00	0	10.00	4
Beans Creek, 3rd	5	5	0	2	20	27	89.95	45.05	1.00	0	0	1
Brunnmitt's Creek, 2-4	8	0	0	0	25	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charleson's Chapel, 2nd	0	0	0	0	101	75	96.00	112.00	2.00	0	0	2
College Park	0	5	7	0	26	32	41.00	0	1.25	10.00	0	4
Cane Creek, 2-4	0	0	2	1	164	82	478.16	150.00	4.00	69.24	0	2
Crab Orchard, 2-4	1	3	0	0	20	50	72.00	30.00	1.05	10.00	0	1
Curis Creek, 4th	9	8	0	1	78	60	0	76.60	1.55	10.11	0	4
Covy Rock, 2-4	3	3	0	0	58	65	320.22	158.00	3.00	28.00	0	2
Croftree Chapel, 2-4	2	7	0	1	37	0	3.60	97.69	1.50	0	10.00	2
Cripple Creek (all)	0	8	11	0	32	0	552.49	83.46	1.35	35.42	0	3
Coxes Creek, 1-3	0	0	0	1	158	75	660.00	332.21	2.00	16.00	0	1
Clarks Chapel, 2nd	0	0	0	1	27	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clinchfield, 1st	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charity Hill, 2-4	3	7	0	0	86	55	510.00	127.50	2.00	0	0	1
Dennis Cove, 2nd	0	0	0	1	41	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
Erwin (all)	8	19	0	0	72	100	546.14	284.11	3.00	0	10.00	3
Elk Mtn., 1st	0	0	0	1	53	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
Evergreen, 3rd	4	4	1	0	0	64	195.76	121.69	2.00	50.00	10.00	4
Fairview, 1st	2	0	0	0	46	60	100.00	90.96	2.00	50.00	0	2
Hunt Dale, 2nd	0	4	0	0	75	35	102.90	89.35	2.15	5.00	0	1
Cedar Grove (all)	0	12	0	0	108	40	500.00	121.02	2.56	0	0	1
Hopson Chapel, 2-4	2	0	2	1	60	55	96.00	50.00	3	10.00	0	1
Hampton, 2-4	0	0	0	0	20	45	376.91	171.91	2.25	0	0	1
Ivey Heights, 1st	0	0	0	0	20	20	260.30	295.82	2	0	0	1
Jerry's Chapel, 1st	0	0	10	0	35	25	43.56	0	6.00	0	0	1
Keystone (all)	13	24	0	1	302	206	3,150.00	1,305.00	2.50	24.06	10.00	4
Lewis Chapel, 3rd	0	1	1	1	36	45	339.27	70.15	0	45.00	0	3
Lynons Chapel, 3rd	4	5	0	0	38	55	190.30	211.76	2.00	0	10.00	2
Little Elk, 1st	0	0	0	0	22	30	40.00	25.00	1.75	0	0	2
Little Doe, 2-4	1	0	0	3	190	103	645.46	195.95	5.00	40.00	0	0
Laws Chapel, 1st	0	2	0	0	36	60	0	0	50.00	0	0	0
Middle Dist., 3rd	0	7	0	1	60	35	134.86	24.80	3.05	0	10.00	2
Millers Grove, 4-3	0	0	0	1	47	60	437.45	137.47	1.06	0	10.00	2
Morgans Branch, 1st	6	10	0	2	74	60	95.91	115.00	3.75	0	0	3
McCoury Rock, 2-3	0	0	0	0	43	70	198.28	46.50	2.00	64.00	0	1
Miller Chapel, 4	0	0	0	1	65	50	51.67	20.25	2.00	0	0	2
Maryons, 3-4	0	0	0	0	60	40	129.27	22.40	2.60	0	0	2
ML View, 4	0	0	2	0	44	13	58.85	78.64	1.50	22.90	0	1
ML O'Dell, (all)	6	13	0	2	81	13	720.00	116.28	3.22	80.00	40.00	4
Odom Chapel, 2	0	0	0	0	100	45	109.25	70.25	2.00	0	0	1
Oak Dale (all)	0	1	0	0	25	20	300.00	58.56	3.00	7.59	10.00	2
Oak Hill, 4	5	6	6	0	60	60	204.00	65.00	2.00	50.00	10.00	1
Poplar, 2-4	0	0	0	0	60	40	36.00	50.85	0	0	0	1
Pigeon Roost, 1st	2	4	0	1	105	40	122.50	40.00	1.60	0	0	1
Pierces Chapel, 1-3	0	2	0	0	35	53	414.66	218.12	4.00	77.00	0	3
Road Chapel, 1st	0	3	0	0	34	30	72.00	19.85	2.00	0	0	1
Rich Acre (all)	2	12	0	0	54	50	683.60	169.60	2.00	52.35	10.00	4
St. Paul, 1st	5	0	0	0	50	45	131.77	107.58	2.50	0	0	1
St. John, 4th	8	7	0	3	70	74	428.65	313.26	2.00	0	0	2
South Watauga, 1st	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	5.00	0	0	0
Union Hill, Tenn, 2-4	1	2	0	0	49	35	99.52	158.80	3.00	0	0	2
Unicoi, 2-4	9	14	5	1	125	80	773.14	102.21	2.70	118.00	3.50	1
Upper Gap Creek, 2-4	7	3	0	1	137	85	2,850.00	57.30	2.50	0	10.00	3
Vale, 3rd	6	10	10	1	34	50	289.00	22.50	3.00	0	10.00	1
Valley Forge (all)	5	8	17	0	39	100	1,630.00	200.00	4.25	40.00	10.00	4
Whitehead Hill, 1-2	1	6	4	1	89	125	406.27	181.26	1.55	41.31	0	5
Woody Hill, 1st	3	7	1	1	87	151	345.18	203.22	3.25	0	0	2
Union Hill, N. C., 1-3	0	1	0	0	67	80	99.52	24.30	3.00	0	0	1

MINISTER'S COVENANT

Having given ourselves to the Lord through Jesus Christ, we agree to adopt the following Articles:

Article (1) We solemnly covenant before God we will adopt the doctrine of the Toe River Free Will Baptist faith and defend the same.

Article (2) We agree that by the help of God we will not preach or advocate any doctrine than Free Will Baptist will not adopt.

Article (3) We also promise by the help of God to endeavor to evangelize all people in whom we come in contact with as far as possible that by so doing we might add many to our churches.

Article (4) We 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 Jesus Christ, and encourage the churches in our charge to stand loyal to the faith and not be carried about by every wind of doctrine.

Article (5) We also agree that any minister failing to keep the above articles with sufficient evidence to convince the ministers conference, is automatically dismissed and to turn in his credentials without any argument.

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 commandments implied by 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 use 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 that by the help of God we will faithfully practice family and secret prayer, and strive to cultivate the doctrine of God's revealed word 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 the household of faith.

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 may ascribe honor unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen and sent from each church.

Article 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 ablest members belonging to the church.

Article 3. The Association shall elect annually a moderator and clerk.

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

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

Article 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.

Article 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 be adopted or rejected by the body.

Article 8. All queries regularly presented in the Association by any church shall be attended to.

Article 9. The Association shall have a book in which shall be kept an accurate account of all its proceedings.

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

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

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

Article 13. There shall be a treasurer appointed by the Association, whose duty it shall be to have care of and account for the money committed to his charge.

Article 14. The Association shall use the Free Baptist Treatise in full.

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

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

Article 17. The Association shall pay its clerk at least \$5.00 for his services per annum.

Article 18. The Association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1.—The True God. 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 harmonious in every divine perfection.—“There is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time.” I Tim. 2:6.

Article 2.—Holy Scriptures. 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 Tim. 3:16.

Article 3.—Original Apostasy. We believe that Adam was created holy, but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity and consequently involved 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.—Gen. 3:6.

Article 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 is rich unto all that call upon Him.—Rom. 10:12.

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

Article 6.—Repentance. We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin, and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be effectual conviction of sin.—Now I rejoice not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorrow after a Godly manner, that ye might receive damage 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.

Article 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.

Article 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; that 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.

Article 9.—Good Works. 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 fruits ye shall know them.—Matthew 7:19-20.

Article 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 unto death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so also we should walk in newness of life.—Romans 6:4.

Article 11.—The Lord's Supper. We believe that the supper was instituted by our Saviour as a commemorative ordinance; that the bread and wine represent His body and blood; that it was instituted for Christmas 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.

Article 12.—Feet Washing. We believe that washing the saint's feet is a command of our Saviour, and that his followers ought to practice the same.—If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye ought to wash one another's feet.—John 13:14.

Article 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.

RULES OF DECORUM

Article 1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Article 2. There shall be no conversation by members, one with another so as to interrupt business, while in session.

Article 3. Every member wishing to speak shall first rise to his feet and address the moderator.

Article 5. We will admit of no other title but that of Brother, while in session.

Article 6. Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.

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

Article 8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to, unless withdrawn by those who made it.

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

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

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

Article 12. Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the Moderator.