

Minutes
of the
Ninety-Ninth
Session
of the
Vernon Free Will
Baptist Association

held with

Mt. Willing Free Will Baptist Church

OCTOBER 20, 1979

Moderator..... Rev. Edward Puckett, Sulligent, Alabama
Assistant Moderator..... Rev. Walter D. Jaggers, Belk, Alabama

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The next session of the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association will be held with Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, beginning at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, October 18, 1980.

PROCEEDINGS

The ninety-ninth session of the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association was held with Mt. Willing Free Will Baptist Church on October 20, 1979. Rev. Edward Puckett served as moderator, Rev. Walter D. Jaggers served as assistant moderator, and Raphael H. Yerby served as clerk.

The meeting opened with a song, "Glory To His Name". The opening prayer was by Rev. Tom Scott.

We were welcomed to the Mt. Willing Free Will Baptist Church by the host pastor, Rev. Ambers Aldridge.

We had another song, "Where The Soul Never Dies".

The morning devotion was brought by Rev. Byron M. Meyer, using 1st. John 4:7-11 as his scripture. His subject was "God Is Love". Also at this time Bro. Meyer expressed his appreciation to the people of the Vernon Association for their many prayers, cards, visits, and the love offering from the friends of the association during the illness of his wife last year.

The ninth-ninth session of the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Edward Puckett. The moderator welcomed everyone to this session of the association and used Acts 5:39 in his opening remarks.

We had a roll call of the delegates to the association by the clerk. We had a motion, second, and vote carried to seat the delegates.

The moderator called for a report of the Committee on Committees. The report was given by Bro. Roger Lucas, chairman, and the various committees were appointed. (See List). We had a motion, second, and vote carried to receive the report and discharge the committee.

The moderator appointed a Committee on Committees for the 1980 associational year. (See List).

Next we had a report of a Constitution and By-Laws Committee that was appointed by the moderator of the last session of the association to study the Constitution and By-Laws and make the necessary changes to bring them up to date. The report was given by Bro. Raphael Yerby, chairman. We had a motion, second, and vote carried to table the report until the afternoon session.

The moderator recognized visiting brethren and invited them to seat with us during this session of the association. Those present were:

Bro. Howard Simmons
Rev. Byron Meyer
Rev. Gurly Roberts
Rev. Leander McAdams
Rev. Ottis Parmer
Bro. Sargent

We had a recommendation by Rev. Walter Jaggers to appoint all pastors of the association to the Youth Camp Committee. No action was taken on the recommendation at this time.

We had a report of the Digest Committee by Sister Kitty Taylor, chairman. We had a motion, second, and vote carried to receive the report and discharge the committee.

The moderator called for petitionary letters. None were received.

Next we had a song, "I Feel Like Traveling On".

We had a very interesting report by Rev. Dennis Kizzire on the summer youth camp activities and report on the Board of Christian Education. Bro. Kizzire requested that we have special prayer on behalf of the Mark Dubose family. He reported that Mark was saved during the Youth Crusade last year and later lost his life in an automobile accident. The prayer was offered by Rev. Tom Scott. We had a motion, second and vote carried to receive the report as information.

The moderator dismissed the various committees to make their committee reports.

The moderator called for a report of the Temperance Committee. The report was given by Bro. Michael Rogers, using Romans 14:21 as his scripture on the subject of temperance. We had a motion, second, and vote carried to receive the report as information.

We had a recommendation from the Digest Committee for all churches to complete their letter to the association as correctly as possible and send them to the committee chairman by the specified time so the committee can make a correct report and have it ready when the association meets.

We were dismissed by the moderator for a short recess and time of

fellowship.

After recess, we had a congregational song, "Heavenly Sunlight", directed by Bro. Hollis. Prayer was by Bro. Howard Simmons.

Next, we had a report of the Sunday School and C.T.S. Committee. The report was given by Sister Alice Ann Carruth, chairman. We had a motion, second, and vote carried to receive the report and discharge the committee.

The moderator called for a report of the Deceased Members Committee. The report was given by Bro. Leonard Corbett, chairman. A motion, second and vote carried to receive the report. After the report, the congregation sang "Precious Memories" in memory of these loved ones. Prayer was by Rev. L. B. Nix.

We had a report of the Finance Committee by Bro. H. L. Williams, chairman. A motion, second, and vote carried to receive the report and discharge the committee.

At this time the moderator appointed Rev. Milton Gann to serve a five year term on the Credential Committee.

The moderator called for the election of one member to serve a three year term on the Youth Camp Board of Directors. Rev. M. H. Hollis was elected to succeed himself on this board.

The moderator called for the election of one member to serve a three year term on the Board of Christian Education. Rev. Dennis Kizzire was elected to serve on this board.

At this time we had a congregational song, "Let Him In", directed by Bro. Hollis.

The Key Note Message was brought at 11:00 A.M. by Rev. Walter D. Jaggers, pastor of the Belk Free Will Baptist Church. The subject of his message was, "The Lord's Return", using Matthew 24:43-51, Titus 2:10-15, and 1st John 2:2-3 as his scripture text. Prayer was by the speaker.

After a very inspiring message, we had a song of invitation, "I Surrender All".

We were dismissed for the noon hour. The dismissal prayer was by

Rev. Dennis Kizzire.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a delicious lunch, which everyone enjoyed, and the noon hour of fellowship, we convened at 1:00 P.M. We had a congregational song, "It's A Grand And Glorious Feeling". Prayer was offered by Rev. Gurley Roberts.

The moderator called for a report of the Credential Committee. The report was given by Rev. M. H. Hollis. A motion, second, and vote carried to receive the report.

The Ordination Service was held next. Bro. Roger Lucas of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Vernon was ordained to preach the Gospel. Rev. Roy Barnes delivered the Ordination Message, using 1st Timothy 3 and St. John 15:1-7 as his scripture. The Charge was given by Rev. M. H. Hollis. The Ordination Prayer was by Rev. Tom Scott. After the Ordination Service, we had a song "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes", while the congregation was invited to come by and shake hands with Bro. Lucas and the other new ministers coming into our association and welcome them to the Vernon Association.

A report of the Appreciation Committee was given by Bro. Dickie Dees, chairman. We had a motion, second, and vote carried to give the Mt. Willing Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of appreciation for their fine hospitality.

The moderator appointed an Executive Committee for the next year.

The moderator called for a final report of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee. The report was given and voted on article by article. Article 18 of the By-Laws was amended from the floor to include all pastors on the Youth Camp Committee. All the other articles were adopted as given by the committee.

We had a motion from the floor and vote carried for the Credential Committee to add the proper scripture to our Articles Of Faith, printed in the minutes.

We had a motion from the floor to appoint or elect a Historical Committee to get up a history of the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association and report to the 1980 session of the association.

Committee Elected

Rev. M. H. Hollis, chairman

Rev. Roy Barnes

Bro. Raphael Yerby

We had a song, "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There", directed by Bro. Hollis. Prayer was by Bro. Don Taggart.

The moderator asked Bro. Dennis Kizzire to give us a report on the Youth Rallies. After a very informative report we selected places for the Youth Rallies each month, October through May.

October, 1979	Piney Grove
November, 1979	Retreat At Youth Camp
December, 1979	Love Joy
January, 1980	Sulligent
February, 1980	Valentine Banquet
March, 1980	Union Chapel
April, 1980	Springfield (competition)
May, 1980	Belk

Next a place was chosen for the next setting of the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association. Union Chapel Church and Springfield Church requested the next meeting of the association. The body voted to hold the 1980 session of the association at Union Chapel Free Will Baptist Church. The meeting will be held on October 18, 1980.

The moderator called for the election of officers for the next year. First was nomination for clerk of the association. Bro. Raphael Yerby was nominated and elected to serve as clerk.

Next, nomination was opened for moderator of the association for the coming year. Rev. Edward Puckett was nominated and elected to serve as moderator.

Nomination was opened for assistant moderator for the next year. Rev. Walter Jaggers was nominated and elected to serve as assistant moderator.

Delegates to the Alabama State Free Will Baptist Association were appointed next. They are:

Mrs. Ila Lee Aldridge
Mrs. Dennis Kizzire
Mrs. Eldridge Motes
Mrs. Walter Jaggers
Mrs. Milton Gann
Mrs. Tom Scott
Mrs. Robert Carter
Mr. Robert Carter
Mr. Charles Fowler

Delegates to other associations were appointed next.

Alabama-Mississippi State Line Association

Rev. Roy Barnes
Rev. Tom Scott
Rev. Edward Puckett

Progressive Association

Rev. Walter Jaggers
Mrs. Walter Jaggers

We had a report from Rev. Tom Scott on the shelter to train retarded people for Fayette and Lamar County.

We had a motion, second, and vote carried to adjourn this session of the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association. We had a song "God Be With You", directed by Bro. Hollis. We were dismissed in prayer by Rev. Lloyd Vail.

Meeting adjourned.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES LISTED

BEAVERTON - Sisters Emma Harris, Mary Weeks, and Verla Otts.
BELK - Sisters Lois Howard, Lorene Jordan, Beth Jaggers, Lovie Jaggers, and Bro. H. L. Williams.

DAVIS CHAPEL - Sisters Eulene Moore, Loraine Pike, and Dorlee Pennington.

EASTSIDE - Sister Edna Thompson, Bro. Charles Fowler, and Robert Miller.

FREE WILL CHAPEL - Sisters Sandra Carter, Dorris Shaw, Bros. Robert Carter, W. G. Stanford, Ricky Otts, and Billy Joe Turner.

FRIENDSHIP - Sister Lura Moore and Sister Newell.

LIBERTY - Sisters Ora Seay Burnett, Loree Christain, Sue Hester, Sister Gann, Ruby Boman, Bros. Jack Boman and Steve Butler.
 LOVE JOY - Sisters Sara Taylor, Guary Taylor and Bro. Robert Taylor.
 MT. HARMONY - Sisters Mattie Johnson, Frances Beasley, Peggy Gault, Mildred Perkins, and Bro. Leonard Corbett.
 MT. PLEASANT - Sister Helen Chandler and Sister Cooper.
 MT. WILLING - Sisters Eunice McDonald, Ellis Guin, Kathleen Garrison, Sammie Roberts, Bro. Harkins Garrison and Jim Collins.
 PINEY GROVE - Sisters Gera Mae Bobo, Elizabeth Weeks, Bros. Troy Cole, Russell Cole, and Clyde Weeks.
 SPRINGFIELD - Sister Ora Jordan, Bros. Claudus Mason, Jimmy McDaniel, and Gene Pennington.
 SULLIGENT - Sisters Kittie Lee Taylor, Mattie Lou Crosby, Robbie Birmingham, Elsie Boyett, Margie McKay, Alice Ann Carruth, Deborah McKay, and Bro. Snow Ball Taylor.
 TAYLOR SPRINGS - Bros. Billy Moore, Gary Sorrells, Eugene Sorrells.
 UNION CHAPEL - Sisters Lucille Bradford, Joyce Hardy, Lunelle Hood, Bros. Claudus Collins and Don Flynn.
 VERNON - Sisters Connie Smith, Ina Yerby, Lavore Nesbitt, Mary Turner, Bros. Dickie Dees, Roger Lucas, J. L. Lucas, Ted Collins, Larry Turner, and Dallas Bozeman.

GENERAL BOARD

BEAVERTON - None Listed
 BELK - Bro. Don Byars
 DAVIS CHAPEL - None Listed
 EASTSIDE - Bro. Charles Fowler
 FREE WILL CHAPEL - Bro. Edsel Gideon
 FRIENDSHIP - None Listed
 LIBERTY - Bro. Bobby Joe Black
 LOVE JOY - Bro. Gary Berryhill
 MT. HARMONY - Bro. Leonard Corbett
 MT. PLEASANT - Bro. Lowell Hankins
 MT. WILLING - None Listed
 PINEY GROVE - Bro. Tommie Robertson
 SPRINGFIELD - Bro. Dewey Jordan
 SULLIGENT - Bro. Quinton Boyett
 TAYLOR SPRINGS - Bro. Billy Moore
 UNION CHAPEL - Bro. Benny Hardy
 VERNON - Bro. Jack McLemore

The following churches will elect a new member to serve a two (2) year term on the General Board and send them to the next session of the association.

Beaverton	Eastside	Liberty
Belk	Free Will Chapel	Love Joy
Davis Chapel	Friendship	

COMMITTEE AND MEMBERS FOR 1979**CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE**

Rev. Edward Puckett - 1980
Bro. Dewey Jordan - 1981
Bro. Pascal Yerby - 1982
Rev. Roy Barnes - 1984
Rev. Milton Gann - 1985

**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND
C. T. S. COMMITTEE**

Bro. Harkins Garrison
Sister Alice Ann Carruth
Sister Lorene Jordan
Bro. Clyde Weeks
Bro. Gary Sorrells

**YOUTH CAMP BOARD
OF DIRECTORS**

Rev. Walter Jaggers - 1980
Bro. L. C. Steedley - 1981
Rev. M. H. Hollis - 1982

DIGEST COMMITTEE

Bro. Robert Carter, chairman
Sister Kittie Lee Taylor
Sister Frances Beasley
Sister Joyce Hardy
Sister Ora Seay Burnett

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Bro. H. L. Williams
Sister Helen Chandler
Bro. Ricky Otts

**APPRECIATION
COMMITTEE**

Bro. Dickie Dees
Sister Gera Mae Bobo
Sister Ellis Guin

YOUTH CAMP COMMITTEE

All pastors of the Vernon
Association

**BOARD OF CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION**

Bro. Fred Graham - 1980
Bro. Michael Rogers - 1981
Rev. Dennis Kizzire - 1982

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. Edward Puckett
Rev. Walter Jaggers
Bro. Raphael Yerby
Bro. Bobby Joe Black
Bro. Edsel Gideon
Bro. Charles R. Fowler
Bro. Jack McLemore

**COMMITTEE ON
COMMITTEES 1980**

Rev. Tom Scott
Rev. M. H. Hollis
Rev. Don Taggart

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

1980

Bro. Ted Collins
Bro. Snow Ball Taylor
Sister Ora Jordan
Bro. Don Flynn
Sister Sandra Carter

DECEASED MEMBER
COMMITTEE

Bro. Leonard Corbett
Sister Loree Christain
Sister Kathleen Garrison
Bro. Russell Cole

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Credential Committee recommend the following:

1. We have met with Bro. Roger Lucas of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Vernon and we recommend him to the association for ordination.
2. We recommend that Bro. Lloyd Vail from Mt. Pleasant, Bro. Ray Lewis from Eastside, Tuscaloosa, Bro. Richard Saylor from Love Joy, and Bro. Ambers Aldridge from Mt. Willing all be listed as ordained ministers for the coming year. M.S.C.

Respectfully submitted

Rev. M. H. Hollis, chairman

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND C.T.S. COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Sunday School and C.T.S. Committee offer the following report:

Our Sunday School enrollment is 1,438 with an average attendance of 1,081. We show an increase of 39 in enrollment, but a decrease of one (1) in average attendance.

Our C.T.S. enrollment is 674 with an average attendance of 481. We show an increase of 182 members enrolled and an increase of 57 members in average attendance.

We would like to praise the Lord that we have an increase in enrollment and attendance in both Sunday School and C.T.S. enrollment, but in Sunday School we had a loss of one (1) in average attendance and an increase of 57 in average attendance in C.T.S.

Even though we have an increase, we want to encourage each one to continue encouraging others to attend so that we might have an even better report next year.

Respectfully submitted

Alice Ann Carruth, chairman

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Finance Committee have examined the finances and find a total of \$835.00 was sent as associational minute funds. There is a balance in the treasury from 1978 of \$470.65. Our total estimated expenditures for 1979 is \$800.00 , leaving a balance of \$505.65.

Respectfully submitted
H. L. Williams, chairman

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Temperance Committee report was an oral report given by Bro. Mike Rogers. He used a number of different scriptures in his very interesting and important scripture comments on the subject of Temperance.

APPRECIATION COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the Appreciation Committee make the following report:

We wish to extend to the Mt. Willing Free Will Baptist Church our sincere appreciation for inviting this session of the Vernon Association for all the warm hospitality and fellowship, and give a rising vote of thanks for the delicious meal.

We also want to praise the Lord for the harmony in the business meeting and thank Him for the wonderful message presented by Bro. Jaggers that was a challenge to each of us in our Christian lives.

Respectfully submitted
Dickie Dees, chairman

COMMITTEE REPORT ON DECEASED MEMBERS

We, the Committee on Deceased Members make the following report:

BEAVERTON - None

BELK - Sister Lessie Holliman

DAVIS CHAPEL - Bro. Raymond Gray

EASTSIDE - Bro. Walter Spencer and Bro. Willis E. King

FREE WILL CHAPEL - Bro. Roll Gilmore, Sister Ozzie Franks,
Sister Geneva Hood, and Bro. Michael Smith

FRIENDSHIP - None

LIBERTY - Bro. John Perkins, Bro. Henry Perkins, Bro. Rhady
Yerby, Bro. Arnold Hester, Bro. Henry Harrison, Sister Verla
Gary, Sister Hattie Mixon, and Sister Wilma Mixon

LOVE JOY - None

MT. HARMONY - Sister Maudie Johnson

MT. PLEASANT - None

MT. WILLING - Sister Donnie McDonald, Sister Mavis Roberts,
Bro. H. E. McDonald, and Bro. Clarence McGowan

PINEY GROVE - Sister Carrie Roberts, Bro. Clyde Robertson

SPRINGFIELD - Bro. Burl Chaffin

SULLIGENT - Sister Zora Mae Eastman

TAYLOR SPRINGS - Bro. Byrd Alexander

UNION CHAPEL - None

VERNON - Bro. Mark Dubose and Bro. Billy Turner

We recommend that we stand and sing "Precious Memories" in memory of these loved ones.

Respectfully submitted

Leonard Corbett, chairman

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

The Board of Christian Education had a very busy year with it's involvement in the youth activities of the Vernon Association. The Board has met together no less than 21 times this year. These meetings have proved to be profitable as we saw an increased interest and participation from our youth and cooperative spirit among the churches of the association.

There were some highlights of this year with many fond memories of seeing young people make commitments for Christ. These new activities included a weekend retreat at the Youth Camp, a Valentine banquet with over 100 in attendance, and the Area Wide Youth Crusade with over 600 average attendance. The traditional youth rallies reaped a wealth of results in fellowship and fun.

The competitive activities were held at Liberty and passed on to the state competition a flood of talent and abilities that well represented our association at Northport in state competition.

Representing our state from our association at the National Youth Conference were: Pam Jagers, Beth Jagers, and Fred Yerby - all of Belk Church; Karen Partain, Donna Pennington, Renae Pennington, Debbie Rushing, and Janet Ashby - all of Springfield Church; Amanda Dubose, Chris Stripling, Fionnie Scott, Debra Dees, Pam Burgess, and Selina Wheeler - all of Vernon Church; Darlene Carter, Ricky Otts, and Daphony Taylor - all of Free Will Chapel Church.

A number of these young people came home with national honors for our association.

We would like to have a moment of prayer, as we rise to our feet, to a young man that was saved as a result of the Youth Crusade and then in only a short time went to be with the Lord as the result of an automobile accident.

Let's stand in remembrance of the life and witness of Brother Mark Dubose.

Future plans include a retreat in November, a Valentine banquet and tentative plans have been made to secure a speaker for a 1981 youth crusade.

Pray for the Board of Christian Education that it might be used of God in this area to reach young people for Jesus.
Respectfully submitted
Rev. Dennis Kizzire, chairman
Rev. Fred Graham
Rev. Michael Rogers

REPORT OF DIGEST COMMITTEE

Statistics

Church Membership

Resident.....	1976
Non-Resident.....	338
Total Membership.....	2314

Members Received

By Baptism.....	138
By Letter.....	130
Total Members Received.....	268

Members Lost

Lost to Non-Free Will Baptist Churches.....	3
Total Members Lost.....	85

Sunday School Enrollment

Number Enrolled.....	1438
Average Attendance.....	1081

C.T.S. Enrollment

Number Enrolled	674
Average Attendance	481

Women's Auxiliary Enrollment

Number Enrolled	46
Average Attendance	23

Master's Men Enrollment

Number Enrolled	34
Average Attendance	21

Mid-Week Services

Average Attendance	435
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Evangelistic Outreach

Visitation	7
Revivals	14
Others	4

Vacation Bible School

Enrollment	678
Average Attendance	630

Number of Ordained Ministers	28
Number of Licensed Ministers	3
Number of Students at F.W.B. Bible College	1
Other Colleges	19

Pastors

Full Time Employment	5
No Outside Employment	5
Part Time Employment	3

Financial**Church Finances**

Total Receipts, Tithes, and Offerings	\$284,405.61
Amount Borrowed	159,216.00
Total Receipts	447,736.10

Spent For Local Causes

Pastor's Salary	\$115,440.82
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Other Staff.....	6,817.00
Paid for Remodeling and Building.....	132,136.96
Debt Retirement.....	45,171.52
Other Local Expenditures.....	91,879.57
Total Spent for Local Causes.....	382.38

Spent For Outside Causes

Executive Offices.....	82.00
Foreign Missions.....	6,037.97
Retirement and Insurance Board.....	547.59
Other National Ministries.....	0
F.W.B. Bible College.....	4,661.01
Home Mission and Church Extension.....	8,417.93
Designated District or State Ministries.....	12,065.56
Total Spent for Outside Causes.....	32,707.72

Respectfully submitted
Kittie Lee Taylor, chairman

YOUTH CAMP REPORT

The 1979 Vernon Association Youth Camp that was held at our camp grounds was correctly described as the best youth camp ever. The behavior of the campers, the harmony among the staff, and a high spiritual climate were the factors that led to many young people making decisions for the Lord Jesus Christ.

Only the Judgment Seat of Christ will reveal the true impact that this camp had on those that came as campers and those that so diligently worked on the staff.

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to each person that had a part, directly or indirectly in this year's camp.

Future considerations for camp-ins should include a camp for Juniors and a camp for the Teen campers.

Statistics

Staff Workers.....	17
Campers..... (41 boys, 54 girls)	95
Campers by Churches:	
Belk.....	18
Sulligent.....	13

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VERNON FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCH	PASTOR	PASTOR'S TELEPHONE	CLERK	Members Received	Members Deceased	Total Members	Number In Sunday School	Number in C.T.S.	Number In Ladies Auxiliary	Ordained Ministers
BEAVERTON	Rev. Bud Pugh Route 4 Hamilton, Ala. 35570	921-3994	Ann Pugh Route 4 Hamilton, Ala. 35570	20	0	41	31	0	0	0
BELK	Rev. Walter D. Jagers P. O. Box 31 Belk, Alabama 35545	932-3144	Rose Lea Atkins Box 45 Belk, Ala. 35545	10	1	144	127	60	0	1
DAVIS CHAPEL	Rev. Kenneth Bozeman Route 1 Berry, Ala. 35546		Pat Sanford Route 5, Box 193 Northport, Ala. 35476	0	1	91	63	0	0	0
EASTSIDE	Rev. D. Ray Lewis 931 - 21st Ave., East Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35404	556-4985	Karen M. Wyatt 440-26th Ave., East Tuscaloosa, Ala. 35404	14	2	152	82	63	12	1
FREE WILL CHAPEL	Rev. L. B. Nix Route 2 Sulligent, Ala. 35586	695-9840	Michael Gidian Route 1 Vernon, Ala. 35592	2	4	142	120		0	1
FRIENDSHIP	Rev. James C. Newell Route 1 Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-6101	Lura Moore Route 1 Steens, Miss. 39766	0	0	48	12	0	0	1
LIBERTY	Rev. Milton Gann Route 2 Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-9400	Steve Butler Route 2 Fayette, Ala. 35555	24	8	239	130	70	0	1

LOVE JOY	Rev. Richard Saylor Route 1 Beaverton, Ala. 35544		Ellie Ruth Mixon Route 1 Beaverton, Ala. 35544	8	0	74	65	0	0	5
MT. HARMONY	Rev. Don Taggart 108-2nd Ave., S.W. Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-7546	Erbie Robertson Route 3, Box 295 Vernon, Ala. 35592	11	1	121	74	47	0	1
MT. PLEASANT	Rev. Lloyd W. Vails Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-9583	Lorence Crosley Vernon, Ala. 35592	2	0	71	47	0	0	3
MT. WILLING	Rev. Ambers Aldridge, Jr. Route 1 Guin, Ala. 35563	465-9121	Marjorie McDonald Route 1 Guin, Ala. 35563	0	4	169	75	0	0	2
PINEY GROVE	Rev. M. H. Hollis P. O. Box 369 Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-7736	Jackie Atkinson Route 1, Box 85-A Guin, Ala. 35563	18	2	158	100	70	0	2
SPRINGFIELD	Rev. Dennis Kizzire P. O. Box 515 Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-6354	Roy Ashby, Jr. Route 1 Vernon, Ala. 35592	8	1	248	150	100	0	1
SULLIGENT	Rev. Edward Puckett Route 1, Box 45-A Sulligent, Ala. 35586	698-8177	Margaret Price P. O. Box 681 Sulligent, Ala. 35586	10	1	185	130	75	0	1
TAYLOR SPRINGS	Rev. C.C. Berryhill Route 1 Greenwood Springs, Ms 38848	256-8225	Martha Bradford Route 2, Box 107 Vernon, Ala. 35592	0	1	70	60	0	0	0
UNION CHAPEL	Rev. Fred Graham Route 2 Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-9631	James E. Maddox Route 2 Vernon, Ala. 35592	3	0	128	70	20	0	3
VERNON	Rev. Thomas M. Scott P. O. Box 582 Vernon, Ala. 35592	695-9730	Mrs. Paul Shelnut P. O. Box 57 Vernon, Ala. 35592	32	2	243	176	141	34	2

CHURCH	Paid Pastor	Other Local Expenditures	Paid Missions	Paid Christian Education	Paid Association Dues	Paid For Improvements	Total Paid Out	Value Of Church Property
BEAVERTON	1,960.00	1,410.13	0	0	30.00	2,868.94	6,259.07	20,000.00
BELK	9,100.00	8,392.00	1,561.00	1,061.00	50.00	1,461.00	28,338.00	200,000.00
DAVIS CHAPEL	850.00	1,533.71	0	0	50.00	0	2,675.75	22,220.00
EASTSIDE	7,800.00	5,356.00	995.76	246.00	50.00	0	16,923.76	125,000.00
FREE WILL CHAPEL	9,100.00	4,000.00	1,299.59	311.00	50.00	0	28,171.00	150,000.00
FRIENDSHIP	0	436.19	0	0	30.00	0	436.19	15,000.00
LIBERTY	11,395.00	9,680.00	1,190.00	695.00	50.00	5,286.00	41,743.00	149,800.00

LOVE JOY	3,877.50	6,981.52	137.06	0	50.00	0	10,996.08	65,000.00
MT. HARMONY	12,500.00	19,580.49	380.00	111.57	50.00	594.40	21,860.23	25,000.00
MT. PLEASANT	2,400.00	433.65	0	0	50.00	0	2,868.65	25,000.00
MT. WILLING	5,150.00	2,336.87	0	0	50.00	2,548.55	10,294.24	30,000.00
PINEY GROVE	7,800.00	3,129.00	0	0	50.00	64,033.00	77,082.00	80,000.00
SPRINGFIELD	8,722.00	11,477.00	792.00	139.00	50.00	25,000.00	48,423.00	75,000.00
SULLIGENT	12,300.00	9,748.10	1,663.30	831.65	50.00	15,131.00	42,749.94	150,000.00
TAYLOR SPRINGS	4,436.32	2,329.63	0	0	50.00	0	7,750.27	20,000.00
UNION CHAPEL	6,575.00	350.00	0	0	75.00	0	16,521.09	35,000.00
VERNON	11,475.00	12,120.45	4,971.21	1,270.79	50.00	5,214.07	55,845.56	225,000.00

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Springfield.....	13
Vernon.....	10
Eastside.....	7
Liberty.....	6
Piney Grove.....	5
Mt. Harmony.....	4
Union Chapel.....	2
From Other Associations:	
Macedonia (Mt. Moriah).....	17
Total.....	95

Financial Report**Paid Out:**

Camp Rent.....	\$ 200.00
Insurance.....	142.38
Literature.....	98.58
Printing.....	92.33
Evangelist.....	250.00
Food & Supplies.....	1490.09
Recreation & Crafts.....	111.54
Snack Bar Materials.....	464.23
Maintenance & Installation of water cooler and fans.	298.77
Total Paid Out.....	\$3147.92

Receipts:

Fees, Snack Bar Sales, etc.	\$3469.44
Balance Brought Forward.....	852.24
Total Receipts.....	4321.68
Total Disbursements.....	3147.92
Balance in Bank Oct. 1, 1979.....	\$1173.76

Respectfully submitted

Rev. Dennis Kizzire

Rev. Walter Jaggers

Camp Directors

**VERNON FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT**

Balance From 1978.....	\$ 470.65
Minute Funds Received.....	835.00
Total.....	1305.65

Expenditures	
Moderator	\$ 50.00
Assistant Moderator	25.00
Clerk	75.00
State Association	120.00
Minutes	413.40
Postage and Supplies	30.00
Total Expenditures	713.40
Balance	\$592.25

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the committee on Constitution and By-Laws recommend the following changes in our Constitution and By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION

2. This body shall be considered an advisory council having no authority over the internal affairs of the church unless they depart from the Treaties of Faith and practice of Free Will Baptist. In this event it will be investigated by the Credential Committee and their findings will be reported to the association for their action. This association shall have authority over all ministers in the matter of doctrine, character, etc. In case any minister in this association depart from and teach doctrine not in keeping with Treaties of Faith and practice of Free Will Baptist the same shall be dealt with by the association as it may deem proper according to the teaching of the Bible.

3. When a church desires one of its members should be licensed or ordained to preach the Gospel, it will be the responsibility of the local church to license the member and later request the association to ordain the member. The examination for license should refer to piety, doctrine, and convictions respecting the work of the ministry and reputation for character and ability of the candidate. The examination for ordination should include all that is required for license and also the application for ministers approved by the National Association of Free Will Baptist. No preacher shall be accepted or ordained in this association as a preacher who has more than one living wife, or who's wife has more than one living husband. No preacher shall be accepted or ordained in this association as a preacher who uses tobacco in any form.

5. The officers of the association shall be moderator, assistant moderator and clerk-treasurer, who shall be chosen at each session by majority vote of the delegates present. The officers shall be chosen at the close of each session to take office at the close of that session with the outgoing clerk being responsible for the printing and distribution of the minutes. The clerk shall have the authority to secure any necessary assistance he needs, at his own expense.

10. Any member of this association who shall be guilty of circulating reports of any nature or aiding in circulating any report that is untrue on a brother minister, that is circulated to injure his moral reputation and religious influence, the same shall be dealt with by the association. Any minister of this association who is known to be guilty of using intoxicating spirits by drinking as a beverage which is calculated to destroy his influence and usefulness the same shall be dealt with by the association as it may deem proper, according to the teaching of the Bible.

12. The moderator shall receive \$50.00, the assistant moderator \$25.00, and the clerk \$75.00 for their services.

15 (A). The association shall have a General Board, which shall consist of the moderator, assistant moderator and clerk along with one person from each church. Each person from the local church shall serve for two (2) years, with one-half being elected each year as specified in the printed minutes. When this association is not in session this board shall have power to act as a body, but such action must be reported to the association.

BY-LAWS

3. Delete (Same as article #5 of the constitution).

5. Delete (Hardly ever practiced).

6. The Credential Committee shall recommend the issuance, or rejection of a card of good standing for the ministers. The final decision to be made by the body. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine all ministers who become a part of this body, either by ordination or by letter. The Credential Committee, in special called session, shall have the authority to grant letters to ministers leaving our association and receive ministers into our association, provided they are members of a church in our association, reporting their action to the annual association meeting.

10. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without the permission of the moderator nor more than five minutes.

12. No delegate shall absent himself from the association without the permission of the moderator.

14. Combined with article #6.

15. No person shall be ordained by this association as a preacher unless he has been licensed by his local church for at least one year, or recommended for ordination by the Credential Committee.

18. The Youth Camp Committee shall meet within 60 days after the associational meeting to select a Camp Director and a Treasurer of the Youth Camp and make plans for the summer camp.

Article 18 was amended to include all pastors of the Vernon Association on the Youth Camp Committee and they would make up the Youth Camp Committee.

Respectfully submitted
Raphael Yerby, chairman
Rev. Tom Scott
Rev. Walter Jaggers
Bro. Dewey Jordan
Bro. Reedus Wheat

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PRESENT MINISTERS

Rev. Roy Barnes, Route 1, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. T. C. Barnes, Sulligent, Alabama 35586
Rev. Frank Collins, Route 1, Guin, Alabama 35563
Rev. M. H. Hollis, P. O. Box 183, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. W. D. Glasgow, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Delmus Miller, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. L. B. Nix, Route 2, Sulligent, Alabama 35586
Rev. J. W. Spencer, Route 2, Guin, Alabama 35563
Rev. W. H. Clearman, Route 3, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Fred Graham, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Quineth Haney, Guin, Alabama 35563
Rev. Edward Puckett, Route 1, Box 45-A, Sulligent, Alabama 35586
Rev. Walter D. Jaggers, P.O. Box 381, Belk, Alabama 35545
Rev. James C. Newell, Route 1, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Herman Yielding, Route 1, Beaverton, Alabama 35544

Rev. Thomas M. Scott, P.O. Box 582, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Milton Gann, Route 2, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Dennis Kizzire, Route 3, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Don Taggart, P. O. Box 159, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Norman G. Berryhill, Route 2, Winfield, Alabama 35594
Rev. D. Ray Lewis, 931-21st Ave. East, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35404
Rev. Ambers Aldridge, Route 1, Guin, Alabama 35563
Rev. Lloyd W. Vail, P.O. Box 535, Vernon, Alabama 35592
Rev. Richard Saylor, Route 1, Beaverton, Alabama 35544
Rev. Roger Lucas, Vernon, Alabama 35592

LIST OF DEACONS

Beaverton - Bobby Dykes and Paul Parrish
Belk - Raphael Yerby, Dalton Gilpin, Grady Newman, Mackey
Watkins, and Roy Gilreath
Davis Chapel - Belton Nelson, John Files
Eastside - J. H. Thompson, Bedford Hester, Paul Jordan, Adolph
South, Richard Dean, James Cooper
Free Will Chapel - Charlie Elliott, Sr., Edsel Gideon, L. D. Hall, and
Daniel Franks
Friendship - None
Liberty - Bobby J. Black, L. R. Dubose, Willie G. Perkins, Roy Guyton
and Wayne Sorrells
Love Joy - Coy Robertson, Gary Taylor and Loyd Carter
Mt. Harmony - Olen Wheeler, Odis Robertson, O. B. Graham, Coy
Johnson, Ervie Robertson, L. C. Steedley, David Barton, Frankie
Beasley
Mt. Pleasant - W. M. Cooper
Mt. Willing - A. J. McDonald, Jeff McDonald, Earl McDonald, Arlie
Roberts, Emmett Lee, E. O. Shelnut, Elzie Guin, Obie Haney
Piney Grove - Arlander Shelnut, J. M. Chaffin, Tommie Robertson,
E. C. Roberts, Elvada Markham, Fred Barnes, Ozell Cantrell
Springfield - Dewey Jordan, J. A. Harper, Haley Wright, Aubrey Hall,
Roy Ashby, Jr., Larry Williams, Tommie Rushing
Sulligent - Ray Birmingham, Quinton Boyett, Clarence Birmingham,
Richard Mansell, Hezzie Harrison, James Price, Charles Crosby,
Earnest Northington
Taylor Springs - Stanley Cooper, Gary Sizemore and Jessie Lee
Barnes Jr.
Union Chapel - James E. Maddox, Carlos Bradford, Lamon Duckworth
and Don Freeman
Vernon - B. E. Turner, P. N. Yerby, Titus Barnes, Eris Wilson, Paul
Shelnut, Loyd Turner and Darrell Wheeler

NAMES OF DECEASED MINISTERS

Rev. J. M. Springfield, Rev. W. B. Taylor, Rev. W. R. Turman, Rev. Tom Butler, Rev. A. J. Robertson, Rev. M. D. McGee, Rev. J. R. Baker, Rev. W. D. Crawley, Rev. A. J. Brown, Rev. S. M. Perkins, Rev. T. G. Harrison, Rev. D. G. W. Hollis, Rev. J. W. Porter, Rev. T. M. Lollar, Rev. C. A. Chaffin, Rev. J. A. Isbell, Rev. G. B. Taylor, Rev. A. White, Rev. E. A. Palmer, Rev. M. E. Carpenter, Rev. T. J. Adair, Rev. J. Barnes, Rev. K. V. Shutes, Rev. B. J. Tittle, Rev. M. L. Hollis, Rev. E. W. Graves, and Rev. S. F. Lee.

NAMES OF DECEASED DEACONS

L. A. Crowder, S. Y. Shelton, J. H. Cole, Lee Mixon, J.S. Crossley, J. D. Shelnut, Earnest Roberts, D. L. Markham, Joe L. McNease, Johnny Williams, Johnny Collins, Dewitt Williams, J.G. Adair, Cullen Collins, John D. Moore, Sr., R. D. Franks, Hoyt Chaffin, Dempsey Langley, S. L. Cash, C. V. Hollis, M. E. Hollis, Raymond Gray, Arnold Hester, and H. E. McDonald.

CONSTITUTION

1. This association shall be known as the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association of Alabama being composed of ministers, deacons and delegates from the different churches forming the same. All having full power to vote on all questions which come before the association. Each church being entitled to three delegates for the first 50 members and one additional delegate for each 25 members or fraction thereof, in addition to ministers and deacons.

2. This body shall be considered an advisory council having no authority over the internal affairs of the church unless they depart from the Treaties of Faith and Practice of Free Will Baptist. In this event it will be investigated by the Credential Committee and their findings will be reported to the association for their action. This association shall have authority over all ministers in the matter of doctrine, character, etc. In case any minister in this association depart from and teach doctrine not in keeping with the Treaties of Faith and Practice of Free Will Baptist the same shall be dealt with by the association as it may deem proper according to the teaching of the Bible.

3. When a church desires one of its members should be licensed or ordained to preach the Gospel, it will be the responsibility of the local church to license the member and later request the association to ordain the member. The examination for license should refer to piety,

doctrine, and convictions respecting the work of the ministry and reputation for character and ability of the candidate. The examination for ordination should include all that is required for license and also the application for ministers approved by the National Association of Free Will Baptist. No preacher shall be accepted or ordained in this association as a preacher who has more than one living wife, or who's wife has more than one living husband. No preacher shall be accepted or ordained in this association as a preacher who uses tobacco in any form.

4. All questions of doctrine and general interest shall be settled by a majority vote of the association and the decision shall be final.

5. The officers of the association shall be moderator, assistant moderator, and clerk-treasurer, who shall be chosen at each session by a majority vote of the delegates present. The officers shall be chosen at the close of each session to take office at the close of that session with the outgoing clerk being responsible for the printing and distribution of the minutes. The clerk shall have the authority to secure any necessary assistance he needs, at his own expense.

6. The association shall meet annually on Saturday before the third Sunday in October each year and shall not adjourn finally until all business matters be transacted.

7. Churches wishing to become members of this association must adopt its Articles of Faith and conform to its usage.

8. We agree as churches of this association to use our best influence to promote the interest of all moral and benevolent institutions such as Temperance cause, Sunday School, Missionary Work, etc.

9 (a). No member of this association shall be eligible to serve as moderator for more than two consecutive sessions unless no other member be competent to serve in that capacity.

9 (b). No member of this association shall be eligible to serve as moderator of the association until he has been a member of the association for at least two (2) years.

10. Any member of this association who shall be guilty of circulating reports of any nature or aiding in circulating any report that is untrue on a brother minister, that is circulated to injure his moral reputation and religious influence, the same shall be dealt with by the

association. Any minister of this association who is known to be guilty of using intoxicating spirits by drinking as a beverage which is calculated to destroy his influence and usefulness the same shall be dealt with by the association as it may deem proper, according to the teaching of the Bible.

11. The association shall in all cases in the transaction of all business brought before it, be governed by a majority of all delegates present and any church or delegate failing or refusing to do so is and shall be considered to be a party to the enforcement of the same.

12. The moderator shall receive \$50.00, the assistant moderator \$25.00, and the clerk \$75.00 for their services.

13. The clerk shall superintend the printing of the minutes after each session of the association and shall have them out to the churches within 90 days after the associational meeting.

14. The moderator shall appoint a Credential Committee, consisting of five (5) persons with the senior member in point of service being replaced each year. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine all members who become a part of this body either by ordination or by letter. Any item of business pertaining to ministers or the conduct of ministers must originate with this committee. This committee shall consist of three (3) ministers and two (2) laymen.

15 (a). The association shall have a General Board, which shall consist of the moderator, assistant moderator, and clerk along with one person from each church. Each person from the local church shall serve two years, with one-half being elected each year as specified in the printed minutes. When this association is not in session this board shall have power to act as a body, but such action must be reported to the association.

15 (b). The association shall have an Executive Committee, consisting of the moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, and four (4) members from the General Board.

BY-LAWS

1. The association shall be called to order and presided over by the officers elected at the last session.

2. The moderator shall appoint a Committee on Committees, whose

duty is to appoint various committees at each session. Each committee is to consist of from 3 to 5 members.

3. The moderator calls for the report of the Digest Committee and a roll call of the delegates. After a reading of the report, the delegates are enrolled by the clerk, at the discretion of the body.

4. The Credential Committee shall recommend the issuance, or rejection of a card of good standing for the ministers. The final decision to be made by the body. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to examine all ministers who become a part of this body, either by ordination or by letter. The Credential Committee, in special called session, shall have the authority to grant letters to ministers leaving our association, provided they are members of a church in our association, reporting their action to the annual association meeting.

5. The moderator shall not be entitled to vote except in case of a tie and then he shall cast the deciding vote. He shall be entitled to speak on any question, after others have spoken, provided he shall appoint someone to the chair while he is speaking.

6. Only one person shall speak at a time and he shall rise and address the moderator and after recognition by the moderator shall proceed.

7. No person shall be interrupted while speaking unless he depart from the subject under discussion or use words of personal reflection.

8. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without the permission of the moderator nor more than five minutes.

9. No person shall laugh or talk during discussion.

10. No delegate shall absent himself from the association without the permission of the moderator.

11. All ordination of ministers shall be done at the association while in regular annual session, by the ordaining council.

12. No person shall be ordained by this association as a preacher unless he has been licensed by his local church for at least one year, or recommended for ordination by the Credential Committee.

13. The Vernon Free Will Baptist Associational year shall begin on the first day of September and end on the last day of August each year and hold the annual meeting on Saturday before the third Sunday in October of each year.

14. The Executive Committee shall secure a speaker for the 11:00 o'clock message and plan the program for each annual session of the association.

15. The Youth Camp Committee shall meet within 60 days after the associational meeting to select a Camp Director and a Treasurer of the Youth Camp and make plans for the summer camp. All pastors of the Vernon Association shall be on the Youth Camp Committee and will make up the committee.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **The Bible.** The Scripture 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 the Creator, Preservor, and Righteous Governor of the universe and in the Scripture 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 God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified. He is now risen and glorified and is our present Savior and Lord.

4. **The Holy Spirit.** The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.

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

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 Works of Christ.** The Son of God by His incarnation, life sufferings, death and resurrection effected all a 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 unreserved commital of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with 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 domination of sin, and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

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

10. **Freedom of 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 of the water of life freely.

12. **Perserverance.** All beleivers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, having promise of eternal salvation.

13. **Gospel Ordinances.** BAPTISM, or the immersion of believers in water and the LORD'S SUPPER are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. FEET WASHING is an ordinance teaching humility of universal obligation, and is to be ministered to all true believers.

14. **Tithing.** God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the Apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him." (I Cor. 16:2).

15. **The Lord's Day.** The devine law requires that one day in seven by set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities and for personal communion with God.

16. **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 righteous into eternal life."

BY-LAWS FOR THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. It is the duty of this board to promote the Vernon Free Will Baptist Association Youth Rally, and other related projects.
2. This board shall, along with the duly elected officers and the host pastor, plan the programs of the rallies each month.
3. The Board of Christian Education shall work with all churches in getting them involved in the Youth Rally work and other related projects.
4. The board shall act in advisory capacity to the elected officers of the Youth Rally.
5. The board shall consist of three (3) members, with the senior member in point of service being replaced each year.
6. The board shall be responsible each year for planning the District T-N-T Rally in May.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR VERNON ASSOCIATION

1. New Moderator takes over
2. Devotion
3. Call for Digest Committee report and roll call of delegates.
4. Seating of Delegates.
5. Call for petitionary letters
6. Appointment of Committee on Committees
7. Invite visiting brethren to seat with us.
8. Committees as follows: Credential, Digest, Appreciation, Sunday School and C.T.S., Finance, Deceased Members, Temperance, Board of Christian Education, Executive.
9. Call for General Board report.
10. Call for committee reports. (See committees)
11. Final report of General Board.
12. Delegates to State Association.
13. Corresponding delegates to other associations.

ORDER OR BUSINESS FOR CHURCH CONFERENCE

1. Call to order.
2. Call for peace and fellowship.
3. Opportunity for membership.
4. Invite visiting brothers and sisters to seat.
5. Reading of previous minutes.
6. Unfinished business.
7. Appointment of committees.
8. Acknowledgements.
9. Committee reports.
10. New business.
11. Adjournment.

APPLICATION FOR MINISTERS

GENERAL

Briefly tell of your conversion and give reasons for your assurance of salvation.

How long have you been a Free Will Baptist?

Why do you want to be ordained?

Give a short account of your call to preach.

Do you meet the qualifications of I Timothy 3:1-7?

Do you have a family? _____ Number of children _____

Have you or your wife ever been divorced?

What is the extent of your education? Elementary grades _____ High School _____ College _____ Other _____

What is your attitude toward intoxicating beverages, tobacco, drugs or worldly amusements?

DOCTRINE

Do you believe without reservation that the Bible is the verbally inspired, infallible Word of God and that it is the only rule of faith and practice?

What do you believe about evolution and the Genesis account of Creation?

What is the gospel?

What is salvation?

How would you proceed to explain the way of salvation to a lost soul?

Explain your views on baptism.

What is the meaning of the Lord's Supper?

Should feet washing be observed? Explain.

What do you believe about apostasy and the perseverance of the believer?

What is the church?

Who is eligible for membership?

How should the church discipline a member?

How should the work of the church be financed?

What are the duties of a minister?

What is the mission of the church in the light of Matthew 28:19-20?

**GIVE YOUR INTERPRETATION OF THE
FOLLOWING DOCTRINES:**

God

Deity of Christ

The Virgin Birth of Christ

The Work of the Holy Spirit

Repentance

Faith

Justification

Regeneration

Atonement

Sanctification

Final Judgment

Heaven

Hell

Satan

Second Coming

Resurrection

DENOMINATION

Who is a Free Will Baptist?

What is meant by the term "free moral agent?"

Have you read the Treatise completely and do you subscribe to the doctrines and practices that are outlined in it?

Is there anything in the Treatise that you do not believe or would not teach?

If you ever changed your views on any of these doctrines what would you do?

What are the grounds for relinquishing your ordination credentials?

What is the relationship of the local church to the denomination?

Give three character and three credit references.

Do you solemnly pledge to earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints and to faithfully uphold the Free Will Baptist doctrines outlined in the Treatise?