

MINUTES
OF THE
Third Annual Session
OF THE
WEST FLORIDA
FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
OF THE
STATE OF FLORIDA
HELD WITH
SHILOH F. W. B. CHURCH
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, BRATT, FLORIDA
September 21 and 22, 1951

Next Association session will be held with Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church, Escambia County, Florida, 7 miles west of McDavid, Fla., on Friday and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1952.

Rev. W. S. Thomley, Moderator, Robertsdale, Ala.

Rev. Richard M. Hughes, Vice Moderator, Pensacola, Fla.

Mrs. Daisy M. Williams, Clerk and Treasurer

144 Aragon Court, Pensacola, Fla.

Brother W. E. Holley, Assistant Clerk, Pensacola, Fla.

Preachers and Deacons Meeting will be the 1st, 5th Sundays in 1952 at Pilgrim Rest Church, Molino, Fla.

The Sunday School Convention will be at First Church, Pensacola, Fla., the 2nd, 5th Sundays in 1952.

MINISTERS AND ADDRESSES

REV. W. S. THOMLEY Robertsdale, Ala.
REV. R. M. HUGHES 815 E. LaRua, St., Pensacola, Fla.
REV. L. M. THOMLEY Molino, Fla.
REV. W. M. PATRICK Molino, Fla.
REV. T. U. BRYANT 424 Border St., Pensacola, Fla.
REV. H. L. ADKINSON Milligan, Fla.
REV. I. C. THOMLEY Molino, Fla.
REV. L. V. PINSON (Rt. 1, Bratt) Atmore, Ala.
REV. AUBREY H. ASHCRAFT .. 401 Wiggins Ave., Pensacola, Fla.
REV. A. P. MORRIS Foley, Ala.
REV. W. A. MORTON Rt. 5, Box 568, Pensacola, Fla.
REV. H. FLOYD COLEMAN (Rt. 1, Bratt) Atmore, Ala.

LICENTIATES

REV. JOHN D. PARHAM Rt. 1, McDavid, Fla.
REV. E. A. BREEDLOVE .. 1404 W. Hernandez St., Pensacola, Fla.
REV. NATHANIAL CARDEN Flomaton, Ala.

PROCEEDINGS

SEPTEMBER 21 AND 22, 1951

SHILOH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, BRATT, FLORIDA

Friday 10:00 A. M.—Called to order by the Moderator, Rev. W. S. Thomley, who led the body in singing "Amazing Grace". Prayer by Rev. T. U. Bryant. Welcome address by Rev. L. V. Pinson the host Pastor.

The moderator, Rev. W. S. Thomley, brought the moderator's message, using the scripture Romans 13th chapter as a foundation for his remarks. Closing with taking the right hand Christian fellowship of the entire body, singing "Bless Be the Ties That Bind."

The Moderator declared body ready for business.

Call for Visiting Brethren to Seat With Us.

Rev. W. A. Morton, Jasper, Ala., responded and was seated.

Motion made and duly carried to elect L. A. Hall, Mary Bell, reading clerks for this session. Motion made and duly carried to elect Millie Donaldson Assistant Associational Clerk for this session.

Called For Correspondence

Received letters and delegates as follows: First Free Will Baptist Church, Wiggins Ave. Pensacola, Fla. Delegates, L. A. Hall and Freeman Rogers. Church Clerk, Millie Donaldson, Rt. 2, Box 97, Pensacola, Fla.

EASTSIDE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

10th Ave. and Garden St., Pensacola, Fla.

Delegates, Louise Ray and Leonard Nelson. Church Clerk, Daisy M. Williams, 144 Aragon Court, Pensacola, Fla.

MT. ZION FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, CENTURY, FLA.

Delegates: Frank Tetter and Willene Tetter, Ran Rogers and Ruby Wright. Church clerk, Carrie Hobbs, Century, Fla.

PILGRIM REST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, Molino, Fla.

Delegates: Opal Payne, Octavia Williams and Lillian Pippins. Church Clerk: Nettie Patrick, Cottage Hill, Fla., P. O. Box 111.

TRAVELERS REST FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Berrydale, Florida

Delegates: W. S. Land, Ottis Nelson, Wrennie Nelson and Lula Land. Church Clerk, Rennie Nelson, Rt. 1, Milton, Fla.

SHILO FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Bratt Rt. 1, Atmore, Ala.

Delegates: Dorothy Norris, J. E. Wiggins and Elvin Williamson. Church Clerk: R. P. Amerson, Rt. 1, Box 222, Atmore, Ala.

CHRISTIAN HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

McDavid, Florida

Delegates: John W. Lee, Savannah Parham and Mary Burkett. Church Clerk: Emma Lee, Rt. "A" Box 124, McDavid, Fla.

RAINBOW FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Robertsdale, Alabama
Delegates: None. Church Clerk: Jack Dunlap, Rt. 1, Robertsdale, Alabama.

NEW HOME FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
Lottie, Alabama

Delegates: W. T. Smith and S. J. Jones. Church Clerk: Nettie Jones, Box 134, Atmore, Ala.

Adjourned business session, for the 11:00 o'clock Worship Service. To be called back for afternoon session at 1:00 o'clock sharp.

Rev. H. L. Adkinson brought the Introductory Message using the scripture St. Luke 24th Chapter 45th through 49th Verses, Romans 1st Chapter, 14th through the 17th verse. Subject: "Obedience is Power."

LUNCH

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Body was called back to order at 1:00 o'clock by the moderator, singing, "He Whispers Sweet Peace to Me", by the congregation. Prayer by R. M. Hughes.

Preaching Committee: Earnest Wiggins, Harvey Henderson and W. S. Land.

Call for Petitionary Church Letters.

Grace Free Will Baptist Church, 2510 No. "E" St., Pensacola, Fla., responded, requesting membership in this body with Delegates: Mrs. Wilma Williams, Agnes Ashcraft. Church Clerk, Barney B. Champion, 205 Henry St. Warrington, Fla. Moved by Rev. R. M. Hughes, seconded by Rev. T. U. Bryant to accept request. Duly carried unanimously and delegates seated.

Friendship Free Will Baptist Church, Pollard, Ala., responded, requesting membership in this body with Delegates, Nathaniel Carden, Jimmie Johnson and Lucile Byrd. Church Clerk, Rosa Walston, Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala. Motion made, seconded and duly carried unanimously and delegates seated.

Call for Church Letters.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY REPORTS

To the honorable body of the West Florida Free Will Baptist Association:

The Woman's Auxiliary of Pilgrim Rest Church, beg to report our year's work as follows: Our Woman's Auxiliary was organized at Pilgrim Rest Church, the 10th day of February 1951. Number of members on roll 15. Number of members making personal visits 15. Total visits 75. Number mailing cards and letters 2. Total mailed 15. No. visiting hospitals 15. Total visits 35. Grocery showers given 2. No. working in D. V. B. school 6. Amount of dues collected \$12.00. Amount for handwork sold \$13.71. Profit on flavoring sold \$23.40. Paid out miscellaneous expenses \$8.67. Funeral designs \$5.00. Home Mission \$13.68. Quilting expense \$8.30. Bible School \$11.00. Associational building fund \$5.00. Balance in treasury \$5.27. Respectfully Submitted, Mary C. Brewer, Secretary and Treasurer. Report Accepted and Adopted as read.

The Woman's Auxiliary of Shilo Church, Bratt, Fla., beg to report our year's work as follows: No. of members enrolled 18. Active members 8. Sick called on 327. Our Home Mission report is a total of \$254.75. Miscellaneous expense as follows: For shoes and gowns \$2.41. Paper \$1.05. Wax 15c. Quilting cotton \$1.52. Material for scarfs \$5.00. Making scarfs \$3.20. Oil and mop for Church \$1.46. Charity and cards \$5.15. Total spent \$19.94. We had in Treasury \$19.27. Miss Louis Wiggins, Secretary and Treasury. Mrs. L. V. Pinson, President. Report accepted and adopted as read.

To the honorable body of the West Florida Free Will Baptist Association: The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Free Will Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., beg to report our years' work as follows: No. of members 7. Active members 7. Sick calls 28. Personal calls 40. Hospital calls 4. Grocery showers 1. Trays to sick 1. Quilts given to needy 2. For revival \$10.00. Balance brought forward from 1950 was \$17.23. Took in for hand work \$58.80. For flavoring sold \$106.30. Total in treasury \$182.33. Withdrawals \$127.13. Balance on hand \$55.20 in cash and one quilt to be sold. Mary E. Bell, Secretary and Treasurer. Mrs. Bertha Bell, President. Report Accepted and Adopted as read.

To the West Florida Free Will Baptist Association: The Woman's Auxiliary of the East Side Free Will Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., report ou work from Sept. 12, 1950, to Sept. 28, 1951 as follows: Total money taken in \$437.44. Paid out kitchen expenses \$27.08. Delegates to State Convention \$2.00. Training camp \$3.00. Bibles given \$3.00. Paid to Pastor \$3.00. Auxiliary expenses paid out \$214.91. Paid out for Choir chairs \$45.50. Donations and gifts \$29.25. Choir Robes \$49.39. Boxes of fruits and food given for Xmas 16. Boxes of food given for Thanksgiving 6. Showers given 3. Boxes of clothes to needy families 8. Flowers for sick \$1.00. Cards sent 38. Sick visits 120. Phone calls 19. Total paid out \$397.06. Balance in Treasury \$40.38. Report Accepted and Adopted as read.

LEAGUE REPORTS

Eastside Free Will Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., report our League work as follows: Paid to Pastor \$7.00. Paid to evangelist Rev. Dedier \$10.00. Expense on window fan \$5.00. League literature \$23.60. League expense \$30.87. Training Camp \$3.00. League money taken in \$115.71. Total paid out \$78.47. Balance in Treasury \$40.24. Report accepted as read.

Friendship Free Will Baptist Church, Pollard, Ala., are glad to announce that we organized a League in our Church August 8th, 1951. We now have an enrollment of 27. We have three groups and a Bible Story Class. Total money received \$5.48. Mildred Byrd, Secretary. Report accepted as read.

Associational League Rally (Youth for Christ) report, dating from Sept. 16th, 1950 through Sept. 8th 1951. No. of services held 21. No. attending service 2,157. Average attendance 102.9. Offerings collected for refreshments \$182.38. Respectfully submitted, Millie Donaldson, Secretary, Rt. 2, Box 97, Pensacola, Fla: Report accepted as read

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

Eastside Free Will Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., Sunday School Report from Sept. 1950 to Sept. 1951. Total pupils enrolled 119. Total money taken in \$483.69. Total spent for church expenses \$134.71. Sunday School expense \$130.62. Spent for Bulletins \$29.00. Spent for flowers for funerals \$15.10. Flowers for sick \$10.79. Spent for D. V. B. school supplies \$52.48. Total paid out to Ministers \$15.00 Training camp \$3.00. No. of classes in Sunday School 8. No. of Teachers 8. Average attendance 72. Total paid out in money \$413.74. Total left in Treasury \$72.95. Supt. Charlie C. Hart. Clerk and Treasurer, Mrs. Daisy Williams, 144 Aragon Court, Pensacola, Fla. Report Accepted and adopted as read.

ASSIGNMENT OF COMMITTEES

League Committee

Sister Agnes Ashcraft, Chairman. 401 N. Wiggins Ave., Pensacola, Fla. Sister Ada Bryant, 424 Border St., Pensacola, Fla. Sister E. H. Rigsby, Rt. A, Box 341, Atmore, Ala. (See Report Page 15)

Sunday School Committee

Sister Ruby Wright, Chairman. Century, Fla. Brother George Newham, 1717 W. Romana, Pensacola, Fla. Sister W. S. Land, Rt. 1, Milton, Fla. (See Report Page 15)

Standing of Ministers Committee

Bro. J. E. Wiggins, Chairman, Box 273, Atmore, Ala. Bro. Ottis Nelson, Rt. 1, Jay, Fla. Bro. Harvey L. Henderson, Rt. 4, Box 360, Pensacola, Fla. (See Report Page 16)

Women's Auxiliary Committee

Sister Freeman Rogers, Rt. 1, Box 197-A, Pensacola, Fla. Sister Louise Ray, 612 E. Government St., Pensacola, Fla. Sister L. V. Pinson, Rt. 1, Box 272-B, Atmore, Ala. (See Report Page 15)

Home Mission Committee

Bro. Aubrey Ashcraft, 401 N. Wiggins Ave., Pensacola, Fla. Bro. Elvin Williamson, Rt. 1, Box 288, Atmore, Ala. Bro. Freeman Rogers, Rt. 1, Box 197-A, Pensacola, Fla. (See Report Page 15)

Temperance Committee

Rev. L. V. Pinson, Chairman, Rt. 1, Atmore, Ala. Rev. T. U. Bryant, 424 Border St., Pensacola, Fla. Rev. W. A. Morton, Rt. 5, Box 568, Pensacola, Fla. (See Report Page 15)

Finance Committee

Sister Sarah Parham, Rt. A, McDavid, Fla. Bro. A. C. Wiggins, Box 625, Atmore, Ala. Bro. Barney Champion, 205 Henly St., Warrington, Fla. (See Report Page 17)

Obituary Committee

Bro. L. A. Hall, 4219 Gaffney St., Pensacola, Fla. Sister Emma Lee, Rt. 1, McDavid, Fla. Sister Pearl Wiggins, Box 625, Atmore, Ala. (See Report Page 16)

Daily Vacation Bible School Committee

Sister Mary E. Bell, 1419, W. Hernandez St., Pensacola, Fla. Sister Edna Henderson, Rt. 4, Box 360, Pensacola, Fla. Sister Moudy Blanton, Rt. 1, Box 283, Atmore, Ala.

Suggestion Committee

Rev. R. M. Hughes, 815 E. LaRue St., Pensacola, Fla. Bro. R. L. Donaldson, Rt. 2, Box 97, Pensacola, Fla. Bro. H. H. Ashcraft, Rt. 1, Atmore, Ala. (See Report Page 18)

ASSOCIATIONAL CLERK AND TREASURER'S REPORT

Year 1950 and 1951

Balance in treasury beginning 1950 \$ 1.24
Brought forward 1948 (for printing machine) 7.00
Amount paid by churches for associational purposes,

sent in with letters as follows:

Christian Home, McDavid, Fla.	12.50
Shilo Church, Bratt, Fla.	15.00
Travelers Rest, Berrydale, Milton, Fla.	10.00
Pilgrim Rest, Molino, Fla.	17.00
Mt. Zion, Century, Fla.	6.10
Eastside, 10th Ave. & Garden St., Pensacola, Fla.	25.00
New Home, Lottie, Ala.	5.00
First Church, Wiggins Ave., Pensacola, Fla.	15.00
Rainbow Church, Robertsedale, Ala.	2.00

Total with letters \$115.84

Churches Mailing in Additional Supplementary Associational Funds

Shilo Church, Bratt, Fla.	\$ 20.00
Travelers Rest, Berrydale, Fla.	5.00
First Church, Pensacola, Fla.	5.00
Eastside Church, Pensacola, Fla.	15.00
Pilgrim Rest, Molino, Fla.	8.00
New Home, Lottie, Ala.	2.00

Total Supplement Mailed in \$ 55.00

Total with letters (brought fwd.) \$115.84

Special offering received association in session \$ 11.81

Total for associational purposes 1950 and 1951 \$182.65

Home Mission Building Fund \$ 60.00

Preachers and Deacons fund paid in 1950 and 1951 17.00

Rev. L. M. Thomley paid on blanks25

GRAND TOTAL \$259.90

Expenditures 1950 and 1951

Paid out for minutes	\$114.00
Paid out for State Delegates, Training Camp & Assoc. clk....	58.67
Paid out for stamps, envelopes, and ministers license blanks	3.23
Paid out to Rev. R. M. Hughes \$1.10, Rev. W. M. Byrd \$5.90 (this money subscribed for in 1948 for duplicating machine....	7.00
Total paid out	\$182.90
Balance in Home Mission Building fund	60.00
Balance in Ministers and Deacons fund	17.00

Total on hand in Treasury September 20th, 1951 \$ 77.00

Respectfully Submitted

Daisy M. Williams

144 Aragon Ct.,

Pensacola, Fla.

Read, approved and adopted
by voice vote of body in session

9-21-51

Associational Clerk and Treasurer

W. E. Holley

P. O. Box 5287,

Pensacola, Fla.

Assistant Clerk

REPORT OF PREACHING COMMITTEE

We your preaching committee, ask that W. A. Morton and W. S. Thomley bring the messages Friday night at 7:30 and that L. M. Thomley, R. M. Hughes and T. U. Bryant bring the messages Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock and that L. V. Pinson and Aubrey Ashcraft bring the message Saturday evening at 7:30 each being granted 20 minutes to deliver his message. Report received and Committee discharged.

PROCEEDINGS OF SATURDAY MORNING, SEPT. 22, 1951

Song by congregation, Prayer by Sister T. U. Bryant. The Moderator, W. S. Thomley, opened the morning session by reading scripture St. Mark 16th Chapt. 9th verse for basis of his devotional remarks. Then declared the body in order for business.

Moderator called for all Committee Reports.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We your committee on Womens Auxiliaries are happy to report, there are four Women's auxiliaries working in the West Florida Association, Namely First Church and Eastside Church in Pensacola, Shilo Church, Bratt, Fla.. Pilgrim Rest Church, Molino, Fla.

We Suggest that the auxiliary appoint a committee to visit the Churches not having auxiliary and encourage them to organize and give some time as well as money to the upbuilding of God's kingdom, for it is a blessing to meet and study God's word, pray and bring our thoughts together in helping the needy and visiting the sick:

Pray for us that we may go forward in his service.

Sister Maud Rogers, Rt. 1, Box 197-A, Pensacola, Fla.

Sister Louise Ray 612 E. Government St. Pensacola, Fla.

Sister L. V. Pinson, Rt. 1, Box 272-B, Atmore, Ala.

Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge Committee.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Temperance Committee, suggest that all Free Will Baptist be temperate in all things, not only in abstaining from the use of alcoholic drinks but also in our everyday walk of life.

Respectfully Submitted

Rev. L. V. Pinson, Rt. 1, Box 272, Atmore, Ala.

Rev. T. U. Bryant, 424 Border St., Pensacola, Fla.

Rev. John D. Parham, Rt. 1, McDavid, Fla.

Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge committee.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE REPORT

We your home mission committee, recommend that our Preachers of this association preach the word, be instant in season and out of season. Always ready to witness for Christ and uphold that which our denomination stands for. Also, we desire our Deacons and Officers of our Churches to be steadfast in Christ, and all of his marvelous sayings, and let the Churches' light so shine that the world might see our good works and turn from their wicked ways and be saved before it's too late.

We also desire our Churches to be instant in home missions. We are glad to report that our Churches contributed \$1,651.48 to home missions this year.

We desire that the home mission report next year will be far better than has been this year.

Rev. Aubrey Ashcraft, 401 N. Wiggins St., Pensacola, Fla.

Bro. F. E. Rogers, Rt. 1, Box 197-A, Pensacola, Fla.

Bro. Elvin Williamson, Rt. 1, Box 288, Atmore, Ala.

Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge committee.

STANDING OF MINISTERS COMMITTEE REPORT

We your committee on standing of Ministers, beg to report that all Ministers are in good standing except G. R. Spinks, and we recommend after proof of his standing in the association that his credentials be called in, we recommend that the other Ministers of this association continue on in the good work of our Lord. Let us all pray for our ministers.

Bro. J. E. Wiggins, Chairman, Box 273, Atmore, Ala.

Bro. Ottis Nelson, Rt. 1, Jay, Fla.

Bro. Harvey L. Henderson, Rt. 4, Box 360, Pensacola, Fla.

Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Sunday School Committee, report that our Sunday School attendance is good, we would like to ask the Superintendent of each Sunday School to instruct their teachers to encourage the children's parents to attend Sunday School with their children, for we find that a great percentage do not attend. It's a great help to keep the children obedient in God's house when the parents are present, and we must remember that all services should be carried on in decent order, for the Church is a house of prayer and not a recreation center. Let us remember that our Sunday School of today will be our

Churches of tomorrow, so please encourage the children to study their lessons.

Bro. George W. Newham, 1717 W. Romana, Pensacola, Fla.

Sister W. S. Land, Rt. 1, Milton, Fla.

Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge committee.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Obituary Committee, find the following:

First Free Will Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla.

Mrs. L. A. Hall, age 37

Passed away Jan. 3, 1951. Sister Hall was a devoted Church member, wife and Mother. The community has lost a good friend and neighbor.

East Side Free Will Baptist Church, Pensacola, Fla., two deaths.

Sister Jack Word, age 82, a faithful and kind friend. We feel like our loss is Heaven's gain.

Bro. Crelira Tucker, age 54, Pensacola, Fla.

Bro. Tucker was a loyal Church member and a friend to all.

Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church, Century, Fla.

Bro. Frank Armstrong, age 68. He is really missed by all who knew him.

Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist Church, Molino, Fla.

Bro. Wesley Nims, age 63, a beloved Brother who was loved by all.

Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church, Berrydale, Fla.

Bro. W. F. Shehane, age 68, a faithful Church member and a friend to all.

Shilo Free Will Baptist Church, Bratt, Fla. (three deaths)

Bro. C. C. Hanks, age 81, loved and missed by all.

Sister Jessie Barnes, age 35, a devoted wife and mother.

Sister Mittie Long, age 79, devoted to her Church and Home.

Respectfully submitted

Bro. L. A. Hall, 4219 Gaffney St., Pensacola, Fla., chairman of committee, Sister Dorothy Norris, Sister Emma Lee, Rt. 1, McDavid, Florida.

Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Finance Committee report as follows:

First Free Will Baptist Church	\$ 15.00
Eastside Free Will Baptist Church	29.00
Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church	8.00
Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist Church	27.10
Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church	5.00
Shilo Free Will Baptist Church	10.16
Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church	11.00
Grace Free Will Baptist Church	5.00
Rainbow Free Will Baptist Church	2.25
Friendship Free Will Baptist Church	3.23

TOTAL . . . \$115.74

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SUMMARY TABLE FOR CHURCHES—

ASSOCIATION—WEST FLORIDA FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 21 & 22, 1951

MODERATOR—W. S. THOMLEY, ADDRESS—ROBERTSDALE, ALA.

CLERK—DAISY M. WILLIAMS, ADDRESS—144 ARAGON COURT, PENSACOLA, FLA.

ASST. CLERK—W. E. HOLLEY, ADDRESS—P. O. BOX 5287-3501, PENSACOLA, FLA.

LOCATION	Year Organized	Services Per Month	CHURCHES	PASTORS NAME & ADDRESS	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter and Confession of Faith	Dismissed by Letter	Grand Total of Membership Including Non-Resident Mbrs.	Number Excluded	Number Died	Sunday School Enrollment	Woman's Auxiliary Enrollment	Vacation D. V. B. Bible School Enrollment	Paid Pastor	League Enrollment	Value of Church Property	Amount For Associational Purposes	Clerk's Name and Address	Home and Foreign Missions	Amount for Orphanage
Pensacola, Fla., Wiggins, Jean St.	1945	1-2-3-4	First	W. S. Thomley, Robertsdale, Ala.	3	10	3	68	0	1	46	7	65	1344.97	20	15299.49	15.00	Mrs. Millie Donaldson, Rt. 2 Box 97, Pensacola, Fla.	48.79	10.15
Pensacola, Fla., Garden St-10th Av.	1947	1-2-3-4	East Side	R. M. Hughes, Pensacola, Fla.	3	24	2	145	0	2	115	10	60	273.47	25	29.00	26.02	Mrs. Daisy Williams, 144 Aragon Ct, Pensacola, Fla.	50.00	
Century, Fla.	1949	1-2-3-4	Mt. Zion	W. M. Patrick, Molino, Fla.	12	2	0	32	0	1	55	0	*	94.30	0	8.00	308.25	Mrs. Carrie Hobbs, Century, Fla.		
Molino, Fla.	1941	1-2-3-4	Pilgrim Rest	T. U. Bryant, Pensacola, Fla.	3	3	6	55	0	1	48	25	15	314.60	36	20.10	10.00	Mrs. Nettie Patrick, P. O. Bx. 111, Cottage Hill, Fla.		
Berrydale, Fla.	1947	1-2-3-4	Travelers Rest	H. L. Adkinson, Milligan, Fla.	2	1	3	26	0	1	20	10	*	30.40	0	5.00	7.50	Mrs. Rennie Nelson, Rt. 1, Milton, Fla.		
Bratt, Fla.	*	1-2-3-4	Shilo	L. V. Pinson, Rt. 1, Atmore, Ala.	1	2	0	116	0	3	98	16		1360.00	80	10.16	536.39	R. P. Amerson, Rt 1, Bx 222, Atmore, Ala.	8.40	
McDavid, Fla.	*	2-4	Christian Home	I. C. Thomley, Molino, Fla.	4	4	0	63	1	0	53	0		305.00	21	11.00	206.30	Mrs. Emma Zee, Rt. A, Box 124, McDavid, Fla.	26.00	
Robertsdale, Ala.	1949	1	Rainbow	I. C. Thomley, Molino, Fla.	1	1	0	13	0	0	30	0						Jack Dunlap, Rt. 1, Robertsdale, Ala.		
Lottie, Ala.	1949	3	New Home	L. M. Thomley, Molino, Fla.	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	72.72	0	2.00		Mrs. Nettie Jones, Star Rt. Box 134, Atmore, Ala.		
Pensacola, Fla.	1949	*	Grace	Aubrey H. Ashcraft, Pensacola, Fla.	3	12	0	34	0	0	53			285.00		5.00		Barney B. Champion, 205 H St. Warrington, Fla.		
Pollard, Ala.	*	*	Friendship	Floyd Coleman, Atmore, Ala.	2	9	0	21	0	0	35	0	0	72.92				Rosa Watson, Rt. 1, Flomaton, Ala.		

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Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge committee.

Moved by Bro. W. B. Hobbs, second by Rev. H. L. Adkinson, to take a special collection to properly finance Minutes, duly carried.

Offering was taken, amount received was\$ 31.06
Additional money received as follows:

Travelers Rest Free Will Baptist Church	5.00
First Free Will Baptist Church	5.00
Friendship Free Will Baptist Church	5.00
New Home Church	4.00

GRAND TOTAL\$165.80

SUGGESTION COMMITTEE REPORT

We your Committee on suggestion file the following that Pilgrim Rest Church, Molino, Fla., be granted the Preachers and Deacons meeting the first 5th Sunday in 1952, and that the First Church in Pensacola be granted the Sunday School Convention the 2nd 5th Sunday in 1952, and that Christian Home Church, McDavid, Fla., be granted the 1952 association to convene Friday and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in September, 1952. We suggest that each church incorporate in its church letter the time of fixed business meetings, and the Lord's supper and feet washing.

We recommend that the host church be granted the privilege of arranging the schedule of activities, the resident pastor to bring the invocation and the welcome address, then turn over all business of the association to the Moderator, and we recommend that Bro. Ashcraft preach the introductory sermon at the 1952 convention. We recommend that each pastor exercise greater diligence and wisdom in his selection of visiting preachers to fill his pulpit; that is, let's stick to Free Will Baptist pupils.

And we call to mind the election of associational officers each year. And we recommend that each Sunday School Superintendent bring or send a Sunday School letter to the association each year reporting a complete yearly record of all Sunday School activities. (These blanks can be ordered from Aydon, N. C.) We recommend that the Church covenant be read once each quarter in each church.

Rev. R. M. Hughes, chairman, 815 E. LaRue St., Pensacola, Fla.

Bro. R. L. Donaldson, Rt. 2, Box 97, Pensacola, Fla.

Bro. H. H. Ashcraft, Rt. 1, Atmore, Ala.

Moved, seconded, and duly carried to accept report and discharge committee.

DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

We your D. V. B. School Committee beg to report that we find only four Churches that had D. V. B. Schools. Namely, First Church of Pensacola. Pilgrim Rest Church, Molino, Eastside F. W. B. Church and Grace Free Will Baptist Church in Pensacola. We suggest that all Churches have D. V. B. School as the children get more real Bible training in ten days than they will in a year of Sunday School.

Sister Mary E. Bell 1419 W. Hernandez St. Pensacola, Fla.

Sister Edna Henderson Rt. 4, Box 360, Pensacola, Fla.

Sister Maudie Blanton Rt. 1, Box 293, Atmore, Ala.

Moved, seconded and duly carried to accept report and discharge Committee.

LEAGUE COMMITTEE REPORT

We your League Committee, suggest that all parents bring their children to League instead of sending them alone. It will also increase our League and interest in our churches, we recommend that we put all of the young people ahead in the Programs and all adults should hold them up with our prayers and help. We recommend that all churches should have a League and each church should attend the League Rallies, we now have a Membership of 254. We suggest that all Christians should eat less and pray more, for our churches.

Sister Agnes Ashcraft, Chairman, 401 N. Wiggins, Pensacola, Fla.

Sister Ada Bryant, 424 Border St. Pensacola, Fla.

Sister E. H. Rigby Rt. (A) Box 341 Atmore, Ala.

Moved, Seconded and duly carried to accept report and discharge Committee.

Moved, Seconded and duly carried to adjourn business session for the 11:00 o'clock Worship Service, to be called back at 1:00 P. M. sharp.

L. M. Thomley, T. U. Bryant and R. M. Hughes brought the message at the 11:00 o'clock Worship Service each being allocated 20 minutes each.

L. M. Thomley used as the basis for his remarks Isaiah 35th chapt. T. U. Bryant using scripture Rev. 3rd Chapt. 5th thru the 11th verse. R. M. Hughes used scripture Acts 1st Chapt. 8th and 9th verses. Dismissal Prayer by Bro. Nathaniel Carden.

Saturday afternoon session was called to order at 1:00 o'clock by our Moderator W. S. Thomley leading the congregation singing, and reading St. Luke 14th chapt. 36th verse. Followed with Prayer by Rev. A. P. Morris, Moderator declared body ready for business.

CALL FOR MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Motion made by Rev. I. C. Thomley, Seconded by Rev. R. M. Hughes, to re-instate Rev. A. P. Morris, Foley, Ala., as minister. Motion duly carried.

Motion made by R. M. Hughes, Seconded by A. P. Morris to use the blank on the back of Preachers' Identification card to make the Ministers' or Preachers' annual report, for the clerk to use in compiling statistics. Duly carried.

Moved by L. V. Pinson, Seconded by W. E. Holley, "that we suggest" to the several churches in West Florida Free Will Baptist Association, that no member hold more than one office in their own church. Duly carried.

Moved by L. M. Thomley, seconded by I. C. Thomley, to discontinue preachers' and deacons' fund and that the associational clerk refund all monies that has been paid in said funds. Duly carried.

Moved by L. M. Thomley, Seconded by A. P. Morris, that this body take a vote whether we change our Sunday School convention from one of the 5th Sundays to a week-day. Vote taken, failed to carry.

MODERATOR CALLED FOR NOMINATION OF OFFICERS

L. V. Pinson was elected Moderator

R. M. Hughes was elected assistant Moderator.

Moved and seconded that Daisy M. Williams remain Clerk and Treasurer and W. E. Holley assistant Clerk. Duly carried.

Moved, seconded, that Albert C. Wiggins, Harvey Henderson and W. E. Holley, represent this body in the Florida State Association, Nov. 2nd and 3rd 1951. Duly carried.

Moved, seconded, to send to the Clerk of this association \$5.00 from each church composing this association for the purpose of \$10.00 to the State of Florida Free Will Baptist Association and the balance to go to the clerk for her services as said clerk. Duly carried.

Moved, seconded, that the clerk have authority to receive letters and money to enter in the Minutes from New Home Church, Lottie, Ala. Duly carried.

Moved and Seconded, To take a Free Will offering for the Orphanage Home, Duly carried, amount received \$20.40.

Moved by R. M. Hughes, Seconded by J. D. Parham to adjourn, to meet Friday and Saturday before the 4th Sunday in Sept. 1952 with Christian Home Free Will Baptist Church, McDavid, Florida. Duly carried.

Adjourn.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The officers of the Association are the Executive Committee.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Invite, visiting brethren to sit with us.
2. Introductory Sermon.
3. Call for Corresponding Letters and Enrollment of Delegates.
4. Call for Petitionary Letters.
5. Call for Correspondence from Sister Associations.
6. Assignment of Committees to the Churches.
7. Appointment of Correspondents.
8. Reading the Corresponding Letters.
9. Hearing Reports of Committees.
10. Miscellaneous Business.
11. Election of Moderator and Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one true and living God; the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe that the Scripture of the Old Testament are words of Divine Inspiration, given to Abraham's children and that the New Testament contains the only Proper Rules for the faith and practice of the Christian Churches.

Article 3. We believe in the depravity of man and in man's inability to recover himself from his fallen condition, without a Divine Mediator.

Article 4. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ suffered and died upon the cross, and thereby made full atonement for every human being and His obedient life, sacrificial death, triumphant Resurrection, glorious ascension, and present intercession at His Father's Throne hath wrought an everlasting salvation for every sinner that will repent, believe and obey His Word.

Article 5. We believe that the faithful Christian will not fall from grace; however, we do believe in the free moral agency of man after justification, and that there is possible danger of falling into sin and being finally lost.

Article 6. We believe according to Hebrews the 6th chapter first to seven verses, that after a man has been made a partaker of the Holy Ghost, if he shall fall from grace it is impossible to renew him again unto repentance, or restore him again into the favor of God.

Article 7. We believe Baptism and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the Washing of the Saints' feet are all ordinances, ordained and instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects. That the proper mode of Baptism is immersion, and that it is the duty of believers to attend these ordinances.

Article 8. We believe in the general judgment and that the joys of the Righteous and the Punishment of the Wicked will be eternal.

Article 9. We believe according to I Cor. 10:6 that each individual having been inducted into the Kingdom of Christ by an operative influence of the Holy Ghost and having faith to exercise the free dictation of his conscience, is in Communion with Saints.

Article 10. We believe in the justification of infants by the imputed Righteousness of Jesus Christ. Math. 19:14.

GOVERNMENT AND CONSTITUTION

Article 1. Each Church in this Association shall be entitled to one vote, and each Church having more than twenty-five members shall have one vote for the first twenty-five and one vote for each additional twenty-five members or fraction thereof. These votes shall be cast by one delegate from each of the various churches, and this delegate shall be duly elected by the Church to cast these votes. A roll call shall be made on important questions when it is desired.

Article 2. In the letter from each church shall be expressed the number received by experience, letter, recommendation, restoration; the number dismissed by letter, excluded, died since the last Association, and the total number enrolled. Also give name of present Pastor and one called for the ensuing year; the name and addresses of Sunday School Superintendent and Secretary, the enrollment of Sunday School; the amount collected since last Association; the amount paid out to Pastor, to missionary, to minutes, and to miscellaneous expenses, and the amount left in the treasury.

Article 3. All subordinate Churches shall be subject to the ruling of this Association.

Article 4. This Association when convened, shall be governed by a Regular and Proper Code of Rules which they are authorized to establish for themselves.

Article 5. They may elect a Moderator, Secretary and Treasurer from themselves and they may hold their office until their successors are elected.

Article 6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except when withdrawn by consent.

Article 7. New Churches may be received into the Association who shall petition by letter or delegates if they have been regularly organized upon a profession of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and are walking according to the gospel order.

Article 8. This Association shall furnish each Church with minutes of their proceedings in proportion to the amount sent by each Church in order to enable the Association to print their Minutes it is expected that each Church will send such sums of money as they think proper, and when the money is received, it shall be placed in the hands of a trustee appointed for that purpose, and may be disbursed by order of the Association.

Article 9. For the purpose of ordaining ministers of the gospel and Deacons who shall come with recommendations from their churches, and for trying all ordained members for unChristian conduct, there shall be a Presbytery, which shall convene at the opening of the Association and at any time during the Association year, if called by the Moderator or his assistants or any five members of said Presbytery who deem it necessary to make such a call. The Presbytery shall consist of ordained members present, and they shall elect a Moderator and clerk from among themselves for the time being who shall hold their offices until their successors are elected. It shall be the duty of said Presbytery to examine all applicants for ordination sent with recommendations from their Churches composing this Association, and if found competent, to ordain and set them apart for the work by laying on of hands. The Presbytery shall have full power to

try all ordained members for unChristian conduct and on testimony their decision shall be final.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of each Minister who shall organize a church to ordain Deacons for the same. It is his duty also to ordain deacons where a vacancy occurs within his charge. It shall be the duty of each pastor to encourage the organization and support of a Sunday School in the church or churches where he is pastor.

Article 11. No person shall be ordained to the ministry until he is qualified to meet the conditions stated in the third chapter of I Timothy and this shall be tested by the Presbytery. The Presbytery shall have full power to propound such spiritual questions as they consider necessary to determine his qualifications. All candidates for ordination shall be required to answer these questions satisfactorily.

Article 12. This Association may exclude from its body any minister who teaches heresy, or any other church that countenances him in said teaching or that may be disloyal to the tenets of faith as held by this Association and expressed in our Articles of Faith.

Article 13. All questions coming before this Association shall be determined by a majority vote, except exclusion of churches which shall require two-thirds (2-3) majority.

Article 14. Representatives from five churches shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and no business shall be transacted without a quorum.

Article 15. The Minutes of this Association shall be read before the body, corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk.

Article 16. This Association may adjourn to meet with any Church that is a regular member of it at any time it deems proper.

Article 17. Amendments may be made to this form of government at any time by a majority of the members present composing the Association, voting in behalf of the amendment.

Article 18. When this Association shall have convened, it is the privilege of all ordained members belonging to the West Florida Association of Free Will Baptists to sit in council with us and to propose resolutions coming before the body as though they were delegates from the Church.

Article 19. This Association having jurisdiction over all the churches within its bounds, shall discipline any Church which calls a minister for a pastor who has been excluded by the Presbytery.

BOARDS

All Standing Boards shall be composed of three members, except the executive board, which shall be composed of seven members. Standing Boards include the Executive Board, Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, Board of Education, and Orphanage Board. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the Executive Board, shall be elected as follows: The first named for a period of one year, the second named for a period of two years, and the third named for a period of three years. Succession to office thereafter shall be determined as order requires.

Section 2. The personnel of the Executive Board shall be composed of the Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Chairman of each of the following boards: Foreign Mission Board, Home Mission Board, Board of Education and Orphanage Board.

Section 3. The Executive Board shall have the power to act in behalf of and for the West Florida Association from one regular session to another and shall have power to elect such officers as may be necessary for its own government and to carry out the plans and undertakings of the Association. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to make written reports of all its work to each Annual Session of the Association.

Section 4. The duties of the various Standing Boards shall be to plan a program and supervise its operations in their respective fields. They shall organize themselves and regulate their work as may become necessary, and as may be found in harmony with the principles and tenets of the Association.

RULES AND DECORUM

This Association shall be opened by singing and prayer. Only one person may speak at a time. All addresses made by members shall be made to the Moderator and the person thus speaking shall strictly confine himself to the subject in debate. No speaker shall cast any personal reflection toward any member of this body who has spoken previously.

No person shall be allowed to speak more than three times on any one subject without the permission of a majority of the Association.

The speaker shall not be interrupted during his speech by anyone except the Moderator unless he violates the Rules of Order.

No member shall absent himself without permission from the Association. Members shall use the word "Brother," or "Brethren" in all debates.

The names of the members of this body shall be enrolled by the Clerk and the Roll Call be taken as often as necessary, provided a call is made by a member of the Association.

No member shall speak longer than fifteen minutes at any time without permission from the Moderator.

Any member who shall willfully and knowingly violate any of these rules shall be reported by the Moderator and shall be subject to the censure of the Association.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our Rule of Faith and Practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this Solemn Covenant:

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things; to avoid all appearance of evil; to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world; from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages; and to provide things honest in the sight of all men. We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self denial, faith and good works endeavor to grow in "grace and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for Church Conferences. Public Worship and the observance of the ordinances of the gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the Church, for its poor and all its benevolent works. We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity

of the Spirit in the bond of peace; to be careful for one another's happiness and reputation, and to seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring and as far as we are able, promote the success of the Church and of the gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises "supreme." Counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and tolling that the Kingdom of God may come and that His Will may be done in earth as it is in Heaven; to this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sabbath schools and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of souls, and the conversion of the world; and may the God of Peace Sanctify us wholly; and preserve us blameless unto the Coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

MEMBERSHIP OF CHURCHES IN ASSOCIATION 1950

1. First Church Membership, Pensacola, Fla.	65
2. East Side, membership, Pensacola, Fla.	126
3. Mt. Zion, membership, Century, Fla.	18
4. Pilgrim Rest, membership, Molino, Fla.	50
5. Travelers Rest, membership, Berrydale, Fla.	28
6. Shilo, membership, Bratt, Fla.	78
7. Christian Home, McDavid, Fla.	53
8. New Home, Lottie, Ala.	8
9. Rainbow, Robertsdale, Ala.	10

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RULES FOR TAKING MEMBERS INTO THE CHURCH

Q. You found yourself a sinner in the sight of God?

A. I did.

Q. And you feel that God for Christ's sake has forgiven you for all sin?

A. I do.

Q. And now you want to become a member of this Free Will Baptist Church at this place?

A. I do.

Q. Are you willing to abide by the rules of this Church?

A. I am.

Q. Are you willing to support the Church with your finances as God Prospers you?

A. I am.

Q. Do you believe the whole Bible and will you take it for your guide and live according to its teachings?

A. I will.

Q. Do you believe in free and open Communion? Let a man examine himself according to 1st Cor. 11:28. Also in the Washing the Saints' feet according to St. John, 13th chapter.

A. I do.

Q. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and do you accept Him as your Personal Saviour?

A. I do.

MINISTERS YEARLY REPORT

MINISTERS	Churches Pastored	Sermons Preached	Number Revivals	Number Funerals	Number Marriages	Number Members Received	Received by Baptism	By Letter and Confession of Faith	Miles Traveled	Money Received	Churches Organized	Expense Paid Out	Sick Calls
R. M. Hughes	1	145	2	3	3	27	3	24	2500	273.47	0		100
L. M. Thomley		103		0	0	35	19	16	14040	156.10	1	72.00	70
W. M. Patrick	1	122		0	1	2	13		6244	151.70		122.77	90
T. U. Bryant	1	128		1	1	6	3	3	6478	314.60	0	109.25	62
H. L. Adkinson	1	67		0	2	3	1	2	2756	82.65	0	118.00	105
I. C. Thomley	2	71		0	0	7	4	3	4364	340.07	0	188.41	26
W. S. Thomley	1	308		5	1	13	0	9	15000	1344.97	0	208.00	65
L. V. Pinson	1	240		7	1	3	1	2	*	2184.00	0	*	*
A. H. Ashcraft	1	*			0	12	4	6	*	200.00	0	*	*
H. E. Coleman	1	57		2	0	23	2	21	2591	89.95	0	71.75	33
John D. Parham		36		0	0		1	0	904	45.23	0	*	30
E. A. Breedlove (No Report)													
A. P. Morris (No Report)													
W. A. Morton		75		1		5			2000	50.00			60
Nathanial Carden (No Report)													