

MINUTES
OF THE
25TH. ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
West-Florida And South-East Alabama
Liberty Free Will Baptist Association
HELD WITH
SPRING HILL CHURCH
HOLMES COUNTY FLORIDA
COMMENCING ON FRIDAY BEFORE THE FIRST SUNDAY IN
NOVEMBER 1913



OFFICERS

B. F. PATE, MODERATOR	-	Black, Alabama
J. C. RETHERFORD, CLERK		Hartford, Ala.

MINUTES

The Liberty United Freewill Baptist Association of West Florida and Southeast Alabama held its twenty-fifth annual session with Spring Hill Church, Holmes County, Florida, commencing at 11:00 o'clock on Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1914. Sermon introductory to business was delivered by G. B. Jenkins.

Friday Afternoon Session.

Following a dismissal of one hour and a half for dinner, the body was called to order by the Moderator, and after reading the First Division of the Psalms, bowed in prayer led by H. F. Yates. J. C. Retherford was appointed clerk pro tem, and the body was declared open for business. First, letters were called for from corresponding churches and fourteen were received. W. R. Kirkland and H. W. Mears were appointed to read the letters, which showed representation as follows: St. Paul, represented by Joe Bryan and C. C. Clemmons; Spring Hill, by E. C. Anderson, Jesse Pettus and Alex Pate; New Home, by M. L. Hall, J. T. Jenkins and Frank Jenkins; Bethel, by W. R. Kirkland and I. S. Dykes; Liberty, by T. M. Hall and Ben Cook; Antioch, by G. A. Register; Beulah, by J. E. Hall, A. R. Brock, H. L. Elmore and W. A. Elmore; Pilgrim's Guide, by Thomas Lemieux; St. John's, by G. B. Anderson, J. W. Nelson, T. J. Hand, H. W. Mears and J. H. Mears; Hinson, by O. C. Davis, J. B. Givens, Henry Boyett and D. J. Boyett; Union Hill, by J. R. Bolin, Green Moss, Cap Waters and J. W. Butler; Shiloh, by John Carlisles; Piney Grove, by T. D. Owens, J. A. Owens, G. W. Fussell and J. T. Kirkland; Christian Home, by T. E. Ross, H. M. McCrone, Albert Smith and J. C. Retherford. B. F. Pate was then elected Moderator, and J. C. Retherford, clerk. Next called for petitionary letters and received two with representations as follows: Christian Home Church and Magnolia Bay Church, both in Washington County, Florida, and both represented by Jas. T. Morris. Next called for correspondence from sister Associations with responses as follows: Salem Association, represented by Rev. W. M. Duncan and J. L. Roberson; State Line Association, by J. F. Capps. Moderator appointed delegates to sister Associations as follows: Salem Association, Rev. A. L. Pate, W. A. Elmore, Rev. A. B. Nelson and H. F. Yates; State Line Association, H. F. Yates, J. L. Anderson, J. A. Skinner and W. R. Kirkland. Moderator then appointed the following committees: Temperance—J. R. Bolin, H. M. McCrone, A. B. Nelson, Daniel Owens and W. M. Burke; Sabbath Schools—W. R. Kirkland, J. T. Morris, Thos. Lemieux and I. S. Sellers; Divine Services—W. A. Elmore, Albert Smith and others; Suggestions—A. L. Pate, T. E. Ross, J. L. Anderson, H. F. Yates and I. S. Dykes; Obituaries—M. L. Hall, H. W. Mears and J. D. Givens; Nominations—S. S. Williams, G. A. Register and H. M. Highnote; Documents—H. W. Mears and J. W. Nelson. There being no further business before the body, adjournment was taken until 8:30, Saturday morning.

Saturday Morning Session.

The body was called to order with song, after which the tenth chapter of the book of St. John was read, and the Association bowed in prayer by Elder W. M. Burke. The Moderator announced the body then ready for business. Renewed the call for corresponding letters, called for petitionary letters, and called for correspondence from sister Associations. Next heard the report of the committees, which were rendered as follows:

Report of Committee on Suggestions.

We, your Committee, beg to recommend that no church be allowed over two delegates; that there be no division of the Association at this time; and we further suggest that each church in this Association commune on Sunday night.

Respectfully,
J. L. ANDERSON, Chairman.

Report read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Temperance.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report as follows: Seeing the great evil effects of strong drink, we do earnestly beseech and pray all our brethren who indulge in dram drinking to cease this soul-destroying habit, and aid us with all their efforts to put the temptation out of the State and Nation. Solomon says: "Wine is a mocker, and strong drink is raging; and whoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

J. R. BOLIN, Chairman.

Report read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools.

We, your Committee, beg leave to render the following report: We find only two or three Sabbath Schools in this Association, and we recommend that each church organize and maintain a Sabbath School wherever possible to do so.

W. R. KIRKLAND, Chairman.

Report read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Obituaries.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, ask permission to make the following report: We find that God, in His wisdom, has seen fit to call Sister Ammie Smith from among us into the Great Beyond; also Sister Long, of Panther Creek Church; Sister Mary Burke, of Macedonia; Sister Elizer Davis, Sister Malissie Mathews, and Brother R.R C. Dunlap.

M. L. HALL, Chairman.

Report read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Nomination.

We, your Committee on Nomination, wish to report that we nominate Union Hill Church for the next session of the Association, and Panther Creek Church for the Union Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, S. S. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

After reports of different committees were rendered, the body adjourned for preaching. The pulpit was ably filled by Elder W. M. Duncan, from the text Heb. 2: Chapter, 2-3 Verses. Dismissed until 1:30 p. m.

Saturday Afternoon Session.

Body called together with song, after which the Moderator announced the Association ready for business. Called for report of Committee on Documents and Finance, which was submitted as follows:

Report of Committee on Documents.

We, your Committee, beg leave to report that we find for minutes and associational purposes sums from the different churches as follows:

	Minutes	Ass'n'l Purposes
New Home	\$.75	\$.25
St. Paul	1.00	.25
Spring Hill	1.00	.50
Christian Home (Washington County, Florida) ..	.75	
Panther Creek (Alabama) ..	.75	.75
Hinson ..	1.00	.50
Antioch ..	1.50	.50
Union Hill	1.00	.25
St. John's	1.25	.50
Pilgrim's Guide25	...
Bulah ..	1.00	.55
Bethel ..	1.00	.50
Macedonia ..	1.00	.25
Christian Home (Geneva County, Alabama)	1.50	.50
Piney Grove
Magnolia Bay50	
Shiloh ..	.50	
	1.00	.50
Total ..	\$15.75	\$5.80
Grand total	21.55	
Paid to clerk	10.00	
Balance in Treasury ..	\$11.55	

Respectfully submitted,
H. W. MEARS and H. M. HIGHNOTE, Documents,
J. W. NELSON, C. C. CLEMMONS, J. A. OWENS, Finance.

(Reports of Committees on Documents and Finance made together.)

Moved and seconded that there be no division of this Association at this time. Motion prevailed.

Report of Committee on Divine Services.

Committee on Divine Services reported that T. E. Ross and H. F. Yates would preach tonight; W. M. Duncan would preach Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, and that A. B. Nelson would preach at 11 o'clock.

Miscellaneous Business.

The Association took up the churches in the regular order and voted on same for the next session of this body

and the next session will be held with Union Hill church, three miles Southwest of Slocumb, Alabama, on Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1914, Rev. A. B. Nelson to preach the introductory sermon. The union meeting is to be held with Panther Creek Church, in Houston County, six miles north of Slocumb, beginning at 1 o'clock on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1914, Rev. A. L. Pate to preach the introductory sermon. Motion carried to pay the clerk \$10 for his services, and it was also ordered that the former clerk pay the treasurer \$15 of the Association's money in his hands and keep the remainder for his services. Rev. A. L. Pate was elected Treasurer. Motion carried that the minutes of the previous session be printed and bound with the minutes of the 1913 session. Received report of the special committee and same was released. Upon motion, W. A. Elmore was added to the Executive Committee. The Association donated to Elder W. M. Duncan \$3.65 for traveling expenses. Association adjourned its twenty-fifth session by singing and taking the "Parting Hand."

B. F. PATE, Moderator, Black, Ala.

J. C. RETHERFORD, Clerk, Hartford, Ala.

A. L. PATE, Treasurer, Bonifay, Fla.

Executive Committee—J. C. Retherford, H. M. McCrone, G. W. Owens, J. T. Jenkins, W. A. Elmore.

Resolution of Thanks.

We, the preachers and delegates of Liberty Freewill Baptist Association, do hereby tender our heartfelt thanks to Spring Hill Church and surrounding community for the kind hospitality shown us during our belief's stay among them, especially do we thank the good ladies, upon whom the greatest burden rested. May our Heavenly Father bless them abundantly with His Holy Spirit, together with all necessities of this life.

J. C. RETHERFORD.

Order of Preaching.

Friday at 11 o'clock a. m. the introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. G. B. Jenkins; Saturday at 11 o'clock a. m., sermon by Elder W. M. Duncan; Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock, sermon by T. E. Ross and H. F. Yates; Sunday at 9 o'clock a. m., sermon by Elder W. M. Duncan; at 11 o'clock a. m., sermon by Rev. A. B. Nelson.

Names of Ordained Ministers.

J. L. Simmons, Slocumb, Ala.; I. S. Sellers, Slocumb, Ala.; A. L. Pate, Bonifay, Fla.; W. N. Dixon, Miller's Ferry, Fla.; C. J. Thomas, Georgianna, Ala.; G. B. Jenkins, Graceville, Fla.; W. A. Hardy, Graceville, Fla.; D. P. Mathews, Southport, Fla.; J. T. Morris, Chipley, Fla.; H. W. Norris, Hartford, Ala.; H. F. Yates, Route 1, Caryville,

Fla.; A. B. Nelson, Fla.; S. M. Tindel, Slocumb, Ala.; W. M. Burke, Miller's Ferry, Fla.

Licensed Ministers.

T. E. Ross.

No Memorials furnished.

Order of Business.

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Call for corresponding letters, enrolling names of delegates.
3. Organize by electing moderator and clerk.
4. Call for petitionary letters.
5. Call for correspondence from sister associations.
6. Appoint committees.
7. Appoint correspondents.
8. Reading of corresponding letters.
9. Hear reports of committees.
10. Miscellaneous business.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	CO. AND STATE	PASTOR	CLERK AND THEIR P. O.	By Baptism	Confession of Faith	By Letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Day of Meeting
Christian Home	Geneva, Alabama	A L Pate	J C Rehterford, Hartford, Alabama	8	2	4	-	5	1	1	133	2
Pantha Creek	Houston	W A Hardy	B F Peters, Slocomb,	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	40	-
Bulah	Jackson Florida	G B Jenkins	J E Hall, Graceville, Florida	3	-	-	1	4	5	1	65	3
Hinson	Geneva Alabama	G B Jenkins	O C Davis, Slocomb, Alabama	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antioch	Geneva	A B Nelson	G H Keith, Graceville, Florida	2	4	-	-	1	7	-	76	-
Springhill	Holmes Florida	G B Jenkins	J L Anderson, Bonifay,	3	3	2	-	-	5	1	44	2
St. Paul	Washington	W D Stephens	Barnet Clemons, Vernon,	-	-	2	3	-	-	-	24	2
Macedonia	Holmes	A L Pate	D J Burk, Caryville,	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	20	-
Union Hill	Geneva Alabama	J L Simmons	J W Butler, Slocomb, Alabama	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	44	4
St. Johns	Washington Florida	W D Stephens	J H Mears, Bonifay, Florida	11	-	2	2	-	1	-	114	-
Shiloh	Washington	W M Dixon	Z T Sheffield, Vernon,	-	-	9	-	-	1	-	45	-
Christian Home	Washington	Jas T Morris	John Barfield, Chipley	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	2
New Home	Washington	G B Jenkins	T B Long, Caryville,	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	32	1
Pilgrim's Guide	Washington	D P Matthews	J T Marshall, West Bay	21	11	4	9	-	-	-	73	1
Bethel	Geneva Alabama	J L Simmons	W R Kirkland, Hartford, Alabama	10	2	9	-	-	-	-	39	4
iney Grove	Washington Florida	A B Nelson	T D Duncan, Duncan, Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Magnolia Bay		Jas T Morris	Jas T Morris, Chipley, Florida	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

ASSOCIATION DECORUM.

1. The Association shall be composed only of churches in good standing, and shall be called together by the moderator of the last session if present.

2. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

3. The moderator and clerk of the last session shall officiate until another moderator and clerk are elected.

4. It is the duty of the moderator to receive and submit all motions to the body, and see that order is preserved.

5. The moderator and clerk shall be elected by nomination and acclamation at each session of the Association.

6. This Association shall have a treasurer and an executive committee to be elected every two years.

7. No church will be considered in good standing that retains any member or minister who is known to practice hypnotism.

8. That no member shall be considered in good standing that officiates in the rites of matrimony where either of parties have divorced, except for fornication.

9. No church shall be considered in good standing that retains a minister or deacon that has more than one living wife, or drinks intoxicating beverages.

10. That no church shall be considered in good order that does not commune and wash feet at least one time per year, and further that each church be required to state in their corresponding letters as to whether this ordinance has been kept or not.

CHURCH DECORUM.

1. The church may choose a pastor annually at last Conference in Associational year, or if they prefer, may choose a pastor for an indefinite length of time to continue from year to year so long as he may deem it proper to keep up the connection.

2. When it becomes necessary a pastor may be chosen at any other time, but if the choice be made at a special Conference, the time must be appointed at a monthly meeting of the church.

3. The pastor shall be the moderator of the church, but when he is absent, or does not sit as moderator, being present, some suitable brother shall be appointed in his place.

4. There shall be two or more deacons in the church whose duty it shall be to superintend the collection and disbursement of all contributions made for pastor, etc., and to distribute the bread and wine in the administration of the Lord's Supper.

5. The deacons shall also take notice of such members as refuse or neglect to partake of the Lord's Supper, and endeavor to ascertain

the cause, that the same may be laid before the church conference, if necessary.

6. Some suitable member shall be appointed clerk, and it shall be his duty to do all the recording and other writing pertaining to the business of the church and to preserve a file of the minutes of the Association.

7. When a clerk is appointed, all the books, minutes, etc., belonging to the clerk, shall immediately be delivered to him by his predecessor.

8. When it becomes necessary, a committee of no less than three male members, well acquainted with business, shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to give advice to brethren who apply to them relative to cases of dealing, etc., with the church.

9. The church shall hold a two days meeting embracing Saturday and the Lord's Day following, the first of which shall be the regular time of conference.

10. It shall be the duty of every member, male and female, to attend each conference, if they can, for on that day the pastor is expected to instruct the church in a special manner by giving plain and pointed lessons on doctrine, discipline and rules of holy living.

11. Any male member who shall fail to attend three successive conferences, and any member who may be generally remiss in attending meetings of the church, according to the covenant, (Article 10) shall be cited to appear in conference, and answer for his conduct, but the church may be exempt members from this if necessary.

12. Conference shall be opened and conducted as follows: First, prayer, unless divine service has just been concluded and generally then, second, invite visiting brethren to seats with us; third, open the door for reception to members; fourth, call for absentees; fifth, for acknowledgements; sixth, for references or deferred business; seventh, for matters of dealing which are in order to come before the church; eighth, for miscellaneous business.

13. Visiting brethren called in as help from other churches shall be allowed to vote.

14. An orderly member of the Baptist church which does not hold this church in fellowship, may be received into this church without a letter when it is made apparent that his christian character is unapproachable, and that he has applied for a letter and could not obtain it because he wanted to join this or some sister church. All other persons must join by letter or baptism.

15. We receive members by experience and baptism; on confession of faith, by letter or restoration.

16. When the moderator calls for absentees the clerk shall inform the church what male members have been absent from three successive conferences, and the moderator shall appoint some brother

or brethren to cite each of them to the next conference.

17. No member shall be expelled unless he has been cited verbally, or in writing to attend his trial, provided his residence be known to the church.

18. When a witness, not a member of the church, is introduced, he shall not be examined until the question has been put to the church: "Will you hear the testimony of the witness?"

19. The evidence in every case of dealing and acknowledgement shall be minuted in the church book.

20. Members dismissed from the church by letter who become disorderly, or continue to hold their letter without good reason, shall be cited to conference to answer for their conduct.

21. Expelled members may be restored to fellowship on their petition, if their walk since expulsion has convinced the church that they have sincerely repented of their former evil.

22. A vote shall not be taken on any question without a move and second, and on all important questions the vote shall be taken by rising to the feet.

23. No motion shall be made while a move and a second is before the conference.

24. It shall be considered disorderly for a member to absent himself from conference when an important question is to be decided; but a member upon his request may be exempted by the church from voting on either side in peculiar cases.

25. No member shall leave the house during conference without a sufficient excuse, nor engage in conversation or whispering, without being subject to be called to order by the moderator.

26. All discussion in conference must be conducted with calmness and good feeling. Those who speak must rise to their feet and keep to the point in debate.

27. No one shall speak more than three times on same subject without permission of the moderator, nor shall the remarks of any one be unreasonably long.

28. When the moderator speaks he must nominate some brother as moderator in his stead.

29. No one shall be interrupted while speaking unless it be necessary to call him to order.

30. We believe it to be the duty of the church to communicate wash the saints' feet as often as the church sees fit, the expenses to be paid by the church.

31. Members not in good standing should not commune, but the administration should not be deferred on account of any ordinary matter of dealing.

32. Public fasting, humiliation and prayer shall be observed on proper occasions.

33. The Decorum may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any two successive monthly conferences.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe there is but one living and true God, whose name is Jehovah, the maker and ruler of the universe.

2. We believe that there is one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and by whom salvation is made secure.

3. We believe that in the beginning, God made man upright and placed him in a state of holiness under the laws of his maker, but by a voluntary transgression of his own he fell from that holy and happy state.

4. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for the lack of Christ.

5. We believe that the holy Scriptures are the word of God and they are the only rule of faith and practice.

6. We believe that sinners are drawn to God the Father by the Holy Ghost through Christ his son.

7. We believe that good works are the fruits of faith, and faith without works is dead.

8. We believe that the blessings of salvation are made free and attainable by all mankind.

9. We believe that Commemoration and Feet Washing are the ordinances of Christ, and immersion only is baptism.

10. We believe that all christians should unite in performing the sacred ordinances.

11. That the end of the world is approaching when Christ will descend from heaven and raise the dead from their graves to final retribution; that a solemn separation will then take place, the righteous being adjudged to everlasting happiness and the wicked to endless punishment, and this judgment will fix forever the final state of men in heaven or hell, on principles of righteousness.

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OFFICERS

B. F. PATE, MODERATOR	-	Black, Alabama
A. B. NELSON, CLERK	-	Bonifay, Florida

MINUTES

The Liberty Freewill Baptist Association held its twenty-fourth annual session with Shiloh Church, Washington County, Florida, commencing at 11 o'clock a. m., Friday before the third Sunday in October, A. D. 1912.

Rev. Brother Duncan, who was to preach the introductory sermon, was absent, therefore his alternate, Rev. Brother Matthews, preached the introductory sermon.

After an intermission for dinner the Association was called to order by Brother B. F. Pate, moderator, and business session was opened with singing and prayer. The moderator called for corresponding letters from the different churches. Thirteen letters were received and read.

Names of Churches and Some of Delegates.

Shiloh—J. T. Sheffield, J. W. Yohn, Jno. Carlisle; Panther Creek—C. A. Hardy; New Home—M. L. Hall, C. N. Davis, J. T. Jenkins; Macedonia—D. J. Burke; Spring Hill—J. L. Anderson; St. Paul—G. W. Milton and T. Bryan; St. John—J. A. Anderson, H. W. Mears and G. W. Johnson; Liberty—A. L. Capps, D. A. Anderson and G. A. Anderson; Antioch—G. A. Register and J. R. D. Register; Union Hill—Brother Blount and A. T. Moss; Beulah—W. A. Elmore and J. E. Hall; Bethed—No delegate; Pilgrim's Guide sent a petitionary letter and Delegates H. W. Smith and J. T. Marshall.

Brother B. F. Pate was re-elected as moderator and A. B. Nelson was chosen as clerk. Moderator called for correspondents from sister Associations. There was none. Then moderator appointed the following committees: On Resolutions—H. W. Mears, J. L. Anderson, W. N. Burke; On Suggestions—G. B. Jenkins, J. E. Hall, G. A. Register. Names of all brethren on these committees cannot be given as our manuscript was destroyed in the F. W. B. publishing house in Ayden, N. C., with other manuscripts of other associations when fire burned up the publishing house. On Temperance—W. N. Dixon, G. B. Jenkins, T. D. Owens; On Sunday Schools—W. A. Elmore and others; On Divine Service—Brother W. A. Elmore, chair-

man; On Nominations—J. T. Jenkins, J. E. Hall and C. W. Pettis; On Finance—J. C. Retherford, chairman; On Corresponding Letter Form—H. W. Mears, G. B. Jenkins and A. B. Nelson; On Obituaries—D. P. Matthews, J. A. Anderson. Upon motion, the body adjourned to meet at about 8:30 a. m., Saturday.

Saturday Morning Session.

Assembled somewhat late and body was called to order by moderator. Not much business was transacted before noon. Pursuant to the report of the Committee on Divine Service, the stand was occupied at 11 o'clock by Rev. Brother Jenkins and Rev. Brother Dixon.

Divine service was closed and an intermission was taken for dinner.

Upon reassembling, Rev. Brother Burke solicited contributions to aid a needy widow, which was responded to liberally. Several dollars were soon given. The moderator read the first division of the Psalms and after prayer the house was ready for business.

The reports of the committees were received and read, most of them readily adopted and the others after much discussion were also adopted. They are nearly all as follows:

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

We, your committee, beg leave to make the following report: We ask that the power to transact business be taken from it as we do not think its business meet. We ask that the Committee on Resolutions be dropped and that the Committee on Suggestions take its work.

THE COMMITTEE.

Report of Committee on Suggestions.

We, your committee, beg leave to make the following suggestion: We ask that the thirty-third article be reinserted and that the 1911 report on suggestions be dropped. We also ask that the time of meeting of the Association be again set upon the first Sunday in November.

Report of Committee on Temperance.

We beg that the report of the Committee on Temperance of 1911 be readopted.

Respectfully submitted by the COMMITTEE.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

We, your committee, find but four Sunday Schools in our Association. We recommend that each Church has a Sabbath School.

Respectfully submitted, W. A. ELMORE, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

We, your committee, nominate the following places which have called for the next Association: Macedonia, Union Hill, Bethel, Beulah and Spring Hill. For the union meeting, Piney Grove, St. Paul, Christian Home, New Home. To preach the introductory sermon at the Association, G. B. Jenkins, W. A. Hardy; alternate; at the union meeting, W. N. Burke; W. N. Dixon, alternate.

Signed by THE COMMITTEE.

A vote was taken on the nominated Churches, which resulted in giving the next Association to Spring Hill and the next union meeting to New Home.

Report of Finance Committee.

We, your committee, find for minutes and associational purposes the following sums: St. Paul, \$1.10; Shiloh, .50; Piney Grove, \$1.00; Union Hill, \$1.75; Macedonia, \$1.00; Beulah, \$1.50; Christian Home, \$2.00; Spring Hill, \$1.50; Panther Creek, \$2.00; Antioch, \$2.00; Infant's Rest, .90; Pilgrim's Guide, \$1.50; St. John's, \$1.50; Liberty, \$1.50; New Home, \$1.00; Bethel, \$1.00; Total, \$21.75.

Respectfully submitted, J. C. RETHERFORD, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Obituaries.

We, your committee, beg leave to make the following report of our deceased: Shiloh, two; Mrs. Martha Paine and Mrs. Jesse Hair. Liberty, two; A. M. Mitchell and Mrs. Mary Mynse, who were good true members. Funeral by D. P. Matthews. Panther Creek, three; W. H. Peters, Sisters Sallie Williams and Mary Hughes. Macedonia, one; Mrs. Arkey Hinote, who was a true Christian member. Union Hill, two; Sisters Susan Russell and Annie Horton, died January 1, A. D. 1912. She was a good true member five years. Piney Grove lost Brother Belcher Griffin; Christian Home, Brother E. V. Hughes. Susan Russell (church unknown) was a member for 25 years; died July 3, A. D. 1912, 7' years old. Sister Annie Walserton (church unknown) died January 1, A. D. 1912, aged 18 years, five of which she spent in church.

D. P. MATTHEWS, Chairman.

The Committee on Corresponding Letter Form presented a letter form which was adopted. (See corresponding letter blanks.)

The clerk was elected treasurer pro tem., and ordered to have printed 400 minutes and 100 associational letters. For said service clerk was to receive \$7.00.

Vacancies were filled on Executive Committee. Present Executive Committee—G. W. Owens, H. M. McCrone, J. T. Jenkins, J. C. Retherford and D. J. Burke.

A committee of three including Brother J. C. Retherford was appointed and ordered to prosecute Brother M. Simmons for mis-using minute funds entrusted to him by Association, the Association money to pay expense of suit.

Three churches, viz: Christian Home 2nd; Bunker, and Pine Chapel, represented by their pastor, H. Foxworth, were received into the Association in a short business session held Sunday morning. Stratton Spring Church, represented by J. T. Morris, was also received into Association. Received from H. Foxworth for minutes, \$1.50; from Rev. J. T. Morris, 75 cents. Received after Association from Rev. I. S. Sellars, of Hinson Church, for minutes, \$1.00.

Rev. H. Foxworth preached at 9:30 a. m., Sunday. Text: Acts 2:38, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." Your scribe preached at 11 a. m. and Rev. W. N. Burke concluded. Text: I Tim. 4:8, "Godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come." The congregation marched out into the church yard while the class sang "We Are Marching Home," and then took the parting hand while the class sang "In the Sweet By and By." Benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. N. Burke.

A. B. NELSON, Clerk,
Bonifay, Fla.

B. F. PATE, Moderator,
Black, Ala.

Resolution of Thanks.

We, the delegates and messengers of Liberty Association, who availed ourselves of the God-given privilege of attending our session at Shiloh, will never forget the kindness and hospitality shown us by the church and community. May God bless, both spiritually and temporly, the good ladies who prepared them and their good husbands who provided the good things which we enjoyed.

Names of Ordained Ministers.

A. L. Pate, Bonifay, Fla.; J. L. Simmons, Graceville, Fla.; I. S. Sellars, Slocomb, Ala.; W. N. Dixon, Miller's Ferry, Fla.; C. J. Thomas, Georgiana, Ala.; G. B. Jenkins, Graceville, Fla.; W. A. Hardy, Graceville, Fla.; D. P. Matthews, South Port, Fla.; J. T. Morris, Chipley, Fla.; H. W. Norris, Hartford, Ala.; H. F. Yates, Route 1, Caryville, Fla.; A. B. Nelson, Bonifay, Fla.; S. M. Tindell, Slocomb, Ala.; W. N. Burke, Miller's Ferry, Fla.

N. B. Everything short in this minute is due to our being unable to get all the proceedings together again after losing our manuscript, which was destroyed by the fire which destroyed the F. W. Baptist plant in Ayden, N. C. This loss also accounts for the long delay in getting out minutes.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	CO. AND STATE	PASTOR	CLERK AND THEIR P. O.	By Baptism	Confession of Faith	By Letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Day of Meeting
Christian Home	Geneva, Alabama	A L Pate	J C Retherford, Hartford, Alabama	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
Pantha Creek	Houston, Florida	I S Sellers	B F Peters, Slocomb, Florida	5	5	3	3	3	3	3	69	3
Bulah	Jackson, Florida	A B Nelson	Jas Tindell, Graceville, Florida	5	7	1	1	1	1	1	82	1
Antioch	Geneva, Florida	J C Eldridge	G H Keith, Graceville, Florida	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	20	2
Springhill	Holmes, Florida	G B Jenkins	C W Pettiss, Bonifay, Florida	1	1	2	8	8	8	8	20	2
St. Paul	Washington, Alabama	A B Nelson	E R Clemons, Vernon, Alabama	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	45	1
Macedonia	Holmes, Florida	A L Pate	D J Burk, Caryville, Alabama	3	3	5	9	9	9	9	111	3
Union Hill	Geneva, Florida	J L Simmons	J W Butler, Slocomb, Alabama	10	3	5	9	9	9	9	23	1
St. Johns	Washington, Florida	A L Pate	J H Mears, Bonifay, Florida	2	2	5	5	5	5	5	29	1
Shiloh	Washington, Florida	W N Burk	A L Sheffield, Miller's Ferry, Florida	2	2	7	7	7	7	7	28	1
Christian Home	Bay, Florida	H Foxworth	Kin Pinton, West Bay, Florida	16	1	4	4	4	4	4	23	4
New Home	Washington, Alabama	G B Jenkins	J J Barton, Caryville, Alabama	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	59	4
Pilgrim's Guide	Bay, Florida	D P Matthews	J T Marshall, South Port, Florida	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	11	4
Bethel	Geneva, Alabama	J L Simmons	W R Kirkland, Hartford, Alabama	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	30	4
Piney Grove	Washington, Florida	A B Nelson	T D Owens, Duncan, Florida	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	4	4
Liberty	Washington, Florida	D P Matthews	D A Anderson, Vernon, Florida	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	16	4
Infant's Rest	Washington, Florida	D P Matthews	CH Matthews, Chipley, Florida	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	4	4
Bunker	Bay, Florida	H Foxworth	Hilton Winso, Ebro, Florida	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	4	4
Pine Chapel	Bay, Florida	H Foxworth	W M Whitefus, Chipley, Florida	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	4	4
Stratton Springs	Washington, Florida	W D Stephens	A W Wittington, Chipley, Florida	5	5	1	5	5	5	5	16	4