



**West  
Florida  
Liberty  
Association**

**OF**

**Free Will Baptist**

**1990  
Minutes**

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## WEST FLORIDA LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

## Officers and Boards

1990

OFFICERS

Moderator-----Rev. Tommy Dubose

Assistant Moderator-----Rev. Randy Hill

Clerk/Treasurer-----Loreida Austin

Assistant Clerk/Treasurer-----Kathy Burch

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Aron Burch - 1991

Mr. Jim Roney - 1992

Rev. Allan Austin - 1993

Mr. Ross Pippin - 1994

Rev. Frank Willis - 1995

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mr. Thomas Porter - 1991

Mr. Archie Cook - 1992

Mr. Jim Roney - 1993

YOUTH CO-DIRECTORS

Mrs. Lunell Duncan - 1991

Mrs. Loreida Austin - 1992

CAMP BOARD

Mr. Aron Burch - 1991

Mr. James Stovall - 1992

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Nominating Committee -- Allan Austin, Wesley Owen, Ed Sweigart.

Resolutions Committee -- Ernest Owen, James Mitchum, Archie Cook.

Obituary Committee -- Etha Mae Owen, Marie George, Sharon Cook.

State Executive Committee -- Ernest Owen.

MISSION BOARD

Mr. James Stovall - 1991

Rev. Tommy Dubose - 1992

Rev. Randy Hill - 1993

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Rev. Tommy Dubose, Rev. Randy Hill, Mr. Thomas Porter

1990 - 1991

CHURCH

Abigal FWB Church  
P.O. Box 927  
Vernon, FL 32462

First FWB Church of Chipley  
609 South Blvd West  
Chipley, FL 32428  
638-0598

Liberty FWB Church  
Rt. 1, Box 519  
Caryville, FL 32427

First FWB Church of Panama City  
305 Airport Drive  
Panama City, FL 32405  
785-0302

Piney Grove FWB Church  
Rt. 5, Box 388  
Chipley, FL 32428  
638-7064

Pleasant Hill FWB Church  
Rt. 1, Box 819  
Bonifay, FL 32425  
535-2851

St. Johns FWB Church  
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Bonifay, FL 32425  
547-3337

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PASTOR

Rev. John Holland  
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Chipley, FL 32428  
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Rev. Ernest Laxton  
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Bonifay, FL 32425  
535-2851

Rev. Allan Austin  
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Bonifay, FL 32425  
547-3337/535-4614

Rev. Frank Willis  
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Vernon, FL 32462  
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Panama City, FL 32405  
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## CLERKS

### Abigail FWB Church

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535-2053

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Chipley, FL 32428  
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Caryville, FL 32427  
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Lydia Lynn  
802-B Magnolia Ave.  
Panama City, FL 32401  
763-7337

### Piney Grove FWB Church

Myra D. Henderson  
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Chipley, FL 32428  
638-1193

### Pleasant Hill FWB Church

Geraldine Burch  
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Bonifay, FL 32425  
547-4547

### St. Johns FWB Church

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908 N Rangeline St  
Bonifay, FL 32425  
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## DEACONS

NONE

Ernest Owen Rt. 5, Box 302 Chipley, FL 32428 638-1472	Thomas Porter Rt. 1, Box 629 Blountstown, FL 32424 674-4228
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Leslie Miller  
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Panama City FL 32404  
872-8681

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# FIRST QUARTERLY MEETING

January 13, 1990

First Free Will Baptist Church of Chipley

Rev. Randy Hill Welcomed all to the meeting and led the congregation in singing The Lily of the Valley.

Welcome and prayer was given by pastor Bob Wyatt.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to seat the delegates.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes of the previous meeting.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the treasury report.

Rev. Dubose announced the Youth Retreat to be held during spring break in April.

Mrs. Lunell Ducan reminded us of Youth Competition to be held in April (District) and May (State).

Bro. Aron Burch made a camp plea for help to finish the dining hall.

Rev. Randy Hill gave information on the upcoming S.S. growth campaign. "154 Ways to Revitalize S.S. and Keep the Church Growing."

Bro. Ernest Owen gave a report on C.A.L.L. referendum and also on the Camp Meeting Services he attended in Tampa.

Dismissed for recess -- 10 minute break.

Services reconvened by singing At the Cross.

An offering was taken to send to support the C.A.L.L. organization.

Special music was given by Bro. and Mrs. Willis; Payday Someday and Still I Believe.

The host church was thanked for their hospitality.

Rev. Allan Austin brought the morning message from Ezekiel 9:6 and I Peter 4 :16-19.

Morning Offering \$44.00

C.A.L.L. offering \$73.88

Church Dues \$189.00



SECOND QUARTERLY MEETING

April 14, 1990

First Free Will Baptist Church of Panama City

Rev. Ernest Laxton opened the meeting with prayer and congregational singing of Victory in Jesus.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to seat the delegates. A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes of the January 13, 1990 meeting.

Old Business -- A letter of Good Standing had been received from the Progressive Association in Alabama for Rev. Allan Austin.

New Business -- Dues for State Competition was brought before the Association as follows -- \$27.50 - registration, \$13.50 - Awards for District Competition.

A Motion was made, seconded, and carried to reimburse Piney Grove FWB church for District Awards and to pay the registration dues for State Competition.

A letter from the Ordaining Council to the Association was read recommending the acceptance of Bro. Don Durham into our Association.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept Bro. Durham into associational fellowship.

Rev. Tommy Dubose was nominated and elected to replace Rev. Bob Wiant on the Executive Board.

Announcements : Youth Camp - Teen Week--June 17-22, 1990

Tommy Dubose - Director

Danny Williams - Evangelist

Junior Week--June 24-29, 1990

Tim Owen - Director

Randy Jackson - Evangelist

Work day for camp --May 12, 1990 and June 16, 1990

Camp Meeting - August 5-10, 1990

Brent Vickery Evangelist

C.A.L.L. won their campaign and had sent a thankyou note to the association for its financial support.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to recess for 10 minutes.

Worship service began with the congregational singing of To God Be The Glory and He Lives. Special Music was By Rev. and Mrs. Don Durham -- A medley of Had it Not Been, If That is'nt Love, and Redemption Draweth Nigh. The Morning message was brought by Rev. James Stovall from Matt. 5:13-16 and Psalm 142-4.

Morning Offering - \$45.00; Church Dues --\$194.25

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING

July 14, 1990

Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church

The Association Meeting was opened with the congregational singing of He Keeps Me Singing.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to seat the Delegates.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes of the last association meeting.

A motion was made to elect a camp meeting committee of three (3). A motion was made, seconded and carried to table the previous motion. Adding a note/letter of information to the co-ordinator about camp activities was also discussed during this time.

Dismissed for 10 minute recess.

Reconvened with congregational singing of Love Lifted Me and O How I Love Jesus.

Rev. Don Durham brought the morning message "What makes a good fishing trip" from Matt. 4:18&19.

Morning offering \$42.00

Church dues \$173.75



# ANNUAL MEETING

October 13, 1990

## Piney Grove Free Will Baptist Church

The meeting was opened with congregational singing of Heavens Jubilee and prayer by Bro. Frank Willis.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to seat the delegates.  
A motion was made, seconded, and carried to accept the minutes of the last meeting.

A motion was made, seconded, and carried to remove the motion placed on the table at the July 14, 1990.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to request from other sister associations affiliated with camp meeting at Camp Mt. Pleasant to allow the Liberty Association to plan and conduct camp meetings.

### Reports of Committees and Boards:

Nominating Committee - Given by Rev. Randy Hill (report in minutes).

M., S., & C. to accept. (note--the following committees were abolished --no longer functional--State Education Committee, Stewardship Committee, Education Committee, Childrens Home Representative, and Finance Committee.)

Executive Committee - none.

Board of Trustees - none.

Youth Co-Directors - none.

Camp Board - Given by Bro. Aron Burch and Rev. Tomy Dubose.

Mission Board - none.

Ordaining Council - Given By Rev. Randy Hill --Recommended  
Rev. David Williford for acceptance into the  
association. M., S., & C. to accept.

State Executive Committee - none.

Stewardship Committee - Given By Rev. Frank Willis. M., S., & C. to accept  
(report in minutes.)

Education Committee - Given by Rev. Allan Austin. M., S., & C. to accept  
(report in minutes.)

Resolution Committee - Given by Mrs. Jerrine Burch. M., S., & C.  
to accept report. (report in minutes.)

Obituary Committee - Given by Mrs. Kathy Burch. M., S., & C. to accept  
(report in minutes.)

Finance Committee - Given by LOreida Austin. M., S., & C. to accept  
report.

Motion was made, seconded and carried to recess for 10 minutes.

Worship service began with singing of Leaning on the Everlasting Arms.

Rev. David Williford brought the morning message from Matt. 8:18-22.  
"So you want to be a Disciple?"

A motion was made, seconded and carried to move July's meeting up one week due to the National Association meeting dates.

Morning Offering \$53.24; Church Dues \$205.00.

Report of Obituary Committee : As we come to the end of another year, we would not fail to recognize our deceased. God in His infinite love and mercy saw fit to call from our midst these beloved brothers and sisters.

Abigail-----none	Pleasant-----Beula Gilley
Chipley-----Monnie Retherford	Jerry Gilley
Cleve McFarland	Frank Lawrence
Liberty-----none	St. Johns-----Paul Jernigan
Panama City--none	William Baxley
Piney Grove--none	Wade Dinkins

Respectfully Submitted: Etha Mae Owen, Sharon Cooper, Kathy Burch

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Report of Resolutions Committee: This is a great day for expressing ourselves and one hears much about the dangers of repression. We need to remember that it is not the steam expressed in the whistle but the steam repressed in the cylinders that drives the engine. Col. 3:23 And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men.

Respectfully Submitted: Jerrine Burch, Myrtle Miller, Katie Owen

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We the Committee on Stewardship submit the following report:

Stewardship - one who manages the affairs of another. A good steward is a faithful steward.

Spiritual Stewardship is looking after and promoting the affairs of our Lord until His coming or His return.

We must have personal knowledge of whom we belong too and manage for.

We must have a love and committed life too Him who died for us. Yet lives today in us.

We must have a burning spiritual desire to see His kingdom grow in this present world that we may be found faithful in all things, so that His spiritual reward will be ours at His return. Let us continue to be faithful stewards.

Respectfully Submitted: Rev. Frank Willis, Aubrey E. George

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We the Education Committee do hereby submit the following report to the association:

Due to the declining interest in Sunday School, we recommend at least one Sunday School oriented seminar each year, with emphasis on teaching skills and new growth techniques.

We also recommend there be more emphasis placed on CTS involvement at both youth and adult levels. We recommend that each church encourage their youth in CTS youth competition.

Also that we encourage our youth to be involved in our associational meetings and regular youth rallies with programs to teach them Free Will Baptist doctrine and the business aspects of our association.

This we submit to encourage our people to grow in the Lord!

Respectfully Submitted: Rev. Allan Austin, Wesley Owen

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 10/89		\$569.23
Deposits (total)		1,396.30
Association Offerings/Church Dues--	\$977.74	
Youth Fund/Retreat	290.00	
C.A.L.L. Offering	73.88	
Interest	54.68	
Expenses (total)		631.88
Clerk Fee	\$100.00	
Moderator Fee	25.00	
State Assoc. Dues	105.00	
C.A.L.L.	73.88	
Newton Office Supply	13.05	
Student Loan Fund	240.00	
CTS Awards	13.50	
Camp Mt. Pleasant/Youth Retreat	30.00	
Literature/Youth Retreat	3.95	
FL State Youth Board Fee	27.50	
Balance as of 10/90		\$1,333.65 **
**Youth Retreat Fund	\$256.05**	

Student Loan Fund

Balance as of 10/89	\$2,388.47
Deposits from student payments	800.00
Deposits from Association	240.00
Interest	143.25
Balance as of 10/90	\$3,571.72

Camp Meeting Treasure's Report: Submitted by Kathy Burch

Balance as of 9/89	\$216.74
Deposits (total)	1,172.41
\$140.00	
463.20	
569.21	
Expenses (total)	1,098.46
Stamps	\$12.00
Food/Grocerys/supplies	236.57
Speakers	300.00
Marianna Prov.-food	174.89
Electricity/Gas	75.00
Cooks	300.00
Balance as of 9/90	\$290.69

CALENDER OF EVENTS FOR 1991

January 12, 1991 -----Panama City	July 6, 1991-----Pleasant Hill
April 13, 1991-----Chipley	October 12, 1991-Piney Grove

STATISTICAL REPORTS

Churches	Abigail	Chipley	Panama City
Number Baptized	0	1	4
Number added	9	8	11
Number lost	0	18	3
Total Membership	52	51	39
Avg Worship Attendance	20	50	40
SS Enrollment	14	68	30
Avg SS Attendance	12	42	28
CTS Enrollment	0	0	0
WA Enrollment	0	10	0
MM Enrollment	0	0	0
Value of Church Property	55,000.00	490,400.00	116,000.00

Churches	Liberty	Piney Grove	Pleasant Hill	St. Johns
Number Baptized	0	4	2	2
Number added	0	3	2	2
Number lost	0	0	3	4
Total Membership	6	97	30	24
Avg Worship Attendance	6	103	38	40
SS Enrollment	6	120	33	30
Avg SS Attendance	6	83	32	30
CTS Enrollment	0	0	0	0
WA Enrollment	0	12	0	8
MM Enrollment	0	0	0	0
Value of Church Property	30,000.00	143,000.00	100,00.00	75,000.00



CONSTITUTION OF THE WEST FLORIDA LIBERTY ASSOCIATION  
OF  
FREE WILL BAPTISTS CHURCHES

Preamble. In order to encourage and inspire the churches of this association to engage in a more definite plan of work, to labor together in unity, and to coordinate their efforts for a greater program to Christ and His Kingdom. We do hereby adopt this Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE I. NAME - This organization shall be known as the West Florida Liberty Association of Free Will Baptist Churches.

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS - The officers of this association shall be Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, and Assistant Clerk-Treasurer. (These offices may be combined.) The officers are to be elected at the Annual Meeting and will serve a two year term.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP - This association shall be composed of churches in good standing according to the Faith and Practices of the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptist.

Section I. Church(es) desiring membership in this association shall send delegates bearing a petitionary letter. If the above church(es) upon examination by the Credentials-Examining Committee (Ordaining Council), are found to be in order and properly organized as specified in the Treatise of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, they shall, by vote of this body, be received in full fellowship.

a. It is recommended that all churches of this association require their pastors be a member of the church which he serves, unless he pastors more than one church, then he must be a member of one of the churches he serves.

b. It is also recommended that, a church that cannot find a Free Will Baptist Pastor, be allowed to call an interim pastor who will not preach contrary to the Doctrine of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE IV. REPRESENTATION - This association shall consist of delegates from the churches of which it is composed, each church being entitled to two (2) delegates for the first twenty-five (25) members or fraction thereof, and one (1) delegate for each subsequent twenty-five (25) members or fraction thereof.

Section I. All ordained ministers and deacons who are in good standing with the association shall be standing delegates.

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES AND BOARDS - The following are elected on a rotating basis, whereby one member is elected annually. The Executive Committee (5 members elected only from the standing delegates), Board of Trustees (3 members), Youth Co-Directors (2 members), Camp Board (2 members), Ordaining Council (3 members), and Mission Board (3 members). All committees and boards shall be subject to the association for their actions. All committees and boards shall give a report of their actions at each association business session.

Section I. The associational officers are members ex-officio of the above committees.

Section II. The following committees may be appointed by the moderator: Nominations, Resolutions, and Obituaries.

ARTICLE VI. MEETINGS - This association shall meet quarterly on the second Saturday in January, April, July (will meet on the first Saturday due to the National Association Meeting dates), and October for the purpose of transacting associational business.

Section I. the association may meet for fellowship only in January and July.

ARTICLE VII. STUDENT LOAN FUND - The Student Loan Fund shall be supported by a representation fee of \$10.00 per church payable quarterly and supplemented by gifts from individuals, churches, and etc.. To be eligible to receive a loan, you must be: (1) Enrolled in a Free Will Baptist Bible College, (2) Be a member in good standing of a Free Will Baptist Church in this association, (3) Shall give to the Board of Trustees of this association a promissory note.

ARTICLE VIII. FINANCES - Each church shall pay .50 dues for each active member payable quarterly.

Section I. The moderator shall receive twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per year and the clerk one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per year. The remainder of the money shall be used for expenses of the association that may occur.

ARTICLE IX. INDEPENDENCE OF CHURCHES- Each church of this association is a distinct and independent organization, with full and absolute authority to manage its own internal and external affairs, to elect its pastor, officers, and to receive and dismiss its members.

Section I. Each church of this association shall have, hold, and control all its property, real, and otherwise.  
EXCEPTION: The church that is under the control of the Missions Board.



Section II. This association shall act only in an advisory capacity. Should there arise in the local church any question on doctrine, practices or discipline, the Bible, and the Treatise of the Faith and Practices of Free Will Baptists shall be considered the final authority.

ARTICLE X. QUORUM - One minister and five (5) standing delegates with six (6) delegates from three (3) or more churches of this association shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENTS - This constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of the association at any regular business session, if notice of such intended alteration has been given in writing and recorded at the previous business session.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The association, when convened, shall be opened and closed by singing and prayer.
2. Only one person shall speak at a time, and he will rise to his feet and address the moderator.
3. Each person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in speech, except by the moderator, until he gets through; nor shall the moderator interrupt him unless he breaks order.
4. The person speaking shall adhere to the question and shall in no way cast reflections on any person who may have spoken before him.
5. No person shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the association.
6. No person shall carry on conversation, one with another, so as to interrupt business while in session.
7. Members shall address each other by the appellation of brother, brethren, or sisters.
8. No members of this association shall absent himself when the association is sitting in conference without leave of the moderator.
9. The names of the delegates of this association shall be enrolled and called as often as the association thinks is necessary.
10. No member shall speak longer than fifteen minutes at one time without leave of the moderator.
11. Visting brethren shall be entitled to a seat to discuss subjects, but not to vote.

BY-LAWS OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE  
WEST FLORIDA LIBERTY ASSOCIATION OF  
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

ARTICLE I. Duties of Associational Offices.

Section 1. Moderator - The moderator shall preside over all meetings of the association; appoint temporary committees, and call the members of the Executive Committee together when necessary.

Section 2. Assistant Moderator - The assistant moderator shall preside over the meetings of the association in the absence of the moderator. He shall assist the moderator in the general work of the association. He shall assume the duties of the moderator in his absence.

Section 3. Provision for moderator - in case of the absence of both the moderator and assistant moderator, the body shall elect the moderator for that session.

Section 4. Clerk - The clerk shall record the proceedings of the business sessions of the association and of the executive committee, and shall edit and have them printed into annual minutes for the general information of the member churches.

Clerk shall also (1) collect the letters and reports from the churches (2) pre-prepare the associational report to the Florida State Association of Free Will Baptist Churches (3) pre-prepare all correspondence for the association (4) if replaced, turn all records of the association over to the successor in office (5) give the report of meeting to the association.

Section 5. Treasurer - The treasurer shall have charge of all association funds. He/she shall keep a record of all monies received and paid out by the association, make and give a financial report at each business session of the association, disburse funds at the direction of the association, and if replaced, turn all records of the association with the funds over to his/her successor in office.

ARTICLE II. Committees.

Section 1. Executive Committee - The executive committee shall act for the association of churches when it is not in session on things that cannot wait till the association is in regular session.

a. This committee shall plan and arrange the year's program for all sessions of the association.

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b. This committee shall act as the promotional agency for the various work of the association.

c. This committee shall be called into session when necessary by the moderator or in his absence the assistant moderator.

d. This committee shall give a report of all business to the association.

Section 2. Ordaining Council (Credentials and Examining Committee- All members of this committee shall be from the standing delegates) (Ordained ministers and deacons) and shall be members of this association in good standing.

a. It shall be the duty of this committee to examine all candidates (ministers) at the request of the local church, for ordination. All Licenses (not Ordination) for the ministry shall be given by the local church, examined by the ordaining council on request.

b. Ministers coming from other associations shall be examined by this committee according to the Faith and Practice in the Treatise of Free Will Baptists and the Holy Scriptures, at the request of the local church.

c. Any recommendation coming from this committee must come before the body for approval or disapproval.

d. Ministers departing this association will, upon request, be given a letter of recommendation provided he is in good standing with the association, and has no formal charge filed against him by the church he is leaving.

Section 3. Mission Committee - There shall be a mission committee consisting of three (3) members elected to terms, one for three years; one for two years; one for one year.

Their duties:

a. To promote mission work in this association.

b. To coordinate the needs of our missionaries (home and foreign) to each of our churches in this association. To plan, organize, and supervise mission work in the association.

c. To report to the association.

Section 4. Board of Trustees - The board of trustees is to be in charge of all deeds, paper work dealing with the property of the association.

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- a. To regulate and see after the Student Loan Fund.
- b. To collect funds on the promissory notes.
- c. To report to the association.

Section 5. Youth Co-Directors - This committee shall consist of two(2) members elected to terms of one for two years, and one for one year. Their duties are:

- a. To organize, plan, and supervise the Youth Rallies, CTS Competition, Sunday School Promotion, and Summer Camps, and etc.. for the association.
- b. To promote our associaton among our youth.
- c. To report to the association.

Section 6. Camp Board - The duties of the camp board are:

- a. To co-ordinate the work of the camp between our association and sister associations.
- b. To help maintain the camp.
- c. To plan calendar events for the camp.
- d. To co-ordinate with youth co-directors the programs for the camp (association).



# CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Jesus 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 in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake 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, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

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 bonds of peace", to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring and as far as we are able, to 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 toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of Missions, the success of Sunday Schools and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the World. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.