

# MINUTES

of the

## Seventy Sixth Annual Session

*Of The*

### FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION

## OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

### HELD AT THE MARSHALL F W B CHURCH

MARSHALL, N. C.

AUGUST 19, 20, 21, 1954

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The next session of The French Broad Association of Free Will Baptists will be held at the Barnardsville Free Will Baptist Church at Barnardsville, N. C.; beginning on Thursday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1955, at 10:00 a. m. The Rev. George M. Reynolds will preach the Introductory Sermon at 11:00 a. m. The Rev. Warren Reece will be the Alternate.

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#### Officers:

Moderator: Rev. Ervin Sluder..... Weaverville, N. C.  
Assistant Moderator: Rev. J. B. Brigman, R. 4 Asheville N. C.  
Clerk: Hazel S. Reese..... Box 93, Weaverville, N. C.

## In Appreciation

We, The French Broad Association of Original Free-will Baptists, meeting with the Marshall Church, Marshall, N. C., do hereby go on record as gratefully acknowledging with humble sincere thanks and deep appreciation the unfailing services rendered us by Bro. Jerry Ramsey, deceased, Treasurer of the Board, Old Minister's Fund.

To the memory of a great man, these Minutes are respectfully dedicated.

HAZEL S. REESE.

Clerk.

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## PASTORS FOR NEXT YEAR

Church	Sundays We Have Preaching
ASHEVILLE: Rev. Thomas Holder, Jr., Woodfin, N. C.....	Every
AVERY'S CREEK: Not Elected.....	Every
BARNARD: Rev. Hobart Bullman, Walnut, N. C.....	1st & 3rd
BARNARDSVILLE: Rev. Lonnie Crawford, Rt. 2, Mars Hill, N. C.....	1st & 3rd
BEAVERDAM: Rev. Ernest Strickland, Candler, N. C.....	Every
BURGIN CHAPEL: Rev. Clarence Davis, Box 534, Black Mountain, N. C.....	Every
CEDAR HILL: Rev. W. L. Kell, Canton, N. C.....	Every
DRY BRANCH: Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Black Mountain, N. C.....	2nd & 4th
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Rev. G. M. Reynolds, Box 383, Black Mountain, N. C.....	Every
FUGATE: Rev. Harrison Lunsford, Barnard, N. C.....	Not stated
HAZEL GREEN: Rev. H. L. Chatham, 2 Winding Rd., Biltmore, N. C.....	Every
HOMER'S CHAPEL: Rev. Farrell Sparks, Black Mountain, N. C.....	Every
LAUREL FORK: Not stated.....	2nd & 4th
LAURELTON CHAPEL: Not stated.....	2nd & 4th
MARSHALL: Rev. Grady Harris, Black Mountain, N. C.....	Every
MOUNT BETHEL: Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rt. 4, Asheville, N. C.....	Every
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Not stated.....	4th
MOUNT ZION: Not stated.....	1st & 3rd
PAINT FORK: Rev. Raymond Shell, Barnardsville, N. C.....	2nd & 4th
PISGAH FOREST: Rev. Raymond Shell, Barnardsville, N. C.....	1st & 3rd
RAY'S CHAPEL: Rev. T. A. Wheeler, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C.....	Every
RECTOR BRANCH: Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Black Mountain, N. C.....	2nd & 4th
RED HILL: Rev. T. E. Woody, Windom, N. C.....	1st & 3rd
ROCKY BRANCH: Rev. N. F. Byrd, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N. C.....	Every
SHADY GROVE: Rev. Lonnie Crawford, Rt. 2, Mars Hill, N.C.....	1st & 3rd
SHOAL HILL: Rev. Jack Hutchins, Swannanoa, N. C.....	1st & 3rd
SWEETEN CREEK: Rev. John Roberts, Westwood Pl., West Asheville, N. C.....	Not stated; yes
UNION CHAPEL: Rev. W. A. Ward, Weaverville, N. C.....	Every
UNION VALLEY: Rev. Wilco Melton, Black Mountain, N. C.....	Every
WALNUT: Rev. Johnny Franks, Rt. 1, Box 249, Black Mountain, N. C.....	3rd

COPY OF LETTER SENT TO MRS. R. H. REECE,  
FORMER CLERK

Dear Mrs. Reece:

We, The French Broad Association of Original Free Will Baptists, meeting with the Marshall Church, Marshall, N. C., wish to take this method of extending our sincere thanks and appreciation for your co-operation as acting clerk of our conference for the past number of years.

For a job well done, we say Thank You!

Sincerely yours,  
Hazel S. Reese, Clerk

**COPY OF LETTER SENT TO MR. BERNARD BRIGMAN,  
PRINCIPAL, MARSHALL HIGH SCHOOL, AND COPY OF  
LETTER SENT TO MR. WILLIAM PEEKE,  
SUPERINTENDENT, MADISON CO. SCHOOLS**

Dear Sir:

We, The French Broad Association of Original Free Will Baptists, wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for your co-operation in making available the school lunchroom for use during our recent conference in your town.

Without such facilities, we, the Marshall Church, as host, would never have been able to feed all the hosts of people who came to visit and work with us.

Again, Thank You!

Sincerely yours,  
Hazel S. Reese, Clerk

**FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION 1954**

Opening August 26, 10:00 A.M.

Rev. Raymond Shell, Acting Chairman

**PROCEEDINGS**

SONG: Rescue The Perishing

SCRIPTURE: II Corinthians, Ch. 8—Rev. Shell

PRAYER: Rev. Sam Chandler

**PROCEEDINGS**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

MODERATOR: Rev. Ervin Sluder, Weaverville, N. C.

ASSISTANT MODERATOR: Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rt. 4, Asheville, N. C.

CLERK: Hazel S. Reese, Box 93, Weaverville, N. C.

OPENING REMARKS: Rev. J. B. Brigman—For prayer and co-operation for this association

**ELECTION OF READING CLERKS**

Rev. N. F. Byrd, Rocky Branch Church

Mrs. Queen Ramsey, Red Hill Church

**VISITING MINISTERS WELCOMED**

Rev. Bayless McDonald, Cumberland Association of Tennessee.

Rev. Carl Roland, Piedmont Association

Rev. Farrell Sparks, Toe River Association

Rev. David Jones, Toe River Association

Rev. Lowell Parrott, Methodist, Newport, Tenn.  
Rev. E. O. Connelly, No address given  
A copy of the minutes will be sent to each visiting minister.

### 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

SONG: When We All Get To Heaven  
SPECIAL SONG: Pisgah Duet (Lunsford Sisters)—In The Sweet  
Forever  
OPENING REMARKS: Rev. Grady Harris, Pastor Marshall Church  
SONG: When I See The Blood  
PRAYER: Rev. Charlie Hollifield  
SCRIPTURE: Luke 16:1-3, I Corinthians 4, Luke 12:42  
PRAYER: Rev. T. A. Wheeler  
SERMON: Rev. T. A. Wheeler; SUBJECT: God Forbid That I  
Should Sell The Inheritance Of My Father!  
CLOSING: Old time handshake

### 2:00 P.M.

SONG: Standing On The Promises  
DEVOTIONS: Rev. H. L. Chatham  
SCRIPTURE: Psalms 84  
PRAYER: Rev. Milton Hollifield  
SEATING OF DELEGATES  
SONG: The Old Rugged Cross  
SEATING OF DELEGATES, Continued  
REPORT: Hyatt's Creek Church, Rev. Sam Chandler  
REPORT: Free Will Baptist Orphanage, Zalene Lloyd  
SONG: When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder  
OFFERING: Free Will Baptist Orphanage  
REPORTS: Churches granted leave from French Broad Association  
and joining Blue Ridge Association: Canton: Rev. Milton Hollifield; Horney Heights, by letter; Old Fort, Rev. Carl Roland; Salem, Rev. Thomas F. Silvers; Sulphur Springs, Rev. W. L. Queen; Swannanoa, Rev. Ralph Mumpower.  
REMARKS: Rev. Milton Hollifield, concerning same  
REQUEST: Rev. J. B. Brigman, that by-laws of Blue Ridge Association be read  
SONG: Everybody Will Be Happy Over There  
MOTION: Rev. Ernest Strickland, standing vote to host church in appreciation for "fine" lunch  
READING: Rev. Milton Hollifield, by-laws Blue Ridge Association  
MOTION: Rev. R. H. Ballard, to send letter of thanks and appreciation to Mrs. R. H. Reece for services rendered French Broad Association as clerk for past years  
APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

INTRODUCED: Rev. T. A. Wheeler, Topic Committee—moved  
and seconded to adopt same

ADJOURN

### THURSDAY NIGHT, 7:30 P.M.

OPENING SONG: I Know That God Is Real

SPECIAL SINGING: Slagle Singers from Madison Seminary;  
Cantrell Quartet

PRAYER: Rev. Ervin Sluder

SONG: Don't Doubt Me Thomas, Marshall Singers

SOLO: Arvil Davis

SONG: I'm Bound For The Promised Land

SERMON: Rev. Hobart Bullman, Scripture: Luke 9:53

### CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

ASHEVILLE: Mrs. Ruth Bradley, Mrs. Bertha Hudson, Mrs. Oscar  
Reece, Mr. Kelly Metcalf.

AVERY'S CREEK: Mrs. Wayne Lisenbee, Mrs. Thorton Coy, Mrs.  
Lonnie Gasperson.

BARNARD: Rev. Andrew Chandler, Roy Roberts, Ed Davis, Ruby  
Roberts, Andy Farmer, Bert Roberts

BARNARDSVILLE: Tilda Shell, Mrs. Edith Harris, Katherine Riddle.

BEAVERDAM: Eugene Quinn, Mrs. Eugene Quinn, Mrs. Frank  
Smith, Mrs. Kelly Massey, Harry Taylor

BURGIN CHAPEL: D. L. Massey, Lenora Davis.

CEDAR HILL: Mr. & Mrs. R. N. Pinkerton, J. H. Keener, Mr. &  
Mrs. Pat Wilson, Mrs. Maudie King, Mrs. Ed Coleman.

DRY BRANCH: Ottis Davis, Hall Davis, Edd Robinson, Mrs. Queen  
Robinson, Mrs. Polly Payne, Mrs. Ollie Davis.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Mrs. G. M. Reynolds, Rev. J. C. Franks,  
Mrs. Wayne Rayburn.

FUGATE: King Stokley, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Jones, Mrs. King Stokley,  
Floyd Ledford, Eliza Gibbs.

HAZEL GREEN: H. Elkins, Mrs. Elmer Sharpe, Mrs. H. L. Chatham.

HOMER'S CHAPEL: M. C. Worley, Mrs. Jack Wheeler.

LAUREL FORK: Vance Conner, Floyd Sluder, Mrs. Luther Hagan,  
Mrs. Vance Conner, Mrs. N. A. Riddle.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Cas Fender, Worley Capps, Mack Fender,  
Mrs. Arthur Honeycutt, Mrs. Cora Wilds.

MARSHALL: Jason Mainer, W. A. Treadway, Edd Sams, Ray  
Crowe, Ray Roberts.

MOUNT BETHEL: Rev. J. B. Brigman, Fate Edwards, Perry  
Brvant, Wilse Silvers, Rev. Arthur Edmonds, Earl Ponder.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Raymond Hawkins, Herman Rogers, Mrs. Stella  
Sluder, Otis Sluder, Mrs. Cora Sluder, Mrs. Wilma Sluder.

- MOUNT ZION: Charlie Conner, Spurgeon Bullman, Erelene Briggs, Vergie Lackey, Nettie Revis.
- PAINT FORK: Maris Munday, Richard Hyder, Vergie Burrell.
- PISGAH FOREST: Zeb Hensley, H. C. Stines, Lockie Lunsford, Ollie Hensley, R. A. Lunsford, Walter Hyatt.
- RAY'S CHAPEL: S. W. Ballew, Elmer Penland, Sam Wallace.
- RECTOR BRANCH: Mrs. Viola Roberts, Mrs. Earl Roberis, Mrs. Nora Anderson, Walter Anderson.
- RED HILL: Mrs. J. B. McDevitt, Mrs. Eugene Buckner, Hard Ledford, Loyd Rigsby, Jeter Ramsey, Miss Hattie Jarrett, clerk.
- ROCKY BRANCH: Lum Boone, George Plemmons, Raymond Willetts, Earnest Setzer, Mrs. Earnest Setzer.
- SHADY GROVE: Ezekiel Bullman, Eloise Gosnell, Rosa Bullman, Martha Ramsey, Berlene Bullman, Linda Chandler.
- SHOAL HILL: Howard Payne, Jack Payne, Mrs. Garland Rathbone, Rev. Walter Wilson, Mrs. Lyda Brown.
- SWEETEN CREEK: Mr. & Mrs. Luther McCurry.
- UNION CHAPEL: W. F. Banks, Junior Evans, Joe Monday, Hattie Rumbo.
- UNION VALLEY: Mrs. Jennie Ballard, Fred Hyatt, Deer Jones, Lucious Hyatt, Mrs. Helen Murdock.
- WALNUT: Emmitte Payne, Mrs. Garfield Davis, Mrs. Berry Stines, Mrs. B. F. Gutherie, Mr. & Mrs. Luther Chandler.

### APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

- ARRANGEMENTS: A standing committee: Pastor and delegates
- YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK: Sister Clarence Davis, Mrs. B. E. Gutherie, Mrs. Howard Payne.
- SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Rev. Raymond Shell, Bro. Otis Davis.
- HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS: Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rev. Grady Harris, Rev. H. H. McFalls, Rev. Ernest Strickland.
- PASTOR'S SUPPORT: Rev. H. H. McFalls, Rev. Alford Taylor, Rev. Hobart Bullman.
- EDUCATION: Rev. R. H. Ballard, Rev. Warren Reece, Rev. Ernest Strickland.
- LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE: Rev. Walter Wilson, Rev. T. A. Wheeler, Rev. T. A. Holder.
- MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE: A standing committee—written by Rev. Henry Ballard, deceased.
- OLD MINISTER'S FUND: A standing committee—Plato Worley, A. S. Reeves, Ed Davis, Jeter Ramsey, Frank Fisher.
- DEEPER DEVOTIONS: A standing committee—written by W. W. Ballard, deceased.
- OBITUARIES: Mrs. Queen Ramsey, Mrs. Mary Lunsford.



RESOLUTIONS: A standing committee—Rev. J. A. Martin, Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rev. Charlie Hollifield.  
 FINANCE: Rev. Thomas Holder, Rev. George Reynolds.  
 TEMPERANCE: Rev. Lonnie Crawford, Rev. Sam Chandler, Rev. Clarence Wheeler.  
 ORPHANAGE: Bro. Burt Roberts, Sister Amy Plemmons, Rev. W. L. Moretz.  
 PERIODICALS: Rev. Warren Reece, Mrs. Ruth Bradley, Mrs. J. B. Brigman.  
 WOMANS' AUXILIARY: Mrs. Howard Payne, Mrs. Cora Ramsey, Mrs. Berry Stines.  
 TOPIC: Rev. T. A. Wheeler, Rev. George Reynolds, Rev. Thomas Holder.  
 SESSIONS: First delegate of each church.

### PROCEEDINGS

#### FRIDAY, 10:00 A.M.

SONG: Everybody Will Be Happy Over There  
 DEVOTIONS: Rev. George Briggs  
 SCRIPTURE: Psalms 95  
 WELCOME TO VISITING MINISTERS  
 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES  
 REPORT, FREE WILL BAPTIST COLLEGE: Rev. Bayless McDonald  
 REMARKS CONCERNING SAME: Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rev. James Collins

#### FRIDAY, 11:00 A.M.

SONG: Joy Unspeakable  
 SPECIAL SINGING: Shady Grove Duet  
 SOLO: Hubert Briggs (Very Feelingly)  
 SPECIAL SONG: Mt. Allen College Trio, with Ann Evans director  
 Fine testimonies by all.  
 PRAYER: Rev. T. A. Wheeler  
 SERMON: Rev. George Briggs, Scripture, Acts 27:20  
 SUBJECT: Be Of Good Cheer—I Believe God  
 CLOSING: Christian handshake

#### FRIDAY, 2:00 P.M.

SONG: When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder  
 DEVOTIONS: Rev. Warren Reece  
 SCRIPTURE: Psalms 98  
 PRAYER: Rev. Clarence Davis  
 SONG: Rev. J. A. Martin, My Last Move, Remarks by same

**RECOGNIZED & WELCOMED:** Rev. & Mrs. Harold Stevens, Missionaries

**REPORT:** Work in Africa—Very interesting—Need stressed for getting the Gospel to the heathen. Also more tangible need of supplies (chiefly medical). Our prayers and offerings.

**REMARKS:** Rev. Ernest Strickland, Rev. George Reynolds, Rev. Rev. J. B. Brigman, concerning our Missionaries, their work, and our duty toward them. Report stating finances, Mrs. Stevens.

**OFFERING:** Foreign Missions

**PLEDGES:** Taken from each church, monthly support, of same.

**DISMISSED:** Rev. G. Y. Burgin

### FRIDAY, 8:00 P.M.

**OPENING SONG:** I'm Gonna Shout In Glory

**SPECIAL SINGING:** Cody Duet; Solo, Mrs. Anderson; Trio, Fisher Sisters

**PRAYER:** Rev. T. A. Wheeler

**SERMON:** Rev. Grady Harris

**SCRIPTURE:** I Cor. 12:12-27; I Cor. 10:1-5

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

**ARRANGEMENT:** A standing committee: pastor and delegates.

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK:** We, your committee, suggest that our young people remember their Creator in the days of their youth (Ecc. 12:1), read their Bible daily, and lead other young people to the Lord. May our young people of today be humble christian leaders of tomorrow.—Mrs. Clarence Davis, Mrs. Howard Payne, Mrs. B. E. Gutherie, Committee.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** We your committee see the great need of having teachers who are filled with the Holy Spirit; that will take their class to God in prayer every time they pray; that they might win the lost to Christ. We believe by prayer they could attend to every care and problem of the individual members of their class. We believe a teacher should so live a Christian life as to have the confidence of their class and to be able to lead as well as teach.

Great care should be used in the selection and election of teachers, that none but suitable teachers be put into office. This counsel cannot be too emphatically urged. Teachers never should be elected to teach simply because there is a vacancy to be filled, nor because they themselves or their friends desire their election. Never, unless there is a service for them to perform; never unless there are persons whom the church, with some good degree of unanimity, believe to be fitted for to teach; and never, without much

prayer for divine guidance in the selection. To attempt to fill sacred offices by partisan zeal and party caucusing, is a scandal to the Sunday School and to religion.—Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Rev. Raymond Shell, Mr. Ottis Davis, Committee.

**HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS:** In the home, in the church, between individuals, among groups, if the basis of understanding is Christ we shall all know the truth and the truth will make us free. Understanding is not all that is necessary. The responsibility of sharing is just as important. Those who know Christ ought to share Him with the world. Our mission is to know and to share Christ.—Rev. G. M. Reynolds, Rev. Grady Harris, Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rev. Ernest Strickland, Committee.

**PASTOR'S SUPPORT:** We, the committee on Pastor's Support, do believe that churches should support their pastors in tithes and offerings, for the Bible says if man preach the word he shall live by the word.—Rev. H. H. McFalls, Rev. Alford Taylor, Rev. Hobart Bullman; Committee.

**EDUCATION:** We, the committee on education, recommend that we Free Will Baptists devote every possible moment and exercise every legitimate effort in attaining a better knowledge of God's Word, not to glorify ourselves, but that we may be better workmen in God's vineyard.—Rev. R. H. Ballard, Rev. Warren Reece, Rev. Ernest Strickland, Committee.

**THE LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE:** We, your committee on the Lord's Day Observance, agree: first, that we go on record as being opposed to all kinds of public sports and worldly amusements such as baseball, golf, dancing and anything of the world. Second, that we urge all our people to strictly abstain from taking part in them. We are opposed to operating such as parks, theaters, and others on the Sabbath. Third, we believe the Lord's Day to be a day of rest and for spiritual worship.—Rev. T. A. Holder, Jr., Rev. Walter Wilson, Rev. T. A. Wheeler, Committee.

**MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE:** We protest against parents giving permits for children under lawful age. We also protest against marriages of persons who are unfit to care for a family. There is only one Biblical cause for divorce. We will not allow our ministers to officiate at the marriage of any divorced person unless they are satisfied that the ones to be married are justified in their separation.—a standing committee; written by J. Henry Ballard, deceased.

**OLD MINISTERS BOARD:** Standing committee; Plato Worley, A. S. Reeves, Geter Ramsey, Ed Davis, and Frank Fisher.

**OBITUARIES:** We, your committee, recommend that we continue to put in our minutes the obituaries of our faithful members who pass away; keeping in mind I Thes. 4:13: "But I would not have

you; to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that we sorrow not, even as others which have no hope."—Mrs. Queen Ramsey, Mrs. Mary Lunsford, Committee.

**RESOLUTIONS:** Be it resolved that we study additional ways and means by which the rank and file of our churches may be aroused to action in increasing their support to all phases of the work, and particularly Home and Foreign Missions; for if we had worked as hard as the Communists to carry out our mission of sharing Christ as they have carried out their mission, so many doors would not be closed to missionaries today.—Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Rev. J. B. Brigman, Committee.

**DEEPER DEVOTIONS:** Spirituality is the life and power of the religion of Jesus Christ. The vocation of religion is devotion to God. Devotion is shown by consecration to God. Therefore, we urge our preachers to deeper spirituality. The Holy Spirit, in His office work, does a complete work. If we are submissive, we must be anointed by the Holy One. So, to undertake to preach without this power is to be disobedient, and our preaching will prove fatal and disastrous—Luke 24:49. We believe it would be better to remain silent, although the congregation should be disappointed, than to undertake to preach when the Holy Spirit does not speak in us. We know that this Holy Spirit teaches a full Gospel, holy life and salvation from sin. He testifies of Christ and brings His teachings to our remembrance, and guides us into all truth.—A standing committee; written by Rev. W. W. Ballard, deceased.

**TEMPERANCE:** We, your committee on Temperance, believe it to be unchristian to be intemperate in any form. We believe it sinful to sell or use liquor, beer and wine as intoxicating beverages. We believe as Paul taught in I Cor. 6:12—All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient. All things are lawful un'o me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.—Rev. Lonnie Crawford, Rev. Sam Chandler, Rev. Clarence Wheeler, Committee.

**ORPHANAGE:** We, your committee on orphanage support, urge each church to set aside one Sunday each month for an offering for our orphanage, and that the funds be sent in each month. We also urge that each church make a special drive during the months of May and November. We strongly recommend that the churches resume canning and giving any other produce; that a committee be appointed in the different localities, encouraging the people to give that what is given be gathered to central locations for pick up. We recommend that all churches set a definite goal and work toward it in raising funds for the orphanage office; this building to be known as the French Broad Building.—Bert Roberts, Mrs. Amy Plemmons, Rev. Willett L. Moretz, Committee.

**PERIODICALS:** We, your committee, realize that the type of literature read by our youth contributes materially to the shaping of the character of the rising generation. We recommend to our people that they take greater precaution to prevent the falling into the hands of our youth the type of literature that will tend to lower their moral and christian character. First, we recommend reading the Bible. The dictionary definition of religion is love and obedience toward God; and those who love Him love His Word because it makes us feel close to Him in spiritual understanding. Then, our Free Will Baptist people need more information about Free Will Baptist affairs—to get this information, we need to read our church paper!—Mrs. Ruth Bradley, Rev. Warren Reece, Mrs. J. B. Brgman, Committee.

**LADIES' AUXILIARY:** We, your committee, suggest that our pastors urge the ladies of their churches to organize a Ladies' Aid. The Ladies' Aid is helpful in so many ways, relieving the pastors and church of some of their obligations, namely, visiting the sick and sorrowing, furnishing the needs of the needy, and attending to those things that others often forget. The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few, pay therefore the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth laborers into His harvest; Matthew 9:37-38. Read Acts 9:36. We feel this was the start of the Ladies' Aid Committees.—Mrs. Howard Payne, Mrs. Cora Ramsey, Mrs. Berry Stines, Committee.

**SESSIONS:** The next session of the French Broad Association of Free Will Baptists will be held with the Barnardsville Church, with the Paint Fork and Pisgah Forest Churches assisting, beginning on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1955, at 10:00 A.M. The Rev. George M. Reynolds will preach the Introductory Sermon at 11:00 A.M. Rev. Warren Reece will be the alternate.

**FINANCE:**

Minute Fund .....	\$175.64
Paid Historian .....	25.00
Paid Clerk .....	35.00
Balance for Minutes and postage .....	\$115.64
Orphanage: \$90.99 Collections: \$47.19 Offering taken;	
Total—	\$138.18

Hazel S. Reece, Clerk

Foreign Missions: \$53.21—Mrs. Josephine M. Stevens  
 Total amount pledged by Churches (monthly)—\$71.00;  
 Pledged: D. L. Massey, \$2.00

Rev. G. M. Reynolds, Rev. T. A. Holder, Jr., Committee on finances.

**OLD MINISTER'S FUND:**

Checking Balance, August 1954 .....	\$ 198.98
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Disbursements: Rev. Malley Rice.....	35.00
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	\$ 163.98
Savings Balance (including interest).....	\$1,053.68
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TOTAL BALANCE.....	\$1,217.66

Collected at this Association: \$80.00; half of this amount will be sent to the Bureau of Pensions (State Superannuation Board).—Jerry Ramsey, Treasurer, deceased.

**FRENCH BROAD BUILDING FUND:**

Reported at 1953 session of Association.....	\$269.35
Received since last Association.....	100.00
Interest since last Association.....	3.48
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Total in bank on interest.....	\$363.83

The need for an office building at the Orphanage is great. Let's get behind this project and build one in our own name. Please take offerings regularly and mail to Rev. Willet L. Moretz, Treas., P.O. Box 548, Swannanoa, N. C.

**REPORT OF HISTORIAN:** During the year I have received several old minutes of former sessions of the Association. A very valuable collection was furnished by Rev. Ervin Sluder. The dates of this collection were: 1925, 1924, 1923, 1921, 1919, 1918, 1917, 1916, 1914, 1912, and 1907. The 1907 session was the twenty-ninth. If any one can furnish any of these missing minutes please mail them to your historian. They will be preserved in binders for future history. By next year I expect to have for you a complete report of all minutes in my possession to that date together with a list of all missing dates. —Rev. Willet L. Moretz, Historian; P.O. Box 548, Swannanoa, N. C.

**PROCEEDINGS**

**SATURDAY, 9:30 A.M.**

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Death of Bro. Jerry Ramsey, our beloved Elder Deacon and Lay Member

**OPENING SONG:** Power In The Blood

**DEVOTIONS:** Rev. Evert Shelton

**SCRIPTURE:** Matthew: 24

**PRAYER:** Rev. Alford Taylor, leading in altar prayer, for bereavement of family of Bro. Jerry Ramsey

**TESTIMONY:** Rev. Ernest Strickland

**CONFERENCE IN SESSION**

REMARKS: Rev. Ervin Sluder, Moderator (This Association in general)

MOTION: To put Bro. Plato Worley on Old Ministers Board in lieu of Bro. Jerry Ramsey; seconded same. Vote taken

REMARKS: Rev. W. L. Moretz. Decision made to use the term "Old Minister's Fund" in our Minutes instead of "Superannuation." Voted same

MOTION: To turn in remaining Committee Reports

DISCUSSION: Whether or not the French Broad Association be represented at the State Association. Vote taken: NO! Heard Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rev. Ernest Strickland, Rev. W. L. Moretz

VOTE OF THANKS: Given the Marshall Church, the Dry Branch Church, and the Laurel Fork Church (Mrs. Mary Kate Roberts) for the fine hospitality shown this Association

OFFERING: Floral tribute, from French Broad Association, for Bro. Jerry Ramsey. \$22.00 received

MOTION: To put in Minutes Record of Appreciation to Bro. Ramsey for services rendered

REMARKS: Moderator

MOVED TO ADJOURN

**PLEASE NOTICE!**

All Churches who have pledged to Mrs. Josephine M. Stevens, Foreign Mission Fund, please mail money to: Rev. N. B. Barrow; address: Lucama, N. C. Write: the name of your Church; Association; amount sent; your name and address plainly. This will help him in keeping the record straight! And don't forget to include the phrase: Please " earmark" for Mrs. Josephine M. Stevens.

ALSO: Those Churches wishing to send their money to the State Superannuation Board, please mail DIRECT to the State Treasurer, address: Rev. M. L. Johnson, Sims, N. C.

NOTE TO MINISTERS: If any minister has paid for his card and failed to receive it, please notify me immediately. My address is: Box 93, Weaverville, N. C., or telephone Weaverville 3041. Thank you.—Hazel S. Reese, Clerk.

## OBITUARIES

## MR. JERRY RAMSEY

**MARSHALL:** Jerry M. Ramsey, age 63, a religious leader of Madison County died suddenly of a heart attack at his home Friday night, August 29, 1954 at 11:00 o'clock. Uncle Jerry was a Deacon of the Marshall Free Will Baptist Church and a teacher of the Men's Bible Class for 21 years. He is survived by his wife, four sons, four daughters, eighteen grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren. He is going to be greatly missed by his family, the Church, and the community.

He enjoyed two weeks of a wonderful revival and the Association followed. He got so happy and we feel he went on to be in a meeting that will never end and be no sad goodbyes.



A precious face from us is gone,  
 A voice we loved is stilled  
 His place is vacant in our home  
 But we feel his presence still  
 Our eyes with tears are filled.  
 We know it is for the best—  
 We still can hear him pleading  
 Come on to a land of Rest!

—Written by a daughter, Mrs. Plato Worley.



UNION CHAPEL: Sister Martha Ann Calloway passed away May 4th, 1954. She was a faithful and loyal member of Union Chapel Church for 23 years. She leaves a husband, L. R. Calloway, and 4 children; also a host of friends. We mourn our loss, but believe it to be her gain. She cannot come back to us, but we may by the help of God can go to her. We the church miss her very much, but believe she is at rest with the Lord.—Written by pastor: W. A. Ward.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: On January 29, 1954, Mr. Hardy E. Embler departed this life for his home in Heaven. He was 79 years old, and had been a member of Mountain View Church for several years. He always had a smile and a kind word for everyone he met. We miss him so much. It seems so lonely without him. But we feel our loss is Heaven's gain. He leaves a wife, 5 daughters, 2 sons, and a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.—Written by a daughter, Mrs. Ottis Sluder.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

**BEAVERDAM:** President, Mrs. Frank Smith, Candler, N. C., Rt. 1; Secretary, Mrs. Howard Jackson, Candler, N. C., Rt. 1. Number of members: 10; gained this year: 2; meets every 2 weeks; money taken in: \$238.52; Money paid out: \$221.43.

**BURGIN CHAPEL:** President, Mrs. Gladys Burgin, no address given; Secretary, Ollie Melton, no address given. No. members: 6; meets every 2 weeks. Money taken in: \$89.18;; money paid out: \$47.74.

**CEDAR HILL:** President, Mrs. Ed Coleman, Asheville, N. C., Rt. 3; Secretary, Mrs. Curtis Elledge, Asheville, N. C., Rt. 3. No. members: 8; meets every 2 weeks. Money taken in: \$1394.45; money paid out: \$1209.56.

**DRY BRANCH:** President, Mrs. Connie Davis, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Queen Robinson, Marshall, N. C. No. members: 22; gained this year: 2; meets every 2 weeks. Money taken in: \$106.77; money paid out: \$122.64.

**EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN:** President, Mrs. Myrtle Edmonds, Black Mountain, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Agnes Reynolds, Black Mountain, N. C. No. members: 10; gained this year: 7; meets every week. Money taken in: \$308.48; money paid out: \$252.32.

**HAZEL GREEN:** President, Mrs. H. L. Chatham, Biltmore, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Rex Davis, Gorman Bridge Rd., Asheville, N. C. No. members: 7. Money taken in: \$35.61; money paid out: \$38.75; paid out for home missions and building fund.

**HOMER'S CHAPEL:** President, Mrs. Lucille Nichols, Box 1015, Black Mountain, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. B. C. Hollifield, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C. No. members: 15; meets every week. Money taken in: \$1213.78; money paid out: \$1004.29.

**MARSHALL:** President, Mrs. Vada Davis, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Betty Marler, Marshall, N. C. No. members: 23; meets every month. Money taken in: \$238.94; money paid out: \$146.94.

**MOUNT BETHEL:** President, Mary Edmonds, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Velma McCurry, Weaverville, N. C. No. members: 16; gained this year: 5; meets every 2 weeks. Money taken in: \$283.00; money paid out: \$51.00.

**WALNUT:** President, Mrs. Grace Dockery, Walnut, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Lankford Thomas, Walnut, N. C. No. members: 17; gained this year: 3; meets every week. Money taken in: \$777.98; money paid out: \$746.39.

## FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE

ASHEVILLE: Home Mission Workers: President, Rev. Roy Waldrup, Rt. 1, Asheville, N. C.; Secretary, Miss Gladys Ray, 224 Patton Ave., Asheville, N. C. No. members: 35; No. groups: 1; meets every week. Do you take a weekly offering? Yes. Kind of literature used: Bible.

BEAVERDAM: President, Miss Muriel Smith, Rt. 1, Candler, N. C.; Secretary, Miss Bonnie Quinn, Rt. 1, Candler, N. C. No. members: 22; groups: 1; meets every week. Do you take a weekly offering: Yes. Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Leader, Rev. Ernest Strickland, Rt. 1, Candler, N. C.

MCOUNT BETHEL: President, A. C. McCurry, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Marjorie Edwards, Alexander, N. C. No. members: 22; no. groups: 2; meets every Sunday night. Do you take a weekly offering: Yes. Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; We have a Junior League, Leader, Barnett Edwards, Alexander, N. C.

PISGAH FOREST: No officers given, no addresses. No. members: 40; meets 1st & 3rd Sundays.

RED HILL: President, Mrs. Queen Ramsey, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.; meets every Sunday night. Do you take a weekly offering: No. We have a Junior League: Leader, Mrs. Queen Ramsey, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.

**SATURDAY, 10:25 A.M.  
MINISTERS' CONFERENCE  
OPENING**

The French Broad Minister's Conference of Free Will Baptists met at the Marshall Church, Marshall, N. C., on Saturday, August 21, 1954 at 10:25 A.M. As a "follow-up" of unfinished business of the Association, the Moderator skipped reading of the by-laws of the Minister's onference and proceeded with the business at hand.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Moderator..... Rev. Ervin Sluder, Weaverville, N. C.  
Clerk ..... Hazel S. Reese, Box 93, Weaverville, N. C.

**ORDAINING COUNCIL**

Rev. James Grady Harris                      Rev. George Reynolds  
Rev. J. B. Brigman                              Rev. G. Y. Burgin  
Rev. Walter Wilson

**ROLL CALL OF MINISTERS**

**REMARKS:** Rev. J. B. Brigman; that our Ministers "stay within rules laid down by this Association"

**REQUEST:** Rev. Milton Hollifield to withdraw, join The Blue Ridge Conference. Also Rev. Ralph Mumpower (by proxy, Rev. George Reynolds); and Rev. T. F. Silvers  
Moved and seconded to grant same.

**MOTION:** To elect Assistant Clerk—Rev. R. H. Ballard elected

**VOTED:** To receive Rev. Ernest Strickland under watchcare of Conference until letter of same received

**VOTED:** To receive Rev. Johnny Franks into Conference

**HEARD:** By letter from Rev. George Reeves asking for re-instatement. Recognition given letter until personal appearance of Bro. Reeves before Conference in 1955.

**REMARKS:** Clarifying semi-annual Conference, Rev. Milton Hollifield

**ORDAINED AT THIS CONFERENCE**

Rev. Lloyd Roberts, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.  
Rev. Wilco Melton, Box 634, Black Mountain, N. C.

**LICENSED AT THIS CONFERENCE**

Harry E. Taylor, Rt. 1, Candler, N. C.  
Hubert Worley, Rt. 1, Leicester, N. C.  
Andrew Chandler, Barnard, N. C.  
Hobart Bullman, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.  
Vernon Radcliffe, Rt. 1, Aleander, N. C.  
Evert Shelton, Marshall, N. C.  
Charles Owensby, Box 405, Swannanoa, N. C.  
Licensed at The Minister's Conference at Canton: Rev. Welzie Banks.

### RETIRED MINISTERS

Revs. J. A. Martin, James Collins, and Malley Rice.

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Revs. Grover Bailey, R. H. Ballard, Pearson Bradley, G. W. Briggs, J. B. Brigman, G. Y. Burgin, Lloyd Chandler, Sam Chandler, H. L. Chatham, Lonnie Cravford, Cecil Creasman, G. E. Cody, Clarence Davis, Arnold Dorsey, J. A. Edmonds, Bob Freeman, Herman Gentry, T. L. Guffey, James G. Harris, Thomas Holder, Jr., Charlie Hollifield, W. L. Howell, L. A. Hyatt, Robert Inman, H. E. Lunsford, John Lunsford, G. A. Marshall, Wilco Melton, H. H. McFalls, W. L. Moretz, Warren Reece, G. M. Reynolds, Jesse Rice, Lloyd Roberts, J. A. Roberts, L. F. Rumbough, Frank Self, Raymond Shell, Ervin Sluder, Alford Taylor, W. A. Ward, Raymond Ward, Walter Wilson, T. A. Wheeler, Clarence Wheeler, and Charles Wheeler.

### LICENTIATES

Arnold Roberts, James A. Waldrup, Roy Waldrup.

### SATURDAY, 12:40 P.M.

SONG: When We All Get To Heaven

ORDINATION SERMON: Rev. J. B. Brigman; Scripture: 2 Timothy 4. Direct charge given.

ORDINATION PRAYER: Rev. Walter Wilson

CLOSING: Handshake (Right hand of Christian Fellowship)

### SESSIONS

The next session of the Minister's Conference will be held at the Dry Branch Free Will Baptist Church on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October, 1954, at 10:00 a.m.

The next annual session of the Minister's Conference will be held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1955, at the Barnardsville Free Will Baptist Church.

### ORDAINED MINISTER'S REPORTS

REV. FRANK SELF: No. churches pastored: 1; No. Revivals conducted: helped in 1; No. conversions: 5; No. sermons preached: 38; No. of homes visited: 36; No. sick visits: 8; received for pastoral services: \$151.85; total: \$151.85; Given personally to the cause: \$12.70; No. miles traveled: 876; Expenses: \$23.70; Foot washings: 2; address: Del Rio, Tenn.

REV. GROVER BAILEY: No. churches pastored: none; No revivals conducted: 3; No. conversions: 20; No. sermons preached: 60; No.

baptised: 10; No. funerals: 3; Received for revival services: \$50.20. Given personally to the cause: \$25.00; Do you tithe? Yes. Address: Weaverville, N. C.

REV. R. H. BALLARD: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: helped in 3; No. conversions: 7; No. sermons preached: 120; No. members received: 19; No. baptised: 3; No. marriages: 2; No. funerals: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$765.01; Received for all other services: \$15.00; Total: \$780.01; Given personally to the cause: \$464.48; Given personally to mission work: \$200.00; Visits in homes: 120; Prayer in homes: 48; Hospital visits: 32; No record kept of miles traveled or expenses; Address: 193 Pennsylvania Ave., W. Asheville, N. C.

REV. PEARSON BRADLEY: No. revivals conducted: 1; No. sermons preached: 10; No. homes visited: 6; No. sick visits: 4; No. homes prayed in: 3; Total amount received: \$15.00; Amount given to the cause: \$10.00; Address: Rt. 1, Box 459, Ox Creek Rd., Weaverville, N. C.

REV. G. W. BRIGGS: No. sermons preached: 46; No. funerals: 3; No. revivals: helped in 2; Total amount received: \$56.33; Address: Rt. 1, Dandridge, Tenn.

REV. J. B. BRIGMAN: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 11; No. sermons preached: 150; No. members received: 9; No. baptised: 7; No. marriages: 4; No. funerals: 8; Received for pastoral services: \$1376.00; Received for revival services: \$40.00; Received for all other services: \$379.00; Total: \$1795.00; Given personally to the cause: \$308.00; Do you tithe? Yes; No. miles traveled: 1232; Traveling expenses: \$100.00; Address: Rt. 4, Box 270, Asheville, N. C.

REV. G. Y. BURGIN: No. churches pastored: 3; No. revivals conducted: 3; No. conversions: 31; No. sermons preached: 156; No. members received: 42; No. baptised: 18; No. funerals: 1; Received for pastoral services: \$440.82; Received for revival services: \$90.00; Received for all other services: \$20.00; Total: \$550.82; Given personally to the cause: \$157.00; No. miles traveled: 6000; Expenses: \$360.00; Address: Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. LLOYD CHANDLER: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 1; No. conversions: 8; No. sermons preached: 60; No. members received: 1; No. baptised: 3; No. funerals: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$46.75; Received for all other services: \$20.00; Total: \$76.75; Given personally to the cause: \$10.00; Address: Walnut, N. C.

REV. H. L. CHATHAM: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 1; No. conversions: 15; No. sermons preached: 135; No. members received: 10; No. baptised: 10; No. marriages: 4; No. funerals:

als: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$338.75; Received for revival services: \$9.35; Received for all other services: \$170.00; Total: \$521.33; Given personally to the cause: \$403.40; Do you tithe? yes; No. miles traveled: 4240; Traveling expenses: \$212.20; Address: 2 Winding Rd., Biltmore, N. C.

REV. LONNIE CRAWFORD: No. churches pastored: 2; No. revivals conducted: 3; No. conversions: 11; No. sermons preached: 140; No. members received: 1; No. baptised: 1; No. funerals: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$252.73; Received for revival services: \$82.26; Received for all other services: \$25.00; Total: \$359.99; Given personally to the cause: \$80.00; Address: Rt. 2, Mars Hill, N. C.

REV. CLARENCE DAVIS: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 22; No. sermons preached: 107; No. members received: 14; No. baptised: 19; No. funerals: 1; Received for pastoral services: \$257.87; Received for revival services: \$60.93; Total: \$318.70; Given personally to the cause \$331.87; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Box 534, Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. J. A. EDMONDS: No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 7; No. sermons preached: 35; No. baptised: 4; No. funerals: 2; Received for assistant pastoral services: \$135.00; Received for revival services: \$36.50; Total: \$171.50; Given personally to the cause: \$75.00; Address: Box 34, Weaverville, N. C.

REV. BOB FREEMAN: No. revivals conducted: 1; No. sermons preached: 26; No. funerals: 3; Total amount received: \$20.00; Given personally to the cause: \$5.00; No. miles traveled: 80; Address: Walnut, N. C.

REV. T. A. HOLDER, JR.: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 95; No. sermons preached: 100; No. members received: 14; No. baptised: 18; No. funerals: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$1298.00; Received for revival services: \$80.00; Received for all other services: \$15.00; Total: \$1528.00; Given personally to the cause: \$50.00; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Rt. 1, Woodfin, N. C.

REV. CHARLIE HOLLIFIELD: No. sermons preached: 8; Given personally to the cause: \$210.00; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. H. E. LUNSFORD: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 1; No. conversions: 18; No. sermons preached: 80; No. members received: 5; No. baptised: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$169.00; Received for revival services: \$26.78; Received for all other services: \$216.34; Total: \$412.12; Given personally to the cause: \$137.55; Address: Barnard, N. C.

REV. JOHN F. LUNSFORD: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 65; No. sermons preached: 86; No. members received: 7; No. baptised: 2; No. marriages: 2; No. funerals: 1; Received for pastoral services: \$359.11; Received for revival services: \$12.00; Received for all other services: \$7.00; Total: \$378.11; Given personally to the cause: \$104.16; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Rt. 2, Box 123, Asheville, N. C.

REV. G. A. MARSHALL: No. conversions: 4; No. sermons preached: 31; No. baptised: 3; No. marriages: 2; No. funerals: 2; Given personally to the cause: \$48.00; Do you tithe? yes; Sick visits made: 39; Sunday School classes taught: 23; Homes prayed in: 13; Address: 324 Vanderbilt Rd., Biltmore, N. C.

REV. WILLET L. MORETZ: No. churches pastored: 2; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 14; No. sermons preached: 104; No. members received: 16; No. baptised: 12; No. marriages: 1; No. funerals: 5; Received for pastoral services: \$2400.00; Received for revival services: \$240.00; Received for all other services: \$50.00; Total: \$2690.00; Given personally to the cause: \$275.00; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Box 548, Swannanoa, N. C.

REV. RALPH C. MUMPOWER: No. churches pastored: 1; No. conversions: 3; No. sermons preached: 92; No. baptised: 2; No. funerals: 1; Received for pastoral services: \$750.00; Given personally to the cause: \$150.00; No. miles traveled: 2850; Traveling expenses: \$66.00; Address: Swannanoa, N. C.

REV. WARREN M. REECE: No. conversions: 2; No. sermons preached 18; No. baptised: 1; Total amount received: \$15.00; Given personally to the cause: Haven't kept record; Do you tithe? yes; Address: 220 Virginia Ave., W. Asheville, N. C.

REV. G. M. REYNOLDS: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 4; No. conversions: 103; No. members received: 12; No. baptised: 5; No. funerals: 3; Received for pastoral services: \$2600.00; Received for revival services: \$119.40; Received for all other services: \$41.25; Total: \$2760.65; Given personally to the cause: \$341.65; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Box 383, Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. JESSE RICE: No. churches pastored: 2; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 25; No. sermons preached: 48; No. members received: 10; No. baptised: 10; No. funerals: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$300.00; Received for revival services: \$70.00; Received for all other services: \$25.00; Total: \$395.00; Given personally to the cause: \$50.00; Do you tithe? yes; No. miles traveled: 7000; Traveling expenses: \$70.00; Address: Box 75, Rt. 2, Weaverville, N. C.

REV. L. F. RUMBOUGH: No. churches pastored (Assistant) 1; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 34; No. sermons preached: 70; No. baptised: 10; No. funerals: 2; Received for revival services: \$15.00; Received for all other services: \$15.00; Total: \$30.00; Address: Rt. 1, Asheville, N. C.



REV. RAYMOND SHELL: No. churches pastored: 2; No. sermons preached: 79; No. baptised: 13; Received for pastoral services: \$273.15; Received for all other services: \$36.75; Address: Barnardsville, N. C.

REV. ERNEST STRICKLAND: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 5; No. conversions: 75; No. sermons preached: 175; No. members received: 14; No. baptised: 13; No. funerals: 3; Received for pastoral services: \$1313.71; Received for revival services: \$325.00; Total: \$1638.71; Given personally to the cause: \$2.00; Do you tithe? yes; No. miles traveled: 2500; Traveling expenses: \$110.00; Address: Rt. 1, Candler, N. C.

REV. ALFORD TAYLOR: No. revivals conducted: 3; No. conversions: 34; No. sermons preached: 66; No. baptised: 14; No. funerals: 1; Received for revival services: \$68.67; Received for all other services \$15.00; Total: \$83.67; Given personally to the cause: \$48.00; Homes prayed in: 32; Sunday School classes taught: 4; Homes visited: 66; Expenses paid out: \$186.00; Total mileage: 5534; Address: Rt. 1, Box 301, Alexander, N. C.

REV. W. A. WARD: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 1; No. conversions: 47; No. sermons preached: 56; No. members received: 11; No. baptised: 10; No. funerals: 2; Received for pastoral services: \$21.30; Received for revival services: \$10.00; Received for all other services: \$50.00; Total: \$81.30; Given personally to the cause: \$10.00; Address: Rt. 1, Box 496, Weaverville, N. C., (Union Chapel Rd.)

REV. CHARLES WHEELER: No. revivals conducted: 3; No. conversions: 27; No. sermons preached: 64; No. baptised: 1; No. funerals: 1; Received for revival services: \$27.00; Received for all other services: \$14.00; Total: \$41.00; Given personally to the cause: \$10.00; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Box 195, Ridgecrest, N. C.

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### LICENSED MINISTER'S REPORTS

REV. WILCO MELTON: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 1; No. conversions: 4; No. sermons preached: 32; No. members received: 12; Received for pastoral services: \$195.51; Received for revival services: \$43.80; Total: \$239.31; Address: Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. LLOYD ROBERTS: No. churches pastored: 1; No. revivals conducted: 2; No. conversions: 14; No. baptised: 3; Received for pastoral services: \$94.00; Received for revival services: \$20.00; Re-

ceived for all other services: \$3.00; Total: \$117.00; Given personally to the cause: \$50.00; Do you tithe? yes; Address: Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.

REV. JAMES A. WALDRUP: No. conversions: 3; No. sermons preached: 28; Total amount received: \$10.00; Given personally to the cause: \$10.00; Address: Rt. 1, Asheville, N. C.

Rev. Ervin Sluder, Moderator  
Hazel S. Reese, Clerk

### SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

ASHEVILLE: Superintendent, Mr. R. H. Ray, Rt. 1, Asheville, N. C.; Secretary, Miss Frances Lance, Rt. 1, Asheville, N. C.; No. classes: 6; Average attendance: 115; Kind of literature used: F.W.B. and Bible; Expenses: \$140.89; Amount sent to Orphanage: \$97.23.

AVERY'S CREEK: Superintendent, Joe Murry, Rt. 1, Arden, N. C.; Secretary, Beverly Price, Rt. 1, Arden, N. C.; No. classes: 6; No. pupils: 63; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$45.55; Amount sent to Orphanage: \$132.60.

BARNARD: Supt., Andrew Chandler, Barnard, N. C.; Secretary, Ruby Roberts, Barnard, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: 25; Kind of literature used: Bible; Expenses \$65.75.

BARNARDSVILLE: Supt., George Harris, Barnardsville, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Edith Harris, Barnardsville, N. C.; No. classes: 3; No. pupils: 18; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$10.00.

BEAVERDAM: Supt., Weaver Smith, Rt. 1, Candler, N. C.; Secretary, Miss Muriel Smith, Rt. 1, Candler, N. C.; No. classes: 5; No. pupils: 110; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$321.10; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$60.00.

BURGIN CHAPEL: Supt., D. L. Massey, Black Mountain, N. C.; Secretary, Lenora Davis, Black Mountain, N. C.; No. classes: 5; No. pupils: 58; Kind of literature used: Bible; Expenses: \$25.24.

CEDAR HILL: Supt., R. N. Pinkerton, 168 Deaverview Rd., Asheville, N. C.; Secretary, Marilee Keener, Rt. 3, Asheville, N. C.; No. classes: 5; No. pupils: 150; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$388.32; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$185.18.

DRY BRANCH: Supt., Gilmer Teague, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Gilmer Teague, Marshall, N. C.; No. classes: 5; No. pupils: 95; Kind of literature: Bible; Expenses: \$72.70; Amount sent to orphanage: \$10.00.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Supt., Ernest Wheeler, Black Mountain, N. C.; Secretary, Miss Patsy Reynolds, Black Mountain, N. C.;

No. classes: 6; No. pupils: 145; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$491.45; Amt. taken in: \$516.27; Bal in Treasury: \$14.82.

FUGATE: Supt., Elise Gibbs, French Broad, Tenn.; Secretary, Beulah Self, French Broad, Tenn.; No. classes: 2; No. pupils: 25; Kind of literature used: Bible; Expenses: \$15.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$3.00.

HAZEL GREEN: Supt., Samuel Ruth, Ben Lippen Rd., Asheville, N. C.; Secretary: Charles Maxwell, Hazel Mill Rd., Asheville, N. C.; No. classes: 6; No. pupils: 72; Kind of literature used: Bible; Expenses: \$172.27; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$146.60.

HOMER'S CHAPEL: Supt., Jack Wheeler, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.; Secretary, M. C. Worley, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.; No. classes: 8; No. pupils: 116; Kind of literature used: Bible; Expenses: \$20.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$10.00.

LAUREL FORK: Supt., Walter Ball, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Lucille Wilson, Marshall, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: 70; Kind of literature used: Union & Bible; Expenses: not stated; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$8.00.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Supt., Arthur Honeycutt, Rt. 1, Flag Pond, Tenn.; Secretary, JoAnn Fender, Rt. 1, Flag Pond, Tenn.; No. classes: 5; No. pupils: 60; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$31.84. MARSHALL: Supt., Howard Reese, Box 93, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Hazel S. Reese, Box 93, Weaverville, N. C.; No. classes: 8; No. pupils: 103; Kind of literature used: Union; Expenses: \$218.56.

MOUNT BETHEL: Supt., D. W. Silvers, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Dorothy Franklin, no address; No. classes: 5; No. pupils: 59; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$986.78.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Supt., Rev. Hubert Worley, Leicester, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Elmer Parham, Leicester, N. C.; No. classes: 5; No. pupils: 80; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$300.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$38.50.

MOUNT ZION: Supt., Fred Briggs, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Nettie Revis, Rt. 2, Marshall, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: 45; Kind of literature used: Bible; Expenses: \$68.34.

PAINT FORK: Supt., Taft Mundy, Barnardsville, N. C.; Secretary, Lois Hale, Barnardsville, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: 50; Kind of literature used: F.W.B. & Bible; Expenses: \$17.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$33.75.

PISGAH FOREST: Supt., H. C. Stines, Barnardsville, N. C.; Secretary, Lockie Lunsford, Barnardsville, N. C.; No. classes: 3; No. pupils: 45; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$29.00.

RAY'S CHAPEL: Supt., Elmer Penland, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Blanche Ballew, Weaverville, N. C.; No. Classes: 4; No. pupils: 55; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$18.74; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$103.21.

RECTOR BRANCH: Supt., W. T. Cogdill, Barnard, N. C.; Secretary, Elean Gosnell, Marshall, N. C.; No. classes: 3; No. pupils: 30; Kind of literature used: Bible; Expenses: not stated.

RED HILL: Supt., Mr. Jim Rigsby, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Miss Joyce Ramsey, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.; No. classes: 6; No. pupils: 75; Kind of literature used: F.W.B. and Bible; Expenses: \$360.73.

ROCKY BRANCH: Supt., Mr. Lum Boone, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Clinton Rider, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: 115; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$108.70; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$61.45.

SHADY GROVE: Supt., Ezekiel Bullman, Rt. 4; Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Eloise Gosnell, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.; No. classes: 3; No. pupils: 55; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$8.05.

SHOAL HILL: Supt., Howard Payne, Rt. 1, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Ruth Henderson, Rt. 1, Marshall, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: 35; Kind of literature used: Bible and F.W.B.; Expenses: \$68.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$25.17.

SWEETEN CREEK: Supt., Mrs. Cecil Creasman, Oakley, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. William Blue, Rt. 2, Asheville, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: not stated; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$150.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$58.69.

UNION CHAPEL: Supt., John Shirlin, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Lena Ward, Weaverville, N. C.; No. classes: 3; No. pupils: 40; Kind of literature used: David C. Cook; Expenses: \$6.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$6.05.

UNION VALLEY: Supt., Marshall Ballard, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Jennie Ballard, Weaverville, N. C.; No. classes: 4; No. pupils: 45; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: \$50.00; Amt. sent to orphanage: \$35.00.

WALNUT: Supt., Mr. Gilbert Stackhouse, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Mallie Roberts, Walnut, N. C.; No. classes: 6; No. pupils: not stated; Kind of literature used: F.W.B.; Expenses: not stated.

TOTALS: Sunday School Expenses .....	\$3,994.87
Amt. Sent to Orphanage.....	1,039.67
No. Classes.....	196
No. Pupils.....	1954

## CLERKS FOR NEXT YEAR

ASHEVILLE.....	Roy Waldrup, Rt. 1, Asheville, N. C.
AVERY'S CREEK.....	Not elected
BARNARD.....	Not given
BARNARDSVILLE.....	Roy Mundy, Barnardsville, N. C.
BEAVERDAM.....	Mrs. A. J. Brock, Rt. 1, Candler, N. C.
BURGIN CHAPEL.....	James Burgin, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.
CEDAR HILL.....	Mrs. John Austin, Rt. 3, Asheville, N. C.
DRY BRANCH.....	Mrs. Ruth Conner, Alexander, N. C.
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN.....	Mrs. Wayne Rayburn, Box 462, Black Mountain, N. C.
FUGATE.....	Eliza Gibbs, French Broad, Tenn.
HAZEL GREEN.....	M. E. Haynes, 345 Clayton Ave., W. Asheville, N. C.
HOMER'S CHAPEL.....	Mr. Clarence Worley, Black Mountain, N. C.
LAUREL FORK.....	Luther Hagan, Rt. 1, Marshall, N. C.
LAURELTON CHAPEL.....	Cas Fender, Rt. 1, Flag Pond, Tenn.
MARSHALL.....	Mrs. Myrtle Payne, Marshall, N. C.
MOUNT BETHEL.....	Herman Silvers, Rt. 1, Alexander, N. C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW.....	B. W. Sluder, Alexander, N. C.
MOUNT ZION.....	Dinah Bullman, Rt. 1, Box 94, Alexander, N. C.
PAINT FORK.....	Harry Burrell, Rt. 2, Weaverville, N. C.
PISGAH FOREST.....	Mrs. Bertha Hyatt, Barnardsville, N. C.
RAY'S CHAPEL.....	S. W. Balliew, Box 372, Weaverville, N. C.
RECTOR BRANCH.....	Anna Mae Anderson, Barnard, N. C.
RED HILL.....	Miss Hattie Jarrett, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.
ROCKY BRANCH.....	Mrs. Lula Wood, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N. C.
SHADY GROVE.....	Mrs. Maunie Lee Gosnell, Rt. 3, Marshall, N. C.
SHOAL HILL.....	Mrs. Ada Payne, Rt. 1, Marshall, N. C.
SWEETEN CREEK.....	Mrs. P. J. Jenkins, Rt. 2, Box 552, Asheville, N. C.
UNION CHAPEL.....	W. F. Banks, Weaverville, N. C.
UNION VALLEY.....	Mrs. Jennie Ballard, Rt. 1, Box 466, Weaverville, N. C.
WALNUT.....	Mrs. Berry Stines, Walnut, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS WHO HOLD MEMBERSHIP  
WITH US

ASHEVILLE.....	Arnold Dorsey, L. E. Rathburn
AVERY'S CREEK.....	R. H. Ballard
BARNARDSVILLE.....	Raymond Shell
BEAVERDAM.....	Ernest Strickland, Earnest Ingle
BURGIN CHAPEL.....	Clarence Davis, T. I. Guffey, Grady Harris
DRY BRANCH.....	G. Y. Burgin
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN.....	G. M. Reynolds, J. C. Franks, Horace McFalls
FUGATE.....	Frank Self, Will Ledford
HAZEL GREEN.....	W. O. Adcock, H. L. Chatham
HOMER'S CHAPEL.....	B. J. Woody, Clarence Wheeler
MARSHALL.....	Bob Freeman, Alford Taylor
MOUNT BETHEL.....	J. B. Brigman, Arthur Edmonds, Warren Reece
MOUNTAIN VIEW.....	J. A. Martin, Ervin Sluder
MOUNT ZION.....	J. A. Collins, Raymond Ward
RAY'S CHAPEL.....	Floyd Ray, Lonnie Crawford, Grover Bailey, John Lunsford
RED HILL.....	J. L. Ledford, G. W. Briggs, Mallie Rice
ROCKY BRANCH.....	Albert Perry, Jr.

SHOAL HILL.....	Walter Wilson
SWEETEN CREEK.....	Cecil Creasman, George Marshall, John Roberts
UNION CHAPEL.....	W. A. Ward, L. F. Rumbough
UNION VALLEY.....	Pearson Bradley, L. A. Hyatt
WALNUT.....	Will Caps, Lloyd Chandler, Harrison Lunstord

#### LICENSED MINISTERS WHO HOLD MEMBERSHIP WITH US

ASHEVILLE.....	Andrew Queen, Roy Waldrup
AVERY'S CREEK.....	Richard Swann, Welzie Banks
BARNARD.....	Andrew Chandler
HOMER'S CHAPEL.....	Charles Hale, Wilco Melton
MARSHALL.....	Lloyd Roberts

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Church	No.	Held By	Communion & Feet Washing
ASHEVILLE.....			
AVERY'S CREEK—1—	Miss Frances Radford.....		2
BARNARD—2—	Rev. Lloyd Roberts, Rev. Sam Chandler, Rev. Alford Taylor.....		
BARNARDSVILLE—1—	Rev. Lonnie Crawford, Rev. Raymond Shell.....		
BEAVERDAM—3—	Rev. Carl Shook, Rev. Ernest Strickland, Rev. Boyd Jacobs.....		2 (tithe: 10)
BURGIN CHAPEL—1—	Rev. Clarence Davis, Rev. G. Y. Burgin.....		2
CEDAR HILL—1—	Rev. Milton Hollifield.....		2
DRY BRANCH—1—	Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Rev. G. M. Reynolds.....		1
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN—2—	Rev. T. C. Heatherly, Rev. Thomas Holder.....		4
FUGATE.....			
HAZEL GREEN—2—	Rev. Ervin Sluder, Rev. Farrell Sparks.....		4
HOMER'S CHAPEL—1—	Rev. Lass McCurry, Rev. Eb. Wheeler.....		2
LAUREL FORK.....			
LAURELTON CHAPEL—1—	Rev. Gernie McKinney, Rev. G. M. Reynolds.....		1
MARSHALL—2—	Rev. Alford Taylor, Rev. Grady Harris.....		1
MOUNT BETHEL—2—	Rev. J. B. Brigman, Rev. Floyd Ray, Rev. Cecil Ponder, Rev. Arthur Edmonds.....		4
MOUNTAIN VIEW.....			
MOUNT ZION—1—	Rev. G. Y. Burgin.....		
PAINT FORK—1—	Rev. G. M. Reynolds, Rev. T. C. Heatherly.....		1
PISGAH FOREST—1—	Rev. Lonnie Crawford.....		1
RAY'S CHAPEL—2—	Rev. Zeb McDaris.....		1
RECTOR BRANCH—1—	Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Rev. Calvin Metcalf.....		
RED HILL.....			2
ROCKY BRANCH—2—	Rev. Junior Honeycutt.....		4
SHADY GROVE—1—	Rev. L. G. Crawford, Rev. H. King, Rev. Earl Rice, Rev. Virgel Ray.....		2
SHOAL HILL.....			
SWEETEN CREEK.....			1
UNION CHAPEL—3—	W. A. Ward, J. A. Roberts, L. F. Rumbo, Pearson Bradley, Grover Bailey, Henry Rice, William Bradley.....		4 (tithe: 1)
UNION VALLEY—1—	Rev. Shelby Beaver, Rev. Wilco Melton.....		1
WALNUT—1—	Rev. Johnny Franks, Rev. Clarence Davis.....		

STATISTICAL MEMBERSHIP TABLE, AUG. 1953-AUG. 1954

CHURCHES	Members Received	Experience & Baptism	Letter & Statement	Restoration	Members Lost	By Letter	Expulsion & Erasure	By Death	Total Increase	Total Decrease	Last Year's Membership	Present Membership	PASTOR	
ASHEVILLE	15	13	2		1	1			14	1	174	188	Rev. Thomas Holder, Jr.	
AVERY'S CREEK	10	3	7		34		34		10	34	113	79	Rev. R. H Ballard	
BARNARD	1		2						1			10	Rev. Lloyd Chandler	
BARNARDSVILLE	2	1	1						2		39	41	Rev. Raymond Shell	
BEAVERDAM	12	11	1					1			106	117	Rev. Ernest Strickland	
BURGIN CHAPEL	14	14			9	5	4		5				Rev. Clarence Davis	
CEDAR HILL	9	2			2	1		1	8		137	146	Rev. Herman Pace	
DRY BRANCH	30	8	22						30		58	88	Rev. G. Y. Burgin	
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN	12	12							12		106	118	Rev. George M. Reynolds	
FUGATE	6	6	2		1	1			7		32	44	Rev. Harrison Lunsford	
HAZEL GREEN	10	10			21	17	5			12	79	67	Rev. H. L. Chatham	
HOMER'S CHAPEL	24				19	2	17		9		87	96	Rev. Farrell Sparks	
LAUREL FORK	13	9	4						13		45	58	Rev. Grady Harris	
LAURELTON CHAPEL	1	1			3	3			1	3	166	164	Rev. Gernie McKinney	
MARSHALL	18	8	10		2	1		1	16	2	180	196	Rev. Grady Harris	
MOUNT BETHEL	9	2	7		1		1		9		128	137	Rev. J. B. Brigman	
MOUNTAIN VIEW	4	3	1		8	5		3		4	253	249	Rev. Quincy Miller	
MOUNT ZION	7	7							7		137	144	Rev. G. Y. Burgin	
PAINT FORK	11	11							11		112	123	Rev. Raymond Shell	
PISGAH FOREST				1				2			42	40	Rev. Lonnie Crawford	
RAY'S CHAPEL	4	2	2		2	2			4		33	37	Rev. John Lunsford	
RECTOR BRANCH	4	2		2					4		22	26	Rev. G. Y. Burgin	
RED HILL					1	1				1	85	84	Rev. T. E. Woody	
ROCKY BRANCH	36	27	2	7	4	3		1	36	4	119	154	Rev. N. F. Byrd	
SHADY GROVE											100	100	Rev. Lonnie Crawford	
SHOAL HILL	3	3							3		60	63	Rev. Jack Hutchins	
SWEETEN CREEK	2		2			2			2	2	58	58	Rev. Ralph Mumpower	
UNION CHAPEL	10	10	1	1	1		1	1	11	1	100	100	Rev. W. A. Ward	
UNION VALLEY	13	1	10	2	1	1			12		91	103	Rev. Wilco Melton	
WALNUT					4	4				4	88	84	Rev. Johnny Franks	
TOTALS	30	280	166	81	13	114	49	62	10	227	68	2750	2924	

**FINANCIAL REPORT, AUG. 1953-AUG. 1954**

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Reverals	Church Repair & Improvement	Local Charity	Other Purposes	Minute Fund	Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Old Minister's Fund	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage	CLERKS (This Year)	ADDRESS
ASHEVILLE	1,288.04	39.74			553.05	10.01	710.90	112.50			9,000.00		Roy Waldrup	Asheville, Rt. 1
AVERY'S CREEK	765.01	131.04	704.85	69.87	120.48	5.00	185.14		57.00	5.00	4,500.00		Mrs. A. L. Satterfield	Arden, Rt. 1
BARNARD	113.74	57.86				2.00		19.00					Mrs. Roy Roberts	Barnard, N. C.
BARNARDSVILLE	132.00	40.00		32.40	83.25	5.00	24.00	32.00		10.00	2,000.00		Roy Mundy	Barnardsville
BEAVERDAM	1,313.71	139.29	404.82	77.88	251.85	5.00	60.00			5.00	6,200.00		Mrs. A. J. Brock	Candler
BURGIN CHAPEL	257.80	20.00	1,313.13	50.00	296.44	5.00	24.00	37.73			1,600.00		James Burgin	Black Mtn., Rt. 1
CEDAR HILL	1,644.47	100.00	440.25	610.83	100.00	10.00	70.00	50.00	74.15	10.00	6,000.00		Mrs. W. M. Spivey	Asheville, Rt. 3
DRY BRANCH	335.82	30.02	1,215.41	70.00	5.00	5.00		10.00			2,700.00		Mrs. Ruth Conner	Alexander, N. C.
EAST BLACK MTN.	2,600.00	210.12	301.31	271.83	525.46	6.00	76.00	97.50		15.00	10,000.00		Mrs. Wayne Rayburn	Black Mtn., Box 462
FUGATE	310.24	31.07		8.00		4.15		3.00			1,400.00		Eliza Gibbs	French Broad, Tenn.
HAZEL GREEN	338.75	89.95	822.11	191.66	513.24	5.00					5,500.00		Mrs. Rex Davis	Gormen Bdg. Rd., Asheville
HOMER'S CHAPEL	2,650.95	166.00	1,000.00	62.00	3,243.43	10.00		35.00		10.00	10,000.00	7,000.00	Clarence Worley	Black Mtn.
LAUREL FORK	326.87			30.17		4.00					2,000.00		Luther Hagan	Marshall, Rt. 1
LAURELTON CHAPEL	322.58	20.13			56.51	3.00		36.00			2,000.00		Cas Fender	Flag Pond, Tenn., Rt. 1
MARSHALL	705.69	155.01	500.00	342.77	154.00	10.00	120.00	47.23	10.00	20.00	5,000.00		Mrs. Myrtle Payne	Marshall
MOUNT BETHEL	1,376.00		183.09		112.00	6.00	120.00	52.14			5,000.00		Stanley Franklin	Weaverville
MOUNTAIN VIEW	300.00		1,500.00	125.00		10.00					5,000.00		B. W. Sluder	Alexander
MOUNT ZION	118.83				12.00	6.55		34.24			2,000.00		Dinah Bullman	Alexander, Rt. 1, Box 94
PAINT FORK	140.94	70.08			43.00	5.75					1,500.00		Harry Burrell	Weaverville, Rt. 2
PISGAH FOREST	122.38	9.00			4.30						1,700.00		Mrs. Bertha Hyatt	Barnardsville
RAY'S CHAPEL	326.08	160.76	73.27		213.91	5.00					2,500.00		S. W. Ballew	Weaverville, Box 372
RECTOR BRANCH	87.00	1.00				2.00		3.00					Bldg. Anna Mae Anderson	Barnard, N. C.
RED HILL	920.36			148.90	118.92	6.64	111.00	144.64			25,000.00		Mrs. Hope Fisher Rice	Marshall, Rt. 3
ROCKY BRANCH	477.31	183.30	751.38	253.18	257.03	10.00					3,850.00	400.00	Mrs. Iula Wood	Waynesville, Rt. 1
SHADY GROVE	129.35	25.00	175.00		12.00	3.00					1,700.00		Mrs. Maudie L. Gosnell	Marshall, Rt. 3
SHOAL HILL	254.70				4.00	4.00	24.00	25.10			1,500.00		Miss Irene Payne	Marshall, Rt. 1
SWEETEN CREEK	683.76			30.00	50.08	4.00	14.75	58.69	22.00	5.00	3,700.00		Mrs. William Blue	Sweeten Creek Rd., Rt. 2
UNION CHAPEL			30.00	6.47		3.50					1,500.00		W. F. Banks	Weaverville
UNION VALLEY	185.51	105.99	306.58	17.00	160.00	5.14	10.79	35.00			1,500.00		Mrs. Jennie Ballard	Weaverville, Rt. 1, Box 466
WALNUT	255.05	59.38	1,222.28	60.50	59.92	5.00	39.09	125.00			15,000.00		Dorothy Lee Reeves	Walnut, N. C.
HORNEY HEIGHTS						5.00								
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>18,430.11</b>	<b>1,844.14</b>	<b>7,948.48</b>	<b>2,457.96</b>	<b>6,924.57</b>	<b>177.64</b>	<b>1,469.67</b>	<b>198.84</b>	<b>173.15</b>	<b>80.00</b>	<b>139,350.00</b>	<b>7,400.00</b>		



## RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that this Association be empowered to have jurisdiction over all churches in this body, and shall have the power to settle disputes that may come before it. Any church that may have a dispute that cannot be settled peaceably in said church, the dissatisfied party shall have a right to appeal to the association, and abide by the decision of the same.

### CONSTITUTION, MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. This body shall be known as the Ministers' Conference of the French Broad Free Will Baptist Association.

2. This Conference is formed under and by the Authority of the French Broad Association and shall be composed of licensed and ordained ministers.

3. It shall have entire jurisdiction over the ministry in said Association, issuing licenses, prescribing qualifications for the ministry, conducting examinations and ordaining ministers, working for the most harmonious and effective ministry. Any person having the call of God to preach His Word, shall be liberated by his church for one year before presenting himself to the ordaining council to be licensed. Each licensed minister shall be elected as pastor of a duly organized church of the regular Free Will Baptists, in this or some other Association or Conference, he may apply for ordination after having been licensed one year.

4. The officers of this Conference shall be a Moderator and Secretary-Treasurer, who shall be elected annually and perform the duties usually performed by such officers.

5. This Conference shall have the power to make such by-laws and other regulations as may be necessary for the performance of its duties.

6. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a vote of four-fifths.

### RULES OF DECORUM

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

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

3. Every member speaking shall first rise and address the moderator.

4. No member shall interrupt a member while speaking.

5. We shall admit no other title while in session but that of "Brother."

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

7. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to unless withdrawn by the person who made it.

9. No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the moderator.

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

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

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

13. Not less than nine members shall constitute a quorum.

## CONSTITUTION

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

2. The delegates chosen and sent shall be recommended by letter from the church to which they belong and shall include the minister and some of the most able members belonging to the church.

3. The Association when met and formed shall elect a Moderator, Assistant Moderator and Clerk.

4. The rules of decorum shall be read immediately after the Association is formed.

5. This Association will encourage a sound ministry, such as present Christ as an all sufficient Savior, having salvation possible to every human being on the terms of the Gospel which is freely offered to all.

6. Any minister in good standing, whether a delegate or not, may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberations and his name be enrolled in our minutes.

7. The Association may appoint such committees as may be necessary for the expediting of business and every committee appointed to attend to any particular business shall report their proceedings in writing to the Association while in session and all reports made by the committees may be adopted by the body.

8. Any church can become a member of the Association by making application by letter or by delegates and adopting our Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.

9. The Association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented by letter or delegates.

10. The Association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **GOD:** We believe that there is only one true and living God who is personally the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection. There is one God and mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus who gave Himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time. I Tim. 2:5.

2. **THE HOLY SCRIPTURE:** We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine for the government of His church. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction and instruction in righteousness.

3. **ORIGINAL APOSTASY:** We believe that Adam was created holy but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity and consequently involved his posterity in sin. "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was pleasant to the eyes and a tree desired to make one wise, she took the fruit thereof and did eat and gave to her husband with her and he did eat."—Gen. 3:6.

4. **FREE GRACE:** We believe that the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessing, that the gospel is the power of God unto salvation, that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin but is the means whereby sinners are converted and made wise unto salvation. "For there is no difference between Jews and Greeks for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him."—Rom. 10:12.

5. **CHRISTIAN FAITH:** We believe that Christian faith is the belief in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and redeemer of the world and in the divinity of the Holy Scripture, that faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life and he that eblieveth not on the Son shall not see life but the wrath of God abideth on him."—John 3:36.

6. **REPENTANCE:** We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be preceded by effectual conviction of sin. "Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance, for ye were made sorry after a Godly manner that ye might receive damage by us in nothing, for Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation, not to be repented of but the sorrow of the world worketh death." II Cor. 7:9-10.

7. **FREE AGENCY:** We believe that the human will is free and that men have ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures. "He that shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of thee but to do justly, and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God."—Micah 6-8.

8. **PERSEVERANCE:** We do not believe, under Gospel dispensation, any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally but that those who by faith persevere to the end will be saved; that it is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of their faith and turn again to sin and finally be lost. "And Jesus said unto him: 'No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God.'"—Luke 9:62.

9. **GOOD WORKS:** We believe that good works are the results of faith and not necessity; that those who have faith will do works of righteousness while those who have not faith cannot do anything pleasing or acceptable to God. "Every tree that bringeth not forth fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire, wherefore by their fruit ye shall know them."—Matt. 7:19-20.

10. **CHRISTIAN BAPTISM:** We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; that baptism cannot be Scripturally administered without faith in the subject who receives it. "Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father even so we also should walk in newness of life."—Rom. 6:4.

11. **THE LORD'S SUPPER:** We believe the supper was instituted by our Savior as a commemorative ordinance, that it was instituted for Christians and that all Christians should unite in sacred services regardless of name or denomination. "But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup for he that eateth and drinketh unworthily eataeth and drinketh damnation unto himself not discerning the Lord's body."—I Cor. 11:28-29.

12. **FEET WASHING:** We believe that washing the saint's feet was a command of our Savior and that His followers ought to practice the same. We urge the pastors of all churches to encourage the practical obedience of this command, especially among the members of our churches. "If I then your Lord and Master have washed your feet ye also ought to wash one another's feet."—St. John 13:14.

13. **THE GOSPEL:** We believe it to be the duty of all churches to support the Gospel. "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live by the Gospel."—I Cor. 9:14.

## CHURCH COVENANT

1. Having given ourselves to the Lord, through Jesus Christ, we agree to accept the Free Will Baptist articles of faith; we give ourselves to each other by the help of God. 2. We solemnly covenant before God that we will carefully observe, rebuke and admonish those having gone astray and watch over each other's reputation, use our influence to the upbuilding of the church, commands implied in a profession of faith, and in the spirit of kindness and for the advancement of the cause of Christ, endeavoring to seek the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of Peace, and to confess our faults to one another, and to strengthen those who are weak. 3. We promise by the help of God, that we will faithfully practice family and secret prayer and strive to cultivate the doctrine of God's revealed Word in the minds of those under our care. 4. We also agree to use our influence for the support of the Gospel and contribute liberally to aid the ministry according to our several abilities. Also we agree to be liberal with those who are afflicted and needy, and especially to those of the household of faith. 5. We also agree to attend the monthly meetings regularly if not Providentially hindered, and to submit to all ordinances applied in a profession of faith. 6. We also agree to abstain from all sinful and vain amusements. 7. We also agree to abstain from all intoxicating liquors, not to use it as a beverage, nor aid or assist in the manufacture of such, nor to furnish it to others. We also agree to encourage home and foreign missions, education, Sabbath Schools, good morals and everything that is for the glory of God, and to the welfare of men, and may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, that we may be happily admitted into the Kingdom of God, where we can ascribe honor unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

## BY-LAWS, MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. The regular meeting of this Conference shall be held annually the day before the meeting of the Association.

2. Each member shall report at the annual meeting, either in person or by written report. \$1.00 shall accompany each minister's report to merit necessary expenses of this organization.

3. Five members shall constitute a quorum at all regular or legal meetings.

4. The Moderator may call a special session at any time on request of three members.

5. At each meeting there shall be elected an Ordaining Council whose duty shall be to examine candidates, grant licenses, conduct ordinations, etc., and report at each regular meeting.

6. No member shall serve as pastor of a church which does not enforce discipline, care for their pastor and contribute to other benevolent enterprises according to their ability.

7. No member shall meddle with the work of another or injure his reputation for usefulness, but watch over each other and thus promote harmony and love among the membership.

8. Each member, not excused from age or infirmities, is expected to do something to advance the Cause of Christ and make a full report at each regular meeting.

9. Membership in this body shall be proof of good standing in the ministry.

10. These by-laws may be amended by a vote of four-fifths majority at any annual meeting.

STATISTICAL MEMBERSHIP TABLE

No. of members received.....; By experience and baptism.....;
By letter and statement.....; By restoration.....;
No. of members lost.....; By letter.....; By expulsion and
erasure.....; By death.....; Total increase..... or de-
crease.....; Last year's membership.....; Present member-
ship.....
Sundays we have preaching.....
No. of revivals.....; Held by:
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We hold Communion and Feet Washing Services.....times during the
year. No. who tithe belonging to our church.....

FINANCIAL REPORT

Pastor's salary \$.....; Revivals \$.....; Church
repairs and improvements \$.....; State Convention fee \$.....;
Local Charity \$.....; Other purposes \$.....; Minute Fund \$.....

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

Superintendent.....; Address.....
Secretary.....; Address.....
No. of classes.....; No. of pupils.....; Kind of Literature
used.....; Expenses \$.....;
Amount sent to Orphanage \$.....



OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor .....
Address .....
Clerk .....
Address .....
Pastor for next year .....
Address .....
Clerk for next year .....
Address .....

UNITED PROGRAM

Old Minister's Fund \$ .....; Missions \$ .....;
Orphanage \$ .....; Christian Education \$ .....;
State Promotional Services \$ .....; Church Finance Associ-
ation, Inc. \$ .....; Craigmont \$ .....

CHURCH HOLDINGS

Value of Church Property \$ .....; Value of Parson-
age \$ .....; Value of all other Church property \$ .....

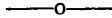
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

President .....; Address .....
Secretary .....; Address .....
No. of members .....; Gained this year .....; Meets every .....;
Money taken in \$ .....; Money paid out \$ .....

(over)

### FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE

President.....; Address.....  
 Secretary.....; Address.....  
 No. of members.....; No. of groups.....; Meets every.....;  
 Do you take a weekly offering?.....; Kind of literature used.....  
 .....; Do you have a Junior League?.....  
 Leader.....; Address.....



By order of the Church in conference, this the.....day of....., 195....  
 ....., Moderator  
 ....., Clerk

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**MINISTERS' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL  
YEAR OF 195....., TO 195.....**

No. of churches pastored.....; No. of revivals conducted.....;  
 No. of conversions.....; No. of sermons preached.....;  
 No. of members received.....; No. baptized.....; No. of  
 marriages.....; No. of funerals.....

Received for pastoral services . . . . . \$.....  
 Received for revival services . . . . . \$.....  
 Received for all other services . . . . . \$.....

**TOTAL** . . . . . \$.....

Given personally to the Cause . . . . . \$.....

Do you tithe?.....

Minister .....

Address .....

**CHURCH LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION**

We, the Free Will Baptist hurch of....., at  
 ....., N. C., send Christian salutation to The  
 French Broad Association and the following delegates represent us:

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Ordained ministers who hold membership with us are:

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Licensed ministers who hold membership with us are:

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 .....,





Come unto me, all ye  
that labour and are  
heavy laden and I will  
give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

