# MINUTES

of the

# 85th Annual Session

of

# FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION

of

# FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Held at the

ASHEVILLE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH Elkmont Drive, Asheville, N. C.

AUGUST 15, 16, 17, 1963

#### NEXT SESSION

Of the French Broad Association of the Free Will Baptists will be held at the Walnut F.W.B. Church, Walnut, N. C., beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1964, at 10:00 A.M. Rev. Roy Waldrop will preach the introductory sermon at 11:00 A.M. Rev. Evert Shelton will be the alternate.

#### **OFFICERS**

Mode	rator			Re	v. Erv	in Sl	uder,	Weave	erville,	N.	C.
Vice	Mode	rator					Re	ev. Ray	ymond	Sh	ell,
			103	Blue	Ridge	Ave	., Bla	ck Mou	ıntain,	N.	C.
Clerk		Ka	theri	ne W	Jorley.	Rt.	1. Bla	ck Mor	untain	N	C



These minutes are dedicated to the memory of a faithful servant of God, Rev. J. A. Collins, who departed from this life in December, 1962, after carrying the Gospel for more than seventy years.

He was a faithful member of The French Broad Ministers' Conference, encouraging the younger ministers and quoting the Scriptures to everyone he came in contact with.

The story of his conversion has been a blessing to many: "I heard a revival preacher preach on hell and I was so afraid that I could hardly wait to get to the altar, but after going I didn't get satisfied. I was too afraid to sleep that night. The next day as I plowed corn, I was afraid I would go to hell. Then I began to think of John 3:16—the last part where Jesus said 'shall not perish'. I said, 'No, I'm not going to hell. I am going to believe', and the Lord saved me right there between the plow handles. I looked down at my feet and I had new feet, at my hands and I had new hands, the trees seemed to be waving their leaves and praising God, and I have been a new creature ever since."

Church

By Rev. Milton Hollifield

Sundays Wo Have Breaching

MARSHALL: Rev. Ervin Sluder, Weaverville, N. C. 1st and 3rd
MT. BETHEL: Rev. Arnold Bullman Every Rt. 3, Weaverville, N. C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Rev. Paul Jordan, Old Fort, N. C Every
MOUNT ZION: Rev. Alford Taylor
OLD FORT: Not Elected
PAINT FORK: Not Elected Every
PISGAH: Rev. V. E. Condrey, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C. Every
PISGAH FOREST: Not Elected1st and 4th
RAY'S CHAPEL: Not Elected
RED HILL: Rev. Talmadge Brown, Rt. 4, Chucky, Tenn
ROCKY BRANCH: Rev. Columbus Boone Every Rt. 1, Box 36, Waynesville, N. C.
SHADY GROVE: Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford
SHOAL HILL: Not Elected1st and 3rd
SULPHUR SPRINGS: Rev. R. A. Ward, Clyde, N. C. Every
SWEETEN CREEK: Rev. Allison Robinson, Hoopers Creek, N. C. Every
UNION CHAPEL: Rev. W. A. Ward, Weaverville, N. C. Every
UNION VALLEY: Rev. James Waldrop Every Rt. 1, Box 169, Asheville, N. C.
WALNUT: Rev. Talmadge Brown, Rt. 4, Chucky, Tenn1st and 3rd
Note: Hazel Green Church has changed their name to Clayton Ave. Church. The Rocky Branch Church was taken under the watchcare of the Association for one year. Lower Big Pine Church did not report to the Association but sent

#### OUR MISSIONARY TO AFRICA

in a report.

MRS. JOSEPHINE MUMPOWER STEVENS

Mselevi Mission Station, P. O. Mkuge, Zululand, South Africa

#### **EIGHTY FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION**

#### OF THE

#### FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION OF THE FREE WILL BAPTISTS

#### **PROCEEDINGS**

Beginning on Thursday, August 15, 1963 at 10:00 A.M. at Asheville Free Will Baptist Church at Asheville, N. C.

Opening Song: "Victory In Jesus".

Welcome and Devotionals by Rev. Willet Moretz. Scripture: Ephesians 2.

Opening Prayer: Rev. G. M. Reynolds.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Moderator:	Rev.	Ervin	Sluder		Weaverville,	N.	C.
Vice Moder	ator:	Rev.	Raymond	Shell	Black Mountain	, N.	C.
Clark, Kat	horine	Wor	low		Plack Mountain	TAT.	C

#### APPOINTING OF READING CLERKS

Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford

Roy Roberts

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rev. Wilco Melton
The Moderator read the Rules of Decorum.

Rev. Lane Chatham

#### VISITING MINISTERS WELCOMED

Rev. Talmadge MaynorBlack	Mountain, N. C.—Upper South Carolina Association
Rev. Talmadge Brown	Rt. 4, Chucky, Tenn.—Union Association
Rev. V. E. Condrey	
Rev. Bobby Abrams 30	2 East Main St., Garner, N. C.—General Conference
Rev. Cecil H. Campbell	Box 1006, New Bern, N. C.—Coastal Conference
Rev. Lewis Campbell	Box 1006, New Bern, N. C.—Coastal Conference
Rev. W. A. Ward	P. O. Box 282, Clyde, N. C.
Rev. Jack Jones	Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.
Rev. Milton Hollifield	Swannanoa, N. C.—Blue Ridge Association
Rev. Paul Davis	Morganton, N. C.

#### 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Opening Song: "Standing On the Promises".

Prayer: Rev. Cecil Campbell.

Sermon: Rev. Roy Redmon; Scripture, Ecclesiastes 6: 1, 2; 2nd Chronicles 7:12-14.

Closing Prayer: Rev. James Vaughn.

#### 1:30 P.M. PROCEEDINGS

Song: "Are You Washed In the Blood of the Lamb?".

Devotionals: Rev. Alford Taylor. Scripture: Matthew 5: 11-16. Prayer: Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford. A special prayer was prayed in memory of Rev. J. A. Collins, also for the sick ministers: Rev. Walter Wilson, Rev. Sam Chandler, and Rev. Gorman Burgin. Mt. Bethel Church was taken into full fellowship.

The Churches gave their reports and the Committees were appointed.

#### 7:30 P.M. SERVICE

Song: "I Ask You Friend to Meet Me There".

Special Singing: Miss Annette Manley, Rev. T. A. Holder and daughter, Sluder duet, and the McMahan duet.

Prayer: Rev. J. A. Edmonds. Sermon: Rev. Vernon Radcliffe.

Scripture: Isaiah 56:10-12; I Peter 5:8.

#### CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

ASHEVILLE: Kelly Metcalf, Vic Metcalf, Mrs. R. H. Ray, Helen Hollar.

AVERY'S CREEK: Mrs. Wayne Lisenbee, Norman Lisenbee, Mr. Lonnie Gasperson, Mr. and Mrs. George Marshall.

BALSAM GROVE: Rev. Ransome Phillips, Dell Wood, Johnnie Mathis.

BARNARD: Edd. Davis, Roy Roberts, Andrew Chandler, Andy Farmer, Bert Roberts. BARNARDSVILLE: Mrs. Velma Harris, Mrs. Imogene Clinton, Miss Susie Harris, Mr. D. H. Harris, Miss Wanda Calloway.

BURGINS CHAPEL: Mrs. Patsy Rice, Mrs. Mabel Crow, Mrs. Mary Gregory, Mrs. G. M. Reynolds.

CLAYTON AVE.: Rev. and Mrs. John Lunsford, Mr. Clem Gaddy, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Spivey, Mrs. John Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Haynes.

DRY BRANCH: Mr. Ottis Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Faultner, Mrs. Carol Roberts, Mr. Bud Ramsey

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Agnes Reynolds, Bill Bartlett, Joe Bill Bartlett, Katherine Blanks, Viola Creasman.

EAST FORK: Mr. and Mrs. Mack Allen, Gerald Metcalf, Mrs. Ruby Church.

FAITH: Rev. and Mrs. Charlie Hollifield, Mrs. Raymond Shell.

FUGATE: Howard Stanley, Dorothy Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Greene, Mrs. Hubert Ricker, Mr. Clyde Davis.

HOLLY GROVE: Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lanning, Richard Lanning, Clifton Barnes, Hoyt Barnes.

HOMERS CHAPEL: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Crow, Mrs. G. E. Cody, Katherine Worley.

HOT SPRINGS: Herman Thomas, Joe Moore, Dollie Franklin, Ruby Fowler, Pauline Lister, Elvie Fuller.

HYATT CREEK: Not given.

LAUREL FORK: Walter H. Ball, Mrs. Robert Roberts, Hubert Jarrett, Mrs. O. W. Furguson, Mrs. T. A. Holder, Jr.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Cas Fender, Mrs. Zelma Boles, Mrs. Dollie Jenkins.

LOWER BIG PINE: Not given.

MARSHALL: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reece, Mrs. Lottie Rector, Miss Shirley Parris, Miss Ronnie Lee Buckner, Mrs. Vader Shelton.

MT. BETHEL: Mrs. Effie Piercy, Mrs. Sylvia Edwards.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Jennis Sluder, Merit Bradburn, Roland Sluder, Charlie Sluder, Mrs. Jenis Sluder, Jackie Bullman.

MOUNT ZION: Ellis Greene, Spurgeon Bullman, Sanford McGallin, Arrville Revis. OLD FORT: Miss Judy Allison, Mrs. Irene Chrisown, Mr. Charles Moore, Mrs. Selma Manley.

PAINT FORK: Eugene Duyck, Joe Gelson.

- PISGAH: Mable Reece, Naoima Reece, Berlyn Murray, Vera Green, Margie Condray, Ray Green.
- FISGAH FOREST: R. A. Lunsford, Lockie Lunsford, Christene Lunsford, Mary Lou Lunsford, Bertha Thomas.
- RAY'S CHAPEL: Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford, Gus Rogers, Mrs. Sue Ray, Johnnie Ray.
- RED HILL: Mrs. R. B. Fisher, Mrs. Ruth Allen, Cleophus Ramsey, Roy McDevitt, Fred Rigsby, Frank Reid.
- SHADY GROVE: Fred Ramsey, Lillie Ramsey, Hubert Chandler, Ezikiel Bullman, Ruth Bullman, June Ellen Bullman.
- ROCKY BRANCH: Columbus Boone, Hobart Wyatt.
- SHOAL HILL: Mrs. Ethel Brown, Mrs. Howard Payne, Judy Ball.
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Rev. R. A. Ward, Rev. W. L. Queen, Mrs. R. A. Ward, Mrs. W. L. Queen, Mrs. Wayne Roberts.
- SWEETEN CREEK: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Herron, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hensley, Edgar Dockery, Mrs. Paul Jenkins.
- UNION CHAPEL: Mrs. L. F. Rumbough, Joe Mundy.
- UNION VALLEY: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hyatt, Mrs. Jean Tweed, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Harwood, Mrs. Robie Fortner.
  - VALNUT: Mrs. Grace Dockery, Mr. Bill Plemmons, Pat Treadway, Patricia Wilds, Barbara Reed, Patsy Blackwell, Dorothy Reed, Junior Treadway, Jerry Reed.

#### APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

- ARRANGEMENTS: A standing committee, Pastor and Delegates.
- YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK: Judy Ball, Shirley Parris.
- SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Rev. Alford Taylor, Bud Ramsey.
- HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS: Mrs. Howard Payne, Selma Manley.
- l'ASTORS' SUPPORT: Ed. Davis, Kelly Metcalf.
- EDUCATION: Mr. Haynes, Rev. John Lunsford.
- LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE: Grace Dockery, Mrs. Howard Payne.
- MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE: A standing committee, written by Rev. Henry Ballard, deceased. Amendment, Rev. T. A. Holder, Jr., Rev. Walter Wilson.
- OLD MINISTERS FUND: A standing committee, Plato Worley, Chairman.
- DEEPER DEVOTIONS: A standing committee, written by W. W. Ballard, deceased.
- OBITUARIES: Mrs. Cody, Mrs. Sluder.
- RESOLUTIONS: A standing committee, Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford.
- FINANCE: A standing committee.
- TEMPERANCE: Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford, Rev. Roy Redmon.
- FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME: Rev. Lane Chatham, Bert Roberts,
  - Rev. G. M. Reynolds, Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Rev. Wilco Melton, Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Treasurer.
- PERIODICALS: Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Sluder.
- WOMAN'S AUXILIARY: Viola Creasman, Dorothy Reed.
- SESSIONS: First delegate of each church.

#### FRIDAY MORNING, 9:30 A.M.

Opening Song: "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms".

Prayer: Rev. Ervin Sluder. Devotionals: Rev. G. W. Briggs.

Scripture: Rev. 21: 1-8.

Heard Reports of Committees.

#### 11:00 A.M. SERVICE

Song: "Are You Washed In the Blood of the Lamb?".

Special Singing: Rev. Davis and a duet from Morganton. Harp solo by Charlie

Sluder.

Prayer: Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford. Sermon: Rev. G. M. Reynolds. Scripture: Mark 14: 3-9.

#### 1:30 P.M. SERVICE

Song: "The Old Account Was Settled Long Ago".

Prayer: Rev. T. A. Holder, Jr. Devotionals: Rev. Arnold Bullman. Scripture: Jeremiah 50: 1-10.

Heard reports of committees. The body voted to keep the Orphanage money in the

Treasury until the Association decides what to do with it.

#### 7:30 P.M. SERVICE

Song: "The Pearly White City".

Special Singing: Holder Family, McMahan Duet, Charlie Sluder played some harp

solos.

Prayer: Rev. Alford Taylor. Sermon: Rev. Lane Chatham. Scripture: John 7: 37-39.

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

Song: "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms".

Devotionals: Rev. Roy Waldrop.

Scripture: Psalm 34.
Prayer: Rev. Jesse Rice.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

ARRANGEMENTS: A standing committee, Pastor and delegates.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK: Encouragement and cooperation are innovations for young people to attain greater goals in their Christian work. Young People who have devoted Christian parents have a firm foundation on which to build. Pastors, Sunday School teachers, as well as the congregation, have a great responsibility in guiding and directing young people in their early Christian life. We urge parents, church leaders, and all our older people to accept this important responsibility and to take more interest in their young people.

—Shirley Parris, Judy Ball

SUNDAY SCHOOLS: We urge that more emphasis be placed on Sunday School attendance ,that we as Christian leaders gather them up and bring them in, visit the absentees, encourage and nourish them, cooperate with them in clean entertainment and the things they are interested in, and pray without ceasing, trusting the Lord for guidance.

—Rev. Alford Taylor, Bud Ramsey

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS: We, your committee on Home and Foreign Missions, believe that lost souls should be of such importance that we should stress it to our children at an early age. We believe that neglect in teaching our young people the need for Missions is the cause for so great a need today. It has been people the need for Missions is the cause for so great a need today. It has been neglected for so long that we are prone to say with the apostle Paul in Ephesians 5:15-16, "See that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, for the days are evil". We feel that if we as parents would take our children to church and teach them the ways of Christianity, as they grow older and give their lives to Jesus they will feel the call for Mission work. We believe that the call for Missionary service comes in the early part of life. If we in our weak way help prepare our children for it, then we feel that we may have had a small part in both home and Eggeign missions. Our work should not stop here but we chall be will-Home and Foreign missions. Our work should not stop here but we should be willing in any way possible to support our Missionaries both at home and on the foreign fields. There are none of us here at home that have had to give up what our foreign missionaries have, families, friends and the comforts of home, to go to a strange place and preach Christ to strangers. So let us pray for our missionaries and support them with our means and God can bless us more and more. We feel like, too, that our leaders in our churches are neglecting to emphasize Home and Foreign Missions as they should because some of our churches are uninformed as they should be on missions. The more we know about a thing, the greater our desire to support it. Let us first seek Christ and divine leadership and then go forward in His service. For Jesus said, "I must preach the Kingdom of God to other cities also for therefore am I sent". Luke 4:43. -Dorothy Payne and Selma Manley

PASTORS' SUPPORT: We, the committee on Pastors' Support, wish to stress the importance of supporting our Pastors. In Deuteronomy 32:10, God's ministers are referred to as "the apple of His eye". God isn't going to hold us guiltless when we withold our means of support from them and cause their burdens to be greater than they would be if we would do what God requires of us.

We would like to mention some of the ways of supporting our pastors. We all know that it takes money to survive in the days in which we live. God has prospered most of us with health and good jobs, and yet there are very few people compared to the church membership of our land who even give to God the tithe that belongs to Him; not to mention free will offerings and being willing to sacrifice on our own part for the support of our pastors and for the furtherance of the Gospel of Christ. We believe that members should support their pastors by prayer. So many of us when we leave the church on Sunday are prone to forget our pastor and his family's needs until the next service time. We believe that members should visit their pastor and his family during the week, fellowship with them and find out if they are in need. There is no need for us to ask God to supply their needs when it is in our own power to do so, for we are God's hands and he works through us for the betterment of His kingdom. Let us say that it encourages a pastor to see his members interested in his family's welfare. Let's all unite this year in a special prayerful way to make it the best year our pastor has had and see if God doesn't "open the windows of Heaven and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it". (Malachi 3:10) —Ed Davis and Kelly Metcalf

EDUCATION: We, the committee on Education, recommend that we as Free Will Baptists devote every possible moment, and exercise every effort possible in attaining a better knowledge of God's work. Not seeking self glory or praise of man, but living a dedicated life to the glory of God. Also "study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth". I Timothy 2:15.

In view of the recent Supreme Court rulings and legislation against the Bible

in the public schools, and in view of the growing need for Christian workers we recommend that this association endorse the Bible-centered course of studies offered for Free Will Baptist youth at Free Will Baptist College in Nashville, Tenn., and we further recommend that we encourage more of our young people to pursue their higher education in the Christian atmosphere of our Nashville Bible College.

-Rev. John Lunsford and M. E. Haynes

LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE: We, the committee on Lord's Day Observance, believe that as Christians, we should spend this day in special worship in the Lord's House unless providentially hindered. Every day should be lived as a Christian, but we believe that our Sabbath should be observed especially for assembling in the Lord's House, visiting the sick and needy and keeping the Sabbath Holy as God has commanded. Exodus 20:8.

We are opposed to public amusements being open on the Sabbath Day and believe that we, as Christians, should not partake of these. If we do our part in the Lord's work, we will have no time for anything else on His special day.

-Dorothy Payne and Grace Dockery

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 persons, unless they are satisfied that the ones to be married are justified in their separation. We will not ordain or license ministers who have two living wives.

—A standing committee, written by Rev. Henry Ballard, deceased. Amendment: Rev. T. A. Holder, Jr., and Rev. Walter Wilson.

**OLD MINISTERS BOARD:** A standing committee, Plato Worley, Treasurer; Howard Reece, A. S. Reeves, Kelly Metcalf, Ed Davis. See Old Ministers Fund under Statement of Finances.

Amendment: We, your committee, recommend that the Old Ministers Board of the French Broad Free Will Association be governed by the following: 1. That at the age of sixty-five (65) our ministers, if unable to support our insurance, at their own request, be relieved of this obligation. 2. That our local ministers cooperate with our local board in every way possible.

—Rev. Warren Reece, Rev. W. O. Adcock, Rev. G. Y. Burgin.

DEEPER DEVOTIONS: Spirituality is the life and power of the religion of Jesus Christ. The vocation of religion is devoted 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 when 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 W. W. Ballard, deceased.

**OBITUARIES:** We, your committee on Obituaries, recommend that we continue to put in our minutes the obituaries of our members who pass away. Keeping in mind (1 Thess. 4:13) "but I would not have to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. The time for all of us is now. While in this short life, to get prepared to live in the Haven of rest, with our dear loved ones who have gone to be with Jesus.

-Mrs. Lennie Cody and Stella Sluder

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 mission's. If we had worked as hard as the communists to carry our mission of sharing Christ as they have carried out their mission, so many doors would not be closed to missionaries today. —A standing committee, Rev. Charlie Hollfield, Rev. Lonnie Crawford

**TEMPERANCE:** We, your committee on Temperance, believe it is a sin to use alcoholic beverages in any form. Those who drink become or are drunkards and the Bible plainly says that no drunkard shall enter Heaven. We see the effects of the use of it: murder, broken homes and most of all the major crimes have been committed by people who have been drinking alcohol. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." (Prov. 20:1)

When Jesus turned the water into wine and Paul told Timothy to drink a little wine for his stomach's sake they were pure wines, not the intoxicants.

-Lonnie G. Crawford and Roy Redmon

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME: We, your committee on Orphanage Work, submit the following report: "In as much as the state board convened on August 19 to discuss plans for the continuation of orphanage work in Western North Carolina, we recommended that the money on hand for orphanage work be placed in the bank. In as much as in the recent years state requirements for institutional orphanage work have been such that it is impossible to receive children under six years of age in institutions. After discussing the problem with Mr. Christian (North Carolina Child Welfare director) he has convinced us that a foster home seems to be most needful for a beginning and will involve most capital. The orphanage board has recommended that we purchase property in Western North Carolina, either with a home or suitable for building a home, which could be used by a couple as a foster home to take care of small children. We further recommend that this committee or appointed persons sit in on the meeting (August 19, at 9:30 a.m.) in Smithfield."

PERIODICALS: We, your committee, realize that parents can't take too much care of the literature our youth read, because literature contributes greatly to the shaping of character. First and foremost we should recommend daily Bible reading of the King James version. Be careful that our youth don't get literature with false doctrine such as The Watch Tower in books and tracts printed by the so-called Jehovah Witnesses, the product of Russelism. This kind of literature has enough of the scripture to cause many to accept it as the truth. The Bible tells us, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth". (II Timothy 2:15) No better book can be found than the Bible that will teach our youth to live. If we live by the word we will be ready to die by the word.

—Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Sluder

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY: We, your committee, believe that Woman's Auxiliary is a vital part of the Church. Its aims are to aid the sick, to comfort the bereaved and to help the needy; also to encourage more Bible study and to remember foreign missions. May we be laborers together with God. "A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised". (Prov. 31:30) —Mrs. Viola Creasman and Dorothy Reed

SESSIONS: The next session of the French Broad Association of Free Will Baptists will be held with the Walnut Church at Walnut, North Carolina, beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1964, at 10:00 A.M. Rev. Roy Waldrop will preach the introductory sermon at 11:00 A.M. The Rev. Evert Shelton will be the alternate. Delegates remember, bring a basket of lunch.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - FRENCH BROAD BUILDING FUND

The amount received since last Association through July 1, 1963 is \$323.34, as listed below:

Asheville Free Will Baptist Sunday School	\$200.00
Asheville Free Will Baptist Church	91.25
Mrs. Howard Payne	. 1.00
Mrs. Willet L. Moretz	20.00
Miss Ruth Casida	. <b>7.00</b>
Bank Interest	. 4.09
Total Amount Received	\$323.34
Paid to Free Will Baptist Home	\$ 323.34
Total amount paid to date on the French Broad Building	
Since the building cost \$9,008.70, we still owe	\$6,682.40

If each Church, Auxiliary, Sunday School and more individuals will make regular contributions we will soon have the debt paid, and we will feel good about it. If every pastor will urge the people to make regular contributions, they will gladly respond, and the debt will be paid. Please pray earnestly about this matter and let God have his way.

Please send all money for the French Broad Building Fund to:

Rev. Willet L. Moretz 108 Hillside Street Swannanoa, N. C.

#### CLERKS FOR NEXT YEAR

ASHEVILLE: Mrs. Helen Hollar, 109 Weaverville Road, Asheville, N. C.

AVERY'S CREEK: Mrs. Wayne Lisenbee, Glen Bridge Road, Rt. 1, Arden, N. C.

BALSAM GROVE: Cora Wood, Cullowhee, N. C.

BARNARD: Mrs. Blanche Farmer, Rt. 1, Walnut, N. C.

BARNARDSVILLE: Roy Mundy, Barnardsville, N. C.

BURGIN'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Oval Shook, 135 Fountain Way, Swannanoa, N. C.

CLAYTON AVENUE: Mrs. R. B. Meadows, 280 Hazel Mill Road, West Asheville, N. C.

DRY BRANCH CHURCH: Betty Marler, Box 144, Marshall, N. C.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: A. T. Hollifield, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.

EAST FORK: R. C. Metcalf, Rt. 2, Mars Hill, N. C.

FAITH: Mrs. Marie Hart, Black Mountain, N. C.

FUGATE: Claude Sawyer, Rt. 3, Hot Springs, N. C.

HOLLY GROVE: Mrs. James Lanning, Rt. 1, Box 747, Waynesville, N. C.

HOMERS CHAPEL: Katherine P. Worley, Rt. 1, Box 357A, Black Mountain, N. C.

HOT SPRINGS: Mrs. Elvia Fuller, Hot Springs, N. C.

HYATTS CREEK: Jean Mills, 1044 Allens Creek Rd., Waynesville, N. C.

LAUREL FORK: Alma Lee Ferguson, Rt. 1, Marshall, N. C.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Cas Fender, Rt. 6, Marshall, N. C.

LOWER BIG PINE: Not Elected.

MARSHALL: Mrs. Alice Bryan, Marshall, N. C.

MOUNT BETHEL: W. B. Edwards, Rt. 1, Box 90, Weaverville, N. C.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: B. W. Sluder, Alexander, N. C.

MT. ZION: Mrs. Dellis Greene, Rt. 2, Box 33, Marshall, N. C.

OLD FORT: Mae McKinney, Rt. 1, Old Fort, N. C.

PAINT FORK: Eugene Duyck, Barnardsville, N. C.

PISGAH: Mrs. E. A. Shuford, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C.

PISGAH FOREST: Mrs. R. A. Lunsford, North Fork Rd., Barnardsville, N. C.

RAY'S CHAPEL: Not Elected.

RED HILL: Mrs. Frank Reid, Rt. 5, Marshall, N. C.

ROCKY BRANCH: Jim Shuler, Waynesville, N. C.

SHADY GROVE: Joe Norton, Rt. 4, Marshall, N. C.

SHOAL HILL: Not Elected.

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Harold Queen, Hazelwood, N. C.

SWEETEN CREEK: Mr. Paul Jenkins, Rt. 5, Box 204, Asheville, N. C.

UNION CHAPEL: W. F. Banks, Weaverville, N. C.

UNION VALLEY: Robie Fortner, Rt. 1, Box 254, Weaverville, N. C.

WALNUT: Mrs. Lina Stines, Rt. 4, Marshall, N. C.

#### **REVIVALS AND COMMUNIONS**

ASHEVILLE: Revivals 1, Rev. Fred English; Communions 4.

AVERY'S CREEK: Revivals 2, Rev. Homer Arrowood; Communions 2.

BALSAM GROVE: None.

BARNARD: Communions 1.

BARNARDSVILLE: Revivals 1, Rev. George Reynolds and Rev. Talmadge Maynor.

BURGINS CHAPEL: Revivals 3, Rev. Carl Roland, Rev. Milton Hollifield, Rev. R. J. Reynolds: Communions 1.

CLAYTON AVENUE: Revivals 1, Rev. Homer Arrowood.

DRY BRANCH: Communions 5.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Revivals 1, Rev. Johnson White; Communions 1.

EAST FORK: Revivals 1, Rev. Frank English and Rev. Cecil Ponder.

FAITH: Revivals 2, Rev. Lawrence Smith, Rev. Raymond Shell, Rev. R. C. Stockton; Communions 2.

FUGATE: Revivals 1, Rev. Coy Parham and Rev. Charlie Sluder; Communions 4. HOLLY GROVE: Revivals 1: Communions 4.

HOMER'S CHAPEL: Revivals 2, Rev. Richmond Barnett, Rev. Marvin Wilson; Communions 3.

HOT SPRINGS: Revivals 1, Rev. William Chandler, Rev. Lloyd Chandler; Communions 4.

HYATT CREEK: Revivals 1, Rev. Zeb McDaris; Communions 2.

LAUREL FORK: Revivals 1, Rev. T. A. Holder, Jr., Rev. Harold Cable; Communions 1.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Revivals 1, Rev. Orphard Hensley, Rev. Clyde Fender; Communions 1.

LOWER BIG PINE: Revivals 1, Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Rev. Kilby.

MARSHALL: Revivals 1, Rev. Ervin Sluder, Rev. Vernon Radcliffe.

MOUNT BETHEL: Communions 1.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Revivals 1, Rev. Sam Chandler; Communions 4.

MT. ZION: Revivals 1, Rev. Alford Taylor, Rev. G. W. Briggs; Communions 1. OLD FORT: Revivals 2, Rev. Wilco Melton, Rev. Milton Hollifield; Communions 3.

PAINT FORK: Revivals 2, Rev. Byrd, Rev. Alford Taylor.

PISGAH: Revivals 2, Rev. R. J. Reynolds, Rev. W. L. Kell; Communions 2.

PISGAH FOREST: Revivals 1, Rev. Clark.

RAY'S CHAPEL: Revivals 2, Rev. Earl Blankenship, Rev. Charles Austin.

RED HILL: Revivals 1, Rev. James Bowers, Rev. Talmadge Brown; Communions 1. ROCKY BRANCH: None.

SHADY GROVE: Revivals 1, Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford, Rev. William Chandler.

SHOAL HILL: None.

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Revivals 1, Rev. James Vaughn: Communions 2.

SWEETEN CREEK: Revivals 2, Rev. Claude Bradley, Rev. Jay Blankenship; Communions 5.

UNION CHAPEL: Revivals 1, Rev. Ed. Coleman, Rev. John Lunsford: Communions 4.

UNION VALLEY: Revivals 1, Rev. G. M. Reynolds, Rev. Talmadge Maynor; Communions 1.

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WALNUT: Communions 2.

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED DEAD

ASHEVILLE: Mrs. Pearl Moss died April 4, 1963.

Mr. Glendon Jamerson died May 11, 1963.

BARNARD: James C. Roberts died Feb. 25, 1963, age 24.

FAITH: Mrs. Ada Hollifield was born August 10, 1895 and died February 26, 1963. She was faithful to her church until the Lord called her home. Clarence Worley.

RED HILL: Claude Allen. Mrs. Lola Rice. Mrs. J. B. McDevitt.

SHADY GROVE: John Ramsey was born in 1880 and died March 30, 1963. He was a member of this church for many years. His life is still living in his church and community.

WALNUT: Mrs. B. E. (Mollie) Guthrie died July 1, 1963.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

ASHEVILLE: Superintendent, Mr. Kelly Metcalf, Rt. 1, Weaverville, N. C.; Secretary, Mary Ann Psychos, 39 Elkmont Dr., Asheville, N. C. No. of classes 6; no. of pupils 42; kind of literature used, F.W.B. and Bible; expenses \$87.74.

AVERY'S CREEK: Superintendent, Lonnie Gasperson, Rt. 1, Arden, N. C.; secretary, Norman Lisenbee, Rt. 1, Arden, N. C. No. of classes 5; no. of pupils 30; kind of literature used, F.W.B. and Bible; expenses \$53.94.

BALSAM GROVE: Superintendent, Dell Wood, Cullowhee, N. C.; secretary, Joy Phillips, Cullowhee, N. C. No. of classes 2; no. of pupils 18; kind of literature used, Union; expenses \$25.00.

- BARNARD: Superintendent, Edd Davis, Walnut, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Roy Roberts, Walnut, N. C. No. of classes 2, no. of pupils 25, kind of literature used, Bible, expenses \$56.26.
- BARNARDSVILLE: Superintendent, Clayton Ponder, Clarenton Ave., Asheville, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Tom Clinton, Barnardsville, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 45, kind of literature used F.W.B., expenses \$30.32.
- BURGIN'S CHAPEL: Superintendent, Mr. George Cochran, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Louise Walker, Swannanoa, N. C. No. of classes 7, no. of pupils 80, kind of literature used F.W.B. and Bible.
- CLAYTON AVENUE: Superintendent, M. E. Haynes, 345 Clayton Ave., West Asheville, N. C.; secretary, Ronald Trantham. Fairview, N. C. No. of classes 6, no. of pupils 90, kind of literature used F.W.B. and Bible, expenses \$156.97.
- DRY BRANCH: No report.
- EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Superintendent, Gordon Runion, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, John Mundy, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of classes 6, no. of pupils 90, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B., expenses \$25.00.
- EAST FORK: Superintendent, Mrs. Ruby Church, Mars Hill, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Ruby Church, Mars Hill, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 38, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.
- FAITH: Superintendent, Lacy Howell, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Marie Hart, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of classes 5, no. of pupils 44, kind of literature used. Bible.
- FUGATE: Superintendent, Claude Sawyer, Hot Springs, N. C.; secretary, Dorothy Sawyer, Hot Springs, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 50, kind of literature used, Bible.
- HOLLY GROVE: Superintendent, Jack Keener, 529 Edwards St., Waynesville, N. C.; Secretary, James Lanning, Rt. 1, Box 747, Waynesville, N. C. No. of classes 5, no. of pupils 72, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B., expenses \$53.97.
- HOMERS CHAPEL: Superintendent, Jimmy Cordell, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, Katherine Worley, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of classes 7, no. of pupils 60, kind of literature used, Bible.
- HOT SPRINGS: Superintendent, Woodrow Norton, Hot Springs, N. C.; secretary, Dollie Franklin, Hot Springs, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 35, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$17.00.
- HYATT CREEK: Superintendent, Joe Green, Waynesville, N. C.; secretary, Sylvia Truett, Waynesville, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 115, kind of literature used, Bible and cards; expenses \$41.54.
- LAUREL FORK: Superintendent, Howard Riddle, Rt. 1, Marshall, N. C.; secretary, Shelby Jean Jarrett, Marshall, N. C. No. of classes 5, no. of pupils 40, kind of literature used, Bible and Union; expenses \$24.00.
- LAURELTON CHAPEL: Superintendent, Hershell Jenkins, Rt. 6, Marshall, N. C.; secretary, Carolyn McGee, Rt. 6, Marshall, N. C. No. of classes 5, no. of pupils 60, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$42.60.
- LOWER BIG PINE: No report.
- MARSHALL: Superintendent, Howard Reece, Box 93, Weaverville, N. C.; secretary, Ronnie Lee Buckner, Box 303, Marshall, N. C. No. of classes 5, no. of pupils 56, kind of literature used, American; expenses \$141.18.
- MT. BETHEL: Superintendent, Dennis Ponder, Weaverville, N. C.; secretary, Nancy Edwards, Weaverville, N. C. No. of classes 4, no. of pupils 60, kind of literature used, F.W.B.; expenses \$26.19.
- MOUNTAIN VIEW: Superintendent, Vance Ponder, Weaverville, N. C.; secretary, Shirley Parham, Leicester, N. C. No. of classes 6, no. of pupils 70, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$5.00.
- MT. ZION: Superintendent, Sanford McGalliard, Rt. 1, Alexander, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Arvilee Revis, Rt. 2, Marshall, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 34, kind of literature used, Bible; expenses \$96.65.

- OLD FORT: Superintendent, Max Manick, Old Fort, N. C.; secretary, Judy Allison, Old Fort, N. C. No. of classes 5, no. of pupils 90, kind of literature used, Bible.
- PAINT FORK: Superintendent, Taft Mundy, Barnardsville, N. C.; secretary, Lois Hale, Barnardsville, N. C. No. of classes 4, no. of pupils 49, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$27.63.
- PISGAH: Superintendent, Fred Pless, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C.; secretary, Judy F. Henson, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C. No. of classes 6, no. of pupils 119, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$87.29.
- PISGAH FOREST: Superintendent, Hilliard Stines, Barnardsville, N. C.; secretary, Carolyn Hensley, Barnardsville, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 34, kind of literature used, F.W.B.; expenses \$21.84.
- RAY'S CHAPEL: Superintendent, Joe Rice, Rt. 3, Weaverville, N. C.: secretary, Judy Ann Penland, Rt. 2, Weaverville, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 15, kind of literature used, Bible.
- RED HILL: Superintendent, Vernon Ramsey, Rt. 4, Marshall, N. C.; secretary, Queen Faulkner, Marshall, N. C., Rt. 5. No. of classes 7, no. of pupils 75, kind of iterature used, F.W.B. and Bible; expenses \$622.42.
- ROCKY BRANCH: No report.
- SHADY GROVE: Superintendent, Fred Ramsey, Marshall, N. C., Rt. 4; secretary, Helen Chandler, Rt. 4, Marshall, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 60, kind of literature used, Bible; expenses \$10.00.
- SHOAL HILL: Superintendent, Jack Ball, Rt. 5, Marshall, N. C.; secretary, Ruth Henderson, Rt. 5, Marshall, N. C. No. of classes 4, no. of pupils 22, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Superintendent, William Mehaffey, Hazelwood, N. C.: secretary, Dock Caldwell, Waynesville, N. C. No. of classes 4, no. of pupils 42, kind of literature used, F.W.B.; expenses \$60.00.
- SWEETEN CREEK: Superintendent, Henry Jenkins, Box 209-A, Fletcher, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Ben Taylor, Biltmore, N. C. No. of classes 6, no. of pupils 60, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$46.70.
- UNION CHAPEL: Superintendent, W. F. Banks, Weaverville, N. C.; secretary, Frances Robinson, Weaverville, N. C. No. of classes 3, no. of pupils 30, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$8.00.
- UNION VALLEY: Superintendent, Lige Fortner, Weaverville, N. C.; secretary, Cora Lee Hyatt, Weaverville, N. C. No. of classes 3. no. of pupils 30, kind of literature used, Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$140.86.
- WALNUT: Superintendent, Emmitt Payne; secretary, Janie Plemmons, Walnut, N. No. of classes 6, no. of pupils 70, kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses \$69.48.

#### WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

- BURGIN'S CHAPEL: President, Mrs. Wilma Poteat, Swannanoa, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Helen Maynor, 268 High School Rd., Black Mountain, N. C. No. of members 14, money taken in \$994.76, money paid out \$985.01.
- EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: President, Mrs. Inez Rayburn, Box 462, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Agnes Reynolds, Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of members 10, meets every two weeks, money taken in \$337.84, money paid out \$254.60.
- FAITH: President, Mrs. Ollie Hollifield, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Susie Hollifield, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of members 10, meets every two weeks, money taken in \$248.02, money paid out \$168.82.
- HOMER'S CHAPEL: President, Frances Mundy, Black Mountain, N. C.; secretary, Katherine Worley, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of members 13, meets every week, money taken in \$654.92, money paid out \$237.47.

- MARSHALL: President, Mrs. Lottie Rector, Marshall, N. C.: secretary, Mrs. Zennie Parris, Box 217, Marshall, N. C. No. of members 14, money taken in \$269.65, money paid out \$175.57.
- OLD FORT: Mrs. Nellie Robinson, Old Fort, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Glenn Dale, Old Fort, N. C. No. of members 10, meets every two weeks, money taken in \$183.42, money spent \$209.32.
- PISGAH: President, Mrs. Oveda Wheeler, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Heatherly, Rt. 2, Canton, N. C. No. of members 34, gained this year 6, meets every month, money taken in \$334.00, money paid out \$407.35.
- WALNUT: President, Mrs. Crace Dockery, Rt. 5, Marshall, N. C.; secretary, Mrs. Plummer Cody, Rt. 4, Marshall, N. C. No. of members 14, meets every week, money taken in \$255.98, money paid out \$203.00.

#### FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE

- BARNARDSVILLE: President, Susie Harris, Barnardsville, N. C.; secretary, Wanda Calloway, Barnardsville, N. C. No. of members 20, no. of groups 2, meets every week, kind of literature used F.W.B.; leaders, Mrs. George Harris and Mrs. Nell Metcalf, Barnardsville, N. C.
- BURGIN'S CHAPEL: President, Mrs. Oval Shook, 135 Fountain Way, Swannanoa, N. C.; secretary, Mr. George Cochran, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of members 25, no. of groups 3, meets every Sunday, kind of literature used F.W.B.
- WALNUT: President, Mr. Paul Ballard, Walnut, N. C.; secretary, Virginia Reed, Walnut, N. C. No. of members 35, no. of groups 3, meets every Sunday, kind of literature used F.W.B. Junior League leaders, Mrs. Grace Dockery and Mrs. Dorothy Cody, Rt. 4, Marshall, N. C.

#### FRENCH BROAD

#### FREE WILL BAPTIST MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

August 1962 --- August 1963

#### **PROCEEDINGS**

The French Broad Ministers Conference met with the Marshall Church Saturday, September 29, 1962. Opening song, "Just Over In the Glory Land". Devotionals, Rev. Raymond Shell. Scripture, I Cor. 9. Prayer, Rev. Clarence Wheeler. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Twenty-seven ministers answered to the roll call. The moderator read the Constitution of the Ministers Conference.

Rev. Gernie McKinney was dropped from the Conference.

11:00 A.M. SERVICE—Song, "The Old Rugged Cross". Special song, Rev. George Plemmons. Sermon, Rev. Charles Hollifield. Scripture, Rev. 22:18. Prayer, Rev. Ervin Sluder.

1:30 P.M. SERVICE—Devotionals, Rev. Joe Pressley. Scripture, Ruth 1. Prayer, Rev. Shell. A vote was taken to find out how ministers believed concerning connectional and congregational government in the church. All present voted for congregational. Rev. R. C. Stockton and Rev. Charley Hollifield were appointed to serve on ordination council. Heard report from Board of Superannuation concerning Old Ministers Fund. The body voted to send checks to all ministers and widows who had been dropped from the Board of Superannuation. A collection was taken for the old ministers fund. The amount was \$20.25. Several ministers were taken from the roll due to their continual absence and lack of reports. The clerk was to write each one and let them know that they could be reinstated if they return and prove themselves. The following were dropped: Rev. Albert Riddle, Rev. Raymond Ward, Rev. Arnold Roberts, Rev. Arnold Dorsey, Rev. W. G. Burlison.

The next Conference will be held with Faith Church December 29, 1962, with Rev. Marvin Ponder appointed to preach at 11:00 A.M.

Amount in flower fund, \$165.36. \$12.88 spent for flowers for Rev. J. A. Collins. \$152.48 amount in treasury. The meeting was adjourned.

The Conference met with the Faith Church Saturday, December 29, 1962. Opening song, "Heaven's Jubilee". Brother Lacy Howell welcomed all ministers and visitors. Prayer, Rev. Lawrence Smith. Devotionals, Rev. Wesley Worley. Scripture, Psalm 24. Prayer, Rev. Johnson White. The conference was called to order by the moderator who read the Constitution of Ministers Conference. Visiting ministers were welcomed; they were Rev. Johnson White, Rev. Milton Hollifield, Rev. Winfred Roland, Rev. W. A. Ward, Rev. Zenous Allen and Rev. John Price. The minutes of the last meeting were read. Twenty-nine ministers answered to the roll call. The body stood in silent prayer in memory of Rev. J. A. Collins. Dismissed by Rev. Milton Hollifield.

11:00 A.M. SERVICE—Song, "Precious Memories". Prayer, Rev. Joe Pressley. Sermon, Rev. R. C. Stockton. Scripture, I Samuel 17:33-40; II Cor. 10:1-7.

2:00 P.M. SERVICE—Song, "I'm In the Glory Land Way". Prayer, Rev. G. M. Reynolds. Devotionals, Rev. G. M. Reynolds. Scripture, Psalm. Prayer, Rev. James Vaughn. Rev. Charles Hollifield and Rev. Ervin Sluder were appointed to serve on the ordaining council. Brother James Burgin gave a report on his mission work. Rev. Lawrence E. Smith and Rev. Columbus Boone were ordained. Rev. T. A. Wheeler delivered the ordination sermon and Rev. Raymond Shell led the ordination prayer.

The next Conference will be held with the Hyatt's Creek Church in March.

The Rev. James Vaughn was appointed to preach at 11:00 A.M. The body voted to spend \$20.00 for funeral flowers. A collection was taken for flowers, \$11.32. Total in treasury, \$163.80.

The Conference met with the Hyatt's Creek Church Saturday, March 30, 1963. Opening song, "This World Is Not My Home". Devotionals and welcome by Rev. Claude Mills. Scripture, II Chronicles 7:14. Prayer, Rev. Raymond Shell. The moderator called the meeting to order and read the Constitution of Ministers Conference. The minutes of the last meeting were read. Twenty-seven ministers answered the roll call. Visiting ministers present were Rev. V. E. Condrey, Rev. Talmadge Maynor and Rev. Richard Ward. The service was dismissed by Rev. Hobert Bullman.

11:00 A.M. SERVICE—Song, "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be". Harp solo by Charlie Sluder. Prayer, Rev. Ervin Sluder. Sermon, Rev. James Vaughn. Scripture, I Cor. 9:16-19. Prayer, Rev. Walter Wilson.

1:30 P.M.SERVICE—Song, "Heaven's Jubilee". Special singing, Rev. George Plemmons and family. Devotionals, Rev. Clarence Wheeler. Scripture, I Peter 5: 1-3; Mark 12:15. Prayer, Lacy Howell. Business: Rev. Walter Wilson was appointed to serve on the ordination council. A motion was made and passed to send the money from the Old Ministers Fund that was due Brother James Collins, now deceased, to Rev. Gorman Burgin for six months. A motion was made and passed to take \$100.00 out of the flower fund if necessary to help in the Old Ministers Fund. Collection was taken of \$24.94. Several of the ministers promised to give Rev. Burgin one dollar a month for four months to help him in his finances.

The next Conference will be held with the Balsam Grove Church, June 29, 1963. Rev. Hobert Bullman was appointed to preach.

The Conference met with the Balsam Grove Church on Saturday, June 29, 1963. Opening song, "I Feel Like Traveling On". Welcome and devotionals by the pastor, Rev. Ransome Phillips. Scripture, Romans 11:1-4. Prayer. Rev. R. C. Stockton. The Conference was called to order by the moderator who then read the Constitution of Ministers Conference. Visiting ministers were Rev. Zenus Allen and Rev. Doyle Gunner. Nineteen ministers answered to the roll call.

11:00 A.M. SERVICE—Song, "Living By Faith". Special singing, the Melton Trio and the Radcliffe Family. Sermon, Rev. Hobert Bullman. Scripture, Exodus 14:11-15.

1:00 P.M. SERVICE—Song, "Are You Washed In the Blood?". Devotionals, Rev. James Vaughn. Scripture, Matt. 6:27. A special prayer for Rev. Walter Wilson was led by Rev. Charlie Hollifield. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Rev. R. C. Stockton and Rev. Ervin Sluder were appointed to the ordination council. Ministers licensed were James D. Wilhide, Black Mountain, N. C.; Benjamin Walker, Old Fort, N. C., and Fred Moody, Waynesville, N. C. Collection for flower fund, \$16.71. Total, \$182.07.

The body asked the secretary to write N. F. Byrd and ask him to turn in his credentials.

#### ANNUAL SESSION

The French Broad Free Will Baptist Ministers' Conference met with the Asheville Church August 17, 1963, as a follow-up of the Association. Song, "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms". Devotionals, Rev. Roy Waldrop. Scripture, Psalm 34. Prayer by Rev. Jesse Rice.

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Moderator: Rev. T. A. Wheeler	. Rt.	2, Canton,	N.	C.
Vice Moderator: Rev. Wilco Melton	Black	: Mountain,	N.	C.
Secretary and Treasurer: Katherine Worley Rt. 1.	Black	Mountain,	N.	C.

#### PROCEEDINGS

The moderator read the Constitution of Ministers' Conference. Thirty-seven ministers were present. Rev. Albert Riddle's name was returned to the roll.

Ordaining council for next year was appointed: Rev. Vernon Radcliffe, Rev. Evert Shelton, Rev. Jesse Rice, Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Rev. Raymond Shell. Visiting ministers: Rev. Talmage Maynor, Rev. W. A. Ward, Rev. Milton Hollifield. A letter was read from Rev. N. F. Byrd, who now lives in Florida. He desires to come back into the Conference in good standing. The Conference decided it would be best if he came to a Conference or met with the Investigating Committee. The Amendment to the T.V. law was tabled after much discussion.

The next Ministers' Conference is to be held September 28, 1963 at the Hot Springs Church with the Rev. Jesse Rice scheduled to preach at 11 o'clock. The next annual session of the Ministers' Conference will be held on Saturday before the third Sunday in August 1964, at the Walnut Church at Walnut, N. C.

#### **ROLL CALL OF MINISTERS**

#### French Broad Free Will Baptist Conference

Rev. W. O. Adcock	102 Pennsylvania Ave., West Asheville, N. C.
Rev. Grover Bailey	Box 25, Fletcher, N. C.
Rev. Columbus Boone	Box 136, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N. C.
Rev. Pearson Bradley	Rt. 1, Box 459, Weaverville, N. C.
Rev. William Henry Bradley	Rt. 3, Box 141-A, Weaverville, N. C.
	Rt. 1, Dandridge, Tenn.
	Rt. 3, Weaverville, N. C.
	Rt. 4, Box 88, Marshall, N. C.
Rev. G. Y. Burgin	Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.
Rev. Andrew Chandler	Box 13, Walnut, N. C.
<sup>1</sup> Rev. Lloyd Chandler	Walnut, N. C.
	Box 601, Waynesville, N. C.
	Box 5025, Biltmore, N. C.
	Rt. 2, Box 1042, Asheville, N. C.
	155 Johnston Blvd., Asheville, N. C.
Rev. Cecil Creasman	Rt. 5, Asheville, N. C.
<sup>1</sup> Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford	Rt. 2, Box 41, Weaverville, N. C.
	Box 534, Black Mountain, N. C.
	Box 34, Weaverville, N. C.
	Rt. 1, Box 249, Black Mountain, N. C.
	6 Brick Yard Rd., Emma, N. C.
	Swannanoa, N. C.
	895 Riverside Dr., Asheville, N. C.
	Rt. 1, Black Mountain, N. C.
	4290 9th St., Ecorse 29, Mich.
Rev. L. A. Hyatt	4351 Grand West, Detroit 38, Mich.
Rev. H. E. Lunsford	Box 4, Walnut, N. C.
Rev. John Lunsford	70 Willowbrook Rd., Asheville, N. C. 28805
Rev. G. A. Marshall	324 Vanderbilt Rd., Biltmore, N. C.
	Black Mountain, N. C.
	304 Smathers St., Waynesville, N. C.
Rev. Albert Mills	Box 157-A, Waynesville, N. C.
	1044 Allens Creek Rd., Waynesville, N. C.
Rev. Fred Moody (L)	

	108 Hillside St., Swannanoa, N. C.
	Box 320, Balsam, N. C.
Rev. Charles Ownsby	
Rev. Ransome Phillips	Cullowhee, N. C.
	Box 20 E, Weaverville, N. C.
	Rt. 3, Weaverville, N. C.
	Box 608, Hazelwood, N. C.
	Black Mountain, N. C.
	Box 674, Hazelwood, N. C.
	Rt. 1, Alexander, N. C.
√Rev. L. E. Rathburn	
	58 Deaver Park Circle, West Asheville, N. C.
	Address Unknown
	Box 385, Black Mountain, N. C.
	106 Louisa St., Black Mountain, N. C.
	Rt. 2, Box 78, Weaverville, N. C.
ORev. Albert Riddle	
√Rev. Ray Roberts	Box 494, Marshall, N. C.
√Rev. L. F. Rumbough	
Rev. Roy Ruff	c/o Fredrick Chandler, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N. C.
Rev. Raymond Shell	103 E. Blue Ridge Ave., Black Mountain, N. C.
CRev. Evert Shelton	
√Rev. Ervin Sluder	Weaverville, N. C.
Rev. R. C. Stockton	Elizabethton, Tenn.
Rev. Ernest Strickland	
Rev. Lawrence E. Smith	Rt. 2, Weaverville, N. C.
	Rt. 1, Box 301, Alexander, N. C.
	Rt. 5, Box 79, Franklin, N. C.
	Rt. 1, Box 169, Asheville, N. C.
	Swannanoa, N. C.
	Rt. 2, Canton, N. C.
	Rt. 1, Marshall, N. C.
	Black Mountain, N. C.
Rev Benjamin Walker (L)	Old Fort, N. C.
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OLD	MINISTERS' FUND
Disbursements	
Rev. J. A. Collins	\$ 40.50
Rev. J. C. Franks	
Rev. G. Y. Burgin	
Rev. R. C. Stockton	50.00
Rev. Walter Wilson	100.00
	50.00
Widows	
Mrs. Charlie Wheeler	25.00
Mrs. B. E. Guthrie	65.00
Mrs Mallie Rice	85.00
•	57.00
Total	\$766.00

#### Amount Received from Churches

Asheville       \$ 25.00         Avery's Creek       14.00         Barnard       10.00         Barnardsville       10.00         Burgin's Chapel       15.00         Dry Branch       5.00         East Black Mountain       33.21         Faith       60.00         Clayton Avenue       46.06         Holly Grove       16.88         Homer's Chapel       118.17         Hyatt's Creek       25.00         Laurel Fork       10.80         Marshall       47.10	Mt. Bethel Mt. View Mt. Zion Old Fort Paint Fork Pisgah Red Hill Shoal Hill Sulphur Springs Sweeten Creek Union Chapel Union Valley Walnut	91.00 15.00 10.00 106.65 110.48 67.10 85.85 10.00 20.00 8.57 13.00 107.08
	Total	\$1,088.20
REMEMBER: ALL FIFTH SUNDAY OLD MINISTERS' FUND. CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE SAVINGS ACCOUNT BALANCE		\$ 748.32
	Total	\$3,248.32
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#### ALL MINISTERS NOTE:

Rev. Marvin Ponder ..... 12.00

This fund is a kind of insurance for both young and old ministers in our conference who are in need. Approximately one-third of our ministers have contributed.

The total amount of this fund is kept within the Conference and is for your benefit. We would appreciate the support of more of the ministers on our roll.

We take this opportunity to say "thanks, everyone who has contributed to this fund. May God bless you, and remember to pray for us that the work will go forward in His name. 'For whosoever shall do the will of my father which is in Heaven, the same is my brother'. Matt. 12:50. 'Am I my brothers keeper?' Genesis 4:9. Put your answer here".

Plato Worley Rt. 1, Box 155 Marshall, N. C.

Total

\$274.25

#### ORDAINED MINISTERS REPORTS

- REV. GROVER BAHLEY: No. revivals conducted 3, no. conversions 30, no. sermons preached 46, no. baptized 57, received for revival services \$50.00, given personally to the cause \$25.00, no. homes visited 21, no. homes prayed in 20, no. sick visits 30, expenses \$53.00.
- REV. COLUMBUS BOONE: No. conversions 2, no. sermons preached 25, given personally to the cause \$200.00.
- REV. G. W. BRIGGS: No. churches pastored 1, no. conversions 10, no. sermons preached 41, no. funerals 4, received for pastoral services \$207.58.
- REV. ARNOLD BULLMAN: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, no. sermons preached 89, no. funerals 2, received for pastoral services \$668.91, received for revivals \$17.52, received for all other services \$38.60, total \$725.03.
- REV. HOBERT BULLMAN: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, no. conversions 15, no. sermons preached 125, no. members received 6, no. baptized 11, no. marriages 1, no. funerals 4, received for pastoral services \$291.80, received for revival services \$10.00, total \$301.85, given personally to the cause \$50.00, no. homes visited 25, no. homes prayed in 25, no. sick visits 15, no. miles traveled 800, expenses \$75.00.
- REV. G. Y. BURGIN: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, no. conversions 7, no. sermons preached 52, no. baptized 2, no. marriages 1, no. funerals 1, received for pastoral services \$150.00, received for revival services \$50.00, total \$200.00, no. homes visited 245, no. sick visits 4, no. miles traveled 5,000, expenses \$300.
- ANDREW CHANDLER: No. sermons preached 30, no. baptized 4, given personally to the cause \$30.00, no. sick visits 10, no. miles traveled 25.
- REV. LLOYD CHANDLER: No. conversions 30, no. sermons preached 50, no. baptized 2, no. marriages 1, no. funerals 3, received for all services \$80.00, given personally to the cause \$10.00, no. homes visited 25, no. homes prayed in 50, no. sicks visits 10, no. miles traveled 200.
- REV. H. L. CHATHAM: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, no. conversions 9, no. sermons preached 96, no. members received 9, no. baptized 10, no. marriages 1. no. funerals 1, received for pastoral services \$731.49, received for other services \$140.00., total \$871.49, given personally to the cause \$111.80, no. homes visited 25, no. homes prayed in 10, no. sick visits made 45, no. miles traveled 1850, expenses \$130.00.
- REV. EDGAR COLEMAN: No. revivals 3, no. conversions 23, no. marriages 2, no. funerals 2.
- REV. LONNIE G. CRAWFORD: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 3, no. conversions 44, no. sermons preached 78, no. members received 3, no. baptized 3, no. marriages 5, no. funerals 5, received for pastoral services \$84.00, received for revivals \$60.39, received for other services \$20.00, total \$164.39, given personally to the cause \$15.00, no. homes visited 164, no. homes prayed in 48, no. sick visits 54, expenses \$30.00.
- REV. CLARENCE L. DAVIS: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 0, no. conversions 2, no. sermons preached 84, no. members received 2, no. baptized 2, no. funerals 2, received for pastoral services \$420.00, given personally to the cause \$300.00, no. homes visited 35, no. homes prayed in 20, no. sick visits 15, no. miles traveled 2,000, expenses \$200.00.
- REV. J. A. EDMONDS: No. revivals 1, no. conversions 5, no. sermons preached 20, received for revival services \$12.00, given personally to the cause \$40.00.
- REV. H. E. LUNSFORD: No. churches pastored 1, no. sermons preached 23, no. marriages 2, no. funerals 1, received for pastoral services \$96.28, received for other services \$53.51, total \$149.79, given personally to the cause \$28.95, no. homes visited 20, no. homes prayed in 5, no. sick visits 8, no. miles traveled 500, expenses \$23.30.
- REV. H. E. LUNSFORD: No. churches pastored 1, no. sermons preached 23, no. ions 90, no. members received 8, no. baptized 1, no. funerals 4, received for pastoral services \$517.67, received for revivals \$12.00, total \$529.67, given personally to the cause \$240.43.

- REV. G. A. MARSHALL: No. sermons preached 20, given personally to the cause \$100.00, teaches a class every week.
- REV. WILCO MELTON: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, no. members received 10, no. baptized 7, no. marriages 4, no. funerals 3, received for pastoral services \$2,644.
- REV. ERNEST MESSER: No. revivals conducted 2, no. conversions 28, no. sermons preached 80, no. baptized 15, no. marriages 1, received for revival services \$24.00, received for other services \$20.00, total \$44.00, given personally to the cause \$50.00, no. homes visited 12, no. homes prayed in 10, no. sick visits 8, no. miles traveled 2,000.
- REV. CLAUDE Mills: No. churches pastored 1, no. conversions 64, no. sermons preached 114, no. members received 25, no. baptized 6, no. marriages 3, no. of funerals 2, received for pastoral services \$753.97, given personally to the cause \$300.00 no sick visits 50.
- to the cause \$300.00, no. sick visits 50.

  REV. WILLET L. MORETZ: No. churches pastored 1, no. conversions 1, no. sermons preached 110, no. members received 4, no. baptized 2, no. marriages 1, no. funerals 7, received for pastoral services \$1,339.07, received for all other services \$50.00, total \$1,399.07, given personally to the cause \$150, no. miles traveled 5,000, expenses \$250.
- REV. ERNEST OWNBY: No. churches pastored 1, no. conversions 9, no. sermons preached 122, no. members received 17, no. baptized 9, no. funerals 2, received for pastoral services \$1,244.97, given personally to the cause \$438.80, no. homes visited 48, no. homes prayed in 18, no. sick visits 170, no. miles traveled 7,000, expenses \$350.00.
- REV. CHARLES J. OWENSBY: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, no. conversions 2, no. sermons preached 24, no. members received 6, no. baptized 5, received for pastoral services \$114.80, received for other services \$57.00, total \$171.80, given personally to the cause \$268.73, no. homes visited 30, no. homes prayed in 20, no. sick visits 40, no. miles traveled 906, expenses \$72.40.
- REV. RANSOME PHILLIPS: No. churches pastored 1, no. sermons preached 20, no. funerals 2, received for pastoral services \$25.00, received for other services \$10.00, total \$35.00, given personally to the cause \$12.00, no. homes visited 15, no. homes preached in 6, no. sick visits 5, no. miles traveled 300, expenses \$20.00.
- REV. MARVIN PONDER: No. churches pastored 2, no. revivals 1, no. sermons preached 72, no. funerals 1, received for pastoral services \$214.77, given personally to the cause \$150.00.
- REV. RAYMOND PONDER: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 2, no. conversions 9, no. sermons preached 52, no. members received 1, no. haptized 1, no. marriages 1, received for pastoral services \$150.00, received for revivals \$9.00, received for all other services \$50.00, total \$209.00, given personally to the cause \$200.00, no. homes visited 20, no. homes prayed in 10, no. sick visits 10.
- REV. W. L. QUEEN: No. churches pastored assisted in 1, no. conversions 5, no. sermons preached 30, received for pastoral services \$457.00, received for other services \$37.00, total \$494.00, given personally to the cause \$235.00.
- REV. VERNON RADCLIFFE: No. revivals 1, no. sermons preached 30, received for revival services \$75.87, received for other services \$20.00, total \$95.87, given personally to the cause \$20.00, no. sick visits 15.
- REV. ROY J. REDMON: No. churches pastored 1, no. sermons preached 40, no. marriages 1, no. funerals 1, received for pastoral services \$130.58.
- REV. G. M. REYNOLDS: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 3, no. conversions 76, no. sermons preached 64, no. members received 14, no. marriages 1, no. funerals 11, received for pastoral services \$2,380.27, given personally to the cause \$490.63, no. homes visited 238, no. homes prayed in 130, no. sick visits 125, no. miles traveled 7370, expenses \$267.

- REV. JESSE RICE: No. churches pastored 1, received for pastoral services \$1,229.704 no. revivals 2, received for revival services \$53.00, total received \$1,282.70, given personally to the cause \$300.00.
- REV. RAYMOND SHELL: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, received for pastoral services \$1,559.00, received for revival services \$50.00, total \$1,609.00, given personally to the cause \$490.18.
- REV. EVERT SHELTON: No. conversions 16, no. sermons preached 23, no. baptized 8, total received \$12.00, given personally to the cause \$20.00, no. homes visited 15, no. homes prayed in 12, no. sick visits 9, no. miles traveled 350.
- REV. ALFORD TAYLOR: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 3, no. conversions 31, no. sermons preached 659, no. members received 12, no. baptized 12, no. marriages 1, no. funerals 3, received for pastoral services \$543.06, received for revival services \$130.00, received for other services \$40.00, total \$713.06, given personally to the cause \$50.00, no. homes visited 70, no. homes prayed in 42, no. sick visits 30, no. miles traveled 59,706, expenses \$700.00.
- REV. R. A. WARD: No. churches pastored 1, no. members received 6, no. baptized 4, no. funerals 1, received for pastoral services \$914.81, given personally to the cause \$290.00.
- REV. W. A. WARD: no. churches pastored 1, no. conversions 14, no. sermons preached 50, received for pastoral services \$17.36, received for other services \$132.00, total \$149.36, given personally to the cause \$10.00, no. homes visited 9, no. homes prayed in 9, no. sick visits 9, no. miles traveled 100, expenses \$10.00.
- REV. L. F. RUMBOUGH: No. revivals 2, no. conversions 46, no. sermons preached 150, no. marriages 2, no. funerals 2, received for revival services \$15.00, received for other services \$10.00, total \$25.00, given personally to the cause \$20.00, no. homes visited 14, no. homes prayed in 14, no. sick visits 15, no. miles traveled 300, expenses \$100.00.
- REV. J. O. WALDROP: No. churches pastored 1, no. revivals 1, no. conversions 8, no. sermons preached 115, no. members received 4, no. baptized 4, no. marriages 2, no. funerals 2, received for pastoral services \$345.00, received for other services \$25.00, total \$370.00, given personally to the cause \$145.00, no. homes visited 75, no. homes prayed in 20, no. sick visits 95.
- REV. T. A. WHEELER; no. churches pastored 1. no. revivals 1, no. conversions 18, no. sermons preached 47, no. baptized 8, no. funerals 6. received for pastoral services \$976.44, received for revival services \$34.00, received for other services \$32.50, total \$1,042.94, given personally to the cause \$44.00.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

We believe in Congregational Government, the Church being the highest tribunal power ruled only by the vote of the majority of the active church members of the church that is involved.

#### 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 Saviour, 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. We believe that there is but one living, true and eternal God, the Father, of whom are all things from everlasting to everlasting, glorious and immutable in all His attributes. I Cor. 8:6; Isa. 40:28.
- 2. We believe that there is one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, whom God freely sent into this world, because of the great love wherewith He loved the world; and Christ as freely gave himself a ransom for all, tasting death for every man; who was buried and rose again the third day, and ascended into heaven, from whence we look for Him the second time in the clouds of heaven at the last day to judge both the quick and the dead. I Tim. 2:5-6; I John 2:2; Heb. 2:9; St. John 3:16; Rev. 1:7; Acts 24:15.
- 3. We believe that there is one Holy Ghost, the precious gift of the Father through His dear Son, unto the world, who quickeneth and draweth sinners home to God. St. John 16: 7, 8; Acts 2:4; Eph. 2:1; Eph. 4:4-6.
- 4. We believe that in the beginning God made man upright, and placed him in a State of glory without the least mixture of misery, from which he voluntarily, by transgression, fell, and by that means brought on himself a miserable and mortal state subject to death. Gen. 2:17; 3:19.
- 5. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish; but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of the truth, that they might be saved; for which end Christ hath commanded the Gospel to be preached among all nations and to every creature. Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47; John 3:15-17; I Tim. 2:4.
- 6. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for want of a Christ who died for him, but as the Scripture has said, for denying the Lord that bought them; because they believe not in the name of the only begotten Son of God. Unbelief, therefore, being the cause why the just and righteous God of heaven will condemn the children of men; it follows against all contradiction that all men, at one time or other, are found in such a capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved. Acts 17:30; Mark 6:6; Heb. 3:10; I John 5:10.
- 7. We believe the whole Scriptures are infallibly true, and that they are the only rules of faith and practice. II Tim. 3:16-17.
- 8. We believe in the doctrine of General Provision made of God in Christ, for the benefit of all mankind, who repent and believe the Gospel. Luke 14:16-20; Matt. 28:19-20; Luke 13:3-5; Luke 24:47; Acts 3:19; Mark 1:15.
- 9. We believe that sinners are drawn to God, the Father, by the Holy Ghost, through Christ His Son, and that the Holy Ghost offers his divine aid to all the human family, so as they all might be happy, would they give place to His divine teaching; whereas, such who do not receive the divine impressions of His Holy Spirit, shall at a further day, own their condemnation just, and charge themselves with their own damnation, for willfully rejecting the offers of sovereign grace. Matt. 11:27; St. John 6:44; Ps. 1:1; Tit. 2:11-12; Jer. 22:29.
- 10. We believe that men, not considered simply as men, but ungodly men, were of old ordained to condemnation; considered such who turn the grace of God into lasciviousness denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ who brought them, and therefore, shall bring upon themselves swift destruction; but we observe that they, and such the Apostle saith because they receive not the love of the truth, that they might be saved; therefore the indignation and wrath of God is upon every soul of man that does evil, living and dying therein; for there is no respect of persons with God. Jude 1:4; If Peter 2:1; II Thes. 2:11-12; Rom. 2:9-11.
- 11. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God, in their own persons are only subject to the first death, which was brought on them by the fall of the first Adam, and not that any one of them dying in that state, shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's

sin, for of such is the kingdom of God. I Cor. 15:22; Matt. 18:2-5; Mark 9:36-37; Matt. 19:14.

- 12. We believe that good works are the fruits of a saving faith, and that in the use of the means of grace, and not out of the use of those means, eternal life is promised to men. Rev. 22:14, 15; Isa. 1:19, 20; Matt. 7:8; Jer. 6:16; Luke 13:34, 35.
- 13. We believe that no man has any warrant in the Holy Scriptures for justification before God through his own works, power or ability which he has in and of himself, only as he by grace is made able to come to God, through Jesus Christ believing the righteousness of Jesus Christ to be imputed to all believers for their eternal acceptance with God. Rom. 4:24; Acts 8:20, 21.
- 14. We believe that all things are foreseen in the wisdom of God, so that God knoweth whatever can or cannot come to pass upon all supposed conditions; yet not as having decreed any person to everlasting death or everlasting life, out of respect or mere choice, farther than He hath appointed the godly unto life and the ungodly, who die in sin, unto death. Heb. 4:13; Prov. 8:22-31; Matt. 25:31-46.
- 15. We believe, as touching Gospel ordinances, in believers' baptism, laying on of the hands, receiving of the sacrament in bread and wine, washing the saint's feet, anointing the sick with oil in the name of the Lord, fasting, praying, singing, praise to God and the public ministry of the Word, with every institution of the Lord we shall find in the New Testament. Mark 16:15-16; Acts 8:17; Acts 19:6; Luke 22:19-20; John 13:5-17; Jas. 5:14.
- 16. We believe the Gospel mode of baptism is by immersion, and that believers are the only subjects for baptism. Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:9, 10; Acts 2:28, 39; Rom. 6:4; Col. 2:12.
- 17. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a final judgment at the last day. John 5:28, 29; II Cor. 5:10.
- 18. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal and the torments of the wicked are endless. Matt. 25:46.

#### 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 abstain from 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, educations, Sabbath school, 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.

#### By-Laws, Ministers' Conference

- 1. The regular meeting of this conference shall be held annually the day after 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.
- 11. A minister will not be licensed or ordained in this conference if he owns a television.

## CHURCH LETTER TO THE ASSOCIATION

We, the Free Will Baptist Church of
, N. C., send Christian salutation to The French Broad Association and the following delegates represent us:
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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 decrease ; last year's membership ; present active membership ; Last year's active membership ; present active membership ; Sundays we have preaching ; held by:
OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH
Pastor
Address
Clerk Address
Pastor for next year
Address
Clerk for next year
Address

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Pastor's salary \$; home mission-local charity \$;
Foreign missions \$; orphanage \$; church
repairs and improvements \$; other purposes \$;
old ministers' fund \$; minute fund \$;
Value of church property \$
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
President
Address
Secretary
Address
No. of members; gained this year;
Meets every
Money taken in \$; money paid out \$
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
SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS
Superintendent ; Address
Secretary ; Address
No. of classes; No. of pupils; kind of literature used
; expenses \$

## FINANCIAL REPORT, AUGUST 1962 - AUGUST 1963

СНИКСН	PASTOR'S SALARY	HOME MISSIONS AND LOCAL CHARITY	FOREIGN MISSIONS	F.W.B. CHILDREN'S HOME	CHURCH REPAIRS & IMPROVEMENTS	OTHER PURPOSES	OLD MINISTERS' FUND	MINUTE FUND	VALUE OF ALL CHURCH PROPERTY
Ashaville Avery's Creek	1339.07 610.10		50.00 160.03	430.79	924.18 37.15	276.34 512.30	25.00 26.36	10.00	20,000 6,000
Balsam Grove	100.00			5.00	]	12.00		5.00	3,000
Barnard	154.77 114.80	37.00 20.00	31.15	12.00 15.00	2295.65	24.04	10.00	7.00	10,565
Barnardsville	2379.27		126.25		688.46	26.24	10.00	8.00 5.00	4,000 20,000
Burgin's Chapel Clayton Avenue	731.49		76.18	' ı	906.73	683.79	46.06	5.00	20,000
Dry Branch	802.62	390.28	18.75	10.00			5.00	10.00	4933.99
East Black Mountain.	2600.00	158.66		]	ì ì	966.27	33.41	10.00	21,500
East Fork	150.00		, 1	8.00		306.36		5.00	3,000
Faith	1559.00		Ι,		300.00	2058.58	10.00	10.00	14,000
Fugate	543.06 1305.8		, 1	120.00	1500.00 895.00	867.10	17.62	3.00	2,000 15,000
Holly Grove Homer's Chapel	1792.8				255.23	751,29	25.00	20.00	18,000
Homer's Chaper	291.85		1 130.00	'	1 200.20	751.27	13.00	4.50	5,000
Hyatt's Creek	753.97		j	'	54.73	464.53	10.00	6.00	6,500
laurel Fork	995.40		j		j ,		10.80	5.00	5,000
Laurelton Chapel	570.88		į		414.80	185.45	- (	5.00	5,000
Lower Big Pine	72.00		22.04	10.00	075.00	100.00	47.10	00.00	3,130.47
Marshall	140.1:	5 34.96 45.00	33.36 60.00			83.80 186.52	47.10 6.00	20.00	5,275.00
Mt. Bethel	240.0		60.00		1180.00	100.32	0.00	8.00 15.00	15,000
Mountain View	207.3		00.00	25.00	1 1100.00	60.97	15.00	8.00	25,000
Old Fort	2644.8	2 772.19	63.25		217.01	1500.00	48.89	10.00	30,000
Paint Fork	1427.3	2 130.76		Į.	115.83	115.82	126.65	10.00	10,000
Pisgah	2427.8	9 103.64	45.24				110.48	5.00	11,000
Pisgah Forest		1	İ	6.62	?}	67.33	,	6.00	1,700
Ray's Chapel	984.1	3 836.00	38.00	}	6.00	304.50	67.10	5.00 11.65	2,000 25,000
Red Hill	704.1	1 030.00	30.00	ľ	0.00	304.30	07.10	5.00	3,000
Rocky Branch Shady Grove	84.0	ı'c	1	1	100.00	\ \	1	5.00	3,000
Shoal Hill	96.2	6 92.46			135.00	50.00	85.85	7.00	4,000
Sulphur Springs	914.2		5.00				10.00	6.00	
Sweeten Creek	517.6		66.29		40.00	1062.05	20.00	5.00	16,508
Union Chapel	17.3 345.0		1	4.00		50.00	8.57	3.50	2,000
Union Valley	400.9		187.34	20.00		265.27	13.58 107.08	10.00	3,000
Walnut								10.00	10,000
TOTALS	\$27,124.0	3 \$6036.64	\$1362.27	\$753.42	2 12606.54	\$5032.71	\$910.65		376,112 & 46 cts.

## STATISTICAL MEMBERSHIP TABLE, AUGUST 1961 - AUGUST 1962

сникснеѕ	MEMBERS RECEIVED	EXPERIENCED AND BAPTISM	LETTER AND STATEMENT	RESTORATION	MEMBERS LOST	BY LETTER	EXPULSION AND ERASURE	ВУ DEATH	TOTAL INCREASED	TOTAL DECREASE	LAST YEAR'S MEMBERSHIP	ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP
Asheville Avery's Creek Balsam Grove Barnard Barnardsville Burgin's Chapel Clayton Avenue Dry Branch East Black Mountain. East Fork Faith Fugate Holly Grove Homer's Chapel Hot Springs Hyatt's Creek Laurel Fork Laurel Fork Laurelton Chapel Lower Big Pine Marshall Mt. Bethel Mountain View Mt. Zion Old Fort Paint Fork Pisgah Pisgah Forest Ray's Chapel Red Hill Rocky Branch Shady Grove Shoal Hill Solphur Springs Sweeten Creek Union Chapel Union Calley Walnut	4 0 0 5 1 1 4 9 2 6 8 1 1 9 2 6 8 1 1 2 1 6 6 2 5 4 5 5 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 0 1 1 7 9 3 6 8 8 4 7 7	33 144 111 4 12 9 3 3 6 5 10 11 12 7 3 6 1 14	20 00 4 9 7 3 11 4 2 2 2 8	8	22 532 12233 2132444 1 15 135 15	4 2 2 3 1 1 6 6 1 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 2 2 4 3 3 4 4 5 5	3	2231	14 7 8 9 16 16 19 16 16 19 16 16 19 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16 16	2   2   1   1   2   3   3   4   4   4   5   5   5   5   5   5   5	82 78 30 128 63 162 103 36 27 80 80 69 82 45 167 170 9 184 107 235 111 149 79 34 35 89 69 69 89 103 103 103 103 103 103 103 103	80 16 20 17 40 139 68 188 102 38 90 45 60 315 15 45 60 234 56 49 98 98 25 25 25 25 26 66 66 66 66 66 66 66 66 66 66 66 66
TOTALS	226	129	80	12	82	61	6	25	138	46	3,018	2,098

# MINISTERS' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 196....... TO 196......

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 — — —	<b>\$</b>
Received for all other services — — —	
	Total \$
Given personally to the cause — — —	
No. homes visited;	No. of homes prayed in;
No. of sick visits made;	No. of miles traveled;
Expenses \$	
Minister	
Address	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

