

MINUTES
Of The
94rd Annual Session
Of
FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Held at the

MT. O'DALE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
EMBREVILLE, TENNESSEE

AUGUST 17, 18, 19, 1972

NEXT SESSION

Of the French Broad Association of Free Will Baptists will be held at Hot Springs F.W.B. Church, Hot Springs, N. C. beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1973, at 10:00 A.M. Rev. Jennis Sluder will preach the introductory sermon at 11:00 A.M., Rev. J. B. Rhinehart will be the alternate.

OFFICERS

Moderator **Rev. Raymond Shell**
Blue Ridge Ave. Black Mountain, N. C.

Vice Moderator **Rev. Jennis Sluder**
Weaverville, N. C.

Clerk **Mrs. Archie Rice**
Rt. 1, Box 357-A, Black Mountain, N. C.

Historian **Mr. Howard Payne**
Marshall, N. C.

CHURCH	PASTOR	SUNDAY WE HAVE PREAHCING
BALSAM GROVE:	Rev. Ransome Phillips Cullowhee, N.C.	2nd and 4th
BARNARD:	Rev. Sammie Moore, Marshall, N.C.	2nd and 4th
CAMP BRANCH:	Rev. James J. Arrington, 204, E. Geo. Ave., Hazelwood, N.C.	every
DRY BRANCH:	Rev. Lloyd Chandler, Walnut, N.C.	every
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN:		every
ERNESTVILLE:	Rev. James Rice, 106 Louisa St, Black Mountain, N.C.	every
FAITH:	Rev. Raymond Shell, 103 Blue Ridge Ave., Black Mountain, N.C.	every
GRACE:	not elected	1st. and 3rd
HOMERS CHAPEL:	not elected	every
HOT SPRINGS:	Rev. Ben Frisbee, Jr., Box 342, Marshall, N.C.	every
HYATT CREEK:	Rev. Larry Coates, Rt. 1, Box 66-a, Barnardsville, N.C.	every
LAUREL FORK:	not elected	
LAURELTON CHAPEL:	Rev. Roscoe Higgins, Erwin, Tenn.	every
MARSHALL:	not elected	
MOUNTAIN VIEW:	Rev. Vernon Radcliff, Rt.1, Alexander, N.C.	4th
MT. O'DALE:	Rev. R.C. Stockton, Rt.1, Unicoi, Tenn.	every
MOUNT ZION:	Rev. Jennis Sluder, Weaverville, N.C.	2nd and 4th
PAINT FORK:	Rev. Eugene Duyck, Barnardsville, N.C.	every
PISGAH FOREST:	Rev. Garson Burlison, Asheville, N.C.	
ROCKY BRANCH:	Rev. George Plemmons, Box 608, Hazelwood, N.C. 28738	every
SHOAL HILL:	Rev. Jennis Sluder, Rt. 2, Weaverville, N.C.	1st and 3rd
SULPHUR SPRINGS:	Rev. Elmer Keener, 134 n. Main St., Canton, N.C.	every

The Holly Grove, Jonestown and Red Hill Churches withdrew from the Association.

The Walnut Church joined the Blue Ridge Association.

The Association withdrew from the East Black Mountain Church because they elected a Pastor of another Denomination.

The Ernestville Church was taken into full Fellowship of the Association.

NINETY FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
 OF THE
 FRENCH BROAD ASSOCIATION OF
 THE FREE WILL BAPTISTS

PROCEEDINGS

Beginning on Thursday, August 17, 1972 at 10:00 A.M. at Mt. O'Dale Free Will Baptist Church at Embreyville, Tenn.

Opening Song: "When God Dips His Love In My Heart"

Special Singing: Solo, Sister Margaret, Riddle Trio, solo, Mrs. Blevins

Welcome and devotionals: Rev. R.C. Stockton; Scripture; Galations; 6

Memorial prayer in memory of members who have passed away this year

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MODERATOR: Rev. Raymond Shell _____ Black Mountain, N.C.

VICE MODERATOR: Rev. Jennis Sluder _____ Rt. 2, Weaverville, N.C.

CLERK: Mrs. Archie Rice _____ Black Mountain, N.C.

HISTORIAN: Mr. Howard Payne _____ Marshall, N.C.

APPOINTMENT OF READING CLERKS

Rev. Roy Waldrop _____ Rev. Floyd Watts

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Old Ministers Fund: Mr. Howard Wheeler _____ Minute Fund Rev. Lawrence Smith
 Missions Rev. R.A. Wara

11 A.M. Service

Song: "Victory in Jesus"

Prayer: Rev. Alford Taylor

Sermon: Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Jr.

Scripture: Genesis 13:2, Acts 15:29

2 P.M. Service

Song: "Living By Faith"
 Devotionals: Rev. Johnny Marler
 Scripture: Proverbs
 Prayer: Rev. Johnny Marler
 Prayer: Rev. Roscoe Briggs

The Church reports were read and the committees were appointed.
 Committee concerning Church letters appointed; Rev. Roy Waldrop, Rev. Walter Wilson, Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Jr.

7:30 P.M. Service

Song: "Just A Little Talk With Jesus"
 Special Singing: Riddle Family, Sole Miss Beverly Fenders
 Sermon: Rev. Russell Wheeler
 Scripture: Isaiah; 52
 Prayer: Rev. George Plemmons

CHURCHES AND DELIGATES

BALSAM GROVE: By letter
 BARNARD: Roy Roberts, Wiley Massey, Leta Fowler, Vannie Massey
 CAMP BRANCH: Rev. Floyd Watts
 DRY BRANCH: Rev. Lloyd Chandler, Mr. Edd Sams, Rev. Johnnie Marler
 EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Wayne Rayburn
 ERNESTVILLE: Warren Hardin, Margaret Hardin
 FAITH: Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Roy Blankenship, Ollie Hollifield
 GRACE: Howard Wheeler, Gearld Wheeler, Rev. Russell Wheeler, Rita Ann Wheeler
 HOMERS CHAPEL: Mrs. Archie Rice
 HOT SPRINGS: Mr. Joe Moore, Mrs. Edna Ricker, Mrs. Nan Cogdill
 HYATT CREEK: Hillard Rhinehart, Jay Pinner
 LAUREL FORK: By letter
 LAURELTON CHAPEL: Claude Proffitt, Joel Fender, Mae Rice, Velma Fender, Irene Peek
 MARSHALL: Charles Parris, Zennie Parris, Sylvene Shelton, Patricia Caldwell
 MOUNTAIN VIEW: Carlos Radcliffe, Will Radcliffe, Vance Ponder, Catherine Sluder
 MT. O'DALE: Jean Bennett, Lucille Elliott, Judy Henley, Janis Strat
 MT. ZION: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Briggs
 PAINT FORK: Mrs. Larry Coates, J.W. Gilson, Mrs. Donald Mundy
 PISGAH FOREST: Garson Burlison, Lucille Burlison, Lily Burlison
 ROCKY BRANCH: Rev. George Plemmons, Brothers Leon Bolden, Thorton Messer, Dennis Banks
 SHOAL HILL: Jack Payne, Reba Torters, Mrs. Ethel Brown, Ruth Henderson, Dorothy Payne, Tina Payne
 SULPHUR SPRINGS: Rev. and Mrs. R.A. Ward, Mrs. Will Queen

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

YOUNG PEOPLES WORK: Dorothy Payne, Mrs. Hardin
SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Rev. Burl Ledford, Rev. Johnny Marler
HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS: Inez Rayburn, Sylvene Shelton
PASTORS SUPPORT: Roy Blankenship, Charles Parris
LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE: Ollie Hollifield, Betty Smith
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, Howard Wheeler, Chairman
DEEPER DEVOTIONS: A standing committee, written by Rev. W.W. Ballard, deceased
OBITUARIES: Mrs. Jennis Sluder, Mrs. Burl Ledford
RESOLUTIONS: A standing committee, Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford
FINANCE: A standing committee
TEMPERANCE: Rev. Lloyd Chandler, Rev. George Plemmons
PERIODICALS: Mrs. Cogdill, Iris Miller
WOMANS AULILIARY: Sylvene Shelton, Dorothy Payne
SESSIONS: First deligate of each church.

FRIDAY, 10:00 A.M.

Song: "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder"

Devotionals : Rev. Lloyd Chandler. Prayer: Rev. Charlie Hollifield
 Heard Church reports and Reports of Committees

11:00 A.M. Service

Song: "I'm Bound For The Promised Land". Prayer: Rev. Roy Waldrop

Sermon: Rev. Floyd Watts. Scripture: 1 Cor. 4; Psalms 22:1,2; Hebrews 11:6; John 11:15

2 P.M. Service

Song: "Heaven's Jubilee"

Devotionals: Rev. G.W. Briggs

Heard reports of committees

A rule was passed stating that any church requesting a letter from the Association to go to another Association, be present and state reason for leaving.

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE: Rev. J.W. Mann, Rev. James Rice, Rev. Russell Wheeler

7:30 P.M. Service

Song: "I'll Live In Glory" Special Singing: Linda Norton, Rev. George Plemmons

Sermon: Rev. George Plemmons. Scripture 1 Kings 18:21. A time of rejoicing
 Saturday 10:00 A.M.

Song: The Eastern Gate"

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

ARRANGEMENTS: A standing Committee, Pastor and delegates

YOUNG PEOPLES WORK: We, your committee, believe that children should be taught the Bible from childhood on. "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth. Ecclesiastes 12:1. We should be an example to our children and to others, that they could look at our lives and see what it really means to serve God in spirit and in truth.

Young people should know that there is joy and happiness in serving God. Parents should spend more time with their children. Read Titus 2:3-4, Dorothy Payne, Margaret Hardin.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS: We, your committee, believe that our Sunday Schools should use the Bible for its literature and have teachers who receive their knowledge from God. Read Proverbs 22:6, Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Rev. Burl Ledford, Rev. Johnny Marler.

PASTORS SUPPORT: We, the committee on Pastors support, recommend that the churches of this Association support their pastors in their labor in the Lord. The Lord taught when He sent out the apostles, the laborer is worthy of his hire. Matthew 10:9-10. The Apostle, Paul, wrote to the church at Corinth "They which minister about Holy things live of the things of the temple and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar" Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. 1 Corinthians 9:13-14.

We believe the church should support its pastor according to its ability in order that its pastor might devote as much of his time to looking after the interests of the church and feeding the flock of God, of which he is the overseer or shepherd. Charles Parris, Roy Blankenship

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS: We, your committee, believe, to Christian people, missions begin at home. There is a work to do in winning the lost while we yet have time.

The Bible recommends foreign Missions. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16:15. We feel that each church should support our missionaries with our prayers and our means. Let us arise to the need of the hour. Inez Rayburn, Sylvene Shelton

LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE: We, your committee, would like to present one of the Commandments "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

Therefore to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin. James 4:17

If ye abide in me and my words abide in you. Ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you. John 15:7. Ollie Hollifield, Betty Smith

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE: We protest again 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. We will not ordain or license ministers who have two living wives. A standing committee, written by Rev. Henry Ballard, deceased.

AMENDMENT: Rev. Jesse Rice, Rev. Ben Frisbee, Jr.

OLD MINISTERS' BOARD: A standing committee - Howard Wheeler, Treasurer; Walter Ball, Billy Plemmons, David Shuford. 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 their obligation. 2). That our local ministers cooperate with our local board in every way possible. Rev. Warren Reece, Rev. D.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 the 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 to 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 remember the words in 1 Thessalonians 4:13.

"But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not even as others which have no hope." Revelations 14:13 And I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me write. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth yea, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them. "We should help each other in this present world. "For by love serve one another". We think each church should remember their dead by bringing their obituary to be put in the minutes. Dor Ledford, 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 missions. If we had worked as hard as the communists to carry our missions of sharing Christ as they have carried out their missions, so many doors would not be closed to missionaries today. A standing committee. Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Rev. Lonnie G. Crawford.

TEMPERANCE: We, your committee, believe we should be temperate in all things. In these perilous times many of our youth are deceived. The Bible teaches us in Acts 24:25, "And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance and judgement to come, Felix trembled, and answered, "Go thy way for this time when I have a convenient season I will call for thee. "Titus 2:2. "That the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience," We believe it is a sin to use alcoholic beverages in any form. "Wine is a mocker-strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. Rev. Lloyd Chandler, Rev. George Plemmons.

PERIODICALS: We, your committee, believe that we should have our homes set in order. We believe that if you read your Bible and study it and pray for God to give you wisdom you will be able to know the right literature when it is presented to us. In Proverbs 16:16 we find how much better it is to get wisdom than gold, and to get understanding rather than silver. Nannie Cogdill, Iris Miller.

WOMANS AUXILIARY: We, your committee, believe that an auxiliary is necessary and vital to every church. The aim of the auxiliary should be to assist in all phases

supporting the building funds and working with our hands to do that which is needful. In these troubled times may we all pray more for each other and may we ask of each auxiliary that whatsoever your hands find to do, do with all your might. "Let us not be weary in well do in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." "A woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised." Our motto should be "Laborers together with God" Dorothy Payne, Sylvene Shelton, Zenna Parris.

CHURCH BUSINESS: We recommend that an election be announced two weeks ahead, but no less than one week which is agreeable to the church. This should be announced three times before the election.

II. A moderator who is an active member and in good fellowship with the church should be elected to carry out the business of the election.

III. Those who will be eligible to vote shall be active members who are in full fellowship with all the church. No person who is not a member of the body shall be eligible to vote neither members who are not active in the church work. Rev. Columbus Boone, Rev. Floyd Frisbe.

CHURCH LETTERS: We, your committee, recommend the following:

Any church requesting a letter from the Association is ask to be represented in person before the body at it's annual session and make the request. If not represented, the Association will automatically drop church from roll. Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Jr., Rev. Walter Wilson, Rev. Roy Waldrop.

SESSIONS: The next session of French Broad Free Will Baptists Association will be held with the Hot Springs Church at Hot Springs, N.C. beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in August 1973 at 10:00 A.M. The Rev. Jennis Sluder is scheduled to preach the Introductory Sermon at 11:00 A.M. Rev. J.B. Rhinehart is the alternate.

CLERKS FOR YEAR

BALSAM GROVE: Miss Evelyn Mattis Rt. 67, Box 190, Cullowhee, N.C.
BARNARD: Blanche Farmer, Rt. 7, Box 45, Marshall, N.C.
CAMP BRANCH: Lily Mae Arington, 214 East Geo., Ave., Hazelwood, N.C.
DRY BRANCH: Mrs. Amy Plemmons, Rt. 4, Marshall, N.C.
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Wayne Rayburn, Box 462, Black Mountain, N.C.
ERNESTVILLE: Ada Sanders, 143 Fanning St., Erwin, Tenn.
FAITH: Mrs. B.C. Hollifield Rt. 1, Box 173, Black Mountain, N.C.
GRACE: Keith Smathers, Rt. 3, Canton, N.C.
HOMERS CHAPEL: Miss Frances Mundy P.O. Box 101, Black Mountain, N.C.
HOT SPRINGS: Edna Cogdill Hot Springs, N.C. 28743
HYATT CREEK: James Mintz, Box 4, Hazelwood, N.C.
LAUREL FORK: Mrs. Oliver Ferguson, Rt. 1, Marshall, N.C.
LAURELTON CHAPEL: Cas Fender, Rt. 6, Marshall, N.C. 28753
 marshall; Patricia Ann Caldwell, Marshall, N.C.
MOUNTAIN VIEW: Vance Ponder, Rt. 3, Box 5, Weaverville, N.C.
MOUNT O'DALE: Mrs. Emery Blevins, Rt. 1, Erwin, Tenn.
 mount zion; Mrs. Faye Norton, Rt. 2, Marshall, N.C.
PAINT FORK: Richard Hyder, Rt. 2, Weaverville, N.C.
PISGAH FOREST: Bertha Thomas, Box 280, Barnardsville, N.C.
ROCKY BRANCH: Mrs. Kate Gunter, Box 12, Lake Junaluska, N.C. 28945
SHOAL HILL: Dorothy Jean Payne, Rt. 5, Marshall, N.C.
SULPHUR SPRINGS: Harold Queen, 195 Sulphur Springs Rd., Hazelwood, N.C.

REVIVALS AND COMMUNIONS

BALSAM GROVE: Communion 1

BARNARD: Revivals 1, Rev. Hansel Hensley

CAMP BRANCH: Revivals 3; Rev. Carl Thompson, Rev. David Glenn, Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Jr. Communion 2.

DRY BRANCH: Revivals 2, Rev. Jesse Rice, Rev. Jennis Sluder, Rev. Andrew Chandler, Rev. Charles Stockton, Rev. Johnny Marler.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Revivals 1, Rev. Bill Connor, Communion 4.

EARNESTVILLE: Revivals 2, Rev. Joe Rice, Rev. Spivey Penland. Communion 4
*faith; Revivals 1; Rev. Farrell Sparks, Communion 2

GRACE: Communion 1

HOMERS CHAPEL: Revivals 3; Rev. Robert Harris, Rev. C.S. Duvall, Rev. Eugene Shiver Communion 2

HOT SPRINGS: Revivals 1; Rev. J.B. Rhinehart. Communion 6

HYATT CREEK: Communion 3

LAUREL FORK: Revivals 1, Rev. Horace Hunnicut, Communion 1

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Revivals 1; Rev. Leonard Shetland, Rev. Roscoe Higgins. Communion 2

MARSHALL:

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Revivals 1, Rev. Jennis Sluder, Rev. Jesse Rice. Communion 4

MOUNT O'DALE: Revivals 2; Rev. Lawrence Smith, Rev. Jesse Rice Communion 1.

MOUNT ZION: Revivals 1, Rev. C. Duvall, Rev. Elmer Edwards

PAINT FORK: Revivals 1, Rev. J.W. Mann, Rev. J.B. Rhinehart; Communion 3

PISGAH FOREST:

ROCKY BRANCH: Revivals 1, Rev. Raymond Shell. Communion 1

SHOAL HILL: Revivals 1, Rev. Zenous Allen, Rev. Jennis Sluder

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Revivals 1, Rev. Frank Thompson. Communion 3



OBITUARIES

HOMERS CHAPEL: Mrs. Bessie Gardner was a faithful member. She was born in 1890 and died in 1972. She was called "Granny" by all her friends. Her presence is missed here. By her good life here we feel that she is in a better land. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord".

HYATT CREEK: Mrs. Lottie Caldwell was born April 17, 1917 and died November 13, 1971 at the age of 54. God called her home to be at rest with Him. She attended Hyatt Creek Church as often as she could. She was a blessing to everyone and is greatly missed. Our loss is Heavens gain.



Mr. C.D. Melton was born April 16, 1884, and died June 14, 1972 at the age of 88. The Lord blessed him with a long life. He was a very Faithful member being present at every service unless he was unable to attend. We miss him here but we hope to meet again in a better land.



MT. O'DALE: Mrs. Stella Mae Rogers, age 67 departed this life October 11, 1971 after a lingering illness. She had been a member of this church since it's beginning about thirty five years ago. She had been Secretary and Treasurer for twenty five years Survivers include the husband, one son and three daughters. We know her troubles and sorrows are ever and she is at rest with Jesus.

Mrs. Cora Lee Woodfin, age 74, departed this life April 22, 1972 after a lingering illness. She was a member of this Church for thirty five years. Survivors are the husband, two sons and three daughters. We know that her troubles are over and she is at rest with Jesus forever.



MOUNTAIN VIEW: Mrs. Hattie Sluder died July 21, 1972 at the age of 96. She was the oldest member of the church, an old fashioned Christian mother who stood firm and kept the faith. "With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation." Psalms 91:16.

Mr. Walter Dewese died January 4, 1972 at the age of 80. He was dedicated Christian. He taught the Men's Bible Class for many years and was the oldest deacon in the church. His last testimony was a witness that he was going to a better country. "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son". Rev. 21:7.

Mrs. Magdalene Candler died July 2, 1972. She was a faithful member. She put the Lord first in her life. During her illness she never failed to give the Lord honor and praise. She loved her family and neighbors "Her children rise up and call her blessed; Her husband also, and he praiseth her." Proverbs 31:28.

Mrs. Iona Erwin died August 3, 1972 at the age of 65. She was a good Christian mother who loved the Lord and her family. "Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance; for ye serve the Lord Christ." Col. 3:24.

Mrs. Bell Rash died June 12, 1972 at the age of 97. She was a God fearing woman who loved the Lord and His people. She was blessed with a long life. "There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God" Hebrews 4:9.

Mrs. Vergie Price departed this life on June 3, 1972 at the age of 75. She was a member of this Church for many years. Her life and her testimony will always be a memory with us. She is missed but we feel that she has gone to a place of peace and joy that has no end.



R. B. (Bob) Tweed passed on to his reward August 24, 1971. He was charter member of Shoal Hill Church. He moved from the community but his membership remained with this church. He was a quiet and peaceful man, who set his course on the straight and narrow way pressing onward to the reward of a full Christian life. He is missed by the church, community and a host of friends.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

BALSAM GROVE: Superintendent, Mr. Elmer Mattis, Cullowhee, N.C.; Secretary, Miss Evelyn Mattis, Cullowhee, N.C. Classes, 2; pupils 20; literature, David C. Cook; expenses \$93.80.

BARNARD: Superintendant, N.J. Farmer, Marshal, N.C.; Secretary, Peggy Fowler, Marshall, N.C.; Classes 2; pupils 20; literature, Bible and F.W.B; expenses \$9.97.
CAMP BRANCH: Superintendant, Sambo Brown, Waynesville, N.C.; Secretary Ellen Arrington, Hazelwood, N.C. Classes 3; pupils 41; literature, Bible
DRY BRANCH: Superintendent Mr. Charlie Connor, Marshall, N.C. Secretary, Miss Barbara Price, Marshall, N.C. Classes 4; pupils 30; literature, Bible; expenses \$209.15.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Superintendent, Bill Bartlett, 244 Flat Creek Rd; Black Mountain, N.C.; Secretary, Mrs. Helen Nix, Box 1074, Black Mountain, N.C. Classes 5; pupils 50; literature Bible and F.W.B; expenses \$120.00.

ERNESTVILLE: Superintendent, Belve Sanders, 143 Fanning St; Erwin, Tenn. Secretary Ade Sanders, 143 Fanning St; Erwin, Tenn. Classes 2; pupils 35.

FAITH: Superintendent, Rev. Charlie Hollifield, Black Mountain, N.C. Secretary, Mrs. B.C. Hollifield, Black Mountain, N.C. Classes 3; pupils 40; literature Bible.

GRACE: Superintendent, David Shuford, Rt. 2, Canton, N.C. Secretary, Rita Ann Wheeler, Rt. 2, Canton, N.C. Classes 4; pupils 26; literature, Bible.

HOMERS CHAPEL: Superintendent, Hubert Hudgins, Black Mountain, N.C. Secretary, Mrs. Ray Wiseman, Black Mountain, N.C. Classes 7; pupils 102; literature Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$125.63.

HOT SPRINGS: Superintendent, Joseph A. Cogdill, Hot Springs, N.C. Secretary, Mrs. Edna Ricker Hot Springs, N.C. Classes 3; pupils 20; literature Bible; expenses \$27.22.

HYATT CREEK: Superintendent, Joe Green, Rt. 1, Waynesville, N.C. Secretary, Judy Pressley Rt. 1, Waynesville, N.C. Classes 4; pupils 40 literature Bible and Union.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Superintendent, Cas Fender, Rt. 6, Marshall, N.C. Secretary, Hazel Roberts Rt. 6, Marshall, N.C. Classes 4; pupils 35; literature Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$70.20.

MARSHALL: Superintendent, Howard Reece, Box 93, Weaverville, N.C. Secretary, Henrietta Rector, Box 373, Marshall, N.C. Classes 5; pupils 28; literature F.W. B. expenses \$221.67.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Superintendent, Carlos Ratcliff, Rt. 3, Leicester, N.C. Secretary, Miss Becky Ponder, Rt. 3, Box 5, Weaverville, N.C. Classes 6; pupils 70; literature Bible; expenses \$16.62.

MOUNT O'DALE: Superintendent, Emery Clevins, Rt. 1, Erwin, Tenn., Secretary, Amos Hensley Rt. 1, Jonesboro, Tenn., Classes 4; pupils 85; literature Bible.

MOUNT ZION: Superintendent, Fred Briggs, Marshall, N.C. Secretary Deborah Green, R. 2, Asheville, N.C. Classes 4; pupils 32; literature, Bible.

PAINT FORK: Superintendent, Joe Gilson, Box 2182, Asheville, N.C. Secretary, Carrol Mundy Barnardsville, N.C. Classes 4; pupils 40; literature Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$18.90.

ROCKY BRANCH: Superintendent, Walt Mills 109 Pine St; Waynesville, N.C. Secretary Ardith Wyatt, Waynesville, N.C. Classes 4; pupils 65; literature Bible and F.W.B.; expenses \$66.37.

SHOAL HILL: Superintendent, Jimmy Ponder, Rt.1, Marshall, Secretary, Ruth Henderson, Rt.5, Marshall, N.C. Classes 3; pupils 40; literature Bible and F.W.B. expenses \$22.00.

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Superintendent, William Mehaffey, 1111 Sulphur Springs Rd., Hazelwood, N.C., Secretary, Betty Queen 105 Sulphur Springs Rd; Hazelwood, N.C. Classes 6; pupils 90; literature F.W.B. expenses \$315.18.

WOMANS AUXILIARY

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: President Mrs. Doris Bartlett, Ruby Ave; Black Mountain, N.C. members 13; meets every two weeks; money taken in \$450.24; paid out 403.20.

HOMERS CHAPEL: President Miss Frances Mundy, Black Mountain, N.C. Secretary, Mrs. Archie Rice, Black Mountain, N.C. Members 14; Gained this year 1; meets every week money taken in \$854.61.

MARSHALL: President, Mrs. Billy Fore, Marshall, N.C. Secretary, Mrs. Zenna Paris, Marshall, N.C. Members 12; meets every month. money taken in \$524.82; paid out \$279.69.

FRENCH BROAD FREE WILL BAPTIST MINISTERS CONFERENCE AUGUST 1972———AUGUST 1973

The French Broad Free Will Baptist Minister's Conference met with the Grace Church near Canton, N.C. on Saturday, October 30, 1971.

Opening Sson: "I'll Be A Friend To Jesus" Welcome and devotionals by the Pastor, Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Jr. Prayer: I.J. Miller; Special singing: The J.X. Gregg Family. The Moderator called the meeting to order and read "Constitution of Ministers Conference".

Visiting Ministers present were: Rev. Archie Cook, Rev. J.B. Gregg.

11: A.M. Service

Special Singing: Wheeler Family

Sermon: Rev. Lloyd Watkins; Scripture Ephesians 4:1-13.

1:30 Service

Song: "Amazing Grace"; Special Singing, The Gregg Family
Devotionals: Rev. Floyd Watts; Scripture Rev. 22:17-18; Prayer: Rev. Charlie Hollifield. Twenty five ministers answered to the roll call.

The moderator read the Rules of Ministers Conference. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The next meeting of the conference will be in January at the Faith Church with Rev. R.C. Stockton scheduled to preach. Flower Fund \$125.12.

The French Broad Free Will Baptist Minister's Conference met with the Faith Church at Black Mountain, N.C. on Saturday, January 29, 1972 at 10:00 A.M.

Opening Song: "Just A Little Talk With Jesus" Welcome and devotionals: Rev. Raymond Shell, Scripture Romans 6:1-12; Special singing: Rhinehart Duet; Prayer: Rev. Elmer Keener.

A time of testimony and rejoicing. The moderator read the "Constitution of Ministers Conference.

Visiting ministers present were: Rev. G.M. Reynolds, Rev. Gene Foster, Rev. Elmer Keener. Thirty Ministers answered to the roll call.

11: A.M. Service

Sermon: Rev. Jennis Sluder; Scripture: Genesis 13:12.

2 P.M. Service

Song: "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" Devotionals: Rev. George Plemmons
Scripture: Rev. 22; Prayer: Rev. Alford Taylor; Special Singing: Parkam Trio

The minutes of the last conference were read and approved.

Prayer of healing was made.

Rev. Johnny Marler was ordained to preach. Rev. Coy Parkam was licensed to preach. The next session is scheduled for the Hot Springs Church with Rev. Roscoe Briggs preaching. Flower fund \$141.39.

The French Broad Free Will Baptist Minister's Conference met with the Hot Springs Church at Hot Springs, N.C. on Saturday, April 29, 1972. Opening Song: "I'll be A Friend to Jesus" Devotionals and welcome by Rev. Hobert Bullman. Scripture: II Timothy 4.

Altar prayer led by Rev. Jesse Rice. Special Singing: Gregg Family, Wheeler Family. The Moderator called the meeting to order and read the "Constitution of Ministers Conference.

Visiting ministers present were: Rev. J.B. Gregg, Rev. Gene Foster, Rev. Robert Elliott. Twenty six ministers answered to the roll call.

11:00 A.M. Service

Sermon: Rev. Roscoe Briggs

1:30 P.M. Service

Song: "Victory in Jesus" Devotionals: Rev. Gene Foster, Scripture: John 14.
Prayer: Rev. Ben Frisby, Jr.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Rev. G.Y. Burgin joined another association. Rev. Lawrence Smith was appointed to the ordination council. Rev. Eugene Foster was licensed to preach.

There was a special prayer of healing led by Rev. Charlie Hollifield.
Flower Fund \$142.39.

ANNUAL SESSION

The French Broad Free Will Baptist Ministers' Conference met with the Mt. O'Dale Church August 19, 1972 as a followup of the Association.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MODERATOR: Rev. R.C. Stockton-----Rt.1, Unicoi, Tenn.

VICE MODERATOR: Rev. Floyd Watts-----Rt.1, Box 402, Candler, N.C.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER: Mrs. Archie Rice----- Rt.1, Black Mountain, N.C.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Rev. Johnny Marler, Rev. Jennis Sluder, Rev. Raymond Shell, Rev. J.W. Mann, Rev. Larry Coates.

The Moderator read the "Constitution of Ministers' Conference.

Visiting ministers present were: Rev. Archie Cook, Rev. Spivey Penland, Rev. Gene Osburn, Rev. Richard Watts, Rev. Robert Elliott, Rev. Waddle.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Twenty six ministers answered to the roll call.

Broken fellowship among ministers was restored.

The Rev. Archie Cook was licensed to preach.

The next session will be with the Hyatt Creek Church. Rev. Gene Foster is scheduled to preach.

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MINISTERS DONATIONS TO THE OLD MINISTERS' FUND

Rev. Edgar D. Coleman	\$12.00
Rev. Roy Waldrop	12.00
Rev. Clarence Wheeler	5.00
Rev. Russell Wheeler	53.00
Rev. T.A. Wheeler	20.00
Rev. G.W. Briggs	12.00
Rev. Roscoe Briggs	10.00
Rev. Roscoe Briggs Jr.	6.00
Rev. Hobert Bullman	10.00
Rev. Lloyd Chandler	15.00
Rev. Johnny Franks	12.00
Rev. Ben Frisby	12.00
Rev. Archie Rice	12.00
Rev. Charlie Hollifield	12.00
Rev. Raymond Shell	12.00
Rev. Jennis Sluder	12.00
Rev. Walter Wilson	15.00
Rev. Larry Coats	12.00
Rev. Eugene Duyck	15.00
Rev. Burl Ledford	12.00
Rev. Johnny Marler	12.00
Rev. J.W. Mann	10.00
Rev. Charles Ownsbey	18.00
Rev. R.C. Stockton	12.00
Rev. Floyd Watts	12.00
TOTAL	\$345.00

OLD MINISTERS' FUND

Amount Received from Churches

Barnard	\$26.26
Camp Branch	5.00
East Black Mt.	20.00
Faith	120.00
Grace	194.69
Homers' Chapel	175.48
Holly Grove	5.00
Hot Springs	87.08
Hyatt Creek	60.71
Laurel Fork	78.10
Laurelton Chapel	10.00
Marshall	60.00
Mountain View	127.80
Mt. O'Dale	50.00
Mt. Zion	15.00
Paint Fork	119.22
Pisgah	24.50
Rockey Branch	25.00
Shoal Hill	84.00
Sulphur Springs	58.00
Ernestville	28.00
TOTAL	\$1,373.84

PAID OUT

Monthly Checks

Rev. J.C Franks	\$264.00
Rev. Vernon Radcliffe	264.00
Rev. G.A. Marshall	264.00
Rev. H.E. Lunsford	264.00
Rev. Charlie Hollifield	264.00
Rev. G.W. Briggs	264.00
Rev. Lloyd Chandler	264.00
Rev. Hobert Bullman	264.00
Mrs. Maley Rice	264.00

Sickness

Rev. R.C. Stockton	100.00
Stamps and Envelops	13.00
Checks	8.78

YEAR REPORT

Churches	\$1,373.84
Ministers	345.00
Withdrawed from Savings	400.00
Interest on Savings	184.33
Amount at Starting of Year	1,280.77
Total	\$3,583.93
Paid Out	2,497.78
Amount Sept.1, 1972	\$1,086.16

Amount in Savings Sept.1, 1972—\$3,685.84

Please send all donations to: Mr. Howard Wheeler, Rt.2, Canton, N.C.

ROLL CALL OF MINISTERS

Rev. G.W. Briggs	_____	Dandridge, Tenn.
Rev. Roscoe Briggs	_____ Rt. 2,	Burnsville, N.C.
Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Jr.	_____	Micaville, N.C.
Rev. Hobert Bullman	_____ Rt. 4, Box 88,	Marshall, N.C.
Rev. Ralph Bullman	_____ Rt. 4, Box 272,	Skyland, N.C.
Rev. Ralph Carter	_____ Rt. 2, Box 43,	Marshall, N.C.
Rev. Lloyd Chandler	_____	Walnut, N.C.
Rev. Larry Coates	_____ Rt.1,	Barnardsville, N.C.
Rev. G.E. Cody	_____ Rt.1, Box 92,	Black Mountain, N.C.
Rev. Edgar D. Coleman	_____ 155 Johnston Blvd;	Asheville, N.C.
Rev. Eugene Duyck	_____	Barnardsville, N.C.
Rev. Johnny Franks	_____ Rt.1, Box 249,	Black Mountain, N.C.
Rev. Ben Frisby, Jr.	_____ P.O. Box 342,	Marshall, N.C.
Rev. Charlie Hollifield	_____	Black Mountain, N.C.
Rev. Buri Ledford	_____ Rt. 4,	Burnsville, N.C.
Rev. H.E. Lunsford	_____ Rt.7, Box 8,	Marshall, N.C.
Rev. J.W. Mann	_____ Rt. 4,	Marion, N.C.
Rev. Johnny Marler	_____ Rt.1,	Marshall, N.C.
Rev. G.A. Marshall	_____ 362 Fairview Rd;	Asheville, N.C.
Rev. Claude Mills	_____ 1044 Allens Creek Rd;	Waynesville, N.C.
Rev. Charles Ownsbey	_____ 341 Fountain Way,	Swannanoa, N.C.
Rev. Coy Parham	_____	
Rev. Ransome Phillips	_____	Cullowhee, N.C.
Rev. Marvin Ponder	_____ Rt. 3,	Weaverville, N.C.
Rev. George Plemmons	_____ Box 608,	Hazelwood, N.C.
Rev. Joe Pressley	_____	Black Mountain, N.C.
Rev. Vernon Radcliffe	_____ Rt.1,	Alexander, N.C.
Rev. J.B. Rhinehart	_____ Box 462,	Hazelwood, N.C.
Rev. Archie Rice	_____ Rt.1,	Black Mountain, N.C.
Rev. James Rice	_____ 106 Louisa St.;	Black Mountain, N.C.
Rev. Jesse Rice	_____ Rt.2, Box 78,	Weaverville, N.C.
Rev. L.F. Rumbough	_____ 30 Montrose Ave.;	Asheville, N.C.
Rev. Raymond Shell	_____ 103 E. Blue Ridge Ave.;	Black Mountain, N.C.
Rev. Jennis Sluder	_____ Rt. 2,	Weaverville, N.C.
Rev. R.C. Stockton	_____ Rt.1,	Unicoi, Tenn.
Rev. Lawrence E. Smith	_____ Rt. 2,	Weaverville, N.C.
Rev. Alford Taylor	_____ Rt.1, Box 301,	Alexander, N.C.
Rev. James Vaughn	_____ Box 247,	Robbinsville, N.C.
Rev. Roy Waldrop	_____ 87 Elkmont Drive,	Asheville, N.C.
Rev. R.A. Ward	_____	Clyde, N.C.
Rev. Lloyd Watkins	_____ Rt.1, Box 226,	Sylva, N.C.
Rev. Floyd Elbert Watts	_____ Rt.1, Box 402,	Candler, N.C.
Rev. Clarence Wheeler	_____ Rt.1,	Swannanoa, N.C.
Rev. Russell Wheeler	_____ Rt. 2,	Canton, N.C.
Rev. T.A. Wheeler	_____ Rt. 2,	Canton, N.C.
Rev. Walter Wilson	_____ Rt. 1,	Marshall, N.C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS' REPORTS

Rev. G.W. Briggs: Age 93, Preached 5 sermons; 1 funeral

Rev. Roscoe Briggs, Jr. Churches pastored 2; revivals 2; Conversions 15; Sermons preached 94; members received 3; baptized 8; funerals 5.
Received for pastoral work \$2,184.84; revivals \$166.00; other services \$162.00 total \$2,512.84; miles traveled 10.00.

Rev. Hobert Bullman; Churches pastored 1; revivals 1; conversions 8; sermons 75; members received 2- baptized 7 marriages 1; funerals 7; total received \$333.50;

Rev. Larry Coates; churches pastored 1; members received 9; baptized 13; marriages 2; funerals 1; received \$1,426.20.

Rev. Lloyd Chandler; Churches pastored 1; revivals 1; conversions 16; sermons 65; marriages 1; funerals 2; received \$95.00; given \$10.00; homes visited 42; prayed in 25; sick visits 30; miles traveled 200; expenses \$20.00.

Rev. Edgar D. Coleman; Revivals 1; conversions 6; sermons 100; marriages 2; funerals 3; received for services \$10.00 ; given \$125.; homes visited and prayed in 25; sick visits 75.

Rev. Eugene Duyck; churches pastored 1; funerals 1.

Rev. Ben H. Frisby, Jr.; Conversions 1; sermons 20; baptized 2; marriages 2; received 29.00 given to cause \$150.00; homes visited 29; prayed in 6; sick visits 6; miles traveled 5,153; expenses \$250.00.

Rev. Burl Ledford; Sermons 20; received \$26.00; given \$50.00.

Rev. G.A. Marshall; Sunday School Teacher

Rev. Charles J. Ownsby; Sermons 7; given \$370.00.

Rev. George Plemmons; Churches pastored 1; revivals 2; sermons 200; members received 19; baptized 11; marriages 1; Funerals 8; received \$856.65.

Rev. Vernon Radcliff; Churches pastored 2; revivals 1; conversions 1; funerals 3; received \$750.00; given \$100.00; sick visits 10.

Rev. Raymond Shell; Churches pastored 1; revivals 2; pastoral services \$1,225.00; revivals \$225.77; total \$1,450.77; given \$435.00.

Rev. Jennis Sluder; Churches pastored 1; revivals 3; baptized 2; marriages 1; sick visits 72; funerals 4.

Rev. James Rice; churches pastored 1.

Rev. Alford Taylor; Churches pastored 1; revivals 1; conversions 12; sermons 235; marriages 2; funerals 1; total received \$300.52; given \$85.00; homes visited 53; prayed in 20; sick visits 35; miles traveled 3,436; expenses \$200.00.

Rev. Floyd Elbert Watts; Churches pastored 1; sermons 40; baptized 6; funerals 5; received \$111.00; given \$856.00; miles 6,448; expenses \$967.00.

Rev. Ransome Phillips; Churches pastored 1, sermons 24; received \$200.00; given \$24.00 homes visited 2; sick visits 3, miles traveled 20.

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 moderators, 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.

NOTES

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 committee 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.

The association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

10; The Association may withdraw from any church having a pastor either elected or acting of a different denomination.

Ministers of the Free-Will Baptist denomination; but of another association may pastor our churches

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. 1 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; Jhn 2:2; Neb. 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 to God in Christ for the benefit of all mankind, who repent and believe the Gospel. Luke 14:16-20; Matt. 28:19-29; 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 divien aid to all the human family, so as they all might be happy, would they give place to His divine teachings; 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 cur 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; II 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 Adman, and not that any one of them dying in that state, shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin, for 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 of 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 persons 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.

FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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; John 13:5-17; Jas. 5:14.

16. We believe the Gospel mode of baptism is by immersion, and that believers are the only subject for baptism. Matt. 3:16; Mark 1:9; 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 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 manufacturing 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.

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RESOLUTIONS

We believed 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 persons 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 for 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 by 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 members 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 members, 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.

FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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:

_____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____

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 _____; present active membership _____; last year's active membership _____; Sundays we have preaching _____ No. of revivals _____; held by: _____ No. of communion and feet washing service: _____

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 \$; church repairs and improvements \$;
 Other purpose \$; 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 \$

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

Superintendent ; Address
 Secretary ; Address
 No. of classes ; No. of pupils ; kind of literature used
 ; expenses \$

MINISTERS' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 197.....
TO 197.....

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

Received for pastoral services \$
 Received for revival services \$
 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

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 member 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 annual 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 the reputation for usefulness, but watch over each other and hose 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.
12. If a minister misses three quarterly conferences in succession, he will be silenced until he makes restitution.
13. If a man has been liberated by his church to preach his church must write a letter of recommendation to present to the conference at the end of the year.

STATISTICAL MEMBERSHIP TABLE													
	CHURCHES	Members Received	Exp. And Baptism	Letter Statement	Restoration	Lost	By Letter	Expulsion and Erasure	Death	Increase	Decrease	Last Year's	Active Membership
BALSAM GROVE						2						35	35
BARNARD												12	12
CAMP BRANCH	5	2	2	1	1	1			5			26	31
DRY BRANCH	4	4			3	2		1					30
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN	1						6					36	31
ERNESTVILLE	2				2	2			3				9
FAITH													
GRACE												18	16
HOMERSCHAPEL	6	4	2		5		3	2	1			102	103
HOT SPRINGS	2		1	1								50	45
HYATT CREEK	9	5	4		6		5		9			39	48
LAUREL FORK	2	2			1	1							
LAURELTON CHAPEL	6	5	1		1		1		5			54	54
MARSHALL								1				35	34
MOUNTAIN VIEW	4	2	2	0	9	1	3	5				68	68
MT. O'DALE	6	0	2	2	7			4				68	61
MT. ZION	1	1	5		8	1						25	25
PAINT FORK					5							50	45
PISGAH FOREST	9	2	7										
ROCKY BRANCH	19	11	8	2		1						40	59
SHOAL HILL					2	1		1				32	30
SULPHUR SPRINGS					1			1				94	93
TOTALS	76	38	34	6	51	12	18	16	23			784	830

FINANCIAL REPORT

CHURCHES	Pastors Salary	Missions	Foreign Missions	Repairs	Other	Old Ministers Fund	Ministers	Value of Church Property
BALSAM GROVE	200.00	0		20.71			5.00	5,000
BARNARD	610.76	107.40	5.00	0	294.59	26.26	5.00	10,000
CAMP BRANCH	111.00	0				5.00	5.00	12,000
DRY BRANCH	451.74	72.50		64.61	30.00	20.00	10.00	6,223.35
EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN	2,069.00	522.26	100.00	1,350.00	950.07	20.00	10.00	20,000.00
ERNESTVILLE				1,500.00		15.00	5.00	10,000.00
FAITH	1,225.00		5.00			120.00	10.00	17,000.00
GRACE	619.87	312.23				194.69	10.00	11,558.87
HOMERS CHAPEL	4,407.01	759.36	542.02	125.71	1,787.44	175.48	35.00	29,000.00
HOT SPRINGS	283.50	36.00		206.48	79.91	82.08		9,561.64
HYATT CREEK	1,426.20	614.91		665.02	289.03	60.71	20.00	10,665.02
LAUREL FORK	1,507.35	298.53		908.77	300.38	78.10	10.00	1,776.00
LAURELTON CHAPEL	405.60		50.00	331.44	331.44	10.00	5.00	5,000.00
MARSHALL	324.02	65.18	316.75		125.00	50.00	15.00	5,275.00
MOUNTAIN VIEW	558.77	396.00	221.00	3,337.95	151.84	127.80	25.00	40,000.00
MT. O'DALE	2,980.00	1,942.02		33.06	645.95	50.00	8.00	12,000.00
MT. ZION	335.29			423.37		15.00	10.00	8,000.00
PAINT FORK	157.50	115.00		668.46	203.00	119.22	15.00	12,000.00
PISGAH FOREST						24.00	7.50	
ROCKY BRANCH	856.65	384.67		907.03	864.08	25.00	25.00	15,000.00
SHOAL HILL	598.65	192.00	190.00		100.00	84.00	15.00	6,700.00
SULPHUR SPRINGS	2,767.03	72.55	148.00	535.50		58.00	15.00	25,000.00
TOTALS	\$81,894.94	5,890.61	7,468.38	10,556.91	7,212.83	1,355.34	265.50	244,759.88

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