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## NOTE

Following is a gist of the happenings of the four Union Meeting Sessions of our General Conference.

Ronald Creech, Clerk

### BROOKWOOD CHURCH - FAYETTEVILLE

December 29, 1962

Rev. C. H. Coates served as moderator-of-the-day. Devotions were given by J. V. Johnson and Alfred Cates. We withdrew the hand of fellowship from the First Free Will Baptist Church of Smithfield because of departure from Free Will Baptist customs, usages and practices.

The following churches were received into our conference: White Oak Hill - Oak Grove, Wilson County - Calvary, Enfield - Mount Olive, Plymouth under watchcare.

Alfred Cates was received as a licensed preacher. A. C. Morgan preached the sermon during the session.

### GRIFTON CHURCH

March 30, 1963

Rev. Raymond Gaskins was elected moderator-of-the-day. Devotions were brought by Lonnie Cayton and J. A. Branch. Rev. L. R. Ennis presented special citations to our five oldest churches - namely, St. Delight, Prospect, Gum Swamp, Antioch, and Parker's Chapel. This recognition was authorized by the General Conference in its annual session at Garner because these churches were a part of the old General Conference before it disbanded in 1886.

Following is the Citation:

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Rev. J. E. 'Pop' Wooten preached the sermon.

The following preachers and churches were received:

#### PREACHERS:

Ordained: Alfred Cates	Licensed: James McLendon
L. D. Creech, Jr.	James Armstrong
Bobby Carden	Broncho West
Bill Robinson	Watchcare: Gene Parisher
Dalton Heath	

CHURCHES: Mt. Olive - Plymouth	MISSION: La Grange
Immanuel - Winterville	
Shady Grove - Durham	

## CITATION

IN COMMEMORATION OF YOUR NOBLE HISTORY AND YOUR  
UNSWERVING FIDELITY TO THE FAITH

THIS CITATION IS AWARDED TO

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(NAME OF CHURCH)

YOUR HISTORY WHICH IS TRACED TO THE DAYS BEFORE  
THE GENERAL CONFERENCE WAS DIVIDED IN 1886 HAS SERVED  
AS A STABILIZING FACTOR IN TIMES OF TROUBLE. YOUR PRE-  
SENT PLACE OF LEADERSHIP OFFERS ENCOURAGEMENT AND  
HOPE FOR THE FUTURE.

THIS SPECIAL COMMENDATION IS EXTENDED BY THE GENERAL  
CONFERENCE OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF NORTH CARO-  
LINA WHILE IN SESSION AT THE GARNER CHURCH, NOVEMBER 13  
AND 14, 1962.

L. R. ENNIS

MODERATOR

RONALD CREECH

CLERK

WHITE OAK HILL CHURCH - BAILEY

June 29, 1963

Rev. Eugene Waddell was elected moderator-of-the-day. Bobby Abrams and Gene Parisher gave devotions. Rev. Charles A. Thigpen, dean of Free Will Baptist Bible College - Nashville, Tennessee - brought the sermon. The following preachers were received:

LICENSED:	Floyd Davidson Nobles	Kenneth Godwin
	L. F. West	Bobby Abrams
ORDAINED:	Wayne Phillips	Norman Adams
	John Stewart Craft	Gene Parisher
	T. P. Ellis	

A resolution was adopted to send special thanks to Bill Davidson for his contribution to our historical collection of a copy of his thesis for his Master's degree at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary - "A History of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina."

PEACE CHURCH - WILSON

September 28, 1963

Rev. L. R. Ennis was elected moderator-of-the-day. Devotions were conducted by Bobby Carden. Evangelist Owen Ganey preached during the session. Al Davis, James Duke and James Gay were received as ordained preachers. Larry Wall, Larry Inscoe and H. C. Price were received as licensed preachers.

We adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION BY THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, this conference recognizes the independence of the local church, and

WHEREAS, the local church licenses, ordains, and disciplines preachers,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That we receive into our membership only those preachers who are members of churches in our conference.
2. That the local churches send written recommendations for these preachers.
3. That this resolution will not apply to present members of our conference.
4. That special and exceptional cases be dealt with on their merits at the option of the Conference.

By common consent the name of Gum Swamp Church was dropped from our list of churches. (NOTE: The Church has split. The minority, assisted and supported by the Connectional Central Conference, sued the majority group and threw them out of the church by court restraining order. The majority group

was in sympathy with the world-wide ministry of the National Association of Free Will Baptists and was Congregational in government. Rather than spend thousands of dollars fighting a lawsuit, the majority group decided to build a new church. They did and its name is Belvoir Free Will Baptist Church. We were to have had our annual session of the General Conference at Gum Swamp Church).

MINUTES OF THE ONE-HUNDRED-FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL  
SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS  
OF NORTH CAROLINA

Belvoir Church - Pitt County  
November 5, 6, 1963

The session opened with the singing of "When We All Get To Heaven" led by Billy Walker. Prayer by Ed Hill. Galen Dunbar had devotions using I Timothy 4:12. He said we were to be examples of the Christian Believer in word, conversation, love, spirit, faith and purity. Prayer by Bro. Dunbar. Host pastor, Al Davis, welcomed us to Belvoir Church. Eugene Waddell was elected moderator-of-the-day. He requested Adam Scott to assist him. Bro. Waddell recognized visitors as follows:

Rev. Marshall Joyner - Central Conference  
Rev. Charles Keith - Coastal Association

The minutes of the last session were read by the clerk. On motion of Carey Watkins they were approved as read and the note of explanation on Gum Swamp was approved.

Bros. C. H. Coates, Alfred Cates, Albert Rollins, Raymond Gaskins and Russell Millard sent word that they were unable to attend.

The moderator appointed the Digest Committee as follows:

Johnny Vernelson, Chairman  
Ronald Williamson  
J. D. Balance

The Roll Call of the preachers revealed the following present:

Ronald Creech	Frank Davenport	Billy Morris
Conrad Williford	Ronnie Peele	Jack Paramore
D. W. Alexander	Carey Watkins	Eugene Waddell left
Tom Johnson	Q. G. Worrell	Thurman Hall
Galen Dunbar	Wingate Hansley	Adam Scott
David Paramore	A. C. Morgan	Billy Walker
Henry C. Hagans	L. R. Ennis	Don Pegram
Milton Worthington	Wayne Smith	Nathan Eason
Ed Hill	Johnny Vernelson	Chester Phillips ips
L. D. Creech, Jr.	Alfred Cates	Bobby Carden
Bill Robinson	Gene Parisher	T. P. Ellis
Broncho West	L. F. West	Bobby Abrams
Alvin Davis		

The Roll Call of the churches showed the following reporting:

Brookwood	Conservative	Ahoskie
Raleigh	Maranatha	Tippett's Chapel
Unity	Hope - Halifax Co.	Edgemont
Fellowship - Micro	Grifton	Parker's Chapel
Mt. Calvary	Oak Grove - Durham	Joy
Corinth	Antioch	Peace
Garner	Prospect	Bethel
West Calvary	Grace	White Oak Hill
Immanuel	Calvary - Durham	Calvary - Enfield
LaGrange Conservative Mission		

Bro. Billy Morris explained that his church (Immanuel Free Will Baptist-Durham, North Carolina) was not a member of the General Conference as yet but presented a nice check to the Conference from his church.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Carey Watkins.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

to the General Conference in Annual Session  
at Belvoir Original Free Will Baptist Church  
November 5, 6, 1963

August 7, 1963	--- Corrected Balance because of error in deposit to Leah Waddell Memorial Loan Fund.	
September 28, 1963	--- Balance Forward	
	Corrected	\$ 9.98
September 28, 1963	--- Offering - Union Meeting at White Oak Hill Church	
	Total	<u>307.27</u>
October 5, 1963	--- Gift to WITNESS and North Carolina Association	\$207.56
	Alfred Williams & Co. for paper	2.84
	Edgemont Church for Conference Supplies	26.90
	Rev. Henry Hagans Printing Co. for envelopes and bulletins	<u>12.62</u>
	Total	<u>\$249.92</u>
	Totals to account for	\$317.25
	Less Disbursements	<u>249.92</u>
November 5, 1963	Balance Forward	\$ 67.33

On motion of Q. G Worrell the Treasurer's report was adopted. The moderator read the following communications:

Dear Brethren:

I am sorry that I cannot be with you for this session of our General Conference. May the Lord's blessings be upon you during the session.

I rejoice with you in the progress and blessings of our General Conference since it was revived two years ago.  
Remember us in your prayers.  
God bless you.

In the Blessed Hope,  
/s/ Herman L. Hersey  
Herman L. Hersey

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Please read at the conference - - -  
Greetings to ministers, delegates, and visitors at the General Conference when convened with Belvoir Church. May the Lord's blessings be upon you!

Homer E. Willis  
Home Missions Director

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Dear Sirs:

I wish to report by letter for Rev. Russell W. Millard. He went into Watts Hospital Oct. 30, 1963, Durham, North Carolina for an operation. He will not be able to attend this session.

He sends his prayers and regrets.

Remember him in prayer.

Q. G. Worrell, Sr.

The morning worship service began by singing "All Hail The Power." Prayer by Wayne Smith. Special music by ladies from the Host Church. They blessed our hearts as they sang with real spirit, "I Met the Master", "Blessed Be the Name of Jesus", and "Jesus Use Me". We sang "Heavenly Sunshine" and shook hands. After the offering, Jack Paramore led us in prayer.

Adam Scott introduced our speaker, Bro. Dennis W. Alexander, in the words of General Douglas MacArthur - "old soldiers never die." Scott further said that as it applies to Christian Soldiers - "old soldiers never die, they just change addresses."

Bro. Alexander began by saying that he was using the same text and outline he used 52 years ago when he began preaching. He said it was a good text to start with, live with, stop with and die with. He said it was good for young preachers. He read Psalms 46 and Hebrews 13:1-6 and used verse 6 as the text. He said he pastored the old Gum Swamp Church 49 years ago. He recognized Bro. L. R. Ennis and Bro. Marshall Joyner who have preached upwards of 40 years. His first church was at Bell Arthur, North Carolina and his first sermon was preached at Hickory Grove Church. His first salary was \$5.00 per month. In these 52 years Bro. Alexander has served 31 churches in 13 North Carolina counties, conducted over 1,300 funerals and married some 800 couples.

He commended Edgemont Church for saving Free Will Baptists from tyranny. He said if the last trial had gone against us, there would now be 6 or 8 more lawsuits going.

He spoke on "THE LORD - MY HELPER." He said:

1. He has helped me in the past.
2. He helps me today.
3. He will help me in the future.

He used Scriptural illustrations of God's help to Noah, Abraham, children of Israel, Daniel, etc. He said his favorite Scripture portion was Psalms 23.

He commended Belvoir Church on taking his advice on not spending their money to fight a lawsuit to keep the Old Gum Swamp Church property but in building a new church instead. Bro. Alexander's sermon, observations, advice, etc., were challenging and uplifting to us all.

Prayer by Bro. Owen Ganey.

We enjoyed a wonderful lunch hour with good food and blessed fellowship.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Wingate Hansley opened the afternoon session with the singing of "Stepping in the Light". The ladies group from the Host Church sang again - this time "What a Day" and "I See Jesus." The devotions were led by Tom Johnson. He used Galatians 5:12-18, 22-26. His topic was "The Spirit as Against the Flesh." Prayer by Bro. Johnson.

Prayer before the business session by Bro. Underwood from Smithfield. Announcements were made that Bible College Records, Missionary Manuals, and "Who Are These Connectional Free Will Baptists", by Carey Watkins, were all on sale here today.

Bro. Waddell and Bro. Bobby Abrams reported on the WITNESS. They gave out this written message:

November 5, 1963

General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists  
Belvoir F. W. B. Church  
Pitt County

Dear Friends,

The WITNESS is now over one year old. Just as in most pastorates, we find that the honeymoon period is over. We have reason to rejoice in the fact that the magazine now has over 2,100 subscribers. But, the year-end bills are piled so high at this time it's hard to rejoice in this accomplishment.

The General Conference has given over \$1,400.00 to the support of the Witness. Because of this faithful support, we hate to burden you with the matter of \$800.00 in unpaid bills. However, as our dearest friend, we turn

once again to you in this time of desperate need. Attached to this report is a coin envelope. We are asking you to do one of three things: (1) Subscribe for yourself, only \$2.06 for a year. (2) Subscribe for someone else. (for either of the first two you can pay now or tell us to bill you later) (3) Make a generous offering. By responding to one of these propositions, you will help pay off the bills.

After one year of experience in this ministry, we have the following suggestions to make:

1. Send us all the news of your church or conference.
2. Every church should include the Witness in its budget. Only \$5.00 a month from every church in the General Conference would pay the printing bills. Only five churches in the state support us in this way.
3. Arrange to have a service in your church for a representative from the Witness. We would like to present the needs of the paper to your group of people. Services of this nature have averaged \$25.00 in subscription money alone.
4. Enlarge your scope in enlisting subscribers. The Witness should be in more doctor's offices, hospitals, rest homes, etc. You may want to subscribe for a friend or a love one. Several members of the state convention already take the paper; more of them should. A subscription would make a good Christmas gift.
5. Pray for Brother Waddell and Brother Abrams. Much wisdom is needed from the Lord in this type of work.

We hope each of you will take these suggestions to heart, and then do your part in removing the debt we find ourselves facing. May the Lord bless you in his service.

Your servants for Jesus' sake,

R. Eugene Waddell, Editor  
Bobby Abrams, Editorial Assistant

Ed Hill gave a report as treasurer of the North Carolina Association of Original Free Will Baptists.

Many men spoke words of encouragement about the Witness. An offering was received to help out the paper.

On motion of Tom Johnson, the North Carolina Association treasurer's report and the Witness report were received as information.

Frank Davenport reported on the work of Executive Church Bonds, Inc.

A special report was given by Billy Walker on the possibility of beginning a new church in Greensboro. The following men expressed their support and said they felt their churches would help: L. R. Ennis, David Paramore, Conrad Williford, Wayne Smith, Wingate Hansley, Ronald Creech, Carey Watkins, Eugene Waddell and Milton Worthington.

On motion of the clerk we voted to send a letter of appreciation to Immanuel Church for their generous gift to our Conference and express our hope and extend our invitation that they will come with us.

We were dismissed with prayer by Bro. L. R. Ennis.

### Tuesday Night

There was an excellent Youth Service Tuesday night planned by host pastor Al Davis, Mrs. Chester Phillips, State Auxiliary President; Mrs. Ed Hill, General Conference Youth Chairman and Mrs. Annas Spain, State Youth Chairman.

### Wednesday Morning

Bill Robinson led us in singing "Standing on the Promises." Prayer by Don Pegram. Devotions were by Jack Paramore. He preached on II Cor. 5:9-17 - "Four Motives For Serving Christ."

1. To be accepted of Him, verse 9
2. Because of the terror of the Lord, verse 11
3. Because of the love of Christ, verse 14
4. Because we are new creatures, verse 17
  - a. New in appearance.
  - b. New in attitude.
  - c. New in appetite.

Prayer by Bro. Paramore.

The minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved. The State Home Missions Report was given by Chester Phillips.

A report on the work at Enfield was given by A. C. Morgan, pastor.

Since two members of the Organizational Structure Committee had moved, there was no report from the committee.

On motion of Nathan Eason the committee was reorganized and instructed to bring a report next session. The committee is:

Wayne Smith, Chairman  
A. C. Morgan  
Jack Paramore  
Fred Parker

The morning worship service got under way with singing "O, Think of the Home Over There" led by Billy Morris. The trio from the host church sang "It's Not An Easy Road" and the quartet sang "Dear Jesus, Abide With Me." Prayer by Bro. Morris. After the offering, Bro. Adam Scott presented the speaker, Bro. Wayne Smith. He read Psalms 96 and Matthew 24:4-8. Prayer by Bro. Smith. He pointed out the dangerous trends of today - politically, religiously, educationally, etc. He declared - "The greatest need among Free Will Baptists is to rediscover who God is." He listed these popular misconceptions:

1. To think God is complimented if a scientist says he believes in God.
2. For a politician to think God is small enough for him to use to get votes.
3. For an economist to say that God has no part in our system.
4. For a diplomat to think God is small enough to fit into chapels with other gods. (Chapel at United Nations - a good example)
5. For theologians to think God is small enough to dwell in temples made with hands.

He said Christ overcame:

- a. Death with life.
- b. Time with eternity.
- c. Hell with heaven.
- d. Sin with salvation.

After reading Daniel 4:35, he said that suffering brought out the best in us and cited his own experience at Smithfield as one proof.

His sermon was a moving one. Prayer at the close by Bro. Ennis with all preachers at the altar.

#### Wednesday Afternoon

We sang "At Calvary" led by Ronnie Peele. The devotions were conducted by Gene Waddell using Galatians 4:19. He said we were to give the Word true and straight but in love and we were to travail till Christ be formed in our flocks. Prayer by Conrad Williford.

No report from the committee on a permanent time. They are to report in December. Bro. Frank Davenport was asked by the moderator to serve as chairman of the committee.

The report of the Historian was given by Bro. Waddell. He asked for everyone to continue sending in things of historical value for our Conference collection. He then resigned and Carey Watkins was elected to succeed him.

Ronnie Peele reported on the work of the Bible College. He pointed out the some 90% of all workers in our National Home and Foreign Mission fields were trained at the college. The budget for the General Fund is \$85,000 and the budget for improvement is \$40,000.

The Membership Committee's report was given by Billy Walker.

On motion of Wayne Smith, Glenn Hill was enrolled as an ordained preacher pending a letter of recommendation from his church.

On motion of Carey Watkins the name of Broncho West was enrolled as an ordained preacher.

On motion of Don Pegram the name of Sigbee Dilda was enrolled as a licensed preacher.

On motion of Nathan Eason a letter of transfer was granted Johnny Eason to Ohio.

The Foreign Missions report was given by Milton Worthington. He brought a stirring challenge from Matthew 9:36-38.

The digest Committee reported as follows:

27 churches and one mission reported	
Total membership (of churches reporting)	4,500
Received by letter	123
Received confession of faith	98
Received by baptism	125

Letters granted	50
Members dismissed	43
Death	9
Total receipts from church letters	\$283.00
Offerings	78.39
Offering for Witness	<u>99.06</u>
	\$460.45

On motion of Wayne Smith the report was adopted.

On motion of L. R. Ennis the clerk is to serve on the program committee with the host pastor entertaining the sessions.

Bro. Frank Davenport was also elected to serve on the program committee.

Officers and committees for the coming year are:

Clerk - Ronald Creech  
Assistant Clerk - Ronnie Peele  
Treasurer - Carey Watkins

The Membership Committee:

A. C. Morgan	Galen Dunbar
Milton Worthington	Ronnie Peele
Gene Parisher	Fred Parker
Ronald Creech	

On motion of Carey Watkins the invitation of Unity Church in Smithfield was accepted as the place for our 1964 Annual Session.

On motion of Wayne Smith a Committee of three was elected to study the possibility of dividing our conference into two Union Meeting districts. They are to report at the next Union Meeting. The committee elected was Galen Dunbar, Wayne Smith and Billy Morris.

On motion of Adam Scott a rising vote of thanks was extended the host church, host pastor Davis and the singers from the host church.

The following expressed confidence that they could get \$5.00 per month for the Witness: Al Davis, L. R. Ennis, Carey Watkins, Wayne Smith and Billy Walker.

On motion of Don Pegram a gist of the happenings at our Union Meetings is to be included in our printed minutes.

#### RESOLUTIONS BY CAREY WATKINS

1. That we commend the Edgemont Church at Durham in their faithfulness in standing for our historic Congregational church government, and that

we earnestly beseech God through much prayer and supplication that the Supreme Court of North Carolina will deny the appeal of the Western Conference of Connectional Free Will Baptists and that the decision of the Superior Court Judge to throw this case out of court will stand.

2. That we encourage our churches to give systematically to the Leah Waddell Student Loan Fund for the benefit of worthy students and as a living memorial to her dedication to young people for Christ.

On motion of Carey Watkins the resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Carey Watkins we voted to send \$100.00 to the North Carolina Mission Board, \$100.00 to the Bible College and \$100.00 to the Witness.

On motion of the clerk we voted to print the 1845 minutes of the General Conference in our 1963 minutes.

On motion of Tom Johnson a rising vote of thanks was extended to the clerk and treasurer.

On motion of Adam Scott we adjourned.

Eugene Waddell, Moderator

Ronald Creech, Clerk

#### CLERK'S NOTE:

Brethren, this has been one of the most harmonious conference sessions I have ever been in. It is such a joy to come together to do the Lord's work and see everyone so happy. I am glad to be your servant for Jesus' sake when things go so smoothly.

Ronald Creech, Clerk

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CHURCH	COUNTY	DELEGATES	Members Received	By letter	By Confession	By Baptism	Members Lost	By letter	By Death	Dismissed	Total Members	Love Gift
Ahoskie	Hertford	Mrs. Ada Johnson	6	5		1					52	\$ 10.00
Antioch	Wayne	Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Smith Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Lancaster	10		5	5	1		1		149	\$ 10.00
Bethel	Lenoir	Mrs. Roger Hill Mrs. Wayne Tucker	43	13	3	27	3	2	1		227	\$ 10.00
Brookwood	Cumberland	Represented by letter									36	\$ 5.00
Calvary	Durham	Lester Barham	25	11	14		6	6			93	\$ 3.00
Calvary	Halifax	Nolan Brown	8	4	4						41	\$ 5.00
Community Chapel	Harnett	Represented by letter									31	\$ 7.50
Conservative	Edgecombe	Charles Dickerson	16	8	6	2	13	8		5	41	\$ 5.00
Conservative FWB Mission	Lenoir	Represented by letter									35	\$ 2.00
Corinth	Sampson	Represented by letter	1		1		1	1	1		90	\$ 10.00
Edgemont	Durham	Represented by letter									850	\$ 10.00
Elizabeth City	Pasquotank	Represented by letter									65	\$ 5.00
Faith	Wayne	Represented by letter	41	14		27	39	4		35	139	\$ 5.00
Fellowship	Durham										252	
Fellowship	Johnson	Ralph Eason Robert Waddell	4	4							35	\$ 5.00
First - Raleigh	Wake	Mr. J. D. Ballance	11	5	3	3	4	4			126	\$ 20.00
Garner	Wake	Dan Stevens, James W. Johnson, Woodrow King	34	20	7	7	5	5			126	10.00
Grace	Pitt	Represented by letter	31	13	2	16	6	2	3	1	448	\$ 5.00

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Grifton	Pitt	Mr. Isaac Mitchell Mr. Eber Mitchell	20	2	6	12	41	6		35	132	\$5.00
Hope	Washington										50	
Hope	Halifax	Mrs. E. W. Moore	28	2	14	12	3	2	1		190	\$10.00
Immanuel	Pitt	Mrs. Mattie McLawhorn Mrs. Clarise Donaldson	11	8		3	2	2			75	\$ 5.00
Joy	Edgecombe	Mr. Ronald Williamson Mrs. Glenn Abrams	4	3		1					40	
Liberty	Pitt										142	
Maranatha	Pitt	Mr. H. L. Ramsey Mrs. Edwin L. Hill	4		4						111	\$ 5.00
Mount Olive	Washington										118	
Mt. Calvary	Green	Miss Sally Sugg Iona Moye Cleve Price, Roy Hughes	15	6	7	2	1		1		239	\$10.00
Oak Grove	Durham	Mrs. Louise Creech Mrs. Mable Brown Mrs. Merita Lockamy	2		2		2		2		77	\$ 5.00
Oak Grove	Wilson	Sam Williams	25			25					84	\$ 5.00
Parker's Chapel	Pitt	D. R. House, Jr. Elmer Windom	17	7		10	6	2	1	3	324	\$10.00
Peace	Wilson	James Casey William Edwards	22		6	16	2	2			85	\$ 5.00
Prospect	Harnett	Lonnie F. West J. H. Parker, Jr.	5	5			2	2			225	\$40.00
Saint's Delight	Franklin	Represented by Letter	1		1		2	1	1		294	\$10.00
Shady Grove	Durham										190	
Tippett's Chapel	Wake	J. P. Seley	35	7	2	26	4	4			169	\$10.00
Union Grove	Durham										119	
Unity	Johnson	Lula Barbour Eugene Underwood Lillian Snead	12	8	4		1	1			182	\$10.00
West Calvary	Johnson	Represented by Letter	10	8		2					61	\$10.00
White Oak Hill	Wilson	Represented by letter	1		1		2	1	1		251	\$ 5.00

## CHURCHES - PASTORS - CLERKS

- AHOSKIE, Corner of Everett and Kiwanis, Ahoskie, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Thomas K. Johnson, 602 Katherine Creek Rd., Ahoskie, N. C.  
Clerk - Mr. Alton Raines, 315 Ruth Avenue, Ahoskie, N. C.
- ANTIOCH, Route 1, Pikeville, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. L. R. Ennis, 117 Seymour Blvd., Goldsboro, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. J. C. Edmundson, Route 1, Box 114, Pikeville, N. C.
- BETHEL, 804 N. East Street, Kinston, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. David Paramore, 707 Jones Road, Kinston, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. Marie B. Horton, 1303 W. Washington Avenue, Kinston, N. C.
- BROOKWOOD, Corner of Hillsboro & Cumberland Streets, Fayetteville, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. L. D. Creech, Jr., 209 Brookwood Avenue, Fayetteville, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. Lula May Smith, 109 Mullin Avenue, Fayetteville, N. C.
- CALVARY - Durham, 808 W. Club Blvd., Durham, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Conrad Williford, Box 2811, W. Durham Station, Durham, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. Jewell Andrews, 1700 Berkley Street, Durham, N. C.
- CALVARY - Enfield, 313 Person, Enfield, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. A. C. Morgan, 313 Person, Enfield, N. C.  
Clerk - Harvey Womanack, 205 S. R. R. Street, Enfield, N. C.
- COMMUNITY CHAPEL, Buies Creek, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Lonnie E. Cayton, 702 Kimbrough Street, Raleigh, N. C.  
Clerk - Curtis R. Reardon, Route 1 - Box 170, Lillington, N. C.
- CONSERVATIVE, Box 546, Rocky Mount, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Gene Parish, P. O. Box 546, Rocky Mount, N. C.  
Clerk - Mr. R. H. Pierce, 304 Cokey Road, Rocky Mount, N. C.
- CONSERVATIVE FWB MISSION, Washington Street, La Grange, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Thurman Hall, James Street, La Grange, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. Marlene Aldridge, Route 1, La Grange, N. C.
- CORINTH, Route 1, Dunn, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Lonnie E. Cayton, 702 Kimbrough Street, Raleigh, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. Lena Strickland, Route 1, Dunn, N. C.
- EDGEMONT, 1212 East Main Street, Durham, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Ronald Creech, Box 277, East Durham Station, Durham, N. C.  
Clerk - Mr. Arnold Goodman, Box 277, East Durham Station, Durham, N. C.
- ELIZABETH CITY, 500 Cedar Street, Elizabeth City, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Paul Lee, Route 3 - Box 758, Elizabeth City, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. Hazel Bray, 111 Whitehurst Street, Elizabeth City, N. C.
- FAITH, 515 South Slocumb Street, Goldsboro, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Frank Davenport, P. O. Box 1159, Goldsboro, N. C.  
Clerk - Mrs. Janice Walker, P. O. Box 1159, Goldsboro, N. C.
- FELLOWSHIP - Durham, Route 5 - Hamlin Road, Durham, N. C.  
Pastor - Rev. Lonnie Graves, Route 5 - Box 269A, Durham, N. C.  
Clerk - Rev. Norman Adams, #32 Fellowship Drive, Durham, N. C.

- FELLOWSHIP - Micro, Route 2, Selma, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Earl Gilliam, 308 Cedar Street, Louisburg, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Carnell Pittman, Route 2, Selma, N. C.
- FIRST - Raleigh, Corner East and Lane, Raleigh, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Billy B. Walker, P. O. Box 11173, Raleigh, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Juanita Brown, 2824 Claremont Road, Raleigh, N. C.
- GARNER, 302 E Main Street, Garner, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Eugene Waddell, 106 St. Mary's Street, Garner, N. C.  
 Clerk - James Johnson, 411 Hilltop, Garner, N. C.
- GRACE, 400 Watauga Avenue, Greenville, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Chester Phillips, 1500 Spruce Street, Greenville, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Viola Stancill, Route 6 - Box 330, Greenville, N. C.
- GRIFTON, Box 537, Grifton, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Galen Dunbar, Box 537, Grifton, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Florence Braswell, Route 2, Grifton, N. C.
- HOPE - Plymouth, Plymouth, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. C. M. Dixon, P. O. Box 143, Chocowinity, N. C.  
 Clerk - Clifton Everett, Route 2 - Box 231B, Plymouth, N. C.
- HOPE - Scotland Neck, Box 171 - Chestnut Street, Scotland Neck, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Bobby Carden, 704 Chestnut Street, Scotland Neck, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Christine Hix, 607 Greenwood Street, Scotland Neck, N. C.
- IMMANUEL - Winterville, Winterville, N. C.  
 Pastor - Adam Scott, P. O. Box 164, Winterville, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Barbara Manning, P. O. Box 74, Winterville, N. C.
- JOY, Route 2 - Box 378, Tarboro, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Broncho West, 1109 Cypress Street, Tarboro, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Robert West, 1104 Chapel Street, Tarboro, N. C.
- LIBERTY, Ayden, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Raymond Gaskins, Ayden, N. C.  
 Clerk - Marie Harris, Ayden, N. C.
- MARANATHA, Route 3 - Box 680A, Greenville, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Ed Hill, 405 Hillcrest Drive, Greenville, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Alfred Earl Garris, Route 3 - Box 609B, Greenville, N. C.
- MOUNT OLIVE, Plymouth, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. J. D. Vernelson, Route 1 - Box 398, Farmville, N. C.  
 Clerk - Wendell F. Ange, Route 1 - Box 277, Plymouth, N. C.
- MT. CALVARY, Hookerton, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Gordon Sebastian, P. O. Box 157, Hookerton, N. C.  
 Clerk - Fred Miller, Route 1, Snow Hill, N. C.
- OAK GROVE - Durham, Mineral Springs Road, Durham, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Q. G. Worrell, 908 N. Guthrie Avenue, Durham, N. C.  
 Clerk - Lois Thomas 609 Mineral Springs Road, Durham, N. C.

- OAK GROVE - Elm City, Route 3, Elm City, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Edward Corn, Route 6, Raleigh, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Annie Mae Crumpler, Route 2 - Box 268, Elm City, N. C.
- PARKER'S CHAPEL, Route 5 - Box50-X, Greenville, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Milton Worthington, Route 5 - Box 50-X, Greenville, N. C.  
 Clerk - Paul V. Hardee, 1700 Surgrove Road, Greenville, N. C.
- PEACE, 413 Pender Street, Wilson, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Don R. Pegram, P. O. Box 3142, Wilson, N. C.  
 Clerk - Thomas E. Cuddington, 1503B Adams Street, Wilson, N. C.
- PROSPECT, Route 3, Dunn, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Carey Watkins, Route 3, Dunn, N. C.  
 Clerk - Fred Parker, Route 3, Dunn, N. C.
- SAINT'S DELIGHT, Route 4, Louisburg, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Ralph E. Clegg, 1800 Northgate Street, Durham, N. C.  
 Clerk - Alex S. Gupton, 506 Mial Street, Raleigh, N. C.
- SHADY GROVE, Leesville Road, Durham, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Bill Robinson, Route 4 - Box 441, Durham, N. C.  
 Clerk - Claude Phipps, 2110 Ervin Road, Durham, N. C.
- TIPPETT'S CHAPEL, Box 95, Clayton, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Nathan Eason, Route 2 - Box 87H, Clayton, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. J. P. Seley, Route 1, Wendell, N. C.
- UNION GROVE, Route 6, Durham, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. B. M. Duke, Route 3 - Box 75A, Durham, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Margie Herndon, 1011 S. Duke Street, Durham, N. C.
- UNITY, Route 1, Smithfield, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Wayne W. Smith, Route 1, Smithfield, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Wilma N. Allen, P. O. Box 52, Smithfield, N. C.
- WEST CALVARY, Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. W. A. Hansley, 107 W. Rose Street, Smithfield, N. C.  
 Clerk - Mrs. Barbara Clapp, Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.
- WHITE OAK HILL, Route 2, Bailey, N. C.  
 Pastor - Rev. Henry Hagans, 1207 Franklin Street, Greenville, N. C.  
 Clerk - H Lee Patterson, Route 1, Bailey, N. C.

NOTE:

The oldest known copy of General Conference minutes is located in the North Carolina Room of the University of North Carolina Library at Chapel Hill.

We were able to get a photo copy of them through the kindness of Mr. Noble J. Tolbert in the North Carolina Room and according to the motion at the last Annual Session of the General Conference, they are reproduced herein.

Ronald Creech, Clerk

MINUTES

of the

NORTH CAROLINA

FREE WILL BAPTIST GENERAL CONFERENCE,

Held at Grimsley's meeting house, Greene County, N. C.

On the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th days of November, A. D. 1845.

Thursday, November 6th, 1845.

Agreeably to previous appointment, the Ministers, Messengers, and Delegates of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Conference, met at Grimsley's meeting house, Greene County, North Carolina.

According to appointment, at 12 o'clock, Elder Thomas Moore introduced divine service, and preached from the 4th chapter and 14th verse of St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians, viz. "That we hence forth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive."

Conference was then duly organized by choosing Elder Thomas Moore, Moderator; Elder Calvin Ruff, Clerk; and brother Willis Murphrey, Assistant Clerk.

On motion of Elder Thomas Moore, agreed that brethren James Garland, and Henry Suggs, be appointed a Committee of Finance, to receive contributions, settle with the Treasurer, and report to Conference.

On motion of Elder Jeremiah Heath, agreed that Elder Little J. Utley be invited to a seat with us in conference.

On motion of Elder John F. Jones agreed that Elder Jacob Utley, Elder John F. Jones and brother William Forice be a committee, to supply the congregation, and fill the stage with preachers during this Conference.

On motion of Elder Jesse Vause, agreed that Conference adjourn until Friday 10 o'clock, a. m. Prayer and praise by Elder Roderick Powel.

Friday, November 7th. Met agreeably to appointment. Prayer by Elder W. Witchard.

On motion of Elder Jesse Vause, agreed that the letters from the several churches be called for and read.

The letters were called for in order, and read.

The number of members, delegates, amount of contributions, &c. is as the following table exhibits:

CHURCHES and COUNTIES	DELEGATES	Received	Baptized	Dismissed	Excomm'd	Died	Total Number	Dollars and Cents
North East, Duplin	Daniel Dail	15		40			122	1 50
Probability, do.	Joshua Hardison			3			10	50
Beaver Creek, Jones							14	
Leusen Swamp, Lenoir	Jesse Coward,	2				2	98	2 00
Wheat Swamp, do.	James Garland		7	2	4	2	128	2 00
Bethel, do.	Elijah V. Pittman						14	1 00
Sand hill, do.	James Daugherly,		2				27	1 00
Woodenton, do.	N. Hill, H. Cunningham		20				80	1 00
Hickory Grove, do.	Robert Daly,		7	4	4	1	169	2 00
Parker's Pitt,	Blunt Speir,						40	1 00
Imitation, do.	By letter,				1	1	24	50
Reedy Branch, do.	H. Smith, B. Crafford		11			4	44	1 00
Little Creek, Greene,	Wm. Forest, J. Kirel		30		2	5	192	2 00
Grimsley, do.	M. Albritton, W. Murphrey	1	2	1		1	129	2 00
Hookerton, do.	Benj. Canada, H. Suggs						116	2 00
Core Creek, Craven	Calvin Williams		2				27	1 00
Bachelor's Creek, do.	Joel D. Bull		7			4	99	1 00
Newbern, do.	Hiram G. Paul	1	2			2	41	1 00
Brice's Creek, do.	By letter		8		1	3	39	1 00
Stony Run, Cumberland	Thos. Jones, S. N. Eccles						30	50
Wire Creek, Carteret	Ar. Murill, Wm. Springer	1	4				23	1 00
Island Creek, Jones	Not represented						12	
Piny Grove, Wayne	Council Bizzel	9	5	1		2	41	1 00
Wood Swamp, do.	Aaron Parks		6		1		38	1 50
Free Union, Greene	Jacob Raspbury, L. Brand	1	13		3	3	92	1 25
El Bethel, Robeson	Wm. C. Miller, John Foley	1	4	1	1	1	24	1 00
Hog Swamp, do.	By letter	1	6	9	5		130	1 25
Tar River, Pitt	Bassell Sykes	1				3	51	75
Hart's Greene	Turner May, Jno. B. Baker	6	10			1	36	1 00
Goose Creek, Craven	Wm. Y. Paul, S. S. Simson		9			2	90	1 50
Hester m.h, Bladen	Killis Phillips, W. Thompson		6		1		32	1 00
Jones' Bay, Beaufort	By letter		1			4	27	1 00
Milton B. River, Craven	By letter	1		3		1	27	50
Gum Swamp, Pitt	Allen Windham						25	45
Oak Grove, do.							6	
Gatem's m.h, Columbus	By letter						21	50
Lumberton, Robeson	By letter						18	50
Parker Branch, Jones	Hampton Williams						10	1 00
		40	195	21	23	42	2086	39 20

Forty cents gratuitously bestowed by Ten Mile Swamp for Minutes, to be sent to Robeson County with other packages, by mail, and the postage to be paid out of the general fund.

On motion agreed, that the Treasurer pro tem. pay over to the General Treasurer the money remaining in his hands.

On motion of Elder Jesse Vause, agreed that the Committee of Finance, retire, settle with the Treasurer, and report to Conference.

The Committee retired, settled with the Treasurer, and submitted the following report:

Balance on hand, of last year's contributions	\$ 3.00
Contributions this year	<u>39.60</u>
Amount now on hand	\$42.60

JAMES GARLAND  
HENRY SUGGS, Committee

On motion of Elder Jeremiah Heath, agreed that Elder Calvin Ruff, transcribe and prepare these Minutes for the press.

On motion of Elder Thomas Moore, agreed that twelve hundred copies of Minutes (1200) be printed, and distributed to the several churches composing the Free Will Baptist Conference, N. C.

On motion of Elder John Barrow, agreed that Elder James Moore be paid eight dollars (\$8.00) for his trouble, of attending to the printing, and distribution of these Minutes.

On motion of Elder Jacob Uitley, agreed that the following names be enrolled on the list of preachers, viz. Williby Witchard, Hiram G. Paul, Abraham Taylor, Thomas Reeves, and Brinkly White.

On motion of Elder Jesse Vause, agreed that Elder James Moore, preach the Introductory Sermon at the next General Conference, and in case of his failure, Elder Jesse Vause.

Voted that the next General Conference be held at Little Creek, in Greene county, North Carolina, and to commence the Thursday before the second Lord's Day in November, 1846.

On motion, agreed that Conference close. Praise and prayer by Elder Jesse Vause.

Calvin Ruff, Clerk  
Willis Murphrey, Assistant Clerk

Thomas Moore, Moderator

The following is a list of Elders and preachers belonging to the Free Will Baptist Conference in North Carolina, viz.

- |                    |                        |                      |
|--------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Jeremiah Heath  | 11. John Barrow        | 22. William J. Baker |
| 2. Jacob Utley     | 12. Stephen D. Collins | 23. Calvin Ruff      |
| 3. John F. Jones   | 13. Jeremiah Roe       | 24. Robert Henderin  |
| 4. Dickerson Dail  | 14. John Williams      | 25. Redding Rayford  |
| 5. Alfred Moore    | 15. Theop Slaughter    | 26. Wilson Daniels   |
| 6. Roderick Powel  | 16. William F. Bryant  | 27. Williby Witchard |
| 7. John Creekman   | 17. Henry D. Cason     | 28. H. G. Paul       |
| 8. Charles Holland | 18. David H. Miller    | 29. Abraham Taylor   |
| 9. James Moore     | 19. Benjamin Albritton | 30. Thos. Reeves     |
| 10. Thomas Moore   | 20. Matthew Manning    | 31. Brinkly White    |
|                    | 21. R. A. Witherington |                      |

Through the request  
of Elder Jesse Vause his name  
is left blank in the list of  
preachers.

Under the direction of the Committee of Arrangement, the stage was supplied, and the congregation entertained as follows, viz.

Friday, November 7th. Elder David H. Miller introduced divine service and preached from Paul's letter to the Hebrews, 6th chap. and 2nd verse, viz.

"Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment." Elder John Barrow followed from Paul's first letter to Timothy, 4th chap. and 10th verse, viz. "For therefore we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God who is the Saviour of all men, especially of those that believe." Elder John Williams followed from Genesis, 45th chap. and later clause of the 24th verse, viz. "See that ye fall not out by the way."

Saturday, November 8th. Elder James Moore introduced divine service and preached from St. Luke's gospel, 15th chap. and first clause of the 18th verse, viz. "I will arise and go to my Father." Elder David H. Miller followed from the 19th chap. of St. John's gospel and latter clause of the 26th verse, viz. "Woman, behold thy son."

Elder L. J. Utley followed from the 17th chap. of St. John's gospel, latter clause of the 4th verse, viz. "I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do."

Sunday, November 9th. Elder David H. Miller introduced divine service by prayer, after which Elder Stephen D. Collins preached from St. Luke's gospel, 24th chap. and 48th verse, viz. "And ye are witnesses of these things." Elder Jeremiah Heath followed from St. Matthew's gospel, 13th chap. and 33rd verse, viz. "The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures meal, till the whole was leavened." Elder Jacob Utley followed and closed by prayer and praise.

The times of holding the annual and quarterly meetings.

CHURCHES AND COUNTIES	ANNUAL MEETINGS	QUARTERLY MEETINGS
North East, Duplin	1st Sunday in August	1st Sunday in Feb., May & Nov.
Probability, do.	2nd do Sept.	2nd do Dec., March & June
Boaver Creek, Jones,	3rd do Aug.	3rd do Feb., May & Nov.
Leusen Swamp, Lenoir,	1st do October	1st do Jan., April & July
Wheat Swamp, do.	3rd do Nov.	3rd do Feb., May & Aug.
Bethel, do.	4th do Sept.	4th do Dec., March & June
Sandhill, do.	2nd do Sept.	2nd do Dec., March & June
Woodenton, do.	1st do Sept.	1st do Dec., March & June
Hickory Grove, do.	2nd do October	2nd do Jan., April & July
Parker's M.H., Pitt,	3rd do Sept.	3rd do Dec., March & June
Imitation, do.	1st do Oct.	1st do Jan., April & July
Reedy Branch, do.	1st do Nov.	1st do Feb., May & Aug.
Little Creek, Greene,	3rd do Oct.	3rd do Jan., April & July
Grimsley, do.	2nd do Oct.	2nd do Jan., April & July
Hookerton, do.	4th do Aug.	4th do Feb., May & Nov.
Core Creek, Craven	1st do Nov.	1st do Feb., May & Aug.
Bachelor's Creek, do.	2nd do Sept.	2nd do Dec., March & June
Newbern, do.	2nd do Aug.	2nd do Feb., May & Nov.
Brice's Creek, do.	4th do Aug.	4th do Feb., May & Nov.
Stony Run, Cumberland,	1st do Oct.	1st do Jan., April & July
Wire Creek, Carteret,	2nd do Oct.	2nd do Jan., April & July
Island Creek, Jones,	1st do Oct.	1st do Jan., April & July
Piny Grove, Wayne,		1st do Jan., April & July
Hood Swamp, do.		1st do Jan., April & July
Free Union, Greene,	1st do Oct.	1st do Jan., April & July
El Bethel, Robeson,	1st do Sept.	1st do Dec., March & June
Hog Swamp, do.	2nd do Sept.	2nd do Dec., March & June
Goose Creek, Craven,		2nd do Dec., March & June
Hester M. H., Bladen,	1st do Oct.	1st do Jan., April & July
Jones' Bay, Beaufort,	4th do Aug.	4th do Nov., Feb. & May
Milton, Craven,		4th do Nov., Feb. & May
Tar River, Pitt,	3rd do Aug.	3rd do Nov., Feb. & May
Tatem's M.H. Columbus	4th do Oct.	4th do Jan., April & July
Lumberton, Robeson	3rd do Oct.	3rd do Jan., April & July
Parker's Branch M.H. Jones	3rd do Oct.	3rd do Jan., April & July





