

FREEWILL BAPTIST CONFERENCE.

The second session of the Neuse Free-will Baptist Conference was held at Union Grove, in Johnston county, Thursday, Nov. 18th. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. F. Hill, from St. John, 6 chapter 68 verse.

Conferences called to order by Elder B. B. Holder, Moderator, and names of members enrolled.

Elders B. B. Holder, J. F. Hill, J. J. Butler, B. C. Fields.

Delegates from Hood Swamp church—J. J. Roberts, Allen Smith and J. R. Daniel,

Bethesda—P. H. Sasser.

New Prospect—Nathan Boyett, J. R. Burnum.

Union Grove—J. J. Williams.

Friendship—A. Casey and J. H. Grant.

On motion the election of officers was taken up and resulted in the election, of J. F. Hill, Moderator. J. H. Grant, Secretary and Allen Smith, Treasurer.

On motion reports from the churches are called for. Hood Swamp Church has had regular preaching with an increasing congregation and is in peace among themselves. Has lost three members by death and has received one. Bethesda is in good order, has kept up prayer meetings most of the time, has but few members but they are faithful, has dismissed three by letter. New Prospect has regular preaching. A Sabbath school and prayer meeting most of the time, has some working members and is in harmony, has expelled one and received one member. Friendship has had regular preaching and some prayer meetings and is in good spiritual condition but has lost several members who have joined the Quakers, and has received one, all in peace.

Union Grove, has been destitute of regular preaching, but has had Sunday school and prayer meeting, has received one member all in peace and steadfast in the faith.

On motion, Elder B. B. Holder is appointed to preach the closing sermon of this Conference.

On motion Conference adjourn to 9 o'clock to-morrow a. m. Prayer by J. J. Butler.

Friday, Nov. 19.—Conference met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercise by the moderator, minutes read and approved.

On motion the moderator appoints a committee of finance.

Committee—A. Casey, J. R. Daniel and J. J. Roberts.

Committee reports \$5.50 in the hands of the Treasurer.

On motion the reports of the several committees are called for. Committees on Discipline, Education, Temperance and Sabbath school, have no reports.

On motion, no further Delegation is to be sent from this Conference to the United Baptist Conference.

On motion the printing of minutes is dispensed with.

On motion this Conference agrees to unite with Cape Fear Conference.

On motion, Elders B. B. Holder, J. F. Hill and Brother J. J. Roberts be a committee to confer with Cape Fear Conference in behalf of this Conference and to make known the reasons for the action of this Conference.

On motion the funds in the hands of the Treasurer be a contribution to Cape Fear Conference at its next regular or called session.

On motion all the property and claims of the Neuse Conference be given in fee simple to Cape Fear Conference.

On motion a vote of thanks be tendered to the people of this vicinity for their hospitality during this Conference. Closing sermon by B. B. Holder, from 11 cor. 13 chap. 11-14 verses.

On motion, adjourned with prayer by Elder J. J. Butler.