

Minutes

One Hundred and Fifty Eighth
Annual Session of the

ORIGINAL STONE ASSOCIATION
OF THE
FREE WILL CHRISTIAN BAPTIST
CHURCH OF CHRIST

MET AT THE
FREE WILL BAPTIST HEADQUARTERS
WHITE COUNTY, TN

OCTOBER 12, 13, AND 14, 2023

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Statement of Faith

A. We believe in one eternal God, the creator and upholder of all things in Jesus Christ, His Son, and in the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one (Matthew 28:19; I John :7; II Corinthians 13:14).

B. We believe the holy scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice (II Timothy 3:16-17; II Peter 1: 20-21). The King James Version of the Bible shall be the official and only translation used by the Association.

C. We believe that man is unable to recover himself from the fallen state that he is in by reason of sin, only by the grace of God through the exercise of faith (Ephesians 2:1-2; 2:5,8; Romans 3:22-23; I Corinthians 15:22).

D. We believe that baptism, the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saint's feet are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that immersion is the only mode of baptism; not putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God by the resurrection of Jesus Christ (John 13: 12-17; I Corinthians 11:24; I Peter 3:21).

E. We believe that no minister has the right to administer these ordinances except such as are regularly ordained (II Timothy 1:6).

F. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, a general judgment, the punishment of the wicked, and the joys of the righteous are eternal (Daniel 12:2; John 5:28-29; II Corinthians 5:10; II Thessalonians 1:8-9; Romans 6:23).

G. We believe according to the scriptures - Paul's letter to the Hebrews 6:1-7 and other scriptures - that after a man has been partaker of the Holy Ghost, it is possible to fall away and forever be lost.

H. Membership into the Free Will Christian Baptist Church of Christ is extended to all who have had and whose lives evidence a genuine experience of regeneration through faith in and acceptance of the Lord Jesus Christ as personal savior (Acts 2:46).

I. We believe that no persons are members of the church of Christ, only those who have the witness within themselves (Romans 8:14-17).

J. We believe that all members of the church of Christ have a right to the sacramental table upon the principles of their acceptance with him for Saint Paul says, "But let man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup." (I Corinthians 11:28).

K. We believe that homosexuality is a sin and shall not be taught or practiced by the churches of this Association (Romans 1:21-32).

L. We believe and teach that a woman should not be ordained as a minister or deacon according to scripture that a woman should not teach or usurp authority over the man (I Timothy 2:12)

ORDER OF BUSINESS

First Day

1. Organization
2. Reading of Rules of Decorum
3. Roll Call of Churches, Deacons, and Ministers
4. Invitation for new Churches
5. Devotional Committee Selection
6. Call for Corresponding Letters
7. Quarterly Conference Report
8. Associational Treasurer Report
9. Presbytery Report
10. Miscellaneous Business
11. Introductory Message
12. Adjournment
13. Photos

Second Day

1. Roll Call and Thursday's Minutes read
2. Reading of Letters from Churches
3. Committee Reports
4. Election of Committee Members
5. Minister's Reports
6. Election of Associational Officers, Introductory Message
7. Thanks to Churches and Community
8. Adjournment

Dates for 2023-2024

Quarterly Conference

December 1-2, 2023

March 1-2, 2024

June 7-8, 2024

September 6-7, 2024

Annual Associational Meeting

October 18-19, 2024

All a.m. services begin at 9:00 and p.m. services at 7:00

Quarterly Conferences are the first full weekend, that is, having a Friday and Saturday of the given Month. The **Association** is the weekend prior to the 3rd Sunday in October.

Associational Revival will begin on the 2nd Monday of September.

Ladies Conference is the 3rd Saturday in March'

Men's Conference is the 4th Saturday in March.

Thursday Morning

The 158th setting of the Original Stone Association of the Free Will Christian Baptist Church of Christ met at the Headquarters Building at Yankeetown in White County, Tennessee on Thursday morning, October 12th, 2023 to start our annual three day meeting.

We were welcomed by our Moderator, Bro. Tony Smedley.

Bro. Dow Allen led us in prayer.

Bro. Moderator gave a devotion from Zachariah 2:8.

Bro. Moderator asked for a congregational song. Bro. Brayden Davis led with Bro. Dow Allen at the piano.

We entered into business and proceeded to organize.

Clerk: Bro. Jonathan Baker

Asst. Clerk: Bro. Bill Montandon

Treasurer: Bro. Bill Montandon

Asst. Treasurer: Bro. Shirley Billingsley

Clerk read Rules of Decorum and the Roll Call.

Moderator called for corresponding letters. Were none.

Devotional Committee was selected.

While the Devotional Committee was out Bro. Moderator asked for testimonies.

The Devotional Committee report is as follows:

Thursday Evening: Tony Smedley

Alt: Dow Allen

Friday Morning: Sam Davis

Alt: Ray Young

Friday Evening: Estel Billbrey

Alt: Bill Montandon

Saturday Morning: Tex Boles

Alt: Bill Montandon

Call for any wanting to join the Association. Were none.

Bro.. Bill Montandon read the Treasury report, approved as read.

The Moderator opened the floor for old business.

Discussion ensued on a Two-Day Association and other ways to spread available ministers across areas of service.

A motion was made in writing as follows: “I, Bro Bill Montandon, move to change words of Bylaw #4 to read ‘To preach at the Association, a minister-must be registered on the first day of the Association.’”

A motion to change to a two-day Association was made as reads, “I, Bro. Bill Montandon, move to change our annual Association from a Thursday, Friday, and Saturday sessions to Friday Saturday session.”

Both motions received a second and tabled for a vote on Saturday.

Activity reports for Committees:

Bro. Bill Montandon gave the Stone Bible Institute report.

Bro. Tony Smedley gave the Associational Committee report.

Bro. Estel Bilbrey gave the Disabled Ministers report.

The Moderator called for other business.

Bro. Clerk read letters from Smith Chapel and Winesap regarding leaving the Association. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the letters.

A motion made to adjourn to worship passed.

Bro. Tony Smedley led in prayer.

Bro. Brayden Davis led a song with Bro. Dow Allen at the piano.

Bro. Brayden Davis sang a special song. Bro. Dow Allen sang a special. Sis. Barbara Allen sang with Bro. Dow Allen.

Bro. Bill Montandon led us in an altar of prayer.

The service was given to Bro. Jon Baker for the message. Bro. Jon sang a special song. Bro. Baker read John 13:33-38 for his text. Bro. Baker preached a timely message "Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled".

Service was given back to Bro Moderator Tony Smedley. An invitation was given for all that would to pray. Many gathered around the altar and prayed for help from God.

Bro. Ray Young closed us in prayer.

Thursday Night

The Thursday evening service was opened with a welcome by Bro. Moderator.

Bro. Gary Farris led us in prayer.

Bro. Marvin Saylor led in a song with Sis. Pam Rodgers at the piano.

Special singing was presented by: Bro. Brayden Davis with Sis. Pam Rodgers at the piano; Bro. Marvin Saylor; Bro. Jeff Herrin; Bro. Ed and Sis. Cathy Shaver; and Bro. Lloyd Findley.

An altar of prayer was led by Bro. Clayton Lee.

Bro. Tony Smedley took his text from Acts 27: 27-32."Except These Abide" being the thought, brought a message on continuance.

Bro. Ray Young came asking Sis Pam Rodgers to play and Bro. Brayden Davis to lead a song of invitation.

Bro. Estel Bilbrey closed us in prayer.

Friday Morning

The Friday Morning session began with a welcome by Bro. Moderator and was opened in prayer by Bro. Danny Bandy.

Bro. Moderator gave a devotion from Psalm 139:23,24.

Bro Marvin Saylor led in a song with Sis. Pam Rodgers at the piano.

Bro.. Moderator asked for the reading of Thursday's minutes and the Roll Call. Minutes were approved as read.

Church Letters were read and accepted. A motion to accept any late letter was made and passed.

Bro. Moderator opened floor for nominations for door keeper. Bro. Bill Montandon was elected.

Bro. Bill Montandon gave the Quarterly Conference report, accepted as given.

Bro. Moderator opened the floor for nominations to fill Committee openings.

Disabled Ministers: No Change

Associational Committee: Bro. Sam Davis

Home Missions: Bro Marvin Saylor

Foreign Missions: No Change

Presbytery: Bro Sam Davis rotated to the bottom

Bro. Jon Baker gave Presbytery report. Accepted as read.

Sis Sybil Baker gave the Ladies Auxiliary report, accepted as read.

An admendment to the motion from yesterday's session to change Bylaw #4 was made and seconded. "Preachers that have not preached the previous year would have preference."

Attention was drawn to a Constitutional violation regarding a Standing Committee. **A motion was made in writing as follows: "I, Bro Bill Montandon, move to change {Article VI}Section 3-Standing Committees Item (C) #1. "The Associational Committee shall be composed of five members.The members of this Commitee shall be elected for a term of five years, with their offices to expire alternately."**

Bro Bill Montandon rose to recognize Bro. Dow Allen's 60 years of service as a Minister of the Gospel.

Motion made to adjourn for worship. Bro, Ethan Baker led us in prayer.

Bros. Brayden Davis, Winston Davis, and Marvin Saylor led in song with Sis, Pam Rodgers at the piano.

A special song was given by Sis. Pam Rodgers; followed by Sis Darlene Jones; Sis Sybil Baker with Sis. Darlene Jones accompanying; Sis. Cindy Hallum with Sis Darlene Jones accompanying; and Bro. Jon Baker.

Bro. Sam Davis came to preach. Using Psalm 8:1-4 as his text. Using also I Cor. 1:9,10; Phil.1:1-5;2:1-5;3:7-12; and II Cor. 13:14 preached on "Fellowship".

Bro. Ray Young gave an invitation with Sis. Debbie Rodgers at the piano.

After announcements Bro. Bill Montandon closed us in prayer.

Friday Night

The Friday evening service began with a word of welcome by Bro.. Moderator.

Bro. Moderator read from Psalm 4:1-3.

We were opened in prayer by Bro. Jon Baker.

Bro. Carl Sullivan led a couple of songs with Bro. Lester England at the piano.

Songs were offered in worship by: Bro. Marvin Saylor; Bro. Jeff Herrin; Bro. Tony Smedley; Bro. Danny Parker; Bro. Jon Baker; Bro Dow Allen; Sis Sybil Baker with Bro. Lester England at the piano; Bro. Lester England played "If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again" and "Jesus Is Coming Soon".

Bro. Bill Montandon came to deliver the message. Reading Luke24:49 and Acts1:8 preached on "We Need Power". Adding II Tim.1:7; Acts 8:18-21; Eph. 3:18-20: James4:3,6 encouraging the use and not the abuse of the Holy Spirit.

Afterwards inviting all to the altar for prayer.

Bro Ray Young came to close the service. Fellowship followed as we sang "Amazing Grace". Bro. Leo Bilbrey closed us in prayer.

Saturday Morning

The Saturday Morning Session began with a word of welcome from Bro.. Moderator.

Opening prayer was led by Bro. Mike Adams.

Bro.. Moderator gave a devotion from Psalm 100.

Bro. Carl Sullivan led us in a song with Bro. Lester England at the piano.

.Minutes from Friday were read and approved. Roll Call was given.

Bro. Lester England gave the financial report for the Home Missions Committee. Accepted as read.

Bro. Clerk read the Minister's Reports. They were accepted as read.
A motion passed to allow late Ministers reports to be entered into the minutes.

The Foreign Missions Report was given by Sis Cindy Walker from Samaritan Inn, who started a Bible Institute in Nepal using monies from the Western Stone Association. The report was accepted as given.

Promotional Directors Bros. Ray Young and Sam Davis gave their reports. Reports were accepted as given.
Floor was opened for nominations for Promotional Director. Bro. Marvin Saylor was elected.

The Motions of Constitutional Change, from Thursday and Friday sessions, were brought before the body for vote, requiring a two-thirds majority.

Change to Bylaw #4 with amendment passed unanimously.

Change to Article V passed with 1 against.

Change to Article VI Section 3 Item (C) passed unanimously.

Motion made to have a committee, composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, and Assistant Clerk, to rewrite the Order of Business posted in the Minutes.
Passed

Floor was opened for nominations for the introductory message.

Introductory message for the 2024 setting will be preached by Bro. Dow Allen with Bro. Sam Davis as his alternate.

Moderator opened the floor for nominations for the Officers of the 2024 setting.

Officers for the 2024 setting are:

Moderator: Bro. Tony Smedley Assistant Moderator: Bro. Ray Young

Motion made to adjourn to worship passed
Deacons and Preachers were dismissed for pictures.

Bro. Ray Young called for worship.

Singing Led by Bro. Dow Allen with Bro. Lester England playing the piano.

Songs were offered in worship by: Sis Johna Hobbs; and Sis Sybil Baker.

An altar of prayer was led by Bro. Ethan Baker.

Bro. Lester England led a song.

Bro. Tex Boles came to preach. He read Proverbs 28:13 and delivered a message on the “Removal of Sin” After a wonderful message Bro. Moderator came to close the service, asking Bro. Lester England to the piano and Bro. Dow Allen to lead a song of invitation .

Minutes were read and accepted.

The Committees stand as follows.

Disabled Ministers Board:

- Bro.. Royce Moore
- Bro.. Estel Bilbrey
- Bro.. Dow Allen

Associational Committee:

- Bro. Tony Smedley 2024
- Bro. Jon Baker 2025
- Bro. Jamey Pack 2026
- Bro. Charles West 2027
- Bro. Sam Davis 2028

Home Missions:

- Bro. Phillip Nash 2024
- Bro. Danny Parker 2025
- Bro. Lester England 2026
931-607-7424
- Bro. Bill Montandon 2027
- Bro. Marvin Saylor 2028

Foreign Missions:

Director: Bro. Mike Dishman Asst. Director: Bro. Danny Lane

Presbytery Committee

- Bro. Estel Bibrey 2024
- Bro. Danny Parker 2025
- Bro. Ray Young 2026
- Bro. Jamey Pack 2027
- Bro. Jon Baker 2028
- Bro. Tony Smedley 2029
- Bro. Sam Davis 2030

MINISTER'S REPORT

**To the Annual Meeting of the Original Stone Association
of the Free Will Christian Baptist Church of Christ.**

I, Bro.. _____

Make the following report from _____, _____
Month Year

To _____, _____
Month Year

Churches _____

Sermons _____

Confessions _____

Members Recieved _____

Baptized _____

Couples Married _____

Funerals Conducted _____

Revivals Conducted _____

Contributions Recieved _____

Contributions Given _____

Bro.. _____

Address _____

City

State

ZipCode

Telephone _____

Enrollment of Churches

Antioch	Debbie Rodgers
Board Valley	Patty Young, Ann Benson
Community	Sybil Baker
Dodson Branch	Carl Sullivan
Gentrys Chapel	Carolyn McDowell
Johnson Chapel	Shawn Rice, Connie Davis
Lilly's Chapel	Barbara Whitefield
Mt. Pisgah	Billy Tisdale
Mt. Pleasant	Cindy Halluns, Todd Halluns, Darlene Jones
New West Point	Jeff Herrin
Post Oak Shade	Becky Lee, Raymond Flatt, Patsy Hughes
Ridgedale	Steve Marsh, Travis Hodge
Stone Seminary	Patsy Farris
Yankeetown	Mary Francis Nash

Attending Deacons

Antioch	Micheal Rodgers
Bethel	Dale Hall
Community	Lester England
Dodson Branch	Jerry Maberry
Duncans Chapel	Tommy Phillips
Gentry's Chapel	Tom McDowell
Lilys Chapel	Ron Whitefield
Mt Pleasant	Charles West
Post Oak Shade	Shirley Billingsley
Sampson	Dale Burgess
Taylor's Providence	Tom England
Yankeetown	Phillip Nash

Attending Ministers

Mike Adams	Dow Allen	Jonathan Baker
Danny Bandy	Estel Bilbrey	Leo Bilbrey
Tex Boles	Sam Davis	Bryan Findley
Danny Lane	Clayton Lee	Bill Montandon
Danny Parker	Corey Price	Marvin Saylor
Tony Smedley	Ed Shaver	Ray Young

Visiting: Gary Farris

Deceased Ministers Report

Prior to 1990		1990 to Present	
Stone, Thomas	1872	Moore, David	1994
Kinnard, J. L.	1915	Beaty, Mayford	1994
Swift, W. C.	1915	Bilbrey, Leonard	1995
Sullivan, H. J.	1917	Davis, Willie	1995
McCulley, J. H.	1917	Phillips, Eugene	1996
Richardson, W. E.	1922	Brock, Vince	1997
Hawkins, J. A.	1936	Tollison, Stacey	1997
Randolph, G. W.	1944	Mabe, Claude	1998
Moore, Thomas	1945	Hammons, Tim	1999
Pennington, R. W.	1949	Matheney, Bill	2004
Lewis, R. G.	1952	Pelham, Barry	2004
Wood, I. R.	1955	Selby, Herbert	2004
Hammonds, Dawson	1956	Webb, Dale	2005
Luna, J. E.	1958	Simmons, Bill	2008
Dunham, B. F.	1961	Kimes Jr., Henry	2010
Curtis, Landy	1963	Garrison, Harvey	2011
Henry, Jasper	1963	Lewis, Garry	2012
Hickey, E. J.	1963	Williams, Earl	2012
Wood, J. E.	1965	HitchCock, Cleve	2016
McCaleb, J. A.	1969	Benson, Robert	2016
Robbins, G. W.	1969	Padgett, Clayton	2017
Barnes, John L.	1970	Randolph, Burdette	2018
Wood, Fate	1975	Hickey, Leslie	2019
McCaleb, Orville	1983	Davis, Frank	2021
Hooten, Herman	1986	Savage, Freddie	2021
Seagraves, Andrew	1986	Moore, Royce	2023
Tollison, Floyd	1987		
Luna, Silas	1988		
No Date Available			
Cumby, Scott			
Daniel, O. E.			
Savage, John			
Smith, John T.			

Thanks to Bro.. Shirley Billingsley and others who made this report possible. If you have information on the death date for a minister whose name should be listed here, please contact the Clerk with this information.

Name	# of Professions			Recommendations			Restorations			Exclusion			Death			Request			Total Membership	Paid Pastor	Visiting Ministers	Revivals
	Professions	Letter		Professions	Letter		Restorations	Letter		Exclusion	Letter		Death	Letter		Request						
	Increased By						Decreased By															
Antioch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	8300	1300	500		
Bakers Crossroads													1				169	600	1700	0		
Bethel	4	1			2												32	15,734	1,500	724.75		
Board Valley	7	7	0	0									1				41	10000	500	950		
Buckner																		did not	report			
Community																	unk	10,400	100			
Crossroads																		did not	report			
Cumberland Chapel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0							8764	100	300		
Dodson Branch	4									6							60	36,400	550	1100		
Duncan Chapel																	72	5750	125	300		
Gentry's Chapel	6									2							20	5684	500			
Hensley Chapel																		did not	report			
Johnson Chapel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0						99	10,600	0	550		
Lilly's Chapel	4			1						2							81	34,350	925			
Mt. Pisgah	3	1				1			1								73	20,800	1200	1000		
Mt. Pleasant	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						118	0	125	750		
New West Point	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						30	0	11,597	0		
Ozion													1				47	10,400		500		
Plainview	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						42	10,959	891	400		
Pleasant Ridge	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0						61	8550	120	0		
Post Oak Shade						2			3								100	26000	450			
Ridgedale	0	0				0											5	4020		300		
Sampson	6									2							63	16,450	804	1353		
Shady Grove																		did not	report			
Stone Seminary						2			2								18	5500	850	0		
Taylors Providence					1				2								42	10,716	1800	1000		
Yankeetown	1																	9600	1200	375		

Upkeep of Church	Home For Children	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Disabled Ministers Fund	Associational Treasury	Minute Fund	Miscellaneous	Total
11,133.00						25		21,258.00
4857.99	111.72			50.00	70.00	20		
15,582.19		1,500	2,300		100.00	60	19,073.28	56,574.22
8650.00	100.00				200.00	25	4340.00	24,865.00
Buckner								
7648.67	85.00	50.00				10	451.29	18,744.96
Crossroads								
36,385.72	500.00		350.00	300.00	300.00	25	10,590.10	
32,042.00	1500.00		400.00		400.00	50	16,558.00	89,000.00
3018.00	200.00				200.00	25	1524.00	11,042.00
15,979.32		350.00			500.00	75	732.98	
Hensley								
15,928.00	2348.00	50.00	0	0	150.00	35	1895.00	31,556.00
11,061.86	1000.00				600.00	15		47,951.86
43,612.74			50.00		100.00	50		66,812.74
21,772.86	100.00	0	0	100.00	200.00	40	7423.70	30,511.56
9137.63	100.00	0	0	200.00	200.00	50	1042.16	22,327.42
	500.00	80.00	100.00	400.00	200.00	25	22,687.61	34,892.61
10,124.30	300.00	130.00	3346.00	50.00	150.00	40	3254.38	28,644.68
3167.18	400.00	100.00	0	100.00	100.00	30	5056.73	17,623.91
19,909.47	2692.00		3140.00	800.00	1200.00	50	4773.14	59,014.61
3276.24	50.00			50.00		10		7706.24
53,141.31	600.00	0	3631.57	0	500.00	50	21,863.38	98,393.26
Shady Grove								
27,897.15		50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	25	15,221.86	49,744.01
4030.19	400.00					50	11,879.74	29,875.93
6151.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0	400.00	50	13,175.50	31,551.91

Western Division of Stone Association
Associational Treasury Report
 Annual Report October 2022 Thru October 2023

Balance Forward from 2022 Report 5,246.05

Contributions

General Associational Treasury	5,316.00	
FWB Family Ministries	1,308.00	
Foreign Missions	1,782.00	
Parking Lot Fund	3,300.00	
Home Missions	50.00	
Minute Fund	785.00	12,541.00

Paid Out

O'Connor Utility District	191.16	
Caney Fork Electric	1566.75	
Middle Tenn Natural Gas	360.00	
Mountain Faith Mission	637.50	
FWB Family Ministries	1,298.00	
Clean Cut Lawn Service	1980.00	
Disabled Ministers (Parking Lot)	3,300.00	
Diversified Graphics-Printing Minutes	595.00	
Jon Baker (Minute Fund Balance)	185.00	
Samaritan Inn	1,136.50	
State Farm Ins.-Building Insurance	2,209.00	
Bank Service Charge	36.00	
Ladies Auxillary-Cleaning Building	500.00	
Jon Baker (Bible Institute)	200.00	
Sam Davis (Reimbursement)	142.65	14,449.56

Ending Balance on Hand October 12, 2023 **3,426.49**

Balance owed Disabled Ministers Fund 1700.00

The following balances are allotted from current balance to be distributed after Association.

Foreign Missions	333.00
FWBFM	50.00

Presbytery Report

12/02/22

The Presbytery met 12/02/22 to organize and handle several items of business. We were opened in prayer by Bro. Jon Baker.

The floor was opened for nominations to fill the offices for the following year.

Elected were as follows:

Moderator: Bro. Ray Young Assistant Moderator: Bro. Danny Parker
Clerk: Bro. Jon Baker Assistant Clerk: Bro. Tony Smedley

A Letter from Sampson requesting the questioning of Bro. Mike Dishman for Ordination as a Minister of the Gospel was read. Bro Moderator questioned Bro.. Dishman and after a discussion and vote Bro. Dishman was approved for Ordination.

A Letter from Bro. Jeff Clayborn withdrawing from the Association was accepted.

A text message from Bro. Tracy Blankenship stating he was leaving the Association was discussed, as was the status of Bros. Wayne Sullivan and Johnathan Hankins, members of Mooneyham FWB, since Mooneyham had submitted a Letter for withdrawal.

After some discussion a motion was made and passed to adjourn.

03/03/23

The Presbytery met on Friday, the 3rd day of March in the year 2023, in response to a letter from Sampson Freewill Baptist in regard to the Licensure of Bro. Ethan Baker. Present were Bros. Danny Parker; Sam Davis; Ray Young; Jon Baker; Tony Smedley.

Bro Tony Smedley opened us in prayer.

Bro Moderator read the letter from Sampson, an appeal to the decision of September 3, 2022. After discussion a motion was made to license Bro. Ethan Baker and seconded. The vote was 3 to license and 2 against.

Bro Ethan Baker was presented a License and instructed to read through the Bible in the next year. After more discussion we dismissed.

07/30/23

The Presbytery met on Sunday, the 30th day of July in the year 2023, to question and if found worthy, ordain Bro Tom England as a Deacon. Present were Bros. Ray Young, Moderator; Sam Davis; Mike Dishman; and Jon Baker, Clerk.

Letter from the Church was read and found in order.

After prayer, Bro Tom England was brought in for questioning. Then he was dismissed for discussion. A Motion was made to ordain Bro Tom England as a Deacon and passed.

After a short discussion Bro Tom England was brought back in and then we adjourned to the Ordination Service.

Congregational Singing, an Altar of Prayer, Special Singing and Testimonies were followed by a Charge preached by Bro Ray Young from I Timothy 6:11-13; II Timothy 4:1-2; Titus 1:5-9. After the laying on of hands, Bro England was presented with his Ordination Certificate and the congregation extended the right hand of fellowship while we sang “Amazing Grace”.

Bro Tom England thanked everyone for coming. Bro Lester England gave testimony on the life of Bro Tom. Bro Mike Dishman read from II Kings 13:20 as an encouragement to Bro Tom. The closing prayer was led by Bro Ethan Baker.

09/02/23

The Presbytery was assembled concerning a request for a Letter of Good Standing by Bro Allen Wayne Sullivan. In attendance were: Bro Ray Young, Moderator; Bro Jon Baker, Clerk; Bro Sam Davis; Bro Tony Smedley; and Bro. Danny Parker.

Bro Davis, who was contacted on this matter, presented the request to the Presbytery. Bro Parker moved and Bro Smedley seconded to send the letter. After a affirmative vote we were dismissed.

10/12/23

The Presbytery gathered on Thursday Evening, October 12, 2023, to examine Bro Marvin Saylor. Present were Bros. Ray Young, Estel Bilbrey, Danny Parker, Tony Smedley, Jon Baker, and Sam Davis.

Bro Estel Bilbrey opened us in prayer. After discussion Bro Saylor was brought in for questioning by Bro Young. After further discussion motion was made, seconded and passed to ratify the credentials of Bro Saylor. Bro Saylor closed us in prayer.

Home Missions Report

October 2023

Brought Forward	
Ending Balance of August 31, 2023	4,305.34
-Recieved	115.00
-Spent (Revival)	250.00
Ending Balance on Hand October 14, 2022	<u>4,170.34</u>

Disabled Ministers Fund Annual Report Oct 1, 2023

Checking Balance Oct 1, 2022	20,008.99
Deposits and Interest	4,041.00
Paid Out	
Sis Jessie Padgett (Monthly)	
New Checks	1,511.00
Balance Sep 30, 2023	22,538.99
CD balance (Approximate)	10,000.00
Outstanding loan balance to Association (Parking Lot)	1,700.00

Ladies Auxiliary Annual Report -Oct 2023

Beginning Balance	3,458.57
Contributions	1,322.68
Paid Out	1,318.08
Ending Balance (Oct, 2023)	3,463.17

Secretary/Treasurer: Sis Sybil Baker
Members: Sis Barbara Allen

Ladies Conference of March 18, 2023:

Speaker: Sis. Geneva Phillips
Testimony: Sis. Faye Robinson

Submitted in memory of Sis. Doris Davis, Charter member of the Ladies Auxiliary passed in April.

2023 Associational Committee Report

Committee Members

Tex Boles 2023
Tony Smedley 2024
Jon Baker 2025
Jamey Pack 2026
Charles West 2027

Lawn Mowing- Lynn Benson 1,200.00

Working- July 8, 2023

Repair leaning sign
Removed some dead trees and brush
Repair/installed lights
Cleaning inside/outside

New Toilet (men's bathroom)

Minister's Report

Minister	Address	Phone
Mike Adams	1639 W. Whitehall Rd. Cookeville, TN 38501	931-261-0985 (C)
Dow Allen	1259 N. Allen Rd. Cookeville, TN 38501	931-265-5630
C. Stanley Anderson	120 Deacon LN Monterey, TN 38574	931-881-4483 (C)
Jonathan Baker	8091 Old Spencer Rd. Pikeville, TN 37367	423-881-3072 (H) 423-326-9059 (C)
Danny Bandy	8315 Holmes Creek Rd. Smithville, TN 37166	615-597-4510
<i>Tommy Benson</i>	<i>1415 Jamestown Court Cookeville, TN 38501</i>	<i>931-525-3994</i>
Estel Bilbrey	870 Weaver Rd. Sparta, TN 38583	931-267-2704
Leo Bilbrey	3815 Poston Whitaker Rd. Cookeville, TN 38506	931-537-9422 (H) 931-644-7009 (C)
Tex Boles	7466 Pleasant Ridge Rd. Sparta, TN 38583	931-526-3007
Hubert Davis	1174 Will Blankenship Rd. Pikeville, TN 37367	423-881-3486
Sam Davis	211 Parks Rd. Sparta, TN 38583	931-808-1046
Dennis Deweese	40 Shannon LN McMinnville, TN 37110	931-212-6891
Ronnie J. Dunn	8690 Fox Hill Rd. Baxter, TN 38544	931-979-3866
Bryan Findley	5693 Banner Roslin Rd. Jamestown, TN 38556	931-863-4985
Danny Lane	4804 New Window Cliff Rd. Baxter, TN 38544	931-432-5534 (H) 931-255-1145 (C)
Clayton Lee	400 Pitts Dr. Cookeville, TN 38501	931-528-1174
Bill Montandon	417 Charlie Hickey Rd. Sparta, TN 38583	931-738-7803
Jerry D. Moore	10075 Goff Ridge Rd. Baxter, TN 38544	931-858-4819
Royce Moore	2293 Midway Rd. Smithville, TN 37166	615-597-7685
<i>Jamey Pack</i>	<i>6654 Baker Mtn Rd Spencer, TN 38585</i>	<i>931-205-8303</i>
Danny Parker	935 Midway Rd. Smithville, TN 37166	615-597-8563 (H) 615-580-5458 (C)
Billy Phillips	326 Allens Chapel Rd. Hilham, TN. 38568	931-265-9948 (C)
Corey B. Price	2324 Wildcat Rd. Sparta, TN 38583 e-mail: coreyprice.preacher@outlook.com	931-235-1311 (cell)
Harold Robinson	7760 Monterey Hwy Sparta, TN 38583	931-738-3538
Marvin Saylor	300 Marvin Lane Sparta, TN. 38583	931-739-5141 (H) 931-254-9159 (C)
Ed Shaver	8525 Spring Creek Rd. Cookeville, TN 38506	931-498-5777
Tony Smedley	1050 Bybee Chapel Road Rock Island, TN 38581	931-686-2445 (H) 931-212-6959 (C)
Derek Wilson	190 Eck Bray Rd. Sparta, TN 38583	931-510-1060
Ray Young	400 Milo Rd.Sparta, TN 38583	931-881-6152

Churches	Sermons	Confessions	Members Received	Baptised	Couples Married	Funerals Conducted	Revivals Conducted	Contributions Received	Contributions Given
1	58	2	0	1	2	5	0	unknown	10%
1	84	3	0	1	0	8	0		10%+
	46			0	0	1	0	0	10%
1	103	0	0	0	0	0	1	11,040.00	10%
1	79	3	1	2	0	1	0	20,800.00	10%
1	40	2				4			
1	89	6		1	1	2			
	10								
1		7		5		5	1		
1	135				1	2	1		
1	84	7	4	5	2	5	1	37,650.00	10%
0	38					1			
1	119			2	2	4	4	19,200.00	0
1	127	3	0	1	0	6	7		
1	109	0	1	0	0	1	0	10,400.00	10%
		not	well						
1			5	0	0	1	0	unk	unk
1	85	0	0	0	6	2	0	4,020.00	10%+
	29							1,725.00	10%
1		0	0	0	0	5	1	10,460.00	offerings
0	25	0	0	0	0	2	0	1,250.00	10%
1	150	0	0	0	0	0	2	8,764.00	10%
	78								10%
1	70	8		12	0	1		10,000.00	unknown

Due to unforeseen technical issues, (the camera wouldn't give up the photos) there are no pictures to see on this page.

Pastoral Labor Committee

Church	Minister	Clerk	Mailing Address
Antioch	Mason Simmons	Debbie Rodgers	1825 Bryant Ridge Rd. Baxter, TN 38544
Bakers Crossroads	Dennis Underwood	Margereth Platz	2100 West Creston Rd. Crossville, TN 38571 931-248-3056
Bethel	Johnny Reeves	Doreen Conley	1558 John McCoin Rd. Sparta, TN 38583
Board Valley	Ray Young	Kathy Duncan	424 Weaver Rd. Sparta, TN 38583
<i>Buckner</i>	<i>Terry Bryant</i>	<i>Wanda Chambers</i>	<i>218 Sullins Hollow Rd. Buffalo Valley, TN. 38548</i>
Community	Jonathan Baker	Ramona England	P O Box 754 Sparta, TN 38583 (228 S. Camp Heights St.)
<i>Crossroads</i>	<i>Jeff Clayborn</i>	<i>Sylvia Anderson</i>	<i>2729 Muddy Pond Rd Monterey, TN. 38574</i>
Cumberland Chapel	Tony Smedley	Carol Pelham	1064 Francis Ferry Rd. McMinnville, TN 37110
Dodson Branch	Ronnie J. Dunn	Paul Ballard	17550 Dodson Branch Hwy Cookeville, TN. 38501
Duncan's Chapel	Bobby Roberts	Helen Smith	9262 Lynn Chapel Rd. Cookeville, TN. 38501
Gentry's Chapel	Leo Bilbrey	Eleisha Burton	2855 Burgess Falls Rd. Cookeville, TN 38506
Hensley Chapel	Robert Wright	Valerie Brady	208 Simmons Rd Sparta, TN. 38583
Johnson Chapel	Jackie Miller	Shawn Rice	9538 Smithville Hwy Sparta, TN. 38583
Lilly's Chapel	Gary Norton		11688 Hopewell Rd. Silver Point, TN 38582
Mt. Pisgah	Danny Bandy	Michelle Curtis	1021 Dry Creek Rd. Smithville, TN. 37166
Mt. Pleasant	Mike Adams	Jennifer Adams	4825 Buck Mtn. Rd. Cookeville, TN. 38506
New West Point	Ethan Baker	Ellen Herrin	207 Redmon Rd. Smithville, TN. 37166
Ozion	Corey Price	Donnie Randolph	8637 Austin Bottom Rd. Baxter, TN 38544
Plainview	Estel Bilbrey	Tina Oakes	149 Rozzell Rd Pikeville, TN. 37367
Pleasant Ridge	Sam Davis	Ron/Wilma Easton	5800 Pleasant Ridge Rd. Sparta, TN. 38583
Post Oak Shade	Clayton Lee	Shirley Billingsley	852 Peach Orchard Rd. Cookeville, TN. 38501
Ridgedale	Danny Parker	Opal Parker	P.O. Box 531 Pleasant Hill, TN, 38578
Sampson	Jamey Pack	Tammy Underwood	29004 SR 30 Pikeville, TN 37367 (Church) 189 Blankenship Rd. Pikeville, TN 37367
<i>Shady Grove</i>	<i>Sonny Gilpatrick</i>		<i>299 Meadow Creek Monterey, TN 38574</i>
Stone Seminary	Gary Farris	Donna Hamilton	2510 Randolph Rd Cookeville, TN 38506
Taylor's Providence	Mike Dishman	Susan Cole	768 Toy Slatten Rd. Sparta, TN. 38583
Yankeetown	Bill Montndon	Janice O'Connor	5001 Monterey Hwy. Sparta, TN. 38583

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves unto God, by faith in Jesus Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship, and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church, conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the gospel, nor fail to pay according to ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling, that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotions of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world.

And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Form Letter to the Annual Association

_____	FreeWill Christian Baptist Church of Christ
Delegates _____	Alternates _____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Yearly Church Statistics

Number of Professions _____	Total Membership _____
	Active _____
	Inactive _____
Increased By:	Decreased By:
Profession _____	Letter _____
Letter _____	Exclusion _____
Recommendation _____	Death _____
Restoration _____	Request _____

Yearly Church Expenditures

Pastor _____	Foreign Missions _____
Visiting Ministers _____	Welch College _____
Revivals _____	Disabled Minister Fund _____
Church Upkeep _____	Associational Committee _____
Family Ministries _____	Minute Fund _____
Home Missions _____	Miscellaneous _____
	Total _____

Our present Pastor is Bro. _____

We have called for Pastor next year Bro. _____

Date: _____

Moderator

Clerk

Church Mailing Address: _____

Number of Minutes desired: _____

Preachers (presently without ordination):

Ethan Baker: 423-326-9062

Jordan Casey 931-316-5212

Arnold Conley 931-261-7170

David Stewart 931-319-3444

Dear Church,

The purpose of this letter is to advise you of changes to the Constitution & Bylaws of the Original Stone Association.

When and how these changes were done are contained within these Minutes and are as follows.

* Bylaw #4 has been changed to read “To preach at the Association, a minister must be registered on the first day of the Association. Preachers that have not preached the previous year would have preference.”

*Article V, Meetings, first sentence, now reads “The Original Stone Association shall meet for the annual association meeting the Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in October.”

*Article VI Section 3-Standing Committees Item (C) #1. has been changed to “The Associational Committee shall be composed of five members. The members of this Committee shall be elected for a term of five years, with their offices to expire alternately.”

A corrected and up to date original of the Constitution & Bylaws are posted at the Headquarter Building. This will allow anyone the ability to review changes without reprinting hundreds of copies.

In Service to Our Lord,
Clerk: *Jonathan Baker*