

The original minute book of FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH is beginning to show its age and is getting fragile, understandably since its first entry is 1839.

Because of this, and because of the historical importance of old church records, I decided to transcribe this minute book so the information would be available without having to refer to the original book and contribute to its destruction.

I have tried to copy the words exactly as they are spelled in the original. I also put all the names of people mentioned in capitals, which they are not in the original text, but this makes it easier to spot a name when reading. Typographical errors do occur.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH is located on the north side of Highway #30 (the Friendship Road) near the intersection of Highway 153, about 13 miles west of Americus, Georgia.

Friendship Baptist Church is still an active church thought with few members. The present building which dates to the middle 1850's, is the oldest church building in Sumter County, Georgia and is an architectural gem. The cemetery is to the left of the building.

Many descendants of the early members mentioned in this minute book still live in the area and some are still members of the church. Wiley Carter, ancestor of former President Jimmy Carter was an early member of the Church and is mentioned in the minutes.

The original minute book is in the possession of Mrs Scott Hart of Schley County, Ga. Who was very generous in letting me keep the book for several weeks while I transcribed it. The original transcription was completed Friday, October 3, 1980. The index was prepared by Rev. Bill Dupree, who was pastor of First Methodist Church in Americus, Ga. at that time.

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# STATISTICAL TABLE OF FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

| Year | Pastor        | Wessengers                                                 | Clerk         | Baptized and Received by Letter | Members |
|------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| 1886 | B. W. Davis   | W. R. Dorn, J. V. Carter                                   | J. H. Daniel  | 14                              | 118     |
| 1889 | B. W. Davis   | W. R. Dorn, J. H. Daniel, J. A. Covington                  | J. H. Daniel  | 6                               | 103     |
| 1892 | A. C. Wellons | W. R. Dorn, J. S. McGarragh, G. L. Croxton                 | G. L. Croxton | 20                              | 75      |
| 1893 | A. C. Wellons | J. H. Daniel, J. H. Daniel, W. R. Dorn, G. L. Croxton      | G. L. Croxton | 10                              | 88      |
| 1894 | A. C. Wellons | W. R. Dorn, J. H. Daniel                                   | G. L. Croxton | 6                               | 84      |
| 1896 | R. B. Taylor  | W. R. Dorn, L. D. Carter, J. S. McGarragh, J. H. Daniel    | G. L. Croxton | 10                              | 89      |
| 1895 | B. W. Davis   | W. R. Dorn, J. S. McGarragh, J. H. Daniel                  | G. L. Croxton | 10                              | 86      |
| 1897 | R. B. Taylor  | J. A. McGarragh, C. D. Carter, W. R. Dorn, J. H. Daniel    | G. L. Croxton | 8                               | 83      |
| 1898 | R. B. Taylor  | C. D. Carter, J. H. Daniel, J. S. McGarragh                | G. L. Croxton | 9                               | 86      |
| 1899 | R. B. Taylor  | J. L. Croxton, C. D. Carter, J. H. Daniel, J. S. McGarragh | G. L. Croxton | 8                               | 92      |
| 1900 | R. B. Taylor  | W. R. Dorn, J. H. Daniel, J. S. McGarragh, C. D. Carter    | C. P. Lawson  | 4                               | 85      |
| 1901 | W. H. Norton  | W. R. Dorn, J. H. Daniel                                   | C. P. Lawson  |                                 | 71      |



Friendship Church, Sumter County

### Delegates Names.

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L. Linsford  
James L. Linsford — John R.T. L.  
John R.T. L.  
Absalom Linsford

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PASTORS OF FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

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| 1840 - JAMES L. LUNSFORD | 1892 - A. C. WELLONS |
| 1841 - JAMES MATHEWS     | 1893 - A. C. WELLONS |
| 1842 - JAMES L. LUNSFORD | 1894 - A. C. WELLONS |
| 1843 - JAMES L. LUNSFORD | 1895 - B. W. DAVIS   |
| 1844 - JOHN HOWELL       | 1896 - R. B. TAYLOR  |
| 1845 - JOHN HOWELL       | 1897 - R. B. TAYLOR  |
| 1846 - JOHN HOWELL       | 1898 - R. B. TAYLOR  |
| 1847 - F. F. SEGG        | 1899 - R. B. TAYLOR  |
| 1848 - F. F. SEGG        | 1900 - R. B. TAYLOR  |
| 1849 - F. F. SEGG        | 1901 - W. H. NORTON  |
| 1850 - ISAAC HART        |                      |
| 1851 - F. F. SEGG        |                      |
| 1852 - F. F. SEGG        |                      |
| 1853 - F. F. SEGG        |                      |
| 1854 - F. F. SEGG        |                      |
| 1855 - JESSE STALLINS    |                      |
| 1856 - JESSE STALLINS    |                      |
| 1857 - ISAAC HART        |                      |
| 1858 - ISAAC HART        |                      |
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| 1861 - ISAAC HART        |                      |
| 1862 - ISAAC HART        |                      |
| 1863 - JESSE STALLINS    |                      |
| 1864 - JESSE STALLINS    |                      |
| 1865 - JESSE STALLINS    |                      |
| 1866 - JESSE STALLINS    |                      |
| 1867 - J. H. CAWOOD      |                      |
| 1868 - J. H. CAWOOD      |                      |
| 1869 - J. H. CAWOOD      |                      |
| 1870 - J. H. CAWOOD      |                      |
| 1871 - J. H. CAWOOD      |                      |
| 1872 - J. H. CAWOOD      |                      |
| 1886 - B. W. DAVIS       |                      |
| 1889 - B. W. DAVIS       |                      |

December the 15th 1839.

We a part of the church of Christ at Liberty being at the *Painful* necessity of seperation of ourselves from a parte of our Brethering at liberty in order to mantane our mutual rights in the spread of the gospil have this day convened in order to provide wayes and meanes for the constituting of ourselves into a church organized by caling brother Joseph King to the chiar and appointed brother John R. T. Lingo to act as sectary.

1st rezolved that we call a presbatry to constute us into a church.

2d rezolved that we call Brothers John Rushin, James T. Lunsford, James Mathews for that presbatery.

3d Appointed the folowing breathering as a comity to invite the above named presbatary to wit Soloman Purnal, James Staford, James Purnal, John R. T. Lingo, William Phillips, and John R. T. Lingo to preppare a letter to the above named presbatterry.

4th Agread to meat on the road betwene Mr. William B. Cothans and Mr. John Carmichalls on the 25th instant where we expect to bile a house.

5th Appointed Brother James Staford to prepare constitution and ----- and brothers Joseph King & James McGarow to asistance.

6th Appointed a comity to procure a suficancy of Land for bilding and other necessary priviligis appointed brothers James Staford, James McGarow, John R. T. Lingo, Solomon Purnal, Jame Purnal comitys:



December the 25th 1839

A number of Bretheran met agreeable to preves. appointment and after a sermant by Brother John Rushin the meeting organized by caling brother Rushing to the shear.

1st rezolved to adjorne untill tomoraur ten oclock.

Met according to previous appointment and after a sermond by brother John Rushing organized by caling Brother Rushing to the chur. The other brethering failing to attend bowth days we was not able to forme a presbatory and on Motion aggredd to meat on the 14th of January 1840 and then adjorned to that time.

January the 14th 1840

The Brethering James Mathews and James T. Lunsford met according to a previous appointment and formed a Presbatory when on motion the bretheran who wished to be constituted sayed that thay ware ready to be Examined with regard to ther faith and practice when on a aherau Examination by the presbatterry and being satisfide they proseded to extend the right hand of felawship and pranaunst them to be a regal or Constituted babtist Church on the folowing covenant and articles of faith.

Georgia Sumter County January the 14th 1840

We a manority of the Baptist Church of Christ at liberty in Stewart County having been driven to the painfull necessity of seperating from our Breathering have held a convention and cald Brethering to aid us in constituting our selves in to a church and in answer to our call the Breathering in the ministry to wit James Mathews & James T. Lunsford this day met us and asisted us in the constitution on the following covenant and artiðles of faith on which we agred to try to keep house for the Lord first in giving our selves to the Lord and each other and we therefore aggree to try to keap up Godly deciplin meating monthly and attending to the business that may concern the Church and we further covinent and agree that we will unite effort for the furtherance of the cause of the Redeamers Kingdom on earth Tho if any of our Breathering do not feel willing to support the benevolant instatns of the day and do not interfear with our liberties in the support of the same it shall not be a breach of fellowship with us.

#### Articles of Faith

Held by the Baptist in jeneral agreeable to the confession of faith adopted by upwards of one hundred congregations in England published in Philadepre in one thousand seven hundred and forty two which is a standard for the Baptist.  
1st We believe in one only true and living God and that there are three persons in the God head the Farther son and holey Ghost.



2nd We believe the Scriptures of the old and new testament are the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

3d. We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original Sin.

5th. We believe in mans impotency to recover himself from the fallen State he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only the imputed righteousness of Christ.

7th. We believe that Gods Elect shall be called regenerative and Sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

8th. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

9th. We believe that Baptism and the Lords supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances. We believe that the true mode of Baptism is by immersion.

10th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgement.

11th. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the Joys of the righteous will be eternal.

12th We believe that no ministers have the right to the administration of the ordinances only such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery.

#### Names of the Constituent members

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| 1. Joseph King (deacon)    | 8. William Bray       |
| 2. James McGarner (deacon) | 9. Elyhugh Henderson  |
| 3. Solomon Purnell         | 10. William Jackson   |
| 4. William H. Philpot      | 11. Mary Doister      |
| 5. John R. T. Lingo        | 12. Elizabeth Purnall |
| 6. James Stafor            | 13. Ann Bray          |
| 7. Samuel McGarraw         | 14. Edney Stafor      |

15. Juretha Macy

16. Mary A. Purdy

17. Sarah King

18. Nancy Carnathan

19. Sarah Philpot

20. Mary Cathan

21. Rebecca Allen

22. Milica Jackson

#### DECORUM

Article 1st. It shall be the duty of the Church to meet monthly in conference.

2d. Every member shall attend without some lawful excuse.

3d. In absence of pastor the Church shall choose a moderator whose duty it shall be to open a door for the reception of members.

4th. Take up references the oldest first in order.

5th. It is the duty of each member to vote in all cases and a majority shall rule except touching fellowship.

6th. No motion shall claim the attention of the moderator without a second.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall claim the attention of the church except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

8th. Every person who speaks in debate shall rise from his seat and address the moderator and shall not be interrupted while speaking except he depart from the subject.

9th. No person shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the church.

10th. No member shall have the liberty of talking nor whispering in the time of public speech nor cast reflections on the speaker he shall strictly adhere to the subject.

11th. No member shall absent himself from the conference without leave of the Moderator.



12th. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as another member provided the chare be filled and he shall have no vote except the conferance be equally devided.

13th. If any member shall fail to attend two meetings in succession without some lawful excuse he shall be under the sensure of the church.

14th. It shall be the duty of the Decons when taking the Lords supper to notice whether any of the members are mixing with the congregation and if in case there should be any they shall report them at the next conference.

15th. It shall be the duty of the church to commune once in three month and observe washing the saints feet and days of fasting and prayre.

16th. It shall be the duty of the cleark to read the constitution and Church covnant everry communion season in the opening the conferance.

17th. The liberalities of our brethering and sisters toching the benevolent instutians of the day shall not be a breach of fellowship.

18th. It shall be the duty of the moderator to see that these rules are observed.

19th. Any amendment may be made to these rules at any time the Church may think proper.

The before named pearsons being examind by the before named Preasbaterry and being found sound in faith and morall in practice they were constituted in to a church and named it Friendship. The church then praced to call Brother J. T. Lunsford to the moderator seat and Brother John R. T. Lingo to act as cleark for the day and proced to business.

1st. Rezolved that we deplay regret tho would wish to be rezened to the afflicting seene of Providence in the death of our well beloved Brother James Purness whoes intention every to have enterd with us in this constitution tho he is dead we wish his name to live.

2d. Opend a dore for the reception of members, none came foreward.

Friendship January the 15th 1840.

The church met and after a sermond by Brother James T. Lunsford the conferance of the Church was opend and Brother James Mathews chosan moderator and Brother John R. T. Lingo Cleark for the day.

1st. The dore of the Church was opend for the reception of members and recd none.

2d. Agree to cass a paster to gave in and out before us preasant years and the church and congregation unanously chose James. T. Lunsford to that office.

Friendship January the 18th 1840.

The Church met and appointed the following brethering as a building comity to wit: (Brothers William Phillpot, John R. T. Lingo, James Stafford, James McGarrow, Solloman Purnall) to be that comity to have a house built for Friendship Church

Friendship March the 21st 1840.

The Church met in conferance chose Brother King to sit as moderator and after singing and prayer the dore of the Church was opened for the reception of members and recd none The church impower Brother Stafford to purchis a church book and the church paid him for it.



Friendship April the 19th 1840

The church met and after pray meting the conferance was opend for the reception of members when came forward sister REBECCA BOYET and sister ELIZA a woman of culor and brother JAMES & TITUS men of culler and was recd all being members from liberty church whom we know to be in good standing bowth in faith and practice.

Friendship May the 16th 1840

The church met and after a sermond by Brother JAMES T. LUNSFORD the church met in conferance and opend a dore for the reception of members.

1st came forward POLLY THOMAS and was received by experience.

2d Brother JAMES STAFFORD produced the Book and the church received it and agreed to pay five dollars for it.

4th (3rd left out, ed.) Agread to chose a cleark for this church whare uppon the church cose brother JOHN R. T. LINGO as Cleark for this church.

Friendship the 21st 1840

The Church met in conferance and opend a dore for the reception of members when

1st came forward WILLIAM B. CATHAN and was Received by experience and came forward brother ELIAS E. BARCLAY and sister EMILY BARCLAY and was received by letter from Woods meting house Twiggs co., ga. assigned Louis Solaman clk.

2d the Church request the brothers deacons to collect the Subscription that is from the Friendship Breatherand and then to hand the subscription over to the Liberty church.

Friendship July the 18th 1840

The church met in conferance and opened a dore for the reception of members and received none

Friendship July the 19th 1840

The church met in conferance and opend a dore for the reception of members when came forward VINA a woman of coler belonging to THOMAS McGARRAW home we know to be in good standing from Liberty Church and was received then came forward FRANK a man of culler belonging to GEORGE M. CHAMPION which was suspended untill our next conference and appointed Brothers JAMES McGAARAW & JOSEPH KING inquire into his conduct and report at our next conference.

JAMES STAFFORD modter

FRIENDSHIP August the 15th 1840

The church met in conferance Brother Joseph King Moderator & brother JAMES STAFORD cleark. Opened a dore for the reception of members and other business caled for referances 1st Brothers JOSEPH KING & JAMES McGARROW reported that they converced with FRANK a man of culler the property of GEORGE M. CHAMPION and that he did not satisfy brother KING. (m)oved that FRANKS case be laid untill sabath next.

2d. The church appointed Brothers JAMES McGARRAW & JOSEPH KING & JOHN R. T. LINGO ther allternate as mesengers to reprzent Friendship Church in the next annul session of the association.

3d. Moved and seconded that the Cleark wright a petitionary letter for Friendship Church petitioning admittance in that the Bethel Association.

4th. Agreed to send one dollar and fifty cts for minits and mitionary fund asociation fund left blank untill the next conferance.



August the 16th 1840

The case of FRANK was examined when he gave the brethering full satisfaction and was Received from the Liberty church.

Friendship August the 26th 1840.

The church met in conferance and opened a dore for the reception of members when came forward sister CATHERINE JACKSON and was received by letter from Ebnezer Church dated the 8 of Decr. 1838 and assigned A. FUNDERBERK Clk. Then came forward sister MARY TINGLE from Liberty Church whom we know to be in good standing and has failed to be with us in the constitution and was Red. Then came forward MARY HUDSON and was Received by experance and at the water came forward RACHAL CRAWFORD and was Re'd by experience.

Friendship September the 19th 1840

The Church met in conferance and cald Brother STAFFORD to the moderators seat and then opened a dore for the recipe of members. Rec'd none.

1st. Calcd for the letter prepared by the Cleark to send to the association which was read and adopted and (a)greed to send 25¢ cts for association fund.

Sept the 20th

the church met in conferance and opend a dore for the reception of members when came forward sister ELIZABETH McGARRAW from Liberty Church home we know to be in good standing and was Rec'd.

then came forward NANCY JACKSON and was received experience then came forward JAMES L. CRAWFORD and was received by an experience.

Sept the 21st

The church met in conferance and opened a dore for the reception of members when came forward RACHAL HERING and was received by an experiance, then came forward SEBERN JACKSON and was received by an experance, then came forward SUSAN a woman of culler the property of Brother J. B. MORGAN and was received on an experience.

Sept the 22d

The church met in conferance then opened a dore for the reception of members when came forward JANE CARMICHAEL and related an experiance and was Re'd; then came forward NEALL GILLAS and related an experiances and was received; then came forward FRANKLIN DARDAN and related an experience and was Rec'd; then came forward MARY PRITCHETT and related an experience and was received; then came forward SIMON HUDSON and related an experience and was Rc.

Sept the 23d

The church meet in conferance then opend a dore for the reception of members when came forward PERMELA PRITCHITT JUNR and related an experiance and was Re'd.

Sept the 26th

The church met in conferance than opened a dore for the reception of members when came forward AUGUSTUS DICKSON and related an experiance and was Rc'd; then came forward SARAH DICKSON and related an experiance and was Rc'd.



Then came forward JANE BLARE and related an experience and was rec'd.

Sept the 27th

The church met in conference when the dore of the church was opened then came forward CATHERINE GILLAS and related an experience and was rec'd.

Sept the 28th

The Church met in conferance and opened a dore for the reception of members and received by experience MARTHA HUDSON and JOSEPH HAGAN and SAMUEL DAVIS and ALPHA CHAMPION and HENRY T. WHEELISS.

Sept the 28th

The Church met in conferance and opened a dore for the reception of members and received by experience MARTHA CHANCE and AARON BOYET and JESSE PARKER and GREAN DERISAUX and NANCY HAYES AND NANCEY CASTLEBERRY and BRIANT DAWSON and THOMAS McGARRAW and LARKIN GLOVER and SARAH GLOVER and JAMES SULLIVAN and RICHARD O. ECHOLES and RUTH GRAHAM (by letter)

October the 17th 1840

Church of Christ at friendship met in conference and opened a dore for the reception of members Rec'd none. Then cald for referances and reported none, then agreed to appoint a commity to make or cause to be maid a pullpit and seats for Friendship Church and that commity to consist of the following brethering to wit: WILLIAM B. CATHAN, THOMAS McGARRAW: JAMES McGARRAW: ALPHA CHAMPION: JAMES SULLIVEN.

JAMES STAFORD moderator

November the 21st 1840

The church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance 1st opened a dore for the Reception of members when came forward JESSE DARDAN and was Rec'd by experience.

November the 22d 1840

The church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance and opened a dore for the Reception of membsrs when came forward JOSEPH BARBER and was rec'd by experience.

November the 23d 1840: The church of Christ at Friendship met

bers when came forward MARTHA DARDAN and was rec'd by experience.

December the 26th 1840

The church of Christ at Friendship met in conference 1st opened a dore for the reception of members when came forward ABEL FUNDERBERK and his wife and was Rec'd by letter from Ebenezer Church Sumter County dated Decr the 12th 1840 and signed ABSALOM FUNDERBURK Clk. JAMES MATHIS moderator.

January the 30th 1841

The Church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance 1st opened a dore for the reception of new members when came forward sister REBECCA BARTON and was Rec'd by letter from tabernicle and dated 4th Janjary 1840 and signed JOHN W. BRADILL then came forward sister SARAH COLLINS and was recd by letter from Haamony, Upson County dated April the 4th 1840 and signed ICHABOD DAVIS clk, then came forward ABSALEM FUNDERBERK and was Rec'd by letter from Ebenezer Sumter County dated Decr the 12th 1840 and signed ABSALEM FUNDERBERK clk.

February the 20th 1841

Church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance 1st opened a dore for the reception of members Rec'd none. 2d cald up the case of JESSE PARKER and excluded him from the fellowship of the church. JAMES STAFORD, Moder.

January the 16th 1841

The church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance 1st opened a dore for the reception of members and Rec'd none. 2d Brother STAFORD an alagation against Brother KNEEL GILLAS of intoxication and agreed to lay it over until the conferance in April. 3d Brother STAFORD prepared an Alagation against JESSE PARKER for drawing a knife and quaraling agreed to lay it over until our next conferance. 4th Brother JAMES SULLIVAN cald for a letter of dismitian thru Brother J. B. MORGAN which was granted. JOSEPH KING Moderator



March the 20th 1841

Church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance 1st opend a dore for the Reception of members and Rec'd none. 2d cald for Referances reported none. 3d Agread to appoint a Chariester for this church when upon motion agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance. 4th Brother SEBERN JACKSON cald for a letter of dismitio for himself and wife which was granted. 5th Brother WILLIAM JACKSON applied for a letter of dismitio for himself and wife which was granted. JAMES STAFFORD moderator.

April the 3d 1841.

Church of Christ at friendship met in conferance. 1st opend a dore for the Reception of membirs and Rec'd none. 2d Agread to appoint a comity to visit Brother MATHEWS and learn if he will serve Friendship church as a paster or not for this year when on motion Brothers JAMES STAFORD and WILLIAM B. CATHAN was appointed to be that comity. JAMES STAFORD Moderator. April the 17th 1841

The church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance. 1st opend a dore for the Receptian of members and Rec'd none. 2d Calcd for Referances when on motion the case of Brother GILLAS was cald up and agreed to act upon it when there was further charges preferd against him to wit Sabath Braking and profane swearing and the church agreed to excumicate him from the fellowship of this church. 5th Agread to post pone the choice of a charister untill the 1st Saturday in next month. 6th One of the comity that was appointed to visit Brother MATHEWS reported that they did not go. 7th Agread to appoint a comity to see Brother DAWSON and inquire of him Respecting sundra reports in circulation about him to wit fiting and gambling and drinking, brothers JAMES STAFORD and JOSEPH KING and JAMES MCGARRAW that comity. 8th Granted lettrs of dismitian to Brother AUGUSTS D. DEAN and wife by there request thro Brother JAS. L. LUNSFORD. JAMES STAFORD Moderator.

May the first 1841

Church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance. 1st opend a dore for the reception of members and Res'd none. 2d Cald for referances reported the choice of a chorister for this church and chose Brother ALPHA CHAMPIN. 3d Taken up the charges prefered against Brother BRYANT DAWSON to wit fighting, Drinking, Gambling and agreed to lay the case over until our next conferance and appoint a commity to sight Brother DAWSON to attend our next conferance and appointed brothers WM. B. CATHAN and A. CHAMPION as that comity. 4th Brother JAMES STAFFORD preferd a charge against brother SOLOMAN PURNALL illegally detaining a certing negra THOMAS the property of Sister ELIZABETH PURNALL and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance and appoint a commity to labor with him and if the commity cannot reclannse him to site him to attend our next conferance and that commity to consist of Brothers JOSSPH KING, JAMES MCGARRAW, ABSALOM FUNDERBERK. JOSEPH KING Moderator

June the 5th 1841

The church of Christ at Friendship met in order and after two sermons one by Brother COX and one by Brother MATHEWS the church met in conferance. 1st opend a dore for the reception of members and Received none. 2nd cald for referances reported the case of Brother DAWSON and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance and the comitty to labor with him and site him to attend our next conferance. 3d reported the case of Brother PURNALL the conferance agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance with a request that the church continue to labor with the parties untill that time 4th agreed to arace the original charge against Brother SOLOMON PURNALL



and the following to be adopted in lieu.

A difficulty existing between Sister ELIZABETH PURNALL and brother SOLOMAN PURNALL concerning a negro woman by the name of JULE claimed by Sister ELIZABETH PURNALL as her property and also claimed by Brother SOLOMAN PURNALL as his property.

5th Resolved that we accede to the request of the Bethlaham Church and appoint delegates to correspond with her.

6th Sister JANE BLEAR requested a letter of dismission which was granted

7th That this church extend an arm to a place that is to be prepared near brother MARLOW

8th Agreed to open up correspondence with the Americus Church

9th Resolved to correspond with Ebenezer Church

10th Resolved to correspond with the church at Shilo

July the 3d 1841

The church of Christ at Friendship met in order and after a sermon by Brother JONES and a sermon by Brother MATHEWS the church met in conference.

1st opened a door for the reception of members and received none

2d took up the case of Brother DAWSON and after his making satisfactory acknowledgement to the Church the church restored him to full fellowship

3d took up the case of Sister ELIZABETH PURNALL and brother SOLOMAN PURNALL and agreed to lay it over until our next conference.

July the 19th

Church of Christ at Friendship met in conference and opened a door for the Reception of members when came forward VINA a woman of culler belonging to THOMAS MCGARRAW and was Rec'd and then came forward FRANK a man of culler the property of GEORGE CHAMPION and was suspended until the church could have time to inquire into his standing and the church Appointed Brothers JAMES MCGARRAW and

JOSEPH KING to inquire into his standing and the breathering reported favorably and the church Rec'd him into their fellowship of the church. JAMES STAFORD moderator.

July the 31st

The Church of Christ at Friendship met in order and after prayer by Brothers STAFORD and KING the church met in conference 1st opened a door for the reception of members and Rec'd none. 2d called for references when on motion the case of Sister ELIZABETH PURNALL and Brother SOLOMAN PURNALL and agreed to lay it over until our next conference.

3d the Church charge Brother JAMES L. CRAWFORD with the sin of billiard playing and agreed to appoint a committee to site him to attend our next conference to answer to said charge and that committee to consist of Brothers ABSOLOM FUNDERBERK, JOHN R. T. LINGO, JAMES STAFORD, ALPH CHAMPION and JAMES MCGARRAW.

4th Sister RUTH GRAHAM called for a letter of Dismission through Brother JAMES MCGARROW which was granted

5th Agreed to answer the letter of Sisters MARY ANN HUDSON and ELIZABETH ANN HUDSON and MARTHA HUDSON and Brothers SIMON HUDSON and request them to attend our next conference. JAMES STAFFORD moderator

September the 4th 1841

Church of Christ at Friendship

1st opened a door for the Reception of members when Rec'd by an experience of grace JOSEPH AYCOCK which was satisfactory 2d the Three young SISTERS HUDSON requested letters of dismission which was granted

3d Rec'd a letter of correspondence from Bethlehem church by Brothers JOWERS & HILL

4th On motion agreed to elect delegates to the Association when JAMES MCGARROW and JAMES STAFFORD was elected and ALPH CHAMPION



in case of failure and Brother LINGO to wright the letter.

December the 6th 1841.

The church of Christ at Friendship met in order and after a sermon by Brother MATHEWS the church then went into conference.

1st opened a dore for the reception of members where came forward sister ELLEN JUSTICE and was Received by letter from Valey Grove Talburt Co. Ga. dated October 6th 1838. signed Hiram POWELL moderator and JAMES LLOYD clk.

2d Cald for referances cald up the case resting between sister ELIZABETH PURNALL and Brother SOLOMON PURNALL and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance

3d Cald up the case of Brother CRAWFORD and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance and that the cleark right to him informing him of the continuation of his case.

4th The church agreed to grant Sister RACHEL CRAWFORD a letter of dismution

5th Cald up the case of Brother SIMON HUDSON and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance and the cleark wright to him

6th Agread to call a minister to supply the church the insuing year when the church chose Brother JAMES MATHEWS to that office.

7th Sistrs REBECCA BARTON cald for a letter of dismution thru Brother CATHAN which was granted

8th Sistrs Rachal HERRING cald for a letter of dismution thru Brother STAFFORD which was granted.

December the 4th 1841

The church of Christ at Friendship met in order and the conferance was opened with prare by Brother KING

1st opened a dore for the Reception of members and Rec'd none.

2d cald for referances when the case of Sister ELIZABETH PURNALL and Brother SOLOMAN PURNALL was cald up and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance

4th (3d left out, ed.) cald up the case of Brother CRAWFORD

and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance.  
Joseph KING Moderator

January the 1st 1842

The church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance JAS. STAFFORD Moderator

1st opened a dore for the Reception of members Rec'd none.

2d Cald for referances when on motion they were all layed over untill our next conferance in February

3d Cald for motions when on motion by Brother AYCOCK the church preferd a charge against Brother DAWSON for dancing, gambling, and for profane language. Appointed Brothers CHAMPION, CATHIN & STAFFORD to site him (DAWSON) to attend the next conferance

4th Resolved that the clark of the church shall make or cause to be maid two seperate lists of all the members of the church the names of the mailles & Females to be read by the cleark seperatly at our next conferance

5th Be it further resolved that it is the duty of the clerk to cause the minutes & referances appearances of the preceeding conferance to be presant at the opening of each regular conferance

6th Granted letters of dismiton to ELIZABETH STRANG and ELIAS E. BARCLAY and EMILY BARCLAY. JAMES STAFFORD Moderator; A. FUNDERBURK, Clk.

February the 4th 1842

The church of Christ at Friendship met in order and after a sermand by Brother JAMES T. LUNSFORD the church met in conferance

1st opened a dore for the reception of members when came forward JOHN B. KINARD and was Reseived by letter from Shilo Church Fayette Co. Ga. dated the 3d of Nov 1840 and signed A. MEADAR Clk, then Brother LUNSFORD cald Brother KING to the moderators chear when came forward JAMES T. LUNSFORD and SUSAN LUNSFORD and was received by letter from Mount Sian Randolph Co., Ga.



Dated 23 October 1841 signed DAVID HOLMAN asst clk, then came forward CATHERINE LUNSFORD and was Rec'd by letter from Mount Sian Randolph Co., Ga. signed DAVID HOLMAN asst clk and dated 23 October 1841

2d Cald up the difficulty between our Brother SOLOMAN PURNALL and Sister ELIZABETH PURNALL and agreed to strike it from the minutes for informalely

3d Cald up the case of Brother JAMES L. CRAWFORD and excumminicated him

4th Cald up the case of brother SIMON HUDSON and agreed to lay it over untill our next conferance.

5th Cald up the case of Brother BRYANT DAWSON and excumminicated him.

6th Brother R. O. ECLES called for a letter of Desmitian thro Brother STAFORD which was granted

6th Granted a letter of Desmition to sister ANNIE CARMICHAEL then Sister MARTHA CHAMBLISS applied for a letter of dismition thru Sister FUNDERBERK which was granted

7th The Church preferes a charge against Brother ELIHUE HENDERSON for absence and appoint brother AYCOCK to sight him (HENDERSON) to attend our next conferance. JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Moderator.

March 5th 1842

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in order

1st opened a door for the reception of members - none.

2nd Took up the case of Bro. SIMON HUDSON, when on motion he was excluded from the church, for absence,

3rd Took up the case of ELIHU HENDERSON, heard the report of Bro. AYCOCK and agreed to add profane wearring to the former charge against Bro. HENDERSON. On motion the case was defered untill the next conferance in course, Appointed Brethren JAS. STAFFORD, JAS. MCGARRAH & THOS. MCGARRAH to labor with & site him (HENDERSON) to attend the next conferance.

JAMES STAFFORD Clk,

April 3rd 1842

Church met in conference.

1st opened a door for the reception of members when rec'd by Letters STEPHEN LUNSFORD & ELIZABETH LUNSFORD

2nd On motion took up the case of E. HENDERSON when on Motion it was layed over until the next conferance.

3rd The church Agreed to set Bro. JOS. B. MARLOW at Liberty to exercise in the bounds of the Bethel Association.

4th Rec'd by Letters from the Ebenezer Church N.A. PURIFOY & MARY PURIFOY.

5th Layed over E. HENDERSONS case until the next conferance.

6th Elected Bro. JAMES. T. LUNSFORD paster & ABSALOM FUNDERBURK Clerk.

7th Agreed to extend an Arm of the church at Bro. JAS. T. LUNSFORDS to Rec'd members.

8th Resolved that the next General Meeting for this Dist. Be invited to our church.

JAMES T. LUNSFORD Mod., Absalom FUNDERBURKE, Clk.



May 14, 1842

Church met in conference

1st Opened a door for the reception of members. Received none.

2d Took up the case of ELIHUE HENDERSON and after some investigation there in, when on motion the case was deferred until the next conference.

3rd On Motion appointed a standing committee to arrange preaching when it is necessary. Brethren JAMES STAFFORD, ABS. FUNDERBURK, JOSEPH AYCOCK, JAMES MCGARRAH, JOSEPH KING, JAMES ENGRAM, WM. CAUTHEN, committee.

May 15th 1842 Sunday 15th 1842: Received by letters from the Americus church JOEL B. MORGAN & ELIZABETH B. MORGAN. JAMES T. LUNSFORD mod.; ABS. FUNDERBURK, Clk.

June 18th 1842

Church met in conference Received no members.

1st Took up the case of ELIHUE HENDERSON and after a debate had there in, he was on motion expelled from the Liberties of the Church for none attendance & profane swearing. JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Mod.; ABSLOM F. BURKE, Clk

Sunday 19th June 1842

Opened conference Rec'd JAMES L. ENGRAM and SARAH ENGRAM by Letters. J. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.; A. BURK Clk.

July 12th 1842

Church and congregation met agreeable to previous

Appointment had a Sermon by JAMES T. LUNSFORD. Bro. GEORGE W. KEYS was present likewise when the church agreed to protract the meeting which was done for 10 days in succession during which time the following named persons were Rec'd into the Fellowship of the church:

| 1st Mails. Names                | Females. Names.              |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| WILLIAM PRICKETT. by experience | NANCY LUNSFORD by Experience |
| MR. WHITTLE " "                 | ARRENA LINGO " "             |
| MOSES DERRYSAW " "              | MARY MCGARRAH " "            |
| GREEN GLOVER " "                | MISS CASTLEBURY " "          |
| SEABOURN GLOVER " "             | MARY TEAL " "                |
| SAMUEL SMITH " "                | LUSINDA SMITH " "            |
| ELISHA MARLOW " "               | MARTHA McMATH " "            |
| MRS. AXCY SMITH by Letter       | MARTHA GRIFFIN " "           |
| JOHN TEAL Restored              | MRS. WHITTLE " "             |
| NEAL GILLIS Restored            | CATHARINE VARNER by Letter   |
| JAMES DERRYSAW Restored         |                              |

July 16th 1842

Sister A. JUSTICE Dismissed by letter

August 12th 1842

Elder GEORGE W. KEY preached from these Words) And they continued in steadfast by the Apostles doctrine & opened a door for members Received by an experience of Grace JAMES WILLIAM STAFFORD, Received by Letters AUGUSTUS DICKSON & wife SARAH DICKSON. Repaired to the water where Bro. KEY Baptised Bro. J. W. STAFFORD

Persons of Color Rec'd

JACK SMITH by Experience

ADAM SMITH " "

KING PARK " "

DR. SMITHS ELVINA " "

MILTON JONES HENNEY " "

Bro. CAUTHENS GIRL " "

July 19th 1842 the arm at Bro.

LUNSFORDS Rec'd by an experience of grace RANCY a Servant girl the



August 13th 1842

Met at Bro. HERRINGS Academy.

Preaching by Elder GEORGE W. KEY after which opened a door for members when Rec'd by an experience of Grace NANCY CHAMBLISS JUNIOR.

Aug. 14th Rec'd HENRY FUNDERBURK by an experience of grace. Repaired to the water when Elder Z. W. KEY administered the ordinance of Baptism.

Sunday night had a good meeting opened a door for members when Rec'd by an Experience of Grace.

JOHN CHAMBLESS; ROBERT W. MORGAN; JOSEPH McMATH

Monday 15th Rec'd ELIZA CHAMBLESS by an experience of Grace

|          |                            |   |   |   |   |
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| At night | Rec'd WILLIAM CHAMBLESS    | " | " | " | " |
|          | do JESSEE CHAMBLESS        | " | " | " | " |
|          | do NANCY CHAMBLESS Sen     | " | " | " | " |
|          | do STEPHEN G. SMITH SENIOR | " | " | " | " |

Tuesday 16th Rec'd MICAHAH YOUNGBLOOD by an experience of grace

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| do | ELIZABETH YOUNGBLOOD | " | " | " | " |
| do | WHITMILL CURRY       | " | " | " | " |
| do | DAVID HOLT           | " | " | " | " |
| do | DAVID W. GOODMAN     | " | " | " | " |

Wednesday 17th Rec'd MARTHA WILLIAMS " " " "

Bro PURNALS JULIA a woman of colour " " " "

at night Rec'd CHARLOTT HERRING By Grace

do WILLIAM SMITH. By "

do CHAPEL HUGHS By an exper.

Mr. HIGHTOWERS girl SARAH "

GEORGE W. KEY, Moderator

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK Clk.

August the 18th 1842

Met at Bro. HERRING Academy. Elders JAMES T. LUNSFORD

& GEORGE W. KEY present when on motion the following

persons was dismissed from the Friendship Church to

be constituted into a body of their own:

NANCY CHAMBLESS SEN. JESSE CHAMBLESS

NANCY CHAMBLESS JUN JOHN CHAMBLESS

ELIZABETH YOUNGBLOOD WILLIAM CHAMBLESS

ELIZA CHAMBLESS JOSEPH McMATH

SARAH a woman of color ROBERT W. W. MORGAN

the property of Mr. HIGHTOWER & WHITMILL: CURRY

JULIA the Property of Mr. DAVID HOLT

S. PURNNAL DAVID W. GOODMAN

MICAHAH C. YOUNGBLOOD

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Moderator

A. F. BURKE Clk

August 20th 1842

Church met in conference

1. It opened a door for members when came forward

BRYANT DAWSON and after making satisfactory acknowledgements to the Church he was Restored to all the priviledges of the church.

On motion the church Appointed Bro. ABSALOM FUNDERBURK to deliver an address on the desins of the Baptist State convention & Bro. G. T. LUNSFORD his Alternate,

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Moderator

A. FUNDERBURK, Clk.



August 19th 1842

Baptist Church at Friendship met in conference when Rec'd  
MARY ANN DAWSON by an experience of faith; THOMAS GRAHAM  
by an experience of faith; Sunday night the 21st August  
1842 Received LINNEY CARNS by Ex. grace; ADAM EDGAR by  
and Experience grace; STAFFORDS girl by an Experience;  
Bro. TEALS servant girl ELIZA by an experience

Augt 22nd Rec'd HARRIETT TURLINTON by an Experience

23rd Rec'd DOUGAL GILLIS " "

24th Rec'd ABSALOM CARNES " "

26th Rec'd EMELINE GILMORE " "

" Rec'd ETHELDRED ENGRAM by Letter from Ebenezer

" and his wife PHEBE ENGRAM " " "

August 25th 1842, The arm at Bro. LUNSFORDS Received by  
an experience of Grace LUVICA WHATLEY, & MARY WHATLEY  
JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. FUNDERBURK, Clk.

September 3rd 1842

Church at Friendship met in order, Moderator present

JAS. T. LUNSFORD. 1st opened a door for members when Rec'd

By and Experience of Grace Miz. DERRYSAW. 3rd (no second, ed.)

A. FUNDERBURK & JAS. T. LUNSFORD made some appropriate  
remarks on the Baptist State convention. When on motion  
it was unanimously agreed to by this Church, for to  
solicit the Bethel association to become a constituent  
member of the B. S. Convention.

4th Elected JAMES T. LUNSFORD & ABSALOM FUNDERBURK,

and in case of failure JOSEPH AYCOCK to go to the

association to be held at Blakeley, Early Cty. A.

FUNDERBURK to write the letter. Agreed to send for minutes

\$2.50; for missions \$12.00

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Mod.; A. F. BURK Clk.

Sunday 4th 1842

Received by an experience of Grace SARAH GILMORE

" " " " " " SARAH HOLLOWAY

" " " " " " SUSAN ANN LUNSFORD

DR. STRANGES girl MARTHA by an experience of Grace

M. DARDENS girl EASTER " " " " "

JAS. ENGRAMS boy GREEN " " " " "

By letter Bro. JOHN ENGRAM, from Ebenezer Church.

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Mod.; A. F. BURK Clk.

Sunday 11th 1842 Received by letter Mrs LANKFORDS girl LUCY.

James T. Lunsford, Mod., A. F. Burk, clk.'

OCTOBER 1st 1842

Church met in order. Rec'd by an experience of Grace

JOHN BROWN

2nd Read & adopted the Letter prepared by A. F. BURK for  
the association.

Sunday 2nd Rec'd ELIZABETH GILMORE, By an Experience of  
Grace.

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Mod.; A. FUNDERBURK, Clk.



State of the Church    October 1842

Baptised .....66  
 Received by Letter.21  
 Dismissed " " ...25  
 Restored..... 4  
 Excommunicated..... 4  
 Dead..... 0  
 Total Numer in Fellowship...136

October 22nd 1842 Church met in due order. 1st opened a door for the reception of members. None.

2nd On motion Bro. DAWSON related a Difficulty which took place on the day of the general election, which was Defered until the next conferance & Appointed a committee to investigate the case. A. BURK, J. T. LINGO, AND J. DARDEN committee. ABSOLOM F. BURK Clk.

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| JOSEPH KING, Deacon        | LARKIN GLOVER    |
| JAMES McGARRAH, Deacon     | SEABOURN GLOVER  |
| JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Pastor  | GREEN GLOVER     |
| ABSOLOM FUNDERBURK, Deacon | SAMUEL DAVIS     |
| ABEL FUNDERBURK            | FRANKLIN DARDEN  |
| N. A. PURIFOY              | JESSE DARDEN     |
| JOSEPH AYCOCK, Dismissed   | JOHN TEAL        |
| JOHN B. KINARD             | JAMES DERRYSAW   |
| HENRY FUNDERBURK           | MOSES DERRYSAW   |
| ADAM EDGAR                 | GREEN DERRYSAW   |
| STEPHEN G. SMITH, SEN.     | JOSEPH BARBER    |
| WILLIAM C. SMITH           | ABSALOM CARNES   |
| JAMES ENGRAM               | THOMAS GRAHAM    |
| ETHELDRED ENGRAM           | WILLIAM PRICKETT |
| JOHN ENGRAM                | AUGUSTUS DICKSON |
| JOHN BROWN, Dismissed      | STANSELL WHITTLE |

JOHN R. T. LINGO  
 SAMUEL SMITH  
 HENRY WHEELASS  
 JAMES STAFFORD  
 JAMES W. STAFFORD  
 A. CHAMPION  
 THOMAS McGARRAH  
 SAMUEL McGARRAH  
 WILLIAM CAUTHEN  
 STEPHEN LUNSFORD  
 JOEL B. MORGAN  
 WILLIAM BRAY  
 JOSEPH HAGGAN  
 JAMES B. MARLOW  
 ELISHA MARLOW  
 CHAPPELL HUGHS  
 AARON BOYETT  
 BRYANT DAWSON  
 NEAL GILLIS  
 DOUGAL GILLIS  
 WILLIAM PHILPOT  
 ROBERT SHEFFIELD  
 LEVI KINARD by letter

ROSANNAH FUNDERBURK  
 ELIZABETH BROWN, dismisssd  
 MARTHA WILLIAMS  
 AXEY SMITH  
 LUCINDA SMITH  
 JANE SMITH  
 MR. RUTH GRAHAM, Dismissed  
 MARY PURIFOY  
 CATHERINE VARNER  
 SARAH GLOVER  
 SARAH KINNARD  
 EMELINE GILMORE  
 ELIZABETH GILMORE  
 SARAH GILMORE

MARTHA McMATH  
 ELIZABETH ENGRAM  
 PHEBE ENGRAM  
 LINNEY CARNES  
 MRS. DERRYSAW, Dismissed  
 MICHELL DERRYSAW  
 POLLY SMITH  
 SARAH HOLLOWAY, Dismissed  
 MARY TEAL  
 PERMELIA PUCKETT (SEN)  
 MRS. SARAH WHITTLE, Dismissed  
 MARY WHEELASS, Dismissed  
 SARAH PHILPOT  
 ELIZABETH PURNAL  
 SARAH DICKSON  
 MARTHA DARDEN  
 ELIZABETH McGARRAH  
 MARY McGARRAH  
 MARTHA CHAMPION  
 EDNEY STAFFORD  
 MARYANN PURDY  
 JANE HAGAN  
 MARY DOISTER  
 CATHARINE MARLOW  
 MARTHA GRIFFIN  
 ANN BRAY  
 LEVINA WHATLEY, Dismiss  
 MARY WHATLEY, Dismiss  
 ARRENA LINGO, dead  
 CATHARINE GILLIS, Dismissed  
 JANE GILLIS, Dismisssd  
 MARY DAWSON  
 ELIZABETH B. MORGAN, Dismissed  
 SUSAN LUNSFORD, Dismissed  
 CATHERINE LUNSFORD, Dismissed  
 SUSAN ANN LUNSFORD, "  
 ELIZABETH LUNSFORD



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| NANCY LUNSFORD             | Blacks in Fellowship        |
| HARRIETT TURLINGTON        | ELIZA a girl of colour      |
| MARY CAUTHEN               | JAMES " "                   |
| MISS NANCY CASTLEBURY      | TITUS " "                   |
| MISS CASTLEBURY, Dismissed | LAVINA " "                  |
| NANCY CARNATHAN            | FRANK G. CHAMPION           |
| SARAH KING                 | SUSAN Proparty J. B. MORGAN |
| REBECCA BOYETT             | NINA " THOS. McGARRAH       |
| MISS MARY TOMAS            | JACK " S. G. SMITH          |
| ARLIS HAYS                 | ADAM do do                  |
| NANCY HAYS                 | KING do of MR. PARKS        |
| JURITHA MASSA              | ELVINA do of DR. SMITH      |
| -----                      | HENRY do of MR. JONES       |
| Rec'd ANN SHEFFIELD 1843   | GIRL do of Bro. CAUTHEN     |
| By letter                  | RANEY do of MR. GRIFFIN     |
| do ELIZA GRIFFIN 1843      | GIRL do of MR. LANKFORD     |
|                            | LUCY do " "                 |
|                            | ELIZA do of BRO. TEAL       |
|                            | MARTHA do of DR. STRANGE    |
|                            | EASTER do of MR. DARDEN     |
|                            | GREEN do of BRO. ENGRAM     |
| Let. VICY                  | do of BRO. SHEFFIELD 1843   |

Decembsr the 3rd 1842

Church met in conferance

1st Opened a door for the reseption of members, none.

2nd On motion the church caled for the report of the committee on the case of Bro. DAWSON. The committee made a favorable report, for Bro. DAWSON, and the Difficulty was settled amicably;

3rd Granted letters of Dismission to the following members

JOEL B. MORGAN

ELIZABETH B. MORGAN

NEAL GILLIS

DOUGAL GILLIS

CATHERINE GILLIS

JANE GILLIS

JOSEPH AYCOCK returned

STANSELL WHITTLE

SARAH WHITTLE

4th The church, on motion agreed to make choics of a pastor, for the ensuing year. When Elder JAMES T. LUNSFORD was the unanimous choica of the church & congregation.

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, moderator

A. FUNDERBURK, Clk.

Sunday 4th 1843

Granted a letter of dismission to HARRIETT TURLLINGTON.

A. F. BURK, Ch. Clk.



December 31st 1842

Church met in due order.

1st Received by Letter ROBERT SHUFFIELD a deacon from the Church at Williams Creek, Warren County, Geo. Also his wife ANN SHUFFIELD & his servant girl VICY A woman of collor.

2nd On motion the church brought a charge against Bro. JAMES M. STAFFORD for the murder of his Negro boy JOHN when he (STAFFORD) was Expelled from all the Privaleges of the church,

3rd On motion the church brought a charge against Bro. A. CHAMPION of being accessary to the death of the negro boy JOHN, the boy that was murdered by JAMES M. STAFFORD.

4th Appinted Brethren CAUTHEN, LUNSFORD & KING to site Bro CHAMPION to the next conference.

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. F. BURK, C, Clk.

February 4th 1843

Church of Christ at Friendship met in order.

1st On motion took up the case of Bro. CHAMPION when after some considerable debate had there on, the case was deferred until the next conferancs in cours.

2nd Granted letters of dismissal the the following members Bro. STEPHEN LUNSFORD, ELIZABETH LUNSFORD and NANCY LUNSFORD, EDNEY STAFFORD & WILLIAM STAFFORD.

J. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. F. BURK, C, Clk.

Sunday 5th Feb. 1843

Rec'd by Letter ELIZA GRIFFIN

J. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. FUNDERBURK, C., Clk.

March the 4th 1843

1st Sermon by Eldsr J. W. WOODWARD

2nd Conference was duly organized for business, no members rec'd.

3rd. Bro. A. CHAMPIONS case was defered untill the next conferance in course in consequence of his absence on business.

4th The Church brought a charge against Bro. BRYANT DAWSON for card playing, Appointed Brethren HUGHS, KING, & J. MCGARRAH to investigate the case relative to Brother DAWSON, & report at the next conferance.

5th Granted Letters of dismissal to Brother JOHN BROWN and his wife, ELIZABETH BROWN.

J. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. FUNDERBURK, Clk.

April 1st 1843,

Sermon by Elder JAMES T. LUNSFORD from these words, Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you do ye even so to them, &c, After which the conferehcs was duly organized. JAMES T. LUNSFORD in the moderators seat.

1st opened a door for members = none;

2nd Took up the case of Bro. A. CHAMPION, and after some considerable investigation had there on; The Difficulty was amicably adjusted;

3rd Took up the case of Bro. BRYANT DAWSON and after some discussion, (he DAWSON) was expelled from all the privileges of the church,

4th Granted Letters of dismissal to Bro. THOS. GRAHAM and his wife RUTH GRAHAM.

JAMES T. LUNSFORD mod.

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK c., Clk.



May 6th 1843

Sermon by the moderator of the church from John 14 & 15.  
If ye love me keep my commandments etc.; after which  
the conferance was duly organized.

1st Opened a door for members = none = ;

2nd We mistake, we Rec'd by Letter LEVI KINARD

3rd The Building Committee is requested to bring up Their  
old subscriptions at the next conferance for a Settlement.

JAMES T. LANSFORD Mod;

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, C, Clk.

June 3rd 1843

Church met in due order Moderator present

1st Opened a door for members = none =

2nd On motion the refferances of the previous Conferance  
are defered untill the next in consequence of the Committee  
not being present

3rd Granted Brother CHAPPELL HUGHS a Letter of dismission.

4th Bro JOSEPH AYCOCK returned his letter to the Church,  
which was granted him some months Since who expected to  
remove to another county but has failed

JAS. T. LUNSFORD Moderator

A. F. BURK C. Clerk

Sunday 4th day of June 1843

Received by an experience of grace MRS SLEDGE

JAS. T. LUNSFORD Mod

A. F. BURK C. Clerk

July 4th 1843

Friendship Church met in due order, pastor not present.

1st On motion called Bro. JAS. B. MARLOW to the moderators  
seat.

2nd Agreed to postpone all the references untill the  
next conferance in August

JAS. B. MARLOW, Mod.

A. F. BURK, C. Clerk

August 5th 1843

Church at Friendship met in Conferance on motion continued  
the referances of the Previous conferance untill the  
next in course.

JAS. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. F. BURK Clk.

Sunday 6th Rec'd by Letter JANE IRWIN

Monday 7th Rec'd by an experience of grace MARTHA CAUTHEN  
& JAMES M. CAUTHEN by letter

JAMES T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, Clk.

September 2nd 1843

Church at Friendship met in conferance When received by an  
Experiance of grace NICHOLAS DARDEN, and by Letter, STEPHEN  
G. SMITH JUNIOR

2nd Appointed JESSE DARDEN, HENRY WHELASS & J. CAUTHEN

A committee to take Subscriptions and to make an effort  
to raise money to finish paying for our house of worship.

3rd Granted a Letter of dismission CATHARINE LUNSFORD, now  
BATON,

4th Elected JAMES T. LUNSFORD, A. CHAMPION and A. FUNDERBURK  
delegates to the association to convene at Lumkin. A FUNDER\_  
BURK to write the Letter.

J. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. F. BURK, C, Clk.

Brother JAMES B. MARLOW was ordered to cease Exercising  
Himself as a preacher. We think his gift is not to preach.



November 20th 1843

JOSEPH KING Deacon of our church departed this life today in full assurance of heaven and Eternal Happiness forever in Glory.

A. F. BURK, C, CLK.

November 1st 1843

1st Church met in conference Rec'd by letter SISTER BATON.

2nd Granted Letters of dismission to JAMES T. LUNSFORD

his wife & daughter, to MOSES DERRYSAW and wife

3rd On motion the church set apart Friday before the 2nd Sabbath in this month as a day of fasting and prayer, and to Elect a pastor for the next year. Bro. LUNSFORD having resigned his pastoral charge with the church

4th We send.....\$2.50 for minutes

For missions 7.12½

J. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

A. FUNDERBURK, C. CLERK

November 10th 1843

Church met according to previous order for the purpose of electing a Pastor for 1844. When Rev. JOHN HOWELL was the Choice of the church.

2nd Appointed ROBT. SHEFFIELD, ABEL FUNDERBURK, JAS. AYCOCK, JESSEE DARDEN & N. A. PURIFOY a committee to wait on Bro. HOWELL to know of him whether he can except of the pastoral care of the church, to report at next conference.

A. BURK, Clerk

ROBT. SHUFFIELD, Mod.

November 25th 1843

Friendship Church met in conference

1st Called for the report of the committee that was appointed to wait on Bro. HOWELL. Bro. HOWELL being present he arose and addressed the conference relative to the call of the church when he Agreed to serve the church as their pastor for the next year 1844.

4th Continued the refferances.

5th Granted Letters of dismission to Bro. HENRY WHEELASS & his wife, MARY WHEELASS.

JAS. T. LUNSFORD, Mod.

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, Clerk

Changed the time of our meeting from the 1st to the 3rd Sabbath in Each Month & Saturday before.

December 16th 1843,

Church met in Due order

1st Granted Letters of dismission to Mrs. SLEDGE and the Two young sisters WHATLEYS.

2nd On motion postponed the refferances.

3rd On Motion read the minuet and was dismissed.

JOSEPH AYCOCK, Mod.

A. FUNDERBURK, Clerk

January 20th 1844

Church met in conference

1st on motion appointed Brethren SHUFFIELD, ABSALOM BURKE, N. DARDEN, J. R. T. LINGO & CAUTHEN & DERRYSAW to see Bro. TEALS ELIZA who is guilty of the sin of Fornication. ABSALOM BURK, CLK.

JOHN HOWELL, Mod.



February 17th 1844

Church met in conferance JOHN HOWELL Moderator.

1st Received by Letter ELIZABETH DEAVORS by Letter

2nd Caled for the report of the committee who were appointed at the 1st conferance to Settle a difficulty with Bro. TEALS girl ELIZA.

3rd The committee reported to have her Excluded, when on Motion She Bro. TEALS Black Girl ELIZA, was Excommunicated from all the privilidges of the church for the sin of fornication.

4th Appointed Brethren SHEFFIELD, ENGRAM & McGARRAH to see Sister VARNER who has departed from our faith and order and jined the Methodist Society. The Same committee with Bro. BURK to see Sister EMELINE GILMORE for a case of the same nature.

5th Bro. JAMES CAUTHEN to site Bro. PHILPOTT to the next<sup>+</sup> conferance for none attendance.

6th Granted Bro. JOSEPH AYCOCK a letter of dismissal, Also to Sister SARAH SMITH a letter of dismissal. ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, Clk.

March 16th 1844

Church met in order

1st Excluded CATHARINE VARNER & EMELINE GILMORE for connecting themselves with the Methodist church.

JOHN HOWEL, Moderator

A. FUNDERBURKE, Clerk

March 17th 1844

Church met in due order

1st Received by an experiance of Grace HENRY SHUFFIELD and ZACHARIAH SHEFFIELD who give a satisfactory relation of their hope in Christ. Also Rec'd WILLIAM MARLOW by letter

# MEMBERS REC'D 1844

HENRY SHUFFIELD Experience

ZACHARIAH SHUFFIELD do

WILLIAM MARLOW by Letter

ELIZABETH DEAVORS by Letter

ROBERT BEAMON by Experience

JANE SMITH do

WM. R. SMITH by Letter

FRANCES SHUFFIELD by Experience

MARY ANN ALLEN do

JANE BATON do

SAMUEL J. GLOVER do

ELBERT GLOVER do

ELIZABETH R. MARLOW do

JACKSON COLLINS do

WILLIAM TOOL do

JANE DEAVOUR do

# BLACKS RECEIVED 1844

JOHN SHUFFIELD Experience

JIM SHUFFIELD do

RANDOL SHUFFIELD do

HANNAH TEAL do

PETER TEAL do

JACK SHUFFIELD do

JOHN DARDEN do

YANK CHAMPION by Letter

CRECY PURNALL by Letter

# MEMBERS DISMISSED 1844

MARY WHEELASS

HENRY WHEELASS

MRS. SLEDGE

LUVINA WHATLEY

MARY WHATLEY

JOSEPH AYCOCK

MARY SMITH

CATHARIN VARNER, Excluded

EMELINE GILMORE, Excluded

ELIZA TEAL, Black Girl, Excluded

WM. BRAY dismissed by letter

ANN BRAY do do

SAMUEL DAVIS do do

WILLIAM R. SMITH do do

JANE SMITH do do

ROBERT BEAMON do do



April 20th 1844

The Baptist church at Friendship met in due order  
1st opened a door for members when Rec'd by an experience  
of Grace JANE SMITH which was Satisfactory.  
2nd Resolved that we write the ministers meeting to  
convene at this place Friday before the 3rd Sabbath in June.  
JOHN HOWELL Moderator  
ABSALOM F. BURK, Clk.

May 18th 1844

Church met in order  
1st Rec'd by an experience of Grace ROBERT BEAMON  
Sunday 19th Rec'd by letter WM. SMITH  
J. HOWELL Mod.  
A. FUNDERBURK, Clk.

June 15th 1844

Church met in due order J. HOWELL Moderator  
1st opened a door for members. none.  
at night received by an experience of Grace FRANCES SHEFFIELD.  
Also Received by an experience of Grace BRO. ROBERT  
SHEFFIELDS three black boyes JOHN, JIM, and RANDOL

JUNE 16, Rec'd by an experience of grace Bro TEALS HANNAH  
and her Husband PETER

June 20th MARY ANN ALLEN by Experience, And JANE BATON by  
experience

June 22nd Rec'd SAMUEL J. GLOVER by experience and ELBERT  
GLOVER by experience, and ELIZABETH R. MARLOW by experience.

July 13th 1844

Church met in due order Paster not present. No matter of  
importance to transact. When on Motion the conference  
adjourned untill the time in course.  
A. FUNDERBURK, C. Clk.

August 17th 1844

Church met in order Pastor present  
On motion appointed Brethren JOS. McGARRAH and WM. PRICHETT  
to site Bro. JOS. HAGAN to attend our next conference being  
absent two meetings with out knowing the cause. Granted  
a Letter of dismission to Bro. SAMUEL DAVIS.  
A. FUNDERBURK C. Clk.

September 14th 1844

1st Church met in due order J. B. DEAVOURS Moderator. On  
motion Appointed A. F. BURK, JAMES McGARRAH and R. SHEFFIELD  
to Labour with Bro. HAGAN to get Him to Attend our next  
conference to shew cause if any, why he has failed the  
Three Last Meetings.  
2nd Granted Letters of Dismission to WM. R. SMITH and his  
wife - - JANE SMITH and R. W. BEAMON.  
3rd Delligated ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, JAMES McGARRAH, ROBERT  
SHEFFIELD members to the Association, to covene at our church  
Friday Befour the first Sunday in November next.  
4th Appinted the following Committee to arrange seats for  
the association: J. McGARRAH, R. SHEFFIELD, WM. CAUTHEN,  
WM. PRICHETT, N. DARDEN, S. G. SMITH, J. TEAL, J. B. MARLOW.  
A. FUNDERBURK, C. CLK.



September 17th 1844

Church met in conference Rec'd by an experience of Grace

JANE DEAVOURS

Sept 18 Rec'd by an experience of grace WILLIAM JACKSON COLLINS

Sept 19 do do do WILLIAM TOOL

Sept 19 do do do JOHN the property of MICAIAH

DARDEN

Elder JOHN HOWELL Mod.

Elder ISAAC B. DEAVOUR present

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK Clerk

October 19th 1844

Church of Christ at Friendship met in order. Pastor present in his seat.

1st Opened a door for members - none.

2nd Continued the case of Bro. HAGAN.

3rd Appinted ABSALOM F. BURK Treasuary for the Church.

4th Agreed to send for minuts - \$2.50

for Domestic Missions - 8.00

A. F. BURK C, Clk.

November 1st 1844

The Bethel Association convened at Friendship to day. JAMES MATHEWS was elected mod., STEPHEN ROW, Clerk. The Business of the Association was transacted in Harmoney and peace. Sunday 3 JONATHAN DAVIS, JAMES MATHEWS and JAMES PERRYMAN of the Columbus Association preached in the order of there names to a very large and attentive congregation.

November 16th 1844

1st Church met in due order J. B. MARLOW, Mod.

2. Continued the case of Bro. HAGAN

3. Appinted R. Sheffield, H. SHEFFIELD, N. DARDEN and

WM. COTHEN A committee to investigate a difficulty with

Bro. R. SHEFFIELDS boy SAM who has been caught in Lying.

4th Agreed that the same committee see Dr. CHAMPIONS boy

Jim who is reported to be guilty of disorder.

5th Elected Bro. JOHN H (page is torn and cannot read, ed.)

6 R. SHEFFIELD AND AB (torn page, cannot read, ed.)

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The Church for (torn page)



December 14,th 1844

Church of Christ at friendship met in due order.

1st Continued the case of Bro. HAGAN.

2nd the Brethren appinted to see Bro. SHEFFIELD Black Boy reported the case settled

3rd the church authorized Bro. JOHN TEAL to Take the Subscriptions which are in the hands of Br. JESSEE DARDEN for collection.

4th Elder JOHN HOWELL accepted of the call of the Church and entered upon his pastoral duties.

5th Agreed to alter the time of our meeting from the 3rd to the first Sabbath in each month.

JOHN HOWELL Mod.

ABSALOM F. BURK C. CL.,.

January 18th 1845

Church met in order JOHN HOWELL moderator

1st Called for referances

2nd Continued the case of Bro. HAGAN

3rd Granted Bro. AUGUSTUS DICKSON and wife Letters of dismission.

4th Read a request from the Americus church for healp to assist them in settling a difficulty, when on motion

Appinted Brethren ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, JAMES ENGRAM and HENRY SHEFFIELD to attend to that matter.

A. F. BURK C. CLK.

H. SHEFFIELD, ast Clk

February 1st 1845

Church met in order

1st Continued the case of Bro. HAGAN

2nd called for acknowledgements

3rd for new matter

4th Appinted Brethren A. FUNDERBURK and WM. H. PHILPOTT as

helps to the Bethlehem Church to assist in settling a difficulty.

A . F. BURK Clk

JOHN HOWELL, Mod.

March 1st 1845

Church at Friendship met in due order JOHN HOWELL Moderator

1st Opened a door for members - none!

2nd Called for references when on Motion continued the case of Brother JOSEPH HAGAN.

3rd Brother WILLIAM J. COLLINGS called for a letter of dismission. For Brother ABSALOM CARNES called for a letter for himself & wife which was all granted.

4th Received a letter from Providence Church Gadsden County Fla. Requesting a letter of dismission of our church for JAMES M. STAFFORD. When on motion the church refused to grant said STAFFORD a Letter.

5th Appinted A. BURK, J. R. T. LINGO and J. McGARRAH to Answer the Letter from Providence Church.

JOHN R. T. LINGO, Clerk Protem

April 2nd 1845

1845 Church met in conference

1st Took up the case of Bro. JOSEPH HAGAN And after some discussion he was Expelled from The Church for failing to attend to the church conferances.

March 30th Reseived a Black Bro. the property of Bro. CULLEN ROBERTS by letter.

JOHN HOWELL Mod.

A. F. BURK Clerk

Sunday 3rd day April 1845

Rec'd by Letter DANIEL a black Bro. the property of CULLIN ROBERTS

A. BURK C. Clk.

May 3rd 1845

Church at Friendship met in due order

JOHN HOWELL Mod. 1st Called for the letter prepared by A. BURK, JOHN R. T. LINGO and J. McGARRAH for the Providences Baptist Church, Florida, which ware Read and agreed to be mailed.

ABSALOM F. BURK, c. clk.



May 30th 1845

Friendship, Sumter Cty. Ga.

Church met in conferance JOHN HOWELL in the moderators seat.

1st Opened a door for members when received by an experience of grace Mrs. COTTLE.

2nd Called for corrispondents, When Rec'd from Pleasant Plains Bro. JESSE CHAMBLISS: From Bethlehem Brethren STATHAN & LOGAN: From Shilo Brethren T. BELL & HADDEN: From Pondtown Bro. DAVIS: From Ebenezer Brethern BROWN & EASON.

3rd On motion CHARITY a servant girl the property of JAMES LANKFORD was expelled from all the Prividedges of the church for fornication.

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, C. Clk.

July 5th 1845

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due order JOHN HOWELL Moderator

1st Opened a door for members when rec'd by Letter Sister MARTHA WILLIAMS.

2nd Granted letters of Dismission to Sisters JANE HAGAN & MARYANN PURDY

July 28th 1845

Ministers meeting in Session Elder ISAAC DEAVOURS Modtor; Received by letters Sister NANCY SHEFFIELD and MARTHA SIMPSON

A. FUNDERBURK C. Clk.

July 4th 1845

ELIZABETH PURNELL Departed this life today. She ware a member of our church. She ware one of the number in the Constitution of the Church.  
A. FUNDERBURK, C. CLK.

JOSEPH KING Deacon of Friendship Baptist Church departed this life November 20th 1843.  
ABSALOM FUNDERBURK, C. Clerk



August 2nd 1845

Friendship Baptist Church met today in conference when on motion Brother RODGERS were called to the moderators seat.

1st On motion Brethren A. FUNDERBURK and HENRY SHEFFIELD were appinted Delligates to the General meeting to convine at Pleasant Plains Baptist Church Friday before the fifth Sabbath in this month.

2nd HENRY SHEFFIELD, JAMES McGARRAH, WILLIAM CAUTHEN, WILLIAM TOOL were appinted a committee to open And Shut the doors and windows of the meeting house

3rd MARLOW to furnish a Lock and put it on one of The Church doors

A. F. BURK, C. Clk.

Georgia, Sumter Cty

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship Met in due order JOHN HOWELL, Moderator.

1st opened a door for members - none.

2nd called for referances - none

3rd called for new matter - none

4th The Church ordered the Treasurer to burn All the Subscriptions that ware in the hands of Bro. JOHN TEAL.

5th On Motion, Brethren A. F. BURK, JOHN R. T. LINGO, and JAMES McGARRAH ware Elected Deligates to the Association to convene at Mt. Zion Randolph County, Ga.

6th Bro. A. F. BURKE to write the letter.

Sept 6th 1845

A. F. Burke Clerk

1845 October

Church at Friendship Sumter County Georgia met Saturday befour The first Sunday in the above month. JOHN HOWELL Moderator.

1st Conferance ware opened in due order Rec'd no members;

2nd The Church Eleated JOHN HOWELL Pastor for the next year 1846. Who agried to serve the church.

A. F. BURK C. Clerk

November 1st 1845

Church met in order Bro. JOHN HOWELL Presant. and preached a warm Sermon to an attentive audiance; No business transacted in Conferance.

A. F. BURK C. Clerk

NOVEMBER 29th 1845

Departed this Life today, our sister PERMELIA PRICKETT SEN;;

Sleep on Dear Saint, until the day of the Resurrection;

when thy dust shall rise in The Likeness of Christ;

A. F. BURK C. Clerk



December 6th 1845

The Baptist Church at Friendship met in order. JOHN HOWELL  
Moderator/

1st The door of the church were opened for the reception  
of members - none

2nd Called for references - none

3rd Called for new matters, when a charge of Fornication  
were preferred against LUCZEN a woman of collar the property  
of GEO. CHAMPION when on motion she was expelled from  
all the privileges of the church  
HENRY SHEFFIELD Clerk protem

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in due order  
January 3rd 1846 JOHN HOWELL Moderator

1st opened a door for members - none

2nd Bro. GREEN DERRYSAW requested a letter of Dismission  
which was granted

3rd on motion the conference adjourned untill the time in  
course.

A. F. BURKE Clerk

February 28th 1846

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due order JOHN HOWELL  
Moderator

1st opened a door for members - none

2nd called for references - none

3rd called for new matters - none.

ABSALOM BURK Clerk

Aprile 4th 1846

The Baptist Church at Friendship met in order. Elder JOHN  
HOWEL Pastor present.

1st Opened a door for members - none

2nd The committee Appointed to made a settlement with Bro.  
PHILPOT, having failed to attend to the business assigned  
them, on motion, of Bro. SHEFFIELD the committee was  
continued

3rd Rec'd a circular, addressed to the churches of Georgia,  
by Bro. JAMES DAVIS, Agent for the Baptist State convention.  
The object of the Circular is a call for money, for the  
Support of the HOME MISSION Socisty; whose board is  
located at Marion, Ala.

4th. Bro. GREEN DERRYSAW return his letter of Dismission,  
who was dismissed to join some other church of our faith and  
order.

ABSALOM FUNDERBURK Clerk

May 1846

Church at Friendship met in conference Saturday befoure  
the first Sunday in the above named month

1st The committee on Settlement made a report which was  
satisfactory.

2nd The Treasurer is Authorized to take up the Note  
which Bro. PHILPOT holds Against the Church.

A. BURKE Clerk



June 6th 1846

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in order JOHN HOWELL Paster

1st Opened a door for members when Received MARTHA ANN WYNNE by an Experience of Grace. Received by letter SINTHY CROXTON

2 Dismissed by letter JANE BATON and EDITH BATON  
A. FUNDERBURK, Clk

Sunday 7th June 1846

Conferencs for the colored members when excommunicated  
ADAM a servant of Bro. S. SMITHS  
A. BURK, Clk.

DEATHS doing

Died on the Twentififth day of April 1846 Mrs. CATHARINE B. MARLOW Daughter of ELISHA ALLEN of Warren County Geo. She was confined to her bed 22 days before her Death. Was 42 years old, and spent half of That time in the cause of Zion. She was a member of the Mishionary Baptist church of Sumter Co. Geo. And died in hope of a Better world and glorious immortality.  
A. F. BURK C. Clerk

July 4th 1846

The Baptist Church at Friendship met in due order. JOHN HOWELL Pastor

1st On motion by Bro. LINGO that The Clerk be requested to make out a compleet list of all the members of The Church. When it shall be the Duty of the Clerk to read them out to the Church at every quarterly meeting.  
A. F. BURK Clerk

July 6th 1846

Received by an Experiance of Grace Mrs. MATILDA WYNNE.

July 10th 1846

Received by an Experience of Grace MISS GLOVER.

August 1st 1846

Baptist Church at Friendship met in conference.

1) Opened a Door for members when received ELIZABETH CARELILE By letter from South Carolina Lancaster District.

2nd on motion ELIZABETH STRONG formally a member of our church was excluded from our church for jining the Episcopalian church of Macon Geo.

3rd FRANKLIN DARDEN was Expelled for failing to atten his regular conferance.

A. FUNDERBURK, Clerk.



October 3rd 1846

Church met in due order Bro. TAIT moderator

1 It opened a door for members - none

2 Appinted A. FUNDERBURK to write a letter To the association to convene at Albany Georgia HENRY SHEFFIELD and JAMES McGARRAH Delligates and HENRY FUNDERBURK in case of failure.

3rd Sent Two Dollars for minutes and Ten Dollars for Missions

4th Elected ELDER SEEG Pastor for the next year 1847.

A. F. BURK, Clerk

December 1846

Church met in conferance Dec 5th 1846 JOHN HOWELL Moderator  
1st Granted Letters of dismission to Sisters ELIZABETH DEAVOURS & E. J. DEAVOURS. And Also to Sister SARAH LANGLEY  
2nd The Church prefered a charge against Bro. STEPHEN G. SMITH SEN. for intoxication when on motion Appinted J. McGARRAH, ABEL FUNDERBURK, N. DARDEN, R. SHIFFIELD & J. ENGRAM a committee to wait on Bro. SMITH, and Settle if possible the Difficulty and report At the next conference.

Friendship Desember 26th 1846

Church met in due order Elder SEGG Pastor

1st Took up the case of Bro. SMITH SENIOR, When on motion the committee reported the case of Bro. S. G. SMITH SENIOR Settled

2) The Church took up the case of S. G. SMITH JUNIOR and after some discussion being had on his case he was expelled from all the priveledges of the church for intoxication

4) Dr. CHAMPIONS MORIAH & LUEZER was each restored to the fellowship of the Church on a confession of their sins.

5th Granted letters of dismission to WILLIAM T. TOOL, NICKOLASS A. PURIFOY and wife

Eldsr SEGG Mod.

A. F. BURK Clerk



Church at Friendship met in conference Saturday 23rd  
January 1847

1st) On motion by Brother JAMES McGARRAH mod. seconded by  
Bro. A. F. BURKE that the church build a Baptistery on pool  
for the administration of Baptism  
2nd) Appinted J. McGARRAH, H. SHEFFIELD, N. DARDEN a  
committee to superintend the work  
On motion Brother SEGG the pastor was added to the Committee.

Elder SEGG Modr.  
A. F. BURKE Clke

March 2;(or 7th) 1847

Church met in Conference Bro. SEGG the fpastor was not  
present. J. B. MARLOW Mod.  
1st Granted a letter of dismissal to ELIZABETH CARLILE.  
A. F. BURKE C, Clk.

April 24th 1847

Church met in due order Elder SEGG in his place.  
1st the Church brought a charge against JOHN a servant  
boy of Bro. R. SHEFFIELD for immoral conduct when the  
church appinted Brethren H. SHEFFIELD, N. DARDEN and  
J. McGARRAH to make an effort to Settle the case and report  
to the next meeting in course. On Motion Bro. JOHN TEAL  
agreed to have the meeting house scoured twice during of  
the year 1847 and have it sweep at every meeting. The  
church to pay him five dollars for his services.

Bro JOHN TEAL shall take the key of the house and oepn  
and shut the doors and windows at every meeting.  
The Baptistery is to be in readiness by the next meeting  
of the church.

Elder F. F. SEAG Mod.  
A. F. BURKE Clerk

August 21st 1847

Church met in conference Elder JOHN W. FLECHER Mod.

1) Opened a door for members when received by letter  
LINA JONES

2) Called for the report of the committee on the case of  
JOHN a servant of ROBT. SHEFFIELD. The committee report-  
ed that they had Attended to the case of JOHN and found him  
guilty of Adultery, when on motion JOHN was expelled from  
all the priviledges of the church.

3) The Church prefered a charge against Brother SEABORN  
GLOVER for intoxication A profane Language, when on Motion  
appinted a committee to site him to attend the next con-  
ference in course, to attend to or answer to the charges  
alledged against him, R. SHEFFIELD and I. ENGRAM that  
committee.

4) Granted letters of dismissal to JAMES B. MARLOW,  
ELISHA MARLOW and ELIZABETH MARLOW.  
A. F. BURK Clerk.



May 23rd 1847

Brother SAMUEL McGARRAH departed this Life today he was a faithfull member of our church, a good citizen, a kind and affectionate Husband and a good man no doubt.

ABSALOM FUNDERBURKE, Clerk

F. F. SEGG Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church

September 11th 1847

The church met today for the purpose of commencing a seven days meeting no preacher present.

Sunday 12 Bro. JOHN W. FLECHER met with us today and preached for us. Received by Letter DICK a man of collor the property of DR. G. L. SMITH

Monday 13th Met at 10 oclock Elder F. F. SEGG the pastor met with us and preached to us with acceptance.

Tuesday 14th Bro TAIT met with us to day and preached a good sermon.

Wednesday 15th Met at 10 oclock held an enquirery meeting after which opened a door for members, Received by an experience of Grace EMILY McGARRAH, MARY CROXTON, MARTHA JANE BAKER, SUSAN HEATH.



Friendship Church met in due order Saturday 23rd 1847

1st Rec'd by letter RICHARD WALLACE

2nd Took up the case of SEABORN GLOVER when on motion the case was continued until the next conference.

3rd Called for the letter prepared by A. F. BURK for the association which was read and adopted.

4) Agreed to send \$1.50 for minuts.

F. F. SEGG Mod.

A . F. BURK Clk

November 27th 1847

Church met in due order Pastor not present. On motion R. SHEFFIELD acted as moderator.

1st Took up the case of Bro SEABORN GLOVER when he was expelled for intoxication and profane Language.

2nd Granted a letter of dismission to LEVI KINNARD and his wife.

4th (no 3rd listed) Elected Elder F. F. SEGG Pastor for the year of or Lord 1848

3rd Agreed to pay Elder SEGG \$100.00 one hundred dollars for the past year.

A. F. BURK, Clk.

The Baptist Church at Friendship met in conferance Jan 22nd 1848 Rev. F. F. SEIG mod.

1st Granted Letters of Dismission to BEN & HENNY a collared brother & sister the property of J. M. JONES.

2nd Appinted Brethren J. McGARRAH and ROBBERT SHEFFIELD to wait on Bro. TEAL and request him to attend the next conferance.

H. SHEFFIELD Clk

March 25th 1848

Met in conferance F. F. SEIG Moderator

1st opened a door for members, when received by letters ROBERT WALL, L. B. SMITH, MARY SMITH, MORIAH WALL

2nd Called for and received corrispondence from Shilo

3rd The committee appinted to wait on Bro. TEAL reported.

On motion the case was defered until the next conferance and Appinted Bro ABL F. BURK to wait on Bro. TEAL and get him if posible to attend the next meeting.

3rd Granted a letter of Dismission to WALLACE

4th Appinted Bro. J. McGARRAH to site Sister HEATH to the next conferance in April next

H. SHEFFIELD Clk protem



## Friendship Baptist Church

May 27th 1848

Met in conferance F. F. SEGG mod.

1st Rec'd ROLLIN BAKER by Letter

2 The church prefered to charges against JOHN TEAL

one for Intoxication the other for prevarication. On Motion

appointed Brethren J. McGARRAH, N. DARDEN go wait on said

TEAL to site him to the next conferance.

3rd Took up the case of Mrs. HEATH and after some discussion

being had on the case She was expelled From all the

priviledges of the church For intoxication.

4th Bro. L. B. SMITH made a donation to the church of one

of Bucks Hymn Books which was cordially rec'd.

A. F. BURK Clk.

Baptist Church at Friendship met in conferance Saturday  
befour the 4 Sabbath in June 1848 F. F. SEGG Mod.1 Took up the case of JOHN TEAL and after some Discussion  
being had on the case he was Expelled from the church.

August 26th 1848

Church met in order F. F. SEGG, Mod.

1st opened a door for members when Received by letter

A. P. CARNES and his wife LINA CARNS

ABSALOM F. BURK, Clk.

Saturday 23rd day of September 1848

Church met in conferance

F. F. SEGG Mod.

1st Elected Berthern JAMES McGARRAH and HENRY SHEFFIELD

delligates to The Association to convene at Bethlehem

Stewart Co Ga Saturday befour the first Sunday in Noon next

2nd Appinted A. F. Burk to write A Letter

A. F. Burk, Clk.



Friendship Oct 27th 1848

Met in conferance F. F. SEGG Mod

1st opened a door for members - none

2nd We send for Minutes \$1.50

3rd for Association fund 1.00

4th for Misionary purposes 15.00

A. F. BURK clk

Friendship Baptist Church met in due order when on motion

Bro. ROBERT. SHEFFIELD was called to the chair as Modr.

Opened a door for members - none -

Called for references - none -

Called for new matter when on motion Bro. F. F. SEGG was  
elected pastor for 1849.

Friendship Baptist Church met in order Saturday 27th Jan  
1849 ROBT. SHEFFIELD Modr.

1st Opened a door for members - none

2nd called for refferences - none

3rd Called for new matter when Bro. A. F. BURK presented  
a Letter from the Pond Town Church When on motion the  
reading of which was deferred until the next conferance.  
Brethren H. SHEFFIELD, S. SMITH, J. McGARRAH and A. F. BURKE  
were Appinted to examine the Letter from Pond Town and  
report there on at the next meeting of this body as a church  
A. F. BURKE Clk

February 24th 1849

Church met in due order Elder F. F. SEGG Moderator

1st Took up the case of the Pond Town Letter, when the  
committee reported that they had examined the letter and  
on motion it was read and Rec'd as a friendly Letter from  
the Brethren at Pond Town. Shewing most plainly that  
L. B. SMITH was a member in Disorder in their church, his  
letter had been recalled prior to his joining our church  
in March Last which he refused to give up. On motion by  
Bro. A. F. BURKE the Minute of March conferance 1848 or  
as much of the minutes as relates to S. B. SMITH case be  
reconsidered and is therefore null & void.



and the letter of dismissal from the Pond Town Church of  
L. B. SMITHS be handed back to him by ROBT. WALL.  
A. F. BURKE Mod.

May 26th 1849

Church meet in conferance  
1st opened a door for members when received ELIZABETH  
STATHAM by Letter  
F. F. SEIG Mod.  
A. F. BURKE Clk

June 23rd 1849

Church met in Conferance Bro. FLETCHER mod. No referances  
& no new matters on Motion the church adjourned.  
A. F. BURKE Clk.

August 25th 1849

Church met in Conferance opened a door for members when  
received by letter SIMEON WALTON and his wife SIREANA  
WALTON.  
F.F. SEIG Mod  
A. F. BURKE, Clk.

September 22nd 1849

Church met in Conferance. No referances. On motion Elected  
Brethren JAMES McGARRAH, HENRY SHEFFIELD and in case of  
failure A. F. BURKE delligates to the association to  
convene at Americus, Ga.  
F. F. SEIG Mod  
A. F. Burk Clk

Sept 24th

Res'd by letter REBECCA WATSON now CARMICHAEL Also by letter  
ELIZABETH E. M. BEARD.  
A. F. BURK Clk.



(Beginning here there will be more than one page of the original minute book on one typewritten page to conserve paper. The page numbers will refer to the original pages in the minute book)

Friendship Baptist Church met in Conferance Saturday 27th of October 1849 Elder SEIGG Modr.

1st Opened a door for members - none

2nd Read the letter for the association adopted

3 Agreed to send \$1.00 for minutes and \$1.50 for association fund.

4 The case of Bro LINGO taken up, appinted Brethren JAMES MCGARRAH, ROBT. SHEFFIELD and A. F. BURK a committee to inquire into the case.

5th Brother SEIGG having resigned his charge with us, Bro. ISAAC HART was unanimously called to the care of the church.

HENRY SHEFFIELD assist. clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in due order Saturday 24 of Nov 1849 F. F. SEIG mod.

1st called on the committee to report on the case of Bro. LINGO. The committee having failed to attend to the matter on motion this same committee continued with the addition of Brethren N. DARDEN & A. CHAMPION.

2 On motion a charge of unchristian conduct was prefered against Sister MARY LINGO and the same committee appinted to see her.

3rd Granted Letters of Dismission to GREEN DERRYSAW, WM. H. PHILPOT, SARAH PHILPOT, JAMES M. CAUTHEN, MARTHA CAUTHEN.

H. SHEFFIELD Ast. Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in conferance Jan 26th 1850  
I. HART, Mod.

1st Opened a door for members - none

2nd Called on the committee to report on the case of Bro.

LINGO - not ready. On motion continued the case until the next meetin in corse.

A.F. BURKE Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in conference March 23rd 1850

1st Opened a door for the reception of members.

2nd On motion the decorum was read.

3rd Agreed to defer re much of the 15th Itum of the decorum as relates to washing the saints feet, over to next conference for investigation.

4th Took up the case of Brether LINGO for Fightin and on motion was ~~excused~~ also for intoxication and after satisfactory acknowledgements was given he was excused on that matter.

5th The cass of Sister LINGO not ready was continued

6 Granted letters of Dismission to Bro. WILLIAM and his wife Mrs. CAUTHEN, HENRY SHEFFIELD ast. clerk.



Baptist Church at Friendship Ga met in conference 29th April  
1850 Elder PATRICK Mod

1st opened a door for members - none

2 Took up the 15th Article of the decorum relating to  
washing the saints feet & on motion Resolved that so much  
of the 15th Item of the decorum as relates to washing the  
Saints feet be struck out

3 the case of Sister LINGO was laid over until the  
next meeting

HENRY SHEFFIELD Ast Clk

May 25 1850

Church met in due order I. HART Mod

1st called for references

2nd Took up the case of Sister LINGO when on motion continued

3rd Appinted Brethren JAMES McGARRAH together with the mod-  
erator site her to attend the next meeting without fail

4th Granted a Letter of Dismission to MARTHA WILLIAMS and  
ELIZABETH BEARD

A. F. BURKE Clk

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Friendship Baptist Church meet in due form June 22nd 1850

I. HART Mod.

1st Took up the case of MARY LINGO and after some considerable  
investigation had on the case The church on motion by Bro  
JAMES McGARRAH She, MARY LINGO, was expelled from all the  
priviledges of the church. The charge Alledged against  
her was for Beating her Step Children unmercifully & cruelly.  
Wittnesses in the case Dr. GEORGE CHAMPION, ALPHA CHAMPION  
BRO. BATON

2nd Took up a message from a Mt. Carmael Church calling for  
help to settle a difficulty existing in the church.

3 On motion Appinted Brethren JAMES McGARRAH, ABSALON  
BURKE, N. DARDEN, THOS. McGARRAH as helps to assist in the  
matter.

A. BURKE Clk

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance  
Satarday before the fourth Sundy in October

1st opened a Door for members - none

2nd Elected Brethren JAMES McGARRAH, HENRY SHEFFIELD as  
delligates to the Association to be holden at Palmyra Lee  
County Ga.

3rd Agreed to send \$1.50 cts for minutes

4 for missions 10.00

A. F. BURKE to write the Letter

A. F. BURK Clk.

November 21st 1850

Church met in due order R. SHEFFIELD Mod.

1st the Elestion for a Pastor for the next year was Taken  
up when on motion FRANCIS F. SEGG was by acclamation chosen  
pastor for the year 1851.

A. F. BURK Clk

Decembsr 21st 1850

Church met in conferance Brother HART moderator. Brother  
F. F. SEIGG Present and excepted the call of the church.  
Appinted Brethren A. F. BURK to site Bro. WILLIAM SMITH to  
attend the next conferance to Shew because if any he has  
why he has not attended his meetings Regularly

A. F. BURK Clk

Granted Letters of dismission

PHEBY INGRAM

KENNETH INGRAM

SARAH INGRAM

GREEN the property of I. INGRAM

JAMES INGRAM

ETHELDRED INGRAM

JOHN C. INGRAM

JOHN INGRAM



1851 The Baptist Church of Christ met in due form January 25th 1851 pastor absent

1st on motion appinted Bro. JAMES McGARRAH Mod.

2nd opened a door for members when Received by Letters

WILLIAM ROSS a Recent Preacher, MARY A. E. ROSS his wife, C. W. ROSS and his wife ARMENDA P. ROSS, MARTIN a servant boy of Bro. WILLIAM ROSS, DICY a servant girl of BRO WILLIAM ROSS, MALINDA a servant girl of Bro WILLIAM ROSS, HULDAH a servant girl of Bro WILLIAM ROSS

3rd on motion continued the case of Bro WM. SMITH, Bro. JAMES McGARRAH appinted to site Bro. SMITH to attend the next conferance.

4th agreed to site Bro. J. R. T. LINGO to attend the next meeting to shew cause why he has failed to come out to his meeting, Bro. H. SHEFFIELD to attend to that matter  
A. F. BURK Clk.

February 1851

ABSALOM CARNES departed this life some time in this month.

Rec'd by Letter this day 4th Sabbath in February 1851

LUCINA HOLLY now CRAWFORD.

1851 Church met in conferance February 22nd 1851 F. F. SEIG mod.

1st the committee on the case of Bro. LINGO reported. On motion the case was continued and F. F. SEGG appinted to see him. The committee on the case of W. C. SMITH reported and was continued.

2 Bro. N. DARDEN reported a case of Intoxication against WILLIAM PRICKETT and S. S. SMITH Appinted N. DARDEN to site them to attend the next meeting.

A. F. BURK Clk

March the 22nd 1851

Church at Friendship met in due form F. F. SEIGG mod.

1st opened a Door for members, Rec'd Bro. GREEN DERRYSAW by Letter

2 the casses of Brethren LINGO, W. C. SMITH, S. G. SMITH & W. PRICKETT continued

3 Bro. R. SHEFFIELD reported a case of Drunkness against his servant boy RANDOL. Appointed Brethren ROBT. SHEFFIELD & DARDEN to talk with the boy RANDOL and site him to attend the next conferance

4 Agreed to have Preaching at this place evsry 3d Sabbath in each month by Bro. ROSS.

5. Agreed that Brother WILLIAM ROSS Preach to the Black Peaople every fourth Sunday in each month in the evening  
A. F. Burk c. clk.



1851 Friendship Church met in due form Saturday 26th April 1851. F. F. SEIG Mod.

1st Opened a Door for members - none

2nd Took up the case of J. R. T. LINGO. After hearing had some discussion there on. The church on motion expelled him from the privileges of the church. The charge against LINGO for failing to attend his meetings. He was therefore excommunicated for nonattendance.

3rd Continued the case of Brethren S. G. SMITH, WM. C. SMITH, WM. PRICHETT

4. RANDOL the property of ROBERT SHEFFIELD was excommunicated for intoxication.

A. F. BURK Clk

Friendship Ga May 24th 1851

Church met in due form F. F. SEIG mod.

1 opened a Door for members - none

2 Took up the casses of Brethren W. C. SMITH, S. G. SMITH, W. PRICHETT after some remarks on motion appinted Brother W. SROSS with Bro. J. McGARRAH to converse with the Brethern above mentioned & try if posible to get them to attend the next conferance

4. the church perfered a charge against ELBERT GLOVER for cursing & swareing in other words profanity. J. DARDEN appinted to site him GLOVER to attend the next meeting.

5. Granted Letters of Dismission to ALPHA CHAMPION and SARAH GREEN.

A. F. BURK, Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in conferance Saturday 21st day of June 1851

1st opened a Door for members - none

2nd Took up the case of WILLIAM C. SMITH when on motion the church expelled him from the priveledges of the Same. not for any immorality but for failing to attend to his conferances regularly.

3 Took up the cases of S. G. SMITH & WILLIAM PRICHETT when on motion, they both was retained in the fellowship of the church by confessing their falts to the committee WILLIAM ROSS & JAMES McGARRAH

4th Continued the case of Bro. ELBERT GLOVER until the next meeting.

F. F. SEIGG Mod

A. F. BURK C. Clk

Church met in due form Saturday Aug 7, 1851 F. F. SEIGG Mod.

1. opened a Door for members Received by an Experiance of Grace JAMES JONES. Also VISY a woman of color servant of Bro. LARKIN GLOVER, LUCY a servant girl of Dr. JOHNSON by an experience of Grace.

2. The case of ELBERT GLOVER was called up and deferred until the next conferance.

3. A committee was appinted to Take into consideration of building the ballance of the seats for the House.

Brethren ROSS, McGARRAH & SHEFFIELD, Committee.



Church at Friendship met in conference Sept 27th 1851  
Bro. FLETCHER Mod.

1. Opened a door for members Rec'd Bro. B. Y. SMITH by Letter.
2. Continued ELBERT GLOVER case
3. The committee on building seats Reported Progress.
4. Elected Brethren WM. ROSS & JAMES McGARRAH to the association.
5. the Clerk to write the Letter.
6. for minutes \$2.00
7. The church Took up a case reported against BRO. SHEFFIELDS SAM, for an attempting to commit the Rape upon a white girl. When on motion he was suspended from All the priveledges of the church
8. Granted Letters of dismissal to JESSE DARDEN and his wife MARTHA DARDEN and A. A. EDGAR and EMILY HART  
A. F. BURK, Clk.

1851 August the 4th Sabbath protracted the meeting from day To Day for 10 days when received by Experiance EMILY HART, POLINA TEAL, MARY BURK, SARAH DOZIER, Miss SARAH GLOVER, Miss MALOINA LINGO, ELIZABETH RANSOM by Letter, Mrs. BECKWORTH by Letter, Mrs. JOHNSON by Letter, STEVE a servant boy of I. HART Rec'd by experiance, JOHN a servant boy of Bro. J. McGARRAH by Experiance.

Church of Christ at Friendship met in Due form Pastor present.

- 1st opened a door for members - none
- 2nd Took up the case of ELBERT GLOVER when on motion by A. F. BURK he was expelled from all the priveledges of the church for intoxication
- 3rd Restored Bro. WILLIAM HAGAN to the Fellowship of the church.
- 4th Granted a letter of dismissal to WILLIAM HAGAN
- 5th Adapted the Letter proposed by A. F. BURKE for the association Oct 25th 1851.  
A. F. BURK, Clk.

August meeting 1851

Restored SEABORN GLOVER to the Fellowship of The church, also LIZE a servant girl the property of JOHN TEAL. Received by an experiance of Grace during the above meeting August 1851 SARAH A. SHEFFIELD wife of Bro. HENRY SHEFFIELD. Aslo Rec'd at the same time by an experience MARTHA GLOVER wife of Bro. SEABORN GLOVER. Also MARTHA PRICHETT by an experiance, wife of WILLIAM PRICHETT.  
A. F. BURKE, Clk.

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Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form November 22d 1851, WM. ROSS Modtor

- 1st on motion Bro. Francis F. SIEGG was unanimously chosen pastor for the year 1852.
- 2nd Brethran WILLIAM ROSS & S. G. SMITH was appinted a committee to inform Elder SEIGG of his election as pastor & know of him wheather he will accept of the care of the church for annother year and report tomorrow.
3. Granted a letter of dismissal to Bro. WM. R. MARLOW.  
A. F. BURK Clk.



April 24 1852

Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship Sumter Co. Ga.  
Met in conference May 22nd 1852 Bro SEIGG present & acted  
as moderator

1st Opened a Door for members when Rec'd by Letter Bro.  
JAMES COOK & his wife ELIZABETH COOK  
A. F. BURKE Clk

Friendship Baptist Church Met in due form May 22nd 1852  
Bro. F. F. SEIGG, Mod. Bro. McLAWRAN preached.

1st opened a door for members - none  
2 called for refferance - none  
3 called for new matter  
4 Took up the case of SAM a servant boy Belonging to  
Bro. R. SHEFFIELD which case was acted on at a former  
conference and was suspended for a time indefinately.  
The church today in conference ordered that he SAM be ex-  
pelled from all the priveledges & fellowship of the church  
for attempting to commit the rape on a white girl.  
A. F. BURKE C. Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in due form at her Regular  
meeting in June. F. F. SEIG Mod., A. F. BURKE, Clk.

1st Opened a Door for members rec'd - none  
2. Called for references - none  
3. Called for new matter - none  
4. On motion Res'd the minutes and adjourned.

Friendship Church met in due order at her regular meeting  
in July. F. F. SEIG, mod. , A. F. BURKE Clk

Granted a letter of dismissal to POLINA McMATH

No business and adjourned.

August 24th 1852

Church met in due form F. F. SEIG mod.

1st opened a door for members Rec'd by letter ELIZABETH  
SMITH from Pond Town Ga. Also rec'd by letter WILEY CARTER,  
and his wife SARAH CARTER.

Adjourned.

A. F. BURKE C. Clk

August 25th 1852

Received by Letter LUCY a servant the property of WILEY  
CARTER.

A. F. BURKE Clerk



Friendship Church met in due form Feb 26th 1853 Elder F. F. SEIG present. Opened a Door for members Rec'd by Letter E. D. EASON, ELIZABETH EASON, MARION REBECCA EASON, WILLIAM T. EASON, L. C. BARRETT; no further business, the conferance closed.

A. F. BURK Clk.

Friendship Church met in due form Saturday befour the 4th Sabbath in March 1853 F. F. SEIGG present

- 1 opened a Door for members - none
  - 2 Granted a letter of Dismission to REBECCA BOYETT.
- Nothing more to interest untill the time in course.

A. F. BURKE Clk.

Friendship Sumter County Ga. April 23rd 1853 Church met in due form. F. F. SEIG moderator. Received by Letters WILLIAM AVENT a Deacon. Also his wife ANN AVENT. On motion adjourned untill the time in course.

A. F. BURKE C. Clke.

Georgia Sumpter County May 21st 1853

Church met in Due Course, F. F. SEIGG mod

1st Opened a Door for membsrs - none

2 Received & read a friendly communication from our Sister Church at Mt. Carmel by the hand of Brethren Cauley & Carlile. The contents of the Letter were this.

The church at Mt. Carmell being without a pastor. They having made choice of our Bro. WM. ROSS and as he WM.

ROSS is a member with us they the Mt. Carmel Brethren have requested our Church to have him ROSS ordained to the work of the ministry.

3 The church after Due consideration Thinks it not expedient at this time to ordain him WM. ROSS at this time to the work.

4th Moved that the Clerk inform the Mt. Carmel Church of the reasons why they cannot ordain Bro. ROSS.

A. F. BURKE Clk.

Saturday 24 Sept 1853

Church met in Due order F. F. SEIGG Mod

1st Opened a Door for members Rec'd by an experiance of Grace Phebe a Servant girl the property of LARKIN GLOVER

2nd Delligated our brethren L. B. SMITH and J. McGARRAH and in case of failure A. F. BURK members to the association to convene at Lumpkin Stewart Co. Ga. Saturday befour the 1st Sunday in Novm next.

3rd We send for minutes \$2.00; for association purposes \$1.50.

4th Granted Letters of Dismission to Sisters JANE SMITH & LOUSINDA MORNING.

A. F. BURKE C. Clk.



October 24th 1853

The Baptist Church at Friendship met in due form

F. F. SEIG Mod

1st opened a Door for members

2nd Dismissed by Letter L. C. BARRET, ROBT. WALL, Sister

A. M. WALL, SARAH JANE WALL

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

November 26th 1853

Church met in due form. F. F. SEIG Mod

1st opened a door for the reception of members. Received by Letter RANDOL HART and his wife ARAMENTA HART

2nd Rec'd a communication from the Church at Mt. Carmel by the hands of Brethern E. CARLILE & J. B. BRAY requesting the ordination of one of our members WILLIAM ROSS.

3 The Church after due consideration of The Letter, The Church agreed to the following Resolution

4 Resolved, That in our opinion it would not be expediant for us as a church, from the conviction on our part, that he, Bro. WILLIAM ROSS having no Lisence to preach It would be rong in us to Set him a part for ordination.

A. F. Burk C. Clk.

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form This December 24th 1853. Granted Letters of dismission to MICHEAL

DERRYSAW, GREEN DERRYSAW, STRONGS CRESIA a Servant Girl

A. F. BURK C.C.

March 22nd 1854

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form Bro. SEIGG pastor present.

1st opened a door for members Rec'd none

2nd called for referances - none

3rd called for new matter - none

4 on motion Read the minutes & adjourned

F. F. SEIG Mod

A. F. BURKE C. Clk

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance April 22nd 1854, F. F. SEIGG Mod.

1 opened a Door for the Reception of members, none

2nd called for referances - none

3rd called for new matter - none

4th Read the minutes & closed the conferance

Friendship Church met in due form May 27 1854

1st opened a door for the reseption of members - none

2nd Invited visiting brethren to Seats with us

3rd called for absentees

4th Granted letters of Dismission to Sisters MARTHA CALOWAY, MARY A. E. ROSS, LUSSNA A. CRAWFORD, and WILLIAM ROSS, SUSANNAH HARPER



Georgia Sumter Co. The Baptist Church of Christ at  
Friendship met in conference Saturday 24th June 1854.

F. F. SEIG mod

Granted a Letter of Dismission to Sister MARY DAWSON.

Georgia Sumter Co The Baptist Church of Christ at  
Friendship met in Due form F. F. SEIGG modsrator  
1st opened a Door for the reception of members - none  
2nd granted a Letter of dismission to Sister MARY SMITH  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.

Georgia Sumter County The Baptist Church of Christ at  
Friendship met in due form Saturday 26th August 1854  
No referance nor new matter on hand. The church closed  
the conferance After Granting a Letter of Dismission  
to Bro. BENJ. SMITH & his wife ELIZABETH SMITH  
A. F. BURKE C. CLK.

Georgia Sumter County September 20th 1854  
The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in due  
form Sept. 23rd 1854, F. F. SEIG Mod.

1st opened a Door for the reception of members when Rec'd  
by Letter UPSON H. CLARK & his wife E. W. CLARK & Miss  
MARY HENSON

2nd Elected A. F. BURK & J. McGARRAH members to the  
association and in case of failure WM. CROXTON

3rd agreed to send Two Dollars for minutes & one Dollar  
for association purposes.

A. F. BURK, Clk

Georgia Sumter County October 23rd 1854 The Baptist Church  
at Friendship met in due form F. F. SEIGG Mod

1st opened a Door for members

2nd appinted A. F. BURK, J. McGARRAH and U. H. CLARK a  
committee to purchase Ssats from the Presbyterian Church  
to fill out our house

On motion the conferance closed.

A. F. BURK clk

Sunday 24th Oct 1854

A collection was Taken after a Sermon by Bro. SEIGG on  
missions amounting to \$14.00



Friendship Church met in Conferanse this Nov. 25th 1854

R.SHEFFIELD Mod

1. The committee reported that they had Bought 13 Seats for Thirteen Dollars which was Res'd by the church and paid for.

2 Brethren CLARK & J. McGARRAH To Take Subscriptions for the support of the Gospul to raise money for Bro. SEIGG. for his servises as pastor of the church this year.

3 On motion The church went into The choice of a pastor for the next year when on counting the Ballads it was found that Bro. JESSE STALLIONS had twelve votes (& Bro F. F. SEIGG had Seven votes. Bro. J. STALLIONS was duly elected pastor for the year 1855.

4th Appointeted Brethren J. McGARRAH, N. DARDEN, & H. F. BURKE to wait on Bro. STALLIONS & to inform him of the call of the church and to report at the next meeting.

5th Granted letters of Dismission to Bro. B. HART & wife. A. F. BURK, Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in conferance Decembsr 23rd 1854 F. F. SEIGG Moderator.

1st opened a door for the reception of members - none

2nd called for referances - none

3rd called for New matter - none

A. F. BURK C Clk.

Friendship Church met in conferance January 27 1855 JESSE STALLINS Mod

1st opened a dor for the reception of members - none

2nd called for referances - none

3rd called for new matters - none

A. F. BURKE C. CLK.

Friendship Baptist Church met in Conferance Feb 24th 1855 JESSE STALLINS Mod

1st opened a Door for members = none

2 no referances

3 no new matter

4th closed the conferance untill the time in course

A.F. BURK C. Clerk

March 24 1855

Friendship Baptist Church met in due form Elder JESSEE STALLINS Moderator

1st opensd a door for the reception of members when

Rec'd by Letter Bro. JOHN A. HUFF by letter.

2nd called for referances - none

3rd called for new matter, when on motion Bro. HENRY SHEFFIELD was excommunicated from all the priveledges of the church



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for absconding in order to avoid the Laws of the country  
also for failing to attend his regular meeting

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on motion Bro. WILLIAM FINCH was expelled from the church  
and all the priveledges as a member for absconding from  
the country to keep from paying his just debts.

5 Granted Letters of dismission to Sisters MARY BAKER &  
LINGO also Sister HINTON.  
A. F. BURK Clk.

Sunday March 25 1855

Received by Letters Bro. WILLIAM McMATH & his wife  
NARCISSA McMATH.

April 21st 1855

Church met in due form

1st Rec'd the decorum

2nd opened a door for the reception of members - none

3rd called for references - none

4th called for new matters when on motion ELIZABETH  
CARNES was expelled from the CHURCH for joining the  
Presbyterian Church

5th On motion the church appointed Bro. WILLIAM McMATH  
Church Corister

6th Closed the conference until the time in course.

JESSE STALLINS Mod

A. F. Burke C. Clk.

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Georgia Sumter County Baptist Church at Friendship met  
in Conferance May 26 1855. Sermon by Elder JESSEE STALLINS

1st Read & confirmed the minuts of the last conferance.

2nd Opened a Door for the reception of members

3rd On motion agreed to corrispond with the Following  
churches Viz, Shilo, Lebannon, Mt. Carmell & Ebenezar.

Appointed corrispondents as follows, To Shilo J. McGARRAH &  
N. DARDEN, To Ebenezer W. CARTER and E. D. EASON, To  
Lebannon A. F. BURKE and W. AVAN, To Mt. Carmel W. ROSS  
and W. W. CLARK

4th appointed A. F. BURK, JAMES McGARRAH and JOHN A.  
HUFF a committee to Letter a matter of differance

between Bro. J. B. KINARD and Sister FRANCES CHAMPION

5th on motion adjourned until the time in course.

J. STALLINS Mod.

A. F. BURK Clk

June 23rd 1855 Church met in due form Jessee STALLINS Mod

1st read and confirmed the minuts of the Last conferance

2. opened a door for the reseption of members

3. called for referances

4. called for the report of the committee

on Bro. KINARD and Sister CHAMPION case. Committee  
reported settled

5. Adjourned.

A. F. BURK Clk.



The Baptist Church at Friendship met in due form July

21st 1855 Sermon by Bro. STALLINS

1st Read and confirmed the minutes of the last conference

2 opened a Door for the Reception of members when  
received by Letter Bro. JOHN J. PASS and his wife Sister  
SARAH PASS

3rd There being nothing further found to claim the  
Attention of the church, the conference closed by Singing.  
JESSE STALLINGS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.

Sunday August 5th 1855

The Church at Friendship closed a protracted meeting to  
day of eight days Duration. Brother STALLINGS our pastor  
was present all the time. Brother PERRY was with us  
occasionally. Bro. HART was with us part of the time  
and preached with acceptance. Our congregations were un-  
usually large. We Trust the Labours of the meeting  
may Tell in Eternity. Additions during the meeting  
Received by an experience of Grace ELIZABETH GLOVER,  
SARAH J. COOKE, SARAH M. DUPREE, MARY HOLLY, By Letter  
Sister ELIZABETH GREEN. Also by an Experience of Grace  
ELLIS a servant boy the property of JOHN SIMS  
JESSE STALLINGS Mod  
A. F. BURKE Clk

August 25th 1855 The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship  
Meet in due form. Bro. JESSE STALLING Moderator

1st opened a door for members - none

2nd called for refferances - none

3rd There being no business to claim the attention  
of the conference in due form

A. F. BURK Clk

Saturday 22nd September 1855

Conference met in due form JESSE STALLINGS Moderator

1st opened a door for the Reception of members when  
came forward GEORGE & NANCY his wife both persons of color  
& the property of Bro WILY CARTER and related an Ex-  
perience of grace and was Rec'd on a profession of  
their faith into the fellowship of the church.

2nd Rec'd corrispondints from Mt Carmel Brother CAWLEY.  
from Shilo, Brother MASHBURN

3rd Elected Brethern A. F. BURK, JAMES McGARRAH and in  
case of failure WILY CARTER to the association to  
convene at Cuthbert on Saturday before the first Sunday  
in Novembsr 1855

4th closed in due form

A. F. BURK Clk



October 27th 1855

Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in conferance  
J. STALLING mod.

1st Read & confirmed the minuts of Last Conferance

2nd opened a door for the reseption of members - none

3rd called for refferances - none

4th Miscelaneous matter. none

5th closed in due form

A. F. BURK C. Clk

Sunday Oct 28 1855

Preaching by J. STALLINGS after which a collection for  
missionary purposes was Taken amt \$18.00. Agreed to send  
\$16.00 for central African missions and for minuts \$2.00.

A. F. BURK, Clerk

November 28 1855

Church met in conferance

1st opened a door for members none

2nd went into the choice of a pastor for the ensuing

year when on counting the ballads it was found that JESSE  
STALLINGS was duly Elected pastor. Nothing else claiming  
the attention of the meeting the conferance closed in due  
form.

A. F. BURK Clk

J. STALLINGS Mod

November 25 1855

Sunday Preaching by Bro. J. STALLINGS. Rec'd by an  
experiance of grace a ssrvant woman of collar the  
property of TENDERSON SMITH

A. F. BURK C. CLK

December 23rd 1855

Preaching by Bro. CLARK. Text, marvel not that I said  
unto you, ye must be Bornd again. After Preaching opened  
a door to grant Letters of dismission to Bro. W. H. CLARK &  
E. W. CLARK His wife. also to Sister MATILDA WYNNE.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

February 23rd 1856

Church met in conferance

1st Rec'd the minuts of Last conferance and confirmed them

2nd opened a door for the reseption of members none

3rd appointed corispondents for the following churches

viz To Shilo - Mt Carmel, Ebenezer & Lebannon-

4th nothing further claiming the attention of the church

The conferance closed in due form

A. F. BURK C Clk

J. STALLINGS Mod

February 24 1856

Sunday after preaching by Brother STALLINGS The church  
Granted Letters of Dismission to Bro WILLIAM McMATH and  
his wife NARSISSA McMATH.

A. F. BURK C. Clerk



Friendship Baptist Church met in due form March 22nd 1856

JESSE STALLINGS Moderator

1st Read and confirmed the minuts of Last conferance

2nd opened a Door for the reception of members none

3rd called for referances none

4th appointed corrispondents to the following churches

Shilo - Mt. Carmel and Ebenezer.

5th nothing further claiming the attention of the meeting

The conferance slosed in due form.

A. F. BURK Cc. Clk.

Friendship Church met in due form April 26 1856 J. STALLINGS mod

Read & confirmed the minuts of the Last Conferance

1st opened a Door for the Reception of members - none

There being no further business for the conferance to act

upon the meeting closed in due form.

A. F. BURK C. Clerk

May 22nd 1856

Church met in due form the pastor being abcent. On motion

Bro. WILLIAM ROSS was called to the chair. Nothing

worthy of record being acted on by the conferance the

meeting closed in due form.

A. F. BURK C. Clerk

Friendship Church met in due form Saturday 23rd June 1856

J. STALLINGS Mod

1st Read & confirmed the minuts of Last Conferance

2nd opened a door for the reception of members. called

for corrispondants from Mt Carmel, Brethren ROSS & WEEKLY:

from Ebenezer Brethren HUGHS & BATTLE, from Shilo MASHBURN

& ABBOT

3rd On motion the proseedings of the meetings had in

relation to the Building of a new House of Worship at

this Place be placed on the minuts of the church book

A. F. BURK C. CLK.

Friendship Baptist Church met in Conferance July 26th 1856

J. STALLINGS Mod

1st Read & confirmed the minuts of Last Conferance

2nd opened a Door for the Reseption of members when came

forward ANN CARTER and was Received from the Church at

SHILO Sumter Co. Ga.

3rd Called for misallamous matter when A. F. Burk red a  
Short preamble Together with Some resolutions on the death  
of Bro. ROBT. SHEFFIELD. On motion the preamble and  
resolutions was ordered to be spread upon the minuts.

A. F. BURK, C. Clk.



Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to have removed from our midst one of our most worthy & efficient members ROBT. SHEFFIELD who has occupied a Seat in the Church for the last half century And a deacon for 40 years. Which office he held till the day of his death. He has exchanged lifes tiresome pilgrimage for brighter Seans in the Salestial world.

1st Resolved that this church has by death Lost one of its most Worthy & efficient members

2nd Resolved that while we deplore the death of our brother, we return thanks to God for the hope & consoling belief we have That he is now at rest in heaven enjoying the reward of the faithfull.

A. F. Burk C. Clk.

Friendship Sumter County Ga. August 26th 1856

Church met in due form J. STALLINGS Pastor present  
1st Read & confirmed the minuts of last Conferance.

2nd opened a Door for the reseption of members - none

3 appointed corrispondants to the Following Churches  
viz Shilo Sumter; Ebenezer Sumter; Mt. Carmel Marion.

4 Nothing further claiming the attention of the  
Conferance the meeting closed in due form.

A. F. Burk c. clk.

Sunday 27 1856 The Funeral of Brother ROBERT SHEFFIELD  
was preached by Elder ISAAC HART followed by an exertation  
by Bro. STALLINGS.

5th It was agreed on by the Brethren to protract The  
meeting which was done untill Wednesday night. Rec'd by  
an experiance of grace during the meeting five, viz.

Bro. W. CARTERS OLIVER a man, Bro. W. ROSS JULIA a woman,

Bro. T. McGARRAHS MATILDA a woman, Sister SHEFFIELDS CATY  
a woman, Bro. W. CARTERS MATILDA a woman.



September 27 1856 Church at Friendship Met in Due form  
JESSEE STALLINGS Pastor present

- 1st Read & confirmed the minuts of last conferance
- 2nd opened Door for the reseption of memsers - none
- 3rd called for corrispondants when Received from Shilo  
Webster County Bro. S. SELL, from Shilo Sumter Brethren  
NASH & BOLTON, from Ebenezer Bro. BARLOW, from Mt  
Carmel Bro. W. ROSS
- 4 Nothing further claiming the attention of the Church  
conferance closed in due form  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.

Ocaober 25th 1856 Church met in Due form JESSE STALLINGS  
pastor Mod

- 1st Read & confirmed the minuts of last conferance
- 2nd opened a Door for the reseption of members - none
- 3rd Read & adopted the Letter prepared by the Clerk for  
the Association
- 4th Elected N. DARDEN & S. ROSS Delligates To the  
association to convene at Blakely Early Co. Ga. the first  
Saturday in Novm next.
- 5th Elected Rev. ISAAC HART Pastor for the next year 1857.  
and appointed JAMES McGARRAH, N. DARDEN & W. CARTER a  
committee to wait on Bro. HART to inform him of his election  
& request his acceptance of the Same.

6th Granted Letters of Dismission JOHN PASS and his wife  
Sister SARAH PASS

Sunday Oca 26 11 oclock. Rev. J. STALLINGS preached  
a Ssrmon on missions after which a collection of Some  
fourteen dollars was taken for Afffrican missions

7 Agreed to send for minuts \$2.00

8th Brethren J. McGARRAH, A. F. BURK were appointed to  
take Subscriptions for the Suport of the ministrations  
of the Ghospel at this place for the present year.  
Conferance closed in due form  
A. F. BURK Clk

November 22nd 1856

Church at Friendship met in due form JESSE STALLINGS mod  
1st opened a door for the reseption of mangers - none  
2nd Read & confirmed the minuts of last conferance  
3rd heard the report of the committee who waited on Rev  
I. HART to request his acceptance of the pastoral charge  
of the church who agreed to serve the Church as pastor  
for the next year  
4th granted letters of dismission to HENRY F. BURK,  
MARY BURK his wife and SARAH DOZIER  
A. BURK C. Clk.



December 23rd 1856

Friendship Baptist Church met in due form J. STALLINGS moderator

- 1 Read & confirmed the minuts of last conferance
  - 2nd opened a dor for the reseption of members none
  - 3 There being no refference the conferance closed in propper form
- A. F. BURK C. Clk

January 24 1857

Church met in due form I. HART Mod.

- 1st opened a door for the reseption of members
  - 2nd called for refferance & there being none the conferance closed in due form
- A. F. BURK C. Clk

February 21st 1857

Church met in conferance Present Elders I. HART, J. PERRYMAN and an agent of the Bible cause from Aennessee who preached with great acceptance to a large congregation Both on Saturday & Sunday.

1. Ahe Door of the church was opened when Received by letter MARY TEAL
  - 2 There be no further business the conferance closed
- A. F. BURK C. Clk

March 21st 1857

Church met in Apostolic order I. HART moderator

1. called for corrispondents when Rec'd from Shilo Webster County Ga. Brother WEVER, from Ebenezer Church Sumter Co. Brother WIGGINS & OWENS.

from Mt. Carmel Brethren ROSS & WEEKLY

- 2nd no. refferance
  - 3rd no new matter
- The conferance closed.  
A. F. BURK C. Clk

April 25th 1857

Church met in due form Elder I. HART pastor present  
1st opened a Door for members when Received by letter MARY A. HANEY

- 2 called for refferances - none
  - 3rd missilaneous matter = none
  - 4th granted letters of Dismission to Bros. J.A. HUFF, WILLIAM AVAN, and ANN AVAN. The conferance closed in order.
- A. F. BURK clk.

May 23rd Church met in due form Elder ISAAC HART Moderator

- 1st opened a Door for the reseption of members
- 2nd Readd & confirmed the minuts of last conferance
- 3rd called for new matter, when on motion it being reported that WM. T. EASON & SEABORN GLOVER having failed to attend to the conferance meetings for a number of months and not knowing the cause of their failure The church appointed committees to inquire into the cause of their failure, appointed Brethren to see Bro. WM. T. EASON - J. McGARRAH, W. CARTER & S. G. SMITH. To see Bro. S. GLOVER)(Brethren COOK & KINARD



4th Brother I. HART Chairman of the building committee reported that the committee had imployed Brother WEEKLY to build a pulpit for the new church which report was cordially adopted by the conferance.

5 nothing further being done in church the conferance closed in due form

A. F. BURK C. Clk

June 27th 1857 Friendship Baptist Church met in due form Elder I. HART pastor present.

1st opened the door of the church for the reseption of members. Received by letter bro. WILLIAM WHALEY.

2nd The committee appointed to site Bro. WM. T. EASON to attend church stated that they had performed that duty. Bro. EASON being present Stated to the conferance the cause of his absence which met with the cordial approbation of the church.

3rd The committee appointed to see Bro. S. GLOVER reported that they had performed that duty. Bro. GLOVER failing to attend It was thought proper to appoint another committee see him A. F. BURK & N. DARDEN that committee.

4 Yank a member of the church & a servant boy the property of GEO. M. CHAMPION was excommunicated from all the priveledges of the church for the offence of stealling

5th Granted a letter of dismissal to Sister MARION

REBECCA EASON, now BARTEN

A. W. BURK, C. Clk.

Friendship Church met in conferance July 25th 1857

Rev. ISAAC DEAVOURS Moderator

1st Read and confirmed the minuts of last conferance

2nd opened the door of the church When received by Letter

NANCY BAKER

3rd The committee on the case of Bro. SEABOURN GLOVER continued

4th There being no other matter claiming the attention of the conferance it closed in Due form

A. F. Burke c. clk.

August 22nd 1857

Church met in conferance

1st Read & confirmed the minuts of last conferance

2 The case of Bro SEABOURN GLOVER continued

3 Agreed to offer for Sale the old church Building at the next regular conferance meeting

4 Agreed to invite the Rev. MR. GRAVES of Nashville Tennessee to preach the Dedication Sermon

5 Granted a letter of dismissal to Sister ELIZABETH STATHAM

6 Closed in due form

A. F. BURK C. Clk.



Church met in conference Sept 26 1857 ISAAC HART Mod  
 1st Read & confirmed the minutes of last conference  
 2 opened a door for the reseption of members  
 3 called for the report of the committee on the case of  
 Bro. Glover who reported favorable, and Bro. GLOVER  
 retained in fellowship.  
 4th the old church building was sold at fifty two dollars,  
 Bought by Bro. CARTER  
 5 A. F. BURK & JAMES McGARRAH Delligates to assosiation  
 A. F. BURK Clk

Church met in conference Oct 24 1857  
 ISAAC HART Mod  
 Read the Letter preparted by the cleark for the association  
 A. F. BURK C. Clk

Sunday Oct 27th 1857  
 The church took a collection for missions amt \$8.45.  
 The church agreed to recall Bro. HART to the pastoral care  
 of the church for the next year.  
 A. F. BURK C. Clk.

1857 November, The Church met in conferance Saturday  
 befour the fourth Sunday. I. HART Mod  
 No matter of notice acted upon.  
 A. F. BURK Clk

1857 December meeting. Church met in due form. I. HART  
 Pastor present. Nothing of interest done in Conferance  
 A. F. BURK, C. Clk.

1858 January 23rd. Church met in due form. I. HART Pastor  
 present. No refferance, or new matter.  
 A. F. BURK C. Clk.

1858 Feb Church met in conferance, I. HART Pastor present.  
 The Deacons reported no matter of Dealing on anything else  
 that claimed The attention of the conferance.  
 A. F. BURK, C. CLK.

1858 March meeting Church met in conferance I. HART Mod.  
 Dismissed by letter NANCY SHEFFIELD.  
 A. F. BURK Clk.



April 24 1858

Church met in due form. I. HART Mod.

1st Read & confirmed the minuts of last conferance

2. opened the Door for members

3. called for refferances

4 new matter

5 Does any brother know of any thing else that would be for the good of the Church.

A. F. BURK Clerk

May 22nd 1858

Church met in conferance, Pastor presant.

no members received

no refferances

no new matter

Conferance closed in Due form.

A. F. BURKE Clk.

Sister ELIZABETH EASON departed this Life August 7 1858.

She was a member of Friendship Baptist Church and also the wife of E. D. EASON.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

August 6 1858

Sister AXEY SMITH wife of S. G. SMITH Died today.

Blesed are they that die in The Lord.

A. F. BURKE, Clk.

The Baptist Church at Friendship Met in conferance

Saturday before the 4th Sunday in Sept

1 opened the door for the reseption of Members when received JOHN R. T. LINGO by Restoration

Sept 26th 1858

ELBERT GLOVER, MARTHA GLOVER, ELIHUE HENDERSON, was also restored to the Fellowship of the church. Was also restored. Received by Letters JAMES KING and REBECCA KING. Received by an Experiance of Grace, WILLIAM FLOWERS, GEORGIA ANN McGARRAH, RACHIEL McGARRAH, SARAH COOK, MARY MIRES, REBECCA JONES.



October 24th 1858

Sunday Rev. I. HART Preached a Sermon on missions after which took up a collection amounting to \$38.00.

A. F. BURK, JAMES McGARRAH DEACONS, Isaac HART, Pastor  
A. F. BURK Clk.

November 27th 1858

Church met in due form I. HART in the Moderators Seat  
1st read the minuts of last conferance which was adopted  
2 invited brethren of Sisters churches to Seats with us  
3 opened the Door of the church  
4 called for refferances  
5th Miscelaneous matter  
6 Rec'd a communication from the Columbia Baptist Church Henry County Ala from Mr. JAMES CRAWFORD who was expelled from The church Some years Since who now petitions for restoration which was read deferred till the next conferance.

7 Dismissed by letter Sister ELIZABETH SIMES  
also ELLIS a servant boy of JOHN SIMIS also ELLIN a servant Girl of JOHN SIMIS  
ISAAC HART Mod.  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.

Sunday November 28 1858

Congregation met at 11 oclock when they was addressed by the Rev. MR. WHEAT of Kentucky formly pastor of one of the Baptist Churches of the City of N. York on the Bible revision Society.

December 25th 1858

Friendship Sumter County Ga. Church met in conferance, ISAAC HART Mod.

1st rec'd by restoration JOHN TEAL

2nd There being no other matters to claim the attention of the church The conferance closed in due form.

A. F. BURK Clk

Friendship Church met in due form January 22nd 1859

I. HART Mod.

1st Restored Bro. JAMES L. CRAWFORD To the Fellowship of the church.

2 on motion a Letter of Dismission was Granted To Bro. CRAWFORD

A. F. BURK, C. Clk.

TITUS a man servant the property of Bro. JAMES McGARRAH  
Died February 5th 1859



The Baptist Church at Friendship met in conferance June 25th 1859, I. HART Moderator

1 opened the Door of the church when came forward FRANCES JAMES and was Rec'd by Letter, also Sister ELIZABETH HOLLIS by Letter

2 The Committee, on the Land question Stated they was not reddy to report and beged indulgence another month which was granted.

3 The Church made it the duty of the clerk To read out the names of all the male members at every monthly conferance, Also the females names to be read out onced in Twelve months.

4 There shall be a committee appointed at the close of each associational year to examine the records of the church. It shall also be the duty of the Same committee to assist the clerk in making out the State of the church for the association.

5 Closed in due form

A. F. BURK Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in Conferance July 23rd 1859

1st opened the Door of the church When Rec'd by Letters JOHN A. PURIFOY and his wife ELIZA PURIFOY

2nd The committee failing to get a Surveyer To run the Land owned by the church the case was continued. On motion Bro. J.R.T. LINGO was added to the committee.

3rd According to the order past the Last Conferance The clerk read over the names of the male members, and all being present but Three. The conferance closed in due form

ISAAC HART Mod

A. F. BURK Clk

August 27 1859

Church met in due form

1 The Committee on the Land Question Reported That they having had the Land lines run and all being Satisfactory to the parties the report was thearefore adopted. The Same committee are requested to exchange Deeds with Mr. HANNEY.

2 The clerk called the rowl of the male members names after which we ascertained that Ten were absent

3 Nothing more being found necessary to be done, the conferance closed in due form

A. F. BURK Clk

I. HART Mod



July 25th 1859

Church in conferance

Rec'd by an expsriance of Grace SARAH ROBERTS and THOMAS

COOK by Letters JOHN LEWIS and MARY LEWIS

Rec'd also WARREN a man of coller she property of P.

BROWN Esq by Letter also CLARISEY a servant by Letter

August 24th 1859

Church met in due form

no refferances

no new matter

the conferance closed

ELDER I. HART Paster

A. F. BURK Clk

September 26 1859

Conferance met in due order and closed in due form

I. HART Pastor

A. F. Burk Clk

October 23rd 1859

Church met in conferance I. HART, Present

1st The conferance was opened in due form

2 Elected A. M. CHAMPION & JOHN R. T. LINGO Delligates

to the Bethel association, also A. F. BURK to write the

Letter. Agreed to send two Dollars (\$2.00) for minuts.

Sunday 24 1859

After preaching Took a collection for missions amounting

to \$28.00. Agreed to divide equally the amount collected

with the two associations.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

Novembar 26 1859

Church met in due form

1st Elected I. HART the present pastor for to serve the

church the next year also accepted the pastorate for

another year 1860.

2 appointed A. F. BURK, A. M. CHAMPION and J. R. T. LINGO

to the new organization To convene at this place this

day. We send Two Dollars for minuts and Twelve Dollars

for missions.

A. F. BURK

C. Clerk

Friendship November 26 1857

A Presbytery was organized considting of Elders: I. B.

DEAVOURS (Chairman), W. T. RUSSELL, E. H. WARREN, W. H.

CLARK, W. W. ODOM and H. C. HORNADAY (Secretary). The

new Assosiation was organized by the election of JAMES

PERRYMAN Mod. and T. H. MURPHY Clerk.



January 21st 1860

Church met in conferance

1. JAMES KING havin removed To Allabama without a Letter of Dismission and not knowing what part in said State he has gone to, Agreed to write to him about his course of conduct before he left But not to write till we ascertain whare he is located.

2 appointed a committee to site Brethren E. D. EASON, T. W. EASON and J. A. PURIFY to attend at the next regular conferance to Shew cause of their absences for several meetings

I. HART Pastor

A. F. BURK Clk.

February 25th 1860

Church met in conferance

1 opened the Door of the church for the reseption of members

2 called for refferances

The case of Bao. JAMES KING continued

3rd Brethren EASON & PURIFOY made Sadisfactory acknowledgements for the their long absence. The committee not Seeing THOMAS EASON, The Same Committee was continued.

4th A sharge was prefered against Bro. JOHN LEWIS for intoxicatin and Brethren S. W. SMITH and E. D. EASON was appointed to See Bro. LEWIS and invite him to attend the next conferance



5th appointed corrispondents to the following churches  
 Ebenezer, Shilo, Mt. Carmel and Shilo Webster  
 A. F. BURKE Clerk  
 ISAAC HART Pastor

March 25 1860

Church met in conferance  
 1st opened the door of the church  
 2nd called for refferences the case of Bro KING continued  
 3rd continued the case of Bro. JOHN LEWIS  
 4th no other matter of importance was acted on The  
 Conferance closed in due form  
 I. HART Moderator  
 A. F. Burk clk.

April 22, 1860

Church met in due form pastor presant.  
 Opened the doore of the Church. No reseption of new members.  
 1 Continued the case of KING and LEWIS Thare being no  
 further business the conference closed in due form.  
 I. HART Pastor  
 ABSALOM F. BURK C. Clk.

May 27 1860

Chruch at Friendship met in Conferance moderator present  
 and preached  
 1st continued the case of KING & LEWIS  
 2 closed in due form  
 I. HART Pastor  
 ABSALOM F. BURK, Clk.

June 23rd 1860

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due & ancient form  
 I. HART Pastor presant  
 1st continued the case KING & LEWIS  
 2 the conferance closed in due form  
 I. HART Moderator  
 A. F. BURK Clk

July 21st 1860

Church at Friendship met in due form pastor in the  
 moderators chair  
 1 the case of KIN continued  
 2 the case of LEWIS was taken up and after some discussion  
 the original committee not having seen LEWIS when on  
 motion they were discharged from any further duty on his case  
 3rd It was mooved & carried that Bro. HART See him (LEWIS) and  
 report at the next conferance  
 4 Granted Sister MARY BAKER a letter of dismissal. S  
 Closed  
 I. HART Pastor  
 A. F. BURK Clk.



August 25 1860

Church met in due form Bro. HART not being present;  
Bro. STALINGS was invited to preach after preaching on  
motion Bro. STALLINGS was called to the moderators  
Chair.

1st opened the Door of the Church no reseption of members

2 Continued the case of KING & LEWIS

3 There being no further business the conferance  
closed in due form

JESSE STALLINGS Mod

A. F. BURK C. Clk

Sunday August 26 1860

Preaching by Bro. HART

The funeral of Mr. WILLIAM HARPERS child was preached  
to a very large sollom & attentive congregation. After  
preaching ABEL F. BURKE and his companion ROSANNAH F.  
BURKE was Rec'd by Letters into the Fellowship of the  
church.

I. HART Pastor

A. F. BURK Clk.

Friendship Baptit Church met in due form September 22nd  
1860

1. Opened the doore of the church Received by Letter  
MARY SIMMONS

2. The case of Bro. KING continued

3. Brother LEWIS made satisfactory acknowledgements  
of the church Through Brother HART

4. Granted Letters of dismission to Brother JOHN LEWIS  
& his wife MARY

5. Having heard of various reports of unchristian  
conduct of THOMAS W. EASON and if true is calculated to  
injure the cause of Christ, On motion appointed a committee  
consisting of Brethren JAMES McGARRAH, SAML. W. SMITH &  
ABSALOM F. BURK to See Bro. EASON & others Tuching  
these reports and report to the next conferance

6. Elected Brethren JAMES McGARRAH, ABSALOM F. BURK  
Delligates to the Friendship Association; Brethren ROSS  
& DARDEN in case of failure

A. F. BURK C. CLK.

ISAAC HART pastor



Friendship Baptist Church met in due form October 27, 1860

1st opened the Door of the church

2nd The case of Bro KING continued

3 called for the report of Brethren, composing The committee to See Bro. W. T. EASON when on motion Brother BURK read Three charges made out by the committee which was unanimously endorsed by the church in conferance

1st Bro WILLIAM T. EASON did on a certain night this fall follow often and persue Bro ISAAC HARTS negroes they being with their young master ISAAC HART JUNIOR To the House of Bro. STEPHEN G. SMITHS and did there & then whip & assist in whipping Bro. ISAAC HARTS negroes in the presence of their young master without any approvication whatever

2 for Steping up to Bro. ISAAC HART his pastor, at Ebenezer Church Saying he was as glad to See him as if he had been his Granny which we considsr to be unchristian & showed mallace on the part of Bro. WILLIAM T. EASON

3 for having in his hand at Ebenezer Church an unlawful weapon

4th Bro. W. T. EASON being present was called on to make his defence when he arose and made a great many remarks Tuching his case.

5th At this state of the trial Bro. HART the pastor Requested Bro. PERRYMAN to Set as Moderator during the trial; Elder PERRYMAN Took the Chair, and aided and assisted in this trial. Elder MURPHY was also present & Likewise lent his aid in the case Brethren MILLENER & BELL of other Sister Churches give us the aid of their council.

6th Aftar Three Hours of an unsucksefull Effort on the part of the Church to show Bro. W. T. EASON his eror, The conferance on motion Excommunicated him from all The priviledges of the Church on the above charges.

7th The Church by acclamation unanimously Choose Elder HART pastor for 1861.

8 Granted Letters of dismission to Brethren GEORGE M. HANSFORD, WILLIAM FLOWERS.

A. F. BURK Clk.

ISAAC HART Pastor



Church at Friendship met in conferance Novm. 23rd 1860

1st Continued the case of Bro. KING

2nd on motion the church authorized the delligates to pray for benevolent purposes the amount of funds the church usely pay.

A. F. BURK Clk.

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form December

22nd 1860 pastor present

1st called for corrispondents Rec'd JAMES BELL from Shilo

Marion, Bro. WM. ROSS from Mt. Carmel

2nd Granted a letter of dismission to Sister F. J. SMITH

3. Continued the case of Bro. J. KING.

J. R. T. LINGO Clk.; protem

Sunday 23rd December 1860

Received by letter Sister CELIA MOORE

A. F. BURK clk

Departed this life in the City of Americus Sumter Co., Ga.

on the night of the 25th November 1860 ROSANNAH FUNDERBURK

about eighty (80) years old. She was a member of Friendship Church when she died.

A. F. BURK son

March 23rd 1861

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form Elder ISAAC HART pastor present

1st preaching by the pastor

2nd went into conferance

3rd opened the door of the church

4th called for refferances when the case of JAMES KING was layed over

5th A charge was prefered against Bro. JOHN A. PURIFOY for absconding to parts unknown To evade the just payment of his debts.

6th on motion a committee was appointed to write to Bro PURIFOY to inform him of the action of the church. Bro JAMES McGARRAH to write.

7th granted a letter of Dismission To Sister ANN SHEFFIELD. Closed in due form.

A. F. BURK Clk.



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Friendship Church met in Conference April 27th 1861

I. HART Moderator

1st called for references

2 The case of Bro. JAMES KING deferred

3rd closed in due form

A. F. BURK C. Clk

May 25th 1861

Church met in due form Pastor present

1st opened the door of the church .

2nd continued the case of Bro. KING

3 Closed by Singing & Prayer

A. F. Burk

June 22nd 1861

Met in due form I. HART pastor

1st Took up the case of Bro. JAMES KING

He came forward, made full acknowledgements and was restored to the Fellowship of the Church.

A. F. BURK Clerk

132

July 27th 1861

Church met in conference I. HART Mod

1 Opened the door of the church When Rec'd a friendly letter from Ebenezer Church Dale County, Ala requesting the restoration of Bro. ELIHU HENDERSON. The case was duly considered and he was restored to the fellowship of the church and on motion a letter of Dismission was granted him.

A. F. BURK Clk

133

August 24th 1861

Church met in conference. Opened a door for members when came forward MARY LINGO made frank acknowledgement & was restored to the fellowship of the church.

A. F. BURK Clk.

134

September 21st 1861

Church met in due form I. HART pastor.

1st Elected JAMES McGARRAH and A. F. BURK delegates to the association. A. F. BURK to write the letter.

A. F. BURK, Clk.

135

October 26th 1861

Church met in due form I. HART Mod. A. F. BURK Clk

1st Reelected Elder I. HART pastor for the next year 1862. He agreed to serve the church.

136

November 23rd 1861

Church met in conference there being no matter to claim the attention of the conference, the conference closed by Singing and prayer.

A. F. BURK Clk.



136 (continued)

November 22, 1861

Bro. JAMES PERRYMAN preached the funeral of Sister MARY A. E. ROSS wife of Rev. WILLIAM ROSS To a large congregation Today.

A. F. BURK c. clk.

137

December 21st 1861

Church met in due form, pastor present. The Conferance opened in due form. There being no refferances The conferance closed.

A. F. BURK Clk

January 25 1862

Church met in conferance, Pastor I. HART Mod

1st opened the door of the church

2nd called for refferances

3rd New matter

4th There being no business the conferance Closed.

A. F. BURK Clk

138

March 22nd 1862

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form pastor I. HART present.

1st There being no business of importance The conferance closed in due form

A. F. BURK Clk.

138 (continued)

April 26th 1862

Church met in due form Modderator in the Chair

1st opened the door of the Church. Received by letter

Sister ANTINET LOCKETT into the Fellowship of The Church.

2nd appointed Brethren JAMES McGARRAH, JAMES JONES & N. DARDEN to Keep order among the blacks or collered people on Sabbath.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

139

May 24th 1862

Church met in conferance ISAAC HART Pastor presant.

1st opened the doore of the Church for the reseption of members - none

2nd Called for Refferences - none

3rd for New matter - none

4th Miscelaneous business - none

5th closed in due form.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.



June 21st 1862

1st Conferance met in due form. ISAAC HART Mod.

2nd called for corespondents From Shilo, CARTER & MASHBURN:

From Ebenezer BRO. HANES.

3. Opened the doore of the church Rec'd by Letter

NANCY BAKER SR. Bearing her letter from Buena Vista

Church date May 10th 1862.

4th Elected delligates to the General meeting to commence

next Saturday at Ebenezer Sligh county, A. F. BURK,

N. DARDEN, J. KINARD and J. McGARRAH delligates.

A. F. BURK c. clk.

July 1862

Church met in due form Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in

July I. HART Pastor

There being nothing to claim the attention of the church the  
conferance closed in regular order.

A. F. BURK Clk

August & September the pastor Mr. HART was absent on business  
at Richmond & Charleston.

September 4th

Sabbath No preaching to day The church Sat in cnnferance a  
few minuts, on motion appointed Brethren N. DARDEN & J. B. KINARD  
Delligates to the association to convene at Shilo Webster Co. Ga.

A. F. BURK, Clk.



October the 25 1862

The Baptist Church at Friendship met in conferance I. HART present

1st opened the Door of the Church When Rec'd by an experience of Grace a Collared man the property of Col. BENJ. MAY by the name SHADRICK.

November 25th 1862

Church met in due form Bro. I. HART Moderator

1st opened the door of the Church

2 Called for refferances. The Cleark reported no refferences.

3 The Church went into the choice of a pastor when on counting the Ballads It was found that Bro. JOHN HOWELL was the choice of the church.

Bro. J. R. T. LINGO was appointed to write to Bro. HOWELL.

A. F. BURK Clk.

143

December 23rd 1862

Church met in due form I. HART Moderator. Called for refferances Bro. LINGO who was appointed to write to Elder HOWELL stated that he have no Rec'd no Answer from him yet. There being no other business The conferance closed in due form.

A. F. BURK Clk.

January 24 1863

Church met in conferance Br. JAMES PERRYMAN Moderator. There being no business The conferance closed in due form

A. F. BURK Clk.

Feb 21st 1863

Church of Christ at Friendship met in Conferance Bro. JOHN HOWELL Present preached a very excellent sermon. The doore of the church was opened When Bro. & Sister MASBURN, Daniel & Priscilla & was Rec'd by letter from Shilo Sumter into the fellowship of the Church. Bro. HOWELL stated that he would try To Serve the Church.

A. F. BURK, C. Clk.

145

March 21st 1863

The Rev. MR. WELLBORN from Fort Valley preached.

1st opened the Door of the church

Rec'd no members

2 no refferences

3rd closed by singing

W. F. BURK Clk.



Friendship Baptist Church met in conference April 25th 1863  
 Pastor Absent. After reading a portion of the word of God  
 by A. F. BURK & singing a Hymn And Prayer by Bro. J. R. T. LINGO  
 On Motion The Rev. WILLIAM ROSS was called to the Moderators  
 Chair.

1st the door of the Church was opened in due form  
 2nd Rec'd by Letters into the fellowship of the Church  
 JONATHAN JOHNSON and his wife SUSAN W. JOHNSON  
 2nd no refferance  
 On motion the Church raised a sum of money for Dr.  
 WELBORNS Services at our last meeting.  
 A. F. BURK C. Clk.

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May 24th 1863

Church met in conference Bro. PERRYMAN Moderator.  
 1st opened the door of the church rec'd none.  
 Called for refferances none  
 Closed in due form  
 A. F. BURK Clk.

June 26th 1863

Friendship Baptist Church met in due form Bro. B. MASHBURN, Mod.  
 1 There being no refferance the Church agreed to Set a part  
 Friday before the 4th Sabbath in July for the purpose of calling  
 a pastor. Bro. HOWELL having failed to Serve the Church.  
 There being no other business the conference closed in due form.  
 A. F. BURK C. Clk.

July 26 1863

Church at Friendship Mett in due form Elder JESSE STALLINGS Mod.  
 1st The committee appointed to wait on Bro. STALLINS reported  
 that they had attended to that duty. Bro. STALLINS being  
 present, Stated that he would Serve the church to the best of  
 his Ability. There being no other business the Conference  
 closed in due form.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

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August 24th 1863

Church met in conference Bro. JESSE STALLINS Moderator  
 The Doore of the Church was opened when Rec'd by an experience  
 of Grace OLLIVE & PRUDENCE women of Collar and the property of  
 Sister MATHEWS into the Fellowship of the church. Also two  
 other women one the property of Bro. ALPHA CHAMPION by an  
 experience of Grace, one the property of GEO. CHAMPION.  
 On Motion the Church elected Delligates to the association  
 to Convene at Hebron Lee County. The Church agreed to Send  
 Several Numbers of the Index to the Sumter Flying Artilery  
 Battalion. Agreed to protract the meeting.  
 A. F. BURK C. Clk.



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Sunday 25th 1863

Elder J. STALLINGS preached to a very Large Congregation and it was manifest that the Lord was in our midst and that to bless The Doore of the Church was opened & remained opened for Three days during of which There was added to the church JAMES C. HANNY by an experience

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|--------------------|---|---|
| REBECCA ANN SMITH  | " | " |
| LUSINDA TEAL       | " |   |
| LAURA ANN MASHBURN | " |   |
| ELIZABETH FRAZIER  | " |   |
| AMERICA HANNEY     | " |   |
| SUSAN KINNARD      | " |   |
| ELIZABETH KNIGHT   | " |   |
| ELIZABETH McGARRAH | " |   |

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August 25th 1863

Rec'd by Letters

NANCY C. COWART

ELIZABETH MOORE

152

Sept 26th 1863

Church met in conferance

1st opened the Door of the Church

2 called for refferances

3 Agreed to send Four Dollars \$4.00 for Minuts

4 On motion Bro. JOHNSTON proposed to give Ten Dollars for Armmey Miscions provided nine others would do the Same. When one hundred Dollars was mde up in a few minuts.

Sunday 27th Took up a collection in the congregation of fifty Dollars.

JESSE STALLINS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.

153

Friendship Church met in conferance Oct 25 1863 Church met in conferance. Elected JESSEE STALINS pastor. He will serve the church as long as the Brethren think his services to be profitable to the Church & Congregation

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

J. STALLINS pastor

Nov. 26th 1863

Church at Friendship met in order pastor present. Their being no refferance the Church took up a Subscription for the support of the Ministry.

There being no other business the Conferance closed.

J. STALLINGS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.



January 23, 1864

Church met in conferance J. STALLINS pastor present.

- 1 Doore of the church opened
- 2 Called for referances - none
- 3 Agreed to purchase The School Huse & lot adjoining the church Lot South, There being five acres more or less attached to the primces. Bro. JAMES McGARRAH & Dr. W. REECE appointed to purchase the lot, which was done this evening at the Sum of five hundred dollars.

A. F. BURK C. Clk

155

February 28th 1864

Church met in conferance J. STALLINS Moderator

- 1st opened the doore of the Church
- 2nd called for refferances, none
- 3rd New matter - none
- 4th Miscelaneous business - none
- 5th The Church agreed to have a general prayer meeting on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in March for our army and bleeding country. And that we invite the churches whith whome we corrispond to meet with us on that day and spend a fiew hours in prayer and humble devotion to the God of battles.

J. STALLINS Modr.

A. F. BURK, Clk.

156

March 27th 1864

Church at Friendship met in due order J. STALLINS Mod.

- 1st Rec'd by letter Sister A. R. TISON into the full fellowship of the Church.
  2. Called for referances - none
  3. The Church & congregation spent some time in prayer for our country.
  - 4th Closed.
- J. STALLINS Mod.  
A. F. BURK Clk.

April 23rd 1864

The Baptist Church of Christ met in due form JESSE STALLINS Mod.

1st Received by Letter LIZIE BOZEMAN from Forsyth Church Monroe County Georgia

2nd Dismissed by Letter SHADRICK A Collared man the property of COL. BENJ. MAY.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

May Saturday before the fourth Sabbath. Church met in due order.

1st called for referance, There being none the Church proseeded to other business. Nothing worthy of record being done the conferance closed.

J. STALLINS Mod.

A. F. BURK Clk.

158

June 24th 1864

Church met in due Form JESSEE STALLINS Mod.

1. Opened the door of the Church.
  2. Called for refferance - none
  3. New matter - none
  - 4th closed in due form
- JESSE STALLINS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk

July 26th 1864

Church met in due form pastor absent. Bro. WM. ROSS Mod.

- 1 Granted a letter of dismission to Sister TISON
- W. ROSS Mod  
A. F. BURK Clk.



August 27th 1864

- 1 Church Met in due order JESSEE STALLINS Mod
  - 2 Opened the doore of The Church, Received by Letter  
URIAH LOCKETT into the Fellowship of the Church.
  - 3 Elected delligates to The Assoc iation; JAMES McGAREAH,  
DANIEL MASHBURN, ABSALOM F. BURK.
  - 4th The Clerk to write the Letter.
- A. F. BURK Clk.

160

September 24th 1864

- The Baptist Church of Christ at This place met in due form  
1st opened the doore of the Church for the admission  
of members - none  
1st called for references there being none.  
2. the conferance closed in due form.  
JESSEE STALLINS Modtor.  
A. F. BURK Clk

October 22nd 1864

- 1 Church met in due form There being no Business the  
Conferance closed.
- J. STALINS Pastor  
A. F. BURK Clk.

161

November 26th 1864

- Church of at Friendship met in due form JESSE STALLING, mod.  
no mater of dealling, Neigher any new matter, Conferance  
closed by Singing And prayer by Bro. MASHBURN.  
A. F. BURK Clk.

December 24th 1864

- The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form.  
The pastor absent and there being no business the Congregation  
closed in due form.  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.

January 21st 1865

- A few of the members met And there being no preacher  
present There was no conferance.  
A. F. BURK Clk.

February 25

- The Church met and had Conferance pastor absent on account  
of Sickness, no business in conferance. Closed in due form.  
A. F. BURK, Clk.

March 25, 1865

- Church met in due form J. STALLINS present, no business  
in conferance.  
A. F. BURK Clk.

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April 22nd 1865

- Church met in due order.  
1st opened the doore of the church.  
2 called for referances - none  
new matter - none  
A. F. BURK C. Clk

May 27th 1865

- Church met in due form, There being nothing to  
attend to conferance convened in due form  
A. F. BURK

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June 24th 1865

- Church met in conferance JESSE STALLINS Mod.  
first opened the doore of The Church for the reseption  
of members - none  
2 no referance  
3 no new matters  
closed J. STALLINS Mod  
A. F. BURK Clk.



July 22nd 1865

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form  
JESSE STALLINS mod.

1st opened the doore of the Church for the reseption of  
members when came forward MARY HARRIS and was Reseived  
by Letter from Shilo MARION County Ga. On motion by  
Bro. MASHBURN That the Church at This place Grant the  
members of Holt Lodge No. 74 of Free and accepted masons  
The liberty of building a House for the Fraternity on the  
Church grounds.

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2 Agreed to appoint a committee consisting of Brethren  
JAMES McGARRAH, A. F. BURK & D. MASHBURN to confer with  
Such Committee as may have been appointed by the Quebec  
Lodge To inform that committee that they can build a House  
on the Church Lott of Land.  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.

July 23rd 1865

Sunday 23rd August Received by Letter REBESCA DAVIS from  
Shilo Marrion County Ga.  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.

July 25th 1865

Tuesday night 25 1865

Received by an Experience of Grace SAMUEL McGARRAH

" HENRY K. SIMES

" WILLIAM McGARRAH

" WILLIAM KINNARD

" JAMES HANSFORD

" JESSEY CARTER

Wednesday night 26th 1865

Received by an Exparience of Grace into the Fellowship  
of the Church SARAH WILSON and was baptised by a pro-  
fession of her faith The next day 27th inst.

July 26th 1865

Rec'd by an Experience of Grace ANDREW McGARRAH a Collered  
man; a collered woman MARTHA McGARRAH by an Experiance.  
ALSEY JONSON a woman of collar by Experiance MARY HART  
a collered woman.

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August 26th 1865

Church met in conferance

1st opened the door of the Church

2 The committee appointed to confer with the committee  
of Masonic Fraternity reported that nothing had been  
done yet the committee was on motion continued.

3rd from the Statement of Bro MASHBURN The Church prefered a  
charge against ALSEY a free woman of collar formily the  
property of Sister JOHNSON for Theft (Reconsidered)

4 Appointed delligates to the Friendship Assosiation to  
convene at Ebenezer Church Schley County the first  
Sabbath in October, JAMES McGARRAH, DANIEL MASHBURN, A. F.  
BURK, in case of failure JOHN B. KINARD.

A. F. BURK Clk

August 29th Took up a collection for Assosiatonal  
purposes \$8.00

A. F. BURK Clk.



September 23 - 1865

Church of Christ met in conference WILLIAM ROSS Moderator  
1st read Letters prepared by the Clerk for the association  
and adopted.

2nd granted a Letter of dismission to N. DARDEN conference  
closed.

A. F. BURK Clk.

October 21st 1865

Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form J. STALLINS Mod  
1st Granted Letters of dismission to Sister SARAH A.  
MATHEWS, OLLIVER CARTER a collared man, ALSEY JONSON  
a collared woman.

2 agreed to have preaching twice a month

3rd Appointed JAMES McGARRAH and DANIEL MASHBURN a committee  
to confer with the Pastor on the Subject and report the  
next conference.

A. F. BURK Clk.

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November 25th 1865

The Baptist Church of Christ at Friendship met in due form  
JESSEE STALLINS Moderator.

1st opened the doore of the church for the reseption of  
members when came forward and was Received by Letter E.B.  
WOODS & his wife MARY E. WOODS also AARON & NICY MAY  
members of collar by Letter.

2nd, the committee appointed to wait on Bro. STALLINS  
reported that they had attended to that business and that  
Bro STALLINS would preach for the Church Twice a month  
for the next year 1866.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

December 23rd 1865

Church met in due form Pastor J. STALLINS present  
1st Received into the Fellowship of the Church WILLIAM  
ROSS an ordained Minister of the Gospell by Letter and  
LUCINA A. CRAWFORD by Letter. Bro. McGARRAH made a  
motion and was agreed to that the minuts be read at  
the close of each conference by the Clerk.

A.F. BURK Clk.

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January 28, 1866

Church met in conference

1st opened the doore of the Church when Received by letters  
E. G. IVY and his wife T. J. IVY

2nd Granted a Letter of dismission to Sister ELIZABETH  
a free woman of Color.

JESSE STALLINS Mod.

J. R. T. LINGO Clk. P. T.

Church at Friendship mst in Due form Feb 24th 1866

Elder MORGAN met with us and preached an excellent Sermon  
from God is love. Granted a letter of dismission to  
THOMAS COOK.

Elder WILLIAM ROSS Mod.

A. F. BURK Clk.

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March 24th 1866

1 opened the door of the Church

2 caled for refferances - none

3 called for new matter. It being reported that Brethren  
E. D. EASON, JAMES JONES, S. W. SMITH being absent two or  
three meetings in succession without knowing the cause when  
on motion the Church agreed to Give the absent brethren a  
brotherly and friendly Invitation to attend The next conference.  
Brethren BURK to wait on Bro. JONES, J. McGARRAH to wait on  
SMITH and EASON.

J. STALLINS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.



Friendship Baptist Church met in conference April 21st 1866  
1st opened the doore for the reseption of members when  
received by Letter HENRY A. MASHBURN & THOMAS A. MASHBURN  
into the full fellowship of the Church

2nd called for the report of the Committee on Absent  
brethren. A. F. BURK reported that Bro. JONES was sick  
and was therefore excused. Brother JAMES McGARRAH the  
other committee man being absent the Case of Brethren  
EASON & SMITH was continued.

3rd Granted Letters of Dismission To SARAH REID

DANIEL a freeman of collar

KING a freeman of collar

ANDY a freeman of collar

LIZER a freeman of collar

D. MASHBURN Mod

A. F. BURK Clk

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Friendship May 23rd 1866

Church met in due form A. F. BURK moderator

1st Took up the case SMITH and was excused for absense  
Bro. EASON not being present his case was continued.

2nd appointed delligates to the General meeting ROOS,  
LAWSON, McGARRAH and BURKE

A. F. BURKE CLK.

May the Second Sunday

Received by letter JOHN W. LAWSON into the Fellowship of  
the Church.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

June 24 1866

Church met in due form J. STALLINS Mod

Took up the case of Bro. EASON and after some remarks  
he was excused There being nothing Else to Slaim the  
attention of the Conferance It closed in due form.

A. F. BURK C.C.

July 26th 1866

Church met in due form. D. MASHBURN Mod.

1st opened the door for members - none. There being no  
business on Motion the Conferance Closed in due form.

A. F. BURK C. Clk

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Friendship Baptist Church

met in conference August 26 1866

1st opened a door for the reseption of members

2nd called for refferances - none

3rd Ellected DANIEL MASHBURN, A. F. BURK, J. D. LAWSON  
Delligates to go to the association And SAMUEL McGARRAH  
alternate. Agreed to send Two Dollars for minuts.

D. MASHBURN Moderator

A. F. BURK C. Clk.



## Friendship Baptist Church

Met in conference September 22nd 1866. On motion DANIEL MASHBURN was to the moderators seat

1st opened the doore of the Church for the Reseption of members = none.

2 Appointed a committee to Examine the Church Book; LINGO J. McGARRAH and WILLIAM ROSS to be the committee.

J. R. T. LINGO Clk protem

October 27th 1866

Friendship Baptist Church met in due order WM. ROSS Moderator  
The Committee to Examine the Church book was continued to perform that duty until the next conference.

3 On motion went into Election of a Paster for the next year, When on Counting the Ballads it was found that Bro. CAWOOD was the choice of the Church.

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4 Appointed Bro. S. W. SMITH to wait on Bro. STALLINS to inform of the Result of the Election. Appointed Brethren BURKE, LINGO and J. McGARRAH to See Bro. CAWOOD and to know of him whether or not he would Serve the Church The next year.

WM. ROSS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.

November 25th 1866

Church at Friendship Met in Conferance pastor absent.

Bro. I. DEAVORS was appointed moderator

1 Called for the report of the committee on the examination of the church Book. The committee having failed to attend to that duty, it was therefore continued.

2nd the Committee hat was appointed wait on Bro. STALLINS reported that duty was performed.

3rd the Committee appointed to wait on Elder CAWOOD reported that they Had attended to that duty.

A. F. BURK Clk.

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Friendship Church met in due form. December 21st 1866

Elder CAWOOD Modr.

Opened the Door for members - none

2nd continued the committee on Church Records

3rd Called for corrispondents

Received from Shilo Bro. JOHN CHAMBLESS.

A. F. BURK C. Clerk

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Church at Friendship met in conference Elder CAWOOD moderator.

2 Continued committee Church Records

Bro JOHN D. LAWSON & Sister BETTY KNIGHT called for Letters which was granted January 23rd 1867.

J. R. T. LINGO Clk. Protem

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February 23rd 1867

Georgia Sumter County. The Baptist Church at Friendship met this day in due order Elder CAWOOD in the Chair.

1. Continued the committee on Church Records

2nd Received Sister ANNA SHEFFIELD by Letter

3 Bro. S. GLOVER having been absent for several meetings

The Church appointed EASON to wait on Bro. GLOVER and request him to attend the next conference. (rest of page is torn off)



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Appointed corrispondents to the Fowling Churches: To Shilo  
Sumter Brethren MASHBURN & KINARD: Ebenezer Brethren  
SMITH & ROSS: Shilo Marion, McGARRAH & ROSS: Mt. Carmel  
ROSS & T. McGARRAH  
A. F. BURK, C. C.

March 23rd 1867

The Baptis Church met this day in conferance Bro. CAWOD moderator

- 1 Rec'd Sister FRANCES REID by letter
  - 2 continued committee on records
  - 3 Bro. SAMUEL GLOVER Through Bro. MASHBURN satisfied  
the church for his long absence.
- There being no other matter the conferance closed.  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.

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April 27th 1867

Friendship Church met in conferance

1st Rec'd by Letter Sister Dr. JONES and GEORGE W. SCHEAVES  
into the fellowship of the Church.

- 3 (2 ommitted, ed.) The committee on records reported  
that they Had examined the Church records and found them  
neatly & correcly keeped. The report was received and  
committee discharged.
  - 4 It was ordered the Clerk made out a List of all the  
black members and have them Read out at the next Conferance.
- A. F. BURK C. Clk.  
Elder J. H. CAWOOD Pastor

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May 25th 1867

Church at Friendship met in conferance Elder J. H. CAWOOD  
present and in the chair.

1st Received by Letter Sister SUSAN MAHAN into the fellow-  
ship of the church.

2. The clerk read out a List of the Blacks that are  
members in the church

3 Appointed delligates to the General Meeting to convene  
at Mt Ollive Church Saturday, before the fifth Sunday  
in June. Delligates, Elder WM. ROSS, A. F. BURK, JAMES  
McGARRAH, WILLIAM McGARRAH, DANIEL MASHBURN, WILLIAM KINARD.

4 Appointed Corrispondents To Shilo Sumter Brethren E.D.  
EASON, J. HANNEY, To Ebenezer James McGARRAH, J. B. KINARD.  
To Mt. Carmel JESSE CARTER and HENRY MASHBURN  
A. F. BURK Clk.

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May 25th 1867

4 Granted Bro. AARON MAY a freedman of coller Lisense  
To preach with his race. A. F. BURK Clk

June 22 1867

Church at Friendship met in conferance, Elder J. H. CAWOOD Pastor  
There being no Refferance nor any business the conferance  
close in due form

A. F. BURK Clk

July 27th 1867

Friendship Church met in due form Elder J. H. CAWOOD Pastor  
Opened a doore of the (church) for the Reception of members,  
none.

No referances

No New matter

Closed in due form

A. H. BURK Clk



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August 24 1867

Baptist Church at Friendship met in conferance J. H. CAWOOD  
pastor

- 1 Opened the door of the church
  - 2 Called for refferance none
  - 3 appointed Delligates to the association to Convene  
at Oglethorpe Saturday before the first Sunday in Oct.
  - 4th A. F. Burk, JAMES McGARRAH, and DANIEL MASHBURN Delligates  
A. F. BURK to write the Letter.
- Closed. A. F. BURK Clk.

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September 21st 1867

Church met in due form J. H. CAWOOD PASTOR. There being  
no business the conferance Closed in due form. A. F. BURK, Clk.

Oct. 26th 1868

Church at Friendship met in Conferance JOHN H. CAWOOD  
pastor, Bro. WILLIAM ROSS Mod.

No refference

On motion the Church agreed to Choose a Pastor for the  
next year at the next Regular meeting.

S. McGARRAH Clk. Protem.

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Baptist Church at Friendship met in Conferance Nov 23rd  
1867. Bro. J. H. CAWOOD Pastor and modr.

1 Bro J. H. CAWOOD was unanimously Elected pastor for  
the ensuing year.

2 Bro. J. R. T. LINGO was appointed To wait on Bro. HENRY  
SIMS and Request him to attend the next Conferance. Bro.  
KINARD was appointed to see BRO. SAMUEL GLOVER and Request  
him to attend The next conferance. Bro. JAMES CHAPION &  
his wife called for Letters of dismissal and was Granted.  
Allso Granted a Letter of dismissal to Sister T. WOODS  
J. McGARRAH Clk. Protem

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Friendship Dec 21st 1867

Church met in conferance

1st Received the report of Bro. LINGO on the case of Bro. HENRY  
LINGO for Absence. The case was continued. Appointed  
Brethren LINGO & KINARD a Committee to Labor with Bro.  
SIMS. Requested Bro. HART to go with the committee.  
Received the Report of Bro. KINARD on the case of Bro.  
GLOVER. Bro. S. GLOVER made Satisfactory confession  
Through Bro. KINARD.

J. H. CAWOOD Pastor

S. McGARRAH Clk. Protem



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Friendship Jan 25th 1868

Church in Conferance

1st opened a door of the Church Received Bro. NICHOLAS DARDEN BY Letter

2nd Charge prefered against HENRY SIMS for acting in an unchristian like manner fellowship withdrawn from him with the charge prefered.

3 Charge Prefered against Bro. GEORGE CHEEVES for acting in an unchristian like maner. Bro. HANNY was appointed to Notify Bro. CHEAVES.

J. H. CAWOOD Pastor

SAMUEL McGARRAH Clk. Protém

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Friendship Feb 22nd 1868

1 Church met in conferance Received the Report on Bro. GEORGE CHEEVES case. Fellowship withdrawn from him, upon the charges prefered.

2 Granted a letter of dismissal to Sister MAHAN

J. H. CAWOOD Pastor

SAMUEL McGARRAH Clk Protém

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Friendship March 21st 1868

Church met in conferance Pastor absent Bro. WM. ROSS Mod. Res'd by Letter Bro. JOHN D. LAWSON, Rec'd corrisponding Brethren fro SHILO SUMTER SHEPHERD & CHAMBLISS

WM. ROSS Mod

Sam'l McGARRAH Clk Protém

April 27 1868

Church met in conferance Pastor Present

1 Granted a Letter of dismissal To B. W. KINARD

Elder CAWOOD, Mod

A. F. Burk Clk.

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May 22 1868

Church of Christ at Friendship met this day in conferance

1 Received by Letter Sister NANCY CARTER

2 Granted Letters of dismissal to Sisters NANCY BAKER & MOLLY HARRIS

3 appointed corrisponents to Shilo Sumter and Lebanon

4 agreed to drop corrispondence with Shilo Marion, Ebenezer Sumter, Mt Carmel Marion cos no other reason than they failed to corrispond with us.

J. H. CAWOOD Mod

A. F. Burk Clk.

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June 27 1868

Friendship Baptist Church

1 Met in due form J. H. CAWOOD Mod. Bro. GEORGE COOPER

was with us today Preashed an Excelent Ssrmon. Bro.

MORGAN was allso with us who is a Preacher from Lebanon Sumter

2 Received Corrisponding Brethren from Shilo Marion Brethren

S. BELL and others from Shilo Sumter SHEPHERD & CHAMBLISS

from Mt Carmel HILLMON, from Lebanon Brethren MAYS & CHAPELL

3 agreed to resind so much of the action of the church

so fare as it relates to the Dropring of Corrispondence

with Mt. Carmel & Shilo Marion

A. F. BURK C. Clk.



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July 25th 1868

Friendship Baptist Church met in due form.

1st invited Visting brethern to seats with us

2nd opened the door fo the Church - none

3rd Called for refferances - none

4th called for new business - none

5th Called for acknowledgments

6th Called for missilaneous business. The Following

Brethern were delligated to The General meeting to meet

at Ebenezer Church Saturday before the Secnd Sunday in

Augst WM. ROSS, JAMES McGARRAH, D. MASHBURN, S. McGARRAH

and Bro. J. KINARD

7th cosed in due form

J. H. CAWOOD Mod

S. McGARRAH Clk Protem

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July meeting

Received by experience Miss R. McGARRAH

" " JENNY SIMES

not Baptised

A. F. BURK Clk.

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Friendship August 22nd 1868

Preaching by Bro. MORGAN

1. Church open to Conferance. Invited Brethren to  
Seats with us.

2. Opened the door of the Church Received E. J. McGARRAH  
by Letter

3. no refferance

4. no new matter

5. Called for acknolledgements

6. mislaneous business

7. Granted a Letter to Bro. A. CHAMPION

8. Bro. G. W. CHEAVES was Restored to the Fellowship  
of the Church

9. Granted G. W. CHEAVES a Letter of Dismission

10. Delligated J. McGARRAH, SAMUEL McGARRAH & J. D. LAWSON  
to Association Alternates A. F. BURK, D. MASHBURN and

J. B. KINARD. \$2.00 for minuts

S. McGARRAH Clk

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Friendship

Preaching by Jonathan DAVIS Church met in conferance

Ssptember 26th 1868

1st opened the Door of the church for members - none

2 called for corrispondents and Bro. MAYS from Lebanon  
from Shilo SHSPSRD & ARINGTON

3 Granted a Letter of Dismission to Sister JONSON

closed in due form

WILLIAM ROSS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.

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Oct 1868 Saturday before the fourth Sunday Church met  
in conferance.

1 opened the door for member - none

2 called for refferances - none

3 New matter - none

4 Misalaneous - none

WM. ROSS Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.



Friendship Church met in conferance Nov. 22, 1868

1. none refferances
- 2 appointed Brethern CARTER, WILLIAM McGARRAH and J. D. LAWSON to represent us in Sunday School convention to convene at Butler 5th Sunday in December
- 3 Appointed corrisponding mesangers to Mt. Carmel Brethern ROSS, CROXTON and CARTER; Shilo Sumter LAWSON & McGARRAH and MASHBURN: Lebanon N. DARDEN & KINARD S. McGARRAH clk  
WM. ROSS Mod

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Friendship Church met in Conferance Dec 26th 1868

- 1st pastor present  
conferance met there being no business adjourned to the time in cours.  
J. H. CAWOOD Mod  
A. F. BURKE Mod  
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Georgia Sumter County Friendship Baptist Church met in due form Feb 23rd 1869

- 1 Opened the doore for the admission of members - none
- 2 New matter - none
- 3 Appointed corrispondents to The Following Churches; To Shilo S. McGARRAH & D. MASHBURN; To Mt. Carmel Bro. J. R. T. LINGO & Bro. WILLIAM ROSS; to Lebanon J. McGARRAH & G. MASHBURN; To Shilo, Marion Brethren ROSS & LINGO.  
H. CAWOOD Mod  
S. McGARRAH Clk P. Tem

Georgia Sumter County March 27th 1869

After a Sermon by Elder J. H. CAWOOD The Church went into conferance

1. opened the door of the Church no membsrs Rec'd
2. Read and confirmed the minuts of Last Conferance
- 3 Rec'd the Following named Brethren as Corrispondents viz from Lebanon Brethren MAY & SIMPSON, CHAPEL & MARSHAL; From Shilo Marrion Brethern S. BELL & FUDGE. From Shilo Sumter Brethren SHEPHERD & CARTER
- 4 The committee on painting reported The report was adopted and committee Discharged.

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- 5 on motion appointed J. McGARRAH, LAWSON & KINARD To Take Subscriptions Raise money for to repaint the Church and to poseed with the work as soon as practible
- 6 Granted Letters of dismission to S. GLOVER & JANE ANDERSON
- 7 There being no further business The conferance closed in due form  
J. H. CAWOOD Mod  
A. F. BURK Clk.

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Friendship Baptist Church Met in due form April 24 1869  
Pastor Abscent

- 1st opened the Door of the Church for membership - none
- 2nd The Committee on painting Raised the amt. necessary for to proseed with the painting of the house
- 3rd Closed in due form  
Elder ROSS Moderator  
A. F. BURK Clk.



Friendship Baptist Church Met in Conferance May 22nd 1869  
 1st opened the doore of the church - no one joined  
 2nd committee on painting House Stated that they had  
 employed Mr. JONSTON to Do the painting and that the work  
 was progressing  
 3rd Granted a Letter of dismission to SARAH DICKSON  
 4th appointed corrispondents To the following churches  
 Shilo Sumter JAMES McGARRAH, D. MASHBURN, and N. DARDIN,  
 Shilo Marion J. R. T. LINGO, J. McGARRAH, A. F. BURK, Mt.  
 Carmel LINGO & ROSS., Lebanon THOMAS McGARRAH, SAMUEL  
 McGARRAH, J. LAWSON, MASHBURN  
 A. F. BURK Clk  
 J. H. CAWOOD Mod

Friendship June 27th 1869  
 Church met in due form  
 1st called for corrispondents from Lebanon, MAYS & CHAPELL,  
 R. CHAPELL, MARSHALL; from Shilo Sumter SHEPHSRD, CARTER,  
 ARRINGTON; from Ebenezer HARRIES, I. HART.  
 2nd Committee made a report which was Received, and  
 committee discharged  
 3 on motion the Church agreed to protract the meeting  
 in July and appointed LAWSON & ROSS to invite ministers  
 MASHBORN of our order to attend the meeting.

4th the Church took Bro. HARVEY MATHEWS under their care  
 untill he can procure a letter of dismission from his  
 Church. Appointed W. ROSS, MASHBURN, J. O. HICKSON &  
 BANKS to go with H. MATHEWS To his church to hear the  
 charges the Church have against him. Close in due form.  
 A. F. BURK Clk  
 J. H. CAWOOD Modtor

June 28 Sunday 1869  
 Opened the Doors of the Church. Received by Letters  
 J. O. HICKSON an Ordained Minister of the Ghospel & his  
 wife M. T. HIXSON  
 J. H. CAWOOD Mod  
 A. F. BURK C. Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in due form July 24th 1869  
 Pastor present.  
 1st Opened the Door for the reseption of Members, Rec'd  
 by Letters DOLLIE McGARRAH, FRANCES ROBERTS, SARAH A.  
 MATHEWS, WINNY RHOADS.  
 2 There being no further business the conferance closed  
 in due form. The Church & congregation met day and night  
 for Ten days in succession. Our pastor give himself up  
 entirely to the work, and during of the meeting, the work  
 appeared to increase. The Hearts of Sinners was made to  
 melt, before the word of Truth, like wax before the Sun  
 both men & wimen put on Christ by an open profession in  
 Christ. By an Experience of Grace; JOHN T. KINARD, STERLING  
 CARTER, JOHN CROXTON JUNIOR, CHARLES CARLILE, JEFFERSON  
 SIMES, JAMES M. JOSEY, THOMAS THERLILKILL, WILLIE RAMPERT,  
 MARTHA CROXTON, LULA SMITH, SARAH ANDREWS, SARAH J. KINARD,  
 MARMADUKE WHALEY.



Friendship Baptist Church Met in Conferance August 21st 1869  
Pastor being abscent Bro. DANIEL MASHBURN was appointed  
Moderator.

1st Rec'd by an experiance of Grace SALLY LANSLEY & EMMA  
COLLIER collered, FRANCES DECONEY colored, LOUIZA MAY,  
colored, CAROLINE MAY, colored, ROSETTA MAY, colored  
ARTEMOERS WORTY all collered. There being no refferance  
The Conferance proseed to appoint Delligates to the  
Assosiation & General Meeting. 1st to Association;  
J. D. LAWSON, J. McGARRAH, D. MASHBUAN. Alternates  
S. McGARRAH and Elder J. O. HICKSON.

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To General Meeting A. F. BURKE, JAS. McGARRAH, D. MASHBURN,  
J. D. LAWSON, J. KINARD. There being no other business  
the conferance closed in due form.  
A. F. BURKE Clk.

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Friendship Baptist Church Met in conferance Sept 25 1869  
J. H. CAWOOD Mod.

1st Rec'd corrispondents viz From Lebanon Brethren MAYS and  
A. CHAPELL: From Shilo Marrion Bro. HILLSMON;; From Shilo  
Sumter Brethren SHEPHERD, CARTER & NASH.

2nd Rec'd by an experiance, CHARLEY MAY, POLLY MAY, VINEY  
MAY, PHERBY MAY, COLLERED. By Letter Bro. HARVY G. MATHEWS.

2 Read the decorum of the church.

3. read the Letter prepared by A. F. BURKE for the association  
which was adopted agreed to send \$2.00 for Minuts, \$5.00  
for association fun. Collections on Sabbath \$21.30 cts.

4th Appointed a committee to Search Into an Evil report or  
its origin which is in circulation against J. HANEY & JAMES  
ROBERTS. Committee J. D. LAWSON, J. McGARRAH, J. KINARD.

On motion A. F. BURK was added to the committee.

A. F. BURK Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church September 25th 1869

## STATE OF THE CHURCH

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Baptised This associational year | 24  |
| Received by Letter               | 7   |
| Restored none                    | 0   |
| Excluded "                       | 0   |
| Deceased "                       | 0   |
| Dismissed "                      | 0   |
| Whites in fellowship             | 85  |
| Blacks "                         | 35  |
| Total "                          | 120 |

For Missions

For Minuts \$2.00

For Assosiation fund 5.40

Ordained Minesters: WILLIAM ROSS, JOHN O. HICKSON

## Names of Male Members in Fellowship

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Deacon JAMES McGARRAH      | Rev. WILLIAM ROSS |
| Deacon ABSALOM FUNDERBURKE | " JOHN O. HICKSON |
| Deacon DANIEL MASHBURN     | JAMES HANSFORD    |
| THOMAS McGARRAH            | HENRY MASHBURN    |
| SAMUEL McGARRAH            | AUGUSTUS MASHBURN |
| WILLIAM McGARRAH           | URIAH LOCKETT     |
| JOHN R. T. LINGO           | JOHN WYNNE        |
| JOHN B. KINARD SEN.        | HARVEY MATHEWS    |
| JOHN KINARD JUNIOR         | JESSEE CARTER     |
| SAMUEL W. SMITH            | STERLING CARTER   |
| EDMOND D. EASON            | JOHN CROXTON      |
| LARKIN GLOVER              | WILLIAM CROXTON   |
| NICKOLASS DARDEN           | CHARLES CARLILE   |
| JAMES KING                 | JEFFERSON SIMES   |
| JACKSON D. LAWSON          | JAMES M. JOSEY    |
| JAMES HANNEY               | THOMAS THERILCILL |
| MARMEDUK WHALEY            | WILLIAM RAMBERT   |
|                            | JAMES COOK        |



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Friendship Oct 23rd 1869 Church in Conferance, Elder  
WILLIAM ROSS Called To preside as Moderator in absence  
of the Pastor

1st minuts of Last Conferance Confirmed.

2nd Received & adopted the report of the committee to  
investigate the rumer affecting The Saractor of Bro. J.  
HANNEY & Sistr JANE ROBERTS

3rd discharged the committee from any further duties in  
this case.

4 Church withdrew Fellowship from REBECCA JONES - Guilty  
of fornication

5 Called Bro. CAWOOD by acclamation as pastor of this  
church for 1870 ensuing year - appointed Brethren BURKE  
& MASHBURN to inform Bro. CAWOOD of his call

6 Brethren DARDEN & KINARD to Site Brethren KING & AUGUSTUS  
MASHBURN to attend the next conferance.

7 agreed to call the roll of Church Members at next regular  
meeting that the Status of Church may be ascertained.

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9 (no 8) appointed Brethren J. KINARD, JAMES McGARRAH,  
THOMAS McGARRAH, WM. MCGARRAH, JESSEY CARTER, JAMES JOSSEY,  
& J. D. LAWSON to represent this Church in the General  
meeting to Convene at this place on Friday & Saturday next.

10 That the Clerk of Friendship association be instructed  
to appropriate the monies in hand from this church - Given  
for Domestic misions to the Indian misions.

Adjourned

WM. ROSS Mod Pro tem

J. D. LAWSON C. pro-tem

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Friendship Nov 27 1869

Church in conferance Elder CAWOOD Moderator

Refferances - 1st the Sase of Brethren AUGUSTUS & HENRY  
MASHBURN for absence from conferance. Bro. AUGUSTUS MASHBURN  
excused. Bro. HENRY MASHBURN case was stated through His  
Father and was excused for absense. Bro. EASON was ex-  
cused for absence.

2nd Roll of Church - called

3 Appointed S. McGARRAH, EASON, A. MASHBURN & DARDEN  
corispondents to Sholoh Sumter. To Ebenezer ROSS, EASON  
& KINARD. Shiloh Marriion Srethren ROSS & LINGO.

Lebanon - BURKE, HIXON & HANNEY. Mt. Carmel ROSS, WM.

McGARRAH, JOHN SIMS. Conferance adjourned.

Elder J. H. CAWOOD Mod.

A. F. C. Clk.

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Friendship Jan 23rd 1870

Church in conferance

1st Bro LINGO rendered in his excuse for absence from  
conferance was Reseived

2nd Bro. JAMES O. HIXON & Wife, Bro. JAMES KING & Wife,  
Bro. HARVEY MATHEWS & Wife, called for Letters of dismissal  
which was granted.

3 appointed delligates to the General meeting Sardis

Church to convene Friday before the fifth Sunday in Jan.

Brethren ROSS, JAMES McGARRAH, LINGO, D. MASHBURN, S. McGARRAH.

J. H. CAWOOD Mod

S. McGARRAH C.C. Pro T.



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Friendship Feb 26th 1870 Church in conference: There being no unfinished business Proseded to appoint correspondents to Sister churches. To Shilo Sumter S. McGARRAH, DARDEN & HANNEY. Shilo Marrian ROSS & LINGO, Ebenezer Sumaer SMITH & CARTER, Lebanon Sumter BURKE, THOS McGARRAH, SAML McGARRAH, Granted Letters of dismission to E. D. EASON, JAMES M. JOSEY & MARTHA ANN JENINGS collerd. Closed.  
Elder J. H. CAWOOD Mod  
A. F. BURK C.C.

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Friendship March 26 1870 Church met in conference pastor absent. on motion Elder WM. ROSS presided as moderator  
1st called for corispondents when Rec'd from Shilo Sumter, Brethren SHEPHARD, C. CARTER & CARTER.  
2nd appointed J. McGARRAH & J. B. KINARD To Employ Some one to take the Church whose duty it shall be to keep the house in Good order, to have the doors opened and Shut at all Church meeting & in good time.  
3rd Granted Bro. J. D. LAWSON a letter of dismission also one to DISEY ROSS collered. Closed.  
A. F. BURK C. Clk.  
WILLIAM ROSS Mod.

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Friendship Baptist Church met in due form Aprile 23rd 1870.  
J. H. CAWOOD pastor  
1st The Committee appointed at last conference for the letting out the not having done anything, on motion the same committee was continued.  
2nd granted a Letter of dismission to JOHN McGARRAH Collered.  
Closed in due form  
J. H. CAWOOD Mod.  
A. F. BURKE Clk.

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May 22nd 1870

Church met in conference

1 Called for the report of committee on letting out the Church House. The committee reported that they had engaged Dr. BAILY for to Take charge of the keys to oppen and shut the Doors at all church meeting to keep the House neat order and to have it lighted up shen ever necessary. On motion the Church raised money and placed it in the hands of Dr. BAILY for the purpose of purching Two candle sticks for the use of the church.

2nd appointed corrispondents to Sister Churches viz  
To Shilo Sumter Brethren J. McGARRAH, S. McGARRAH, D. MASHBURN

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Shilo Marrian Brother LINGO, Mt Carmill Brethren KINARD, ROSS and LINGO. Ebenezer Sumter Brethrn CARTER & CROXTON Lebanon Church Brethren J. McGARRAH, S. McGARRAH. General meeting to convene at Antioch Taylor county next Friday  
Brethren ROSS, J. McGARRAH, J. KINARD, A. BURKE, D. MASHBURN, S. McGARRAH.  
J. H. CAWOOD, Mod  
A. BURK C. Clk

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Friendship June 25th 1870 Church met in conference  
1st opened the doore of the church for the reception of members. Received by Letter Sister T. J. STOKES  
2nd Received corrispondents from Sister Churches. From Lebanon MAISE, CHAPPELL & MARSHELL; From Shilo Marrian Bro. S. BELL, From Mt. Carmel Bro. KINARD, From Ebenezer Brethern HANES & HART, Shilo Sumter Brethsrn WHITEHEAD and SHEPHERT  
3rd there being no other business The conference close in due form  
J. H. CAWOOD Mod  
S. McGARRAH Clk protem



Friendship Baptist Church met in due form July 23rd 1870  
 1st opened the doore of the church when Received by Letter  
 JESSES AYCOCK

2nd appointed Brethern J. McGARRAH, S. McGARRAH, D. MASHBURN,  
 elder W. ROSS, J. KINARD, J. AYCOCK delligates to the  
 general meeting to convene at Mt Carmell fifth Sabbath in  
 july Inst  
 J. H. CAWOOD Mod, S. McGARRAH Clk protem

Friendship Baptist Church met in due form August 27th 1870

1st opened the doore of the church

2nd acknowlledgments - none

3rd unfinished business - none

4th Granted Letters of dismission to ANN CHAMPION & OLIVE ROBERTS

5th JAMES McGARRAH, SAMUEL McGARRAH, DANIEL MASHBURN was elected  
 delligates To the Association & J. B. KINARD Alternate. Agreed to  
 Send for minuts \$2.00; for association fund 3.00.

6th appointed corrispondants to Sister Churches Mt. Carmell

Brethren CARTER & KINARD, Ebenezer Brethren S. SMITH, J.

McGARRAH, Shilo Sumter MASHBURN, KINARD, S. McGARRAH, Lebanon  
 AYCOCK, MASHBURN & HANEY.

7th appointed Brethren JAMES McGARRAH, MASHBURN, LINGO

to draft resolutions Relative to the death of Elder WM. ROSS.

J. H. CAWOOD, Pastor

S. McGARRAH C.P.T.

A. F. BURK Clk.

September 24th 1870 Friendship Church met in conferance pastor  
 absent, on motion Bro. D. MASHBURN was called to Preside as  
 moderator.

1st opened the door of the church

2nd Called for corrispondents

3 Rec'd from Lebanon MAISE & CHAPELL, from Mt. Carmela Bro.  
 GUTHREY, from Shilo Sumter SHEPHERT & CARTER, from Ebenezer  
 HART & DANIEL.

4th Expelled from the Fellowship of the Church for none  
 attendance The following (Col. members)

RANDOL SHEFFIELD Exdl.

JIM SHEFFIELD "

FRANK CHAMPION Dead

WARREN BROWN Dead

JACK SMITH Exld.

HENRY PARK Expld

JACK SHEFFIELD "

DANIEL ROBBARTS "

GEORGE CARTER "

ARTIMES WORTHY "

VINA McGARRAH "

MARTHA ROSS "

MALINA ROSS "

PHEBE GLOVER "

MARY HART "

OLIVE MATHEWS "

Closed in due form

A. F. BURK C. Ck.



Friendship Baptist Church Oct 22nd 1870

Male Members in fellowship

JAMES McGARRAH (Deacon)

SAMUEL McGARRAH

WILLIAM MCGARRAH

THOMAS MCGARRAH

ABSALOM F. CURKE (Deacon)

DANIEL MASHBURN (Deacon)

HENRY MASHBURN

AUGUSTUS MASHBURN

JOHN R. T. LINGO

JOHN B. KINARD SEN.

JOHN B. KINARD JUNIOR

S. W. SMITH

LARKIN GLOVSR

NICK DARDEN

JAMES HANNEY

JAMES HANSFORD

JESSEY CARTER

STERLING CARTER

JOHN CROXTON

WILLIAM CROXTON

CHARLES CARLILE Dismissed by Letter

JEFFERSON SIMES

THOMAS THERILKILL

WILLIAM RAMPERT

MARMADUKE WHALEY

JOSEPH COOK

JESSE AYCOCK

JAMES JONES

Friendship Baptist Church met in conferance Ocaober 22nd 1870

Received by Letter Sister S. E. ROSS into the Fellowship of the Church.

2 called for refferances - none

3 Called for acknowldgments, when Bro. DARDEN made satisfactory excuses

4 On motion, the church went into an Election for Pastor for the next year (1871) On counting the ballads it was found that J. H. CAWOOD the present Pastor was elected unanimously.

5 Brethern J. MCGARRAH and D. MASHBURN was appointed to wait on Elder J.H. CAWOOD and inform him of the call of the Church, and request him to Give an answer at the next conferance.

6 Brethren D. MASHBURN & J. MCGARRAH was appointed to Take Subscriptions to raise funds for Bro. BUCKNER our misionary in the Creek nation and report at the Second General meeting.

7 Ordered the clerk to give Letters of Dismission to all collered members who is in fellowship with the church for the purpose of constituting a Church of their own coller.

Bro. BROWN Mod

A. F. BURK Clk.

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October 22 1870

Friendship Baptist Church. Received by Letter SISTER S.E. ROSS;

January 21 received by Letter WELBORN H. BAILEY; BRISON

WOODS: March 24, received by Letter R.R. & ELLEN ARRINGTON.

Friendship Baptist Church Nov 26th 1870

Dismissed by Letter MARY CROXTON.



Friendship Baptist Church met in Conferance Nov 26 1870

J. H. CAWOOD Moderator

1st opened the Door of the Church no noe joined

2nd Committee appointed at previous Conferance to wait on Elder J. H. CAWOOD and inform him of his selection to the pastorate of the Church. Stated that they had attended to That duty. Elder CAWOOD being present Stated that he would Serve the church for the ensuing year (1871) and requested the prayers of the church for his Labours.

May the Good Lord help him, and us all.

3rd appointed corrispondents to the following churches,

1st To Shilo Sumter S. McGARRAH, J. McGARRAH, N. DARDEN,

To Mt. Carmel J. B. KINARD, S. CARTER, WM. McGARRAH,

To Ebenezer J. CROXTON, J. CARTER, THERLKILL, To Lebanon

A. F. BURKE, J. JONES, J. McGARRAH.

4 Granted MARY CROXTON Letter of Dismission

J. H. CAWOOD pastor

A. F. BURKE C. Clk.

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Friendship Baptist Church met in Conferance December 24th 1870

J. H. CAWOOD Modr.

1st opened the Doore of the Church for reseption of members - none

2nd no refferances

3rd no new matter

4th closed in due form.

A. F. BURKE C. Clk.

Friendship January 21st 1871 Church met in conferance

J. H. CAWOOD moderator

1st Received by Letters WELBORN H. BAILEY and BRISON WOODS into the Fellowship of the church.

2nd On motion agreed that Brethern JAMES McGARRAH and J. B. KINARD proseed at onced to collect the remainer Due Dr. Bailey for the Keeping of the Church House for the Last year 1870. & appointed D. MASHBOAN, J. B. KINARD, J.R.T. LINGO to general meeting.

J. H. CAWOOD Mod

A. F. BURKE C. Clk.

Friendship Baptist Church met in conferance Feb 25th 71

1st called for refferances - none

2 New business - none

3 acknowlledgements. Bro. S. SMITH rendered in his excuse which was Rec'd and Excused.

4 Miscelanious business - none

5 appointed a committee of three, J. McGARRAH, J. B. KINARD, & J. R. T. LINGO To inquire into Some reports that are in circulation against Bro. JOSEPH COOK and report at next conferance.

6 appointed corrispondents Shilo Sumter JAS. McGARRAH, S. McGARRAH, and Bro. W. BAILEY., Ebenezer S. W. SMITH,

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Shilo Marion Brethren LINGO & HANSFORD

S. McGARRAH C. P. T.

J. H. CAWOOD Mod.

Friendship Church Preaching by Bro. HEATH March 24th 1871

Went into conferance.

1st Reseived by Letter Bro. ROBERT R. and Sister ELLEN ARRINGTON into the Fellowship of the Church.

2nd Rec'd corrispondents from Lebanon Brethren MAIES CHAPPELL & JENNINGS

3rd the case of Bro. COOK Taken up. On motion continued with the addition Brethren BURKE & S. McGARRAH added to the former committee.



4th Took up the following Resolution, Resolved that it is the Sense of this Church, Selling Sperituous Liquors to be used as a beverage is a Sin. And any member of this church that Engages in Said business is subject to the disciplin of the church. After some discussion had there on by Brethren LINGO, MAISE and others against it and BURKE & BAILEY for it, it was lost by a Small vote. A. F. BURKE offered Several amendments to the Resolution but hey ware all lost. Closed in due form.

J. H. CAWOOD Mod.

A. F. BURKE Clk.

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Friendship Church April 22nd 1871

1 after preaching by the pastor The conferance was organized.

2 Invited visiting Brethern to Seats with us.

3 opened the door of the church Rec'd none.

4 Called for refferances. Took up the case of Bro. COOK.

The committee not being Ready to report the case was continued.

5 appointed JAMES McGARRAH And T. CARTER to the general meeting.

S. McGARRAH Clk P. Tem

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Friendship Church met in conferance May 28 1871

After preaching by Bro. J. H. CAWOOD The Church met in conferance.

1st opened the doore of the church Received GEORGIA S. AYCOCK by Letter of recommendation.

2 Continued the case of Bro. COOK and the committee discharged

3 prefered a charge against E. D. EASON for bigamy. appointed Brethren JAMES McGARRAH & JESSEE CARTER to notify Bro. EASON of the charge. Brethren BAILY & KINARD to wait on Bro. THERILKILL and asertain the facts in his case and Report at the next conferance.

4 Charge prefered against Sister SARAH CHAMPION for buying goods under false pretence. Fellowship was with drawn from The accused.

5. Bro. LINGO made acknowledgements.

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Appointed corrispondents To Mt. Carmell Bro. J. B. KINARD, Shilow Sumter D. MASHBURN, AYCOCK And S. W. McGARRAH, Shilo Marion MASHBURN & LINGO, Lebanon Brethren JAS. McGARRAH, AYCOCK and S. McGARRAH, Ebenezer Brethren KINARD & CARTER

6 Granted a Letter of Dismission

J. H. CAWOOD Mod

S. W. McGARRAH C. protem.



Friendship Church Sumter Co. Ga. June 24th 1871

After preaching by J. H. CAWOOD the pastor, The church met in conferance.

1st opened the Doore of the church for membsrs - none  
2 called for corrispondents from Lebanon Brother MAIES, from Shilo Sumter Brethren ARRINGTON & CHAMBLISS, from Ebenezer Bro. J. HART.

3 Charge against Bro. JOSEPH COOK Taken up, and was expelled from the Fellowship of the church for Fraud.

4 committee on Bro. EASONS case continued with the addition of Bro. BAILY.

5 Charge prefered against Bro. THERILKILL for Stabing Mr. GEARHAM, appointed Bro. JESSEE CARTER to notify him to attend the next conferance To answer to the charge.

6 Closed.

S. W. McGARRAH c. p.

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Friendship July 22nd 1871

After preaching by Elder CAWOOD met in conferance

1st opened the doore of the church for the reception of members -none

2nd Took up Bro. EASONS case. The Committee discharged and Fellowship withdrawn - Expelled

3rd Took up Bro. THERILKILLS case and was acquitted in full of the charge and making the acknowledgements required.

4 new business - none

5 Bro. BURKE made acknowledgements for absence.

6. appointed delligates to General meeting To meet Friday before 5th Sabbath in Brethern BURK, DARDEN & MASHBURN.

7. appointed Bro. CARTER to request E. D. EASON to return to the church his Leter of dismission.

J. H. CAWOOD, Mod

S. W. McGARRAH, C. P.

Friendship Baptist Church Sunday August 27th 1871

Preaching by J. H. CAWOOD. Sunday night preaching by

Pastor had a godd time. Preaching Monday by Pastor

Good meeting. Preaching Monday night good meeting; Tusday

& at night good meeting; Wednesday & at night good meeting,

Thursday had a good time. Received during the meeting,

ELIHUE CROXTON by an experience of Grace

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| JAMES CROXTON | " | " | " | " |
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| NEWTON SMITH | " | " | " | " |
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| HENRY STOKES | " | " | " | " |
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| C. M. HANNY | " | " | " | " |
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| CATHARINE STOKES | " | " | " | " |
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| ELIZER KINARD | " | " | " | " |
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All was baptised by: the pastor.

Appointed D. MASHBURN, S. W. McGARRAH, J. B. KINARD Delligates to the associâtion.

Agreed to send \$2.00 for minuts, for association fund 3.00.

A. F. BURKE C. Clerk

Oct 2nd Church pledged for Indian misions \$50.00.



Friendship Baptist Church met in conference Sept 23rd 71  
J. H. CAWOOD Mod.

1st opened addoore for members - none

2nd called for corrispondents, from Lebanon Church Brethren

MAISES & CHAPELL

3rd agreed to purchase 2 Dozen Hymn Books for the use  
of the church

4 The committee to wait on E. D. EASON Reported that  
they had attended to that Duty and that he had lost the  
Letter The Committee was discharged and the matter drooped.

5th Went into the choice of a pastor for 1872

When on c:unting the votes it was found that J. H. CAWOOD  
was unanimously Elected pastor for the ensuing year. Elder  
CAWOOD being pressnt, was salled on for an answer, and  
agreed to Serve the church for the next year.

6 Agreed that Bro BAILY Take a Subscription for the Pastor.

7 Closed in due form

A. F. BURKE Clk.

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Novm 25th 1871

Friendship Baptist Church Preaching J. W. CAWOOD, pastor  
of the church.

1st The conferance was organized in due form, J. H. CAWOOD, Mod.

2nd opened the doore of the Church no additions.

3rd Called for refferances - none

4th Granted a Letter of dismissal to HENRY MASHBURN

5th Appointed Corrispondents

To Mt. Carmell D. MASHBURN & WM. McGARRAH,

To Shilo Sumter MASHBURN, T. McGARRAH, N. DARDEN and AYCOCK.

To Ebenezer, CARTER & CROXTON

To Lebanon, BURKE, J. McGARRAH, THOS McGARRAH

6 Closed in due form.

J. H. CAWOOD Moderator

A. F. BURKE Clk.

December 1871

The Baptist Church at Friendship met 23rd December no preaching  
nor conferance

January 27th 1872

In consequence of bad wether there was no meeting.

A. F. BURKE Clk.

February 24th 1872

Church met in conferance J. H. CAWOOD Modr.

1st opened the doore of the church for the Reseption of  
members - none

2nd no matter of dealing

3rd A. F. BURKE & N. DARDEN made acknowledgements for  
absceance at lat meeting which was satisfactory

4 Bro S. McGARRAH purchased one Doz Hymn Books for  
theuse of the church for which the Church paid him \$12.00.

5 appointed corrispondents to the Following Churches viz

Shilo Sumter D. MASHBURN, S. McGARRAH and HANSFORD, Mt.

Carmel J. T. KINARD, Ebenezer - CARTER, J. B. KINARD,

Lebanon, A. F. BURKE, BAILY and MASHBURN.

A. F. BURK C. Clk.

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March 23rd 1872 Friendship Church. After preaching the  
Church went into conferance.

1st opened the doore of the Church for the reseption  
of members - none.

2nd called for references - none

3rd New business none

4th general business

5th adjourned

J. H. CAWOOD Pastor

A. F. BURKE C. Clk.



245 continued

April 27th 1872

Pastor being absent Bro. D. MASHBURN was called to the moderators Seat.

1st opened the doore of the Church for the reseption of members - none

2nd no refferance

3rd no acknowlledgements

4th no new matter

5th agreed to purchase a blank book for the use of the Church.

D. MASHBURN, Mod. Samuel McGARRAH Clk Protem

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May the 25th 1870

Church of Chris at Friendship in consequence of bad wether there was no conferance. A. F. BURKE Clk.

June 22nd 1872

After preaching by J. H. CAWOOD the conferance was duly organized J. H. CAWOOD Mod.

1st opened the doore of the Church no noe joined

2 called for corrispondents From Shilo Sumter Brothren

PARKER, ARRINGTON & CHAMBLESS, From Lebannon Brothren CHAPELL

3rd Bro. JOSEPH COOK made Application for restoration, after some discussion Church restored him to the Church in full fellowship

4 Appointed Bro. D. MASHBURN Delligate to the General meeting at Brooksville

J. H. CAWOOD Mod

A. F. BURKE Clk.

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Friendship Baptist Church meet in conferance July 27 1872

1st opened the doore of the church for the reseption of members - none

2nd no refferances

3rd no new matter

4th no acknowledgements

5th Read a letter from Bro. JOHN LEWIS & wife Stating the letters they obtained from the church was lost or misslaid and requested the Church to Send others.

6th The Clerk was ordered to write to Bro. LEWIS and others respecting his moral Standing in Society Since his removal to Teenessee

7 Granted a Letter of dismissal to JULIA ROSS Col

8 Closed in due form.

J. H. CAWOOD Mod.

A. F. BURKE Clk.

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Friendship Baptist Church Meet in Conferance August 25th 1872.

The Pastor being abscent Bro. A. F. BURK was called to act as moderator.

1st opened the doore of the Church for the reseption of members - none

2nd no refferance

3rd no matter of deeling

4th Brother JOHN WYNNE rendered in an excuse for absence which was satisfactory

5th Elected Delligates to the association. Brethren A. F. BURKE, JAMES McGARRAH, D. MASHBURN, W. H. BAILEY, J. B. KINARD. J. AYCOCK, S. G. CARTER, WM. McGARRAH, ALTERNATES.

6th Agreed to petition for the next Association to be with our church

7th agreed to send five Dollars for minuts & Association fund



8th agreed to withdraw corrispondance with the Shilow Church Marriion Coty.

9th Appointed Corrispondents

To Lebanon DR. BAILEY, D. MASHBURN, THOMAS McGARRAH

Shilo Sumter ROBT ARRINGTON, MAYCOCK, D. MASHBURN, J. B. KINARD.

Ebenezer S. G. CARTER, SAMUEL SMITH, J. B. KINARD

Mt Carmell D. MASHBURN, J. McGARRAH, J. KINARD, WM. McGARRAH

10 Closed in due form.

T. G. CARTER, Clk. Protém

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Friendship Baptist Church meet in due form Sept 21st 1872

1st Called for corrispondents from Sister Churches. from

Lebanon Brethren DOME & CHAPPELL

Mt. Carmell Brethren IVEY & KINARD

Shiloh Sumter ARRINGTON, SHEPHERD, COVINGTON & PARKER.

2nd no refferance

3rd no new matter

4th no acknowledgements

5th miscelaneous business none

6th Read & adopted the letter for The association

7th closed in due form

J. H. CAWOOD Mod

A. G. CARTER Clk Protém

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