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OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

Moderator.....	Rev. W. A. Hales 2601 Columbia Avenue, Norfolk, Virginia
Assistant Moderator.....	Rev. A. L. Reynolds 606 Buena Vista Avenue, Rocky Mount, N. C.
Clerk.....	Rev. R. P. Harris P. O. Box 324, Kenly, North Carolina
Treasurer.....	Rev. T. F. Davenport Creswell, North Carolina

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Revs. W. A. Hales, A. L. Reynolds, R. P. Harris, T. F. Davenport,
and Mr. D. H. Furlough

STANDING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- Ordaining Council**—Rev. R. P. Harris, Rev. W. A. Hales, Rev. A. L. Reynolds.
Educational Board—Rev. R. P. Harris, Mr. Robert Spencer, Mrs. D. H. Furlough.
Committee on Finance—Mr. D. R. Harris, Rev. L. E. Ambrose, Mr. H. P. Swain.
Mission Board—Mr. D. R. Harris, Mr. Oscar Webster, Rev. J. A. Alexander.
Sunday School Board—Mr. D. H. Furlough, Mrs. Edgar Barber, Mr. Whitford Alexander.
Resolutions Committee—Rev. L. E. Ambrose, Rev. M. C. Roscholer, Mr. J. A. Harris.
Credentials Committee—Rev. R. P. Harris, Rev. R. C. Alexander, Rev. T. F. Davenport.

ROLL OF MINISTERS

D. M. Ratcliff, Pinetown, N. C.
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L. E. Ambrose, Creswell, N. C.
A. L. Reynolds, 606 Buena Vista Ave., Rocky Mount, N. C.
R. C. Ambrose, Creswell, N. C.
J. A. Alexander, 2549 Vincent Ave., Norfolk, Va.
M. C. Roscholer, 902 E. 28th St., Norfolk 8, Va.
C. H. Denton, Vet. Hospital, Kickatan, Va.
W. M. Oliver, Plymouth, N. C.
O. M. Hilburn, 202 W. Cypress St., Elizabeth City, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

M. A. Woolard, Pantego, N. C.

**ROLL OF CHURCHES WITH THEIR CLERKS AND
NEWLY-ELECTED PASTORS**

Martin County—

Corinth—L. F. Waters, Clerk, Jamesville, N. C., W. L. Moretz, Pastor.

Washington County—

Mt. Tabor—Mrs. Howard Ambrose, Clerk, Creswell, N. C., Herman Wooten, Pastor.

Mt. Olive—L. D. Ange, Clerk, Jamesville, N. C., W. L. Moretz, Pastor.

Mt. Zion—Mrs. Marie Marriner, Clerk, Plymouth, N. C. W. H. Ivey, Pastor.

Union Chapel—J. H. Allen, Clerk, Plymouth, N. C. J. A. Alexander, Norfolk, Va., Pastor.

Piney Grove—Mrs. E. W. Patrick, Clerk, Roper, N. C.

Tyrrell County—

Free Union—Mrs. Viva Spencer, Clerk, Columbia, N. C. L. E. Ambrose, Pastor.

Sound Side—E. B. Armstrong, Clerk, Columbia, N. C. J. W. Alford, Pastor.

Malachi's Chapel—C. A. Voliva, Clerk, Columbia, N. C. J. W. Alford, Pastor.

Gum Neck—O. B. Cahoon, Clerk, Route 3, Columbia, N. C. J. W. Alford, Pastor.

Beaufort County—

Free Union—F. H. Woolard, Clerk, Pinetown, N. C. Clinton Lupton, Pastor.

Trinity—Asa W. Harris, Clerk, Roper, N. C. L. E. Ballard, Pastor.

Belhaven—Florence Dillon, Clerk, Belhaven, N. C. L. E. Ballard, Pastor.

Sidney—Mrs. Agnes Edwards, Clerk, Ransomville, N. C. L. E. Ballard, Pastor.

Pasquotank County—

St. Paul—Mrs. H. I. Fowler, 102 W. Cypress St., Clerk, Elizabeth City, N. C.

Hertford County—

Hickory Chapel—W. M. Early, Ahoskie, N. C., Clerk. J. A. Alexander, Pastor.

Virginia—

Fairmount Park—George Hamilton, Clerk, 2549 Vincent Ave., Norfolk, Va. W. A. Hales, Pastor.

Little Creek—P. H. Kennedy, Clerk, 3300 Shore Drive, Norfolk, Va.
First F. W. B. Church of Portsmouth—

Proceedings

The third annual session of the North Carolina Albemarle Conference of the **original** Free Will Baptist Church convened with Mt. Tabor Church near Creswell, N. C., October 8 and 9, 1947.

At 9:30 o'clock A. M., a worship service consisting of hymn, Scripture and prayer was conducted by Rev. R. P. Harris.

The Welcome Address was given by Mr. Isaac Furlough of the local church and Rev. J. W. Alford of Columbia gave the response.

The moderator, Rev. W. A. Hales, took charge of the meeting and made a few well-placed remarks concerning our work. He called attention to several phases of our work and urged us to use good judgment in all our deliberations. "Since this is the Lord's business, let us seek to honor Him in all that we do," stated Brother Hales.

A business session of the conference was called and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

All delegates and preachers were given seats in the conference and all visiting delegates and preachers were recognized and given the privilege to speak. They were invited to sit with us during this session of the conference.

Visiting ministers present were as follows:

Central Conference—Revs. W. A. Dail, M. A. Woodard, W. B. Nobles, R. H. Mason, D. W. Alexander and J. P. Woodard.

Piedmont Association—Revs. E. O. Connelly, L. H. Clayton, and W. H. Calvert.

Eastern Conference—Revs. S. A. Smith, J. W. Alford.

Western Conference—Revs. M. L. Johnson, J. A. Evans, F. A. Rivenbark.

Cape Fear—Rev. Herman Wooten.

Rev. O. M. Hilburn, being a member of the Piedmont Association in good standing presented his letter asking for membership in this conference.

On motion Rev. O. M. Hilburn was received into the full fellowship of the conference.

On motion the report of the Executive Committee be adopted. See report.

Rev. H. Edgar Harden presented himself expressing a desire to become a member of the conference. On motion Rev. Harden was received into full fellowship of the conference.

Business session called off.

Rev. Herman Wooten, host Pastor, took charge and led the congregation in several selections. Rev. W. B. Nobles led in prayer and Rev. M. C. Roscholer of Norfolk, Va., brought the introductory message using as a text Hebrews 6:1-3. He brought to our hearts an appealing message on the subject of "On to Perfection."

The pastor, Rev. Wooten, then led the congregation in another hymn while an offering for the Orphanage amounting to \$22.64 was received. Dismissed for lunch with prayer.

A delicious mid-day meal was served by the good ladies of the church and community.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Worship services consisting of hymn, Scripture and prayer was conducted by Rev. W. M. Oliver.

Business session re-assumed.

On motion Rev. W. E. Richardson be excommunicated for departing our faith.

On motion Rev. W. M. Oliver be received as a licensed minister.

At the suggestion of our Moderator, business was suspended and Rev. M. L. Johnson, President of the State Convention, also Secretary-Treasurer of the State Superannuation Board, was introduced and given the privilege to speak concerning the work of the State Convention and that of the Superannuation Board.

On motion the report of the Credentials Committee be adopted which means that the First Free Will Baptist Church of Portsmouth, Virginia, becomes a member of our Conference.

On examination and consideration of certain papers and charges growing out of a dispute in the Elizabeth City Church involving Revs. W. A. Hales, R. P. Harris, R. C. Alexander, O. M. Hilburn, the Union Meeting and the Albemarle Conference, our Moderator, Rev. W. A. Hales, ruled all such matters out of order and recommended that all papers be destroyed immediately by the clerk of the Conference.

On motion the ruling of the Moderator be sustained.

On motion business be called off for the day.

The right hand of Christian fellowship was extended to all new preachers coming into the conference, i. e. Rev. O. M. Hilburn, Rev. H. Edgar Harden, and Rev. W. M. Oliver.

Rev. Herman Wooten, host pastor, gave a hearty welcome to all delegates, preachers and visitors and invited them to spend the night in the community.

Adjournment with a hymn and prayer at 3:45 P. M.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Worship Services consisting of several spirited songs, prayer and Scripture reading was led by Rev. Herman Wooten. Rev. R. H. Mason led in prayer and Rev. A. L. Reynolds sang a solo entitled, "The Hem of His Garment," accompanied by Rev. R. P. Harris at the piano.

The Sound Side church then gave a Missionary Program consisting of Mission Hymns, readings, and talks. This was an inspiring program. Rev. J. W. Alford, Pastor of the Sound Side Church brought the Missionary Sermon with the same impressive and heart-stirring originality as becomes him in making gospel addresses.

An offering for missions amounting to \$17.18 was received at the close of the service.

THURSDAY MORNING

The morning services opened at 9:00 with a Worship Service consisting of hymn, Scripture and prayer conducted by Rev. R. C. Ambrose.

Business session.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion the report of the Educational Board be adopted. See report.

On motion the clerk make copies of the report and mail one to each preacher, and church clerk within our conference.

On motion the report of the Mission Board be adopted. See report.

On motion the report of the Ordaining Council be adopted. See Report.

At this time Mr. Oscar Webster, President of the State League Convention, was given the privilege to speak in the interest of young people and their work in the state. He informed us that Miss Alethia Etheridge had been appointed League Field Worker and was ready to help organize Leagues anywhere within the state.

On motion the report of the Field Secretary be adopted.

Ordination Service—Rev. W. M. Oliver was duly ordained into the Gospel Ministry with Rev. W. A. Hales delivering the charge, Rev. R. P. Harris presenting the Bible and Rev. A. L. Reynolds offering the prayer.

The Conference sermon was delivered at the regular time by Rev. R. C. Alexander on the subject of "Evangelism." The "Go Ye" of the Gospel was emphasized and preached with fervor and power. Called off for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Worship Services consisting of Hymn, Scripture and Prayer was conducted by Brother R. L. Spencer.

Rev. J. A. Evans, Superintendent of the Orphanage, gave us a very encouraging message concerning the Orphanage and its program for the year ahead.

Brother R. L. Spencer, recently elected to the Orphanage Board, made a few well-placed and timely remarks concerning the work of the Albemarle Conference for the Orphan Home.

On motion the report of the Sunday School Board be adopted.

On motion the report of the Resolution Committee be adopted.

On motion we accept the invitation to convene with Free Union Church in Beaufort County next year on Wednesday and Thursday before the second Sunday in October.

On motion we accept the report of the Finance Committee.

On motion we adopt the Treasurer's report.

Next on the program was a Round Table discussion for the good of the conference conducted by Rev. A. L. Reynolds.

On motion we extend a rising vote of thanks to this church and community for the very fine way they have entertained us during the sitting of this conference.

On motion we represent by letter to all other conferences in the state where no delegate was appointed.

On motion we adjourn until the next session in October, 1948.

Rev. W. A. Hales, Moderator,
Rev. R. P. Harris, Clerk.

The following delegates were appointed:

To Western Conference—Rev. A. L. Reynolds.
To Eastern Conference—Rev. R. P. Harris.
To Cape Fear Conference—Rev. L. E. Ambrose.
To Central Conference—Rev. R. C. Alexander.
To State Convention—Mr. R. L. Spencer and Mr. Isaac Furlough.

Reports

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board met in a called session at Mt. Olive Church during the sitting of the last Union Meeting and voted to recommend that Rev. H. Edgar Harden be accepted for membership in the Albemarle Union Meeting. He was accepted and restored and given the right hand of fellowship.

The board also recommended that he be received into the Albemarle Conference in like manner.

By the Committee:

Rev. W. A. Hales,
Rev. A. L. Reynolds,
Rev. R. P. Harris,
Rev. T. F. Davenport,
Mr. D. H. Furlough.

THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We have heard from the delegates of the Portsmouth Free Will Baptist Church and as far as we are able to ascertain the church is of the Original Free Will Baptist Faith. We recommend that they be permitted to become a member of this conference.

By the Committee:

Rev. A. L. Reynolds,
Rev. T. F. Davenport,
Rev. R. C. Alexander.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

We, your committee on Education beg leave to make the following report:

1. Realizing the need for well trained and more efficient leadership, we recommend and urge this conference to support the F. W. B. College to its utmost capacity.

2. Realizing the important place of the laity of the Church, we urge every member of the laity to take advantage of every opportunity of learning more about the operations of a Church and a Church Conference in order that they may lend more assistance to the operation thereof, to the end that they may be operated more efficiently.

3. We urge substantial support for our Orphanage at Middlesex, making it possible for the unfortunate children to have equal educational opportunities with the more fortunate children.

4. We recommend to the Ordaining Council that they make and maintain a high standard of educational requirements for prospective Ministers. We make this observation: that in a day of enlightenment and cultural advantages the demand is great for Ministers who can present the Word of God in its simplicity and its power, and can present it in an intelligent manner.

5. It has been observed in this and other Conferences, Conventions and Associations that dissensions and disputes arise between individuals and groups of individuals and is very noticeable in the Ministerial ranks. These dissensions arise because of policies that are sometimes unsound and words and acts that are sometimes unchristian.

Inasmuch as the laymembers are the sheep of a flock and the Pastor the Shepherd of the flock, We urge every minister in our Church to use extreme caution, sound policies, good judgment, and set such examples before their flocks that the Church as a whole may be exalted to a higher level; that it may be cleansed of its impurities and selfishness and may be made fit to become the Bride of the Lord, Jesus Christ.

Signed:

R. P. Harris,
R. L. Spencer,
Mrs. D. H. Furlough,
Committee on Education.

THE MISSION BOARD

We, your Mission Board, beg to submit the following report:

1. We recommend that this Conference print a church letter so that the local church may designate what part of their contribution they want to go for local missions.

2. We endorse and recommend the \$0.50—\$0.75 per member contribution yearly to this conference as recommended last year and endorsed by the conference.

2. We recommend that at no time shall we use more than 25% of our mission money for purposes other than the preaching of the Gospel in new communities.

By the Committee:

Mr. D. R. Harris,
Mr. Oscar Webster,
Rev. J. A. Alexander.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

The Ordaining Council met with Rev. W. M. Oliver on Wednesday, October 8th and examined him for the Gospel ministry. We found him to be worthy of preaching the Gospel and we recommend that he be ordained at

the eleven o'clock services tomorrow, that we extend to him the right hand of fellowship and that his name be recorded as an ordained minister in our conference.

Ordaining Council:

Rev. R. P. Harris,

Rev. W. A. Hales

Rev. A. L. Reynolds.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD

We, the Sunday School Board, wish to submit the following recommendations:

1. To adopt a plan for keeping record of all children coming into the Sunday School, so that it can be referred to at any time for information that may be needed regarding their religious status and that of the other members of the family, including their ages.

2. We realize that training begins at home, the second place is in the Sunday School, therefore we should teach our children to read God's Word, to pray, and stand up for the Lord and all His teachings.

The Sunday School Board:

Mr. D. H. Furlough,

Mr. Whitford Alexander,

Mrs. Edgar Barber.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Whereas, 36 years ago, there swept over North Carolina the Holiness movement, which crept into many of our churches, deluding and carrying away many of our people with its teaching and ideals, and

Whereas, a division was caused in the Cape Fear Conference in this state, many of the churches going away and into this said Holiness movement, and

Whereas, these who went away persist in calling themselves "Free Will Baptists," and even call their conference by the name of "Cape Fear Conference" to the confusion of our loyal people and the general public as well.

Whereas, these so-called "Free Will Baptists" are not a part of the original Free Will Baptists, nor can they even become members of the State Convention because of their doctrine and practices, therefore be it

Resolved:

1st. That we declare to the world at large our adherence to the doctrines, practices and ideals of the Original Free Will Baptist church.

2nd. That the Albemarle Conference this day place itself on record as condemning the attitude of these who went away for persisting in calling themselves by the name "Free Will Baptists," which is misleading and confusing to the world at large.

3rd. That we pledge our whole-hearted support to the Original Cape Fear Conference, and the North Carolina State Convention of the Original Free

Will Baptists in any lawful effort they may make to have some distinction made in the name of these two different bodies, so as to save us and the public at large from the confusion we have experienced in the past.
October 9th, 1947.

Resolutions Committee:

J. A. Harris, Chairman,
Rev. M. C. Roscholar,
Rev. L. E. Ambrose.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Receipts from all churches -----	\$172.30
Offering for Orphanage -----	22.64
Offering for Missions -----	26.33
Fairmont Park Church -----	5.00
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Total -----	\$226.27
Disbursements:	
For Orphanage -----	\$ 42.64
For Education -----	15.00
For Superannuation -----	15.00
For Portsmouth Church -----	35.00
For Fairmont Park Church -----	5.00
For Missions -----	26.33
For Clerk's Salary -----	35.00
For Clerk's Expenses -----	3.50
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Total paid out -----	\$177.47

CONSTITUTION OF ALBEMARLE CONFERENCE

Article 1. This shall be the Constitution of the Albemarle Conference of the original Free Will Baptist church of North Carolina.

Article 2. The object of the annual Conference shall be to promote Christ's Kingdom among men by means in strict conformity to the Holy Scriptures.

Article 3. This conference shall be composed of the ministers and delegates belonging to the body and from churches within the bounds of this conference district. The number of delegates being decided upon by the conference, shall represent their churches other organizations within the bounds of this conference.

Article 4. The delegates from each church shall bear to the conference a letter certifying their appointment, showing the condition and statistics of the church and giving a statement of all funds raised during the year for denominational or other benevolent purposes.

Article 5. The officers of this body shall be a moderator, a treasurer, corresponding and recording secretary, who shall be elected for a term of two years, and said election to take place one year prior to their entering upon the duties of said office.

Article 6. This conference may at each regular meeting, elect as many boards or standing committees as may be necessary in carrying out its benevolent purposes. These shall keep a record of their proceedings and make a report at each regular meeting of the conference.

Article 7. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at a regular session of the conference, through delegates appointed for that purpose. If she be received, the moderator shall extend to her delegates the hand of fellowship.

Article 8. The conference may extend to visiting brethren all the privileges of the body, save that of voting.

Article 9. This constitution may be amended at any regular session by vote of four-fifths of the members present of the conference in session.

BY-LAWS OF THE CONFERENCE

Article 1. A general conference shall be annually held.

Article 2. Every minister and delegate shall duly attend.

Article 3. If any member in the judgment of the conference, shall show anger in his discussion on any subject, he shall forfeit his seat in that conference.

Article 4. No member of the general conference shall be at liberty to withdraw without leave of the moderator.

Article 5. The conference shall always adjourn by vote.

Article 6. There shall annually be a committee of finance chosen to settle with the treasurer and report to conference.

Article 7. The officers and standing committees shall be entitled to vote in the annual conference.

Article 8. No minister or delegate shall, during the sitting of the general conference, be at liberty to fill any place, as to preaching or hearing at the stage, only as liberty shall be granted by the conference.

Article 9. Conference shall always open and adjourn by prayer and praise of God.

Article 10. The minutes of the conference shall be signed by the moderator and the clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Church	County	Delegates	Died	Rec'd. by Letter	Baptized	Dismissed	Excommunicated	No. Members	Contribution	No. Minutes
Corinth-----	Martin-----	E. G. Waters and Sis. Hilda Waters	0	0	4	0	0	50	\$ 15.00	15
Mt. Tabor-----	Washington-----	Lee A. Furlough, Alton Furlough	1	0	4	0	0	222	10.00	15
Mt. Zion-----	Washington-----	Tom West	1	0	2	1	0	64	6.80	5
Free Union-----	Tyrrell-----	C. T. Simmons, H. C. Ainsley	1	0	1	2	0	39	10.00	10
Sound Side-----	Tyrrell-----	A. W. Brickhouse	0	1	2	3	0	140	10.00	15
Malachi's Chapel	Tyrrell-----	Bro. R. L. Spencer and Wife	5	4	13	0	0	361	10.00	20
Gum Neck-----	Tyrrell-----	By Letter	0	0	0	3	0	200	5.00	10
Free Union-----	Beaufort-----	D. M. Radcliff, Oscar Webster	5	4	10	2	0	386	20.00	20
Trinity-----	Beaufort-----	J. A. Harris, Mrs. Lida Cooper	1	0	6	1	0	76	20.00	10
Sidney-----	Beaufort-----	By Letter	--	--	--	--	--	243	8.00	15
Union Chapel-----	Washington-----	Mrs. C. S. Spruill, A. S. Newberry	1	0	0	0	0	50	5.00	5
Elizabeth City-----	Pasquotank-----	J. W. Copeland, S. M. Meekins	0	4	0	3	0	119	5.00	10
Hickory Chapel-----	Hertford-----	Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Willoughby	2	9	6	4	0	170	10.00	15
Norfolk-----	State of Virginia	D. R. Harris, W. H. Alexander	2	65	54	5	0	255	25.00	20
Little Creek-----	State of Virginia	Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barnes	0	0	0	0	0	40	5.00	5
Piney Grove-----	Washington-----	Mrs. Ralph Collins, Mrs. Geo. Spruill	4	0	0	0	0	79	7.50	5
Portsmouth-----	State of Virginia	Received in Conference	--	--	--	--	--	40	-----	5
Belhaven-----	Beaufort-----	Not Represented	--	--	--	--	--	50	-----	10
Mt. Olive-----	Washington-----	Not Represented	--	--	--	--	--	93	-----	10
Totals -----			23	87	102	24	0	2,613	\$172.30	225

MINUTES

of the

Albemarle Auxiliary Convention

Convening with

Free Union Church

Beaufort County

October 2, 1947

Theme: "Exalting Christ."

The meeting was opened by singing "Jesus Calls Us." Prayer was offered by Mrs. L. E. Ballard. The Welcome Address was given by Miss Alice Webster, response by Mrs. Alton Reynolds.

The Devotions were conducted by Mrs. Edwin Roper. She used for her subject, "Exalting the Name of Christ." Her message was very interesting and inspiring. Mrs. Roper offered prayer.

The president gave her message.

The following ministers were made welcome in our meeting: Revs. W. A. Hales, S. A. Smith, J. A. Alexander, and Dr. Fred A. Maxey from Richmond, Va.

We were delighted to have Mrs. J. C. Moye from the Central Auxiliary and Miss Louise Edgerton from the Orphanage.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The list of churches was called and the following represented:

Malachi's Chapel, Mrs. Alton Reynolds	\$ 5.00
Union Chapel, Mrs. Perry Turner	1.50
Sound Side, Mrs. R. R. Swain	3.00
Shiloh, Mrs. Mildred Leggette	5.00
Free Union, Mrs. C. J. Waters & Mrs. Charlie Creech (\$12.70 PCD) ..	8.00
Sidney, Margie and Lula Daw (\$4.50 PCD)	5.00
Trinity, Mrs. C. B. Cooper and Mrs. Carl Heynen (\$3.00 PCD)	5.00
Mt. Tabor, Mrs. L. E. Ambrose	10.50
Fairmont Park, Norfolk, Va., Mrs. Johnson	10.00
Malachi's Chapel, Welcome Bible Class, Mrs. W. V. Reynolds	5.00
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Total from Auxiliaries	\$58.00
Per-Capita Dues (PCD)	20.20
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Grand Total	\$78.20

A solo, "Sunrise", by Mrs. J. C. Moye, was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. J. E. Foreman gave a very interesting talk, using for her subject "Exalting Christ Through Our Gifts."

Miss Louise Edgerton of the Orphanage gave a very interesting message of greetings and timely suggestions for the good of the children at the home.

Mrs. Moye suggested that the Auxiliaries of the State purchase pews for the Orphanage church when it is ready.

An offering for the Orphanage was taken and \$50.25 was received.

Mrs. Woodley Koonce and Mrs. J. A. Alexander were made welcome in our meeting.

The following committees were appointed:

1. Apportionment—Mrs. Alton Reynolds, Chairman; Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. L. E. Ambrose.
2. Petitions—Mrs. J. E. Foreman, Mrs. Charlie Creech, Mrs. C. B. Cooper.
3. Resolutions: Mrs. Carl Heynen, Margie Daw, and Mrs. W. V. Reynolds.

We were dismissed for lunch by Rev. S. A. Smith.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Devotions were conducted by Mrs. L. E. Furlough. She read her Scripture from Rev. 22. Rev. J. A. Alexander offered prayer.

Mrs. Moye and Mrs. Ballard sang "Ivory Palaces."

Rev. Hales introduced Dr. Fred A. Maxey, who brought a very good message on the subject of "Exalting Christ through Personal Service."

On motion the reports of the Vice-Presidents not be given since they are not complete. The reports are to be made complete by the Secretary and published along with the minutes in the Baptist Paper.

Our State Sixth Vice-President, Mrs. J. A. Evans, was present and asked the Albemarle district to raise \$150.00 for Superannuation within the next year.

Mrs. Fred A. Maxey was a welcome visitor with us.

Report of Resolutions Committee:

Since Miss Zalene Lloyd graduates in January and will be ready to sail for India in May to assist Miss Barnard in her mission work, we, the resolution committee, do insist that each local Auxiliary in the Albemarle district raise and contribute at once \$25.00 or more to help on the \$2,500 that is necessary in order for her to go. We further resolve that this district take Miss Lloyd to keep before the Lord in prayer, and that each Auxiliary send a special donation to each district meeting to help support her as long as she is used of the Lord on the mission field. We also recommend that as soon as the price of the pews for the Orphanage church is known that each Auxiliary take action at once.

On motion the report of the Resolution Committee be adopted.

On motion we adopt the report of the Petitions Committee and meet with Malachi's Chapel church next year.

Report of Apportionment Committee adopted:

To Bible School -----	\$ 5.00
Miss Lloyd -----	5.00
Superannuation -----	15.00
Missions -----	15.00
Delegates exp. to St. Meet. -----	4.00
Cragmont -----	5.00
Convention expenses -----	3.00
Child's clothing -----	5.00
Cottage Fund -----	20.25
Child's Christmas Present -----	5.00
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Total Disbursements -----	\$107.25

The Treasurer's Report adopted:

From Local Auxiliaries -----	\$ 58.00
From last Convention -----	15.00
Per Capita Dues -----	20.20
Special offering for Orphanage -----	50.25
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Total -----	\$143.45
To be paid out -----	107.25
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Balance -----	\$ 36.20

The meeting adjourned to meet with Malachi's Chapel first Thursday in April, 1948.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard, President.
Miss Alice Webster, Secretary.

