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## OFFICERS FOR THE 1968 SESSION

MODERATOR—Rev. A. B. Chandler, Pinetown, N. C.  
ASSISTANT MODERATOR—Rev. Charlie Overton, Ahoskie, N. C.  
SECRETARY—Mr. Oscar Webster, Pinetown, N. C.  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY—Mr. J. T. Keech, Pantego, N. C.  
TREASURER—Mr. Issac Furlough, Creswell, N. C.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. Charlie Overton, Rev. A. B. Chandler, Mr. Oscar Webster, Mr. Isaac Furlough, the Moderator of the Albemarle Union Meeting, President of the Albemarle Sunday School Convention, President of the Albemarle League Union, and the President of the Albemarle Woman's Auxiliary Convention.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. L. E. Ambrose (68), Rev. A. B. Chandler (69),  
Mr. J. T. Keech (70)

## BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Rev. W. L. Brickhouse (68), Mrs. Minnie Mae Chandler (69),  
Mr. James Martin (70)

## BOARD OF ORDINATION

Rev. A. B. Chandler (68), Rev. Charlie Overton (69),  
Rev. Robert May (70)

## BOARD OF MISSIONS

Rev. James N. Webster (68), Mr. Lloyd Jones Jr. (69),  
Mrs. Amanda Willoughby (70), Mr. Hilton Simmons (71),  
Rev. Robert May (72)

## BOARD OF YOUTH EVANGELISM

Mrs. Ella Rae Foreman (68), Mr. B. A. Daniels (69),  
Mrs. Minnie Mae Chandler (70)

## ROLL OF MINISTERS

Rev. L. E. Ambrose, Creswell, North Carolina  
Rev. A. B. Chandler, Pinetown, North Carolina  
Rev. Charlie Overton, Ahoskie, North Carolina  
Rev. Robert May, Ahoskie, North Carolina  
Rev. W. L. Brickhouse, Columbia, North Carolina  
Rev. James N. Webster, Pinetown, North Carolina  
Rev. Bobby Bazen, 190 Hill Prince Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia  
Rev. Wade McCracken, Chesapeake, Virginia  
Rev. Bill Gaylord, Route 1, Pinetown, North Carolina  
Rev. Cecil Rose, Route 2, Creswell, North Carolina

## ROLL OF CHURCHES WITH THEIR CLERKS AND PASTORS

### MARTIN COUNTY

*Corinth*—Mr. R. L. Waters, Clerk, Route 1, Jamesville, North Carolina  
No pastor at the time of the report.

### WASHINGTON COUNTY

*Mt. Tabor*—Mrs. Howard Ambrose, Clerk, Route 2, Box 171, Creswell, North Carolina

Rev. Cecil Rose, Pastor, Creswell, North Carolina

*Mt. Zion*—Mrs. Ernest Whitson, Clerk, Route 2, Box 21, Plymouth, North Carolina

Rev. Charlie Overton, Pastor, 811 Academy Street, Ahoskie, North Carolina

*Piney Grove*—Mrs. Ester Barber, Clerk, Route 1, Box 185-A, Roper, North Carolina

Rev. James N. Webster, Pastor, Route 1, Pinetown, North Carolina

*First Church of Plymouth*—Mrs. Bill Alligood, Clerk, 113 Latham Avenue, Plymouth, North Carolina

Rev. Earl Minshew, Pastor, Pine Level, North Carolina

*Union Chapel*—Mr. Bill Gurganus, Clerk, 105 Wilts Avenue, Plymouth, North Carolina

No pastor at the time of the report.

### TYRRELL COUNTY

*Sound Side*—Mr. Marvin Sawyer, Clerk, P. O. Box 47, Columbia, North Carolina

Rev. Cecil Rose, Pastor, Route 2, Box 177-A, Creswell, North Carolina

*Gum Neck*—Mrs. Dorothy Brickhouse, Clerk, Route 3, Box 120-A, Columbia, North Carolina

No pastor at the time of the report.

*Malachi's Chapel*—Mrs. William Braxton Volvia, Clerk, Columbia, North Carolina

Rev. Jimmie Barfield, Pastor, Route 3, Kenly, North Carolina

#### BEAUFORT COUNTY

*Free Union*—Mr. Darrell Windley, Clerk, Route 1, Pantego, North Carolina

Rev. A. B. Chandler, Pastor, Route 1, Pinetown, North Carolina

*Trinity*—Mr. Talmage Cooper, Clerk, 1, Pantego, North Carolina

Rev. E. E. Edwards, Pastor, Route 1, Box 234, Chocowinity, North Carolina

*Sidney*—Mr. Eugene S. Linton, Clerk, Route 2, Belhaven, North Carolina

Rev. Robert D. Jones, Route 3, Smithfield, North Carolina

*Belhaven*—Mrs. Douglas Spencer, Clerk, Route 1, Belhaven, North Carolina

Rev. Kenneth Carter, Pastor, Belhaven, North Carolina

*Shiloh*—Mrs. Hallet Harris, Clerk, Route 1, Box 20, Pinetown, North Carolina

Rev. Bill Gaylord, Pastor, Route 1, Pinetown, North Carolina

#### HERTFORD COUNTY

*Hickory Chapel*—Mrs. W. O. Dilday, Clerk, Route 4, Ahoskie, North Carolina

Rev. Robert May, Pastor, Route 4, Ahoskie, North Carolina

#### PASQUOTANK COUNTY

*St. Paul*—Mrs. Eunice Ambrose, Clerk, 106-W Cypress Street, Elizabeth City, North Carolina

Rev. John Owens, 211 Harrell Street, Elizabeth City, North Carolina

#### VIRGINIA

*Virginia Beach Mission*—Mrs. Coretta Martin, Clerk, 2712 Tidewater Drive, Norfolk, Virginia

Rev. Bobby Bazen, Pastor, 190 Hill Prince Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia

*Oak Grove Mission*—Mrs. Ruth F. Purser, Clerk

Rev. Wade J. McCracken, Pastor

(No report to the conference)

# PROCEEDINGS

The twenty-third annual session of the Albemarle Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened with Malachi's Chapel Church, Route 1, Columbia, North Carolina, on October 5, 1967.

## THURSDAY MORNING, 9:30 A. M.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. W. L. Brickhouse. He led the congregation in the opening song. He read for a Scripture text Psalm 133. He closed the devotional with prayer.

The welcome address was given by Rev. Jimmy Barfield. The response was given by Mr. J. T. Keech.

A motion was made and carried to adopt the printed program as the order of business.

The roll of churches was called with 17 churches being represented. They were: St. Paul, Mt. Tabor, Gum Neck, Mt. Zion, Malachi's Chapel, Trinity, Hickory Chapel, Shiloh, Free Union, First Baptist of Plymouth, Piney Grove, Sound Side, Virginia Beach Mission, Corinth, Sidney, Union Chapel, and Belhaven.

The Albemarle Union Meeting reported to the conference at this time.

The roll of ministers was called and the following were present: Revs. L. E. Ambrose, A. B. Chandler, W. L. Brickhouse, Bobby Bazen, Wade McCracken and Bill Gaylord.

Visiting ministers were recognized and are as follows: Revs. S. A. Smith, Walter Reynolds, J. W. Everton, Jimmy Barfield, Cecil Rose, M. L. Johnson, and Joe Ingram.

A motion was made and carried to enroll Rev. Cecil Rose with the list of ministers of the conference pending his letter of transfer from his present conference.

Remarks were made by the moderator, Rev. A. B. Chandler.

Temporary committees were appointed by the moderator. They were:  
*Resolutions:* Mr. S. H. Voliva, Mrs. Odelle Peele, and Mrs. Amanda Willoughby.

*Temperance:* Rev. W. L. Brickhouse, Mrs. Mary Furlough, and Mrs. Margaret Woolard.

*Nominating:* Rev. Wade McCracken, Mr. J. T. Keech, and Mrs. Laura Webster.

At this time Rev. L. E. Ambrose resigned from the missions board for reasons of his health. A motion was made and carried to accept his resignation.

Reports were called for from the standing boards and committees. They were as follows:

*Executive Committee:* See report.

*Board of Trustees:* No report.

*Board of Education:* No report.

*Board of Missions:* No report.

*Board of Youth Evangelism:* No report.

*Board of Ordination:* See report.

A memorial service was conducted by Rev. Bobby Bazen. The service consisted of a hymn, Scripture, and prayer.

An offering was taken for the general fund of the conference. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. B. Chandler.

A report was given by Mrs. Minnie Mae Chandler of the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists which convened at Kinston, North Carolina. A motion was made and carried to receive this report as information.

Rev. Walter Reynolds, chairman-treasurer of the North Carolina Board of Superannuation, gave a report of the work of this board. Motion made and carried to adopt this report. (See report.)

Rev. Walter Reynolds, manager of the Free Will Baptist Press, gave a report of the work of that foundation. A motion was made and carried to receive this report as information.

Rev. M. L. Johnson, superintendent of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, gave a report of the ministry of the institution. A motion was made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

Special music was rendered by the host church.

The conference sermon was preached by Rev. Walter Reynolds. His Scripture was taken from Zechariah 4:6. His subject was, "We Can't Do It Alone."

The benediction was offered by Rev. S. A. Smith.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION 1:00 P. M.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. L. E. Ambrose. He led the congregation in singing, "Amazing Grace." He read for a Scripture text 2 Chronicles 31:7-9. Prayer was offered by Rev. Cecil Rose.

Rev. J. W. Everton, president of the North Carolina State Convention, gave a report of the program of that body. A motion was made and carried to adopt this report as information.

Rev. S. A. Smith, associate member of the Board of Directors of Mount Olive College, gave a progress report of the college. Motion made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

Rev. Joe Ingram, director-treasurer of the North Carolina Board of Missions, gave a report of the work of that board. Motion made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

Rev. A. B. Chandler, a member of the Board of Ordination of the



conference, gave a report of that board. Motion made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

Mr. Isaac Furlough, conference treasurer, gave the treasurer's report. Motion made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

Report of the Resolutions Committee was given by Mrs. Odelle Peele. Motion made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

A report of the Temperance Committee was given by Mrs. Margaret Woolard. Motion made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

A report of the Nomination Committee was given by Rev. Wade McCracken. Motion made and carried to adopt the report. (See report.)

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Mrs. Minnie Mae Chandler and Mrs. Amanda Willoughy were elected delegates to the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

Mrs. Ruth McCracken was elected delegate to the General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists. A motion was made and carried to represent to this body with \$10. Also a motion was made and carried to pay \$40 on the expense of the delegate to this conference.

A motion was made and carried to accept the invitation of the Virginia Beach Mission to convene the 1968 session of the conference there.

The minutes of the session were read and approved. A motion was made and accepted to adopt the minutes as read.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn.

The right hand of fellowship was given to Revs. Cecil Rose and Bill Gaylord.

The Rev. J. W. Everton prayed the benediction.

## REPORTS

### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee held no formal sessions during the past year.

Members of the committee have met informally with the members of the conference's Mission Board to consider a request for money from the mission fund. The action taken at these meetings will be covered in the treasurer's report. (See report.)

### REPORT OF ORDAINING BOARD

The Ordaining Board met at Hickory Chapel Church on March 13, 1967, for the purpose of giving the ordination examination to Bill Gaylord.

Mr. Gaylord passed the examination, and March 31, 1967, was set as the date for his ordination at Corinth Church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charlie Overton, *Chairman*  
A. B. Chandler  
Robert May

The Ordaining Board met in Corinth Church, Jamesville, March 31, 1967, to ordain Bill Gaylord to the gospel ministry. Rev. Robert May presented the Bible, Rev. Charlie Overton gave the charge, and Rev. A. B. Chandler preached the ordination sermon. He was recommended to be received into the fellowship of the Albemarle Conference.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charlie Overton, *Chairman*  
A. B. Chandler  
Robert May

#### REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. Be it resolved, that we continue in the same spirit of faith and prayer, having Christ always preeminent in our lives.

2. That we support our church program to the fullest, remembering that it takes the work of the members cooperating with the pastors if we are to succeed in our program for the glory of God.

3. Be it resolved, that we fight Communism, alcoholism, and immorality to the end.

4. That we give to Malachi's Chapel Church a rising vote of thanks for the wonderful hospitality and fellowship extended to this conference. That they go on record for the faithfulness and spirit they have displayed throughout the years. Also for the lovely flowers used in the church for the glory of God.

5. Be it resolved, that we send a letter of condolence to the widow of Brother J. C. Griffin from the conference for the faithful services and loyalty he so willingly gave to the Original Free Will Baptist Denomination of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,  
S. H. Voliva  
Mrs. Archie Willoughby  
Mrs. Odelle Peele

#### REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance Committee, wish to submit the following report:

We recommend that our people in general observe more closely our standard of living as taught by the Word of God. That we teach our

young people the importance of dressing more decently, and to shun the evil places of amusements which are not decent for a Christian to be in.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. L. Brickhouse

Mrs. Mary Furlough

Mrs. Margaret Woolard

### REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee wishes to make the following report:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Mr. J. T. Keech

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Mr. James Martin

BOARD OF ORDINATION: Rev. Robert May

BOARD OF MISSIONS: Rev. James N. Webster, the unexpired term of Rev. L. E. Ambrose; Rev. Robert May to a full term of office.

BOARD OF YOUTH EVANGELISM: Mrs. Minnie Mae Chandler

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Wade McCracken

Mr. J. T. Keech

Mrs. Laura Webster

### TREASURER'S REPORT

(Year 1966-1967)

#### GENERAL FUND

Amount Brought Forward	\$221.98
Amount Received from Various Churches	147.00
Amount Received from Public Offerings	26.43
Total to Account For	<u>\$395.41</u>
Amount Paid Out	168.00
Balance in General Fund	<u>\$227.41</u>

#### MISSION FUND

Amount Brought Forward	\$531.30
Amount Received Since Last Session	448.07
Total Amount to Account For	<u>\$979.37</u>

#### PAID OUT

Virgina Beach Mission	\$180.00
Oak Grove Mission	180.00
Oak Grove Mission	180.00

Total Paid Out

540.00

Balance in Mission Fund

\$439.37

Respectfully submitted,  
Isaac Furlough, *Treasurer*

## REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MISSION BOARD

We want to thank the churches of the Albemarle Conference for your support to the work of missions during the past year. Each of you have been very faithful in your support to the work.

We have begun now on a new year with many new areas ahead of us for mission work. We are being asked each month for more support to the work we now have started. There are also new fields that need work begun. We need your support in a greater way than ever before. Your mission board has launched out in faith in their plans for 1967-68. First of all, they have seen the need to place a full-time director at the head of the work. This we believe is the desire of each of our churches, for now you can expect the director to give the work his undivided attention. Second, they have taken very definite steps to send a missionary family to the foreign field. This again you showed your approval of by the fine attendance at the Mission Rally at the State Convention. There are many areas yet that these men would like to begin work, but to do so, there will be added expense.

You in return have expressed your faith in God and the board by the response you gave to the offering at the rally. The churches gave a total of \$4,815.50. This is a fine start for a new year, but we cannot let up. Our support must be a consistent thing.

We hope that each church will accept the suggested amount for your church to raise with concern, and be sure that your people give this amount.

If we can be of assistance to you in the support of missions, do not hesitate to call us; and please do not forget to pray for each of our missionaries and your director-treasurer.

Joseph H. Ingram, *Director-Treasurer*

The following are the 1966-67 quotas and the suggested 1967-68 quotas for missions from the churches of the Albemarle Conference:

CHURCHES	1966-1967	SUGGESTED
		QUOTAS
		1967-1968
Belhaven	\$	\$ 75.00
Corinth	45.00	75.00
Free Union (Tyrrell County)		75.00
Free Union (Beaufort County)	50.00	775.00
Gum Neck	85.00	125.00
Hickory Chapel	449.60	600.00
Malachi's Chapel	61.65	100.00

Mt. Tabor	75.82	100.00
Piney Grove	25.00	75.00
Mt. Zion	92.00	125.00
Plymouth	72.00	125.00
St. Paul		75.00
Shiloh	852.00	900.00
Sidney	455.00	575.00
Sound Side	367.29	450.00
Trinity	145.00	200.00
Union Chapel	239.34	300.00
Albemarle Union Meeting	80.44	125.00
Virginia Beach Mission	85.00	100.00
Oak Grove Mission	26.97	75.00
Albemarle Conference	128.45	150.00
Totals	<u>\$3,335.56</u>	<u>\$4,500.00</u>

## REPORT OF MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE

### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

It is the desire of Mount Olive College to provide educational opportunities for every qualified Free Will Baptist high school graduate who wishes to attend our College. During the 1967-68 fiscal year, the College will administer a student-aid program of approximately \$60,000, including academic scholarships, grants-in-aid to ministerial students, music scholarships, part-time employment, and student loans.

Pastors, Sunday school teachers, and youth workers are urged to encourage young people to consider the educational and religious advantages of attending Mount Olive College. The College welcomes young people to visit its campus and to discuss their educational interests with college officials.

### NEW LIBRARY

Construction of the new library is now underway with completion scheduled for July, 1968. Plans are being made to dedicate the library next September during the session of the State Convention which will meet in Mount Olive.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Gifts from the Free Will Baptists of North Carolina to Mount Olive College during the fiscal year of July 1, 1966, through June 30, 1967, averaged \$3 per member. Special recognition is given to the following churches in the Albemarle Conference which exceeded this level of support: Trinity, \$7.04; Mount Zion, \$4.37; Hickory Chapel, \$3.92; and Saint Paul, \$3.03.

A complete listing of the churches of the conference is included with this report and contains a record of gifts received during 1966-67 and recommended quotas for 1967-68.

The College sincerely appreciates the prayers and support of the Albemarle Conference in helping to provide Christian higher education for our youth.

#### COLLEGE DINNERS

Two dinners are being planned within the Albemarle District to assist churches in reaching their quotas for the College. The Beaufort County churches will have their dinner on November 4 at the Chocowinity High School Lunchroom with Oscar Webser serving as county chairman.

An organization meeting will be held at Mount Tabor Church on Friday, October 6, at 8 p. m., to plan the dinner for Washington, Martin, Tyrrell, and Pasquotank Counties.

W. Burkette Raper, *President*

Quota recommendations for the Albemarle Conference of Free Will Baptists, July 1, 1967, through June 30, 1968:

CHURCH	MEMBERSHIP	GIVEN DURING 1966-67		1967-68 QUOTAS
		TOTAL GIFTS	PER CAPITA	
Belhaven	39	\$110.70	\$2.84	\$ 125
Corinth	50	114.49	2.29	150
Free Union	400	656.76	1.64	1,200
Gum Neck	128	198.00	1.55	380
Hickory Chapel	205	803.37	3.92	825
Malachi's Chapel	230	379.00	1.65	700
Mount Tabor	203	328.04	1.62	600
Mount Zion	59	257.97	4.37	260
*Oak Grove	33			35
Piney Grove	78	125.00	1.60	230
Plymouth, First	57	136.00	2.39	175
Saint Paul	70	212.00	3.03	215
Shiloh	253	450.42	1.78	750
Sidney	125	301.00	2.41	375
Sound Side	168	163.71	.97	500
Trinity	68	478.45	7.04	600
Union Chapel	111	206.25	1.86	300
*Virgian Beach Mission	80			80
Miscellaneous		374.92		
Total		\$5,296.08		\$7,500

\*Mission churches: suggested quota—\$1 per member.

# Analysis of gifts and quotas to Mount Olive Junior College for North Carolina Conferences:

MEM. CONFERENCE	QUOTA	1966-67		1967-68	
		GIFTS	PER CAPITA	QUOTA	PER CAPITA
2,357 Albemarle	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,296.08	\$2.24	\$ 7,500	\$3.19
3,986 Cape Fear	15,000	12,562.44	3.15	17,160	4.30
8,235 Central	36,200	32,974.72	4.00	38,040	4.62
10,208 Eastern	37,050	30,196.42	2.96	40,730	3.99
7,541 Western	26,000	17,941.57	2.38	26,500	3.51
1,205 Pee Dee	1,000	517.86	.43	1,200	.99
* 728 Piedmont	1,000	870.00	1.19	1,500	1.00
Statewide Bodies		2,513.37			
34,260 Total	\$122,250	\$102,872.46	\$3.00	\$132,630	\$3.80

\*Membership information on some churches was not available.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION

We are glad for the privilege to make this report to the Albemarle Conference for the year 1966-1967:

1. We have 9 ministers who receive regular pension checks, of this number one (1) is from the Albemarle Conference.

2. We have 16 ministers' widows who receive regular quarterly pension checks.

3. Contributions made by the conference to superannuation:

(1) Churches	\$775.40
(2) Auxiliaries	5.00
(3) Sunday Schools	204.02
(4) Leagues	47.00
(5) Individuals	294.13
(6) Union	74.39

Total \$1,399.94

4. October is Superannuation Month. Please send all superannuation funds to: Walter Reynolds, P. O. Box 474, Ayden, North Carolina 28513.

5. The budget for 1967-1968 is \$20,000, based on 75¢ per member of the churches of this state.

6. May I say thank you for your support, and at the same time urge you to do more in the coming year for superannuation.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Reynolds, *Chairman-Treasurer*

## REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

The following is a report of gifts received from the Albemarle Conference district during the year 1966-67 and the suggested quotas for the year 1967-68. The quotas for 1967-68 are based upon our continuing needs to meet the schedule established in our Golden Anniversary Development Program and our general operation for the year.

CHURCH	GIFTS DURING	SUGGESTED QUOTAS
	1966-1967	1967-1968
Belhaven	\$ 135.88	\$ 150.00
Corinth	127.00	250.00
Free Union	145.00	500.00
Gum Neck	310.75	250.00
Hickory Chapel	379.44	450.00
Malachi's Chapel	767.97	1,200.00
Mt. Tabor	709.46	600.00
Mount Zion	237.73	250.00
Piney Grove	85.00	150.00
Plymouth	29.80	150.00
Shiloh	267.03	500.00
Sidney	269.00	400.00
Sound Side	317.30	400.00
St. Paul	64.42	250.00
Trinity	372.15	350.00
Union Chapel	502.04	250.00
Virginia Beach Mission	20.50	100.00
Miscellaneous	598.73	1,300.00
Totals	<u>\$5,339.20</u>	<u>\$7,500.00</u>



# Constitution of Albemarle Conference

## ARTICLE I

### SECTION 1—NAME

This organization shall be known as the Albemarle Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina.

### SECTION 2—PURPOSE

The general purpose of this conference shall be to promote the great cause of Christ among men by means in conformity to the Holy Scriptures.

## ARTICLE II

### SECTION 1—COMPOSITION

This conference shall be composed of the ordained and licensed ministers who are members of churches that belong to the conference, all general officers of the conference, the members of standing boards or committees, the president or moderator of each subordinate general organization and the churches that hold their membership with the conference, together with those that may subsequently be admitted.

### SECTION 2—REPRESENTATION

Every church affiliated with the Albemarle Conference shall represent in its annual session with two delegates, and each subordinate general organization shall represent with one delegate. A report from each church and subordinate organization shall be rendered at the annual session of the conference.

## ARTICLE III

### OFFICERS

The officers of this conference shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a secretary, an assistant secretary and a treasurer, each of whom shall be elected for a term of two years. The term of office for all officers shall begin at the close of the annual session at which they are elected.

Temporary officers, representatives or messengers may be elected at the option of the conference for whatever purpose deemed essential.

## ARTICLE IV

### STANDING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

It shall be the method of this conference to simplify its works by the assignment of specific work to representative units of authority which shall hereafter be known as standing boards and committees.

A board of trustees, a board of education and a board of ordination consisting of three (3) members each shall be elected. The term of office for members of these boards shall be three years but shall be so adjusted as to terminate the office of one member annually.

A board of missions, consisting of five members shall be elected. The

term of office for member of this board shall be five years, but shall be adjusted to terminate the office of one member annually.

#### SECTION 1

Standing boards shall have authority to write their own bylaws and administer their respective programs of works, but each shall remain subject to the authority and approval of the conference.

#### SECTION 2

The executive committee shall be composed of the general officers of the conference and the moderator or president of each subordinate general organization.

#### SECTION 3

Temporary committees shall be appointed at the option of the conference for whatever deemed necessary.

### ARTICLE V

#### FINANCE

Each church shall contribute to the conference program according to its membership.

Conference funds shall be used for the work and general expense of the conference. The use of all funds to be approved by the conference.

### ARTICLE VI

#### ADMISSION OF CHURCHES

Any properly organized church that gives evidence of adherence to the doctrines of Christianity as taught by Free Will Baptists and desires to help promote the program and work of the Albemarle Conference may submit its petition for membership through an official delegation at any annual session of the conference. If the petition for membership be approved, the moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the delegates and declare them duly seated.

### ARTICLE VII

#### FRATERNAL DELEGATIONS AND VISITORS

Fraternal delegations and visitors shall be extended all the privileges of the conference except that of voting, serving on committees or holding elective offices.

### ARTICLE VIII

#### MEETINGS

The Albemarle Conference shall meet in annual session on Thursday before the second Sunday in October of each year. The host church shall be selected by vote of the conference in annual session by the executive committee. The place of a future meeting thus selected may be changed by an act of the executive committee should such a change become necessary.

## BYLAWS

### SECTION 1

The duties of the moderator shall be to preside, according to accepted parliamentary procedure, over the sessions of the Albemarle Conference; to appoint temporary committees, delegates and representatives; to serve as ex officio member of all standing boards and subordinate general organizations, to sign official documents that require the signature of the moderator.

### SECTION 2

The duties of the assistant moderator shall be the duties of the moderator when that officer is not present and assist the moderator when called upon.

### SECTION 3

The secretary shall record the proceedings of all sessions of the Albemarle Conference and preserve an accurate record of said proceedings in a book provided for this purpose. He shall prepare and cause to be published the minutes of the annual sessions of the conference; hold in trust all documents, not otherwise preserved, and surrender same at the direction of the conference; conduct the official correspondence and sign such documents and instruments as require his signature.

### SECTION 4

The duties of the assistant secretary shall be the duties of the recording secretary when that officer is not present and to assist the secretary when called upon.

### SECTION 5

The treasurer shall hold in trust all money that belongs to the conference and pay out same by order of the conference, the executive committee or any standing board invested with the authority to authorize the disbursement of funds. He shall keep an accurate account of all funds received and paid out and make an annual report accordingly to the conference.

### SECTION 6

The executive committee shall have power to act in the behalf of and for the Albemarle Conference from one regular session to another. It shall organize at will and discharge the administrative duties assigned to it. It shall plan the programs of the conference. The executive committee shall meet as often as necessary for the good of the conference.

### SECTION 7

The board of trustees shall hold title to all property belonging to this conference. It shall have power to convey such property when authorized by the conference.

### SECTION 8

The following temporary committees shall be appointed annually by

the moderator and shall render reports during the sitting of the conference: obituary, temperance, resolutions, nominating and finance.

#### SECTION 9

All reports, resolutions and recommendations shall be considered properly presented to the conference in written form only.

#### SECTION 10

No minister, officer or delegate shall be at liberty to retire from the building during a session of the conference without the consent of the moderator.

#### SECTION 11

If any member, in the judgment of the conference, shall show anger in his discussion on any subject, he shall forfeit his rights during the remaining part of that session of the conference.

#### SECTION 12

This constitution and bylaws may be altered or amended by a two-third favorable vote of the members present in a regular session. All amendments shall be on the table not less than three hours prior to adoption and shall, during that time, be read at least one time.

A REMINDER: Every 20 sessions of the conference minutes shall be bound together into a book for the permanent records of the conference.

Churches	County	Delegates	No. Members	Members Received	Members Lost	Pastor's Salary	Denominational Causes	Church Causes	To Conference	Value of Property	No. Minutes
Corinth	Martin	By Letter	50			\$1,380.00	\$ 210.00	\$ 1,718.15	\$15.00	\$ 8,000	6
Mt. Tabor	Washington	Mrs. David Furlough, Mrs. Howard Ambrose	187	2	9	1,800.00	526.17	3,538.48	10.00	40,000	10
Mt. Zion	Washington	Mr. and Mrs. David Peele	72	13	1	1,250.00	785.83	2,270.77	5.00	10,000	6
Piney Grove	Washington	Mrs. Lea Alexander, Mrs. Lillian Reddick	20	1	4	860.12	122.00	1,178.40	5.00	5,000	6
Plymouth	Washington	Mrs. Dwight Miller	81	6	6	2,635.00	202.80	4,267.33	5.00	20,000	8
Union Chapel	Washington	By Letter	112	1	3	1,485.76	436.06	2,355.00	20.00	10,000	6
Sound Side	Tyrrell	By Letter	171	5	1	1,590.00	1,056.32	3,801.05	5.00	18,000	11
Gum Neck	Tyrrell	Mrs. Florence Liverman, Mrs. Polly Ann Everton	103	3	2	503.00	259.00	1,370.96	7.00	10,000	6
Malachi's Chapel	Tyrrell	Mr. and Mrs. Shafter Voliva	230	3	3	1,200.00	491.65	2,597.43	10.00	35,000	11
Free Union	Beaufort	Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Keech	176	6	4	4,545.00	812.41	9,001.18	10.00	90,000	11
Trinity	Beaufort	Mrs. Laura Webster, Mrs. Madeline Stotesberry	70	2	1	1,680.00	802.85	2,407.92	15.00	15,000	7
Sidney	Beaufort	By Letter	125	3	1	1,270.00	1,320.17	3,888.76	10.00	15,000	8
Belhaven	Beaufort	Mrs. Emma Mariner	41	11	1	371.03	263.91	542.63	5.00	15,000	5
Shiloh	Beaufort	Mrs. Salathiel Windley, Mrs. Margaret Woolard	231	1	7	1,800.00	1,778.48	2,999.52	25.00	30,000	11
Hickory Chapel	Hertford	Mrs. Archie Willoughby, Mrs. Ella Willoughby	211	13	6	4,500.00	1,520.80	5,036.27	10.00	100,000	11
St. Paul	Pasquotank	By Letter	60	14	11				10.00	43,000	7
Virginia Beach	Virginia	Mr. David F. Jones, Mr. James E. Martin	108	26	6	5,330.00	109.00	15,314.35	5.00	100,000	7
Oak Grove	Virginia	No Report									
Albemarle Union Meeting		Albert C. Brickhouse							10.00		

