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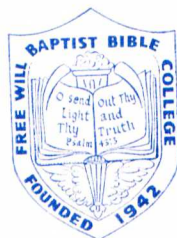
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MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The annual meeting of the Beaver Creek Ministers' Conference met with the Clover Church, on August 9, 1956, at 9:30 A.M. The devotion was conducted by the Rev. James Earl Raper, Arcadia, S. C. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. A. F. Lawter. The welcome address was delivered by the host pastor, Rev. David Philbeck. Rev. H. H. Moore responded to the welcome in behalf of the congregation.

The ministers' reports were called for and approved as follows:

ORDAINED MINISTER'S ADDRESSES AND REPORTS

REV. EDDIE BENNETT, RT., 1, INMAN, S. C.
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 150; revivals held 3; professions 63; members received 10; homes visited 75; funerals conducted 2; money given, tithe; money received \$250.00.

REV. SHERMAN BRANCH, 94 WHITE OAK, ST., CHESTER, S. C.
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 130; revivals held 1; professions 30; members received 14; baptized 4; married 2; homes visited 100; funerals conducted 5; Sunday School lessons taught 6; money given, tithes and offerings; miles traveled 10,000; money received \$3,340.00

REV. B. F. COUSIN, BOX 602, SPARTANBURG, S. C.
Sermons preached 14; professions 2; Sunday School lessons taught 8; money given \$90.00; money received \$5.00.

REV. DAVID E. PHILBECK, 307 VALLEY AVE., CLOVER, S. C.
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 101; revivals held 4; professions 40; members received 18; baptized 15; homes visited 100; funerals conducted 1; Sunday School lessons taught 40; money given, tithe; miles traveled 1,000; money received \$1,747.80.

REV. HOWARD T. HATCHER, RT. 6, SPARTANBURG, S. C.
Sermons preached 32; professions 16; married 1; homes visited 52; funerals conducted 2; Sunday School lessons taught 4; money given, tithe; money received \$72.00.

REV. J. D. HAWKINS, BOX 46, LOCKHART, S. C.
Sermons preached 7; married 2; homes visited 140; Sunday School lessons taught 5; money given \$110.00.

REV. HAROLD HAYNES, 1504 15th. ST., LANCASTER, S. C.
Sermons preached 55; professions 19; homes visited 40; funerals conducted 1; Sunday School lessons taught 15; money given, tithe; miles traveled 3,000; money received \$100.00; expenses \$100.00.

REV. CRESTON HOLLIFIELD, CONVERSE, S. C.
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 110; revivals held 1; baptized 21; married 1; money given, tithe; money received \$777.24.

REV. A. F. LAWTER, LOCKHART, S. C. TELEPHONE 2331
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 161; revivals held 2; professions 46;
baptized 17; funerals conducted 7; Sunday School lessons taught 52;
money given \$450.00; money received \$4,420.00.

REV. ROBERT MILLER, VALLEY FALLS, S. C.
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 125; revivals held 1; professions 25;
members received 20; baptized 11; married 2; homes visited 150;
funerals conducted 3; Sunday School lessons taught 6.

REV. H. H. MOORE, JR., 76 BLACK ST., VALLEY FALLS, S. C.
TELEPHONE 3-4925

Pastorates 1; sermons preached 87; revivals held 1; professions 9;
members received 4; baptized 6; homes visited 25; funerals conducted 1; Sunday School lessons taught 21; miles traveled 2,678;
money received \$93.15.

REV. JAMES EARL RAPER, BOX 28, ARCADIA, S. C. Tel. 3-6996
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 135; revivals held 2; professions 17;
baptized 6; married 2; funerals conducted 4.

REV. E. C. RASH, BOX 143, LOCKHART, S. C.
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 41; professions 1; homes visited 42;
funerals conducted 2; Sunday School lessons taught 15; money given \$41.95; miles traveled 2,200; money received \$342.00; expenses \$84.00.

REV. L. C. REVIS, BOX 120, UNION, S. C.
Sermons preached 23; professions 31; married 3; homes visited 150;
funerals conducted 1; miles traveled 3,608; money received \$4.12;
expenses \$188.70.

REV. PAUL ROLAND
Pastorates 1; professions 35; baptized 2; money received \$15.00.

REV. WILLIAM SEALY, LOCKHART, S. C.
Sermons preached 8; professions 6; homes visited 20; Sunday School lessons taught 38; money given \$130.00.

REV. PAUL J. SHEHAN, WHITNEY, S. C. TELEPHONE 3-3262
Pastorates 1, money received \$3,660.00; money given \$366.00.

REV. CARL SHOOK, RT. 4, LANCASTER, S. C., TEL. 3782
Pastorates 1; sermons preached 134; revivals held 5; professions 50;
members received 60; baptized 21; married 3; funerals conducted 3;
Sunday School lessons taught 8; money given \$300.00; miles traveled 20,000; money received \$2,880.00; expenses \$360.00.

LICENSED MINISTERS' ADDRESSES AND REPORTS

REV. ROY CATOE, RT. 1, UNION, S. C.
Sermons preached 75; revivals held 1; professions 23; homes visited 80; Sunday School lessons taught 4; money given \$175.00; miles traveled 8,000; money received \$25.00.

REV. G. W. MASON, SHARON, S. C.

Sermons preached 9; homes visited 100; money given \$80.00; miles traveled 1,100; money recieved \$2.50; prayer meetings conducted 20;

The moderator then recognized the visiting ministers who were given a seat in the conference. The following names are a listing of the visiting ministers whose names were available: Rev. William H. Broom, Rev. Donald Creech, Rev. Eugene Waddell, Rev. K. V. Shutes, Rev. Arson Dixon, Rev. Walter Jernigan, Rev. Ralph Staten, Rev. Roy Rikard, Rev. Nathan Holt, Rev. Norman Perkins, Rev. J. B. Vause.

The following officers were elected for the year 1956-1957:

Moderator	Rev. A. F. Lawter
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Carl Shook
Clerk	Rev. William D. Sealy
Treasurer	Rev. E. C. Rash

The Mt. Carmel Church extended an invitation for the next Ministers' Conference on November 25, 1956. The Conference voted unanimously to accept.

The Ministers' Conference adjourned and a soul inspiring message was brought by Rev. Ronald Creech, Florence, S. C., on the subject "Qualifications of a Soul Winner" (Prov. 11:30).

The preceding report of the Ministers' Conference was prepared by the following:

Minutes taken by Rev. E. C. Rash
Minutes compiled by Rev. William Sealy
Minutes edited by Rev. James E. Raper

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

BEAVER CREEK DISTRICT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

The Woman's Auxiliary met at the Clover Church on Thursday afternoon, August 9, 1956. The theme for the meeting was "Our Need For Such a time As This." The meeting was opened by singing "To The Work". The devotion was conducted by Mrs. Minnie Lee Sanders, Whitney, S. C. The ladies were given a hearty welcome to the convention by Mrs. W. H. Ayers, and the response was given by Mrs. Lillie Smith.

A report was given on the Woman's National Auxiliary Convention, which met at Huntington, W. Va., on July 9-10, by Mrs. A. F. Lawter.

The following visitors from the South Carolina Conference were recognized: Mrs. Vause, Mrs. Coker, and Mrs. Stone.

The Vice-President was in charge. The meeting was opened for business. The motion was made and carried that our district take as a

project for this year the purchasing of a new refrigerator for the Children's Home at Turbeville, S. C. The quota for each church was set at \$52.00

The auxiliary reports were called for with the following churches reporting:

AUXILIARY REPORTS

HIGH POINT AUXILIARY, LANCASTER, S. C.

President: Mrs. Hazel Shook, Rt. 4, Lancaster, S. C.; Secretary: Lucy Bryson, 915 9th. St., Lancaster, S. C.; Delegates: Mrs. Mary Outen, Mrs. Ernestine Haynes, Mrs. Leona Lee; members on roll 21; new members 12; average attendance 17; personal visits made 855; cards or letters sent 52; orphanage \$69.39; baskets and trays to sick 56; tithers 8; total taken in \$347.19; total spent \$345.86; now in treasury \$1.33; capita dues sent \$6.30.

ARCADIA AUXILIARY, ARCADIA, S. C.

President: Mrs. James E. Raper, Box 28, Arcadia, S. C.; Secretary: Mrs. Clyde Taylor, Converse, S. C.; Delegates: Minnie Lewis, Mrs. James Raper, Mrs. G. K. Cody; members on roll 17; new members 8; average attendance 12; foreign missions \$5.00; orphanage \$25.00; total taken in \$224.47; now in treasury \$83.71; capita dues \$3.60.

CHESTER AUXILIARY, CHESTER, S. C.

President: Mrs. Sherman Branch, 94 White Oak St., Chester, S. C.; Secretary: Mrs. James Cook, 185 Elliott St., Chester, S. C.; Delegates: Mrs. Sherman Branch, Mrs. Marie Hedgepath, Mrs. John Tomberlin, Mrs. Mae Delinger; members on roll 15; members lost 3; average attendance 9; personal visits made 12; cards sent 5; F.W.B. Bible College \$5.00; orphanage \$5.00; clothing \$50.00; baskets and trays to sick 7; tithers 5; total taken in \$81.49; total spent \$50.19; now in treasury \$31.30; capita dues \$1.50.

WHITNEY AUXILIARY, WHITNEY, S. C.

President: Addie McKinney, Farley Ave., Spartanburg, S. C. Secretary: Flora Millwood, Rt. 5, Box 200d, Spartanburg, S. C.; Delegates: Beulah Martin, Lizzie Clark; members on roll 15; new members 2; members lost 3; average attendance 10; personal visits made 535; cards sent 37; commodities donated 11; baskets and trays to sick 29; total taken in \$121.64; total spent \$61.50; now in treasury \$60.14; capita dues \$4.50.

UNA AUXILIARY, UNA, S. C.

President: Mrs. Lillie Smith, Rt. 1, Inman, S. C.; Secretary: Virginia Pollard, Rt. 3, Spartanburg, S. C.; Delegates: Mrs. Lillie Smith, Mrs. Charlotte Ayers; members on roll 18; new members 7; members lost 4; average attendance 16; orphanage \$10.00; baskets and trays for

sick 7; tithers 9; total taken in \$121.76; total spent \$73.56; now in treasury \$48.20; capita dues \$5.40.

LOCKHART AUXILIARY, LOCKHART, S. C.

President: Mrs. Connie Lawter, Lockhart, S. C.; Secretary: Nellie Brannon, Lockhart, S. C.; Delegates: Nellie Brannon, Lula Mae McPherson; members on roll 23; new members 5; average attendance 23; personal visits 150; cards and letters sent 50; F.W.B. Bible College \$2.00; orphanage \$33.00; clothing \$25.00; commodities donated \$20.00; baskets and trays to sick 9; subscribers to F.W.B. paper 2; tithers 6; total taken in \$104.95; total spent \$140.19; now in treasury \$73.75; capita dues \$2.30.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY REPORTS

LOCKHART GO-TELL AUXILIARY, LOCKHART, S. C.

President: Mrs. Herman Taylor, Rt. 5, Union, S. C.; Secretary: Joyce Capp, Rt. 4, Union, S. C.; members on roll 7; members lost 4; average attendance 6; personal visits made 25; cards or letters sent 7; clothing \$10.00; baskets and trays to sick 930; flowers \$3.00; tithers 1; total taken in \$31.80; total spent \$22.30; now in treasury \$9.50.

WHITNEY GO-TELL AUXILIARY, WHITNEY, S. C.

President: Dorothy Gilland, Whitney S. C.; Secretary: Rita Griffin, Whitney, S. C.; members on roll 12; new members 5; average attendance 9; total taken in \$20.91; total spent \$12.00; now in treasury \$8.91; capita dues \$3.60.

WHITNEY GO-TELL AUXILIARY, WHITNEY, S. C.

President: Hazel Tipton, Rt. 6, Spartanburg, S. C.; Secretary: Mary Reid, 7 Damson St., Whitney, S. C.; members on roll 10; average attendance 8; tithers 10; total taken in \$46.59; total spent \$33.84; now in treasury \$12.75; capita dues \$3.00.

The officers to serve for the next two years were elected as follows:

President	Mrs. Beulah Martin, Whitney, S. C.
Vice President	Mrs. James E. Raper, Arcadia, S. C.
Field Worker	Mrs. Elizabeth Clark, Whitney, S. C.
Clerk	Mrs. A. F. Lawter, Lockhart, S. C.
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. S. H. Branch, Chester, S. C.
Youth Chairman	Mrs. Lillie Smith, Inman, S. C.
Treasurer	Miss Minnie Lewis, Arcadia, S. C.

The auxiliaries have a total enrollment of 109; new members 34; G.T.A members 29; capita dues \$30.20; balance from last year \$20.90; total now in treasury \$51.10.

The delegates elected to attend the State Auxiliary Convention were Mrs. A. F. Lawter, Mrs. Sherman Branch, and Mrs. Leona Lee. A motion was made and carried that \$10.00 be taken out for state

dues.

The convention message was brought by Mrs. James Raper, after which the meeting was adjourned.

The preceding report of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention was prepared by the following:

Minutes taken by Mrs. A. F. Lawter
Minutes compiled and edited by
James Earl Raper

THURSDAY EVENING

The service was opened with congregational singing. The Rev. Eugene Waddell, Timmons ville, S. C., who is the State Missions Director, gave a report on what S. C. is doing for missions. The report was very encouraging, and we were exhorted to try to do even more.

An ordination service was conducted for Rev. William Sealy. Rev. A. F. Lawter, moderator of the Ministers' Conference gave the charge, and Rev. Carl Shook led the ordination prayer.

A very striking message was brought on the subject "You'll Reap What You Sow", by Rev. Ronald Creech. (Text: Gal. 6:7)

FRIDAY MORNING

BEAVER CREEK ASSOCIATION

The devotion was conducted by Rev. David Philbeck, who also gave the welcome. This was followed by reading the rules of decorum. The visitors were welcomed and given a seat in the conference.

The church reports were called for and accepted as follows:

CHURCH REPORTS

CONVERSE CHURCH, CONVERSE, S. C.

Delegates: Mr. J. C. Hall. Mrs. Amy Rall. Miss Gladys Waldrop; received by baptism 2. by statement 10; membership 24; money taken in \$241.51; paid out \$190.32; now in treasury \$51.19; minute fund \$10.00; Clerk. Mrs. Elizabeth Netherton. Box 131. Una, S. C.; Pastor. Rev. Creston Hollifield. Converse, S. C.

CHESTER CHURCH, CHESTER, S. C.

Delegates: Mr. J. H. Sealy. Edward Austin, Imogene Rawlings; licensed ministers 2; received by baptism 4, by letter 8, by statement 3; dismissed by exulsion 2. by death 2; membership 122; paid pastor \$2,747.50; foreign missions \$18.00; orphanage \$150.00; paid for revivals \$150.00; Church repair \$300.00; value of church property \$17,800.00; money taken in \$4,897.51; paid out \$4,775.54; now in treasury \$138.74; minute fund \$15.00; Clerk, Jonnie Austin, Chester, S. C.; Pastor, Rev. Sherman Branch, 94 White Oak St., Chester, S. C.

ARCADIA CHURCH, ARCADIA, S. C.

Delegates: Mrs. James Raper. Miss Minnie Lewis. Mrs. Melvin Kitchens; received by baptism 5. by letter 45; dismissed by letter 24; membership 213; paid pastor \$3,095; home missions \$18.26; foreign missions \$103.99; orphanage \$201.62; paid for revivals \$157.00; church repair \$183.74; money taken in \$6,751.27; minute fund \$15.00; Clerk, Mrs. Dillard Cody; Pastor, Rev. James E. Raper, Box 28. Arcadia, S. C.

CLOVER CHURCH, CLOVER, S. C.

Delegates: Mary Ledford, Sally Lemons, Roy King; received by baptism 15, by letter 6; dismissed by expulsion and erasure 3; membership 93; paid pastor \$1,747.80 orphanage \$15.00; paid for revivals \$175.00; value of church property \$15.00; money taken in \$2,605.53; paid out \$2,499.48; now in treasury \$112.89; minute fund \$10.00; Clerk, Dorothy Faires, 107 Valley Ave., Clover, S. C.; Pastor, Rev. David E. Philbeck, 307 Valley Ave., Clover, S. C.

ENOREE CHURCH, ENOREE, S. C.

Delegates: Peggy Harrison, Mrs. J. W. Sullivan, Mrs. Nancy Moore; received by baptism 1, by letter 5, by restoration 1; dismissed by letter 2; membership 48; paid pastor \$195.96; orphanage \$58.00; paid for revivals \$33.00; value of church property \$4,000.00; money taken in \$539.34; paid out \$519.61; now in treasury \$10.57; minute fund \$10.00; Clerk, Mrs. Margaret Harrison, Rt. 2, Enoree, S. C.; Pastor, Rev. H. H. Moore, Valley, Falls, S. C.

HIGH POINT CHURCH, LANCASTER, S. C.

Delegates: James Haynes, Mary Outen, Clyde Lee, Leona Lee, J. C. Outen; licensed ministers 2; received by baptism 35, by letter 17; dismissed by letter 2, by expulsion and erasure 4, by death 2; membership 168; paid pastor \$2,575.00; missions \$28.45; orphanage \$51.44; paid for revivals \$31.00; value of church property \$35,000.00; money taken in \$5,987.72; paid out \$5,758.41, now in treasury \$229.31; minute fund \$15.00; Clerk, J. C. Outen, 705 Sumter St., Lancaster, S. C.; Pastor, Rev. Carl Shook, Rt. 4, Lancaster, S. C.

LOCKHART CHURCH, LOCKHART, S. C.

Delegates: Dauthard Sealy, I. C. Sealy, Sam Maples; licensed minister 1; received by baptism 8, by letter 7; dismissed by letter 3, by expulsion and erasure 2, by death 1; membership 182; paid pastor \$4,520.00; missions \$77.00; foreign missions \$39.00; orphanage \$375.13; paid for revivals \$377.15; church repair or building \$53.19; value of church property \$35,000.00; money taken in \$6,656.01; paid out \$6,710.76; now in treasury \$236.83; minute fund \$15.00; Clerk, J. D. Hawkins, Lockhart, S. C.; Pastor, Rev. A. F. Lawter, Lockhart, S. C.

MT. CARMEL CHURCH, SHARON, S. C.

Delegates: Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mason; present membership 31; paid pastor \$222.10 paid for revivals \$152.81; value of church property

\$2,500.00; money paid out \$266.17; now in treasury \$431.18; minute fund \$10.00; Clerk, Mrs. G. W. Mason; Pastor, Rev. Arson Dixon.

MT. ZION CHURCH, INMAN, . C.

Delegates: Rev. Robert Miller, Mrs. G. C. Thomas, Rev. James Thomas; licensed minister 1; received by baptism 19, by letter 12, by restoration 27; dismissed by letter 2; membership 57; paid pastor \$551.03; paid for revivals \$125.00; church repair \$968.03; value of church property \$4,000.00; money taken in \$2,110.72; paid out 2,074.69; now in treasury \$36.03; minute fund \$10.00; Clerk, Mrs. G. C. Thomas, 636 Beaumont Ave., Spartanburg, S. C.; Pastor, Rev. James R. Miller Valley Falls, S. C.

UNA CHURCH, UNA, S. C.

Delegates: Mr. Oscar Smith, Mrs. Lillie Smith, Mrs. Charlotte Ayers; received by baptism 21, by letter 12, by restoration 14; dismissed by letter 28; membership 112; paid pastor \$1,027.00; orphanage \$30.56; paid for revivals \$93.43; church repair or building \$360.72; money taken in \$2,545.22; paid out \$2,236.25; now in treasury \$308.97; minute fund \$10.00; Clerk, Virginia Pollard, Rt. 3, Spartanburg, S. C.; Pastor, Rev. Eddie Bennett, Rt. 1, Inman, S. C.

VALLEY FALLS CHURCH, VALLEY FALLS, S. C.

Delegates: Rev. E. C. Rash, Rev. H. T. Hatcher, Rev. Roy Calvert; received by restoration 1; dismissed by letter 7, by death 3; membership 65; paid pastor \$1,025.00; foreign missions \$60.82; orphanage \$14.25; paid for revivals \$95.00; church repair \$97.18; value of church property \$7,000.00; money taken in \$1,689.90; paid out \$1,808.47; now in treasury \$48.65; minute fund \$10.00; Clerk, Cecil E. Splawn, Valley Falls, S. C.; Rev. E. C. Rash, Box 143, Lockhart, S. C.

WHITNEY CHURCH, WHITNEY, S. C.

Licensed ministers 2; total members received 41; dismissed by letter 9, by death 1; membership 155; paid pastor \$3,660.00; orphanage \$270.13; paid for revivals \$170.00; church repair or building \$666.69; money taken in \$5,979.68; paid out \$6,368.00; now in treasury \$44.44; minute fund \$15.00; Clerk, Yvonne Tipton, 230 California Ave., Spartanburg, S. C.; Pastor Paul Shehan, Box 104, Whitney, S. C.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

ARCADIA CHURCH, ARCADIA, S. C.

Members on roll 140; average attendance 118; money collected \$4,141.74; number of classes 7; Supt., Robert Bailey, Glendale, S. C.

CONVERSE CHURCH, CONVERSE, S. C.

Members on roll 54; average attendance 34; money collected \$241.51; paid out \$190.32; now in treasury \$51.19; number of classes 3; Supt., Mr. J. C. Hall, Rt. 5, Spartanburg, S. C.; Sec., Miss Nora Lowe, 31 Hub City Courts, Spartanburg, S. C.

ENOREE CHURCH, INMAN, S. C.

Average attendance 17; money collected \$59.89; paid out \$24.95; now in treasury \$34.94; number of classes 3; Supt., Mr. Wade Seay, Enoree, S. C.; Sec., Miss Peggy Harrison, Rt. 2, Enoree, S. C.

HIGH POINT CHURCH, LANCASTER, S. C.

Members on roll 252; average attendance 146; number of classes 6; Supt., James Haynes, 106 W. Confederate Ave., Lancaster, S. C.; Sec., Dahl Evans, Pendleton St., Great Falls, S. C.

LEAGUE REPORTS

ARCADIA CHURCH, ARCADIA, S. C.

Membership 15; given to orphanage \$5.00; President, Ann Bailey, Glendale, S. C.

The Converse Free Will Baptist Church was unanimously accepted into the Beaver Creek Association.

A motion was passed that no new church be accepted in the Association unless it be organized by the rules in the Treatise.

Permission was granted to the Mt. Carmel Church to sell the old church property and put the money on a new church.

A motion was passed to appoint a Foreign Mission committee to draw up a resolution on foreign missions by the next association.

A motion was passed that if a church be properly represented at the association and withdraws before their minutes are received, that they receive their minutes and their church letter be printed.

A motion was passed for the association to appoint an Executive Board of five (5) members.

A motion was passed to refund the High Point Church \$12.50 which they paid for minutes but did not receive.

The business period was recessed until the afternoon. Rev. Walter Jernigan brought the morning message on the subject "The Position of the Church in Soul Winning" (Text: Matt. 28:19-20).

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The Bible College Quartet was in charge of devotions, after which we entered into business.

The following committee reports were called for and accepted:

YOUNG PEOPLE

We recommend that the pastors of this association put forth a special effort to organize in their churches a F.W.B. League, Y.P.A., and G.T.A. Also that they plan some clean recreation so as to win and hold our young people.

Chester Church

HOME MISSIONS

We recommend that each church member pay at least 10 per cent of his tithe once a month to home missions. This should be paid

through his church so the church and state will receive credit for the offering.

Lockhart Church

EVANGELISM

We recommend that we urge our young ministers to get off the front bench in the local church and go out into the world to witness for the Lord, for the door is open to men who love lost souls. We also urge pastors to give young ministers a chance when visiting their churches.

Clover Church

EDUCATION

Whereas the Bible nowhere places a premium on ignorance, but everywhere demands our best, be it resolved that we encourage all our ministers to take advantage of the educational opportunities offered them by our denomination by attending our schools, or studying through it's correspondence, and by so doing the effectiveness of one's ministry will be greatly increased. (II Tim. 2:15)

Arcadia Church

MINSTERIAL SUPPORT

We believe that no church can do its best unless its member are tithers and willing to support their pastor. We urge that all ministers preach and practice tithing, setting an example to the flock and that every church clerk keep a record of all licensed ministers finance in the church that he is a member of, and send it to the association.

Whitney Church

DEEPER DEVOTIONS

We recommend that each pastor ask his church to read a part of the Scripture at least once a day. Also, we recommend having a spiritual Vacation Bible School to train our youth in the way they should go.

Una Church

TEMPERANCE

We recommend that each member of this association do abstain from all worldly pleasures and live according to the Word of God.

Enoree Church

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We recommend that all officers and teachers be Christians and attend church regularly, that they might train a child in the way he should go. We also recommend that we use F.W.B. literature and that our young ministers show more interest in Sunday School and young folks and that churches take more interest in our Sunday School conventions.

Valley Falls Church

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary is an organization within Free Will Baptists churches whose aims are, through Bible and mission study, prayer, personal service, and stewardship, to enlist and train women and young people to become laborers together with God. Every church with as many as 10 or 12 members should have an Auxiliary. We urge the pastors to help and encourage Auxiliary work in their church.

Lockhart Church

SUPERANNUATION

The National Board requests that each State Board raise money for Superannuation, and keep 75% in the state treasury to be given to disabled ministers and 25% be sent to the National Board. Every church with a minister between the years of 21 and 55 should take out an endowment for him with the National Board, and pay for as much of it as possible.

Mt. Carmel Church

The churches assigned the responsibility of next years reports are as follows:

Lockhart Church	Young People
Chester Church	Home Missions
Arcadia Church	Evangelism
Clover Church	Education
Enoree Church	Ministerial Support
Whitney Church	Deeper Devotions
Una Church	Temperance
Valley Falls	Periodicals
Mt. Zion Church	Resolutions
Mt. Carmel Church	Sunday School
High Point Church	Woman's Auxiliary
River Side Church	Obituary
Converse Church	Foreign Missions
Beaver Dam Church	Superannuation

OBITUARY

Lockhart Church: — Mrs. Russell Gibson

Chester Church: — Alford Falton; Maud Roberts

High Point Church: — James A. Thomas

Whitney Church: — William Cathern

A motion was passed that \$10.00 be taken out of the treasury for the expense of the association.

A motion was passed that the clerk send a letter of apology to the High Point Church for failing to print their church report.

The resolutions committee recommended that all officers and board members be a member of the Beaver Creek Association.

The Superintendent of the Children's Home gave a report on the orphanage and thanked the Association for their support.

FRIDAY EVENING

The Bible College Quartet was in charge of the service. They gave us a report on the college and a number of people pledged to give monthly to the work. An offering of \$6.10 was taken for the college.

The message was brought by Rev. Walter Jernigan, from the text "A Wonderful Ladder" (Gen. 28:12).

SATURDAY MORNING

The service was opened with devotions being conducted by Rev. Arson Dixon. Jimmy Thompson sang a solo. The moderator opened the conference for business and officers were elected for the coming year as follows:

Moderator	Rev. Carl Shook
Assistant Moderator	Rev. Sherman Branch
Clerk	Rev. James E. Raper
Reading Clerk	Mrs. A. F. Lawter
Treasurer	Rev. E. C. Rash

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Rev. A. F. Lawter, Rev. Paul Shehan, Rev. David E. Philbeck.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD: Mrs. Lillie Smith, Carrie Thompson, Mrs. Beulah Martin.

HOME MISSION BOARD: Rev. G. W. Mason, Rev. A. F. Lawter, Rev. Eddie Austin.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: Rev. E. C. Rash (1 year), Rev. Carl Shook (2 years), Rev. Sherman Branch (3 years).

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Rev. James E. Raper, Rev. Carl Shook.

STATE ASSOCIATION DELEGATES: Mrs. A. F. Lawter, Mrs. Beulah Martin, Mrs. Sherman Branch, Mrs. Deliringer, Elizabeth Clark.

NATIONAL DELEGATES: Mrs. A. F. Lawter, Rev. Eddie Austin, J. C. Outen.

A motion was carried that the Board of Trustees be a standing board.

A motion was carried that the association pay the expenses of visiting ministers who bring our messages.

A motion was carried to accept the messengers for in the Piedmont Association with their greetings condensed as follows:

Delegates: Brothers Nathan Holt, Roy Rikard, Sawyer, Ralph Staten, Norman Perkins; Sisters Rikard and Holt. A partial report of their work for last year was given. Included with this were their plans for progress for the coming year.

The finance report was read and accepted as follows:

Association expense \$17.00; amount taken in \$145.00; balance from last year \$29.06; balance in treasury \$157.06.

A motion was carried that an addition be made to the constitution (Item No. 12) concerning the Executive Board.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the host church.

The association voted to meet at the High Point Church next year.

The business period was followed by the ordination of Rev. H. H. Moore, Jr., Rev. K. V. Shutes preached the ordination sermon, using for his text II Tim. 4:2, and the ordination prayer was led by Rev. A. F. Lawter.

The preceding report of the Beaver Creek Association was prepared by the following:

Minutes taken by Mrs. A. F. Lawter
Minutes compiled and edited by
Rev. James E. Raper

(The clerk asks that each person receiving these minutes study them for suggestions for improvement and turn them in to him any time between now and the next association.)

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought, as we believe, by divine grace to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Preserver, we do solemnly and joyfully covenant and agree, by God's help, to walk together in brotherly love.

We, therefore, enter into covenant as members of this church and as Christians, that we will watch over each other in love, sharing together each others' joys and sorrows; that we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor omit the great duty of prayer for ourselves and others; that by divine assistance we will endeavor to bring up those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; that in all things we strive to exemplify our profession by a corresponding practice, to abstain from all sinful conformity to the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in all our deportment; that we abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; that we will sustain the worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrine of the church; that we will contribute cheerfully, according to our ability, to the support of the ministry, the expense of the church, the relief of the poor and the general spread of the gospel.

CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of delegates chosen and sent from each church.

2. The delegates chosen and sent shall be recommended by letter from the church to which they belong and shall include the minister and some of the most able members belonging to the church.

3. The Association, when met and formed, shall elect a chairman and secretary.

4. The rules of decorum shall be read immediately after the Association is formed.

5. This Association will encourage a sound ministry, such as presents Christ as an all sufficient Saviour, having salvation possible to every human being on the terms of the Gospel which is freely offered to all.

6. Any minister in good standing, whether a delegate or not, may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberations and his name enrolled in our minutes.

7. The Association may appoint such committees as may be necessary for the expediting of business and every committee appointed to attend to any particular business shall report their proceedings in writing to the Association while in session and all reports made by the committee may be adopted by the body.

8. All queries regularly presented to the Association by any church shall be attended to.

9. Any church can become a member of the Association by making application by letter or by delegates and adopting our Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.

10. The Association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented by letter or delegate.

11. The Association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

12. The Executive Board shall consist of three (3) members elected by the association, one for one (1) year, one for two (2) years, and one for three (3) years.

The Executive Board shall interim authority while the association is not in session.

The Executive Board must report their work at the annual association for the approval of the association. The Executive Board shall finish their work and close their books not later than midnight Thursday before the second Sunday in August.

When a church calls for the service of the Executive Board, that church shall be responsible for the expense of the Board.

Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. There shall be no conversation by the members, one with another so as to interrupt business while in session.

3. Every member speaking shall first rise and address the moderator.

4. No member shall interrupt a member while speaking.

5. We shall admit no other title while in session but that of "Brother."

6. Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.

7. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended unless withdrawn by the person who made it.

9. No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the moderator.

10. On all motions made where the vote of the body is taken a majority shall prevail.

11. The moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any other member, provided the chair is filled.

12. Any members transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the moderator.

13. Not less than nine members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **GOD.** We believe that there is only one true and living God who is personally the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection. There is one God and mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus who gave Himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time— I Timothy 2:5.

2. **THE HOLY SCRIPTURE.** We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine for the government of His church. All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, and instruction in righteousness.

3. **ORIGINAL APOSTASY.** We believe that Adam was created holy but by voluntary transgression fell in depravity and consequently involved his posterity in sin. "And when the woman saw the tree was good for food and that it was pleasant to the eyes and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took the fruit thereof and did eat and gave to her husband and he did eat"—Gen. 3:16.

4. **CHRISTIAN FAITH.** We believe that Christian faith is the belief in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Redeemer of the world and in the divinity of the Holy Scripture, that faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life and he that believeth not on the Son shall not see life but the wrath of God abideth on him"—John 3:36.

5. **FREE GRACE.** We believe the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessings, that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation, that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin, but is the means whereby sinners are converted and made wise unto salvation. "For there is no difference between Jews and Greeks for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him" —Rom. 1:12.

6. **REPENTANCE.** We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be preceded by effectual conviction of sin: "Now I rejoice not that ye were made sorrow but that ye sorrowed to repentance that ye might receive damage by us in nothing: for Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation, not to be repented of but the sorrow of the world worketh death"—I Cor. 7:9-10.

7. **FREE AGENCY.** We believe that the human will is free and that men have ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scripture. "He hath showed thee, O man, what is good and what the Lord required of thee, but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God."—Mich. 6:8

8. We do not believe, under the Gospel dispensation, any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but those who by faith and perseverance unto the end shall be saved, that is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of their faith and turn again to sin and be finally lost. "And Jesus said unto him: No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God"—Luke 9:62.

9. **GOOD WORKS.** We believe that good works are the results of

faith and not necessity, that those who have faith will do works of righteousness while those who have not faith cannot do anything pleasing or acceptable unto God. "Every tree that bringeth not forth fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire; wherefore by their fruit ye shall know them"—Matt. 7:19-20.

10. **CHRISTIAN BAPTISM.** We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; that baptism cannot be Scripturally administered without faith in the subject who receives it. "Therefore, we are buried with him by baptism into death that like Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father even so we should walk in the newness of life"—Romans 6:4.

11. **THE LORD'S SUPPER.** We believe the supper was instituted by our Saviour as a commemorative ordinance, that it was instituted for Christians and that all Christians should unite in sacred services regardless of name or denomination. "But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup for he that eateth unworthily eateth and drinketh damnation unto himself not discerning the Lord's body"—I Cor. 11:28-29.

12. **FEET WASHING.** We believe that washing of the saints' feet was a command of our Saviour and that His followers ought to practice the same. We urge the pastors of all our churches to encourage the practical obedience of this command, especially among members of our churches. "If then your Lord and Master have washed your feet ye also ought to wash one another's feet"—St. John 13:14.

13. **THE GOSPEL.** We believe it to be the duty of all churches to support the Gospel. "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel"—I Cor. 9:14.

