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STANDING COMMITTEES

Obituaries—D. C. Johnson, S. F. Jackson, D. R. Ennis.

Temperance—W. R. Coats, W. P. Williford, W. H. Waters.

Education—J. F. Casey, J. H. Britt, J. F. Davis.

Ministerial Labor—C. J. Thomas, L. W. Warren, R. McLeod, B. P. Parks, W. H. Barnes.

Executive—W. R. Coats, W. A. Jackson, W. H. Lucas.

Mission Board—J. F. Casey, C. J. Thomas.

Ordaining Council—J. F. Hill, J. F. Casey, W. R. Coats

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES

Casey, J. F.,	Goldsboro, N. C.
Coats, W. R.,	Four Oaks, N. C.
Ennis, D. R.,	Duke, N. C.
Ellis, J. S.,	Wilson's Mills, N. C.
Futrell, E. C.,	Goldsboro, N. C.
Fuquay, J. W.,	Slocumb, N. C.
Faircloth, H. R.,	LaGrange, N. C.
Glover, W. R.,	Dunn, N. C.
Hill, J. F.,	Goldsboro, N. C.
Johnson, D. C.,	Smithfield, N. C.
Moore, J. W.,	Princeton, N. C.
Thomas, R. D.,	Four Oaks, N. C.
Wallace, J. R.,	Smithfield, N. C.
Wilson, J. M.,	Keener, N. C.
Westbrook, Ezekiel,	Newton Grove, N. C.

Licentiates

J. G. Whittenton, J. W. Byrd, J. R. Jones and W. R. Flowers.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1—Introductory Sermon.
- 2—Enrollment of Standing Committees.
- 3—Enrollment of Ordained Ministers.
- 4—Enrollment of Licentiates.
- 5—Enrollment of Churches and Delegates.
- 6—Organization.
- 7—Appointment of Temporary Committees.
- 8—Petitionary Letters.
- 9—Hand of Fellowship to Visiting Members.
- 10—Reports from Churches.
- 11—Reports from Standing Committees.
- 12—Resolutions.
- 13—Reports from Temporary Committees.
- 14—Petition for next session of Conference.
- 15—Miscellaneous Business.
- 16—Vote Taken for the sitting of the next session.
- 17—Election of Officers.
- 18—Election of delegates to other Conferences.
- 19—Arrangements for Introductory at next session.
- 20—Vote of thanks.
- 21—Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS

St. Mary's Grove,
November 12, 1915.

The sixty-first annual session of the Cape Fear Original Free Will Baptist Conference convened at above date and place, at 11 a. m.

Elder D. C. Johnson, who was elected at last Conference to preach the Introductory sermon, attended and preached. Text, 1st Cor. 1:10. "Now I beseech you brethren by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing and that there be no division among you, that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgments."

A recess of one hour is given for dinner.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon

Conference assembled at 1:30 p. m.

Songs of Praise by the congregation.

Reading of the 133rd Psalm and prayer by Elder J. F. Hill.

ENROLLMENT

Officers:

Z. Taylor, Moderator.

R. M. Parker, Treasurer.

W. A. Jackson, Secretary.

Standing Committees:

Obituaries—D. C. Johnson, D. R. Ennis, S. F. Jackson.

Temperance—W. R. Coats.

Ministerial Labor—C. J. Thomas, R. McLeod, W. H. Barnes.

Executive—W. R. Coats, W. A. Jackson.

Ordaining Council—J. F. Hill, W. R. Coats, J. F. Casey

Ordained Ministers—J. F. Casey, W. R. Coats, D. R. Ennis, J. S. Ellis, H. R. Faircloth, W. R. Glover, J. F. Hill, D. C. Johnson, R. D. Thomas, J. M. Wilson.

Licentiates—J. R. Jones, J. W. Byrd, W. R. Flowers.

Churches and Delegates.

Bethel—W. R. Stanly.
Corinth—G. L. Tew.
St. Paul—(By Pastor.)
Casey's Chapel—I. Grant.
Daly's Chapel—J. W. Edgely, Levi Carlisle.
Goldsboro—L. C. Taylor.
Hopewell—Albert Johnson, C. A. Wallace.
Johnson Union—J. W. Cook, C. Q. Stephenson.
Lee's Chapel—W. B. Godwin, J. C. Williford.
New Chapel—W. H. Barnes, W. B. Parrish.
Oak Grove—Avery Lee, M. M. Edwards.
Prospect—R. McLeod, R. M. Parker.
Pleasant Grove—W. H. Lucas, W. K. Norris.
Robert's Grove—S. F. Jackson.
Shady Grove—W. B. Dudley.
St. Mary's—J. B. Holt, R. A. Coats, D. A. Lassiter.
St. John—Elisha Herring, T. E. Vincent.
Union Spring—W. F. Parker, R. J. Pleasants, J. A. Normand.

Assistant Officers:

The Moderator calls to his assistance Elder J. F. Hill.
The Secretary calls to his assistance Bro. W. B. Dudley.

Appointment of Committees.

Religious Exercise—J. B. Holt, R. A. Coats, D. A. Lassiter, D. C. Johnson.
Finance—W. H. Lucas, W. R. Flowers, I. Grant.
Recording Text—Miss Maggie Wilson.

Visiting Ministers:

The Moderator extends the hand of welcome to Elder E. J. McKay, of the Presbyterian church.
Reports from the various churches are received and read before the body. (See Statistical table.)

Report of Committee on Religious Exercise.

We, the Committee on Religious Exercise report to preach to-night at 7 o'clock, Bro. W. R. Flowers open and Elder J. F. Casey preach.

R. A. COATS,
J. B. HOLT,
D. B. LASSITER.

Committee.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon

The report of the committee appointed at the State Convention to revise the discipline was read before the body and was made a special order for tomorrow 2 p. m.

On motion the Conference adjourn till to-morrow 9 a. m.

Prayer by Elder W. R. Glover.

SECOND DAY

November 13.

Conference reassembled according to adjournment.

Devotional exercises conducted by Elder R. D. Thomas

Roll Called.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Enrollment Second Day—Churches and Delegates.

Bethel—R. E. Thomas.

Bizzell's Grove—G. E. Edwards.

Riverside—John Laughon, J. B. Moore.

New Chapel—R. A. Corbett.

Johnson Union—J. M. Corbett.

Business continued under the head of reports from churches until completed.

Report of committee on Obituaries is read before the body and adopted. (See report.)

On motion Bro. L. C. Taylor and Elder J. F. Casey be appointed temporary Temperance Committee.

On motion Bro. W. H. Lucas be elected as member of the executive committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Bro. E. R. Wilson.

Petitions for the next session of Conference are received from Hopewell and Oak Grove.

By vote Hopewell gets next session.

Elder J. M. Wilson is elected to preach the Introductory sermon and Elder J. R. Wallace alternate.

Committee on Religious Exercise report to preach at 11 a. m., Elder E. J. McKay.

Report of Ordaining Council is read before the body and adopted. (See report.)

On motion the name of New Chapel church be changed to Powhatan.

Elder J. F. Casey offers his resignation as member of the Board of Trustees of the Ayden Seminary. Resignation accepted and Bro. W. A. Jackson elected in his place.

At 11 a. m. Conference takes a recess until 1 p. m. for preaching and dinner.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon.

Conference reassembled at 1 p. m.
Songs of Praise by the congregation.
Report of the Committee on Ministerial Labor is read and adopted. (See report.)
Report of Committee on Finance is read and adopted. (See report.)
Report of Committee on Temperance is read and adopted.

Election of Officers.

The following officers are elected, viz: Z. Taylor Moderator; R. M. Parker Treasurer; W. A. Jackson, Secretary.

On motion we make our present secretary both recording and corresponding secretary.

At 2 p. m. the special order for the day was called for, that of the report of the committee on revising the discipline and was adopted without a dissenting vote.

Election of Delegates to Other Conferences.

Western—J. F. Casey.

Central—H. R. Faircloth.

Eastern—B. P. Parks.

On motion we have 1,000 copies of the minutes of this Conference printed and distributed as follows: 50 each to the Eastern, Central and Western, balance among the various churches in this Conference.

On motion the secretary draw on the treasurer for \$12.00 for services also all expense of printing and distributing minutes.

On motion a vote of thanks be extended St. Mary's Grove Church and community for the hospitality shown in caring for this Conference.

On motion the time of holding the annual session of Conference be changed to Friday before the first Sunday in November.

On motion the church at Pleasant Grove be allowed to draw on the treasurer for a sum not to exceed \$25.00, to help in litigation.

On motion the said amount be paid out on the order of the Executive Committee.

On motion and adopted that we ask each church within our bounds to raise as near as possible 50 cents per male capita for the purpose of helping to meet the obligation of Ayden Seminary and forwarded to the treasurer of the Seminary if possible by December 31st.

The Committee on Religious Exercise report to preach at 7 p. m., Elder W. R. Glover open and Elder J. R. Wallace preach.

Sunday, 10 a. m., Elder W. R. Coats open and Elder J. F. Hill preach.

On motion Conference close to meet with the church at Hopewell on Friday before the first Sunday in November 1916, at 11 a. m.

Prayer by Elder J. F. Casey.

Closing remarks and benediction by Elder D. R. Ennis.

Z. TAYLOR, Moderator.

J. F. HILL, Asst. Moderator.

W. A. JACKSON, Secretary.

W. B. DUDLEY, Assistant Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Obituaries.

We, the Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to submit the following report: We are glad to know that the Lord has not seen fit to call from our midst any of our brother ministers this year. We feel very grateful to Him for His watch care over us during the past year.

S. F. JACKSON,

D. R. ENNIS,

Committee

Education

We, the Committee on Education, beg leave to report as follows: Seeing the enthusiasm that is now being demonstrated among our people over an educated ministry, we recommend that our ministers "study to show themselves approved unto God workmen that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth." We further recommend that the laity of the church assist any way possible to obtain an educated ministry. We also recommend that our young ministers attend the Free Will Baptist Seminary at Ayden, N. C.

J. F. CASEY, .

J. F. DAVIS

Committee

Temperance.

We, the Committee on Temperance, submit the following report: Realizing the great evil of intemperance, we ask that we as a body of Christians do all in our power to drive the great curse from our land.

W. R. COATS,

J. F. CASEY,

Committee

Ordaining Council.

We, the Ordaining Council, submit the following report: we have examined Elder Ezekiel Westbrook and Elder E. C. Futrell and find them orthodox in the faith of the Original Free Will Baptist and recommend that their names be placed on the roll of ordained ministers.

J. F. HILL,

J. F. CASEY,

W. R. COATS,

Ordaining Council

Report of Finance Committee and Treasurer.

Brought forward from last Conference	\$23.54
Received this Conference for minutes.....	21.75
Miscellaneous	10.80
Home Missions	2.00
Orphanage	3.00

Total on hand\$61.09

R. M. PARKER, Treasurer.

W. H. LUCAS,

I. GRANT,

W. R. FLOWERS,

Committee

Report of Committee on Ministerial Labor.

We, the Committee on Department and Work of the ministry, beg to report as follows: We have examined all reports of the ministers and find that some are doing very satisfactory work, while others are not doing much. We recommend that those who have the spare time look out for places where they may use their gift toward building up the weak places. We find that Elder J. W. Moore and J. W. Fuquay have failed to report to this committee.

C. J. THOMAS,

R. McLEOD,

W. H. BARNES,

Committee

Report of Union Meeting.

Unions held during the year 1915, 4. Amount raised for Home Missions, \$117.17.

W. A. JACKSON, Moderator.

C. B. THOMAS, Secretary.

B. P. PARKS, Treasurer.

Texts Preached From During Conference.

November 12, 11 a. m.—Elder D. C. Johnson—1st Cor. 1:10.

November 12th, 7 p. m.—Elder J. F. Casey—Isaiah 1:19-20.

November 13th, 11 a. m.—Elder E. J. McKay—1st Cor. 16:2

November 13th, 7 p. m.—Elder J. R. Wallace—Judges 11:35.

November 14th, 11 a. m.—Elder J. F. Hill—Romans 1:16.

MISS MAGGIE WILSON, Committee.

MINISTER'S REPORT

Ministers	Churches Served	Members Received	Sermons Preached	Days in Revival	Churches Organized	Deacons Ordained	Funerals Preached	S. S. Organized	S. S. Lectures	Married	Mission Points	Missionary Societies Organized	Amount Received
Casey J. F.,	3	28	119	45	....	....	6	2	2	....	1	....	\$211.98
Coats, W. R.,	3	44	114	35	....	2	2	....	4	2	2	....	267.00
Ennis, D. R.,	3	22	115	37	....	1	2	3	2	5	1	....	126.45
Ellis, J. S.,	1	1	64	6	....	....	....	....	....	3	....	....	22.10
Futrell, E. C., .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Fuquay, J. W., .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Faircloth, H. R.,	3	57	125	55	....	....	4	....	....	5	....	....	278.77
Glover, W. R.,	1	....	72	10	....	....	....	....	5	....	1	....	94.45
Hill, J. F., .....	....	1	17	10	....	1	6	....	3	....	....	....	28.10
Johnson, D. C.,	1	....	45	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	2	....	36.25
Moore, J. W., .....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Thomas, R. D., .....	....	....	25	2	....	....	....	....	5	....	....	....	....
Wallace, J. R.,	1	2	30	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	50.00
Wilson, J. M.,	2	20	60	40	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	126.00
Westbrook, Ezekiel,	1	3	51	20	....	....	1	....	4	....	....	....	15.85

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches and Counties	For Minutes	Education	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Paid to Pastor	Assistant Pastoral Service	Miscellaneous Fund	S. S. Fund	Value of Church Property	Members Rec'd	Baptized	Excluded	Dismissed	Died	Increased	Decreased	Males	Females	Total
Bethel, Johnston,	\$1.30	..	....	....	..	\$ 50.00	.....	.....	.....	\$1000.00	21	15	1	1	1	19	..	60	71	131
Bizzell's Grove, Wayne ...	1.00	..	....	....	..	10.68	.....	.....	.....	800.00	3	3	..	2	..	1	..	14	22	36
Corinth, Sampson,	1.10	..	....	....	..	27.95	\$4.45	.....	\$6.65	500.00	3	1	..	..	..	3	..	16	26	42
Casey's Chapel, Wayne, ...	1.50	..	....	....	..	68.00	.....	25.00	50.00	690.00	7	5	1	..	1	5	..	32	58	90
Daly's Chapel, Lenoir, ....	.50	..	2.00	....	350	83.65	8.75	.....	.....	500.00	12	6	..	..	..	12	..	24	31	55
Goldstoro, Wayne,	1.50	..	....	....	..	148.37	7.00	30.00	50.00	1500.00	15	10	2	..	1	12	..	26	49	75
Hopewell, Johnston,	1.00	..	....	....	..	66.90	.....	.....	.....	600.00	15	11	2	2	..	11	..	34	59	93
Johnson Union, Johnston, ..	1.00	..	....	....	..	76.70	2.40	13.20	.....	650.00	9	5	..	2	1	6	..	25	47	72
Lee's Chapel, Sampson, ...	1.50	..	....	....	..	35.00	10.00	15.00	.....	700.00	15	13	1	2	3	11	..	54	68	122
Oak Grove, Sampson, .....	.60	..	....	....	..	44.86	4.85	.....	.....	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	34	53
Powhatan, Johnston,	1.50	..	....	....	..	56.75	20.43	29.50	12.41	800.00	30	13	..	..	..	30	..	27	36	61
Pleasant Grove, Harnett, .	.50	..	....	....	..	62.60	.....	27.75	.....	.....	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..
Robert's Grove, Sampson, ..	.50	..	....	....	..	40.50	10.00	.....	18.41	700.00	6	3	..	..	..	6	..	19	42	61
Riverside, Wayne, .....	.50	..	....	....	..	22.10	.....	.....	4.00	500.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40
Shady Grove, Sampson, ...	3.00	..	....	....	..	100.00	20.00	150.	40.00	2000.00	11	10	1	2	3	5	..	113	247	360
St. Paul, Sampson,	1.50	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Mary's Grove, Johnston, ..	1.00	..	....	....	..	25.50	.....	.....	.....	600.00	1	1	..	..	1	..	..	18	29	47
St. John, Wayne,	1.00	..	....	....	..	42.13	6.00	50.00	.....	700.00	9	5	..	2	..	7	..	27	36	63
Prospect, Harnett	1.30	..	....	....	..	30.00	.....	.....	15.00	800.00	5	3	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	64
Union Springs, Harnett, ..	.25	..	....	....	..	11.50	.....	1.00	.....	.....	4	2	..	..	..	..	..	10	16	26

CHURCH DIRECTORY--1915

Church	Clerk	P. O. Address	Pastor for 1915
Bethel	R. E. Thomas	Four Oaks	W. R. Coats
Bizzell's Grove ...	G. E. Edwards	Mt. Olive	Ezekiel Westbrook
Corinth	W. D. Phillips	Cooper	D. R. Ennis
Casey's Chapel	Benj. Casey	Goldsboro	J. F. Casey
Daly's Chapel	James Hardison ..	LaGrange	H. R. Faircloth
Goldsboro	Owen Ham	Goldsboro	H. R. Faircloth
Hopewell	C. A. Wallace	Four Oaks	J. M. Wilson
Johnson Union	John S. Davis	Wilson Mills	W. R. Glover
Lee's Chapel	W. B. Godwin	Dunn	D. R. Ennis
Oak Grove	Westbrook Lee, Sr.	Newton Grove	J. R. Wallace
Powhatan	J. S. Parrish	Wilson Mills	H. R. Faircloth
Prospect	R. McLeod	Duke	J. M. Wilson
Pleasant Grove	W. K. Norris	Duke	W. R. Coats
Riverside	W. H. Martin	Princeton	J. S. Ellis
Robert's Grove	S. F. Jackson	Cooper	D. R. Ennis
Shady Grove	W. A. Jackson	Cooper	W. R. Coats
St. Paul	J. H. Britt	Keener	J. F. Casey
St. Mary's	R. A. Coats	Four Oaks	D. C. Johnson
St. John	L. A. Dawson	Goldsboro	J. F. Casey
Union Springs	A. V. Norris	Dunn	J. G. Whittenton

REPORT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

School and Superintendent	Delegate	Members on roll	Average Attendance	Members of S. S. belonging to church	No. joined church from Sunday School	Paid for literature	Miscellaneous fund
Shady Grove, J. H. Willis ...	R. E. West, ...	120	105	50	2	\$ 8.63	\$25.50
Oak Grove, Abel Warren	C. E. Lee,	55	38	6	.....	4.50	28.89
Bethel, R. E. Thomas .....	.. .. .	77	43	20	7	17.80	.....
Robert's Grove, S. F. Jackson	B. Jackson	73	45	33	3	4.95	11.00
Lee's Chapel, W. R. Glover .	J. C. Williford	94	80	.....	13	6.00	8.75
Maple Grove, Otis Ward	J. E. West, ...	..	22	17	.....	1.00	4.25
Corinth, G. L. Tew	F. P. Giles, ...	65	40	.....	.....	2.25	4.50
Bethesda, B. G. Smith .....	.. .. .	77	60	.....	.....	.....	20.00

The Convention met at Lee's Chapel on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1915. The next will meet at Oak Grove on Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1916, at 10:00 a. m.

W. A. JACKSON, President
M. F. JACKSON, Secretary



