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Herman Wooten—Garner, N. C.
M. E. Godwin—Rt. 5, Dunn, N. C.
Gideon S. Stevens—Ervin, N. C.
J. Walter Stanley—Rt. 2, Four Oaks, N. C.
W. O. Lassiter—Rt. 3, Four Oaks, N. C.
C. M. Coates—212 Hancock St., Smithfield, N. C.
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Superannuated

H. R. Faircloth—Smithfield, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

The Ninety-ninth annual session of the Cape Fear (Original) Free Will Baptist Conference convened with the church at Lee's Chapel, Sampson County, N. C., October 29, 30, 1953 at 10 a. m.

The Thursday morning session of the conference was opened by Rev. Earl Glenn, who led the congregation in the songs "There Is A Fountain," and "Have Thine Own Way Lord." Rev. Herman Hersey conducted the morning worship service reading from the 3rd chapter of Revelations. Rev. W. F. Speicher led the conference in prayer. The congregational singing continued by singing the hymn, "Our Best."

Following this period of praise and devotion, the welcome address was given by Bro. H. T. Hinson. Bro. Owen Thomas gave the response.

The moderator, Rev. L. R. Ennis, called the conference to order, and presented the 1953 conference program. A motion was made to adopt the program; the program adopted became the order of procedure during this session.

Enrollment of officers, standing boards, delegates, and visitors followed.

Officers: L. R. Ennis, moderator; C. H. Coates, assistant moderator; H. T. Hinson, treasurer; Ottis Carroll, secretary; T. E. Beaman, assistant secretary.

Standing Boards:

Board of Executives: L. R. Ennis, Ottis Carroll, H. T. Hinson, Owen Thomas, T. E. Beaman, C. H. Coates, Mrs. Carl Dudley.

Board of Missions: Albert T. Coates, W. O. Lassiter, H. T. Hinson.

Board of Trustees: Fred Parker, Owen Thomas.

Board of Education: T. E. Beaman, Warren Jackson.

Board of Ordination: C. H. Coates, T. E. Beaman, L. R. Ennis, M. E. Godwin.

There were thirty-eight delegates present.

There were seven visiting ministers present, namely: Rev. J. R. Davidson and Rev. David W. Hansley from the Eastern Conference; Rev. W. E. Anderson and Rev. Billie Morris from the Western Conference; Rev. J. C. Smith, Central Conference; Rev. C. F. Bowen, Cumberland Conference; Rev. E. B. Edwards, Trent River Association.

Visiting ministers were recognized.

Rev. C. H. Coates led the conference in a testimonial service.

Congregational singing led by Rev. Earl Glenn.

The morning offering was taken. A prayer of dedication was offered by Rev. M. E. Godwin.

A motion was made to receive Rev. J. R. Davidson of the Eastern Conference into the Cape Fear Conference. The motion was carried.

Rev. L. R. Ennis presented Rev. J. R. Davidson to the conference who delivered the introductory sermon. The Scripture reading was Acts 1:8.

The benediction was offered by Rev. Billie Morris.
Conference recessed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Conference reassembled at 1:30 o'clock with congregational singing led by Rev. Earl Glenn.

Special music was rendered by Rev. Earl Glenn, Bro. Owen Thomas, Bro. Lathan Phillips, and Mrs. Ruth Warrick.

Rev. W. H. Lancaster conducted the worship services reading Psalms 133:1. Prayer was led by Rev. W. E. Anderson.

A motion was made to suspend the established order of business temporarily in order for Rev. David W. Hansley to speak to the conference on Christian Education.

The moderator appointed the following special committees:

Nominations: Warren Jackson, Chairman; Owen Thomas; Mrs. Donald Edwards.

Obituary: Rev. Albert T. Coates, Chairman; Rev. C. M. Coates; Mrs. Carl Dudley.

Resolutions: Rev. Herman Hersey, Chairman; Rev. M. E. Godwin; L. E. Phillips.

Credentials: Kirby West, Chairman; J. D. Balance; W. H. Lambert.

Letter Digest: Rev. Earl Glenn, Chairman; Fred Parker; Wade H. Stephenson.

Report of Churches

Bethel—Harold Lassiter and Coolidge Dowdy.

Bethel—By Letter.

Casey's Chapel—Mrs. Luby Benton.

Corinth—W. H. Lambert and Luther Strickland.

Daly's Chapel—

Goldsboro—W. H. Martin.

Hopewell—Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Langdon and Wade Stephenson.

Johnson's Union—Lewis Bars, Gilbert Williams, Lathan Phillips.

Lanwood Chapel—J. A. Allen.

Lee's Chapel—Clarence Jernigan, M. M. Stone, M. B. Hawley.

Oak Grove—Mr. and Mrs. Charlie H. West.

Pleasant Grove—Emerson West.

Powhatan—J. W. Blinson and J. A. Jackson.

Prospect—Mrs. G. C. Kennedy, Fred Parker, R. McLeod.

Riverside—Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Willford.

Robert's Grove—Mr. and Mrs. Carbin Barefoot.

Raleigh—J. D. Balance and Mrs. J. D. Balance.

Shady Grove—Bettie Dawson, Kermit Ballance, Crayton Jernigan.

Smithfield—Mrs. H. A. Crumpler.

Smyrna—Mrs. Jack Wilkins and Mrs. Lennie Tart.

St. John—

*St. Mary's Grove—*Parker Johnson, C. E. Cobb, W. J. Langdon.

*St. Paul—*Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Warren.

*Steven's Chapel—*Manilla Grimes, and Mrs. Martha Benson.

*Tee's Chapel—*Mrs. Laura Ballance and Mrs. Gertrude Rose.

*West Clinton—*Gerthra Raynor.

*Wooten's Chapel—*Mrs. Howard Barbour.

*Yelverton's Grove—*Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rose.

Report of the Executive Board was read by Rev. T. E. Beaman. The report was adopted (see report).

Report of the Board of Missions was read by Rev. Albert T. Coates. A motion was made to amend this report. The report was then adopted (see report).

Report of the Temperance and Civic Righteousness Committee was given by Rev. C. M. Coates. The report was adopted (see report).

Report of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention was given by Mrs. Carl Dudley. The report was adopted (see report).

A motion was made to give Rev. C. F. Bowen of Nashville, Tenn., time to bring an oral report of the Nashville Bible College. Rev. Bowen gave an informative report.

A motion was made to adjourn conference until Friday morning, Oct. 30, at 10:00 a. m. Benediction by Rev. H. R. Faircloth.

SECOND DAY—OCTOBER 30, 1953

Conference reassembled at 10:00 a. m. The proceedings of the day were begun by congregational singing. Rev. H. R. Faircloth, using Exodus 2:9 as a basis for his remarks, brought a short devotional message. Prayer was offered by Rev. Wilson W. Parker.

The moderator appointed Rev. Leonard B. Woodall to serve on the Letter Digest Committee.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

A motion was made to give the moderator authority to suspend the established order of business when necessary for the duration of this session of conference.

Rev. William Burkette Raper, State Promotional Director, was recognized. A report was given by Rev. Raper (see report).

The orphanage report was given by Rev. S. A. Smith, Superintendent of the home (see report).

Rev. T. E. Beaman led the congregation in singing the hymn, "Standing on The Promises."

The worship offering was taken. Prayer was offered by Rev. William Burkette Raper.

Rev. W. A. Martin delivered the conference sermon, using as his text 2 Timothy 3:1-5, subject, "Spiritual Depression."

The benediction was offered by Rev. C. H. Coates.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing the hymn, "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus," led by the conference music director, Rev. Earl Glenn.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Walter Stanley.

Rev. Albert T. Coates conducted the worship service, reading for his text Ephesians 5:18-21.

There was a motion to grant Rev. T. C. Smith a letter of transfer from the Cape Fear Conference to the Eastern Conference.

The report of the Board of Education was read by Rev. T. E. Beaman. The report was adopted (see report).

Report of the Resolutions Committee was read by Rev. Herman Hersey. The report was adopted (see report).

Report of the Board of Ordination was given by Rev. C. M. Coates. The report was adopted (see report).

Certificates of credentials were presented to Rev. W. F. Speicher, Rev. Leonard Woodall, and Rev. W. A. Martin.

Report of the Obituary Committee was given by Rev. Albert T. Coates. The report was adopted (see report).

Report of the Letter Digest Committee was read by Rev. Earl Glenn. The report was adopted (see report).

Report of the Promotional Secretary was read and adopted (see report).

Petitions were received for the next session of the conference from Casey's Chapel and Johnson's Union Church. The vote was taken in favor of Casey's Chapel. The vote was made unanimous.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted (see report).

Report of the Nominating Committee was read and adopted (see report).

A motion was passed that the Executive Board review the minutes of today's session and that the distribution of the minutes be as usual.

A motion was made to adjourn the ninety-ninth annual session of the Cape Fear (Original) Free Will Baptist Conference.

Benediction was offered by Rev. Billie Morris.

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L. R. ENNIS, *Moderator*

OTTIS CARROLL, *Secretary*

Reports of Various Boards and Committees

The Report of the Executive Board

We tender the following report of service rendered and business transacted on the behalf of the Conference, and the *Christian Cause* during the past year.

Feb. 23, 1953—Meeting at Home of Rev. C. H. Coates

Plans approved and authorized involving an appeal to the churches of the conference for funds to meet the current installment of the Raleigh church debt. The following were appointed to visit two churches each for this purpose: H. T. Hinson, Bruce Gromodella, Owen Thomas, Warren Jackson, Kirby West, J. D. Balance, Franklin Young, and Mrs. Carl Dudley.

Application to the Church Finance Association for loan to re-finance the indebtedness of the Church of Raleigh, was authorized.

The LORD ACRE AND HARVEST DAY plan of securing funds to meet larger church budgets and special allocations was appraised and the Board of Missions authorized to promote the plan along the line pursued in 1952, and Albert T. Coates, chairman, was directed to proceed with this promotional work.

At the request of St. John Church, the Executive Board of the conference agreed to undertake to restore fellowship, and working condition, among the members of the church. Rev. L. R. Ennis was authorized to make plans for a meeting with the said St. John Church.

March 10, 1953—Meeting at St. John Church

The Executive Board was authorized by vote of the church to direct the affairs of the church for as long a period of time as deemed necessary for the purpose above stated.

July 6, 1953—Meeting at Home of Rev. L. R. Ennis

November Union meeting program was prepared. Report on the Raleigh Church was presented and discussed. A motion was passed to tender an agreement for the Raleigh Free Will Baptist Church to increase the pastor's salary to \$60.00 a week as of July 1, 1953.

Plans and specifications of a proposed Educational Building for the Bethel Church, Kinston, N. C., were examined and approved, subject to the recommendations that the architect revise the plan on the departmental basis rather than the class basis.

August 30, 1953—Meeting at St. John Church

The Executive Board presided according to authorization of the church and the working conditions were re-established, the descending members having transferred their membership to a church of another denomination during the interval, since the church conference of March 10, 1953. Trustees of the church were elected and the former pastor, Rev. Thomas E. Beaman, elected and has resumed the pastoral care.

September 21, 1953—Meeting at Free Will Baptist Church, Goldsboro

January, 1954, Union meeting program prepared. Conference program, 1953, session, was prepared. The Resignation of Walter W. Reynolds, Ordaining Council member, was accepted, and letter of transfer to Albemarle Conference was authorized.

Respectfully submitted,

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Report of the Cape Fear Mission Board

October 29, 1953

Whereas, on Sept. 17, 1953, our beloved brother and member of your Mission Board, Brother N. C. Strickland, passed away:

We recommend that a resolution of respect be passed at this conference for his faithful service rendered to God while serving the Cape Fear Conference.

May we bow our heads in a moment of silent prayer and meditation at this time.

Your Mission Board held its first meeting Feb. 5, 1953, for the purpose of planning our Conference Mission Program. Every member was present from the Raleigh Church and Rev. L. R. Ennis representing the Conference Executive Board.

In this meeting we set as our aim:

1—To promote the mission program of the conference in all our churches.

2—To help in setting up proper mission points when they were brought to our attention.

3—To help organize sound Free Will Baptist churches.

4—To promote the Lord's Acre Project and Harvest Sale.

5—To cooperate with the State and National Mission Boards and ask every church in the conference to cooperate, for Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel."

The following is a copy of the minutes of the Mission Board meetings:

Smithfield—Feb. 5, 1953

The meeting was opened with prayer and roll call of members with every member present.

The progress of the Raleigh Church was discussed and Rev. Herman Hersey, pastor, gave a very informative report of the work.

His report showed that there were 39 members when he assumed the pastorate, 44 new members had come into the church, and the Sunday school had an enrollment of 76 with an average attendance of 67. A strong league was also reported.

There was \$521.86 raised in the state-wide mission drive for the debt retirement and the Raleigh Church raised \$288.23 of this amount.

The State Mission Board made an appropriation of \$150.00 in Sept. 1952.

Plans were made for the Raleigh Church to make application to the State Mission Board for future support and your Mission Board chairman was instructed

to send out letters to pastors and others in an effort to raise additional funds for the debt retirement of the church.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Smyrna—March 28, 1953

This meeting was opened with prayer and a discussion followed in regards to the raising of additional money to help the Raleigh Church meet its installment on April 5, 1953.

Further discussions were held in regards to offering financial aid to Smyrna and Lanwood Chapel Churches.

Our chairman read a copy of his letter of appeal that went out to every minister pastoring in our conference in regards to raising money for the debt retirement of the Raleigh Church.

The Mission Board met on Sept. 29, 1953, and again on Oct. 27, 1953, for the purpose of discussing and preparing its report to this conference.

Lord's Acre and Harvest Day Projects

St. John's—Approximately \$800.00 cleared. Projects not completed. Fellowship and co-operation excellent.

Daly's Chapel—Approximately \$260.00 cleared. Projects not completed. Fellowship and co-operation excellent.

Beautification of Church Grounds

St. John's—Assumed the planned program. The grounds are now well kept. Additional shrubbery will be planted, and the place once again becoming a place of scenic beauty.

Daly's Chapel—The planned program, which is extended over a 5 year period, is being followed up. Additional plants have been set. Grass sown and this place is becoming a place of beauty.

Bethel (Lenoir County)—This church has a good lawn and shrubbery around the present building. This church has a planned program of beautification.

This report submitted by Rev. T. E. Beaman, pastor.

Hopewell—Built a recreation building with large assembly room that can be divided into 3 classrooms. There is a 6-foot hall through the length of the building and an electrically equipped kitchen. There is also a ladies' and men's lounge and bathroom. This building project cost approximately \$4,500.00.

The Woman's Auxiliary sponsored a barbecue supper at Four Oaks that netted about \$750.00; the harvest sale of tobacco netted about \$220.00; the harvest sale of produce netted about \$900.00; cash donations about \$700.00; total \$2,570.00.

Submitted by Rev. Billy Morris, pastor.

Riverside—Set of memorial windows installed at cost of \$1,400.00. Underpinned church and built cement steps, painted pews, and bought new pulpit

furniture. Also placed new carpet on the rostrum. All this at cost of \$1,700.00. All paid.

Submitted by Rev. C. M. Coates, pastor.

Lee's Chapel—Underpinned church at cost of \$100.00; painted church at cost of \$325.00; installed new heating plant \$729.00; total \$1,154.00.

Submitted by Mr. H. T. Hinson, member.

Smithfield—Set shrubbery and carried on program of beautification. Painted inside of church, installed new floor in vestry, and covered vestry with plastic tile at approximate cost of \$900.00.

Submitted by Mr. W. M. Wiggs, S. S. Supt.

Respectfully submitted by your Mission Board:

REV. ALBERT T. COATES, *Chairman*
H. T. HINSON, *Treasurer*
W. MILTON WIGGS, *Recording Secy.*
REV. C. M. COATES, *proxy for*
REV. W. O. LASSITER

Report of Temperance and Civic Righteousness Committee

Seeing the moral decadence of our day, we, your Temperance Committee make these recommendations:

That we pledge to adhere strictly to paragraph two of our church covenant which reads as follows: "We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men."

That we use our influence and votes against the election of representatives and senators to our state and national legislative bodies and any other public officials who advocate the use or sale of strong drink.

That our people should realize that intemperance is not only in strong drink, but we should be temperate in our everyday habits, and do nothing that would cause our brother to stumble.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. COATES
L. B. WOODALL

Woman's Auxiliary Convention

We, the women of the Cape Fear District Auxiliary Convention, are happy to report a most successful year in our work. We have endeavored to make progress in all phases of our work and the accomplishments have been very favorable.

An increase has been shown in tithers this year, for which we are grateful.

A number of our auxiliaries have sponsored daily vacation Bible school, with our women at large teaching the school classes.

Our auxiliaries have contributed to missions liberally. We have aided the

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES AND COUNTY	CLERK	POST OFFICE	PASTOR 1952-53	PASTOR 1953-54
Bethel—Johnston Bethel—Lenoir Casey's Chapel—Wayne Corinth—Sampson Daly's Chapel—Lenoir Goldsboro—Wayne Hopewell—Johnston Johnson's Union—Johnston Lanwood Chapel—Johnston Lee's Chapel—Sampson Oak Grove—Sampson Pleasant Grove—Harnett Powhatan—Johnston Prospect—Harnett Riverside—Johnston Robert's Grove—Sampson Raleigh—Wake Shady Grove—Sampson Smithfield—Johnston Smyrna—Johnston St. John—Wayne St. Mary's Grove—Johnston St. Paul—Sampson Steven's Chapel—Johnston Lee's Chapel—Johnston West Clinton—Sampson Wooten's Chapel—Wake Yelverton's Grove—Johnston	W. H. Massengill Mrs. Marie B. Horton B. F. Grant J. E. Honeycutt Walter C. Langdon Mrs. Mae B. Gardner Mrs. Horace Lancaster H. G. Hinson Mrs. N. C. Lee Mrs. W. A. Warren J. C. Blinson R. McLeod L. P. Williford M. G. Jackson Mrs. Erdean Scott Minot W. Godwin C. L. Crumpler, Jr. Mrs. Ashley Blackman W. J. Langdon Mrs. Marshall Warren Esther Dayringer John R. Davis Mrs. Carl Dudley S. D. Allen Clinton Lane	Rt. 2, Four Oaks, N. C. 306 N. Mitchell St., Kinston, N. C. Rt. 3, Goldsboro, N. C. 108 S. Oleander Ave., Goldsboro, N. C. Rt. 3, Four Oaks, N. C. Rt. 1, Clayton, N. C. Rt. 3, Smithfield, N. C. Rt. 2, Dunn, N. C. Newton Grove, N. C. Erwin, N. C. Rt. 1, Clayton, N. C. Rt. 3, Dunn, N. C. Rt. 1, Princeton, N. C. Rt. 1, Dunn, N. C. 702 E. Edenton St., Raleigh, N. C. Rt. 5, Dunn, N. C. Rt. 3, Smithfield, N. C. Rt. 2, Benson, N. C. Rt. 1, Benson, N. C. Rt. 3, Clinton, N. C. Rt. 1, Benson, N. C. Smithfield, N. C. Box 403, Clinton, N. C. Rt. 1, Angier, N. C. Rt. 3, Smithfield, N. C.	Lloyd Vernon T. E. Beaman N. D. Beaman T. E. Beaman Walter Reynolds W. H. Lancaster C. M. Coates M. E. Godwin J. C. Hathaway W. H. Lancaster C. H. Coates C. M. Coates Warren Mallard Herman Hersey L. R. Ennis Earl Glenn J. B. Ferrell W. A. Martin G. S. Stevens J. W. Stanley Wiley Ferrell J. Walter Stanley	Lloyd Vernon T. E. Beaman N. D. Beaman Leonard Woodall J. R. Davidson William Morris W. H. Lancaster C. M. Coates C. H. Coates M. E. Godwin J. C. Hathaway W. H. Lancaster C. H. Coates C. M. Coates Warren Mallard Herman Hersey L. R. Ennis Earl Glenn W. A. Martin J. B. Ferrell Warren Mallard W. A. Martin G. S. Stevens J. W. Stanley Wiley Ferrell J. Walter Stanley

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Value Church Property	Rec'd by Letter	Statement	Baptized	Dismissed	Died	Increase	Decrease	Male	Female	Under 13	Total	Tithers	S. S. Members	W. A. Members	League Members	Pastoral Services	Revival	Orphanage	Superannuation	Foreign Missions	Education and Bible College	Conference Funds	State Convention Fees	Union Meeting	Cape Fear Missions	F.W.B. League
Bethel	\$20,000.00	1	3	23	---	2	23	---	77	151	---	228	2	247	27	30	\$1,112.00	\$750.00	\$271.77	\$36.00	\$ 15.25	\$ 58.24	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$36.00	\$	\$112.00
Bethel—Lenoir	11,000.00	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	15	43	---	58	---	90	17	---	1,075.00	50.00	32.13	---	5.00	---	10.00	---	28.00	---	---
Casey's Chapel	15,000.00	1	---	4	---	---	---	---	38	82	---	100	---	116	15	---	895.00	271.27	183.50	---	---	---	10.00	5.00	10.00	8.86	---
Corinth	6,000.00	---	---	9	1	19	6	---	32	40	---	72	---	79	17	---	455.00	75.00	245.30	---	12.90	---	10.00	---	32.00	12.90	---
Daly's Chapel	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Goldsboro	45,000.00	---	---	2	9	1	---	8	76	138	---	214	---	243	32	25	3,413.07	246.03	100.28	32.00	153.43	47.05	10.00	20.00	15.00	---	---
Hopewell	10,000.00	1	2	20	9	2	23	11	120	161	15	281	---	150	40	20	1,355.00	300.00	44.40	40.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	10.00	40.00	---	---
Johnson's Union	11,000.00	3	---	2	23	---	---	---	121	170	---	291	7	207	29	---	1,400.00	80.00	172.00	---	25.00	25.00	10.00	20.00	36.00	25.00	15.18
Lanwood Chapel	5,000.00	---	---	2	2	---	---	---	32	45	---	77	---	98	15	---	420.00	50.00	10.00	---	5.00	11.00	5.00	24.00	---	---	---
Lee's Chapel	10,000.00	1	---	9	---	2	---	---	75	136	---	192	---	192	54	---	700.00	100.00	400.00	---	---	---	10.00	10.00	24.00	40.00	---
Oak Grove	6,000.00	3	---	9	3	---	---	9	77	123	12	200	---	148	25	50	600.00	100.00	103.60	---	---	---	10.00	10.00	24.00	40.00	---
Pleasant Grove	25,000.00	2	---	---	---	4	---	---	15	25	2	40	---	125	---	---	277.54	55.46	188.15	8.00	---	---	10.00	10.00	24.00	18.30	---
Powhatan	10,000.00	---	---	9	2	3	4	5	126	97	3	223	---	195	20	---	1,080.00	112.87	155.07	50.00	25.00	25.00	20.00	5.00	56.00	---	---
Prospect	28,000.00	4	---	10	1	3	10	---	128	178	---	300	6	183	25	---	720.00	100.00	547.00	3.20	109.67	---	20.00	10.00	47.00	---	---
Riverside	8,500.00	3	---	21	2	---	22	---	43	77	4	124	---	130	---	15	350.00	155.92	122.00	82.25	---	---	10.00	---	28.00	---	---
Robert's Grove	15,000.00	1	---	2	4	---	---	1	77	106	---	183	---	124	24	---	600.00	150.00	210.00	28.00	10.00	15.00	13.00	---	28.00	---	---
Raleigh	25,000.00	27	---	11	5	---	33	---	34	42	2	78	30	110	25	20	2,595.00	177.20	43.50	---	35.00	---	10.00	3.00	20.00	---	---
Shady Grove	20,000.00	---	---	3	---	3	---	---	99	220	14	319	8	150	20	42	1,235.00	205.00	360.50	25.00	400.00	160.00	40.00	15.00	40.00	40.00	50.00
Smithfield	35,000.00	10	---	24	6	1	34	7	70	129	19	218	---	205	25	35	3,120.00	164.30	486.00	3.00	---	31.82	20.00	20.00	42.00	171.34	---
Smyrna	4,000.00	2	---	---	---	1	2	---	17	22	---	39	---	75	---	---	250.00	33.00	---	---	---	---	5.00	---	25.00	---	---
St. John	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
St. Mary's Grove	5,000.00	---	---	1	4	3	---	6	109	161	---	270	---	140	26	---	1,200.00	125.00	166.40	25.00	25.00	35.00	10.00	---	24.00	---	---
St. Paul	15,000.00	4	---	6	12	1	10	---	72	73	---	145	---	120	29	---	480.00	115.00	123.00	20.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	---	26.00	---	---
Steven's Chapel	5,500.00	17	---	49	---	---	---	---	23	42	---	67	---	80	---	---	145.79	61.26	81.15	---	---	---	10.00	7.00	28.00	---	---
Tee's Chapel	6,000.00	---	---	2	---	---	---	---	95	170	8	273	30	256	15	26	760.60	60.00	200.00	---	---	---	20.00	---	28.00	---	30.00
West Clinton	5,000.00	---	---	2	1	---	---	1	13	39	---	52	10	98	30	35	870.00	70.00	12.33	16.21	---	---	10.00	10.00	23.00	---	159.27
Wooten's Chapel	5,000.00	8	---	6	---	---	14	2	25	40	---	65	---	88	14	---	600.00	200.00	---	17.00	---	---	5.00	12.00	---	---	---
Yelverton's Grove	5,000.00	---	---	2	3	1	2	4	43	71	---	114	---	69	14	---	331.10	50.00	---	---	---	---	10.00	10.00	28.00	10.00	---

Churches	Woman's Aux.	Sunday School	Cragmont	Church Finance Association	State Promotional Service	N. C. State Missions	National Home Missions	Raleigh Church	Reserve Fund	Stamps and Postage	Fuel, Lights, etc.	Cemetery	Recreation	D. V. B. S.	S. S. Annex	Educational Building	Recreational Building	Repair and Maintenance
Bethel	\$243.51	\$ 775.41	\$ 2.50	\$ 20.00	\$12.50		\$15.25	\$40.10		\$ 150.00	\$ 77.97		\$ 32.50	\$116.00	\$7,028.20			\$ 844.63
Bethel—Lenoir	5.10									45.25				45.00				1,890.95
Casey's Chapel	125.00	150.00								145.45								
Corinth	8.80	78.52						15.00		15.93				3,735.23				
Daly's Chapel																		
Goldsboro		449.68								229.69	770.78			125.00		13,390.50		529.37
Hopewell	150.00	164.84	20.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	10.00		1.74	375.64				61.40			4,142.64	
Johnson's Union	280.00	747.18								94.00								
Lanwood Chapel	17.20								420.00	470.05				12.80				
Lee's Chapel	238.02	1,517.13					40.00	25.00		120.00								1,158.50
Oak Grove			9.80					30.00		40.05								150.00
Pleasant Grove		2.00								21.28								
Powhatan	245.00	468.33						25.00		92.44					30.00			115.14
Prospect	27.15	510.81	46.00						83.23	69.62	176.46	14.00		54.39				1,015.54
Riverside	84.14	250.10					31.00	5.50		59.29					55.50			1,519.00
Robert's Grove		87.64	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	25.00		89.00								79.38
Raleigh		3.00								843.86				51.64				2,432.41
Shady Grove	200.00	314.00				50.00	25.00	35.00	500.00	10.00	150.00	50.00	100.00	40.00			960.00	75.00
Smithfield		320.20		2,010.00				51.23		18.38	511.09			25.00				1,666.11
Smyrna											12.00	9.00						140.00
St. John																		
St. Mary's Grove	240.12	378.90								214.55								
St. Paul		241.03	10.00		5.00					63.00					4,111.36			3,277.30
Steven's Chapel							46.47			58.00								1,500.00
Tee's Chapel	54.00	249.00							16.34	35.69								1,861.98
West Clinton	185.00	565.24								44.80				30.00				889.37
Wooten's Chapel										75.00				32.20	500.00			281.00
Yelverton's Grove										40.00								

CAPE FEAR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Churches	Delegates	Supt. and Address	Sec. and Address	Funds	Members on Roll	Average Attendance	Members on Church Roll	No. Joining Churches from S. S.	No. Organized Classes	No. Unorganized Classes	Number Teachers	Amt. Paid for Literature	Amt. Paid for All Purposes
Lee's Chapel	Mrs. Lela Phillips	Earl L. Eason Rt. 5, Dunn, N. C.	Mrs. Earl L. Eason Rt. 5, Dunn, N. C.	\$2.00	194	174	---	6	7	2	8	\$139.50	\$816.21
Oak Grove	Ina Pate Gart	Felton C. Godwin Rt. 2, Newton Grove, N. C.	Mrs. Leo Bass Rt. 2, Newton Grove, N. C.	1.00	148	115	75	8	4	1	5	117.00	374.00
Riverside	W. R. Martin	W. R. Martin Rt. 1, Princeton, N. C.	Miss Velma Lawhorn Rt. 1, Princeton, N. C.	2.00	129	127	50	21	7	---	7	80.00	245.00
Robert's Grove	Mrs. Eunice Honeycutt	H. C. Lee Rt. 5, Dunn, N. C.	Livie Holland Rt. 5, Roseboro, N. C.	2.00	143	99	---	---	8	---	8	88.00	---
Shady Grove	W. C. Westbrook	J. Kermit Jackson Dunn, N. C.	Shirley Willis Dunn, N. C.	2.00	170	150	145	3	10	---	10	100.00	271.20
St. Paul	Shelton Wilson and Williard Wilson	Whitford Wilson Newton Grove, N. C.	Mrs. Clayton Warwick Rt. 3, Clinton, N. C.	2.00	120	85	90	12	5	---	10	42.00	111.60

The next convention will convene with Shady Grove Church on second Saturday in October, 1954.
Warren Jackson, President, and Mrs. Emerson Warren, Secretary.

Raleigh Church in our own conference, and assisted in putting a new roof on the home of one of our missionaries in Cuba. Other gifts have been made to missions by local auxiliaries.

Recently the convention voted to buy new drapes for the dining hall at our orphanage. This money has already been acquired.

Each phase of work in our "United Program" has been recognized and support has been given.

The Convention held two sessions during the year. At the meeting in April, with Casey's Chapel Auxiliary, yearly reports were made, and all business transacted. On October 14th, we met with Lanwood's Chapel Auxiliary for an inspirational meeting which was very successful.

We greatly appreciate the cooperation and assistance of our ministers of the conference, and respectfully solicit their continued cooperation and prayers as we continue to labor for this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARL DUDLEY

Report of State Promotional Director

From the reports of the 18 churches that were sent to the 1953 session of the N. C. State Convention held with Marsh Swamp Church, Wilson County, the following information was revealed about the work of the Cape Fear Conference.

- 18 churches reported to the convention
- 4 churches support every phase of the united program
- 2 churches do not support any phase
- 2 support Cragmont
- 9 support Missions
- 11 support Orphanage
- 5 support Christian Education
- 1 supports State Promotional
- 1 supports Church Finance
- 5 support Superannuation

WILLIAM BURKETTE RAPER

N. C. Promotional Director

Orphanage Report

Yearly report of Cape Fear Conference from October 1, 1952, through September 30, 1953.

GRAND TOTALS

General Fund	\$4,024.63
Clothing Fund	655.03
Chapel Fund	227.00
Concert Class Receipts	1,495.10
Total	\$6,401.76

S. A. SMITH, Superintendent

Report of the Board of Education 1953 Session

We are submitting for your information the following report:

Day Vacation Bible Schools—

Name of Church	Total Enrollment	No. Days Held
Casey's Chapel	79	5
Corinth	83	5
First—Raleigh	61	10
First—Goldsboro	114	5
Hopewell	117	5
Lee's Chapel	103	5
Oak Grove	75	5
Prospect	96	5
Robert's Grove	64	6
Shady Grove	77	5
St. John	80	5
W. Clinton	71	5
Wooten's Chapel	131	5
St. Paul's	66	5
Lanwood	50	5
Bethel (Johnson)	246	5
Totals	1,513	106

The following churches reported no school held: Bethel (Lenoir), Daly's Chapel, Riverside, St. Mary's Grove, Steven's Chapel, Yelverton's Grove.

The following churches made no report of any kind: Johnson's Union, Smithfield, Pleasant Grove, Tee's Chapel, Powhatan.

Five (5) churches operated nurseries with a total enrollment of 72.

Other enrollments as follows: Beginners, 313; Primaries, 361; Juniors, 347; Intermediates, 236; and Seniors, 52.

Total cost of operating the school, \$760.18.

Our goal for 1954, "A D. V. B. S. in Every Church."

Free Will Baptist Bible College—

Our Bible College opened in September with 60 new students, representing 18 states and Cuba. There were 150 students of which 52 were from North Carolina. The college has made tremendous gain and is doing a marvelous job. We urge our people to give their loyal support to the college. We have here today for free distribution, a good supply of the college bulletins which tells a good story of the college work.

Mount Allen Junior College—

The Board of Education of the North Carolina State Convention in September of this year, purchased the old school property in the town of Mt. Olive, N. C., for the sum of \$25,000 dollars, paying down, \$4,000 and financing \$21,000 over a period of 18 months. It is the intention of the Board of Directors to begin operation of the school on November 9, 1953.

Training Program

Free Will Baptist Leagues Training Program—

In the month of January we held Institutes at Kinston, Goldsboro, Smithfield, Raleigh, and Lee's Chapel Churches. The enrollment far exceeded our goal of 300. This training program will be continued in 1954.

Sunday School Training Program—

Institutes were held in Kinston, Goldsboro, Raleigh, Smithfield, and Lee's Chapel Churches. The course of instruction offered was on *World Missions*. The enrollment was approximately 150.

The Family Life—

It is the aim of your Board, to give much emphasis on this subject in the next year's program. We are gathering materials now for use in conducting institute training in 1954.

Students in Bible College—

We have been working with young people and directing their attention toward the Bible College, and we have some students in College now, and are expecting more to enter in the near future. We shall presently find their training will pay our denomination big dividends.

Correspondence Courses—

The Free Will Baptist College, Nashville, Tennessee, is now offering Correspondence Courses, and we urge those who are interested to write direct to the College for information and enrollment blanks. This training will afford those who would like farther preparation for Christian service and opportunity for limited training.

Respectfully submitted,

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Report of the Resolutions Committee

Recommendation from State Convention to Cape Fear Conference:

That the Cape Fear Conference authorize a representative from this conference to meet with a representative from each of the other conferences in North Carolina in an effort to work out a uniform state-wide examination for ministers seeking ordination in the FWB church in N. C. (It is understood that this examination would come back to the Board of Ordination of each conference for approval and would be administered by the local Board of Ordination of each conference.)

WILLIAM BURKETTE RAPER

N. C. State Promotional Director

Be it further resolved that our Board of Ordination is to decide who shall represent our conference.

HERMAN HERSEY

M. E. GODWIN

L. E. PHILLIPS

Recommendation from the N. C. State Promotional Director to Cape Fear Conference.

That this conference authorize a committee to meet with the Executive Board of the State Convention to discuss the differences which this conference has with the State Treatise.

WILLIAM BURKETTE RAPER
N. C. State Promotional Director
HERMAN L. HERSEY
M. E. GODWIN
L. E. PHILLIPS

Resolutions

Whereas, the 1954 session of the Cape Fear Conference will be the one hundredth (100th) session, and whereas it appears to be to the interests of our cause to make this session a "Special Centennial Session," therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we go on record as making the 1954 session an outstanding event as a "Special Centennial Session."

2. That every minister, and all churches of the conference be requested to plan their yearly church program for the 1953-54 conference year, beginning November 1 and ending October 31, 1954, styling their program as "The Centennial Program" and that they strive to make the yearly program the best and most effective in their ministry and in the churches' history.

3. That the Executive Board be charged with the responsibility of preparing and arrange the program of the 1954 session as a "Centennial Program," and to publicize same in a large way.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. E. BEAMAN

Approved:

HERMAN L. HERSEY
M. E. GODWIN
L. E. PHILLIPS

Whereas, the Hatcher-Skinner Funeral Home has loaned the use of their loud speaker system, and whereas the use of this system has increased the effectiveness and enjoyment of our conference, therefore be it resolved:

That our secretary write a letter of appreciation and thanks to the Hatcher-Skinner Funeral Home.

HERMAN L. HERSEY
M. E. GODWIN
L. E. PHILLIPS

Whereas, the Fairview Florist Company, has donated the flowers that decorate our platform, therefore be it resolved:

That our secretary write a letter of appreciation and thanks to the Fairview Florist.

HERMAN L. HERSEY
M. E. GODWIN
L. E. PHILLIPS

Whereas, the Lee's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church has graciously entertained this session of the conference, and has exhibited a fine example of Christian hospitality, therefore, be it resolved:

That we give the said Lee's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church a rising vote of thanks, the vote to include the visitors.

HERMAN L. HERSEY
M. E. GODWIN
L. E. PHILLIPS

Report of the Board of Ordination, 1953 Session

Greetings to the Cape Fear Conference of Free Will Baptists:

We are happy to tell you that none of our ministers have died during the year for which we are grateful to our heavenly Father. The health of our ministers is about as usual.

We have performed the regular routine duties during the year, and have endeavored to be faithful in the performance of our duties.

During the year we have ordained two ministers, namely: Brothers Wm. F. Speicher and James Earl Raper, with appropriate ceremonies. We ask that their names be recorded in the list of ministers.

In order to have an organized and up-to-date record of the regulations governing our work, we have gone through the minutes and records, and have set them in regular order. This does not embody any new regulations, but are the regular duties assigned to the Board. They are as follows:

By-Laws for the Ordaining Council

1. The Ordaining Council shall be at liberty to organize and operate independent of any and all boards, and shall be required to answer only to the annual Conference of Churches in regular session or the Executive Board.
2. It shall be the duty of the Council to examine all applicants for license as prescribed in the National Treatise.
3. The Council shall examine all applicants for ordination, when a request is made by some church that wishes his services as pastor, and shall issue to him a suitable certificate of ordination.
4. The Council shall not be at liberty to ordain any man to the gospel ministry who cannot furnish sufficient proof of a Divine call and reasonable preparation which qualifies him for any and all duties required of a pastor.
5. The Council shall have power to issue certificates of ordination to applicants on a time basis, or probation, and request him to study as long as the Council deems necessary.
6. The Council shall have power to recall any certificate which it has issued to any man, when and if he has failed to comply with any and all agreements made between the Council and bearer.
7. The Council shall be charged with the responsibility of disciplinary measures of all ministers and their ministerial labors.

8. These By-Laws shall be in full effect when approved by the annual Conference in regular session.

9. Any amendment to these By-Laws shall be presented to the annual Conference in writing and shall be approved by at least a 75% vote of the delegates and preachers present. All amendments shall be on the table 6 hours before the vote is taken.

Respectfully submitted,

THE BOARD OF ORDINATION

Report of the Obituary Committee

1. We thank God that He has seen fit through His wonderful love and mercy to spare our beloved ministers for another year.

2. Sister H. R. Faircloth, wife of our dearly beloved brother, Rev. H. R. Faircloth, passed into the eternal world on October 12.

She was born in Fort Worth, Texas, April 28, 1882.

Brother and Sister Faircloth were married Dec. 3, 1902, and had labored together for the remainder of their lives.

Sister Faircloth labored in the home, while Brother Faircloth was serving God by carrying the gospel.

She was laid away in the Knollwood Cemetery until the Great Day of Resurrection where the "Dead in Christ shall rise first," to meet the Saviour and be with him forever.

"May the God of peace, comfort the bereaved ones and lead them to a closer walk with Him."

"The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, Blessed be the name of the Lord."

3. Brother N. C. Strickland, of Corinth Church passed into the eternal world Sept. 17, 1953. Brother Strickland was a member of the Corinth Free Will Baptist Church since his conversion. He was not only active in his church, but was active in the Cape Fear Conference from the time of its reorganization until his death.

He is survived by his wife, who is a daughter of the late Brother Zack Taylor, three sons, and six daughters.

He was laid to rest in the Strickland Family Cemetery.

May God comfort his loved ones and may they realize that their loss is heaven's gain.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT COATES, *Chairman*

MRS. CARL DUDLEY

C. M. COATES

Report of Letter Digest Committee

Cape Fear Conference, October 30, 1953

No. Churches Represented by Letter _____

No. Churches Represented by Delegates _____

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No. Churches Not Represented	0
No. Delegates	47
Total Value Church Property	\$337,500.00
Total No. Church Members	4,209
Total No. Females	2,555
Total No. Males	1,654
Total No. Under 13	79
Total No. Members Received into Churches	245
Received by Letter	58
Received by Baptism	182
Received by Statement	5
Total Loss in Membership	120
Dismissed	92
Died	29
Net Gain in Membership	124
Total Sunday School Membership	3,750
Total Auxiliary Membership	538
Total League Membership	298
Total Ministerial Services	\$ 29,277.41
Pastor's Salaries	\$ 25,820.10
Revivals	3,457.31
Total Denominational Funds (orphanage, missions, superannuation, etc.)	\$ 18,896.98
Total Miscellaneous Funds (Fuel, Lights, Postage, D.V.B.S.)	\$ 8,859.58
Total Funds for Building and Expansion	\$ 56,667.25

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD WOODALL
WADE H. STEPHENSON
EARL H. GLENN

Report of Promotional Secretary of Cape Fear Conference

For Fiscal Year November 1, 1952 to October 31, 1953

Total Receipts for Cape Fear Missions	\$ 47.00
Shady Grove Church	\$ 40.00
\$100-a-Month Club	7.00
.....	\$ 47.00
Total Receipts for N. C. State Missions	40.85
Raleigh Church	\$ 15.85
Shady Grove	25.00
.....	\$ 40.85
Total Receipts for National Home Missions	50.00
Shady Grove Church	\$ 50.00
Total Receipts for Foreign Missions	756.76
Corinth Church	\$ 15.82
Johnson Union	25.00
Lanwood Chapel	5.00
Oak Grove	4.00
Powhatan	25.00
Prospect	46.00
Raleigh	30.85
Shady Grove	405.00
Smithfield	155.09
St. Mary's Grove	25.00

St. Paul	5.00	
Yelverton's Grove	10.00	
Anonymous	5.00	
	<u>\$756.76</u>	
Total Receipts for Education		223.00
Powhatan Church	\$ 25.00	
Shady Grove	160.00	
Smithfield	3.00	
St. Mary's Grove	35.00	
	<u>\$223.00</u>	
Total Receipts for Orphanage		66.50
Corinth Church	\$ 20.00	
Raleigh	43.50	
Smithfield	3.00	
	<u>\$ 66.50</u>	
Total Receipts for Cragmont		3.00
Smithfield Church	\$ 3.00	
Total Receipts for Superannuation		78.00
Johnson Union Church	\$ 25.00	
Shady Grove	25.00	
Smithfield	3.00	
St. Mary's Grove	25.00	
	<u>\$ 78.00</u>	
Total Receipts for Raleigh Church		265.00
N. C. Board of Missions	\$165.00	
National Home Mission Board	100.00	
	<u>\$265.00</u>	
Sum Total Receipts for All Causes		<u>\$1,530.11</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
H. T. Hinson (Cape Fear Missions)	\$ 47.00	
Rev. Bruce Barrow (Foreign, State, National Home Missions)	847.61	
Rev. M. L. Johnson (Education, Orphanage, Cragmont, Superannuation)	265.50	
Rev. Burkette Raper (Education, Orphanage, Cragmont, Superannuation)	105.00	
H. T. Hinson (Raleigh Church)	205.00	
Rev. Albert T. Coates	60.00	
Total Disbursement for All Causes		<u>\$1,530.11</u>
Total Received	\$1,530.11	
Total Disbursed	<u>1,530.11</u>	

Treasurer's Report—1953 Session Cape Fear Conference
Original Free Will Baptist Church
Administrative Funds

CREDITS

1952		
11-1	Received 40% Conference Funds	\$164.07
11-29	Received 40% Union Meeting at Smithfield	93.79

1953

3-28	Received 40% Union Meeting at Smyrna	97.97
6-29	Received 40% Union Meeting at St. Mary's Grove	95.84
8-29	Received 40% Union Meeting	93.55

Total \$ 545.22

DEBITS

1952

Treasurer's Allowance for 1952	\$ 20.00
F. W. B. Press for Printing Minutes of 1952 Conference	150.00
Franklin Young for Raleigh Church as ordered by Executive Board	50.00
Treasurer's Allowance for 1953	20.00
Overdrawn Amount of 1952	119.39

Total 359.39

Balance on Hand \$ 185.83

Educational Fund

CREDITS

1952

On Hand at beginning of Last Conference	\$ 495.31
10-31 30% of money received from Conference held at West Clinton	\$123.05
11-29 30% money received from Union meeting held at Smithfield	70.34

1953

3-29 30% of money received from Union meeting held at Smyrna	73.48
4-1 Donations from league Institute	35.50
5-29 30% money received at Union meeting held at St. Mary's Grove	71.89
8-29 30% money received from Union meeting held at Steven's Chapel	70.16

Total 444.42

Balance \$ 939.73

DEBITS

1952

11-29 Paid Rev. T. E. Beaman for stamps and telephone	\$ 11.75
11-29 Mrs. Horace Potter, secretary service	34.00

1953

1-20 Brame Specialty Co. for Memo Paper	10.00
1-20 Rev. Herman Hersey for 3 nights' league work	15.00
2-16 Rev. T. E. Beaman 6 nights' teaching	37.00
2-16 Mrs. Earl Glenn 3 nights' teaching	15.00
2-16 Mrs. Horace Potter, January secretary service	9.75
4-1 Transferred to Student Loan	100.00
7-22 Rev. T. E. Beaman, reimburse for postage	25.75
Free Will Baptist Press for League Manuals	23.25
Free Will Baptist Press for Folders	40.00

Total 321.50

Balance on Hand \$ 618.23

Mission Fund

CREDITS

1952		
11-1	Balance on Hand at beginning last Conference	\$ 295.89
11-1	30% from Conference held at West Clinton	\$123.05
11-1	From Lee's Chapel	40.00
11-29	30% from Union Meeting at Smithfield	70.34
1953		
3-28	30% from Union Meeting at Smyrna	73.48
5-29	30% from Union Meeting at St. Mary's Grove	71.89
8-29	30% from Union Meeting at Steven's Chapel	70.16
10-1	From Shady Grove Church	40.00
	Total Receipts	488.92
	Balance	\$ 784.81

DEBITS

1952		
11-5	Mrs. Horace Potter, secretary service	\$ 26.75
11-29	Taffe Cooke for supplies	17.11
12-19	Ernest Whithurst for Raleigh Church for November and December as directed by Mission Board	100.00
12-31	Ernest Whithurst for Raleigh Church for January, 1953	50.00
1953		
1-6	Taffe Cooke, Inc., for supplies	17.55
1-6	Rev. T. E. Beaman for stamps and telephone	9.06
2-19	Franklin Young, Jr., Raleigh Church, February	50.00
6-26	Franklin Young for Raleigh Church for March, April, May, and June	200.00
8-29	Franklin Young for Raleigh Church for July and August	100.00
9-25	Rev. Albert T. Coates for Mission Expense	6.00
9-25	Franklin Young for One Ton Coal for Raleigh Church	15.00
	Total	591.47
	Balance on Hand	\$ 193.34

\$100-a-Month Club

1953		
	On Hand at beginning last Conference	\$ 323.00
1-25	Received since last Conference	7.00
	Total	\$ 330.00
	Balance on Hand	\$ 330.00

Student Loan Fund

1953		
	On Hand at beginning last Conference	\$ 35.00
	Transferred from Educational Fund	100.00
	Total on Hand	\$ 135.00

Raleigh Church Fund

CREDITS

1953		
2-12	Corinth	\$ 15.00

3-17	Bethel (Johnston) Church and Sunday School	30.10
3-10	Robert's Grove	25.00
3-19	National Home Missions	100.00
3-19	Shady Grove	20.00
3-19	Shady Grove Auxiliary	5.00
3-23	Lee's Chapel and Sunday School	25.00
3-23	Smithfield	10.00
3-25	Powhatan Sunday School	25.00
3-28	District Auxiliary	42.00
3-28	Smithfield Ladies Auxiliary	10.00
3-30	Oak Grove	30.00
3-30	Smithfield	41.60
3-30	Powhatan	25.00
4-1	Hopewell	30.13
10-12	Shady Grove	100.00
Total		\$ 533.83
DEBITS		
Total paid to Raleigh Church		\$ 533.83
Balance on Hand (None)		\$ 000.00
Total Balances on Hand:		
	Administration Fund	\$185.83
	Mission Fund	193.84
	Educational Fund	618.23
	Student Loan Fund	135.00
	\$100-a-Month Club	330.00
Grand Total on Hand		\$1,462.90

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. HINSON, *Treasurer*

Report of the Committee on Nominations

We submit our report as follows:

Conference Officers: Rev. L. R. Ennis, moderator; Rev. C. H. Coates, assistant moderator; H. T. Hinson, treasurer; Ottis Carroll, secretary; Rev. T. E. Beaman, assistant secretary.

STANDING BOARDS

Board of Missions: Rev. Albert T. Coates 1953-1958 and Rev. J. R. Davidson 1955 unexpired term.

Board of Trustees: Rev. T. E. Beaman 1953-1958.

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Board of Ordination: Rev. C. H. Coates 1953-1958 and Rev. Herman Hersey 1957 unexpired term.

We wish also to respectfully report that in our judgment it would be best not to nominate anyone for the office of Executive Secretary, and let that office be filled by the Executive Board.

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN JACKSON

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MRS. DONALD EDWARDS

