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Officers

Moderator—L. R. Ennis, P. O. Box 391, Goldsboro, N. C.

Assistant Moderator—Owen Thomas, Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.

Treasurer—H. T. Hinson, Route 2, Dunn, N. C.

Secretary—Percy L. Strickland, Route 1, Dunn, N. C.

Assistant Secretary—Thomas E. Beaman, P. O. Box 120, Goldsboro, N. C.

Executive Board

L. R. Ennis, Percy L. Strickland, H. T. Hinson, Ralph Osborne, Thomas E. Beaman, Owen Thomas, C. F. Bowen, Chester Phillips.

Herman L. Hersey (Moderator of Union Meeting)

Mrs. Herman L. Hersey (President of Woman's Auxiliary)

Standing Boards

Board of Missions

Chester Phillips (chairman), 1960; W. Milton Wiggs, 1961; Ralph Osborne, 1962; Cecil E. Rose, 1963; C. M. Coates, 1964.

Board of Trustees

W. Milton Wiggs, 1960; Elijah Woodall, 1961; Owen Thomas, 1962; Thomas E. Beaman (chairman), 1963; Fred Parker, 1964.

Board of Education

Warren Jackson, 1960; J. Walter Stanley, 1961; Mrs. Norvell Dawson, 1962; Mrs. Carl Dudley, 1963; C. F. Bowen (chairman), 1964.

Ordaining Council

L. R. Ennis, 1960; M. E. Godwin, 1961; Herman L. Hersey, 1962; Chester Phillips, 1963; Ralph Osborne (chairman), 1964.

Ordained Ministers

R. W. Allman, Route 1, Benson, N. C.

J. Vernon Barbour, Route 1, Clayton, N. C.

Thomas E. Beaman, P. O. Box 120, Goldsboro, N. C.

Swade Benson, Route 2, Box 193, Clayton, N. C.

Clarence F. Bowen, Route 5, Dunn, N. C.

L. J. Carlyle, Route 3, Box 134, LaGrange, N. C.

W. C. Clearman, Route 1, Smithfield, N. C.

C. H. Coates, P. O. Box D-5, Buies Creek, N. C.

C. M. Coates, 212 Handcock Street, Smithfield, N. C.

J. R. Davidson, 52 Vinson Drive S. E., Atlanta 17, Ga.

L. R. Ennis, P. O. Box 391, Goldsboro, N. C.

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M. E. Godwin, Route 5, Dunn, N. C.

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 Herman Hersey, P. O. Box 11173, Raleigh, N. C.
 W. H. Lancaster, 212 Hancock Street, Smithfield, N. C.
 W. A. Martin, Route 1, Benson, N. C.
 Ralph Osborne, 713 Simmons Street, Goldsboro, N. C.
 Chester Phillips, 527 S. 3rd Street, Smithfield, N. C.
 Cecil E. Rose, Box 48, Wilson, N. C.
 J. Walter Stanley, Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.
 Ed Taylor, P. O. Box 346, Buies Creek, N. C.
 A. F. Williamson, 1102 Hillsboro Street, Fayetteville, N. C.
 Herman Wooten, Garner, N. C.

Licensed Ministers

Thomas Johnson
 Eugene Hales
 Herman Earl Baker
 Harvey Dupree

Enrollment of Ministers, Churches and Delegates

Ministers

R. W. Allman, J. Vernon Barbour, Thos. E. Beaman, Swade Benson,
 C. F. Bowen, L. J. Carlyle, W. C. Clearman, C. H. Coates, C. M. Coates,
 L. R. Ennis, Kirby Joe Godwin, M. E. Godwin, Herman L. Hersey, W. H.
 Lancaster, W. A. Martin, Ralph Osborne, Chester R. Phillips, Cecil E. Rose,
 J. Walter Stanley, Ed C. Taylor, A. F. Williamson, Leonard B. Woodall.

Visiting Ministers

Central: Frank Davenport, Rashie Kennedy
 Eastern: T. O. Terry
 Pee Dee: M. L. Baxley
 Piedmont: Owen Gancy
 Western: Ralph E. Clegg, R. H. Jackson, M. L. Johnson, G. C. Joyner

Churches and Delegates

Bethel (Johnston)—Rayford Lee, Mrs. Rayford Lee
 Bethel (Lenoir)—
 Casey's Chapel—Mrs. J. L. Benton, Mabel Whitley
 Community Chapel—E. W. Giles
 Corinth—Mrs. N. C. Strickland, Mrs. Jasper Naylor
 Daly's Chapel—Albert Farmer
 Goldsboro—W. H. Martin, Mrs. W. H. Martin
 Hopewell—Elijah Woodall, S. R. Lassiter, Ralph Parker
 Johnson's Union—Louis Barnes, Rufus Thomas
 Lanwood Chapel—

Lee's Chapel—Earl Godwin, Eugene Jernigan, Mrs. Granville Byrd, G. C. Byrd, Mrs. R. B. Baggett
Oak Grove—Mrs. A. Fulton Blackman, A. Fulton Blackman
Pleasant Grove—V. B. Griffin, Mrs. V. B. Griffin
Powhatan—Mrs. Helen Massey
Prospect—Fred Parker, J. L. Parker, H. L. Turlington, Mrs. Earl W. Avery
Riverside—L. P. Williford, W. R. Martin
Robert's Grove—J. M. Spell, Mrs. Corbin Barefoot
Raleigh—Mrs. Vernie Hersey, J. D. Ballance
Shady Grove—Earl T. Lockamy, C. R. Jernigan, Mrs. C. R. Jernigan
Smithfield—Mrs. W. Milton Wiggs, W. Milton Wiggs, Mattie Pittman, Owen Thomas
Smyrna—
St. John—Mrs. Leonard Rouse, Mrs. Edward McKell
St. Mary's Grove—W. J. Langdon, Leon E. Norris, Mrs. Bobby Chaudler, J. M. Hobbs
St. Paul—
Steven's Chapel—
Tee's Chapel—Albert T. Coates, Clarence Woodall, James McLamb
West Clinton—
Wooten's Chapel—
Yelverton's Grove—Hubert Lane

PROCEEDINGS

The one hundred fifth annual session of the Cape Fear (Original) Free Will Baptist Conference convened with Johnson's Union Church, Johnston County, North Carolina, on Thursday and Friday, October 29 and 30, 1959.

Thursday Morning Session, October 29, 1959

The Cape Fear Conference with Rev. L. R. Ennis acting as moderator, opened its annual session at 10:00 a. m., Thursday morning, with the singing of the hymns, "All Hail the Power" and "I Am Thine O Lord," under the direction of Brother Owen Thomas. This was followed by Rev. Herman L. Hersey reading Scripture, Philippians 3:7—4:1, and prayer by Rev. R. H. Jackson.

A very hearty welcome was extended to the visiting ministers and delegates, by the host pastor, Rev. W. C. Clearman. The response was given by Brother J. D. Ballance.

The following visitors were recognized at this time: Rev. T. O. Terry, Eastern Conference; Rev. Rashie Kennedy, Central Conference; Rev. R. H. Jackson, Western Conference; Rev. Owen Ganey, Piedmont Conference, Rev. Frank Davenport, Central Conference; Rev. M. L. Bexley, Pee Dee Conference; Rev. G. C. Joyner, Western Conference; Rev. M. L. Johnson, Western Conference.

Enrollment of officers and standing boards as follows:

Officers: L. R. Ennis, acting moderator; H. T. Hinson, treasurer; Percy L. Strickland, secretary; Thomas E. Beaman, assistant secretary.

Executive Board: L. R. Ennis, Thomas E. Beaman, W. C. Clearman, Herman L. Hersey, H. T. Hinson, Percy L. Strickland.

Mission Board: Percy L. Strickland, Chester Phillips, W. Milton Wiggs, W. C. Clearman, Cecil E. Rose.

Board of Trustees: Fred Parker, W. Milton Wiggs, Owen Thomas, Thomas E. Beaman.

Board of Education: Thomas E. Beaman, J. Walter Stanley.

Ordaining Council: C. M. Coates, L. R. Ennis, M. E. Godwin, Herman L. Hersey, Chester Phillips.

The following temporary committee appointments were made:

Obituary: Mrs. Ruth Warrick, Mrs. Ramond Stephens.

Temperance: Rev. C. F. Bowen, Rev. Ralph Osborne, Rev. R. W. Allman.

Resolutions: Members of executive board.

Nominations: Rev. Herman L. Hersey, Rev. W. C. Clearman, Rev. Chester Phillips.

At this time the report of the executive board was given, by Rev. Thomas E. Beaman, and adopted. (See report.)

It was decided to conclude the remainder of the morning session without any recess. The congregation joined in singing the hymns, "Tell Me the Old, Old Story" and "Our Best," after which the morning offering was taken, and prayer by Rev. Wilbert Everton.

The introductory sermon was brought by Rev. C. F. Bowen, Scripture, Luke 10:1, 2, subject, "Evangelism in the Church," which was a very inspiring message.

After an invitation from the host pastor to partake of the feast spread in the church yard, we had the benediction.

Recess for lunch.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing the hymn, "He Keeps Me Singing." Scripture and prayer by Rev. Frank Davenport.

The report of the ordaining council was given by Rev. Herman L. Hersey and adopted. (See report.)

The report of the board of education was given by Rev. J. Walter Stanley and adopted. (See report.)

A report from Mount Olive Junior College was given by Rev. M. L. Johnson and received as information.

A report from the Children's Home was given by the Rev. Wilbert Everton, superintendent, and received as information.

A report of the work of state superannuation was given by Rev. Walter Reynolds and received as information.

At this time a delegation of visitors from a Fayetteville Mission, established by Rev. A. F. Williamson, were recognized.

An announcement was made, at this time, by Rev. Herman Hersey that all the churches in the conference were represented and that the majority had sent in the amount of donation requested by conference.

A very interesting and informative report was given from the State Missions Board by Rev. R. H. Jackson and Rev. Rashie Kennedy and received as information.

A petition from Mount Olive Church for admission to the Cape Fear Conference was presented by Rev. M. L. Johnson. This petition was ruled as being out of order, by the moderator, since the church had failed to complete the necessary requirements before the executive board and their application was still pending before this board.

A motion was made and passed to adjourn.

Benediction by Rev. J. Vernon Barbour.

Friday Morning Session October 30, 1959

The second day's session of the Cape Fear Conference reassembled at 10:00 a. m. with Rev. L. R. Ennis as acting moderator. The session began with the congregation singing "Come Thou Almighty King" and "I Need Thee Every Hour," being led by Brother Owen Thomas.

The morning Scripture, Psalms 133 and 91, were read and prayer by Rev. Bobby Joe Godwin.

The business session was called to order by the moderator.

We did not receive any report from the Free Will Baptist Bible College.

The report of the Church Finance Association was given by Rev. M. L. Johnson and received as information.

The report of the obituary committee was given by Mrs. Alma Warrick and adopted. (See report.)

The report of the temperance committee was given by Rev. Ralph Osborne and adopted. (See report.)

The report of the woman's auxiliary was given by Mrs. Herman Hersey and adopted. (See Report.)

There being no other business brought before the conference, we entered into the morning worship service. The congregation was led in the singing of several hymns by Owen Thomas. After receiving the worship offering, we had a special solo by Rev. Kirby Joe Godwin, "Why Should He Love Me So."

The morning sermon was brought by Rev. Ralph Osborne, Scripture, Acts 1:8, subject, "Dynamics of Evangelism." After a very inspiring message, the congregation joined together in singing, "Let Others See Jesus in You." Benediction by Rev. Frank Davenport.

Recess for lunch.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened with the congregation singing the hymns, "Higher Ground" and "My Saviour's Love." Prayer by Rev. Leonard B. Woodall.

The report of the mission board was given at this time by Rev. W. C. Clearman and adopted. (See report.)

At this time, we had special music by Mrs. Thomas E. Beaman, followed by the special feature of the afternoon, a message by Evangelist Bill Rice, using as his Scripture text, Psalm 126, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

The treasurer's report was given by H. T. Hinson and adopted. (See report.)

The report of the nominating committee was given at this time by Rev. Herman Hersey. The report was adopted with two changes being made:

1. W. C. Clearman was nominated from the floor for moderator. L. R. Ennis withdrew as the nominee of the nominating committee and W. C. Clearman was elected by acclamation.

2. C. F. Bowen was nominated from the floor and elected to succeed Thomas E. Beaman as a member of board of education for term ending 1964. (See report.)

A motion was made and passed to have the minutes printed, in the

usual amount and separately this year, as had been the custom with the exception of last year.

A motion was made that we take the matter of the application of the Mount Olive Church out of the hands of the executive board and that we enter into a committee as a whole. It is further moved that a complete presentation of the facts be presented before a vote on the application of the Mount Olive Church be taken. This motion was seconded and passed.

There was quite a lot of discussion and several motions and counter motions were proposed as to the action to be taken on the above motion. There being no satisfactory agreement reached, a motion was made and passed to adjourn this session.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Hopewell Church for the cordiality, generosity and hospitality so beautifully shown officials, delegates and visiting friends, at this 1959 session of the Cape Fear Conference.

Closing remarks and benediction by Rev. W. H. Lancaster.

The next session will convene with the First Free Will Baptist Church, Goldsboro, North Carolina, November 3, 4, 1960.

L. R. Ennis, Acting Moderator

Percy L. Strickland, Secretary

REPORTS

Report of the Obituary Committee

Whereas our heavenly Father in His divine wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst unto Himself the spirit of Brother Kirby West, a member of Shady Grove Church, and a layman who has served the Cape Fear Conference in a number of official capacities, we express our sympathy to those who feel most keenly our common loss. We offer this tribute of respect to the steadfastness of Brother West's faith in the following hymn as arranged by Mendelssohn:

We Would See Jesus

We would see Jesus; for the shadows lengthen
Across this little landscape of our life;
We would see Jesus, our weak faith to strengthen,
For the last weariness, the final strife.

We would see Jesus, the great rock foundation
Whereon our feet were set by sovereign grace;
Nor life nor death, with all their agitation,
Can thence remove us, if we see His face.

We would see Jesus: other lights are paling,
Which for long years we have rejoiced to see;
The blessings of our pilgrimage are failing;
We would not mourn them, for we go to Thee.

We would see Jesus: this is all we're needing;
Strength, joy, and willingness come with the sight;
We would see Jesus, dying, risen, pleading;
Then welcome day, and farewell mortal night.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Almond R. Warrick
Mrs. Raymond Stephenson

Report of Temperance Committee of Cape Fear Conference, 1959

We, the temperance committee of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists, submit the following report:

Inasmuch as 1 Corinthians 9:25 states "And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. . . ."

We recommend that we commit ourselves to temperance:

I. Toward Our Body

1. By caring for our health.
2. By moderate dress.
3. By moderate eating.
4. By total abstinence from all alcoholic beverages.

II. Toward Our Mind

1. By carefully choosing our reading material.
2. By guarding our thoughts.
3. By esteeming others better than self; not seeking the high places.
4. By not striving for this world's goods.

III. Toward Our Social Activities

1. By participating only in wholesome conversation.
2. By refraining from participating in that which would reflect against us as Christians.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Clarence Bowen
Rev. R. W. Allman
Rev. Ralph Osborne

Nominating Committee Report

We, your nominating committee, submit the following nominations:

Moderator: L. R. Ennis

Assistant Moderator: Owen Thomas

Treasurer: H. T. Hinson

Secretary: Percy L. Strickland

Assistant Secretary: Thomas E. Beaman

Mission Board: C. M. Coates

Education Board: Thomas E. Beaman

Trustee: Fred Parker

Ordaining Council: Ralph Osborne

Respectfully submitted,

Herman L. Hersey

W. C. Clearman

Chester Phillips

1. W. C. Clearman was nominated from the floor for moderator. L. R. Ennis withdrew as the nominee of the nominating committee and W. C. Clearman was elected as moderator by acclamation.

2. C. F. Bowen was nominated from the floor and elected to succeed Thomas E. Beaman as a member of the board of education for the term ending in 1964.

The balance of the nominees were elected as submitted.

Report of the Executive Board—1959 Session

During this conference year we have held four regular meetings, two called meetings and have attended to all the routine matters claiming our attention. Because of the increased activities of our conference program, we have had a greater responsibility than ever before in the history of the conference. We have spent a lot of time and have used our talents, experience and the best of our judgment in the management of the affairs of the conference during the year.

Meeting Held in Smithfield, N. C., November 17, 1958

In this meeting, we attended to all routine matters, such as unfinished business and approving the minutes of the 1958 session, the report of the treasurer and the report of all boards and committees.

We studied new approaches to our missionary work in the conference and new methods of financing our work in general. However, no specific action was taken.

Meeting Held in Raleigh, N. C., March 23, 1959

In this meeting, the report of the treasurer and the reports of all boards were read, examined and approved.

A motion was made that a letter be sent to all church clerks and pastors of the conference requesting our churches to send to the treasurer of the State Convention, Mr. Rom Mallard, a contribution earmarked for "Entertainment of the National Association of Free Will Baptists."

Meeting Held in Smithfield, N. C., May 25, 1959

In this meeting, we attended to all routine matters and approved the report of the treasurer and the reports of the boards.

We passed a motion authorizing the clerk and the moderator of the conference to send out a form letter to all the churches, officers and pastors regarding the delinquency of churches in finances as provided for in the Constitution and Bylaws of the conference.

A program committee consisting of Rev. Thomas E. Beaman, Rev. Chester Phillips and Rev. Herman Hersey was appointed to prepare the program of the 1959 session and to submit the program for approval at a future session of the board.

Rev. L. R. Ennis, Rev. J. R. Davidson and Rev. Thomas E. Beaman were appointed to prepare certain resolutions and amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of the conference and union meeting and to submit them for approval and transmission to the 1959 session of the conference.

Meeting Held in Smithfield, N. C., August 24, 1959

In this meeting, the reports of the treasurer, boards and special committees were received and approved.

The board directed that all reports be submitted to this board in complete form on October 12, at a special called meeting.

A resolution was submitted to the board by Rev. Clyde Clearman calling for consideration of proposed improvements in our conference program. The matter was continued for further study.

Meeting Held in Smithfield, N. C., October 12, 1959

In this meeting, we took care of all routine matters.

All boards, committees and the treasurer made their reports in final form. They were approved for mimeographing and submission to the 1959 annual session of the conference.

We authorized the board of trustees to execute a certain deed of conveyance to the trustees of Riverside Church.

A motion was passed to pay Rev. Herman Hersey the sum of \$50.00 for his work in preparing conference reports, and that we increase the pay of the clerk and the treasurer from \$35.00 per year to \$50.00 per year.

By motion, we directed the treasurer to close his books for the year as of October 12, 1959.

We passed a motion changing the percentage of allocations of funds to read as follows: 30% for administration; 30% for education; and 40% for missions.

The board approved unanimously, for submission to the 1959 session of the conference, five constitutional changes in the Bylaws and Constitution of the conference and union meeting. Also approved were certain resolutions and a tentative budget for the 1959-60 conference year.

A motion was passed authorizing our treasurer to settle with the Press at Ayden, N. C., for printing of minutes in the amount of \$308.00.

Constitutional Amendments

The executive board of the conference recommends the following constitutional amendments:

No. 1, Article VII, Constitution of the Cape Fear Conference amended to read as follows:

"Each church is requested to contribute at the annual sessions of the

conference a minimum of \$10.00 for each 100 active members or fraction thereof. It is provided, however, that upon a qualified request from a non-complying church this rule may be waived by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the duly seated members. All funds shall be allocated by the executive board for the purposes and objects approved by the conference.

"The executive board shall also prepare and submit at each annual session of the conference for approval a comprehensive budget embracing all the work of the conference and its departmental agencies. It shall also promote and encourage the co-operation of the churches of the conference in budgetary financing of their local, conference and denominational work."

No. 2, Bylaws, Article V, Union Meeting—To read as follows:

"Each church shall send with its delegation to the quarterly sessions of the union meetings a contribution representing a fair and reasonable portion of the annual budget adopted by the conference for the purposes and objects as set forth in the budget. Sunday schools, leagues, Master's Men, women's auxiliaries, and any other subordinate organization within the church, may represent with whatever amounts they may choose. All funds shall be allocated by the executive board of the conference."

No. 3, Conference Bylaws, Section 3:

That the words, "and act as ex-officio member of the executive board" be deleted.

No. 4, Conference Bylaws, Section 4:

That the words, "he shall serve as ex-officio member of the executive board" be deleted.

No. 5, Constitution of Union Meeting, Article IX, amended to read as follows:

"Amendment—This constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Cape Fear Conference by a majority vote of the members present."

Resolution No. 1

Whereas, in the 101st annual session of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convening at Johnson's Union Church, November 3 and 4, 1955, the following motion was passed:

"On motion the conference approve the conference boundary lines as recommended by the State Executive Board and the State Mission Board."

And whereas, the effect of this action has been found impractical and arbitrarily discordant with the spirit and methods of home evangelism; therefore, be it resolved:

1. That this Cape Fear Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina now in session October 29 and 30, 1959, does hereby rescind its action in the adoption of the motion quoted in the first paragraph of the preamble above, and that the said conference does hereby declare complete abolition of each and every stipulation prescribed in said resolution regarding adherence to geographic boundaries.

2. That henceforth there shall be no fixed geographic boundaries circumscribing a territory known as the Cape Fear Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina.

3. That the Cape Fear Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina does hereby reaffirm adherence to the stipulations of Article 2 of its Constitution.

Approved by the executive board for submission to the 1959 annual session of the conference on October 12, 1959.

Resolution No. 2

Whereas, the churches of the Cape Fear Conference are called upon to contribute to the conference programs according to the number of members on the local church roll; and,

Whereas, other agencies and institutions have in the past asked for contributions from our churches according to their respective membership rolls; therefore, *be it resolved:*

1. That we recommend to the churches of this conference that they classify their members as *active* and *inactive*.

2. That active members be so classified by reason of their attendance of the meetings of the church and their support of its work.

3. That inactive members be so classified by reason of non-attendance of the meetings of the church and also from their failure to support the work of the church. It is provided, however, that physical disability does not merit classification of the member on the *inactive* roll of the church.

4. That the churches of the conference report in their annual letters only active membership.

5. That compliance of the churches of the conference with Article VII of the Constitution of the conference be on the basis of the number of active members.

Approved by the executive board in session October 12, 1959, for submission to the 1959 session of the conference.

Resolution No. 3

Whereas, the program of our conference involves several phases of work, namely: missions, education, and benevolence; and

Whereas, the expenditure of funds must be kept in balance with accomplishments through the constituted agencies of the conference; and,

Whereas, the promotion of the entire conference and denominational programs can best be financed through clear understanding and voluntary support of the churches, therefore, *be it resolved:*

1. That the budget herewith submitted be and is hereby adopted for the year 1959-60.

2. That the system of allocating funds presently in practice be and is hereby abolished.

Proposed Cape Fear Conference Budget 1959-60

1. Administration Funds:

Receipts: (Anticipated)

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 803.14
30% Conference Funds	150.00
30% Union Meeting Funds	337.50

Total	\$1,290.64
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Disbursements:

Minutes (1958 and 1959)	\$ 530.00
Secretary and Treasurer's Allowance	100.00
Union Meeting Promotion	100.00
General Conference Promotion	200.00
Postage, Paper, Miscellaneous	200.00

Total	\$1,130.00
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2. Education Funds:

Receipts: (Anticipated)

Balance Brought Forward (General Fund)	\$ 197.45
Balance Brought Forward (Loan Fund)	81.50
30% Conference Funds	150.00
30% Union Meeting Funds	337.50
Offerings and Special Gifts	150.00

Total	926.45
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Disbursements:

Promotion, Field Work, Misc.	\$ 300.00
Secretarial, Postage and Paper	250.00
Honorariums	150.00

Total	700.00
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Student Loan Fund	\$1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
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3. Mission Funds:

Receipts: (Anticipated)

Balance Brought Forward (General Fund)	\$2,115.17
Balance Brought Forward (\$100 Month)	382.00
40% Conference Funds	200.00
40% Union Meeting Funds	450.00
Offering and Special Gifts	2,000.00

Total	5,147.17
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Disbursements:

Promotional Expenses	\$ 100.00
In establishing Mission Points	2,400.00

Miscellaneous 150.00

Total 2,650.00

Grand Total Anticipated Receipts \$8,564.26

Grand Total Disbursements \$5,680.00

Summary of Disbursements

Administration Fund \$1,130.00

Education Fund 700.00

Student Loan Fund 1,200.00

Mission Fund 2,650.00

Total \$5,680.00

Less Balance on Hand 3,579.26

New Budget \$2,100.74

It is to be understood and mutually agreed that any church, organizations or individuals may make direct contributions to any department, board, agency or earmarked fund at any time.

Approved by the executive board October 12, 1959, for submission to annual session.

Resolution No. 4

Whereas, this conference in its 1958 session passed a motion reading as follows, and recorded on Page 88 of the 1958 minutes:

"A motion was made that the executive board be authorized to assign the two-day sessions of the conference to separate churches for each day beginning with next year's session," and

Whereas, due consideration was not taken in passing the motion, it being done in the closing hour of the session, and

Whereas, the passing of the above referred to motion has met with general dissatisfaction among our people; therefore, be it resolved:

1. That this conference in session October 29, 30, 1959, hereby rescind its former action in passing the above motion in the 1958 session.

Approved by the executive board in session October 12, 1959, to the 1959 session of the conference.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. R. Davidson, Moderator
Rev. L. R. Ennis, Assistant Moderator
Rev. Thomas E. Beaman
Rev. Herman L. Hersey
Rev. Clyde Clearman
Mr. H. T. Hinson
Mr. Percy Strickland
Mrs. H. L. Hersey

Report of the Ordaining Council

We beg to submit herewith our annual report:

We have had several meetings during the year and have attended to all routine matters claiming our attention.

During the year we examined and authorized the issuance of license for Brother Harvey Dupree of the Smithfield Church. We ask that his name be added to the list of licensed ministers.

We have received proper letters of recommendation on behalf of Rev. Clarence F. Bowen and Rev. Ralph Osborne. We recommend that these brethren be received into our conference and enrolled as regular ordained ministers.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. L. R. Ennis, *Chairman*

Rev. Herman L. Hersey, *Secretary*

Rev. C. M. Coates

Rev. M. E. Godwin

Rev. Chester Phillips

Report of the Cape Fear Woman's Auxiliary Convention

We submit our annual report:

During the last year, the women of the Cape Fear Conference successfully raised their quota for the Japanese Mission project. During the coming year we plan to do our part toward the W. N. A. C. project for missions in Mexico. This year we are hoping that each auxiliary in our district will surpass the previous goal of \$15.00.

A special youth night was sponsored at which the declamation contest was held. Miss Doreen Langdon, a member of the Hopewell Y. P. A., was the winner in our district and represented the state at the W. N. A. C.

At our conventions we have had inspiring programs emphasizing missions and we are moving forward in the promotion and support of missions.

There are 26 auxiliaries in our area with a total membership of approximately 504. There were 106 G. T. A. members, 127 Y. P. A. members, and 5 B. A. members reported at our spring convention.

Respectfull submitted,

Vernie H. Hersey, *President*

Report of the Board of Education—1959 Session

We submit herewith our annual report:

1. Activities of the Past Year

a. Board Meetings: The board of education has had two regular meetings during the year and have attended to all routine matters claiming our attention.

b. Area Bible Conferences: Bible conferences were conducted in the following areas: Goldsboro, Smithfield and Lee's Chapel. There were two sessions in each area. Rev. Tommy Steele and Rev. F. B. Cherry were our

guest speakers. A total attendance for the six nights of 469 was reported. God used the ministry of these men to bless many hearts.

c. Study Course on Free Will Baptist Doctrine: The fifteen-page manual, written by Rev. Chester Phillips, was edited, mimeographed and taught in the following areas: Kinston, Smithfield, Lee's Chapel and Raleigh. Over 200 registered for this seven-week course.

d. Union Meeting Program: The board of education co-operated in presenting the union meeting program at St. John's Church on the theme, "Our Teaching Ministry." Outstanding features of this program included six workshops, covering major areas of Sunday school work and literature tables, where free booklets and tracts on Sunday school work were available.

e. Lord's Acre Promotion: We sent letters encouraging all churches to consider the use of the Lord's Acre Plan in their church. The following churches have reported concerning the results of their programs for the year:

Name of Church	Harvest Day and/or Lord's Acre Offering	Total Budget
Bethel (Johnston Co.)	\$	\$2,300.00
Corinth	658.81	2,151.00
Oak Grove	2,000.00	
Powhatan	915.00	4,812.62
Shady Grove	2,308.78	
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	\$5,881.59	\$9,263.62

Note: Those churches whose Lord's Acre or Harvest Day offering were received too late to be included in this year's report should be reported in next year's report.

Student Loan Fund: Two young people received loans this year: Eugene Hales of the Goldsboro Church, and Genevieve Johnson of the Smithfield Church. These loans totaled \$950.00. These young people are enrolled at our Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee.

The following churches have sent in the following among this year to the Student Loan Fund:

Bethel (Lenoir)	\$ 16.40
Corinth	17.20
Oak Grove	25.40
Smyrna	9.20
Steven's Chapel	14.00
West Clinton	6.40
Yelverton's Grove	21.60
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	\$110.22

If your church is not included in the above list, make certain that your offering of 20c per member is sent to the Student Loan Fund immediately. We have a budget goal of \$1,200 for this year.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Value of Church Property	Received by Letter	Statement	Baptized	Dismissed	Died	Increased	Decreased	Male Members	Female Members	Under 13	Total Members	Tithers	S. S. Members	W. A. Members	League Members	Pastoral Services	Revivals	Orphanage	Superannuation	Foreign Missions	National Home Missions	N. C. State Missions	Cape Fear Missions	Bible College Nashville, Tenn.	Mt. Olive College	State Convention	Conference Funds	Union Meetings	Other Purposes	Grand Total			
Bethel (Johnston)	\$20,000	3	35	6	2	30	127	171	12	298	314	20	\$1,560.00	\$220.00	\$273.39	\$ 53.00	\$ 96.83	\$36.77	\$	\$ 25.00	\$160.94	\$12.50	\$	\$	\$ 2,209.55	\$ 4,647.98								
Bethel (Lenoir)	40,000	3	35	6	1	1	1	38	61	7	99	134	8	134	8	134	1,095.00				16.00										1,074.11	2,185.11		
Casey's Chapel	20,000	3	35	6	2	30	127	171	12	298	314	20	1,200.00	102.43	513.06	60.00	100.00	50.00	50.00		200.00	200.00	5.00								1,290.85	3,771.34		
Community Chapel	14,000	3	35	6	2	30	127	171	12	298	314	20									55.44										1,519.84	1,719.76		
Corinth	10,000	3	35	6	2	30	127	171	12	298	314	20					900.00	80.00	272.18	20.00	49.93	25.00	10.00	15.00	50.00	99.41	15.00	10.00	32.00	1,009.01	2,587.52			
Daly's Chapel																	300.00	35.00	100.00												67.30	512.30		
Goldsboro	90,000	3	35	6	2	30	127	171	12	298	314	20	276.50	35	46	35	4,640.00	312.29	242.81	120.00	248.10	92.29			240.00	116.00	10.00				10,514.23	15,963.10		
Hopewell	40,000	8	25	9	1	23	4	86	108	20	291	178	35	46	35	46	3,757.00	100.00	252.14	101.24	169.70		103.02		12.50	90.30	10.00				10,075.01	14,670.91		
Johnson's Union	10,000	5	10	1	1	13	4	82	48	5	95	114	20	30	30	30	1,440.00	126.26	240.06	25.00	80.00		25.00		50.00	130.83					1,126.21	3,220.75		
Lanwood Chapel	3,000	5	10	1	1	13	4	82	48	5	95	114	20	30	30	30	702.00	165.00									10.00				1,252.01			
Lee's Chapel	30,000	1	3	1	1	3	4	83	152	5	240	237	1				1,600.00	110.00	335.00								10.00					1,808.00	4,000.00	
Oak Grove	50,000	5	10	1	1	13	4	57	76	5	133	156	30	25			630.00	160.00	83.06	62.88			10.00				10.00					1,228.27		
Pleasant Grove	10,000	13	23	8	2	26	112	149	4	261	135	17	1,470.00	326.63	138.22		20.00				134.65	9.61			25.00	41.45	10.00					3,497.83		
Powhatan	10,000	5	10	1	1	13	4	82	48	5	95	114	20	30	30	30	1,470.00	326.63	138.22	20.00	134.65	9.61			25.00	41.45	10.00					2,716.50	5,304.36	
Prospect	35,000	11	4	7	7	7	112	149	4	261	135	17	1,500.00	125.00	513.13	60.00	100.23			14.58	189.34				50.00	234.50	5.00					4,428.69	6,768.88	
Riverside	12,000	4	3	1	1	7	42	87	10	129	105	10	600.00	87.27	51.12											20.00					900.00	1,358.39		
Robert's Grove	20,000	1	3	1	1	3	4	80	100	180	127	1	610.00	200.00	150.00	12.00									120.00							4,130.00		
Raleigh	45,000	5	10	1	1	13	4	82	48	5	95	114	20	30	30	30	3,744.00	250.00			100.00											26,511.58		
Shady Grove	65,000	5	10	1	1	13	4	82	48	5	95	114	20	30	30	30	1,720.00	125.00	527.00	75.00	492.00	25.00	25.00		300.00	198.00	10.00					19,576.55		
Smithfield	75,000	14	27	6	4	11	98	211	309	185	30	40	4,780.00	225.00	315.00	35.00	1,200.00								238.00							14,651.44		
Smyrna	5,450	2	3	10	1	15	56	70	4	126	92	12	365.00	100.00			5.95	50.00									5.00					1,302.84		
St. John	28,000	2	3	10	1	15	56	70	4	126	92	12	845.00	175.00	85.00													5.00				2,396.32	3,577.23	
St. Mary's Grove		2	3	10	1	15	56	70	4	126	92	12	1,690.00	161.00	120.00					81.00	56.23	25.00			25.00	88.42	10.00					8,733.75	9,871.25	
St. Paul		1	3	1	1	3	3	25	42	66	192	130	35				600.00	152.50	144.00	25.00	25.00				25.00	52.15	10.00					131.00	1,164.65	
Steven's Chapel	5,500																158.40	75.00	38.37		48.02					10.56	10.00					815.01	1,245.36	
Tee's Chapel	40,220	6	29	11	1	23	8	175	100	8	175	10	1,125.00	272.30	101.89					18.08	39.75		144.44		10.00	86.00	5.00					7,692.93	9,427.61	
West Clinton	5,000																640.00		81.89						10.00	10.00	10.00						1,150.00	
Wooten's Chapel	6,000																900.00	100.00	30.00	20.00					45.00	10.00						1,192.00		
Yelverton's Chapel	5,000																435.00	50.00	83.50	11.00	10.00		11.00			25.00	10.00						1,192.00	

Sunday School Directory

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	ADDRESSES
Bethel (Johnston)	Coolidge G. Dowdy	Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.
Bethel (Lenoir)	Jack Smith	Box 707, Kinston, N. C.
Casey's Chapel	Jesse Hawley Jr.	Route 4, Box 507, Goldsboro, N. C.
Community Chapel	G. S. Stevens	Coats, N. C.
Corinth	Waitis Lee	P. O. Box, Dunn, N. C.
Daly's Chapel	L. J. Carlyle	LaGrange, N. C.
Goldsboro	Raymond Howell	Route 3, Goldsboro, N. C.
Hopewell	Ernest Whitley	Route 1, Smithfield, N. C.
Johnson's Union	Lewis Barnes	Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.
Lanwood Chapel	Wilbert Creech	Route 1, Selma, N. C.
Lee's Chapel	Clifton Moore	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Oak Grove	C. Felton Godwin	Newton Grove, N. C.
Pleasant Grove	John N. Bryant	Route 1, Erwin, N. C.
Powhatan	Norvelle Cole	Route 1, Clayton, N. C.
Prospect	Bruce B. Gomedella	Route 1, Erwin, N. C.
Riverside	W. R. Martin	P. O. Box 132, Micro, N. C.
Robert's Grove	B. L. Peters	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Raleigh	Herman L. Hersey	P. O. Box 11173, Raleigh, N. C.
Shady Grove	Ermon Godwin Jr.	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Smithfield	Milton Wiggs	Davis Street, Smithfield, N. C.
Smyrna	Ray G. Smith	Benson, N. C.
St. John	Donald Edwards	Cherry Hospital, Goldsboro, N. C.
St. Mary's Grove	D. D. Barbour	Route 3, Benson, N. C.
St. Paul	Graham Creech	Newton Grove, N. C.
Steven's Chapel	Carlie Parish	Route 3, Benson, N. C.
Tee's Chapel	Leon T. Allen	Route 2, Smithfield, N. C.
West Clinton	Otis Tyndall	Sunset Ave., Clinton, N. C.
Wooten's Chapel	H. E. Barbour	2730 Hickory Rd., Raleigh, N. C.
Yelverton's Grove	Rommie Daughtry	Route 1, Selma, N. C.

— Pastors —

CHURCHES	PASTOR 1958-59	ADDRESSES	PASTORS 1959-60	ADDRESSES
Bethel (Johnston)	Lloyd Vernon	Route 2, Richlands, N. C.	Lloyd Vernon	Route 2, Richlands, N. C.
Bethel (Lenoir)	Thos. E. Beaman	P. O. Box 120, Goldsboro, N. C.	Thos. E. Beaman	P. O. Box 120, Goldsboro, N. C.
Casey's Chapel	L. R. Ennis	P. O. Box 391, Goldsboro, N. C.	Ronnie Peele	LaGrange, N. C.
Community Chapel			C. H. Coates	Buies Creek, N. C.
Corinth	J. Walter Stanley	Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.	Thos. E. Beaman	P. O. Box 120, Goldsboro, N. C.
Daly's Chapel	J. Walter Stanley	Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.	J. Walter Stanley	Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.
Goldsboro	J. R. Davidson	713 Simmons St., Goldsboro, N. C.	Ralph Osborne	713 Simmons St., Goldsboro, N. C.
Hopewell	W. C. Clearman	Route 1, Smithfield, N. C.	W. C. Clearman	Route 1, Smithfield, N. C.
Johnson's Union	C. M. Coates	212 Hancock St., Smithfield, N. C.	C. M. Coates	212 Hancock St., Smithfield, N. C.
Lanwood Chapel	Thurman B. Hall	Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.	Thurman Hall	Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.
Lee's Chapel	R. W. Allman	Route 3, Box 221, Benson, N. C.	R. W. Allman	Route 3, Box 221, Benson, N. C.
Oak Grove	R. P. Harris	1200 Tarboro St., Rocky Mount, N. C.	R. P. Harris	1200 Tarboro St., Rocky Mount, N. C.
Pleasant Grove	A. F. Williamson	514 N. 4th St., Smithfield, N. C.	N. D. Beaman	Snow Hill, N. C.
Powhatan	C. M. Coates	212 Hancock St., Smithfield, N. C.	C. M. Coates	212 Hancock St., Smithfield, N. C.
Prospect	Ed Taylor	Route 3, Dunn, N. C.	Ed C. Taylor	Route 3, Dunn, N. C.
Riverside	M. E. Godwin	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.	M. E. Godwin	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Robert's Grove	M. E. Godwin	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.	M. E. Godwin	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Raleigh	Herman L. Hersey	P. O. Box 11173, Raleigh, N. C.	Herman L. Hersey	P. O. Box 11173, Raleigh, N. C.
Shady Grove	N. D. Beaman	Snow Hill, N. C.	C. F. Bowen	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Smithfield	Chester R. Phillips	609 3rd St., Smithfield, N. C.	Chester R. Phillips	527 3rd St., Smithfield, N. C.
Smyrna	W. A. Martin	Route 1, Benson, N. C.	W. A. Martin	Route 1, Benson, N. C.
St. John	H. M. Minshew	Route 1, Kenly, N. C.	Cecil R. Rose	Box 89, Simms, N. C.
St. Mary's Grove	R. W. Allman	Route 3, Box 221, Benson, N. C.	R. W. Allman	Route 3, Box 221, Benson, N. C.
St. Paul	R. P. Harris	1200 Tarboro St., Rocky Mount, N. C.	R. P. Harris	1200 Tarboro St., Rocky Mount, N. C.
Steven's Chapel	Swade Benson	Route 2, Clayton, N. C.		
Tee's Chapel	Albert T. Coates	Smithfield, N. C.	Albert T. Coates	Route 1, Smithfield, N. C.
West Clinton	Carey Cheshire	Bladenboro, N. C.	J. Walter Stanley	Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.
Wooten's Chapel	Wiley Ferrell	Route 1, Selma, N. C.	Wiley Ferrell	Route 1, Selma, N. C.
Yelverton's Grove	W. A. Martin	Route 1, Benson, N. C.	W. A. Martin	Route 1, Benson, N. C.

CHURCH CLERKS AND TREASURERS

CHURCHES	CLERKS	ADDRESSES	TREASURERS	ADDRESSES
Bethel (Johnston)	W. H. Massengill	Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.	A. W. Massengill	Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C.
Bethel (Lenoir)	Mrs. Dorothy Jenkins	702 Wake Ave., Kinston, N. C.	Mrs. Dorothy Jenkins	702 Wake Ave., Kinston, N. C.
Casey's Chapel	Ben A. Casey	Route 3, Goldsboro, N. C.	Mrs. Benjamin Casey	Route 4, Goldsboro, N. C.
Community Chapel	Mrs. Carl Dudley	Fuquay Springs, N. C.	M. B. Dixon	Buies Creek, N. C.
Corinth	Mrs. Lena Strickland	Route 1, Dunn, N. C.	Miss Ida Strickland	Route 1, Dunn, N. C.
Daly's Chapel	Joe Perry	Kinston, N. C.	Joseph L. Carlyle	P. O. Box 707, Kinston, N. C.
Goldsboro	Ralph Barnes	Route 3, Goldsboro, N. C.	Ralph Williford	Goldsboro, N. C.
Hopewell	W. C. Langdon	Route 3, Four Oaks, N. C.	Seth Barnes	Route 3, Four Oaks, N. C.
Johnson's Union	Mrs. Mae B. Gardner	Route 3, Clayton, N. C.	J. M. Jones	Wilson's Mill, N. C.
Lanwood Chapel	Miss Judy Pearce	Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.	A. R. Stephenson	Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.
Lee's Chapel	H. T. Hinson	Route 2, Dunn, N. C.	Earl Eason	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Oak Grove	Mrs. N. C. Lee	Newton Grove, N. C.	Mrs. N. C. Lee	Newton Grove, N. C.
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. W. O. Warren Sr.	Route 1, Erwin, N. C.	R. A. McLamb	Route 3, Dunn, N. C.
Powhatan	Dwight Blinson	Route 1, Clayton, N. C.	Mrs. Helen W. Little	Route 2, Clayton, N. C.
Prospect	R. McLeod	Route 3, Dunn, N. C.	W. A. Sawyer	Route 1, Erwin, N. C.
Riverside	W. R. Martin	P. O. Box 132, Micro, N. C.	Mrs. J. L. Martin	Route 1, Princeton, N. C.
Robert's Grove	M. F. Jackson	Route 1, Dunn, N. C.	B. L. Peters	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.
Raleigh	Mrs. Ralph Beamon	216 Blanchard St., Raleigh, N. C.	L. E. Batten	413 Northwood Dr., Raleigh, N. C.
Shady Grove	Mrs. C. O. Wooten	Route 5, Dunn, N. C.	D. H. Dawson	Route 1, Dunn, N. C.
Smithfield	Miss Helen Warren	1006 North St., Smithfield, N. C.	John S. Creech	502 S. 3rd St., Smithfield, N. C.
Smyrna	Mrs. Lennie A. Tart	Route 2, Dunn, N. C.	Jack H. Wilkins	Route 2, Benson, N. C.
St. John	Mrs. Edward McKeel	Route 3, LaGrange, N. C.	Mrs. Edward McKeel	Route 3, LaGrange, N. C.
St. Mary's Grove	B. C. Gregory	Route 3, Four Oaks, N. C.	Marvin Langdon	Route 3, Benson, N. C.
St. Paul	W. W. Wilson	Newton Grove, N. C.	Mrs. F. W. Warren	Route 3, Newton Grove, N. C.
Steven's Chapel	Esther Dayringer	Route 1, Benson, N. C.	Mrs. Ina Wallace	Route 3, Benson, N. C.
Tee's Chapel	John R. Davis	Route 2, Smithfield, N. C.	Percy Woodall	Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.
West Clinton	Mrs. F. A. Tyndall	Route 1, Box 20B, Clinton, N. C.	Mrs. F. A. Tyndall	Route 1, Box 20B, Clinton, N. C.
Wooten's Chapel	Larry Barbour	2730 Hickory Rd., Raleigh, N. C.	P. T. Lassiter	Route 3, Raleigh, N. C.
Yelverton's Grove	Clinton Lane	Route 3, Smithfield, N. C.	Rommie Daughtry	Route 1, Selma, N. C.

g. Miscellaneous Activities: The board of education through its executive secretary performed the following services this past year:

- (1) Assisted several churches in the preparation of church budgets.
- (2) Recommended our approved for of Constitution and Bylaws of the local church as requested.
- (3) Helped several churches secure needed tracts.
- (4) Mailed further information when requested on church libraries.

2. Daily Vacation Bible School Report

Name of Church	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Days Held
Bethel (Johnston)	183	92	5
Bethel (Lenoir)	75	69	5
Casey's Chapel	43	43	5
Community Chapel	59	55	5
Corinth	80	72	5
Daly's Chapel	77	47	5
Goldsboro	152	138	5
Lanwood Chapel	57	50	5
Lee's Chapel	117	82	5
Oak Grove	53	48	5
Pleasant Grove	75	75	5
Powhatan	95	85	5
Prospect	80	73	8
Raleigh	96	84	10
Robert's Grove	68	64	5
Smithfield	143	121	5
Smyrna	117	89	5
St. John's	42	42	5
St. Mary's Grove	88	82	5
Tee's Chapel	63	57	5
West Clinton	60	42	5
Wooten's Chapel	57	45	5
Yelverton's Grove	60	54	5
Totals	1,941		123

Department enrollments as follows: Nursery, 94; beginners, 340; primaries, 367; juniors, 448; intermediates, 312; seniors, 148; adults, 82. The total cost of operating schools was \$1,050.73.

Comparison with other years

Year	Total Enrollment	Total Days	Total Cost
1952	1,759	108	\$ 911.19
1953	1,513	106	760.18
1954	2,241	145	1,554.00
1955	1,712	115	724.35

1956	1,198	69	832.55
1957	2,168	135	1,424.79
1958	2,171	133	1,144.85
1959	1,941	123	1,050.73

3. Program for 1959-60

December, 1959—Pastor's and Deacon's Conference on the subject of the Master's Men.

January, 1960—The study course on Free Will Baptist doctrines will be taught in the Goldsboro area.

January, 1960—A proposed Constitution and Bylaws for governing our Sunday school will be mailed with complete instructions to all of our churches.

February, 1960—The second music and worship workshops are being planned to be conducted for two nights in several areas.

March, 1960—A clinic promoting the general work of our conference will be held for one night in each area. The plans for our Bible schools, leagues and Lord's Acre projects will be among the items presented.

April, 1960—Each Sunday school will be asked to set aside one Sunday as a Decision Day. An attempt will be made to reach every unsaved child on this Sunday. Materials on child evangelism and program suggestions will be mailed to each church.

June, July, August, 1960—Vacation Bible school emphasis.

June, 1960—Pastor's and Deacon's Conference to be held.

August, 1960—Youth revivals will be sponsored in selected areas with special emphasis given to our league and youth work.

September, 1960—Report forms for the Lord's Acre projects will be mailed.

October, 1960—Area Bible Conference. Another series of Area Bible Conferences will be planned and held during October, 1960.

4. Other Services of the Board of Education

The board of education offers the following services to our churches in addition to the proposed program for 1959-60. Direct your request for information regarding these services to Herman L. Hersey, P. O. Box 11173, Raleigh, N. C., the executive secretary of the board.

a. Securing books for church library. A discount will be given when it is possible.

b. Help and information regarding church finance including preparing the budget, use of weekly offering envelopes and record keeping.

c. Suggestions for carrying out a successful church quarterly conference.

d. Stewardship tracts and material.

e. Tracts on any subject will be secured for your church.

f. Teachers for study courses in the local church can be secured.

g. The board offers through its executive secretary a complete line of visual aids. The following filmstrips are available for training purposes:

- (1) Know Your Child—a set of eight filmstrips, with records, produced by Moody.
- (2) Successful Teaching—a set of eight filmstrips, with records, produced by Moody.
- (3) Stewardship—set of four filmstrips.
- (4) Visitation—set of five filmstrips.
- (5) Class Officers at Work—set of five filmstrips.
- (6) Sunday School Class Services—set of eight filmstrips covering every class and department of the Sunday school.
- (7) Life of Christ—set of 24 filmstrips with dual purpose records, one side for children and the other for adults.

h. Two manuals are available at 50c each. "Personal Evangelism" and "Free Will Baptist Doctrine."

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Thomas E. Beaman, *Chairman*

Rev. J. Walter Stanley

Mr. Warren Jackson

Mrs. Norvell Dawson

Mrs. Carl Dudley

Report of the Mission Board to the Cape Fear Conference 1959 Session

The past year brought many obstacles in the path of operation of your mission board; which obstacles have been met with patience and fortitude. While we have not been able to reach our goal in the establishment of churches in the Dunn and Fayetteville areas, we have, nevertheless, been victorious in other endeavors as this report will show.

1. Efforts to Secure a Conference Missionary

It was the plan and hope of your mission board, as well as the plan and hope of the executive board, to secure a conference missionary who would establish churches in the needy areas of the conference, as well as teach study courses, etc. The mission board has labored continuously in the direction, and it has interviewed a number of persons for this position; but, due to circumstances beyond our control, we have not been able to secure a conference missionary. Therefore, we have come to the conclusion that this type of missionary work is not suited to the needs and aptitudes of our people, and we are recommending a change of procedure in mission work. Having failed to secure a conference missionary, we propose to use several of our full-time pastors in the establishment of new churches in designated areas. This work will be conducted through the church or churches of the area.

2. Missionary Itineraries

The board arranged and sponsored an itinerary for Miss Eula Mae Martin in December during which time about one half of the churches of our

conference were contacted and responded with an offering to foreign missions. The amount of money raised on this itinerary was not reported to this board, and it is, therefore, unable to report to the conference on this item.

The chairman of the board also assisted the chairman of the State Mission Board in arranging the itinerary for the Wilkinsons during September.

It is believed that most of the churches of our conference have conducted services at one time or another during the year in the interest of foreign missions, and that all of our churches are making some financial contribution to this cause.

3. Promotional Work

The chairman of the board has appeared in most of the general meetings of our conference in the interest of missions, and he was also afforded the opportunity to speak during the State Convention on this subject. Many letters have been written, many telephone calls have been made, and the work has been, on the whole, promoted throughout the conference.

4. Advancement of Part-Time Churches

The board has offered free service to the part-time churches of the conference in the advancement of their work. No church has invited us to render this service, and we are unable to determine the further desires of our churches in this connection. Some of our part-time churches are going full time, for which we are truly thankful. Let us know if we might serve in this connection.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. C. Clearman, *Chairman*

Rev. Cecil E. Rose

Rev. Chester Phillips

Mr. W. Milton Wiggs

Mr. Percy L. Strickland

Treasurer's Report—1959 Session

1. State Convention Program:

Receipts:

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 190.14
25% of Conference Funds	142.48
25% of Union Meeting Funds	28943
Designated Gifts from Churches	29.28
Total Receipts	\$ 651.33

Disbursements:

N. C. State Missions	\$ 392.15
Children's Home	86.39
Mcunt Olive College	86.37
Superannuation	51.84

Cragmont Assembly	34.58
Total Disbursements	\$ 651.33
2. National Association Program:	
<i>Receipts:</i>	
Balance Brought Forward	\$301.90
25% Conference Funds	142.48
25% Union Meeting Funds	289.37
Designated Gifts from Churches	196.98
Total Receipts	\$ 930.73
<i>Disbursements:</i>	
Superannuation	\$ 65.91
National Home Missions	136.91
Free Will Baptist Bible College	172.73
Foreign Missions	555.18
Total Disbursements	\$ 930.73
3. Conference Operation:	
<i>Administrative Funds</i>	
<i>Receipts:</i>	
Balance Brought Forward	\$ 723.08
20% of Conference Funds	113.99
20% of Union Meeting Funds	231.52
Total Receipts	\$1,068.59
<i>Disbursements:</i>	
Clerk and Treasurer's Allowance	\$ 70.00
Postage, Paper, Mimeograph Supplies	89.13
Union Meeting Expenses	60.50
Miscellaneous	45.82
Total Disbursements	\$ 265.45
<i>Conference Education Fund</i>	
<i>Receipts:</i>	
Balance Brought Forward	\$ 25.58
15% of Conference Funds	85.50
15% of Union Meeting Funds	173.64
Miscellaneous Receipts	337.18
Total Receipts	\$621.90
<i>Disbursements:</i>	
Bible Conference Expenses	\$ 252.75
Secretarial Services	18.00

Honorariums	110.00
Miscellaneous	43.70

Total Disbursements	\$ 424.45
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Student Loan Fund

<i>Receipts:</i>	
Balance Brought Forward	\$ 309.60
Payment on Note	125.00
Receipts from Churches	146.90

Total Receipts	\$ 581.50
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<i>Disbursements:</i>	
Loan to Students	\$ 500.00

Conference Mission Funds

<i>Receipts:</i>	
Balance Brought Forward	\$1,831.40
15% of Conference Funds	85.49
15% of Union Meeting Funds	173.63
Miscellaneous Receipts	44.65

Total Receipts	\$2,135.17
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<i>Disbursements:</i>	
Mileage	\$ 20.00

4. Balances and Summary:

Balance Administrative Fund	\$803.14
Balance Conference Mission Fund	2,115.17
Balance Conference Education Fund	197.45
Balance Student Loan Fund	81.50
Balance \$100-a-Month Fund	382.00

Total on Hand	\$3,579.26
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My books are open at all times for inspection by anyone. All bills paid as shown by this report have been properly authorized, and where reimbursements have been made, a proper order was drawn and receipted bills are attached. These may be inspected by anyone.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. Hinson, Treasurer

Report of Money Received at This Conference

Name of Church	Membership	Amount Due	Amount Sent	Balance Due
Bethel (Johnston)	298	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	
Bethel (Lenoir)	99	10.00	10.00	
Casey's Chapel	116	20.00	20.00	

Community Chapel	35	10.00	10.00	
Corinth	89	10.00	10.00	
Daly's Chapel	47	10.00	10.00	
Goldsboro	296	30.00	30.00	
Hopewell	291	30.00	30.00	
Johnson's Union	194	20.00	25.00	
Lanwood Chapel	95	10.00	10.00	
Lee's Chapel	240	30.00	30.00	
Oak Grove	133	20.00	20.00	
Pleasant Grove	99	10.00	10.00	
Powhatan	261	30.00	30.00	
Prospect	341	40.00	40.00	
Raleigh	168	20.00	20.00	
Riverside	129	20.00	10.00	10.00
Robert's Grove	176	20.00	20.00	
St. John	126	20.00	20.00	
St. Mary's Grove	255	30.00	15.00	15.00
St. Paul	192	20.00	20.00	
Smithfield	260	30.00	30.00	
Shady Grove	309	40.00	40.00	
Smyrna	64	10.00	10.00	
Steven's Chapel	66	10.00	10.00	
Tee's Chapel	175	20.00	20.00	
West Clinton	52	10.00	10.00	
Wooten's Chapel	77	10.00	5.00	5.00
Yelverton's Grove	105	20.00	20.00	
		<u>\$590.00</u>	<u>\$565.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>

Constitution and Bylaws

OF THE CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF NORTH CAROLINA

ARTICLE I

Name—This organization shall be known as the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina and by this name shall it be designated in all its work, government and fraternal relations.

ARTICLE II

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

Bethel (Johnston), Bethel (Lenoir), Casey's Chapel, Corinth, Daly's Chapel, Goldsboro, Hopewell, Johnson's Union, Lanwood Chapel, Lee's Chapel, Oak Grove, Pleasant Grove, Powhatan, Prospect, Riverside, Robert's Grove, Raleigh, Shady Grove, Smyrna, Smithfield, St. John, St. Mary's Grove, St. Paul, Steven's Chapel, Tee's Chapel, West Clinton, Wooten's Chapel, Yelverton's Grove.

ARTICLE III

Purpose—The general purpose of this conference shall be the exaltation of Christ, the great Head of the Church; the edification of its members, through effective teaching and mutual encouragement in the use of the manifold means of grace; the unification of the methods and programs of its affiliated churches and subordinate organizations; and the coordination of persistent efforts in church extension, Christian education, benevolence and evangelism.

ARTICLE IV

Representation—Every church affiliated with the Cape Fear Conference shall represent in its annual sessions with one delegate for each one hundred members or fraction thereof, and each subordinate general organization shall represent with three delegates. Reports of approved delegates shall be rendered by each church and subordinate organization at the yearly session of the conference.

ARTICLE V

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

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

ARTICLE VI

Boards and Subordinate General Organizations—It shall be the method of this conference to simplify its work by the assignment of specific functions to representative units of authority which shall hereafter be known as standing boards and subordinate general organizations. A board of trustees, a board of education, a board of missions and an ordaining council consisting of five members each shall be elected. The term of office for members of these boards shall be five years but shall be so adjusted as to terminate the tenure of office of one member annually.

Section 1.—Standing boards and subordinate general organizations shall have authority to write their own bylaws and administer their respective programs of work, but each shall remain subject to the authority and approval of the conference.

Section 2.—The executive board shall be composed of the general officers of the conference, the president of each subordinate general organization and the chairman of the board of education, the board of missions, and the board of ordination. Membership on this board shall be contingent upon and by virtue of the aforesaid offices held by its members.

Section 3.—Temporary committees shall be appointed at the option of the conference for whatever purposes deemed expedient.

ARTICLE VII

Finance—Each church shall contribute to the conference program \$10 annually for each one hundred members or fractions thereof. All funds shall be allocated by the executive board for the purposes and objects approved by the conference.

ARTICLE VIII

Admission of Churches—Any properly constituted church that gives evidence of adherence to the doctrines of Christianity as taught by Free Will Baptists and a desire to conform to the policy and program of the Cape Fear Conference may submit its petition for membership through an official delegation at any annual session of the conference. If the petition for membership be approved, the moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the delegates and declare them duly seated.

ARTICLE IX

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

ARTICLE X

Meetings—The Cape Fear Conference shall meet in annual session on Thursday and Friday before the first Sunday of November. The host church shall be selected by vote of the conference in annual session, or by the exe-

utive board. The place of a future meeting thus selected may be changed by an act of the executive board should such a change become necessary.

ARTICLE XII

Amendment—This constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Cape Fear Conference by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present, provided that the proposed amendment shall not be found in conflict with the general policy of Free Will Baptists.

BY LAWS

Section 1.—The duties of the moderator shall be to preside, according to accepted parliamentary procedure, over the sessions of the Cape Fear Conference; to appoint temporary committee, delegates and representatives; to fill irregular vacancies that may occur between the general sessions of the conference; to serve as ex-officio members of all standing boards and subordinate general organizations; to sign official documents that require the signature of the moderator; encourage amicable relations among ministers of the conference; the co-operation of the churches and subordinate general organizations in the promotion of the program and work of the conference.

Section 2.—The duties of the assistant moderator shall be those of the moderator when the latter shall so direct or when he is absent.

Section 3.—The secretary shall record the proceedings of all sessions of the Cape Fear Conference and preserve an accurate record of said proceedings in a book provided for this purpose. He shall prepare and cause to be published the minutes of the annual sessions of the conference; hold in trust all documents, not otherwise preserved, and surrender same at the direction of the conference; conduct the official correspondence and sign such documents and instruments as require his signature; and act as ex-officio member of the executive board.

Section 4.—The duties of the assistant secretary shall be those of the secretary when the latter shall so direct, or is absent.

Section 5.—The treasurer shall hold in trust all money that belongs to the conference and pay out same by order of the conference, the executive board, or any standing board or subordinate general organization invested of the authority to authorize the disbursement of funds. He shall keep an accurate account of all funds received and paid out and make an annual report according to the conference. He shall serve as ex-officio member of the executive board.

Section 6.—The executive board shall have power to act in the behalf of and for the Cape Fear Conference from one regular session to another. It shall organize at will and discharge the administrative duties assigned to it. It shall supervise the work of the union meeting, plan its programs, and allocate to the objects approved by the conference all undesignated funds both of the conference and the union meeting.

Section 7.—The board of trustees shall hold in trust, all personal and real

property, gifts and bequests, and convey or expend said property or assets as the Cape Fear Conference may direct.

Section 8.—Standing boards shall have power to organize at will, to write their own bylaws, and to carry out the general purposes for which they are constituted. They shall remain subordinate to the conference and report their accomplishments at its annual sessions.

Section 9.—The following temporary committees shall be appointed annually by the moderator and shall render reports during the sitting of the conference: Obituary, temperance, resolutions, credentials, nominations and letter digest.

Section 10.—The general officers of the Cape Fear Conference shall be elected for a term of two years and said term shall begin immediately following the session at which they are elected.

Members of standing boards shall be elected for a term of five years and said term shall begin at the close of the session of the conference at which they are elected. It is provided, however, that the first member elected shall serve for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years, the third for a term of three years, the fourth for a term of four years, and the fifth for a term of five years; and that successions in office thereafter shall take place or order requires—each for a term of five years.

Section 11.—All reports, resolutions and recommendations shall be considered properly presented to the conference in written form only.

Section 12.—The voting sign shall be "Aye" and "Nay," or any other sign the moderator may deem appropriate to the question.

Section 13.—No minister, officer or delegate shall be at liberty to retire from the building during a session of the conference without the consent of the moderator.

Section 14.—These bylaws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds favorable vote of the members present at any regular session of the Cape Fear Conference.

UNION MEETING

CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name—This organization shall be known as the Union Meeting of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina.

ARTICLE II

Purpose—The purpose of this union meeting is the creation of an effective agency through which the Cape Fear Conference may successfully promote its work. It shall thus be and remain subject to the authority and use of the conference—except in the election of its general officers—as a consistent medium devoted to the advancement of the conference program of evangelism, education, benevolence and church extension.

ARTICLE III

Composition—This union meeting shall be composed of churches affiliated with the Cape Fear Conference, the ordained and licensed ministers who are members of churches that belong to the conference, and all general officers and members of standing committees of both the conference and the union meeting.

ARTICLE IV

Representation—The churches of the Cape Fear Conference shall represent in the quarterly sessions of the union meeting with one delegate for each one hundred members or fraction thereof. Sunday schools, leagues and auxiliaries shall each represent with one delegate.

ARTICLE V

Finance—Each church shall send with its delegation to the quarterly sessions of this union meeting one per cent of its annual budget exclusive of funds for building and equipment, or a total of four per cent of the church budget for the full year of four union meeting sessions. Sunday schools, leagues and auxiliaries shall represent with whatever amounts they may choose. All funds shall be allocated by the executive board of the conference, but said allocations shall be approved by the union meeting in regular session or by the conference.

ARTICLE VI

Officers—The general officers of this union meeting shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a secretary, an assistant secretary, and a treasurer, each of whom shall be elected for a term of one year, at the last session of the union meeting before the annual session of the Cape Fear Conference.

ARTICLE VII

Boards and Committees—All standing committees and boards created

by the conference shall avail themselves of the advantage of promoting their work through the union meeting.

The general officers of the union meeting shall be added to the executive board of the conference and this composite committee shall constitute the executive committee of the union meeting. This committee shall have power to act for and on the behalf of the union meeting between its regular sessions. It shall also be the duty of the executive committee to prepare and supervise the programs of the union meeting and to allocate all undesignated funds.

ARTICLE VIII

Meetings—The union meeting shall hold its regular sessions Saturday before each fifth Sunday in the churches of the Cape Fear Conference. The host church shall be selected from time to time, according to the alphabetic succession of the initial letter of the name of each church. This method of selecting the place of meeting may be changed, when deemed expedient or necessary, by an act of the union meeting in session or the executive committee.

ARTICLE IX

Amendment—This constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Cape Fear Conference by a majority vote of the members present, provided that the proposed amendment be presented in writing by the union meeting.

BYLAWS GOVERNING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. The board shall be composed of five members. Their terms of office shall be as provided for in the constitution of the conference.

2. The officers shall be chairman, assistant chairman, recording secretary, assistant recording secretary, and executive secretary, who shall have charge of the promotional work of the board. Provided, however, that any two offices may be combined at the option of the board, and provided further, that the executive secretary may, or may not be, a member of this board.

3. The treasurer of the conference shall, unless otherwise provided for, hold all funds of the board and disburse same on order of the board, or when duly signed by the chairman and secretary of the board. Annual reports of all receipts and disbursements shall be made to the conference in session and interim reports to the executive board when requested.

4. The board shall meet as often as necessary for the proper dispatch of the work assigned to it by conference direction, but must meet at least twice a year.

5. The board shall make, or cause to be made, adequate records of the meetings of this board, detail records, reports, etc., of all activities of the board and its officers, and preserve same as permanent records.

6. This board shall be charged with the responsibility of co-operating

with our state and national educational institutions in the promotion of general Christian education.

7. The organization, direction and the training program of Free Will Baptist leagues shall be under the direction and supervision of this board.

8. The general supervision of the Sunday school promotional activities, organization of new Sunday schools, training programs for workers, and any and all other Sunday school promotional programing shall be the responsibility of this board.

9. This board shall be charged with the responsibility of making, or cause to be made, emphasis on the Christian family life.

10. This board shall be responsible for conducting area institutes, and conferences, on a conference-wide scale, annually to instruct and help our people when necessary to have a better understanding of our conference, state or national programs.

11. It shall be the responsibility of this board to direct and supervise all training programs of the conference.

12. The board shall be empowered to make such rules and regulations as it may deem expedient for the proper prosecution of the responsibilities assigned to it, provided, however, that the same shall not be inconsistent with bylaws, nor the constitution of the conference.

13. The board shall be responsible for the promotion and administration of a Student's Loan Fund with which to aid worthy students in securing an education.

14. The board shall lend money only upon the following terms and conditions:

A. Students must be adjudged worthy as to character and ability, and must attend an institution of learning approved by this board.

B. A promissory note must be made by the student, with one or more good endorsements, or other good security satisfactory to the board. The rate of interest shall be 1% while the student is in training. After completion of training, a new note shall be made bearing 6% interest with monthly, or quarterly payments to be made until obligations are fully discharged.

15. These bylaws may be amended or revised at any annual session of the conference, provided that such amendments, or revisions as may be deemed necessary, shall lie on the table at least three hours before a vote is taken, during which time they shall be read twice, and provided further, that such amendments or revisions shall require a two-thirds vote.

BYLAWS GOVERNING THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

1. The board shall be composed of five members. The first named shall be for a term of one year, the second for two years, the third for three years, the fourth for four years, the fifth for five years and thereafter, for a term each of five years.

2. The officers shall be chairman, assistant chairman, recording secre-

tary, and an executive secretary, who shall have general charge of the promotional work of the board. Provided, however, that any two offices may be combined at the option of the board, and provided, further, that the executive secretary may, or may not, be a member of the board.

3. The board shall meet as often as may be deemed necessary and attend to all matters pertaining to missions within the territory of the Cape Fear Conference, but must meet at least twice a year.

4. The treasurer of the conference shall hold all funds designated for Cape Fear missions and pay out same on order of the board, or when said order is duly signed by the chairman and the secretary of the board. Annual reports shall be rendered to the conference of all funds received and disbursed.

5. All persons doing work that merit compensation must first apply to the board on approved forms, and receive authorization to do work under regulations of the board before they can be compensated for same with mission funds.

6. Mission points, or stations, may be opened and maintained by the board for such a length of time as may be deemed best, employ evangelists, missionaries, and such field workers as may be deemed necessary for the proper promotion of the mission work.

7. The board shall not make any investment in property, nor promote any investment in property, without first giving due consideration to the safety of the investment, property titles, and other matters relative to the security of any investment.

8. No person shall be at liberty to enter upon any approved mission point, without first consulting the board and receiving its approval as to place, plans and purposes.

9. The board shall render annual reports to the conferences, and interim reports to the executive board when requested.

10. The board shall be empowered to make such rules and regulations as it may deem expedient for the proper prosecution of the mission program, provided that same shall not be inconsistent with these bylaws.

