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North Carolina

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MINUTES
of the
ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-SECOND SESSION
of the
CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE
of
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS
of
NORTH CAROLINA

Held With
YELVERTON'S GROVE CHURCH
Smithfield, North Carolina
November 4, 5, 1976

OFFICERS

Original Free Will Baptists

Moderator: C. Felton Godwin, Route 2, Newton Grove, N. C. 28366

Assistant Moderator: Gene B. Britt, Route 1, Box 397 Clayton, N. C. 27520

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

C. Felton Godwin, Gene B. Britt, H. T. Hinson, Ray G. Smith, and Kemery Ard.

STANDING BOARDS

Board of Missions

Edward C. Taylor, 1981; A. F. Ballance, 1980; Leo Bass, 1979; Cooper Thompson, 1978; Billy R. Nowell, 1977.

Board of Trustees

W. A. Hogg, 1981; Clarence Woodall, 1980; Paul Lassiter, 1979; S. D. Allen, 1978; R. Ray Warrick, 1977.

Board of Education

L. B. Woodall Jr., 1981; Mrs. Faye Baumgartner, 1980; Gene B. Britt, 1979;
Mrs. Dola Dudley, 1978; Milton Wiggs, 1977.

Ordaining Council

Curtis Jones, 1981; W. O. Lassiter, 1980; Henry Armstrong, 1979; W. A. Martin,
1978; C. Felton Godwin, 1977.

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Hill, Taylor, 1207 Arsenal Avenue, Fayetteville, N. C. 28305
Hill, John David, Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C. 27524
Jones, Robert David, Route 2, Smithfield, N. C. 27577
Jones, Curtis, 3707 Garner Road, Garner, N. C. 27529
Lassiter, W. O., Route 3, Box 65, Four Oaks, N. C. 27524
Lee, John Rayford, Box 143, Four Oaks, N. C. 27524
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Martin, W. A., Route 1, Benson, N. C. 27504
Miles, Edward L., Route 9, Box 156, Goldsboro, N. C. 27530
Nowell, Billy R., Route 3, Box 345, Dunn, N. C. 28334
Painter, Edward L., Route 3, Dunn, N. C. 28334
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Stanley, J. Walter, Route 2, Four Oaks, N. C. 27524
Stevens, Gideon S., Route 1, Benson, N. C. 27504

Taylor, Edward C., Route 3, Benson, N. C. 27504
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 Vann, Sexton, Route 1, Erwin, N. C. 28339
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 Coates, Donald A., Route 1, Box 267, Smithfield, N. C. 27577
 Caton, Jesse Bryan Jr., Country Side Mobile Estates, Route 10, Lot 83
 Raleigh, N. C. 27603
 Blackman, Danny H., Route 1, Kenly, N. C. 27542
 Overman, Richard Carrol
 Stanley, Hubert C., 6212 Malibu Drive, Raleigh, N. C. 27603
 Nordan, Roy F., Route 1, Benson, N. C. 27504
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PROCEEDINGS

1976 CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE MINUTES

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

(November 4, 1976)

The Cape Fear Conference opened its one hundred and twenty-second session on Thursday morning, November 4, at 10 a. m., with the singing of the hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers," with the Rev. C. Felton Godwin, moderator, presiding.

The opening prayer and Scripture was offered by the Rev. A. B. Bryan.

The welcome was extended by the Rev. C. M. Coats, pastor of the host church, Yelverton's Grove.

A response to the welcome was given by Mr. Milton Wiggs.

The session was called to order by the conference's secretary, Ray G. Smith.

The Rev. W. A. Martin, chairman of the Credentials Committee, explained the registration procedures adopted by the one hundred fourteenth session of the Conference as offered by the Resolutions Committee which stated as follows:

"Be it resolved, that in all future sessions of the Cape Fear Conference, the Credentials Committee be instructed to issue a badge of identification to all duly registered ministers, delegates, and visitors.

"Be it further resolved, that no person will be allowed to vote who does not

properly display said badge. It is understood that visitors shall be granted all rights and privileges except that of voting.

"Be it further resolved, that upon the adoption of this resolution, it shall become the duty of the Credentials Committee to explain the registration at the opening of each session of the Cape Fear Conference."

The enrollment of officers and standing boards was called as follows:

Executive Board: C. Felton Godwin, Gene B. Britt, H. T. Hinson, Ray G. Smith, and John N. Bryant.

Board of Missions: A. F. Ballance, Leo Bass, Cooper Thompson, Billy R. Nowell, and Sexton Vann.

Board Of Trustees: Clarence Woodall, Paul Lassiter, S. D. Allen, R. Ray Warrick, and J. T. Faircloth.

Board of Education: Mrs. Faye Baumgartner, Gene B. Britt, Mrs. Dola Dudley, Milton Wiggs, and Ray G. Smith.

Ordaining Council: W. O. Lassiter, Henry Armstrong, W. A. Martin, C. Felton Godwin, and Billy R. Nowell.

The roll of churches was called which included: Bethel, Casey's Chapel, Christian Chapel, Daly's Chapel, Eastwood, Faith, Goldsboro, Hopewell, Johnston Union, Lanwood Chapel, Lee's Chapel, Mount Olive, Oak Grove, Palmer Memorial, Pleasant Grove, Powhatan, Riverside, Robert's Grove, Saint Mary's Grove, Saint Paul, Shady Grove, Smithfield, Smyrna, Steven's Chapel, Tee's Chapel, West Clinton, Wooten's Chapel, and Yelverton's Grove.

Missions represented were Happiness Mission of Fayetteville and Victory Mission of Hope Mills.

The moderator recognized the following visiting ministers: Robert M. May, Walter Reynolds, Sam Weeks, Hubert Burress, Ray Wells, and Joseph Ingram.

Following the moderator's remarks, the following temporary committee appointments were made:

Credentials Committee: W. A. Martin, O. Kenneth Peedin, and J. Walter Stanley.

Nominating Committee: Henry Armstrong, Curtis Jones, and Kemery Ard.

Resolutions Committee: C. M. Coats, Edward C. Taylor, and L. B. Woodall Jr.

Temperance Committee: J. C. Hathaway, E. Floyd Smith, and John Adcox.

Obituary Committee: Taylor Hill, W. O. Lassiter, and A. F. Ballance.

Ushers for the Conference: R. Ray Warwick, Atlas Hogg, and Buddie Godwin.

Song and praise time began by the congregation singing, "More Like the Master." Testimonies were offered by several persons offering praise to God for His love and blessings.

The hymn, "At Calvary," was sung by the congregation under the leadership of song and praise time director, the Rev. Cooper Thompson.

The Children's Home Report was presented by the superintendent, the Rev. Sam Weeks. The report was received as information.

The Rev. Hubert Burress gave the Church Finance Association report. The report was received as information.

The Mission Director, the Rev. Joseph Ingram, presented the State Mission program report. The report was received as information.

The hymn, "Glory to His Name," was sung by the congregation followed by the morning sermon by the Rev. Luby Tyner.

Before recessing for lunch, prayer and the blessing for the food was offered by the Rev. Cooper Thompson.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The Thursday afternoon session began with the congregation singing the hymn, "I Love to Tell the Story."

Scripture and prayer was by the Rev. John David Hill.

A partial report of the Credentials Committee was given by the Rev. W. A. Martin reporting the following present: 4 officers, 44 delegates, 15 visitors, 26 ministers, and 6 visiting ministers.

The Executive Committee's report was presented by the conference secretary. The report was adopted. (See report.)

A verbal report from the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation was given by the Rev. Walter Reynolds. Brother Reynolds also gave the Superannuation Board's report. Both were received as information.

The State Home Mission Department report was given by its secretary, the Rev. Taylor Hill. The report was received as information.

The report of the Board of Education was given by the Rev. Gene B. Britt. The report was adopted. (See report.)

A partial report of the Ordaining Council was given by the Rev. Billy R. Nowell. The report was adopted. (See report.)

The Rev. Herman Wooten gave a few remarks to the conference.

The report of the Cape Fear Sunday School Convention was given by Brother Frank Baumgartner. The report was adopted. (See report.)

A partial report of the Resolutions Committee was given by the Rev. C. M. Coats. The resolution read:

"Whereas past experience has indicated that two days is too much time for the amount of business conducted, and

"Whereas the working habits of the people have so changed in recent years that it works a hardship on the host churches, especially the smaller churches, to provide for two days, that

"Therefore be it resolved that ARTICLE IX of the Constitution be amended to read: 'That the Cape Fear Conference shall meet in annual session on Thursday before the first Sunday in November. Should additional time be required, an extension may be granted at the time of meeting.' "

A motion was made and carried that the resolution be laid on the table until Friday to be acted upon. The motion carried.

The benediction was given by the Rev. Foy Futrell.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

(November 5, 1976)

The second day's session began with the congregation singing, "Heavenly

Sunshine."

Following a challenge to love God and our neighbor as ourselves by the moderator, the Rev. Alton Howard was in charge of Scripture and prayer.

The report of the Cape Fear Mission Board was given by Mr. A. F. Ballance. The report was adopted. (See report.)

Mrs. Mary Lou Jackson, president of the Woman's Auxilliary Convention, gave a report which was received as information. (See report.)

The president of the North Carolina State Convention, the Rev. Robert M. May, spoke briefly to the conference with reference to the 250th anniversary of Free Will Baptists in North Carolina to be held in 1977 at Kenan Stadium in Kenansville, N. C.

Brother May also spoke concerning the proposal of an executive secretary and a headquarters for the convention.

Dr. Burkette Raper, president of Mount Olive College, reaffirmed the 1977 session of the conference to be held at Mount Olive College which was previously made in 1974.

The report of the Cape Fear Ministers' Conference was given by the Rev. John David Hill. The report was received as information. (See report.)

A resolution presented on Friday in a partial report of the Resolutions Committee which was tabled was presented by the committee's chairman, the Rev. C. M. Coats.

The Rev. Edward C. Taylor moved that the motion be voted on. The motion was seconded and was passed.

The resolution provided that ARTICLE IX of the Constitution be amended to read: "That the Cape Fear Conference shall meet in annual session on Thursday before the first Sunday in November. Should additional time be required, an extension may be granted at the time of meeting."

The final report of the Resolutions Committee was given by Brother Coats asking for a standing vote of thanks to the Yelverton's Grove church for its hospitality during this one hundred twenty-second session of the conference. The report was accepted by everyone standing. (See report.)

Song and praise time opened with the congregation singing, "Dwelling in Beulah Land," followed by several testimonies from those present.

A special love offering was taken in the amount of \$74.85 for retired minister, the Rev. Herman Wooten.

The congregation sang, "When We All Get to Heaven."

Dr. Raper gave the Mount Olive College report which was received as information.

The morning worship hour began with the singing of "Break Thou the Bread of Life."

The Rev. Cedric D. Pierce Jr. brought the morning sermon which was followed by an altar call where all ministers gathered in rededication as the congregation sang, "Take My Life and Let It Be."

The benediction and blessing on the noon meal was offered by Dr. Raper.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The final session was opened with the singing of the hymn "Are You

Washed in the Blood."

Scripture and prayer was by the Rev. J. B. Caton.

The Rev. Cedric D. Pierce Jr. moved that the treasurer be instructed to forward retired minister Herman Wooten a total of \$100 rather than the \$74.85 received in the love offering. The motion was seconded and was favored by a unanimous vote.

The Temperance Committee report was given by John K. Adcox Jr. The report was adopted. (See report.)

A motion was made by the Rev. L. B. Woodall Jr. that the conference contribute \$100 to the North Carolina Christian Action League. The motion was seconded and carried.

The final report of the Ordaining Council was given by the Rev. Billy R. Nowell. The report was adopted. (See report.)

The Obituary Committee report was given by the Rev. Cooper Thompson showing no obituary during the past year. The moderator asked for a standing vote of thanks to God for His watch and care over us.

The final report of the Credentials Committee showed the following in attendance: 5 officers, 33 ministers, 8 visiting ministers, 52 delegates, and 17 visitors.

The Nominating Committee report was given by the Rev. Henry Armstrong. The report was accepted. (See report.)

The treasurer's report was presented by Mr. H. T. Hinson. The report was adopted. (See report.)

A standing vote of appreciation was offered Brother Hinson for his longtime service to the conference as treasurer.

By motion the session adjourned with the singing of "Blest Be the Tie;" the closing prayer was offered by the Rev. J. Raeford Lee.

C. Felton Godwin, *Moderator*
Ray G. Smith, *Secretary*

REPORTS

REPORTS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference has held three meetings during the year.

The committee met March 9, 1976, at Oak Grove church. Present at the meeting in addition to the members of the Executive Committee were members of the Cape Fear Mission Board.

A motion was made by John N. Bryant and seconded by the Rev. Gene B. Britt to send two copies of the 1976 Yearbook to each church and one copy to each mission. The motion carried.

A committee was appointed by the moderator, consisting of Mr. A. F. Ballance, Mr. H. T. Hinson, and the Rev. Cooper Thompson to visit the churches in the Rock Fish Conference and to report back to the Executive Committee at a later date.

After the meeting adjourned a delegation from the Eastwood church requested a meeting with the Executive Committee. The moderator called the

committee back into session. After a discussion with the members of the Eastwood church, a motion was made by the Rev. Gene B. Britt and seconded by Mr. H. T. Hinson to invite the deacons and pastor of the Eastwood church to meet with the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee met again on March 22, 1976 at Oak Grove church. The deacons and pastor of Eastwood church were invited to meet with the committee. Only two deacons were present.

A motion was made by John N. Bryant and seconded by the Rev. Gene B. Britt that letters received from members of the Eastwood church be sent to the Ordaining Council. The motion carried.

The Executive Committee met again on September 30, 1976 at Oak Grove church. The Mission Board was invited to meet with the committee. Mr. A. F. Ballance gave a report on the committee's visit to the churches in the Rock Fish Conference.

The program for the one hundred twenty-second session of the conference to be held at Yelverton's Grove was planned.

Rev. C. Felton Godwin, *Moderator*
Ray G. Smith, *Secretary*

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education of the Cape Fear Conference met twice during the year. Both meetings were held at the Johnston Union church.

The Rev. Frank Ray Harrison was guest at the first meeting to discuss a seminar to be held in the spring of 1976 on "Creative Methods of Teaching." It was decided that two seminars would be held during the year in two different locations of the conference.

The first seminar was held in May of 1976 at the Johnston Union church. There was a good turnout with an average of twenty-five teachers and Sunday school officers attending. Four churches were represented. The Rev. Shelton Howard of Mount Olive College was the instructor. The second seminar will be held sometime this fall or winter.

The second meeting of the board was to select the recipient of the Cape Fear Scholarship. We received a total of ten letters of application for the scholarship. The award was presented to Miss Cindy A. Benson of Route 1, Benson. Miss Benson is a member of the Steven's Chapel church and is a sophomore at East Carolina University in Greenville.

Respectfully submitted,
Gene B. Britt, *Chairman*
Ray G. Smith, *Secretary*

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

(November 4, 5, 1976)

Partial report of the Ordaining Council of the Cape Fear Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists, to the annual meeting of the Cape Fear Conference held at Yelverton's Grove church two miles east of Smithfield off Highway 70.

The Ordaining Council convened seven times during the past year for the

purpose of interviewing and recommending applicants for license and examination. As a result of these meetings, the following brethren were recommended by their respective churches for licensing:

Brother Donald A. Coates	First Free Will Baptist, Smithfield
Brother Jesse Bryan Caton Jr.	Wooten's Chapel, Route 3, Raleigh
Brother Danny H. Blackman	Lee's Chapel, Route 5, Dunn
Brother Richard Carrol Overman	Palmer Memorial, Garner Road, Raleigh
Brother Hubert C. Stanley	Palmer Memorial, Garner Road, Raleigh
Brother Roy F. Nordan	Steven's Chapel, Route 1, Benson
Brother Atlas Gerald Johnson	First Free Will Baptist, Smithfield
Brother Roger C. Heath	Catalpa Mission, Fayetteville

There were no candidates for ordination during the past year; however, there are two brethren awaiting to be ordained on December 1, 1976. They are Brother Paul Grubbs and Brother Danny H. Blackman.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Felton Godwin, *Chairman*
Billy R. Nowell, *Secretary*
W. O. Lassiter
W. A. Martin
Henry Armstrong

CAPE FEAR SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION REPORT

The Ninety-Eighth Session of the Cape Fear Sunday School Convention met October 9, 1976 at Wooten's Chapel church near Garner.

Twenty-three churches represented. Twelve showed an increase in attendance; eleven had a decrease.

Two plaques were presented—one to the church with the greatest increase in attendance and the second to the church with the most members present. Victory Mission of Fayetteville received the plaque for the greatest increase in membership. Riverside church received the plaque for the most members present.

The Ninety-Ninth Cape Fear Sunday School Convention will convene at the Riverside church the second Saturday in October 1977.

Officers to serve the convention are as follows: President, Frank Baumgartner; vice president, John Adcox; secretary, Paul Lassiter; and treasurer, Bobby Fields.

Submitted by,
Frank Baumgartner, *President*

PARTIAL REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Whereas, past experience has indicated that two days is too much time for the amount of business conducted, and

Whereas, the working habits of the people have so changed in recent years that it works a hardship on the host churches, especially the smaller churches, to provide for two days, that

Therefore be it resolved: that ARTICLE IX of the Constitution be amended

to read, "That the Cape Fear Conference shall meet in annual session on Thursday before the first Sunday in November. Should additional time be required, an extension may be granted at the time of meeting."

Respectfully submitted,
Edward C. Taylor
C. M. Coats
L. B. Woodall

CAPE FEAR MISSION BOARD REPORT

We, the Cape Fear Mission Board, have met as often as necessary to attend to the business at hand.

At the request of the Executive Board, we have made three trips to visit the Rockfish Conference and have found three churches of the Rockfish Conference, namely: Sandy Grove, Hickory Grove, and Mount Moriah. They have voted and wish to remain in said conference and of the Original North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

We feel they need the full cooperation of the Cape Fear Conference, the State Convention, our institutions, and the support of the State Home Mission Board.

We believe that through the cooperation of all these institutions, that the said Rockfish Conference has a great potential for much growth for the glory of God and for our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
A. F. Ballance
Cooper P. Thompson
Leo Bass
Billy R. Nowell
Sexton M. Vann

CAPE FEAR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION'S REPORT

I bring greetings from the Woman's Auxiliary of the Cape Fear Conference.

Our auxiliary has done quite well during the past year. We join you in supporting each of the Free Will Baptist enterprises.

Our spring convention was held at Mount Olive College, and the fall convention was held at Saint Mary's Grove church. Each convention was well attended.

We encourage our ministers to come to our meetings and we also ask you to encourage the women of your church to attend.

Pray for us that we may work and be a real blessing to God through our church work.

Humbly submitted,
Mary Lou Jackson, *President*

REPORT OF CAPE FEAR MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

We have met four times during the year, the last time being October 25 at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Smithfield. The meetings begin at ten

o'clock and usually last about two hours. We meet on Monday before each union meeting.

We have had representatives from each of our enterprises to speak to us.

The fellowship has been great and we hope more ministers would take part in these meetings.

Our next meeting will be on January 24.

Submitted by,
Rev. David Hill

FINAL REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Whereas, the Yelverton's Grove church of Smithfield has so graciously entertained this, the One Hundred Twenty-Second Session of the Cape Fear Conference;

Be it resolved: that we give this church a standing vote of thanks for its hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. Coats
Edward C. Taylor
L. B. Woodall

REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your Temperance Committee, recommend that we as ministers and laymen and all Christians be temperate in all things and be conformed to God's Holy Word.

We, the committee, recommend that all our churches take a firm stand and abide by our Faith and Discipline and act accordingly, to get rid of those in leadership who indulge in alcoholic beverages.

We realize that we live in a day of sin of every description. We believe that the television with many of its programs contributes to influencing the minds of our people, especially our younger generation by promoting crime, drinking, sex, pornography, and moral breakdown.

We recommend that each pastor encourage their church membership to write each network and the chairman of the Federal Communication Commission to voice our opposition to this type programming. The address is: Chairman, FCC, 1919 M. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20554.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hathaway, *Chairman*
John K. Adcox Jr.

FINAL REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

Item of Business:

The Ordaining Council met in session today, November 5, 1976, to discuss the letter of transfer of the Rev. Foy Futrelle from the Western Conference for the clarifying of him to work and be in full fellowship of this conference.

The council granted the request.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Felton Godwin, *Chairman*
Billy R. Nowell, *Secretary*
W. A. Martin
W. O. Lassiter
Henry Armstrong

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Let us be thankful that we, of the Cape Fear Conference, have not lost any of our beloved brethren during this past year.

We suggest that we always remember to show proper love and respect to our brethren of the household of faith and especially to the elderly.

Respectfully submitted:
Taylor Hill, *Chairman*
A. F. Ballance
W. O. Lassiter

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your Nominating Committee, submit the following for your consideration:

Executive Committee: The Rev. Kemery Ard.

Board of Missions: The Rev. Edward C. Taylor

Board of Trustees: Brother W. A. Hogg

Board of Education: The Rev. L. B. Woodall

Ordaining Council: The Rev. Curtis Jones

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Armstrong
Kemery Ard
Curtis Jones

TREASURER'S REPORT

(July 1, 1975—June 30, 1976)

Administrative Department

Receipts

Balance on Hand June 30, 1975		\$ 766.68
50 Percent Conference Funds at Palmer Memorial	\$332.50	
50 Percent Union Funds at Eastwood	152.05	
50 Percent Union Funds at Faith	142.75	
50 Percent Union Funds at Goldsboro	163.67	
50 Percent Union Funds at Hopewell	147.31	
Total Receipts		938.28
Total to Account For		<u>\$1,704.96</u>

Disbursements

Rev. Edmundo Gonzalez (Postage for Ordaining Council) \$ 10.00

Free Will Baptist Press for Printing 1974 Conference Minutes	673.92
Free Will Baptist Press for Annual Conference Letters	3.10
Free Will Baptist Press for Name Tags for 1974	5.93
Postage for Mailing Minutes Not Picked up	4.54
Mileage for Ordaining Council:	
Rev. Edmondo Gonzalez (248 Miles)	24.80
Rev. W. A. Martin (228 Miles)	22.80
Rev. C. Felton Godwin (430 Miles)	43.00
Rev. Henry Armstrong (621 Miles)	62.10
Rev. W. O. Lassiter (20 Miles)	2.00
Free Will Baptist Press for 150 Yearbooks	460.20
H. T. Hinson (Treasurer's Allowance)	65.00
Ray G. Smith (Secretarial Services)	50.00
Ray G. Smith (30 Hours Assistant Secretarial Services)	45.00
Ray G. Smith (Postage, Telephone, Supplies)	23.70
Free Will Baptist Press for Name Tags for 1975	2.86
C. J. Hanna Associates (Bonding Fee)	<u>10.00</u>
Total Disbursements	1,508.95
Balance on Hand	\$ 196.01

Student Loan Fund

Balance on Hand June 30, 1975	\$524.95
Interest Received 1975 and 1976	<u>54.00</u>
Total	\$578.95

Education Department

Balance on Hand June 30, 1975	\$2,017.83
20 Percent Conference Funds at Palmer Memorial	\$133.00
20 Percent Union Funds at Eastwood	60.82
20 Percent Union Funds at Faith	57.10
20 Percent Union Funds at Goldsboro	65.46
20 Percent Union Funds at Hopewell	<u>58.92</u>
Total Receipts	375.30
Total to Account For	\$2,393.13
No Disbursements in Education Department	

Mission Department

Balance on Hand July 1, 1975	\$2,531.36
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Receipts

Shady Grove	250.00
Faith	25.00
Lee's Chapel Sunday School	240.58
30 Percent Conference Funds at Palmer Memorial	199.50
15 Percent Union Funds at Eastwood	9.35
15 Percent Union Funds at Faith	12.85
15 Percent Union Funds at Goldsboro	14.73
15 Percent Union Funds at Hopewell	13.26

1977 Yearbook**285****Total Receipts****765.27****Total to Account For****3,296.63*****Disbursements*****Mileage to Rockfish Conference****16.50****Balance on Hand****16.50****\$3,280.13*****Summary*****Administrative Fund****196.01****Student Loan Fund****578.95****Education Department****2,393.13****Mission Department****3,280.13****\$6,448.22****Submitted by,****H. T. Hinson, *Treasurer***

Churches	MEMBERSHIP							Total Property Value	TREASURER'S REPORT		
	Church	SS	League	YFA	AFC	WA	LL		Total Used Locally	Denomi- national Enterprises	Grand Total
ALBEMARLE CON- FERENCE											
Belhaven	20							\$	\$ 922	\$ 260	\$ 1,182
Corinth	35	39				13		20,000	7,269	245	7,514
Free Union	350	200		18	15	25		150,000	30,752	1,351	32,103
Gum Neck	43	29	6			12		20,000	4,845	865	5,710
Hickory Chapel	253	138	15	7	11	23		200,000	18,960	6,351	25,311
Malachi's Chapel	168	82							4,789	1,972	6,761
Mt. Tabor	164	53	15	10	5	14		50,000	7,526	1,899	9,425
Mt. Zion	99	55	22			5		25,000	5,763	1,143	6,906
Piney Grove	27	41						15,000	1,199	306	1,505
Plymouth, First	109	75		9	4	15	11	40,000	13,617	612	14,229
Shiloh	240	150		20	15	25	15	75,000	24,223	2,590	26,813
Sidney	168							100,000	13,111	2,412	15,523
Sound Side	200	165	40			20			16,250	283	17,683
St. Paul	136	85		25		19	10	80,000	14,326	1,424	15,750
Trinity	50	30	15			7		25,000	3,282	1,728	5,010
Union Chapel	151	122	25			15		65,000	9,904	2,197	12,101
CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE											
Bethel	156	94		8	16	17	13	\$ 65,000	12,837	1,191	14,028
Casey's Chapel	136	106		20		16		69,000	14,106	2,865	16,971
Christian Chapel	64	98				8		70,000	11,129	420	11,549
Daly's Chapel	38	35		8		10		35,000	5,118	128	5,246
Eastwood	49	56		8	8	12	13	150,000	30,058	4,296	34,354
Faith	124	140						70,000	3,605	531	4,136
Goldsboro, First	233	165		13	12	60	15	250,000	37,342	4,303	41,645
Happiness Mission	43	52				13			391	57	448
Johnston Union	292	154		12	8	24			17,320	3,180	20,500
Hopewell	288	173		23	12	56	19	137,500	24,229	4,706	28,936
Lanwood Chapel	50	81				20		15,000	5,700	125	5,825

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