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

**Held at  
Shady Grove Free Will Baptist Church  
Route 5, Dunn, North Carolina  
October 30, 1980**

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Milton Wiggs, 1982; Ruth Warrick, 1981

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John Rayford Lee, 1985; C. M. Coats, 1984; L. B. Woodall Jr., 1983; C.  
Felton Godwin, 1982; Foy C. Futrelle, 1981

## ORDAINED MINISTERS\*

Armstrong, Henry, Route 5, Box 177, Dunn, NC 28334	P
Barrow, William David, Box 1117, Dunn, NC 28334	P
Bennett, Alton C., 904 East Pope Street, Dunn, NC 28334	A
Brinson, Davie, Route 1, Box 321, Smithfield, NC 27577	P
Caton, J. B., Route 3, Box 306-C, Raleigh, NC 27603	P
Coats, C. M., 208 East Hancock Street, Smithfield, NC 27577	P
Dowdy, Leon Wilson, Route 3, Four Oaks, NC 27524	P
Farmer, T. C., Route 2, Box 398-C, Smithfield, NC 27577	P
Futrelle, Foy C., Route 7, Box 27, Goldsboro, NC 27530	P
Godwin, C. Felton, Route 2, Box 73, Newton Grove, NC 28366	P
Gonzalez, Edmundo, Route 1, Box 57-C, Kenly, NC 27542	A
Harrison, Frank Ray, Route 3, Box 8, Mount Olive, NC 28365	L
Hathaway, J. C., 617 South Third Street, Smithfield, NC 27577	L
Heath, Roger, B Co., 3rd Bn 41st Inf. 2nd Armored Div.	

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Hogg, William Atlas, Route 2, Box 377, Clayton, NC 27520	P
Howard, Alton, 5215 Catalpa Road, Fayetteville, NC 28305	P
Hill, John David, Route 1, Box 60-E, Stokes, NC 27884	P
Hill, Taylor, 1207 Arsenal Avenue, Fayetteville, NC 28305	P
Jones, Robert David, Route 2, Smithfield, NC 27577	A
Jones, Rod, Route 3, Box 342, Benson, NC 27504	P
Lassiter, W. O., Route 3, Box 65, Four Oaks, NC 27524	L
Lee, John Rayford, Box 143, Four Oaks, NC 27524	P
Martin, W. A., Route 1, Benson, NC 27504	P
Miles, Edward L., Route 11, Box 188, Goldsboro, NC 27530	A
Nowell, Billy R., Route 2, Box 386, Clayton, NC 27520	P
Painter, Edward L., Route 3, Box 369, Dunn, NC 28334	P
Parker, Wilson, 209 Whitley Drive, Smithfield, NC 27577	A
Parrish, Charles N., Route 1, Box 65-B, Parkton, NC 28371	P
Peedin, O. Kenneth, Route 2, Box 405, Smithfield, NC 27577	A
Price, Arnold, Route 3, Box 387-E, Dunn, NC 28334	P
Raper, W. Burkette, 619 West Main Street, Mount Olive, NC 28365	P

Scarborough, Jeff, Route 5, Box 592, Dunn, NC 28334	P
Scott, Mike, Route 1, Box 397, Clayton, NC 27520	P
Smith, Elijah Floyd, Route 2, Box 245-2, Selma, NC 27576	P
Stanley, Hubert C., Route 3, Box 274-D, Raleigh, NC 27603	P
Stanley, J. Walter, Route 2, Box 108, Four Oaks, NC 27524	P
Stevens, Gideon S., Route 1, Benson, NC 27504	S
Taylor, Edward C., 804 East Cooper Street, Winterville, NC 28590	P
Thompson, J. Elmer, Pine Level, NC 27568	A
Timmons, J. E., 800 West Main, Rio Grande City, Texas 78582	L
Tyner, Luby C., Route 2, Box 91-C, Selma, NC 27576	P
Tyner, William Jasper Jr., Route 1, Four Oaks, NC 27524	S
Vann, Sexton, Route 1, Box 225, Erwin, NC 28339	P
Wood, Phil, 527 South Third Street, Smithfield, NC 27577	P
Woodall, L. B. Jr., Route 2, Box 129-A, Princeton, NC 27569	P
Wooten, Herman, 104 Avery Street, Garner, NC 27529	S

\*P-Present

A-Absent

S-Sick

## LICENSED MINISTERS

Blackmon, James Cecil, Route 2, Benson, NC 27504 (Smyrna)	A
Hobbs, Mark, Route 1, Box 270, Smithfield, NC 27577 (Hopewell)	L
Johnson, Earl, Box 293, Stancil Street, Smithfield, NC 27577 (Johnston Union)	A
Kennedy, Dean, Route 2, Box 344-E, Pink Hill, NC 28572 (Haymount)	A
Nordon, Roy F., Route 1, Benson, NC 27504 (Steven's Chapel)	A
Wilkins, Theodore, Route 2, Box 131, Four Oaks, NC 27524 (Faith)	P

## PROCEEDINGS

The Cape Fear Conference opened its one hundred and twenty-sixth session on Thursday morning, October 30, 1980, at 9 a.m. with the singing of the hymn, "Amazing Grace." The session was held at Shady Grove Original Free Will Baptist Church on Route 5, Dunn, North Carolina, with the Rev. C. Felton Godwin, moderator, presiding.

The opening prayer and Scripture were led by the Rev. Billy R. Nowell, pastor of Powhatan church.

The welcome was extended by the host pastor, the Rev. Jeff Scarborough.

The response to the welcome was given by the Rev. Foy C. Futrelle.

The session was called to order by the moderator.

Mrs. Lillian Stanley, assistant secretary and chairman of the Credentials Committee, explained the registration procedures adopted by the one hundred and fourteenth session as offered by the Resolutions Committee, which states the following:

"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 enrollments of officers and standing boards were called as follows:

*Executive Board:* C. Felton Godwin, Billy R. Nowell, H. T. Hinson, W. A. Martin, and Mrs. Ray G. Smith.

*Board of Missions:* Leo Bass, A. B. Bryan, Billy R. Nowell, Edward C. Taylor, and John Rayford Lee.

*Board of Trustees:* Paul Lassiter, S. D. Allen, R. Ray Warrick, W. A. Hogg, and Clarence Woodall.

*Board of Education:* J. B. Caton, C. Nelson Stewart, Milton Wiggs, Mrs. Ruth Warrick, and Mrs. Faye Baumgartner.

*Ordaining Council:* C. M. Coats, L. B. Woodall Jr., C. Felton Godwin, Foy C. Futrelle, and John Rayford Lee.

The enrollment of ordained and licensed ministers was called with several corrections being made in the enrollment.

The roll call of churches included the following: Bethel 2, Casey's Chapel 2, Daly's Chapel 1, Eastwood 1, Faith 1, Goldsboro 3, Hopewell 0, Johnston Union 2, Lanwood Chapel 1, Lee's Chapel 3, Mount Olive 1, Oak Grove 2, Palmer Memorial 1, Pleasant Grove 2, Powhatan 2, Riverside 2, Robert's Grove 2, Saint Mary's Grove 3, Saint Paul 2, Shady Grove 4, Smithfield 2, Smyrna 1, Steven's Chapel 1, Tee's Chapel 3, West Clinton 2, Wooten's Chapel 2, and Yelverton Grove 1.

Missions included: Catalpa 1, Eastover 1, Haymount 1, and Victory 1.

The moderator extended greetings to the visiting ministers.

Following the moderator's remarks of challenge and requests, the following temporary committee appointments were made by the moderator, with the first person named on the committee to serve as chairman:

*Credentials Committee:* Mrs. Lillian Stanley, Arnold Price, and Mrs. Ruth Scarborough.

*Temperance Committee:* Charles N. Parrish, William Atlas Hogg (in the place of W. O. Lassiter, previously appointed, who was sick), and J. Walter Stanley.

*Resolutions Committee:* C. M. Coats, Hubert C. Stanley, and Luby Tyner.

*Obituary Committee:* J. B. Caton Sr., John Rayford Lee, and Alton Howard (to replace J. C. Hathaway, previously appointed, who was sick).

*Nominating Committee:* Henry Armstrong, Taylor Hill, and L. B. Woodall Jr.

*Ushers for the Conference:* Norvell Dawson and C. Nelson Stewart

*Song Leader:* Johnny Woodall

*Pianist:* Mrs. Jean Wise

The Mount Olive College report was presented by the president of the college, Dr. Burkette Raper. Dr. Raper gave steps for the college to become a four-year program in 1984, during his report. The report was received as information.

The moderator called for Denominational Enterprise reports.

The Church Finance report was presented by the Rev. Hubert Burress. This report was received as information.

The Home Missions report was given by the Executive Director, the Rev. Taylor Hill. This report was also recorded and received as information.

The Foreign Missions report was given when the Executive Director, the Rev. Joseph Ingram, gave a progress report. The report was received as information.

The Free Will Baptist Press report was presented by the Rev. Walter Reynolds. This report was received as information.

The Rev. Walter Reynolds also gave the Superannuation report, which was received as information.

State Convention President, the Rev. David Charles Hansley, gave a report of the State Convention. His report and information were received as information and will become a part of the State Convention report in the Yearbook.

The moderator declared a fifteen-minute recess.

Following the recess, the session was again called to order by the moderator. The congregation joined in singing the hymn, "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."

Following the collection of the morning offering, Dr. Opey Jeanes of Mount Olive College, prayed the offertory prayer.

Special music was provided by the Shady Grove trio accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Jean Wise.

The Rev. Mike Scott, pastor of Johnston Union church, preached the morning sermon on the topic, "Free Will Baptists Could Turn the World Upside Down," using Scripture from Acts 17:5-9.

Following the sermon, the host pastor, the Rev. Jeff Scarborough, made announcements concerning the noon meal. The benediction and blessing on the food were offered by the Rev. Joseph Ingram.

The afternoon session was opened with the singing of the hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Scripture and prayer were given by the Rev. T. C. Farmer, pastor of Tee's Chapel church.

The moderator called for reports from standing committees.

The Executive Committee's report was presented by the Conference secretary, Mrs. Ray G. Smith. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Ordaining Council report was given by the Rev. L. B. Woodall Jr., secretary to the Council. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Cape Fear Sunday School Convention report was given by the president of the Convention, the Rev. Arnold Price. The report was accepted and is recorded. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Billy R. Nowell presented the Cape Fear Missions Board report. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Woman's Auxillary report was given by the president, Mrs. C. I. Godwin. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Cape Fear Ministers' Fellowship Conference report was given by the Rev. J. Walter Stanley. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Board of Education's report was presented by Mr. Milton Wiggs. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Scott Sowers, a representative from the Free Will Baptist Press, commented with regard to the progress at Cragmont Assembly. His report was received as information to the Conference.



The Children's Home report was presented by the Executive Director, the Rev. Stewart Humphrey. This report was received as information.

The moderator called for temporary committee reports.

The report of the Temperance Committee was presented by the Rev. Charles N. Parrish. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

A motion was made by the Rev. L. B. Woodall Jr. that the Conference contribute \$100 to the Christian Action League and that the funds be drawn from the administrative account. The motion was seconded and passed.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by the Rev. Luby Tyner. A total of four resolutions was presented to the session and each was adopted are recorded. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Alton Howard gave the report of the Obituary Committee and presented the following:

"We, the Obituary Committee, are happy to report that there have been no deaths among our ministers of the Cape Fear Conference during the past year.

"It is requested that all present in this Conference today stand for a moment of silent prayer in appreciation to God for His great mercy to us, and that the Rev. J. B. Caton Sr. lead us in a prayer of praise for His gracious mercy."

The Credentials Committee report was given by Mrs. Lillian Stanley. The report showed 6 officers present, 30 ministers present, 6 visiting ministers present, 1 licensed minister present, 45 delegates, and 37 visitors. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Henry Armstrong gave the Nominating Committee's report. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The moderator opened the business session and asked for any business that should be brought before the session.

Mr. H. T. Hinson moved that mileage for Conference travel be increased from 15¢ per mile to 20¢ per mile. The motion was seconded by the Rev. Billy R. Nowell and was passed.

The Rev. C. Bryant Hines, pastor of Casey's Chapel, invited the one hundred and twenty-seventh session of the Conference to convene at Casey's Chapel. Mr. H. T. Hinson moved to accept the invitation, which was unanimously accepted.

Mr. H. T. Hinson, Conference Treasurer, presented the financial report. The report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. T. C. Farmer moved that two \$300 scholarships be awarded to worthy applicants annually. Mrs. Ruth Warrick seconded the motion, which carried.

The Conference Treasurer, Mr. Hinson noted that loan funds were available to worthy students with the interest rate at 1 percent while in school and 6 percent after graduation.

The Rev. Jeff Scarbrough moved that the Conference forward a love offering of \$50 to a retired minister, the Rev. Herman Wooten. Mr. H. T. Hinson, Treasurer, asked permission to amend the motion to send Brother Wooten \$100, and that the amount forwarded to Brother Wooten come from the Missions Department. Brother Scarbrough accepted Mr. Hinson's amendment to the motion. The motion was seconded and carried.

There being no further business, the session was declared adjourned by the moderator as the congregation sang the hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

The closing prayer was offered by the Rev. Stewart Humphrey.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ray G. Smith

*Conference Secretary*

The Rev. C. Felton Godwin

*Conference Moderator*

## MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(December 18, 1979)

The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met December 17, 1979, at the Oak Grove church for the purpose of reviewing the minutes of the 125th session.

The moderator, the Rev. C. Felton Godwin, called the meeting to order and prayed the opening prayer.

Following the review of the minutes, Mr. H. T. Hinson moved that the minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by the Rev. Billy R. Nowell and was adopted.

Brother Hinson moved that a total of 100 copies, plus the number ordered by the individual churches, of the YEARBOOK be ordered—with three copies to go to each church and mission, the copies to be the property of the pastor, the Sunday school superintendent, and the chairman of the deacon board. This motion was seconded and adopted.

The Rev. Billy R. Nowell moved that Paul Lassiter be reappointed to the Board of Trustees. (Failure to reappoint him was due to an oversight of the Nominating Committee during the Conference.) The motion was accepted unanimously.

The Rev. Billy R. Nowell prayed the benediction and the moderator declared the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Ray G. Smith, *Secretary*

## MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(September 16, 1980)

The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met September 16, 1980, at the home of the moderator for the purpose of taking care of any business to come before the committee and to make plans for the 126th session of the Conference.

The moderator, the Rev. C. Felton Godwin, called the meeting to order, with all members present, as well as the assistant secretary, Mrs. Stanley.

The Rev. W. A. Martin prayed the opening prayer.

The minutes of the December 18, 1979, meeting were reviewed by the secretary and were accepted.

The first item of business included the reading of a letter of resignation from the Board of Education from the Rev. Taylor Hill.

Mr. H. T. Hinson nominated Mr. C. Nelson Stewart to fill the unexpired term of Brother Hill. Mr. Stewart was called by telephone by the moderator and accepted the position.

A letter from the clerk of the Christian Chapel church was read by the moderator. The letter stated that they were withdrawing from the Conference. The Rev. Billy R. Nowell moved that the letter be accepted as information and that the church be dropped from the Conference records. The motion was seconded and unanimously accepted by the committee.

The program for the 126th session of the Conference was planned.

Following a motion to adjourn by Mr. H. T. Hinson, the Rev. Billy R. Nowell prayed the prayer of benediction.

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

## REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

(November 14, 1979)

On November 14, 1979, the Council secretary received a letter of transfer from the secretary of the Ordaining Council of the Western Conference for the Rev. Jeff Scarborough to unite with the Cape Fear Conference. Brother Scarborough was received into the Conference at St. Mary's Grove church during the 1979 setting of the Conference on November 1, 1979, pending that letter.

The council secretary sent a letter of transfer of the Rev. Earl Glenn's ministerial membership from the Cape Fear Conference to the Central Conference on November 20, 1979.

The council secretary received a letter from Faith Free Will Baptist Church on November 23, 1979, notifying the Ordaining Council that the church had renewed Mr. Theodore Wilkins' license.

A letter was received from the Eastern Conference Ordaining Council secretary requesting a transfer of the Rev. Dallas Pinkham's ministerial membership from the Cape Fear Conference to the Eastern Conference. The letter of transfer was mailed on December 10, 1979.

A letter was received from the Smyrna Free Will Baptist Church notifying the secretary of the Ordaining Council that Mr. Cecil Blackmon's license had been renewed. The secretary notified the church clerk that Mr. Blackmon's license was in good standing.

A letter was received from Mr. Cecil Blackmon requesting a guide to study to prepare to take the ordination examination. The secretary sent a listing of books and other publications for Mr. Blackmon to study.

(March 23, 1980)

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, the Rev. Felton Godwin, at 1:25 p.m.

The Rev. C. M. Coats led the council in prayer.

Those present were chairman C. Felton Godwin, C. M. Coats, Foy C. Futrelle, John Rayford Lee, and L. B. Woodall Jr.

The minutes of the September 24, 1979, meeting and minutes for information and requests that had come to the Ordaining Council secretary since the 1979 session of the Conference were read and approved.

It was moved that the secretary write the Conference clerk to find out if there were any Conference ministers who were not in good standing in the Conference because of their absence in the setting of the Conference or had not called or written explaining their absence. The motion was adopted.

A letter was received from the Eastwood church clerk stating that in a called business session on February 21, 1980, the church voted to accept the resignation of John Adcox as pastor.

A committee composed of C. Felton Godwin, C. M. Coats, and L. B. Woodall Jr. was requested to arrange a meeting with Mr. Adcox as soon as possible. The committee endeavored to arrange the meeting, but due to the fact that Mr. Adcox could not be contacted, a meeting could not be arranged. On March 26, 1980, the council secretary received Mr. Adcox's ordination certificate in the mail; therefore, Mr. Adcox is no longer an ordained minister in the Cape Fear Conference.

## Cape Fear Conference

(June 23, 1980)

The meeting was called to order by chairman C. Felton Godwin at 1:30 p.m.

The Rev. C. M. Coats led those present in the opening prayer.

Members present were the chairman, C. Felton Godwin, C. M. Coats, Foy Futrelle, and L. B. Woodall Jr.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

A motion was made that the secretary write the Eastwood church of Fayetteville and request Mr. John Adcox's license be forwarded to the Ordaining Council. The motion was adopted. Instead of writing a letter, the secretary called the clerk and the pastor of the church requesting the license. The church did not have Mr. Adcox's license. Mr. Adcox's wife was contacted since the secretary was informed that she had the license. She refused to return the license to the church. The council secretary has refused to pursue the matter any further unless the Conference provides an attorney to pursue or counsels the secretary to do so.

A motion was made to adjourn at 3 p.m.

The Rev. C. Felton Godwin prayed the closing prayer.

(June 28, 1980)

On this date during the Union meeting at Tee's Chapel church, the Union clerk, Mrs. Dola Dudley gave the secretary of the Ordaining Council the following information:

Mr. Phil Miller, licensed by the Palmer Memorial church of Garner, has moved away and his license is no longer valid.

Mr. Richard Overman has gone independent. Mr. Overman's actions make him no longer a member of the Cape Fear Conference.

Mr. R. W. Allman has transferred his ministerial membership from the Cape Fear Conference to the Western Conference.

Following action on these three items, the meeting adjourned with the Rev. L. B. Woodall Jr. praying the closing prayer.

(August 25, 1980)

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, C. Felton Godwin, at 1:25 p.m.

The Rev. Foy Futrelle led those present in prayer.

Present were C. Felton Godwin, Foy Futrelle, and L. B. Woodall Jr.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

It was moved that the names of Phil Miller and Richard Overman be dropped from the listing of Cape Fear Conference Ministers. The motion was seconded and adopted.

The Rev. Phil Wood, the new pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church of Smithfield, appeared before the Ordaining Council requesting membership in the Cape Fear Conference. It was moved and seconded

to grant Mr. Wood's membership of transfer from the Eastern Conference to unite with the Cape Fear Conference.

The council secretary has received a letter from the Eastern Conference transferring the Rev. Rod Jones's ministerial membership from that Conference to the Cape Fear Conference. Mr. Jones met with the Ordaining Council in a called meeting.

Mr. Mark Hobbs came before the Ordaining Council to be examined for ordination. He did well on the examination and has been certified for ordination. Mr. Hobbs called the secretary on Tuesday, October 38, 1989, notifying the secretary that he has been called to pastor the First Free Will Baptist Church of Rocky Mount, North Carolina. He has requested the Ordaining Council to arrange a service in his home church, Hopewell, to ordain him as soon as possible.

The Rev. Foy Futrelle led the council in the closing prayer Ordaining Council Proceedings During 1980 Session of Conference.

The chairman, C. Felton Godwin, called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

The Rev. John Rayford Lee led in the opening prayer.

The Rev. C. Bryant Himes appeared before the Council to report his relationship in the Central Conference and requested that he be cleared to work in the Cape Fear Conference. A motion was made and seconded to accept the request of Brother Himes. The motion carried.

A letter was received from the Western Conference regarding the transfer of the Rev. Davie Brinson to the Cape Fear Conference. A motion to receive Brother Brinson was made and seconded to accept Brother Brinson. The motion carried.

It was reported that Brother John Gilliland had forwarded his credentials to the council secretary. The credentials were received, and Mr. Gilliland is no longer a minister within the ranks of the Cape Fear Conference.

The Rev. C. M. Coats prayed the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.

A letter from Mark Hobbs was read stating that he was student teaching and would be unable to attend the Conference.

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Messages were received that Brothers J. C. Hathaway and W. O. Lassiter were sick and unable to attend.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. B. Woodall Jr.  
*Council Secretary*  
C. Felton Godwin  
*Chairman*

## CAPE FEAR SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION MINUTES

The one hundred and second Cape Fear Sunday School Convention convened with Tee's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church October 11, 1980. The theme was "Where to from Here" (Matthew 20:6).

The Convention was opened by the President, the Rev. Arnold Price. The congregation sang "Standing on the Promises."

The Rev. T. C. Farmer welcomed everyone to the Convention. George E. Norris gave the response.

The Rev. Mike Scott had the devotion and prayer. He read Scripture from Proverbs 22:28.

The Rev. Arnold Price and his family rendered special music. They sang "Who Is on the Lord's Side?" and "His Hand Reached Farther Down than I Could Reach Up."

Mr. Price read Scripture taken from Matthew 20:1-6. He appointed the following committees:

Nominating Committee: Mrs. Patricia Wall, chairman; David Rose, Ronnie Hayes.

Resolutions Committee: The Rev. Jeff Scarborough, chairman; Thelma King, Robert Haun.

Finance Committee: Mrs. Lillian Stanley, chairman; Jesse Hartley, Helen Barbour.

Special music was next rendered by Loren Price. He sang "Rise Again."

The Rev. Jeff Scarborough gave the offertory prayer. The offering was received in the amount of \$48.06.

Mr. Price recognized Milton Wiggs, State Sunday School Treasurer. He brought greetings from the State Sunday School Convention.

Dr. Opey Jeanes brought greetings from Mount Olive College.

Mr. Price opened the business session.

Mrs. Margaret Lassiter, secretary, called the roll of churches. Twelve churches were represented. The minutes of the 1979 Convention were read and approved.

Mr. Price recognized the twenty-two Sunday school teachers and ten superintendents that were present. He presented the following plaques:

1. Powhatan—Largest increase in Sunday school—received by Joyce Nowell.

2. Pleasant Grove—Largest number at convention—received by Ed Norris.

3. Pleasant Grove—Most teachers present—received by Tim Pope.

**Report of Committees:**

*Nominating:* Milton Jones was nominated for vice-president. Milton Wiggs made a motion that he be accepted. The motion passed.

**Resolutions**

1. BE IT RESOLVED that this convention give Tee's Chapel church a rising vote of thanks for their hospitality, and the State Sunday School Convention for their work in helping the districts to establish goals and supplying the bulletins.
2. BE IT RESOLVED that each person present assume the responsibility of making their Sunday school better by encouraging regular attendance of all church members.
3. BE IT RESOLVED that the second Sunday in July be a day in which each Sunday school promotes Sunday school history.
4. BE IT RESOLVED that each superintendent give a brief report of what his staff has done to promote, to uplift, and to win the lost at the next convention.
5. BE IT RESOLVED that a complete report of this convention be compiled for the 1981 YEARBOOK.
6. BE IT RESOLVED that the Sunday school which does not represent at the convention cannot receive the yearly attendance increase award, but that the award be given to the Sunday school present and deserving.
7. BE IT RESOLVED that this Body stand in fervent prayer led by our president that God will stir all our members' hearts to fulfill our work for him in a more meaningful way, and thank God for our accomplishments to date.

The Rev. Jeff Scarborough made a motion that they be accepted. The motion passed.

**Finance Committee:**

Mrs. Lillian Stanley gave a balance in the Treasury of \$259.61. Milton Wiggs made a motion that it be accepted. Motion passed.

The congregation sang "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story." Everyone was invited to the altar for prayer regarding the resolutions.

Testimonies were heard from many and enjoyed by all. Mr. Price read Scripture taken from John 9:4.

Milton Wiggs announced that the State Sunday School Convention will meet the second Saturday in April, 1981.

Pleasant Grove volunteered to host the 1981 Convention.



## Cape Fear Conference

The Rev. T. C. Farmer prayed the benediction.

A delicious lunch was served on the church grounds.

Respectfully submitted,  
Arnold Price, *President*  
Margaret Lassiter, *Secretary*

## REPORT OF CAPE FEAR MISSIONS BOARD

The Cape Fear Missions Board met as often as deemed necessary for the purpose of the work in the Cape Fear Conference.

We met several times during the year. On December 29, 1979, we met at the Smyrna church to select a new chairman and secretary. Brother Edward C. Taylor was elected chairman and Brother Billy R. Nowell was elected secretary.

The Board met again March 29, 1980, at Steven's Chapel church with the Rev. W. O. Lassiter and delegates for an oral report of the Eastover Mission work. The report was very encouraging as the mission had received a new piano which was donated by one of the faithful members.

The Board met again on May 31, 1980, at Tee's Chapel church. The only business was a progress report from Brother Lassiter that the Eastover Mission was still progressing and that the mission was on solid footing. Our prayers and blessings were given to the members of the mission and to Brother Lassiter for his faithful work and service with the group of God's people that are so far away from his home.

The Board met the final time at Victory Mission on August 30, 1980. We discussed the fact that Brother Edward C. Taylor was now working in the Central Conference and that his unexpired term would need to be filled during the Conference.

We also discussed the proposal to the Conference of a year ago in the support of the Eastover Mission, which was to support the pastor with \$75 a month for the first year, \$50 per month for the second year, and the third and final year to receive \$25 per month.

Respectfully submitted,  
Billy R. Nowell, *Secretary*  
Edward C. Taylor, *Chairman*  
John Rayford Lee  
Leo Bass

## REPORT OF CAPE FEAR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Greetings to you from Woman's Auxiliary of the Cape Fear Conference. The reports of our 28 auxiliaries have been very outstanding this year.

We have eight A-1 auxiliaries in our district. We congratulate them upon their many fine programs.

Our Spring District meeting was held at the Johnston Union church with the Rev. Davie Brinson bringing the morning message.

The Fall District meeting was held at Palmer Memorial church. Mrs. Lorraine Sutton was the speaker for the Fall meeting.

This year, our life membership award went to Mrs. Lucille Coats. She is a very deserving person and we were most happy to honor her.

We have given Spanish Bibles to Mexican migrant workers and religious Christmas cards were given to their children.

We sent \$250 to Cragmont from our District treasury as a love gift.

Each of our denominational enterprises has been supported with our tithes, offerings, and prayers.

Our YFA Fellowship rally meets each first Saturday night with outstanding attendance. The project for the year is College Hall at Mount Olive College. A goal of \$100 per church has been set, which is to be brought to the November meeting at Robert's Grove church.

Please support your youth groups in any way you possibly can.

Please continue to pray for us as we strive to do God's work for His glory.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. C. I. Godwin, *President*

#### REPORT OF MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE

The fellowship met on June 23, 1980, with Sister Helen Smith of Benson as our special guest. Her subject dealt with cancer and the role of the pastor and pointed out ways and means of assisting cancer patients.

The next meeting took place on August 25, 1980, with the Rev. Stewart Humphrey, executive director of our Children's Home as special guest. He brought to us a great challenge concerning our Children's Home.

On Tuesday night, August 26, 1980, ministers and their wives gathered for a banquet at Holt Lake Restaurant. This meeting was well attended.

The ministers' fellowship meets in regular session on Monday morning at 10 a.m. before each fifth Sunday, in the educational hall of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Smithfield. We desire and encourage all Cape Fear ministers to come and participate in the fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,  
Foy C. Futrelle, *President*  
J. Walter Stanley, *Secretary*

## REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Cape Fear Board of Education met August 30, 1980, at the Victory Mission in Hope Mills. The purpose was to study the applications that had been received for the \$300 educational scholarship. The one selected was Tammy Norris, a member of Tee's Chapel church.

On September 2, 1980, Taylor Hill sent a letter of resignation from the Board of Education to the Conference Moderator, Felton Godwin, on the grounds that he is over-obligated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Taylor Hill  
*Chairman and Secretary*

## REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

The Temperance Committee would like to go on record thanking the Conference for its stand against the use of intoxicating beverages, violence and sex on TV, and the use of drugs. We encourage the Conference to continue in the fight to abolish all such practices.

In addition, we encourage all members of the Conference to consider our fellows in Christ and be more temperate in our condemnation except where sin is dominant.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charles N. Parrish  
J. Walter Stanley  
Atlas Hogg

## REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your Resolutions Committee, submit the following:

BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference give a rising vote of thanks to the Shady Grove church for its hospitality in hosting this the 126th session of the Cape Fear Conference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Conference give a rising vote of thanks to the outgoing officers of this Conference.

The following resolutions were presented to the committee for your consideration:

1. WHEREAS, our country faces many internal problems such as inflation, racial unrest, poverty, and a rising crime rate, and; WHEREAS, our world in general faces these problems and others such as wars, rising oil prices, and the spread of terrorism and communism, and;  
WHEREAS, this is an election year in our own country;  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we as a Conference be encouraged to pray for our country and our world, that

God's will may be done,

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we encourage our church people to vote their convictions in the upcoming election.

2. BE IT RESOLVED that as our Conference increase our Treasurer's allowance from \$65 to \$125 annually.

3. BE IT RESOLVED that as our Conference secretary has in the past been paid \$50 per year, plus some assistant secretarial allowance amount to about \$108 this past year and that she prepares at least twenty-five pages for the annual YEARBOOK,

BE IT RESOLVED that this Conference pay the secretary of the Conference \$150 annually plus expenses.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. M. Coats, *Chairman*  
Hubert Stanley  
Luby Tyner

#### REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The Credentials Committee submits the following:

Officers present	6
Ordained Ministers present	30
Licensed ministers present	1
Visiting ministers present	6
Delegates present	45
Visitors present	<u>37</u>
Total	125

Respectfully submitted,  
Lillian Stanley,  
*Assistant Secretary and Chairman*  
Ruth Scarborough  
Arnold Price

#### REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee recommend the following to fill the positions open in the Cape Fear Conference:

*Board of Missions:* Mike Scott (1983), to succeed A. B. Bryan; Alton Howard (1981), to succeed Edward C. Taylor; Arnold Price (1985), to succeed J. Rayford Lee.

*Board of Trustees:* Raymond Godwin (1985), to succeed Clarence Woodall.

*Board of Education:* Jeff Scarborough (1985), to succeed Faye Baumgartner.

*Ordaining Council:* John Rayford Lee (1985), to succeed himself.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Armstrong

Taylor Hill

L. B. Woodall Jr.

# TREASURER'S REPORT (July 1, 1979—June 30, 1980)

## Administrative Department

Balance on Hand July 1, 1979 \$ .48

### Receipts

50 percent Union funds at Shady Grove	\$167.20
50 percent Union funds at Smithfield	145.91
Offering for the Rev. Herman Wooten	64.10
Received from churches for <i>Yearbooks</i>	85.80
Received late funds from Eastover	7.50
50 percent Union funds at Smyrna	132.25
50 percent Union funds at Steven's Chapel	173.03
50 percent Union funds at Tee's Chapel	176.18
50 percent Conference funds at St. Mary's Grove	<u>377.28</u>
	1,329.25
Total Receipts	<u>\$1,329.73</u>

### Disbursements

C. H. Hanna Associates for Treasurer's Bond	\$ 25.00
Postage	4.80
Ray G. Smith, secretarial services	112.02
The Rev. Herman Wooten	64.10
Free Will Baptist Press (Bible)	23.95
The Rev. Henry Armstrong (240 miles traveled)	36.00
Mrs. Dola Dudley (48 miles traveled and postage)	12.00
Mrs. Dola Dudley (plaque for H. T. Hinson)	13.23
Mrs. Dola Dudley (46 miles traveled)	9.20
H. T. Hinson (40 miles traveled)	8.00
L. B. Woodall Jr. (520 miles traveled)	104.00
Jewel Box (plaque for Mrs. Dudley)	15.60
Edward C. Taylor (101 miles traveled)	20.20
Free Will Baptist Press (125 <i>Yearbooks</i> )	422.50

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Jewel Box (Plaque for Ruth Warrick)	15.55	
Dola Dudley (25 miles traveled)	5.00	
H. T. Hinson (60 miles traveled)	12.00	
H. T. Hinson (Treasurer's allowance)	65.00	
Mrs. Ray G. Smith (secretarial services)	115.00	
Mrs. Ray G. Smith (reimbursement for supplies)	<u>27.65</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>\$1,110.80</u>
Balance in Administrative Fund as of June 30, 1980		\$ 218.93

Educational Department  
(July 1, 1979—June 30, 1980)

Balance brought forward \$2,304.95

*Receipts*

20 percent Union funds at Shady Grove	\$ 66.88	
20 percent Union funds at Smithfield	58.36	
20 percent Union funds at Smyrna	51.60	
20 percent Union funds at Steven's Chapel	69.21	
20 percent Union funds at Tee's Chapel	70.47	
20 percent of 1979 Conference funds at St. Mary's Grove	<u>153.91</u>	
		<u>470.43</u>
Total Receipts		\$2,775.38

*Disbursements*

Taylor Hill (postage, etc.)	21.93	
Jeff Daughtry (scholarship)	<u>300.00</u>	
Total disbursements		<u>321.93</u>
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1980		\$2,453.45
Balance Student Loan Fund	\$1,140.66	

Mission Department  
(July 1, 1979—June 30, 1980)

Balance brought forward \$3,967.63

*Receipts*

Powhatan	50.00	
20 percent of 30 percent Union Funds at Shady Grove	20.07	
20 percent of 30 percent Union Funds at Smithfield	18.40	
20 percent of 30 percent Union Funds at Smyrna	15.87	
20 percent of 30 percent Union Funds at Steven's Chapel	20.76	
20 percent of 30 percent Union Funds at Tee's Chapel	21.14	

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20 percent of 30 percent Conference Funds for 1979	<u>210.48</u>	.
Total Receipts		\$4,369.63

*Disbursements*

W. O. Lassiter		
(services at Eastover from July 1, 1979—		
December 31, 1979)	450.00	
W. O. Lassiter from January 1, 1980—June 30, 1980	300.00	
The Rev. Edward C. Taylor (119 miles traveled)	<u>20.23</u>	.
Total Disbursements		<u>770.23</u>
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1980		\$3,599.40

## SUMMARY

Total Balances in all Departments as of June 30, 1980:

Administrative Department	\$ 218.93
Missions Department	3,599.40
Educational Department	2,453.45
Student Loan Fund	<u>1,140.66</u>
Total to Account for	\$7,412.44

Submitted by

H. T. Hinson, *Treasurer*

## CONSTITUTION

### PREAMBLE

We, the Cape Fear Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist denomination of North Carolina, desiring to be in fellowship in a bond of union, do ordain this constitution.

### NAME

This shall be the constitution of the Cape Fear Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist Churches of North Carolina.

### PURPOSE

The object of the Cape Fear Conference shall be to promote Christ's kingdom among men by means in strict conformity to the Holy Scriptures.

### ARTICLE I. COMPOSITION

This conference shall be composed of affiliated ordained ministers and churches within its bounds, who are in good standing, and of all general officers, and members of standing boards or committees of the conference. It shall operate under the Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina. No church corporation whose articles of incorporation or constitution and bylaws conflict with the Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina shall be permitted membership in the Cape Fear Conference.

### ARTICLE II. REPRESENTATION

Each church shall represent with one delegate for each one hundred members or fraction thereof. The delegation from each church shall carry to the conference a letter certifying their appointment, and giving the statistics and financial condition of the church, together with a statement of all funds received and disbursed for denomination and benevolent purposes during the year.

### ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

The officers shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, a secretary, an assistant secretary, and a treasurer, who shall be elected for a term of two years, entering upon the duties of said office at the close of the session in which they are elected. Temporary officers, representatives or messengers may be elected at the option of the conference for whatever purposes deemed essential.



**ARTICLE IV. STANDING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

It shall be the policy of this conference to elect as many boards and committees as may be necessary in carrying out its program. These shall keep records of their proceedings and make a report at each annual session of the conference.

A board of trustees, a board of Christian education, a board of missions and church extension, and a board of ordination 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 shall write their own bylaws and administer their respective programs of work, but each shall remain subject to their conference.

*Section 2*—The executive committee shall be composed of the moderator, assistant moderator, secretary, treasurer, and one member elected by the conference at the time of the official election of officers.

*Section 3*—Temporary committees shall be appointed at option of the conference for whatever purpose deemed necessary.

**ARTICLE V. FINANCE**

Each church shall contribute to the conference annually according to its membership.

**ARTICLE VI. ADMISSION OF CHURCHES**

Any properly organized church that gives evidence of adherence to the doctrines of Christianity as taught by Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina and desires to help promote the program and work of the Cape Fear Conference and the North Carolina State Convention may present its petition to the regular session of the conference. If the petition for membership is approved, the moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the delegates.

**ARTICLE VII. DISMISSION OF CHURCHES**

A church may be dismissed from membership in the conference by vote of the conference.

**ARTICLE VIII. VISITORS**

The Cape Fear Conference may extend to visiting brethren all the privileges of the body save that of voting and holding office.

## ARTICLE IX. MEETINGS

The Cape Fear Conference shall meet in annual session on Thursday before the first Sunday in November. The host church shall be selected by vote of the conference in annual session or by the executive committee. The place of a future meeting thus selected may be changed by an act of the executive committee should such a change become necessary.

## BYLAWS

*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 committees, delegates, and representatives; to serve as ex officio member of all standing boards and committees; and, in general, to perform the duties of the office of moderator.

*Section 2*—The duties of the assistant moderator shall be the duties of the moderator when that officer is not present, and he shall assist the moderator when called upon. In the event of the resignation or death of the moderator, the assistant moderator shall fill the vacancy until the next session of the conference.

*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. The secretary shall prepare and cause to be published the minutes of the annual sessions of the conference; hold in trust all documents not otherwise reserved, and surrender same at the direction of the conference; conduct the official correspondence and sign such documents and instruments as require the secretary's signature; and serve as a member of the executive board.

*Section 4*—The duties of the assistant secretary shall be the duties of the secretary when that officer is not present, and he shall assist the secretary when called upon. In the event of the resignation or death of the secretary, the assistant secretary shall fill the vacancy until the next session of the conference.

*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 committee, or any standing board invested with 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 to the conference.

*Section 6*—It shall be the duty of the executive committee to transact the business of the conference when the conference is not in

session, and make report at annual conference. The executive committee shall plan the program for the annual session of the conference.

*Section 7*—The board of trustees shall hold in trust all conference and reproperty, gifts and bequests of the conference, and convey or expend said property or assets as the Cape Fear Conference may direct.

*Section 8*—It shall be the duty of the board of ordination to examine, ordain, and discipline ministers in keeping with the provisions of the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina*, along with whatever additional requirements may be made by the conference. The board of ordination shall examine ordained ministers seeking membership in this conference and make recommendations in keeping with their findings.

*Section 9*—It shall be the duty of the board of missions and church extension to cooperate with the churches of the conference to promote the establishment of churches within the bounds of the conference. The board of missions and church extension shall cooperate with the state board of missions to raise money, arrange itineraries and keep the work of missions before our churches.

*Section 10*—It shall be the duty of the board of Christian education to keep our people informed as to our educational needs, and endeavor to promote the cause of and stimulate interest among our people in the cause of Christian education. The board of Christian education shall cooperate with the educational institutions of our denomination and use all funds for the best interests of Christian education.

*Section 11*—The following temporary committees shall be appointed annually by the moderator and shall render reports during the sitting of the conference: credentials, nominating, resolutions, temperance, obituary, and letter digest.

*Section 12*—A board or committee will be recognized as having a quorum when there is a majority of the members present for a meeting, providing all the members of said board or committee have been duly notified concerning the said meeting.

*Section 13*—All reports, resolutions, and recommendations shall be considered properly presented to the conference in written form only.

*Section 14*—Each minister and delegate in good standing shall duly attend each day while the conference is in session or be subjected to censure by the conference and reported to his local church.

*Section 15*—If any member, in the judgment of the conference shall show anger in his discussion on any subject, he shall forfeit his seat in that session.

*Section 16*—No member shall be excused from any session of the conference without leave of the moderator.

*Section 17*—The conference shall adjourn by a majority vote.

*Section 18*—Each officer and member of standing committees and boards in good standing shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the conference.

*Section 19*—The conference shall open and close with suitable devotional services.

*Section 20*—This constitution and its bylaws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds favorable vote of the members present, provided that said amendment shall be presented on the first day of the annual session for action on the following day.

## UNION MEETING

### CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE OF 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 percent of its annual budget exclusive of funds for building and equipment, or a total of four percent 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 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 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 cooperating with our state and national education institutions in the promotion of general Christian education.

7. The organization, direction, and the training program of the Free Will Baptist League 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 programming 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 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 Students' 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 percent while the student is in training. After completion of training, a new note shall be made bearing 6 percent 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 serve 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, each for a term of five years.

2. The officers shall be chairman, assistant chairman, recording secretary, 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 to attend to all matters pertaining to missions within the territory of

the Cape Fear Conference and mission points that have been approved for membership in the Cape Fear Conference.

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 by the treasurer.

5. Churches and/or individuals are encouraged to expedite the work of missions in the fulfillment of the Great Commission of our Lord in appropriate communities throughout the conference. No reimbursement, however, shall be made for expenses incurred without the approval of the Board of Missions.

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

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. The board shall render annual reports to the conference and interim reports to the executive board when requested.

9. 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.



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Goldsboro, First	252	133		5	8	64		300,000	60,571	4,432	65,003
Haymount	75	64		20	10	15	8	60,000	7,451	2,990	10,441
Hopewell	169	201		15	7	69	14	256,000	43,686	8,085	51,772
Johnston Union	291	166		15	10	25		200,000	21,868	6,366	28,234
Lanwood Chapel	52	30				10		35,000	5,478	210	5,688
Lee's Chapel	276	185		18	20	26		125,000	34,391	9,752	44,143
Mount Olive	12									2,090	2,090
Oak Grove	147	125	25			31		75,000	15,346	3,964	19,310
Palmer Memorial	165	127		7	8	18	8	250,000	30,992	2,777	33,929
Pleasant Grove	190	165		14	20	15			49,244	3,042	52,286
Powhatan	238	129		10	6	18	8	100,000	20,999	2,078	23,077
Riverside	96	75				15		75,000	12,956	2,783	15,739
Robert's Grove	190	154		10	10	34			33,995	3,441	37,436
St. Mary's Grove	206	136		12	10	38		130,000	11,883	1,523	13,406
St. Paul	190	111				20		100,000	9,060	1,675	10,735
Shady Grove	345	137		25	25	20		350,000	36,994	6,943	43,937
Smithfield, First	239	60		9		18		150,000	27,207	2,510	29,717
Smyrna	135	115			15	10		75,000	8,743	795	9,538
Steven's Chapel	121	88						60,000	5,789	345	6,134
Tee's Chapel	253	215		14	22	15		250,000	31,139	3,094	34,233
Victory Mission	61	53		10	10	7	10	41,500	22,423	1,374	23,797
West Clinton	43	43		8				90,000	3,076	298	3,374
Wooten's Chapel	140	95		8	6	10		70,000	15,013	2,290	17,303
Yelverton Grove	144	93		20		13		85,000	9,105	2,227	11,332
CENTRAL CONFERENCE											
Aspen Grove	178	171	25			23	11	100,000	11,780	4,230	16,010
Ayden	142	84		8		32	14	250,000	25,115	4,858	29,973
Bethany	122	94		7	12	27		250,000	26,700	5,044	31,744
Black Jack	702	525				36		525,000	51,133	12,068	63,201
Cedar Grove											
Community	63	116	15	2	3	10	5		20,328	2,636	22,964
Daniels Chapel	323	201		15	16	26	19	300,000	81,936	7,045	88,981