

**1987-88
Yearbook
for
Original
Free Will Baptists
of
North Carolina**

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

Held at
Saint Mary's Grove Church
Benson, North Carolina
October 29, 1987

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PROCEEDINGS

The one hundred thirty-third session of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened at Saint Mary's Grove Church, Benson, North Carolina, Thursday, October 29, 1987.

The meeting began with the congregation singing "When We All Get to Heaven." Peyton Lee directed the music and the Rev. Dean Kennedy was pianist.

The opening devotion was by the Rev. Don Venable.

The Rev. Rod Jones, host pastor, extended a gracious welcome to those in attendance, and the Rev. K. Alan Lamm responded.

The moderator called the meeting to order and the Rev. Rod Jones, serving as chairman of the Credentials Committee, explained the registration procedure of the Conference.

The roll was called of officers, ministers, standing boards and churches.

The moderator extended greetings to the following visitors: The Revs. Clifford Ball, Mike Ledbetter, Noah Brown, Harold Jones, De Wayne Eakes, Ray Wells, John Williams, Walter Sutton, Walter Reynolds, Bobby Taylor and Mr. Cliff Gray.

The moderator addressed the Conference and challenged those present to "love and be loved" and to conduct ourselves as sisters and brothers in Christ. He based his remarks on Scripture from St. John 15:12.

The following temporary committees were appointed with the first person named serving as chairman:

Credentials: Rod Jones, James Corbett and Earl Johnson

Temperance: J. B. Caton, Hubert Stanley and Billy Nowell

Resolutions: Edmundo Gonzalez, Gary Patterson and Luby Tyner

Obituary: C. M. Coats, Foy Futrelle and Swade Benson

Nominating: Ed Miles, Frank Harrison and Calvin Heath.

Ushers: Hezzle Byrd and Cleveland Gilbert.

The following reports from denominational ministries were given and received as information:

Mount Olive College: Frank Harrison

Children's Home: Bobby Taylor

Free Will Baptist Press: Cliff Gray

Foreign Missions: Harold Jones

Home Missions: Ray Wells

State Convention: De Wayne Eakes

Cragmont Assembly: John Williams

Retirement Homes: Walter Sutton

Church Finance Association: Walter Reynolds

The morning worship began with the congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." After the worship offering and offertory prayer by the Rev. Dewey Boling, special music was rendered by a ladies trio from the host church.

The moderator introduced the Rev. Leonard B. Woodall who brought the morning message, entitled "The True New Testament Church." He read Scripture from Acts 2 and challenged the pastors to have a "shepherding ministry."

The host pastor invited everyone to lunch in the fellowship hall. The Rev. Foy Futrelle prayed the benediction and blessing.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session opened with congregational singing followed by Scripture and prayer by the Rev. Al Markuson.

The following reports were given and adopted:

Executive Committee, by Dola Dudley. (See Reports.)

Ordaining Council, by the Rev. Ed Miles. (See Reports.)

Sunday School Convention, by the Rev. Mike Ledbetter. (See Reports.)

Cape Fear Ministers' Association, by the Rev. Alan Lamm. (See Reports.)

Woman's Auxiliary, by Linda Jackson. (See Reports.)

Board of Education, by Martha Parsons. (See Reports.)

Credentials Committee, by the Rev. Rod Jones. (See Reports.)

Temperance Committee, by the Rev. J. B. Caton. (See Reports.)

Resolutions Committee, by the Rev. Edmundo Gonzalez. (See Reports.)

Obituary Committee, by the Rev. Foy Futrelle. (See Reports.)

Nominating Committee, by the Rev. Ed Miles. (See Reports.)

Treasurer's report by H. T. Hinson. (See Reports.)

Motion was made and carried that the Conference contribute \$100 to the North Carolina State Convention for the Headquarters Renovation Project.

Motion carried to accept the invitation to Lee's Chapel Church for the 1988 session of the Conference.

Motion to adjourn. Benediction by Dr. W. Burkette Raper.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Felton Godwin, *Moderator*

Dola Dudley, *Secretary*

REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(November 24, 1986)

The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met November 24, 1986, at the home of the Rev. C. Felton Godwin. The following members were present: the Revs. C. Felton Godwin, Dewey C. Boling, Frank Harrison, and Mr. H. T. Hinson, Ruth War-rick and Dola Dudley.

The moderator called the meeting to order and the Rev. Dewey C. Boling led in prayer.

The minutes of the 1986 session of the Conference were read and approved for printing in the 1987 *Yearbook*.

Motion was made and carried to give the moderator \$50 for Conference expenses.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned with the Rev. Frank Harrison praying the benediction.

(September 29, 1987)

The Cape Fear Conference Executive Committee met September 29, 1987, at the home of the moderator. Members present were: The Revs. C. Felton Godwin, Dewey C. Boling, Frank Harrison, and Mr. H. T. Hinson and Dola Dudley.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

The purpose of the meeting was to plan the program for the 1987 session of the Conference. The speakers for the morning worship service, those for Scripture and prayer and others were selected for the program. Recommendations were made for temporary committees to serve at the Conference.

Motion to adjourn. Benediction by the Rev. Frank Harrison.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Cape Fear Sunday School Convention was held at Victory Church, October 10, 1987.

In the absence of the president, Mr. Nelson Stewart, the Rev. Mike Ledbetter presided.

Haymount Church rendered special music and was recognized for having the largest number present.

The Rev. Donald Coates, president of the State Sunday School Convention, spoke on methods to improve our Sunday Schools.

The 1988 Convention will be held at Pleasant Grove Church on October 9, 1988.

A most delicious lunch was served by the host church and an hour of Christian fellowship was enjoyed by those present.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Ledbetter, *President*

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Hebrews 13:8 teaches that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever, we encourage our people to turn back to our first love, rise above the pressures and problems that we face each day in our society, be filled with the Spirit of God and introduce others to Jesus Christ.

We further encourage our people to pray for those who are subjected to drugs and alcohol, especially our youth, and that we teach them by our example the value of high morals and Christian growth.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. Caton, *Chairman*
Hubert Stanley
Billy Nowell

ORDAINING COUNCIL

(December 22, 1986)

James Corbett was given the oral and written examination. He passed the examination and the Council agreed to ordain him as soon as he was called to pastor a church.

(February 25, 1987)

The Council met at Tee's Chapel Church to ordain James Corbett. He had been called to pastor New Haven Church in the Eastern Conference.

(March 23, 1987)

The Council discussed at length a letter received from Charles Barnard requesting reinstatement in the Conference. A motion was made that we give Brother Barnard a letter stating that he be allowed to perform duties as an ordained minister on probation, and that the Cape Fear Conference hold his certificate of ordination for one year or longer until such time Brother Barnard has proven himself to be able to function in a consistent manner worthy of his calling. And that this motion be sent to Brother Barnard and to the clerk of the Western Conference. (This was done because Brother Barnard had begun working with the Living Waters Church.) Motion carried.

We were informed that Brother C. Ray Taylor, pastor of Casey's Chapel Church, had not been cleared to pastor in the Cape Fear Conference. Motion passed that we write Casey's Chapel concerning this matter.

(August 24, 1987)

The Council approved Brother C. Ray Taylor to transfer to the Cape Fear Conference from the Western Conference.

Motion passed that the secretary write Brother Tony Reep, asking him to give to the Council a report of his present status and of his future intentions as to his ministry in the Free Will Baptist Church. Letter was written August 31, 1987. (As of this date, October 29, 1987, there has been no reply.)

Respectfully submitted,
Dewey C. Bolling, *Chairman*
Edward W. Miles, *Secretary*
Foy Futrelle
Jeff Scarborough
C. M. Coats

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, your Obituary Committee, wish to submit the following report:

It is with deep regret that we report the passing of one of our beloved ministers and two brothers in Christ, the Rev. Wilson Dowdy; Brother Paul T. Lassiter, a member of the Board of Trustees of our Conference; and Brother Johnny Woodall, a faithful leader in our denomination for many years. To know these good men was to love them. They were loved and esteemed by all who knew them. We, their friends, feel our loss is their eternal gain.

We recommend that this body stand in silent prayer in memory of these dear brethren and that Brother Foy Futrelle close the memorial prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. Coats, *Chairman*
Foy C. Futrelle
Swade Benson

REPORT OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Cape Fear Woman's Auxillary Convention held two conventions during the past year.

Two district study courses have also been held.

The youth organizations that are sponsored by the auxiliaries have had a successful year, with growth in attendance and more churches hosting the youth rally that is held monthly.

The Cape Fear District hosted the State Auxillary Convention in May at Robert's Grove Church. The attendance was very good and the reports showed it to be one of the best in our history.

Our auxiliaries have given regularly to our denominational ministries and we encourage our people to support each of these programs.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda B. Jackson

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Ministers present	33
Officers present	5
Delegates present	43

Visitors present
 Visiting ministers present
 Total present

24
 7
 112

REPORT OF CAPE FEAR MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION

During the past year the Cape Fear Ministers' Association (henceforth designated Ministers' Association) has met on four occasions with an average attendance of thirteen ministers. The Ministers' Association heard from guest speakers David C. Hansley, Home Missions Board; Harold Jones, Foreign Missions Board; Don Fader, Ministers' Program.

During the past year new officers were elected. Ken Hardison, pastor of Tee's Chapel Church, is serving as president; and K. Alan Lamm, pastor of First Free Will Baptist Church, Smithfield, is serving as secretary/treasurer.

The Ministers' Association welcomes as members all Original Free Will Baptist ministers serving churches in the Cape Fear Conference. Furthermore, visitors are always encouraged to attend the meetings.

The Ministers' Association seeks to promote greater awareness, fellowship in Christ, support and co-operation amongst Christian ministers in our Conference. Meetings are held at 10 a.m., at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Smithfield on Monday before each Union Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
 K. Alan Lamm, *Secretary/Treasurer*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education met October 23, 1986, at Lee's Chapel Church. Members present were: Bobby Tew, Ruth Warrick and Martha Parsons. Three items of business were transacted.

A letter had been received from Charles Barnard requesting to make payments on his loan to start in January, 1987. The request was granted. He was informed of the decision and payments have been made.

Motion was made and carried that the secretary mail applications to each church in the conference informing high school seniors they could apply for the Cape Fear Conference Scholarship offered by this board.

Motion made and carried that the applicant for the scholarship be a member of a church within the Cape Fear Conference.

The Board met again on November 29, 1986, at Victory Church. All members were present.

The Board reviewed the applications for the scholarship and it was granted to Greysen Tew, a member of Lee's Chapel Church.

Motion was made and carried to change the amount of the scholarship from \$300 to \$500.

Respectfully submitted,
 Bobby Tew, *Chairman*
 Martha Parsons, *Secretary*
 Ruth Warrick
 Grace Barbour
 Peyton Lee

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

(Conference Officers 1987-1989)

Moderator: C. Felton Godwin

Assistant Moderator: Dewey C. Boling

Secretary: Dola Dudley

Assistant Secretary: Calvin Heath

Treasurer: H. T. Hinson

Executive Committee: K. Alan Lamm

Trustees: R. Ray Warrick, 1992; Don Venable (unexpired term of Paul T. Lassiter)

Board of Education: Martha Parsons, 1992

Ordaining Council: Edward W. Miles, 1992

TREASURER'S REPORT

(July 1, 1986-June 30, 1987)

Beginning balance	\$ 594.58
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Receipts

55% 1986 Conference funds	\$ 658.17	
50% Union Meeting funds	<u>667.70</u>	
		<u>1,325.87</u>
Total receipts and beginning balance		<u>\$1,920.45</u>

Disbursements

Ruth Warrick, 30 miles travel	\$ 6.00	
H. T. Hinson, 120 miles travel	24.00	
Dewey Boling, reimbursement for Bible	19.95	
Supplies	6.72	
Felton Godwin, Conference expense	50.00	
Martha Parsons, 214 miles travel	42.80	
Free Will Baptist Press, Bible	14.95	
Free Will Baptist Press, certificates	6.46	
Ed Miles, filing cabinet	31.46	
North Carolina State Convention, Yearbooks	688.00	
Dola Dudley, Secretary's services	150.00	
H. T. Hinson, Treasurer's allowance	<u>125.00</u>	
Total disbursed		<u>\$1,165.34</u>
Balance in Administrative Fund		\$ 755.11

EDUCATIONAL FUND

Beginning balance	\$2,868.55
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Receipts

20% 1986 Conference funds	\$ 239.34	
20% Union Meeting funds	<u>242.78</u>	
Total receipts and beginning balance		<u>\$3,350.67</u>

Disbursements

Dewey Boling, Bible	\$ 14.95	
Mount Olive College	<u>250.00</u>	

Total disbursed	\$ 264.95
Total in Educational Fund	\$3,085.72

STUDENT LOAN FUND

Beginning balance	\$355.66
Payments on loan	<u>75.00</u>
Balance in Fund	\$430.66

SUMMARY

Administrative Fund	\$ 755.11
Educational Fund	3,085.72
Student Loan Fund	<u>430.66</u>
Total	\$4,271.49

Respectfully submitted,
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, 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 preserved, 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 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 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 real property, 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 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 10—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 11—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 12—All reports, resolutions, and recommendations shall be considered properly presented to the conference in written form only.

Section 13—Each minister and delegate in good standing shall duly attend each day while the conference is in session or be subject to censure by the conference and reported to his local church.

Section 14—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 15—No member shall be excused from any session of the conference without leave of the moderator.

Section 16—The conference shall adjourn by a majority vote.

Section 17—Each officer and member of standing committees and boards in good standing shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the conference.

Section 18—The conference shall open and close with suitable devotional services.

Section 19—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 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 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.

CHURCHES	Church Members	Active	Inactiv	Average MW Att	Baptism	Gain Letter	Other	Decease	Lost Letter	Other	Net Change	SSAverage Members	SS Att	Total Income
ALBEMARLE CONFERENCE														
Belhaven														
Corinth	16	16		10						3	3	14	10	
Free Union	277	277	78			5			5	7	7	139		
Gum Neck	60	20	40	25	0	0	0		1	1	0	19	15	719942
Hickory Chapel	267	155	112	130	2				4	1	3	102	86	
Malachi's Chape	151	54	93	52	1				1			78	55	16715
Mount Tabor		65	93	130	1	1	0		3	0	0		60	36837
Mount Zion	87	39	51	35	2				2	1	1	25	22	17759.49
Plymouth, First	37	37	65	35					1	3	4	40	26	18625
Saint Paul	64			50					1		1	40	40	
Shiloh	245			100	0	0	0		6	1	0	120	85	3671539
Sidney														
Sound Side	117			90					2		2	128	88	32430.72
Trinity	45			28	0	0	0		0	0	0	30	31	14435
Union Chapel	165	75	90	75	15	1			3	3	0	10	88	70 35414.02
ALBEMARLE TOTALS														
	1531	738	622	760	21	7	0		29	17	3	31		588
CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE														
Bethel	150			77	1	2			1	2		107	87	28642.5
Casey's Chapel	155	90	65	60	0	4	0		0	0	1	69	50	26717
Daly's Chapel	44	0		28						1	1	20	20	8506.6
Faith	117	46	71	68	6	5			1	1	9	85	64	28235
Goldsboro, First	257				3	0	0		2	1	0	119		

Haymount	90			85	3	4	7	2	6	12	6	69	59	44121.07
Hickory G	21	21	13	28	1	2	4			6	1	28	23	7593.37
Hopewell	285			111	4	1		4	3		2	111	69	59185.39
Johnson Union	254	193	78	100	0	4	0	1	7	13	-17	139	109	
Lanwood Chapel	37	23	24	25	4	7	1		1		11	34	20	10293.32
Lee's Chapel	290	170	119		5	1		3	1		1	183		
Mount Olive	8													230
Oak Grove	156			60		4		1	1		2	125	70	27436.67
Palmer Memorial	192	96	96	90				1			1	110	70	56131.88
Pleasant Grove	180			102	7			2	7		2	103	87	39154.6
Powhatan	228			85	10	1	1	1	2		9	107	87	32965
Riverside	113	112	38	125		5		2	2		1	117	90	32000
Roberts Grove	203			85	1	1		3			1	151	103	39586.5
St Mary's Grove	209	209	44	135	0	0	1	1	4	0		131	99	52000
St Paul	96	96	56	55		1			2	0	1	115	60	
Shady Grove	296			122	2	1	0	9	8	0		114	92	70657.47
Smithfield, Firs	122			60		2					2	53	35	
Smyrna	141	141		65	1	2			1		2	96	75	
Steven's Chapel	111			34					4		4	63	50	33478.27
Tee's Chapel	244			160	10	0	0	5	2	0	3	218	167	45124.7
Victory	37	37		40		1	1	1			1	41	40	17500
West Clinton	82	23	59	28	1			3	1		3	32	28	9502.67
Wooten's Chapel	115	24	91	25				1			1		17	
Yelverton Grove	139	139		60	2	2		1			2	99	66	
Genesis Mission	23	23	0	34	4	4	0	0	0	0	8	39	31	
CAPE FEAR TOTALS	4395	1443	754	1947	65	54	15	45	57	32	57		1768	