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

Held at
Lee's Chapel Church
Dunn, North Carolina
November 3, 1988

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 Norris, Charles
 Patterson, Gary

Peele, Kenneth
 Tart, Mike

PROCEEDINGS

The one hundred thirty-fourth session of the Cape Fear Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened at Lee's Chapel Church, Route 5, Dunn, North Carolina, Thursday, November 3, 1988, at 9 a.m.

The meeting opened with the congregation singing "When We All Get to Heaven." Peyton Lee served as music director and the Rev. Dean Kennedy as pianist.

The morning devotion was by the Rev. Edmundo Gonzalez. He used Scripture from John 21.

The Rev. Phillip Boykin, host pastor, welcomed everyone to Lee's Chapel Church, and J. N. Bryant responded.

The Conference was called to order by the moderator, the Rev. C. Felton Godwin. The Rev. Jeff Scarborough, chairman of the Credentials Committee, explained the registration procedure of the Conference, adopted at the one hundred fourteenth session, which states: "In all future sessions of the Cape Fear Conference, the Credentials Committee shall be instructed to issue a badge of identification to all duly registered ministers, delegates and visitors, and that no person 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. It shall be the duty of the Credentials Committee to explain the registration at the opening of the Cape Fear Conference."

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

Motion carried. Vandora Springs Church accepted into Conference. The moderator extended the right hand of fellowship.

The moderator extended greetings to the following visitors: The Revs. Walter Reynolds, Walter Sutton, David Hines, Bobby Taylor, Ralph Sumner, David C. Hansley, De Wayne Eakes, Ray Wells, Harold Jones, Clifford Ball, and Mr. Cliff Gray.

The moderator addressed the Conference briefly. He thanked the body for the support they had given over the years and asked that we continue to work together in love and unity to promote the cause of Christ to the ends of the earth.

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

Credentials: Jeff Scarborough, Mike Ledbetter and Tony McLamb

Temperance: Ed Gonzalez, C. M. Coats and Jesse Caton

Resolutions: Dewey C. Boling, Phillip Boykin and Ed Taylor

Obituary: Frank Harrison, Ed Miles and Don Venable

Nominating: Calvin Heath, Frank Harrison and Dean Kennedy

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

Mount Olive College, by the Rev. David Hines

Children's Home, by the Rev. Bobby Taylor

Church Finance, by the Rev. Walter Reynolds

Retirement Homes, by the Rev. Walter Sutton

Home Missions, by the Rev. David C. Hansley

Foreign Missions, by the Rev. Harold Jones

NC State Convention, by the Rev. De Wayne Eakes

Cragmont Assembly, by the Rev. De Wayne Eakes

Ministers' Program, the Rev. Ray Wells

Camp Vandemere, by the Rev. Ralph Sumner

Free Will Baptist Press, by Cliff Gray

The morning worship began with the congregation singing "Glory to His Name." After the worship offering and offertory prayer by Dr. W. Burkette Raper, special music was rendered by Phillip Boykin and Jessie Parsons.

The moderator introduced the Rev. Raymond Jones, pastor of St. Mary's Grove Church, who brought the morning message entitled "Brotherly Love." He said, "The greatest need among our church people is love, and especially our ministers, who are the spiritual leaders. The congregation will love as the minister loves. Love is the Christian's badge and we need to display it to the world."

The worship hour closed with an altar prayer in behalf of the Rev. W. A. Martin, who was to undergo surgery the following morning. The Rev. Ed Miles led the prayer.

The host church served lunch in the fellowship hall. The Rev. Phillip Boykin prayed the table blessing.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with the congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Scripture and prayer were by the Rev. Ken Hardison.

The moderator called for reports from standing committees.

The report of the Executive Committee was given by Dola Dudley and adopted. (See Reports.)

The following reports were given and adopted. (See Reports, except as noted.)

Ordaining Council, by the Rev. Ed Miles.

Sunday School Convention, by the Rev. Michael Ledbetter. (Report not included.)

Woman's Auxilliary, by Linda Jackson.

Cape Fear Ministers' Conference, by the Rev. Phillip Boykin.

Board of Education, by Martha Parsons.

Temperance Committee, by the Rev. J. B. Caton.

Resolutions Committee, by the Rev. Dewey C. Boling.

Credentials Committee, by the Rev. Jeff Scarborough.

Nominating Committee, by the Rev. Frank Harrison.

The Treasurer's report was given by H. T. Hinson and adopted.

An invitation for the 1989 session was extended by the pastors of Smyrna Church and Palmer Memorial Church.

Motion carried that if, for any reason, Smyrna is unable to host the meeting, we have the 1989 session at Palmer Memorial.

Motion carried to adjourn. Benediction by the Rev. L. B. Woodall.

REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(November 30, 1987)

The Executive Committee of the Cape Fear Conference met November 30, 1987, at the home of the Rev. C. Felton Godwin. Members present were: C. Felton Godwin, Dewey C. Boling, Dola Dudley, H. T. Hinson and Calvin Heath.

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

The minutes of the 1987 session of the Conference were read and approved for printing in the 1988 *Yearbook*.

The Board approved the work of the Ordaining Council in approving Kenneth Peele, licensed minister from Haymount Church.

Motion carried to give the moderator \$50 for Conference expense.

Motion to adjourn. Benediction by Calvin Heath.

(September 20, 1988)

The Executive Committee met September 20, 1988, at the home of the moderator. The meeting opened with prayer by the Rev. C. Felton Godwin.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The purpose of the meeting was to plan the program for the 1988 session of the Conference scheduled to convene with Lee's Chapel Church on November 3, 1988.

Speakers for devotions, morning worship service and others were selected for the program. Recommendations were made for temporary committees to serve at the Conference.

The meeting adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Calvin Heath.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Felton Godwin, *Moderator*
Dola Dudley, *Secretary*

ORDAINING COUNCIL

The board has met six times this year and is pleased to give this condensed report. Details will be given upon request.

In regular session 5-16-88, the board was informed that Brother Gideon Stevens had been charged with possession with the purpose of sale, both tax paid and non-tax paid, alcoholic beverage. Motion passed that the secretary investigate said charges and report back to the board. After finding that there were legal charges against Brother Stevens, a motion was passed that the secretary write and ask Brother Stevens to appear before this council on October 24, 1988, 1:00 p.m., due to the charges against him concerning possession of both tax paid and non-tax paid alcohol beverages with the intent to sell. If he fails to appear, his credentials will be cancelled. Brother Gideon Stevens met with us on 10-24-88 concerning the above charges. Since Brother Stevens did not want to surrender his credentials because the charges had been dropped, motion was passed that the secretary set up a trial where Brother Stevens can face his accusers.

In our meeting, October 24, 1988, we received a letter from the clerk of Lanwood Chapel Church saying they had called Brother Kenneth Jackson as their pastor. Motion passed that the secretary write the church a letter stating that Brother Jackson cannot pastor their church except under the supervision of another ordained pastor until such time as he satisfies this board for ordination.

WE RECOMMEND: Brother Tony Reep and Brother Darrell Robbins' names be dropped from the roll of ministers. This information was in *The Free Will Baptist* paper, May 1988.

WE RECOMMEND: That we accept the transfer of Brother Phillip Boykin from the Western Conference.

WE RECOMMEND: That we clear Brother Mike Ledbetter to preach in the Cape Fear Conference. He is from the Eastern Conference.

WE RECOMMEND: Brother Roger Heath—Victory Church be added to list of Ordained Ministers.

WE RECOMMEND: That we add the following names to the list of licensed ministers:

Kenneth Jackson—Riverside Church

James Fortner—Hopewell Church, to be renewed for one year

Kenny Peele—Haymount Church

Charles R. Norris—Smyrna Church

Jeffrey Hayes—Powhatan Church

Mike Tart—Palmer Memorial Church

WE RECOMMEND: That we return the credentials of Brother Charles Barnard after one year of probation.

Respectfully submitted,
 Dewey C. Boling, *Chairman*
 Jeff Scarborough, *Vice Chairman*
 Ed Miles, *Secretary*
 Foy Futrelle
 C. M. Coats

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Cape Fear District has enjoyed another successful year. We have reached all our goals set by the State Auxiliary Convention. We have contributed to all of our denominational enterprises. We have held two study courses, one on methods taught by Mrs. Dola Dudley and one on Missions taught by Fred and Linda Baker, missionaries to the Philippines. Our Spring Convention was held at Robert's Grove Church on April 13, 1988, with eighteen auxiliaries reporting, two of which had met the A-1 Standard of Achievement. The Rev. Mike Ledbetter brought the morning message. Our Fall Meeting convened October 12, 1988, at St. Mary's Grove Church with nineteen auxiliaries reporting. The Rev. Fred Baker brought the morning message. Mrs. Margaret Johnson received the life membership award for this year.

Respectfully submitted,
 Linda Jackson, *President*

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board met March 12, 1988, to grade the applications we received in reference to the \$500 annual scholarship. The scholarship was awarded to Tracy McLamb from Shady Grove Free Will Baptist Church. She is attending Mount Olive College.

The Board met again on October 29, 1988. Two items of business were transacted.

1. We reviewed the By-Laws governing the Board of Education. A motion was made and carried to work out some type of training course to be held in the Spring. More information will follow.
2. To mail out the letters and applications for the scholarship by January 1, 1989.

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

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the utmost good of our ministers is to point and direct our people toward Christ, we encourage our people to continue in our first love, the Lord Jesus Christ. Since there is so much heartache and suffering in our world and communities, let us leave this Conference with a deeper commitment in our hearts to seize the opportunities God gives us to continue to lead our people.

FURTHER, we encourage our people to pray for those who are caught up in and subjected to the menace of drugs and alcohol, especially our young people. Let us now therefore lead as we are guided by His Holy Spirit and teach by example the high morals and values of Christianity.

Respectfully submitted,
 Edmundo G. Gonzalez, *Chairman*
 C. M. Coats
 Jesse B. Caton

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Since the ungodly are crying out for the Church to show them more than just talk, BE IT RESOLVED that each of us as Christians, strive to live more like our Master, thus setting a better example in our daily living, that others may see Christ in our lives.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Conference give Lee's Chapel Church a rising vote of thanks for their wonderful hospitality shown us during this one hundred thirty-fourth session of the Cape Fear Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
Dewey Boling, *Chairman*
Phillip Boykin
Ed Taylor

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Ministers Present	38
Visiting Ministers	9
Licensed Ministers	1
Delegates	33
Visitors	<u>19</u>
Total Present	100
Ministers Excused	3

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Scarborough, *Chairman*
Tony McLamb
Mike Ledbetter

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Board of Trustees, Ray G. Smith, 1993
Board of Education, Peyton Lee, 1993
Board of Ordination, Dewey C. Boling, 1993

Respectfully submitted,
Calvin Heath, *Chairman*
Dean Kennedy
Frank Harrison

TREASURER'S REPORT

(July 1, 1987—June 30, 1988)

Beginning balance \$1,231.32

Receipts

1987 Conference funds	\$ 676.46	
Union Meeting funds	698.53	<u>1,374.99</u>
Total receipts and beginning balance		\$2,606.31

Disbursements

Dola Dudley, secretarial services	\$ 300.00
H. T. Hinson, treasurer's allowance	125.00
Conference expense, postage etc.	54.81
C. J. Hanna Associates, Treasurer's bond	50.00
State Convention, Headquarters contribution	100.00
Martha Parsons, mileage	79.86
H. T. Hinson, mileage	25.20
C. Felton Godwin, Conference expense	50.00
J. B. Narron, <i>Yearbooks</i>	675.00

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Conference expense	<u>125.00</u>	<u>1,584.87</u>
Balance in Administrative Fund		<u>\$1,021.44</u>

EDUCATIONAL FUND (July 1, 1987—June 30, 1988)

Beginning balance		\$3,085.72
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Receipts

20% 1987 Conference funds	\$ 245.98	
20% Union Meetings funds	<u>254.00</u>	<u>499.98</u>
Total receipts and beginning balance		<u>\$3,585.70</u>

Disbursements

Tracy McLamb, Scholarship		<u>500.00</u>
Balance in Educational fund		<u>\$3,085.70</u>

STUDENT LOAN FUND (July 1, 1987—June 30, 1988)

Beginning balance	\$ 430.66
Payment on Loan	<u>475.00</u>
Balance in Student Loan Fund	<u>\$ 905.66</u>

SUMMARY

Administrative Fund	<u>\$1,021.44</u>
Educational Fund	<u>3,085.70</u>
Student Loan Fund	<u>905.66</u>
Total	\$5,012.80

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 to 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 session 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 session 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	Inactive	Average MW Att	Baptism	Gain Letter	Other	Deceased	Lost Letter	Other	Net Change	SS Members	Average SS Att
ALBEMARLE CONFERENCE													
Belhaven											0		
Corinth	9			10				2	1	1	-4	12	9
Free Union	322	135	187	135				2	4	27	0	101	80
Gum Neck	56	12	44	20				1			-1	15	15
Hickory Chapel	283	173	110	125	9	9		2	1		15	107	90
Malachi's Chapel	147	54	93	47							0	78	53
Mount Tabor	156	56	100	65	2			1	1		0	75	48
Mount Zion	88	37	51	33				1	1		-2	23	24
Plymouth	40	40	63	50	1	2		1			2	42	30
Saint Paul	48	45	25	40		5		2			3	45	45
Shiloh	242			100				1	2		-3	115	85
Sidney	172			80		2			1		1	86	72
Sound Side	118	118	0	85							0	120	90
Trinity	41									2	-2	28	
Union Chapel	164				1	11		5			7	100	
Albemarle Totals	1886				13	29	0	18	11	30	16	947	
CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE													
Bethel	147			75				2	1		-3	102	85
Casey's Chapel	159	89	70	60		3	3	1	1		4	69	50
Daly's Chapel	43	23	20	40							0	23	23
Faith	116	45	71	58				1			-1	87	64
Genesis Mission	26	14	12	26		3			2		1	29	20
Goldsboro, First	251	118	133	105	0	2	0	1	0	7	-6	110	85
Haymount	80			85	4	4		3	5		0	70	55
Hickory Grove											0		
Hopewell	281			109	1			1	4		-4	110	65

Johnston Union	289	203	86	120	3			3	0	139	102	
Lanwood Chapel	32	20	13	25			1		-1	33	20	
Lee's Chapel									0			
Mount Olive	7			25			1		-1			
Oak Grove	152			62	1		1	1	-1	125	72	
Palmer Memorial	193	97	96	94	3			2	1	73	65	
Pleasant Grove	195			101	5	9	1		13	115	88	
Powhatan	224			85	3	1		5	3	-4	115	83
Riverside	123	121	36	125	2	2	2		2	90	85	
Robert's Grove	204			80	3		2		1	163	100	
Shady Grove	286			118	2		6	6	-10	115	91	
Smithfield, First	77	77	52		1	8	1	1	7			
Smyrna	141	141		50	6		4	2	0	106	75	
St. Mary's Grove	215	215	31	130	2		1		2	135	91	
St. Paul	97	97	56	50	2		1		1		50	
Steven's Chapel									0			
Tee's Chapel	228			175	9	4	3		10	202	163	
Victory									0			
West Clinton	83	28	55	32		2		1	1		32	
Wooten's Chapel	118	15	93	25	3		1		2	11	18	
Yelverton Grove	139	139		60			1		-1	99	66	
Cape Fear Totals	3906				50	38	4	35	34	10	13	2121

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Aspen Grove	241			110	6	3	2	8		-1	133	105
Ayden	144	65	79	65		3	4	7		-8	54	46
Bethany	184	90	94	60	1	5	1	3		2	60	50
Black Jack	649			275	9	8	12	2		3	438	261
Community	114	0	0	45		2	4	9	1	-12	50	39
Daniels Chapel	394				6	6	4	1		7	170	
Dilda's Grove	102	102	27	75				2		-2	63	60