

1980-81

Yearbook

for

Original

Free Will Baptists

of

North Carolina

Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc.
Ayden, N. C.

MINUTES OF CONFERENCES AND ASSOCIATION

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| Piedmont | 235 |
| Albemarle | 258 |
| Western | 268 |
| Pee Dee | 283 |
| Eastern | 297 |
| Cape Fear | 330 |
| Central | 360 |

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

377

STATISTICAL TABLES

385

**MINUTES
of the
232ND ANNUAL SESSION
of the
CENTRAL CONFERENCE
of the
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH
of
NORTH CAROLINA**

**Held with
King's Cross Roads Free Will Baptist Church
Pitt County
Wednesday, November 5, 1980**

The Rev. Willis Wilson, *Moderator*
The Rev. Leon Grubbs, *Clerk*
The Rev. Bobby Futrell, *Host Pastor*

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

MODERATOR
The Rev. Willis Wilson

ASSISTANT MODERATOR
The Rev. C. L. Patrick

CLERK
The Rev. Leon Grubbs

ASSISTANT CLERK
The Rev. Bobby Futrell

TREASURER
Mr. Boyd Barrow

EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Rev. Leon Grubbs

Mr. Boyd Barrow

The Rev. O. B. Jones, Member at Large

The Rev. Gary Bailey (1983)

The Rev. Royce Reynolds (1984)

The Rev. Hubert Burress (1985)

Mr. J. M. Longley (1983)

Mr. Macon Page (1984)

The Rev. Cedric D. Pierce (1983)

Mr. Randolph Harris (1984)

Mr. Linwood Cobb (1985)

The Rev. Charles Branch (1983)

Mr. J. T. Beddard (1984)

Mrs. Randolph Harris (1985)

The Rev. Bruce Jones (1982)

The Rev. David Charles Hansley (1983)

Mr. Leon Harris (1982)

Mrs. Julia Smith (1983)

The Rev. L. B. Manning (1982)

The Rev. W. S. Burns (1983)

The Rev. C. H. Overman (1982)

PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN
The Rev. Danny Braswell (1982)

REPRESENTATIVE OF MEMBERSHIPS IN CHURCH FINANCE
ASSOCIATION, INC.
Mr. D. W. Barrow (1982)

ROLL OF MINISTERS

ROLL OF MINISTERS BY SENIORITY

| | 1979 | 1980 |
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| L. B. Manning | P | P |
| N. D. Beaman | P | P |
| *J. P. Barrow | A | A |
| *C. D. Hamilton | A | A |
| *R. H. Proctor | A | A |
| C. L. Patrick | P | P |
| N. B. Barrow | P | P |
| Hubert Burress | P | P |
| Lt. Col. J. B. Narron | A | A |
| Dr. Michael Pelt | L | P |
| Willis Wilson | P | P |
| Raymond T. Sasser | P | P |
| Jack Mayo | P | P |
| Vance Link | A | A |
| C. H. Overman | L | L |
| Joseph H. Lehmann | P | P |
| James Lupton | A | A |
| Walter Pollard | A | A |
| Charles Edwin Branch | P | P |
| N. D. Wiggs | P | P |
| N. B. "Tex" Barrow, Jr. | A | L |
| Walter Bruce Jones | P | P |
| Clinton Davis | P | P |
| Gary Bailey | P | P |
| Walter Reynolds | P | P |
| Tom Miller | P | P |
| Harry A. Jones | A | P |
| Danny Braswell | A | P |
| O. B. Jones | P | A |

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| Stewart Humphrey | P | P |
| Leon Grubbs | P | P |
| Bobby Taylor | P | P |
| Royce Reynolds | P | P |
| Robert Rollins | A | P |
| Beverly Ballard | A | P |
| David C. Hansley | P | P |
| Bobby Futrell | P | P |
| Jerry Rowe | A | A |
| Ronnie Hobgood | P | A |
| Cedric D. Pierce Jr. | P | P |
| Curtis Jones | A | A |
| Bryant Hines | P | L |
| David Hines | P | L |
| Gordon Massey | A | A |
| Melvin Moore | A | A |
| W. S. Burns | P | P |
| Harry Grubbs | | P |
| Earl Glenn | | A |
| Billy Ray Jordan | | P |
| Robert Strickland | | P |
| Bob Murray | | P |
| R. P. Harris | | P |
| (*Denotes Retired Minister) | | |

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- Barrow, N. B. "Tex" Jr., 2322 Byrd Street, Raleigh, NC 27608
- Beaman, N. D., Route 4, Box 400, Snow Hill, NC 28580; phone 747-3503
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- Braswell, Danny, Route 3, Box 203, Elm City, NC 27822; phone 237-4576
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- Davis, Clinton, Route 3, Snow Hill, NC 28580; phone 747-3087
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Hines, C. Bryant, Route 9, Box 138, Goldsboro, NC 27530; phone 731-2773
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Hobgood, Ronnie, Route 1, Box 82-C1, Robersonville, NC 27871; phone 792-4276
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Rollins, Robert, Route 7, Box 469, Kinston, NC 28501; phone 527-2730
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LICENSED MINISTERS

Charles Lacher
 Joe Hudson
 Clarence Harris

Frank Robbins
 Roger Heath
 Leon Harris

Edward Thornton
 Clifford Ball
 James Owens

ROLL OF CHURCHES AND THEIR PASTORS

Aspen Grove—Hubert Burress
 Ayden—C. H. Overman
 Bethany—C. L. Patrick
 Black Jack—Cedric D. Pierce
 Cedar Grove
 Community—Billy Ray Jordan
 Daniels Chapel—David C. Hansley
 Dawson's Grove—Kenneth Carter
 Dilda's Grove—Luther Bissette
 Edgewood—Robert Strickland
 Elm Grove—W. S. Burns
 Free Union—Calvin Heath
 Friendship—Walter Reynolds
 Greenville, First—Harry Grubbs
 Grimsley—Donald Fader
 Gum Swamp—Bobby Taylor
 Harrell's Chapel—Franklin Brinson
 Hickory Grove—Leon Harris
 Howell Swamp—Joseph Lehmann
 Hugo—Tom Miller
 Hull Road—Leon Grubbs
 King's Cross Roads—Bobby Futrell
 LaGrange—Earl Glenn
 Little Creek—Frank Flowers
 Maury

Marlboro—W. Scott Sowers
Ormondsville—Jack Mayo
Otter's Creek—Ralph Aycock
Owens Chapel—Melvin Moore
Peace—Danny Braswell
Piney Grove (Beaufort)—Beverly Ballard
Piney Grove (Pitt)—Tommy Evans
Pleasant Hill—C. F. Bowen
Reedy Branch—Willis Wilson
Roanoke Rapids—Bob Murray
Rocky Mount, First
Rose Hill—N. D. Beaman
Rose of Sharon—Ronnie Hobgood
Saints Delight—James Warren
Saratoga—J. C. Yates
Spring Branch—Royce Reynolds
Sweet Gum Grove—J. David Hill
Tarboro, First—O. B. Jones
Walnut Creek—Robert B. Fussell
Watery Branch
Williamston, First—Curtis Jones
Winterville—Edward C. Taylor

PROCEEDINGS

MORNING SESSION

The Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, being the continuation of the General Conference, convened in its 232nd annual session with the King's Cross Roads Free Will Baptist Church, Farmville, North Carolina, on November 5, 1980.

The host pastor, the Rev. Bobby Futrell, led the Conference in an opening hymn. Leon Harris conducted the opening devotional.

The host pastor gave a welcome to the Conference.

Mrs. Lou McLawhorn responded on behalf of the Conference.

The Conference clerk, the Rev. Leon Grubbs, officially opened the Conference for the transaction of business and presented the moderator, the Rev. Willis Wilson, who presided over this session of the Conference.

The moderator gave a brief message.

Visiting ministers were recognized: Cape Fear Conference: W. Burkette Raper, Ed C. Taylor, Charles Parrish, and Taylor Hill. Eastern Conference: Phillip Wood, Franklin Brinson, and Scott Sowers. General Association of General Baptists: John Swain.

The moderator appointed the temporary committees:

Parliamentarian: The Rev. C. L. Patrick

Temperance: The Revs. David C. Hansley, W. S. Burns, and Danny Braswell.

Resolutions: The Revs. Raymond T. Sasser, C. D. Pierce Jr., and Leon Harris.

Nominating: The Revs. N. D. Beaman, Bobby Taylor, and Walter Reynolds.

The roll call of churches and ministers was made.

By motion, the day's program was adopted giving the moderator the right to make any changes necessary.

The report of the State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina was given by the Rev. David C. Hansley, president.

The Rev. Walter Reynolds gave reports of the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation and Superannuation.

Dr. W. Burkette Raper gave a report of Mount Olive College.

The Rev. John Williams gave the Cragmont Assembly report.

Reports of the Children's Home and Retirement Homes were given by the Rev. Stewart Humphrey.

The Rev. Joseph Ingram gave a report of Foreign Missions.

Report of Church Finance Association was given by the Rev. Hubert Burress.

Report of Home Missions was given by the Rev. Taylor Hill.

The Rev. Royce Reynolds gave the report of the Board of Ordination. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Conference adjourned for the worship service. The Rev. Bobby Futrell led in the singing of a hymn. An offering for the Conference was received. Mr. Roscoe Eason delivered the introductory sermon.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The moderator opened the afternoon session by leading the Conference in the singing of a hymn. The Rev. Robert Strickland gave a devotional.

The Rev. L. B. Manning gave the report of the Obituary Committee. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

Mrs. Julia Smith gave the report of the Credentials Committee. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Leon Grubbs gave the report of the Executive Committee. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. W. S. Burns gave the report of the Temperance Committee. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Raymond Sasser gave the report of the Conference Mission Board. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Leon Grubbs presented the treasurer's report for the treasurer, Mr. Boyd Barrow, who could not be present. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

The Rev. Cedric D. Pierce gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. On motion, the report was adopted. (See Reports.)

By motion, Article IV of the Constitution, "Standing Boards and Committees," paragraph three, was corrected to read "memberships" rather than "stock."

By motion, the word "stock" is to be corrected to read "memberships" in the *Yearbook* in the section entitled "Boards and Committees" under "Representatives of the *Memberships* in the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation" and "Representative of *Memberships* in the Church Finance Association, Inc."

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by the Rev. Bobby Taylor. On motion, the report was adopted and those names placed in nomination by the Committee were elected by acclamation. (See Reports.)

On motion, any unfinished business be left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

On motion, we adjourned.

Leon Grubbs, *Clerk*
Willis Wilson, *Moderator*

REPORTS

REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

November 5, 1980

The Ordaining Council of the Central Conference has taken the following action since the Conference convened on November 7, 1979, and awaits the approval of this Conference.

The Board met on the day of the Central Conference last year at Reedy Branch church and questioned Brothers Earl Glenn and Billy Ray Jordan about their desire to join our Conference. They were granted acceptance pending letters from their respective conferences. Those letters have been received.

On January 21, 1980, the Board met at Ayden and talked with Brother Edward Thornton from Harrell's Chapel church, who was seeking a license to preach. The Board voted to ask his church to

license him. Brother Dan Jordan was given clearance by our Board to work with the Roanoke Rapids church. The Board passed a motion that we advise any minister leaving our denomination from the Central Conference that he must agree to reenter through our Conference if he comes back to this denomination.

On April 8, 1980, the Board met at the Ayden Press to talk with Brother R. P. Harris about his desire to come back into our ranks from the National Association. After thorough questioning and a long discussion, the Board decided that he would be reinstated, providing he would fulfill the requirements of the Central Conference for any minister coming into our ranks from another denomination. He was also required to make a written apology to the conference for failing to surrender his credentials when requested to do so at the time he left our ranks and to retain his membership in this Conference for the next two years. Brother Harris accepted these requirements and has complied with them at this time.

Brother Clifford Ball came from Elm Grove church to be examined for a license to preach and the Board voted to ask his church to license him.

The Board met again on August 5, 1980, at the Press in Ayden, and talked with Brother Bob Murray who desired to transfer from the Cape Fear Conference. The Board voted to accept him pending a letter of transfer from his conference. That letter has been received.

The Board also heard a request from Brothers Robert Strickland and Leon Harris that they be examined for ordination. The Board agreed and they were given the written section of the test on August 18, 1980, and the oral section on September 2, 1980. The Board approved the ordination of Robert Strickland and the service was carried out on September 14, 1980, at Daniels Chapel church. Brother Leon Harris has passed the examination but must complete the educational requirements before he can be ordained.

Brother Calvin Heath, who is pastor of Free Union church, came desiring to join this Conference. Permission was granted and he was accepted pending a letter of transfer from the Eastern Conference. That letter has not been received yet.

On September 2, 1980, the Board met at the Press and talked with three ministers about coming into our Conference. Brother Harry Grubbs was accepted since he presented a letter of transfer from the Western Conference. Brother Frank Flowers was accepted pending a letter of transfer from the Western Conference. We have not received that letter yet. Brother Ed Taylor was given clearance for work in our Conference at the Winterville church.

On October 21, 1980, the Board met at the Press and talked with Brother James Owens who came with a request from Otter's Creek church that he be examined for a license to preach. The Board voted to ask his church to license him.

The Board selected the Rev. Bruce Barrow, our chairman, to represent the Ordaining Council at meetings to be held at Mount Olive College concerning the four-year curriculum for ministerial education.

Brother Barrow has been unable to meet with our Board for several meetings because of illness. Brother Leon Grubbs has been serving as his proxy.

The following is a summary of the licensed ministers of the Central Conference:

1. Lost since the last Conference—none
2. Added since the last Conference—Edward Thornton, Clifford Ball, and James Owens.
3. Present list of licensed ministers—Charles Lacher, Joe Hudson, Clarence Harris, Frank Robbins, Roger Heath, Leon Harris, Edward Thornton, Clifford Ball, and James Owens.
4. Licensed ministers ordained since last Conference—Robert Strickland.
5. Total—9 licensed ministers.

The following is a summary of the ordained ministers of our Conference.

1. Lost since last Conference—C. J. Harris by death
2. Added since last Conference—Earl Glenn, Billy Ray Jordan, Harry Grubbs, Robert Strickland, Bob Murray, and R. P. Harris.
3. Total number of ordained ministers—52

This report is respectfully submitted to this conference by the Central Conference Ordaining Council.

N. Bruce Barrow, *Chairman*
 Gary Bailey, *Vice Chairman*
 Jack Mayo
 Raymond Sasser
 Royce Reynolds, *Secretary*

REPORT OF THE OBITUARY COMMITTEE

We, the Obituary Committee, report that the Lord called home one of our ministers for his heavenly reward, the Rev. C. J. Harris.

We respectfully request that this Conference stand in a moment of silent prayer in memory of this, our brother who labored many years for the Lord and our denomination.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Randolph Harris
L. B. Manning
Tom Miller

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Central Conference met following the Conference at Reedy Branch church on November 7, 1979, with all members present. The minutes of the Conference were read and approved.

The Executive Committee met on September 30, 1980, at the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden. Members present: Willis Wilson, C. L. Patrick, Bobby Taylor, and Leon Grubbs. The Rev. C. L. Patrick led in a word of prayer.

It was noted that a new mission in Kinston—Fellowship Free Will Baptist, had petitioned the Eastern Conference for membership. The Eastern Conference then contacted the Central Conference. In keeping with a long-standing mutual agreement between the two Conferences, the moderator and clerk of the Central Conference sent a letter releasing any claim on the Fellowship Mission, allowing them to join the Eastern Conference.

It was also noted that this year's Conference will meet with the King's Cross Roads church on November 5. The program for the Conference was arranged.

Leon Grubbs, *Clerk*
Willis Willson, *Moderator*

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Reading from the Constitution of the Central Conference, portions from Articles I and II: "This conference shall be composed of affiliated ordained ministers and churches within its bounds, who are in good standing, and all general officers and members of standing boards or committees of the conference. . . ."

"Each church shall represent with one delegate for each one hundred members or fraction thereof"

Therefore, we, the Credentials Committee, submit the following report:

1. We recommend that all delegates who have properly registered for the 232nd annual session of the Central Conference be seated in the 1980 session.

2. We recommend that all ministers who are in good standing with the Conference be seated.

3. We further recommend that all ministers and delegates having identification cards and having registered properly, be seated.

4. The following have registered today:

- a. Central Conference ministers—23
- b. Delegates—41
- c. Visiting ministers—28
- d. Churches represented—23
- e. Licensed ministers—4

Respectfully submitted,
Leo Tripp
Julia Smith

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Temperance Committee of the Central Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists, recognizing the traditional and historic opposition of this body to the abuse of drugs and alcohol, recommend that we reaffirm our position on this.

We further recommend that we encourage our people to support the Free Will Baptist Children's Home in its effort to offer family services for the rehabilitation of families who are suffering from such abuse.

We direct the attention of this Conference to the temperance resolution passed by the State Convention in its last seating and go on record as favoring and supporting that resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. Burns
David C. Hansley
Danny Braswell

CENTRAL CONFERENCE MISSION BOARD

Treasurer's Report Year ended June 30, 1980

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| Balance, July 1, 1979 | | \$5,379.98 |
| | <i>Receipts</i> | |
| Churches (including Woman's Auxiliary, Sunday school, etc.) | 1,709.95 | |
| Second Union Meeting | 52.51 | |
| Miscellaneous and Interest on Savings | <u>304.89</u> | |

Central Conference

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| Total Receipts | <u>2,067.35</u> |
| Total for Which to Account | \$7,446.33 |

Disbursements

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| Pastors' Expense Supplement | 2,000.00 | |
| Insurance and Miscellaneous Expense | 51.00 | |
| Repairs | 150.00 | |
| Office Expenses | <u>44.80</u> | |
| Total Disbursements | | <u>2,245.80</u> |
| Balance in Bank, and Savings Account | | <u>\$5,200.53</u> |

Note: \$4,500 is in a savings account with the Church Finance Association.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE MISSION BOARD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER TO THE CONFERENCE IN SESSION

NOVEMBER 5, 1980. (YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1980)

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| Ayden | 10.00 |
| Aspen Grove | 10.00 |
| Bethany | 10.00 |
| Black Jack | 10.00 |
| Cedar Grove | |
| Community | 5.00 |
| Daniels Chapel | 10.00 |
| Dawson's Grove | 15.00 |
| Dilda's Grove | 400.16 |
| Edgewood | |
| Elm Grove | 10.00 |
| Free Union | 10.00 |
| Friendship | 116.00 |
| Greenville | 10.00 |
| Grimsley | |
| Gum Swamp | 10.00 |
| Harrell's Chapel | |
| Hickory Grove | 110.00 |
| Howell Swamp | 10.00 |
| Hugo | 5.00 |
| Hull Road | 10.00 |
| King's Cross Roads | 66.39 |
| LaGrange | 10.00 |
| Little Creek | 10.00 |
| Marlboro | 10.00 |

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| Maury | |
| Ormondsville | 52.00 |
| Otter's Creek | |
| Owen's Chapel | 101.00 |
| Peace | 5.00 |
| Piney Grove (Beaufort) | 49.00 |
| Piney Grove (Pitt) | |
| Pleasant Hill | 10.00 |
| Reedy Branch | 10.00 |
| Roanoke Rapids | |
| Rose Hill | 10.00 |
| Rocky Mount, First | 5.00 |
| Rose of Sharon | 10.00 |
| Saratoga | 10.00 |
| Sweet Gum Grove | 5.00 |
| Spring Branch | 10.00 |
| Saints Delight | |
| Tarboro | 10.00 |
| Watery Branch | |
| Walnut Creek | |
| Williamston | |
| Winterville | 565.40 |
| Total, Churches, Sunday | |
| school, Woman's Auxiliary | 1,709.95 |
| Second Union Meeting | 52.51 |
| Miscellaneous and Interest Earned | 304.89 |
| Grand Total | <u>\$2,067.35</u> |

This year it is again our privilege to express our sincere thanks for your support of our mission program, and for your support in years gone by. A special "thank you" is extended to the Central Conference Woman's Auxiliary Convention for their contributions during the year and years in the past.

To the best of our ability, we have served you in Conference mission activities, according to instructions of the Conference basic goals. These goals are (1) "AN ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH IN EVERY TOWN"; (2) stand ready to assist any church in our Conference that might need help; (3) be prepared to launch out in the establishment of another mission or supporting a prospective group which feels led to organize.

To be effectually active, any mission board needs money in reserve and ready to be active when there is opportunity. We have had

a lot of activity during the year, and your contributions have allowed our reserve fund to remain constant. We trust we will have opportunity to add to this fund next year. We solicit your continued prayers and financial support.

After about two years of self-supporting on a limited basis the Roanoke Rapids church needed some assistance. Beginning in late summer of 1979 under leadership of Free Will Baptist pastors Dan Jordan and Bob Murray they have begun to make progress. Our assistance is on a phase-out basis. There was an article in the "Baptist" on September 10th which gives a good report of current activities. They solicit your continued prayers and support.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert Proctor, Cedric D. Pierce
Joseph Lehmann, Randolph Harris
R. T. Sasser

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE TREASURER

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| Balance November 7, 1979: Checking Account | | \$ 504.27 |
| Savings Account | | <u>852.88</u> |
| Total | | \$1,357.15 |
| Receipts: Dues and Yearbooks | \$1,106.00 | |
| Conference Offering | 61.07 | |
| Interest on Savings | <u>105.49</u> | |
| Total | | <u>\$1,272.56</u> |
| Total for Which to Account | | \$2,629.71 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Reimbursement for expenses to | | |
| Leon Grubbs, Royce Reynolds, and | | |
| Free Will Baptist Press | \$ 52.18 | |
| Clerk's Salary (1979, 1980) | 60.00 | |
| Yearbook Expenses | 334.32 | |
| Intangibles Tax | 1.13 | |
| Bank Service Charges | 9.45 | |
| Total | | <u>\$ 457.08</u> |

SUMMARY

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| Balance November 3, 1980: Checking Account | \$ 165.39 |
| Savings Account | <u>2,007.24</u> |
| Total | <u>\$2,172.63</u> |

This is an increase of \$815.48 over last year's total.

Respectfully submitted,
Boyd Barrow, *Treasurer*

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. BE IT RESOLVED that we express our sincere appreciation to the officers of this Conference for the splendid way they planned and carried out this 232nd annual session of the Central Conference.

2. BE IT RESOLVED that we show our gratitude to the retiring officers and board members for their service to this Conference, executed in an efficient manner.

3. BE IT RESOLVED that we give King's Cross Roads church a vote of thanks for serving as host church for this Conference.

4. BE IT RESOLVED that we express our sentiments on these resolutions by a standing vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Cedric Pierce Jr.
Raymond T. Sasser
Leon Harris

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee reports the following:

Moderator, Willis Wilson

Assistant Moderator, C. L. Patrick

Clerk, Leon Grubbs

Assistant Clerk, Bobby Futrell

Treasurer, Boyd Barrow

Member at Large, O. B. Jones

Board of Ordination, Hubert Burress

Board of Trustees, Macon Page

Board of Missions, Linwood Cobb

Board of Finance, Randolph Harris

Representatives of Memberships in the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Bruce Jones (82) and David C. Hansley (83)

Credentials Committee, Leon Harris (82) and Mrs. Julia Smith (83)

Obituary Committee, W. S. Burns

Conference Historian, C. H. Overman

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Respectfully submitted,
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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 |

| Churches | MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | Total Property Value | TREASURER'S REPORT | | |
|------------------------|------------|-----|--------|-----|-----|----|----|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| | Church | SS | League | YFA | AFC | WA | LL | | Total Used Locally | Denomi- national Enterprise | Grand Total |
| Dawson's Grove | 11 | 11 | | | | 7 | | 40,000 | 2,837 | 1,378 | 4,215 |
| Dilda's Grove | 105 | 63 | | | | 17 | | 125,000 | 10,736 | 4,341 | 15,077 |
| Edgewood | 53 | 42 | | | | 14 | | 100,000 | 8,646 | 4,869 | 13,515 |
| Elm Grove | 165 | 134 | | 11 | 6 | 38 | | 250,000 | 25,696 | 6,779 | 32,475 |
| Free Union | 323 | 116 | | | 25 | 66 | 30 | 200,000 | 31,182 | 5,680 | 36,862 |
| Friendship | 294 | 197 | 50 | | | 40 | 22 | | 43,470 | 13,187 | 56,657 |
| Greenville, First | 230 | 130 | | 10 | | 25 | 12 | 450,000 | 66,800 | 4,450 | 71,250 |
| Grimsley | 98 | 70 | | 6 | 2 | 23 | | 65,000 | 14,443 | 2,701 | 17,144 |
| Gum Swamp | 420 | 120 | | 15 | 12 | 25 | | 225,000 | 14,899 | 5,930 | 20,829 |
| Harrell's Chapel | 190 | 160 | | 12 | | 17 | | 85,000 | 27,313 | 3,672 | 30,985 |
| Hickory Grove | 86 | 75 | | | | 22 | 12 | 60,000 | 9,606 | 2,798 | 12,404 |
| Howell Swamp | 149 | | | | | | | 100,000 | 15,957 | 2,140 | 18,096 |
| Hugo | 76 | 112 | | | 5 | 17 | | 81,000 | 31,528 | 4,077 | 35,605 |
| Hull Road | 350 | 140 | | 15 | 15 | 25 | | 250,000 | 24,972 | 7,376 | 32,348 |
| King's Cross Roads | 240 | 129 | 45 | 12 | 15 | 30 | 19 | 100,000 | 24,692 | 6,856 | 31,548 |
| LaGrange | 206 | 144 | | 10 | 3 | 42 | | | 21,894 | 1,439 | 23,333 |
| Little Creek | 117 | 75 | | | | 28 | | 125,000 | 10,839 | 1,684 | 12,523 |
| Marlboro | 204 | 183 | | 13 | 20 | 37 | 24 | 150,000 | 36,897 | 2,711 | 39,608 |
| Maury | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ormondsville | 168 | 114 | | 15 | 6 | 35 | 10 | 250,000 | 29,651 | 1,535 | 31,186 |
| Otter's Creek | 87 | 55 | | | 13 | 11 | 10 | 75,000 | 13,161 | 4,640 | 17,801 |
| Owen's Chapel | 197 | 133 | 53 | 15 | 9 | 15 | 6 | 70,000 | 28,525 | 4,458 | 32,983 |
| Peace | 45 | 60 | | | | 14 | 5 | 80,500 | 24,067 | 1,625 | 25,692 |
| Piney Grove (Beaufort) | 39 | 32 | | | | 13 | | 50,000 | 5,222 | 1,427 | 6,649 |
| Piney Grove (Pitt) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Hill | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reedy Branch | 316 | 178 | | | | 25 | | 305,000 | 38,402 | 6,863 | 45,315 |
| Roanoke Rapids, First | 14 | 16 | | | | 5 | | 20,000 | 3,373 | 45 | 3,418 |
| Rocky Mount, First | 110 | 45 | | 8 | 5 | 17 | | 75,000 | 24,113 | 2,777 | 26,890 |
| Rose Hill | 198 | 96 | 18 | | | 18 | | 200,000 | 8,011 | 2,923 | 10,934 |

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| Rose of Sharon | 162 | 121 | | 16 | 8 | 26 | | 165,000 | 18,504 | 3,879 | 22,383 |
| Saint's Delight | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saratoga | 199 | 81 | | 8 | 7 | 26 | | 250,000 | 20,639 | 1,901 | 22,540 |
| Spring Branch | 253 | 129 | | 12 | 11 | 30 | 20 | 140,000 | 29,552 | 2,443 | 31,995 |
| Sweet Gum Grove | 207 | 110 | | | | 35 | | | | | |
| Tarboro, First | 382 | 237 | | | | | | | 47,051 | 8,495 | 55,546 |
| Walnut Creek | 86 | 74 | | | | | | 100,000 | 8,792 | 1,400 | 10,192 |
| Watery Branch | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Williamston, First | 100 | 80 | | | | 22 | | 100,000 | 73,690 | 2,597 | 76,287 |
| Winterville | 245 | 138 | 35 | 8 | 5 | 25 | | 85,000 | 23,588 | 11,085 | 34,673 |
| EASTERN CONFERENCE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Angola | 43 | 59 | | | | 10 | | 15,000 | 3,656 | 267 | 3,923 |
| Antioch | 300 | 193 | | | | 35 | | 175,000 | 24,605 | 3,470 | 28,075 |
| Arapahoe | 195 | 190 | | 16 | 17 | 25 | | | 24,917 | 1,700 | 26,617 |
| Beaufort Mission | 23 | 25 | | | | 9 | | 30,000 | 2,226 | 568 | 2,794 |
| Bethel | 75 | 34 | 20 | | | 18 | | 58,000 | 10,231 | 1,780 | 12,011 |
| Bethlehem | 151 | 122 | | 16 | 10 | 20 | | 175,000 | 20,656 | 2,175 | 22,831 |
| Beulaville | 225 | 135 | | | | 12 | | 232,540 | 28,080 | 2,555 | 30,635 |
| Bridgeton | 180 | 83 | | 13 | 10 | 18 | | | 20,620 | 3,162 | 23,782 |
| British Chapel | 65 | 76 | | 8 | 12 | 20 | | 80,000 | 12,884 | 900 | 13,784 |
| Cabin | 180 | 85 | | | | 15 | | 400,000 | 16,262 | 2,045 | 18,307 |
| Christian Chapel | 220 | 128 | 58 | 12 | 14 | 34 | | | 33,350 | 3,910 | 37,260 |
| Core Creek | 130 | 88 | | 12 | 5 | 15 | | 165,000 | 24,954 | 3,409 | 28,363 |
| Core Point Chapel | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crab Point | 75 | 87 | | 6 | 4 | 10 | | 155,000 | 22,220 | 1,062 | 23,282 |
| Croatan | 64 | 75 | | | | | | 65,000 | 20,699 | 1,715 | 22,414 |
| Daly's Chapel | 220 | 92 | | | | 12 | | 150,000 | 13,484 | 573 | 14,057 |
| Davis | 72 | 70 | 30 | | | | | 75,000 | 13,135 | 2,540 | 15,675 |
| Deep Run | 254 | 85 | | 10 | 10 | 25 | | 174,700 | 27,648 | 2,904 | 30,552 |
| Dublin Grove | 173 | 71 | | | | | | 41,000 | 18,676 | 1,602 | 20,278 |
| Edward's Chapel | 120 | 78 | | 15 | 10 | 16 | | 20,000 | 10,917 | 584 | 11,501 |
| Ephesus | 80 | 53 | | | | 18 | | 40,000 | 9,691 | 598 | 10,289 |