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The Sixth Annual Sunday School Convention of the Free Will Baptist of the Cumberland Association, met with Mt. Zion Church on May 21st, 1933.

Service opened by singing number 137.

Prayer by Brother W. M. Reeves.

Letters from the following schools were read and adopted: Bethel, Bethlehem, Cochran School, Heads, Mt. Zion, Rock Springs, 1st Free Will Baptist of Columbia.

We were favored by a quartet from Rock Springs Sunday School.

We were favored by a very interesting talk on the Sunday School work by Brother G. W. Fambrough, and Brother J. B. Parsons.

Adjourned for lunch.

Afternoon

Devotionals led by Brother W. M. Reeves.

Brother Reeves made a splendid talk on the Sunday School work.

Brother G. T. Harris spoke of the importance of Sunday Schools.

Weaver Welch made an interesting talk on the duty of the executive committee.

Letters from Ashland City and East Nashville read.

On motion we go into the election of officers and the following officers were elected: L. O. Burroughs, President; G. T. Harris, Vice-President; Mrs. L. O. Burroughs, Secretary-Treasurer.

Executive Committee: W. E. Coville, W. D. Bradford, Jimmie Walls.

A rising vote of thanks were given to Mt. Zion School, and community, for their splendid hospitality to this sitting of this convention.

Motion that the executive committee make change as they deem best, as to change of time for meetings.

REPORTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Ashland City

Number on roll beginning of year -----	56
New members for the year -----	4
Total on roll -----	60
Average attendance for year -----	39
Visitors during the year -----	100
Number of Chapters read -----	10,096
Number who read the New Testament through -----	2
Number who read the Bible through -----	2
Average daily Bible readers -----	6
Number of conversions during the year -----	9
Number of deaths during the year -----	1
Number who tithe -----	6
Number of classes -----	6
Number of officers and teachers -----	9
Receipts for the year -----	\$ 53.84
Disbursements for the year -----	\$ 45.09
Balance on hand -----	\$ 8.75

Our school meets at 10:00 A.M.

Pastor, Rev. J. E. Hudgens, Ashland City, Tenn.

Superintendent, P. E. Hagewood, Ashland City, Tenn.

Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Nicholson, Ashland City, Tenn.

Bethel

Number on roll beginning of year -----	60
New members for the year -----	35
Total on roll -----	95
Average attendance for year -----	50
Visitors for the year -----	275
Number of Chapters read by the School -----	5,755
Number who read the New Testament through -----	1
Number daily Bible readers -----	5
Number conversions during the year -----	25
Number of deaths in school this year -----	1
Number of Classes -----	6
Number of officers and teachers -----	8
Receipts for the year -----	\$ 9.71
Disbursements -----	\$ 46.88

Our school meets at 9:45 A.M.

Pastor, Rev. J. E. Hudgens, Ashland City, Tenn.

Superintendent, G. W. Fambrough, Neptune, Tenn.

Secretary, Miss Rebecca Baker, Neptune, Tenn.

Bethlehem

Number on roll beginning of year -----	69
New members for the year -----	10
Total on roll -----	79
Average attendance for year -----	43
Visitors for year -----	252
Chapters read by the school -----	12,747
Number who read New Testament through -----	8
Number who read the entire Bible -----	3
Average daily Bible readers -----	8
Number of conversions during year -----	12
number who paid Birthday Offering -----	18
Number who tithe -----	5
Number of classes -----	4
Number of officers and teachers -----	6
Receipts for the year -----	\$ 40.33
Disbursements -----	\$ 35.02

Our school meets at 2 P.M.

Pastor, Rev. Wm. Henry Oliver, 418 Ivins St., Nashville, Tenn.

Superintendent, A. R. Baswell, Ashland City, Tenn., R. 1.

Secretary, Miss Allene Reed, Ashland City, Tenn., R. 1.

Cofers Chapel

On roll beginning of year -----	92
New members for the year -----	9
Total on roll -----	101
Average attendance for year -----	81
Visitors for the year -----	46
Number of Chapters read -----	16,472
Number that read the New Testament through -----	7
Number that read the entire Bible -----	2
Average daily Bible readers -----	13
Number that paid Birthday Offering -----	32
Number that tithe -----	10
Number of classes -----	9
Number of teachers and officers -----	13
Receipts for the year -----	\$274.34

Our school meets at 9:30 A.M.

Pastor, Rev. J. H. Oliver, 1600 10th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.

Superintendent, W. D. Bradford, 1717 8th Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.

Secretary, Miss Cordie Dever, Cliff Drive, Nashville, Tenn.

Cochran School

Number on roll beginning of year -----	55
New members for year -----	5
Total on roll -----	60
Average attendance for year -----	38
Visitors during the year -----	46
Number of Chapters read -----	20,217
Number that read the New Testament through -----	8
Number that read the entire Bible -----	1
Number of daily Bible readers -----	17
Number of conversions during the year -----	2
Number deaths in school this year -----	2
Number who have paid Birthday Offerings -----	17
Number of classes -----	4
Number of teachers and officers -----	6
Disbursements for the year -----	\$ 21.49

Our school meets at 2:00 P.M.

Secretary, Miss Allene Reed, Ashland City, Tenn.

Superintendent, Mr. Herman Hudgens, Ashland City, Tenn.

Letter

We, the Sunday School of East Nashville Church, Nashville, Tenn.
To the Sunday School convention of the Cumberland Association
when convened at Bethlehem.

We have chosen our representatives to-wit: H. E. Simpson and
Laura Cantrell.

Our statistics are as follows:

Number on roll beginning of year -----	92
Number on roll on the Cradle Roll Department -----	0
Number on roll on the Home Department -----	0
Total on roll on the Attendance Department -----	92
Total on roll -----	92
New members for the year -----	54
Average attendance for the year -----	59
Number of visitors for the year -----	121
Number of chapters read by the school -----	4,702
Number who read the New Testament through -----	1

Number who read the entire Bible	0
Average daily Bible readers	2
Number of conversions during year	9
Number who have paid Birthday Offering	15
Number who tithe	6
Number of classes in school	10
Number of officers and teachers	15

RECEIPTS

From Home Department	.00
From Attendance Department	\$333.24
From Cradle Roll Department	.00
From other sources	.00
Total receipts	\$333.24

DISBURSEMENTS

Literature	\$ 54.27
Charity	.00
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	2.30
Total disbursements	\$ 61.57

Our school meets at 9:30 o'clock.

Pastor, Rev. J. L. Welch, 312 Woodland St., Nashville, Tenn.

Superintendent, W. E. Coville, 710 Hart Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Secretary, Mrs. Agnes B. Frazier, 1304 Fatherland St., Nashville, Tenn.

First Free Will Baptist, Columbia

Number on roll beginning of year	94
New members for the year	17
Total on roll	111
Average attendance for year	102
Visitors for the year	23
Number of chapters read by the school	19,013
Number daily Bible readers	5
Number of conversions during the year	8
Number who tithe	5
Number of classes	5
Number officers and teachers	9
Receipts for the year	\$137.97
Disbursements for the year	\$ 96.75

Pastor, Rev. W. J. Paul, 1611 Bailey St., Columbia, Tenn.

Superintendent, W. W. Reaves, Columbia, Tenn., R. 1.

Secretary, Wallace Paul, 119 E. 15th St., Columbia, Tenn.

Heads

Number on roll beginning of year	62
New members for the year	16
Total on roll	78
Average attendance for the year	30
Visitors during the year	62
Number of chapters read by the school	905
Conversions during the year	6
Number of deaths in school this year	1
Number of classes	6
Number of officers and teachers	12
Receipts for the year	\$ 11.24
Disbursements for the year	\$ 12.34

Our school meets at 10:00 A.M.

Pastor, Rev. W. B. Davenport, Ashland City, Tenn.

Superintendent, Edd McCarroll, Cedar Hill, Tenn., R. 3.

Secretary, Mrs. Raymond Elliott, Cedar Hill, Tenn., R. 3.

Mt. Zion

Total on roll -----	112
Average attendance -----	58
Number of visitors for the year -----	24
Number of chapters read -----	4,435
Number of conversions during year -----	13
Number of classes -----	5
Number of officers and teachers -----	8
Total receipts for the year -----	\$ 17.68
Total disbursements -----	\$ 17.41

Our school meets at 10:00 A.M.

Pastor, Rev. J. E. Hudgens, Ashland City, Tenn.

Superintendent, Lewis Perry, Joelton, Tenn., R. 2.

Secretary, R. R. Binkley, Joelton, Tenn., R. 2.

Rock Springs

Number on roll beginning of year -----	74
New members for year -----	4
Total on roll -----	78
Average attendance -----	58
Number of visitors for the year -----	302
Number of chapters read by the school -----	30,187
Number who read the New Testament through -----	1
Number who read the entire Bible -----	1
Number of daily Bible readers -----	4
Number of conversions during year -----	2
Number who have paid Birthday Offerings -----	42
Number of classes -----	5
Number of officers and teachers -----	7
Total receipts for the year -----	\$ 44.21
Total disbursements -----	\$ 78.04

Our school meets at 10:30 A.M.

Pastor, Rev. W. B. Davenport, Ashland City, Tenn.

Superintendent, M. F. Patterson, Neptune, Tenn., R. 2.

Secretary, Miss Mabel M. Phillips, Neptune, Tenn., R. 2.

West Nashville

Number on roll -----	170
Average attendance for year -----	100
Number paid Birthday Offerings -----	41
Number deaths -----	2
Total chapters read by the school -----	38,373
Number of classes -----	6
Number of officers and teachers -----	12
Receipts for the year -----	\$188.74
Disbursements -----	\$186.32

Our school meets at 10:00 A.M.

Pastor, Rev. E. A. Craft, 4609 Illinois Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Superintendent, J. S. Wall, 6109 New York Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Secretary, Miss Martha McAlister, 5603 Pennsylvania Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Received for convention dues ----- \$ 26.50
On motion we adjourn.

G. W. FAMBROUGH, Acting Clerk.

L. O. BURROUGHS, Moderator.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

October 8th, 1933

at Bethlehem Church

After a song we were led in prayer by Bro. W. E. Coville.
Welcome address by Mrs. J. W. Maxie, Supt. of Bethlehem Sunday school.

Response by L. O. Burroughs.

Delegates seated from the following churches:

West Nashville	-----	Mrs. W. M. White
East Nashville	-----	Miss Laura Cantrell
Bethlehem	-----	Miss Lucille Sanders
Cofer's Chapel	-----	Miss Pearl Oliver
Cochran School	-----	Miss Allene Reed
Bethel	-----	G. W. Fambrough

SUPERINTENDENTS PRESENT

W. E. Coville	-----	East Nashville
J. S. Wall	-----	West Nashville
Willie Bracy	-----	Cochran School
Mrs. Maxie	-----	Bethlehem
G. W. Fambrough	-----	Bethel

The Vice-President, Bro. G. T. Harris, made a very forceful talk on the S. S. work. Spoke of depression in the Sunday Schools and the United States as a whole, saying we need more love of God, and more contentment among our people.

Bro. Coville brought us a very inspiring message, Loyalty to Christ, more action and service in our Sunday Schools, prove Loyalty to the Lord and He will bless you.

Dismissal for lunch.

Afternoon

Hymn No. 106. Prayer by G. W. Fambrough.

Bro. Fambrough stated that they had just buried one of their Sunday School children, at this time the convention was asked to bow in silent prayer in remembrance of the home the little one had been taken from. Bro. J. B. Parsons was asked to lead the prayer.

G. W. Fambrough of Bethel Sunday School reported Bethel school in good condition. Perfect harmony prevails in school; shortage of teachers; need qualified teachers; 48 additions to the church largely through the Sunday School.

J. S. Wall, Supt. of West Nashville School, reported school in good condition; good teachers; also good substitute teachers; the Sunday School almost finances the church.

Willie Bracy, the new Superintendent of Cochran School, spoke of the work at Cochran School, a union school, saying, "To work together in unity is a step forward for Christ."

W. E. Coville, Supt. of East Nashville School, said one of his troubles, especially last year, was shortage of teachers. But this year looked more favorable as two or three had applied for teachers. Shortage of parents at Sunday School. 4 out of 40 attend Sunday School. Outside of this one bad feature have a fine progressing school.

W. R. Murray, Asst. Supt. of Cofer's Chapel, stated that his school was holding its own, not growing so fast; several good teachers and substitutes. But the parents were not taking part like we would like for them to.

Sister Walter Maxie, Supt. of Bethlehem School, stated that they had a good school but she desired to see a men's Bible Class organized soon.

We were favored with two numbers by the Davenport Bros. Quartette which was enjoyed very much. One of their numbers was, "Don't Be Knocking," which was especially good.

W. E. Coville gave a report on the Executive Committee meeting and made the following recommendations:

1. That each school pay their dues as provided in Article 6 of our minutes. Carried.

2. That we use our money in the best way the Committee sees fit for the betterment of our Sunday Schools. Carried.

3. That in Article 1 we leave off all teachers and executive officers of local Sunday Schools and have it read that each School shall represent with one delegate, Superintendent and pastor. Carried.

4. That in Article 2 we have the time of our Convention changed to read annually instead of semi-annually. Carried.

5. That Article 4 be amended to include the Vice-President. Motion carried.

6. That we add Article 11 to our 10 Articles which provides that we have an elected delegate sent to the Cumberland Association annually.

The duties of this delegate shall be to find out how many churches have no Sunday Schools; Report number of Sunday Schools; Report number of members in the schools; Report number of conversions through the Sunday Schools; Report total collections; Report total expenditures. Motion Carried.

A motion was made and carried that Article 3 be amended to include a Field Secretary and he shall be a member of the Executive Committee and represent as delegate at the Cumberland Association. Motion Carried.

Bro. J. B. Parsons was nominated and elected by acclamation as Field Secretary.

Bro. Parsons gave an oral report as Field Worker during the past year.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. J. L. Welch to meet on Sunday before the association at the Ashland City Church.

L. O. BURROUGHS, President.

MRS. L. O. BURROUGHS, Secretary-Treasurer.



REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

Amount on hand at beginning of year	\$27.31
Received Convention dues	42.00
Total	\$69.31

DISBURSEMENTS

Hunter Printing Co., for Minutes	\$32.50
Postage	2.29
Federal Fee on checks	.04
Total disbursements	\$34.83
Balance	\$34.48

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. O. BURROUGHS, Secretary-Treasurer.

CONSTITUTION OF THE CUMBERLAND SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

PREAMBLE: In order to bring about cooperation and unity of effort between the Sunday Schools of the Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptists, we, a representative body of said Sunday Schools, do hereby organize the Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention of the Cumberland Association and adopt the following constitution for the proper government of the same.

ARTICLE 1.—MEMBERSHIP: Any Sunday School organized within the bounds of the Cumberland Association may become a member of this Convention, and shall be represented in its meeting by its Superintendent and one delegate selected by the school, and the pastor.

ARTICLE 2.—MEETINGS: The Convention shall meet in regular session, annually, on Sunday before the Association meets in October.

ARTICLE 3.—OFFICERS: The following officers shall be elected annually by vote of the Convention, and shall perform the usual duties of said offices at the will of the Convention: A President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Field Secretary. No person shall be eligible for election as President of this Convention unless he has had experience as a Sunday School Superintendent, or in some line of executive Sunday School work.

ARTICLE 4.—BOARDS AND COMMITTEES: An Executive Council composed of the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, the Field Secretary and three members to be elected by the Convention, who shall arrange for the meetings of the Convention, attend to any business that may come up between sessions, and assist the local Sunday Schools in solving their problems.

2. Nomination from the floor.

3. Special Committees may be appointed at any time at the discretion of the Convention.

ARTICLE 5.—GENERAL ACTIVITIES: It shall be the duty of the Executive Council to conduct institutes, rallies and mass meetings in the interest of the work of the Convention, as conditions may permit, and the council shall have the power to secure any help necessary to the same.

ARTICLE 6.—FINANCES: Each Sunday School holding membership in this organization shall be required to pay to the Treasurer of the Convention annually the sum of \$5.00, and shall bear their apportionate part of the expense of any special work that may be undertaken by the Convention.

ARTICLE 7.—REPORTS: Each school shall be required to make annual reports to the Convention on blanks to be furnished.

ARTICLE 8.—DECISIONS: All questions coming before the Convention, and all elections, shall be decided by the majority.

ARTICLE 9.—SPECIAL LIMITS: No person shall speak on one subject more than fifteen minutes nor more than three times, except by the permission of the President.

ARTICLE 10.—AMENDMENTS: This constitution may be amended at any regular session of the convention by a majority vote of all who are entitled to vote for officers.

ARTICLE 11.—This Convention shall send a delegate to the Cumberland Association annually.

FORM OF LETTER

We, the Sunday School of _____ Church,
 _____ City, Route _____, State of _____
 To the Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention of the Cum-
 berland Association, when convened with _____ Church,
 _____ City, _____ County,
 State of _____ Date _____

We send Greetings, and pray that God will bless you in the work.
 We have chosen our representative to-wit:

Our statistics are as follows:

Number on roll beginning of year	_____
Number on roll on the cradle roll department	_____
Number on roll on the home department	_____
Number on roll on attendance department	_____
New members for the year	_____
Total on roll	_____
Average attendance for the year	_____
Number of visitors during the year	_____
Number of chapters read by the school	_____
Number who read the New Testament through	_____
Number who read the entire Bible	_____
Number of daily Bible readers	_____
Number of conversions during the year	_____
Number of deaths in school this year	_____
Number who have paid birthday offering	_____
Number who tithe	_____
Number of classes	_____
Number of officers and teachers	_____

Receipts

From home department	_____	\$ _____
From Attendance department	_____	_____
From cradle roll	_____	_____
From other sources	_____	_____
Total receipts	_____	\$ _____

Disbursements

Literature	_____	\$ _____
Charity	_____	_____
Convention dues	_____	_____
Miscellaneous expenses	_____	_____
Total disbursements	_____	\$ _____

Our school meets at _____ o'clock _____.

Pastor's name _____

Address _____

Superintendent _____

Address _____

Secretary _____

Address _____

