

MINUTES
of the
THIRTEENTH ANNUAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION
of the
CUMBERLAND ASSOCIATION
of
FREE WILL BAPTISTS

HELD WITH GOOD SPRINGS CHURCH

October 16th, 1940

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Mrs. Parker pr
John Welch pastar. of pres. pr

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PROCEEDINGS

The thirteenth annual Sunday School Convention of Free Will Baptists of the Cumberland Association of Tennessee met with Good Springs Church on October 16, 1940.

The convention opened Wednesday morning with the congregation singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." Devotional services conducted by the Rev. J. E. Hudgens. Scripture lesson read from thirty-second chapter of Psalms. Prayer by the Rev. J. E. Hudgens. Welcome address by Mr. Elmer Harris, Superintendent of Good Springs Sunday School. Mr. Harris, in a very kind and effective manner, made us feel very welcome and at home in his Sunday School. Response was by Mrs. Allene Gower.

Mrs. Gower expressed her feelings for the convention as a whole, for the hearty welcome and kind reception for all. Roll call and seating of delegates with sixteen schools represented.

Recognition of ministers, superintendents and delegates. Ten ministers and twenty-one superintendents and delegates representing the various schools.

Ministers present:

Rev. W. B. Davenport
Rev. I. J. Blackwelder
Rev. R. B. Clinard
Rev. Paul Woolsey
Rev. J. B. Parsons

Rev. J. E. Hudgens
Rev. G. E. Gower
Rev. Huey Gower
Rev. L. R. Ennis
Rev. Shelly Watts

Superintendents and Delegates:

Elmer W. Harris
Tommie Stack
R. B. Clinard
Mrs. Compton
Mrs. Gaylord
Mrs. J. B. Smith
Mrs. J. W. Maxey
J. B. Reding
Mrs. R. B. Clinard
Miss Carlene Jackson
Mrs. Zalema Spicer

Mrs. Emma Graves
James R. Farmer
Ham Knight
Mrs. N. V. Williams
Miss Geneva Ann Poole
Miss Laven Poole
Mrs. Eva Sanford
Mrs. Onie Gatewood
Mrs. Tom Bilbrey
Mrs. Alice White

The Rev. L. R. Ennis and the Rev. Paul Woolsey, visiting ministers, were invited to sit in council with the Convention.

Motion sustained that the President appoint committees. The following committees were then appointed:

Finance Committee—

Mrs. N. V. Williams, Chairman.
Rev. L. R. Ennis
Mrs. Tom Bilbrey

Petitions and Request Committee—

Mrs. Zalema Spicer, Chairman
Mrs. J. B. Smith
Miss Geneva Ann Poole

Business Committee—

J. B. Reding, Chairman.
Mrs. Eva Sanford
Rev. I. J. Blackwelder

Constitution and By-Laws Committee—

D. L. Binkley, Chairman
Rev. Paul Woolsey
Rev. J. E. Hudgens

Resolutions Committee—

Mrs. J. W. Maxey, Chairman
Mrs. Alice White
Mr. Henry Gower

Sunday School reports received and read. Song, "In My Heart There Rings a Melody."

President's address.

Report from President Colville from the National Association on organization of a National Sunday School Convention. Three state conventions have been organized since. Tennessee, North Carolina and Missouri. Scripture reading from Joshua. Make your place in Sunday School work a more important place. Stay up and keep busy in the work. Mr. Colville, in a brief way, told us what has been done, what is to be done, and how to do it.

Song and adjournment for lunch. Dismissed with prayer by the Rev. W. B. Davenport.

Afternoon Session

The afternoon session opened by singing "Standing On the Promise" and "Loyalty To Christ," led by the Rev. I. J. Blackwelder.

Devotion by Miss Jean Welch. Scripture: "Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me, Bless His Holy name." Miss Welch spoke of our capabilities and asked the question: Are we giving our best to Christ? She illustrated by telling three stories. Miss Welch, in her own interesting way, reminded us that since the Lord has done so much for us, we owe him nothing but the best of our lives. She closed by singing, "Only the Best Is Good Enough for Jesus," and then a prayer.

Song, "Grace that Is Greater Than All Our Sins," Mrs. J. E. Frazier, the Revs. L. R. Ennis, I. J. Blackwelder and J. B. Parsons:

Sunday School literature by the Rev. L. R. Ennis, the national director. Brother Ennis emphasized the fact that all of our Sunday Schools should use the Free Will Baptist literature. Brother Ennis stated that next year instead of having a separate offering for education, superannuation, home and foreign missions, that there will be one offering. This offering will be divided in accordance with the needs. Brother Ennis closed with the congregation repeating with him this pledge of consecration:

"I am redeemed by the precious blood of Jesus. I am saved by His grace and power. I am indwelt by the Holy Spirit. I therefore now yield my life to God as One who is alive from among the dead, and my members as instruments of righteousness to do His will, that I may be filled with the Holy Spirit."

Recognition of Brother Shelly Watts as a licensed minister.

Motion sustained that we seat Mrs. E. D. Parker with the convention.

Report from Mrs. Parker on the Orphanage. She thanked the Sunday Schools for their splendid co-operation in helping the Orphan Home, and stated that they were getting along splendid.

Report from Mrs. Poston on how much money had been sent from the Sunday Schools.

Officers reports: Report of Field Secretary, report of Corresponding Secretary, report of Executive Council, Isaac Clifton and J. B. Reding; report of Institute Committee, by the Rev. I. J. Blackwelder; report of Program Committee, report of delegates to the State Association. Motion sustained that we adopt the written reports.

Reading of the report of the Finance Committee, report of Business Committee, report of Resolutions Committee, report of Resolutions Committee, report of Petitions and Requests Committee, report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

*"Let's join hands across the mountains
and make a home⁽²⁾ for our orphan
children" - Mrs. Poston in effort to get
Orphanage at Greenville started -*

REPORTS

Motion sustained that reports be received and entered into the Minutes.

Report of Corresponding Secretary

Meetings attended	3
Number of cards written	37
Number of letters written	19
Articles sent to Baptist	1
Total Expenses	\$1.07

MRS. ALLENE GOWER.

Report of Field Secretary

Number of Schools visited	14
Number of visits made in the interest of Sunday School Work ..	24
Number of cards written in the interest of Sunday Schools	46
Six-point record blanks sold	3,000
Number of Sunday Schools organized	1
Sunday Schools visited that are not members of the convention ..	3
Miles traveled	1,000
Received from Cumberland Association for expenses	\$50.00

HUEY GOWER.

Report of Petitions and Request Committee

We, your committee on Petitions and Requests, wish to report following invitations for the Sunday School Convention during the ensuing year: Heads—First Quarterly Meeting on the first Sunday in January, 1941. Good Springs—Second Quarterly Meeting on the first Sunday in April, 1941. Ashland City—Third Quarterly Meeting on the first Sunday in July, 1941.—Annual Meeting in October, 1941.

Report of Business Committee

We, your Business Committee, offer the following recommendations for the consideration of the convention:

First, that the convention sponsor a Sunday School Study Course next year, similar to the one that was conducted two years ago.

Second, That we ask the Cumberland Association for \$50.00 to pay the traveling expenses of the Field Secretary.

Third, That we send the Century Leader to each Superintendent and to our convention officers.

Fourth, That we elect 10 delegates to the State Sunday School Convention.

Motion sustained that we elect these delegates at one of the quarterly meetings.

Fifth, That we sponsor a winter attendance campaign.

Sixth, That we discuss the kind and number of Minutes for our convention. After discussion on this a motion sustained that the President appoint a committee of three to dispose of this matter. D. L. Binkley, Mrs. J. W. Maxey, Isaac Clifton, committee.

Seventh, That inasmuch as there are some who favor the combination of the quarterly meetings of our Sunday School Conven-

tion, our League Convention, and of the Cumberland Association, we discuss this proposition. Motion that we accept this. Motion sustained that we combine the quarterly meeting of Sunday School Convention, League Convention, and Church, to meet on first Sunday and Saturday before and each have a quarterly report to be given at quarterly meeting.

Report of Constitution and By-Laws Committee

We, your committee on Constitution and By-Laws, recommend that article 3 of the present Constitution be changed to read as follows:

The officers of this convention shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, a Director of Organization, Director of Denominational Enterprises, Director of Education, Director of Publicity, Director of Literature, Director of Records and Reports. All officers shall be elected at the beginning of each regular session of the convention.

And also that Article 4 read as follows:

The Executive Board shall be composed of the general officers, five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

Resolutions Committee

We, your Resolutions Committee, resolve to extend to Good Springs Church a rising vote of thanks for the generous hospitality shown us during the sitting of this convention.

Motion sustained to adjourn. Convention dismissed with prayer by the Rev. J. E. Hudgens.

Election of Officers

Motion sustained that we retain our old officers, and that the President appoint new officers as needed and that we wait until next year to put into effect our election of officers at the beginning of the session.

The Program Committee arranged the three quarterly meeting programs so as to be in line with the Orphanage, Mission and Educational programs the convention was sponsoring during the year.

The first quarterly meeting met with Bethel sponsoring an Orphanage program. Mrs. Allene Gower had several letters that were written by the children from the Free Will Baptist Orphan Home that she read. These letters were very interesting and appreciated by all. We were also favored with several special songs by the Davenport Brothers quartet.

The second quarterly meeting met with West Nashville Sunday School sponsoring a mission program. Miss Mary Elizabeth Griffith and Mr. Colville gave us some very interesting facts about the need for us to help support missions, to carry the Word of God to the less fortunate people of the world. We were also favored with some special songs by the Waggoner quartet.

The third quarterly meeting met with Bethlehem Sunday School sponsoring an education program. Miss Gene Welch, in a very forceful way, pointed out to us the great need of Christian Education, and the need of Christian leaders to teach the younger generation of today who are to be the leaders of tomorrow.

The Program Committee arranged for Rev. Paul Woolsey to preach for us on the night of the Annual Convention. Brother Woolsey brought us a great message that was very deeply appreciated by a large representation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

Ashland City

Number on roll beginning of year.....	48
New members for the year.....	2
Total on roll.....	50
Average attendance for the year.....	42
Number of visitors during the year.....	106
Number of chapters read by the school.....	6,758
Number who read New Testament through.....	2
Number who read entire Bible.....	2
Number of daily Bible readers.....	8
Number of conversions during year.....	1
Number of deaths in school this year.....	0
Number who tithe.....	6
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	22
Number of classes.....	5
Number of teachers and officers.....	7
Total receipts from all sources.....	\$ 95.45

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	37.18
Literature	23.47
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	10.90
Total disbursements	\$ 76.50

Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.

Pastor, Rev. Robert B. Crawford, Box 27, Vanderbilt University,
Nashville, Tenn.

Bethel

Number on roll beginning of year.....	66
New members for the year.....	34
Total on roll	64
Average attendance for the year.....	45
Number of visitors during the year.....	520
Number of chapter read by the School.....	8,569
Number who read New Testament through.....	3
Number who read entire Bible.....	1
Number of daily Bible readers	12
Number of conversions during year.....	0
Number of deaths in School this year.....	0
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	0
Number who tithe	0
Number of classes	5
Number of teachers and officers.....	8

RECEIPTS

Total Receipts from all sources.....	\$ 49.45
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DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	24.07
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	11.63
Total disbursements	\$ 50.70

Our School meets at 9:45 o'clock, A. M.

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

Bethlehem

Number on roll beginning of year.....	36
New members for the year.....	6
Total on roll	42
Average attendance for the year	31
Number of visitors during the year.....	
Number of chapters read by the School.....	5,709
Number who read New Testament through.....	3
Number who read entire Bible.....	1
Number of daily Bible readers.....	9
Number of conversions during year.....	1
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	
Number who tithe	
Number of classes	4
Number of teachers and officers.....	6

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....\$ 22.50

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	
Total disbursements	

Pastor, Rev. Darnell Williams.

Superintendent, Luther Reed, R. F. D. No. 1, Ashland City, Tenn.

Secretary, Mrs. Arnold Harris, Ashland City, Tenn.

Cochran

Number on roll beginning of year.....	31
New members for the year.....	8
Total on roll	41
Average attendance for the year.....	19
Number of visitors during the year.....	127
Number of chapters read by the School.....	4,242
Number who read New Testament through.....	2
Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	7
Number of conversions during year.....	
Number of deaths in School this year.....	1
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	8
Number who tithe	3
Number of classes	3
Number of teachers and officers.....	4

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....\$ 22.58

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	11.02

Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	4.00
Total disbursements	\$ 20.02

Our School meets at 2:30 o'clock P. M.
 Superintendent, H. H. Hudgens, Route 1, Ashland City, Tenn.
 Secretary, Mrs. J. B. Harris, Route 1, Ashland City, Tenn.

Cofers Chapel

Number on roll beginning of year.....	141
New Members for the year.....	22
Total on roll	163
Average attendance for the year.....	113
Number of visitors during the year.....	960
Number of chapters read by the School.....	11,612
Number who read New Testament through.....	2
Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	28
Number of conversions during year.....	10
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	
Number who tithe	19
Number of classes	10
Number of teachers and officers	14

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources	\$ 433.17
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DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	
Total disbursements	\$ 455.95

Our School meets at 9:30 o'clock A. M.
 Pastor, Rev. J. L. Welch, 1409 Tenth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.
 Superintendent, Horace Ragan, 105 E. Moreland, Nashville, Tenn.
 Secretary, Mrs. Annie McClelland, 411 Tenth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.

Columbia

Number on roll beginning of year.....	
New members for the year.....	
Total on roll	118
Average attendance for the year.....	94
Number of visitors during the year.....	208
Number of chapters read by the School.....	15,138
Number who read New Testament through.....	
Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	
Number of conversions during year.....	
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	36
Number who tithe	
Number of classes	
Number of teachers and officers	

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources\$ 185.10

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	
Total disbursements	

Superintendent, Wallace Paul, 1613 Baily St., Columbia, Tenn.
Secretary, Miss Laura Clark, Columbia, Tenn.

East Nashville

Number on roll beginning of year.....	132
New members for the year.....	75
Total on roll	207
Average attendance for the year.....	102
Number of visitors during the year.....	400
Number of chapters read by the School.....	
Number who read entire New Testament.....	
Number who read entire Bible	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	
Number of conversions during year.....	7
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	27
Number who tithe	24
Number of classes	13
Number of teachers and officers	17

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....\$ 379.39

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	

Our School meets at 9:45 o'clock A. M.
Pastor(Rev. I. J. Blackwelder, 937 Seymour Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
Supterintendent, H. E. Simpson, 1210 N. Sixth St., Nashville, Tenn.

Friendship

Number on roll beginning of year.....	70
New members for the year.....	5
Total on roll	75
Average attendance for the year.....	50
Number of visitors during the year.....	
Number of chapters read by the School.....	6,821
Number who read New Testament through	
Number who read entire Bible	
Number of daily Bible readers	1
Number of conversions during year.....	2
Number of deaths in School this year.....	

Number who paid birthday offering.....	3
Number who tithe	5
Number of classes	7
Number of teachers and officers.....	

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....\$ 33.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	16.19
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	8.10
Total disbursements	\$ 30.29

Our School meets at 2:00 o'clock P. M.

Pastor, Rev. I. J. Blackwelder, 937 Seymour Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Superintendent, G. C. Binkley, Route 2, Ashland City, Tenn.

Good Springs

Number on roll beginning of year.....	76
New members for the year.....	
Total on roll	66
Average attendance for the year.....	49
Number of visitors during the year.....	48
Number of chapters read by the School.....	7,015
Number who read New Testament through	
Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	
Number of conversions during year.....	
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	6
Number who tithe	2
Number of classes	5
Number of teachers and officers.....	13

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....\$ 143.73

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	
Convention dues	5.00
Total disbursements	

Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.

Pastor, Rev. J. B. Parsons, 820 Sevier St., Nashville, Tenn.

Superintendent, Elmer W. Harris, Pleasant View, Tenn.

Secretary, Theodore Dowlen, Ashland City, Tenn.

Heads

Number on roll beginning of year.....	86
New members for the year.....	36
Total on roll	110
Average attendance for the year	49
Number of visitors during the year.....	219
Number of chapter read by the School	2,064
Number who read New Testament through.....	

Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	
Number of conversions during year.....	
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	
Number who tithe.....	
Number of classes.....	4
Number of teachers and officers.....	6

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....	\$ 41.07
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DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	19.64
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	8.51
Total disbursements	\$ 33.15
Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.	
Pastor, Rev. W. R. Carroll, Clarksville, Tenn.	
Superintendent, Thomas Stack, Thomasville, Tenn.	
Secretary, James R. Farmer, Route 3, Cedar Hill, Tenn.	

Mt. Zion

Number on roll beginning of year.....	52
New members for the year.....	30
Total on roll	80
Average attendance for the year.....	48
Number of visitors during the year.....	38
Number of chapters read by the School.....	4,115
Number who read New Testament through.....	1
Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	2
Number of conversions during year.....	
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	
Number who tithe	
Number of classes	5
Number of teachers and officers.....	8

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources	\$ 34.00
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DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	29.55
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	
Total disbursements	\$ 34.55
Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.	
Pastor, Rev. E. A. Craft, 4609 Illinois Ave., Nashville, Tenn.	
Superintendent, M. J. Read, Joelton, Tenn.	
Secretary, R. R. Binkley, Joelton, Tenn.	

Mt. Pleasant

Number on roll beginning of year.....	85
New members for the year.....	6
Total on roll.....	91
Average attendance for the year.....	41
Number of visitors during the year.....	255
Number of chapters read by the School.....	4,863
Number who read New Testament through.....	
Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	8
Number of conversions during year.....	1
Number of deaths in School this year.....	
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	26
Number who tithe.....	1
Number of classes.....	6
Number of teachers and officers.....	9

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....\$ 71.58

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity.....	13.87
Literature.....	22.90
Convention dues.....	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses.....	24.07
Total disbursements.....	\$ 65.84

Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.

Pastor, Rev. C. A. Craft, 6301 Pennsylvania Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Superintendent, J. J. Abernathy, Joelton, Tenn.

Secretary, Mrs. Eva Sanford, Joelton, Tenn.

New Hope

Number on roll beginning of year.....	176
New members for the year.....	14
Total on roll.....	190
Average attendance for the year.....	147
Number of visitors during the year.....	553
Number of chapters read by the School.....	14,711
Number who read New Testament through.....	4
Number who read entire Bible.....	1
Number of daily Bible readers.....	6
Number of conversions during year.....	4
Number of deaths in School this year.....	2
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	10
Number who tithe.....	11
Number of classes.....	7
Number of teachers and officers.....	18

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources.....\$ 328.29

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	104.22
Literature	76.64
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	120.47
Total disbursements	206.33

Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.
 Pastor, Rev. E. A. Craft, 4609 Illinois Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
 Superintendent, C. B. Turrentine, Joelton, Tenn.
 Secretary, Mrs. C. B. Turrentine, Joelton, Tenn.

Oakwood

Number on roll beginning of year	32
New members for the year	
Total on roll	25
Average attendance for the year	16
Number of visitors during the year	372
Number of chapters read by the School	7,525
Number who read New Testament through	3
Number who read entire Bible	2
Number of daily Bible readers	9
Number of conversions during year	
Number of deaths in School this year	
Number who have paid birthday offering	
Number who tithe	2
Number of classes	4
Number of teachers and officers	6

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources	\$ 27.05
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DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	9.75
Literature	7.19
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	
Total disbursements	\$ 21.94

Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.
 Pastor, Rev. J. J. Abernathy, Joelton, Tenn.
 Superintendent, R. B. Clinard, Thomasville, Tenn.
 Secretary, Mrs. Juliana R. Spicer, Route 2, Cedar Hill, Tenn.

Olivet

Number on roll beginning of year	40
New members for the year	2
Total on roll	42
Average attendance for the year	31
Number of visitors during the year	
Number of chapters read by the School	2,060
Number who read New Testament through	2

Number who read entire Bible	1
Number of daily Bible readers	2
Number of conversions during year	2
Number of deaths in School this year	
Number who have paid birthday offering	10
Number who tithe	2
Number of classes	5
Number of teachers and officers	8

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources\$ 68.87

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	24.61
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	2.50
Total disbursements	\$ 65.22

Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.

Pastor, Rev. W. R. Carroll, Clarksville, Tenn.

Superintendent, Willis Reding, Route 2, Adams, Tenn.

Secretary, Virginia Jackson, Route 1, Guthrie Ky.

Rock Springs

Number on roll beginning of year	90
New members for the year	4
Total on roll	93
Average attendance for the year	64
Number of chapters read by the School	9,789
Number who read New Testament through	
Number who read entire Bible	
Number of daily Bible readers	
Number of conversions during year	
Number of deaths in School this year	1
Number who have paid birthday offering	13
Number who tithe	
Number of classes	6
Number of teachers and officers	8

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources\$ 46.42

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	25.30
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous dues	16.17
Total disbursements	\$ 46.47

Our School meets at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

Pastor, Rev. W. B. Davenport, Route 1, Ashland City, Tenn.

Superintendent, W. N. Mayberry, Route 2, Neptune, Tenn.

Secretary, Mrs. Nell Lee, Neptune, Tenn.

West Nashville

Number on roll beginning of year.....	120
New members for the year.....	10
Total on roll	130
Average attendance for the year.....	70
Number of visitors during the year.....	65
Number of chapters read by the School.....	7,940
Number who read New Testament through.....	
Number who read entire Bible.....	
Number of daily Bible readers.....	8
Number of conversions during year.....	18
Number of deaths in School this year.....	1
Number who have paid birthday offering.....	14
Number who tithe	
Number of classes	7
Number of teachers and officers.....	12

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources\$ 165.62

DISBURSEMENTS

Charity	
Literature	26.00
Convention dues	5.00
Miscellaneous expenses	129.09
Total disbursements	\$ 160.09

Our School meets at 10 o'clock A. M.

Pastor, Rev. C. A. Craft, 6301 Pennsylvania Ave., Nshville, Tenn.
 Superintendent, Walter Besseire, 5908 California, Ave., Nashville,

Tenn.

Secretary, Mrs. Roberta Graves, 5717 Virginia Ave., Nashville,
 Tenn.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Schools reported to Convention.....	17
Members on roll beginning of year.....	1,399
Number dropped from roll.....	253
Number of new members during year.....	395
Total on roll at end of year.....	1,500
Average attendance for the year.....	911
Visitors present during the year.....	4,027
Number of chapters read during the year.....	116,931
Number of daily Bible readers from Schools	98
Number who read New Testament through.....	22
Number who read entire Bible.....	8
Number of tithers	73
Number of conversions during the year.....	46
Number of deaths in Schools.....	5
Total receipts for the year.....	\$2,188.02
Total disbursements for the year.....	\$1,287.05

REPORT OF TREASURER

Amount on hand beginning of year.....	\$ 5.50
Total amount of convention dues received from Sunday Schools	85.00
Received from Association	10.00
Sold four Institute books at 40 cents each.....	1.60
Received for record blanks.....	10.40
Grand total from all sources.....	\$ 112.50

DISBURSEMENTS

Cook Publishing Company	\$ 12.75
Paid for Minutes	30.00
Paid Mr. Wagoner for record blanks	13.00
Postage and stationery	4.90
Paid for register	5.00
Paid for delegates' transportation to State Association	11.00
Free Will Baptist Press.....	1.00
Paid corresponding secretary	.40
Total expenditures	\$ 78.05
Balance on hand	\$ 34.45
Amount on hand beginning of 1940-41.....	\$ 34.45
Four thousand record blanks.	

FORM OF LETTER

We, the Sunday School of Church,
..... city, route, State of Ten-
nessee. To the Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention of the
Cumberland Association where convened with
on, 194.....

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

1.
2.
3.

Our statistics are as follows:

Number on roll beginning of year New members for
year Number leaving school for year Present
enrollment Number visitors Number daily
Bible readers Number chapters read Number
who paid birthday offering Amount Num-
ber who tithe Average attendance per year
Average grade Number 100 per cent members
Number of additions to Church Number of classes
Number of teachers and officers Number of monthly
workers conferences held Average per cent of officers
and teachers in attendance Average per cent of Sunday
School members attending preaching Rating on Standard
of Efficiency (check points reached) 1— 2— 3— 4— 5— 6— 7—
8— 9— 10— 11.

RECEIPTS

Total receipts from all sources

DISBURSEMENTS

Convention Dues

1. District Convention \$.....
2. State Convention \$.....
3. National Convention \$.....

Denominational Enterprises

1. Education \$....., Home Missions \$....., Foreign Mis-
sions \$....., Orphanage \$....., Miscellaneous \$.....

Our School meets at o'clock. Our day (or days) of preach-
ing is

Pastor's name

Address

Superintendent's name

Secretary's name

Secretary's name

Address

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Preamble: In order to bring about cooperation and unity of effort between the Sunday Schools of the Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptist, we, a representative body of said Sunday School, 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 three delegates selected by the school, and the pastor.

Article 2. *Meetings:* The Convention shall meet in regular session annually, Friday night 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, an Assistant Secretary, a Treasurer, Director of Organization, Director of Denominational Enterprises, Director of Education, Director of Publicity, Director of Literature, Director of Records and Reports. All officers shall be elected at the beginning of each regular session of the Convention. 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:* The Executive Board shall be composed of the General Officers, five of which shall constitute a quorum. This Board 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 that 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 appropriate 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 report to the Convention on blanks to be furnished.

Article 8. *Decision:* 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.

