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FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Fourth Annual Convention of Ladies Aid Societies of the Free Will Baptist of Tennessee met with Cofers Chapel Church, Nashville, Tennessee on Wednesday, October 1st and 2nd, 1924

The Convention was called to order by Mrs. Ed. Parker, President;

Song 128 by the Convention.

Scripture lesson 91st Psalm by Mrs. Bailey Walker, prayer led by Mr. Henry Olliver.

Welcome address by Brother W. H. Olliver.

Response by Mrs. J. E. Hudgens.

Song No 203.

Sermon at 11 o'clock by Bro. W. H. Oliver. Text taken from 13th Chapter of 1st Cor

Talk by Bro W. M. Rodgers, which was greatly enjoyed by the Convention.

A motion prevailed to adjourn to 1 o'clock p. m. for refreshments. Benediction by Mrs. Miles Gower.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song 94 by the Convention,

Scripture lesson 2nd chapter of Ephs. by Mrs. Miles Gower, Prayer led by Mrs. Henry Olliver.

Roll Call: Quorum present.

The following Societies were represented by letter or delegates:

Cofers Chapel, New Hope, Heads, Bethel, Mt. Zion, Bethlehem, Shady Grove, Oak Lawn, Good Springs. Ashland City, and Rock Spring.

Petitionary letters called for and on motion, Rock Springs was received and delegates were invited to seats into the Convention.

A committee was appointed on Resolutions as follows: Mrs. Floyd Swan, Mrs. Lee Heath and Mrs. Tyler Davis.

On motion that the Chair appoint a committee to draw up form of letter for various Societies, the following were appointed: Mrs. J. E. Hudgens, Mrs. Fred Polston and Mrs. Floyd Swan.

Song No 125,

An address on what the Ladies Aid Work means to our church by Mrs. W. D. Ray, was well received and the convention was greatly edified.

Song No. 141 was sang by the convention, after which a motion to adjourn to meet at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning prevailed, the benediction being pronounced by Mrs. Ed. Parker.

Sermon at 7:30 p. m. by Rev. J. E. Hudgens, the Orphanage being his subject.

THURSDAY MORNING

Convention met accordingly to adjournment with Mrs. Ed. Parker, president in the chair

Song Service led by Mrs. W. H. Oliver. Scripture lesson 14th chapter of John by Mrs. W. J. Maxey.

Prayer led by Rev. W. B. Davenport.

Roll call showed a quorum present

Minutes of Wednesday read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

The committee appointed at a former Convention to recommend a Manual for the Convention made a

report which was adopted, and the committee retained to complete the work.

Report of "Look Out Committee" adopted by motion, and the committee was retained.

Report of Executive Committee read and adopted.

Mrs. Fred Polston, State Organizer, reported that she had organized one Ladies Aid Society during the year and had visited a number of Societies in various churches. Mrs. Polston also gave an account of the great work that is being done by the East Nashville Ladies Aid Society.

Reports were called for and received as follow:

COFERS CHAPEL.

Number of members on roll first of year 27. Number enrolled during the year 140. Number who have ceased to affiliate 138. Number who have died during the year none. Total number in good standing 29.

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of year \$132.97. Collected during the year 637.34, total collection 770.31. Paid on Orphanage funds \$200, Flowers for sick 5.00. Song books 5.00, Pastors Salary \$100, To Evangelist 35.00. Convention Dues 7.75, Other expenses 92.86 Total disbursements \$445.61. Balance on hand close of year \$326.71. Members of Society made 1062 calls to see the sick and held 11 prayer meetings.

BETHLEHEM

Number of members on roll first of year 24. Number of members enrolled during the year 1. Number of members who have died none. Number of members

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who have ceased to affiliate none. Total number in good standing 25.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Amount on hand first of the year \$62.76. Collected during the year \$70 45. Total \$133.21.

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Convention dues \$3.00. For minutes of State Convention \$1 00. Other expenses \$85 50.

Total \$89.50 Balance on hand close of year \$43.71.

GOOD SPRING.

Number of members on roll first of the year 11. Number of members enrolled during the year 2. Number who have ceased to affiliate 2. Number of members who have died none. Total number in good standing 11.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand first of year 6 00 Collected during the year 4.85. Total collections \$10 85.

DISBURSEMENTS

Convention dues 2 00. Minutes of State Convention 50. Total 2.50. Balance on hand close of the year 8.35.

BETHEL

Number of members on roll first of year 15 Number of members enrolled during the year 2. Number of members who have ceased to affiliate 9. Number of members who have died 1. Total number of members in good standing 7.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Amount on hand first of year 10 00 Collected during the year 188 52. Total 196.52

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DISBURSEMENT.

Paid on E. and O. drive 70.00. Convention dues 2.50. Minutes of State Convention 1.00 Other expenses 112.85 Total 186 35 Balance on hand close of year 12.23

NEW HOPE

Number of members on roll first of the year 21. Number of members enrolled during the year 0. Number of members who have died during the year 1. Number members who have ceased to affiliate 3. Total in good standing 18.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand first of the year 17.00. Collected during the year 150.98. Total collections 168 03.

DISBURSEMENT

Paid on E and O. drive 133.98. Convention dues 5.00. Minutes of State Convention 1.00. Total 139 98. Balance on hand close of the year 28.05.

HEADS

Number of members of roll first on the year 31. Number of members enrolled during the year 0. Number of members who have died 0. Number who have ceased to affiliate 8. Total number in good standing 22.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand the first of the year 122.20. Collected during the year 156.25 Total 278.45.

DISBURSEMENTS

Work on church 180.00 For song books 13.60. Minutes of State Convention 1 00 Convention dues 5 50. Other expenses 15.63. Total 216.18. Balance on

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hand close of the year 62.22 Pledged on E. and O. drive 150.00. Have paid 60.00

ROCK SPRING

Number members on roll 22.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Collected during the year 83.20

Disbursements 46.01

Balance on hand close of the year 37.19

ASHLAND CITY

Number on roll first of the year 17. Members enrolled during the year 2. Members who have died none. Members who have ceased to affiliate 3. Total number in good standing 16

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand first of the year 145.55 Collected during the year 291.66. Total 437.21. •

DISBURSEMENTS

For church lot 174.18. For Convention dues 3.00 Minutes of State Convention 1.00. Work on church 137.05 Other expenses 35.96. For E. and O. drive 30.00. Total 388.19. Balance on hand close of the year 49.02. Society has made 203 calls to see the sick.

OAK LAWN

Number of members on roll first of the year 21. Number of members enrolled during the year 2. Number of members who have died none. Number of members who ceased to affiliate 8. Total number in good standing 15

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand the first of the year 79.91. Collected during the year 95.00. Total 174.91.

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DISBURSEMENTS

For Convention dues 5.00. Minutes of State Conventions 1.00 On E. and O. drive 87.50 Other expenses 37 92 Total 131.42 Balance on hand at the close of the year 43.40.

MT. ZION

Number of members on roll first of the year 11. Number of members enrolled during the year 0. Number who have died none Number who have ceased to affiliate 1. Total number in good standing 10.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount on hand the first of the year 5 52 Collected during the year 214 16 Total 219 68 .

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid on E and O drive 50 Convention dues 2.50 Minutes of the State Convention 1.00 Other expenses 108 76 Total 162.26. Balance on hand close of the year 57.42

State Treasurer's Report.

Report of the State Treasurer L. A. S Orphanage Funds read and adopted. The report is as follows:

To amount Oct. 3, 1923.....	\$ 30.00
To amount Nov. 21, 1923.....	30.00
To amount Dec. 29, 1923	110.00
To amount Jan. 21, 1924.....	741.50
To amount Feb. 10, 1924.....	10.00
To amount March 13, 1924	48.00
To amount March 31, 1924.....	5 00
To amount April 17, 1924.....	12 00
To amount April 26, 1924	5 00

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To amount May 8, 1924.....	8.60
To amount June 7, 1924.....	4 00
To amount June 10, 1924.....	30 00
To amount August 11, 1924.....	113.38
To amount August 13, 1924.....	200.00
To amount Sept. 29. 1924.....	92.50
To amount Sept. 30, 1924.....	50.00
To amount Int Sept. 30, 1924.....	36 00
Total amount on hand Sept. 30, 1924.....	\$1545.98

Treas. Report of State Ladies Aid Convention funds:

To amount on hand Oct. 4, 1923.....	\$ 78 75
To amount Received for minutes.....	11.10
To amount New Hope.....	6.00
To amount Ashland City.....	4.00
To amount Cofers Chapel.....	10.00
To amount Oak Lawn.....	6.00
To amount Mt. Zion.....	3 50
To amount Bethel.....	3 50
To amount Bethlehem.....	4 00
To amount Good Springs.....	2 50
To amount Heads.....	6.50
To amount Rock Springs.....	6.00
Total.....	\$141.85

By Amount for minutes W. T. Clark.....16.00

Balance.....\$125.85

Vocal duet by Mrs. W. M. White and Mrs. Henry Oliver. Story, The Dragon, by Miss Irene Polston. Adjourn for refreshments, Benediction by Mrs. Will Walker

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Hymn 160.

Scripture lesson Psalms 4th chapter by Mrs. Jesse Hudgens.

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Prayer led by Mrs. J. W. Boyte.

Minutes of Thursday morning read and approved

A motion prevailed to enter into the election of officers for the ensuing year, the following were elected:

Mrs. Ed Parker, President.

Mrs. W. J. Maxey, Vice President.

Miss Mary Patton, Recording Secretary.

Mrs. W. D. Ray, Assistant Recording Secretary.

Mrs. W. M. White, Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. J. E. Hudgens, Treasurer.

Mrs. Fred Polston, State Organizer.

The following were appointed member of the Executive Committee:

Mrs. Ed Parker, Mrs. J. W. Maxey, Mrs. Henry Oliver, Mrs. John Nicholson, Mrs. Miles Gower, Mrs. J. W. Nicholson, Mrs. W. B. Davenport, Mrs. Geo Walker.

Motion that we go into selection of place for our next Annual Sitting prevailed.

Petitions were received from Ashland City Freewill Baptist Church, and on motion the invitation was accepted.

By motion Mrs. Fred Polston was appointed to represent the State Convention in the Cumberland Association of Freewill Baptist when convened with Oak Lawn Church, Cheatham County, Tenn.

Moved and adopted that the State Convention pay all expenses of the State Organizer.

A motion prevailed that the Secretary transcribe and superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that she be paid 5 00 for her services

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Form of Letter.

The committee to draft letter for societies reported as follows:

We, the Ladies Aid Society of..... Church,
at..... to the State Convention of Ladies
Aid Societies, of the Freewill Baptist of Tennessee.

When convened with..... on

We have chosen our delegates to-wit

Our Statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of the year

Number of members enrolled during the year.....

Number of members who have died during year.....

Number of members who have ceased to affiliate

Total number in good standing

Financial Report:

Amount on hand first of the year.....

Collected during the year

Disbursements:

Paid for E. and O. Campaign

Minutes of State Convention

Convention Dues

Other expenses

Total Disbursements

Bal on hand close of the year

Visits to see the sick

Visit in the interest of society

Visit in the interest of church

Total number of visits

Our day of meeting is.....

This done by order of the Ladies Aid Society at.....

On this....day of192.....

..... President.

..... Secretary.

The following report was handed in by committee on resolutions:

We extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to this body of wonderful christian workers and members of Cofers Chapel Church, who have so royally entertained this body with good lectures, especially the one on temperance of which we should think more about and teach our boys and girls. We wish to extend our thanks also for the nice refreshments. We feel you have been a great blessing to us and we pray that God's richest blessing may rest on you, both financially and spiritually.

Mrs. Floyd Swann,

Mrs. Tyler Davis,

Mrs. Lee Heath, Committee.

Adjourned to meet with Ashland City Freewill Baptist Church on Wednesday Oct. 7-8, 1925.

MRS. ED PARKER, President.

1712 Nassau St. Nashville, Tenn.

MISS MARY PATTON, Secretary.

Ashland City, Tenn.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Constitution and By-Laws of the Ladies Aid Society organized by the Ladies of Freewill Baptist Church.

In order that we, the sisters of Freewill Baptist Church; may more faithfully do our duty and assist our Brethern in the great work of soul saving; do ordain the following constitution:

ARTICLE I

Section 1. The Society shall be called the Ladies Aid of Freewill Baptist Church.

Section 2. The officers shall be a president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer all of whom shall be members of the Freewill Baptist Church in good standing. Their duties shall be such as are usually required of such officers in similar organizations.

Section 3. All the money raised by the Society shall be used for the benefit of the Freewill cause, unless otherwise ordered by a two thirds vote of all the members.

Section 4. The order of business shall be as follows: First, singing, second, prayer, third, calling of the roll-fourth, reading of the minutes of the preceeding meeting; anyone wishing to speak may then do so.

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of all members.

BY-LAWS

All members shall attend each meeting of the Society unless providentially hindered.

All members shall keep order and obey the constitution and by-laws.

Only one member shall speak at a time and not unusually long

The meeting shall be closed by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

These by-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of all the members.

Approved Sept. 28, 1921.

Mrs. Ed Parker, Pres.

Miss Mary Patton, Sec.



