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MINUTES
OF THE
ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
OF
Ladies Aid Societies
OF THE
FREE WILL BAPTIST OF TENNESSEE
WHICH CONVENED WITH
EAST NASHVILLE CHURCH
DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENN.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

WEDNESDAY

- 1—Devotional Exercises
- 2—Roll Call
- 3—Appointment of Committees
- 4—Reading Letters of Petitions and Requests
- 5—Reading Reports from Societies
- 6—Reading of Various Reports
- 7—Miscellaneous Business
- 8—Adjournment

THURSDAY

- 1—Devotional Exercises
- 2—Roll Call
- 3—Reading Minutes of Previous Day
- 4—Reading Reports of Societies and Committees
- 5—Adjournment for Lunch
- 6—Devotional Exercises
- 7—Roll Call
- 8—Various Reports
- 9—Miscellaneous Business
- 10—Election of Officers
- 11—Adjournment

PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday Morning—Topic "Temperance"

The Eleventh Annual Convention of Ladies Aid Societies of the Free Will Baptist of Cumberland Association of Tennessee met with East Nashville Church, Davidson County Tennessee on August 12-13, 1931.

The President, Sister Fred Jackson called the house to order by singing hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers"

10:00 o'clock—Devotional services conducted by Sister Fred Polston by reading and commenting on the 3rd chapter of Acts. This was followed by Prayer, then Recognitions and Announcements.

Welcome address by Sister Fred Polston. Response by Sister W. E. Felts, a hearty welcome extended to the pastors.

Key note address, "Christian Education" by Sister Fred Jackson.

Report of Temperance Superintendent, Sister J. L. Welch. By motion Sister Fred Polston was appointed Superintendent of the Temperance Departmental work for the ensuing year. The following resolutions were presented by Sister Polston:

Resolve, That during this year we especially set ourselves to intense activity in teaching the principles of Prohibition by every means and through every channel. Knowing that it is the boast of the wets that in 1932 there will be several million young people voting who know only that side of the question supported by the wets, we recommend that we shall during the remainder of 1931 and 1932 teach temperance and obedience to the prohibition law in every organization we can reach, that our young people may know that no substitute for the eighteenth amendment has yet been proposed that would not bring the saloon back in some form, to this end we recommend that the youth roll call of W. C. T. U. shall be promoted in every society by the Chair of this Department, by motion it was ordered that these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Ladies Aid Convention,

Sister J. L. Welch, Vice President was asked to take the chair. At this time, America was sung, after which Sister

Welch introduced the speaker for the hour, Miss Julia Gibson. Miss Gibson's address, "Prohibition and Prosperity" was well received by the convention. Prayer by Bro. Geo. W. Fambrough. Solo, "It's in The Constitution" by Weaver Welch.

11:30 Address by Dr. B. F. Auld, Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League for Tennessee. Dr. Auld urges the convention to have a strong temperance committee in each Ladies Aid Society, also urges the convention to have strong Study Classes for each Society on Temperance and stress this Department of our work as much as possible this year.

12:00 Adjourn for Lunch.

Wednesday afternoon. Topic, "Stewardship and Missions"

The convention came together at 1:00 o'clock. The house was called to order by Sister Fred Jackson, President. The opening hymn was No. 110, "To The Work" Devotional conducted by Sister M. S. Harris. Prayer by Sister Ed Parker.

The Roll Called and a quorum being present the President declared the house open for business. The following Societies were represented by letter or delegates:

Ashland City, Bethel, Bethlehem, East Nashville, Coffers Chapel, Shady Grove, Mt. Zion, New Hope, Rock Spring, Royal Chapel, Oak Lawn and Heads.

Address, "Stewardship of Life" by Sister Pinkey Hudgens. A motion was made and carried that this address be put in the Free Will Baptist paper published at Ayden, N. C. A solo, "Do It For Jesus" was given by Miss Ruth Stewart.

Report of "Stewardship and Missions" by Superintendent Sister Pinkie Hudgens read and received. By motion Sister J. E. Frazier, was appointed Superintendent of "Stewardship and Mission Department work for the ensuing year.

By motion, the Chair was empowered to appoint all committees. The following committees were appointed:

Petitions and Request—Miss Edna Sanders, Chairman, Miss Marie Gower and Mrs. W. D. Bradford.

Obituaries—Mrs. W. M. White, Chairman, Mrs. W. E. Felts and Mrs. Miles Gower.

Resolutions—Miss Pinkie Hudgens, Chairman, Miss Anna Bell Read and Mrs. J. W. Maxey.

Publicity Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Chairman, Mrs. J. L. Welch and Mrs. Elmo Simpson.

Program Committee - Mrs. J. L. Welch, Chairman; Mrs. J. E. Simpson and Mrs. Baily Nicholson.

Press Committee - J. L. Welch, Chairman, Mrs. Eva Ray, and Mrs. Fred Polston.

Reports called for and received as follows:

Report of Executive Committee, read and adopted.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, read and adopted.

Report of Field Secretary, read and adopted.

By motion it was ordered that the Field Secretary for the ensuing year be appointed at the first sitting of the Executive Committee. The first sitting of the Executive Committee was called to meet with the Ashland City Church October 1931. and Sister J. E. Simpson was appointed as Field Secretary for the ensuing year.

State Treasurer's Report

Report of State Treasurer read by Sister Pinkie Hudgens.

Report on Orphanage Fund is as follows:

To the State Ladies Aid Convention August 12, 1930

To amount balance August 13, 1930.....	\$ 5,297.47
“ from interest on deposit.....	200.00
“ from public offering.....	16.00
“ Mrs. Eva Jenkins.....	2.50
“ G. W. Fambrough.....	3.71
“ Mrs. Lula Greer.....	6.00
“ Oak Lawn.....	10.00
“ Heads Church.....	20.00
“ New Hope.....	80.00
“ East Nashville.....	11.75
“ Ashland City.....	17.90

To Amount to balance August 13, 1931..... 5,665.33

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. E. HUDGENS, Treas.

Report Adopted.

Treasurer's Report to Ladies Aid Convention when convened with East Nashville Church August 13, 1931:

To amount to balance August 14, 1930.....	\$ 220.95
To amount Ashland City convention dues.....	4.00
“ Ashland City minutes.....	2.00

"	Oak Lawn minutes.....	2.00
"	Oak Lawn convention dues.....	8.70
"	New Hope convention dues.....	5.00
"	New Hope minutes.....	2.00
"	Heads minutes.....	1.50
"	Heads convention dues.....	3.60
"	East Nashville convention dues.....	9.30
"	East Nashville minutes.....	2.00
"	Bethel minutes.....	2.00
"	Bethel convention dues.....	2.00
"	Bethlehem convention dues.....	5.00
"	Bethlehem minutes.....	2.00
"	Shady Grove convention dues.....	2.00
"	Rock Spring convention dues.....	.50
"	Rock Spring minutes.....	2.00
"	Mt. Zion minutes.....	1.00
"	Mt. Zion convention dues.....	1.00
"	Coffers Chapel minutes.....	2.00
"	Coffers Chapel convention dues.....	12.90
"	Refund by Mrs. Fred Polston.....	13.20
"	Ashland City Gen. conference fund...	1.00
	Total.....	<u>306.65</u>

CREDITS

By amount to Annie L. Gower for Bible.....	11.25
" General Conference Dues.....	10.00
" Printing Stationary.....	3.85
" W. T. Clark minutes.....	25.00
" Mary Patton.....	6.50
" Hunter Printing Co.....	63.00
" Mrs. Ed Parker.....	5.00
" Mrs. Fred Polston.....	<u>10.00</u>
Total credits.....	134.60
To amount to balance August 12, 1931.....	162.05

Respectfully submitted

Report Adopted. MRS. J. E. HUDGENS, Treas.

Reports from Societies called for and received as follows:

Ashland City

Our Statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of year.....	18
" enrolled during the year.....	3
" who have ceased to affiliate.....	2
Total number in good standing.....	19

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 65.69
Amount collected during the year.....	<u>112.96</u>
Total	178.65

Disbursements

General Conference funds.....	1.00
Orphanage funds.....	17.90
Minutes of Convention.....	2.00
Convention dues.....	4.00
Other expenses.....	<u>104.35</u>

Total disbursements..... 139.25

Balance on hand close of the year..... 37.40

Visits to the sick 150. Baskets to poor 3. Tray to the sick 2

Bethlehem

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of the year.....	47
“ enrolled during the year.....	1
“ who have ceased to affiliate.....	5
Total number of members in good standing.....	42

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 60.70
Collected during the year.....	<u>34.65</u>
Total	95.15

Disbursements

General conference funds.....	2.10
Convention dues.....	5.00
Minutes of Convention.....	2.00
Other expenses.....	<u>49.33</u>

Total disbursements..... 58.43

Balance on hand close of the year..... 36.72

Bethel

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of the year.....	11
“ enrolled during the year.....	1
“ who have ceased to affiliate.....	1
Total number in good standing	12

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 15.39
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Amount collected during the year.....	81.00
Total	96.39

Disbursements

Minutes of the Convention.....	2.00
Convention dues.....	2.00
Other expenses.....	47.57
Total disbursements.....	51.57
Balance on hand close of the year.....	44.82
Visits to see the sick 207.	

Coffers Chapel

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of the year.....	58
" enrolled during the year.....	5
" who have died during the year..	2
" who ceased to affiliate.....	20
" in good standing.....	43

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 283.52
Amount collected during the year.....	731.57
Total	1,015.09

Disbursements

Minutes of Conventions.....	2.00
Convention dues.....	12.90
Other expenses.....	895.03
Total disbursements.....	909.93
Balance on hand at the close of the year.....	106.16
Visits to see the sick 1287	Visits in interest of society 730.
Charity calls 220, trays to the sick 123, baskets to poor	12.

East Nashville

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of the year.....	31
" enrolled during the year.....	7
" who have ceased to affiliate.....	7
" in good standing.....	31

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	0
Collected during the year.....	\$1858.08

Disbursements

General conference funds.....	1.30
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Orphanage campaign.....	11.75
Minutes of the convention.....	2.00
Convention dues.....	7.75
Other expenses.....	<u>182.55</u>
Total disbursements.....	205.55
Balance on hand close of year, paid into bldg fund..	1652.53
Observed week of prayer as outlined in the program. Held 15 prayer meetings, made 973 telephone calls in interest of the church, sent 468 cards in interest of the society.	

Head's Church

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of the year.....	24
“ who have ceased to affiliate....	6
“ in good standing.....	18

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 7.86
Amount collected during the year.....	<u>30.24</u>
Total.....	68.10

Disbursements

For Missions.....	\$ 5.50
Orphanage funds.....	20.00
General conference funds.....	60
Conventions dues.....	3.00
Minutes of convention.....	1.50
Other expenses.....	<u>30.47</u>
Total disbursements.....	60.57
Balance on hand at the close of the year.....	7.53
Visits to see the sick 55. Trays to the sick 5.	

Oak Lawn

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of year.....	13
“ enrolled during the year.....	16
Total number in good standing.....	29

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 374.65
Amount collected during the year.....	<u>119.29</u>
Total	493.94

Disbursements

General conference.....	1.45
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Orphanage fund.....	10.00
Minutes of convention.....	2.00
Convention dues.....	7.25
Other expenses.....	<u>367.49</u>
Total disbursements.....	488.19
Balance on hand at close of year.....	5.75
Visits to the sick 297, trays to the sick 18, baskets to poor 6.	

Royals Chapel

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll.....	17
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Financial Report

Collected during the year.....	\$ 73.25
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The Lord is blessing us in our work at Columbia and we are planning to do a greater work this year and we are asking your prayers for the success in our work.

Shady Grove

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of year.....	11
“ enrolled during the year.	
“ who have ceased to affiliate.....	6
Total number in good standing.....	5

Financial Report

Amount collected during the year	\$ 19.60
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Disbursements

Orphanage fund	5.00
Minutes of convention.....	25
Convention dues.....	1.75
Other expenses.....	<u>12.26</u>
Total disbursements	19.26
Balance on hand at close of year.....	.34
Visits to the sick 102, trays to the sick 17, visits in interest of the Society 5.	

New Hope

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of the year.....	28
“ enrolled during the year.....	1
“ who have ceased to affiliate.....	4
“ in good standing.....	19

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 20.50
Amount collected during the year.....	<u>129.58</u>
Total	150.08

Disbursements

Orphanage fund.....	80.00
Minutes of convention.....	2.00
Convention dues.....	5.00
Other expenses.....	<u>47.17</u>
Total disbursements.....	137.17
Balance on hand at close of year.....	15.91

Mt. Zion

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll first of year.....	17
“ enrolled during the year.....	5
“ who have ceased to affiliate.....	9
“ in good standing.....	14

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 22.50
Amount collected during the year.....	<u>37.75</u>
Total	60.25

Disbursements

Minutes of the convention.....	1.00
Convention dues.....	2.00
Other expenses.....	<u>1.50</u>
Total disbursements.....	4.50
Balance on hand at close of the year.....	55.75

Rock Spring

Our statistics are as follows:

Number of members on roll the first of the year.....	46
“ who have ceased to affiliate.....	17
“ in good standing.....	29

Financial Report

Amount on hand first of the year.....	\$ 81.25
Amount collected during the year.....	<u>44.33</u>
Total.....	125.58

Disbursements

Minutes of convention.....	2.00
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Convention dues... ..	.50
Other expenses.....	100.00
Total disbursements.....	102.50
Balance on hand at the close of year.....	23.08
Visits to the sick 300, trays to the sick 45.	

Sister Fred Polston, National Secretary of Womans Work, was asked to discuss the work of the General Conference. She told of the Ladies Aid Work in North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee. Also stressed the need of mission work by our denomination. There was a general discussion at this time on foreign missions. Motion made and carried that we send \$25.00 (Twenty-five) dollars to Bro. I. J. Blackwelder, National Secretary of Foreign Mission Work. Each Society represented at the Convention was asked to stress our mission work this year. All pastors are urged to co-operate with us in sending missionaries to the foreign field. A motion was made and carried at the General Conference that each member of the Ladies Aid Society pay 10 cents per capita for General Conference funds. Urge your society to do this.

It was ordered that we send a delegate to represent the Ladies Aid Convention at the Tri-State League Convention when it convenes in Alabama, and on motion Bro. Weaver Welch was elected a delegate to represent us at the Tri-State League Convention, all of his expenses to be paid by the Ladies Aid Convention.

On motion we adjourned to meet at 9:30 Thursday morning. Song, "Bless be The Tie that Binds" Benediction by Sister Edd Parker.

Wednesday Evening, Topic "Missions"

Opening hymn 121. Scripture lesson by Sister Fred Jackson; reading from Romans 10 chapter, 1 to 11 verses. Prayer led by Bro. J. L. Welch. Quartette by the East Nashville Quartette. Address on "Korea" by Mrs. Grant. Mrs. Grant stressed the need of mission work in Korea and other fields. Song. Benediction by Bro. Welch.

Thursday Morning. Topic, "Sunday School and League"

9.30 Devotional services conducted by Sister Bailey Nicholson. Prayer by Sister Eva Ray, followed by Song.

Address, "A Greater Sunday School" by Sister Elmo Simpson. Special music.

The roll was called and a quorum being present the President declared the house open for business. Minutes of Wednesday were read and approved.

Talk by Sister J. E. Frazier on League Work. A report of Sunday School and League Departmental Work was given by Sister Frazier. She urged the pastors and presidents to co-operate with the Superintendent in this work, as this is the training school for our young people, and much of the of the success of the work depends on our pastors. The report was received as read. By motion Sister J. L. Welch was appointed superintendent of Sunday School and League Departments for ensuing year.

Report of Committees called for and received as follows:

Petitions and Request

We, your committee on petitions and requests submit the following report: We have received a petitionary letter from The Ladies Aid Society at Royal Oak's Chapel, Columbia, Tenn. asking for admission into the Convention, also a petition from Oak Lawn asking for the privilege of entertaining the Convention at it's annual sitting.

MISS EDNA SANDERS, Chairman.

MRS. W. D. BRADFORD.

MISS MARIE GOWER.

By motion this report was received as read. Committee dismissed and society at Royal Chapel be received into the Convention and the President and delegates invited to sit with us.

Obituaries

We, your committee on Obituaries beg to submit the following report:

Whereas, God in his infinite love and wisdom has taken from our midst, two of our beloved workers, Sister J. B. Felts and Sister F. J. Welch of Coffers Chapel. This Society and Convention has sustained a loss that sadens our hearts, and leaves a vacancy hard to fill. We extend our sympathy to their family and friends with the loving assurance that

their loved ones have passed through the gates ajar into a broader field of happiness.

MRS. W. M. WHITE, Chairman.

MRS. W. E. FELTS,

MRS. MILES GOWER.

Sister White request that we bow our heads a moment in Silent prayer, in memory of our departed sisters. Prayer by Sister Rose Nunley.

Resolutions

We, the committee on Resolutions, respectfully submit the following resolutions:

1st. Be it resolved, that we, the Ladies Aid Convention express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the members and well wishers of the East Nashville Church for their splendid hospitality and courtesy shown to us during the sitting of this convention.

2nd. Be it resolved, that we express our special thanks to Mrs. J. E. Frazier, for her unusual and untiring work as chairman of the refreshment committee.

3rd. Be it resolved, that we accept the following quotation as our watch word in the Ladies Aid Convention for the ensuing year, "Study to Show Thyself Approved"

"Be it resolved, that a committee be appointed to investigate and to make plans to provide sufficient funds to buy a printing press to be used by the Free Will Baptist and that these plans be presented to each local Ladies Aid Society, to the Executive Committee of the State Convention, and to the Cumberland Association of the Free Will Baptist for their approval and ratification.

Respectfully submitted.

PINKEY HUDGENS, Chairman.

MRS. J. W. MAXEY,

MISS ANNA BELL READ.

By motion, we adopted the following quotation as our watch word in the Ladies Aid Convention for the ensuing year. "Study to Show Thyself Approved."

The President suggested that Bro J. L. Welch take subscriptions for the Free Will Baptist paper, published at Ayden, N. C., during the sitting of this convention.

There was a general discussion as to the need of a Press to be used by the Free Will Baptist denomination. On motion, the convention appointed a committee to work out plans to buy a press. For this purpose the following committee was appointed. Bro. J. L. Welch, chairman, Sister Eva Ray and Sister Fred Polston.

On motion we adjourned for lunch.

Thursday Afternoon - Topic "Orphanage"

The Convention came together at 1:30

Opening hymn, "Bless be the Name," after which Sister Edd Parker led in prayer.

Address, "Orphanage" by Sister J. H. Oliver.

Roll called, a quorum being present, the President declared the house open for business. Minutes of Thursday morning were read and approved.

Report of Orphanage Work by Sister C. H. Groves is as follows:

Orphanage Report

To The State Convention of the Ladies Aid Society of the Free Will Baptist of the Cumberland Association, when convened with the East Nashville Church on August 12-13, 1931. I submit the following report:

I have made during the year, 1 address. I have written to each society in the Convention, talked with some of our sister Presidents and Pastors of the different churches. I am very sorry to report that some of our Societies are not interested in Orphanage work. Yet in some of our societies I find our sisters working and praying for this great cause.

The following societies have sent the amount below for Orphanage funds:

Ashland City	\$ 17.85
New Hope	80.00
Heads	20.00
Oak Lawn	10.00
Bethel	25.00
East Nashville.....	11.75
Free Will Offering at Association.....	16.00
Total.....	180.60

I am urging every member of this Convention to keep praying that each Society will wake up to this great cause, for

every day I can see the need of a home for orphan children. I am asking that each member of the Convention will be much in prayer this year for this work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. H. GROVES,

Supt. of Orphanage Department.

On motion Sister W. E. Felts was appointed Superintendent of Orphanage Work for the ensuing year.

On motion it was ordered that we draw on treasurer for balance of money for minutes of Ladies Aid Convention.

Motion was made and carried the Convention pay for bond and insurance for Convention Treasurer.

The Secretary was instructed to transcribe and superintend the printing and mailing of minutes for Convention, and be paid \$6.50 for her service.

On motion the Treasurer was instructed to pay \$2.88 to Corresponding Secretary for Expenses.

On motion, Sister J. E. Frazier was elected delegate, and Sister J. L. Welch, alternate to represent us at the Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptist when convened with New Hope Church on Wednesday before 3rd Sunday in October, 1931.

On motion, that we go into selection of a place for our next Annual sitting, Oak Lawn selected.

On motion that we go into election of officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected:

President, Sister Pinkey Hudgens,
Vice President, Sister Fred Jackson,
Recording Secretary, Sister Mary Patton,
Reading Clerk, Sister Alexine Slack
Corresponding Secretary, Sister J. E. Simpson,
Treasurer, Sister Fred Polston.

Ladies Aid Directory

Society	President	Address
Ashland City, .	Mrs. J. E. Hudgens	Ashland City, Tenn
Bethel	Mrs. Floyd Swan	Neptune, R. 1
Bethlehem,	Mrs. J. W. Maxey,	Ashland City, R. 1
Coffers Chapel,	Mrs. W. M. White,	1817 Nassau St. Nashville
Dunbars Chapel.	Mrs. H. Webb,	Cumberland City, R. 1

E. Nashville,	Mrs. Fred Polston,	318 Woodland St,	Nashville
Heads,	Mrs. Miles Gower,		Cedar Hill, R. 5
Mt. Zion,	Miss Bernice Read,		Ashland City, R. 2
New Hope	Mrs. W. E. Felts,		Joelton, Tenn
Oak Lawn	Mrs. Bailey Walker,		Thomasville, R. 1
Oak Wood	Miss Laura Settle,		Cedar Hill, R. 2
Oak Grove	Mrs. Ella Garrette		Charlotte, R. 2
Rock Springs	Mrs. W. D. Proctor,		Neptune, R. 2
Royals Chapel	Mrs. Willie Shepherd,		Columbia, Tenn
Shady Grove	Mrs. James Bagwell,		Clarksville, R. 4

Departmental Superintendents

S. S. and League, Mrs. J. L. Welch, 310 Woodland St. Nashville
 Orphanage, Mrs. W. E. Felts, Joelton, Tenn.

Temperance, Mrs. Fred Polston, 318 Woodland St. Nashville
 Stewardship and Missions,

Mrs. J. E. Frazier, 1304 Fatherland St., Nashville

Officers of Convention

Miss Pinkey Hudgens, President, Ashland City, Tenn.

Mrs. Fred Jackson, Vice President, Ashland City, Tenn.

Recording Secretary, Miss Mary Patton, Ashland City, Tenn

Cor. Sec., Mrs. J. E. Simpson, 1310 Fatherland St. Nashville

Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Polston, 318 Woodland St., Nashville

Executive Committee

Sister Pinkey Hudgens, President; Sister Fred Jackson, Vice
 President; Sister Mary Patton; Sister Fred Polston; Sister
 J. E. Simpson; Sister W. D. Bradford; Sister J. W. Maxey.

By motion we adjourned to meet with Oak Lawn Church,
 on Wednesday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1932.

MRS. FRED JACKSON, President.

Ashland City, Tenn.

MISS MARY PATTON, Secretary,

Ashland City, Tenn.

Sister Annie L. Gower ask that she might have time before
 the Convention adjourned to express her thanks for the
 Bible presented her at the last sitting of the Convention.
 She expressed her thanks in a very beautiful way. She said
 the Bible had been a great joy and pleasure to her. We wish
 the convention had more consecrated Christians like her.

FORM OF LETTER.

We, the Ladies Aid Society of.....
Church at.....at the State
Convention of Ladies Aid Societies of Free Will Baptists of
Tennessee, when convened with.....
Church on August..... 193.....

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 the 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

General Conference Funds.....
E. and O. Campaign.....
Minutes of Convention.....
Convention Dues.....
Other Expenses.....

Total disbursements.....

Balance on hand at the close of the year.....

Visits to see sick..... Visits in interest of society.....

Charity calls....., Trays to sick....., Baskets to poor.....

Our day of meeting.....

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

..... on this..... day of..... 193.....

....., President.

....., Secretary.

Why should
the suffer as
the selfishness of man