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*Next session to be held at Ashland City Free Will Baptist
Church, August 21, 1952*

PROCEEDINGS

Theme: "Laborers Together With God."

The thirty-first annual session of the Woman's District Auxiliary Convention of Cumberland Association of Free Will Baptists in Tennessee was called to order by the president, Mrs. Avis Sublette, at Bethlehem Church at 9:30 A.M. Wednesday, August 22, 1951.

The opening hymn, "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee," was led by Mrs. Adam Scott. Mrs. Marie Felts read and discussed a portion of the third chapter of First Corinthians. Mrs. Felts led in prayer.

The welcome address was given by Mrs. Lucille Reed of Bethlehem Church. The response was given by Mrs. Florence Parham of Olivet Church.

Ministers present were Rev. Adam Scott, Rev. E. A. Craft, Rev. C. B. Thompson, Rev. J. W. Boyte, Rev. Charles Thigpin and Rev. N. R. Smith.

Mrs. Sublette, president, stated that of the 12 auxiliaries in the district 11 had reported to her, which was encouraging.

The president announced the theme, "Now is the Hour" for the ensuing year and discussed the importance of accepting the hour at hand and doing our best for the Lord. She also urged the ladies to attend the Workshops which have proven very beneficial.

The following auxiliaries answered the roll call and the delegates were seated: Ashland City, Bethel, Bethlehem, Cofer's Chapel, East Nashville, Heads, New Hope, Olivet, Sylvan Park, and Trinity.

The president brought a message of appreciation from Mrs. Burroughs, treasurer, for letter received during her illness; also a message of appreciation from Mrs. Sloan, president of the National Association, for the way in which the delegates to the National Association were entertained during the sitting of that Association in July.

Reports of Vice-Presidents were given as follows:

First vice-president, Mrs. Edna Harris

Second vice-president, Mrs. Nadyne Scott

Third vice-president, Mrs. Virginia Van Hook

Fourth vice-president, report read by secretary in the absence of the fourth vice-president, Mrs. Jesse Hays.

Fifth vice-president, report read by secretary in the absence of fifth vice-president, Mrs. Bertie Mishler.

Corresponding secretary, Mrs. Christine Boyd

Treasurer, report read by Mrs. Felix Simpson in the absence of Mrs. Burroughs, treasurer.

Motion carried to accept treasurer's report.

Secretary read minutes of Executive Committee meetings Nov. 1950 and May 5, 1951.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominating: Mrs. Edna Harris, Mrs. Christine Boyd, Mrs. Nadyne Scott.

Petitions and Requests: Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Mrs. Fred Wall, Mrs. Vera Turrentine.

Plan of Work: Mrs. J. M. Broadway, Mrs. Doris Brinkley, Mrs. J. W. Boyte.

Digest: Mrs. Marie Felts, Mrs. Beatrice Poole, Mrs. Alvin Moore.

Resolutions: Mrs. Virginia Van Hook, Esterlene Ellis, Maurine Hunter.

The president asked Mrs. Polston to give a report of her visit to the Tow River and Union Associations. Mrs. Polston said she was well pleased with the progress of the Woman's work in the Union Association.

Mrs. Frazier discussed reports of some of the National officers; she said the National Association has more than 6000 members and more than 1500 tithers, also an increase in Co-laborer Fund.

Special music by the New Hope quartet, "He'll Understand and Say Well Done."

The convention message was brought by Rev. Charles Thigpin, instructor at the Free Will Baptist Bible College, who read I Cor. 3, using the 9th verse as his text, "Laborers Together With God" and plead in the name of the Lord that we yield ourselves to Him and become soul winners.

Mrs. Adam Scott led the congregation in singing "Amazing Grace."

President called attention to the literature which Mrs. Frazier had on display.

Members who have been in auxiliary work 20 years were asked to stand. More than a score stood.

Meeting adjourned for lunch with prayer led by Rev. E. A. Craft.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting was called to order by the president. Mrs. Christine Boyd led the congregation in singing, "I Am Thine, O Lord," and "Bringing in the Sheaves." Rev. N. R. Smith conducted the devotion, reading Ecclesiastes 5:18-20. The theme of his message was "Reward for laborers together with Him."

Minutes of morning session were read and approved.

Mrs. Virginia Van Hook read Prov. 31:10-31 in connection with the memorial service in which she paid tribute to Mrs. Allie Hudgens of Bethlehem Church and Mrs. Maude Allen of Olivet Church. Miss Faye Lockett sang "Asleep in Jesus."

Report of Plan of Work Committee was adopted.

Report of Resolutions Committee was adopted.

Report of Digest Committee was adopted.

Report of Petition and requests Committee was adopted.

Motion carried that the September Workshop be held at New Hope Church September 29, 1951.

Report of Nominating Committee accepted.

Motion carried that the officers named by nominating committee be elected.

Mrs. Burroughs stated that money and financial reports received after August 10 would not be included in 1950-51 report.

Rev. Boyte presented to the convention his plan for a FWB Radio program over station WNAH and plead with the body to support the program.

The secretary was instructed to have 200 minutes printed.

Olivet auxiliary won the attendance award with 57%; Ashland City followed with 56%.

The president reported that the District Auxiliary Convention is in debt \$30.00 for flowers bought for the auditorium during the National Association. A freewill offering was taken to apply on this debt and \$22.46 was received. Motion carried that the remaining \$7.54 be taken from the auxiliary treasury and the bill paid.

Standing vote of thanks was extended to the Bethlehem community for a wonderful day.

Mrs. Frazier urged that all money be sent through the proper channels in order that proper credit may be given.

A vote of thanks was extended Mrs. B. J. Ross for printing the programs.

Mrs. Polston asked that delegates be elected to the State Auxiliary Convention. Motion carried that the president be given authority to appoint these delegates. Mrs. Teasley, Mrs. Frazier and Mrs. Maxey were appointed; two more are to be appointed and notified by the president.

Motion carried that we adjourn. Rev. C. B. Thompson prayed the closing prayer.

OFFICERS FOR 1951-1952

President—Mrs. Avis Sublette, 3204 Long Blvd., Nashville, Tenn.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Florence Parham, Route 1, Guthrie, Ky.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. Mannie Smith, 1407 Calvin Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. Virginia Van Hook, Ashland City, Tenn.

Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. Dot Brinkley, Route 1, Ashland City, Tenn.

Fifth Vice-President—Mrs. Christine Boyd, Joelton, Tenn.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. E. Simpson, No. 9 Waters Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

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Treasurer—Mrs. Ethel Burroughs, 4020 Colorado Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Delegate to Cumberland Association—Mrs. J. E. Frazier

REPORT OF FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

On roll August 1, 1950.....	185
New Members	35
Active members	220
Inactive members	33
Present enrollment August 1951.....	253

A. Enlistment work to win new members

1. Number making phone calls.....	86
2. Number making personal visits.....	108
3. Number mailing letters or cards.....	78

B. Enlistment work to bring back absentees

1. Number making phone calls	54
2. Number making personal visits.....	48
3. Number mailing letters or cards.....	58

C. Promotional work done

1. Number leaflets, papers, etc., distributed.....	510
2. Programs on attendance, membership, plan of work....	54
3. Number churches having Woman's Auxiliaries.....	12
4. Number auxiliaries reporting to first vice president...	11
5. Total auxiliaries	12
6. Number talks made in interest of work.....	7

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EDNA HARRIS, First Vice-President

REPORT OF SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

Number young people in district, 17-25.....	99
Number juniors and intermediate girls, 8-16.....	66
Total membership in YWA.....	64
Total membership in GTA.....	14
Number auxiliaries sponsored for young women.....	5
Number auxiliaries sponsored for girls.....	2
Mission study classes.....	9
Stewardship classes	2
Evangelism classes	1
Manual of Methods study courses.....	1
Number of Daily Vacation Bible Schools.....	4
Activities sponsored for Free Will Baptist Bible College:	

(1) Monthly offerings

(2) Assisted several students

(3) Special programs

Auxiliaries reporting	9
Cards mailed	24

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. NADYNE SCOTT, Second Vice-President

REPORT OF THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT

Number mission study classes conducted.....	14
Books studied: "His Name Among All Nations," "God, A Hundred Years and A Free Will Baptist Family," and "Pray Ye."	
Number attending classes	139
Mission reading circles held.....	4
Books read: "His Name Among All Nations," "God, A Hundred Years and A Free Will Baptist Family"	
Stewardship study classes conducted.....	6
Books studied: "Christian Stewardship in the Church"	
Number tithers resulting from study.....	9
Total number tithers in district.....	85
Stewardship reading circles.....	2
Books read: "How to Pray."	
Stewardship declamation contests held	1
Manual of Methods classes conducted.....	5
Evangelism classes conducted.....	6
Books studied: "Personal Evangelism"—Evans	
Working With Our Youth courses held.....	1
Special plans made for conducting successful study courses and distributed to auxiliary organizations.	
Miscellaneous work done to promote study courses work in district—tracts and pamphlets passed out.	
Auxiliaries reporting: Ashland City, Bethlehem, East Nashville, Good Springs, Heads, New Hope, Olivet.	

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. VIRGINIA VAN HOOK, Third Vice-President

REPORT OF FOURTH VICE-PRESIDENT FOR 1951

Number of subscribers to Auxiliary Manual.....	58
Number of subscribers to Year Book.....	98
Number of subscribers to Working With Our Youth.....	2
Number of subscribers to Go Tell Book.....	3
Number of subscribers to F. W. B. Paper.....	22
Number of subscribers to Church Bulletin.....	8
Number of A-1 Auxiliaries.....	2
Number of Programs Planned in Advance.....	69
Number of Special Missionary Programs.....	7
Number of Stewardship Night Program.....	5
Number of Special Stewardship Programs.....	4
Number of Special Prayer Programs.....	16
Average number attending Prayer Programs.....	51
Amount of self-denial offerings resulting from Week of Prayer	\$162.00
Other special Programs given to promote Auxiliary Plan of Work	47
Auxiliaries Reporting	9

(Ashland City, Bethlehem, Cofer's Chapel, East Nashville, Good Springs, Head's, New Hope, Olivet, Sylvan Park.)
The two A-1 Societies reporting were: East Nashville, and Olivet.

Submitted by Fourth Vice-President

MRS. JESSE HAYS

REPORT OF FIFTH VICE-PRESIDENT

Orphanage work done:

1. Christmas Packages 3 gift boxes
2. Clothing for children 137 garments
3. Commodities donated—15 tea towels, wash cloth shower, groceries, 3 quilts

Cash donations \$201.59

Ministerial Relief work done:

1. Cards, letters, etc. to aged ministers..... 114
2. Gifts sent to aged ministers 3
3. Cash sent to aged ministers..... \$5.00

Personal Service work done:

Members engaged regularly in Personal Service work....	394
Members assisting in cottage prayer meetings.....	48
Members making soul-winning efforts.....	243
Number souls won this year.....	34
Members distributing Bibles.....	98
Members distributing garments to needy.....	285
Members distributing trays, flowers, and basket to needy..	466
Members helping Red Cross, W.C.T.U., Community work,	
March of Dimes	308
Members visiting the sick.....	260

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WILLIAM MISHLER

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

I have written and mailed 62 letters and 15 post cards and made 3 long distance calls.

Received 6 Standards from the following: East Nashville, A-1; Bethlehem, A-1; Goodsprings, A-1; New Hope, B; Sylvan Park, B; Olivet, A-1.

Expense:

Phone calls	\$1.25
Cards	.15
Stationery and envelopes.....	.50
Mailing	2.31
Total	\$4.21

MRS. CHRISTINE BOYD,

Corresponding Secretary

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLAN OF WORK

Committee recommends that the Cumberland District Auxiliary Convention adopt the WNAC plan of work as our plan for 1951-52.

MRS. J. M. BROADWAY

MRS. DORIS BRINKLEY

MRS. J. W. BOYTE

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

1. Be it resolved that the \$5.00 award be offered annually to the auxiliary with highest percentage of active membership present. This excludes the host auxiliary.

2. Be it resolved that the Cumberland District set two Workshop dates on its calendar of activities for ensuing year, namely, September 29, 1951 and March 29, 1952.

3. Be it resolved that the first vice-president appoint a committee from each section (5) of the district to assist her in organizing auxiliaries in those churches having none.

4. Be it resolved that the local vice presidents be requested to continue sending quarterly reports, and in addition to said reports that they be requested to send a yearly report.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. VIRGINIA VAN HOOK
ESTERLENE ELLIS
MAURINE HUNTER

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

We, your committee on petitions and requests wish to submit the following report:

Ashland City Auxiliary requests that the District Auxiliary Convention meet with them in August 1952.

Sylvan Park Auxiliary requests that the Workshop be held with them in March 1952.

MRS. J. E. SIMPSON
MRS. FRED WALL
MRS. VERA TURRENTINE

REPORT OF DIGEST COMMITTEE

Number auxiliaries reporting.....	11
Members in auxiliaries	216
Girl's auxiliaries reporting	15
Number Go Tell auxiliaries.....	1
Young people's auxiliaries	3
Members in all auxiliaries.....	286
Members in Go Tell auxiliaries.....	14
Members in Young People's auxiliaries.....	56
Auxiliaries observing seasons of prayer:	
Thanksgiving	5
Easter	9
Nine o'clock	2
Study classes held	33
Members reading Mission book.....	61
A-1 Auxiliaries	3
Auxiliaries observing calendar of activities.....	6
Auxiliaries having directed personal work.....	5

FINANCIAL REPORT

Paid as follows:

Foreign Missions	\$ 165.65
Home Missions	26.82
Home for Children.....	333.70
Bible College	125.24
Superannuation	19.41
Co-laborers Band	285.10
Local church projects	300.99
TOTAL	<u>\$1256.91</u>

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. MARIE FELTS

MRS. BEATRICE POOLE

MRS. ALVIN MOORE

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

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Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EDNA HARRIS

MRS. CHRISTINE BOYD

MRS. NADYNE SCOTT

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S DISTRICT AUXILIARY CONVENTION AUGUST 10, 1951

AUXILIARIES	Rally Day	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Co-Laborer	F. W. B. Home for Children	Education	Love Offering Margaret Johnson	Supernatuation	Minutes	Convention Dues	Award	Total of each Auxiliary
Ashland City				\$ 51.85	\$ 39.05	.....	.....	.....	\$ 5.00	\$ 4.50	.50	\$100.90
Bethel					48.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48.00
Bethlehem			31.30	12.55	26.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	5.40	.....	80.25
Cofer's Chapel				60.00	24.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	6.90	.....	95.90
East Nashville			25.00	30.00	24.00	10.95	5.46	.....	5.00	6.90	.....	107.31
Friendship												
Goodsprings		12.00	25.00	.....	12.00	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	.....	84.30
Heads				31.70	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	6.30	.....	41.90
New Hope			10.00	60.00	24.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.20	.....	94.00
Olivet			25.00	74.10	25.00	.....	.....	.....	5.00	4.20	.....	133.30
Sylvan Park				27.50	5.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33.00
Trinity												
West Nashville												
Rally Day	10.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS	\$10.55	\$12.00	\$116.30	\$347.70	\$227.55	\$22.95	\$5.46	\$12.00	\$30.00	\$44.40	.50	\$829.41

Receipts

Received for Home Missions	\$ 12.00
Received for Foreign Missions	116.30
Received for Co-Laborer Band	347.70
Received for F. W. B. Home for Children	227.55
Received for Education	22.95
Received for Margaret Johnson	5.46
Received for Supernatuation	12.00
Received for Award	.50
Received for Minutes	30.00
Received for Convention Dues	44.40
Received for Rally Day	10.55
Total receipts for year	\$829.41
Balance on hand Aug. 19th, 1950	108.82
TOTAL	\$938.23
Total Disbursements	758.92
Balance on hand Aug. 10th, 1951	\$179.31

Disbursements

To Mrs. W. B. Harris Cors. Sec. expenses	\$ 2.10
To Mrs. George Van Hook, Ashland City Attendance Award	5.00
To Mrs. Adam Scott, transcribing minutes	5.00
To Vandy Printing Co. for minutes	57.00
To Mrs. C. B. Thompson National & State Dues	34.20
To Rev. Henry Melvin for Margaret Johnson	5.46
To Rev. Henry Melvin for Education	22.95
To Mrs. J. E. Frazier for Foreign Missions	116.30
To Mrs. J. E. Frazier for Home Missions	12.00
To Mrs. J. E. Frazier for Supernatuation	12.00
To Mrs. J. E. Frazier for Co-Laborer Band	253.85
To Free Will Baptist Home for Children	227.55
To Mrs. L. O. Burroughs for postage	1.51
To American National Bank, Handling Charges	4.00
Total Disbursements	\$758.92

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICAL REPORT

Auxiliary	President	Address	Members First of year	New Members	Dropped	Deceased	Members at Close of year
Ashland City	Mrs. George Van Hook.....	Ashland City, Tenn.....	15	..	..	..	15
Bethel	Mrs. Floyd Swann.....	Neptune, Tenn.	10	..	..	..	10
Bethlehem	Mrs. Luther Reed.....	Ashland City, Route 1.....	16	2	..	1	17
Cofers Chapel	Mrs. Bertha Midget.....	1718-A Arthur Ave., Nashville, Tenn.....	24	3	1	..	26
East Nashville.....	Mrs. W. B. Harris.....	1730 Arthur Ave., Nashville, Tenn.....	22	8	..	..	31
Goodspring	Mrs. J. B. Parsons.....	Joelton, Tenn.	27	4	..	..	31
Heads	Miss Esterlene Ellis.....	Cedar Hill, Tenn.....	21	..	..	..	21
New Hope	Mrs. Marie Felts.....	Joelton, Tenn.	24	..	2	..	22
Olivet	Mrs. Jesse Hays.....	Route 1, Guthrie, Ky.....	13	1	..	1	13
Sylvan Park.....	Mrs. J. M. Broadway.....	4609 Illinois, Nashville, Tenn.....	12	6	..	..	18
Trinity	Mrs. C. B. Thompson.....	210 Foster St., Nashville, Tenn.....	14	..	..	..	14
West Nashville.....	Mrs. Nettie Dycus.....	5608 Pennsylvania, Nashville, Tenn.....					

