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Next session to be held with Sylvan Park Free Will
Baptist Church, August 18, 1954.

PROCEEDINGS

Theme: "Victorious Living Through Christ"

Scripture: II Corinthians 2:14

The Cumberland District Auxiliary Convention met with New Hope Free Will Baptist Church on August 19, 1953. The Convention was called to order by District President, Mrs. Avis Sublette. Mrs. Sublette reported she had reports from each of the thirteen auxiliaries in the district and urged that we keep up the good works. She feels the good reports came as a result of our workshops which were held in early fall and in the spring.

The morning devotional was given by Miss Mary Lou Raper, on the subject, "The All-Sufficient Christ", taking as her scriptures Phillipians 4:19, Matthew 7:7, II Peter 3:9. Through these scriptures we were shown that without Christ in our lives we are as nothing, because He is the all-sufficient one in our everyday walk of life.

The welcome address was given by Mrs. Marvin Walker, President of the host auxiliary. The response was given by Miss Geraldine Gay of the Bible College.

Recognition was given to the following ministers at this time: Rev. Wesley Calvary, Ashland City; Mr. Brown, Bible College; Rev. Roger Reeds, Bethlehem; Rev. Marvis Lee, Bible College; Rev. E. A. Craft, Sylvan Park. Along with these, our State Officers present were recognized: Mrs. J. B. Smith, State President; Mrs. Lorene Miley, Youth Enlistment Chairman; Mrs. Christine Boyd, Publicity Chairman; Mrs. Walter Maxey, Secretary.

Mrs. Docia Felts of New Hope has attended each convention since the auxiliary was organized. Eighteen members were present who have been in the work twenty-five years. Seven members had been in the work twenty years.

The following number from each auxiliary answered the roll call:

Ashland City	5	Goodsprings	19
Bethel	2	Heads	0
Bethlehem	18	New Hope	16
Bible College	5	Olivet	4
Cofers Chapel	5	Sylvan Park	7
East Nashville	5	Trinity	0
		West Nashville	2

Delegates were seated and committees appointed as follows:

Digest: Mrs. Thelma Cannon, Miss Mary Lou Raper, Mrs. Lorene Miley.

Plan of Work: Mrs. Ressie Bailey, Mrs. Eloise Tomlin, Mrs. Sears Counter.

Petitions and Requests: Mrs. W. E. Marshall, Mrs. Fred Wall, Mrs. Davis

Resolutions: Mrs. Florence Paraham, Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mrs. Sara Pugh.

Nominating: Mrs. J. O. Brown, Mrs. Luther Reed, Miss Mary Patton.

Reports of the chairmen were given at this time.

Enlistment Chairman: Mrs. Florence Paraham.

Youth Enlistment Chairman: Mrs. Lorene Miley.

Study Course Chairman: Mrs. Virginia Vanhook

Publicity Chairman: Mrs. Marvin Walker.

Benevolence Chairman: Mrs. Rebecca Clifton.

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. Thelma Cannon.

Treasurer: Mrs. Ethel Burroughs.

The message of the day was delivered by Rev. Marvis Lee of the Bible College using as his subject "Triumph in Christ", (II Corinthians 2:14 and I Chronicles 5:20.)

We were led in our dismissal prayer by Rev. E. A. Craft.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Our opening song, "Be a Light for Jesus" was led by Rev. Wesley Calvary. The devotional "Advancing with Christ" was given by Mrs. Geneva Walker of the Bible College, putting before us the fact that each advance we make in our lives is made through Christ's help.

At this time Mrs. Burroughs gave the treasurer's report and it was accepted as read. Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Memorial Service was conducted by Mrs. Florence Paraham, reading from the fourteenth chapter of St. John. Tribute was paid to Joyce Marshall who had been president of the first Y. P. A. organized in this district (East Nashville), Miss Mary Dowlen,

auxiliary member from Goodsprings and Mr. Marion J. Reed who had been interested in the Ladies' work and had been a life-long Free Will Baptist. "That Blessed City On High" was sung by the New Hope Ladies' Quartet.

Reports from the committees were given at this time. Digest, petitions and requests were read and accepted. Report on Plan of Work was given and adopted. Resolution committee report was read and each resolution voted on separately and adopted as read. The report of the nominating committee was accepted as read. The Workshops for the coming year will be held at Ashland City and Heads, respectively.

A declamation contest was directed by Mrs. Lorene Miley with three contestants: Ann Burgess, Cofer's Chapel; Geraldine Sloan, New Hope and Majorie Hunter, Goodsprings, who was the winner. She was presented a small gift as a token of appreciation from the District Auxiliary Ladies, and she will be sent as a contestant to the State Auxiliary at Cookeville in October.

The body voted to hold our district convention at Sylvan Park next August 18, 1954.

Dismissed by Rev. Wesley Calvary.

OFFICERS FOR 1953-54

President, Mrs. Avis Sublette, 2123 Abbott Martin Rd., Nashville, Tennessee.

Enlistment Chairman, Mrs. Christine Boyd, 2218 Crestmoor Road, Nashville, Tennessee.

Youth Enlistment Chairman, Mrs. Lorene Miley, 507 Hite Street, Nashville, Tennessee.

Study Course Chairman, Mrs. Virginia Vanhook, Ashland City, Tennessee.

Publicity Chairman, Mrs. Marvin Walker, Joelton, Tennessee.

Benevolence Chairman, Mrs. Billy Walker, 3609 Richland Ave., Nashville, Tennessee.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Herman Hudgens.

Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Roger Reeds.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Thelma Cannon, Ashland City, Tennessee.

Treasurer, Mrs. Ethel Burroughs, 4020 Colorado Ave., Nashville, Tennessee.

Delegates to State Association: Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mrs. Marvin Walker, Mrs. Fannie Polston, Mrs. J. O. Brown, Mrs. W. E. Marshall.

REPORT OF ENLISTMENT CHAIRMAN

From August 1, 1953 to August 1, 1954.

A. Enlistment and Promotion Statistics:

1. Number members on roll beginning of year.....	223
2. Number new members	55
3. Number active members	227
4. Number members suspended	31
5. Present enrollment	247
6. Average attendance	149.25 or 60%

B. Enlistment work to win new members:

1. Members making phone calls	38
2. Members making personal visits	53
3. Members mailing letters or cards	26

C. Enlistment work done to bring back absentees:

1. Members making phone calls	28
2. Members making personal visits	48
3. Members mailing letters or cards	40

D. Convention Report:

1. Number of churches having auxiliaries	13
2. Number of auxiliaries first of year	13
3. Number of new auxiliaries organized	0
4. Total number auxiliaries this year	13

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLORENCE PARAHAM, Enlistment Chairman

REPORT OF YOUTH ENLISTMENT CHAIRMAN

1. Number of young people (14-18) in our district 230
2. Number Intermediate boys and girls (9-13) 159
3. Total Membership in Y. P. A. 84
4. Total Membership in G. T. A. 19
5. Number of Vacation Bible Schools assisted in conduction.... 9
6. Stewardship declamation contests 1
7. Activities sponsored for Free Will Baptist College are as follows: Financial \$25.00, otherwise \$5.00.
8. Local Building Fund Programs sponsored by Y. P. A. and G. T. A. \$100.00

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LORENE MILEY, Youth Enlistment Chairman

REPORT OF STUDY COURSE CHAIRMAN

1. Number of Mission Study Classes Conducted 14
2. Books studied: "His Name Among All Nations", "Now is the Hour", "How to Pray", "Bible".
3. Number attending classes 191
4. Mission reading circles held 2
5. Stewardship Study classes conducted 2
6. Books read: "Too Poor to Tithe", "Studies in Christian Stewardship", "The Larger Stewardship".
7. Number tithers resulting from study classes 1
8. Total number tithers in auxiliary 97
9. Manual of Methods studies conducted 8
10. Evangelism classes conducted 3
11. Books Studied: "Bible", "The Newness of Life".
12. Working with our Youth courses held 5
13. Miscellaneous work done to promote study course work in the district. Missionary and stewardship tracts given. Fellowship supper held with guest speakers.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. VIRGINIA VANHOOK, Study Course Chairman

REPORT OF PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

A. Publicity work done:

1. Number of subscribers to Auxiliary Manual..... 70
2. Number of subscribers to auxiliary yearbook.....191
3. Number of subscribers to working with our youth.... 17
4. Number of subscribers to Go-Tell book..... 13
5. Number of subscribers to FWB Paper..... 99
6. Number of subscribers to My Job Booklet..... 48
7. Number articles sent to church bulletin..... 49
8. Number articles sent to FWB paper..... 26
9. Number articles sent to local papers..... 7

B. Standard Auxiliaries:

1. Number of "A-1" Standard Auxiliaries..... 2
(New Hope and Olivet)
2. Number of "B" standard auxiliaries..... 5

C. Program work done:

1. Number of programs planned in advance.....120
2. Number of special missionary programs held..... 14
3. Stewardship Church night programs given..... 3
4. Number of special stewardship programs given..... 12
5. Special prayer programs conducted..... 12
6. Week of Prayer programs held..... 27
7. Average number attending.....141
8. Amount of self-denial offerings.....\$152.42
9. Other special programs given to promote auxiliary plan of work such as: Co-Laborers Band Fund, Ministerial Relief, Orphanage 3, Evangelism 4.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. MARVIN WALKER, Publicity Chairman

REPORT OF BENEVOLENCE CHAIRMAN

A. Orphanage work done:

1. Clothing for children.....332 garments
2. Equipment— boxes linens, wash cloths, 4 quilts, tooth brushes, 56 Christmas packages.
3. Number coupons sent 328
4. Cash donations\$228.12

B. Ministerial Relief work done:

1. Cards and letters to aged ministers..... 27
2. Gifts sent to aged ministers 11
3. Cash sent to aged ministers\$ 12.60

C. Directed Personal Service work done:

1. Members engaged regularly in directed personal service work 438
2. Members assisting in Cottage Prayer Meetings..... 187
3. Members making soul winning efforts..... 324
4. Members distributing Bibles..... 197
5. Members distributing garments to needy..... 230
6. Members distributing trays and baskets to needy... 211
7. Members helping in Red Cross, W. C. T. U., and community mission work..... 203
8. Members responsible for \$300.00 scholarship to a nursing school 1
9. Members responsible for securing home for a shut-in 1
10. Members making sick visits 125

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. REBECCA CLIFTON, Benevolence Chairman

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

I have mimeographed 200 programs for the two workshops, 150 programs for the convention, 390 report forms for 1952-53 year, 495 report forms for 1953-54 year.

I have mailed out 24 programs for workshops, 12 programs for convention, 13 letters.

Expenses: Envelopes, 30 cents; postage and stamps \$1.52; Total expenses \$1.82.

Mimeograph paper and stencils were donated.

Respectfully submitted,

THELMA E. CANNON, Corresponding Secretary

REPORT OF DIGEST COMMITTEE

1. Number of Auxiliaries reporting	13
2. Members in Auxiliaries	256
3. Number of Go-Tell Auxiliaries	2
4. Young peoples Auxiliaries	5
5. Members in Go-Tell Auxiliaries	19
6. Members in Y. P. A.	84
7. Auxiliaries observing season of Prayer:	
Thanksgiving	7
Easter	8
9:00 A.M.	4
8. Study Classes held	38
9. Members reading Mission Books	64
10. Number A-1 Auxiliaries	2
11. Number tithers	163
12. Auxiliaries observing calendar of activities	3
13. Auxiliaries directed personal work	8

FINANCIAL:

1. Foreign Missions	\$ 215.12
2. Home Missions	98.04
3. Orphanage	383.84
4. College	240.75
5. Ministerial Fund	22.00

6. Co-Laborer Fund	437.56
7. Convention Dues	77.60
8. Local Church Projects	1,092.09
9. Minutes	48.60

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. THELMA E. CANNON, Chairman
MRS. LAVERGNE MILEY
MISS MARY LOU RAPER

REPORT OF PLAN OF WORK COMMITTEE

We, the Plan of Work Committee of 1953, recommend that the Cumberland District Auxiliary Convention adopt the W.N.A.C. plan of work for our plan for 1953-54.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. BEE COUNTER, Chairman
MRS. ELOISE TOMLIN
MRS. RESSIE BAILEY

REPORT OF PETITIONS AND REQUESTS

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

The Bible College Auxiliary requests that it be allowed to omit items on Standard of Achievement not possible for it to achieve—and still be eligible for 100% or A-1 Auxiliary.

Heads Church asks to be hostess to Convention next year.

Sylvan Park Church asks that the Convention be held in its new Church next year.

Ashland City requests the fall workshop be held with them.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. E. MARSHALL, Chairman
MRS. O. W. DAVIS
MRS. P. W. WALL

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. **Be it resolved** that the Cumberland District set two or more Workshop dates on its calendar of activities for ensuing year, dates to be announced after first executive meeting, using the theme as suggested by National Convention.
2. **Be it resolved** that local Vice-Presidents be requested to continue sending quarterly reports and in addition to said reports that they be requested to send an annual report.
3. That a directory of the local Auxiliaries presidents be placed in the 1953 minutes.
4. **Be it resolved** that this convention give a standing vote of thanks to New Hope Church for its generous hospitality.
5. **Be it resolved** that the District Auxiliary Convention donate \$50.00 to the Bible College on the Building Fund.
6. **Be it resolved** that the Woman's Auxiliary Convention make a contribution of \$50.00 to the "Lights for Cuba" project sponsored by the F.W.B.L.
7. That the Cumberland Woman's Auxiliary mission project for the incoming year be a personalized fund for Trula Cronk, which is to be used solely for her traveling expenses whenever she is permitted to return to U.S.A.
8. That each Woman's Auxiliary save regularly the coupons desired by the Children's Home and send them quarterly to Mr. Stanley.
9. That the W.N.A.C. Adopted Plan of Work be printed in the 1953 minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLORENCE PARAHAM, Chairman
MRS. J. E. FRAZIER
MRS. SARA PUGH

WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE

Auxiliary	Oct., 1952	Mar., 1953
Ashland City	4	0
Bethlehem	10	6
Sylvan Park	2	6
West Nashville	5	15
East Nashville	0	0
Trinity	0	3
Bible College	20	4
Olivet	0	17
Heads	0	4
New Hope	11	10
Cofer's Chapel	0	7
Goodsprings	0	9
Bethel	0	0
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Total Attending	52	83

LOCAL PRESIDENTS, 1953-54

1. Mrs. Nellie Eatherly—Ashland City; Ashland City, Tenn.
2. Mrs. Charlie Pardue—Bethel; Neptune, Tenn.
3. Mrs. Luther Reed—Bethlehem; Ashland City, Tenn.
4. Mrs. Lorene Miley—Bible College; 710 Hite St., Nashville, Tennessee.
5. Mrs. O. W. Davis—Cofer's Chapel; 1024 - 17th Ave., So., Nashville, Tenn.
6. Mrs. Clarence Bowen—East Nashville; 616 Russell St., Nashville, Tenn.
7. Mrs. Lillian Binkley—Goodsprings; Joelton, Tenn.
8. Mrs. Elsie Brown—Head's; Cedar Hill, Tenn., Rt. 3.
9. Mrs. Marvin Walker—New Hope; Joelton, Tenn.
10. Mrs. Smith Crockerell—Olivet; Rt. 1, Guthrie, Ky.
11. Mrs. Fred Wall—Sylvan Park; 123 Bowling, Nashville, Tenn.
12. Mrs. Rose Davis—Trinity; 1810 - 14th Ave., No., Nashville, Tennessee.
13. Mrs. Ressie Bailey—West Nashville; 5001 Tennessee Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMAN'S DISTRICT AUXILIARY CONVENTION 1952-53

AUXILIARIES	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Co-Laborer	Band	F. W. B. Home For Children	F. W. B. Home For Children Playground Equipment	F. W. B. Home For Children Christmas Gifts	F. W. B. Bible College Education	F. W. B. Bible College Building Fund	F. W. B. Bible College Organ	Love Offering Nadine Shadrach	Superrannuation	Minutes	Convention Dues	Totals of each Auxiliary
Ashland City	\$17.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 73.61	\$ 22.00	\$50.00	....	....	....	....	\$ 13.00	....	....	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.90	280.51
Bethel	....	....	....	44.00	....	....	10.00	....	....	6.00	....	....	3.00	3.60	66.60
Bethlehem	....	19.00	5.85	18.00	....	....	....	11.00	....	6.00	....	....	....	4.20	64.05
Bible College	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7.75	....	....	....	9.00	16.75
Cofers's Chapel	....	....	60.00	24.00	....	....	....	....	21.00	12.00	....	....	5.00	7.80	129.80
Cofers's Chapel															
Seekerettes	....	....	....	25.57	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	25.57
East Nashville	5.00	30.00	30.00	24.00	....	25.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	5.00	9.30	128.30
E. Nash. Y. P. A.	....	....	....	12.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	12.00
Goodsprings	12.00	12.00	....	12.00	....	12.00	....	....	....	15.00	....	12.00	5.00	6.00	86.00
Heads	....	....	15.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	12.00	....	....	1.10	3.90	32.00
New Hope	....	....	50.00	20.00	....	25.00	....	....	....	12.00	11.25	....	5.00	9.00	132.25
Olivet	16.80	9.04	133.50	25.00	....	....	....	....	....	18.00	....	10.00	5.00	5.70	223.04
Olivet Y. P. A.	....	9.04	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	9.04
Olivet Go-Tells	....	9.04	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	9.04
Sylvan Park	....	5.00	30.00	6.00	....	....	23.77	....	....	6.00	....	....	2.50	5.40	78.67
Trinity	....	20.00	....	10.00	....	....	....	....	....	8.00	....	....	5.00	4.80	47.80
W. Nashville	....	....	7.00	42.50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7.00	5.00	61.50
TOTALS	\$50.80	\$209.12	\$404.96	\$285.07	\$50.00	\$33.77	\$73.00	\$21.00	\$115.75	\$11.25	\$22.00	\$48.60	\$77.60	\$1,402.92	

Receipts

Home Missions	\$ 50.80
Foreign Missions	209.12
Co-Laborer Band	404.96
Free Will Baptist Home for Children	285.07
Free Will Baptist Home for Children Playground Equipment	50.00
Free Will Baptist Home for Children Christmas Gifts	33.77
F. W. B. Bible College Education	73.00
F. W. B. Bible College Building Fund	21.00
F. W. B. Bible College, Hammond Organ Fund	115.75
Love Offering, Nadine Shadrick	11.25
Superannuation	22.00
Minutes	48.60
Convention Dues	77.60
Total Receipts for Year	\$1,402.92
Balance on hand Aug. 14, 1952	334.17
TOTAL	\$1,737.09
Total Disbursements for 1952-53	1,295.64
Balance on hand Aug. 11, 1953	\$ 441.45

Disbursements

Mrs. C. F. Reed, Bethlehem attendance award.....	\$ 5.00
Mrs. L. W. Vinson, 1952 State Dues, 216 members..	21.60
Mrs. Lucille Reed, Transcribing minutes 1952-53...	5.00
Mrs. Thelma Cannon, Corr. Secty. expenses.....	1.70
Love Offering, Nadine Shadrick.....	11.25
Vandy Printing Co., 250 Aux. Minutes.....	71.25
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, 1953 National Dues, 216 members	21.60
Mrs. J. W. Maxey, 1953 State Dues, 216 members..	21.60
Mrs. Chas. Sublette, Telephone calls and postage...	3.00
Mrs. L. O. Burroughs, postage	1.10
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Home Missions	50.80
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Foreign Missions	209.12
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Co-Laborer Band	271.53
F. W. Baptist Home for Children	369.34
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, F. W. B. Bible College	94.00
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, F. W. B. Bible College Organ Fund	115.75
Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Superannuation	22.00
Total Disbursements 1952-53	\$1,295.64

