

MINUTES
of the
82nd Annual Session
of the
CUMBERLAND DISTRICT
WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

Convening at
Good Springs Free Will Baptist Church
Pleasant View, Tennessee
August 24, 2002

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**Proceedings of the 82nd Annual Session
of the
Women Active for Christ
August 24, 2002**

The 82nd annual Cumberland District Women Active for Christ (CDWAC) convened at Good Springs Free Will Baptist Church, Pleasant View, Tennessee, on August 24, 2002. Barbara Nicholson, local coordinator, welcomed the 63 attendees and opened in prayer. Beverly Riggs led the women in singing, "I'll Go Where He Wants Me to Go."

After the offertory by Susan Winchester and Gayle England, Myrtle Reeds led a sweet memorial service for five women from the district who passed away in the previous year, including Joan Gardner (from Donelson and Fellowship), Blondelle Poole (Shady Grove), Thelma Cannon (Bethlehem), Mabel Smith (Bethlehem) and Grace Reid (East Nashville).

Windy Hunter and Bev Parks sang a lovely duet, "He is Here," as the service continued. Two short term missionaries from the Cumberland District spoke about their time of service on foreign fields. Stephanie McVay spent the 2001-2002 school year at the University of Nante in France. She told about her life in France, described the church at Nante, and the people she met in ministry there like Sheran, Collete's daughter July, Madame Salison, and Samuel and Anne. College ministry is certainly needed as the strong youth group seems to disappear as students become college age. She spoke honestly about her difficulties with loneliness and her search for direction for future ministry. Her display in the Fellowship Hall also pointed to the needs and opportunities for ministry in France.

Shannon Little spoke about the Lord's moving her from a nurse at Vanderbilt Hospital's Pediatric Intensive Care Unit to school nurse and teacher's aide at Hokaido International School in Japan. Her slides showed that though there were some similarities to life in the USA, many differences in language, worship, and religious practices of the Japanese are evident. She used Psalm 139:1-10 to remind us that God is with us, even when the discouragement of being a foreigner and dependent on others. She plans to return as a career missionary to continue her work at the school.

Elizabeth Hodges, district president appointed committees before dismissing for a lovely brunch in Good Springs Fellowship Hall. The women had decorated in patriotic colors, and the food was delicious. Displays from the two missionaries as well as literature displays from WNAC and Thomas Nelson's Women's Study Bible made the break time go by very quickly.

The Business session reconvened with Beverly Riggs leading the hymn, "Living for Jesus," and excellent special music by Devoted (teen girls' group), "Lord, Let Your Light."

Delegates were seated after approving the report of the Credentials committee. Twenty-two women's groups were eligible and their reports examined by Carol Reid, Kathleen Hays, and Sherry Biggs. The secretary's report followed. Present enrollment of CDWAC is actually 272 members, but treasurer's reports will indicate that 287 have paid their dues. This is because one group of 15 paid dues for both 2001 and 2002 in her report. By reports, we have 25 new members and have lost 20; but confusingly, we had 271 members reporting in 2001. Of course, the district counts members by those who pay dues to the district; local groups should be sure in their reports only to include dues-paying members.

The registration committee reported that 16 women's groups were represented at the meeting, with 63 total attendees. Six district officers, ten local presidents, 22 delegates, 1 short-

term missionary, and 24 visitors made up this total. Laura Beem, Norma McAlister, and Bobbie Counts served on this committee.

The resolution committee submitted five resolutions, all of which were passed by the delegates in an item by item vote. They are summarized here, with full resolutions in the report of the resolutions committee which follows with other committee reports: 1. To give \$50 honorariums to the Secretary, *Chimes* editor, and Treasurer; 2. To have the 83rd annual convention at Heads FWB Church on August 23, 2003 and to meet for our Spring Retreat at Montgomery Bell State Park, March 28-29, 2003; 3. To challenge each women's group in the Cumberland District to give \$100 toward the Missionary in Residence Home at Free Will Baptist Bible College this year, a total of \$2200 from the Cumberland District; 4. To express our appreciation to Good Springs for hosting us, as well as to the musicians, special musicians, Cumberland District officers, and to the Missionaries who spoke; and 5. To support the resolutions from the National Convention of Women Active for Christ, including the distribution of \$4000 of foreign scholarships, opposition to same-sex marriages, and support of patriotism and pledge of prayer for children in war-torn nations. Myra Austin chaired this committee, with Mary Jane Wildmone, Joy Corn, Tina Moser and Dr. Mary R. Wisheart serving.

The Plan of Work committee's report was also approved by the body. They suggested that each auxiliary use the following calendar for support of our denomination's programs: August: WNAC emphasis; September: WNAC Student Loan Fund and/or Rest of the Family Offering; October: WNAC and Provision Closet; November: Home Missions; December: Free Will Baptist Bible College; January: Enlistment and Support; February: Foreign Student Scholarship Fund; March: State Project (to be announced in November); April: Foreign Missions; May: Mother's Day Offering for Trula Cronk Home for Children; June: Cumberland Youth Camp; July: Open. Lilly Duncan, Debora Shoulders, Carolyn Lane, Melissa Farmer and Myrtle Reeds served as the committee.

The Financial Committee reported that the Treasurer's books are in order. They proposed that we give the morning offering of \$166 to Shannon Little's account and that we give an honorarium of \$50 to each Shannon Little and Stephanie McVay, our speakers. They also suggested that we give \$200 to the WNAC general fund and \$300 to the MIR project at FWBBC from the Cumberland District. Their report was approved and monies appropriately disbursed.

The Treasurer's printed report was distributed for review of all the members and accepted as printed.

Sarah Fletcher reported from the WNAC office on the WNAC convention in July, 2002. She mentioned both the fun time with "Viney Mae" at the luncheon and the sweet worship of the services at the convention. 968 were registered. The convention will move to Tampa, Florida for the July, 2003 meeting. The WNAC cookbooks have sold out and had to be reordered. An updated program and planning book for 2003 is available as well, with new promotional skits from "Lucy and Marge." Sarah told the women also that WNAC can be reached through its website, www.nafwb.org/wnac to order any of these materials. The Ridgecrest Retreat is planned for September 19-21, 2002, and another retreat is planned this Spring for Branson, Missouri, March 27-29. Sarah encouraged every CDWAC group to subscribe to *CoLaborer* magazine to keep up with national activities.

Myrtle Reeds reported from the Tennessee Women Active for Christ meeting, at First Free Will Baptist Church, Mountain City, Tennessee, on November 13, 2001. This meeting was poorly attended, leading to discussion about holding business meetings at the Retreat, every other

year. Delegates there also approved donating any monies raised beyond the hosting expenses for the national convention being given to WNAC's office, where they are much needed. They also approved the 2003 project of the Flood Disaster Fund for the Children's Home. The 2002 State Meeting will be held at Church Hill First Free Will Baptist Church on November 12. The state officers are already planning for the 2003 retreat.

A nominating committee was selected and approved by the delegates. They are: Carol Reid, Beverly Riggs, and Carolyn Lane.

The Cumberland District may send 10 delegates to the State meeting in November, in addition to district officers and local presidents. Beverly Riggs and Hope Van Winkle were elected to serve as delegates, with Elizabeth Hodges given authority to appoint others who are in attendance.

The delegates also applauded all the CDWAC women who had contributed to the new cookbook. The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

Spring Retreat, March 28 and 29, 2003 Montgomery Bell State Park

Trula Cronk served as special speaker for our retreat, speaking on the theme, "Waiting, Watching, Working." She spoke Friday night about the certainty of the Lord's return. Saturday morning she emphasized our duty of evangelism in preparing for his coming and suggested supporting the "Jesus Film" as a specific opportunity for women to be involved in the Great Commission.

We also had two "Pray Around the World" sessions, where small groups prayed for specific needs of foreign mission fields and home mission fields.

As has become tradition, Myra Austin also helped us laugh together and learn about each other in our get acquainted time. Over 50 women attended, in spite of the conflicting scheduling with the National Retreat.

REPORTS

Credentials Committee

We the Credentials Committee wish to submit the following report. According to Article 4 of the Constitution and Article 4, Sections 1 and 2, of the Bylaws the following women's groups are eligible to be seated in the Cumberland District Women Active for Christ convention:

Ashland City	Donelson	Hendersonville	Smyrna
Bethel	East Nashville	LaVergne	Trinity
Bethlehem	Faith	Loyal Chapel	West End
Cofers Chapel	Fellowship	Mt. Zion	Woodbine
Cornerstone	Good Springs	Olivet	
Cross Timbers	Heads	Shady Grove	

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Reid, Kathleen Hays, Sherry Biggs

Secretary's Report

Twenty-two auxiliaries reported, 2 more than last year. By reports that each auxiliary turned in, 25 members were added and 20 members were lost over the past year. By count of dues, 20 members were added in addition to members from churches that did not report last year, Loyal Chapel (24 members) and Faith (4 members). Thirty-five members, according to dues paid from the reporting women's groups, were lost. The 2001 enrollment report counted 271 members; 272 members are counted (by dues paid) in 2002. Additional dues for 15 members from Loyal Chapel who paid both for 2001 and 2002 in this year's monies may cause the treasurer's report to reflect more than that. The membership totals reflect dues paying members, so all women's groups should be sure that reports only account for them.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Reid

Registration Committee

We, the Registration Committee, submit the following report:

Women's groups reporting:	16
District officers present:	6
Local presidents present:	10
Delegates present:	22
Pastors present:	0
Missionaries present:	1 (short term)
Visitors present:	24
Total Present:	63

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Beem, Norma McAlister, Bobbie Counts

Resolutions Committee

We, your Resolutions Committee, wish to submit the following for your consideration:

1. Be it resolved that \$50 honorariums be give the editor of *Chimes*, the recording secretary, and the treasurer.
2. Be it resolved that the 83rd annual convention be held August 23, 2003 at Heads Free Will Baptist Church and the spring retreat be held at Montgomery Bell State Park on March 28 and 29.
3. Be it resolved that the women 's groups in the Cumberland District be responsible for contributing at least \$100.00 for the Missionary Residence at the Free Will Baptist Bible College.
4. We wish to express appreciation to the following: Good Springs Free Will Baptist Church, our missionary speakers, our musicians and singers for special music, our Cumberland District officers.
5. We support the three resolutions passed at the NAFWB.

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Austin, Mary Jane Wildmone, Joy Corn, Tina Moser, Dr. Mary Ruth Wischart

Plan of Work Committee

We, the Plan of Work Committee, suggest the following projects for the year:

August: WNAC Emphasis Month offering

September: Student Loan Fund and Rest of the Family Offering for WNAC/Executive Office/Master's Men/Retirement & Insurance/Commissions/NYC

October: WNAC Month and items as needed for Provision Closet

November: National Home Missions (Pre-Thanksgiving offering)

December: Free Will Baptist Bible College

January: Enlistment and Support

February: Foreign Student Scholarship

March: State Project (to be announced in November)

April: Foreign Missions (Pre-Easter offering)

May: Trula Cronk Home for Children (Mother's Day offering)

June: Cumberland Youth Camp

July: (open)

These suggestions incorporate the Together Way Plan adopted by the National Association.

Respectfully submitted:

Lilly Duncan, Carolyn Lane, Debora Shoulders, Melissa Farmer, Myrtle Reeds

CDWAC Treasurer's Report
August 1, 2001 to July 31, 2002
Disbursements

DUES		2,750.00	
Dues (01-02) 262 @ 10.00	2,620.00		
Dues (00-01) 13 @ 10.00	130.00		
WNAC General Fund		1,102.50	
Emphasis Offering		993.00	
Provision Closet		63.25	
Foreign Student Scholarship		343.75	
Memorial Student Loan		191.20	
TWAC Dues		68.75	
TWAC General Fund		23.00	
State Project		1,575.50	
Foreign Missions		4,225.33	includes 115.19 conv offering to Poole acct
Home Missions		3,624.69	includes 115.19 conv offering to Hampton acct
Free Will Baptist Bible College		1,606.03	
Cumberland Youth Camp		1,077.80	
Trula Cronk Home for Children		4,197.10	
Rest of Family		258.50	
Honorariums			
Convention Speakers		100.00	
District Officers		150.00	
Miscellaneous CDWAC Expense			
Convention Supplies		25.00	
District Expenses		189.13	includes fees for 2001 minutes 61.69
Montgomery Bell Retreat		80.08	
Montgomery Bell Deposit		150.00	
Miscellaneous		71.00	

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2002 WNAC REPORT TO CUMBERLAND DISTRICT WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

Convention News

The 2002 WNAC convention in Memphis, Tennessee was a great success. Delegates voted to give three scholarships: (1) \$1000 to be divided between two Ivorian students, Pastor Paul Amiezi and Robert Housessou (2) \$1000 to Osmir, a Brazilian seminary student, and (3) \$1000 to be divided among the ministerial students at Cedars of Lebanon Seminary in Pinar del Rio, Cuba.

Delegates also took a stand in opposition to same sex marriages and encouraged our ladies to contact their legislators to encourage traditional family values. They resolved to pray for our youth to come to a saving knowledge of Christ at an early age so that they may continue to carry the torch of the gospel to future generations.

From the opening drama presentation on Monday afternoon through the visit with Viney Mae from Fruithill, Ky. during Tuesday's luncheon comedy, the 968 attendees laughed, cried, shared their burdens, and worshipped.

Special thanks goes to the Tennessee women for the beautiful birdhouses for the luncheon. Also, our thanks to those women from the Cumberland who served as hostesses. We have heard many good comments about the luncheon and the convention as a whole.

2003 Theme

"New Horizons: Lifting Up Our Eyes" (Psalm 121:1). The new *Program and Plan Book, Lifting Up Our Eyes*," for 2003 is now available. It includes all the missionaries and their children's birthdays.

Mission House Project

WNAC members voted to partner with Master's Men and Foreign Missions to build and furnish a mission house on the campus of Free Will Baptist Bible College. WNAC's part is to purchase all furniture, appliances, window treatments, and decorations. Local groups can raise money for small items. District and/or state groups are encouraged to join together to raise funds to furnish an entire room. For more information and pricing about this project, check the web www.nafwb.org/wnac.

Upcoming Events

September 19-21, Ridgecrest Retreat

Plan to attend WNAC's retreat at Ridgecrest, NC. Ashley Hartley will touch your heart with her bubbly personality and Scripture filled presentations. She is a gifted young woman, mother of three boys, and lives in Gastonia, NC. Her friend, Ronda Freeman, will be singing. Ronda has been performing publicly since the age of 13 and has professional recordings.

March 27-29, 2003, Branson, Missouri Retreat

Join us at Chateau on the Lake, the premier resort hotel of Branson for a great weekend, March 27-29, 2003. Make your reservations early for a perfect breathtaking weekend. Ronda Sturgill, FWB US Air Force Chaplain's wife, gifted communicator, Bible teacher and writer will touch your heart as she leads us in God's truths.

It's A Fact!

- Tennessee ranked first in giving to WNAC's General Fund and to the Emphasis Offering. You ranked third in per capital giving with \$12.41 per member.
- Praise Item. *The Fruit of Our Hands*, our new WNAC cookbook, has sold out. A reorder is on the way. The cookbook includes 1200 recipes collected from 850 Free Will Baptist women across the country and around the world.
- Total gifts to all missions objectives given by WNAC in 2001 was \$548,874.
- Cash and non-cash gifts to the Provision Closet in 2001 were \$71,548.54
- WNAC women gave \$2,806,352.91 to missions causes in the past five years.
- *CoLaborer* magazine has a circulation of approximately 8,700.
- WNAC is on the Web. Check us out at www.nafwb.org/wnac.
- WNAC is here to serve you. Call us 731-4812 or toll free 1-877-767-7662.

CDWAC Treasurer's Report
August 1 2001 to July 31, 2002

Balance Forward		680.71	
Received			
Convention Offering	230.38	230.38	
Dues		2,750.00	
13 @ 10.00 (2000-2001)	130.00		
262 @10. (2001-2002)	2,620.00		
WNAC		2,693.70	
General Fund	1,102.50		
Emphasis	993.00		
Provision Closet	63.25		
Foreign Student Scholarship	343.75		
Memorial Student Loan	191.20		
TWAC		1,667.25	
General Fund (includes dues)	91.75		
State Project			
Organ Fund	991.50		
2002 Convention	584.00		
Free Will Baptist Bible College		1,606.03	
General Fund	223.00		
Paul Kettelman Memorial	1,117.03		
FWBBC Organ Fund	116.00		
Mission House Project	150.00		
Foreign Missions		4,110.14	
LBB Offering	1,304.00		
Missionary Accounts	2,806.14		
Home Missions		3,509.50	
General Fund	818.00		
Lizzie McAdams Offering	535.50		
Missionary Accounts	2,156.00		
Cumberland Youth Camp		1,077.80	
Trula Cronk Home for Children		1,100.85	
Rest of Family		258.50	
Free Will Baptist Family Ministries		2,855.00	
CDWAC Dues & Offerings		382.75	
Retreat Montgomery Bell		1,016.25	Offering FWBFM 241.25
Total Cash on Hand		23,938.86	
Less Disbursements		(22,865.61)	
Balance on Hand		<u>1,073.25</u>	

TWAC Report

The State Meeting was at the First Free will Baptist Church in Mountain City, TN on November 13, 2001.

The meeting was very poorly attended. Because of this fact, we are asking our women to give their ideas. It was suggested that we combine our State Meeting with the retreat. Instead of meeting every year, we would have a short business at our retreat, which meets every other year.

We raised our amount and more for hosting the WNAC in Memphis. The money donated above our expenses was given to WNAC.

Our State project has been for the "Flood Disaster Fund" to aid family ministries recover from the flood. The amount was \$2,000.

Our State Meeting will be November 12 at the First Free Will Baptist at Church Hill, TN. The theme is "For Such a Time as This."

We are planning toward our retreat for 2003. More information will be coming later.

We as your TWAC officers appreciate the tremendous response for your help in providing bird houses for the banquet tables and the financial help.

**Constitution
of the
Cumberland District Women Active For Christ**

With the aim to involve every woman in the Cumberland District churches in some phase of group/auxiliary work, thus helping her to fulfill her place as given by Christ in the Great Commission, we adopt the following Constitution and By-Laws:

Article I

The name of this organization shall be the Cumberland District Women Active For Christ (CDWAC).

Article II

The purpose of this convention shall be to bring the women of each local church together for the purpose of fellowship, sharing of information, and encouraging one another in the work of the Lord.

Article III

The officers of this convention shall be a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, field worker, missions study chairman, missions prayer chairman, and missions action chairman. These shall constitute the executive committee, five of whom shall be a quorum for the transacting of business.

Article IV

This convention shall be composed of the officers of the convention, together with local president and two delegates (duly accredited by the Credentials Committee) from each local group/auxiliary.

If there are two groups/auxiliaries—the general director and two delegates from each group/auxiliary would be allowed to vote.

Article V

At least one annual session of the convention should be held for the election of officers and transaction of business. Semi-annual or quarterly meetings may be held at the discretion of the convention.

Notification of meetings shall be mailed to local presidents fifteen days before the date of meeting.

BY-LAWS

Article I

Section 1. President—The president shall preside over all meetings and serve as chairman of the executive committee, appoint such committees as may be needed, call the executive committee together when necessary, be an ex-officio member of all committees, see that reports are made promptly to the state, and perform all duties usually pertaining to such an office.

Section 2. Vice President—The vice president shall preside in the absence of the president, or by her request, and otherwise assist her in the oversight of the general work.

Section 3. Secretary—The secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the convention and executive committee meetings and preserve all valuable papers and turn same over to her successor in office. She shall also send a report to the state convention. The secretary shall also serve as historian keeping a historical record, submitting historical information to the state secretary annually.

Section 4. Treasurer—The treasurer shall have charge of all funds belonging to this convention and shall pay same out only when authorized by the convention. She shall keep an accurate account and shall give a written report of all funds received and disbursed at each meeting of the convention. The treasurer shall also send an annual report to the state treasurer. She shall encourage support of missions through the WNAC Gift Plan, individual giving, and special offerings.

Section 5. Field Worker — The field worker shall have charge of all field work pertaining to, or necessary to, the promotion of the work of the convention. She should visit local groups/auxiliaries, perhaps teach study courses, and help in the organizing of new groups/auxiliaries.

Section 6. Mission Study Chairman — She shall work with the local chairmen through personal contact or correspondence and shall secure the cooperation of the local chairmen in encouraging and promoting study groups in their churches.

Section 7. Mission Prayer Chairman — She shall work with the local chairmen to promote family altars, special seasons of prayer, prayer retreats, and the prayer fellowship through local groups/auxiliaries. She shall offer them periodic suggestions for the promotion of family altars and other prayer endeavors, and encourage them to keep current missionary requests before their group/auxiliary.

Section 8. Mission Action Chairman — She shall promote mission action projects on local level through world-wide levels. She shall encourage each local mission action chairman to involve as many women in her church as she can in active participation in community missions, for example, Bible study groups, child evangelism efforts, door-to-door visitation, hospital visitation.

Article II

The general officers shall be nominated by a nominating committee, and elected by acclamation unless there are other nominations. In case of more than one nominee for any particular office, a vote will be taken on each. All elections shall be held at the closing business session of the annual convention.

The general officers shall serve for a term of two years or until their successors are installed.

Article III

The general officers shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in performing their official duties subject to approval by the executive committee and presented in writing to the CDWAC treasurer. All field promotional work is subject to the district executive committee, who should approve work done by district officers in the interest of district work as well as expense for same. Other appropriations may be decided upon by the convention.

Article IV

Section 1. Executive Committee – The executive committee shall hold meetings for the transaction of business and to prepare the program for the annual meeting of the convention. It shall maintain an oversight of the work at large, having authority to call extra sessions of the committee when necessary and act for the convention concerning any matter, and to fill vacancies occurring between elections. A proxy may act for a member provided she has written authority from the member for whom she acts.

Section 2. Resolutions Committee – A resolution committee of five members shall be appointed by the president as needed. This committee will also include the petitions and requests committee and the appreciation committee.

Section 3. Plan of Work Committee – A plan of work committee shall be appointed by the president. This committee plans the monthly plan of work.

Section 4. Nominating Committee – The nominating committee shall be composed of members who are delegates nominated from the floor and elected by the body at its annual meeting. This committee shall select the slate of officers for the convention and present it for adoption.

Section 5. Credentials Committee – The secretary shall be the chairman of the credentials committee, and other members may be appointed by the president. This committee examines the reports of the representing groups/auxiliaries to see if fees are paid and if reports are in order. New groups/auxiliaries organized since the last district convention, which desire to become members of the convention, are examined by this committee and passed upon.

Section 6. Finance Committee – The finance committee shall be appointed by the president. This committee audits the financial records of the year and reports on same to the convention.

Section 7. Registration Committee – Members of this committee may be appointed by the president as needed. This committee registers those in attendance as the convention may desire.

Article V

Section 1. A membership fee in the amount of \$10.50 per active member shall be paid to the CDWAC treasury by July 31. Of this amount the CDWAC treasurer will send \$10.25 to the Tennessee Women Active for Christ (TWAC) treasury. The remaining \$.25 shall be retained in the CDWAC treasury. Twenty-five cents shall be retained in the TWAC treasury, and the remaining \$10 sent to Women Nationally Active for Christ (WNAC).

Section 2. It is suggested that each group/auxiliary send the following amounts to the CDWAC treasury any time during the fiscal year (8/1-7/31. This is to be retained in the district treasury.

Per Group/Auxiliary Per Year

\$5 *Chimes*
\$5 CDWAC Convention Fee
\$5 CDWAC Minutes
\$1 TWAC Minutes
\$1 WNAC General Fund
Total Per Year \$17

Per Person Per Year

\$10.50 Dues
\$5 Emphasis Offering
(A little over \$1.29 per month)

Group/Auxiliary Per Month

\$10 WNAC (\$120 total for year)

Article VI

The CDWAC shall submit a treasurer's report and secretary's report to the TWAC in accordance with the State Constitution and By-Laws. (The CDWAC shall receive a like report from each local group/auxiliary by July 31.)

Article VII

The desired financial program for WNAC is mission's offerings following each special season of prayer, Co-Laborer offerings, annual gifts to WNAC general fund, the Student Loan Fund, and other gifts designated by the convention.

Article VIII

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any regular meeting of the Cumberland District Women Active for Christ.