

MINUTES
of the
86th Annual Session
of the
CUMBERLAND DISTRICT
WOMEN ACTIVE FOR CHRIST

Convening at
Olivet Free Will Baptist Church
Clarksville, Tennessee
August 26, 2006

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**Proceedings of the 86th Annual Session
of the
Cumberland District Women Active for Christ
August 26, 2006**

The 86th annual Cumberland District Women Active for Christ (CDWAC) convened at the Olivet Free Will Baptist Church, on August 26, 2006. Kim Oliver, worship leader, opened the session by leading the women in singing "Open My Eyes." She was accompanied by pianist, Sue Rader.

Norma Pettis prayed the opening prayer.

Debbie Clardy warmly welcomed the women to the Olivet church.

Kim Oliver presented the special music, singing "Lord Be Glorified."

Angie Outlaw, missionary appointee to Central Asia, spoke about the value of praying specifically for our missionaries.

President Barbara Nicholson introduced guest speaker Shannon Little, missionary appointee to Japan. Shannon gave her testimony about how God brought her to the point of surrendering her life unconditionally to Him. She told about her desire to be a nurse and how she had her life all planned out. However, through the influence of missionaries and others she encountered, God changed her reluctant heart and she is now eager to share God's love as a missionary to Japan.

Shannon showed a power-point presentation of the Japanese people and told about their need for the truth. Shannon shared about how God had already given her Christian friends in Japan. She reminded us that when we set our hearts on God we are never alone.

She requested prayer for her family as she leaves for Japan in November.

An offering was received following prayer by Gladys Gragg.

Marjorie Workman, WNAC Executive Secretary-Treasurer, gave a report about the 2006 convention in Birmingham and discussed the changes that are taking place in WNAC. She discussed the need for prayer as we try to reach the younger women and continue ministering to the older, faithful members.

Barbara Nicholson called the business session to order, seated the delegates and made committee assignments.

Instructions for the meal were given by Debbie Clardy, Olivet WAC President. Prayer and blessings on the meal were given by CDWAC officer, Tina Moser.

Following a delicious brunch, the afternoon session resumed with singing "I'll Live for Him," led by Kim Oliver. Special music was presented by Sue Rader who sang "Just A Closer Walk With Thee."

The business session was reconvened. Reports were given.

MSC to accept the **Credentials Committee** report given by Yvonne Hampton (see Committee Reports section for complete report).

MSC to accept the **Registration Committee** report given by Joy Corn (see Committee Reports section for complete report)

MSC to accept the **Finance Committee** report given by Gladys Gragg (see Committee Reports section for complete report.)

MSC to accept the **Plan of Work Committee** report given by Tina Moser (see Committee Reports section for complete report).

MSC to accept the **Treasurer's Report** given by Gladys Gragg (see Committee Reports section for complete report).

MSC to accept the **Resolutions/Appreciations/Petitions and Requests** report given by Geneva Walker (see Committee Reports section for complete report).

MSC to accept the **Secretary's Report** given by Yvonne Hampton (see Committee Reports section for complete report).

Dr. Mary R. Wisheart reported on the Tennessee State Women Active for Christ. Eighty three women attended the TWAC meeting which was held at the State Retreat in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. She reported that state officers and the Nominating Committee member will now serve four years. She mentioned that we lost three groups in our state but gained 94 members and that dues are now \$1 per member.

Dr. Wisheart also gave a report on Mrs. Pursell's condition.

The floor was opened for nominations to the Nominating Committee. MSC to elect Carol Reid, Ann Hyde, and Tina Moser. They will present a recommended slate of officers at the 2007 CDWAC meeting.

The business session was closed by President Barbara Nicholson. She stressed the importance of getting the Secretary and Treasurer's reports in as early as possible.

Announcements were given. We were encouraged to attend the CDWAC Gospel Concert to be held at Cofer's Chapel on September 16, with a reminder that the offering will go to the Welch Library at Free Will Baptist Bible College.

Mary R. Wisheart prayed the closing prayer.

COMMITTEE 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 & 3 of the Bylaws the following 19 WAC groups are eligible to be seated in the Cumberland District Women Active for Christ:

Ashland City	Hendersonville
Bethlehem	LaVergne
Cofer's Chapel	Olivet
Corner Stone-Murfreesboro	Richland
Cross Timbers	Shady Grove
Donelson Fellowship	Trinity
East Nashville	Unity
Faith	West End
Good Springs	Woodbine
Heads	

Respectfully submitted: Yvonne Hampton (Chairman), Dianne Willey

Registration Committee

We, the Registration Committee, submit the following report:

Women's Groups Reported.....14

District Officers.....	7
Local presidents.....	12
Delegates present.....	18
Visitors present.....	24
Total Registration.....	61

Respectfully submitted: Joy Corn (Chairman) Myrtle Reeds, Frances Ann Camp

Finance Report

We, the Finance Committee, have checked the Treasurer's records and find the entries reported to be in accordance with the District Constitution and By-laws.

- 1) We have examined the Treasurer's Report, which shows a balance of \$1,303.96 as of July 31, 2006.
- 2) We recommend the entire offering of \$526 be given to our speaker, Shannon Little.
- 3) We recommend \$100 be given to Angie Outlaw as an honorarium.

Respectfully submitted: Gladys Gragg (Chairman), Fredia Poff, Sonia Briggs

Plan of Work Committee

We, the Plan of Work Committee, suggest the following projects for the year 2006-2007.

AUGUST	FWB Family Ministries & Trula Cronk Home for Children
SEPTEMBER	Rest of the Family Offering
OCTOBER	Dr. Mary. R. Wisehart Student Loan Fund
NOVEMBER	National Home Missions (Pre-Thanksgiving Offering)
DECEMBER	Free Will Baptist Bible College (Paul Kettelman Memorial Offering)
JANUARY	Enlistment and Support
FEBRUARY	Cleo Pursell Foreign Student Scholarship Fund Offering
MARCH	State Project
APRIL	International Missions (Pre-Easter Offering)
MAY	Emphasis Month
JUNE	Cumberland Youth Camp
JULY	Optional

Respectfully submitted: Tina Moser (Chairman), Bonna Smith, Peggy Messser

Resolutions Committee—Appreciations/Resolutions/Petitions and Requests

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

- 1) Be it resolved that a \$50 honorarium be given to the editor of Chimes, the Recording Secretary and the Treasurer.
- 2) Be it resolved that the 87th Annual Convention be held August 25, 2007 at Richland FWB and the Spring Workshop/Retreat be held at Montgomery Bell State Park, March 30-31, 2007.

- 3) We wish to express appreciation to
 - A. Olivet WAC for hosting our meeting and for the brunch.
 - B. Angie Outlaw for sharing and for Shannon Little who shared with us her heart for Japan.
4. We recommend that letters be sent to the television networks from our National Agency as well as from our State, District and Local womens' groups asking them not to air programs containing immorality, nudity, and alternate lifestyles, especially during prime time viewing.

Respectfully submitted: Geneva Walker (Chairman), Brenda Beaver, Cathy Corlew, Allysa Harvey

Secretary's Report

Nineteen women's groups reported to the CDWAC this year compared to 23 groups last year. Bethel, Fellowship, and Loyal Chapel did not report this year. Mt. Zion sent in their annual report but did not send dues and therefore can not be reported.

As usual your annual reports did not match the treasurer's reports. We can only count those who have paid dues. We began the year with 278 members. Our report to the Tennessee State Women Active for Christ will show 233 members which is the number of dues paying members.

Respectfully submitted: Yvonne Hampton (Secretary)

CDWAC TREASURER'S REPORT

August 1, 2005-July 31, 2006

Balance Forward August 1, 2005			\$2,282.47
CDWAC Receipts			
Offering - CDWAC Convention		409.00	
Offering - Gospel Singing		404.00	
Retreat Registration		1,270.00	
Offering - Spring Retreat		665.11	
Local WAC Receipts		18,507.02	
TOTAL RECEIPTS			<u>\$21,255.13</u>
TOTAL ASSETS			<u>\$23,537.60</u>
DISBURSEMENTS			
Bank Fees		2.50	
Honorariums		2,050.00	
District Officers	150.00		
WNAC - Contribution	1,500.00		
Mary Ruth Wisehart - Convention Speaker	100.00		
Retreat Speaker (Sandy Atwood)	300.00		
Montgomery Bell - Deposit Retreat		300.00	
Montgomery Bell - Retreat Expense (Speaker's room & sound equip)		222.53	
Yvonne Hampton - Postage and Mailing Minutes		86.56	
Cheri Ham - (Mailing Chimes (2004-2005)		54.11	
Postage & copies (Treasurer)		83.00	
Basket for State Retreat		50.00	
Joy Com - Mailing Chimes (2005-2006)		43.86	
LaVergne FWB WAC (Expense - Hosting 2005 Convention)		25.00	
Olivet FWB WAC (Expense -Hosting 2006 Convention)		25.00	
Dues & Fees Received (CDWAC)		292.50	
WNAC OFFICE		5,676.00	
Dues 2005-2006 (5 @ \$10.00 each)	50.00		
Dues 2005-2006 (228 @ \$15.00 each)	3,420.00		
General Fund	833.00		
Emphasis Month Offering	628.00		
Foreign Student Scholarship	362.00		
Memorial Student Loan	171.50		
Rest of the Family	211.50		
INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS		5,989.23	
Laura Belle Barnard Offering	1,337.26		
State Project - McDonalds	1,074.65		
Tennessee Walk-A-Thon	130.00		
Central Asia Bible School	200.00		
Missionary Accounts	3,247.32		
HOME MISSIONS		4,174.55	
General Fund	50.00		
Lizzie McAdams Offering	889.50		
Benjamin Randall Offering	62.00		
Missionary Accounts	1,688.05		
Clayton Hampton - Land Fund	1,485.00		
FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE		681.55	
Paul Ketteman Memorial Offering	681.55		
FREE WILL BAPTIST FAMILY MINISTRIES		395.50	
CUMBERLAND YOUTH CAMP		1,843.00	
TWAC DUES & Offerings		238.75	
Total Disbursements			<u>\$ (22,233.64)</u>
BALANCE IN BANK AS OF July 31, 2006			<u><u>\$1,303.96</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,

Gladys Gragg, Treasurer

CDWAC Non-Cash Gifts and Other Gifts 2005-2006

Shoebox Project	\$ 366.00
Provision Closet	50.00
Food for Needy	54.85
Stamps & Newsletters	314.40
Katrina Disaster Relief	135.00
Walmart Gift Cards - FWB Ministries	945.00
Honoriums	205.00
Summer Missions - Amy Lawrence	75.00
Lori Freeman - Austria Trip	300.00
West Harpeth Missions Church	372.25
Personal Gifts to Missionaries	674.20
Magazine Subscription for Edgmons	25.00
Appreciation Gift - Rhonda Marcum	50.00
Gift Cards for college students	120.00
Hope Center	320.00
Summer Missionaries	1,512.00
Megan Nelson - Mission Trip	400.00
Daniel Forlines - Mission Trip	768.00
Churck Stewart - Mission Trip	500.00
Samaratan's Purse	150.00
Sonia Briggs - Art Work	20.00
Gift for Mrs. Miley	60.00
Pastor Appreciation	240.00
Nursing Home Shoebox	50.00
240 lbs beans for Union Rescue Mission	120.00
Alicia Bunch - Mission Trip	935.00
Fannie Polston Scholarship for 2 MK's	1,100.00
Funeral Flowers & Memorial Gift	150.00
Youth Activities	1,183.00
Total	\$ 11,194.70

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 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 shall 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 the 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 request, and otherwise assist her in the oversight of the general work.

Section 3. Secretary—The secretary shall keep accurate records 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 an 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 the 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 expenses 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 desires 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 treasurer 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 1. It is suggested that each group/auxiliary send the following amounts to the CDWAC treasury and 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
\$17 total per group per year

Per Person Per Year

16.25 \$10.50-Dues
\$ 5 Emphasis Offering
(A little over \$1.29 per month)

Per Group/Auxiliary Per Month

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

\$ 17.75
12 21.25
92
84
85

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 a missions offering following each special season of prayer, CoLaborer 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.

Nominating Committee Report
Cumberland District Women Active for Christ
August 25, 2007

President: Elizabeth Hodges, Hendersonville
Vice-President: Joy Corn, Bethlehem
Secretary: Diane Conn, Woodbine
Treasurer: Barbara Nicholson, Good Springs
Mission Action: Lori Whitworth, Good Springs
Mission Study: Debbie Clardy, Olivet
Mission Prayer: Geneva Walker, Corner Stone (Murfreesboro)
Field Worker: Mary R. Wischart, Cofers Chapel

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Reid, Cross Timbers
Ann Hyde, Bethlehem

Barbara Nicholson
Geneva Hampton
Debbie Clardy
Tracy

Jane Mosier
Robin Smith

CDWAC TREASURER'S REPORT

August 1, 2006 - July 31, 2007

Balance Forward August 1, 2006		\$1,303.96
CDWAC Receipts		
Offering - CDWAC Convention	526.00	
Offering - Freewill Baptist Bible College Concert	602.00	
Spring Retreat Registration	1,280.00	
Offering - Spring Retreat	1,067.00	
Local WAC Receipts	23,223.22	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>\$26,698.22</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$28,002.18</u>
DISBURSEMENTS		
Bank Fees	9.25	
FWBBC Welch Library - Concert Offering	602.00	
Honorariums	450.00	
District Officers	150.00	
Convention Speaker (Angie Outlaw)	100.00	
Retreat Speaker - Angie Outlaw	200.00	
TWAC-Angie & David Outlaw -Mission Account	1,100.00	
Shannon Little - Convention Offering	526.00	
Joy Corn (Mailing Chimes)	19.82	
Montgomery Bell - Retreat Reservations & Expenses	404.59	
Richland FWB Church - Convention supplies	25.00	
Yvonne Hampton - Copies & Mailing Minutes	61.08	
Gladys Gragg - Copies of financial report	14.42	
WNAC OFFICE	6,744.50	
Dues 2006-2007 (234 @ 15.00)	3,510.00	
Dues 2005-2006 (3 @ 15.00)	45.00	
General Fund (Formerly Co-Laborer Fund)	1,339.00	
Emphasis Month Offering	581.50	
Foreign Student Scholarship	440.00	
Rest of the Family	199.00	
Christmas Joy Project (Central Asia)	630.00	
MEMORIAL STUDENT LOAN	297.04	
FOREIGN MISSIONS	8,827.96	
Laura Belle Barnard Offering	862.00	
Missionary Accounts	7,839.96	
Tennessee Walk-A-Thon	365.00	
HOME MISSIONS	4,414.12	
General Fund	107.19	
Lizzie McAdams Offering	307.00	
Missionary Accounts	2,184.93	
Clayton Hampton Land Fund	1,445.00	
Benjamin Randall Fund	370.00	
FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE	630.10	
Paul Kettelman Memorial Offering	630.10	
FREE WILL BAPTIST FAMILY MINISTRIES	67.00	
CUMBERLAND YOUTH CAMP	980.00	
TWAC DUES & Offerings	263.00	
STATE PROJECT - Donnie McDonald Family	696.00	
Total Disbursements		<u>-\$26,131.88</u>
BALANCE IN BANK AS OF July 31, 2007		<u><u>\$1,870.30</u></u>

Respectfully submitted,

Gladys Gragg
CDWAC Treasurer

**CDWAC NON CASH & OUTSIDE GIVING
2006-2007**

Aid to Single Mom	800.00
Children's Home Gift Cards	377.21
Christmas Joy (Sent directly to WNAC)	2,485.00
Church Youth Fund	28.75
College Summer Missionaries	1,090.00
Fannie Polston Scholarship - FWBBC	500.00
Gift Baskets (for sick and students)	350.00
Gift to Pastor's Wife	50.00
Home Missions	80.00
Honorariums	30.00
Literature	187.00
Provision Closet	30.00
Stamps-Church Newsletter	238.40

Total Outside Giving 2006-2007	\$ 6,246.36
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