MINUTES

Of The

FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

EASTERN ASSOCIATION

Of The

Original Free Will Baptist

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

BEULAVILLE, DUPLIN COUNTY, N. C.

October 20, 21, 22-1937

Next session will be held at Friendship, Jones County, N. C., Convening Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1938.

ALSO MINUTES OF THE

Women's Auxiliary Convention

Of The

Eastern District



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- W. Lupton, Washington, N. C. (Retired).
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- L. C. Garner, Newport, N. C., R. 1. (Retired).
- D. B. Garner, Newport, N. C.
- W. J. Moore, Vanceboro, N. C. (Retired).
- C. L. Merrill, Newport, N. C., R. 2. (Retired).
- G. W. Kennedy, Beaulaville, N. C., R. 2.
- J. A. Ringgold, Bridgeton, N. C.
- B. W. Wells, New Bern, N. C.
- J. W. Alford, Kenly, N. C.
- Solomon Duff, Folkstone, N. C.
- Duffy Toler, Chocowinity, N. C.
- Lloyd Vernon, Kenansville, N. C.
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- M. C. Prescott, New Bern, N. C., R. 1.
- Luke Wetherington, Clarks, N. C.
- W. B. Everett, New Bern, N. C.
- A. C. Austin, South Creek, N. C.
- John Davenport, Deep Run, N. C.
- Wesley Price, Seven Springs, N. C.
- L. J. Potter, Beulaville, N. C., Box 62.
- J. R. Bennett, Bridgeton, N. C.
- F. E. Jones, Kenansville, N. C.
- C. L. Bennett, Grantsboro, N. C.
- Clifton Rice, Kinston, N. C. Box 216.
- N. D. Wiggs, New Bern, N. C.
- F. R. Williams, New Bern, N. C.
- D. R. Hansley, 217 S. Alston Ave., Durham, N. C.
- R. C. Proctor, Route 1, Mt. Olive, N. C.
- J. C. Griffin, New Bern, N. C.
- H. Pipkin, Mt. Olive, N. C., R. 2.
- Miss Lucy Wells, Kennansville, N. C., R. 1.
- B. F. Ringgold, New Bern, N. C., R. 1.

Proceedings

The Forty-Second Annual Session of the Eastern Association of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened with the church at Beulaville, Duplin county, N. C. on October 20th, 1937.

Eld. J. R. Bennett who was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, attended and preached. Text: Duet. 4:9-22; 5:32. Subject: Consecrated Leadership.

After a most inspiring sermon, an intermission of one and one half hours was taken for dinner.

WEDNESDAY P. M.

A very bountiful dinner was served, and much enjoyed by all, after which we re-assembled, with the Moderator Eld. J. R. Bennett in the chair. Prayer was offered by Eld. S. H. Styron.

The Moderator appointed Eld. Luke Wetherington Assistant Moderator. J. W. Alford, Clerk. Bro. S. A. Smith was appointed Reading Clerk. Bro. N. P. Davis, Treasurer.

The following Committees were appointed:

Devotional: Eugene Exum, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Mrs. Daniel Gaskins.

Finance: W. A. Gaskins, Warren Thomas, Jerry Williams.

Education: Eld. D. W. Hansley, Calvin Mills Fred Silverthorn.

Temperance: Elds. R. C. Kennedy, J. C. Griffin, Bro. Ralph Spruill.

Sabbath Schools: Mrs. O. B. Willis, A. I. Taylor, Willie Mercer.

Ministerial Character: Elds. Duffy Toler, L. J. Potter, D. B. Garner, Bros. R. R. Jones, Daniel Gaskins.

To Apportion the Funds: Bros. J. J. Blizzard, Harold French, W. F. Hill, Elds. Luke Wetherington, J. C. Griffin.

The organization being completed, prayer was offered by Eld. J. C. Griffin.

Ministers and delegates from other Associations were enrolled as follows:

Cape Fear: Eld. M. L. Johnson.

Western: Elds. S. H. Styron, J. H. Worley, W. E. Anderson, R C. Wiggs, Clarence Bowen.

Central: Elds. J. H. Edwards, L. B. Manning.

All these brethren were welcomed by the Moderator, and several made encouraging remarks.

The list of ministers was called, and absentees noted.

On motion Eld. R. C. Kennedy write a sketch of the life of Eld. J. N. Edwards deceased, same to appear in these minutes.

On motion, at the request of W. E. Rolison, his name be dropped from the list of ministers.

The Devotional committee reported that tonight Eld. M. L. Johnson open, and Eld. Duffy Toler preach.

The Chairman of the Examining Board called for those who are expecting to be examined for Ordination at this session to stand, and the following stood in response to the request: H. Pipkin, B. F. Jackson, B. F. Ringgold, S. A. Smith, S. W. Jones, Miss Lucy Wells. The Chairman then called the Board to meet tomorrow at 11 o'clock for this work.

Eld. T. E. Beaman asked permission to speak, and same was granted. For several minutes he stood before us, pleading forgiveness for past offenses, and for love and prayers. He finally called for the ministers present to meet him around the altar, where prayer was offered by Eld. R. C. Kennedy, followed by Bro. Beaman himself.

On motion this Association assure Bro. Beaman that we forgive all offenses, and welcome him as a child of God, and encourage him in his return to the ministry.

On motion this Association close until tomorrow A. M. 9 o'clock, the session to be opened with 30 minutes prayer service by Eld. J. H. Worley.

THURSDAY A. M.

The Association met at the appointed hour, and was opened by Eld. J. H. Worley with 30 minutes prayer service.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following ministers from Associations were enrolled:

Cape Fear: Elds. H. R. Faircloth, R. H. Jackson, M. E. Godwin, G. C. Joyner.

Central: Elds. R. F. Pittman, M. E. Tyson, A. L. Davidson, N. B. Barrow. French Broad: Eld. W. L. Moretz.

The Devotional committee reported as follows: Today at 11 o'clock Elds. S. H. Styron preach. Tonight, Eld. W. E. Anderson open, Eld. W. B. Everett preach. Tomorrow at 11 o'clock, Eld. J. C. Griffin preach. Tomorrow night Eld. M. E. Tyson preach.

On motion the list of churches was called.

THURSDAY P. M.

After a most bountiful dinner we returned for business.

Prayer was offered by Eld. L. R. Ennis of the Missionary Baptist church.

A quartet consisting of Elds. R. F. Pittman, M. E. Tyson, L. R. Ennis, and Bro. E. M. Prescott gave a special musical selection.

The following resolution was offered and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BODY

RESOLUTION CONCERNING A GENERAL CHURCH BOARD Preamble

We, the Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, having realized that there is an imperative need of certain objectives to be accomplished, and further having realized the necessity of a unified program to consumate these objectives, we therefore adopt the resolutions as are set forth below.

- 1. That we recommend to each Association and Conference of the Free Will Baptist of N. C. the election of a board, to be known as a General Board.
 - 2. That this Board is to be composed of the following members:
 - (a) Two from the Western Association
 - (b) Two from the Eastern Association
 - (c) Two from the Cape Fear Association
 - (d) Two from the Central Conference
 - (e) One from the State Association, at large
 - (f) One from the French Broad Association
 - (g) One from the Bever Creek Association
 - (h) One from the Toe River Association
 - (i) One from the Jacks Creek Association
 - (i) One from the Rock Fish Conference
 - (k) One from the Pee Dee Conference
- 3. That seven of these members present at any meeting compose a quorum for the transacting of business.
- 4. Should any of the above named bodies have held their 1937 session, that we ask the Moderator or President of the aforesaid bodies, to take the necessary steps to have their member or members elected at an early date.
- 5. The duties of this General Board shall be to work out a unified program covering the most outstanding needs of our Church, namely: Education, Orphanage, Missions, Evangelism, Superannuation, Church Management.
- 6. It shall be the duty of this Board to present to the various Associations and Conferences of the State, each year, their plans and recommendations, for the consideration and approval by the bodies in session.
- 7. All members first elected to this board shall serve two years and thereafter the following shall elect one new member each year, (the first member elected shall serve three years): Western, Eastern, Cape Fear Associations, and the Central Conference. All other Conferences and Associations every 2 years.
- 8. That we petition all bodies to elect to this Board men or women that are intensely interested in our church, its future progress and welfare.

The two members required by the resolution were elected as follows: Elds. J. C. Griffin, J. R. Bennett.

The committee on Sabbath Schools made report as follows:

We recommend that this Association urge the pastors and leaders to make special efforts to have a Sunday School in all our churches every Sunday; we also ask that the pastors see that the schools in their churches cooperate with the organized efforts that are being made for the advancement of the work, as we see the need of the Sunday School more and more every day for the benefit of the youth. We all know that a good Sunday School adds to the life of the church. We recommend that the resolutions be enforced.

On motion the report was adopted.

The committee on Temperance reported as follows:

We, your committee, realizing the great need of temperance, and knowing that temperance teaches us to place due restraint upon our minds, passions and affections, which govern our whole being, we therefore offer the following: "Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as uncertainly, so fight I, not as one that beateth the air; but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest by any means, when I have preached unto others, I myself should be a castaway." 1 Cor. 9:24-27.

This scripture teaches us that temperance is not an end in itself; but it is a means that ye may obtain to bring the physical man under the dominion of the spiritual, or the formation of a character that is led and governed by the Spirit.

2nd. Temperance includes all things which are lawful for Christians, or in keeping with the Holy Scriptures and which are for the good of the physical, mental and spiritual welfare of all men.

3rd, We should be temperate in habits, food, dress, speech, pleasures and recreations, thus building strong bodies, minds and characters.

4th. We must be able to take a stand against all laws and rulings of men who advocate the use of alcoholic beverages, whether it be in the ABC stores, barrooms or the blind tiger so called.

5th. As your committee, we beg and urge that our ministers live clean and holy lives by the grace of God, and preach against all forms of intemperance and worldliness, and thereby teach by word and deed the doctrine as set forth by the Lord Jesus and the Holy Apostles.

On motion the report was adopted.

The committee on Ministerial Character made report as follows:

We your committee on Ministerial Character beg to make the following report: The charge made against Eld. J. A. Ringgold at the last Association has been investigated, and he acknowledged his mistake and begged forgiveness. The committee recommends that the matter be dropped.

On motion the report was adopted.

Petitions for the next Association were presented from Sandy Plain, Duplin County, and Friendship, Jones County.

By vote the next session of the Association was ordered to be held with the church at Friendship, Jones County.

Eld. Clifton Rice was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and Eld. J. C. Griffin alternate.

The Finance committee was instructed to retire, settle with the Treasurer, and the Treasurer make his report.

On motion we adjourn until tomorrow A. M. 9 o'clock, the session to be cpened with 30 minutes prayer service to be conducted by Eld. J. H. Edwards.

FRIDAY A. M.

The Association met at 9 o'clock, and was opened by Eld. J. H. Edwards with 30 minutes prayer service.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee on Education reported as Follows:

The Committee on Education recommends 1st, That this Association cooperate with the National and State Associations in establishing a National Educational Institution.

2nd, That this body hold in reserve the funds now on hand until the National Association submits its program.

3rd, That this Association cooperate with the National and Eastern Associations of the U.S. in financing their educational program.

On motion the report was adopted.

The following resolution was offered and adopted.

RESOLUTION ON GRIEVANCE

WHEREAS, The recent controversy between Dr. W. H. Carter and the Executive Board of the Cape Fear Conference of the Holiness Free Will Baptist Church was allowed to be published in the daily news papers under the name of the Free Will Baptist Church, and second,

WHEREAS, The public at large judged that the controversy was among our church people, and accordingly bringing censure upon our people, and further,

WHEREAS, Our people resent the fact that the controversy was published under our denominational name instead of in the name of the Holiness Free Will Baptist Church,

THEREFORE, be it *Resolved*, By the Eastern Association in regular session assembled at Beulaville Church, Duplin County, on October 20, 21, 22, 1937;

First, that a committee of one be appointed by the moderator to meet with the committee, named for the same purpose, from the Western, the

Cape Fear and the Central Associations; second, that the joint committee of the above named bodies meet as early as possible, and arrange a meeting with the Executive Board of the Cape Fear Conference of the Holiness Free Will Baptist Church for the purpose of arranging a plan by which the Holiness Free Will Baptist Church will not in the future use our denominational name; and third, that the joint committee report back as early as convenient the results to the moderator of each of the above named bodies.

J. W. Alford was appointed to the place provided for by the resolution. The Examining Board submitted their report as follows:

We have examined Bro. Howard Pipkin, and after the examination, a motion was made that we endorse the former ordination and credentials of Bro. Pipkin, and he be enrolled as a regular minister of our Association. The vote was unanimous.

We also examined Sister Lucy Wells, and recommend her ordination and enrollment as a minister of this Association. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

We also examined Bro. B. F. Ringgold, and by unanimous vote recommend his ordination and enrollment.

Bro. S. W. Jones was examined, and a motion was made that the Chairman of this Board inform Bro. Jones that in our opinion, finding him unprepared to pastor churches, we decline to recommend his ordination, and he need not come for examination again until he better prepares himself.

This vote was unanimous.

It was moved and carried by unanimous vote that we ask this Association to instruct licensed preachers that they are to only exercise their gift of preaching, and not to pastor churches, receive candidates for baptism, baptize, or administer any of the ordinances, which are only for ordained ministers.

By unanimous vote we ask the churches to recommend no person for examination, whom they would not be willing to accept as their pastor after ordination.

'On motion the report was adopted.

The Treasurer reported as follows:	
Brought forward from last Association\$15	4.47
Received at this Association 67'	7.98
Special Orphanage collection 3	5.56
Total on hand\$86	8.01
On motion the report was adopted.	
The Apportioning Committee submitted their report as follows:	
Secretary's fee\$ 10	0.00
Daniel Gaskins expense	4.40
J. W. Alford expense	3.50
	0.00

Eastern Assn. U. S. delegate and fee	30.00
Standing appropriation to Orphanage	25.00
C. L. Merrill	35.00
W. Lupton,	35.00
L. C. Garner	25.00
W. J. Moore	15.00
6 widows of deceased ministers \$10, each	60.00
Orphanage special appropriation	100.00
Home Missions	35.00
Foreign Missions	35.00
Young People's work	35.00
Debt on Smithfield church	40.00
Education, (to be held in Treas.)	40.00
Old minister's Home and Camp	
Jessie Barrow debt	25.00
Balance in Treas.	59.55

Total _____\$712.45

On motion the report was adopted.

Delegates to the various bodies were appointed as follows:

Cape Fear Association: Eld. R. C. Kennedy.

Western Association: Eld. Lloyd Vernon.

Central Conference: Eld. R. C. Proctor.

State Association: S. W. Jones, W. B. Grady, Harold French, M. O. Thomas, Daniel Gaskins, L. C. Jackson, N. P. Davis.

Eastern Ass'n. U. S.: Eld. J. R. Bennett.

On motion we re-elect all the officers for a term of two years.

On motion we discontinue the office of Field Worker for the F. W. B. League, since this work is entirely covered by the work of Bro. Bowen.

The following resolution was offered by Eld. J. C. Griffin:

Resolved that the Eastern Association of the Free Will Baptists of N. C. indorse and urge our churches to respond to the request of the Orphanage Board in the collection of 25 cents per member for the repairing of the buildings at the Orphanage; it being understood that this amount is to be in addition to the regular Thanksgiving and all other offerings; which offerings we want to make the greatest amount possible.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

On motion we extend to this church, community and town our sincerest heart-felt thanks for the very generous and hospitable way in which they have entertained this Association while in session.

On motion the minutes of the Women's Auxiliary be published in our minutes as before.

On motion this Association close with the sermon to be preached by Eld. J. C. Griffin.

At the close of the sermon, the Moderator asked that Eld. H. R. Faircloth close in his own way, which he did with a general hand shake among all, and there was much brotherly love manifested in these closing moments.

Final benediction was by Eld. H. Pipkin.

J. R. BENNETT, Moderator,

LUKE WETHERINGTON, Asst. Mod.

- J. W. ALFORD, Clerk,
- S. A. SMITH, Reading Clerk

OBITUARY

As it is written "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things." Rom. 10:15.

This scripture when applied to Rev. J. N. Edwards of Goldsboro, N. C. is a most suitable description of his life. For many years he was a member of the Eastern Association of F.W. B. of North Carolina. Bro. Edwards was one of the active ministers of our association. Among the many things which he did and one that still lives to testify to his usefulness was the organization of a Church at Folkstone which is in good working condition at the present time.

He was much loved by the members of his church, and in fact all who knew him held him in the highest esteem. He was always faithful to the doctrine of the F. W. B. Church and to his loved ones, and provided for them plentifully.

He will be greatly missed by those who knew him. They have lost a wise counsellor and friend. Bro. Edwards was a man who will continue to live in the hearts and minds of those who knew him as a good citizen, a loving father, a splendid husband and a noble Christian gentleman.

By the Committee

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

Craven County

Core Creek, J. E. Riggs, Cove City, N. C. Gethsemane, C. J. Hines, New Bern, N. C., R. 2. Antioch, W. A. Gaskins, New Bern, N. C., R. 1. Brices Creek, Mrs. Nellie Potter, New Bern, N. C., R. 4. Juniper Chapel, Romie Sutton, Vanceboro, N. C. Spring Hope, W. R. Purifoy, New Bern, N. C., R. 1. Macedonia, Chas. F. Heath, Jr., New Bern, N. C. R. F. D. Wintergreen, W. A. Wood, Cove City, N. C. St. Mary, U. W. Daughterty, Box 984, New Bern, N.C. Sts. Delight, L. B. Edwards, New Bern, N. C., R. 1. Moseleys Creek, Mrs. I. A. Norris, Dover, N. C. Reunion Chapel, E. C. Laughinghouse, Vanceboro, N. C. Palmetto Chapel, S. W. Lewis, Vanceboro, N. C. Bridgeton, Mrs. J. W. Overman, 222 Rhems Ave., New Bern, N. C Lane's Chapel, F. H. Gaskins, Vanceboro, N. C. Oak Grove, Claudie Barrow, Vanceboro, N. C. New Haven, C. H. Toler, 141 Broad St., New Bern, N. C. Ruth's Chapel, Katie Bell Morris, New Bern, N. C., R. 2.

Wayne County

Northeast, Mark Mozingo, Seven Springs, N. C. Indian Springs, S. A. Sm.th, Seven Springs, N. C. Grant's Chapel, J. M. Smith, Seven Springs, N. C. May's Chapel, Mrs. A. E. Rouse, Dudley, N. C.

Duplin County

Sarecta, Wilbert A. Jones, Kenansville, N. C. Piney Grove, Paul Lee, Deep Run, N. C. Sandy Plain, Tobie Mercer, Beulaville, N. C. Rooty Branch, Mrs. Arthur Outlaw, Mt. Olive, N. C. Beulaville, M. O. Thomas, Beulaville, N. C. Pearsalls Chapel, Daisy J. Wells, Kennansville, N. C. Snow Hill, Ben Wallace, Seven Springs, N. C. Bethlehem, L. E. Jones, Chinquapin, N. C. Lanier's Chapel, J. H. Dail, Chinquapin, N. C. Long Ridge, John Kornegry, Mt. Olive, N. C.

Lenoir County

Christian Chapel, J. B. Hill, Deep Run, N. C. British Chapel, H. D. Daughety, Kinston, N. C. Woodington, C. A. Dudley, Kinston, N. C. Daileys Chapel, C. A. Herring, Seven Springs, N. C. Kinston, J. M. Harris, Kinston, N. C.

Smith's New Home, Perry Blizzard, Deep Run, N. C. Deep Run, Mrs. John Harper, Deep Run, N. C.

Carteret County

Holly Springs, W. Lenzie Garner, Newport, N. C. Sound View, Elmer Garner, Newport, N. C. South River, Mattie Pittman, Lukens, N. C. Beaufort, Chas. Springle, Beaufort, N. C. Free Union, Norman Gaskill, Sea Level, N. C. Welcome Home, Mrs. Chas. Salter, Beaufort, N. C. Welcome Home, Mrs. Chas. Salter, Beaufort, N. C. Pilgrims Rest, R. L. Daniels, Lola, N. C. Pilgrims Rest, R. L. Daniels, Lola, N. C. Russell's Creek, L. L. Springle, Beaufort, N. C. Davis Shore, Leslie Styron, Davis, N. C. St. John's Chapel, John O. Mason, Stacy, N. C. Mt. Pleasant, J. F. Small, Newport, N. C. Edwards Chapel, Mrs. B. G. Hardy, Merrimon, N. C.

Pamlico County

Arapahoe, Harry B. Lee, Arapahoe, N. C.
Bethel, Fred Silverthorn, Whortonsville, N. C.
Trent, T. B. Miller, Jr., Merritt, N. C.
Mt. Zion, D. R. Fodrey, Cash Corner, N. C.
Oriental, Mrs. Minnie Goodwin, Oriental, N. C.
Warden's Grove, H. L. Ireland, Lowland, N. C.
Rock of Zion, Mrs. Gladys O. Harris, Grantsboro, N. C.
New Bethlehem, H. S. Price, Grantsboro, N. C.

Beaufort County

Union Chapel, J. R. Downs, Chocowinity, N. C. Dublin Grove, David Mayo, Royal, N. C. White Hill, Jesse E. Cayton, Edwards, N. C. Sidney, J. T. Linton, Ransomville, N. C. Core Point Chapel, W. J. Smithwick, Blounts Creek, N. C. Smyrna, H. L. Edwards, Blounts Creek, N. C. Ephesus, Milton Cox, Blounts Creek, N. C. Pamlico Chapel, W. W. Potter, Ransomville, N. C.

Jones County

Friendship, H. M. Mallard, Trenton, N. C. Whaley's Chapel, J. I. Sanderson, Richlands, N. C. Pilgrim Home, W. G. Ipock, Dover, N. C.

Onslow County

Folkstone, N. G. Hines, Folkstone, N. C. Mt. Zion, Ellis Mercer, Beulaville, N. C.

TIME OF HOLDING ANNUAL MEETINGS.

CHURCHES	COUNTY	SUNDAY	MONTH
Core Creek	Craven	lst	August
Gethsemane	Craven	2nd	September
Antioch	l		October
Brice's Creek		1st	October
		3rd	·
Juniper Chapel	-		October
Spring Hope	Craven	2nd	
Macedonia			October
Winter Green			_ September
St. Mary	Craven		October
Sts. Delight			_ August
Moseley's Creek		4th	
Reunion Chapel	·	3rd	
Palmetto Chapel		4th	
Bridgeton	Craven	2nd	_ October
Lane's Chapel		3rd	October
Oak Grove			September
New Haven	1	2nd	
Northeast	Wayne		
Indian Springs	Wayne		- August
Grant's Chapel		2nd	
May's Chapel	Wayne	2nd	
Sarecta	Duplin	4th	September
Piney Grove			
Sandy Plain			September
Rooty Branch	Duplin	1st	October
Beulaville		3rd	September
Pearsall's Chapel	Duplin	4th	September
Snow Hill	Duplin		_ October
Bethlehem	Duplin	2nd	- October .
Lanier's Chapel	Duplin	2nd	-October
Long Ridge	Duplin	4th	
Christian Chapel	Lenoir	1st	October
British Chapel	Lenoir	3rd	September
Woodington	Lenoir	4th	August
Dailey's Chapel	Lenoir	1st	October
	Lenoir	2nd	October
Smith's New Home	Lenoir	4th	September
Deep Run	Lenoir	3rd	September
Holly Springs		i i	October
Sound View			August
South River	Carteret	1st	
Beaufort	Carteret	4th	August

TIME OF HOLDING ANNUAL MEETINGS.

CHURCHES	COUNTY	SUNDAY	MONTH
Free Union		2nd	
Mt. Zion	Carteret	3rd	October
Welcome Home	Carteret	2nd	August
Morehead City	Carteret	1st	July
Pilgrim's Rest	(A)	2nd	July
Russell's Creek	I 🗠 👈 .	3rd	October
Davis Shore	Carteret	2nd	August
St. John' Chapel	Carteret	2nd	Santamban
Mt. Pleasant	Carteret	- 4th	Sentember
Edward's Chapel	Carteret	_ 2nd	October
Arapahoe	Pamlico	4th	October
Bethel	Pamlico	4th	October
Trent	Pamlico	3rd	October
Mt. Zion	Pamlico	2rd	October
Oriental	Pam'ico	2nd	October
Warden's Grove	Pamlico	3rd	September
Rock of Zion	Pamlico	1st	
New Bethlehem		3rd	
Union Chapel		2nd	September
Dublin Grove	Beaufort	4+b	September
White Hill	Beaufort	3rd	October
Sidney	Beaufort	3rd 1st	September
Core Point Chapel	Beaufort	18t	September September
Smyrna	Beaufort	1c+	September
Ephesus	Beaufort	1+h	September
Pamlico Chapel	Beaufort	3rd	
Friendship			•
Whaley's Chapel			September
Pilgrim Home	1		October
Folkstone	Onslow	10+	November
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Minutes of the Women's Auxiliary Convention

(First Session)

The Women's Auxiliary Convention of the Eastern Association met with Deep Run Church, Lenoir County, on Wednesday evening and Thursday, March 24th and 25th, 1937.

On Wednesday evening a missionary program was rendered by Deep Run Sunday School, directed by Mrs. J. J. Blizzard. In connection with this splendid program, Rev. Bruce Barrow of Kinston delivered a missionary address. He selected for his text Matthew 28:19, 20. An offering which amounted to 2.51 was taken for foreign mission work.

The Thursday Morning service was opened with devotional by Mrs. L. H. Wetherington, welcome address by Mrs. John Harper, and the response by Mrs. J. E. Harris of Kinston, N. C.

The president asked that all delegates and presidents of local societies be seated in a body, and take notes on the transactions of the day; so they would be better prepared to make an accurate report to the societies they were representing. We had the greatest number of delegates present in the history of the convention.

The following ministers were present with us: Revs. E. T. Phillips, W. J. More, S. H. Styron, M. A. Woodard, J. R. Bennett, L. H. Wetherington, R. H. Mason, R. C. Kennedy, and J. C. Griffin.

The minutes of the last convention were read and approved.

The president appointed Mrs. L. H. Wetherington as our Mission director.

The reports of the Ladies Aid Societies were as follows:

CHURCHES, DELEGATES, AMOUNT SENT TO CONVENTION

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New Bern, Mrs. W. J. Koonce,	Mrs. E. L. Mallard		3.00
Oak Grove, Mrs. Ardell Wilson			2.00
Pilgrims Rest, by letter			1.00
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Sandy Plain, A new Member			2.60
Snow Hill, Duplin Co., Mrs. E	d Kornegay, Mrs. Lola	Waller	1.00
Smiths New Home, Mrs. Rachel		•	1.00
St. Johns Chapel, by letter			1.00
Union Chapel, Mrs. Mary Dixe	on, special dues	1.80	1.00
Totals 25 societies,	22 delegates,	special dues	\$7.05
Total amount sent to convention	n ·		\$36.80

Reading clerk, Mrs. E. L. Mallard.

The Following committees were appointed:

Finance: Mrs. J. H. Oglesby, Mrs. Richard Heath, and Mrs. Roy Wetherington.

Apportionment: Mrs. E. M. Prescott, Glennie Perry, and Mrs. H. C. Barnes.

Nominating Committee: Mrs. Mattie Toler, Mrs. Mamie Warren, and Mrs. I. A. Norris.

The societies reporting having observed the week of prayer were: New Bern, Bridgeton, and Mosleys Creek.

The Convention sermon was delivered by Rev. S. H. Styron of Pine Level, N. C. This message was highly appreciated by the women of our convention, and we were very glad to have a minister from the Western Association with us.

Refreshments were served at twelve thirty. A very bountiful table was spread by the members of Deep Run Church and the community at large.

The Thursday afternoon session was opened with congregational singing, and prayer by Mrs. M. A. Woodard.

At 1:15 P. M. Mrs. Deanye Oglesby Morris, state Orphanage Director gave splendid suggestions on various ways to support our Orphanage. The most beneficial way that the societies can help is by the adoption of a child to clothe. She stated that at present there were eighty-four children in the Home, and fifty-seven of them being clothed by various organizations or individuals. The Western convention clothing twelve, the Eastern eleven, the Central Seventeen, the Cape Fear nine. There are still twenty-seven left in the Home to be clothed. Mrs. Morris also stated that the home was in

need of linens of all kinds. Mrs. J. W. Overman volunteered to send a spread to the home at once.

The report of delegates to the various conventions were as follows:

Cape Fear: Mrs. Harris did not attend.

Western: Mrs. Dorcas Barrow did not attend. Central: Mrs. J. W. Overman did not attend.

The appointment of delegates to the next conventions were as follows:

Cape Fear: Mrs. W. J. Koonce.

Western: Raines Crossroads, Mrs. J. H. Oglesby.

Central, Hull Road, Mrs. J. W. Overman.

State, Caseys Chapel, Mrs. J. R. Bennett.

National, Turbeville, S. C., Mrs. E. L. Mallard.

Report of directors.

Education: Miss Vivian Sawyer gave no report, but asked for information concerning her duties.

Superannuation: Mrs. J. H. Oglesby reported that she had received \$5.00 from New Bern, and \$5.00 from Bridgeton.

Publication: Mrs. Ed. Smith reported fifty-three subscriptions to the Baptist paper among L. A. S. Members, seven thousand pages of tracts and religious literature distributed. Nine subscriptions to the Baptist paper placed in county homes.

Field director: The following new societies were reported: New Bethlehem, Pamlico Co., Beulaville, North East, Pilgrims Home, and Sandy Plain.

At 2:00 o'clock Mrs. Oglesby gave us some valuable news from Foreign Fields, and told how rapidly this work had grown, since first steps were taken in 1932. She gave interesting experiences of Miss Barnard in India; also of Bro. Paul, and of Mr. and Mrs. Willey's plans for sailing to South America. A special collection was taken for Foreign Missions, which amounted to \$8.72.

The reports of various committees were as follows:

FINANCE

Sent in to conventionSpecial dues	7.05 2.51 8.24
Total	 \$54.60
APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE	
Secretary's expense for stamps Secretary for service Mrs. Lupton's expense	5.00

State Convention 5	5.00
National Convention 5	5.00
Executive committees traveling expense 1	
Rev. T. H. Willey	5.00
Miss Laura Belle Barnard5	5.00
Paper in county homes 3	3.60
Arapahoe church 10	0.00
Orphanage 15	5.00
Total paid out\$57	7.08
Treasurers report:	
Left over from last convention\$ 8	3.72
Taken in at this convention 54	1.60
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Paid out at this convention 57	.08
Amount left in treasury\$ 6	3.24

It was moved and carried that the S. S. work be dropped from our convention as it had taken over the Sunday services of the Union meeting.

Mrs. Katie Sawyer Jackson, a visitor from the Central convention gave us some very helpful facts along the line of Education.

Mrs. C. G. Pope, who was a delegate to our convention from the Western Convention, gave us a summary of the work their convention was doing.

Mrs. M. A. Woodard, delegate from the Central Convention, told us of the work the Central Convention was doing. We were glad to have delegates from our sister conventions with us.

The nominating committee reported that the same officers had been elected for another year.

The president stressed the need of various societies using a study course. Mrs. Marie Gaskins repeated, by request, a monologue she gave some time ago in one of our conventions. It was a great lesson on Temperance titled "Yes I'm Guilty."

Mrs. Griffin and Mrs. Oglesby also repeated by request a duet titled "Touch not Taste not Handle not."

The community was given a rising vote of thanks for the hospitality shown us during the entire convention.

It being Elder Phillips birthday, he was asked to come to the front of the church, while the congregation sang softly, we each gave him a handshake of devotion and appreciation for his many years of service in our denomination.

We were dismissed with prayer.

MRS. J. C. GRIFFIN, President MRS. J. R. BENNETT, Secretary

Minutes of the Women's Auxiliary Convention

(Second Session)

The Women's Auxiliary Convention of the Eastern Association met with Palmetto Chapel Church on Wednesday evening and Thursday September 22nd and 23rd, 1937.

On Wednesday evening the Bridgeton Young people presented a missionary play, directed by Mrs. J. H. Oglesby. This play was indeed a challenge to the youth of our church to become more missionary minded. The public collection for the evening was \$3.51. The president made remarks concerning the proceedings of the next day's activities and the service was dismissed with prayer.

We opened the service Thursday Morning at 9:30 with devotional conducted by Mrs. Rosa Heath of Ernul F. W. B. Church. She used the 5th chapter of Matthew for her scripture lesson.

Welcome address was delivered by Mrs. George Buck, and the response by Mrs. Gladys Banks Harris of Grantsboro, N. C.

The president asked all delegates and presidents of local societies to be seated in a body.

The enrollment of ministers was as follows: Elders W. B. Everett, R. B. Spencer, R. P. Harris, G. C. Joyner, Marshall Joyner, and J. E. Wooten.

The minutes of last convention were read and approved.

Delegates and report of societies:

L. A. S., Delegates, Amount sent to Convention

Arapahoe, by letter	\$1.00
Bridgeton, Mrs. Julia Pate, Arnecia Rowe	2.00
Beulaville, Evelyn Horne	1.50
Core Creek, Mrs. R. C. Heath	1.60
Davis, Mrs. C. F. Davis, Mrs. Louise Bedsworth, special dues \$3.00	2.00
Holly Springs, by letter	1.00
Mosleys Creek, Mrs. L. J. Powell, Ellen Nobles	2.00
Macedonia, Mrs. Vellie Ipock	2.00
Mt. Zion, Pamlico Co., Mrs. R. B. Newton	3.00
North East, by letter	
Oak Grove, by letter	1.50
Pilgrims Home, Mrs. Ernest Pate	1.00
Pilgrims Rest, Mrs. Gladys Lupton, Mrs. Ruth Goodwin	1.00
Palmetto, Mrs. J. S. Gaskin	2.00
Rock of Zion, Mrs. E. J. Harris, special dues .5	0 1.00
Smiths New Home, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard	1.00

St. Johns Chapel, Circle no. 2, by letter		
Snow Hill, by letter		2.00
Sandy Plain, Mrs. Rashie Kennedy, special dues	1.50	
St. Marys, Mrs. Leona Mercer, Mrs. W. J. Koonce	3.00	3.00
Union Chapel, Mrs. Flora Moore, Mrs. Mary Dixon		1.00
Wintergreen, Mrs. Hannah Adams, Mrs. C. W. Wetherington		2.00
Total special dues	\$8.00	\$31.60
Amount raised on poster funds as follows:		
Union Chapel		_\$20.00
Smiths New Home	·	3.00
Rock of Zion		_ 2.00
St. Marys, New Bern		_ 20.00
Mt. Zion		5.90

MISS VIVIAN SAWYER, Educational Director

Mrs. Glayds Banks Harris acted as reading clerk.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance: Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Mrs. S. A. Smith, and Mrs. Leona Mercer.

Apportionment: Mrs. J. H. Oglesby, Mrs. Walter Rhodes, and Miss Ellen Nobles.

Resolution: Mrs. Mary Dixon, Mrs. Mattie Lane, and Mrs. C. W. Wetherington.

At the eleven o'clock hour the convention presented a model Ladies Aid Society. This society was made up of members from various societies in the Eastern District, and was presented primarily, for the benefit of the societies in our district who desired instruction in this work, and as an incentive to the churches who have not yet organized Ladies Aid Societies. The dues collected in this Model Aid was turned over in the regular treasury.

At 12:30 o'clock we were dismissed for lunch on the grounds. The good people of Palmetto Chapel were very hospitable, and served a bountiful table.

At 1:30 P. M. we entered the afternoon session with congregational singing led by Rev. R. P. Harris. Mrs. Katie Sawyer Jackson led in prayer, after which Bro. Specer was asked to present tracts he was selling for the Press to the convention. The convention voted to buy one hundred of these tracts and asked the director of publication to distribute them to the various societies.

Mrs. Katie Sawyer Jackson gave remarks concerning the Educational Loan fund, and also expressed that she was glad to be with us.

Mrs. M. A. Woodard acting as proxy for the delegate from the Central Women's Convention expressed that she was also glad to meet with us in our convention.

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Mrs. J. L. Peedin, delegate from the Western Women's Convention was unable to meet with us but represented by letter.

Mrs. Barnes, our state President was present with us and at this time explained the Stewardship directors duties to her.

REPORTS OF DIRECTORS

Publication: From information received there have been sixty one subscriptions to the Baptist. Several Aids report the use of the year books. Baptist paper sent to all county homes in this District. Eight thousand four hundred pages of religious literature and tract distributed in jails, convict camps, county homes, and to individuals.

MRS. ED SMITH, director, New Bern. N. C.

Field: Wrote to fourteen churches who had been representing only by letter, or not representing to our convention at all.

MRS. J. R. NEWTON, director, 83 Craven St., New Bern, N. C.

Mission: Sandy Plain Church \$1.50 and some papers and beads for the Willeys. Davis Church \$17.00. Smiths New Home \$.50 and two pillow cases \$.40. Pilgrims Home \$.50. There was much more done in this District towards missions. We responded to our State President's call whole-heartedly, but many sent their money and provisions directly to Mrs. J. H. Oglesby, who is the State Mission Director.

MRS. L. H. WETHERINGTON, Director, Clarks, N. C.

Superannuation: There have been only three retired ministers reported in this Eastern District, Namely: Rev. L. C. Garner, Newport, N. C., Rev. Merrill, Beaufort, N. C., and Rev. Moore, Vanceboro, N. C.

MRS. J. H. OGLESBY, Director, Bridgeton, N. C.

Stewardship: Having been recently appointed to this office had no report.

MRS. LOUISE BEDSWORTH, Director, Davis, N. C.

Solo, "This Stranger of Galilee" by Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes of Lucama, N. C.

The reports of various Delegates appointed to attend other conventions were as follows:

National: Mrs. E. L. Mallard reported having attended, and stated that they had a very good national meeting. She stated that it was not so well attended as the years before but this was due to the dividing of the National Association into two separate bodies.

Central: Mrs. Overman was appointed delegate, but did not attend.

State: Mrs. Bennett reported that she attended the State Women's Convention at Caseys Chapel, and told of the good work that was done that day, especially mentioning the amount of money the women of North Carolina had appropriated for Foreign Missions. She also told of the progress of the Educational program.

Western: Mrs. J. H. Oglesby stated that she did not attend.

Cape Fear: Mrs. Koonce stated that she did not attend.

At this time the Orphanage Director, Mrs. J. W. Overman of New Bern was ask to give her report, and she stated that she, as, yet had not been able to get the women to send their reports to her. Mrs. Barnes stated that the State Women's Convention was going to soon put on a drive for household equipment for the Orphanage and she would present the plan to Mrs. Overman and she could carry out the work in the Eastern district.

The President appointed the following delegates to attend the various conventions:

Western: to convene in Durham, N. C. first Wednesday in Oct. Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, delegate.

Cape Fear: to convene at Lees Chapel Oct. 13th, Mrs. L. H. Wetherington, delegate.

Central: Bethany Church, Pitt Co. last Wednesday in Sept. Mrs. J. W. Overman, delegate.

Pee Dee: Mrs. Julia Pate, delegate.

Received today from Ladies Aid Societies __

Albemarle: Olive Church, Mrs. Elbert Prescott, delegate.

The Finance committee's report was as follows:

Free Will Offering for Missions Wednesday Evening 3.52 Offering from Model Aid .65 Total \$88.82 The apportionment committee's report was as follows: \$5.00 Expense to service \$5.00 Expense to executive meeting Mrs. Ed Smith 1.25 Expense to executive meeting Mrs. Cal Sawyer 1.00 Programs 2.25 New report blanks 1.50 Tracts 2.00 Papers in county homes 3.60 Field workers expense .15 Orphanage 9.00 Superannuation 9.00	Educational Loan Fund	40.00
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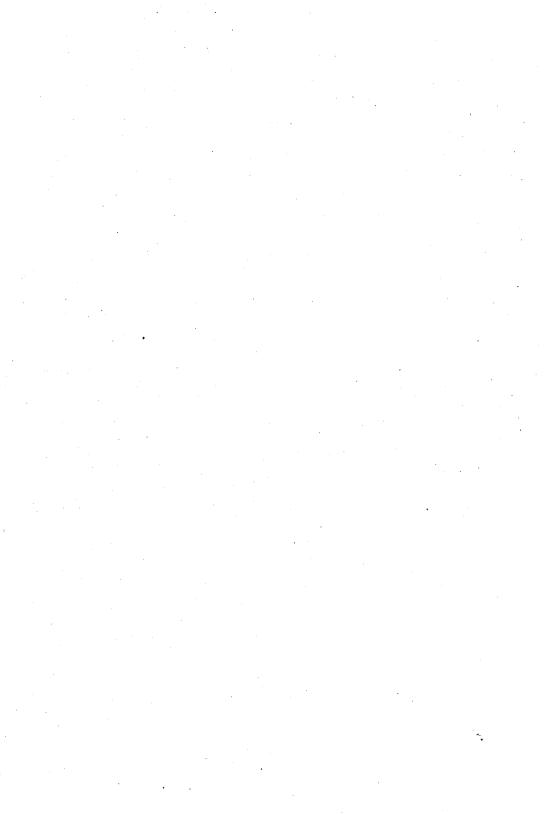
Foreign Missions Minutes	
Total	\$61.20
The Treasurer's report was as follows: Report of last convention.	
Amount in treasury from one year agoAmount taken in at last convention	
Total	 \$63.34
Paid out at last convention	•
Secretary's Expense	
Secretary's Service	
Stamps and stationary for Mrs. Lupton	
State convention	
National convention	
Executive committees traveling expense	
Foreign Missions	
Paper in county homes	
Orphanage	
Arapahoe church	
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Total paid out	\$57.08
Amount left in treasury at last convention	\$ 6.26
Taken in since last convention	
Amout taken in at this convention	
Total	\$62.66

The community was given a vote of thanks, by all, for the Hospitality shown us during the entire convention. Elders R. P. Harris and G. C. Joyner sang a duet titled "It pays to Serve Jesus." The convention voted to send condolence cards to Mrs. Grimsley and Mr. R. P. Bender, Mother and Husband of the deceased Bonnie Grimsley Bender, and a letter to Bro. E. T. Phillips expressing the conventions regret that he was unable to be with us and wishing for him a speedy recovery.

The convention was dismissed with prayer.

MRS. J. C. GRIFFIN, President

MRS. J. R. BENNETT, Secretary



CHURCH LETTER

To the Eastern Original Free Will Baptist Association to be held with the church at Friendship, Jones County, N. C., commencing on Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1938.

We, the church at
county, N. C., send our beloved brethren
as delegates to your honorable body.
The condition of our church is as follows: Died
Received by letter; Baptized; Dismissed
; Excommunicated; Whole number o
members Contribution \$
Our annual meeting convenes before th
Sunday in Quarter!
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Elder, was our pastor from
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Post office, N. C
WRITE PETITION BELOW IF ASSOCIATION IS WANTED

