

**MINUTES**  
OF THE  
Fifty-Seventh Annual Session  
OF THE  
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**  
OF THE  
**ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

(OF NORTH CAROLINA)

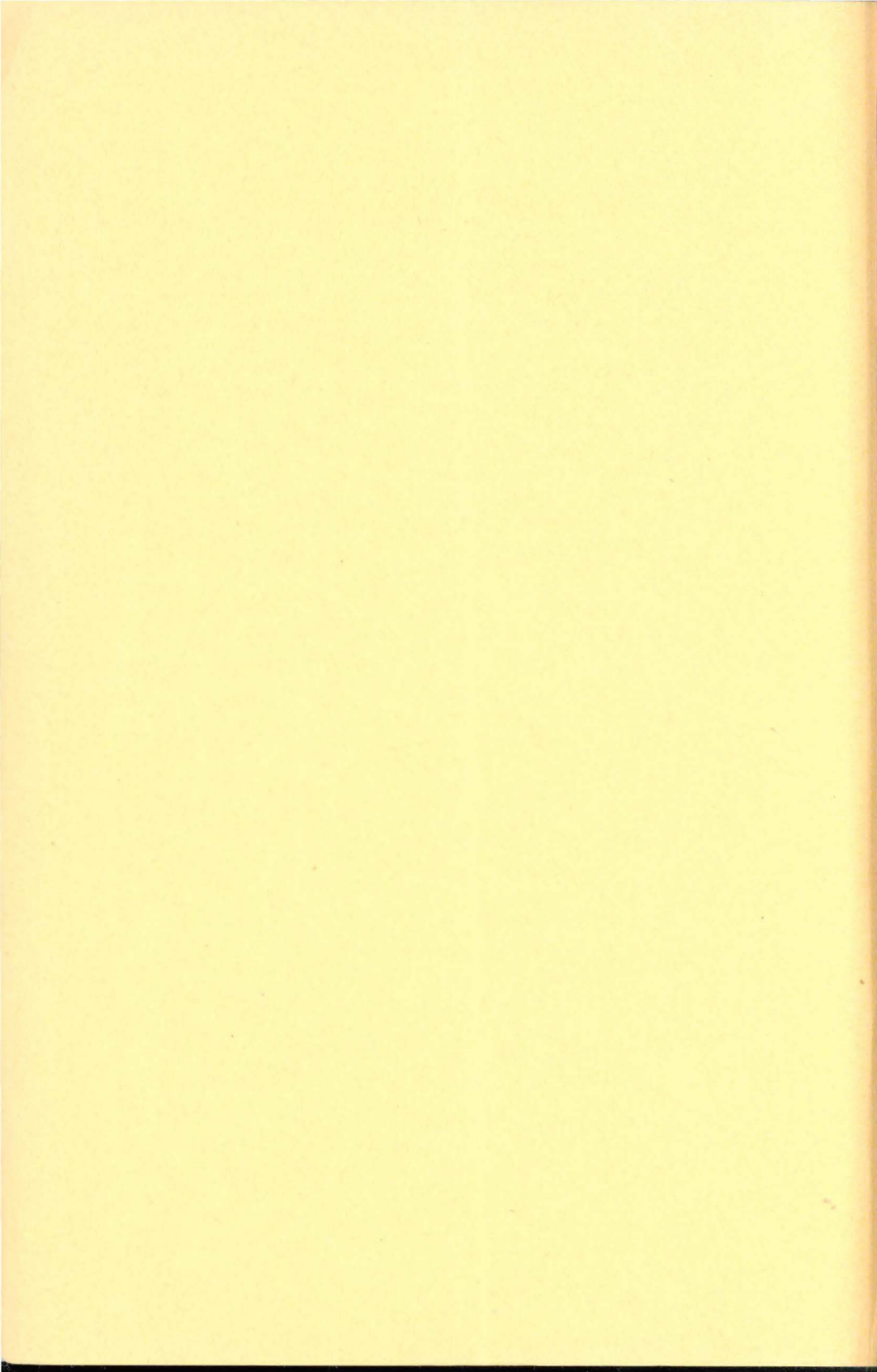
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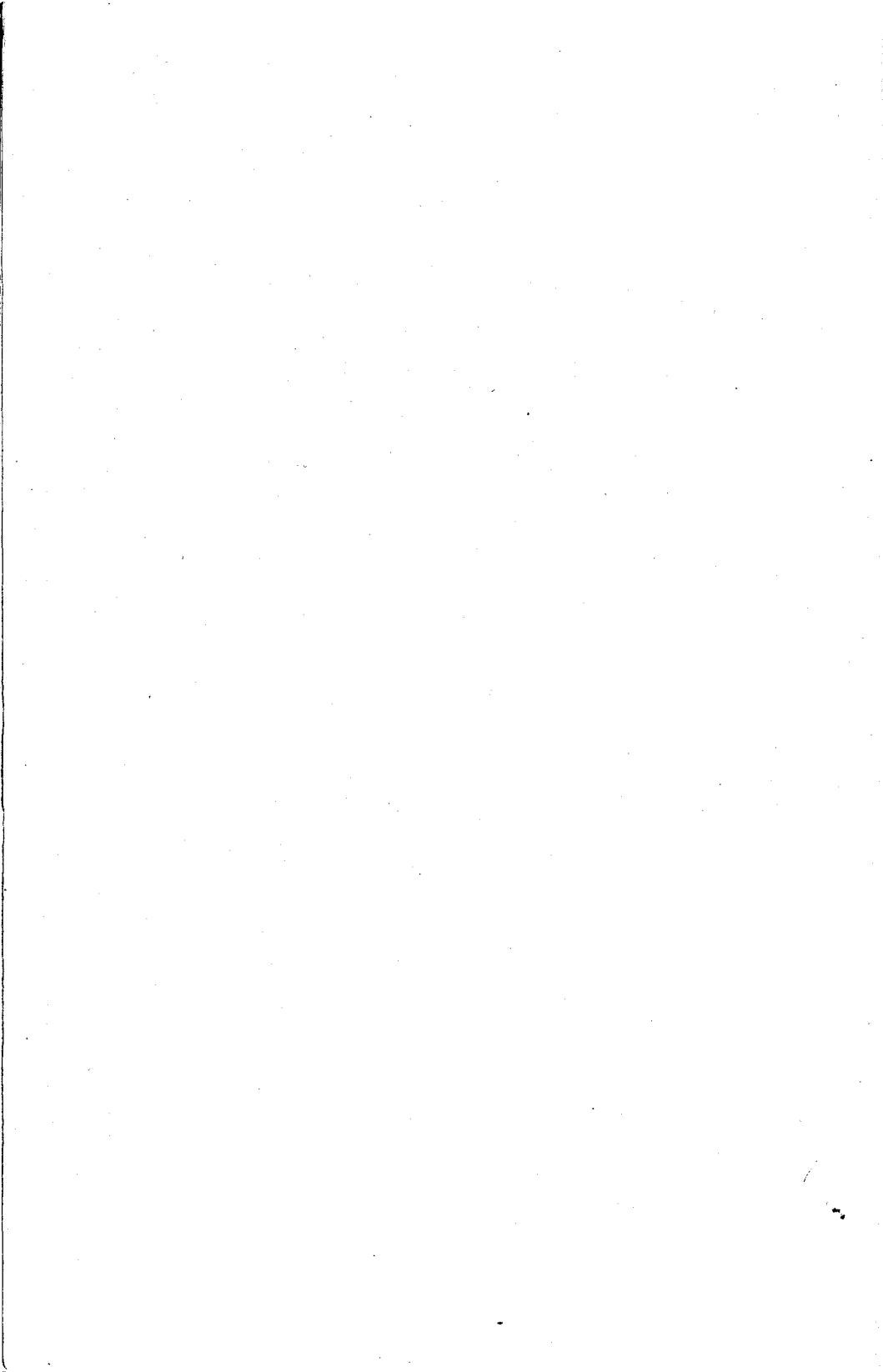
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# Order of Business

## FIRST DAY

10 o'clock A. M., Devotions

Organize

Read Minutes of Executive Committee

Introductory sermon

Dinner

Devotions

Enrollment of visitors

Call list of ministers

Call list of churches

Miscellaneous business

Adjournment

## SECOND DAY

Devotions

Reading and approval of minutes of first day.

Enrollment of visitors

Finish calling list of churches

Committee reports

Sermon

Dinner

Devotions

Finish committee reports

Petitions

Miscellaneous business

Treasurer's report

Election of officers (every two years)

Vote of thanks

Adjournment

# Church Letter

To the Eastern Original Free Will Baptist Conference to be held with the church at Macedonia, Craven County, N. C., commencing on Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in October, 1953:

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 \_\_\_\_\_, Transferred \_\_\_\_\_, Excommunicated \_\_\_\_\_, Whole number of members \_\_\_\_\_, Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Elder \_\_\_\_\_ was our pastor from 19 \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, 19 \_\_\_\_\_ and filled \_\_\_\_\_ of his appointments. Elder \_\_\_\_\_ is our present pastor. \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

Post Office \_\_\_\_\_, N. C.

WRITE PETITION BELOW IF CONFERENCE IS WAITED

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## Officers for the Year

REV. CLIFTON RICE, <i>Moderator</i>	Kinston, N. C.
REV. CLINTON LUPTON, <i>Ass't. Moderator</i>	Bayboro, N. C.
REV. J. W. ALFORD, <i>Clerk</i>	Morehead City, N. C.
H. M. MALLARD, <i>Treasurer</i>	Trenton, N. C.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

REV. CLIFTON RICE, <i>Chairman</i> .....	Kinston, N. C.
REV. J. W. ALFORD, <i>Clerk</i> .....	Morehead City, N. C.
REV. J. C. GRIFFIN.....	New Bern, N. C.
H. M. MALLARD.....	Trenton, N. C.
REV. LLOYD VERNON.....	Mt. Olive, N. C.

## EXAMINING BOARD

REV. J. R. BENNETT, <i>Chairman</i>	Bridgeton, N. C.
REV. LLOYD VERNON	Mt. Olive, N. C.
REV. D. W. HANSLEY	Pine Level, N. C.
REV. K. W. GASKILL	Sea Level, N. C.
REV. CLIFTON RICE	Kinston, N. C.
REV. J. W. ALFORD, <i>Honorary</i>	Morehead City, N. C.

## GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE

K. W. GASKILL                      LLOYD VERNON                      CLINTON LUPTON  
W. A. GASKINS                      H. M. MALLARD

TO REPRESENT THIS CONFERENCE IN THE MEETING  
OF THE PRINTING COMPANY .

REV. D. W. HANSLEY \_\_\_\_\_ Pine Level, N. C.  
REV. J. W. ALFORD \_\_\_\_\_ Morehead City, N. C.

## TRUSTEES

J. R. Bennett                      J. W. Alford                      Lloyd Vernon  
Clifton Rice                      J. R. Davidson

J. e. Lynn Anaphor

## List of Ordained Ministers

DUFFY TOLER (*Retired*), Chocowinity, N. C.  
L. J. POTTER (*Retired*), Snead's Ferry, N. C.  
H. PIPKIN (*Retired*), Mt. Olive, N. C.  
J. W. ALFORD, Morehead City, N. C.  
LLOYD VERNON, Mt. Olive, N. C.  
R. C. KENNEDY, Beulaville, N. C.  
A. C. AUSTIN, Aurora, N. C.  
WESLEY PRICE, Seven Springs, N. C.  
J. R. BENNETT, Bridgeton, N. C.  
J. R. DAVENPORT, Deep Run, N. C.  
F. E. JONES, Kenansville, N. C.  
C. L. BENNETT, Grantsboro, N. C.  
CLIFTON RICE, Kinston, N. C., Box 216  
D. W. HANSLEY, Pine Level, N. C.  
J. C. GRIFFIN, New Bern, N. C., 1409 N. Pastuer St.  
B. F. RINGOLD, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 5  
S. A. SMITH, Middlesex, N. C.  
J. R. FORREST, New Bern, N. C.  
K. W. GASKILL, Sea Level, N. C.  
CLINTON LUPTON, Bayboro, N. C.  
SAM R. KENNEDY, Greenville, N. C.  
G. W. GASKILL, Sea Level, N. C.  
J. R. DAVIDSON, New Bern, N. C., 826 Pollock St.  
ELMO HARPER, Grantsboro, N. C.  
E. E. EDWARDS, Chocowinity, N. C.  
W. E. STILLEY, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 5, Box 3  
W. H. WILLIS, Kinston, N. C., 1502 Hyman Ave.  
J. T. FORREST, LaGrange, N. C., Rt. 1  
LEE W. WHALEY, Jacksonville, N. C., 416 Ann St.  
CLIFTON STYRON, Davis, N. C.  
LEON E. STYRON, Washington, N. C.  
J. B. NARRON, Wake Forest, N. C., 301 S. Main  
T. O. TERRY, Cove City, N. C.  
WARREN MALLARD, Kenly, N. C.  
O. B. EVERETTE, Folkstone, N. C.  
N. D. WIGGS, JR., New Bern, N. C.  
J. W. EVERTON, Beulaville, N. C.  
ROBERT L. EDWARDS, Beulaville, N. C.  
JAMES E. HOWARD, Newport, N. C.  
BEVERLY BALLARD, New Bern, N. C.  
L. L. PARKER, Folkstone, N. C.  
JAMES F. MILLER, Kinston, N. C.  
R. H. JACKSON, Davis, N. C.

## LIST OF LICENSED MINISTERS

L. L. Willis  
Herbert Tripp  
Charlie Robinson  
John Grimsley  
Elmer Goodwin

George Branning  
Alton Mason  
H. W. Armstrong, Jr.  
A. G. Lane  
D. A. Kirk

Boyce Wallace  
C. M. Dixon  
D. W. Cleve, Jr.  
Earl Hanson



Vanceboro - Mrs. Oliver Liffen  
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## Church Clerks and Their Post Offices

### CRAVEN COUNTY

CORE CREEK—S. W. McCoy, Jr., Cove City, N. C.  
GETHESEMANE—C. J. Hines, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 2  
ANTIOCH—J. M. Tyndall, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 5  
BRICE'S CHAPEL—Mrs. Wilbur Herring, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 4  
JUNIPER CHAPEL—Wm. C. Morris, Vanceboro, N. C.  
SPRING HOPE—Mrs. Annie Jones, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 5  
MACEDONIA—Mrs. Beulah Franks Best, Vanceboro, N. C.  
WINTERGREEN—A. B. Tilghman, Cove City, N. C.  
STS. DELIGHT—Mrs. J. W. Stilley, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 5 Jas. R. Hines  
MOSELEY'S CREEK—Mrs. Carrie Norris, Dover, N. C. R. 5 New Bern  
REUNION CHAPEL—E. C. Laughinghouse, Vanceboro, N. C.  
PALMETTO CHAPEL—Elmer Earl Lewis, Vanceboro, N. C.  
BRIDGETON—O. C. Toler, New Bern, N. C., 614 Watson Ave. Mt. Court  
LANE'S CHAPEL—F. H. Gaskins, Vanceboro, N. C.  
OAK GROVE—Mrs. M. W. Barrow, Vanceboro, N. C.  
NEW HAVEN—Dicie Ipock, Ernul, N. C.  
RUTH'S CHAPEL—Mrs. J. W. Odum, New Bern, N. C., Rt. 5  
ST. MARY'S—E. A. Mallard, New Bern, N. C., Box 895  
New Salem Mrs. Moan Smith  
Vanceboro - A-2

### WAYNE COUNTY

NORTHEAST—Mark Mozingo, Dudley, N. C.  
INDIAN SPRINGS—Miss Jean Price, Seven Springs, N. C., Rt. 2  
GRANT'S CHAPEL—Mrs. Floyd Williams, Mt. Olive, N. C., Rt. 1  
MAY'S CHAPEL—Mrs. A. E. Rouse, Dudley, N. C.

### DUPLIN COUNTY

SARECTA—Wilbert A. Jones, Kenansville, N. C.  
PINEY GROVE—Paul Lee, Albertson, N. C.  
SANDY PLAIN—Joel Kennedy, Pink Hill, N. C.  
ROOTY BRANCH—Mrs. Pearl Amon, Mount Olive, N. C.  
BEULAVILLE—W. D. Thigpen, Beulaville, N. C.  
PEARSALL'S CHAPEL—Daisy J. Wells, Kenansville, N. C.  
SNOW HILL—Mrs. Rotha Reardon, Mt. Olive, N. C., Rt. 2  
BETHLEHEM—L. E. Jones, Chinquapin, N. C.  
LONG RIDGE—Mrs. Jonas Dail, Mt. Olive, N. C.  
CABIN—Calvin R. Mercer, Beulaville, N. C.  
LANIER'S CHAPEL—J. H. Dail, Chinquapin, N. C.  
WARSAW—Miss Eleanor Taylor, Warsaw, N. C.

### LENOIR COUNTY

CHRISTIAN CHAPEL—J. B. Hill, Deep Run, N. C.  
BRITISH CHAPEL—Stella Loftin, Kinston, N. C., Rt. 5  
WOODINGTON—Mrs. Elbert Potter, Kinston, N. C.  
DAILEY'S CHAPEL—Willie T. Shiver, Seven Springs, N. C.  
KINSTON—William Oliver, Kinston, N. C., Box 904

WHITE OAK GROVE—Ben D. Herring, La Grange, N. C., Rt. 3  
SMITH'S NEW HOME—Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Deep Run, N. C.  
DEEP RUN—Mrs. John Harper, Deep Run, N. C. *Mrs. Ruby White*  
GRAY BRANCH—Linwood E. Smith, Deep Run, N. C.

*Wade Lane*  
**CARTERET COUNTY**

HOLLY SPRINGS—~~Jessie W. Fulcher~~, Newport, N. C. *Mrs. M. E. Flinn*  
SOUND VIEW—Elmer Garner, Newport, N. C. *Wagon West*  
BEAUFORT—Mrs. W. H. Kirk, Beaufort, N. C.  
FREE UNION—Mrs. Miriam Taylor, Sea Level, N. C.  
WELCOME HOME—Mrs. Mary Belle Lewis, Beaufort, N. C. *Life 2012*  
MOREHEAD CITY—Mrs. Ruby Barker, Morehead City, N. C. *Beaufort*  
PILGRIM'S REST—Mrs. Gladys Lupton, Atlantic, N. C.  
RUSSELL'S CREEK—Mrs. Mamie Merrill, Beaufort, N. C., Rt. 1  
ST. JOHN'S CHAPEL—Jordan Lewis, Stacy, N. C.  
MT. PLEASANT—Mrs. Theodore Jones, Newport, N. C.  
EDWARD'S CHAPEL—Mrs. B. G. Hardy, Merrimon, N. C.  
DAVIS—Leslie Styron, Davis, N. C.

**PAMLICO COUNTY**

ARAPAHOE—Mrs. Fannie Swindell, Arapahoe, N. C.  
BETHEL—Mrs. Kathleen Slade, Whortonsville, N. C.  
TRENT—Mrs. W. G. Murphy, Merritt, N. C.  
MT. ZION—R. B. Newton, Cash Corner, N. C.  
ORIENTAL—Mrs. George Lee, Oriental, N. C. *Johnny Pittman*  
WARDEN'S GROVE—W. T. Campen, Lowland, N. C. *C. S. Lupton*  
ROCK OF ZION—Mrs. Lena Keel, Alliance, N. C. *Mrs. Burton Blount*  
NEW BETHLEHEM—H. S. Price, Grantsboro, N. C. *Grantsboro*

**BEAUFORT COUNTY**

UNION CHAPEL—J. G. Warren, Chocowinity, N. C.  
DUBLIN GROVE—David Mayo, Royal, N. C.  
WHITE HILL—Jesse E. Cayton, Aurora, N. C., Rt. 1, Box 120  
CORE POINT CHAPEL—Mrs. Joseph Paul, Blounts Creek, N. C.  
SMYRNA—Mrs. Mabel Rowe, Blounts Creek, N. C.  
EPHESUS—Mrs. Warren Gaskins, Blounts Creek, N. C.  
MT. OLIVE—James L. Jarvis, South Creek, N. C.

**JONES COUNTY**

FRIENDSHIP—H. M. Mallard, Trenton, N. C.  
WHALEY'S CHAPEL—Lemmie Taylor, Richlands, N. C.  
PILGRIM'S HOME—W. A. Ipock, Kinston, N. C., 1608 Charlotte Ave.

**ONSLOW COUNTY**

FOLKSTONE—Ernest L. Parker, Folkstone, N. C.  
MT. ZION—Henry Scott, Beulaville, N. C.  
SNEAD'S FERRY—Sudie Mae Brown, Snead's Ferry, N. C.  
JACKSONVILLE—Mrs. Edwin Tosto, Jacksonville, N. C.  
VERONA MISSION—Mrs. Foy Norman, Verona, N. C.

# CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS Of the Eastern Conference

## CONSTITUTION

**PREAMBLE:** From long experience, we, the members of the Eastern Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist Denomination of North Carolina, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Jesus Christ, and realizing the necessity of a bond of union and fellowship among us as a Church or Conference; and to preserve and maintain correspondence and co-ordination with us, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better conference government.

### ARTICLE I

**Name**—This organization shall be known as the EASTERN CONFERENCE OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

### ARTICLE II

**Purpose**—The object and purpose of this organization shall be to unify the work of this body which is made up of the various churches composing the Eastern Conference, and to devise and execute measures for the extension of the Kingdom of God in connection with the various Churches of this Conference district, or that may hereafter be represented therein.

### ARTICLE III

**Composition**—This Conference shall consist of delegates duly appointed or elected by the Church they represent, and of all ordained Free Will Baptist Ministers who are of good repute in the Free Will Baptist Church in the district embracing the Eastern Conference.

### ARTICLE IV

**Representation**—Representation to Eastern Conference is to be by the Churches composing the Conference district, and each Church in said district shall be entitled to two delegates.

**SECTION 2.** This Eastern Conference shall have no power to fill vacancies in the delegation from any church representing, except it be a regular member from the said Church being in attendance at the said session, and that in the absence of the regularly appointed delegate.

### ARTICLE V

**Finance**—Each church representing in this body shall make their donations as liberal as they can, and if possible conform to the custom established some years ago of contributing 50c per member of the church membership.

**SECTION 2.** The Secretary is to be paid the sum of \$35.00 annually and the Treasurer to be paid the sum of \$20.00 annually, all other expenditures not specified herein shall be made at the discretion of the body.

### ARTICLE VI

**Discipline**—This Eastern Conference shall have the right to settle any question of discipline, doctrine or practice that may properly come before it from any of the Churches composing said Conference, or act on any special appeal that may be

made by any Church belonging to this Conference. Said appeal shall have been written and properly signed by the constituent body or bodies, and its decision shall be final.

SECTION 2. All appeals coming before the Eastern Conference may be settled in either of the following ways: (1) By the Conference when sitting in a committee of the whole. (2) By a special committee, whose report shall be voted on without discussion.

#### ARTICLE VII

*Officers*—The Officers of the Eastern Conference shall consist of a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, an Assistant Clerk, and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected at the close of each two years regular session.

SECTION 2. Committees as necessary shall be appointed by the Moderator, unless otherwise provided for, and shall hold office until their work is completed, or until their successors are elected.

#### ARTICLE VIII

*Boards*—All standing Boards shall be composed of five members, exclusive of the Executive Committee. Standing Boards exclusive of the Executive Committee shall be an Examining Board, Grievance Committee, Trustees, and two representatives of the Conference for meetings of the Printing Press. The personnel of each of the foregoing, exclusive of the Executive Committee, shall be elected as follows: The first named for a term of one year, the second for a term of two years, the third for a term of three years, the fourth for a term of four years, and the fifth for a term of five years. Succession to office thereafter shall be determined as order requires.

SECTION 2. The Executive Committee shall have the power to act in behalf of and for the Eastern Conference from one regular session to another, and shall also have power to elect such officers as may be necessary for its own government, and to carry out the plans and undertakings of the Eastern Conference.

SECTION 3. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Treasurer, and two members to be elected same as the other officers. These shall have the power to fill any vacancies that may occur between sessions of the annual conference, same to be approved or rejected by the following session of the annual Conference. And it shall be the duty of this committee to make written reports of its work to each annual session of the Conference.

#### ARTICLE IX

The Eastern Conference shall hold its regular meetings annually beginning on Wednesday before the Fourth Sunday in October and remaining in session until the business has been finished. The place of meeting shall be agreed upon in regular session; however, where a necessity may arise the Executive Committee may at its discretion change the place of meeting.

#### ARTICLE X

Should necessity arise, from war, pestilence, or any cause which prevents a regular session, whether such condition is of local or general condition then the

Executive Committee shall be privileged to call and act with full authority on all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the Eastern Conference and the Church as a whole, provided that every transaction passed shall be by a two-thirds vote of the full membership of the said Executive Committee, provided such transactions shall not conflict with the purpose and edicts of the Constitution as set forth in the preceeding articles.

#### ARTICLE XI

This Constitution may be amended or altered at any regular session of the Eastern Conference by a two-thirds vote of members or representatives present, provided proposed amendment or alteration be presented in writing to the body one day in advance.

#### BY-LAWS

1. The Clerk or Assistant Clerk, or in their absence the senior minister in years, shall call the conference into session, and, if a quorum is present, the Moderator, or in his absence, the Assistant Moderator, shall take charge; and if neither of them is present, the senior minister in years shall act as Moderator.

2. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to enroll the delegates to the Conference, who shall present themselves with the proper evidence of their rights to seats therein, and those enrolled by the Clerk shall compose the Conference. In case of a questionable representation, however, the cases under question shall be referred to the credential committee.

3. It shall be the duty of every Church belonging to this Conference to send a letter to every annual session of the Conference, reporting in the same its spiritual condition, benevolent work, and its statistics. Any church belonging to this conference which shall fail to report itself for two successive sessions may be dismissed from the conference by a two-thirds vote of all members present.

4. Each meeting shall be opened by the reading of a portion of the Bible and with prayer; and shall be closed with prayer.

5. By a two-thirds vote of all members present a ruling of the Moderator can be overruled.

6. This Conference may correspond by messenger or otherwise with other religious bodies.

7. This Conference shall sit with open doors, except when it shall go into a committee as a whole.

8. Any person not a member of this conference may be allowed to take part in its discussions by obtaining permission from the Moderator.

9. It shall be the duty of all the members of this conference to be present at the time appointed for each meeting, and anyone wishing to retire shall first obtain permission of the Moderator.

10. No member shall absent himself from the Conference during its meetings without first obtaining permission from the Moderator.

11. No person shall be allowed to nominate more than one member of any committee provided the person nominated be elected.

12. The Moderator shall not allow discussions when not carried on in a Christian spirit, or when he thinks it will cause discord or diversion.

13. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator by the appellation "Brother Moderator," but shall not speak further until recognized by the Moderator.

14. The "yeas" and "nays" may be counted on any question by request of one-fifth of the members present.

15. No member of this conference shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes nor twice on the same subject without permission from the Moderator.

16. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to seat delegates in a body in a designated section of the assembly room at the beginning of each business session.

17. These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any regular or adjourned session of this Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

18. All other By-Laws in conflict with the above By-Laws are hereby repealed.

19. These By-Laws shall be in force from and after they are ratified.

U. W. DAUGHERTY

J. C. GRIFFIN

S. R. KENNEDY *Committee*

# PROCEEDINGS

The 57th Annual Session of the Eastern Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened with the church at Core Creek, Craven County, North Carolina, on October 22, 1952.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. T. O. Terry, the local pastor, who read to us Phil. 3:7-14. After a few minutes of exhortation, he also gave us a most cordial welcome for this session.

The following officers were in their places: Rev. Clifton Rice, Moderator; Rev. Clinton Lupton, Assistant Moderator; H. M. Mallard, Treasurer; and J. W. Alford, Clerk.

The following committees were appointed:

*Finance*—J. R. Davenport, J. C. Griffin, J. J. Blizzard.

*Temperance*—J. R. Forrest, M. D. Fulcher, O. B. Pike.

*Sabbath Schools*—Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Jimmie Tyndall, E. E. Edwards.

*Ministerial Character*—J. C. Griffin, D. W. Hansley, Lee Whaley, J. R. Davidson, W. A. Wood.

*Digest*—J. R. Davidson, Mrs. Daisy Springle, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard.

*To Apportion the Funds of this Conference*—J. W. Alford, R. C. Kennedy, Sam Kennedy.

The organization being completed, prayer was offered by Rev. R. C. Kennedy.

The minutes of the Executive Committee were read as follows:

The Executive Committee of the Eastern Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of N. C. met in session at St. Mary's Church, New Bern, N. C., on November 28, 1951.

Present: Revs. Clifton Rice, Chairman; J. C. Griffin, J. W. Alford, Secretary; H. M. Mallard, Treasurer.

Prayer by Brother Griffin.

Bros. John Grimesly and James E. Howard who were requested to be present presented themselves, and the Chairman explained to them that they, as licensed ministers, were requested to be present for counselling together as to their privilege as a licensed minister.

On motion Bros. Grimesley and Howard explained to the churches to which they have been called as pastor, that the church must have a regularly ordained minister as their pastor, and that the Conference will endorse and sustain Bros. Grimesley and Howard in their work as helpers to these pastors.

On motion we adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Grimesley.

On motion the Conference adopted the minutes.

The following visiting Ministers were welcomed:

*Western Conference*—W. E. Anderson, J. A. Evans, M. L. Johnson.

*Central Conference*—L. B. Manning, N. B. Barrow, Rashie Kennedy, J. E. Wooten, R. H. Mason.

*Cape Fear Conference*—Thurman Smith, L. R. Ennis.

*Piedmont Association*—W. S. Burns.

*Pee Dee Association*—Russell Millard.

*Tidewater Association of Virginia*—L. H. Moulton, Bros. M. E. Howard, M. F. Murphey.

*Portsmouth, Va., Missionary Baptist Church*—Paul H. Black.

On motion the name of F. R. Williams be dropped from the list of ministers.

On motion the name of all licensed ministers be enrolled.

The list of churches was called.

On motion the new church at New Salem be referred to the Executive Committee.

At this time we called off for the introductory sermon which was delivered by Rev. Sam R. Kennedy, who used Matthew 27:45 as a text. After the sermon we called off for dinner.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

A very beautiful dinner was served by the ladies of the church.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. N. D. Wiggs, Jr. Prayer by Bro. Lonnie Mallard.

The minutes of the Examining Board were read as follows:

The Examining Board of the Eastern N. C. F. W. B. Conference met at Friendship Church, Jones County, Nov. 13, 1951, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Members present: Bros. J. R. Bennett, chairman; J. W. Alford, Honorary; K. W. Gaskill, D. W. Hansley, and Lloyd Vernon.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

Prayer by Bro. D. W. Hansley.

The examination papers of Bros. L. L. Parker, John Grimsley and O. B. Everett were graded and we recommend that they study another year and then come before us.

It was agreed that the Examining Board will meet on Monday after the third Sunday of January, April, July and October at St. Mary's Church in New Bern, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Moved and carried that we adjourn.

The Examining Board of the Eastern N. C. F. W. B. Conference met at St. Mary's Church, New Bern, Monday, Jan. 21, 1952, at 10 a. m.

Members present: Revs. J. R. Bennett, Chairman; J. W. Alford, Honorary; Clifton Rice, Lloyd Vernon, and D. W. Hansley.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

There coming no applicants before us, we discussed some things of interest to the Board and adjourned at 11:30 a. m. by motion.



The Examining Board of the Eastern Conference met at St. Mary's Church, New Bern, N. C., April 21, 1952.

Members present: Revs. J. R. Bennett, Chairman; K. W. Gaskill, Clifton Rice, J. W. Alford, Honorary; Lloyd Vernon, and D. W. Hansley.

The Board was called to order by the chairman.

Prayer by Bro. J. W. Alford.

Bro. E. M. Goodwin came before us and it was moved and carried that the chairman inform him that we request him to remain under license for one year.

Bro. D. W. Cleve, Jr., came before us and we recommended that Macedonia Church license him.

Bro. A. G. Lane came before us and we recommended that New Haven church license him.

Bro. Danny Jenkins came before us and we recommend that Folkstone church license him.

Agreed that we request Juniper Church to renew the license of Bro. Herbert Tripp at their next monthly meeting and that the secretary inform the pastor of said church, and this request bridges over the lapse of time in said license.

Agreed that we meet Tuesday, June 10, at 9 a. m., at Bridgeton church for examination of papers and revision of questions.

Moved and carried that the meeting adjourn.

Closing prayer by Bro. D. W. Hansley.

The Examining Board of the Eastern N. C. F. W. B. Conference met at Bridgeton, June 10, 1952, at 10 a. m.

Members present: Revs. J. R. Bennett, Chairman; D. W. Hansley, K. W. Gaskill, J. W. Alford, Honorary, and Lloyd Vernon.

We graded the examination papers of Bros. Herbert Tripp and O. B. Everett and authorized Bros. Lloyd Vernon and D. W. Hansley to ordain Bro. O. B. Everett at their convenience.

We recommend that Bro. Herbert Tripp procure for himself a home study course issued by Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

Moved that our next quarterly meeting be held in Bridgeton F. W. B. Church, Bridgeton, N. C., on July 21, 1952.

Moved to adjourn.

Dismissed by Bro. K. W. Gaskill.

The Examining Board of the Eastern Conference met at Bridgeton Church, July 21, 1952, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

All members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

Prayer by Bro. J. R. Bennett.

Brothers James E. Howard, Beverly Ballard, N. D. Wiggs, Jr., Robert L. Edwards, and James W. Everton were examined for ordination.

COUNTY	CHURCHES	DELEGATES	Died	Received	Baptised	Dismissed	Transferred	Excommunicated	No. Members	Contributions
Core Creek	Craven	Milton Hawkins, Linwood Garner	1	2	15	1	2	0	293	100.00
Gethsemane	Craven	Mrs. H. E. Stewart, Mrs. G. S. Cook							90	25.00
Antioch	Craven	L. L. Tyndall, George Gaskins	0	3	0	0	4	0	133	40.00
Brice's Creek	Craven	Mrs. Robert Ange, Mrs. Wilbur Herring	0	0	1	0	0	0	103	12.00
Juniper Chapel	Craven									
Spring Hope	Craven	Zeb Caton, L. O. Purifoy	0	3	18	0	0	0	66	10.00
Macedonia	Craven	Harvey Toler, Clyde Spruill	1	6	2	3	0	0	215	40.00
Wintergreen	Craven	W. A. Wood, E. L. Koonce	0	0	0	0	4	0	195	30.60
St. Mary's	Craven	M. D. Fulcher, Mrs. E. L. Mallard	2	6	5	11	0	0	495	25.00
Sts. Delight	Craven	Mrs. Hazel Stilley, Mrs. Sadie Rice	3	3	12	0	1	0	133	34.00
Moseley's Creek	Craven	Mrs. Bettie Ormond, Mrs. Mattie Mae Ritz	0	1	4	0	0	0	164	50.00
Reunion Chapel	Craven	Willie and Teddy Dunn	0	5	4	0	0	0	50	20.00
Palmetto Chapel	Craven	Marvin Wilson and Wife	3	0	3	0	0	0	153	20.40
Bridgeton	Craven	Mrs. J. W. Overman	0	1	8	0	10	0	174	25.00
Lane's Chapel	Craven									
Oak Grove	Craven									
New Haven	Craven	Graham Lane, J. R. Toler	0	0	1	0	0	0	103	10.00
Ruth's Chapel	Craven	Ernest Glover, Mrs. J. C. Griffin	1	2	6	3	0	0	106	10.00
Northeast	Wayne	Russell Millard, Jr.	0	1	2	0	1	0	112	10.00
Indian Springs	Wayne									
Grant's Chapel	Wayne	Floyd Williams and Wife	0	4	4	0	0	0	92	12.50
May's Chapel	Wayne	Mrs. Belle Overman, Mrs. May Rouse	1	1	1	0	0	0	44	8.00
Sarecta	Wayne	H. A. Jones, J. Allen Dunn	3	0	4	0	17	0	171	25.00
Piney Grove	Duplin	Mrs. Myrtle Wiley, Mrs. Julia Hill	2	0	0	0	1	0	162	20.00
Sandy Plain	Duplin	Joshua Futrell and Wife	3	8	8	0	0	0	172	15.00
Rooty Branch	Duplin									
Beulaville	Duplin	C. V. and V. V. Thomas	1	2	5	2	3	0	192	50.00
Pearsall's Chapel	Duplin									
Snow Hill	Duplin	I. H. Wallace, W. C. Hill	2	2	3	1	2	0	145	22.00



Brother C. M. Dixon came before us and we recommend that Union Chapel Church license him.

Brother H. W. Armstrong came before us and we recommend that Ephesus Church license him.

Agreed to meet at Bridgeton, Aug. 12, 1952, at 9 a. m., to grade examination papers and revise questions.

Moved that we adjourn.

The Examining Board of the Eastern Conference met at Bridgeton Church Aug. 12, 1952, at 9 a. m.

All members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

Prayer by Bro. D. W. Hansley.

Agreed that applicants for license or ordination be examined only at our quarterly meetings or meetings called for such purpose.

Brother D. A. Kirk came before us.

On motion we recommend that Holly Springs Church license him.

The papers of Bros. James E. Howard, N. D. Wiggs, J. W. Everton, L. Beverly Ballard, and Robert L. Edwards were graded.

We recommend that Bros. James E. Howard and L. Beverly Ballard study diligently and come before the Board again on Monday after the third Sunday in October.

Agreed that Bro. J. R. Bennett arrange the ordination of Bro. N. D. Wiggs, Jr., and that Bro. D. W. Hansley arrange the ordination of Bros. J. W. Everton and Robert L. Edwards.

Closing prayer by Bro. J. R. Bennett.

The Examining Board of the Eastern Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina met in session at Bridgeton, N. C., on October 20, 1952.

Members present: Revs. J. R. Bennett, Chairman; K. W. Gaskill, D. W. Hansley, J. W. Alford, honorary.

For the convenience of Bro. Bennett, we met at the Ernul School after gathering at the church.

We were called to order by the Chairman. Prayer by Bro. Gaskill.

The following ministers came before us for examination: Bros. James E. Howard, Newport, N. C.; Beverly Ballard, New Bern, N. C., and L. L. Parker, Folkstone, N. C.

Each of these brethren passed the examination very satisfactorily, and the Board recommends their Ordination.

It was left with Bro. Hansley to arrange for the Ordination of Bro. Parker, and Bro. Bennett to arrange for the Ordination of Bros. Howard and Ballard.

On motion we adjourn.

J. R. BENNETT, *Chairman*  
LLOYD VERNON, *Secretary*

On motion all these minutes were adopted.

Rev. S. A. Smith, superintendent of the orphanage, was recognized, and he brought us a very encouraging report of the Home, and made a strong appeal for our continued support and cooperation. He also gave a financial statement, showing the amount contributed by this Conference during the past year. The statement follows:

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE REPORT

General Fund .....	\$17,992.83
Clothing .....	1,340.00
Sunday School Room .....	51.25
Chapel .....	121.74
Cottage .....	328.15
Girls' Building .....	120.00
Music .....	75.00
Concert Class .....	1,690.36
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Total .....	\$21,719.33
Donated Commodities Value .....	\$ 1,720.23

At the conclusion of his report, an offering was received for the Orphanage amounting to \$177.00.

A further report was read from the Examining Board as follows:

We met at Core Creek Church on October 22, 1952, and Bros. James F. Miller and W. S. Burns, who were referred to us by the Conference, came before us asking to be admitted into the Conference as ordained ministers. After examining them as to their conformity to the doctrine and practice of our church, and the regularity of their ordination, we recommend that Bro. Burns wait until next Conference, during which time, he must secure his letter from his Association and a duplicate of his ordination papers or certificate.

We recommend that Bro. James F. Miller be received into this Conference, and his name placed on the list of ordained ministers.

On the presentation of his letter from the Cape Fear Conference, we recommend that Bro. R. H. Jackson become a member of this Conference, and his name placed on the list of ordained ministers.

On motion the report was adopted.

Rev. M. L. Johnson was recognized, and he brought us a very good report of the work of the Promotional Department and the work of the church in the state. He also gave us a report of the Church Finance Association, Inc., and the Superannuation Board, showing our participation in these two departments of the work. They are as follows:

#### CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Total Assets of the Association .....	\$36,426.53
Total Liabilities .....	33,682.15
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Surplus (Earned Profits) .....	\$ 2,744.38

The Eastern Conference has \$525.00 in the Association, for which it holds 21 \$25.00 certificates.

Our next Annual Meeting will be held with the Sts. Delight Church at Ormondsville on Tuesday, January 13, 1953.

Signed: M. L. JOHNSON

## REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION TO THE EASTERN CONFERENCE

Oct. 22, 1952

The amount of money received from this District during the past year was \$1,376.51. This is a decrease of \$100.72 under the previous year.

The above amount was sent by the following:

Churches .....	\$ 716.52
Auxiliaries .....	76.18
Sunday Schools .....	200.81
Conference .....	100.00
Union Meetings .....	283.00
Total .....	<u>\$1,376.51</u>

There are now three (3) of your retired ministers receiving monthly pension checks and nine (9) ministers' widows receiving quarterly pension checks.

The Board of Superannuation is asking for a budget of \$10,000.00 for the Convention year of 1952-53. This can be reached if our churches will all send 25 cents per member.

Signed: M. L. JOHNSON, *Chairman-Treasurer*

On motion these reports be received as information.

Rev. L. H. Moulton, pastor of the Free Will Baptist Church in Richmond, Va., was recognized, and he spoke a few minutes about the church there, and then presented Bro. M. F. Murphey of Richmond, Va., who spoke of his experience in a city without a church home. Bro. Marvin Howard of Richmond, Va., also spoke of his life there, and gave his testimony of faithfulness to the Free Will Baptist through the years. Each one assured us that the Free Will Baptists are going to build a church there of which every one will be proud.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin spoke to us about the National Woman's Auxiliary Convention, and the request that the N. C. Auxiliaries try to raise \$420.00 as their part in paying for an electric organ for the Bible College.

Rev. J. B. Narron spoke to us about the State League work, and urged that we encourage the work in every way possible.

On motion his report was received as information.

Bro. Fountain Taylor was heard for the Cragmont Assembly, and he reported that Cragmont is doing well, and requested a liberal allocation by the Allocation Committee.

This report was also received as information.

The Devotional committee reported for tomorrow 11:30 a. m. Rev. James F. Miller will preach.

On motion we adjourn until tomorrow a. m. 9:30 o'clock. Bro. A. G. Lane was appointed to conduct the devotions.

#### THURSDAY MORNING

Conference met at 9:30 o'clock, and was opened with proper devotions conducted by Bro. A. G. Lane.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Bro. C. K. Dunn, Business Manager of the Press, was recognized, and he spoke to us about the growth of the Press during the 36 years he has been manager, showing us that today the assets of the Press amounts to \$100,000. He warned us to guard and support its interests.

Bro. J. C. Griffin also spoke and sanctioned the things Bro. Dunn had said.

On motion this Conference extended to Bro. C. K. Dunn a rising vote of thanks for his long and valuable service with the Press.

The committee on Sabbath Schools reported as follows:

We urge all pastors to take an active part in Sunday School work in the churches they serve; also where there is no Sunday School in the church, to use their influence in getting them to organize one at once.

We also urge the pastors to stress the importance of the parents carrying their children to Sunday School instead of sending them.

We realize that we have no paid teachers; therefore we need every one to help as well as to pray for the work.

On motion the report was adopted.

The committee on Temperance made report as follows:

Realizing that only a casual observation reveals to any open-minded person the fact that the cause of temperance is on the losing side in our society, with a constant increase in its ravages as a result of the popularizing, of the use of alcoholic beverages by their legalization, and illicit commerce in their distribution, and, of various substances which threaten the very fabric of Christian and moral character, we wish to recommend:

That our people should realize that intemperance is not only in strong drink, but we should be temperate in our everyday habits, and do nothing that would cause our brother to stumble.

On motion the report was adopted.

Rev. J. E. Wooten spoke to us about a periodical he is publishing in the interest of the young people, which he hopes will be appreciated by the brethren.

Rev. D. W. Hansley, Chairman of the State Educational Board, brought us a report of the opening of Mt. Allen Junior College at Black Mountain, N. C., using the property at Cragmont for the operation of the College. He also pointed out to us the need of training our youth in our own church schools, and made a plea for cooperation and support of the effort being made here in N. C.

At the close of Bro. Hansley's appeal, an offering was made for the Junior College amounting to \$117.57.

Rev. R. H. Jackson spoke to us about the National Home Mission work, com-

paring the \$400.00 given by N. C. last year for National Home Missions with the \$14,000 we gave for Foreign Missions.

On motion this Conference goes on record as standing 100% behind Mt. Allen Junior College.

The Finance committee made report as follows:

Churches reporting, 62; churches not reporting, 17; money received, \$1,580.50.

On motion the report was adopted.

At 11:30 a. m. we called off for preaching service. Rev. J. F. Miller of Kinston brought the message.

After the sermon we called off for dinner.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

A very fine dinner was served by the ladies of the host church.

Suitable devotions were conducted by Rev. J. R. Davenport.

The Digest Committee made report as follows:

Died 1951-52 .....	80	
Received by Letter .....	99	
Baptized .....	331	
Dismissed .....	49	
Transferred .....	112	
Excommunicated .....	0	
Whole number of members .....	9,248	
Number of Churches Reporting .....	62	
Contributions .....	\$1,580.50	
		We lost by death, dismissed, transferred and excommunicated .....
		241
		We gained by letter and baptism 430
		The above shows a net gain of .....
		189

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion we allow the Clerk \$60.00 annually for his services.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

Grand Total on Hand Last Session .....\$1,739.67

#### DISBURSEMENTS

For Minutes .....	\$ 100.00	
Clerk's Fee .....	35.00	
Treasurer's Fee .....	20.00	
Expenses .....	10.60	
Offering for Orphanage and Allocation .....	850.00	
Bible College .....	25.00	
Superannuation .....	100.00	
Foreign Missions .....	75.00	
Home Missions .....	75.00	
Cragmont .....	25.00	
Church Finance Association, Inc. ....	25.00	
Duffy Toler .....	70.00	
H. Pipkin .....	35.00	
L. J. Potter .....	35.00	
9 Widows, \$20.00 Each .....	180.00	
National Association Fee .....	5.00	
Total Paid Out .....	\$1,665.60	\$1,665.60



Balance on Hand from Last Year .....	74.07
Received Since Last Conference .....	71.50
Orphanage Collection Today .....	177.00
Offering for Junior College .....	117.57

Received Today .....	\$1,580.50
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Grand Total .....	\$2,020.64
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Respectfully submitted, this 23rd day of October, 1952.

H. M. MALLARD, *Treasurer*

On motion the report was adopted.

The committee on Allocations reported as follows:

We Have on Hand to Apportion .....	\$2,020.64
For Minutes .....	\$ 150.00
Clerk's Fee .....	60.00
Treasurer's Fee .....	20.00
Expenses .....	278.60
Offering for Orphanage and Allocation .....	900.00
Bible College .....	12.50
Superannuation .....	100.00
Foreign Missions .....	12.50
Home Missions .....	12.50
Cragmont .....	25.00
Church Finance Association, Inc. ....	12.50
Duffy Toler .....	35.00
H. Pipkin .....	35.00
L. J. Potter .....	35.00
9 Widows, \$20.00 Each .....	180.00
National Association Fee .....	5.00
Mt. Allen Junior College .....	140.00

Total Allocated .....	\$2,013.60	\$2,013.60
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Balance in Treasury .....	\$ 7.04
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On motion the report was adopted.

On motion the next session of this Conference be held at Macedonia, Craven County. Rev. E. E. Edwards was selected to preach the introductory sermon, and Rev. S. A. Smith on his failure.

On motion we extend to this church and pastor a rising vote of thanks for their fine hospitality during this session.

On motion hereafter the church letters be read and recorded in the session of the Conference.

The Committee on Ministerial Character reported that no complaint has been made to the committee about any of our ministers.

On motion we adopted the report.

On motion we appoint Mrs. Alice Lupton as Publicity Director for this Conference.

Delegates to the various bodies were appointed as follows:

*State Convention*—U. W. Daugherty, H. M. Mallard, Leslie Styron, W. H. Lupton, S. W. McCoy, Jr., W. A. Wood, George Gaskins, Mrs. J. J. Blizzard, Mrs. W. S. Oliver.

*Piedmont Association*—Rev. S. A. Smith.  
*Central Conference*—Rev. D. W. Hansley.  
*Western Conference*—Rev. J. R. Forrest.  
*Cape Fear Conference*—Rev. R. H. Jackson.  
*Albemarle Conference*—Rev. E. E. Edwards.  
*Pee Dee*—Rev. Clifton Rice.  
*French Broad Association*—Rev. S. A. Smith.

On motion Rev. K. W. Gaskill succeeds himself on the Examining Board.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

On motion we adjourned.

The closing exercise was by singing and benediction by the Moderator.

REV. CLIFTON RICE, *Moderator*

H. M. MALLARD, *Treasurer*

REV. CLINTON LUPTON, *Asst. Moderator*

J. W. ALFORD, *Clerk*

# Minutes of the Eastern Auxiliary Convention

## IN SESSION WITH THE KINSTON CHURCH

Thursday, March 20, 1952

The Convention opened with devotions by Mrs. Chambers, who stressed the need of living up to the theme selected for the day—*The Hour Is Come that the Son of Man should be Glorified*.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. J. C. Griffin.

The welcome address was given by Mrs. Nina Grace Register, and response by Mrs. Nelson Simpson of Bridgeton.

The new President, Mrs. J. K. Bryan, Jr., addressed the Convention and gave some timely remarks on the business of the day, with instructions to the delegates as to their duties.

It was moved and carried that the minutes of the previous convention not be read for information, as formerly. The Secretary asked permission to read the Resolution adopted at the last meeting, which was granted.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin, first vice president, made her report, after which Rev. Burkett Raper led a prayer for the good of the Convention, its officers, delegates and visitors.

Mrs. Clara Jones, second vice president, made report of work done among the youth and urged the Auxiliaries to make preparations for Vacation Bible Schools during the summer, preferably in June.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard announced that literature for Bible Schools was ready for use, and recommended that students from the Bible College be given special opportunities to conduct vacation Bible Schools during their vacation months. She also said that Bible School Clinics are planned for the summer, times and places to be announced later.

The fourth and fifth vice presidents made their reports. Mrs. Blizzard, the fifth, reminded us that last September at our annual Convention, she asked for \$5.00 from each Auxiliary to help furnish the boys' cottage at the Orphanage, which has now been completed. She thanked each one for their support, and stated she would have another request later in the day.

News from the Orphanage, with report was made by the new Superintendent, Rev. S. A. Smith. He gave as his objectives for the Home that they know the Lord first of all. From a material standpoint he named three others. The first need is Pay the bills, second, the girls' building completed, third, finish the chapel. He quoted from Paul in I Tim. 5:8 "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." He also brought the good news that the adopted boy of this Convention, Richard Little, is a Christian. He solicited a continuance of the interest and support for the Institution. Mrs. Blizzard made her request at this time for \$5.00 from each auxiliary with which to buy rugs for the Albemarle Cottage, after which an offering was taken for the Orphanage, which totaled \$108.22.

Mrs. Albert Coats brought greetings from the Cape Fear District Convention,

also Mrs. M. A. Woodard, State Treasurer of the State Convention made a few remarks about the work in the Central District. A bus load of delegates and visitors from Davis was asked by the President to stand for recognition, also she recognized the Ministers present and called for remarks, to which several responded. There were nine from the Eastern District, three Western, two Central and one from the French Broad.

"We've a Story to Tell," was sung by the congregation, after which a special selection was rendered, "He Leads."

At this time the Rev. F. B. Cherry was presented by Mrs. J. C. Griffin as the speaker for the Convention message. After giving some data on "News from the Press," Mr. Cherry spoke on "Revival Fires—1st, *The World's Fire*, 2nd. *Christ's Fire*, and 3rd. *The Revival Fire*. The message was inspirational and illuminating throughout.

The following committees were appointed: Resolutions, Mrs. Marie Gaskins, Mrs. D. F. Chambers, Mrs. Carl Ivey; Petitions, Mrs. Roy Kennedy, Mrs. Sam Howard, Mrs. Katherine Wood. The Finance Committee, which is a standing one, was called as follows: Mrs. Harold Mallard, Mrs. Jonnie Jones, Mrs. J. W. Stilley, with Mrs. Rhom Mallard, Treasurer.

Mrs. Griffin made an announcement relative to sending names to the Secretary of the State Convention, also cards for registration, and urged all auxiliaries to observe the Pre-Easter Week of Prayer, and to use the little booklet, "Foot-prints of Jesus in His Last Week."

Announcement was made by the pastor, Rev. Narron, relative to refreshments and rest during the noon recess. A blessing was asked on the food by Rev. Evans and thanksgiving for all favours of the day.

Noon—Adjourned for lunch.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

The Convention opened the afternoon session at 1:15 with a Memorial service for deceased members, by Mrs. J. H. Oglesby, which was very impressive.

The business session opened with a report from the field, by Mrs. Griffin. She said this had been the greatest year in her experience as State Field Worker.

Rev. Terry spoke in behalf of the Bible College at Nashville, Tenn. He urged that we give it our whole-hearted support, as conditions there were congested as to space, and that North Carolina has about 42 students. He also urged the use of young Ministerial students during the summer for supply pastors, youth revivals, Vacation Bible Schools, etc.

Rev. J. R. Davidson, one of the Trustees of the College made some timely remarks on the prospects of attaining a piece of property next to the college, which is much needed, and that the national program is being put in force as fast as possible. He asked for prayer for the program as a whole.

Reports were given by the third and sixth vice presidents.

A talk on Christian Education was made by Rev. David Hansley. He said, in part, that plans were in the making for a junior college to be opened at Cragmont Assembly, Inc., in September, this year.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard gave a report on the Woman's Conference last year, to-

gether with plans for the two separate weeks this year, the first one to be June 8-16, the other August 18-25. There was a motion that Mrs. Ballard sing the Cragmont Chorus, which was carried and the Chorus was sung.

Rev. Evans arose to say "Amen" to all that had been said about Cragmont, and a double "Amen" for all we hope to do.

The Secretary made her report with some recommendations. Adopted.

Report of Finance Committee was given and on motion received.

The Treasurer gave her report, and on motion was received as read.

The Resolution Committee reported that three Resolutions were presented. These were taken up one by one and after discussion on two of them, were adopted by motion.

The Petition Committee reported petitions from five Auxiliaries, namely, Jacksonville, Snow Hill, Davis, Folkstone and Holly Springs. On motion the next Convention will be held with the Jacksonville Church. A vote of appreciation was given the other petitioners. By motion a rising vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Raper and Mrs. Mallard for the printing of the program. Delegates to the following Conventions were named by the president: Central, Mrs. D. W. Hansley; Western, Mrs. Bryan (president); Cape Dear, Mrs. Griffin; Albemarle, Mrs. Ballard; Pee Dee, Mrs. Ben Sutton; French Broad, Mrs. Griffin; Piedmont, Mrs. I. W. Swindell; State Convention, which will convene with Bridgeton Church in May, Mrs. Walter Rhodes, delegate.

A delicious lunch was served at the noon hour by the ladies of the Church, which was much enjoyed. A large five tiered cake was presented to Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, honoring her as the founder and promoter of the Woman's work in the denomination. (She acknowledged her appreciation of the favour and was kept busy for some time, cutting and presenting to others generous slices of the cake.)

The Convention adjourned, after a rising vote of thanks was given the local church, with its pastor, for the fine spirit of co-operation during the day, and for the delicious refreshments and other favours.

Mrs. J. K. BRYAN, JR., *President*

ALICE E. LUPTON, *Secretary*

## REPORTS

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Total Amount Received from Auxiliaries .....	\$400.50
Total Amount Free Will Offering for Orphanage .....	108.22
Total Amount Received .....	\$508.72

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Contribution and dues to State Auxiliary Treasurer .....	\$201.00
Amount Special Dues to Hold in Treasury .....	68.00
Orphanage Offering .....	108.22
Orphanage Donation .....	15.00
Orphanage Boy for Clothing .....	40.00
Expense of Secretary .....	8.15
To Secretary for Services .....	20.00

To Rev. J. C. Griffin for Ex. Com. Expense .....	5.00
To Women's Conference, Cragmont .....	10.00
Contribution to State Convention in May .....	5.00
Contribution for Missions .....	15.00
Contribution to Bible College .....	10.00
To Mrs. Mallard and Mrs. Raper for Programs .....	2.50
Amount Left in General Fund .....	\$ .85
For Special Dues .....	68.00

Mrs. ROM MALLARD, *Treasurer*

Mrs. HAROLD MALLARD

Mrs. JOHNNIE JONES

Mrs. J. W. STILLEY

Moved and carried the report be adopted.

Treasurer made her report and on motion was received as read, also the disbursements as recommended.

### RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

BE IT RESOLVED, that we recommend to local auxiliaries that they elect officers in December each year, and begin the new year with the calendar year, this to be in keeping with the Year Book of Programs, providing the State Auxiliary Convention should adopt this plan. 2nd. That reports be made January to January.

Motion made and passed that this be adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED: That we recommend to the State Auxiliary Convention, that we revise our State Constitution and By-Laws relative to the Vice Presidents using the name "Chairmen" instead of Vice Presidents, as now being used.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard submitted these Resolutions.

This was also carried by motion.

BE IT RESOLVED: That we thank the Kinston Church for the warm welcome given us today, and for the kind hospitality extended throughout this session of our Convention. We have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit as we have looked into each other's faces and seen the radiance shining out and heard the words of kindness. We especially appreciate the thoughtfulness and loving consideration of the local Auxiliary in the expression of their love for the founder and promoter of our Woman's work in the denomination, in that a lovely cake was made and presented to Mrs. Alice E. Lupton at the lunch hour. Resolved, That a rising vote of thanks be extended to the Church, the Pastor and to the Auxiliary for all these kindnesses, and may the Lord bless each one.

BY THE COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Marie Gaskins

Mrs. Carl Ivey

Mrs. D. F. Chambers

## Minutes of the Executive Committee

### OF THE EASTERN AUXILIARY CONVENTION

In Session at The Press in Ayden, Saturday, July 26, 1952

The Executive session opened at 10:15 a. m. with the following officers present: Mrs. J. K. Bryan, president, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. Clara Jones, Mrs. Ben Sutton,

Mrs. Fanny Swindell, and Alice E. Lupton, secretary.

Devotions were led by Mrs. Sutton, who read a few verses from Mark 16. Mrs. Griffin led in prayer.

The president stated the purpose of the meeting and expressed her regret that the other members were not present.

Mrs. Lupton presented a "skeleton" program for the September Convention, with the following theme: *The Hour Is Come—To Do and Dare for Christ*. Bible texts were Matt. 10:16, and Heb. 4:16.

It was moved and carried that the program, theme and Scripture, as presented be adopted, and that we finish it by filling in with speakers for the various needs.

It was moved that the program chairman, Mrs. Swindell, get out the programs for the Convention as she deems best.

The announcement was made that next Convention, which is the annual session, will meet with the Jacksonville F. W. B. Church, Thursday, September 25, 1952, registration taking place at 9:30 a. m. Carried.

At this time Mrs. Griffin gave a report from the National Auxiliary Convention that met in Sawnee, Okla., during this month, which consisted of some changes in the Manual, Vice President being changed to that of Chairman of the various departments, etc.

Mrs. Griffin also spoke of the field work for North Carolina and urged the need of Officers' Training Days. It was brought out that the District presidents are responsible for planning places of meetings, conferring with Mrs. Griffin regarding the time most suitable to her.

All necessary arrangements pertaining to the Convention were left in the hands of Mrs. Swindell. Motion to adjourn. Carried. Benediction by Mrs. Lupton.

MRS. J. K. BRYAN, JR., President  
ALICE E. LUPTON, Secretary

## Minutes of the Eastern Auxiliary Convention

In Session at the Jacksonville F. W. B. Church, Sept. 25, 1952

THEME—*The Hour Is Come—To Do and To Dare for Christ*.

The meeting opened with singing the Doxology, after which Mrs. Fanny Swindell led the devotions with Scripture from John 15, "The Hour is Come to let Christ Control," being the topic used.

After the president's message, the morning session consisted largely of reports by the various chairmen, news from the Orphanage by the superintendent, Rev. S. A. Smith, special music by the local church, and at 11:30, the convention message, "The Ministry of Spiritual Gifts," by Rev. T. O. Terry.

The following committees were appointed: Petition, Mrs. Milly McDaniels, Mrs. Leslie Hamilton, Mrs. Simon Jones; Resolutions: Mrs. R. H. Jackson, Mrs. D. W. Hancock, Mrs. B. L. Andrews; Hospitality: Mrs. W. F. Thigpen, Mrs. C. M. Whaley, Mrs. Clyde Banks.

After a bountiful dinner served on the church lawn by the ladies of the church, we re-assembled for the afternoon session.

A very impressive Memorial Service was conducted by Mrs. Walter Rhodes, honoring those who had been called higher during the year, bringing to mind that we too shall be called into eternity at some time, and that our lives should be a living testimony for the Master at all times.

A telegram from the Central Auxiliary Convention, with greetings and good wishes for a successful session, was read by the secretary.

There were talks made in behalf of Mt. Allen Junior College by Rev. S. A. Smith and Rev. R. H. Jackson.

A talk on "The Do and the Dare" of our Bible College at Nashville, Tenn., by Rev. Charles Craddock was very gratifying throughout.

"Doing and Daring for Christ" was given by Mrs. Lupton in the absence of Mrs. J. C. Griffin, who was engaged in work with the Horney Heights Church in Asheville.

Reports on the Woman's Conferences at Cragmont during June and August were given by Mrs. J. K. Rhodes, Mrs. C. M. Harrison, Mrs. Fanny Swindell, Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, Rev. J. C. Griffin and by Mrs. Walter Rhodes, who sang the Cragmont song, "All My Sins are Gone." Reports of committees were given and received. (*See Reports.*)

On motion all bills were allowed and Treasurer instructed to make settlement in so far as funds on hand will permit.

The Petition Committee reported only one petition for the next Convention which was from the Davis Church, in Carteret County. It was moved and carried that the next Convention meet with the Davis Church, Thursday before the fourth Sunday in March, 1953.

In agreement with the Hospitality Committee, there was a rising vote of thanks given the local church and community for the fine spirit of co-operation and hospitality given the Convention during the day.

Report of Finance Committee was received by motion. The Treasurer's report was given and on motion was received as read. Delegates named to other Conventions were as follows: Albemarle, Mrs. J. K. Rhodes; Pee Dee, Mrs. J. C. Griffin; Western, Mrs. Ben Sutton; Cape Fear, Mrs. R. H. Jackson; French Broad, Mrs. Fanny Swindell.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn. Closing hymn, "Footsteps of Jesus." Benediction, Rev. Charles Craddock.

MRS. J. K. BRYAN, JR., *President*  
ALICE E. LUPTON, *Secretary*

## Reports

Report of Hospitality Committee: Appreciating the hospitality and the splendid spirit of Christ-likeness during the day of our Convention, we submit the following: That we express to the Jacksonville Free Will Baptist Church and community our deep appreciation for the wonderful spirit of Christian love and co-operation, the delicious food served to us at the noon hour, and for every favor and consideration, by a rising vote of thanks and bestowing on them a "God Bless you." (Motion made and carried.) (This was given in the September meeting, 1952.)



## Report of Finance Committee (Sept., 1952):

Received through Auxiliaries for this Convention .....	\$164.60
Received Free Will Offering for Orphanage .....	84.00

Total Amount Received .....\$248.60

### Allocations:

Indebtedness on Orphanage .....	\$ 64.00
Coat for Orphan Girl .....	20.00
Clothes for Orphan Child .....	40.00
Christmas Gift for Orphan Child .....	10.00
Secretary—for Service .....	20.00
Secretary—for Expense .....	6.87

Total Allocated .....\$160.87

*Mrs. Harold Mallard*

*Mrs. John Stilley*

*Mrs. Johnnie Jones*

This report was adopted by motion.

### Treasurer's Report for September, 1952:

Amount Brought Forward .....	\$ 72.50
Amount Received Today .....	164.60
Amount Received for Orphanage .....	84.00

Total Received .....\$ 248.60

### DISBURSEMENTS

Indebtedness on Orphanage .....	\$ 64.00
Coat for Orphan Girl .....	20.00
Clothes for Orphan Child .....	40.00
Christmas Gift for Child .....	10.00
Secretary, for Service .....	20.00
Secretary, for Expense .....	6.87

Total Paid Out .....\$ 160.87

Balance on Hand .....\$ 87.73

*MRS. ROM MALLARD, Treasurer*

### Financial Report for year:

Total Amount Raised During the Year .....\$6,314.79

### Disbursed:

Co-Labourer's Band .....	\$ 102.82
To Conventions .....	280.70
Home Missions .....	255.65
Foreign Missions .....	697.55
Orphanage .....	951.75
Bible College, Nashville, Tenn. ....	439.60
Superannuation .....	271.28
Gifts to Retired Ministers .....	204.00
Used Locally .....	2,427.25
Raised 30c per Capita Dues .....	504.00

Total .....\$5,758.65

## ANNUAL REPORTS

Enrollment of members September, 1951. New members 172, average attendance 1001. Number making phone calls to secure new members, 290, number making visits, 587, number writing cards or letters, 400. Number making phone

calls to bring back absentees, 321, visits 280, cards and letters 290. Number giving Bibles 14, leaflets, tracts, etc., in behalf of promotion and enlistment 278, plan of work 22.

MRS. J. C. GRIFFIN

*Chairman of Enlistment and Promotion*

Number of Young People between 16 to 25 years of age 553, between 8 to 16 540. Membership in Girls Auxiliary 105, League members reported 110. Study classes conducted for girls 16, Vacation Bible Schools 32. Sent to Bible College at Nashville, Tenn., \$201.31, Christian Education, \$10.00, to Students \$35.00. To Cragmont \$86.00. Anna Phillips Loan Fund \$120.00.

Two Youth Revivals held and six Youth's Rally for Christ conducted.

MRS. CLARA JONES, *Chairman of Youth Activities*

Missionary Study Courses conducted in the District, 44; Books used, *Thus It Is Written, His Name Among All Nations, Open Gate to Prayer, The Book of Acts, The Bible and Missions, The Country Church, and World Wide Missions*; average attendance 340.

Stewardship Classes conducted, 21; Books used, *Our Lord's and Ours, My Lord and Me, Such as I Have, Not Your Own, To Whom Much Is Given*.

Number of Tithers as result of these studies, 31. Present number of Tithers, 297. Studies in the Manual of Methods, 14. Evangelistic classes, 7. Book, *Personal Soul Winning*. Amount given to Home Missions, \$362.01; to Foreign Missions, \$609.00; amount sent Cuban Student, \$120.00.

MRS. BEN SUTTON, *Chairman of Mission and Stewardship Study Courses*

Number Manuals purchased, 195; Number Year Books, 478; Number Subscribers to the Baptist Paper, 466; Articles sent to papers, 360; Number "A" Auxiliaries, only three (3) reported, 5 "C" Auxiliaries.

Program work: Programs for district, 2; Executive Committees, local, 80; Mission Programs, 54; Stewardship, 48; Prayer Programs, 136; Weeks of Prayer, November, 80; Pre-Easter, 100. Average attendance, 501. Offerings during the two seasons of Prayer weeks for Home and Foreign Missions, \$346.59. Youth Revivals held, 3. Evangelistic Programs, 8.

MRS. FANNY SWINDELL, *Publicity Committee*

Orphanage: Children adopted 10; amount sent for clothing, \$722.00; equipment, \$354.39; commodities, valued at \$418.60. For music lessons by the Kinston Auxiliary, \$105.00; cash donations, \$201.51. Special gifts to adopted children, \$30.00. Coupons sent 16,710. Two quilts donated.

MRS. J. J. BLIZZARD, *Orphanage Chairman*

Number sending to retired ministers, cards and letters, 142; gifts \$204.00; sent to Superannuation, \$271.28.

Personal Service rendered: Number engaged 383; assisting in Cottage Prayer meetings 200; number making Soul Winning efforts 350; number converts reported 78; Bibles, Gospels, Testaments given out 78; number sending trays, baskets, etc., to sick or needy 846; number engaged in Red Cross, W. C. T. U., Missions, T. B., or other benevolences 240; amount spent for benevolences \$109.00. Other contributions of milk, eggs, chickens and other edibles.

MRS. WALTER RHODES, *Benevolence Chairman*

