

PROCEEDINGS

According to previous appointment, the Sixth Session of the Eastern Conference of the Original Free Will Baptist Church of South Carolina convened with Bethel Church, in Florence County, South Carolina, on November 3, 4 and 5, 1921.

Introductory Sermon by Elder L. L. Moore. Text, Romans 3:28, "Therefore, we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law."

The Conference then proceeded to organize by electing Elder M. C. Powell Moderator, and Elder L. L. Moore Assistant Moderator. Then the following committees were appointed:

On Devotions—Brothers T. S. Hampton, L. E. McCants and W. F. Fulton.

On Finance—Brothers B. G. Miller, P. J. McGee and W. A. Kennedy.

On Sunday School and Temperance—Brother J. W. Moore, Elder E. H. Russ and W. W. Gaskins.

On Investigation—Elders L. L. Moore, W. W. Gaskins, Brothers James Powell, N. N. Davis and B. G. Miller.

Motion by Brother W. A. Kennedy that the same Board of Presbytery be continued. Members are: Elders M. C. Powell, chairman; J. B. Moore, secretary; L. L. Moore, W. N. Williams and J. L. Smith.

Motion by Elder L. L. Moore that Elders E. H. Russ and M. S. Todd, from the Pee Dee Conference, be invited to a seat and voice in this Conference.

Conference adjourned until Friday, 9:00 a. m.

Friday Morning Session

Conference met according to adjournment and opened for business with devotional exercises by the Moderator. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Elders Russ and Todd, being present from the Pee Dee Conference, addressed the body in a very interesting and encouraging manner. We were very glad indeed to have them with us.

By motion of Brother J. W. Moore that the motion passed at the last Conference in regards to objections to the ministry be accepted as an amendment to the old law.

Elder L. L. Moore moved that Elder J. E. Holmes' name be placed on the retired ministers' list, and that Elder G. W. Ard's name be placed on the list of ordained ministers.

On motion, the absence of Brothers W. N. Williams, W. C. Williams and J. L. Smith was excused.

Motion by Brother B. G. Miller that this Conference pay Elder L. L. Moore \$9.10, being railroad fare to the Pee Dee Conference.

Conference called off until 3:00 o'clock p. m., for preaching.

Friday Evening Session

Conference re-assembled for business.

For report of churches, see table.

Motion of Brother J. W. Moore, that any applicant for the ministry in our profession and church stand at least a tenth grade examination and that he sacrifice the time and his church donate, or sacrifice one-half of his schooling for at least one session in a theological school, and that the Union Meeting of that district donate one-fourth, and the Conference one-fourth; and if married, the church where he holds his membership shall take care of his family while he is in school, that he may be able to defend our profession, gospel and practice.

Motion adopted.

Motion by Brother B. G. Miller, that we, the Eastern Conference of South Carolina, do hereafter object to any preacher from any other conference, State or nation, coming within our boundaries and holding meetings, or preaching in our meeting houses, without he comes well recommended from the church and conference where he holds his membership. And if any preacher is permitted to be called to the pastorate care of any of our churches, that he be urgently requested to see that the churches to which he is called are represented in each of our Union Meetings and in our Annual Conference with a reasonable contribution.

Motion adopted.

Petitions for the next Conference were balloted on, and it will convene with Antioch Church, in Williamsburg County, in 1922.

By motion, Elder L. L. Moore is to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder W. W. Gaskins, alternate.

Conference called off until 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning.

Saturday Morning Session

Conference opened with devotional exercises. Minutes of the previous session read and approved.

Motion by Brother J. W. Moore, that we get 500 copies of the minutes printed and send 50 to each, the South Carolina and Pee Dee Conferences, and 25 to the Rockfish Conferences. Same to be done where they can be gotten the earliest and cheapest. Also 500 Church Letter Blanks.

Motion by Brother B. G. Miller that a ministers' meeting be called to meet with New Hope Church on Thursday at 5:00 o'clock p. m., before the second Sunday in August, and that Elder E. H. Russ preach the Introductory Sermon.

On motion Brother J. W. Moore was appointed to visit the Union Meeting of the First District in the interest of the Ministers' Meeting, and that he (J. W. Moore) write each minister of the various conferences concerning this Ministers' Meeting, namely, South Carolina, Eastern, South Carolina, Pee Dee, and the Rockfish Conference.

On motion the Conference appointed the following representatives to the various conferences: Elder W. W. Gaskins to the South Carolina; L. L. Moore to the Pee Dee, and M. C. Powell to the Rockfish.

Motion by Brother J. W. Moore that each minister keep an accurate report of his ministerial work for the year and present it to the next Annual Conference.

Reports of the Various Committees

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to submit the following report:

We find on hand from last Conference.....	\$38.34
Received at this Conference for Incidental Funds....	3.50
Received at this Conference for Minutes Funds.....	6.00
Received at this Conference for Retired Ministers' Funds.....	9.00
Received at this Conference for Mission Funds....	7.50
Total Amount Received.....	\$64.34
Paid Clerk for his services.....	5.00
Balance on hand.....	\$59.34

B. G. MILLER,

P. J. MCGEE,

W. A. KENNEDY,

Committee.

We, your Investigating Committee, submit the following report:

We have inquired into the spiritual character of all our preachers and find them all good, as far as we know, and we ask those present to insist on all those absent to attend unions and conferences as much as possible.

L. L. MOORE,
W. W. GASKINS,
B. G. MILLER,
JAMES POWELL,
N. N. DAVIS.

We, your Committee on Sunday School and Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

We find that there are some of our churches which have no Sunday Schools, and we ask that this Conference urgently request all preachers to see that there are at once Sunday Schools organized in all churches where they are pastors; and that they be instructed, from time to time, not to allow them to go into winter quarters, but that they be evergreens; and that all Sunday Schools be instructed to use our literature in as much as possible, and that all preaches be instructed to preach to each of the churches they are pastors of the importance of an evergreen Sunday School for the purpose of training up the young and rising generation to a higher standard of Christianity and to the upbuilding of the cause and kingdom in this world, as we feel that this is the surest and safest way for it to be presented.

In regards to temperance, we recommend that all our members be temperate in all things, and abstain from the use of intoxicating drinks of any kind, and from the use of Coca-Cola or any other soft drinks, which we feel belong to the world and the things thereof; and that all preachers be instructed to preach at least one sermon on temperance each year to all churches he is pastor of.

J. W. MOORE,
E. H. RUSS,
W. W. GASKINS,

Committee.

Report of Devotional Committee—Thursday night, Elder M. C. Powell open and W. W. Gaskins preach. Friday morning, Elder L. L. Moore open and J. B. Moore preach. Friday night, Brother C. L. Stone open and El-

der M. S. Todd preach. Saturday morning, Elder L. L. Moore open and E. H. Russ preach. Saturday night, Elder M. C. Powell to open and E. H. Russ preach. Sunday Morning, Elder M. C. Powell preach.

T. S. HAMPTON,
L. E. McCANTS,
W. F. FULTON,

Committee.

Report of Board of Presbytery—We, your Board of Presbytery, submit the following report:

Brother C. L. Stone came before us, and we recommend that his license be extended for the space of twelve months.

We also recommend that Brother C. L. Christopher's license be extended for the space of twelve months.

We also recommend that Brother W. C. Williams' license be extended for the space of twelve months.

Brother James Powell came before us, and we recommend that he be granted license to preach for the space of twelve months.

Brother Liston Poston came, and we recommend that this conference refer him back to his church for license to exhort within the pale of his church.

Brother N. N. Davis came before us, and we recommend that he be granted license to preach for the space of twelve months.

ELDER C. C. POWELL, Chairman;

ELDER L. L. MOORE, Clerk pro tem.

Motion by Brother B. G. Miller that the reports of the various committees be received and the committees be released.

Motion that the funds collected for retired ministers be divided between Brothers J. B. Moore and J. E. Holmes.

Motion by Elder L. L. Moore that we extend our heartfelt thanks to the people of this vicinity for the kindness shown towards us during our stay in their midst.

Motion by Elder L. L. Moore that this Conference adjourn to meet with Antioch Church on Thursday before the first Sunday in November, 1922, at 12:00 o'clock m.

ELDER M. C. POWELL, Moderator.

ELDER L. L. MOORE, Assistant Moderator.

BROTHER W. A. KENNEDY, Secretary and Treasurer.
P. O. Address, Hyman, S. C.

Texts Preached From During the Conference

Thursday night—Elder W. W. Gaskins. Text, St. Matthew 7:21, "Not everyone that saith unto me Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven."

Friday morning—Elder J. B. Moore. Text, Gen. 1:3, "And God said let there be light, and there was light."

Friday night—Elder M. S. Todd. Text, Mark 4:35, "Let us pass over unto the other side."

Saturday morning—Elder E. H. Russ. Text, Gen. 4:9, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Saturday night—Elder E. H. Russ. Text, Mark 2:4, "They let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay."

Sunday morning—Elder M. C. Powell. Text, Gen. 24:51, "Behold, Rebecca is before thee."

List of Ministers with Their Post Office Addresses

Elder J. B. Moore	Hyman, S. C.
Elder J. E. Holmes, retired	Andrews, S. C.
Elder M. C. Powell	Andrews, S. C.
Elder L. L. Moore	Trio, S. C.
Elder W. N. Williams	Trio, S. C.
Elder J. R. Bodiford	Kingstree, S. C.
Elder A. E. Perrott	Lake City, S. C.
Elder J. L. Smith	Andrews, S. C.
Elder S. J. Player	Andrews, S. C.
Elder W. W. Gaskins	Hyman, S. C.
Elder G. W. Ard	Kingsburg, S. C., R.

List of Licentiate and Post Office Addresses

Brother C. L. Stone	Johnsonville, S. C.
Brother W. C. Williams	Trio, S. C.
Brother C. L. Christopher	Greelyville, S. C.
Brother James Powell	Johnsonville, S. C.
Brother N. N. Davis	Trio, S. C.