

MINUTES

of the

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

EASTERN GENERAL ASSOCIATION

of the

**Original Free Will Baptists of the
United States**

Which Convened With

Glennville Church, Glennville, Ga.

June 16-19, 1936

Next Session will convene with Horse Branch Church, Turbeville, S. C., beginning on Tuesday evening following the First Sunday in June 1937, namely: June 8-11, 1937.



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Georgia Union Association	C. J. Harvey, Cordele, Ga.
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Cumberland Asso.	L. O. Burroughs, 4020 Colorado St., Nashville, Tenn.
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Eastern N. C. Conference	M. C. Prescott, New Bern, N. C., R. 1
Cape Fear N. C. Conference	W. A. Jackson, Godwin, N. C.
Central N. C. Conference	Edward C. Hines, Winterville, N. C.
Western N. C. Conference	R. N. Hinnant, Micro, N. C.
South Carolina	R. M. Mellette, Turbeville, S. C.
Alabama State Convention	L. E. Parker, Millport, Ala.
Alabama-Florida State Line Association	Coy Green, Bascom, Fla.
South Eastern of Alabama	J. S. Vickers, Baker Hill, Ala.
Texas State Convention	J. L. Edge, Bryan, Texas
Ohio River Association	M. B. Hutchinson, Zaleski, Ohio
North East Miss. Association	Prof. I. L. Stanley, Amory, Miss.

Eastern S. C. Conference, Rock Fish Conference, and Pee Dee Conferences of N. C. Not represented in the 1936 session. Also, Progressive of Alabama not represented.

PROCEEDINGS

The appointed time having arrived, the sixteenth session of the Eastern General Association of The Original Free Will Baptist of the United States, assembled with the Glennville, Ga., Church on Tuesday evening, June 16, 1936.

The Devotional services on Tuesday evening were presided over by Rev. J. R. Davidson, pastor of the local church, and moderator of the association. The services were well fitting for the occasion. The song services were in charge of Prof. I. L. Stanley, Armory, Miss., who had charge of the song services throughout the session.

Special music—Mr. and Mrs. Phinney, of Bryan, Texas.

Prayer by Rev. R. F. Pittman, Ayden N. C.

Sermon by Rev. B. F. Rogers, Tulsa, Okla.

Brother Rogers delivered a well organized discourse in a spiritual manner from the text of I Cor. 3:16.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Song Services—Prof. I. L. Stanley.

Devotions—Rev. J. M. Haas, Tupelo, Miss.

Scripture—Eph. 5:1-14. Prayer—Bro. Haas.

Welcome Address—Rev. E. B. Joyner, Lake Butler, Fla.

Response—Rev. M. H. Mellette, Tuberville, S. C.

Miscellaneous Business

A motion was sustained that the moderator, and the clerk send Brother Jas. Cheshire, Treasurer of the Association, a telegram of condolence in the loss of his elder son, Dr. Cheshire.

Moved and sustained that the delegates from bodies which are members of the association be enrolled and seated in the association for the 1936 session.

Delegates Seated As Follows:

Florida—Salem Association of West Florida—Rev. Chester Pelt.

Liberty Association of West Florida—Mrs. F. M. Knight, and W. C. Burton.

Georgia—Georgia Union Association—Rev. C. J. Harvey.

Midway Association—Rev. Joe Fort; Bro. W. P. Richardson.

Martin Association—Rev. E. A. Drake; Bro. W. L. Cleveland.

South Georgia Association—Bros. J. B. Brigman, S. A. Brewton, Jr.

Union of Georgia—Rev. A. L. Sellers.

Little River Association—Not represented.

North Carolina—Central Conference—Rev. A. L. Davidson; Rev. M. E. Tyson.

Eastern Conference—Rev. Luke H. Wetherington.

Western Conference—Rev. M. B. Woodlief.
State Convention of North Carolina—Rev. W. L. Moretz.
Cape Fear Conference—Rev. R. B. Spencer.
Rock Fish—Not represented.

Alabama—Alabama State Conference—Rev. M. L. Hollis; Rev. J. M. Haas.

South Eastern of Alabama—Rev. Daniel F. Pelt.
Ala.-Fla. State Line—Rev. Floyd Cherry.
Progressive of Alabama—Not represented.

South Carolina—South Carolina Annual Conference—Rev. E. P. Kirby;
Rev. M. H. Mellette.

Eastern South Carolina—Not represented.

Tennessee—Cumberland Association—Mrs. J. L. Welch; Bro. W. E. Coville.

Union of Tennessee—Rev. J. S. Burgess; Rev. J. M. French.

Texas—Texas State Convention—Rev. J. L. Bounds.

Ohio—Ohio Yearly Meeting—Rev. I. B. May.

Kansas—Nebraska Yearly Meeting—Not represented.

Mississippi—North East Mississippi Association—Rev. M. E. Carpenter,
Prof. I. L. Stanley.

A motion was sustained for the moderator to appoint a finance committee.

Committee Appointed

Finance—Rev. M. H. Mellette; Rev. L. H. Wetherington; Bro. W. E. Coville.

Rev. Joe Fort elected as treasurer pro-tem in absence of Brother Jas. Cheshire.

By vote the association empowered the moderator to appoint a credential committee of three to hear and receive applicants for membership in the body.

Credential Committee

Rev. M. L. Hollis; Rev. J. C. Griffin; Rev. J. S. Burgess.

Special song services at this juncture conducted by Rev. S. T. Shutes.

Moderator's Message

Rev. J. R. Davidson, moderator of the body delivered his message in a very impressive manner using as the basis of his message "Ye are the salt of the earth." The moderator emphasized very much the mission of the church.

Credential Committee Report—See Elsewhere.

Midday Services

Praise and prayer by the congregation.

Quartette by Messrs. Pittman, Tyson, Hinnant, Blackwelder.

Sermon—Rev. M. L. Hollis—Text Matt. 21:28;—Sub.—Getting Things Done. Rev. Hollis handled his message in an able manner to the enjoyment of all as a spiritual feast.

Recessed for recreation and refreshments.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Song Services by Rev. S. T. Shutes, Colquitt, Ga.

Devotions by F. E. Crosby, Hazlehurst, Ga.

Scripture lesson from St. John 14:1-14.

A resolution for the moderator to appoint a resolution committee was passed by the body.

Committee appointed as follows: Prof. R. B. Spencer, Rev. D. F. Pelt, Rev. C. B. Thompson.

Digest Committee appointed by the chair after said committee passed on by the body—Rev. Henry Melvin, Rev. Joe Fort, Bro. S. A. Brewton, Jr.

Moved and sustained that this body exact a written report from the different associations and conferences that are members of the body.

Moved and sustained that this body recognize all regular ordained ministers of The Eastern Division of the National Association as members of this body, who are in attendance, and all members attending from the Western Division of The National Associations be recognized as honorary members. See list elsewhere.

Report of Treasurer by Rev. S. T. Shutes for Bro. Jas. Cheshire, received. See report.

Report of women's work by Sister Fannie Polston, to the applause of all, received. See report.

Report of Publicity Director, Rev. E. C. Morris. Rev. Morris made a verbal report satisfactorily to all. Report received as information. Rev. T. B. Mellette resigned the office of General Sunday School Secretary of The General Conference, now the Eastern, National, Association.

Rev. T. B. Mellette's resignation received by the body.

By motion Rev. R. P. Harris, Enfield, N. C., was elected to fill the unexpired term of Sunday School Secretary of T. B. Mellette.

NOTE—Brother Vanhuse of Kentucky, Brother Melvin Bingham of Oklahoma and Brother I. B. May made verbal reports of the western field, and the work going on in their respective fields of activity. All speakers made a direct appeal for a school to be established as early as possible for the benefit and training of our youth. The appeal was very intense and impressive on the body.

Brother J. L. Bounds made remarks which were timely concerning the Texas field of activity with an appeal for a school.

Recessed with proper worship until Thursday morning.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICE

Song Services conducted by Rev. M. E. Carpenter, Tupelo, Miss.

Introductory services conducted by Sister Lizzie McAdams, Midway, Texas.

Special services with duets and quartets were features of the evening.

Sermon—Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Micro, N. C.

Text—Gal. 5:11-12—Sub.—The Offense of The Cross.

The entire services were conducted in such a spiritual manner as indicative that God by His Holy Spirit was present to own and to bless.

THURSDAY MORNING

Song Services conducted by Rev. R. N. Hinnant.
Devotions by Rev. W. S. Driggers—Scripture Matt. 19:20.
Prayer by Rev. W. L. Moretz.

Miscellaneous

Report of Statistician—Moved and carried to receive report. See report elsewhere.—Report of Foreign Mission Secretary—Moved and sustained to receive the report. See report elsewhere.

At this point Rev. T. H. Willey, and Mrs. T. H. Willey made a strong plea for missions and the vision which presents itself to them. Their remarks were timely and well put.

A motion was made and accepted by the body that Bro. T. H. Willey be accepted as our missionary to South America, if he and the Foreign Mission Board work out a satisfactory plan.

Special collection taken for Foreign mission after prayer was made in the behalf of same by Rev. Mrs. Lizzie McAdams which amounted to \$132.90. During which time donations of \$6.00 were given T. B. Mellette for work at Zion Bible School.

THURSDAY MID-DAY SERVICES

Special solo by Mrs. Phinney. Sermon—Rev. Selph Jones, Mansfield, Mo. Text I Cor. 2:11—Subject—Our Responsibilities.

Rev. Jones ably defended his subject and rendered a discourse well deserving in his chosen field of thought.

Solo by Rev. R. F. Pittman.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Song services by Rev. R. P. Harris, Enfield, N. C.
Solo by Rev. B. F. Rogers, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Devotions by Rev. Melvin Bingham, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Scripture—Rev. I:1-9; Prayer by Rev. Bingham.

Miscellaneous

Report of Free Will Baptist Gem made verbally by Rev. T. H. Willey. Report received as information.

Report of Free Will Baptist Press by Rev. R. B. Spencer. Report received, which see in other section.

Report of Free Will Baptist Messenger made verbally by Rev. M. L. Hollis. Report received as information.

Board of Education

The Board of Education made report through Rev. J. L. Welch, which was deferred until a special night session, which see.

Conference recessed until 7:30 P. M.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

Session opened with praise and prayer.

Board of Education made further report for opening school according to plans and announcement of a selected site, Nashville, Tenn.

The Board rendered a five pointed program which brought much discussion at both afternoon and night session.

The conference, after amending with the consent of the board, adopted the report. See report elsewhere.

Rev. T. B. Mellette, sec-treas. of the board took a collection which amounted to \$36.55.

The Board of Education elected Rev. T. B. Mellette, Blakely, Ga., secretary and treasurer of the board. All money to be sent the secretary and treasurer as it is raised for the purpose of conducting said designated school.

Moved and sustained that the secretary and treasurer of the Board be requested to mail a copy of the report to the various conferences and associations connected with the body, and the western body of the National Association; too, a copy be sent for publication to the three church papers as appear in our connection.

The conference voted a vote of thanks to the Board of Education for the report as made, and encouraged the board to go forward with the program.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Praise and prayer by the congregation.

Sermon by Rev. M. E. Tyson, Middlesex, N. C.

Text—Songs of Solomon 6:10—Brother Tyson delivered a very inspiring message to a well filled house.

FRIDAY MORNING

According to regular order the conference opened with praise and prayer.

Devotions by Rev. Chester Pelt.

Scripture lesson—Acts 9:1-6. Brother Pelt offered some timely thoughts on the policy of doing what God would have us do.

Prayer by Rev. W. T. Wiley, Hilton, Ga.

Miscellaneous Matters

Appointment by the moderator of statisticians for the different states to cooperate with Rev. J. C. Griffin in his work.

Appointees

Alabama	Rev. D. F. Pelt, Abbeville, Ala.
Georgia	Rev. L. C. Johnson, Alma, Ga.
Florida	Rev. A. B. Nelson, Bonifay, Fla.
North Carolina	Rev. W. L. Moretz, Swannanoa, N. C.
Tennessee	Bro. W. E. Coville, Nashville, Tenn.
South Carolina	Rev. E. P. Kirby, Cades, S. C.
Texas	Rev. C. B. Thompson, Bryan, Tex.

Kansas, Nebraska ----- Bro. M. L. Morse, Kenesaw, Neb.
Ohio ----- Rev. Olin Gould, Wellston, Ohio

Report of Young People's Work

The report of the young people's work was made by Rev. Henry Melvin, secretary of same. Report received by the body. See report.

Special mention in honor of Brother Eddie Lee Hughes who ably led the young people's work in the tri-state section of Ala., Ga., and Fla., was made by Brother Melvin. Brother Hughes now deceased was a well beloved minister in his field of activity. His death is a loss to the cause which he espoused, and the Free Will Baptist Church. Bro. Hughes died Feb. 22, 1936.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL SECRETARY

The Sunday School secretary made report of the work with a special appeal for the schools and pastors throughout the denomination to support the program now being fostered. Report received. See report elsewhere.

Report of Finance Committee received by the body and committee released. See report.

Proxy on the mission board in the absence of Bro. M. A. Woodard, Bro. E. Sterl Phinney.

Report of Mission Board made by the secretary of same.

By vote the conference received the report of the Mission Board item by item. See report.

At this point Brother T. E. Willey gave the conference some valuable information concerning the outlook of a field for foreign missions.

Brother Frank Knight, delegate from the Liberty Association of West Florida, excused from the body.

Conference recessed for the midday service.

Praise and prayer by the congregation.

Sermon by Rev. E. Sterl Phinney, Bryan, Texas.

Text Acts 26:19. Sub.—Paul's Heavenly Vision.

Brother Phinney brought the conference a soul stirring message, which had been seasoned with much prayer.

RESUMPTION OF FINAL BUSINESS

Report of Revision Committee on constitution and by-laws.

Conference adopted same item by item with the exception of a few amendments.

Conference by vote amended Article 8. Conference by vote defeated an amendment to Article I.

Article 14 amended so that officers will hold for two years.

Conference then ratified the Constitution and By-laws as a whole.

Report of Digest Committee made and accepted by the conference.

Report made by Rev. Joe Fort for the committee. See Report.

Report of Resolution Committee made by Rev. R. B. Spencer.

Resolution accepted by the body. See report.

TRACT EDITORS

In accordance with resolution adopted by the body to work with the Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, N. C. the following were appointed tract editors: Rev. R. F. Pittman, Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Rev. Henry Melvin.

Invitations presented for the 1937 session. Two were presented, namely: Horse Branch Church, South Carolina Conference, and Pearce's Chapel, North East Mississippi Association.

The invitation from Horse Branch accepted by the body.

Moved and sustained to pay for the printing of programs, and sending of two telegrams, one by Bro. Pittman and the other by Bro. Mellette.

The secretary and treasurer of the Board of Education asked for a supplement of \$25.

The secretary of the Young People's work asked for supplement of \$25.

Moved and sustained that the treasurer be given authority to pay for printing of minutes, donation to Young People work, supplement to Board of Education, the Moderator's compensation, and the Secretary's compensation, and all other bills presented by secretaries.

Moved and sustained to allow the National Ladies Auxiliary minutes part of our minute volume. They to pay their prorata part.

Moved and carried to have 3,000 copies of minutes printed on a competitive basis, considering our own Free Will Baptist publications.

Conference adjourned in regular order, for refreshments, and to meet as per announcement with Horse Branch Church, Turbeville, S. C.

J. R. Davidson, Moderator, Glennville, Ga.

T. B. Mellette, Secretary, Blakely, Ga.

LIST OF MINISTERS

The following is a list of ministers who attended the Eastern Association of the National Association of Original Free Will Baptist. The list is prepared from the names submitted to the secretary while in attendance of the association. Only those names appear as were submitted.

A. A. Wells, Princeton, N. C.; James A. Evans, Box 194, Kenly, N. C.; A. B. Nelson, Bonifay, Fla.; W. S. Driggers, Lake City, S. C. Rural Route; L. A. Norris, Blakely, Ga.; B. A. Grant, Box 83, North Zulch, Tex.; F. E. Crosby, Hazlehurst, Ga.; Lizzie McAdams, Midway, Tex.; C. B. Thompson, Bryan, Tex.

L. C. Johnson, Alma, Ga.; R. P. Harris, Enfield, N. C.; E. B. Joyner, Lake Butler, Fla.; R. N. Hinnant, Micro, N. C.; R. F. Pittman, Ayden, N. C.; Thomas H. Willey, Durham, N. C.; E. Sterl Phinney, Bryan, Tex.; S. T. Shutes, Colquitt, Ga.; W. A. Hales, Wilson, N. C.; W. L. Jernigan, Walsburg, N. C.; Cooper Fort, Jakin, Ga.; L. H. Wetherington, Clark N. C.; L. B. Manning, Fountain, N. C.

NOTE—Those ministers who served as delegates, or as officers do not appear in the list. Also, many western ministers were present as visitors but they did not submit their names and addresses.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We your finance Committee beg leave to submit the following report of cash received, and fees vouched for:

South Carolina Conference	\$10.00
Martin Association, Georgia	10.00
Liberty Association, Florida	10.00
Ohio River Yearly Meeting	7.10
State Convention of Texas	10.00
Western North Carolina Conference	10.00
Cape Fear Conference	10.00
South Georgia Association	10.00
Union Association of Tennessee	10.00
Alabama State Conference	10.00
Cumberland Association of Tennessee	10.00
Midway Association, Georgia	10.00
Eastern, North Carolina Conference	10.00
North Carolina State Convention	10.00
Central Conference, North Carolina	10.00

The following associations vouched for by their respective delegation.

State Line Association of Ala. and Fla. by Rev. Floyd Cherry	\$10.00
South Eastern Asso., Ala. by Rev. D. F. Pelt	10.00
North East Asso., Miss., by Prof. I. L. Stanley	10.00
Georgia Union Association by Rev. C. J. Harvey	10.00
Union Asso. of Georgia by Rev. A. L. Sellers and J. F. Harmon	10.00
Ohio River Yearly Meeting by I. B. May	2.10

Total cash receipts from 15 conventions, conferences, and associations \$147.10.

Total amount vouched for by 6 conventions, conferences and associations \$52.90.

Respectfully submitted—M. H. Mellette, L. H. Wetherington, and W. E. Coville, committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

From June, 1935 to June, 1936

Receipts

South Carolina Conference paid at session	\$ 10.00
Amount on hand at last report	35.00
Received from Committee	170.00
Received from State Line Association of Ala. and Fla.	10.00
Received from Southeastern Association of Alabama	5.00
Received from Central Conference of North Carolina	10.00
Received from Little River Association of Georgia	10.00
Received from Union Association of Georgia	4.00
Received from Salem Association	7.00
For 1934 Salem Association	2.00

	\$253.80
Received on 1935 vouchers	16.00
	\$269.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid T. B. Mellette, Clerk	\$20.00
Paid Mrs. Fannie Poston	21.94
Paid J. C. Griffin	2.10
Paid F. W. B. for printing General Conference minutes	75.00
Paid National Conference minutes	40.00

\$159.04

Balance cash on hand \$110.76

Respectfully submitted,
JAS. CHESHIRE, Treasurer.

To the Eastern General Association

I, your statistician, do hereby submit the following report:

	Churches	Value	Min.	Mem.	Net Gain
N. C.	286	\$ 398,985.00	189	28,685	618
S. C.	41	41,000.00	25	2,411	117
Tenn.	94	188,000.00	70	3,546	161
Va.—W. Va.	44	23,945.00	62	1,990	
Ga.	53	29,000.00	54	4,362	131
Ala.	125	125,000.00	101	9,443	164
Fla.	24	24,000.00	27	2,154	43
Ark.	134	134,000.00	156	5,376	
Texas	63	64,250.00	63	3,959	102
Miss.	15	15,000.00	9	952	52
Ohio	36	33,200.00	50	2,619	
	915	\$1,076,380.00	806	65,497	1,388

The above statistics do not represent the full statistical strength of the Free Will Baptists in the United States but is all that I can gather from the Minutes furnished me by the various associations in states tabulated.

In addition to the value of the church property as stated above in the amount of \$1,076,380.00 the following should be listed:

Free Will Baptist Orphanage, Middlesex, N. C.	\$55,000.00
Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, N. C.	28,000.00
Zion Bible School, Blakely, Ga.	2,000.00
	\$85,000.00

Total \$85,000.00

Items tabulated above aggregate a total of \$1,161,380.00 investment of the Free Will Baptist denominational property.

I recommend that this member of the National Association urge the

various associational bodies that compose this member of the National Association to use the statical letter form prescribed by the General Conference at Nashville, Tennessee, in 1933.

I further recommend that a statistician be appointed from each state composing this body to gather the statistics of his or her respective state and forward the same to the statistician of this body in ample time for tabulating before association convenes.

Expense account—postage—stationary—stenography work \$4.50.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. GRIFFIN

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM REPORT

The Board of Education of The National Association of Original Free Will Baptist in session at Glennville, Ga., on Thursday, June 18, 1936 prepared and submitted to The Eastern General Association, formerly the General Conference, and which was ratified by said body in regular session the following plan, namely:

First, we set a goal of \$150,000.00 to be raised by The Eastern Division of The National Association of Free Will Baptist by the 1941 session, said money to be apportioned upon a per capita basis. Basing our estimate upon the statisticial's report of 68,000 members, the amount per capita is \$2.21 each, or 50c per capita each year for five years.

Second, too, we ask The Western Division of the National Association of Free Will Baptist to raise \$100,000.00 on the same basis as above outlined.

Third, we ask for \$10,000.00 to be raised as follows, namely: 2,500.00 by Sept. 1, 1936; \$2,500.00 by Nov. 1, 1936; \$5,000.00 by Jan. 1, 1937. The amount to be raised is apportioned as follows, namely: North Carolina \$2,000.00; South Carolina \$500.00; Georgia \$300.00; Alabama \$500.00 Florida \$2,00.00; Tennessee \$1,000.00; Texas \$800.00; Ohio \$200.00; Missouri \$1,000.00; Oklahoma \$1,000.00; Arkansas \$1,000.00 Kentucky \$1,000.00; Mississippi \$500.00.

Fourth, the school in its plan will offer High School Work; College courses if warranted; Bible College courses, or Theological courses; courses in instrumental and vocal music. Too, such prepratory courses as the ministerial student may need for his preparation of studies.

Fifth the board will consider applications from teachers who hold degrees from recognized colleges and universities and who are fundamental in our faith and practice of Bible doctrine, as teachers in the designated school. Said school to open in the vicinity of Nashville, Tenn.

Board of Education,

T. B. MELLETTTE, Sec.-Treas.
J. L. WELCH, Chairman

SUNDAY SCHOOL

To the sixteenth session of the Eastern General Association convening with Glennville, Ga., June 16-19 inclusive Greetings:

My report for the Sunday School work is not as full and informal as is desirous. Lack of cooperation and support from the activities make it impossible to make a full report.

Much work for the futherance of the cause is taking place by field secretaries being appointed by a few state conventions who are having this kind of work done. North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee, and Arkansas are states where such activity is taking place. But full details as to success of work has not been learned.

The appeal for funds from Sunday Schools has met with little success. Open Pond Sunday School, Jakin, Ga. so far is the only school to make contribution. Their contribution amounts to \$2.26 which is in the treasury. I am appealing for the office that this kind of work may continue. The denomination needs several traveling evangelists who can give time to the work.

Again, the Sunday School seretary is appealing for a special collection from every Sunday School in the denomination, or for 10% of the Sunday School collections during the conference year.

Some schools find it hard to collect above their expense, but in this event a special collection should be made and sent to the secretary. When this is done distribution will be made of the work and a graduated schedule and graded curricula will be formulated for certification of teachers and officers.

Expense account submitted, which was paid, \$7.50.

Respectfully submitted,

T. B. MELLETTTE

RESOLUTION

Seeing the great need of spreading the gospel through print and press, and also realizing the need of promoting the doctrine of the Free Will Baptist Church to our people, especially the young people; therefore, be it resolved that this association make the following recommendations: 1. That our Press at Ayden, N. C. be requested to print at least 10,000 Gospel tracts, setting forth the gospel as preached by our church.

2. That this association elect a committee of three to prepare the manuscript for the press, and to be approved by the editor and manager before said publication is made.

3. That the receipts derived from the sale of the tracts shall go to the press to defray expense for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

R. N. HINNANT
R. F. PITTMAN

Resolution indorsed by Resolution committee and adopted by The Eastern Association.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

In as much as this conference has greatly enjoyed the splendid manner in which it has been conducted, and the excellent way that the delegates, the visitors, and friends have been royally cared for and entertained; therefore be it resolved:

First, that Rev. J. R. Davidson, the moderator of the conference, Rev. T. B. Mellette, the secretary of the conference, and other officers of the same be given a hearty applause by those present.

Second that Prof. I. L. Stanley, as director of the music, and all others who rendered special numbers be given a special hand clap.

Third, that Miss Annie C. Zorn, chairman of the arrangement committee, and the committee as a whole, and also others who have graciously and cheerfully entertained the visitors, the delegates, the preachers and friends of this conference be given a strong applause with a smile; and, fourth and last that the Ebenezer Church, The Glennville Church, and the town of Glennville together be given a rising vote of thanks and appreciation for the splendid way that this sitting of the General Conference has been so graciously cared for and entertained by the people. These resolutions have been carefully prepared, and respectfully submitted to the moderator of this conference by the resolution committee.

REV. R. B. SPENCER, Chr.
REV. C. B. THOMPSON
REV. D. F. PELT

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT June 1, 1935 to June 1, 1936

For the past year foreign mission efforts in our church have been greater by far than they have been during any year in the past six years that this great work has been being emphasized with renewed enthusiasm among our people. More money has been raised and more work has been done for the spread of the Gospel, both in the home land and in the foreign fields, than we have been accustomed to doing in the past. Besides supporting Mr. R. Paul, a native missionary in India, through the Ceylon and India General Mission, We have helped in getting Miss Laura Belle Barnard to India where she has been working and studying the language of that section of India since August 15, 1935. Since her arrival on the foreign field, we have been supplementing her small salary for work done in Queens Hill Rest Home with the amount of \$20.00 a month.

Also, since last November Rev. Thomas H. Willey has been working among our people in several states in interest of foreign mission work. Brother Willey has encouraged foreign missions in general, but with special emphasis has he concentrated on South America, where he has had extensive experience as a missionary among the native Indians of Peru. Brother Willey is anxious to return to the South American field for the purpose of beginning independent mission work for the Free Will Baptist Church. Therefore, this great door is open to us and we must accept the

opportunity or reject it. Brother Willey is ready to go to this field as quickly as our people are willing to send him.

Moreover, the Lord has laid the burden for lost souls in the heathen lands on the hearts of quite a few of our young people. What they are asking for, first of all, is help in getting the training necessary for this great work; and, second they are asking for help to get to the fields that they may do the work to which the Lord is calling them.

Some of the great opportunities for which we have been praying and working are before us today and we must make some disposition of them. May our response to these great opportunities comply with the command of Him who said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

The financial report of foreign missions for the past year is as follows:

Cash Receipts

Balance brought forward	\$ 344.22
Ohio S. Schools, by Rev. Olen Gould, Wellston, Ohio	16.43
General Conference Collection	85.61
Ayden Church, by Miss Mable Walker, Graham, N. C.	1.00
W. J. Gibbs, Pamlico, S. C.	10.00
Martin Union of Ga., by Rev. Cooper Fort, Jakin, Ga.	1.15
Martin Union of Ga., by W. E. Love, Iron City, Ga.	3.70
S. S. and Leagues of Tex., by Rev. E. S. Phinney, Bryan	4.00
Bryan Church, by Lamr Williams, Bryan, Tex.	10.55
White Oak L. A. S., by Mrs. Geo. Suggs, Bladenboro	4.00
Hugo F. W. B. L., by Mrs. U. Phillips, Grifton, N. C.	2.00
Fifth Eastern Union of N. C., by R. W. Mallard, Trenton	10.00
N. C. State League Convention, by Miss Bertha Lee Rose, Goldsboro, N. C.	50.00
Mrs. N. H. Williams, LaGrange, N. C.	3.00
Caseys Chapel Church, by Mrs. Ben Casey, Goldsboro	5.25
Mt. Elon Church, by W. J. Gibbs, Pamlico, S. C.	7.70
Davis M. S., by Mrs. Henry Murphy, Davis, N. C.	6.00
Free Union Church, by L. B. Keech, Pinetown, N. C.	1.36
Fourth Union of Cent. Conf. of N. C., by R. R. Bailey, Walstonburg, N. C.	15.25
Fidelity S. S. Class, by Miss Elsie Forlines, Winterville, N. C.	1.00
State Convention of N. C., by Rev. W. L. Moretz, Swannanoa, N. C.	85.24
Ladies Auxiliary Convention of Central Conf. of N. C. by Miss Bessie Nobles, Winterville, N. C.	32.49
Churches in Ga., by Rev. J. R. Davidson, Glennville, Ga.	4.35
Mt. Elon S. S., by O. C. Weatherford, Pamlico, S. C.	1.10
Albemarle Auxiliary Conv., by Mrs. John Copeland, Elizabeth City, N. C.	5.00
Mrs. J. O. Parker, Tulsa, Okla.	1.00

Hugo L. A. S., by Mrs. U. Phillips, Grifton, N. C. -----	1.00
Mrs. J. S. Hardison, Grifton, N. C. -----	1.00
Cape Fear Union, by Mr. Warren Jackson, Dunn, N. C. -	5.00
G. A. Batchelor, Jonesboro, N. C. -----	5.00
Cumberland Association of Tenn., by G. W. Fambrough Neptune, Tenn. -----	233.61
Collection at National Association -----	75.00
Home Missions of Mo., by Miss Tommie Franklin, Desloge, Mo. -----	5.00
Mrs. V. W. Davis, Ransomville, N. C. -----	4.00
Hull Road Church, by Rev. M. E. Tyson, Middlesex, N. C.	14.00
Stacy L. A. S., by Mrs. Minnie D. Mason, Stacy, N. C. -	2.00
Rocky Mount S. S. class, Mrs. O. C. Merritt, Rocky Mount, N. C. -----	1.00
Pine Level L. A. S., by Dolora Rigdon, Alma, Ga -----	3.00
Bethel Church, by Mrs. W. H. Orvin, Baxley, Ga. -----	1.40
Ebenezer Church, by Miss Zola Belle Baxter, Glenn- ville, Ga. -----	3.00
Glennville Church, by Rev. J. R. Davidson, Glennville, Ga.	4.70
Pine Level Church, by J. B. Brigman, Alma, Ga. -----	2.35
Postage on pictures, by Rev. J. L. Welch, Nashville, Tenn.	2.45
Stacy mission circle, by Mrs. Minnie D. Mason, Stacy, N. C. -----	2.00
Miss Gladys Lewis, Middlesex, N. C. -----	1.00
Hull Road L. A. S., by Grace Harrison, Snow Hill, N. C.	6.00
Greenville M. S., by Mrs. Lillie Smith, Greenville, N. C. -	1.00
Carl B. Barrow, Greenville, N. C. -----	1.60
Georgia League Rally, by J. C. Temples, Jakin, Ga. ----	2.36
Micro L. A. S., by Mrs. Hermon Nobles, Winterville, N. C.	5.00
First F. W. B. Church, Tulsa, Okla., by Rev. Melvin Bingham, Tulsa, Okla. -----	3.45
Ladies' Auxiliary Conv. of N. C., by Mrs. Herman Nobles, Winterville, N. C. -----	5.00
Mission itinerary, by Rev. T. E. Willey, Durham, N. C. -	542.59
Total receipts -----	\$1,300.69
Grand total -----	\$1,644.91

Disbursements

To the Ceylon and India General Mission for Mr. R. Paul \$	120.00
To Miss Laura Belle Barnard:	
Collection at General Conference -----	85.61
For transportation to India -----	150.00
Amount designated by individual donors -----	80.00
Salary since August 15, 1935 -----	170.00
To Rev. T. E. Willey:	
Salary for six months -----	600.00

Miscellaneous itinerary expenses -----	187.15
To the First National Bank of Ayden, N. C.:	
Refund on overdraft -----	1.50
To the F. W. B. Press, Ayden, N. C.:	
For Miss Barnard's cut -----	2.25
For mission pledge cards -----	2.50
Total disbursements -----	\$1,399.01
Balance on hand June 1, 1936 -----	\$ 245.90

I. J. BLACKWELDER, Sec.-Treas. of Foreign Missions

MISSION BOARD'S REPORT

Having become better acquainted with Brother T. E. Willey who has been working among our people in interest of foreign missions since last November, and having become better acquainted with the general attitude of our people toward the work Bro. Willey proposes to undertake in South America, and also having become thoroughly convinced of the spiritual darkness that prevails among many of the South American Indians, we, the members of The Foreign Mission Board, earnestly and urgently offer the following recommendations:

1. That Brother Willey plan to sail for the mission field as early in September of this year as convenience will permit.
2. That Brother Willey continue work in the proposed field for at least six months on his first expedition.
3. That we pay Brother Willey \$1,500.00 with which he is to support his family and finance his expedition.
4. That our pastors use Bro. Willey in revival work this summer so he may have some means of support before he is to start upon his proposed expedition to South America.

Respectfully submitted,

I. J. BLACKWELDER

R. F. PITTMAN

E. STERL PHINNEY—proxy for Rev. M. A. Woodard.

PLAN OF REV. THOMAS E. WILLEY

Sailing from Huston Texas, to Panama Canal Zone where we shall obtain from personal acquaintances as much information as possible covering Panama, Columbia, and Venezuela, S. A. We shall endeavor to get into Columbia making point of contact on basis of information already obtained from The Pioneer Missinary Agency.

The following is our purpose:

1. It will be necessary to find a tribe or group of people with which we shall do our missionary work for the future.
2. We must ascertain the cost of living or support of a missionary family, and the operation under the rate of exchange in that country.
3. The climatic condition under which the family must live.

4. The means of travel in order to reach the field.
5. The necessary procedure must be made with the government.
6. The best ports of entrance must be ascertained—the cooperation of others already on the field must be considered.
7. Just what supplies shall be imported in the way of future equipment from the states, and what might be obtained on the field—such as
 - a. Many small articles of no great expense must be carried in for exchange with the natives, and as gifts of friendship.
 - b. Medicine and surgical supplies must be obtained.
 - c. Ammunition for three types of arms, and supplies for native carriers. This is for protection from larger animals, and food supply.
 - d. The proper clothing must be obtained.
 - e. Photographic supplies must be carried in, packed for the tropics; packed in the U. S. A.
 - f. Transportation to the field, and duty paid on imports at the ports.
 - g. Guides, packs, and saddle horses, canoes, or river transportation for both missionary guides and carriers, including food for the party.

REPORT OF F. W. B. PRESS

By R. B. Spencer

Total valuation of the press \$30,000.00. Estimated as follows:

The building and lot	\$10,000.00
The machinery	14,000.00
The supplies and fixtures	6,000.00
Yearly volume of business	\$17,000.00

Sunday School Literature, Rev. J. E. Wooten, Editor.

Senior Quarterlies per quarter	19,000
Intermediate Quarterlies per quarter	8,000
Junior Quarterlies per quarter	12,000
The Little Folks Quarterlies	7,000

The press also enjoys a share in the business of Sunday School supplies and helps, maps and charts; song books, special programs, booklets.

Free Will Baptist League Literature.

Senior Quarterlies per quarter	2,000
Intermediate Quarterlies per quarter	800
Junior Quarterlies per quarter	1,000

The Free Will Baptist Paper.

Present subscription, 2,600 yearly subscribers.

May we note,

1. It is growing.
2. It needs good writers.
3. It needs excellent manuscript.
4. Many corrections have to be made, and much of the manuscript we receive has to be rewritten and improved.
5. The people should be urged to read the paper.
6. A campaign should be launched for 5,000 subscribers.

WOMEN'S WORK

As we stand on the threshold of a new year and look back over the months that have passed since our last meeting together, we thank God for the record of victories already won and for the hopeful outlook for the year just ahead.

Truly the Lord has done great things and has honored the Women's Auxiliary work as an instrument in their accomplishments. We mark progress by each new organized work taking over the whole program of prayer, study and gifts.

During this year one new convention has been reported making a total of ten district conventions.

I am sorry I could not respond to the many requests to visit in the various states and conventions. We are working on a plan to finance our work looking forward to the time when we will have better methods of extending the work. The fact that our people have been brought together in a national body has greatly strengthened our forces and the women's department is ready to do what we can to extend the kingdom work. The report is as follows:

Tennessee—two district conventions, auxiliary to Cumberland Association and Union Association respectively and composed of 22 societies with approximately 316 members. They have raised \$1,374.04, have carried out the four-fold plan of work very satisfactorily. They send \$21.30 for national dues.

South Carolina—one district convention which held its meeting at the regular time with five societies representing. They report their work in good shape and send \$7.90 for national dues.

Georgia—two district conventions, auxiliary to the Midway Association and South Georgia Association respectively, composed of 14 societies with approximately 203 members. They have raised \$208.72, have carried out the plan of work and send \$8.10 national dues.

Alabama—one district auxiliary convention, the last session held in March, no report of their activities, \$0.38 sent from one local society for national dues.

North Carolina—reported four district conventions held and one session of the state auxiliary convention. I received no report of their work, they send \$29.65 national dues.

Texas—reports 20 societies, no organized convention, two societies, namely, Bryan and First Church of Ft. Worth have 44 members. They have raised \$264.34 and send \$6.40 national dues.

The number of women engaged in the work is around 2,000 including the scattered work not organized in conventions. The summary of reports:

\$509.55 for missions.

425.90 for benevolences.

75.00 for education.

An estimate of 1,000 observed the Week of Prayer, 30 classes in stewardship and missions were held.

The report from the Press shows 1093 copies of the Year Book and 91 copies of the Hand Book sold.

Financial Report

Received at the close of the 1935 Conference	\$ 73.15
From South Carolina	7.90
Texas, Bryan and Ft. Worth	6.40
North Carolina	29.65
Alabama	.38
Georgia	8.10
Tennessee	21.30
Total received	\$146.88
Disbursement	
Traveling expense	\$ 10.00
Stamps and stationary	3.00
Total	13.00
	\$133.88

These figures may not mean much to you but as I review them, my heart is filled with profound gratitude to my Heavenly Father for permitting me thus to serve, for strength renewed when the physical was near the breaking point, for divine help given me when it seemed that the responsibility of some hour so far out-matched my ability to meet it and for the dear women who have so wonderfully stood by with their counsel and help. With these things in mind, we lift our eyes to the future feeling that such a spirit of earnestness and high resolve will bear fruit in renewed efforts for the advancement of the Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE POLSTON, National Sec.

318 Woodland St.

	Chr.	Min.	Mem.	S. S.	Lea.	L. A. S.
Alabama	89	36	12,000	63	45	20
S. Carolina	29	15	2,540	23	8	10
Texas	70	40	9,000	60	25	10
Tennessee	68	69	5,494	53	20	27
Florida	12	10	721	5	3	3
Ohio	15	18	1,500	15		
Mississippi	12	6	1,200	5	2	3
Georgia	54	45	4,779	40	17	18
N. Carolina	250	150	28,517	200	23	68

This report submitted as approximate because of lack of information.

Respectfully submitted,

By Committ

REV. JOE FORT, Chairman

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS of the EASTERN GENERAL ASSOCIATION of FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONSTITUTION

Preamble. We the official delegates to the General Conference of Free Will Baptists, while in session at Glennville, Georgia, June 16-19, 1936, in keeping with the requirements of Section 1 of Article III of the Constitution of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, relinquish the name "General Conference" and adopt the rules and principles which, as amended from time to time, are as follows:

ARTICLE I.

This body shall be known henceforth as the Eastern General Association of Free Will Baptists.

ARTICLE II

It shall be the purpose of this association to cooperate with the National Association in its efforts to elicit, combine, and direct the energies of the Free Will Baptist Church for the promotion of home and foreign missions, Christian education, Sunday School, Free Will Baptist League, and Ladies' Auxiliary work, and for the extension of the Kingdom of God in general.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. This Association shall consist of delegates duly appointed or elected by the organizations they represent, and of ordained Free Will Baptist ministers who are of good repute in the Free Will Baptist Church.

Section 2. Associations and conferences may represent in this Association on the basis of two delegates from each association and conference of one thousand members or less and one additional delegate for each additional thousand members or fraction thereof.

Section 3. State conventions, associations, and conferences may represent in the Association only when they represent the associations or conferences of which they are composed, in which case they shall represent on the basis given in Section 2 of Article III.

ARTICLE IV.

This Association shall have an Executive Committee of five members and a Committee on Credentials which shall consist of one member from each state representing in the Association, and as many other committees, boards, and secretaries as it thinks necessary to carry out the program it may determine to promote, which shall be in strict cooperation with the program of the National Association.

ARTICLE V.

The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator and an Assistant Moderator, a Recording Secretary and an Assistant Recording Secretary, a Treasurer and an Assistant Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI,

All the officers of the Association, all members of its committees and boards, all its secretaries, missionaries and agents appointed by the Association, or by any of its boards, shall be members of regular Free Will Baptist organizations cooperating with this Association.

ARTICLE VII.

All missionaries, teachers, and Christian workers approved, appointed, or supported by this Association must be fundamental in their views of the Bible and its teaching and in harmony with the doctrines of the Free Will Baptist Church. Also, they must give evidence of genuine Christian piety, of fervent zeal in the service of Christ, and of ability to do the work for which they are considered.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Association shall hold its meetings annually, each meeting beginning on Tuesday evening and closing on Friday of the week between the first and second Sundays in June. Called meetings may be held at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IX.

These Articles may be altered at any regular session of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, providing the change is recommended at least one day before the vote is taken.

BY-LAWS

1. A portion of the Scriptures shall be read and prayer offered at the beginning of each morning and afternoon session of the Association, and prayer shall be offered at the close of each session.

2. The Moderator or the Assistant Moderator shall call the Association to order at the hour designated by the Program Committee. When neither the Moderator nor the Assistant Moderator is present, the Executive Committee shall elect a Moderator pro tem, who shall call the Association to order.

3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to enroll the delegates to the Association who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their right to seats therein, and those enrolled by the Secretary shall compose the Association.

4. It shall be the duty of each organization representing in the Association to send a letter to the Association, giving as accurately as possible the information requested by the letter forms found in the minutes of each annual session of the Body.

5. Each organization representing in the Association shall send ten dollars (\$10.00) to the Association, and each organization representing with more than two delegates shall send an extra \$2.50 for each additional delegate sent to the Association. This money shall be used to meet the expenses of the Association and to promote the work it undertakes.

6. On the first day of the Association the Moderator shall appoint a Resolutions Committee to consist of three members. All resolutions not

connected with the reports of boards and committees shall be referred to the Committee, which shall report on all resolutions referred to it, either with or without recommendations.

7. The officers of the Association, the departmental secretaries the Executive Committee, and all boards shall be elected by the Association. All other committees may be either appointed by the Moderator or elected by the Association. The Association shall vote by secret ballot in the election of its officers, but in other elections the vote may be taken by ballot or by some other method of voting.

8. The members of the Executive Committee shall be elected for a term of five years each, except the first four elected, who shall serve a period of one, two, three, and four years respectively.

9. The duties of the Executive Committee are as follows: (1) To act for the Association in matters that demand its consideration between the regular annual sessions of the Association. (2) To have oversight of arrangements for meetings of the Association with the authority to change, if necessary, the time and place of meeting. (3) To fill vacancies in the Association that may be caused by death, resignation, etc., between the regular sessions of the Association.

10. It shall be required of all members of the Association to remain throughout the entire session, unless they be excused by a majority vote of the Body.

11. Any one desiring to speak shall rise and address the Moderator and shall wait until he is recognized before speaking further.

12. The Moderator shall not allow discussions that are unchristian in spirit and that tend to create envy and strife among the brethren, and any one resenting the ruling of the Moderator in this matter shall be liable to the censure of the Body.

13. No one shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes or twice on the same subject without permission of the Body.

14. The officers of this Association shall hold their offices for a term of two years.

15. These By-Laws may be altered at any regular session of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, providing the change is recommended at least one day before the vote is taken.

MINUTES

of the

First Session

of the

NATIONAL FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Which Convened In

Glennville, Georgia

June 16-17, 1936

OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

President—Mrs. Alice E. Lupton,61 Broad St., New Bern, N. C.
First Vice President—Mrs. J. L. Welch, ..1017 Monroe St., Nashville, Tenn.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. E. S. Phinney, ..4721 W. 27th St., Bryan, Texas
Third Vice-President—Mrs. Lizzie McAdams,Midway, Texas
Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. M. H. Mellette,Turbeville, S. C.
Fifth Vice-President—Mrs. J. R. Bennett,Bridgeton, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Miss Lola Johnson,Alma, Ga.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. T. B. Mellette,Blakely, Ga.
Treasurer—Mrs. Fannie Polston,318 Woodland St., Nashville, Tenn.
Field Secretary—Mrs. Fannie Polston,318 Woodland St., Nashville.

PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY A. M.

The Convention was opened by singing the theme song "Jesus Calls Us," followed by prayer by Mrs. Lizzie McAdams. The welcome address was given by Mrs. E. C. Davidson of the local church. Mrs. E. S. Phinney of Texas responded.

The delegates from the various conventions and societies were enrolled.
Texas—Mrs. Lizzie McAdams.

South Georgia—Mrs. Ida Harrison.

First Mission Association of Okla., Mrs. B. F. Rogers and Mrs. Melvin Bingham.

Eastern Con. of N. C., Mrs. J. C. Griffin.

North Carolina State, Mrs. M. A. Woodard.

Midway Convention of Ga., Mrs. Joe Fort.

Blountstown Society of Fla., Mrs. F. M. Knight.

South Carolina Dis. Convention, Mrs. E. P. Kirby.

Cumberland Association Dis. Convention of Tenn., Mrs. W. E. Coville.

South Eastern Convention of Ala., Mrs. D. F. Pelt.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance—Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. E. P. Kirby, and Mrs. D. A. Pelt.

Resolutions—Mrs. M. A. Woodard, Mrs. Ida Harrison, and Mrs. Melvin Bingham.

A motion was made to adjourn until the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY P. M.

After the devotion the minutes of the morning session were adopted.

By motion a revision committee was appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws. The following were appointed:

Mrs. E. S. Phinney ----- Texas, Chairman

Mrs. M. L. Hollis ----- Alabama

Mrs. B. F. Rogers ----- Oklahoma

Mrs. M. H. Mellette ----- South Carolina

Mrs. Alice Lupton and Mrs. M. A. Woodard ----- North Carolina

Mrs. J. L. Welch ----- Tennessee

Mrs. S. T. Shutes ----- Georgia

The following reports were made and received:

1. North Carolina State Convention. Two District Conventions. Dues sent \$29.69. Contribution \$10.00.

2. Eastern Convention of North Carolina. Number of Societies 25. Number of Members 608. Number of New Members 92. Net gain 15%. Amount of money raised \$2,208.03.

3. Alabama. Number of Societies 10.

4. South Carolina. Number of Societies 10.

5. South Georgia. Number of Societies 7. Number of Members 125. Amount of money raised \$77.85.

6. Midway Convention of Georgia. Number of Societies 7. Amount of money raised \$131.87. Number of Members 83.

7. Blountstown Florida Independent Society. Number Members 10.

8. Tennessee. Number of Conventions 2.

9. Bryan Texas Society. Number of Members 24. Amount of money raised \$164.34.

The report of the Field Secretary was made and by a motion was received.

A motion was made to adjourn until Thursday morning.

THURSDAY A. M.

After the devotion the minutes of Wednesday afternoon session were adopted.

A motion was made to reimburse Mrs. Phinney with funds from the treasure to prepare placards for Christian Education work, and that funds raised on the placards be sent to her.

By motion the same staff of officers were retained for another year with the exception of the Fourth Vice-President who resigned.

A motion was made to elect Mrs. M. H. Mellette as Fourth Vice-President to succeed Mrs. Frazier.

A motion to adjourn until Thursday afternoon was made.

THURSDAY P. M.

After the devotion the minutes of the morning session were approved.

The revised constitution and by-laws were read and accepted.

The report of the finance committee was made and received.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Receipts:

N. C. State

Eastern District	\$ 5.00
Central District	2.00
Western District	5.00
Midway Convention of Ga.	3.00
Blountstown Society of Fla.	1.00
Oklahoma State	5.00
From National Secretary	135.38

Total receipts ----- \$156.38

Disbursements:

Mrs. Polston for expense and compensation	\$28.00
President	10.00
President expenses	3.35
Recording Secretary	10.00
Christian Education expenses	6.00
Foreign Missions	10.00

Mrs. McAdams -----	10.00
Mrs. Welch -----	5.00
Total disbursements -----	\$82.85

By motion Mrs. Fannie Polston was elected to act as treasurer in connection with the Field Secretary's work.

It was moved that \$10.00 be contributed to foreign missions.

A motion was made that the use of the Year Book be continued.

Report of committee on resolutions:

We urge that all societies follow closely the plan of work and strive to reach the standard of achievement.

MRS. M. A. WOODARD, Chairman

REPORT OF WESTERN CONFERENCE DISTRICT AUXILIARY CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA

No. Societies in district -----	15
Total membership -----	318
Amount money raised during the year -----	\$1,289.99
Amount used for Orphanage -----	388.66
Amount used for Education -----	5.50
Amount used for Superannuation -----	13.00
Societies observing week of prayer -----	13

A motion was made that this body adjourn for this session.

LOLA JOHNSON, Recording Sec.

CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name

This organization shall be known as the National Women's Auxiliary Convention of the Free Will Baptist Church.

Article II. Object

The object of this Convention shall be to bring the women of each state together for the purpose of transacting business pertaining to the promotion of the work in general.

Article III. Membership

This convention shall be composed of the officers of said convention together with the presidents and delegates from the state or district conventions which will include one delegate at large and one for each 25 members or major fraction thereof.

Article IV. General Officers

The officers of this convention shall be a president, five vice-presidents, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer and field worker and these officers shall compose the executive committee, five of which shall constitute a quorum.

Article V. Annual Meeting

This national convention shall meet annually at a time and place selected by the Convention while in session.

Article VI. Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Convention by a two-third vote of the members present.

BY-LAWS

Article I. Duties of Officers

Section 1. President: The president shall preside over all meetings, appoint such committees as may be needed, call the executive committee together when necessary and perform such duties as usually devolve upon such an officer.

Section 2. First Vice-President: The first vice-president shall act as president in her absence or by her request and shall be in charge of the department of publications and literature.

Section 3. Second Vice-President: The 2nd vice-president shall act as president in the absence of the president and 1 vice-president and shall have charge of the department of Christian Education.

Section 4. Third Vice-President: The 3rd vice-president shall act as president in the absence of the president and 1 and 2 vice-presidents and shall have charge of the department of Missions.

Section 5. Fourth Vice-President: The 4th vice-president shall act as president in the absence of the president and the first three vice-presidents and shall have charge of the department of Stewardship.

Section 6. Fifth Vice-President: The 5th vice-president shall act as president in the absence of the President and the first four vice-presidents and shall have charge of the department of Benevolences.

Section 7. The Recording Secretary: The Recording Secretary shall keep an accurate record, in a well-bound book provided by the Convention, of all annual meetings of the Convention and of meetings of the Executive Committee; shall notify all officers of their election or appointment and edit the minutes of all meetings held. She shall take care of all papers of value and turn them over to her successor in office.

Section 8. The Corresponding Secretary: The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct all necessary correspondence for the Convention, send out report blanks and award winners for Standard of Excellence.

Section 9. Treasurer: The treasurer shall have charge of all funds belonging to this Convention and shall pay out same only when authorized by the Convention at its annual meetings on order from the secretary signed by the President. She shall keep a correct record of all funds received and disbursed and shall give a detailed, written report at the annual meeting.

Section 10. Field Worker: A national field worker, or organizer, shall be elected annually by the Convention, who shall compile statistics from the

district Conventions and present them to the annual meetings of the national convention.

Section 11. The Executive Committee: The duty of the executive committee shall be to maintain an oversight of the work at large, fill vacancies in the interim of meetings, and act for the Convention, same to be subject to the will of the Convention at its regular meeting.

Article II. Directors of Departments

The Vice Presidents shall originate and direct plans of work for their department in harmony with the plan of work arranged and approved by the Convention, secure reports and compile them for report to the annual meeting and to be printed in the minutes.

Article III. Elections

The General Officers and Field Worker shall be elected by acclamation at the annual meeting of the Convention.

Article IV. Expenses

The expenses of the General Officers and the Field Worker to all official meetings shall be paid from the National treasury. The expense of printing the minutes shall be paid from the treasury and an appropriation of ten dollars be made to secretary for transcribing and superintending printing minutes. Postage and stationery shall be furnished the General Officers and Field Worker. Other appropriations may be decided upon by the Finance Committee and passed on by the Convention.

Article V. Committees

Section 1. Credentials: The National Corresponding Secretary shall be chairman of the Credentials Committee and other members may be appointed by the President.

Section 2. Finance: The National Treasurer shall be chairman of the Finance Committee and four other members may be appointed by the President.

Article VI. Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of members present at any regular annual meeting of the National Convention.

LETTER TO THE EASTERN GENERAL ASSOCIATION

To the Eastern General Association of Free Will Baptists of the United States, to be held at _____
convening on Tuesday evening following the First Sunday in June 1937:
GREETINGS:

We send as delegates to represent the _____

(Name of Convention, Conference or Association)

(Name of delegates and address)

Praying that much and lasting good may be accomplished through the General Conference.

The statistics of our body are as follows:

Number of Churches _____ Number of Ministers _____ Number
of Members _____ Number of Sunday School organizations _____

Number of Free Will Baptist Leagues _____ Number of Ladies' Aid
or Missionary Societies _____ Name and number of any other Aux-
iliary organizations _____

Our Annual fee is \$ _____

Name and address to whom minutes are to be sent _____

Moderator.

Address _____

Clerk.

Address _____

STATISTICAL REPORT BLANK

*To Be Filled Out By All Free Will Baptist
Churches in The United States*

For The Year Ending -----193---

N. B. Pastor or Clerk, please see that this statistical report blank is properly filled out and sent to the statistician appointed for the State of ----- whose address is ----- This information is necessary in order that a true status of the denomination may be reported to the General Statistics for the purpose of compiling a denominational year book.

Name of Church ----- Name of Association or -----
Conference ----- in or near what town -----
County ----- State -----

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Value of Church \$----- Value of Parsonage \$-----
Indebtedness on Church \$----- Indebtedness on Parsonage \$-----
Paid Pastor \$----- On building and repairs \$-----
For benevolent purpose \$----- Total expenditures \$-----

MEMBERSHIP

Received by baptism ----- by letter ----- by restoration or otherwise -----
Lost by death ----- by letter ----- by expulsion ----- Number
male members over thirteen years of age ----- Number female members over
thirteen years of age ----- Number members under thirteen years ----- Number
of ordained ministers on the Church roll ----- Total membership -----

AUXILIARY WORK

S. S. Enrollment ----- F. W. B. L. Enrollment ----- L. A. Society, or Mission
Circle Enrollment ----- Any other auxiliary organization enrollment and name -----

How often do you have preaching services? -----

Pastor's name ----- Address -----

Church Clerks name ----- Address -----