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OFFICERS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Rev. C. R. Houston, Moderator_____Colquitt, Georgia
 Rev. Damon C. Dodd, Assistant Moderator_____Savannah, Georgia
 Rev. S. T. Shutes, Clerk_____Colquitt, Georgia
 Rev. J. B. Lovering, Assistant Clerk_____Colquitt, Georgia
 Rev. E. C. Morris, Promotional Secretary_____Tifton, Georgia

STANDING BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

MISSION BOARD

Rev. B. W. Clenny, Colquitt, Georgia, Martin Association—1963
 Rev. Mance Cason, Moultrie, Georgia, Georgia Union Association—1963
 Rev. Chester Huckaby, Alma, Georgia, South Georgia Association—1963
 W. J. Starr, Leary, Georgia, Midway Association—1961
 Rev. L. E. Sheffield, Pearson, Georgia, Little River Association—1961
 Rev. Odel Harris, Columbus, Georgia, Chattahoochee Association—1961
 W. L. Amerson, Chester, Georgia, Georgia Union Association—1961

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Rev. Paul Irvin, Newton, Georgia, Midway Association—1961
 Rev. J. M. Cobb, Baxley, Georgia, South Georgia Association—1963
 Rev. Chas. Clark, Warner Robins, Ga., Georgia Union Association—1963
 Rev. J. R. Davidson, Atlanta, Georgia, Chattahoochee Association—1961
 Rev. Larry Williams, Tifton, Georgia, Little River Association—1963
 Idus Goocher, Colquitt, Georgia, Martin Association—1961
 C. J. Faison, Moultrie, Georgia, Union Association—1961

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Riley Giddens, Ray City, Georgia, Little River Association—1961
 Jessie Griffin, Leary, Georgia, Midway Association—1963
 Horace Hobbs, Vienna, Georgia, Georgia Union Association—1961
 Oscar Brunson, Colquitt, Georgia, Martin Association—1963
 Henry Eason, Surrency, Georgia, South Georgia Association—1963
 Wm. E. McElberry, Thomaston, Ga., Chattahoochee Association—1961
 Curtis Gay, Hartsfield, Georgia, Union Association—1963

BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION

Rev. K. V. Shutes, Thomaston, Ga., Chattahoochee Association—1961
 Rev. Jim Pelt, Glennville, Georgia, South Georgia Association—1961
 L. E. Wynne, Alapaha, Georgia, Little River Association—1961
 C. A. Williams, Colquitt, Georgia, Martin Association—1963
 J. W. Clower, Arlington, Georgia, Midway Association—1963
 Sherman Jones, Cochran, Georgia, Georgia Union Association—1963
 Wayne Faison, Moultrie, Georgia, Union Association—1961

CAMP BOARD

Rev. T. G. Hamilton, Glennville, Ga., South Georgia Association—1961
 Rev. C. J. Harvey, Albany, Georgia, Union Association—1961
 Rev. W. A. Olds, Macon, Georgia, Chattahoochee Association—1963

Louie Grimes, Colquitt, Georgia, Martin Association—1961
Wallace Franks, Tifton, Georgia, Little River Association—1961
T. B. Ethridge, Unadilla, Georgia, Georgia Union Association—1963
Martin Murkerson, Midway Association—1963

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Rev. T. B. Mellette, Blakely, Georgia
Rev. Paul Long, Colquitt, Georgia
B. Houston, Colquitt, Georgia

MINISTERS, ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBERS

Ralph Bell, Brinson, Georgia
J. B. Lovering, Colquitt, Georgia, Plaza 8-3808
T. B. Mellette, Blakely, Georgia, 9861
W. F. McDuffie, Blakely, Georgia, 5924
C. D. Rentz, Baxley, Georgia, 2820
K. V. Shutes, 323 East Street, Thomaston, Georgia, 7-5935
C. J. Harvey, 664 Society Avenue, Albany, Georgia, 6-3766
C. A. Gilbert, Colquitt, Georgia, 2019
J. J. Scott, Brinson, Georgia
Paul Irvin, Newton, Georgia, 2542
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E. C. Morris, Tifton, Georgia, 1125-J
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Charles L. Clark, 2863 South Zeigler, Warner Robins, Georgia
C. A. Huckaby, Alma, Georgia, 5336
T. G. Hamilton, Glennville, Georgia, Oliver 4-2455
Milton Worthington, Route 2, Box 32, Lake Butler, Florida, HY 6-2033
H. L. Knighton, 2304 Avalon Avenue, Albany, Georgia, HL 6-1973
J. E. Wood, Blakely, Georgia
Lamar Parish, Norman Park, Georgia
Emmitt McDuffie, Surrency, Georgia, Baxley 3337
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S. T. Shutes, Colquitt, Georgia, Plaza 8-3877
J. R. Davidson, 52 Vinson Drive S. E., Atlanta, Georgia, 5-7385
Paul Long, Colquitt, Georgia, Plaza 8-3439
Mance Cason, Route 4, Moultrie, Georgia
John Barnes, Blakely, Georgia
Damon C. Dodd, 2354 Pinetree Road, Savannah, Georgia, EL 4-0971
L. E. Sheffield, Box 55, Pearson, Georgia, Gordon 2-3543
J. M. Cobb, 400 McRorie Street, Baxley, Georgia, 3720
Gerald E. Garnett, 507 Hobson Street, Albany, Georgia, PH 6-6857
James Pelt, Box 11, Glennville, Georgia, OL 4-2621
Odel Harris, 612 44th Street, Columbus, Georgia, FA 7-7903
B. W. Clenny, Colquitt, Georgia, PL 8-3673
J. W. Loyless, Bainbridge, Georgia, 1826

VISITING MINISTERS

W. Burkette Raper, President Mt. Olive College, Mt. Olive, North Carolina
J. O. Fort, Editor Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, North Carolina
L. C. Johnson, President Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee
A. J. Lambert, Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Florence, Alabama
J. A. Edwards, Dothan, Alabama
Homer E. Willis, Director National Home Missions, Nashville, Tennessee

Constitution

PREAMBLE

We, the Original Free Will Baptists of the state of Georgia, do ordain this constitution for the purpose of advancing, promoting and increasing all phases of the cause of Christ.

Article I

Section 1. The assembly shall be known as the Georgia State Association of the Original Free Will Baptists.

Article II

Section 1. The officers of this association shall be moderator, an assistant moderator, a secretary, an assistant secretary and a promotional secretary-treasurer.

Section 2. All regular officers and the chairman of each standing board shall compose the executive board.

Section 3. This association shall be composed of all active ministers, deacons and missionaries who are members of any affiliated bodies. One delegate for every 500 members, or a fraction thereof, of each district association or union meeting, and one delegate for every 100 members or a fraction thereof of all local affiliated churches.

Section 4. All delegates from associations, union meetings and local churches shall be elected from the laity of the body sending them.

Section 5. Funds to meet current needs of the body shall be paid in on a voluntary basis to the treasurer of the association, however, it is suggested that each association give as shall be allocated to them each year by a committee, and that each union meeting give five dollars and each local church give five cents per capita for their respective membership.

Article III

Section 1. It shall be the privilege of each affiliated association to furnish a member of each standing board with terms of office rotating which will necessitate the election of four members at one election year and three members at the next election year, giving each member a term of office of four years each. The exception will be the board of auditors which shall consist of two members who shall be elected at the same time as the general officers.

Section 2. There shall be a board of missions composed of members who

are noted for missionary zeal and they shall have the supervision of all mission interest sponsored by this body. All undesignated mission funds shall be equally divided between home and foreign.

Section 3. There shall be a board of Christian education whose duty it shall be to keep the body informed of all Christian education sponsored by the body and make such recommendations as they shall deem proper to the body from time to time.

Section 4. There shall be a board of superannuation whose duty it shall be to make plans and rules which shall be in harmony with the National Superannuation Board. And shall be authorized to formulate plans whereby necessary funds for superannuation may be raised.

Section 5. There shall be a board of trustees whose duty it shall be to hold titles of all property belonging to this body.

Section 6. A board of auditors, whose duties it shall be to audit the books of the association treasurer and the treasurers of all boards.

Section 7. There shall be a camp board whose duties shall be to supervise the entire activities of the camp; arranging the time of sessions, electing all faculty members, forming all the study courses, especially those leading to a completion with the issue of certificates.

Article IV

Section 1. All officers, except board members, shall be elected to serve a term of two years.

Section 2. Any officers may be re-elected as the body shall see fit.

Section 3. When vacancies occur for any cause they shall be filled by the executive board, or by any of the standing boards, subject to the approval of the executive board, until the convening of the annual session of the body.

Section 4. Election years shall take place on the odd years of the calendar.

Section 5. A member of any board who fails in the function of his or her duties without a reason, the board to which the delinquent members has been elected, shall declare the office vacant. Further, the body shall have and does reserve the right to deal with any officer or board member who does not conduct his or her office in a Christian and businesslike manner, according to the rules of Christian conduct laid down in the New Testament. Should such board fail to have a sufficient number of its members present to constitute a quorum, it shall become the duty of the executive board to deal with any delinquent member. Also, a charge against a member of this body and a member of a local church shall constitute a charge against said member in this body and the body shall abide accordingly.

Section 6. The duties of officers so defined shall be the same as those for any deliberative assembly.

Section 7. All boards may be called in session only by the chairman of the executive board and any standing board may be called in session only by

the chairman of said board, unless said chairman becomes uncapacited in which case the assistant assumes the authority of said uncapacited chairman.

Amendments

This constitution shall not be changed or altered except by a majority of all members present to regular session. All amendments shall lie on the table at least from the morning session until evening session or from evening session until morning prior to adoption and shall, during the time be read at least twice in open session. Additions of boards or officers may be added as there is need.

Proceedings

The Twenty-Third Annual Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists convened with Macedonia Church, Miller County, Georgia, November 10-12, 1959.

TUESDAY EVENING

The service opened at 7:00 o'clock with a singspiration led by the clerk. There were specials by a group of children of the host church: Ruth Everson, Martha Jean Everson, Mary Joyce Tabb and India Pickron. Martha Jean Everson sang a solo.

Then the part on the program, "Who Is Who, or Who Is New?"

Scripture meditation and prayer by Rev. K. V. Shutes.

A quartet composed of Rev. J. R. Davidson, Rev. E. C. Morris, Rev. K. V. Shutes and Rev. S. T. Shutes, sang "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning."

Prayer by Rev. J. B. Lovering, followed with an old-fashioned testimony by each member of the quartet.

At this time the clerk presented the assistant moderator for the official opening of the twenty-third session of the Georgia State Association.

Rev. J. M. Cobb was presented to the congregation for the opening message of this session. He took his text from Luke 12:16. The challenge was to get self out of the way and let God lead us to soul winning.

Closing remarks and appointing of committee of committees: Rev. J. B. Lovering, Rev. Odel Harris, Rev. C. A. Huckaby, Brother Wallace Franks and Brother L. E. Wynn.

The floor was yielded to Rev. Homer Willis of Nashville, Tennessee, director of the National Home Missions Board, to bring the body up to date on the home missions program, since he could not be present Thursday for the closing session.

Report of placement committee.

Adjournment until 9:45 Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

The session was opened with moments of meditation by Rev. L. E. Sheffield, using Romans 12 as basis of remarks.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt the program as the procedure of the association with necessary changes.

At this time, words of welcome by Rev. W. F. McDuffie, assistant moderator of the Midway Association, on behalf of the host church and association.

The moderator's message was taken from John 17:20, 21; theme, "Unity Such as Christ Prayed for His Followers."

Partial report of credentials committee, Brother Dodd reading. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See complete report.)

The executive board reported. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.)

Committee of committees reported, J. B. Lovering reading. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.)

Intermission.

The worship service opened with a song directed by Rev. Jim Pelt.

Rev. E. C. Morris received a special offering to supplement the budget. Amount received, \$99.71. Offertory prayer, Rev. C. D. Rentz.

The moderator presented the speaker for the occasion, Dr. L. C. Johnson, president of Free Will Baptist Bible College. It was a real old-time sermon.

Lunch was served by the following churches: Bainbridge, White Plains, Damascus, Enterprise, Live Oak, Hammock Springs and host church. A real Georgia style dinner.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Reassembled at 1:30 p. m. with singing led by Rev. Jim Pelt.

Scripture thought and prayer by Rev. Mance Cason.

Greetings from Mt. Olive College, Mt. Olive, North Carolina, by Rev. W. Burkette Raper.

Brother Johnson reported from the Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee. From the two institutions came a glowing report of the progress for which we are glad.

Report on constitutional changes by Brother Hamilton. Motion made, seconded and carried that this lie on the table until the morning session and that Article 2, Section 3, deacons and missionaries be added, and Section 5 that ministers and deacons be charged \$1.00 registration fee.

Credentials committee gave an additional report. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.)

Moderator called for song, Rev. Jim Pelt leading.

Resolution committee reported, Rev. Mance Cason reading. Motion made, seconded and carried that partial report be adopted. (See complete report.)

Report of promotional secretary. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.)

State Woman's Auxiliary reported by Mrs. Edith Shiver. Motion made, seconded and carried to receive report as information. Motion made, seconded and carried to print minutes of Auxiliary Convention in the state minute without remuneration.

Final credentials committee report. Motion made, seconded and carried for adoption. (See report.)

Camp board reported, Rev. T. B. Mellette reading. Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt report. (See report.) Motion made, seconded and carried that a rising vote of thanks be given Brother Mellette for his faithful service to our camp work.

Motion made, seconded and carried that the resolution requesting for a member of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention sit in on the mission board meetings be granted as per their request.

Temperance committee reported, Rev. L. E. Sheffield reporting. Motion made, seconded and carried for adoption. (See report.)

The board of education reported, Rev. Charles Clark reporting. Motion made, seconded and carried for adoption. (See report.)

Special offering for loan fund, receiving \$42.36.

Recessed until 7:00 p. m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

The evening service opened as per adjournment with devotions by Rev. Paul Long.

Greetings from the Children's Home in Alabama by Brother Lambert.

Report of mission board read by Rev. Mance Cason. Motion made, seconded and carried for adoption. (See report.)

Two special songs by girls of the local church.

The clerk had the privilege of presenting the speaker for the evening, a former classmate of old Eureka College, Ayden, North Carolina, Rev. J. R. Davidson, our home missionary in Atlanta. He read for the Scripture the following: Mark 16:15; Matthew 28:19-21 and Acts 1:8. It was a real searching message.

Resolutions were read by Brother Hamilton. Motion made, seconded and carried to lay them on table until the morning session.

The closing song was led by Brother McDuffie.

Dismissed until 9:15, Thursday morning.

THURSDAY MORNING

Morning meditations by Rev. H. L. Knighton, taken from 2 Chronicles 7:14.

Session opened by the moderator.

Motion made, seconded and carried that these constitutional changes be taken from the table for discussion and final vote.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt Section 3, Article 2, with the words, *deacons and missionaries*, added. The charge of a fee of \$1.00 to be charged the deacons and ministers was voted down by a large margin.

Motion made, seconded and carried for resolution to be discussed, called Bible College Commission. An amendment was offered by Rev. S. T. Shutes that the workings of the committee be turned over to the regular board of Christian education. The amendment was defeated and the original motion carried.

The auditing committee reported. Motion made, seconded and carried for adoption. (See report.)

Rev. T. G. Hamilton read the report of the nominating committee. Motion made, seconded and carried for adoption.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adopt supplement to mission board report. (See report.)

Allocation report read by Mrs. Wallace Franks. Motion made and seconded for adoption, but amendment was offered. The amendment read \$25,000 to co-operative and \$10,000 to designated budget. The amendment and motion were carried.

Delegates to the National Association were appointed: O. B. Everson and William B. Reagan.

Motion made, seconded and carried to fill in names of those present at the National Association which meets in California in July, 1960.

Motion made, seconded and carried to accept invitation of the South Georgia Association to meet with them in 1960.

Resolution committee final report adopted.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn the 1959 session of this association at the close of today's sermon. Rev. Milton Worthington brought the message, using Romans 1:14-17 for the Scripture. He preached a real good, heart-searching, gospel message.

Rev. C. R. Houston, Assistant Moderator

Rev. S. T. Shutes, Clerk

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

This committee nominated the following persons to serve on the various committees:

Allocations: Rev. Paul Irvin, Rev. K. V. Shutes, John Cannon, C. A. Williman, Mrs. J. W. Franks.

Nominations: Rev. T. G. Hamilton, Rev. T. B. Mellette, Martin Murkerson, Rev. J. R. Davidson.

Temperance: Rev. Louis Sheffield, Mrs. Hoyett Sheffield, Rev. Paul Long.

Resolutions: Rev. Mance Cason, O. B. Everson, Rev. Emmitt McDuffie, Rev. J. B. Lovering.

BOARD OF AUDITORS

We, your board of auditors, wish to make the following report: We have examined all the books of the various treasurers and the promotional department's books, and to the best of our knowledge and belief, they are all correct and in order.

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. King

Curtis Gay

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Georgia State Association was called to meet with the First Free Will Baptist Church in Thomaston, Georgia, January 17, 1959. The purpose was to aid in setting up a quarterly meeting to the Chattahoochee Association. This call was directed by the moderator of the Georgia State Association upon a request from a group of churches of the Chattahoochee Association.

The moderator, Rev. Ralph Lightsey, being unable to attend, notified the assistant moderator, Rev. C. R. Houston, to preside. Rev. E. C. Morris, promotional secretary of the Georgia State Association, had called the meeting in session. Executive board members present were: Rev. B. W. Clenny, Rev. K. V. Shutes, Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. C. R. Houston and Rev. E. C. Morris.

The National Treatise, the rule for setting up such a meeting, was read. The discussions were very much in sympathy with such an organization. Motion made, seconded and carried that the executive board be seated in the body for setting up the organization. The following churches responded: Emmanuel, White Oak, First Columbus, Thomaston and Atlanta.

Officers were elected as follows: Moderator, Rev. W. A. Olds; assistant moderator, Rev. Odel Harris; executive committee, Mrs. Nadene Barron, L. E. Sheffield, Rev. K. V. Shutes, Rev. C. B. Dowdney.

The newly elected officers took charge and continued with setting time to meet during the year and all other necessary business.

The second called meeting of the executive board was held at the Tifton Church, July 18, 1959. Members present were: The moderator, clerk, Paul Irvin, G. C. King, B. W. Clenny, K. V. Shutes and E. C. Morris.

Mrs. Twitty, of the Atlanta Church, was present and gave some inside facts of the work there.

The executive board was called into session by the moderator, Rev. Ralph Lightsey. He called on the promotional secretary to bring the board up to date on the Atlanta work. Motion made, seconded and carried that the mission board continue the Atlanta project in the wisdom of God, and that it formulate plans for financing the Atlanta work, and notify every association in the state of its pro rata share so the work can be put on the side as an asset.

Rev. Ralph Lightsey, Moderator

Rev. S. T. Shutes, Clerk

November 10, 1959, the executive board met at Harmony Methodist Church near Macedonia Church. Rev. C. R. Houston, assistant moderator, called the meeting into session, reading from Psalm 133; prayer by Rev. Paul Irvin. Members present: Rev. C. R. Houston, Rev. Paul Irvin, G. C. King, B. W. Clenny, Rev. K. V. Shutes, Curtis Gay and Rev. S. T. Shutes.

Reports were given on the new quarterly meeting and the Atlanta work; both were really good. The union meeting is growing and the Atlanta work has a full-time pastor.

Adjourned for dinner by the host church.

Reassembled at 2:00 p. m. in joint meeting as per the program. All boards had a quorum. Motion made, seconded and carried to recess for separate board meetings.

Visitors present: Revs. Tom Hamilton, T. B. Mellette, C. J. Harvey, Mance Cason, Odel Harris, Charlie Clark, J. R. Davidson; also W. J. Starr, Wallace Franks, C. J. Faison, L. E. Wynne and O. B. Everson.

Reassembled for joint board session.

Camp board report was given by Rev. T. B. Mellette. (See camp board general report for complete details.)

Motion made, seconded and carried that T. G. Hamilton write a recommendation to the general session and that, as a body, we get behind him in this drive to raise the necessary money to liquidate the indebtedness on Camp Mt. Bethel.

Mission board report by Rev. Mance Cason.

Superannuation report by Rev. K. V. Shutes. (See general report.)

Motion made, seconded and carried that the executive board approve these reports being presented to the general body for complete adoption.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn until 6:00 p. m.

Met as per adjournment at Macedonia Church with the assistant moderator presiding.

Motion made, seconded and carried that the books and records of the promotional department and each standing board be audited once each year, and that the promotional secretary and each secretary-treasurer for each standing committee be bonded.

Motion made, seconded and carried to give the promotional secretary and executive board the authority to contact and contract with an auditing company to bond treasurers of each standing committee according as the need may be as recommended above.

Motion made, seconded and carried that the Georgia State Association furnish a trustee for the Alabama Free Will Baptist Children's Home, and that the nomination committee furnish the name.

Motion made, seconded and carried to adjourn until 9:00 a. m. Wednesday.

Reassembled as per adjournment with the moderator calling the meeting to order.

Prayer by Rev. B. W. Clenny.

The report that Rev. T. G. Hamilton was to write was read by Brother Hamilton. Motion made, seconded and carried that this report be included in the joint board report.

Motion by Brother Huckaby and seconded by Brother Odel Harris, that deacons of the various churches become standing delegates in the State Association; and the ministers, along with the deacons, be required to pay a fee

of \$1.00 when they register, and that the constitution be changed where a conflict occurs.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Rev. D. C. Dodd reporting.

South Georgia Association—State fee \$20.00, national fee \$5.00. Delegates: Mrs. Stella Knight, Mrs. J. B. Cobb and Mrs. Milton Worthington. Glennville Church \$10.00, Mrs. Stella Knight, delegate.

Chattahoochee Association—State fee \$10.00, national fee \$5.00. Delegates: Mr. & Mrs. Jack Rentz, Mrs. Odell Harris and Mrs. Gladys Ellenwood. First Atlanta Church, \$2.00, Mrs. Davidson, delegate; First Columbus Church, \$5.75, Mrs. Ruby Kelly, delegate; Thomaston Church, \$5.00.

Georgia Union Association—Quarterly union, \$5.00. Delegate, Sherman Jones.

Georgia Association—State fee, \$10.00, national fee \$5.00. Delegates: Donald Self, John Cannon, John Ross and Paul Horne.

Little River Association—State fee \$20.00, national fee \$5.00. Corinth Church, \$2.35, M. M. Franks, delegate; Tifton Church, \$2.00, Mrs. E. C. Morris, delegate.

Martin Association—Belview Church, W. O. Brunson, delegate; Union Meeting, \$10.00, Mrs. W. O. Brunson, delegate; Martin Association \$10.00, delegates, Z. T. Calhoun, O. F. Everson and W. J. Hilburn. New Home No. 1, \$2.00, Mrs. O. F. Everson, delegate.

Union Association—State fee \$15.00, national fee \$5.00. Delegate, Otis Elrod. Bay Church, \$2.00, Curtis Gay, delegate; Midway Church, \$5.00, Douglas Murphy, delegate.

Midway Association—Fee \$25.00; delegates, Martin Murkerson and wife, J. W. Clower and L. R. Loftin. Blakely, \$5.00, Alvin Day; Oak Grove, \$5.00, S. F. Boyd; Jakin, \$5.00, Macedonia \$4.45, J. M. Craft; Albany, \$5.00, Mrs. Gerald Garnett and Nancy Johnson; White Pond, \$5.00, Mrs. John Barnes; Zion, \$2.00, Mrs. R. E. Mills; Mt. Zion, \$2.00, Cliff Jordan; Cedar Springs, \$3.00, Mrs. Eleanor Sheffield; Travelers' Rest, \$7.50, T. L. Edwards; White Plains, \$3.00, Mrs. L. R. Loftin; Live Oak, \$5.00, E. A. Sanders; Enterprise, \$5.00, Mrs. R. J. Reynolds; Bainbridge, \$2.50, Williard Tedder; Patmos, \$5.00, Mrs. J. F. Griffin; Hammock Springs, \$3.00, Mrs. R. R. Williams; Damascus, \$5.00, L. W. Wiley.

Churches Represented by Delegates and Fee	26
Union Meetings Represented by Letter or Delegate	2
District Associations	7
Total Number of Delegates	52
Total Number of Ministers	38
Funds Received from Delegates Registering with Committee	\$225.55
Funds Reported Through the State Treasurer's Office	40.00

Total Funds\$265.55

Rev. H. L. Knighton, Chairman
Rev. Damon Dodd
Otis Elrod

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law" (Galatians 5:22, 23). We as Christians should practice these in every phase of life, speech, dress and our influence.

Further, we should be careful to manifest through our lives a love and respect for Christ and His cause.

To be a real witness for Christ, we must fight against intoxicating beverages and every appearance of evil.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. L. E. Sheffield
Rev. Paul Long
Mrs. E. H. Sheffield

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

The resolutions committee reports as follows:

1. Be it resolved that a committee of five be elected to study the possibility of the camp board and Christian education committee merging into one board known as the Christian educational board; such board being composed of one member from each district association. Be it resolved that, if such a committee is desired by the association, the five names on the committee be offered by the nominating committee.

2. Be it resolved that a representative from the State Woman's Auxiliary Convention meet with the Georgia State Mission Board in its meeting, so as to enable the two to work co-operatively together in promoting missions.

3. Be it resolved that all local district association reports and funds for the State Association be sent to the state promotional office at least 10 days prior to the meeting of the State Association, and that the promotional secretary be charged with the responsibility of getting such reports to the chairman of the credentials committee as soon thereafter as possible. This will enable the credentials committee to make a report to the State Association in its opening session.

4. That the constitution and bylaws of the State Association be printed in the minutes each year.

5. That we have 1500 minutes printed and the clerk and moderator be paid honorary fees of \$25.00 and \$15.00 respectively.

6. That each district association send the following amounts for the 1960 session: South Georgia, \$25.00; Georgia Union, \$20.00; Union Association, \$20.00; Little River, \$20.00; Midway, \$25.00; Martin, \$20.00; Chattahoochee, \$25.00.

7. Be it resolved that the clerk of the association write a letter to be signed by both the moderator and the clerk of the association to the chairman of the democratic executive committee of Georgia, that of this day, November 12, 1950, we, the Free Will Baptists of the state of Georgia, do hereby go on record as being opposed to any nominee for president or vice-president of these United States of America who is of the Catholic faith.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Mance Cason

Rev. O. B. Everson

Rev. Emmitt McDuffie

REPORT OF PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER

The wings of time have flown us through another year of activities in our co-laboring for the cause of our wonderful Lord. On our upward flight toward the final consummation, we meet with adversities and successes. Sometime the heavy clouds of opposition hang so low that our vision becomes greatly obscured; but then, as we wait upon the Lord, there comes the rift and a silver lining can be seen with the sun of success shining through. All the clouds have not vanished; but, by the divine grace and sustaining power, we have been able to come through the storms and realize some small gains for the cause we love.

In comparison with the report of last year, we find that a net gain of 238 in membership against a loss of nearly 1,000 last year. This is encouraging, however, the increase is not keeping up with the increase in the population of Free Will Baptist families. A great number of our young people are lost to other denominations or to the world. In either case, it should be a matter of great concern. One church has withdrawn fellowship and affiliated with another group and one church disbanded during the year. There seems to have been a letdown in Sunday school activities. The number of schools are four less and the enrollment 200 less. The woman's auxiliaries show a decline of three organizations and 40 less in enrollment. The weekly prayer services are two less. Two districts decreased in membership: namely, the Little River and the Union. These are all matters for great concern. To offset these losses, we find a healthy growth in Free Will Baptist leagues; there being five more organizations with an increase of 339 in enrollment.

The most of the increases in all lines of endeavors were in the South Georgia and Midway districts, with a slight increase in the Chattahoochee, Georgia Union and the Martin.

The greatest gains were made in financial matter as usual. The per capita giving by districts follows: South Georgia, \$46.15; Chattahoochee, \$32.18; Little River, \$30.12; Midway, \$20.35; Georgie Union, \$14.87; Martin, \$14.72. The average for the state, \$29.50. The per capita giving for world-wide ministry follows in this order: South Georgia, \$4.41, with \$1.54 through unified; Midway, \$3.32, with \$1.22 unified; Little River, \$2.19, with \$1.32 unified; Union, \$2.03, with \$1.47 unified; Chattahoochee, \$1.88, with 80¢ unified; Georgia Union, \$1.87, with \$1.28 unified; Martin, 88¢, with 45¢

unified. The total for the state is \$2.81, with \$1.01 unified. This is far below one cent per member per day given by Free Will Baptists of Georgia for the needs of a suffering and dying world, through the organized efforts of the State Association, while the average for local causes per member was \$26.79.

For the first time; the value of church property of the denomination in Georgia goes over one million dollars. The support of pastors and evangelists falls far short of that of last year while that raised for building and repairs more than doubles that of last year.

In the material progress, there seems to be a lessening of spiritual interest. The number of baptisms fell below that of last year. We find that 36 churches sustained a loss in membership while 19 remained the same. There were 48 churches which reported no baptisms and 24 had no additions in any way.

Many more things could be mentioned in this report, some encouraging and some not so favorable. You will find the comparative statistical report for the past two years which will reveal a more graphic account of the situation.

The number of grand honor roll churches were two more, while the junior honor roll and supporting churches remained the same.

As we face another year, may we do it with implicit faith in God and fear in our faltering selves. It is true that progress must be made upon our knees; but when we have prayed, may we put feet to our prayers and then greater progress will be made.

Rev. E. C. Morris

COMPARATIVE REPORT FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS

	1959	1958
MEMBERSHIP		
Number of District Associations	7	7
Number of Affiliated Churches	119	123
Total Membership	10,795	10,557
Received by Baptism	376	496
Received by Restoration or Statement	70	59
Received by Letter	216	279
Total Accessions	662	834
Lost by Letter	246	349
Lost by Expulsion	18	72
Lost by Death	80	108
Total Number Lost	344	529
Total Net Gain	318	305
Lost Through Revisions and Closed Doors	109	923
AUXILIARIES		
Number of Sunday Schools	101	105
Total Enrollment in Sunday Schools	6,285	6,486
Number of Free Will Baptist Leagues	66	61

Total Enrollment in Leagues	3,058	2,719
Number of Woman's Auxiliaries	46	49
Total Enrollment in Woman's Auxiliaries	630	670
Number of Weekly Prayer Services	75	77
MINISTRY AND SERVICE		
Number of Ordained Ministers	98	114
Number of Licensed Ministers	20	18
Number of Full-Time Churches	35	34
Number of Half-Time Churches	69	69
Number of Quarter-Time Churches	15	20

FINANCES

	1959	1958
Paid Pastors	\$ 116,283.46	\$130,919.99
Paid Evangelists	14,758.47	17,984.32
Paid for Building and Repairs	113,345.59	48,912.92
Paid for Literature	8,422.01	
Total Raised for All Local Causes	288,067.43	151,085.06
Total Raised for World-Wide Ministry	30,529.82	28,148.84
Total Raised for All Causes	318,597.25	258,913.32
Value of Church Property	1,067,188.00	964,826.00
Value of Parsonage Property	96,800.00	93,414.00
Value of Denominational Property, Camp Mt. Bethel	45,000.00	45,000.00

ALL FUNDS RECEIVED AND DISBURSED

General Funds Received

Balance on Hand	\$ 326.03
From Little River Association	25.00
Received at the 1958 Session	196.65
From Woman's State Auxiliary Conference for Minutes	50.00
From State Sunday School Conference for Minutes	20.00
From State League Convention	15.00
Total Received	\$ 632.68

Disbursement of General Funds

Farmers Bank for Checks	\$ 5.50
For State Program	12.88
Ralph Lightsey, Moderator Honorarium	15.00
S. T. Shutes, Clerk	25.00
B. W. Clenney, Mileage	16.00
G. C. King, General Board Meeting	57.29
State Minutes	281.82
Paid to National Association for Fee	45.00
Total Disbursed	458.49

Balance in General Fund Account	\$ 174.19
Received on Unified Program	
Churches, Auxiliaries and Individuals	\$13,111.82

Designated Funds

Missions:

Foreign	\$3,966.75
State	341.91
National	255.83

Total for Missions	4,564.49
State Superannuation	17.44
Alabama Children's Home	374.05
Bible College	366.30
Camp	167.23
Dot Harvey Loan Fund	111.15
National League Board	28.72
National Superannuation	152.81
Camp for State Association Care	134.67
State Association	7.00
Pledges	20.00
Mt. Olive College	25.00
Benevolence	5.00
General Funds as Stated	632.68

Grand Cash Total Received \$19,718.36

Disbursements

Paid to Promotional Department:

Salary	\$2,250.00
Office Help	450.00
Office Expense	900.00
Foreign Missions	3,966.74
National Missions	25.00
State Missions	2,457.44
Children's Home	694.43
Bible College	366.30
Youth Camp	1,637.04
State Education	328.90
Auxiliary Program	8.25
State Superannuation	1,266.65
National Superannuation	121.33
National League Board	28.72
Co-operative Plan	2,971.29
Superannuation	125.70
National Home Missions	230.89

Pledges	20.00
Mt. Olive College	25.00
State Association	7.00
Promotion	1,200.00
Benevolence	5.00
General Funds Paid Out	458.49

Grand Total Paid Out 19,544.17

Balance on Hand in General Fund \$ 174.19

Funds Sent to Other Treasurers and Reported

Children's Home	\$1,381.99
Youth Camp	657.79
State Superannuation	160.00
Foreign Missions	2,430.07
Bible College	5,413.77
State Missions	237.25
Loan Fund	9.00
Co-Labor Fund	216.00
National Home Missions	59.85
National Missions	141.06
Superannuation	165.00
Home Missions	114.61
Mt. Olive College	35.00
National Superannuation	20.00
Loan Memorial Fund40

Total 11,041.99

The General Fund Brought Over 632.68

The Grand Total Raised for All Purposes \$30,760.35

Total raised on state budget, \$30,127.67, and credited to each association as follows:

Unified

Association	Quota	Paid	Balance
South Georgia	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 4,718.72	\$ 2,781.28
Chattahoochee	3,000.00	1,425.43	1,574.57
Georgia Union	2,000.00	1,157.39	842.61
Little River	2,000.00	966.74	1,033.26
Union	2,000.00	1,120.10	879.90
Martin	2,000.00	613.82	1,386.18
Midway	6,500.00	3,109.62	3,390.38
Totals	\$25,000.00	\$13,111.82	\$11,888.18

Association	Designated Quota	Paid	Over
South Georgia	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 8,218.05	\$ 6,918.05
Chattahoochee	600.00	1,859.61	1,259.61
Georgia Union	400.00	523.16	123.16
Little River	400.00	569.45	169.45
Union	400.00	412.17	12.17
Martin	400.00	572.47	172.47
Midway	1,300.00	4,860.94	3,560.94
Totals	\$ 5,000.00	\$17,015.85	\$12,015.85

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Christian education committee of the Georgia State Association reports as follows:

	Amount Received
Dot Harvey Fund	\$ 93.50
Promotional Secretary	107.18
Student Repayment	125.00
Camp Repayment	200.00
General Education	107.12
Total Received	\$ 632.80

	Disbursements
Loan to Students	\$ 790.00
Loan to Camp Board	400.00
Security Bond	5.00
Paul Irvin's Expenses	7.00
Total Disbursements	\$1,202.00
In Treasury 1958	\$ 532.50
In Treasury 1959	\$ 38.93
Loans Outstanding	\$4,432.00

Charles Clark

The board of Christian education passes sterner requirements for those desiring to borrow money. The board has agreed not to loan any money to any student until the student has signed a promissory note, and also a co-signer, preferably his or her father or mother, and that they apply for loans at least 30 days prior to the date they expect to receive the money.

The board has also agreed to the loan being free of interest during the time the students are in school, and for 12 months thereafter, and then three per cent interest will be charged until the loan is paid.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Irvin
Charles Clark

REPORT OF CAMP BOARD TREASURER

1959 Session

Receipts:

Balance on Hand 1958 Session	\$ 618.76
By Loan State Board Christian Education	400.00
Promotional Department	1,459.59
Special 1958 Session	419.63
Miscellaneous, All Sources	1,296.86
Total Receipts	\$4,185.84

Disbursements:

Bank of Ashburn on Loan and Interest	\$1,200.00
State Board of Christian Education	200.00
1958 Session at Camp Bethel	357.05
Camp Operation, All Phases	500.01
Miscellaneous Items	473.22
Total Disbursements	2,730.96

Balance in Treasury	\$1,454.88
On Deposit in Bank of Ashburn from Rental on Caretaker Building	163.24
Total Accounted For	\$1,618.12

Liabilities:

Due State Board of Christian Education	\$ 200.00
Due Bank of Ashburn on Note	3,511.67
Due Bank of Ashburn Interest	210.70
Total Liabilities	\$3,922.37

T. B. Mellette, Secretary-Treasurer

Whereas, at the 1957 session of the State Association of Free Will Baptists, the association expressed approval of the erection of a five-room concrete block building for the purpose of housing a caretaker to live on said premises and look after the camp property.

Whereas, \$1,672.00 was needed in excess of the \$3,000.00 to complete the job. The camp board petitioned the executive committee to grant to them the power to negotiate a loan on the property so that the contract could be let as planned. In complying with the petition, the power was granted to the camp board to negotiate such a loan on the property for the additional amount. Whereas, the money to defray the cost of construction for the same has not been received as anticipated. The loan was extended for 12 months, due December 15, 1959, and as there is a possibility of failure to obtain an extension of said loan, and whereas, the indebtedness concurred by the camp board in the above-mentioned project actually becomes the indebtedness of the State

Association by virtue of the endorsement and relationship of the camp board to the State Association. We therefore recommend that the State Association ask the camp board to endeavor to negotiate an extension of the loan for 12 months.

We further recommend that, in event of failure to negotiate an extension of the loan with the Ashburn Bank, the trustees in conjunction with the camp board formulate a plan to meet the emergency to retire the indebtedness amounting to approximately \$2,225.00, and safeguard the testimony of Jesus Christ and the State Association from embarrassment and humiliation.

Rev. T. G. Hamilton

MISSION BOARD

In submitting this annual report of the mission endeavors of the past 12 months, I am reminded of the words of the psalmist as found in Psalm 126:3, "The Lord hath done great things for us: whereof we are glad." So with a deep sense of gratitude of our Lord for His manifold blessings upon the work in this department, let us hurry to say that the progress of the recent months has presented a challenge. We ask for your prayers and support that we may bravely accept the challenge while we serve as your missionary agency under the powers delegated to us from the Georgia State Association of Free Will Baptists.

The board met in two called sessions during the year, meeting once with the executive board of the Georgia State Association. The purpose of the two boards meeting together was to discuss financing a Free Will Baptist work in Atlanta until such time as it would be self-supporting. With the encouragement and help of both the executive committee and the state promotional secretary, we proudly report that there is now a growing Free Will Baptist church in Atlanta under the direction of Rev. J. R. Davidson, as a home missionary, the state mission board having the overall supervision.

The executive committee of the mission board was called together a number of times in addition to the two above said meetings. This committee was formed by the board to carry out the objectives of the board so as to save the expense of calling the entire board into session a number of times during the year.

A two-week evangelistic meeting was sponsored at the First Free Will Baptist Church in Brunswick, Georgia. The meeting brought in new members both by profession of faith and by letter. The church was greatly encouraged as a result of the meeting and they have proven their appreciation by working harder in their building program than ever before.

This is just a brief review of what we have been doing in our department this year. To be sure, we all agree that the work has only begun. Since the work in Atlanta is now the responsibility of the mission board, you, the people who make up the Georgia State Association, if we fail this cause with our prayers and financial support, we will be letting the greatest program of the

greatest personality, our Saviour, and all those poor lost souls that a strong church in Atlanta can win.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. B. W. Clenny, *Chairman*
Rev. Mance Cason, *Secretary-Treasurer*

TREASURER'S REPORT

Operating	\$ 622.10
Balance Brought Forward	622.10
Received from Promotional Office	1,286.82
Special Funds	101.24

Total in Operating Account	\$2,010.16
Disbursements from Operating Account	1,808.59

Balance in Operating Account	\$ 201.57
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Loan Account

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 312.18
Received from Promotional Office	1,170.62
Received as Payments on Notes from Churches	667.10

Total in Loan Account	\$2,149.90
Total Disbursements from Loan Account	540.75

Total in Loan Account to Date	\$1,609.15
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The board has \$1,950.40 owing to the loan account from three of the newly organized churches, plus one lot in East Albany, Georgia, 70 feet wide and 211.32 feet long, lying east and west.

Supplement to Mission Board Report

In complying with the request of the executive committee of the Georgia State Association, and because of the present need of support in Atlanta, we hereby offer a suggested quota for each district association. This suggestion is a supplement of and in addition to the funds received through the unified program. This plan is subject to change in order to comply with our regular system of support of the unified program.

South Georgia	\$750.00
Chattahoochee	350.00
Georgia Union	350.00
Little River	250.00
Union	250.00
Martin	300.00
Midway	750.00

SUPERANNUATION BOARD

We come to you as we have heard in State and National Association not

to laud this work to the sky, but to sound an alarm because our folk are hard to sell on this important place of work. We urge all ministers to bring this phase of the work before their people that we may do more for our aged ministers and their widows.

We have come a short way in doing this for our ministers, because just a few years ago nothing was being done for our old ministers or their widows.

We think if we, as a denomination, could assure our ministers a regular monthly check when they retire or get disabled it would be a great encouragement to them.

We would like to remind you that ministers between the age of 20 and 55 can get an endowment policy for maturity at 65 or 70 through the National Board of Superannuation by writing Mrs. K. V. Shutes, 323 E. Street, Thomaston, Georgia. The minister will pay half and his church or the superannuation board the other half, if the money is available.

Father's Day is national superannuation Sunday. We wish every church would receive and offering on that day and send one half to the National Superannuation Board, Mrs. K. V. Shutes, treasurer, and half to the state treasurer, J. W. Clower, R.F.D., Arlington, Georgia.

We have ten that we are sending superannuation checks to, and are adding two new ones at this meeting.

Motion made, seconded and carried that we give Mrs. A. J. Kelley \$25.00 per month when the money is available.

The Florida State Association has offered their camp ground to the National Superannuation Board for homes and cottages for the aged ministers and their families. Motion made, seconded and carried that the State Board of Superannuation of Georgia Free Will Baptists endorse this very worthy project.

Financial Report

Received from State Unified Program	\$1,392.35
Martin Association	31.00
Midway Association	80.00

Total	\$1,503.35
Amount in Treasurer November, 1958	93.86

Grand Total	\$1,597.21
Paid Out	1,312.10

Amount in Treasurer November 1, 1959	\$ 285.11
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Superannuates received the following amounts:

Rev. A. C. McKinnon	\$ 137.50
Rev. or Mrs. J. C. Coleman	117.50
Mrs. J. B. Harris	137.50
Rev. E. C. Williams	137.50

Rev. S. E. Bowen	137.50
Rev. C. J. Harvey	92.50
Rev. E. L. Paulk Sr.	137.50
Rev. Tom Henry	137.50
Rev. A. B. Ard	137.50
Mrs. H. J. Kelley	137.50
Exchange on Checks	2.10

Total Paid Out\$1,312.10

Since our last association we have lost one of our superannuates, Brother W. C. Coleman.

Rev. K. V. Shutes, *Chairman*
 Rev. James Pelt
 Brother O. B. Everson
 Brother J. W. Clower

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

We, your nominations committee, recommend the following to fill the vacancies on the various standing boards and serve as general officers of the association:

Mission Board: Rev. Chester Huckaby, South Georgia, 1963; Rev. L. E. Sheffield, Little River, 1961; Rev. Mance Cason, Union, 1963; Rev. B. W. Clenny, Martin, 1963.

Christian Education: Rev. J. M. Cobb, South Georgia, 1963; Rev. J. R. Davidson, Chattahoochee, 1961; Rev. Charles Clark, Georgia Union, 1963; Rev. Larry Williams, Little River, 1963.

Board of Trustees: Willima E. McElberry, Chattahoochee, 1961; Oscar Brunson, Martin, 1963; Jessie Griffin, Midway, 1963; Horace Hobbs, Georgia Union, 1961; Henry Eason, South Georgia, 1963.

Camp Board: Martin Murkerson, Midway, 1963; Rev. W. A. Olds, Chattahoochee, 1963; T. B. Ethridge, Georgia Union, 1963.

Credentials Committee: Rev. T. B. Mellette, Rev. Paul Long, B. Houston.

Trustee for Alabama Children's Home: Curtis Gay.

Bible College Commission: Jack Faison, J. B. Lovering, Tom Hamilton.

Committee to Study Feasibility of Merging Camp Board and Board of Christian Education: Rev. T. B. Mellette, Rev. E. C. Morris, Rev. Odel Harris, Mrs. Lola Hand, Rev. B. W. Clenny.

General Officers: Rev. C. R. Houston, moderator; Rev. Damon Dodd, assistant moderator; Rev. S. T. Shutes, clerk; Rev. J. B. Lovering, assistant clerk; Rev. E. C. Morris, promotional secretary.

Respectfully submitted,
 Rev. Tom Hamilton
 Rev. T. B. Mellette
 Rev. Martin Murkerson
 Rev. J. R. Davidson

ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE

The allocations committee wishes to submit the following report:

Whereas, the need of the denomination is great on the national and local level, needs are just as great, and

Whereas, we are in sympathy with the national work and the local program, and

Whereas, a large percentage of the giving to the denominational enterprises is designated, and

Whereas, the State Association program is impeded due to insufficient finances,

We recommend that after the operational expenses of the state promotional department have been deducted as follows: 35% to the national co-operative program of the National Association of Free Will Baptists, and 65% to remain in the state and be allocated as follows: National superannuation, 5%; state superannuation, 20%; state missions, 38%; children's home at Elridge, Alabama, 6%; state education, 6%.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Paul Irvin, Chairman
Rev. K. V. Shutes
John Cannon
C. A. Williman
Mrs. J. W. Franks

Constitution

PREAMBLE

The Sunday school of the Free Will Baptist churches of Georgia, do hereby ordain this constitution for the purpose of advancing every phase of the Sunday school endeavors as set forth herein.

Article I. The name of this convention shall be known as the State Sunday School Convention of Georgia Free Will Baptists.

Article II. The purpose of this convention shall be to secure co-operation and unity of action and to promote every phase of the Sunday school work as represented by the Sunday school cause of the denomination.

Article III. The convention shall be composed by delegates and ministers from the district and local Sunday schools. Delegates to be worked out as may be provided for in the bylaws which may be drafted by this body.

Article IV. The officers of this body shall be a president, vice-president, recording secretary and treasurer and such other officers as may be provided for from time to time. Standing, temporary or session committees may be considered officers of the body while serving.

Article V. The executive committee may consist of all the standing officers with the addition of others as the body may deem wise and proper.

Article VI. The convention may be financed by means which may be worked out from time to time and included in the bylaws.

Article VII. All standing officers shall be elected annually at the close of the convention session, and the installation of newly elected officers to be the last item on the program each year.

Article VIII. The convention shall convene on second Saturday in June each year, unless otherwise arranged.

Article IX. The program of the convention will consist of items as may be arranged by a program committee, and the usual order of business as of any deliberative body.

Bylaws

ARTICLE 1, DUTIES OF OFFICERS:

Section 1, President: It shall be the duty of the president to preside over each session, preserve order, govern the body according to established parliamentary usage, and appoint all temporary committees and substitute officers. The president shall also be a member of any chairman of the executive committee.

Section 2, Vice-President: It shall be the duty of the vice-president to serve in the full capacity of the president when the president is absent. The vice-president shall be a member of the executive committee.

Section 3, Secretary-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the secretary-treasurer to take minutes of all proceedings and read them for approval, and

to record and to keep all money and pay for whatever the convention elects to pay; also the secretary-treasurer shall deliver to his or her successor all records and money. The secretary-treasurer shall be a member of the executive committee and shall serve as clerk of the executive committee.

Section 4, *Assistant Secretary-Treasurer*: It shall be the duty of the assistant secretary-treasurer to take the place of the secretary-treasurer when he or she is absent. The assistant secretary-treasurer shall be a member of the executive committee.

Section 5, *Ex-Officio Members*: The president shall be an ex-officio member of all committees of the convention.

ARTICLE 2, VOTING:

Section 1: All questions coming before the convention shall be decided by a majority vote, in case of a tie, the president shall vote.

Section 2: Voting shall be restricted to all officers of the convention—Ministers, superintendents and delegates from each district convention, also each Sunday school.

Section 3: Each district convention shall be entitled to five delegates. Each Sunday school two delegates.

ARTICLE 3, DUES:

Each district convention shall send \$5.00 to the convention. Each Sunday school shall send \$1.00 to the convention.

ARTICLE 4, AMENDMENTS:

Any amendments to this constitution and bylaws may be secured by two-thirds majority vote, provided such an amendment has been presented to the executive committee 90 days before the date of the convention, and has been approved by the executive committee.

Georgia State Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention

MORNING SESSION

The Georgia State Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention held its annual meeting at Camp Mt. Bethel at Ashburn, Georgia, on June 13, 1959.

Rev. W. A. Olds led in singing the opening hymn.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. B. Lovering.

Devotional was presented by Larry Powell of Thompson Free Will Baptist Church. The Scripture was taken from the twelfth chapter of Romans.

Mr. G. C. King gave the welcome.

A digest committee was appointed and the delegates from each church and district presented their reports.

The president appointed the nominating committee consisting of one from each association.

The congregation was divided into the different classes for the workshops.

After a short recess, the congregation was reassembled in the auditorium.

Rev. Durward Long delivered the morning message taken from Joshua 13:1.

An offering was received of \$108.96 for the lunch expense.

Then we were dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Rev. W. A. Olds led the congregation in an opening hymn.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Chester Huckaby.

Special music was rendered by a quartet from White Oaks Church.

A talk was given by Rev. Mance Cason on, "The Responsibilities of the Sunday School Officers."

A talk was given by Dr. L. C. Johnson on, "The Church Using the Sunday School."

The president opened the business session with prayer offered by Bro. Walton Sloan.

The following report of the digest committee was given by Horace Flemmings:

We, the digest committee, find 5 district conventions and 28 Sunday schools reporting with total dues amounting to \$72.00. From the reports sent in for the past year, we find a total enrollment of 1,604 and a total average attendance of 1,157, with the total offering amounting to \$9,025.70.

H. L. Knighton
Douglas Murphy
Horace Flemmings

It was moved and carried that this report be accepted.

After a discussion on the report blanks, a move was made that the report blanks that were used in this convention (1959) be put in minutes as a partial report.

The minutes were read and adopted.

A motion was carried that the executive committee get together and delete or add in any necessary items that need be on the report blanks for the next year. It was also carried in that motion that the committee meet with the promotional secretary and cut the stencil and run the report blanks off so the secretary could mail one to each Sunday school.

It was moved and carried that the constitution and bylaws be published in the state minutes and let the convention pay its expense.

It was moved and carried that a committee be appointed to revise the constitution and bylaws and present it in the next convention. A committee was appointed which was Rev. H. L. Knighton, Rev. J. B. Lovering and Rev. W. A. Olds.

There was a move and second that we give the camp board a rising vote of thanks for their efforts that were put forth for the convention.

It was moved and carried that the following report of the nominating committee be received by acclamation:

President, Rev. J. B. Lovering; vice-president, Rev. W. L. Amerson; secretary and treasurer, Miss Joan Marlowe; assistant secretary and treasurer, Larry Powell.

Rev. E. C. Morris led in the installation service.

Announcements were made and we were dismissed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Shirley Clenney, Secretary

FINANCIAL REPORT

Received from District Conventions:

Chattahoochee Association	\$ 5.00
Martin Association	5.00
Midway Association	5.00
Union Association	5.00
South Georgia Association	5.00

Received from Local Sunday Schools:

Chattahoochee Association

White Oak	\$ 1.00
First Church of Columbus	1.00
Thomaston	2.00

Martin Association

Bellview	\$ 2.00
Mother's Home	3.00
New Salem	1.00

Mt. Gilead	2.00
<i>Midway Association</i>	
Patmos	\$ 2.00
Macedonia	1.00
Blakely	2.00
Cedar Springs	2.00
Jakin	2.00
Bainbridge	2.00
First Church of Albany	1.00
<i>Union Association</i>	
Midway	\$ 1.00
Bay	1.00
<i>Little River Association</i>	
Cool Springs	\$ 5.00
Corinth	1.00
Ozias	5.00
First Church at Tifton	2.00
<i>Georgia Union Association</i>	
Bethlehem	\$ 1.00
New Ebenezer	1.00
Pine Level	2.00
<i>South Georgia Association</i>	
Pine Level	\$ 1.00
Oak Hill	1.00
Total	\$72.00
Balance on Hand	3.18
Total	\$75.18
<i>Disbursements</i>	
Rev. E. C. Morris for Printing of Minutes	\$30.00
Total Receipts	\$75.18
Total Disbursements	30.00
Balance on Hand	\$45.18

REPORT BLANK TO BE USED FOR ANNUAL STATE SUNDAY
SCHOOL CONVENTION

Free Will Baptist Church in the _____
Association, in _____ County, to the Georgia State Sunday School
Convention, which convenes with the _____ at
or near _____. Date _____, 196_____.

GENERAL REPORT OF S. S.: No. Enrolled _____; Av. Att. _____;
No. Officers, Teachers _____; No. Depts. _____; Amt. Offerings \$ _____;
Supt. _____, Address _____;
Sec. _____, Address _____.

NURSERY DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

BEGINNERS' DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

PRIMARY DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

JUNIOR DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

INTERMEDIATE DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

SENIOR DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPT.: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

ADULT DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

EXTENSION DEPT. SECTION: No. Depts. _____; No. Enrolled, Last Year
_____, This Year _____; Present Av. Att. _____; Quarterly or Litera-
ture Used _____.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT: Amount Paid for S. S. Literature
\$ _____; Amount Paid for S. S. Supplies \$ _____; Other Causes
Not Listed \$ _____; Total Expenditure \$ _____.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SECTION: No. of Classes _____; No. of
Teachers and Workers _____; No. Enrolled _____; Average
Attendance _____.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

for

THE GEORGIA STATE LEAGUE CONVENTION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

We, the leagues of the Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Georgia, desiring to promote the cause of Jesus Christ as represented by our denomination, and to put the "Kingdom of God First," do establish and ordain the constitution and bylaws.

Constitution

ARTICLE I

NAME: This organization shall be known as the Georgia State League Convention of the Original Free Will Baptists of the State of Georgia.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE: The purpose of this convention shall be to promote the general welfare of the Free Will Baptist leagues throughout the state of Georgia and to assist the pastors in enlisting the youth of their churches in active Christian service.

ARTICLE III

OFFICERS: The officers of this convention shall be president, vice-president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer, sword drill leader, who shall be elected annually at the close of each session.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP: Section 1. Who shall be eligible: Any Free Will Baptist District League Convention and the general league of the local church in the state of Georgia.

Section 2. Delegates, how elected. Each district league and the general league of the local church shall elect its delegates from its own number.

Section 3. Delegates, number: Each district league convention shall be entitled to ten (10) delegates, and the general league of each local church one (1) delegate. All ordained ministers shall be members of the State League Convention.

ARTICLE V

MEETINGS: This convention shall hold its regular annual meeting on the day following Thanksgiving at such a place as may be provided for by the convention in session.

ARTICLE VI

COMMITTEES: Section 1. Executive: The executive committee of this convention shall be composed of the officers of this convention.

Section 2. Program: The executive committee shall arrange the programs.

Section 3. Publicity: This shall be a committee of one (1), the corresponding secretary.

Section 4. Digest: The digest committee shall be composed of three (3) whose duty it shall be to receive the reports and finance from the district league conventions and the general leagues representing, and to furnish a digest of the reports to the convention.

Section 5. Special: This convention or its president may appoint a digest and nominating committee and as many special committees as necessity may demand.

Section 6. The nominating committee shall be composed of one member from each district league convention, whose duty it shall be to furnish the convention with the names of nominees for the various officers of the State League Convention.

ARTICLE VII

REPORTS: Each district league convention shall be requested to make a written report to this convention on a blank furnished by same.

ARTICLE III

AMENDMENTS: Any amendment to this constitution and bylaws may be secured by a two-thirds majority vote of the convention, provided such an amendment be presented at least one hour before taken under consideration.

ARTICLE VIII

FINANCE: Section 1. Each district league convention holding membership in this convention shall make an annual contribution of \$10.00, and each general league \$2.00, to be used to carry on the general work of the convention.

Bylaws

ARTICLE I

DUTIES OF OFFICERS: Section 1. President: It shall be the duty of the president to preside over each session, preserve order, govern the body according to established parliamentary usage and appoint all temporary committees. He shall have the power to declare any office vacant, temporarily, subject to the approval of either the executive committee or the convention.

Section 2. Vice-President: It shall be the duty of the vice-president to serve in the full capacity of president when the president is absent.

Section 3. Recording Secretary: The recording secretary shall keep an accurate record of all transactions of the executive committee and the convention and preserve the same, keep all valuable documents and surrender same to his successor in office.

Section 4. Corresponding Secretary: The corresponding secretary shall

be a medium of contact between the convention and all state and national officers, and shall handle all correspondence of the convention.

Section 5. Treasurer: The record of all bills of the convention shall be kept by the treasurer and paid out by him only by order of the convention or the executive committee.

Section 6. The work of the executive committee shall be the same as that of the convention when the convention is not in session. It shall have authority to call extra sessions when such becomes necessary. It shall have the authority to suspend any officer of the convention when he or she proves a failure on official duties, proves non-Christian in conduct, or in any way acts detrimental to the general welfare of the work of the convention, and shall have the right to fill the vacancy; also fill vacancies caused by other reasons. Officers thus appointed shall hold office until the next regular session of the convention. The executive committee shall be composed of the president, vice-president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer and sword drill leader.

Section 7. Ex-Officio Member: The president shall be ex-officio member of all committees of the convention.

Section 8. Program Committee: The executive committee shall arrange the program for each session of the convention, building the program around these that may be suggested by the National League Board secretary.

Section 9. Publicity Committee: The publicity committee shall give due publicity to all activities of the convention. The church papers, state and county newspapers, city newspapers, and others should be used as mediums of advertising the work of the convention.

ARTICLE II

VOTING: Delegates from all district and general leagues, that are members of the convention, officers of the convention and ministers shall have the right to vote. All questions coming before the convention shall be decided by the majority.

Minutes of the Georgia State League Convention

MORNING SESSION

The Georgia State League Convention for the year of 1959, held its annual meeting November 27. The convention convened at Camp Mt. Bethel near Ashburn, Georgia.

The convention was opened with Bro. Jake Craft conducting the song service. Rev. Tom Hamilton led in prayer.

President Charles Clark gave a hearty welcome to everyone.

The devotion was presented by Rev. Larry Powell.

A digest committee was appointed consisting of: Rev. Tom Hamilton, Mance Cason and W. L. Amerson.

The minutes of the last convention were read and adopted.

Bro. Jake Craft led the congregation in another hymn.

Mary Sloan, the Bible sword drill delegate to the National League Convention of 1959, gave us a report. She was the only Georgian who attended.

The congregation sang several hymns which were followed by Rev. Paul Long leading in prayer.

Following this an offering was received.

A partial report of the digest committee was read by Bro. Tom Hamilton. It was moved and carried to accept the partial report and to seat all the delegates.

Other committees were appointed as the following:

Nominating: Rev. C. A. Huckaby (South Georgia), Mrs. J. W. Franks (Little River), Louis Sheffield (Chattahoochee), Walter Sloan (Union), W. L. Amerson (Georgia Union), Larry Powell (Martin), Pauline Bruner (Midway).

Finance: Rev. Paul Long, Bro. Moore, Elaine Hobbs.

Resolutions: Bro. K. V. Shutes, Bro. Bobby Childree, Mrs. E. C. Morris.

In the absence of Shirley Clenny, who was to present the special music, the congregation sang, "I Will Sing the Wondrous Story."

Rev. Milton Worthington brought the morning message. His text was taken from 2 Chronicles 5:17, using, "Do You Know Jesus," as his subject.

Bro. King and Bro. Mellette resigned as members of the camp board. Bro. Hamilton has been elected vice-chairman of the camp board.

We were dismissed for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with Brother Jake Craft leading the song service. Mrs. Worthington led us in prayer.

The afternoon devotion was presented by Bro. A. C. Trulock.

The Bible sword drill was conducted by Miss Glenda Etheridge. The winners were announced: First place, Glenda Tully (Juniors), and Lavern Elrod (Intermediates); second place, Bettie Bundy (Juniors), and Sharon Hand (Intermediates).

Reports from the digest, resolutions, finance and nominating committees were read and adopted. The officers were elected by acclamation.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the camp board for their hospitality during the session.

It was moved and seconded that we meet here at Camp Mt. Bethel next year. Also that the state league would take care of their own expenses.

A committee was appointed to see if we are ready for the National League Convention to convene with us, consisting of: Bro. Mellette (Midway), Bro. Morris (Little River), Bro. Amerson (Georgia Union), Emmitt McDuffie (South Georgia), Bro. Sloan (Union), Bro. K. V. Shutes (Chattahoochee) and Bro. Paul Long (Martin).

Mrs. J. W. Franks was in charge of the installation services.

We were adjourned with the thought to convene here again next year in November.

Respectively submitted,
Elouise Edmonds, Secretary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE

The finance committee reports as follows:

Balance Brought Forward from 1958	\$ 70.25
Dues from Local Churches and District Conventions	115.00
Collection	34.00
Total Income	\$219.25
Recommend to be paid out:	
Minutes	\$ 20.00
President	10.00
Secretary	10.00
College Kitchen Campaign	25.00
Camp Board	56.00
Report Blanks to Be Printed	15.00
Two Sword Drill Contestants to National Convention	20.00
Gift for Four Winners	15.00
Total Disbursements	\$171.00
Balance in Treasury	\$ 48.25

Paul Long
Ronnie Moore
Elaine Hobbs

NOMINATING

We, your nominating committee, submit the following:

President.....	Charles Clark
Vice-President.....	Larry Powell
Treasurer.....	Louis Sheffield Jr.
Recording Secretary.....	Elouise Edmonds
Corresponding Secretary.....	Lavern Elrod
Sword Drill Leader.....	Mrs. Malone Cobb
Pianist.....	Martha Jean Everson
Chorister.....	Russel L. Horm

C. A. Huckaby
Louis E. Sheffield Jr.
Larry Powell
W. L. Amerson
Walter Sloan
Pauline Bruner
Mrs. J. W. Franks

RESOLUTIONS

For the year of 1959, State League Convention, we, your committee on resolutions, submit the following:

Resolved:

1. That the secretary of State League Convention send report blanks to the churches before the convention, so that we may have uniform reports.
2. That we use as many young folk on the program and committees as possible.
3. That we accept the report blanks recommended by the president, with any improvements he and the secretary wish to put in them.
4. That we give a rising vote of thanks to the camp board and all committee workers for the hospitality we have enjoyed.
5. That we pay as much as possible of the winning sword drillers expenses to the National League Convention each time the National League meets.

K. V. Shutes
Mrs. E. C. Morris
Bobby Childree

DIGEST

We, the digest committee, submit the final report:

Districts

Martin—\$10.00; Larry Powell. Chattahoochee—\$10.00; Ronnie Kelby, Helen Rodgers, Deborah Shutes, Helen Tomlin, Louis Sheffield, Nannie L. Rodgers, Cassie Moore, Ann Moore, Gail Moore. Midway—Gwen Griffin, Joyce McCorkle, Pauline Bruner, Steve Dunning, Julian Houston, Grady Etheridge Jr., Robert Earl Chandler, Martha Jean Everson, Benny Steerman, Harold Still. Little River—\$10.00; Harvey Hamilton, Sandra Dean, Pat Shef-

field, Billy Wayne Causey, Harlene Robertson, Mrs. J. W. Franks, Mrs. Larry Williams, Laverne Allen, E. C. Morris, Barbara Ann Robertson. Union—\$10.00; Mary Sloan, Walter Sloan. Georgia Union—\$10.00; Russel Horn, Wayne Moore. South Georgia—\$10.00; Lavoda Huckaby, Sharron Hand, Dent Purcell.

Churches

Colquitt—\$2.00; Mrs. Paul Long. Ozias—\$2.00; Timalee Mizell. Blake-ly—\$2.00; Russel Wood. Thompson—\$2.00; Gail Powell. Macedonia—\$2.00; Mrs. Ida Tabb. Bay—\$2.00; Curtis Gay. Greenwood—\$3.00; Odis Singelton. New Salem—\$2.00; Glenda Wells. Corinth—\$2.00; Dianne Franks. Double Branch—\$2.00; T. B. Etheridge. Midway—\$2.00; Otis Elrod. Pine Level—\$2.00; Ronnie Moore. Turner Chapel—\$2.00; Nannie L. Rodgers. White Plains—\$2.00; Lawson Murkerson. First Tifton—\$2.00; Melba Jean Graham. First Free Will Baptist—\$2.00; No Delegate. Emmanuel—\$2.00; Louis Sheffield. Patmos—\$2.00; Joyce Sheffield. Travelers' Rest—\$2.00; No Delegate. Live Oak—\$2.00; Matilda Sanders.

Tom Hamilton
Mance Cason
Bill Amerson

Minutes of the Georgia State Woman's Auxiliary Convention

NOVEMBER 10, 1959

Proceedings of the twenty-third session of the Georgia Woman's State Auxiliary Convention, Macedonia Church, Colquitt, Georgia.

Theme: "Answering Calvary's Call." Hymn: "Jesus Calls Us." Scripture Thought: "If any man will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me" (Matthew 16:24).

MORNING SESSION

The twenty-third session of the Woman's State Auxiliary Convention opened with singing, "Jesus Calls Us," directed by Mrs. Martha Everson with Pauline Bush at the piano.

After singing this hymn, the president, Mrs. M. G. Shiver, prayed for guidance throughout the day.

The devotional was given by Mrs. J. W. Franks of Tifton, Georgia.

Mrs. S. T. Shutes of the Macedonia Church, welcomed the group. Mrs. Shiver responded.

Report of credentials committee was given by Mrs. J. B. Lovering, chairman, and was accepted along with Mrs. Lovering personal report. (See report.)

All delegates and visitors were recognized. (See registration committees report.)

The president asked the body to grant her permission to ask Mrs. Roy Lanier to act as recording secretary in absence of the secretary, and in Mrs. Lovering's eye trouble case. Permission was granted.

Recommendations from the executive committee were read, along with work done by the committee. These were accepted. (See report.) Recommendations to be adopted with resolutions report.

Minutes of 1958 session were read and approved as read.

Committees were named by the president. (See reports for names.)

Nominating committee was elected. (See report for names.)

Individual reports were given by:

President, Mrs. M. G. Shiner, "Following Jesus Through Leadership."

Vice-President, Mrs. Hoytt Sheffield, "Following Jesus Through Enlistment."

In absence of the youth chairman, Mrs. James Pelt, the president, Mrs. Shiner, presented Rev. Burkette Raper, president of Mt. Olive Junior College. He spoke on the challenge our youth gives us today.

The Chorus, "Every Day with Jesus," was sung.

An offering was taken.

The president presented the speaker for the morning, Rev. Sammy Wilkinson, missionary to Brazil, leaving December 16. Rev. Wilkinson stirred our hearts as he showed us the difference in being God's servant and God's Son.

Announcements covering the noon meal were made by the pastor of the church, Rev. C. R. Houston, and the session was adjourned with prayer by Bro. C. R. Houston until 1:00 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The song, "Footsteps of Jesus," was sung by the congregation. Prayer by Rev. Homer Willis.

Personal report of study course chairman, Mrs. Steve Bush, "Following Jesus Through Study," was given and accepted.

The secretary read a written report by the personal service chairman, Mrs. Ralph Lightsey.

The president challenged each one to search the heart to see what good stewards we were as a special offering was taken for Rev. and Mrs. Sammy Wilkinson.

Mrs. Louis Sheffield, corresponding secretary, gave a personal report "Answering the Call By Writing."

Treasurer's reports were given along with a personal report by Mrs. O. B. Everson. The reports of the treasurer were accepted. (See report.)

Mrs. O. B. Everson gave a report on highlights of the National Convention.

Report of the registration committee was given and accepted. (See report.)

The secretary read a letter from Eldridge, Alabama, Free Will Baptist Children's Home, thanking all auxiliary members for the new typewriter given to the home.

The report of the resolution committee was given and accepted. Each of the 16 resolutions was adopted separately. (See report.)

Resolution number 17 was submitted from the floor and adopted. (See report.)

There was a motion made for envelopes to be stamped before given to state officers. Motion carried.

The secretary read a personal report from Mrs. J. B. Rice, recording secretary. It was accepted. Also the recording secretary's report.

The report of the finance committee was given and their recommendations were adopted one at a time. (See resolution numbers 18, 19,).

Delegates volunteered for National Convention were:

Mrs. J. M. Cobb, Mrs. Hoyt Sheffield, Mrs. E. C. Morris, Mrs. John Marlowe, Mrs. Kelly.

The president asked if anyone else went to please register until 10 delegates were registered for Georgia.

Nominating committee's report was given and accepted. All officers elected by acclamation.

The president presented Mrs. Sammy (June) Wilkinson who rendered an inspiring message, "Following Jesus in Other Lands," using the Scripture, John 8:10. She gave a personal testimony how the Lord called her while in high school. They count it a privilege to go to the foreign field. Calvary's call is to put all your problems under the blood. She asked that we pray, pray, pray, that they'll be faithful in God's work.

Mrs. Shutes conducted an inspiring installation service. Prayer of consecration by Rev. Sammy Wilkinson. As song, "Ready," was sung, all bade Rev. Sammy and June Wilkinson farewell with a fellowship of handshakes.

The twenty-third session of the Georgia State Woman's Auxiliary Convention was brought to a close as Rev. Joe Fort of Ayden, North Carolina, offered prayer.

REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

1. There were four district conventions and two local auxiliaries with reports, dues and delegates.

2. 1958-1959 State Executive Committies Report

There were three executive committee meeting held during 1958-1959. One at Tifton, January 17; one at Mt. Bethel, June 18; and one at Macedonia, Colquitt, November 10.

During the year the president tried to call the meetings at time when all officers could be present.

a. There were \$25.00 paid to buy gifts for national officers Mrs. Laverne Milev and Mrs. Luther Sanders who are going to the mission field.

b. Fifty dollars was given Mrs. Rufus Coffey, national vice-president, for expense to speak at state workshop.

c. Fifty-five dollars was paid to camp board for expense of state workshop.

d. Ten dollars was given to Mt. Olive College in appreciation of printing programs at workshop.

e. Set up goal for personal service committee of buying a typewriter for the Children's Home in Eldridge, Alabama.

The typewriter was purchased for \$147.16. Donations by auxiliary \$129.50. Rev. Ralph Lightsey paid \$18.11. The typewriter was a large office type. The auxiliary reimbursed Rev. Lightsey for the amount he paid.

See resolution number 1 through 4 for committees recommendation.

Mrs. J. B. Rice, Recording Secretary

3. Nominating Committee Report

We, the nominating committee, submit the following names as officers for 1959-1960 of the Georgia State Woman's Auxiliary:

a. President, Mrs. M. G. Shiver, Elmodel, Georgia

- b. Vice-President, Mrs. K. Shutes, 323 E. Street, Thomaston, Georgia
- c. Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Clower, Arlington, Georgia
- d. Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Roy Lanier, Leary, Georgia
- e. Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Louis Sheffield, Pearson, Georgia
- f. Treasurer, Mrs. Billy Houston, 1804 West Broad Avenue, Albany, Georgia
- g. Field Secretary, Mrs. E. C. Morris, Tifton, Georgia
- h. Youth Chairman, Mrs. J. W. Franks, Route 4, Tifton, Georgia
- i. Study Course Chairman, Mrs. J. M. Cobb, Baxley, Georgia
- j. Stewardship—Prayer Chairman, Mrs. Mance Cason, Moultrie, Georgia
- k. Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. B. W. Clenny, Colquitt, Georgia
- l. Loan Fund Committee, Mesdames, B. W. Clenny, E. C. Morris, J. W. Franks
- m. Mission Board Committee, Mrs. Hoyt Sheffield, Blakely, Georgia

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. J. W. Clower, Midway District; Mrs. Ruby Wells, Chattahoochee District; Mrs. J. M. Cobb, South Georgia District; Mrs. J. W. Franks, Little River District; Mrs. L. Murphy, Union District; Mrs. Effie Kimbrell, Martin District.

4. Treasurer's Report

1. STEWARDSHIP OF POSSESSIONS:

Number of Auxiliary Members Contributing to Missions	334
Number of Tithers on Roll at Beginning of Convention Year	179
Number of Tithers as Result of Stewardship Study Courses	5
Number of New Tithers This Convention Year	22
Present Number of Tithers	176

2. FINANCIAL REPORT

Amount of Offering Sent to W. N. A. C. Co-Laborer Fund	\$ 291.65
Amount of Easter Offering for Foreign Missions	298.25
Amount of Thanksgiving Offering for State Home Missions	159.50
Amount of Christmas Offering for National Home Missions	82.94
Cash Gifts to Orphanage	287.84
Value of Boxes to Orphanage	634.56
Cash Gifts to F. W. B. College	592.28
Total Gifts to Missions Sent to W. N. A. C. Treasurer This Convention Year by Women's Auxiliary	744.70
By G. T. A.'s	45.00
By Y. P. A.'s	43.00
Cash Gifts to Aged Ministers	44.00
Total Per Capita Representation Fee Sent to W. N. A. C. Treasurer This Convention Year by Woman's Auxiliary	165.80
By Y. P. A.'s (14-18)	0
Total Amount Spent for Auxiliary Literature	542.13

Total Amount Spent This Convention Year for Local Church	
Activities	5,817.33
Total Amount Sent for Unified Program	110.70
Total Amount Sent for Dot Harvey Loan Fund	153.50
Total Amount Sent for State Workshop	110.50
Others	357.03

Mrs. O. B. Everson, *Treasurer*

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Designated Funds Received and Paid Out by State Treasurer:

Co-Laborer Fund	\$ 234.60
Foreign Missions	196.39
National Missions	152.53
F. W. B. Bible College	97.45
Memorial Student Loan Fund	1.60
W. N. A. C. Project. (\$15.00 on Current Project)	384.25
Pastor D. Dorairaj, Salary	149.62
Dot Harvey Loan Fund	139.50
State Missions	99.41
Children's Home	70.30
Superannuation	22.94
Unified Program	106.40
Youth Auxiliaries Project.	15.00
State Workshop	105.00
N. A. E. (World Day of Prayer Offering)	2.00
Sammy and June Wilkinson Fund	40.00
Typewriter for Orphanage	57.05
 Total	 \$1,850.54

GENERAL TREASURY

Receipts:

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 95.87
Transferred from Workshop Offering	11.14
1959 Convention Dues	165.80
 Total Receipts	 \$ 272.81

Disbursements:

Bond for Treasurer	\$ 12.50
Gifts for Mrs. Miley and Mrs. Sanders	25.00
Gift to Mt. Olive Junior College	10.00
Charges on Returned Check25
Exchange on Checks	1.64
 Total Disbursements	 \$ 49.39
Total Receipts	\$ 272.81

Total Paid Out 49.39

Balance in Treasury November 10, 1959 \$ 223.42

Mrs. O. B. Everson, Treasurer

5. Registration Committee's Report

This convention shall be composed of the state officers with the field secretary and president of each district convention and five delegates from each district with one delegate from each local.

Executive Committee of Georgia Woman's Auxiliary Present

President.....Mrs. M. G. Shiver
Vice-President.....Mrs. Hoyt Sheffield
Assistant Recording Secretary.....Mrs. J. B. Lovering
Corresponding Secretary.....Mrs. Louis Sheffield
Study Course Chairman.....Mrs. Steve Bush
Treasurer.....Mrs. O. B. Everson

Missionaries 2
Delegates 29
State Officers 6
Visitors 54
Ministers 19

Total 110

Districts as Registered

Midway 42
South Georgia 5
Little River 3
Chattahoochee 6
Union 6
Martin 8
Midway Local 2

Total 72

6. Resolutions Committee Report

We, your resolutions committee, make the following recommendation:

Be it resolved:

1. That this convention name a woman to be placed on the State Mission Board of the F. W. B. Association and present this name to the association for consideration.

2. That, this convention elect no state officer unless present at this convention.

3. That a study course be held in each district on filling out reports and achievement charts including individual secretary and treasurer.

4. That each district convention elect a woman to serve on the nominating commission at the annual State Convention. This will insure that women

from each district will study those who are capable of holding a state office.

5. That our convention have a workshop day at camp in 1960, and all incoming years unless decided otherwise in this convention, with the study course chairman in charge. Each auxiliary to send \$5.00 for the expenses of the day and speakers. The date to be set by the executive committee and the camp board.

6. Hereafter the declamations of our youth will be held during the school summer vacation months on a special youth auxiliary fellowship day. The state youth chairman will supervise the day, but the youth will participate in every way possible and the declamations. The day to be set by the executive committee.

7. Each auxiliary follow the denominational calender as near as possible. This will insure the work from the state level more uniform when writing.

8. All district officers send their compiled report to the state officers by November each year.

9. That the auxiliaries in Georgia continue to support Rev. D. Dorairaj, a native missionary in Westfield, Kotagiri, South India. Each auxiliary give at least 60¢ per month or \$7.20 per year.

11. That each local treasurer send all money paid out by her, other than local work, to the district treasurer who shall total the various offerings and send a compiled report with money to the state treasurer before the third of each month.

12. That the state treasurer be bonded for the amount of \$3,000.

13. Since the national woman's auxiliary project is building a mission station in Mexico, we set the goal for Georgia to raise \$600.00 at least, asking God to guide us in our giving as we are blessed. Each district to raise the following:

Chattahoochee	\$100.00
Martin	50.00
South Georgia	200.00
Little River	50.00
Midway	200.00
Midway Local	25.00

Each district to work out their own means of giving. The money to be sent to district treasurer by June 1, 1960.

14. That this convention express appreciation to Rev. and Mrs. Sammy Wilkinson for their inspiring messages today.

15. That we give this church and district a rising vote of thanks for entertaining the State Convention.

16. That we give our president, Mrs. M. G. Shiver, a vote of thanks for preparing our programs for today.

17. Each state officer draw up report blanks for her respective office to be distributed to district officers to develop a closer relationship between state and district officers.

18. Inasmuch as the church in Atlanta, Georgia, our capital city, can mean so much to our denomination, be it resolved that our pre-Christmas weeks of prayer offering (State Missions) be earmarked for the Atlanta Church.

19. Inasmuch as our youth auxiliaries are young in Georgia and cannot support a day for youth fellowship day, be it resolved that each woman's auxiliary in the state send \$5.00 toward the expenses of this day. This offering to be sent in by May 20, 1960.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. H. L. Knighton
Mrs. W. J. Starr
Mrs. Odis Elrod

7. Report of Finance Committee:

Balance in Treasury	\$223.42
Offerings Today	66.89
Total	<u>\$290.31</u>

We recommend the following disbursements:

W. N. A. C. Dues	\$ 41.90
Balance on Typewriter for Children's Home	18.11
Native India Worker's Salary	90.38
The Sammy Wilkinsons	<u>100.00</u>
Total Disbursements	250.39
Balance in Treasury November 11, 1959	<u>\$ 39.92</u>