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REV. J. N. BARNES, *Assistant Moderator* Blakely, Ga.
W. B. GRIFFIN, *Clerk* Leary, Ga.
R. B. PYLE, *Assistant Clerk* Cedar Springs, Ga.
A. D. IVEY, *Treasurer* Jakin, Ga.

Executive Committee

J. F. Griffin, Chairman, Leary, Ga.; Martin W. Still, Blakely, Ga.; J. O. Irvin, Newton, Ga.; L. W. Wiley, Damascus, Ga.; Alvin Day, Blakely, Ga.; G. L. Bryant, Morgan, Ga.; B. Houston, Colquitt, Ga.

List of Ordained Ministers

Rev. W. T. Wiley, Rev. E. C. Williams, Rev. T. B. Melette, Rev. C. C. White,
Rev. J. N. Barnes, Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. J. L. Teddar, Rev. W. H.
Eley, Rev. Cooper Fort, Rev. C. J. Harvey, Rev. C. R. Houston,
Rev. J. B. Lovering, Rev. J. O. Fort, Rev. Calvin Williams,
Rev. H. L. Roberts.

Licentiates

Cecil Strickland Voney Irvin Burdette Dowdney
Paul Irvin E. R. Carrol

Annual Association—Order of Business

First Day's Session, 10 A. M.—

Assembly of body for worship by the moderator.

Worship period conducted by the moderator or assistant moderator, or clerk.

Call for corresponding church letters from churches composing this body.

Appointment of reading clerks by the moderator.

Reading and adoption of all letters and the seating of all delegates,
Which is done by a majority vote of the delegate body.

Recess for the Introductory Message and refreshments.

Afternoon Session—

Devotional services by the moderator, or at his discretion.

Renewal of call for correspondence.

Roll call of ministers.

Call for petitionary letters.

Invitation to visiting brethren from sister associations, and the hand of fellowship by the moderator.

Appointment of committees by the moderator—Devotional, Nominating, Obituaries, Disbursements and Finance.

Appointment of delegates to sister associations as the body may choose.

Miscellaneous business and recess until second day.

Second Day's Session, 9:30 A. M.—

Devotional service as per appointment.

Call to order by the moderator.

Reading, correction and adoption of the first day's minutes.

Renewal of call for correspondence and visitors.

Call for committee reports.

Mid-day service with worship and praise and prayer.

Recess for refreshments.

Afternoon Session—

Devotional—Worship period.

Renewing of call for committee reports.

Reports of Nomination committee, whose duty it is to make selection of place for next session of Association, and Introductory Message.

Report of Finance Committee.

Miscellaneous business.

Election of officers, including the executive committee, etc.

Report of Treasurer.

Appointment of new committees.

Completion of all unfinished business.

Clearing of the clerk's table.

Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-Second Annual Session of the Midway Association met with New Enterprise Church in Seminole County on November the First, 1950. In the absence of the Moderator, Rev. T. B. Melette, the Assistant Moderator, Rev. J. N. Barnes, called the body in session.

The devotion was led by Rev. G. W. Nobles. Pastor of New Enterprise Church. After the devotions the Moderator called for the reports from the churches.

Brothers A. D. Ivey, Alvin Day and C. E. Waddell were appointed on the Finance Committee.

Rev. S. T. Shutes and Rev. J. B. Lovering were asked to read the reports and they read as follows:

Macedonia—Delegates: B. Houston, Mrs. J. E. Tabb, Mrs. O. B. Ever-son, and Mrs. Barto Bailey.

New Light—Delegates: Donnie Drinkwater, Mrs. Ivey Drinkwater, Robert Turner, George Nix, Alex Kimp, Claud Blanton.

Cedar Springs—Delegates: Mrs. E. J. Houston, Mrs. Nina Tolar, R. B. Pyle and wife.

Pine View—Delegates: J. W. Widner and wife, Jim Williams and wife, Mrs. Mollie Davis.

New Enterprise—Delegates: E. B. Ard, C. E. Waddell, A. C. Williams, Henry Barker.

Bethlehem—Delegates: Mrs. Evelyn Jones, E. L. Jones.

Enterprise—Delegates: T. W. Jenkins, P. C. Harrell.

White Plains—Delegates: F. E. Richardson, J. B. Dubose, L. J. White, Mrs. H. B. Paul.

Mt. Zion—Delegates: Mrs. J. W. Clowers, Mrs. L. A. Wiley, N. N. Clowers, Hanniel Swords.

Oak Grove—Delegates: Murom Bundy and wife, Tom Tool, S. F. Boyd, Emory Boyd.

Travelrest—Delegates: Martin Parker, T. L. Edwards, Mrs. Sarah Rhodes, Mrs. Kate Edwards.

Open Pond—Delegates: H. H. Reeves, Mrs. T. G. Pace, J. I. Glass, H. G. Hudson, Mrs. Wilburn Martin.

Blakely—Delegates: J. T. Clark and wife, Alvin Day.

Zion—Delegates: Jimmie Wiley, Gordon Lane, Martin Still, Mrs. J. S. Anderson.

Patmos—Delegates: W. B. Griffin, Mrs. Sallie Woodard, Mrs. Grace Starr.

Live Oak—Delegates: Mrs. Kittie Tyson, Mrs. Duncan Phillips, J. T. Sanders, Mrs. J. M. Etheridge.

White Pond—Delegates: W. C. Infinger, Mallie Cleveland and wife, Lewis Cleveland and wife.

Damascus—Delegates: By letter.

Roll call of ministers—Rev. W. T. Wiley, Rev. E. C. Williams, Rev. J.

N. Barnes, Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. J. L. Tedder, Rev. C. J. Harvey, Rev. C. R. Houston and Rev. J. B. Lovering were present.

Called for visitors of other association—Rev. L. G. Stocks, Rev. B. W. Clenney, Rev. W. H. Horn; Brothers O. B. Everson, W. R. Barber and wife stood from the Martin Association.

Rev. G. W. Nobles from the State Line Association.

Chattahoochee—G. C. King and wife.

Rev. E. C. Morris from the State Association.

Rev. Louis H. Mouldon from the South Georgia.

Rev. E. D. Kirby from the South Carolina Conference.

Rev. K. V. Shutes from the Union Association, and Rev. T. H. Willey from Cuba.

There was a motion and second that they be seated and the Moderator give them a hand of welcome.

Visitors from other denominations were recognized.

The body adjourned for the preaching and noon hour. To meet back at 1:30 o'clock. In the absence of Rev. T. B. Melette, Rev. Louis H. Mouldon from the South Georgia Association preached. His Scripture text was taken from Hebrews 3:1-5, and his subject was *Today*. Everyone seemed to enjoy the truths he brought us. Rev. G. W. Nobles announced dinner would be spread, and invited all to come and partake. Benediction by the Moderator.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The body was called to order as per adjournment. Rev. B. W. Cleney of the Martin Association led the devotions.

Rev. J. B. Lovering asked that the Moderator appoint a committee to collect corn and hay to load a truck in Colquitt, Ga., to be sent to the Orphan's home at Eldridge, Ala. Rev. J. B. Lovering, Jake Craft and Margery Hudson were asked to act.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Obituaries—Rev. C. R. Houston, B. Houston and Mrs. Kate Edwards.

On State of Churches and Character of Ministers—The Executive Committee, which will make their report at the first quarterly session in January.

On Nominating—Rev. C. J. Harvey, Rev. J. L. Tedder and Mrs. Sarah Rhodes.

The Moderator called for reports.

The Treasurer read his report which was adopted. (See report)

Rev. E. C. Morris gave us an outline of the promotional work.

The Committee on Orphans Home asked that each church help in loading the truck. All those helping with cash please get it to him in Colquitt by the 15th of November.

The Moderator appointed the various committees:

On Christian Education—Patmos Church and Pastor.

On Sunday School and League—Oak Grove Church and Pastor.

On Temperance—Cedar Springs Church and Pastor.

It was announced that Rev. T. H. Willey, our missionary to Cuba, would conduct the services at seven o'clock tonight, which he did, by showing us a picture of how his work was carried on in Cuba.

A motion to adjourn till 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning.

Benediction by Rev. H. L. Roberts.

THURSDAY MORNING

The body met according to adjournment.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. J. N. Barnes. A special prayer was asked for Rev. T. B. Melette.

At this time the Clerk read the minutes of the previous day, and they were adopted.

The call was resumed for reports.

Open Pond Church and Pastor read the report on Christian Education. It was discussed by Rev. K. V. Shutes, Rev. T. H. Willey and W. B. Griffin, and was adopted. (See report)

The Committee on Nominations asked that Rev. T. H. Willey bring his picture again Thursday, so the delegates could see it, which he did. Benediction by Rev. T. H. Willey, to meet back at 1:30 o'clock.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The afternoon service was opened with song service led by Rev. S. T. Shutes with devotions by Rev. Chester Pelt.

The call was resumed for reports.

The Obituary Committee read their report which was adopted. (See report)

The Temperance Committee read their report and it was discussed by Rev. S. T. Shutes, Rev. J. N. Barnes, and was adopted. (See report)

The report on Missions was read and discussed by Rev. E. C. Morris and Rev. Chester Pelt, and was adopted. (See report)

The Nominating Committee recommended that the First Quarter of this Association convene with Pine View Church, Miller County, on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in January, 1951. Rev. C. J. Harvey to preach at 11 o'clock, with Rev. J. L. Tedder as his alternate. The second session to meet with Mt. Zion Church, Early County, on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in April, 1951, Rev. J. B. Lovering to preach at 11 o'clock with Rev. E. C. Williams as his alternate. The Third session to meet with White Plains Church, Early County, on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in July, 1951, Rev. S. T. Shutes to preach at 11 o'clock, with Rev. H. L. Roberts as alternate.

The annual session to meet with Macedonia Church, Miller County, on Wednesday and Thursday before the First Sunday in November, 1951, Rev. T. B. Melette to preach at 11 o'clock, with Rev. C. R. Houston as his alternate.

They also recommended that Rev. T. B. Melette be re-elected as Mode-

rator with Rev. J. N. Barnes as his assistant; Rev. S. T. Shutes be elected as Clerk with Vandine Reeves as his assistant, and that Brother A. D. Ivey be re-elected as treasurer. Report was adopted.

The Committee on Sunday School and Leagues read their report. The report was adopted. (See report)

The Program Committee read the subjects to be discussed in each session. For the First Quarter, Evangelism in the Local Church; the Second Quarter, The Pastors Responsibility in Evangelization; the Third Quarter, Evangelizing Church Organizations.

The speakers will be notified in time to prepare a program.

The Finance report was read and adopted. (See report)

Rev. C. J. Harvey, manager of the Camp at Mt. Bethel, is asking someone in every association in Georgia to assist in the collection of food for the camp next summer, and Brother W. B. Griffin was asked to work in the Midway Association. So you may be listening out for him.

Brother W. B. Griffin, B. Houston, L. L. Edwards and C. E. Waddell were appointed as delegates to the State Association.

Brother R. R. Reeves, with Alvin Day as alternate, as delegates to the National Association.

Rev. E. C. Williams and Rev. J. L. Tedder as delegates to the State Line Association.

Rev. H. L. Roberts and Rev. E. C. Williams as delegates to the Southeastern Association, which will meet on Friday and Saturday before the Third Sunday in October, 1951.

Brothers Alvin Day and E. B. Ard as delegates to the Martin Association, which meets on Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1951.

Rev. C. J. Harvey and Rev. J. L. Tedder as delegates to the Chattahoochee Association. To meet with New Bethel Church on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1951.

Rev. C. J. Harvey as delegate to the Union Association to meet on Wednesday and Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1951.

Rev. J. N. Barnes and Rev. E. C. Williams as delegates to the Salam Association that meets on Friday and Saturday before the first Sunday in October, 1951.

Rev. C. J. Harvey to the Georgia Union Association that meets on Friday and Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1951.

There was a motion and second to give New Enterprise Church and community a standing vote of thanks for their hospitality shown us while in their midst, and was carried unanimously.

The body adjourned to meet with Pine View Church on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in January, 1951.

Benediction by Rev. J. L. Tedder.

Rev. J. N. Barnes, *Assistant Moderator*
W. B. Griffin, *Clerk*

<i>Churches</i>	<i>Pastors</i>	<i>Clerks and Addresses</i>	<i>Baptized</i>	<i>Rec'd. by Letter</i>	<i>Dis. by Letter</i>	<i>Expelled</i>	<i>Died</i>	<i>Total Membership</i>	<i>Meeting Days</i>	<i>Paid for Missions</i>	<i>Paid Pastors</i>
Blakely-----	E. C. Morris-----	Mrs. J. S. Yates, Blakely, Ga. -----	4	3	--	--	1	110	1-3	\$58.56	\$ 900.00
Bethlehem-----	W. T. Wiley-----	Mrs. Evelyn Jones, Shellman, Ga. ---	3	--	1	--	2	86	-4	-----	302.50
Cear Springs-----	Ralph Lightsey---	Mrs. A. B. Paul, Hilton, Ga. -----	--	1	3	--	--	70	-1	15.90	-----
Damascus-----	-----	L. W. Wiley, Damascus, Ga. -----	--	--	3	--	1	46	-4	-----	92.22
Enterprise-----	S. T. Shutes-----	Hattie Jenkins, Blakely, Ga. -----	4	--	--	--	2	63	-2	5.00	236.00
New Enterprise---	G. W. Nobles-----	E. B. Ard, Brinson, Ga. -----	6	2	1	--	--	47	-1	-----	280.00
Live Oak-----	H. L. Catrette---	Mrs. Killie Tyson, Leary, Ga. -----	3	1	4	--	--	36	-3	11.28	-----
Macedonia-----	J. B. Lovering---	J. M. Craft, Colquitt, Ga. -----	6	3	1	--	--	90	1-3	18.80	1,119.63
Mt. Zion-----	C. R. Houston-----	Mrs. N. N. Clowers, Arlington, Ga. --	1	--	--	--	1	78	-3	12.00	278.16
New Light-----	W. T. Wiley-----	B. E. Paul, Morgan, Ga. -----	10	--	1	--	2	255	-4	-----	509.00
Pine View-----	J. B. Lovering---	Mrs. Inez Pan, Colquitt, Ga. -----	7	1	1	--	1	75	2-4	6.40	47.00
Open Pond-----	Chester Pelt-----	J. C. Hudson, Jakin, Ga. -----	--	--	3	--	--	130	2-4	32.70	840.00
Oak Grove-----	C. R. Houston-----	Emory Poyd, Colquitt, Ga. -----	12	3	2	--	--	70	-1	20.00	312.35
Patmos-----	C. R. Houston-----	Miss Eloise Griffin, Leary, Ga. -----	3	--	1	--	--	172	2-4	25.00	600.00
Travelers Rest---	H. L. Roberts-----	G. R. Parker, Newton, Ga. -----	14	4	2	--	1	100	-4	-----	380.00
White Plains-----	Ralph Lightsey---	S. A. White, Blakely, Ga. -----	4	--	1	--	1	100	-1	37.61	462.50
White Pond-----	J. N. Barnes-----	Mrs. M. Ezell, Blakely -----	1	5	7	--	--	100	1-3	51.16	230.35
Zion-----	W. T. Wiley-----	Jimmie Wiley, Hilton, Ga. -----	7	--	3	--	2	144	-3	-----	210.00

<i>Churches</i>	SUNDAY SCHOOL		F. W. B. LEAGUE		LADIES AID	PRAYER MEETINGS
	<i>No. on Roll</i>	<i>Avg. Attd.</i>	<i>No. on Roll</i>	<i>Avg. Attd.</i>	<i>No. on Roll</i>	<i>Avg. Attd.</i>
Bethlehem-----	49	25				
Blakely-----	71	55	42	30		23
Cedar Springs----	50	38	45	35	12	
Damascus-----	28	16				6
Enterprise-----	30	18			9	
New Enterprise----	59	40				15
Live Oak-----	38	15				15
Macedonia-----	32	24			11	12
Mt. Zion-----	45	30	70	45	10	25
New Light-----	135	87	75	60		
Open Pond-----	74	37	35	25	18	25
Oak Grove-----	50	30	41	25	20	
Pine View-----					10	
Patmos-----	60	44	60	40	18	
Travelers Rest----	75	50	60	40	25	25
White Plains-----	50	35	65	45		
White Pond-----	70	30	30	28	17	
Zion-----	30	15	25	12	12	

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE NOV. 1, 1950

Blakely	\$ 15.00
Bethlehem	15.00
Cedar Springs	25.00
Damascus	14.00
Enterprise	7.50
New Enterprise	24.00
Live Oak	8.00
Macedonia	15.00
Mt. Zion	24.00
New Light	30.00
Pine View	12.50
Open Pond	12.50
Oak Grove	20.00
Patmos	12.50
Travelers Rest	12.50
White Plains	8.00
White Pond	
Zion	15.00
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	\$268.00

We, your Committee on Finance, recommend that the Association give each Superannuate \$15.00 and pay the State Superannuation Treasurer, \$20.00.

We recommend that the Association pay our Moderator \$15.00, the Clerk \$12.00, and the National Association dues \$5.00, also the State \$10.00.

We recommend that the Association give \$100.00 to youth's camp building programs, and that the Association give the State Women's Auxiliary \$40.00 for promotional work.

A. D. Ivey

C. R. Waddell

Alvin Day

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LEAGUE REPORT

We, your Committee on Sunday School and F. W. B. League, report the following.

Since our last association we note several churches which had neither league or Sunday School have organized Sunday School and Leagues in their churches.

We highly commend these churches for waking up and encouraging their youth in Christian service.

The Sunday School is the teaching department of the church, while the league is the training center of the church. These two departments have

a two-fold task, first win the lost to Christ; second, educate the saved, for Christian service.

Respectfully submitted,

Mt. Zion Church and Pastor

Jesus said in the great commission in Matthew 28:19, "Go ye therefore and disciple all nations." The mission of the church is to make possible the hearing of the Gospel by every kindred, tribe and nation. We, your Committee on Missions, strongly recommend that every F. W. Baptist Church support regularly both financially and prayerfully our mission program at home and abroad.

Blakely F. W. B. Church and Pastor

OBITUARIES

We, your Committee on Obituaries, find since our last session of the Midway Association the grim hand of death has called from us and our churches the following: Blakely 1, Bethlehem 2, Damascus 1, New Enterprise 0, Macedonia 0, New Light 2, Open Pond 0, Patmos 0, White Pond, Zion 2, Cedar Springs 0, Enterprise 2, Live Oak 0, Mt. Zion 1, Pine View 1, Oak Grove 0, Travelers Rest 1, White Plains 1, Total deaths 13.

We sorrow in the passing of these noble souls, but not as those which have no hope in Christ, for we believe that, though they have been taken from our midst, the world has been made better by their lives, and heaven has been made brighter by their death.

Humbly submitted,

Rev. C. R. Houston

B. Houston

Mrs. Kate Edwards

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Committee on Christian Education makes the following report:

A Christian education is education for Christian living. It is centered around the love of Christ. The Christian home is the fundamental base for its beginning and promulgation. Many institutions are temporary, but the family was conceived in the mind of God and brought into being as a permanent institution. The responsibility for the Christian upbringing of our children is clearly set forth in the Bible. When from early childhood one is taught the Word of God around the family altar and by earnest Sunday School teachers and ministers of the Gospel, he draws from it impressions that mold his habits and principles of life and will not depart from such teaching.

We have many active Christian teachers in our public schools, but we also have too many who are counteracting what we are trying to do by taking the attitude that the Church is unimportant, and are thus creating and nourishing a spirit of indifferent aloofness to the church among school children everywhere. We can do something about this by a more careful

selection of our public school teachers. We differ with those who believe that the Bible should not be taught in our public schools. Few people realize that such an idea had its origin in the Catholic Church. They have always consistently opposed and will continue to oppose the free access of the laity to the open Bible and especially its being taught publicly. If there is anything the Catholic Church has hated, it is private judgment. Therefore, they exclude it from the schools where they have influence and from the homes of those who belong to their Church.

During this year one pastors institute was conducted at the Bethel Youth Camp. It is believed that far-reaching results will come from such meetings. We encourage all pastors, if possible, to make a special effort to attend next year. We also believe that each church should back the pastor financially who desires to attend the Camp next year. Three young people's sessions were held there and one Woman's Auxiliary session. As this interest continues, we are sure that great good will be reaped in the state as a whole. We urge the churches to send your children to the camp next year.

For our young people and young ministers, we have the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee, where you can get a full four-year course in Christian Education. If you plan to go into the work of a full time Christian Worker or a full time house-wife and mother, we can think of no better place for you to go for your training, as a Free Will Baptist, than our school in Nashville. We also urge that all churches and ministers give full support to our college with regular financial contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

Open Pond Church and Pastor,

Chester H. Pelt

TEMPERANCE REPORT FOR NEW ENTERPRISE CHURCH

Many things may be said about temperance but we all must learn this much about the word. It means moderation in respect to person or passion and appetite.

So then be temperate in speech, thought and acts. We then can yield the right kind of influence.

May we obey our Church Covenant, for it says: "Abstain from all conformity of evil." Christians will seek the right. We as Christian leaders must seek to help in the fight against not only intoxicating beverages, but all evil."

Written at the request of the clerk.

S. T. Shutes

REPORT OF TREASURER

1949

Nov. 4—Balance brought forward	\$ 72.46
Nov. 4—Received from Association	351.94

1950

Jan. 20—Received from Association	139.00
Feb. 6—Received from Open Pond Church	12.50
April 21—Received from Association	216.00
July 21—Received from Association	163.00
July 21—Received from Association Collection	22.90

Nov. 1—Total received	\$977.80
Nov. 1—Total disbursed	909.35

Total on hand	\$ 68.45
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SINKING FUND

1948	Received	Disbursed
Nov. 4—Balance brought forward	\$43.06	
1950		
July 21—Paid Ladies' Auxiliary		\$20.00
Nov. 1—Balance on hand	\$23.06	

DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER

1949

Nov. 4—Paid Education Account	\$ 25.00
Nov. 4—Paid Foreign Mission	50.00
Nov. 7—Paid Moderator	15.00
Nov. 7—Paid Clerk	12.00
Nov. 7—Paid Rev. W. T. Wiley	15.00
Nov. 7—Paid Rev. E. C. Williams	15.00
Nov. 7—Paid Rev. J. L. Tedder	15.00
Nov. 7—Paid Mrs. J. M. Emanuel	15.00
Nov. 7—Paid State Superannuate Treas.	20.00
Nov. 7—Paid Camp fund	62.50
Nov. 7—Paid S. C. Orphanage	25.00
Nov. 7—Paid Alabama Orphanage	25.00
Nov. 15—Paid Nat. and Midway Asso. dues	15.00

1950

Jan. 20—Paid Rev. E. C. Morris for camp	35.00
Jan. 20—Paid Rev. W. T. Wiley	15.00
Jan. 20—Paid Rev. E. C. Williams	15.00
Jan. 20—Paid Rev. J. L. Tedder	15.00
Jan. 20—Paid Mrs. J. M. Emanuel	15.00
Jan. 20—Paid State Superannuate Treas.	20.00
Jan. 20—Paid Clerk	4.00
Feb. 10—Paid Rev. T. B. Melette, mileage	4.35
Feb. 14—Paid Rev. C. J. Harvey, mileage	6.10

Mar. 18—Paid for Minutes	47.50
April 21—Paid Rev. W. T. Wiley	15.00
April 21—Paid Rev. E. C. Williams	15.00
April 21—Paid Rev. J. L. Tedder	15.00
April 21—Paid Clerk	4.00
April 21—Paid Nat. Foreign Missionary Treas.	25.00
April 21—Paid Camp Treas.	20.00
April 21—Paid Rev. K. V. Shutes	12.00
April 21—Paid State Superannuate Treas.	20.00
April 21—Paid Mrs. J. M. Emanuel	15.00
May 5—Paid Rev. J. B. Lovering, mileage	5.00
June 1—Paid Rev. T. B. Melette, Ministerial Camp	75.00
July 21—Paid Rev. E. C. Williams	15.00
July 21—Paid Rev. J. L. Tedder	15.00
July 21—Paid Clerk	4.00
July 21—Paid Rev. W. T. Wiley	15.00
July 21—Paid Mrs. J. M. Emanuel	15.00
July 21—Paid State Superannuate Treas.	20.00
July 21—Paid R. B. Pyle on artificial limbs	35.00
July 21—Paid Rev. C. J. Harvey for operation of camp	35.00
July 21—Paid Rev. K. V. Shutes for radio program	47.90
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Nov. 1—Total disbursed	\$909.35

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION

The first Quarterly meeting of the Midway Association of Georgia, met with Patmos Church on Friday before the 4th Sunday in January, 1950, with 15 of the 19 churches representing, with 10 of its ministers present, and three visiting ministers present from sister associations.

Received from associational funds \$139.00 which was voted to be divided between the superannuates and the State Encampment.

Rev. S. T. Shutes brought the message, his subject being The Fourth Man. The congregation was dismissed for the noon hour. Benediction by Rev. E. C. Williams.

Friday Afternoon

Rev. J. N. Barnes led the devotions, after which the program committee announced the subject for discussion was The Duty of the Layman to the Church and Pastor, to be led by Mrs. Edith Showers.

And I am sure we all learned things about our duty to the Church and Pastor that we had never thought of. But the cap fits every Church member, old or young, officer or layman. We are hoping that some lasting good will come from this meeting.

At this time the Moderator asked his assistant to take his place. The Moderator introduced a resolution to organize a Ministers' Conference to be held for the ministers of the State. A committee was appointed to visit

other associations in the State and ask for the cooperation of the ministers of the State.

The body adjourned to meet with Bethlehem Church on Friday before the 4th Sunday in April, 1950.

Benediction by Rev. W. T. Wiley.

J. N. Barnes, *Assistant Moderator*

W. B. Griffin, *Clerk*

SECOND QUARTER

The second quarter session of the Midway Association met with Bethlehem Church in Randolph County, on Friday before the fourth Sunday in April, 1950, with Rev. T. B. Melette as Moderator and W. B. Griffin as Clerk.

The devotions were led by the Moderator, after which the Moderator called for the reports of the various churches, with 16 churches reporting. Rev. J. B. Lovering and Brother O. B. Everson were asked to read the reports, with Brothers Martin Still, S. F. Boyd and J. M. Craft to act as Finance Committee.

The reports were read and adopted and the delegates were seated.

Ministers present: Reverend W. T. Wiley, J. N. Barnes, T. B. Melette, E. C. Williams, J. L. Tedder, C. R. Houston, J. B. Lovering.

Visiting ministers: Rev. R. L. Knighton and daughter from the Chattahoochee Association; Rev. K. V. Shutes from the Union Association.

The Finance Committee reported a collection of \$216.00 and recommended that it be divided as follows: \$80.00 for Superannuation; \$4.00 for Clerk; \$50.00 expense of delegate to National Association; \$25.00 to the Foreign Mission Board; \$20.00 to Mt. Bethel; \$12.00 to Rev. K. V. Shutes for broadcast; \$25.00 to the ministers conference.

Rev. C. R. Houston brought the 11 o'clock message from Rom. 13:10.

Afternoon

The devotions were led by Rev. K. V. Shutes. The subject for discussion was led by Mrs. O. B. Everson, "What Do I Expect of My Pastor," which gave us all something to think about, and was enjoyed by all.

The body was adjourned to meet with White Pond in July.

Rev. T. B. Melette, *Moderator*

W. B. Griffin, *Clerk*

THIRD QUARTER

The third quarterly session of the Midway Association met with White Pond Church, Early County, on Friday before the fourth Sunday in July, 1950.

They opened with song service led by W. B. Griffin followed with prayer by Rev. C. C. White.

The Moderator called for reports from the churches present. 18 reported, with a collection of \$163.00.

Brothers E. A. Reed, A. C. Williams, and T. G. Pace acted as Finance Committee.

List of ministers present: Reverend Calvin Williams, W. T. Wiley, T. B. Melette, E. C. Williams, J. L. Tedder, C. J. Harvey, C. R. Houston, C. C. White, J. B. Lovering, J. N. Barnes.

Visiting ministers: Rev. J. M. Rich from the Liberty Association, Fla.; Rev. W. F. McDuffie from Texas.

At this time Rev. J. B. Lovering was to preach, but he secured our young minister to fill the stand. His subject being "Seek First the Kingdom of God." This being the first time many of us had ever heard Rev. Williams, and I for one was very much impressed with him as a public speaker.

Afternoon

The body was led in song by Rev. W. F. McDuffie. Prayer by Brother Alvin Day.

Then Rev. Calvin Williams sang a solo, "My Heavenly Father Watches Over Me." The Program subject being, "Cooperation Between Layman and Pastor," led by Rev. Burdette Dowdney, which was the climax of the first and second subjects.

The Finance Committee recommended that the Superannuates get \$15.00 each, \$20.00 State Superannuates; \$35.00 to Mt. Bethel and \$35.00 to Brother R. B. Pyle to help buy him some hands.

Benediction by Rev. C. J. Harvey.

Rev. T. B. Melette, *Moderator*
W. B. Griffin, *Clerk*