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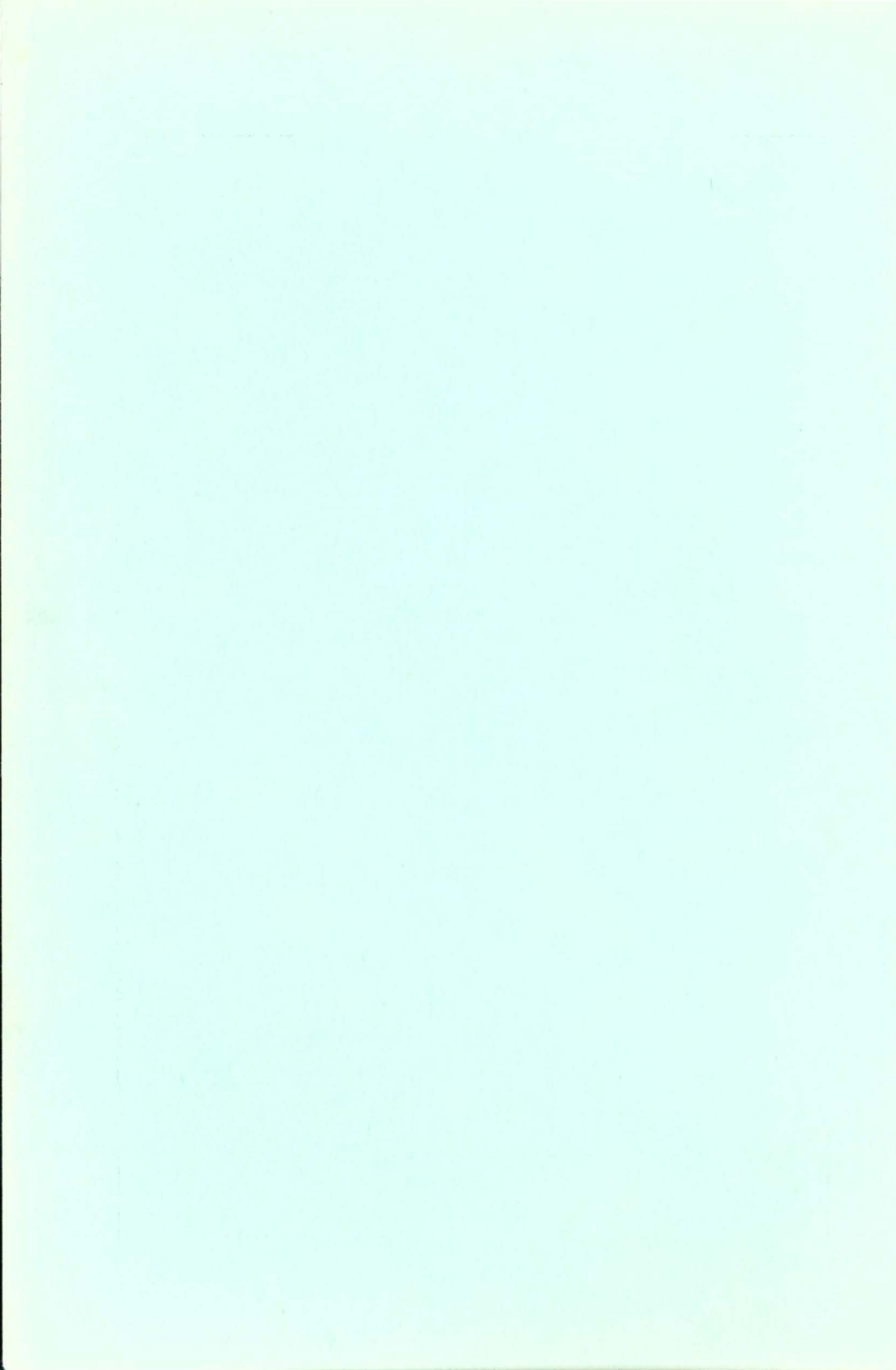
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Education—

Mount Olive Junior College, February—July; Mount Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, N. C.

Free Will Baptist Bible College, Free Will Baptist Bible College, 3801 Richland Avenue, Nashville 5, Tenn.

Missions—March, April

A. B. Bryan, P. O. Box 308, Ayden, N. C.

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Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Middlesex, N. C.

Cragmont—June

Cragmont Assembly, Inc., Black Mountain, N. C.

Promotional Work—August

Rom W. Mallard, Trenton, N. C.

Church Finance—September

M. L. Johnson, Middlesex, N. C.

Superannuation—October

Walter Reynolds, Route 2, Snow Hill, N. C.

MONTHLY REPORT

State Sunday School and 10% of United Program offerings, Milton Wiggs, Smithfield, N. C.

Mount Olive Junior College every fifth Sunday, Mount Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, N. C.

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CHILDREN'S HOME BOARD

Mrs. J. C. Moye, Rev. C. B. Hansley, Rev. Walter Carter, 1964
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Rev. R. H. Jackson, 1966
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BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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Rev. Earl Glenn, 1964
Rev. C. H. Overman, 1962
Rev. Leonard Woodall, 1965
Rev. Melvin Everington, 1963

REPRESENTATIVE OF CRAGMONT ASSEMBLY STOCK

Rev. M. E. Godwin, 1964; Mr. Fountain Taylor, 1963; Rev. Walter Carter, 1962

REPRESENTATIVE OF FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS STOCK

Rev. S. A. Smith, 1962

REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION STOCK

Rev. Billy Yawn, 1962

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Rev. F. B. Cherry, 1964; Rev. J. C. Griffin, 1963; Rev. Hubert Burress, 1962

DIRECTORS OF MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE

Rev. D. W. Hansley, Mr. W. P. Grant, Rev. R. N. Hinnant, 1967
Rev. J. O. Fort, Mr. J. W. Batten, Mr. Jack Dail, 1966
Mrs. Carl Dudley, Mr. Earl Holton, Mrs. Francis Cassick, 1965
Rev. Fred Powers, Rev. Daniel Pelt, Mr. Lee Jones, 1964
Rev. J. W. Alford, Rev. C. J. Harris, Mr. Hardy Talton, 1963

MINISTERS PRESENT

Seldon Bullard, T. A. Smith, Norman Ard, Bruce Dudley, Joseph H. Ingram, Henry Melvin, Ralph Lightsey, J. R. Davenport, Melvin K. Everington, T. O. Terry, David E. Paramore, W. S. Burns, Graham Baker, Lemmie Taylor, Albert J. Creech Jr., Richard V. Mabe, Carol B. Hansley, Bobby G. Bazen, Roy Cauley, E. E. Edwards, O. B. Taylor, Billy Outlaw, Charlie T. Rice, Alexander J. Lyczkowski, Tommy Godley, S. A. Smith, Dewitt Cleve Jr., Leroy R. Cutler, Virgil H. Day, Walter Sutton, Robert M. Fader, Herman A. Grubbs, F. E. Jones, David C. Hansley, Phillip D. Rice, P. D. Jenkins, Raymond Hardison, J. E. Howard, Alton Moron, Willie E. Stilley, Clifton Styron, Clifton Rice, David A. Thomas, Lloyd Vernon, David W. Hansley, Dallas Bryon, O. B. Everett, Sheldon Howard, S. Elmo Harper, J. B. Starnes, L. L. Parker, J. E. Floyd, Henry W. Armstrong Jr., A. Graham Lane, James Lupton, C. R. Etheridge, W. O. Lassiter, R. N. Hinnant, W. E. Renfrow, Andrew J. Hill, R. H. Jackson, H. M. Minschew, Boyd L. Shook, Albert T. Coates, Billy R. Yawn, John C. Walker, L. S. Joyner, Rommie Mitchell, Dewey C. Boling, Charles Morgan, Earl H. Glenn, W. L. Poythress, James Joyner, Paul Lee, L. H. Boykin, M. L. Johnson, Luby C. Tyree, J. C. Yates, Jesse V. Bone, Charles Hales, J. V. Johnson, Ronnie Peele, H. Paul Jenkins, Jesse C. Benoist, Homer R. Savage, Sherman A. Branch, J. W. Jones, Roy Rikard, L. D. Gray, Frank McQuage, W. J. Key, William H. Calvert, Clarence Ballew, James Wooten, Robert S. Hagler, Norman Perkins, Ralph Staten, Walter Carter, Paul Davis, Owen Ganey, Billy Allen, Cecil Rose, Thomas E. Beamon Sr., Albert M. Rollins, W. A. Martin, C. F. Bowen, Edward C. Taylor, R. W. Allman, L. J. Carlyle, W. H. Lancaster, C. M. Coates, Swade Benson, Chester R. Phillips, Wilson W. Parker, M. E. Godwin, Carey Cheshire, Walter Stanley, Roland C. Cherry, Carey Watkins, Billy B. Walker, James Coffey, J. C. Lynn, Wayne Randy Cox, J. D. Liles, James Hardie, C. D. Hamilton, J. C. Lynn, Wayne W. Smith, Adam Scott, R. A. Gaskins, Melvin Worthington, Walter Reynolds, Floyd Cherry, L. E. Ballard, Charles E. Keith, Luther Burns, C. J. Harris, Edward Miles, Robert Crawford, J. W. Everton, L. B. Manning, C. L. Patrick, S. R. Kennedy, Willis Wilson, Raymond T. Sasser, Hubert Burress, R. L. Norville, Jerry E. Rowe, Charles L. Sapp, LaRue Davis, Carroll Alexander, Milton Worthington, Henry C. Hagans, Fred S. Powers, Robert May, Frank Ray Harrison, Michael Pelt, J. E. Wooten, C. H. Overman, N. B. Barrow, W. Burkette Raper, T. P. Ellis, Ray Harrison Jr., Jack Paramore, A. C. Morgan, J. Garland Teasley, Thurman B. Hall, R. C. Ambrose, Everette E. Bryan, J. A. Branch, A. B. Bryan, T. F. Davenport, L. E. Ambrose, A. B. Chandler, Johnny Eason, M. E. Cox, Herbert Bryan, David Gaskins and A. L. Jernigan.

DELEGATE—CHURCH

ALBEMARLE CONFERENCE

Plymouth—Sylvia Boyd, Mr. Tom West
Free Union—Mr. William Webster, Mr. Howard Bryan, Mrs. William Webster
Trinity—Mr. Linwood A. Harris
Albemarle Union Meeting—Mr. Wayne West
Mt. Tabor—Mrs. S. E. Davenport
Hickory Chapel—Mr. Willard Earley, Mr. L. D. Dilday
Mt. Zion—Mrs. Delma Peele
Orphanage Board—R. L. Spencer
Sound Side—Mr. W. L. Brickhouse
St. Paul's—Mr. Alvin Ambrose
Shiloh—Erwin G. Foreman
Albemarle Conference—Mrs. Ruth Davenport, Mrs. L. E. Ambrose

BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION

Blue Ridge Association—Mrs. W. L. Kell, Mrs. Flora Morgan
Horney Heights—Mrs. Vereda Crisp

CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE

Wooten's Chapel—Paul T. Lassiter
Robert's Grove—Ottis Carroll, Corbin Barefoot
Johnson's Union—L. D. Wannedy, Anne Stephenson, Lewis Barnes
Garner—W. Dan Stevens, Silas L. Williams
Hopewell—Laura Ann Parker, Mrs. Wilson Parker
Casey's Chapel—Sarah Casey, Billie V. Lee
Tee's Chapel—Johnnie Woodall, Mrs. Percy D. Woodall
Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Ed Taylor, Sutton Vann
Smyrna—Ray G. Smith, Leavie L. Noles
Daly's Chapel—Fred Carlyle
Prospect—Mrs. Mary Lee Dorman, Fred Parker
Lee's Chapel—Earl Godwin, Eugene Jernigan
St. Paul's—Lloyd Hobbs
Bethel—John Raylord Lee, Mrs. Raylord Lee
Mt. Olive College Board—Mrs. Carl Dudley, W. P. Grant
West Clinton—Mrs. Samuel T. Boone
Smithfield—Clifton Johnson, Mrs. Thurman B. Hall
Oak Grove—J. G. Warren
Powhatan—J. J. Williams, J. C. Blinson
Community Chapel—Mrs. Louis Upchurch
Four Oaks—Mrs. Julia A. Langdon
Yelverton Grove—Clinton Lane
Riverside—L. P. Williford
Shady Grove—Mrs. C. F. Bowen, J. Kermit Jackson
Mt. Olive—Leslie Anderson
Mt. Mary's Grove—R. C. Gregory, W. J. Langdon

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Central Conference—Mrs. Ruth Taylor, Mrs. Frank Harris, Mrs. Bob Beamon, Mrs. Jack Dail, Mrs. P. L. Barrow, Mrs. Walter Reynolds, Mrs. Fred Pittman, Floyd P. Harris, Mrs. James Blanchard, Mrs. C. L. Patrick, Jeb Roy Harrison

Reedy Branch—E. C. Averett Jr., C. F. Little, F. McCoy Tripp

Rose Hill—Hubert Smith, Macon Page

Piney Grove—Harry Avery, Mrs. Harry H. Avery, Ernest J. Cassick

Fourth Union—W. L. Langley, George Wilton, Glenwood Wooten

Antioch—A. C. Jackson

Tarboro—Mrs. A. L. Summerlin, A. L. Summerlin, J. M. Langley, D. L. Pittman

Elm Grove—J. T. Beddard Jr., Mrs. J. T. Beddard Jr., Wilbur L. Worthington, Mrs. Levi Worthington

Dilda's Grove—Mr. S. A. Wooten, Arthur Corbett

Hugo—Mrs. Howard Holt

Black Jack—Mrs. Queenie Clark, Zeno Dixon, Coss Hudson

Orphanage Board—Mrs. J. C. Moye, R. E. Bynum

Daniel's Chapel—C. W. Pittman, C. W. Pittman Jr.

Hull Road—George H. Harrison, Hugh Hill, H. B. Hill, N. B. Letchworth

Ormondsville—Mrs. Kirby Wooten

Watery Branch—R. B. Lancaster Jr.

Dawson Grove—Henry Harris Jr.

Little Creek—Roy T. Forrest

Ayden—Charles H. Hart, Wilbur L. Worthington

Harrell's Chapel—Mrs. Lloyd Ham, R. E. Hart

Mt. Calvary—Tom Miller Jr.

LaGrange—Milford Singleton

Maury—Mrs. H. L. Spivey

Washington—Eldon T. Hollowell, Mrs. H. D. Cox

King's Cross Roads—Mrs. Johnnie J. Wooten, Mrs. I. C. Tugwell

Greenville—Mrs. Harvey Moore, Harvey Moore

Parker's Chapel—Betty Cannon, George Jones

Grimsley—R. Bruce Dail, Jimmie Lee Jones

Pleasant Hill—Mrs. Luther Stanley, Luther Stanley

Marlboro—Mrs. Clyde Brooks, Mrs. Roy Carraway

Peace—Mrs. W. L. Langley

Mt. Olive College Board—Mrs. Frances Cassick, E. L. Jones, Jack J. Dail

Howell Swamp—Richard S. Hollomon, Mrs. E. L. Jones

Friendship—H. Carl Tyson

Williamston—James E. Barnhill

Maranatha—David J. Pol

Edgewood—Rufus H. Harrell, C. F. Abrams

Faith—Mrs. Carroll Alexander

Owen's Chapel—Nick Little

Aspen Grove—Marvin Langley, Grant Magnum

Spring Branch—Paul Galloway, Mrs. Ruby Ellis

Free Union—Mrs. Wayne Lovitt, Mrs. Norman Letchworth, N. B. Letchworth
Bethany—Mrs. Bill McLawhorn
Saratoga—Mrs. Paul Thigpen, W. R. Owens, Mrs. Lizzie Mae Cobb

EASTERN CONFERENCE

First F. W. B. Beaufort—George Newton, Mrs. Betty Owens
Stack—Ralph Pittman
Eastern Conference—J. F. Small, J. R. Smith, James Cauley, Mrs. W. Stilley,
E. G. Heath, C. W. Heath, Mrs. D. W. Hansley, R. A. Morris, I. L.
Heath, Mrs. W. J. Gaskins, Eugene L. Exum, Ernest F. Garner, Mrs.
Lemmie Taylor, Mrs. Carol Hansley, S. W. McCoy, Mrs. S. W. McCoy
Rooty Branch—Mrs. T. A. Jernigan
Welcome Home—Mrs. Lela Golden
Jacksonville—Mrs. Leslie Olwin, Mrs. J. K. Rhodes
Oak Grove—Levi Powers
Antioch—John M. Tyndall
Gethsemane—C. C. Edwards
Indian Springs—Forest Kilpatrick
Gray Branch—Durwood Merritt, Ashley Heath
Arapahoe—Mrs. Vernon J. Daniels, Mrs. B. L. Andrews
Geiger—Mrs. Annie A. H. Batten
Snead's Ferry—Lloyd L. Brown
Vanceboro—Otis Buck
Folkstone—Leonard Hobbs, Susie A. Hansley
Morehead City—Mrs. Violet Marris, Mrs. Albert McElmon
Faith—Henry H. Goodwin
Russell's Creek—Mrs. Mamie Merrill
Free Union—T. A. Taylor
Board of Directors, Mt. Olive College—Earl H. Holton
Core Creek—Annie H. Heath
Bethel—Mrs. Vona Bazen
Oriental—Mrs. Bertha S. Thompson
Piney Grove—Viola B. Smith
Palmetto Chapel—Edward Gaskins
Union Chapel—Raymond H. Carrow, James R. Dixon, Melvin Bright
Woodington—Mrs. James Rouse, Mrs. Ruth Stroud
Cabin—Nathan Hinkle
Rooty Branch—Leslie Bell
Sarecta—A. D. Benson
Daly's Chapel—William Carter
Pearsall Chapel—D. F. Chambers
Northeast—W. T. Tadlock, N. T. Tadlock
Warden Grove—Henry R. Rice, Herman Ireland
Long Ridge—Jonas Dail
Deep Run—Verdie Davenport, Mrs. John Harper
Mt. Zion—Mrs. Earl Halton, Goylie V. Fountain

Macedonia—Cylde Spruill
 Croatan—Mrs. Wilbur Herring
 Kinston—Isaac Hines, Mrs. Charles Lancaster, Charles Lancaster
 May's Chapel—Mrs. Roy J. Outlaw
 Crabpoint—Mrs. Robert Davis
 Fifth Eastern Union—Allen Wall, Mrs. Ralph Lightsey, Mrs. Fannie T. Swindell, Mrs. Cylde Banks, Mrs. James Lupton
 Spring Hope—Robert Glenn Jones
 Verona—L. B. Barcheldor
 Third Eastern Union—W. F. Hill, Mrs. S. A. Smith, L. B. Williams, Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Ben Sutton
 British Chapel—Harry A. Jones
 Bridgeton—J. C. Griffin Jr.
 Juniper—J. T. Wilson
 Rock of Zion—Nancy W. Harper, Mrs. E. N. Prescott
 Wintergreen—W. J. Tilghman, W. A. Wood
 Friendship—Mr. H. C. Mallard
 Beulaville—Myrtle T. Jarman, Mary Ruth Grady
 Holly Springs—Leo T. Gray, Roy Garner
 State Board—Mrs. Walter Rhodes
 Mosley's Creek—Mrs. Betty Ormond
 Grant's Chapel—Mrs. Daisy W. Williams
 White Hill—W. E. Holliday
 St. Mary's—W. R. Sandlin, Mrs. Ralph Morris, Mrs. Lighman
 Whaley's Chapel—Carrie Taylor, Fountain Taylor
 Sts. Delight—J. R. Rice
 White Oak Grove—William Coltrain
 Sandy Plain—Edward E. Kennedy, Wilbur Sumner
 Lanier's Chapel—Richard Pickett
 Calvary—Eleanor Parker
 Ephesus—J. L. Carrington
 Pleasant Acres—L. H. Wethington
 Warsaw—Mrs. Nancy Benson
 New Haven—Harvey Whitford
 Holly Springs—Isham H. Phillips, R. L. Radford
 Rains Cross Roads—M. B. Rains, Mrs. R. C. Edwards Jr., Mrs. Eula Edwards
 Free Union—S. T. Holmes, Lester Duncan
 Pleasant Grove—Harvey Hales, Mrs. Larry Crumpler
 Pleasant Plain—Mrs. Odell Foster, Odell Foster
 Pine Level—Earl Minchew
 Micro—C. B. Hinnant
 First Union Meeting—Mrs. Leslie Edmundson, Mrs. Felton Watson, Mrs. Etta Haynes, C. S. Hinnant, Mrs. C. S. Hinnant
 Marsh Swamp—
 Orphanage Memorial Chapel—H. E. Mixon
 Piney Grove—Frank Waddell, J. A. Pittman

Third Union District—Olif Paschall
 Rosebud—J. H. Bridgers
 Branch Chapel—Malcolm Creech, Paul Dunn
 Mt. Zion—W. E. Matthews
 New Sandy Hill—Mrs. Jennie Sherrod
 Union Grove—F. A. Morris, Mrs. Bertha Morris
 Pine Level—James Paul Edwards
 Everett's Chapel—Mrs. Arthur Hamber
 St. Mary's—Mrs. Hubert Narron, Hubert Narron
 Black Jack—Mrs. James Hinson
 Stoney Creek—Mrs. Oliver Smith
 Rock Spring—Oscar Whitley Jr.
 Stancil's Chapel—Paul Batten
 New Hope—Jimmy A. Hodges
 Fremont—Frank Lee Bogue
 Little Rock—Mrs. Millard Pittman
 Christian Chapel—Harold F. Howard
 Dublin Grove—Mrs. W. Staley Hudnell
 Bethlehem—Sherwood Fountain
 Emmanuel—B. A. Avery
 Pilgrim's Rest—Mrs. Gladys D. Lupton
 Jacksonville—Joseph J. Justice
 Macedonia—Harvey Tolar
 Snow Hill—Mrs. Lillian Grubbs

PEE DEE ASSOCIATION

Beaver Dam—Homes Mercer, Dorcas Leonard
 White Oak—J. W. Bowen
 Oak Grove—E. Hagen Piat

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION

Cramerton—Mrs. Roy Rikard, Horace Shoemaker
 E. Rockington—Austin Carter, Raye Dutton
 Lowell—J. G. Lisk
 Ben Avenue—Oscar B. Abernathy, Elmer Haskins
 Piedmont Association—Mrs. Billy Allen, Mrs. Ralph Staten

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Wilson—Mrs. Earl H. Glenn, Henry W. Mitchell, W. P. Bunn
 Stony Creek—Mrs. Ray Gardner
 Calvary—Mrs. Harvey Pittman
 Kenly—Mrs. Luther Kirby, Mrs. Henry G. Watson, R. A. Oliver, M. Snipes
 Milbournie—Leonard Williamson, Mrs. Dewey Boling, Mrs. Ruby Nell Wil-
 liamson
 Princeton—Mrs. Luby Edwards
 Pleasant Hill—Mrs. Clarence Bunn
 Edgemont—H. A. Stewart
 Sherron Acres—C. W. Vowell, G. P. Smith

Friendship—Arnie R. Strickland
Stoney Creek—Mrs. Paul B. Sullivan
Stony Hill—Isaac D. Boswell
White Oak Hill—Lee Patterson, Russell Lamm
Second Union—Mrs. Russell Lamm
Spring Hill—Cora M. Allen
Flood's Chapel—J. E. Bissette Jr.
Black Jack Grove—Mrs. J. L. Wiley
Elwood Lane—Mrs. Paul Jenkins, Mrs. Guy Dukes
Selma—Mrs. W. C. Sasser
Children's Home Board—Guy Boyette

PROCEEDINGS

The North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists met in Mount Olive, North Carolina, on September 13, 14, 1961, as guest of Mount Olive Junior College. This forty-ninth annual session was held at the Mount Olive National Guard Armory.

The secretary called the convention to order after which Brother Clarence Bowen led the congregation in singing, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" and "The Church's One Foundation."

The leader of devotions for the morning session was Brother Garland Teasley, pastor of Bethany Church near Winterville, North Carolina. He read from Matthew 5:1 and emphasized in his message the need to recover in our age the distinctive traits of Christianity, drawing upon the example of Christians in the early church. At the close of his message, he offered a prayer to God for this convention.

Dr. W. Burkette Raper welcomed the ministers, delegates, and visitors attending the convention on behalf of Mount Olive College, host of this 1961 session. He made several announcements for the convenience and comfort of those in attendance.

Brother Fred S. Powers gave an oral response to the welcome extended by Dr. Raper.

The president then recognized visiting ministers from other states as follows: Brother Louis Holliday, South Carolina; Brother W. A. Hales, Virginia, Brother Billy Melvin and Brother Homer Willis, Tennessee.

Appointment of Committees

Resolutions Committee: A. B. Bryan, Hardy Talton, Albert T. Coates.

Temperance Committee: C. H. Overman, E. E. Edwards, Ralph Lightsey.

Memorial Committee: Hubert Burress, D. W. Hansley, Robert Fader, Edward Miles, Walter Carter.

Nominating Committee: M. L. Johnson, Robert M. Fader, Walter Carter, R. W. Allman, A. B. Bryan.

The president presented his message to the convention, stating his desire for this session to be conducted in the most orderly manner and pledging himself to be fair to every minister and delegate as moderator of this convention. He appointed Brother Walter Reynolds as parliamentarian at this 1961 session. In his message he asked that we all conduct ourselves as God's people.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS

This report was given as information by Brother M. L. Johnson, president of the Ministerial Association.

REPORT OF FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS

(See Report)

This report was presented by Brother Bruce Barrow, manager of the Free Will Baptist Press. It was received as information.

REPORT OF MOUNT OLIVE JUNIOR COLLEGE

(See Report)

The president of the college, Dr. W. Burkette Raper, presented this report to the convention. At the conclusion of his report an offering was received for the college in the amount of \$274.29 while the congregation sang "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" and "Holy Spirit Breathe on Me."

Mrs. Kathleen Warren, voice instructor at Mount Olive College, sang, "Come, Ye Blessed," by John Prindle Scott.

The president then introduced Brother Ralph Lightsey to preach the morning message on this first day of the convention. He read from the Book of Jude and spoke to us concerning "the faith once delivered to the saints," outlining some major emphases of our faith and urging that we propagate this faith to all the world.

The morning session was concluded by announcements concerning lunch and a prayer of thanksgiving for the noon meal by Brother Walter Reynolds.

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Afternoon Session

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "He Lives," led by Brother Clarence Bowen. The devotional message was given by Brother Roland Cherry, who read several passages from the New Testament as the basis for his remarks.

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

(See Report)

The report was read to those attending. It was moved and carried that the report be adopted. The vote was 368 for and 61 against.

It was moved and carried that we adopt the program of the convention prepared by the executive committee, giving the privilege to the president of making any changes necessary to expedite the business of this session.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(See Report)

Brother C. L. Patrick, vice-president of the convention, presented this special report. It was moved and carried that this report be adopted. The vote was 362 for and 61 against.

REPORT OF THE MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(See Report)

The secretary read the minutes of the executive committee meetings held

throughout the last year. It was moved and carried that this report be adopted in its entirety. The vote was 359 for and 27 against.

Brother Herman Hersey rose to ask for the floor and when denied it, he asked if any faculty member of Mount Olive College had ever pleaded the first, fifth, or tenth amendment on charges of un-American activities or Communism.

Because Brother Hersey had not been recognized by this convention as having the right to vote, the chair ruled that he remain silent throughout the remainder of this session.

It was moved and carried that this convention publicly censure Herman Hersey for the act of implying serious charges against members of the faculty of Mount Olive College before this State Convention without first mentioning said matters to the administration or board of directors and that we instruct Mr. Hersey, or anyone else having complaint about Mount Olive College, or any of its personnel, that such should be filed with the administration or board of directors.

REPORT OF THE MISSION BOARD

(See Report)

The report was submitted by Brother R. H. Jackson, chairman of the board. It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

The chairman appointed Mrs. Annie Rose Mallard to serve as assistant treasurer in the absence of Brother Rom Mallard.

Due to the fact that the time for adjournment had come, it was moved and carried that we adjourn until Thursday morning.

Benediction by Brother Wayne Smith.

PROCEEDINGS SECOND DAY

The convention reassembled on Thursday morning. Brother Clarence Bowen led the congregation in singing "O, God, our Help in Ages Past" and "Holy Spirit, Breathe on Me." He then introduced Brother Hubert Burrell, the leader of the morning devotions who read from the thirteenth chapter of the Gospel of John and spoke on the subject of Christian love as the marks of true disciples of Christ. He offered a prayer at the close of his message.

FINAL REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE CRAGMONT ASSEMBLY

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that the report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE SUPERANNUATION BOARD

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that the convention adopt the report of the

superannuation board along with the proposed revision of the ministerial retirement system.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that this report be received as information.

The president gave an oral report of his activities in promoting the work of the convention. It was moved and carried that this convention authorize its executive committee to employ a part-time promotional director as early as possible.

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that the report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE EAST CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND

(See Report)

Mrs. Bill Taylor presented the report on behalf of Brother R. B. Crawford. It was moved and carried that the report be received as information.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

(See Report)

The report was presented as a series of resolutions. The first resolution was read to the convention. It was moved and carried that this resolution be adopted. The vote was 344 for and 17 against. It was moved and carried that we instruct our secretary to submit a copy of this resolution to *The Free Will Baptist* for publication so that our people may be properly informed.

The second resolution was read. It was moved and carried that this resolution be adopted.

The third resolution was read. It was moved and carried that this resolution be adopted.

The fourth resolution was read. It was moved and carried that this resolution be adopted.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that the report be received and that opportunity be given for nominations to be made from the floor. Since there were no nominations from the floor, the nominees in the report were duly elected.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE CONVENTION

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that this report be received as information.

REPORT OF THE CHILDREN'S HOME

(See Report)

The superintendent of the Children's Home, Brother Wilbert Everton, presented this report. It was moved and carried that this report be adopted. It was moved and carried that this convention give a rising vote of thanks to Brother Everton for this excellent report and the service he has rendered during the past year. An offering was received for the Children's Home in the amount of \$480.69.

Brother Walter Sutton prayed the offertory prayer. The congregation sang, "O, That Will Be Glory for Me," while the offering was received.

REPORT OF THE STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that this report be received as information. The report was given by Brother L. E. Ballard, promotional secretary of the Sunday School Convention.

It was moved and carried that the Executive Committee of the State Convention be empowered to continue co-operating with the Christian Action League in its work throughout the state. This action was taken in view of the fact that there was no report from the Christian Action League to be presented at this session.

Brother Walter Reynolds introduced Brother Earl Glenn, pastor of the First Free Will Baptist Church in Wilson, to preach the convention sermon. After reading from Matthew 16:18, the speaker addressed himself to the subject of the church as divinely ordained and able to withstand even the gates of hell. In his message he called upon us to recapture the basic concerns of the true church, including worship, prayer, and consistent witnessing at home and abroad, and challenged us to a deeper consecration of our lives in Christian service.

After some announcements the convention recessed for lunch. A prayer of thanksgiving was offered for the noon meal.

LUNCH

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session began with the congregation singing "Near the Cross," after which Brother Bowen led the singing of the chorus, "I'll Be So Glad When Jesus Comes." Brother Joseph Ingram was presented to the convention as the devotional leader for the afternoon session. He read Proverbs 28:19, and spoke on the need for a vision of God exalted, calling us to a life of service to God. He used as an outline the vision of Isaiah as recorded in the sixth chapter of Isaiah.

It was moved and carried that the report of the North Carolina Ministerial Association of Free Will Baptists and the report of the Free Will Baptist Press, both of which were received yesterday, be included in the minutes of this session.

The superintendent of the Children's Home extended an invitation for this convention to meet in its next annual session at the Children's Home near Middlesex. It was moved and carried that we hold the next session, the fiftieth annual session of the State Convention, at the Children's Home.

It was moved and carried that we ask each church to bring a special offering for the Children's Home to the 1962 session.

It was moved and carried that each minister and delegate be prepared to buy his own lunch at the convention next year with the understanding that the Children's Home will make provision for lunch to be served on the campus.

The president expressed appreciation to those attending this session for their co-operation and the support of their prayers.

The president of Mount Olive College made some remarks relative to the question raised by Mr. Herman Hersey in the afternoon session on Wednesday. Brother Ralph Lightsey read a statement by Dr. Raper in response to the article in the public press. It was moved and carried that this statement be received and included in the minutes.

(See Statement by W. B. Raper)

It was moved and carried that ministers, delegates, and visitors at this convention give a rising vote of confidence in Dr. Raper, the board of directors, faculty, and staff of Mount Olive College.

ADDITIONAL RESOLUTIONS

(See Resolutions)

These resolutions were read by Brother Albert T. Coates and each of them adopted by the convention and are included in the minutes of this session.

REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted and that we stand in a moment of silent prayer after which Brother C. L. Patrick will lead us in a prayer of thanksgiving for the services of those whose names are included in this report.

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

REPORT OF THE STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

(See Report)

It was moved and carried that this report be received as information and included in the minutes.

The president asked that September 20 be observed as a time of fasting and prayer on behalf of our denomination that harmony may prevail.

It was moved and carried that we authorize the executive committee to

approve the report of the treasurer and attend to any unfinished business of this session.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn after singing one stanza of "Faith of Our Fathers."

Benediction by Brother J. W. Everton.

A List of Reports to the State Convention

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

The Sixteenth Annual Ministers' Conference, held at Cragmont, May 29—June 1, was one of the most successful conferences ever held by this Ministerial Association. Ministers from throughout this state and from Virginia and South Carolina were present to enjoy the fellowship, inspiration, and instruction. Several deacons were also present.

The general theme for the conference was, "The Free Will Baptist Minister Today." Each speaker seemed to have a very clear understanding of both the opportunities and responsibilities that Free Will Baptist ministers face today. Each message was well prepared, well delivered and offered much valuable inspiration and guidance to help face these opportunities and responsibilities.

Some of the subjects considered under the general theme were: "The Minister and His Calling," "The Minister and His Preparation," "The Minister At Prayer" (Devotional Services), "The Minister and His Preaching" (Worship Services), "The Minister and His Retirement," "The Minister and His Denomination, on the Conference, State and National Level," "The Minister and Church Auxiliaries, Sunday Schools, Woman's Work, and Youth Work."

During the annual business meeting of the association, held on Tuesday night, several important items of business were transacted, including a decision to hold the ministers' conference next year during the week after the third Sunday in June; a decision to hold a mid-year "Spiritual Life Conference" somewhere in the eastern part of the state; and the passage of resolutions stating the position and conviction of the Ministerial Association in regards to the authority of the annual conferences in North Carolina and some of the problems that have developed as a result of violations of our historic customs and usages, as follows:

The following officers were elected to serve for the next year: M. L. Johnson, president; R. W. Allman, vice-president; David Charles Hansley, secretary; C. J. Harris, treasurer; and Leonard B. Woodall, member at large of the executive committee.

The high light of the entire conference was the traditional communion service conducted on Wednesday night by our beloved Elder J. C. Griffin. This was indeed an inspiring occasion as the ministers and deacons observed the Lord's Supper and washed feet together. If the spirit of brotherly love,

devotion, and dedication that was experienced by those present could prevail throughout our entire denomination, there would be no problems of division to impede our progress, but rather we would rejoice together as we go forward to do His Will.

Another high light of the conference was also conducted by Elder Griffin as a memorial service, giving a history of the North Carolina Ministers' Conference. He showed films of some of the first conferences held which carried pictures of some of the faithful ministers who were present in the first meetings and helped to establish the Ministerial Association, but who have since passed on to be with the Lord. As these films were shown and those present permitted to recall some of the fellowship and brotherhood of those who labored so long and so faithfully for our denomination in the past, each one seemed to purpose in his heart to rededicate himself to a greater service to our beloved denomination, as a tribute to those whose labors have given us the opportunities of today.

The North Carolina Ministers' Conference is sponsored by the North Carolina Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptists. The first conference was held in 1946 under the sponsorship of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists and was directed by the Reverend J. Randall Bennett who was then president of the State Convention. This was the first conference held at Cragmont during its first year of operation by Free Will Baptists, and it was during this session that the present North Carolina Ministerial Association was organized with the approval of the Executive Committee of the State Convention and subsequent approval by the State Convention in regular session in September, 1946.

M. L. JOHNSON, President

RESOLUTIONS

Passed by the North Carolina Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptists in regular annual business session on May 30, 1961

1. Whereas the Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina provides that "The Annual Conference or Association being the highest tribunal shall have final disciplinary authority over the local church"; therefore be it

Resolved, that the North Carolina Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptists go on record as expressing its opinion and conviction that the Western Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina acted in keeping with their established customs and usages in seeking to settle a dispute between the J. G. Teasley Associates and the James A. Miles Associates of the Edgemont Original Free Will Baptist Church of Durham, such action being taken upon receipt of an official petition filed by the J. G. Teasley Associates.

2. Whereas the Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina provides that "Each Conference or Association as

sumes and exercises authority over Original Free Will Baptist ministers in its jurisdiction or bounds"; and,

Whereas Free Will Baptist ministers are ordained and exercise ministerial rights exclusively by virtue of authorization and approval by the Annual Conference; therefore be it

Resolved, that the North Carolina Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptists recognize the authority of the Western Conference of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina in disciplining Ronald Creech for refusing to submit himself to the jurisdiction of the Western Conference, of which he was a member, and be it further

....Resolved, that the North Carolina Ministerial Association protest the action of Ronald Creech in continuing to hold himself out as an Original Free Will Baptist minister after his ministerial rights and credentials have been officially annulled by the Western Conference.

3. Whereas Ronald Creech has brought suit in the amount of \$400,000 in the Civil Courts of Wake County, North Carolina, against members of the North Carolina Ministerial Association, and whereas we consider this action a flagrant violation of the Ministerial Code of Ethics of this Association; therefore be it

Resolved, that this association go on record as deploring this act of unchristian brotherhood.

Carroll B. Hansley, *President Pro Tem*

David Charles Hansley, *Secretary*

The above resolutions passed by unanimous vote of the North Carolina Ministerial Association of Original Free Will Baptists in annual business session at Cragmont Assembly, May 30, 1961.

REPORT OF FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS

The Free Will Baptist Press makes the following report: \$12,130.00 has been invested by the denomination. That amount has increased until today, it is worth \$263,342.11 or \$216.92 for each \$10.00 invested.

During the year 1960-61, we have done \$263,637.23 in business, which is an increase over previous years. During the fiscal year the Press has paid out as follows:

Sunday School Board	\$7,636.42
The National F. W. B. League Board	2,888.17
The National F. W. B. Board of Publication	356.60
North Carolina State S. S. Convention	728.49
Donated to various Denominational Causes	1,629.50

We have given in free literature and other mission causes \$500.00 which does not appear in the audit.

To Denominational Enterprises, \$13,739.18.

We have left for the years operation to invest in equipment and merchandise for expansion \$30,907.39.

We thank you for the part you have had in helping us to glorify our Lord in making richer the lives of others. May we continue to work together until his message covers the earth as the waters cover the sea.

Our new hymnal cost over \$30,000.00.

REPORT OF MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE

To the Free Will Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
Mount Olive, North Carolina

September 13, 14, 1961

Greetings:

It is most appropriate that Mount Olive College should be host to the 1961 session of this convention. We invited the convention to meet with us as a part of the commemoration of our tenth anniversary.

More than three centuries ago, Shakespeare, perhaps the greatest man of English letters wrote,

"There is a tide in the affairs of men
Which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune;
Omitted, all the voyage of their life
Is bounded in shadows and in miseries."

Jesus likewise taught the urgency of using present opportunities. As the tide of opposition to his ministry began to stiffen, he declared,

"I must work the works of him that sent me,
while it is day: the night cometh, when no
man can work" (John 9:4).

Ten years ago this convention realized that the tide of educational opportunity among the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina would soon run out if definite steps were not taken to establish a college. We recognized that the day was growing short for our church unless we could challenge and educate our youth. Both ministers and laymen were asking, "Whom shall we leave here to advocate and defend our faith, the principles we hold so dear, if we fail to teach our children?"

A full generation had been born since Ayden Theological Seminary and Eureka College closed their doors. For half a century we had depended upon these schools for the education of our laity and the training of our ministers.

One by one, however, the graduates of these schools were crossing the river and going to their true home. The shadows were beginning to lengthen on a church with more than two hundred years of rich spiritual heritage—a heritage characterized by freedom, dignity, and Biblical truth.

BIRTH OF MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE

And thus it was in 1951, one decade ago, that the Board of Christian Education of the Free Will Baptist State Convention of North Carolina asked for the authority to establish a junior college.

Under the approval of the Convention, these brethren filed with the North Carolina Secretary of State on November 27, 1951, the charter of

Mount Olive College. The following September, the College opened at Cragmont Assembly, Black Mountain, North Carolina, with nine students.

The proclamation that the Free Will Baptists of North Carolina had launched their education boat was received with mixed reactions. Some were glad and felt that the College was long overdue. Some were sad and felt that the movement was premature. Some were afraid the College would fail or be of such poor quality as to be a blight upon the denomination. But most were indifferent.

In September, 1953, the State Convention decided that its infant College should have a home of its own. With only \$6.17 in its treasury for Christian education, the Convention agreed to a purchase price of \$25,000 for an abandoned public school building and a block of property in Mount Olive.

The Board of Directors raised \$2,000, borrowed an additional \$2,000, and made a down payment of \$4,000. Without faculty, funds, facilities, or students, they announced that a standard junior college program of study would begin in September, 1954. Twenty-two students enrolled.

Friends wondered if the College could survive the year, and foes doubted that it would. The Board of Directors, administration, and faculty faced the challenge before them with unreserved dedication. They despaired to think of what would happen to the Free Will Baptist Church without the ministry of this College.

With nothing except determination to keep it alive, the College struggled through the year and then into another—then into its third and fourth years. Some who in the beginning had been indifferent were now in opposition, and some who had been in opposition became hostile.

But the College also found friends. It refused to die. It built carefully upon a foundation of educational excellence and Christian integrity. It proved its loyalty to the Free Will Baptist Church without becoming narrowly sectarian.

TEN YEARS OF PROGRESS

Today Mount Olive College stands as an unparalleled achievement among Free Will Baptists. In ten years it has grown from an idea and has become an ornament to the Free Will Baptist Church.

From an enrollment of nine students, it has grown to approximately two hundred students.

From \$6.17 in 1954, the assets of the College have grown to a quarter of a million dollars. Free Will Baptists have contributed approximately \$350,000 to Mount Olive College.

Mount Olive has become the first college in the history of Free Will Baptists to attain regional accreditation, the highest form of accreditation.

Its alumni are preaching the Gospel of our Lord, teaching in our schools, ministering to the sick, caring for orphan children, defending our nation, contributing to our business and industrial growth, and making useful citizens in the home and church.

For those who appreciate the heritage of the Free Will Baptist Church—

freedom, dignity, integrity, and Biblical truth—Mount Olive College stands as a bulwark of our faith. It was born and nurtured in a decade of destiny, and the destiny of generations yet unborn will be influenced by its ministry.

TREASURER'S REPORT—MOUNT OLIVE JUNIOR COLLEGE

July 1, 1960—June 30, 1961

Balance (Bank of Mount Olive) July 1, 1960 \$ 1,156.34

Received From:

North Carolina

Eastern Conference District	\$ 15,549.27
Central Conference District	13,609.85
Western Conference District	10,264.19
Cape Fear Conference District	3,334.02
Albemarle Conference District	998.01
French Broad Conference District	2.50
Pee Dee Conference District	314.68
Piedmont Conference District	80.42
Blue Ridge Conference District	95.05
State Wide Bodies	2,753.85

Florida 348.95

Georgia 108.00

Virginia 220.00

South Carolina 622.94

Tennessee 133.00

Total gifts from Free Will Baptists \$ 48,434.73

Mount Olive and Community \$ 9,689.08

Goldsboro and Community 5,148.00

Other Communities 2,400.00

Total Gifts from Friends 17,237.28

Total Gifts \$ 65,672.01

Student Income

Application Fees \$ 1,270.00

General Fees 14,545.40

Tuition 23,853.94

Activity Fees 785.00

Total Student Income 40,454.34

Auxiliary Enterprises

Room \$ 6,221.25

Board 16,746.69

Book Store 6,982.58

Total Auxiliary Enterprises 29,950.52

Other Income

Youth Conference	\$ 675.63
Repayment of Student Loans	569.85
Endowment Income	2,215.31
Repayment of Endowment Principal	2,000.00
Refunds	980.61
Pulpit Supply	1,795.00
Loans	17,000.00
Repayment of Ministerial Scholarship	125.00
Collection on Fire Damage	333.78
Rental on Typewriters	114.00
Miscellaneous	70.99

Total Other Income

25,880.17

Total Receipts

\$161,957.04

Total to Account For

\$163,113.38

Disbursements

Operating Expenses

Administration Salaries	\$30,912.00
Academic Salaries	45,323.00
Staff Salaries	7,104.59
Social Security	480.69
Travel	2,182.74
Office Supplies	702.64
Printing and Promotion	4,937.18
Bookstore	5,344.01
Household and Kitchen Supplies	698.72
Food	8,372.85
Utilities	6,373.65
Instructional Supplies	939.89
Taxes, Licenses, and Fees	241.86
Library	2,494.01
Rent	6,730.00
Maintenance and Operation	609.47
Educational Membership Fees	282.42
In-Service and Faculty Education	403.08
Student Affairs	845.00
Postage	1,755.74
Honorarium	155.00
Refunds	748.97
Work Scholarships	5,255.00
Youth Conference	457.94
General Stores	34.09
Southern Association Fee	450.00
Moving College Personnel	423.26

Miscellaneous	68.72	
Total Operating Expenses		\$136,326.52
Non-Operating Expenses		
Academic Scholarships	\$ 1,712.50	
Ministerial Scholarships	2,314.00	
Student Loans	1,220.33	
Repairs and Replacements	1,863.97	
Insurance	1,983.83	
Interest	1,868.50	
Debt Retirement	3,855.72	
Investment of Endowment	2,000.00	
Total Non-Operating Expenses		16,818.85
Capital Outlay		
Purchase of Real Estate	\$ 2,500.00	
Property Improvements	1,582.96	
Equipment	4,550.15	
Professional Fees	1,000.00	
Total Capital Outlay		9,633.11
Total Disbursements		162,778.48

Balance (Bank of Mount Olive) July 1, 1961 \$ 334.90

The above is my report as taken from our official records which has been verified by the auditor.

M. L. JOHNSON, Treasurer

GENERAL BUDGET—MOUNT OLIVE JUNIOR COLLEGE

July 1, 1961—June 30, 1962

Current Operation:

Salaries:

Administration	\$31,300
Academic	50,360
Staff	10,800

	\$ 92,460
Social Security and Retirement	5,500
Travel	4,000
Office Supplies	1,000
Printing and Promotion	5,500
Bookstore	7,500
Household and Kitchen Supplies	1,250
Food	20,000
Utilities	7,500
Instructional Supplies	1,500

Taxes, Licenses, and Fees	500	
Library	2,500	
Rent (Rooms for Students, Office Space, Student Center, etc.)	8,500	
Maintenance and Operation	750	
Educational Membership Fees	350	
In-Service and Faculty Education	500	
Student Affairs	1,125	
Postage	2,250	
Honorarium	200	
<i>Student Aid:</i>		
Scholarships		
Academic	\$ 2,050	
Ministerial	1,250	
Work	6,400	
Student Loans	1,500	
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		11,200
Repairs and Replacements		2,000
Investment of Endowment		5,000
Insurance		2,200
Interest		3,000
Debt Retirement		20,000
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Total Current Operation		\$206,285
Contingency Fund:		
Contingency (To Be Placed as Needed)		3,240
Capital and Development:		
Payments on Fixed Properties	\$ 2,000	
Property Improvements	1,000	
Equipment	6,000	
Professional Fees	500	
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Total General Budget		\$219,025

SPECIAL FUNDS

The Administration of the college shall have the right and privilege to accept and expend, as specified, any special gift not included in the anticipated income or the authorized expenditures of the general budget.

Anticipated Income

1961-62

Gifts from Free Will Baptists	\$ 75,000
Gifts from Friends	25,000
Student Income	68,475
Auxiliary Enterprises	43,300

Youth Conference	1,100
Repayment of Student Loans	1,500
Endowment (Earnings)	2,200
Other Sources	2,450
Total	<hr/> \$219,025

STATEMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

To The North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists
Mount Olive, North Carolina

September 13, 14, 1961

Statement

The executive committee recognizes its solemn responsibility in this hour of grave crisis. We are aware that decisions made at this convention may determine the character and destiny of Original Free Will Baptists for generations yet unborn.

Because of our desire to faithfully discharge the duties committed to us by this convention, we have co-operated with the ministers and lay leaders throughout the state who have asked our help in informing our people about the issues now confronting us. Through area meetings, the newspapers, church periodicals, and other sources, we believe that our people are aware of the problems we face.

We believe that Christian people who are properly informed will think and pray through their problems, and under God they can be relied upon to make right decisions. We believe that it would result in immeasurable harm to drag all the arguments, charges, and counter-charges regarding Ronald Creech and Edgemont Church onto the floor of this convention. To do so would further threaten the spirit of Christian brotherhood and unity of our great convention.

We are not met here to serve as a Sanhedrin Court to defame and crucify our brethren. We are not met here to show a spirit of revenge toward those who have wronged us.

We recognize the North Carolina State Convention as an advisory body to the conferences, churches, union meetings, and ministers who hold membership in it. It is "the duty of the convention to solicit the co-operation of the conferences and associations in promoting the work of the convention.

We believe that the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists wishes to conduct its business and promote the cause of Jesus Christ in an atmosphere of peace and harmony.

We recognize that it is not uncommon for brethren to disagree and that controversies are sometimes inevitable. We believe, however, that these differences should be settled according to the Scriptures and the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina*.

We recognize that "each local church is a distinct and independent or-

ganization, with full authority to manage its own internal affairs, elect its officers, receive, dismiss, discipline, and exclude members."

We also recognize that "this principle of the independence of each church is not held as a law of isolation; on the contrary, churches conveniently situated associate and co-operate in all things which tend to advance the common cause. Councils are, therefore, called in the organization of a church and the settlement of serious difficulties. On the same principle, the churches meet by delegation in the annual conference or association. The annual conference or association being the highest tribunal shall have final disciplinary authority over the local church." (Quotation from the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina*.)

We believe also that the conference or association is the highest tribunal in examining, ordaining, and disciplining ministers.

For a congregation to be a Free Will Baptist church, it must hold membership in a Free Will Baptist conference or association. We do not recognize independent churches as being Free Will Baptist churches.

In the same manner, for a man to be a Free Will Baptist minister, he must hold membership in a Free Will Baptist conference or association. We do not recognize independent ministers as being Free Will Baptist ministers.

We believe that there are distinct advantages in limiting ecclesiastical authority to the annual conferences. This form of church government has been practiced by Original Free Will Baptists for more than two centuries. In this manner we avoid the selfish spirit of isolationists and the ecclesiastical tyranny that comes from centralized authority.

We have observed that Free Will Baptists today are being caught in the flux of two conflicting concepts of church government. One extreme is to isolate the local church and make them independent congregations. Also a part of this trend is the defiance of the long-established authority of the annual conference in the examining, ordaining, and disciplining of ministers who walk disorderly. Through acts of incorporation, some congregations have already repudiated the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina* by appropriating to themselves the authority to ordain men to the gospel ministry.

The other extreme of church government is the lodging of ever-mounting authority in a national organization. It is our belief that the ultimate goal of this trend is to destroy all forms of church government between the local church and the national organization. We wish to warn our churches that the end result of this movement would be the control of the Free Will Baptist denomination by a small group of ambitious men. From one national office this small group would seek to control the literature, all publications, educational institutions, and the entire denominational program of Free Will Baptists.

We believe that Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina wish to avoid both of these extremes. We do not want our church to disintegrate into a conglomeration of independent congregations. Nor do we want the tyranny of a national office with centralized authority.

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention believes that the vast majority of Free Will Baptists wish to adhere to the ancient landmarks of our faith which recognize the annual conference as the highest denominational tribunal. The annual conference is close to the people, and it gives proper recognition to the laity.

We believe that our position on church government is clearly defined in the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina*. The formulation of this position was a joint activity of the brethren from many conferences. It took place in a spirit of Christian brotherhood before the present crisis ever arose.

We do not believe that it would be the part of wisdom to abandon the principles of church government and Biblical faith that have stood the test of time.

We believe it would be an injustice to our forefathers to forsake the ancient landmarks which they prayerfully set in order to chart a new course for the expedience of any pressure group that might clamor for personal favor.

In recognition, then, of our solemn responsibility to promote the cause of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, to advance Biblical truth and to act on Christian principles and from Christian motives, the executive committee humbly presents this statement and the following recommendations to the 1961 session of the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

Recommendations

1. We advise Mr. Ronald Creech to withdraw his libel suit in the amount of \$400,000 against the Executive Committee and the Board of Ordination of the Western Conference;

2. We advise that Mr. Creech recognize the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina* which empowers the annual conference to examine, ordain, and discipline ministers;

3. We advise Mr. Creech to present himself fully to the jurisdiction of the Western Conference and its duly constituted boards and committees without restraint in order that the controversy between him and the Western Conference may be settled according to the Holy Bible and the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina*;

4. We advise the James A. Miles Associates to recognize the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina* which calls for councils in the organization of a church and the settlement of serious difficulties.

Upon the compliance of Mr. Creech and the James A. Miles Associates with the above:

1. We advise the Western Conference to withdraw its complaint and restraining order against Mr. Creech and the James A. Miles Associates;

2. We advise the Western Conference to give Mr. Creech a speedy, fair,

and impartial trial according to the *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina*;

3. We advise the J. G. Teasley Associates to withdraw their complaint and restraining order against Mr. Creech and the James A. Miles Associates; and

4. We advise all conferences, associations, union meetings and churches belonging to the North Carolina State Convention to honor the decisions of the Western Conference in seeking a Christian solution to the problems involving Mr. Creech and Edgemont Church.

In order that this convention may proceed to transact its business in a spirit of peace and love, we recommend that the presiding officer be empowered to rule out of order any other discussion, debate, resolution, or item of business relative to the Edgemont Church dispute or Ronald Creech that may come before this convention.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention met at Mount Olive, North Carolina, on October 11, 1960.

The president brought to the attention of the executive committee a letter from Brother E. B. Ledlow, secretary of a study committee appointed by the general board to study the advantages and disadvantages of holding biennial meetings of the National Association.

It was moved and carried that this committee go on record as favoring whatever decision is made concerning this matter by the General Board of the National Association and that we instruct our secretary to write a letter to Brother E. B. Ledlow stating our position on this matter.

The secretary of the State Convention read the minutes of the 1960 session of the convention. It was moved and carried that we approve the minutes of the 1960 session.

The report of the treasurer to the 1960 session of the convention was read by Brother Rom Mallard. In keeping with a motion passed at the State Convention authorizing the executive committee to approve the report of the treasurer, it was moved and carried that the report of the treasurer be adopted.

It was moved and carried that \$250 be allocated for the State Convention Loan Fund at Mount Olive College.

It was moved and carried that we authorize the secretary to send to the clerk of the Edgemont Church in Durham, upon his request, the information in the report of the credentials committee which affects Edgemont Church and its pastor.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn.

The executive committee convened on November 25, 1960, at Mount Olive Junior College.

It was moved and carried that the executive committees of all conferences and associations in the State Convention be invited to convene at a time and place, to be designated by the president of the State Convention, for the

purpose of studying the situation of boundary lines among the several conferences, and to seek to bring those conferences that have disregarded the boundary lines to adhere to them until such time as two-thirds of the conference reject the boundary line agreement made several years ago by the conferences of the State Convention.

The following resolution was adopted by the executive committee: Be it resolved that we call attention to the position of the Statement of Faith and Discipline of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina on "The Ministry," which is as follows:

"Each conference or association assumes and exercises authority over Original Free Will Baptist ministers in its jurisdiction or bounds. Be it further resolved that this executive committee reaffirm our support of this statement in the Discipline and that a copy of this resolution be published in *The Free Will Baptist*, and that a copy be sent to the moderator of each conference or association."

The president announced that the meeting of the executive committees of the various conferences will be held at The Free Will Baptist Press, Ayden, North Carolina, on January 3, 1961.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn.

The executive committee met at the Ayden Free Will Baptist Church in Ayden, North Carolina, on January 3, 1961. Executive committees of five conferences in the State Convention attended the meeting.

The president of the State Convention called the meeting to order and called upon Brother Ralph Lightsey to lead the opening prayer. The president stated the purpose of the meeting and expressed appreciation for the use of the facilities of the Ayden Free Will Baptist Church. He then read a letter which was sent to the moderators of the conferences asking them to plan for their executive committees to attend this meeting. For purposes of clarification it was moved and carried that this meeting be considered an official executive committee meeting.

Brother L. R. Ennis requested that the discussion in the meeting be broadened to include the pledge required in the Eastern Conference.

It was mutually agreed by members of the executive committee that the purpose of this meeting be expanded to include a discussion of the pledge which is required of ministers in the Eastern Conference.

This pledge is as follows: "I, the undersigned, promise to support in full the program of the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptists and also the Eastern Conference."

The president then addressed the body explaining the purpose of the pledge. Brother C. F. Bowen made some pertinent comments on the spirit in which the meeting should be conducted. Various other brethren spoke their convictions on the matter of boundary lines and other related matters. The discussion was open and thorough and the atmosphere was conducive to better understanding on the part of all concerned. As the meeting progressed a spirit of mutuality was apparent.

It was suggested by Brother Ennis that the Executive Committee of the State Convention be requested to appoint a committee to study the matter of boundary lines and collaborate with the executive committees of the various conferences in reaching agreement among the conferences on this matter.

It was further suggested by Brother M. L. Johnson that the agreement on boundary lines now in effect continue to be recognized by all conferences until such time as these conferences, through their executive committees, work out a new agreement to be voted on by the various conferences.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn.

The executive committee met in Mount Olive on February 17, 1961. Members present were: S. A. Smith, C. L. Patrick, C. F. Bowen, Oscar Webster, Michael Pelt, Rom Mallard, Walter Carter, and two visitors, M. L. Johnson and Steve English. Brother Carter offered the opening prayer.

The minutes of two previous meetings, one held in Mount Olive on November 25, 1960, and the other held in Ayden on January 3, 1961, were read and approved.

Dr. Raper, who was invited to this meeting, gave a brief report of some recent developments that point toward a substantial enlargement of the financial resources of Mount Olive College as a result of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. It was moved and carried that \$500 be allocated by the State Convention treasurer as a gift to the college for the payment of architect fees so that the master plans for the new campus can be completed.

The following resolution was adopted unanimously by the committee:

Be it resolved that we call attention to the position of the Statement of Faith and Discipline of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, Pages 52 and 53, on "The Independence of Churches" which reads in part as follows:

"Each local church is a distinct and independent organization, with full authority to manage its own internal affairs, elect its officers, receive, dismiss, discipline, and exclude members. But this principle of the independence of each church is not held as a law of isolation; on the contrary, churches conveniently situated associate and co-operate in all things which lend to advance the common cause. Councils are, therefore, called in the organization of a church and the settlement of serious difficulties. On the same principles, the churches meet by delegation in the annual conference or association. The annual conference or association being the highest tribunal, shall have final disciplinary authority over the local church."

Be it further resolved that this executive committee reaffirm our support of this statement as representing the position and practice of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina for many generations. Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be published in *The Free Will Baptist* and that a copy be sent to the moderator of each conference or association.

It was moved that we instruct our secretary to prepare any necessary affi-

davits relative to any actions taken in any meeting of the state executive committee.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn.

The executive committee met in Mount Olive on June 22, 1961.

The president appointed a program committee for the next session of the State Convention to be held at Mount Olive College as follows: C. L. Patrick, C. F. Bowen, and Michael Pelt. Brother Patrick was asked to serve as chairman of this committee:

The president read a letter which he had received from the president of the Alumni Association of Mount Olive College requesting that a representative of the Alumni Association be appointed to the board of trustees of the college. The executive committee discussed this matter carefully. The Reverend Johnny Davenport was elected to fill the unexpired term of the late J. W. Alford on the board of Mount Olive College.

In keeping with the request from the Alumni Association of Mount Olive it was moved and carried that we recommend to the Board of Directors of Mount Olive College that they invite a representative of the Alumni Association of the college to meet with the board with all privileges except that of voting.

It was moved and carried by a unanimous vote that this executive committee recommend the re-election of the Reverend M. L. Johnson as the representative from North Carolina on the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists.

It was moved and carried that we adopt the following recommendation submitted by the president of Mount Olive College:

"That the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists approve the five-year financial goal of Mount Olive Junior College to raise \$625,000. Of this amount, Free Will Baptists will be asked to contribute \$400,000, for an average of \$80,000 annually for the next five years. Friends of the college and educational foundations will be asked for \$225,000.

It is estimated that \$400,000 of this goal will be required to supplement student income for the general operation of the college: the remaining \$225,000 could then be used for capital purposes.

This amount is not all that we need, and we must put forth every effort to exceed this goal. "Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm." —Emerson.

It was moved and carried that the president of the State Convention be authorized to appoint the delegate from the State Convention to the National Association.

It was moved and carried that we recess the meeting subject to the call of the president.

The executive committee reconvened at the call of the president. The meeting was held on July 20, 1961, at Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina.

All members of the executive committee were present and there were several pastors and laymen from various churches in North Carolina in attendance at this meeting. Brother Walter Reynolds led the opening prayer.

The president asked M. L. Johnson and W. B. Raper to give report of the actions taken at the recent session of the National Association which affect the North Carolina State Convention, as well as the ministers and churches of this state.

It was moved and carried that the statement submitted by W. B. Raper in response to the action of the National Association in declaring vacant the offices of five men from North Carolina be adopted by the executive committee.

It was moved and carried that the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists vigorously protest the action of the National Association in impeaching from national offices North Carolinians who were in good standing with their local conference and the North Carolina State Convention and against whom no charges were submitted; that this convention express its confidence in the doctrine and Christian character of the North Carolinians who were removed from office of the National Association; that copies of this motion be sent to the Executive Committee of the National Association, *The Free Will Baptist*, Contact, and the Associated Press.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn.

The executive committee met in Mount Olive, North Carolina, on August 8, 1961. All members of the committee were present and there were several visitors, both ministers and laymen, present.

The chairmen of the superannuation board presented a report in the form of a proposed revision of the ministerial retirement system and offered the following recommendations:

The board of superannuation offers three recommendations to the convention for consideration:

I. The board of superannuation recommends the adoption of the following revision of the ministerial retirement system.

II. The board of superannuation recommends that the present program of superannuation, which is a benevolent program, be discontinued in the following manner.

1. We recommend that all who are on the present list remain there so long as they may live and assistance be rendered as has been in the past.
2. The list remain open for five more years and all approved applicants be placed on the list for the duration of their life, and assistance be given to them according as the funds are received.
3. We recommend that when those, who are now on the list and the ones that may be added in the five-year extended period, shall have passed away, that this determine the conclusion of this part of the superannuation program.

III. The board of superannuation recommends that a satisfactory agree-

ment be reached between the board and the ones now participating in the ministerial retirement system as to the discretion of their funds.

It was moved and carried that we recommend this plan to the North Carolina State Convention and that we instruct the superannuation board to employ whatever legal means are necessary to secure the plan.

The president reported that he had not received a reply from Ronald Creech relative to an appeal by him and the James A. Miles associates to the State Convention. He was asked to present his appeal to the president on or before August 7.

After some discussion on the subject of church government, the committee recessed for lunch.

The committee reconvened after lunch for further business and discussion.

Several meetings were announced to be held during the next two weeks for the purpose of informing the laity about the issues confronting Free Will Baptists in North Carolina. It was moved and carried that the vice-moderator be asked to arrange the program for such a meeting at Piney Grove Church, Pitt County.

It was moved and carried that the secretary be instructed to prepare copies of the affidavit signed by ministers of North Carolina for general distribution.

It was moved and carried that we ask Brother Walter Reynolds to write an article for publication on the legal involvements in the incorporation of a local church.

It was brought to the attention of the committee that the vacancy on the mission board brought about by the death of Brother J. W. Alford has not been filled. Brother M. L. Johnson was elected to fill this vacancy.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn.

The executive committee met on August 25, 1961, at Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina.

The secretary presented a copy of the program for the 1961 session of the State Convention. It was moved and carried that the program prepared by the committee be approved.

It was moved and carried that the executive committee send a letter of appreciation to the Maus Piano Company of Raleigh for its offer to furnish without charge, an organ for use at the 1961 State Convention.

It was moved and carried that we ask Brother Clarence Bowen to prepare mimeograph copies of hymns to be used during this session of the convention and that he be reimbursed for any expense involved.

It was moved and carried that the executive committee recommend to the churches that they observe September 24 as Mount Olive College Day, and that we ask the co-operation of the churches in raising \$75,000 for the college during the 1961-62 fiscal year.

It was moved and carried that we recommend the election of Brother

Robert Bynum as a member of the Children's Home board to fill the unexpired term of the late Brother Warren Jackson.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn. Benediction by R. N. Hinant.

The executive committee met in Mount Olive, North Carolina, on September 12, 1961.

It was moved and carried that we adopt the report of a special committee, appointed at the last meeting, as representing the views of the executive committee and recommend its adoption by the convention.

It was moved and carried that we ask Brother C. L. Patrick to read the above special report to the convention for its adoption prior to the reading of the minutes of the executive committee.

It was moved and carried that a copy of any and all printed materials be distributed at this session of the convention be given to the president before such material is distributed.

It was moved and carried that we authorize the president to appoint an assistant treasurer in view of the fact that the treasurer will be unable to attend the convention this year.

It was moved and carried that we adjourn.

REPORT OF THE MISSION BOARD OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION

Greetings:

This year the mission board has met several times to attend to the business that came before the board.

The mission board, along with all other Free Will Baptists, has suffered a great loss in the home-going of Reverend John W. Alford. We pause to thank God for Brother Alford's life and the work that he has done in extending the Kingdom of God.

This year the board has supported a missionary in the city of Wilmington; helped the Gieger Mission in Jacksonville, North Carolina; helped the Fayetteville mission; and, gave one-half of the undesignated mission funds to the Alaskan Mission work.

All designated funds have been sent to their destinations through their proper channels.

The board would like to make the following recommendations:

I. That we urge each church to support the mission work in North Carolina.

II. That each church send one dollar per capita for the North Carolina mission program.

III. That North Carolina continue its support of the Alaskan Mission work this year.

IV. That after the operational expenses of the mission board has been tak-

en out, one-half of the undesignated funds be sent to the Alaskan missions and one-half go to the state mission program.

V. That our people pray that this controversy between the National Association and the North Carolina State Convention be resolved and that we may continue the support of our world-wide mission program. Pray also that the North Carolina mission board, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, may continue to lead the people of our great state in a world-wide mission program.

Respectfully submitted,
R. H. Jackson, *Chairman*
A. B. Bryan, *Secretary-Treasurer*

NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF MISSIONS
STATE CONVENTION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST

Box 308, Ayden, N. C.

Note: This is a combined report of auditors' reports: namely, Albert C. Gaskill and C. H. Rodman, Certified Public Accountants. Two audit reports were necessary because of the death of the former secretary-treasurer, Rev. J. W. Alford. For simplification we combine the two reports. The original reports will be on file at Ayden, N. C.

After the passing of Rev. J. W. Alford, it was deemed necessary and wise to set up a permanent office, mailing address and bank account in Ayden, N. C. Henceforth and in the future, or until the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptists directs otherwise, Box 308, Ayden, N. C., will be the mailing address of the board of missions.

"EXHIBIT "B"

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

From September 1, 1960 through August 31, 1961

Cash in Bank September 1, 1960 \$ 1,776.92

Receipts:

Missions—General Purposes 3,629.69

State Home Missions \$2,522.18

Payments on Notes Receivable 300.00

Interest on Notes Receivable 161.71

2,983.89

National Home Missions 8,217.40

National Foreign Missions 17,756.19

Total Receipts to Be Accounted For \$34,364.09

Disbursements:

National Foreign Missions \$17,755.19

National Home Missions 8,961.48

N. C. State Home Missions 3,051.31

Board of Missions		
Secretary-Treasurer's Salary	\$ 660.00	
Promotion, Telephone, Supplies		
Postage and Audit	481.60	
Board Meetings and Travel	519.80	
Other Board of Missions Functions	198.25	1,859.65
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Total Disbursements		\$31,627.63
Cash in Bank, Ayden, N. C., August 31, 1961		2,736.46
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Total Accounted For		\$34,364.09
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Note: The sum total of \$1,696.78 from receipts of the board of missions—General Purposes was divided equally and transferred to National Home Missions and State Home Missions. The amount to National Home Missions was earmarked for the Whaleys in Alaska.

Our books are open for inspection at any time. We invite your questions and concern and trust we can serve all our people in the cause of world-wide missions.

Our books carry an account for every missionary receiving support from North Carolina. Each account clears out at the end of the month. All funds are receipted and proper credit is given in our books. All earmarked funds are handled and no handling charges are subtracted from same. If through error any funds do not get handled properly, we would and will be happy for you to call it to our attention.

Our system is set up with the national office so that each missionary receiving funds from North Carolina will and can have the address of each donor. In return for this service all offerings, gifts and donations which are postmarked in this state, we are forwarded a copy with addresses showing from whom it came. This has reference to offerings and gifts going direct.

Financial Report compiled by: A. C. Gaskill, Morehead City, North Carolina, C. P. A., and C. H. Rodman, Washington, North Carolina, C. P. A.

Allen B. Bryan, Secretary-Treasurer

NORTH CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST BOARD OF MISSIONS
Ayden, North Carolina
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

August 31, 1961

The Reverend A. B. Bryan, Treasurer
North Carolina Free Will Baptist Board of Missions
Ayden, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Bryan:

Pursuant to the terms of my engagement, I have examined the records of account of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Board of Missions for the

period December 14, 1960 to August 31, 1961. In this connection I submit herewith my report thereon consisting of the following statements and comments:

Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet, August 31, 1961

Exhibit "B"—Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the Period December 14, 1960 to August 31, 1961

Schedule 1—Bank Reconciliation, August 31, 1961

Schedule 2—Notes Receivable, August 31, 1961

Cash on deposit was verified by examination of the bank statement sent from the First National Bank, Ayden, North Carolina, and Schedule 1 presents a detailed reconciliation at August 31, 1961.

The Notes Receivable were not verified by direct communication with the makers. Schedule 2 presents an analysis of the notes.

I did not make independent verification of the Assets, Liabilities, Income or Expenses. My function was largely limited to assembling the information in statement form. In view of these facts, I am precluded from expressing an independent accountant's opinion on the representation contained in the statements. However, I am satisfied as to the fairness of the Assets and Liabilities as shown on the Balance Sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. Rodman

Certified Public Accountant

BALANCE SHEET—EXHIBIT "A"

August 31, 1961

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Bank	\$2,736.46
Notes Receivable (Schedule 2)	1,950.00

Total Current Assets	\$4,686.46
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FIXED:

Adding Machine	\$225.00
File Cabinets	72.50

Total Fixed Assets	297.50
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Total Assets	\$4,983.96
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MEMBERS EQUITY

Members Equity	\$4,983.96
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EXHIBIT "B"
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
From December 14, 1960—August 31, 1961

Receipts:

Balance Transferred from Rev. J. W. Alford	\$ 2,008.92
Missions—General Purposes (Note 1)	2,968.55
State Home Missions	\$ 1,543.49
Payments on Notes Receivable	300.00
Interest	161.71
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	2,005.20
National Home Missions	6,095.94
National Foreign Missions	11,688.94
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Total Receipts to Be Accounted For	\$24,767.55

Disbursements:

National Foreign Missions	\$11,688.94
National Home Missions	6,761.85
State Home Missions	2,152.19
Board of Missions:	
Secretary and Treasurer's Salary	\$540.00
Promotion, Telephone, Supplies and Postage	394.71
Board Meetings and Travel	295.15
Other Board of Missions Functions	198.25
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	1,428.11
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Total Disbursements	22,031.09
Cash in Bank, August 31, 1961 (Schedule 1)	2,736.46
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Total Accounted For	\$24,767.55

Note 1—The sum of \$1,540.44 from receipts of the board of missions—general purposes—was divided equally and transferred to National Home Missions and State Home Missions.

BANK RECONCILIATION

August 31, 1961—Schedule 1

The First National Bank, Ayden, North Carolina:

Balance Per Bank Statement	\$4,514.46
Add: Deposit in Transit	325.61
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Total	\$4,840.07

Less: Outstanding Checks:	
Number	Amount
184	\$ 300.00
185	1,144.39
186	506.55
187	7.44
188	20.00
189	54.88
190	70.35
Total Outstanding Checks	<u>2,103.61</u>
Balance, August 31, 1961	<u>\$2,736.46</u>

Schedule 2—Notes Receivable
CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.

Note Number 2:	
4% Note Made on December 9, 1955:	
Balance Per Treasurer's Record, August 31, 1961	\$1,100.00
Note Number 3:	
4% Note Made on May 23, 1956:	
Balance Per Treasurer's Record, August 31, 1960	\$1,150.00
Payments to Principal:	
Date	Amount
1- 4-61	\$150.00
3- 8-61	50.00
3-31-61	25.00
5-10-61	25.00
6-12-61	25.00
6-11-61	25.00
Total Payments	<u>300.00</u>
Balance, August 31, 1961	<u>\$850.00</u>

NORTH CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST BOARD OF MISSIONS
AUDIT REPORT FOR THE THREE MONTHS PERIOD
SEPTEMBER 1, 1960—NOVEMBER 30, 1960

Albert C. Gaskill
Certified Public Accountant
Morehead City, North Carolina

North Carolina Free Will Baptist Board of Missions
Ayden, North Carolina

Gentlemen:

We have made an examination of the records of account of the North

Carolina Free Will Baptist Board of Missions for the three months period from September 1, 1960, through November 30, 1960. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We submit herewith our report thereon consisting of the following statements and comments:

Exhibit A—Balance Sheet, November 30, 1960

Exhibit B—Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the Three Months Period from September 1, 1960 Through November 30, 1960

Schedule A-1—Bank Reconciliation, November 30, 1960

Schedule A-2—Notes Receivable, November 30, 1960

Schedule A-3—Receipts on Hand and Not Deposited

Cash on deposit was verified with the Commercial National Bank, Morehead City, North Carolina, and Schedule A-1 presents a detailed reconciliation of cash in bank as at November 30, 1960.

The notes receivable were not verified by direct communication with the makers. Schedule A-2 presents an analysis of the notes.

The receipts on hand and not deposited at the time of the Reverend J. W. Alford's death, and those subsequently received, were examined together with the Reverend A. B. Bryan who was elected by the board of missions as the successor secretary and treasurer.

In our opinion the accompanying balance sheet presents fairly the financial position of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Board of Missions as at November 30, 1960, and the statement of cash receipts and disbursements presents fairly its cash transactions for the three months period from September 1, 1960 through November 30, 1960, all in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Very truly yours,
Albert C. Gaskill
Certified Public Accountant

September 2, 1961

EXHIBIT A—BALANCE SHEET

November 30, 1960

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Bank (Schedule A-1)	\$2,008.92
Notes Receivable (Schedule A-2)	2,250.00

Total Current	\$4,258.92
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Fixed:

Adding Machine	\$150.00
Typewriter	75.00
File Cabinets	72.50

	297.50
Total Assets	<u>\$4,556.42</u>
Members' Equity	<u>\$4,556.42</u>

EXHIBIT B

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

SEPTEMBER 1, 1960 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 1960

Receipts:

Allocation:

Missions—General Purposes (Note 1)	\$661.14
State Home Missions	978.69
National Home Missions	2,121.46
National Foreign Missions	<u>6,067.25</u>

Total Receipts \$9,828.54

ADD: Cash in Bank, September 1, 1960 1,776.92

Total to Be Accounted For \$11,605.46

Disbursements:

National Foreign Missions	\$6,066.25
National Home Missions	2,199.63
State Home Missions	899.12

Board of Missions:

Secretary and Treasurer Salary	\$120.00
Telephone, Supplies, Postage, Audit	86.89
Board Meetings and Travel	<u>224.65</u>

431.54

Total Disbursements 9,596.54

Cash in Bank, November 30, 1960 (Schedule A-1). \$ 2,008.92

Note 1: Of the total funds received by the board of missions for general purposes, the amount of \$156.34 was transferred and divided equally for State Home Mission and National Home Mission purposes.

BANK RECONCILIATION—THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL BANK

November 30, 1960—Schedule A-1

Balance per Bank Statement, November 30, 1960 \$5,297.11

Deduct: Outstanding Checks:

Check Number	Date Drawn	Payee	Amt.
918	11-28-60	W. C. Groves	\$ 165.00
919	11-28-60	Rolla D. Smith	2,134.05
920	11-28-60	H. E. Willis	989.14

Total Outstanding Checks 3,288.19

Balance Per Books, November 30, 1960 \$2,008.92

SCHEDULE A-2—NOTES RECEIVABLE

NOVEMBER 30, 1960

CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.

4% Note Made on December 9, 1955:

Balance Per Treasurer's Record, November 30, 1960 \$1,100.00

No payment as to principal or interest was made during the period under review.

Interest on this note is paid to June 30, 1960.

4% Note Made on May 23, 1956:

Balance Per Treasurer's Record, November 30, 1960 \$1,150.00

No payment as to principal or interest was made during the period under review.

Interest on this note is paid to July 1, 1960.

SCHEDULE A-3

RECEIPTS ON HAND AND NOT DEPOSITED

Avery Creek Church	\$ 2.40
Bethel Woman's Auxiliary	4.60
Branch's Chapel	10.00
Cabin Sunday School	18.00
Crab Point Sunday School—Junior Class	10.00
Cramerton Church	120.00
Daniel's Chapel	30.00
Dublin's Grove Ladies' Auxiliary	10.00
East Rockingham Church	25.46
Edgemont Church	14.62
Edward's Chapel	15.00
Everett's Chapel	21.54
Friendship Church	13.25
Friendship Church	5.00
Holly Springs	33.79

Hopewell Sunday School	6.22
Hull Road Mission Chapel	73.16
Johnson Union Church	55.91
LaGrange Sunday School	18.69
Lucama Church	5.00
Malachi's Chapel	68.25
Marlboro Sunday School	8.00
Marion Church	75.00
Micro Church	40.71
Mount Calvary Church	28.00
Mount Olive Church	40.00
Mount Zion Church	10.00
Owen's Chapel	8.00
Parker's Chapel	49.27
Peace Church	3.40
Pleasant Plain Chapel	54.93
Ruth's Chapel	105.00
St. John's Chapel	18.50
Saratoga Sunday School—Adult Class	5.35
Second Union Mission	5.00
Shiloh Church	100.00
Snow Hill League	10.00
Stacy Church	31.50
Stacy League	10.00
Swannanoa Ladies' Auxiliary	5.00
Tarboro Woman's Auxiliary	210.41
Tarboro Woman's Auxiliary	196.00
Tarboro Woman's Auxiliary	249.49
Tarboro Woman's Auxiliary	674.73
Walnut Creek Church	72.00
Washington Church	50.00

Total Receipts on Hand and not Deposited	\$2,621.18
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FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Conferences	Ministers	Delegates
Albemarle	9	20
Cape Fear	18	39
Central	45	82
Blue Ridge	2	
Western	38	81
Pee Dee	1	4
Rockfish	1	
Eastern	51	118
Piedmont	18	9

There were three visiting ministers

There were 21 ministers not seated; reason was they were either incorporated or refused to sign registration card.

There were 22 delegates not seated.

The total enrollment was 920.

R. N. Hinnant, *Chairman*

N. B. Barrow

Lloyd Vernon

REPORT OF THE CRAGMONT ASSEMBLY, INC.

To the State Convention:

We bring you greetings from your Assembly. We have had a wonderful season this year. The camps have been great. They have been well planned, and very beneficial. The spirit of each camp was precious. Each of the services held was very inspirational.

During the 1961 season, seven groups of young people spent a week each at Cragmont. Four of the groups were sponsored by the State Sunday School Convention, and two were sponsored by the State Mission Board. According to the best figures of the Rev. L. E. Ballard, around 475 young people have been to Cragmont this summer, which makes it the record year to date in the history of the institution. Many of these young people found salvation at Cragmont, while quite a number dedicated themselves to the Lord for full-time Christian service.

Then, of course, the Ministers' Conference, and the State Woman's Conference were wonderful, and well attended.

At our last board meeting held, the board discussed the ways and means by which we might launch a drive to raise enough money to pay off our indebtedness on our Assembly.

A plan was finally decided upon, entitled, "Checks for Cragmont Campaign, and was put into action by appointing Mrs. Waynette Bridges of Swannanoa, North Carolina, as the promotional secretary. She began by getting out a nice brochure or pamphlet entitled, "All Roads Lead to Cragmont Assembly." We want each one of you to have one of these today.

Later this month you will receive, or at least each church in the state will receive an envelope containing all the information concerning the drive. We hope and trust that each pastor and the officials of each church will co-operate with your board in this special endeavor.

(Please note below the now pending indebtedness.)

Mortgage Notes Payable:

Rev. C. J. Harris	\$11,000.00	Plus Interest
Swannanoa Bank and Trust Co.	5,000.00	Plus Interest
Mr. Fountain Taylor	1,000.00	Plus Interest
Interest Due	1,020.00	

Total \$18,020.00

Total Income During this Camp Season \$13,097.91

Total Operational Expense	\$11,115.82
Total Now in General Fund, or in Bank	\$ 1,982.09

Respectfully Yours,
Wayne W. Smith, Board Chairman
Route 1, Box 149, Ayden, N. C.

THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION FOR THE YEAR 1960-1961

I. Deaths:

With sincere regret we report the death of the following ministers and minister's widow, during the past year, who were on our list: Reverends D. W. Windham, J. W. Alford, R. C. Rhodes and Mrs. May Rouse.

II. Financial Report:

Balance on Hand September 1, 1960	\$ 4,964.26
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Receipts for the Year

Albemarle Conference District	\$ 640.10
Blue Ridge Conference District	182.34
Cape Fear Conference District	838.95
Central Conference District	1,920.90
Eastern Conference District	1,903.37
French Broad Conference District	250.28
Pee Dee Conference District	126.00
Piedmont Conference District	66.50
Rockfish Conference District	20.00
Western Conference District	1,669.41
N. C. Auxiliary Convention	713.69
State Convention	101.16

Total Donations	\$8,432.70
Interest Income from "Best Memorial Fund"	226.43
Interest Income from "Reserve Fund"	151.62
Interest Income from "Retirement Fund"	14.04
Returned Check	11.00

Total Receipts for the Year	\$ 8,835.79
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Total to Account For	\$13,800.05
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Disbursements

Paid to Superannuated Ministers	\$2,828.50
Paid to Widows	2,034.50
Office Expense and Treasurer's Bond	229.40
Chairman-Treasurer Salary	300.00
Chairman-Treasurer Mileage and Expense	78.90
Board Meeting Expense	19.32
Paid to National Board	738.66

Transferred to "Reserve Fund"	1,378.05
Transferred to "Retirement Fund"	33.24
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Total Disbursements	7,640.57
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Balance in Bank and on Hand August 31, 1961	\$ 6,159.48

III. George P. Best Memorial Fund:

The amount of this fund is \$6,469.55 and is invested with an annual interest income.

IV. Reserve Fund:

This fund has been increased during the year by the amount of \$1,378.05 and the total is now \$5,709.98.

V. Retirement Fund:

This fund has been increased during the year by the amount of \$33.24 and the total is now \$434.65.

VI. Pension Checks:

There are now 20 ministers receiving regular monthly pension checks, and 27 widows receiving regular quarterly pension checks.

VII. Budget for 1961-62:

We ask for a total budget the next year of \$20,000.00, based upon 50c per member of the churches of this state.

VIII. Please Send All Superannuation Funds To:

Walter Reynolds, Route 2, Snow Hill, North Carolina. (Make checks payable to North Carolina Board of Superannuation.)

IX. The Board of Superannuation Offers Three Recommendations to the Convention for Consideration:

1. The board of superannuation recommends the adoption of the proposed revision of the "Ministerial Retirement System."

2. The board of superannuation recommends that the present program of superannuation, which is a benevolent program, be discontinued in the following manner:

a. We recommend that all who are on the present list remain there so long as they may live and assistance be rendered as has been in the past.

b. We recommend that the present list remain open for five more years and all approved applicants be placed on the list for the duration of their life, and assistance be rendered them according as the funds are received.

c. We recommend that when those, who are now on the list and the ones that may be added in the five-year extended period, shall have passed away, that this determine the conclusion of this part of the superannuation program.

3. The board of superannuation recommends that a satisfactory

agreement be reached between the board and the ones now participating in the "Ministerial Retirement System" as to the discretion of their funds.

Submitted by the Board of Superannuation
Walter Reynolds, *Chairman-Treasurer*
M. V. Avery
Owen Thomas
C. W. Maness
Mrs. Walter Rhodes

A PROPOSED REVISION OF THE MINISTERIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM

PURPOSE

The purpose of the ministerial retirement system is to provide ministers and other eligible workers of our denomination benefits upon retirement either because of age or disability.

PLAN

Section 1, *Membership*: Ministers, Christian workers and others employed by denominational agencies working with and for the Original Free Will Baptist denomination within North Carolina, are eligible to become members of this retirement system.

Section 2, *Member Contribution*: The amount of member contribution shall be determined by the member himself from a minimum of thirty dollars (\$30.00), up to a maximum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) a year.

Section 3, *Payment of Contribution*: Contributions of members are due and payable on or before the close of each calendar year. All accounts shall be closed at the end of each year and no further payments may be made for such year.

Section 4, *Church Contribution*: The church contribution into this system shall be on a voluntary basis. The church contribution should not be less than five per cent (5%) of the minister's salary.

Section 5, *Normal Retirement Annuity*:

A. A member shall be eligible to retire after his or her sixty-fifth (65th) birthday and shall then be entitled to a life annuity or as described in section twelve (12) herein. The amount of normal retirement shall be based on the number of years the member has participated in the system along with contributions paid into the system each year. In cases where the member has paid varying amounts the monthly pension shall be based upon an average for the number of years payments have been made. Retirement shall mean that one has reached the age of sixty-five (65) and is not actively engaged in and dependent on Free Will Baptist denominational work, and is not the full-time pastor of any church.

B. Member's retirement pensions will be based on contributions paid and number of years members have participated in the system; from fifty

cents (50c) minimum amount to two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) maximum amount per month for the number of years members have contributed to the fund. No monthly pension shall be paid to anyone who does not participate in the system a minimum of three (3) years or will not be eligible to receive monthly pensions of at least five dollars (\$5.00). In these cases the amount a member is eligible to receive will be paid in a lump sum.

Section 6, *Disability Retirement Annuity*: The payment to a member who retires because of disability will be regulated as set forth in section five (5) herein, for normal retirement annuity. Permanent disability before age sixty-five (65) shall be established by proper investigation by the North Carolina Board of Superannuation.

Section 7, *Lump Sum Death Benefit for Named Beneficiary*:

A. In the event of the death of a member before reaching the age of retirement a lump sum, amounting to one and one-half times that paid into the system by the deceased member, shall be paid to the named beneficiary.

B. In the event of the death of a member after reaching the age of retirement, but before receiving at least one and one-half times his contributions the remaining balance shall be paid to the named beneficiary named by the member.

Section 8, *Withdrawal from the System*: In the case of a member who leaves the service of the Original Free Will Baptist Church of North Carolina, and upon notice to the board within sixty days (60) of such withdrawal, except as described in section ten (10) herein, the obligation under the ministerial retirement system shall be limited to the return of sixty per cent (60%) of the member contributions with interest credited at such rate as may be determined from time to time by the North Carolina board of superannuation to the date of termination of the members service within the Original Free Will Baptist Church of North Carolina.

Section 9, *Withdrawal Because of Omitted Contribution*: If contributions as agreed on by the member are not paid for a period of any three (3) continuous calendar years after the year of membership in the ministerial retirement system and prior to entitlement to benefits, the North Carolina Board of Superannuation shall have the right to cancel this certificate and thereupon shall refund sixty per cent (60%) of the member contributions with interest credited at such rate as may be determined from time to time by the North Carolina Board of Superannuation, unless such member shall notify in writing by certified mail the North Carolina Board of Superannuation within three years from the last payment into the system that he desires to have his credits frozen.

Section 10, *Transfers to Other States*: In the event a member transfers to another state, and continues to serve in the Original Free Will Baptist denomination, he may either withdraw from the system as described in section eight (8) herein; or he may continue his contributions, but should he remain outside the State of North Carolina more than one-half of his active service before becoming eligible to retire his benefits as described in sections five (5),

six (6) and seven (7) herein, shall be reduced by one-third their normal amount.

Section 11, *Administration of the System*: The funds of this system shall be faithfully and safely invested in an effort to increase the benefits for those who are members in the system in an institution insured by an agency of the Federal Government unless such money is invested in some work of the Original Free Will Baptist Church of North Carolina. All earnings of the system shall become a part of this system except the amount that shall be used for the actual expense of the administration of the system. True and faithful records shall be kept of the contributions into the system by all the members of the system.

The North Carolina Board of Superannuation shall administer the ministerial retirement system on behalf of the State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina and the benefits payable hereunder are contingent upon the receipt by the North Carolina Board of Superannuation of the required contributions. No financial obligations are assumed by the North Carolina Board of Superannuation other than those which can be met by the contributions actually received by the North Carolina Board of Superannuation. No part of the funds paid into this system and the earnings therefrom shall be used for any purpose other than those herein specifically set forth.

Section 12, *Adequate Funds Required*: The benefits which are to be provided under this ministerial retirement system are payable solely from the total of all member contributions, church contributions and interest gain from investment. Should such funds prove to be insufficient to provide such benefits, the North Carolina Board of Superannuation shall have the right to make adjustments in the benefits payable to the extent it deems adjustments to be necessary, unless sufficient additional funds are made available to the North Carolina Board of Superannuation through additional member and church contributions.

Section 13, *Entire Agreement*: This certificate constitutes the entire agreement between the member and the North Carolina Board of Superannuation, and no changes shall be made in the provisions, nor shall any statements or representations relating thereto which are other than as provided herein be binding or of any value whatsoever unless endorsed hereon or attached hereto by the North Carolina Board of Superannuation and made a part hereof.

Section 14, *Amendment of the System*: The right to amend or modify is inherent in the system. However, in the interest of continued uniformity no amendment or modification of the system shall be made without the approval of the North Carolina Board of Superannuation and the Original Free Will Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. It is further provided that such amendment or modification of the system shall become effective only after sixty (60) days notice in writing by the North Carolina Board of Superannuation to the participating members and it is further provided that such amendment or modification shall not affect any obligation incurred on ac-

count of annuities already entered upon or normal retirement annuity credits accrued to the member prior to the effective date of such amendment or modification.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION, INC. TO THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION OF ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS, SEPTEMBER 13, 1961

The Church Finance Association, Inc., was founded in April, 1940, under the direction, and with the approval of the Executive Committee of this State Convention and has been endorsed and approved by this convention as the agency for helping in church extension in this state.

The purpose of the Church Finance Association, Inc., is to finance or assist in financing church buildings, equipment and furnishing, institutional property or equipment and furnishings, and other denominational property. The certificate of incorporation stipulates that the services of this association apply only to the denominational property of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina. For a complete list of the objects and purposes of the association see the minutes of the North Carolina State Convention for 1960.

During the years of its operation, the Church Finance Association, Inc., has made 77 different loans for a total of \$337,982.45.

Our annual report as of January 1, 1961, showed the following financial condition of the Church Finance Association, Inc.

Total Assets	\$120,341.56
Total Liabilities	109,486.77
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Surplus or Earned Profits	\$ 10,854.79

We continue to have more good applications for loans than we can approve. We need more funds for use in making loans. Any individual or organization having money to invest is invited to consider investing it with the Church Finance Association, Inc. Details will be furnished upon request.

Our next annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 16, 1962. The place is yet to be selected by the board of directors, and will be announced later. All members are urged to represent. Visitors are invited to attend.

This State Convention has \$225.00 in the association, for which it holds nine (9) certificates of membership stock.

R. N. Hinnant, *President*

M. L. Johnson, *Secretary-Treasurer*

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

I. The historical commission has received funds during the year for the markers for the graves of Elder and Sister Joseph Parker, as follows: \$111.00 plus interest amounting to \$1.52, making a total of \$112.52. This fund is on savings at the Peoples Bank and Trust Company, Pinetops, North Carolina. Ministers, delegates, churches, leagues, Sunday schools, G. T. A.'s, and all

other Free Will Baptists are invited to share in placing the markers at the graves of Elder Parker and his wife.

II. The commission requests that anyone having information about the location of the grave of Paul Palmer share this information with members of the commission.

Hubert Burress
J. C. Griffin
F. B. Cherry

REPORT OF EAST CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND

Balance as of September 13, 1960 \$1,235.33

Receipts

North Carolina Central Conference	\$ 50.00
Auxiliary Donations (Received for Meals)	126.31
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Total Receipts	176.31

Disbursements

Ayden Loan and Insurance Co. (Bond Fee)	\$ 7.50
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Total Disbursements	7.50
Check for Deposit on Y Hut Returned (No Deposit Required Now)	5.00
Balance as of September 12, 1961	\$1,409.14

Submitted by,
Mrs. J. C. Boyd, Treasurer

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Whereas: Original Free Will Baptists have had a continuous existence in North Carolina at least since the year, 1727, and the oldest form of Original Free Will Baptist organization beyond the local church is the annual, or general, conference; and

Whereas: In the year, 1913, Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina formed this State Convention, as an advisory body, to solicit the co-operation of the conferences and associations in promoting the work of its various departments; and

Whereas: During and before 1935, Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina were a part of the Eastern General Conference of Original Free Will Baptists; and

Whereas: In 1935 the National Association of Free Will Baptists was formed by uniting the Eastern General Conference and the Co-Operative General Association; it being agreed and understood that "neither of the two shall in any way have jurisdiction over the other" (Dodd, Page 120); and

Whereas: We have understood during the entire time of our affiliation with the National Association that our established customs, usages, practices,

and church government were not a test of fellowship, or the repudiation of the same a prerequisite for membership in the National Association; and

Whereas: For many years there has seemed to be an ever increasing spirit of animosity and opposition, on the part of some elements of the National Association, toward Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina and their programs, institutions, and officials; and

Whereas: The National Association did in its 1961 session, place a new and different interpretation upon the section "Provision and Claim" on Page 39 of the National Treatise; disqualified for national office several ministers who are in good and regular standing with the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists and their respective conferences; and made requests of the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists which it plainly cannot comply with without violating its own *Statement of Faith and Discipline for Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina* and the fundamental doctrines, customs, usages, practices, and church government which have been established during many generations; which did exist before we became a part of the National Association; and which we believe have been the means of the preservation of our faith and heritage for many generations; and

Whereas: We believe the above mentioned animosity, acts, and request by the National Association have created such a state of uncertainty and confusion among the officers, boards and committees of this State Convention, the district bodies, ministers and local churches of this state, as to constitute a state of emergency, and that the above does in fact make our established customs, usages, practices, and church government a test of fellowship and the repudiation of the same a prerequisite for good standing in the National Association; and

Whereas: We feel that this confusion and state of emergency is neither edifying to our denomination or glorifying to our Lord;

Therefore Be It Resolved:

1. That we request the General Board of the National Association of Free Will Baptists to issue a clear, concise, and simple statement of the exact present standing of the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, in the National Association; that because of the urgency of the present state of confusion and emergency, we respectfully request that this statement be issued immediately, and in no case later than January 1, 1962.

2. That until the exact standing of this convention in the National Association has been determined and that state of emergency satisfactorily settled, we request the officers, standing boards and committees of this convention to refrain from active participation in the formulation and execution of the various programs of the National Association, except that any agency receiving funds intended for any department of the National Association shall faithfully forward same to the proper department, and that we advise the district bodies, ministers, and churches who constitute this convention to follow the same course of action.

3. That we hereby designate the standing members of this convention: namely, the general officers, members of standing boards and committees, as a special mediation and fact-finding committee, to represent this convention in any necessary good-faith conference with the General Board of the National Association, and that we hereby empower this special committee to determine if and when the "state of emergency" is satisfactorily settled and inform our people, or if thought necessary, to call a special session of this convention.

4. That we hereby instruct the officers, boards and committees of this convention, in the event it proves impossible to settle the emergency and it is determined that this convention is not in good standing with the National Association, that they begin immediately to formulate plans and policies for a complete denominational program in co-operation with other Original Free Will Baptists who may desire fellowship with us. Said plans and policies to be submitted to any future regular or special session of this convention.

5. That we do hereby call upon all Free Will Baptists to pray for divine guidance in the consideration of these matters.

M. L. Johnson

C. L. Patrick

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2—

Whereas: Certain members of boards constituting the North Carolina State Convention are out of fellowship by reason of incorporation of churches under their pastorate; and

Whereas: The North Carolina State Convention has declared them not eligible to be seated by reason of deviating from customs, practices, and procedures of the Original Free Will Baptist Church;

Therefore be it resolved: That this convention empower the executive board to deal with same according to customs and procedures of Original Free Will Baptists and the North Carolina State Convention.

R. A. Morris

A. B. Bryan

Albert Coates

RESOLUTION NUMBER 3—

Whereas: The president of the North Carolina State Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention—Institute has been declared out of fellowship with the North Carolina State Convention of Churches; and

Whereas: The vice-president of the North Carolina State Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute has been declared out of fellowship because of his influencing his congregation to incorporate the church and program; and

Whereas: Some other office holders in the North Carolina State Sunday School Convention have deviated and used their influence against the program of the North Carolina State Convention of Churches;

Therefore Be It Resolved: That this convention empower the executive board of this convention to call and reconvene the North Carolina State Sunday School Convention in order to settle difficulties arising from same.

A. B. Bryan
R. A. Morris
Albert T. Coates

RESOLUTION NUMBER 4—

Be it resolved: That the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptists call a day of prayer and fasting with the view in mind of restoring harmony to our fellowship and more firmly establishing us in the doctrine and principles upon which our denomination has been built (2 Chronicles 7:14).

Presented by:
St. Mary's Free Will Baptist Church
Wilson County

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 14, 1961

We, your nominating committee, recommend the election of the following nominees for the office and terms as listed below:

Office	Nominee	Term to Expire
Board of Trustees	Mrs. Guy Pate	1964
Children's Home Board	Mrs. J. C. Moye	1964
	Reverend C. B. Hansley	1964
	Reverend Walter Carter	1964
Board of Superannuation	Mrs. Owen Thomas	1966
Board of Missions	Reverend R. H. Jackson	1966
Board of Christian Education	Reverend Sheldon Howard	1966
Represent Cragmont Stock	Reverend M. E. Godwin	1964
Represent F. W. B. Press Stock tion, Inc., Stock	Reverend S. A. Smith	1962
Represent Church Finance Associa-	Reverend Billy Yawn	1962
Historical Commission	Reverend F. B. Cherry	1964
Directors of Mount Olive College	Reverend D. W. Hansley	1967
	Mr. W. P. Grant	1967
	Reverend R. N. Hinnant	1967

We offer the above as nominees, and recommend that opportunity be given for nominations from the floor for any of the offices listed.

There were no other nominations, the above were elected.

Nominating Committee:
M. L. Johnson
Robert M. Fader
Walter Carter
R. W. Allman
A. B. Bryan

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE CONVENTION

The North Carolina Free Will Baptist League State Convention convened on May 5, 6, 1961, at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Morehead City, North Carolina. This meeting was the thirty-fourth session of our State League Convention. The keynote for the convention was, "To Know Him." The Scripture, from which our keynote was taken, was Philippians 3:10, "That I may know him, . . ."

The convention was one of spiritual blessings as well as a challenge to everyone present. The Rev. Huey Long, the Rev. Wayne Smith, and the Rev. Harold Stevens were the principle speakers. We were also privileged to have with us Ray C. Turnage, national League director, who served as convention song director, and worked in various ways to help make the convention a success. Other highlights were discussions of League problems, chorus time, the intermediate sword drill and special music.

Overall, the convention was a great success as many leaguers and visitors throughout our state attended the annual meeting. To God be the glory for such a wonderful and inspiring meeting.

We sponsored our annual youth conference this year at Cragmont with a total attendance of 54. There were several young people who made first-time decisions for Christ and many who rededicated their lives unto our Lord.

It is our prayer that we will all work faithfully to help make our Leagues more efficient in training our people to be greater servants of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

Billy Gene Outland, *President*

THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Greetings

God has blessed the Free Will Baptist people this year, granting them the happy privilege to use a part of that with which He has blessed them in the support of the children of the Children's Home. The generous gifts from churches, individuals and other sources have made it possible to operate debt free. For these blessings from God and your generosity, we are grateful.

Counseling

The children have been counseled from time to time and with the purpose in mind of helping them meet and solve the many problems of life.

Church Program

The Rev. C. H. Overman was our pastor this year, and he was a great help and inspiration to us. To Rev. Overman we are very thankful. We have Sunday school and league services each Sunday, preaching each first and third Sunday and vesper services on Wednesday evening of each week.

Farm Superintendent

The farm was operated again this year by Children's Home personnel and children, with Mr. H. E. Mixon serving as farm superintendent. Along with Mr. Mixon, Mr. James C. Lucas and the children have done splendid work with the farm.

Health Program

The health of the children has been good again this year. Dr. Zyba K. Massey of Zebulon has co-operated wonderfully in meeting the dental needs of each child. Dr. Josephine Newell has also taken care of the medical needs of the children.

Support and Future Improvements

We want to thank you for your support this past year and urge you to continue your support in the future so that we can take care of the children and make necessary improvements. We pray that God, in His love and mercy, will guide and bless our efforts as we enter this fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Everton

Superintendent and Treasurer

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

August 31, 1961

Assets

Cash on Checking with People's Bank and Trust Co., Middlesex, N. C.

Superintendent's Account \$20,395.75

Capital Account 5,317.41

Total in Checking Account \$25,713.16

Cash on Savings with People's Bank and Trust Co.

College Students' Fund \$ 762.18

Hawkins Educational Fund 311.23

Swimming Pool Account 10,448.26

Superintendent's Account 10,917.15

Special Account 10,458.57

Duke Savings Account 6,458.99

Total on Savings 39,356.39

Total Deposit in Bank \$65,069.55

Notes, Bonds, and Petty Cash

McLeod Educational Loan Fund \$2,394.80

McLawhorn Education Loan Fund 789.44

Petty Cash 100.00

Total Notes, Bonds, and Petty Cash 3,284.24

Total Assets \$68,353.79

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

September 1, 1960 Through August 31, 1961

Cash on Hand September 1, 1960

\$ 34,890.72

Receipts

Religious Organizations	\$ 58,999.12
Capital Receipts	1,506.18
Concert Class and Field Representative	12,465.41
Parents and Relatives	2,729.30
Friends and Others	7,225.69
Pastoral Supply	155.00
Refunds, Material and Junk Sold	636.37
Farm Cash Sales	26,986.51
McLeod Estate Farm Rent	1,577.01
Governmental	166.00
Duke Endowment	10,862.32
Interest on Savings	924.20
State, Federal, F. O. A. B. Taxes, Hospital Insurance and Retirement Withheld	3,341.66

Total Receipts for Year

127,574.77

Total for Which to Account

\$162,465.49

Disbursements

Salaries	\$ 21,774.80
Office Supplies	444.71
Telephone and Telegraph	693.88
Administrative Travel and Conference Expense	1,302.93
Financing and Publicity	768.30
Clothing	6,004.54
Household Supplies and Expense	2,855.27
Food	15,925.19
Dietary Supplies	579.13
Laundry Supplies and Expense	1,151.69
Fuel, Power, Water, and Ice	6,402.69
Plant Maintenance and Repairs	2,346.24
Travel Relative to Care of Children	4,027.66
Hospital Fees, Health Supplies and Expense	944.38
Recreation Supplies and Expense	735.74
Religious Supplies and Expense	193.93
Education Supplies and Expense	2,323.69
Farm Replacements and Repairs	1,111.20
Farm Supplies and Expense	7,666.45
Replacement of Livestock	4,385.86
State, Federal, F. O. A. B. Taxes and Retirement Paid	3,812.84
Insurance (Buildings, Equipment, Hospital, and Furniture)	2,580.58

New Equipment and Supplies	7,195.20	
Annuity Bond Interest Payments	240.00	
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Total Disbursements for Year		95,466.90
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Cash on Hand August 31, 1961		\$ 66,998.59
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Total Accounted For		\$162,465.49

BUDGET RECEIPTS FOR YEAR

September 1, 1960—August 31, 1961

<i>Conference or Association</i>	<i>Conference Quota 1960-1961</i>	<i>Raised in '60 and '61 General, Clothing, Building, Misc., Concert Class, etc.</i>
Albemarle Conference	\$ 5,650.00	\$ 4,304.16
Blue Ridge Association	3,151.00	979.83
Cape Fear Conference	8,525.00	4,243.71
Central Conference	23,170.00	22,885.62
Eastern Conference	27,155.00	19,472.06
French Broad Association	5,125.00	2,236.45
Mount Mitchell Association	750.00	243.50
Jack's Creek Association	3,775.00	1,083.55
Piedmont Association	3,475.00	1,947.90
Pee Dee Association	975.00	613.99
Rockfish Conference	275.00	241.85
Toe River Association	675.00	284.10
Western Conference	17,350.00	11,766.45
Yadkin Valley Association	600.00	283.45
Western Yearly Association	40.00	36.00
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Totals	\$100,691.00	\$70,622.62

DONATED COMMODITIES

Food	\$1,049.62
Food by Department of Agriculture	1,085.98
Clothing	70.95
Farm and Household Supplies	2,018.14
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Total Donated Commodities	\$4,224.69
Coupons Received September 1, 1960 — August 31, 1961	39,857

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

We are pleased to report a very well attended and interesting session of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention at the

First Free Will Baptist Church in Greenville in April. The special emphasis was on teaching and teacher training, the slogan for the convention being "Teacher, Do You Teach?" Eight workshops were conducted during the day, covering most every phase of Sunday school endeavor.

Our field work department has experienced another fairly successful year of activity. Since last session of this convention, 18 workshops and institutions have been held, and a number of other type of group meetings have been planned and carried out. The field secretary has visited some Sunday school most every second and third Sunday, reaching in this way around twenty-five different schools during the year. Several of these visits have been made in the company of district convention officers. The secretary has attended at least one district convention each quarter, and on one fifth Sunday visited two conventions.

During the summer months we planned and directed four youth conferences at Cragmont Assembly, with a combined attendance exceeding any previous year. Also during the weeks the field secretary was at Cragmont a number of contacts were made with Sunday schools in the western part of the state. The field work program this year has come nearer than ever before to being self-supporting in the matter of travel and other field expenses, the schools visited having been liberal in making gifts to the united program through special offerings.

Around 25,000 pieces of literature, including the monthly mimeographed *Sunday School Reporter*, have been prepared and mailed out to schools over the state, while many personal letters answering questions of superintendents and others have been written.

We wish to express appreciation for the co-operation we have received from the Free Will Baptist Press during the year. Publications of the Press have been recommended exclusively in our workshops, and efforts have been made to encourage the proper use of the helps. We also appreciate the fine spirit of the Sunday schools over the state in supporting the work, and encouraging the efforts of our field work department, under the guidance first of Rev. Albert Coates and since April of Rev. Charles Keith, to keep controversies out of the Sunday school program.

Report by,

L. E. Ballard, *Field Secretary*

A SPECIAL STATEMENT BY W. BURKETTE RAPER, PRESIDENT
MOUNT OLIVE COLLEGE

TO THE FREE WILL BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION OF
NORTH CAROLINA

September 14, 1961

This statement is in response to a comment made by Mr. Herman Hersey of Raleigh on the floor of this convention yesterday. The comment as quoted on page one of "The News and Observer," September 14, 1961, is as follows:

Has any faculty member of Mount Olive Junior College every pleaded

the first, fifth, or tenth amendments on charges of practicing unamerican activities or communism."

I would like to establish these facts:

1. Yesterday was the first time that any question regarding the political, socio-economic views of any faculty member of Mount Olive College had ever been brought to my attention.

2. Mr. Hersey's motive in injecting his defamatory comment on the floor of this convention is transparent. The church of which he is pastor does not support Mount Olive College.

It is evident that the motive of his comment was an effort to discredit and embarrass Mount Olive College.

Why did Mr. Hersey not bring this question to the personal and confidential attention of the college administration?

Why did he circumvent the administration of the college and seek confidential information on faculty members by going directly to college secretaries without even introducing himself?

3. I have reliable evidence that an effort was made just prior to this convention to have Mr. Hersey's comment published in the public press. Why was this comment submitted to the press before it was called to the attention of the college administration?

4. Mount Olive College has on file favorable recommendations from reputable scholars and clergymen for additions to its faculty. Every effort is made to secure the services of persons who are professionally competent, devoutly Christian, and loyal Americans. We would never employ a teacher if we had any reliable reason to question them on the above qualifications.

It is impossible for us to know everything about every faculty member at the time of his employment. Just as unsuitable candidates are sometimes ordained to the gospel ministry, even so it is possible for any college to unintentionally employ an unsuitable faculty member.

What denomination has never found it necessary to revoke the ministerial credentials of a man it ordained?

What local church has never found it necessary to dismiss an unsuitable pastor?

What college has never employed a teacher whom it later had to release?

5. Although the question about one of our faculty members was brought before this convention in an unprofessional and unethical manner, the administration of the college has already begun a thorough investigation. This convention may be assured that the administration will give this matter its undivided attention until the full facts are ascertained and that the issue will be handled in a professional, ethical, and Christian manner.

I assure this convention that Mount Olive College is worthy of your fervent prayers and your sacrificial support.

The chief danger confronting Free Will Baptists is that we may let fana-

tics create an atmosphere that will make it impossible for us to have a creditable program of higher education.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 5—

In as much as many of our conflicting ideas and opinions have resulted from churches calling and employing ministers not in agreement with the program of the North Carolina State Convention and who are not informed concerning the program and operation of same;

Therefore Be It Resolved:

1. That Original Free Will Baptist churches, operating under the Treatise of the North Carolina State Convention, refrain from calling or employing pastors or evangelists who do not adhere to the faith and practice of Original Free Will Baptists or who are subject to use their influence to divide or confuse members of the church.

2. Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be submitted to *The Free Will Baptist* and to *Contact* for publication.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. Bryan

R. A. Morris

Albert T. Coates

RESOLUTION NUMBER 6—

Whereas the officers and committees of the North Carolina State Convention have operated and performed their duty under trying circumstances and many times under unusual pressure and have held true to the ideals which an overwhelming majority of our people endorse and seek to uphold;

Therefore Be It Resolved:

1. That this convention give a rising vote of thanks to all the officers, boards, and committees of this convention.

2. Be it further resolved that we give a rising vote of thanks to the National Guard Armory, the city of Mount Olive for the use of the building, grounds, and accommodations for this the forty-ninth annual setting of the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

3. Be it further resolved that the secretary of this convention send a letter of thanks and appreciation to the Mayor of Mount Olive, North Carolina.

4. Be it further resolved that this convention give a rising vote of thanks to the president, faculty members and staff of Mount Olive Junior College for providing their services in relationship to this convention.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. Bryan

R. A. Morris

Albert T. Coates

RESOLUTION NUMBER 7—

In as much as our beloved brother and co-worker, the Reverend J. C. Griffin, has given his untiring efforts and support to that which has been supported by Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, and all those who believe and stand upon those doctrines, customs, usages, and practices which have become well known, to others as beings the heritage of original Free Will Baptists; and in as much as his recent support, labors, and influence has been instrumental in clearing up some of the problems confronting us; and in as much as these labors have been extracting upon his health to the extent that he is, and has been unable to attend this convention, be it therefore resolved:

1. That this convention, through its moderator and clerk, extend its appreciation to our esteemed brother and elder statesman, Brother J. C. Griffin.

2. Be it further resolved that this convention, through its moderator and clerk, extend and express its appreciation to our Brother, Rom Mallard, for his faithful service as treasurer of this convention; that we also covenant to pray for his speedy and complete recovery.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. Bryan

R. A. Morris

Albert T. Coates

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Psalms 116:15, "Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints."

We, the memorial committee of this convention, wish to report that we have lost by death the following ministers: J. W. Alford, J. B. Ferrell, J. C. Moye, J. C. Varnell, D. A. Windham, R. C. Rhodes; one minister's widow: Sister May Rouse.

We ask that this convention stand in a moment of silent prayer in honor of these soldiers of the Cross, whom God in His wise providence has seen fit to call from our midst.

Memorial Committee,

Hubert Burress

D. W. Hansley

L. B. Manning

REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

The Bible teaches us to be temperate in all things, therefore, we urge our people to live clean, consecrated lives, and that we refrain from anything that would be a reproach to the cause of Christ and to ourselves.

We further recommend that our Sunday schools carefully emphasize each temperance lesson in each quarter's studies.

We urge our people to make use of any temperance material which may be available.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. Overman

E. E. Edwards

Ralph Lightsey

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Number of Auxiliaries Reporting	175
Number of Members at Beginning of Year	3,722
Present Enrollment	4,000
Average Attendance	2,421
An Increase Of	278
Number of Subscribers to F. W. B. Paper	1,363
Number of Subscribers to Contact	111
Number of Family Altars	661

We also sponsor the youth organizations of the state with a membership of: G. T. A.'s, 1,204; Y. P. A., 1,402; B. A., 102; F. W. B. League, 2,191.

We sponsored 128 vacation Bible schools and helped 49 college students.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance Received from Former Treasurer	\$ 1,509.82
Total Receipts for Year	10,741.91

Grand Total	\$12,251.73
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Total Checks Written:	
Denominational Enterprises	9,070.06
Convention Expenses	1,393.09
Total	10,463.15

Balance in Treasury	\$ 1,788.58
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Of the \$9,070.06 received for denominational enterprises, we received and paid out for missions:

Home Missions Special Fund	\$ 802.60
Home Missions General Fund	210.41
Foreign Missions Special Fund	2,066.71
Foreign Missions General Fund	730.70

Total Missions	\$3,720.42
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The auxiliary convention sponsors the Anna Phillips Loan Fund with Mrs. Lillie Mae Sasser, Route 2, Goldsboro, North Carolina, as chairman-treasurer.

REPORT OF ANNA PHILLIPS LOAN FUND

In Bank January 1, 1960	\$1,372.15
Deposits During Year	1,594.80
Total	\$2,966.95
Made Five Loans at \$400.00	2,000.00
Balance in Bank January 1, 1961	\$ 966.95
Break-Down of Receipts and Deposits, Total	\$1,594.80
Payments on Loans	\$ 973.00
Donations	621.80
Total Receipts and Deposits	\$1,594.80

Please let me impress upon the minds of those who have not paid back their loans to this funds, do so right away.

If you fail to do this you are taking from orphan children, because we have two waiting to borrow funds now and we don't have the funds.

We sponsor a woman's conference at Cragmont each year and we had one of the best conferences this year we have ever had. Report, 85 women registered. The mission offering amounted to \$260.00. Mrs. J. C. Griffin was elected "Woman of the Week."

Mrs. J. C. Moye, *President*

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

North Carolina State Convention Original Free Will Baptists

PREAMBLE

We, the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, assembled in order to advance, promote and increase the cause of Jesus Christ, do establish and ordain this constitution and these bylaws.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Section 1: This assembly shall be known as the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

Section 2: This convention shall hold an annual session commencing on Wednesday after the second Sunday in September of each year. The place of such meetings to be determined by the convention or the executive committee. Special sessions may be called by the executive committee in the events of the existence of needs of sufficient urgency.

ARTICLE II

Section 1: The officers of this convention shall be a president, vice-president, recording secretary, assistant recording secretary, promotional director and treasurer.

Section 2: The convention shall be composed of the general officers, members of standing boards, committees or commissions and all ordained

ministers who belong to churches that are affiliated with the convention; one delegate from each church in good standing for every two hundred members or a fraction thereof; one delegate from each union meeting, conference or association in good standing for every one thousand members or a fraction thereof.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I

Section 1: The work of this convention shall be departmentalized, with a board of control over each department. Each board shall be governed by rules set forth by the convention. It shall be the duty of the convention to solicit the co-operation of the conferences and associations in promoting the work of these departments.

Section 2: All members of the convention shall have a right of voice and vote on any issue before the body, providing they have been properly recognized by the presiding officer. They shall serve the convention in any capacity when called upon by the proper authority. Before membership in the convention is established, all ministers and delegates must be properly registered.

ARTICLE II

OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND THE MANNER OF THEIR ELECTION

Section 1: *President*: The president shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 2: *Vice-President*: The vice-president shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 3: *Recording Secretary*: The recording secretary shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 4: *Assistant Recording Secretary*: The assistant recording secretary shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 5: *Promotional Director*: The promotional director shall be elected for a term of (1) year under such contract as may be agreed upon by himself and the convention or its executive committee. In case of a vacancy in this office between sessions of the convention the executive committee shall fill the vacancy until the next session.

Section 6: *Treasurer*: The treasurer shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 7: *Children's Home Board*: The board of trustees of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Middlesex, shall be composed of nine (9) members with the terms of three members expiring each year, the vacancies to be filled by the convention.

Section 8: *Board of Superannuation*: The board of superannuation shall be composed of five (5) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 9: *Board of Missions*: The board of missions shall be composed

of five (5) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 10: Board of Christian Education: The board of Christian education shall be composed of five (5) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 11: Board of Trustees: The board of trustees shall be composed of three (3) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 12: Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock: The stock held by this convention in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall be represented by three members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 13: Representatives of Free Will Baptist Press Stock: The stock held by this convention in the Free Will Baptist Press shall be represented by one member elected annually by the convention.

Section 14: Representatives of Church Finance Association Stock: The stock held by this convention in the Church Finance Association, Inc., shall be represented by one member elected annually by the convention.

Section 15: Historical Commission: The historical commission shall be composed of three members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 16: Executive Committee: The executive committee shall be composed of the president, vice-president, recording secretary, treasurer and three members elected by the convention for a term of two years.

Section 17: Board of Directors of Mount Olive College: The Board of Directors of Mount Olive College which now consists of nine (9) members shall be increased to eighteen (18) members with three new members to be added to the board every two (2) years beginning in 1958 with the addition of three (3) new members every other year thereafter until the total of eighteen (18) is reached. The term of office of three (3) members of the board shall expire annually; the vacancies to be filled by the convention. It is expressly provided that the North Carolina State Convention may elect to the Board of Directors of Mount Olive College, Free Will Baptists from states other than North Carolina provided that a majority of the members shall be affiliated with the North Carolina State Convention, and provided further that any members from outside North Carolina who may be elected to the Board of Directors shall be in good and regular standing in their respective states.

ARTICLE III

Duties and Responsibilities

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 power to declare any office of the convention vacant, temporarily, subject to the approval of the convention or the executive committee. He shall have au-

thority to call meetings of the executive committee, when such is needful, and preside over said meetings.

The president shall be ex-officio member of all boards, standing committees and commissions of the convention.

Section 2: Vice-President: The duties of the vice-president shall be the duties of the president when that officer is not present.

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

Section 4: Assistant Recording Secretary: The duties of the assistant recording secretary shall be the duties of the recording secretary when that officer is not present and to assist the recording secretary when called upon.

Section 5: Promotional Director: The promotional director shall maintain an office for the purpose of centralizing the work of the convention. He shall prepare statistical tables necessary to keep the convention informed as to the growth and progress of the denomination. He shall work with the convention, the executive committee, all boards, committees and commissions of the convention in placing the work of the denomination before the various bodies of the state for their information and support; also perform any other promotional duties as directed by the convention or the executive committee.

When designated by a board, committee or commission, the promotional director shall receive and (or) pay out any money controlled by said board, committee or commission as directed by them.

The promotional director shall be ex-officio member of all boards, standing committees and commissions of the convention.

Section 6: Treasurer: The treasurer shall hold all money belonging to the convention. He shall pay all bills ordered by the convention or the executive committee; other bills paid must be approved by the president and recording secretary. He shall give an annual report to the convention; also make reports to the executive committee when called for.

Section 7: Children's Home Board: The Children's Home board shall be responsible for the management and control of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home at Middlesex. It shall give an annual report to the convention setting forth its progress, needs and achievements.

Section 8: Board of Superannuation: It shall be the purpose of this board to organize and unify all superannuation work throughout this state convention. They shall seek to provide for our aged, retired and infirm ministers in some form of a superannuation program; also seek to offer to our active ministers some program whereby they may help to provide for their future security and retirement.

Section 9: Board of Missions: The board of missions shall regulate and supervise all mission work under the control of this convention. It shall co-operate with the mission program of the national association. It shall endeavor to raise money for missions and build sentiment favorable to missions.

Section 10: Board of Christian Education: The board of Christian education shall keep our people informed as to our educational needs; endeavor to promote the cause of, receive funds for and stimulate interest among our people in the cause of Christian education. It shall be their duty to co-operate with the educational institutions of our denomination and use all funds for the best interest of Christian education as directed by this convention and the donors of funds for education.

Section 11: Board of Trustees: The board of trustees shall hold title of all properties belonging to this convention and not assigned to other bodies. It shall have power to convey such properties when authorized by the convention.

Section 12: Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock: The representatives of the stock held by this convention, in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall work jointly with representatives of other auxiliaries holding stock in said institution.

Section 13: Representatives of Free Will Baptist Press Stock: The representatives of the stock held by this convention in the Free Will Baptist Press shall meet annually, or as often as called upon, with the stockholders of the press at Ayden, N. C., to transact any business that may come before them.

Section 14: Representatives of Church Finance Association Stock: The representatives of the membership stock held by this convention in the Church Finance Association, Inc., shall meet annually, or as often as called upon, with the stockholders of the corporation for the purpose of transacting any business that may come before them.

Section 15: Historical Commission: The historical commission shall make research, compile same and record historical events of the denomination to date; these documents become the property of the convention and shall be held by the recording secretary.

Section 16: Executive Committee: The work of the executive committee shall be that of the convention when the convention is not in session. It shall call as many sessions as necessary between the annual sessions of the convention to transact business. It shall have the authority to suspend any officer of the convention when such officer proves a failure in duties, is non-Christian or detrimental to the cause of Christ and appoint another to fill the vacancy; also fill vacancies by any other cause.

The executive committee shall supervise the work of the promotional department between the annual sessions of the convention as most practicable to our state work and in keeping with the expressed will of the annual session of the convention.

A report of all transactions of this committee shall be made to the convention in annual session.

Section 17: Board of Directors of Mount Olive College: The board of directors of Mount Olive College shall be responsible for the management and operation of Mount Olive College into the certificate of incorporation

granted by the state of North Carolina and the directives of this convention. It shall propose any necessary amendments or revisions of said certificates of incorporation, which amendments or revisions shall be approved by this convention before being put into force. It shall make an annual report to the convention, setting forth its progress, needs and achievements. It shall have power to organize at will and to create such bylaws as may be deemed essential for its government and for the control, administration and promotion of the college, consistent with the provisions of its certificate of incorporation and the constitution and regulation of this state convention.

AMENDMENTS

This constitution and these bylaws shall not be changed or altered except by a two-thirds vote of members present in a regular session. All amendments shall lie on the table not less than six hours prior to adoption and shall, during that time, be read not less than twice in open convention.

Churches	To Convention	No. Members	Value of Property	Members Received	Members Lost	Pastor's Salary	Total Used Locally	M. O. J. C. Endowment Fund	Cragmont	Missions	Children's Home	Education	Promotional
ALBEMARLE CONFERENCE													
Belhaven	\$ 5.00	42	\$	0	1	\$ 960.00	\$	\$	\$ 19.87	\$ 19.87	\$ 210.65	\$ 33.99	\$
Hickory Grove	15.00	203	70,000	10	5	3,505.00	6,218.39			364.91	136.23	151.21	
Malachi's Chapel	10.00	370	33,500	15	7	2,226.68	3,140.59			248.06	277.82		
Mount Tabor	10.00	208		1	1			5.00					
Mount Zion	5.00	63	5,000	6	1	1,174.50		5.00			206.59	66.11	
Plymouth	5.00	144	21,500	4	5	2,872.00	5,703.16			364.72	40.65		
Shiloh	10.00	296	30,000	4	13	1,740.00			40.00	650.00	200.00		
Sound Side	15.00	151	15,000	3	1	1,275.00	3,385.06			195.52	244.92		
Trinity	10.00	82	15,000	3	3	1,440.00	2,467.32			219.49	221.86	325.70	
BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION													
Horney Heights	5.00	123	39,500	14	4	2,077.77			35.00	12.00	66.43		
Marion	5.00	213	84,000	14	6	4,780.00	8,066.69		28.00	1,269.40	43.00		
Rocky Pass	5.00	228	64,000	11	4	4,160.00	8,602.43			204.28	30.00		
CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE													
Bethel	15.00	289	20,000	1	3	1,920.00	4,114.00	5.00	3.00	55.91	319.21	199.55	
Casey's Chapel	5.00	110	25,000			1,253.50	5,461.30	5.00		263.90	290.20	351.00	3.00
Community Chapel	5.00	34		2			568.00			45.00	17.50	50.00	
Corinth	5.00	89				1,010.00	2,103.52		10.00	240.25	132.75	144.21	
Daly's Chapel	5.00	72	5,000	2		300.00	422.90						
Garner F.W.B.	5.00	71	18,750	25		3,900.00	8,909.65			45.00		40.00	
Hopewell	10.00	286	35,000	20	10	3,757.00	5,422.40		62.33	207.01	272.86	207.97	93.34
Johnston's Union	10.00	267	25,000	12	9	3,480.00	9,050.38	5.00	190.00	817.46	247.85	85.00	45.00
Lee's Chapel	10.00	245	30,000	6	8	1,740.00	3,141.00	5.00		205.00	100.00	5.00	50.00
Mount Olive	5.00	23		5	4	270.00		5.00		72.25	108.48	458.25	
Oak Grove	10.00	141	50,000	7	5	1,200.00	4,093.44	5.00	10.80	70.07	192.26	161.90	4.25
Pleasant Grove	10.00	104	10,000	13	5	1,875.00	3,731.36		5.00	203.00	137.96	60.00	
Fowhatan	5.00	298	15,000	34	8	2,100.00	7,530.46	5.00		279.97	400.00	363.13	
Prospect	10.00	408	55,000	70	10	3,193.12	139.75	5.00		420.80	240.57	45.00	
Riverside	5.00	85	14,000	12	1	600.00	2,020.30				70.00	60.00	
Robert's Grove	10.00	184	40,000	13	6	1,200.00	2,132.00	5.00		177.18	200.00	155.00	
Shady Grove	10.00	359	90,000	13	4	3,900.00	12,014.39	5.00	25.00	693.00	80.00	205.00	
Smithfield	20.00	373	95,000	43	5	4,680.00	8,970.18		52.00	1,864.75	434.46	253.00	42.00
Smyrna	5.00	66	10,000	4	1	480.00					22.25		
St. John's	5.00	103	28,000		1	1,040.00	2,671.75			75.00		22.12	
St. Mary's	10.00	258	62,000	9	6	1,690.00	3,654.45			102.23	97.28	71.80	

St. Paul's	10.00	196	20,000	5	3	745.00		5.00	10.00	52.18	100.00	164.16	10.00
Tee's Chapel	5.00	158	43,220	4	16	1,200.00	5,242.90	5.00		174.05	28.80		15.18
West Clinton	10.00	36	10,000	5	1	592.49	1,806.96			115.17	73.70	30.00	
Wooten's Chapel	10.00	89		6	1	1,200.00							
Yelverton's Grove	10.00	106	8,000	3	6	377.00	942.17		1.00	11.00	107.25	12.00	1.00
CENTRAL CONFERENCE													
Antioch	10.00	138	25,000		7	1,440.00	3,781.33			253.37	149.16	229.58	
Aspen Grove	10.00	218	30,000		7	1,500.00	3,461.29	10.00		60.66	756.92	215.75	
Black Jack	25.00	500		19	16	4,200.00	25,030.86		5.00	225.35	1,398.90	217.46	
Bethany		214		7	16	3,900.00	221.99			40.00	194.00	25.72	
Cedar Grove	3.00	127	12,500	4	2	1,660.00				20.00	60.00		
Daniel's Chapel	10.00	200	40,000	5	4	3,540.00	6,946.78			180.00	474.83	130.20	
Dawson's Grove	15.00	75	18,500	3	3	1,645.00	4,200.82	5.00	135.50	341.70	251.00	179.65	50.28
Dilda's Grove	10.00		15,000	6	1	1,080.00	2,169.60		26.99	283.00	529.94	39.34	31.42
Edgewood	10.00	121	12,000	2	5	1,440.00	1,834.18			5.00			
Elm Grove	10.00	394	13,000	35	12	3,873.00	6,994.28			35.00	525.50	239.84	5.00
Faith	10.00	101	20,000	12	1	3,120.00	5,899.86			739.62	238.77	148.45	10.00
First Free Will Baptist	15.00	270	46,000	31	8	4,160.00	9,579.65			396.00	400.00	200.00	1.00
Free Union	15.00	505	70,000	31	11	3,950.00	8,618.51	5.00	11.00	45.27	902.26	438.37	15.00
Friendship	15.00	159	10,200	6	3	1,760.00	5,283.00	5.00		491.57	548.55	118.36	
Greenville	10.00	799	115,000	36	17	4,500.00	18,225.14		8.00	2,819.84	782.99	770.44	
Gritton		131	8,000	11	19	3,660.00				295.11	28.80		
Grimsley	15.00	171	15,000	3	3	1,887.50	2,822.70		13.99	25.64	345.69	121.14	11.78
Cum Swamp	10.00	556	40,000	28	8	3,465.00				541.99	105.00	177.00	24.00
Harrell's Chapel	8.00	120	20,000	6	1	661.28	25.00	5.00	16.00	20.00	265.00	200.00	
Hope	5.00	149	15,000	2	2	3,380.00	5,384.00						
Howell Swamp	10.00	131	20,000	4	4	1,800.00	3,884.23		25.00	120.94	330.33	221.45	
Hugo	5.00	143	18,000	1	7	1,700.00		5.00			66.00		
Hull Road	20.00	472	40,000	15	11	4,505.00	7,265.47	5.00	29.00	1,241.32	1,042.35	2,643.53	6.00
King's Crossroads	10.00	221	20,000	7	6	1,685.00				77.35	776.00	126.00	
LaGrange	10.00	183	18,000	31	2	3,365.00			32.39	53.99	105.04	21.60	
Little Creek	10.00	112	45,000	7	1	2,400.00	4,944.33	5.00	10.00	13.00	136.05	185.02	
Maranatha	1.00	51	15,000	15	1								
Marlboro	5.00	170		13	8	1,950.00	3,285.88	5.00		98.50	431.35	112.15	
Maury	5.00	40		8	2	620.00	75.00	5.00	10.00	40.04	17.70	29.70	
Mt. Calvary	10.00	154	34,000	31	8	2,125.15				450.45	156.44		
Ormondsville	10.00	282	20,000	5	7	1,800.00	5,646.00	5.00	25.00	183.00	795.00	292.00	10.50
Owen's Chapel	7.00	169	15,000	8	8	3,120.00	6,554.00			233.85	238.84	10.00	
Parker's Chapel	5.00	323	55,000	15	8	3,380.00	8,919.35			858.70	188.00	59.50	
Peace	5.00	40	17,500	8		1,380.00	2,130.28	5.00	5.00	40.80	83.71	15.00	5.00
Piney Grove	10.00	90	8,000	6	3	1,030.00	1,695.78	5.00		12.00	140.63		
Piney Grove	10.00	255	48,000	11	8	1,545.00	10,292.81		11.75	304.79	639.47	316.84	5.00
Pleasant Hill	5.00	97	25,000	3	1	1,680.00	3,310.00			60.00	250.00	100.00	
Reedy Branch	25.00	290	101,000	33	15	3,900.00	6,879.92			574.18	10.00	146.10	
Rose Hill	15.00	317	60,000	6	6	1,800.00	3,475.00		5.00	175.00	700.00	325.00	5.00
Rose of Sharon	5.00	149	7,000	10	4	1,035.00							
Saratoga	10.00	228	45,000	8	12	4,275.00	6,633.73		5.00	189.92	336.79	93.89	76.63
Spring Branch	10.00	235	37,000	14	3	1,730.00	808.49	5.00	35.00	161.95	777.82	60.00	103.69
Sts. Delight	10.00	93	6,000	13	46	1,609.24	3,033.34			350.71	139.54		
St. Paul's	10.00	72	35,000	12	5	2,795.00	4,611.80			37.01	20.00		
Tarboro	10.00	288	75,000	40	4	3,900.00	11,804.75	5.00	35.00	250.00	198.19	255.00	

Walnut Creek	5.00	59	12,000	2	1	865.42	2,000.65	5.00		312.00	100.00		
Watery Branch		75	8,000	18	4	840.00				20.00	100.00	25.00	
Williamston	5.00	105	11,000	8	8	1,935.00	2,640.53			35.00	42.10	10.00	
Winterville	10.00	234	47,000	17	13	3,900.00				491.00	399.00	132.00	
EASTERN CONFERENCE													
Angala	3.00	31	8,000	2		97.94	959.58	5.00					
Antioch	5.00	162	25,000	17	5	1,480.00	3,155.00	5.00		74.00	240.00	226.00	
Arapahoe	10.00	293	48,000	10	7	2,047.56	6,227.54		79.62	339.80	573.94	769.80	
Bethel	10.00	123	15,000	9	7	1,500.00		5.00	12.45	120.33	226.15	40.00	10.00
Bethlehem	10.00	130	35,000	2	2	1,200.00	275.00						
Beulaville	10.00	224	16,000	6	1	1,950.00	4,588.00	5.00	25.00	200.00	347.00	300.00	
Bridgeton	20.00	125	49,000	15	5	3,640.00	10,431.87	5.00		429.05	306.60	457.58	
British Chapel	10.00	85	20,000	3	7	1,110.00	1,536.53	5.00	60.00	103.07	213.65	47.45	
Cabin	10.00	153	20,500	4	2	1,651.82	3,162.81		130.30	61.00	147.75	211.32	
Calvary	2.00	68		27		3,130.00	5,501.50			195.44	25.00		
Christian Chapel	5.00	190	10,000	13	5	1,200.00	3,327.32		10.00	216.00	200.00	121.32	118.44
Core Creek	10.00	254	28,000	14	5	4,000.00	6,543.86	7.00		420.45	453.42	269.82	
Crabpoint	10.00	80	16,000	2		3,120.00	185.91			80.00	108.00	90.00	
Croatan	10.00	96	12,000	2	4	1,205.00	2,029.67		10.00	54.00	187.66	45.00	5.00
Daly's Chapel	5.00	185	75,000	1	4	1,200.00	1,857.08				80.00	69.55	20.89
Davis	25.00	211	81,000	4	4	1,670.00	6,582.13	5.00	125.00	1,644.08	279.00	600.00	12.00
Deep Run	10.00	267	30,000	7	4	1,560.00		5.00		60.50	671.17	1,532.00	3.00
Dublin Grove	10.00	180	10,000	1	3	1,080.00	2,080.00			69.00	388.00	29.00	
Edwards	5.00	136	10,000		1	1,200.00	3,025.62			153.00	217.30	50.33	
Emmanuel	5.00	27	5,000	9		305.74	385.98	5.00		39.59	31.00		
Ephesus	10.00	77	5,000			890.00						10.00	
Faith	20.00	191	35,000	19	7	3,980.00	6,488.74	5.00		156.00	90.00		
Folkstone	10.00	250	18,000	4	3	1,200.00	2,379.96			33.57	164.02	76.76	
Free Union	10.00	35		2		2,123.76	2,569.88	5.00		55.00	140.00	100.00	
Friendship	25.00	137	12,250	4	2			5.00					
Guger													
Gethsemane	10.00	144	10,000	4	5	120.00					540.51	193.29	
Grant's Chapel	6.00	47				480.00				8.21	18.00		
Gray Branch	5.00	219	10,000	1	7	1,360.00	5,514.86	5.00		10.00	60.00	50.00	
Holly Springs	10.00	267	43,000	21	7	3,800.00	14,531.79	5.00	10.00	327.33	232.94	115.43	
Indian Springs	10.00	40	3,500	1	1	300.00	1,208.69			26.15	50.00		
Jacksonville	15.00	40	3,500	11	4	1,680.00	4,684.07			300.24	144.08	20.00	
Juniper	5.00	77	25,000	11	4	1,680.00	4,684.07		10.00	371.86	106.77	31.89	20.99
Kinston	10.00	485	65,168	15	10	4,160.00	12,908.52	5.00	10.00	187.55	341.11	67.00	4.04
Lanier's	5.00	63	4,500	5		600.00	962.05				108.00	15.00	
Long Ridge	10.00	78	14,000	5	5	1,200.00	3,634.31	5.00		84.14	190.20	69.04	
Macedonia	5.00	259	38,000	5	5	3,900.00	7,560.67			152.00	491.51	100.00	
May's	5.00	75	10,000	2	2	720.00	1,958.05			84.33	143.00	75.00	
Morehead City	10.00	219	88,100	17	14	4,160.00				242.30	232.50	498.67	40.89
Moseley's Creek	10.00	97	32,000		3	1,200.00							
Mt. Pleasant	10.00	40	12,000		1	952.24				96.75	66.50		
Mt. Zion	10.00	107	9,700	12		1,020.00	200.00			150.00	200.00	100.00	
Mt. Zion	10.00	79	10,000	6	5	1,430.00				34.50	300.00	506.85	32.10
New Haven	5.00	140	15,000	1	2	1,200.00			75.71	30.00	230.00		
Northeast	10.00	137	26,500	41	3	2,167.00	3,369.17	5.00	5.00	545.00	295.14	92.87	25.00
Oak Grove	5.00	170	23,000	10	3	1,500.00	5,675.14		25.00	209.00	245.60	93.76	

Oriental	10.00	112	30,000	5	3	1,404.00	2,036.10	5.00		19.31	238.15	64.47	
Otway	5.00	54		15	1	992.01	1,756.38	2.00		51.00	55.42	30.00	
Palmetto	10.00	140	5,000	12	1	1,625.00	2,102.98			78.15	94.83	150.00	
Pearsall	10.00	110	55,000			1,200.00	3,062.81	5.00	14.00	168.45	331.00	295.92	
Pilgrim's Rest	10.00	22		2	1	679.43				44.00	42.00	30.00	
Piney Grove	5.00	110	17,000	6	6	540.00	1,276.96	5.00			23.43	16.28	
Pleasant Acres	10.00	108	27,500	9	4	2,680.88	5,196.26		15.00	144.37	80.00	123.00	
Rock of Zion	10.00	237	10,000	6	1	1,200.00	2,655.23				216.81	89.34	
Rooty Branch	10.00	83	12,000	3	2	840.00		5.00	10.00	31.00	80.00	134.09	
Russell's Creek	5.00	92	15,000			1,200.00	1,987.01			32.00	123.00	96.00	12.00
Sandy Plain	10.00	211	35,000	9	10	2,025.00	3,482.43			62.56	77.22	15.00	
Sarecta	10.00	130	25,000	12	5	1,320.00	3,689.62	5.00	10.00	261.62	380.70	208.31	92.44
Smith's New Home	5.00	163		2	1	1,440.00		5.00	5.00	50.00	150.00	200.00	
Snead's Ferry	5.00	50	3,500	1	1	600.00					45.00		
Snow Hill	10.00	134		1	6	1,200.00	3,835.00	5.00		191.00	256.81		
Sound View	10.00	95	15,000	7	4	1,440.00				50.00	200.00	100.00	
Spring Hope	5.00	63	7,000	9	5	704.28	1,782.64	5.00		29.01	124.00	49.38	
Stacy	10.00	206	78,000	21	3	3,900.00	21,026.06	5.00		484.20	140.00	163.75	
Sts. Delight	5.00	151	26,800	3	1	1,200.00	5,334.95			62.50	364.61	170.75	
St. Mary's	25.00	552	185,000	27	48	5,410.00	23,855.83	5.00	58.00	1,572.25	402.28	618.96	10.19
Trent	5.00	143	15,000	5	2	1,200.00	3,830.00		10.00	10.00	50.00	10.00	5.00
Union Chapel	5.00	450	30,000	30	10	1,950.00	2,750.00				700.00	150.00	
Vanceboro	10.00	39	1,500	7	2			5.00			5.00		
Verona	8.00	86		1		1,200.00	1,811.77				43.55		
Warden's Grove	5.00	135				1,800.00	4,300.54		41.99	98.98	269.28	55.91	
Welcome Home	5.00	65	10,500			2,600.00				10.00	12.45		
Whaley's Chapel	5.00	227	33,500	10	3	1,200.00	1,788.11		34.00	115.00	263.87	159.52	34.46
White Hill	15.00	195	16,000	6	1	1,200.00	50.00			42.00	41.00		
White Oak Grove	10.00	110	6,000	7		1,200.00				129.55	165.89	110.83	
Wintergreen	15.00	269	35,000	25	6	1,868.15	4,437.50	5.00	5.00	75.26	322.96	101.22	
Woodington	5.00												
PEE DEE ASSOCIATION													
Bethel	3.00	18	1,000	2	2								
Beaver Dam	25.00	357	50,000	15	35	1,236.96					100.00	5.00	
White Oak	10.00	151	38,500	21	6	1,020.00	2,446.41	5.00	390.00	134.39	182.43	160.88	
Oak Grove	5.00	118	24,000	17	5	980.00	2,489.27	5.00		13.50	103.36	64.14	
PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION													
Cramerton	5.00	262	20,000	30	10	5,200.00	15,253.39			1,842.00	390.00	270.00	
East Rockingham	5.00	202	81,000	15	10	5,200.00	25,325.00		10.00	100.00	150.00		
Mt. Zion	5.00	96	46,000	25	2	4,220.00	8,218.13			171.46	14.16		5.00
Roberson Creek	5.00	40	6,500	9	1	1,032.61	2,141.67			80.00	40.00		
ROCKFISH ASSOCIATION													
Bethlehem	5.00	22	1,500	1		247.58							
WESTERN DISTRICT													
Black Jack Grove	5.00	65	7,000	12	2	702.78	3,110.85			139.44	75.00	22.00	
Branch Chapel	10.00	304	20,000	12	6	1,660.99	4,016.93	5.00	10.00	51.75	487.06	88.34	10.00
Calvary	5.00	112	35,000	24	5	2,800.00	3,500.00		15.00	114.26	158.35	56.98	
Edgemont	10.00		119,000							44.30	213.18		
Elwood Lane	10.00	259	65,000	15	11	3,975.00	10,901.52			304.03	149.51	130.78	
Everett's Chapel	5.00	178		14	11	3,040.00	4,304.23			15.97	104.18		

Flood's Chapel	10.00	89	20,000	7	6	600.00	88.35		4.00	4.00	60.89	48.50	4.00
Free Union	10.00	72				1,200.00	2,381.20		4.00	91.40	200.00	76.84	4.00
Friendship	10.00	181	20,000	3	7	1,800.00	4,598.88	5.00	49.00	304.50	608.14	281.68	15.00
Holly Springs		234	30,000	14	5	1,500.00	2,952.06			4.00	195.70	267.00	125.68
Kenly	5.00	227	34,000	7	7	3,120.00	5,299.83	5.00	25.00	272.33	304.00	277.00	4.00
Little Rock	15.00	297	70,000	22	8	1,800.00	6,570.00	5.00	10.00	109.90	169.96	320.05	
Marsh Swamp	10.00	311	58,000	22	10	3,640.00	6,655.36	5.00	12.00	156.57	559.40	447.47	7.00
Micro	20.00	150	50,000	11	5	1,790.00	2,732.70						
Milbournie	7.50	185	45,000	11	9	3,000.00	4,510.00			120.00	220.00		
Mt. Zion	25.00	166	25,000	1	5	1,200.00	2,347.34		18.00	104.27	302.51	8.00	8.00
Mt. Zion	14.00	193	10,000	7	9	1,200.00	2,795.67	5.00			56.00	20.00	
New Hope	10.00	67	20,000	19		1,310.00							
New Sandy Hill	5.00	147	5,000	17	4	1,120.44	1,929.68		8.00	5.22	91.44	12.09	2.00
Orphanage Memorial	5.00	66								63.63		55.00	
Pine Level	15.00	340	68,000	2	22	4,160.00	6,855.71	5.00	69.65	333.17	211.53	222.93	
Piney Grove	10.00	254	25,000	5	3	1,280.00	4,923.18		32.57	172.88	210.08	151.80	
Pleasant Grove	10.00	235	5,500	8	7	1,440.00	3,977.81		50.00	225.94	716.30	486.05	41.80
Pleasant Hill	10.00	110	30,000	3	4	960.00	2,478.50		10.00	133.40	111.60	229.69	
Pleasant Plain	10.00	263	32,000	5	10	1,800.00	3,604.76		60.00	682.72	438.75	239.16	29.44
Rain's Cross Roads	15.00	286	35,000	10	5	1,800.00	4,242.00	5.00	50.00	200.00	225.00	200.00	25.00
Rock Spring	5.00	126	10,000	5	5	960.00	2,305.19			9.82			
Rose Bud	5.00	100	16,000	5	1	600.00	1,121.42		4.00	19.61	56.15	4.00	4.00
Sherron Acres	10.00	289	135,000	12	72	2,919.00	12,474.40	5.00		259.77	288.59	55.00	
Spring Hill	10.00	52	6,000		2	720.00	200.00			93.00	150.00		
Stancil's Chapel	10.00	164	15,000	10	5	1,200.00	2,288.44	5.00	10.00	90.50	271.80	74.20	10.00
St. Mary's	10.00	252	75,000	8	8	3,546.04	6,880.16		84.40	346.90	318.27	293.91	41.13
Stoney Creek	10.00	202	40,500	26	3	1,915.00	4,973.77	5.00	10.00	589.89	413.86	305.52	20.00
Stony Hill	5.00	88		1		724.00	1,110.28				53.00		
Union Chapel	5.00	48	2,500			144.62					20.00		
Union Grove	10.00	191		11	11	1,500.00	2,896.11		55.00	304.90	247.34	254.00	4.00
First Free Will Baptist	10.00	475	133,000	33	10	4,550.00	16,624.52		25.00	303.88	470.00	200.00	25.00
White Oak Hill	10.00	266	25,000	12	5	1,200.00	3,137.13		25.67	195.77	84.47	78.42	1.00

	Church Finance	Superannuation	Total U. P. Funds	Raised by Churches	Raised by S. S.	Raised by Auxiliaries	Raised by Leagues	County
ALBEMARLE CONFERENCE								
Belhaven	\$	\$ 19.87	\$	\$1,932.29	\$	\$	\$	Beaufort
Hickory Grove		30.05	683.40	6,741.47	39.05		136.64	Hertford
Malachi's Chapel		6.61	532.49					Tyrrell
Mount Tabor		73.31	346.01	3,047.97	879.80	82.75	135.07	Washington
Mount Zion	925.46			4,703.13	899.84		114.29	Washington
Plymouth		150.00	1,200.00	4,039.21	835.78		158.11	Beaufort
Shiloh			452.88					Tyrrell
Sound Side								Beaufort
Trinity		71.55	838.60					
BLUE RIDGE ASSOCIATION								
Horne Heights			113.43		601.32	509.57		
Marion			1,345.40					McDowell
Rocky Pass		30.00	264.28	8,866.71		1,194.70		McDowell
CAPE FEAR CONFERENCE								
Bethel	13.00	86.50	680.17	2,682.37	1,651.07	485.63		Johnston
Casey's Chapel		60.00	965.10	5,616.10	680.30	130.00		Wayne
Community Chapel		5.00	117.50					Harnett
Corinth		20.00	547.11					Sampson
Daly's Chapel								Lenoir
Garner F.W.B.								Wake
Hopewell	67.33	108.96	1,019.80	5,680.00	467.05	389.07		Johnston
Johnston's Union		44.00	1,429.31	8,787.46	1,563.67	204.86	182.00	Johnston
Lee's Chapel			360.00					Sampson
Mount Olive	460.00	1.00				40.45		Wayne
Oak Grove	7.28	19.25	465.81	3,801.65	558.90	198.70		Sampson
Pleasant Grove		20.00	425.96	2,606.73	1,041.26	483.35	25.98	Harnett
Powhatan		60.00	1,098.10			167.12	47.50	Johnston
Prospect		28.59	734.96					Harnett
Riverside			130.00					Johnston
Robert's Grove			552.18					Sampson
Shady Grove		75.00	1,078.00	9,972.50	2,500.00	316.25		Sampson
Smithfield		105.00	2,751.21	11,400.13		270.96	50.00	Johnston
Smyrna				2,500.00	1,189.06	191.20	42.35	Johnston
St. John's			100.12	2,350.55	481.12	40.20		Wayne
St. Mary's		50.00	223.31	2,984.07	914.99	694.16		Johnston

St. Paul's	10.00	25.00	571.94	1,348.10	1,157.99			Sampson
Tee's Chapel	1,184.00		1,402.03	6,293.43	351.51			Johnston
West Clinton		25.00	244.47			167.18		Sampson
Wooten's Chapel								Wake
Yelverton's Grove	1.00	11.00	143.25	654.49	315.08	115.85		Johnston
CENTRAL CONFERENCE								
Antioch			632.11				14.00	Wayne
Aspen Grove		25.00	1,058.83	2,791.08	850.97	268.85	60.00	Wilson
Black Jack		102.35	2,049.06	25,375.89	917.85	594.90	318.00	Pitt
Bethany						650.00		Pitt
Cedar Grove								Martin
Daniel's Chapel		50.00	835.03	6,662.46	919.35	150.00	50.00	Wilson
Dawson's Grove	3.00	24.00	984.53	2,631.52	550.83	1,542.90	192.21	Halifax
Dilda's Grove	92.60	84.46	1,092.32	1,869.95	377.62	232.80	92.27	Pitt
Edgewood								Edgecombe
Elm Grove	5.00	31.91	5.00					Pitt
Faith			1,136.84	6,261.82	520.00	239.68	15.00	Lenoir
First Free Will Baptist	60.00	180.00	1,436.00					Beaufort
Free Union		30.00	1,442.40	7,745.90	1,241.76	1,173.06		Greene
Friendship		46.81	1,205.29	5,065.74	911.73	2,379.89	430.93	Greene
Greenville		27.00	4,408.27	16,040.31	5,558.63	857.85	176.57	Pitt
Grifton		30.00	363.91	322.87				Pitt
Grimsley		11.76	580.00	2,856.60	354.00	192.20		Greene
Gum Swamp	25.00	25.00	6,993.33	6,993.33	3,163.93	242.17		Pitt
Harrell's Chapel		20.00						Greene
Hope								Halifax
Howell Swamp		65.00	762.72	3,845.30	445.42	1,056.33		Greene
Hugo				1,913.00	173.00	24.00		Lenoir
Hull Road	6.00	155.50	5,123.70	12,775.40	1,420.43	368.69	94.30	Greene
King's Crossroads		20.00		3,442.62				Pitt
LaGrange		53.99						Lenoir
Little Creek		41.16	385.23	4,372.70	625.31	331.35		Greene
Maranatha								Pitt
Marlboro		83.00	725.00	2,596.05	428.09	287.74		Pitt
Maurv					438.99			Greene
Mt. Calvary								Greene
Ormondsville	10.00	36.00	1,351.00	5,357.00	1,382.00	258.00		Greene
Owen's Chapel			482.69	6,302.86	733.83			Wilson
Parker's Chapel			1,111.20	6,949.62	2,429.00	466.93	187.00	Pitt
Peace	5.00	5.57	160.00	3,262.66		60.65		Edgecombe
Piney Grove			152.63	1,373.95	349.75	124.71		Beaufort
Piney Grove		85.50	1,363.35	9,189.11	1,402.49	783.57	280.99	Pitt
Pleasant Hill		60.00	470.00	3,730.00	50.00			Pitt
Reedy Branch		15.00	805.28	7,685.09				Pitt
Rose Hill	5.00	150.00	1,365.00	3,615.00	1,325.00	545.71		Pitt
Rose of Sharon								Martin
Saratoga		39.40	741.53	5,647.49	909.74	634.05	183.98	Wilson
Spring Branch	40.00	65.00	1,243.46	8,755.72	1,345.50	560.86	199.52	Greene
Sts. Delight			490.25					Greene
St. Paul			57.01	4,360.88	307.93			Pasquotank
Tarboro		10.00	748.19	12,283.19		269.75		Edgecombe

Walnut Creek		70.00	607.00	2,228.62	379.03		Wayne
Watery Branch		15.00		1,560.00	175.00	195.00	Wayne
Williamston			87.10	2,389.63	316.42	107.84	Martin
Winterville	2,215.00	25.00					Pitt
EASTERN CONFERENCE							
Angala				753.73		226.25	Onslow
Antioch		37.50	577.50	4,465.00		42.50	Craven
Arapahoe	25.53	79.82	1,435.31	7,664.45		280.00	Pamlico
Bethel	10.00	30.73	449.66				Pamlico
Bethlehem							Duplin
Beulaville	25.00	75.00	1,002.00	3,000.00	3,570.00	150.00	Duplin
Bridgeton		80.00		11,806.99		692.95	63.00 Craven
British Chapel		6.69	430.86			40.00	Lenoir
Cabin		27.39	608.72	4,028.32	456.76	1,132.06	Duplin
Calvary		10.00	220.44	1,821.15	3,213.77	500.00	23.00 Onslow
Christian Chapel	20.00	20.00	632.00	2,969.67	805.67	482.07	51.91 Lenoir
Core Creek		47.81	1,191.50	5,955.00	1,328.99	424.68	129.70 Craven
Crabpoint	835.00	60.00				168.00	57.00 Carteret
Croatan		40.00	341.66	1,250.00	1,131.12	49.21	Craven
Daly's Chapel		10.00	180.44				Lenoir
Davis			2,660.08	9,440.34	45.87	195.81	34.13 Carteret
Deep Run	25.00	37.00		3,410.93	1,002.87	533.00	Lenoir
Dublin Grove			486.00	1,586.00	876.00	104.00	Beaufort
Edwards		29.81	450.44			72.59	Carteret
Emmanuel					148.91	11.38	Onslow
Ephesus							Beaufort
Faith		5.00	241.00	8,493.58		236.00	Carteret
Folkstone	1,137.42	49.88	1,461.65	1,656.31	1,603.49	682.30	88.00 Onslow
Free Union	500.00		795.00				Carteret
Friendship							Jones
Guger				1,065.00	1,000.34		Onslow
Gethsemane							Craven
Grant's Chapel		13.24					Wayne
Gray Branch			120.00	3,364.86	260.00	10.00	Lenoir
Holly Springs		120.00	805.70	15,282.94		78.00	55.00 Carteret
Indian Springs		20.00	96.15	1,008.50	253.94	84.40	Wayne
Jacksonville		9.00	473.32	6,429.91		415.15	200.58
Juniper		37.90	579.51	4,051.65	823.75	145.25	243.53 Craven
Kinston		67.19	676.89	9,578.26	6,256.48	895.96	162.46 Lenoir
Lanier's		5.00	128.00	808.00	307.05		Duplin
Long Ridge		10.00	353.38	3,257.79	539.46	152.44	38.00 Duplin
Macedonia		127.67	871.18	7,408.58	754.27	269.00	Craven
May's	766.75	20.00	1,089.08	1,673.33	1,167.55	223.25	Wayne
Morehead City		41.03					Carteret
Moseley's Creek							Craven
Mt. Pleasant				3,138.52	46.50	40.00	Carteret
Mt. Zion		30.00	385.00	9,210.00	500.00	100.00	Onslow
Mt. Zion		32.10		3,587.31	473.45	244.80	Pamlico
New Haven						18.50	Craven
Northeast			964.01	6,057.04	926.25	353.84	28.15 Wayne
Oak Grove		57.57	630.93	5,259.59	641.17	325.61	79.70 Craven

Oriental			321.93	1,976.78	401.55			Pamlico
Otway	3.00		39.42		104.25		13.86	Carteret
Palmetto								Craven
Pearsall	35.00		844.37	3,670.67		239.02	112.49	Duplin
Pilgrim's Rest	28.00			553.49	380.59	177.97		Carteret
Piney Grove			39.61	1,029.56	772.00			Duplin
Pleasant Acres	50.00		412.37			369.67	76.00	Craven
Rock of Zion	12.17		318.32	2,048.97	1,085.31	129.37	35.41	Pamlico
Rooty Branch	10.00							Duplin
Russell's Creek	25.00		290.00	1,397.00	880.01			Carteret
Sandy Plain	80.50		235.28	2,950.35	676.82	3,366.33	90.54	Duplin
Sarecta	20.00		973.07	3,780.00	517.33	264.00	101.34	Duplin
Smith's New Home	30.00							Lenoir
Snead's Ferry				600.00	235.00			Onslow
Snow Hill	70.01		497.82					Duplin
Sound View	25.00		375.00					Carteret
Spring Hope			202.39					Craven
Stacy	12.00		799.95	627.95		87.00	25.00	Carteret
Sts. Delight	28.00		525.36					Craven
St. Mary's	78.58		2,740.26	26,512.02		927.05		Craven
Trent	5.00	10.00	100.00	2,430.00	1,500.00			Pamlico
Union Chapel		100.00	950.00					Beaufort
Vanceboro	325.00			741.18	330.00	89.35		Craven
Verona								Onslow
Warden's Grove	51.99			4,225.54	466.15	122.00	120.00	Pamlico
Welcome Home								Carteret
Whaley's Chapel	48.00		654.85	1,925.32	284.32	82.00	152.09	Jones
White Hill	20.00							Beaufort
White Oak Grove				1,536.46	346.21	428.05	50.00	Lenoir
Wintergreen			504.94	3,274.82	1,198.64	446.28	17.70	Craven
Woodington								Lenoir
FEE DEE ASSOCIATION								
Bethel								Robeson
Beaver Dam	1,199.20	12.52	105.00					Columbus
White Oak		26.50	2,079.42					Bladen
Oak Grove						49.00	260.00	Bladen
PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION								
Cramerton		60.00	2,560.00					Gaston
East Rockingham		46.00	546.00			300.00	200.00	Richmond
Mt. Zion			190.62	8,055.22	308.83	14.40	30.00	Cabarrus
Roberson Creek			120.00					Rutherford
ROCKFISH ASSOCIATION								
Bethlehem								S. C.
WESTERN DISTRICT								
Black Jack Grove	10.00	11.72	248.16	2,099.98	1,003.92		47.96	Wayne
Branch Chapel		25.00	682.15	3,827.06	872.02			Johnston
Calvary		22.84		3,609.29	884.00	47.50	130.00	Wilson
Edgemont		20.98						Durham
Elwood Lane		25.00	609.32	10,601.29	595.57	509.32	77.89	Cabarrus
Everett's Chapel		15.97	136.12	4,005.07	311.60	123.68		Johnston

Flood's Chapel	4.00	4.00		959.44	478.44	168.33		Nash
Free Union	4.00	4.00						Nash
Friendship	15.00	105.00	1,378.33	5,020.72	911.18	288.50		Johnston
Holly Springs	24.00	71.35	691.73	2,888.91	471.75	310.30		Johnston
Kenly		131.00	1,009.33	6,048.33		402.47		Johnston
Little Rock		32.00	641.91	6,118.69	857.53	435.75		Wilson
Marsh Swamp	27.00	37.00	1,246.44	6,562.01	1,187.37	450.40		Wilson
Micro					180.00	200.00		Johnston
Milbournie		25.00	365.00	5,975.00	30.00	110.00		Wilson
Mt. Zion	8.00	65.17	513.95	2,352.36	691.89	101.27		Nash
Mt. Zion		10.00	86.00	2,658.17	75.00	62.00		Wilson
New Hope								Cabarrus
New Sandy Hill	5.00	3.50	127.25	1,436.45	739.00	130.57	47.16	Wilson
Orphanage Memorial		20.00	138.63					Nash
Pine Level		90.38	927.66	243.07	169.31	7.00		Johnston
Piney Grove		42.40	458.87					Johnston
Pleasant Grove	25.00	107.00	1,652.09	3,379.54	1,553.72	724.79	14.94	Wayne
Pleasant Hill		40.00	524.69	1,861.76	846.93	294.50		Wayne
Pleasant Plain	25.00	115.75	1,690.82	3,424.52	1,292.51	366.27	212.28	Johnston
Rain's Cross Roads	25.00	100.00	825.00					Johnston
Rock Springs		9.50	19.32	9.00	374.46	5.00		Nash
Rose Bud	4.00	16.10	107.76	1,002.10	192.01	35.07		Wilson
Sherron Acres			573.36	12,198.95	721.05	55.58	95.73	Durham
Spring Hill		27.00		2,733.00	438.00	92.00		Wayne
Stancil's Chapel	10.00	10.00	476.50	1,937.47	588.88	238.59		Johnston
St. Mary's	15.68	66.47	1,166.76	6,286.58	1,379.96	425.37		Wilson
Stoney Creek		39.85	1,379.22	4,162.13	4,524.44	949.74	113.00	Wayne
Stony Hill				1,021.31	236.48			Nash
Union Chapel		6.00						Nash
Union Grove	4.00	80.00	949.24	2,573.77	614.47	677.11		Wayne
First Free Will Baptist	25.00	150.00	1,198.88	20,346.72				Wilson
White Oak Hill	25.67	51.75	673.42	3,318.67	491.88	78.76	71.75	Nash

