

**MINUTES**  
of the  
**Eleventh Annual Session**  
of the  
**Women's State Auxiliary Convention**  
of the  
**Free Will Baptist Church**  
of  
**North Carolina**  
Held with  
**Casey's Chapel Church**  
May 4, 5—1937

## PROCEEDINGS

The Women's Auxiliary Convention of the Free Will Baptist Church in North Carolina, held its 11th Annual session with Caseys Chapel, near Goldsboro, N. C. on May 4th and 5th, 1937.

The Convention opened on the evening of May 4th at 8:00 o'clock by a devotional led by the pastor, Rev. G. C. Joyner. Special music by Rev. R. N. Hinnant was given in the form of a solo. A playlet, teaching reverence, was presented by the local church; entitled: "Unto the Least of These." Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes, state president, commented on the next day's program.

The feature of the evening's program was given by Miss Elizabeth Smith of Goldsboro, which was a resume of her recent trip to the Holy Land. The evening session was closed by the singing of a hymn and the benediction by Rev. G. C. Joyner.

### WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

With registration of delegates and presidents, the Wednesday morning session began, followed by an inspiring devotional led by Miss Nellie Alford. Greetings were graciously given by Mrs. Walter Anderson and responded to by Mrs. Millie Johnson. The reading of the minutes of the previous session were read and adopted, as was the treasurer's report. The congregation sang: "Jesus Calls Us" which was followed by the seating of the delegates, ministers and presidents, and the body declared ready for business.

The enrollment of ministers follows:

Central Conference:—Rev. M. E. Tyson, Rev. R. P. Harris, Rev. R. H. Mason, Rev. M. A. Woodard.

Eastern Association:—Rev. J. C. Griffin, Rev. Duffy Toler, Rev. J. R. Bennett.

Cape Fear Association:—Rev. B. F. Jackson, Rev. M. L. Johnson, Rev. G. C. Joyner.

Western Association:—Rev. W. A. Hales, Rev. S. H. Styron, Rev. R. N. Hinnant.

Enrollment of Presidents of District Conventions:

Eastern:—Mrs. J. R. Bennett.

Cape Fear:—Mrs. Herman Johnson.

Western:—Mrs. Deenye O. Morris.

Central:—Mrs. Frank Shirley.

National:—Mrs. Alice E. Lupton.

Pee Dee:—Mrs. H. C. Adcox.

Albermarle:—Mrs. E. C. Morris.

Enrollment of Societies delegates and contributions:

#### *Eastern Convention*

Mosleys Creek, L. A. S. Mrs. I. A. Norris, -----\$2.00

Sandy Plain L. A. S. by letter -----	1.90
Gethsemane, L. A. S. Circle No. 2, Mrs. L. H. Wetherington -----	1.50
Pilgrim's Home L. A. S. by letter -----	.50
Union Chapel, L. A. S. Mrs. Gay Edwards, -----	1.00
Snow Hill, L. A. S. Mrs. William Jackson, -----	1.00
North East, L. A. S. Mrs. William Jackson, -----	1.60
Bridgeton L. A. S. Mrs. J. C. Griffin -----	2.00
Smith's New Home, L. A. S. Verna Howard, -----	1.00
Davis, L. A. S. by letter, -----	1.00
Kinston, L. A. S. Mrs. W. B. Warner, -----	2.00
St. Mary's (New Bern) L. A. S. Mrs. Angie Stallings, Mrs. E. W. Turnage, -----	4.00

#### *Cape Fear Convention*

Smithfield, L. A. S. Mrs. Verna Rose Sawrey, -----	0.00
St. John, L. A. S. Mrs. D. J. Vinson, Mrs. L. F. Strickland, -----	1.00
Shady Grove, L. A. S. Mrs. Willie Jackson, -----	1.50
Caseys Chapel, L. A. S. Mrs. Robie Strickland, -----	1.00
Goldsboro, L. A. S. Mrs. W. J. Hinson, -----	2.00
Hopewell, L. A. S. Mrs. M. L. Johnson, Mrs. Mellie Johnson, -----	1.20
Powhatan, L. A. S. Mrs. J. A. Jackson, -----	0.00

#### *Western Convention*

Selma, L. A. S. Mrs. E. E. Denning, -----	2.50
Pleasant Grove L. A. S. Mrs. J. R. Fleming, -----	1.00
Edgemont W. M. S. Mrs. F. E. Joyner, Mrs. L. H. McDade, -----	5.80
Micro Philathea Class, Mrs. L. C. Davis, -----	.50
Micro, L. A. S. Mrs. L. M. Ausley, -----	2.00
Little Rock Philathea, Mrs. E. F. Renfrow, -----	1.00
Union Grove, L. A. S. Mrs. Ralph Edgerton, -----	2.00
Kenly L. A. S. Mrs. S. H. Alford, -----	2.00
Rains X Roads, L. A. S. Mrs. A. K. Worley, -----	2.00
Marsh Swamp, L. A. S. Mrs. Addie Winborne, -----	1.50
Pine Level L. A. S. Mrs. M. P. Crocker, -----	1.00
Wilson L. A. S. Mrs. Jessie Deans, -----	2.00

#### *Central Convention*

Reedy Branch, L. A. S. Carrie Cannon, -----	2.00
Saratoga, L. A. S. Miss Lula Proctor, -----	1.50
St. Pauls, L. A. S. Mrs. W. W. Beals, -----	0.00
St. Pauls Mission Circle, Mrs. E. C. Morris, -----	0.00
Hull Road, L. A. S. Mrs. Z. M. Harrison, -----	0.00
Greenville, L. A. S. Mrs. S. B. Hardee, -----	1.00
Greenville, W. M. S. Mrs. Lillie Smith, -----	1.00
Ayden, L. A. S. Mrs. R. H. Mason, -----	1.00
Winterville L. A. S. Miss Bessie Nobles, -----	1.00

Rocky Mount, L. A. S. Mrs. N. E. Harris, -----	1.00
Marlboro, L. A. S. Mrs. Clyde Brooks, -----	1.00
Union Chapel, L. A. S. Letter, -----	1.00
Sweet Gum Grove, L. A. S. Letter, -----	2.00
Gum Swamp, L. A. S. Mrs. Daisy Tucker, -----	1.50
Piney Grove L. A. S. Mrs. Frances Johnson, -----	1.50
Grimsley, L. A. S. Mrs. Joe Barber, -----	2.00
Maury, L. A. S. Mrs. N. E. Ward, -----	.50
Hugo, L. A. S. Mrs. Arthur Phillips, -----	1.00
Howell's Swamp, L. A. S. Mrs. Grey Fields, -----	2.00
Daniels Chapel, L. A. S. Mrs. Henry Pittman -----	.50
Farker's Chapel, L. A. S. letter, -----	1.50
Saints Delight, L. A. S. Mrs. Eva Davis, -----	1.00
Dawson's Grove, L. A. S. Letter, -----	1.00

#### *Pee Dee Convention*

White Oak L. A. S. Mrs. H. C. Adcox -----	1.00
Mt. Calvary L. A. S. Mrs. O. E. Brown -----	

#### *N. C. State Association*

Rev. R. N. Hinnant.

The following committees were appointed by the president:

*Finance and Apportionment*—Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, *Chairman*; Mrs. J. R. Bennett, Mrs. L. M. Ausley.

*Nominations*—Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Mrs. S. H. Styron, Miss Ora Vail.

*Petitions*—Mrs. Lillie Smith, Mrs. N. E. Harris, Mrs. W. J. Hinson.

The roll call of societies was made and the report of the societies was made by Mrs. J. E. Harris and presented in statistical form. Those not included in the statistical report were given by the delegates of societies they represented.

A general discussion was held at this time, led by the president, on ways and means of societies raising money. Many plans were given by different ones and the attention of the Convention was called to the display of articles brought by different societies. Articles such as quilts, aprons, pillow slips, etc. were on exhibit.

Following a congregational hymn, Rev. M. E. Tyson, speaking in the place of Rev. J. W. Alford, who was absent, brought the morning's message from 2nd Kings 4:8-13. Adjournment for lunch followed.

#### *WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION*

The afternoon session was opened with the congregation singing: "Bringing In the Sheaves," followed with prayer by Rev. James A. Evans. Greetings to the Convention were brought from Rev. E. T. Phillips, who was ill, by Mrs. Katie Sawyer Jackson. Special prayer for the recovery of brother Phillips was led by Rev. J. H. Worley.

The various reports of the Directors were read: Educational Report by Mrs. S. K. Jackson. (see report)

Orphanage Report by Mrs. D. O. Morris. (see report)

Missions Report by Mrs. Paul Thigpen. (see report)

Superannuation Report by Mrs. E. F. Renfrow. (see report)

A musical program, presented by a group of children from the Orphanage, was enjoyed by the Convention, followed by a brief message from the Orphanage superintendent, Rev. M. E. Tyson.

Report of the progress of the Albemarle and Pee Dee Districts, recently organized, were given.

At the request of the president, Mrs. J. H. Oglesby made a brief talk on missions as concerns the women of our state.

Report of Finance and Apportionment Committee read and adopted. (see report)

Report of Treasurer read and adopted. (see report)

Report of Nominating Committee read and adopted as follows:

Mrs. Georgie Grost Barnes, *President*.

Mrs. J. C. Griffin, *Vice-President*.

Mrs. Hermon Nobles, *Treasurer*.

Mrs. Henry Melvin, *Recording Secretary*

Mrs. J. E. Harris, *Corresponding Secretary*.

The following were appointed as Directors of the various departments:

*Publications and Literature*—Mrs. J. R. Bennett.

*Christian Education*—Mrs. K. S. Jackson.

*Missions*—Mrs. J. H. Oglesby.

*Stewardship*—Miss Callie Lee.

*Orphanage*—Mrs. James A. Evans.

*Superannuation*—Mrs. G. C. Pope.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Caseys Chapel and community for their hospitality in entertaining the Convention.

By motion and second, it was agreed that the 1938 session of the Convention meet with Hopewell Church near Smithfield.

A closing hymn sung by the assemblage and the benediction closed the Convention.

MRS. GEORGIE FROST BARNES, *Pres.*

MRS. HENRY MELVIN, *Rec. Sec.*

*Report of Superannuation Director*

Balance brought forward .....	\$74.31
Received from Eastern Convention .....	10.00
From various societies .....	14.50
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Total on hand .....	\$98.81

MRS. ETTA FROST RENFROW,  
*Superannuation Director*

### *Report of Orphanage Director*

From:

White Oak Church Auxiliary, Bladen Co. -----	\$ 13.00
Rains Cross Roads Church Auxiliary, Johnston Co. -----	29.45
Saratoga Church Auxiliary, Wilson Co. -----	49.89
Union Grove Church Auxiliary, Wayne Co. -----	91.14
Little Rock Church Auxiliary, Wilson Co. -----	15.00
Marsh Swamp Church Auxiliary, Wilson Co., -----	30.00
Winterville Church Auxiliary, Pitt Co. -----	43.25
Contribution State Auxiliary Convention, -----	15.00
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	\$271.73

A summary of contributions to Orphanage as listed by superintendent of home:

Cash for General Fund -----	\$ 223.14
Cash for adopted children -----	387.95
Commodities for the Home -----	265.91
Clothing for adopted children -----	474.90
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	\$1,351.90

MRS. DEANYE O. MORRIS,  
*Orphanage Director*

### *Report of Mission Director*

21 societies observed the Week of Prayer.

7 societies conducted Study Courses.

7 new societies organized.

\$38.99 sent to director of missions.

\$80.43 reported as being sent for foreign missions.

\$22.45 sent to Mission Director to be used for home missions.

\$13.44 reported as having been used for home missions.

MRS. PAUL THIGPEN,  
*Mission Director*

### *Report of Director of Education*

Received from Mt. Zion Church Auxiliary -----	\$ 3.00
Received from Rocky Mount Church Auxiliary -----	3.75
Mrs. Bertha Hart Tripp -----	1.00
Western Auxiliary Convention -----	4.20
Eastern Auxiliary Convention -----	5.00
Central Auxiliary Convention -----	2.73
Western Auxiliary Convention -----	5.00
Cape Fear Auxiliary Convention -----	5.50
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Total receipts -----	\$30.18

We have many societies that are filling out the Educational posters.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. KATIE SAWYER JACKSON,  
*Director of Education*

*Report of Finance and Apportionment Committee*

Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes, President, salary -----	\$ 10.00
Mrs. Henry Melvin, Recording Secretary, salary, -----	10.00
Mrs. J. E. Harris, Cor. Sec. Salary and expenses -----	12.60
Mrs. Herman Nobles, Treasurer, salary and expenses, -----	6.13
Mrs. Alice E. Lupton, expenses, -----	3.35
Donation to National Convention -----	15.00
Donation to Orphanage, -----	10.00
Mrs. J. C. Moye, special offering for Orphanage Frigidaire -----	17.64
Foreign Missions, -----	88.99
National Dues, -----	8.30
Free Will Baptist Press, -----	6.00
Mrs. Joe Barber, expenses, -----	.45
Free Will Baptist for posters, -----	3.27
Mrs. R. F. Pittman, flowers, -----	1.50
Arapahoe Church donation, -----	5.00
Selma Church donation, -----	5.00
Rocky Mount Church donation, -----	5.00
Goldsboro Church donation, -----	5.00
New Bern Church donation, -----	5.00
Rev. E. T. Phillips donation, -----	5.00
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	\$223.23

By the committee

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR 1936-1937

*Receipts*

Received from Mrs. Mitchell former Treasurer -----	\$ 19.62
Received for Educational work last Convention (app'd-not paid) ---	10.00
Received for Foreign Missions -----	78.94
Received for Home Missions -----	22.45
Received for General use 1936 Convention -----	104.70
Received with reports after 1936 Convention -----	5.00
Received for Orphanage 1936 Convention -----	16.53
Received for Contributions 1937 Convention -----	5.00
Received for Superannuation -----	14.50
Received from Mrs. J. M. Mitchell Final Bank dividend -----	.89
Received for Special dues -----	8.50
Received for National dues -----	5.80
Received for Mrs. J. I. Watson -----	58.00

Received for Educational Poster Fund -----	18.23
Received for Regular dues -----	32.70
Received for 10c per Capita Fund -----	16.40
Total Receipts -----	\$417.26

*Disbursements*

Salaries last Convention -----	\$ 25.00
Expenses of officers last Convention -----	14.22
Delegates to National Convention -----	12.00
Rev. I. J. Blackwelder Foreign Missions -----	5.00
Rev. M. E. Tyson for Orphanage -----	31.53
Telegram Mrs. I. J. Watson -----	.50
Superannuation -----	5.00
Rocky Mount Church -----	5.00
Greenville Church -----	5.00
Kinston Church -----	10.00
Mrs. I. J. Watson Gift & Donation -----	68.00
Free Will Baptist Press for Minutes -----	10.00
Free Will Baptist Press for Posters -----	18.23
Mrs. Fannie Polston for National Convention -----	10.00
Mrs. Fannie Polston for National Dues -----	11.15
Total Disbursements -----	\$230.63
Total Receipts -----	\$417.26
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Balance May 4, 1936 -----	\$186.63