MINUTES

OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

NORTH CAROLINA

Free Will Baptist Sunday School Convention-Institute

Convening with the Free Will Baptist Orphanage Middlesex, N. C.

April 24-25, 1952

1953 Session to Convene with

Cramerton Free Will Baptist Church, Cramerton, North Carolina, Piedmont Association, Gaston County; Rev. Roy Rikard, pastor

RAYMOND T. SASSER, Wilson, N. C.	President
REV. HERMAN HERSEY, Raleigh, N. CVice	President
OWEN THOMAS, Four Oaks, N. C.	Secretary
MILTON WIGGS, Smithfield, N. C.	Treasurer

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OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

N. C. Woman's Auxiliary Convention

Convening with

Bridgeton Free Will Baptist Church Bridgeton, N. C.

May 23, 1952

1953 Session to Convene with an Auxiliary in the Pee Dee Association,
Announcement to be made late.

MRS.	L. E.	. BALLARD, Ayden, N. C.	President
MRS.	R. T.	. SASSER, Wilson, N. C.	Secretary
MRS.	M. A	A. WOODARD, Winterville, N. C.	Treasurer



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented By

Rev. Wayne Smith

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PROCEEDINGS

The meeting was called to order by the President and Rev. R. P. Harris led the congregation in the opening hymn, "Make Me a Channel of Blessings." There was a large crowd in attendance.

The devotions, by Mrs. D. W. Hancock, were based upon portions of John 4 and I Peter 7:11, Truly Witnessing for Christ. Mrs. Hancock said we should have the love of God supreme in our lives, and love of our fellow man also. We can truly witness for Christ when we have all on the altar. She stressed the need for co-operation, and asked each to pray for cooperation.

We were welcomed to the Eastern District and Bridgeton Church by Mrs. J. K. Bryan in a special way and Mrs. Almand Warrick responded saying she felt we had come for a blessing and for information and felt sure we would receive both.

The president stated in her remarks, which followed, she was happy to be here and very pleased at the large attendance. Mrs. Moye expressed thanks for th co-operation she had received during her presidency and said she had enjoyed serving. She urged co-operation in the different phases of the work, saying if we cannot go, we can send. The President asked for the continued support of each phase of work. The Bible College is growing, said Mrs. Moye, and we should get behind the program there and help in providing needed facilities as well as assist students. Some of the students, we were informed, were available for Daily Vacation Bible School work and other Christian work during the summer. Mrs. Moye asked the auxiliaries to secure Anna Phillips Loan Fund Chart, fill it up and send in money for the Loan Fund to enable some young person to attend college. Mrs. Moye asked that we keep in mind the other phases of our work, Orphanage, Cragmont and the Press. The superannuation program also. The President asked for the co-operation of those present during the day and urged that we carry on the business in an orderly way.

The President recognized and welcomed the ministers that were in attendance. The Convention was delighted to have the following large delegation of ministers present: Revs. G. C. Joyner, W. H. Lancaster, J. C. Griffin, R. P. Harris, R. H. Jackson, James A. Evans, David W. Hansley, J. Albert Harris, W. R. Williams, F. A. Rivenbark, Wingate Hansley, A. B. Chandler, Willie E. Stilley, Rashie Kennedy, Lloyd Vernon, C. M. Coats, L. R. Ennis, W. H. Willis, F. B. Cherry, C. H. Coats, M. E. Godwin, J. R. Davidson, D. W. Alexander, C. L. Patick, D. L. Whaley, Wiley Ferrell, L. B. Manning, S. A. Smith, Wm. Burkette Raper, J. R. Forrest—Total of thirty.

First Vice-President, Mrs. Willoughby, gave her report. See reports. Mrs. Willoughby said to have season of prayer for those who are not members; discuss each individual's reason for not working in the auxiliary work. Mrs. Willoughby suggested that visitation program to contact those not enlisted. Secure names of absent members and send a card immediately, one that is attractive in appearance.

Notify each member when and where meeting is to be held if it is held in different places. See that each member has transportation; help arrange each member's work to suit her abilities and don't elect a special friend to an office if she is not interested or qualified. Work together, said Mrs. Willoughby; then she distributed individual report blanks that she and her committee had been working on at the request of the Executive Committee.

Mrs. Ballard, Second Vice-President, reported next. Mrs. Ballard urged the holding of youth revivals and Vacation Bible Schools in each church, reminding us that the Bible College students were available for summer Christian work. Mrs. Ballard discussed different conferences at Cragmont for Young People and asked for co-operation in building up the Anna Phillips Loan Fund. She reported a splendid D. V. B. S. Clinic held in the vicinity of Smithfield.

Mrs. Lupton, Third Vice-President, gave her report. Mrs. Lupton stated the Home Mission program was making progress; she mentioned improvements that had been made in various local churches. She asked us to work and pray for the Foreign Mission program also. Don't be blind to opportunities, said Mrs. Lupton. She recommended for study the book entitled "Handmaidens of the King," for mission study, and "Living Abundantly," and others for stewardship study, and "We would see Jesus" for Evangelism. Mrs. Lupton urged us to put evangelism to work in the local church. A number of auxiliaries had held the various week of prayer programs.

Mrs. Adcox, Fourth Vice-President, gave her report. See reports. Mrs. Adcox expressed appreciation for co-operation in her work. Mrs. Adcox requested full participation in the subscription campaign for the Free Will Baptist for which the auxiliaries would receive 10% of money received for subscriptions.

Mrs. Spivey, Fifth Vice-President was next with her report. Mrs. Spivey expressed her thanks for the help she had received in the furnishing and equipping the Albemarle Cottage at the Orphanage. She said we had not finished campaign for the Girl's Dormitory; she urged that this be sent in right away. The building is in need of repair. Gave report of Committee to purchase drapes for Albemarle Cottage. (Appears elsewhere) The Eastern District Auxiliary Convention bought living room furniture; and made plans for two bedroom suites for apartments in Albemarle Cottage. Mrs. Spivey stated that Sunday School students could be used to secure coupons for the Orphanage.

Mrs. Edmundson, Sixth Vice-President, read scripture taken from Luke, 1st Thess., 1st Tim. in making her report. Asked for continued care and thought for the superannuated ministers and the Superannuation Program as a whole.

Mr. Smith, Superintendent of our Orphanage spoke to us about the Home. Mr. Smith reported seventy-three boys and girls at the Orphanage. Extended his sincere thanks for co-operation of the women. Mr. Smith informed us the coupons were decreasing in number and urged that we do all we could to help retire the debt on the Home as quickly as possible. We were reminded to subscribe to the Orphanage paper and that they might be mailed in group form. An offering

was received at this time for the Home amounting to \$151.88. Rev. J. R. Davidson led the congregation in singing "Something for Thee."

Proxies on the Nominating Committee were appointed as follows: Mrs. M. L. Johnson for Mrs. Barrow until noon, Mrs. S. A. Smith for Miss Alice Webster, who could not attend.

An inspiring message was heard at this time in the lovely rendition of the beautiful hymn "When Jesus Came" by the local church.

Mrs. Bruce Barrow brought the Convention message on The Responsibility of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Pastor and Church. This inspiring and uplifting message was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Barrow stated there were many things women can do. Have a definite concern for people, said Mrs. Barrow. How can we sit idly by and see people go out into eternity without Christ. God is still able, said Mrs. Barrow. Invite pastor to meetings and work closely with him. Mrs. Barrow urged the congregation to maintain a Christian Home and help young people to anchor their lives in Christ. Christ says "Go Ye"—and "Lo, I am with you always."

The President appointed the following Committees:

Finance-Mrs. J. T. Beddard, Jr., Mrs. J. C. Sasser, Mrs. R. T. Sasser, Mrs. M. A. Woodard.

Resolutions-Mrs. Almand Warrick, Mrs. W. H. Blalock, Mrs. Carl Dudley.

Courtesy-Mrs. Haywood Hill, Mrs. A. B. Chandler, Mrs. Ellis M. Buck.

The Convention was dismissed for lunch by Rev. Burkette Raper.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After Congregational Hymn "We'll Work til Jesus Comes," Mrs. Marie Gaskins brought a most impressive memorial tribute to our deceased members basing her remarks on John 14. Two wreaths of green were used, a flower being placed in alternate wreaths for each deceased member. An appropriate musical number, "Beyond the Sunset," completed the service.

Mr. Cherry, Editor of the Baptist Paper, outlined the subscription campaign for us next for the auxiliaries during the month of June. The auxiliaries could deduct 10% from money sent in for subscriptions and retain in their treasury. The subscriptions are to be sent in not later than July 10. Renewals or new subscriptions would be acceptable.

Mrs. Griffin, Field Worker, gave her report next. See reports. Mrs. Griffin said there was a place for each woman to work. Co-operate with pastor, and urged the auxiliaries and districts to have an officers Training Day for officers. Mrs. Griffin said we need to keep informed, also.

Mrs. Ballard brought news of Cragmont and the Woman's Conferences to be held there. It is a place to enrich, deepen and enlarge our lives to be of greater service. She stated there would be two Conferences this year, one to be held June 9-16, the other August 11-18.

- Rev. J. B. Narron discussed the Youth Conference to be held at Cragmont under his leadership. Rev. Narron urged the parents to send their young people.
- Rev. J. C. Griffin urged the pastors and deacons to attend Minister's Conference at Cragmont first week in June.

The following Committees made reports at this time, copies of which appear elsewhere in these minutes, and all of which were accepted by the Convention: Resolutions, Finance, Nominating, and Treasurer's report also.

Motion, duly sustained, that the Convention sponsor the subscription Campaign as offered by the Press.

Individual Report Blank Committee made their report, which was accepted. They had prepared an individual report blank to be used in the local auxiliary.

On motion, duly sustained, Mrs. M. E. Godwin was re-elected to represent the Woman's Auxiliary Convention on the Cragmont Board.

Much discussion was held as to whether the League should be considered as a Youth Auxiliary by the Auxiliary Convention. Motion made and carried that the State Auxiliary Convention allow the local Auxiliaries to be counted A-I if they have an active F. W. B. L., if they cannot have a Young People's Auxiliary, and have met all the other requirements. Motion was carried by a majority vote, though some felt that it would discourage the Y. P. A.'s and voted against the motion.

The Constitution and By-Laws were brought up at this time. Upon reading them, it was found that a minor correction was needed, and by motion they were referred back to the Committee for correction. They were presented again later after correction and a motion was entertained for the adoption of same. Motion carried to adopt the Constitution and By-Laws in its revised form.

Mrs. F. B. Cherry was appointed delegate to National Auxiliary Convention.

An impressive installation of the incoming officers under the direction of Mrs. Bagley Morris was given at this time, using John 12:23-26 as a basis for her remarks. As she made the charge to each officer, she challenged each officer with the responsibilities of their respective office. A prayer for guidance for the new officers was offered by Rev. J. C. Griffin.

Upon motion, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with due to the lateness of the hour, and the secretary was instructed to send them to the Baptist and read them at the opening of the Convention next year.

Motion made, duly sustained to extend a rising vote of thanks to retiring officers. Mrs. Moye expressed the appreciation of the retiring officers for the cooperation that they had received during their stay in office.

After singing "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," we were dismissed by Rev. Burkette Raper.

Mrs. J. C. Moye, President Mrs. James A. Evans, Secretary (Retiring)

REPORT OF COURTESY COMMITTEE

We, the Courtesy Committee, would like to thank the Bridgeton Free Will Baptist Church and the Eastern District for every kindness shown us today. The flowers, the special music, and the message were all very inspiring. We especially would like to thank the ushers and the pianist for their help and co-operation; and the Eastern District as well as this church for the grand dinner spread on the yard. We recommend that we give the Eastern District a rising vote of thanks for their gracious hospitality and the fellowship we have enjoyed.

Mrs. Haywood Hill Mrs. Ellis M. Buck Mrs. A. B. Chandler

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We, your Nominating Committee submit the following report:

We nominate to serve for a term of two years the persons named below with the office being designated:

President-Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Ayden, N. C.

Secretary-Mrs. R. T. Sasser, 207 Broad Street, Wilson, N. C.

Treasurer-Mrs. M. A. Woodard, Winterville, N. C.

First Vice-President-Mrs. Walter Carter, Rockingham, N. C.

Second Vice-President-Mrs. Bagley Morris, Fremont, N. C.

Third Vice-President-Mrs. Alice Lupton, New Bern, N. C.

Fourth Vice-President-Mrs. H. C. Adcox- Bladenboro, N. C.

Fifth Vice-President-Mrs. H. L. Spivey, Maury, N. C.

Sixth Vice-President-Mrs. Albert Coats, Smithfield, N. C.

Field Worker-Mrs. J. C. Griffin, 1409 N. Pasteur St., New Bern, N. C.

By Committee

Mrs. M. E. Godwin

Mrs. S. A. Smith

Mrs. Walter Rhodes

Mrs. Clyde Brown

Mrs. D. C. Wilder

REPORT OF STATE FIELD WORKER FOR YEAR 1951-52

No. Classes taught in the Manual	10
No. Days in training class work	
No. Districts in which these were held	7
No. Talks on general work	2
No. Stewardship classes taught	1
No. Classes in missions	3
No. articles written for publication	4
No. Bible Schools conducted	
No. Cards written	6
No. Letters written	37
No. Miles traveled	
Funds received	\$148.28
Paid out for expense	\$64.64
Organized Auxiliaries	1

Mrs. J. C. Griffin State Field Worker

REPORT OF WOMAN'S CONFERENCE AT CRAGMONT-1951 SESSION

There were 102 registered with seven districts and South Carolina and District of Columbia represented.

Theme-Exalting Christ.

Instructors-Mrs. J. K. Rhodes, Stewardship; Mrs. J. C. Griffin, Manual of Methods; Mrs. Paul Ketterman, Child Evangelism; Rev. Wayne Smith, Bible Study.

People speaking during evening services were Rev. J. C. Griffin, who also showed pictures; Rev. W. L. Moretz, Rev. C. H. Overman, Mrs. Alice Lupton. A playlet, "The Triumphant Life," was given one evening. Mrs. Ethel Whaley was the leading character. Truly God blessed through these and all the others who took even a small part in the services.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Brought forward from 1950	\$ 46.35	
Received from State Convention	100.00	
Received from District Convention	60.00	
Picture Offering	26.38	
Offering for Miss Zalene Lloyd		
Registrations, gifts, etc.	235.56	
Insurance fees	47.50	
Total Receipts	\$	559

Expenditures

Miscellaneous, such as postage, telephone books, etc\$	18.83
Expense of picture	50.00
Travel expense of staff	60.55
Insurance for group	45.50
	44.00
Gifts to Staff	95.00
Gift to Free Will Baptist College	50.00
Total Expenditures	 \$454.88
Balance on hand	\$104.91

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Director

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

- Resolved: Believing that it would greatly increase interest as well as being an advantage to our Orphanage at Middlesex from a general standpoint we, your Committee on Resolutions submit the following report
- First: We recommend to our State Auxiliary Convention that in this session, May 22, 1952, that necessary plans or whatever may be needed be made to bring about the appointment of a member at large on our Orphanage Board.
- Second: That we recommend that such member be a woman, either elected or appointed by the State Auxiliary Convention.
- Resolved: That we recommend to this Convention that our Constitution and By-Laws be revised relative to changing the names of Vice-Presidents in use at present, to that of Chairman, the duties of each to remain the same as at present, or until such time as changes might be made for the betterment of the work at large.

Mrs. Almand Warrick Mrs. Carl Dudley Mrs. W. H. Blalock

PERSONAL REPORT AS SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

Mrs. L. E. Ballard

I have written for publication three articles, visited three districts, and spoke in behalf of Bible School Students. Conducted three Daily Vacation Bible Clinics. Held one conference with North Carolina Bible School Students. Have written one hundred five cards and letters.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. L. E. Ballard Mrs. H. L. Spivey, Fifth Vice-President, reported that she had received \$466.43 in the special campaign for furnishing the new Boy's Dormitory at the Orphanage. She paid our \$435.39 for bedspreads, door and curtain rods, shower curtain and hooks, window shades, drapery material, etc. Leaving a balance of \$31.04.

ANNA PHILLIPS LOAN FUND REPORT

Year May 26, 1951-May 22, 1952

Balance brought forward	\$ 404.00
Receipts	
District Conventions, etc.	\$599.00
Payment of one loan	
Payment of one loan	125.00
Gift from Franklin Spencer in memory of his mother,	
Mrs. R. B. Spencer	100.00
Total receipts	1,124.00
	
Grand Total	\$1,528.00
Grand Total Disbursements for the Year	\$1,528.00
Disbursements for the Year	
	\$300.00
Disbursements for the Year September 10, 1951—Loan to Peraldine Gay	\$300.00 150.00

Mrs. M. A. Woodard, Treasurer

N. C. FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION ANNUAL REPORT—May 25, 1951 - May 22, 1952

Balance brought forward			\$ 187.21
Department	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance
Co-Laborer Band	\$ 548.70	\$ 548.70	\$
Cragmont Assembly	261.82	261.82	
Christian Education	128.00	128.00	
Bible College	242.00	242.00	
Bible College Student	15.00	15.00	
Superannuation	460.17	460.17	
Home Missions	567.05	411.90	155.09
Foreign Missions	1,229.34	1,229.34	
Orphanage	50.38	50.38	
Church Finance Association	18.40	18.40	

Cragmont Woman's Conference	35.00	35.00	
North Carolina Per Capita Dues	250.06	250.06	
National Per Capita Dues	250.07	250.07	
General Department	207.00	207.00	
Offering for Orphanage	151.88	151.88	•
Total receipts and balance			\$4,602.08
Disbursed by departments		\$3,140	.69
Expenses for the year			
Allocated at Convention			.55
National Per Capita Dues			.70
Total disbursed		\$4,525	.69
Balance in treasury May 22, 1952			\$ 76.39
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Supplement to Orphanage Of	•		
Mrs. A. E. Lupton, expense,			.00
Field Worker, for service			
President, for service			
Secretary, service and expen			
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Expense delegate to National	l W. A. C	25	.00
Total allocated	-	\$581	 .55

By Committee:

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