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Pikeville, N. C., Wayne County, November 23, 1944.

According to previous appointment, the Elders, Ministers and Deacons of the Original Free-Will Baptist General Conference comprising the 16th Session convened with the White Oak Grove church, Pikeville, N. C. on the above date at 10:30 o'clock, and was called to order by the General Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew, from Wilson, N. C., and was opened by the pastor, Rev. D. W. Dupree by singing hymn No. 54, "A Charge To Keep I Have," and read for Scripture lesson, the eighth chapter of Song of Solomon. Prayer by Rev. Dupree. Second song by the Vice Moderator, Rev. A. B. Massie from Dunn, N. C., "Blessed Be The Name of The Lord". The meeting was then turned over to the Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew. He then appointed Rev. W. J. Byrd from the Cape Fear and Southwestern Annual Conference from Raleigh, N. C. to preach the introduction sermon. He came forth and chose for his text the 17th chapter of St. Luke and the 15th verse, words: "And one of them when he saw that he was healed, turned back and with a loud voice glorified God". He used for a subject, "Thankfulness to God". He preached a powerful sermon and made our hearts burn within while the Man of God talked with us. Then he presented the Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew, and the Vice Moderator, Rev. A. B. Massie, who was escorted to the seat by Rev. G. W. Little and Rev. D. W. Dupree. The Moderator, with a few timely remarks, spoke words of interest and inspiration to the Ministers and Elders, which were enjoyed by all present. He then presented the Vice Moderator, Rev. A. B. Massie, who responded with a few timely remarks with power which was well taken.

Then the Moderator announced the Conference open and house ready for such business as may lawfully and legally come before it. The first was the calling of the roll of Elders, Ministers and Members and collecting claims. (See roll.) The amount was \$77.10—\$49.10 to the General Treasurer and \$28.00 to the Superannual Treasurer. The hour came to adjourn, and the conference closed in due form for dinner until 2:30 o'clock. Closed with benediction by the Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew.

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Conference opened at 2:30 by Rev. R. L. Brown by singing, "I Will Guide Thee". Prayer by Rev. Brown, scripture lesson omitted. Second song by Rev. W. H. Moore. Then the meeting was turned over to the Moderator. He announced the conference open and house ready for business. We then proceeded to finish calling the roll. There were some of our Elders who had past out from labor to their reward, Rev. D. P. Elliott, our Supervisor, and others. When their names were call-

ed the Moderator sounded his gavel and all stood with bowed heads, and sang, "Children of the Heavenly King."

Then we proceeded to get out the different committees, as follows: for Devotional committee: Rev. J. F. Horton, Bro. Wright Edward, and Sister Sarah Phillip; Resolution committee: Rev. J. F. Elliott, Rev. A. R. Tew and Bro. J. R. Chalmer; Investigation committee: Rev. W. J. Byrd, Rev. G. W. Little and Rev. J. D. McCoy; committee on Grievances and complaints: Rev. L. P. Manning, Rev. T. T. Platt and Rev. A. D. Harring; committee on Finance: Bro. S. D. Elliott, Sister Etta Manning and Sister Nouelen Massie; Condolence committee: Bro. Dallas McClain, Sister Mary McCoy and Rev. G. A. Richardson; committee on Temperance: Rev. Sister Carrie Boykin, Sister Calla Tew, Sister Clara Barnes; Time and Place committee, Rev. T. F. Stokes, Rev. W. H. Goings, Sister Ruth Grady; time keeper, Bro. J. B. Bynum; sexton, Irtenus McCretten; Collectors, Bro. Billie Coley, Bro. W. O. Barnes, Bro. Haywood Williams. The hour arrived to adjourn and the Devotional committee retired and reported that Rev. G. W. Little would preach the noon day sermon Friday. Then the collectors came forth and raised the sum of \$8.00. Conference closed by Rev. J. F. Elliott until Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

#### THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

Service opened at 7 o'clock. Prayer and testify meeting was opened by Rev. Sister Carrie Boykin by singing Draw Me Near Blessed Lord, etc., and read for Scripture lesson the 37 chapter of Ezekiel. Prayer by Rev. McNeal then a Spiritual and Testimony meeting was held and was enjoyed by all. Then the meeting was turned over to the pastor and church for a local program. The Master of Ceremony came forth and rendered the following program: Welcome in behalf of the church, by Bro. Albert Spruill. Welcome in behalf of the Sunday School, by Miss Eugie Dickson. Welcome in behalf of the Womans Home Mission, by Sister Lillian Hall. Solo by Miss Mabel Dickerson. Welcome in behalf of Sunshine Band by Miss Vernal Brown. Solo by Miss Deloris Spruill. Welcome in behalf of Community by Miss Mabel Dickerson. Response by Rev. T. T. Platt. The Vice Moderator then presented the speaker, in the person of Rev. - - Herring who came forth and chose the third chapter of the Act of the Apostle, 6th verse, Then Peter Said Silver and Gold Have I None but Such As I Have I Giveth Thee, etc. A spiritfull sermon was delivered and enjoyed by all. Then a spiritual song was sung. The collectors then came forth and lifted an offering of \$25.10, after which the meeting was in the hands of the pastor and committee on arrangements to assign homes to the delegates. Service closed in due form by the Vice Moderator, Rev. A. B. Massie with benediction.

#### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Conference opened at 10 o'clock by Rev. G. W. Little lining and singing hymn, Amazing Grace How Sweet It Sounds, etc. Scripture lesson 13th chapter of Corinthians. Prayer by Bro. Alonzie Creech. Second song, Glory, Glory Hallelujah, etc. The meeting was then turned over

to the Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew. Before he announced the meeting open he spoke some timely remarks of instruction to the Ministers and Elders, asking them to cooperate with him through the days session and to stand by him as they did the previous day, and let us understand one another and abide by our rules and regulations. He then announced Conference open and house ready for such business as may lawfully and legally come before it. On motion by Rev. A. R. Tew that the minutes of the previous day be read, motion carried. On motion by Rev. A. D. Herring that the minutes be received and adopted with necessary corrections if there be any, motion carried. Then the Vice Moderator, Rev. A. B. Massie presented the Moderator, Rev. Askew to deliver his General Address to the Conference. (See address.) On motion by Bro. S. D. Elliott that the address of General Moderator be printed in the minutes, motion carried. The Moderator then ordered the different committees to retire on their work after instructing them of their duty. He asked them to please take notice and govern themselves accordingly. Then he presented Rev. W. H. Going from Dunn, N. C., of the Cape Fear and South Western Annual Conference who came forth and gave a grand lecture to the Elders and Ministers, advising them how to do as he was one of the old veteran and had been in the work for many years. His talk was well taken and enjoyed by all present. The hour arrived to adjourn for noon-day sermon, the Moderator suspended all business of the Conference for the sermon. Service was opened by singing Near the Cross, etc. Then the Vice Moderator presented the speaker of the hour in the person of Rev. G. W. Little. He came forth and chose for his text the 16th chapter of St. Matthew, the 27th verse, Master We Have Left All and Followed Thee. What Shall We Have? He used for a subject, What do We get by Living a Christian. A powerful sermon was delivered. Collectors came forward and raised \$3.15. Service closed with benediction by the Moderator.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Conference opened at 2:30 by Rev. A. B. Parker by lining and singing hymn No. 339, My Soul be on the Guide, etc. Scripture lesson omitted. Prayer by Rev. Parker. Second hymn, Father I Stretch My Hands to Thee, etc. Then he turned the meeting over to the Moderator. Then the Moderator announced the Conference open and house ready for business. He then called for different committees and gave them their proper instructions and asked them to retire on the work and duties. Then he introduced the visitor to the Conference in the person of Dr. J. A. Morton, who came forward and spoke a few timely remarks which was very interesting. All present enjoyed his lecture. Then there was a very interesting topic discussed. Subject, The Churches Opportunity Now and in the post-war days. Opened by Rev. A. B. Parker. Rev. T. T. Platt responded and closed the discussion. It was well discussed and enjoyed by all present. Hour arrived to adjourn the Devotional Committee retired and reported that Rev. W. H. Moore and Rev. A. R. Tew to preach tonight at 7:30 and Rev. J. D. McNeal to preach the Noonday sermon on Saturday.

The Moderator appointed Rev. G. W. Little to close Conference. Closed in due form with praise and prayer, until Saturday morning at 9:30.

### FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Prayer service opened at 7 o'clock by Rev. Sister Carrie Boykin and others. A spiritual testifying and prayer service was held. The hour arrived for preaching, service was opened by White Oak Grove choir by singing, Stay in The Saviors Arms, etc. Rev. G. W. Little presented the speakers of the hour, Rev. W. H. Moore and Rev. A. R. Tew. Rev. Moore came forward and chose for a text the 7th chapter of Genesis, the first verse, And the Lord Said Unto Noah, Come Thou and All Thy House into the Ark. Rev. A. R. Tew followed and closed. The collector came forth and lifted the offering while the White Oak Grove choir sang. They raised the sum of \$57.50. Service closed with benediction by the Moderator, Rev. Askew.

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Conference opened at 9:30 by Rev. J. F. Horton by lining and singing hymn, Amazing Grace, How Sweet it Sounds, etc. Scripture lesson, first chapter of St. John. Prayer by Rev. J. W. Brown. Second song, 'Tis Jesus Christ I Want to Find, etc., by Rev. Horton. Then the meeting was in the hands of the Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew who announced Conference open and ready for dispatch of business. On motion by Rev. A. B. Parker that the proceedings of the previous day be read, motion carried. On motion by Rev. W. J. Byrd that the minutes be received and adopted with necessary corrections if there be any, motion carried. Then the different auxiliaries were called to make their report and pay their claims. Middle East made their report (see report.) Cape Fear and South Western made their report. (See report.) Also the the Super Annual Committee made their report. (See report.) Report of the Time and Place Committee. (See report.) Report of the Finance Committee. (See report.) Report of the Committee on Resolutions. (See report.) Committee on Investigation. (See report.) Committee on Grievances. (See report.) On motion that the reports be received and adopted motion carried. The hour arrived for the noon-day sermon, the Moderator suspended all business of the Conference for preaching. Rev. T. T. Platt sang hymn, Glory to His Name, etc. and read for scripture lesson the 77th Psalms. Prayer by Bro. Dallas B. McClain. Second hymn, Come Ye that Love the Lord, etc. Then he presented the speaker of the hour in the person of Rev. J. D. McNeal, who came forward and chose for a text the 26th chapter of St. Matthew and the 26th verse, Tarry Ye Here and Watch with Me One Hour. Surely Rev. McNeal preached a heart felt sermon. Surely our hearts did burn within us while he preached the words. He closed his sermon by singing I want to be Like the Lord Some Day. Then the meeting was turned over to the Moderator. He called the house to order to finish up the business. He called for the Condolence Committee to make their report. He sounded his gavel and all stood with bowed heads and sang Life is Like A Mountain Rail Road, etc. Rev. A.

B. Parker presented the speaker to preach the Memorial sermon in the person of Rev. T. T. Platt who came forth and chose for a text the 11th chapter of Hebrew and 15 verse, These Having Received the Promises but Has Seen it Afar Off. He used for a subject, When Our Work Here is Done, Go into the City. After which a spiritfui song was sung. The meeting was then turned over to the Moderator. He called the house to order to finish up all business of the Conference. On motion by Rev. J. F. Elliott that our Ministers School open on Tuesday after the 4th Sunday in August 1945, at Mincy Chapel Church, Kenly, N. C., motion carried. On motion by Rev. A. R. Tew that all officers retain their same office for the next two years, except the treasurer, motion carried. On motion by Rev. A. B. Parker that Rev. A. D. Herring be our treasurer for the next two years, motion carried. On motion by Rev. T. T. Platt that we have one thousand minutes printed, motion carried. On motion that Conference close to meet again on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in November 1946 at Lillington Grove Church, Harnett County, Lillington, N. C. Motion carried. Closing remarks by Rev. W. H. Going from Dunn, N. C. Prayer was offered for the sick by Rev. J. F. Elliott of Mt. Olive, N. C. Conference closed by singing Bless be the Tide that Binds, etc. Benediction by the Vice Moderator, Rev. A. B. Massie.

Rev. W. W. Askew, General Moderator

Rev. A. B. Massie, Assistant Moderator

Bro. L. H. Horton, Secretary

Rev. L. A. McClain, Assistant Secretary

Rev. J. D. Herring, Treasurer.

## SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Devotional Service opened at 7 o'clock and was conducted by Sister Rev. Smith and Sister Rev. Penny Spruill by singing a spiritual song. Rev. Sister Carrie Boykin read for scripture lesson part of the first chapter of St. Mark. Prayer by Rev. Sister Spruill. Then a testimonial meeting was opened by Sister Smith. A spiritual and glorious meeting was held. The hour arrived for preaching, Rev. Sister Boykin presented the speaker in the person of Rev. Sister Callie Tew who came forward and sang Are You Washed in the Blood of the Lamb, etc. She chose for her text the 6th chapter of Matthew and the 7th verse. Forgive Us Our Debt As We Forgive Our Debtors. Surely Sister Tew preached a heart felt sermon. Rev. Sister Boykin followed and closed by singing Some Where in Heaven You Will Find Me, etc. After which Sister McDuffery sang How Can You Get to Heaven in Your Sins, etc. The collector came forward and raised the sum of \$25.10. Service closed by singing together, Let Us Sweetly Live, etc. Benediction by the Moderator, Rev. Massie.

## SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

Sabbath School opened at 9:30 and was taught by Bro. R. B. Kornegay, president of the Sunday School Convention and Rev. G. W. Little. Collection, \$6.10. The hour arrived for preaching service it was opened by St. James choir, Farmville, N. C. by singing Praise God from

Whom, etc. Scripture lesson 37 Psalms by Rev. G. W. Little. Prayer by Rev. L. P. Manning. Then a chant by the choir. Second selection by the choir while the ushers taken the offering for the poor of \$3.10. The

Vice Moderator, Rev. Massie presented the speaker in the person of Rev. W. W. Askew, General Moderator, who came forward and chose for a text the 28th chapter of St. Matthew and part of the 20th verse, Lo I Am With You Always Even Unto the End of the World. He preached a sermon with power, made our hearts burn within while the man of God talked with us. Dev. W. J. Byrd followed and closed with a spiritual song. The collector came forth and raised the offering of \$56.00. Service closed.



## The General Moderators Address

To the Fifteenth Session of the O. F. W. B. General Conference:

Greetings in the exalted name of Jesus. It is a great privilege to be here for another General Session of our General Conference.

The observation taken and the increased interest shown along all lines go a long way to show our churches are waking up to the task that lies before us and going forth with the work very nicely in the right direction.

Our churches are all being repaired, or preparing to repair at an early date, which is very gratifying indeed. Our Domitory at Kenly at this time is under consideration. We need the use of this building now to house our general office, and be used as an auditorium for our ministers institute; for the preparation of our ministers to meet the demand of the times which lie ahead in the future and at the present.

I have not done everything this year I wanted to do. Such as visiting our different churches in our different fields, due largely to transportation difficulties, namely: gas and tires. But I've done the best I could. I tried to stay in the place you put me. I have tried to stand by our laws and I taught others to do the same. Although some of them have been broken. But until men and women have respect for the laws of our discipline and the Golden Rule laid down by Jesus Christ for all men everywhere, we will see violations of the law. Some break our laws unknowingly. They are to be pitied. Some break them to further their own selfish gain. Some break our laws because of the pressure put on them by their petty favored members, who do so to see what will be done about it.

But I hope this General Conference will call to account everyone of its auxiliaries and inquire into all their activities for this year, in order that every error may be corrected and encouragement given where it is due.

Some of our laws need changing, too, so as to give more power to our Annual Conference. Let every major matter have a two-thirds majority vote to carry the point. When it comes to election of the pastors and other officers, when the majority is wrong, the minorities should be given the rule for the best interest of all concerned. We should appoint a head for all the peoples and by all the peoples to come in at the needed time and straighten things out. As it is at the present, whatever happens must drag on until the Annual Conference comes before anything can be done about it, sometimes not even then.

We should come out on temperance and morality. Too many exercise too much personal privilege to the hurt of this connection and at the expense of the connection. But remember: Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.

Righteousness will exalt a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people. Let us all rededicate ourselves to the Great Commission and task that lies before us, from the greatest to the least one, and from the pulpit to the door, and perform them well. And the continued blessing from the Lord will rest upon us, I am sure.

A connectional call should be made for a deeper work of grace

in the hearts of men and women. Our ministers should be the first to take the lead. The Lord our God is longing to do great things for His peoples, both spiritual and temporal. We are living in the last days of the rule of men, sinful men, in this world. Christ Jesus is soon coming to reward his servants. The ministers should prepare the people for this glorious event, which is soon to take place before our very eyes, according to Daniel 2:40.

God Almighty created this world to be inhabited by the human family. We have the statement in Isaiah 45:18, and we have the statement of Jesus Christ in Matthew 5:5 that the meek shall inherit the earth, when Christ comes to rule this world in justice and righteousness.

Now concerning further consideration of our laws, that part which says: after every matter has been discussed, the majority shall carry the point. It ought to be amended because it has been seen that several of our churches have been hurt by the majority rule, and have worshiped the creature rather than the creator. And, too, our church members do not consider or know the efficiency of a preacher as pastor but consider more his personal appearance than they do the pastoral ability to lead the church to success. I recommend: (1) Our Annual Conference change entirely our election laws of both Annual Conferences. (2) The condition of the people on election days has shown they do not possess the ability to select or choose a spiritual leader. They are always divided in mind and spirit on election days. They hold election more like a contest. The members on election days come to their churches with all their bigotry, deceit, malice, strife, hatred and selfishness. The churches do not possess enough of the guidance of God's Holy Spirit to elect an ambassador of Heaven to lead the Lord's people and fully represent them.

I earnestly recommend to all, but more especially to the church of tomorrow to see to it that the youth get a Christian education, first, in our homes; second, in our public schools, and in our churches, too. It is the only way to give purpose to a life worth living.

Our ministers and Christian workers institute. I feel that all our ministers should attend it, and make some creditable marks there this year, and bring his credits or marks to the Annual Conference. This General Conference urges each Annual Conference to see that this is done each year for the benefit of our ministry and connection at large.

Further, I recommend that since all our churches are budgeted, each year that the churches in our two annual conferences appoint a budgeting committee in each church and set a budget on all our members from year to year, beginning just after the Annual Conference. It is to include: dues, taxes and assessments to the church and every auxiliary of the church, as an annual budget, and that the secretary be required to keep a strict system of bookkeeping so that each member in our church can be readily accounted for at all times, those who do their duty and those who do not.

May God bless you all is my prayer.

REV. W. W. ASKEW, General Moderator

Wilson, N. C.

## **Committee Reports**

### **COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE**

We, your committee on Time and Place beg to make our report as follows: We resolve that the next General Conference will convene at Lillington Grove Church, Lillington, N. C., Harnett County, on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in November, 1946.

Your committee,

Rev. W. H. Going, Chairman  
Rev. T. F. Stokes  
Sister Ruth Grady, Secretary

### **REPORT OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE**

We, your Committee on Investigation beg to make our report. We investigated the school building at Kenly, N. C. and found that the deed is all okay. We resolve that the Middle East Conference and the Cape Fear and South Western Conference use the same discipline.

We, your committee,

Rev. W. J. Byrd, Chairman  
Rev. J. D. McKoy  
Rev. G. W. Little, Secretary

### **TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE**

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg to make our report. We would like to quote here the words of a great woman, Frances E. Willard: "The true woman will make every place she enters home-like." And to that end she preached temperance in all things, not merely the drinking of liquor. Temperance was her watch-word, not abstinence. Read Gal. 5:23. Meekness Temperance against such there is no law. Also if you read Proverbs 21-17; 10-7.

We resolve that we have a Temperance sermon preached at every Annual Session.

Your committee,

Rev. Sister Callie Tew, Chairman  
Rev. Sister Carrie Boykin  
Sister Clara Barnes

### **REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE**

We, your committee on Resolutions beg to make our report as follows

Be it resolved that the General Moderator make his address on the second day of the Conference.

Be it resolved that each Annual Conference represent \$100.00 to the General Conference.

Be it resolved that each Sunday School Convention represent \$10.00 each; Union Meeting \$5.00 each and each Sunshine Band Conven-

tion and Y. P. C. \$5.00 each and each Womans Home Mission \$10.00 each to the General Conference.

Be it resolved that we pay our General Moderator \$50.00 each session and the assistant \$25.00.

Be it resolved that the General Moderator and the Vice Moderator travel over our connection and look out for our Elevation and Prosperity

Be it resolved that each Minister pay \$1.00 to the General Conference and each Deacon pay 50 cents and each member 25 cents for claims.

Be it resolved that the General Conference appoint two Missionaries to travel and establish our churches in other towns and cities.

Be it resolved that all resolutions that fail to appear from one minute to the other will cease.

Be it resolved that all Pastors collect the remainder of the \$1.00 per member and turn it into the Committee.

Be it resolved that if Ministers or Officers of the Annual and General Conference absent themselves from either one without a lawful excuse, will be left in the hands of the Investigating Committee.

Resolve that the Resolutions Committee and Investigations Committee receive \$2.00 per day for services and all other committees \$1.50

Your committee,

Rev. J. F. Elliott, Chairman

Rev. A. R. Tew

Pro. J. R. Chomler

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee beg to make our report. We collected at this session the sum of \$334.50. Paid out \$267.50. Turned into treasury \$67.50.

Your committee,

Bro. S. D. Elliott, Chairman

Sister Etta J. Manning

Sister Novella Massie, Secretary

## DISBURSEMENTS

General Moderator .....	\$ 50.00
Assistant Moderator .....	25.00
Secretary .....	25.00
Assistant Secretary .....	13.00
Investigating Committee .....	12.00
Resolution Committee .....	12.00
Finance Committee .....	9.00
Condolence Committee .....	9.00
Time and Place Committee .....	9.00
Grievous Committee .....	9.00
Temperance Committee .....	9.00
Sexton .....	3.00
Time Keeper .....	2.00

Rev. J. F. Elliott, for work -----	10.00
Rev. W. W. Askew, for programs -----	10.00
Rev. L. P. Manning -----	8.00
Rev. W. H. Going -----	5.00
Rev. T. T. Platt -----	5.00
Bro. S. D. Elliott -----	5.00
Rev A. B. Parker -----	5.00
Devotional Committee -----	9.00
Compiling minutes -----	12.00
President Sunday School Convention -----	2.00
President Womans Home Mission -----	2.00
President Sunshine Band -----	2.00

### ROLL OF ELDERS AND MEMBERS CLAIMS

Elder W. W. Askew, Wilson, N. C. -----	\$ 2.00
Elder A. B. Massie, Dunn, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder A. B. Parker, Fremont, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder J. F. Elliott, Mt. Olive, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder D. E. Edward, Stantonburg, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder T. T. Platt, Lillington, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder G. Miller, Clinton, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder D. W. Dupree, Farmville, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder A. R. Tew, Godwin, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder W. H. Going, Dunn, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder J. D. McNeal, Coats, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder G. W. Brown, Pikeville, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder L. A. McClain, Broadway, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder J. H. Pemberton, Dudley, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder W. J. Byrd, Raleigh, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder L. P. Manning, Pikeville, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder J. D. Urun, Jackson Springs, N. C. -----	
Elder L. R. Rouse, Goldsboro, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder G. W. Little, Wilson, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder L. K. Price, Erwin, N. C. -----	
Elder G. Mc D Bailey, Bunn Level, N. C. -----	
Elder S. William, Dunn, N. C. -----	
Elder E. J. Randolph, Walstonburg, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder C. C. O'Neal, Coats, N. C. -----	
Elder T. F. Stokes, Selma, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder G. A. Richardson, Smithfield, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder W. H. Moore, Princeton, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder J. D. McCoy, Lillington, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder James Barnes, Wilson, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder J. B. McCray, Erwin, N. C. -----	
Elder Robert Brown, Pikeville, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder A. D. Herring, Godwin, N. C. -----	2.00
Rev. Sister Callie Tew, Godwin, N. C. -----	2.00
Elder J. F. Horton, Mt. Olive, N. C. -----	2.00

Rev. Sister Carrie Boykin, Wilson, N. C. -----	2.00
Bro. R. B. Kornegia -----	1.00
Bro. Will Johnson -----	1.00
Bro. Ugene Bass, joining fee -----	.25
Bro. Paul Well -----	.50
Bro. J. S. Hopkins -----	.50
Bro. Sandy McCoy -----	.50
Sister B. B. McCoy, joining fee -----	.25
Sister Hattie Nickels -----	1.00
Sister Alies Ewing -----	
Sister Minnine Betha, joining fee -----	.25
Sister Beler McCoy -----	.25
Sister Sallie Kornegia -----	.25
Bro. J. W. Tew -----	.50
Bro. Allen Lane -----	.50
Sister Sarah Phillips -----	1.00
Sister Jenet McNeil -----	.25
Bro. S. D. Elliott -----	1.00
Bro. L. H. Horton -----	1.00
Sister Essy Kelly -----	.50
Bro. J. R. Chomler -----	.50
Bro. Earus Rose -----	.50

#### REPORT OF DIFFERENT AUXILIARIES

Middle East Conference -----	\$100.00
Middle East Sunday School Convention -----	10.00
Middle East Woman Home Mission -----	10.00
Middle East Sunshine Band -----	5.00
Middle East Union Meeting -----	15.00
Cape Fear and South Western Annual Conference -----	100.00
Cape Fear Sunday School Convention -----	10.00
Cape Fear Woman Home Mission -----	10.00
Cape Fear and South Western Union Meeting -----	5.00
Cape Fear Y. P. C. L. -----	5.00
 Total Amount -----	 \$270.00

## CALL MEETING OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

APRIL 2, 1945

On Monday after the first Sunday in April 1945, the General Conference meet in a called meeting at Mincy Chapel, Kenly, N. C., at 10:30 o'clock, with the General Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew presiding and Rev. A. B. Massie, Vice Modertor. The meeting was opened by Rev. D. W. Depree of Farmville, N. C. by lining and singing hymn No. 239, Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone, etc. Scripture lesson read by Rev. T. T. Platt. Prayer by Rev. A. B. Parker. Second hymn, And Are We Yet Alive, etc. Then the meeting was turned over in the hands of the General Moderator, Rev. W. W. Askew. He announced the meeting open and house ready for business. He called for the unfinished business which was taken up as follows: The deed and the discipline: to fix them different and appoint two more trustees to fill the place of the late ones, Rev. R. A. Horton and Rev. G. W. Edward as they had gone from labor to reward. On motion by Rev. D. W. Dupree that Rev. L. P. Manning and Rev. T. T. Platt will succeed the names of Rev. R. A. Horton and Rev. G. W. Edward, with Bro. L. H. Horton. Motion carried. On motion that the said trustees, Bro. L. H. Horton, Rev. L. P. Manning and Rev. T. T. Platt have this deed fixed and recorded correctly. Motion carried. On motion that the deed be fixed in the name of the Original General Conference, composing of the Middle East Annual Conference and the Cape Fear South Western Annual Conference. Motion carried. On motion by Rev. T. T. Platt that we make a discipline of one book that is in the name of the Original Free-will Baptist General Conference of America, composed of the Original Middle East and Cape Fear South Western Free-will Baptist Conference. Motion carried. Then the committee was appointed to write up the discipline as follows: from Cape Fear and South Western, Rev. T. T. Platt, Rev. G. M. Bailey, Rev. G. D. Euring and Rev. J. D. McCoy; from Middle East, Rev. A. B. Parker, Rev. J. F. Elliott, Rev. G. W. Little. Carried by a majority vote. On motion by Rev. J. F. Elliott that we adjourn to meet again on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in November 1946, at Lillington Grove Church, Lillington, N. C. Motion carried. Closed by Rev. A. B. Parker by singing Bless Be the Tide that Binds, etc. Benediction.

