

MINUTES
Of The
SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION
Of The
PEE DEE CONFERENCE
Of The
Original Free Will Baptist

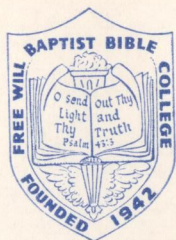
HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT
BEAVER DAM, COLUMBUS CO., N. C.

October 14, 15, 16—1937

Next session will be held with the Church at Pine Level, in Columbus County, N. C., commencing Thursday night before the Third Sunday in October, 1938.



AYDEN, N. C.
FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS
1937



FREE WILL BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE

Presented by

Mrs. M. H. Mellette

in memory of

Rev. M. H. Mellette

MINUTES

Of The

SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

P E E D E E C O N F E R E N C E

Of The

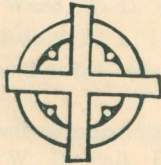
Original Free Will Baptist

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

BEAVER DAM, COLUMBUS CO., N. C.

October 14, 15, 16—1937

Next session will be held with the Church at Pine Level, in Columbus County, N. C., commencing Thursday night before the Third Sunday in October, 1938.



AYDEN, N. C.
FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS
1937

Proceedings

The Sixty-Eighth Annual Session of the Pee Dee Association of the Original Free Will Baptists convened with the church at Beaver Dam, in Columbus County, N. C. on October 14th, 15th and 16th, 1937.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

Opening hymn number 61, "Let Me Travel Along," was sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. I. J. Green. Rev. Noah Duncan read for a lesson the 5th chapter of Galatians, using for a text the first verse of the lesson, words of text, "Stand fast therefore," etc. There being no other business to come before the body for the night a benediction was therefore declared until Friday A. M. at 9:30 o'clock.

FRIDAY A. M. SESSION

Opening hymn number 65, "I Feel Like Traveling on," was sung. Rev. M. C. McPherson read for a morning lesson the 5th chapter of Matthew. Prayer was offered by Rev. M. C. McPherson.

The moderator therefore declared the house in order of the transaction of business, and invited visiting brethren to seats with us.

Petitionary letters were called for. Two petitionary letters came in from Pine Level Church, one asking for membership, and one asking for the next session of the Association. The moderator then appointed the various committees as follows:

On Devotions—Bros. J. J. McPherson, H. L. Watson and J. W. Bowen.

On Finance—Bros. Otto Stephens, W. C. Fowler and Elton Ward, Rev. Ranson Fowler Protem.

On Ministerial Character—Bros. O. E. Brown, R. E. Johnston, W. M. Norris, C. V. Ward, and David Hester.

On Sabbath Schools—Revs. J. H. Cannon, W. A. Hill, and Johnnie Coats.

On Periodicals—Bros. F. C. Ward, W. D. Bowen and Luther McPherson.

On Education—Revs. H. C. Adcox, A. L. Duncan and H. P. M. Todd.

On Obituaries—Revs. Edgar Fowler, Noah Duncan, Norman Hilburn, I. J. Green and Luther Inman.

On Presentment—This committee appointed by a motion made by Bro. C. V. Ward consisting of Bro. W. L. Pait, Chm., Bro. Hasty Brown and Bro. G. W. Thompson.

On motion of Bro. C. V. Ward we receive Pine Level Church to our membership and give them the right hand of fellowship, also the deed to their property.

A very interesting address was given by Rev. R. N. Hinnant. He was introducing a resolution as follows: Resolution—Realizing the imperative need of certain objectives to be accomplished or realized in our church and further realizing the necessity of a unified program to consummate these objectives, therefore, be it resolved:

1.—That we recommend to each Association and Conference of the Free Will Baptist of N. C. the election of a new board, to be known as a General Board.

2.—That this Board is to be composed of the following members (a) two from the Western Association, (b) two from the Eastern Association (c) two from the Cape Fear Association (d) two from the Central Conference (e) one from the State Association at large (f) one from the French Broad Association (g) one from the Beavor Creek Association (h) one from the Toe River Association (i) one from Jacks Creek Association (j) one from Rock Fish Conference (k) one from the Pee Dee Association.

3.—That seven of these members present at any meeting shall compose a quorum for the transaction of business.

4.—Should any of the above named bodies have held their 1937 session that we ask the Moderator or President of the aforesaid bodies to take necessary steps to have their members elected at an early date.

5.—The duties of this General Board shall be to work out a unified program covering the 6 most outstanding needs of our church, namely; Education, Orphanage, Missions, Evangelism, Superannuation and Church Management.

6.—It shall be the duty of this board to present to the various Associations and Conferences of the State each year their plans and recommendations for the consideration and approval of the bodies in session.

7.—All members first elected to this board shall serve two years and thereafter the following shall elect one member each year, the Western, Eastern, Cape Fear Association and Central Conference, all other Conferences and Associations every two years.

8.—That we petition all bodies to elect to this board men or women that are intensely interested in our Church, its future progress and welfare.

Upon motion of Bro. O. E. Brown this resolution was adopted.

On motion of Rev. J. H. Cannon Rev. E. H. Russ be elected a member of said body.

A recess was given of five minutes.

RESUMPTION OF BUSINESS

The Devotional committee reported that Rev. M. E. Tyson preach today at noon. Rev. Tyson read for the lesson 4th chapter of St. John, beginning

at the 34th verse, using for the text the 35th verse. Words of the text were "Look on the Fields." A public collection was taken for the Orphanage and given to Bro. Tyson amounting to \$12.25.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Hymn, "Oh for a Heart to Praise My God," one verse was sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. A. Hucks. The house was announced in order for business.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us. Those visiting us through the morning session were the following esteemed brethren: Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Micro, N. C., Rev. S. H. Styron, Pine Level, N. C., Rev. J. H. Worley, Selma, N. C., and Rev. M. E. Tyson, Middlesex, N. C. All of these brethren were from the Western Association except Bro. Tyson of the Central Conference. Rev. N. N. Davis, Conway, S. C. from the Eastern S. C. Conference, Rev. M. S. Todd, Leo, S. C. from Old S. C. Conference and Rev. W. L. Jernigan, Creswell, N. C. from the Central Conference.

CHURCH REPORTS

Beaver Dam Church, delegates and letter—Bros. Bruce Hughes, E. A. McPherson, Grover Garell and W. L. McPherson. They brought with them \$12.00 as minute funds, have been under the pastoral care of Rev. N. N. Davis for the past year and they have called him back for the ensuing year 1938. They have a good Sabbath School, preaching first Sunday in each month. Paid the pastor for the year's work \$243.65, Visiting preachers \$17.04, Charity \$29.73. Male members 63, Female members 106. Dismissed by letter 1, died 4, excluded 5, received on confession 6, baptized 10. Total now on roll 169.

Emerson Church, delegates and letter—Bros. H. L. Watson, B. C. Duncan, W. J. Nealy, Dillon Nealy and M. N. Nobles. They brought with them \$3.25 as conference funds. Have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Noah Duncan and have called him back for the ensuing year 1938. Paid into Unions \$10.60, Paid Orphanage \$3.25, received 6, excluded 3, baptized none, died none, male members on roll 19, Female 69. Total members on roll 88. Preaching on 4th Sunday.

Mt. Bulah Church, delegates and letter—Bros. W. C. Fowler, C. J. Hodge, E. D. Fowler. They have been under the pastoral care of Rev. A. L. Duncan for the past year and have called him back for the ensuing year 1938. Have an evergreen Sunday School with Bro. W. C. Fowler as Superintendent. We send as Conference funds \$2.00. Male members 11, Female members 19, baptized 1, died none, excluded none received 8. Total on roll 30 members. Preaching on 4th Sundays.

Little Bethel Church, delegates and letter—Bros. A. Mc. Fowler, Earl

Fowler and with them \$1.00 as conference funds. We have an evergreen Sunday School with Bro. W. H. Hodge as Superintendent. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Noah Duncan for the past year and have called him back for the ensuing year 1938. Preaching 3rd Sunday in each month.

Oak Grove Church No. 1, delegates and letter—Bros. W. L. Pait, E. H. Pait and J. E. Batten and they brought \$5.00 conference funds. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Luther Inman for the past year and have called him back for the ensuing year 1938. We have an evergreen Sunday School with an average attendance of 45, average collection 90 cents each Sunday, have paid out for literature \$10.94, have sent \$5.00 to the Orphanage. Leaves in our treasure \$12.18. Bro. F. M. Hester is our Superintendent. We have paid our pastor \$122.00, we have on roll male members 26, female members 40, excluded 1, died none, total on roll 66. Received by letter 1, restored 1. Preaching on the 4th Sunday in each month.

White Oak Church, delegates and letter—Bros. David Hester, Willie Bowen, George Suggs, Sisters Mary Belle Pait and Sam Edwards. They brought with them \$5.00 as conference funds. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Herman Wooten for the past year and have called him back for the ensuing year of 1938. We have an evergreen Sunday School with 217 on roll and an average attendance of 150. The average collection for each Sunday is \$5.12. We have prayer meeting each Wednesday night, also F. W. B. League each Sunday night. Expenses of the church—Paid our pastor \$308.05, repairs \$103.23, fuel \$4.00, lights \$20.00, Orphanage \$100.76, Literature \$77.21, Union funds \$11.50, Young People's Work \$14.97, Foreign Missions \$108.47, Home Missions \$26.44, Education \$40.00, Miscellaneous \$96.65. Total for all purposes \$911.76. Number of Church buildings 1, indebtedness none, value of Church building \$2,500.00. Number of male members 47, female members 67, received by baptism 4, received by letter 6, expelled 1. Total on roll 154. Preaching each first Sunday.

Cedar Branch Church, delegates and letter—Bros. C. V. Ward, Otto Stephens, Ashley Ward, and they brought with them \$2.25 as conference funds. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Luther Inman for the past year and have called Rev. Noah Duncan for the ensuing year 1938. We have no Sabbath School report but have organized for the ensuing year 1938 with Bro. W. H. Ward as Superintendent. Male members on roll 9, female members 25. Total 34. Loss by letter 4, excluded 5, died 1, baptized none, received none. Paid pastor \$75.50, visiting preachers \$8.00.

Mt. Calvary Church, delegates and letter—Bros. O. E. Brown, J. B. West, Hasty Brown and W. D. Brown. They brought with them \$2.00 as conference funds. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Herman Wooten for the past year and have called him back for the ensuing year

1938. Members received 29, baptized 24, died 1, Male members 33; female members 53, total members 86. Paid our pastor \$95.00. Preaching Sunday First Sunday.

Mt. Ariel Church, delegates and letter—Bros. R. F. Norris, L. P. Brown, G. W. Shelley, W. M. Norris and M. A. Huggins. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Noah Duncan for the past year and have called him back for the ensuing year 1938. We send as conference funds \$3.00. We have Wednesday night prayer services. We have paid our pastor \$101.50, visiting preachers \$6.93, paid the Orphanage \$41.80, paid out on repairs \$62.40. Members received 8, excluded none, died 3, Male members on roll 18, female members 38. Total members 56. Preaching Sunday, First Sunday in each month.

Oak Grove Church No. 2, delegates and letter—Bros G. W. Thompson, W. H. Johnson, R. E. Johnson and with them \$5.00 as conference funds. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. N. N. Davis for the past year and have called him back for the ensuing year 1938. We have an evergreen Sunday School. We have received new members 7, baptized 7, died none, dismissed none. Male members on roll 22, female members 24, total members 46. Paid pastor \$57.00. We have granted Bro. H. H. Collins license to preach. Preaching Sunday is the Fourth Sunday in each month.

Mt. Olive Church, no letter but a verbal report by Bro. R. I. Batten, that they had been under the pastoral care of Rev. E. H. Russ for the past year and have called Rev. A. L. Duncan for the ensuing year 1938.

Pine Level Church, delegates and letter—Bros. F. C. Ward, Archie Smith, G. R. Ward. We send as minute funds \$5.00. We have not been very long organized into a church. We called Rev. Luther Inman for our pastor. We paid him \$36.63, visiting preachers \$19.50. Value of our church and lot is \$225.00, Miscellaneous expenses \$17.40. Male members on roll 11, female members 14, total members 25, baptized 14, received otherwise 11. Total money in treasury \$1.35. We have an evergreen Sunday School with Bro. D. N. Long as Superintendent. We also have Wednesday night prayer services. Our preaching Sunday is the First Sunday in each month.

Cypress Creek Church, delegates and letter—Bros. G. B. Osborn, Elton Ward, R. T. Ward and with them they bring \$2.00 as conference funds. We have been under the pastoral care of Rev. Luther Inman for the past year and have called Rev. Herman Wooten for the ensuing year 1938. We have paid our pastor \$76.56. Male members on roll 25, female members 49, total on roll 74. We have an evergreen Sunday School. Preaching Sunday Fourth Sunday in each month.

The church reports were received by a motion of Rev. Luther Inman. Rev. M. S. Todd from S. C. Conference made an address to the body. The Devotional Committee reported recommending that Rev. Ransom Fowler open tonight and Rev. M. S. Todd preach. Rev. E. H. Russ, our moderator, made

his report of the Four through the conference that was assigned to him last year.

A recess was taken for 30 minutes.

RESUMPTION OF BUSINESS

On motion of Rev. Luther Inman we hereafter be known as the Original Free Will Baptist Pee Dee Association instead of Conference.

Ajournment until Saturday morning by the moderator.

Lesson read by Rev. M. S. Todd Friday night from Ezekiel 47th chapter. Text used Ezekiel 46th verse.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Song for the opening was number 91, "Amazing Grace." The morning lesson was read from the 23rd Psalm by Rev. Norman Hilburn. Prayer was offered by Eld. H. P. M. Todd. The house was announced in order for business. Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us. Rev. Herman Wooten from the Cape Fear Conference made welcome a letter from Rev. E. D. Norton read representing the Rock Fish Conference with us.

Rev. N. N. Davis was present from the Eastern South Carolina Conference.

Members of Ordaining Council present and ready for duty Saturday morning were Rev. M. C. McPherson, Rev. H. C. Adcox, Rev. Luther Inman, Brother G. B. Osbourne and Bro. A. D. McPherson, Protém.

REPORTS OF VARIOUS COMMITTEES

Devotional Committee reported as follows, recommending that Rev. M. E. Tyson preach Friday noon, Friday night Rev. M. S. Todd preach with Rev. Ransom Fowler to open, Saturday noon Rev. A. L. Duncan to preach with Rev. Harrold Collins to open. Rev. H. C. Adcox open Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock and Rev. E. H. Russ preach. Rev. Edgar Fowler agreed to stay and fill Russ' place. Rev. Luther Inman was appointed to preach Sunday at 11:00 oclock with Rev. I. J. Green to open.

Respectfully submitteed,

BRO. J. J. McPHERSON

BRO. H. L. WATSON

BRO. J. W. BOWEN, Chm.

The report of this committee was received by a motion of Bro. R. I. Batten and the committee discharged.

We your committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows: Found in the hands of the treasurer old funds \$11.54, New funds \$47.50. Total \$59.04.

Respectfully submitteed,

BRO. ELTON WARD

BRO. W. C. FOWLER

BRO. OTTO STEPHENS

This report received by motion of Bro. R. I. Batten and the committee was discharged.

Report on Ministerial Character—We beg leave to report as follows, we find nothing against any of our ministers in shape to report.

Respectfully submitteed,

BRO. O. E. BROWN

BRO. C. V. WARD

BRO. R. E. JOHNSON

BRO. W. M. NORRIS

BRO. DAVID HESTER

This report received by motion of Bro. G. B. Osborne and the committee discharged.

Report of Sabbath School Committee—We your committee beg leave to report as follows: we recommend and adopt the former report found in the 1935 minutes page 8. 1—Recommending that each church have an ever-green Sabbath School. 2—That each Pastor in charge of a church put forth every effort possible to see that Christian church members are used

for class teachers. 3—That we insist on our Schools using our own Free Will Baptist literature printed at Ayden, N. C. in the Free Will Baptist Press.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. J. H. CANNON

REV. W. A. HILL

REV. JOHNNIE COATS

This report received by motion of Bro. D. J. Pait and the committee discharged.

Report of Periodical Committee—We your committee beg leave to make the following report: recommending that we use our own F. W. B. Literature published at Ayden, N. C. also that we take and read the F. W. B. paper in our homes.

Respectfully submitted,

BRO. F. C. WARD

BRO. W. L. McPHERSON

BRO. W. D. BROWN

This report received by motion of Bro. David Hester and the committee discharged.

Report of committee on Education—We beg leave to report as follows: we advise and recommend that our young ministers study to improve their talent by reading the scriptures and rightly dividing the word of truth. 2—We further recommend any one in need of a Bible School education get in touch with our Bible School at Blakely, Ga., Bro. T. B. Mellette, Superintendent, and on failing to get in touch with our school get in touch with Moody's Bible School at Chicago, Ill. 3—We further recommend that our ministers do not read dangerous books or literature on modern evolution. Too, that they do not attend moving picture shows, or ball games and places of disorder.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. H. C. ADCOX

REV. H. P. M. TODD

REV. A. L. DUNCAN

This report was received by motion of Bro. A. D. McPherson and the committee discharged.

Report of Committee on Obituaries—We beg to submit the following report: We find that Sister Temp Johnson, Brother Johnathan Ward, Brother Joseph Walters and Brother John Allen Cartrett also Sister Ellen Cartrett have been called away to their final reward. We are indeed very thankful to report that none of our official board has passed away since we last met,

or any of our ministers. Let us bow in humble submission to him who doeth all things well.

Respectfully submitteed,

REV. LUTHER INMAN
REV. I. J. GREEN
REV. NORMAN HILBURN
REV. EDGAR FOWLER

This report received by a motion of Bro. H. L. Watson and the committee discharged.

Report of Presentment Committee. The presentment committee had no report to make, and was discharged by motion of Brother C. V. Ward.

Old and unfinished business was called for, none presented.

New business called for. On motion of Bro. W. M. Norris that Rev. I. J. Green be appointed as a delegate to represent us in the Old S. C. Conference, and the Pee Dee Association pay his expenses.

On motion of Bro. E. Harley Stephens that we send Rev. Edgar Fowler as a delegate to represent us in the State Conference.

The body was adjourned until 1:30 o'clock for preaching and dinner.

SATURDAY P. M. SESSION

The body reassembled. The moderator declared the house in order for business and invited visiting brethren to seats with us. On motion of Bro. C. V. Ward that Rev. E. H. Russ be appointed as a delegate to represent us in the Eastern Conference.

Rev. D. T. Gore and Rev. J. A. Hucks and Rev. H. H. Collins went before the Ordaining Council and was examined. Rev. Gore and Rev. Hucks were duly ordained and given the right hand of fellowship. Bro. Collins was sent back to his church until some future date.

On motion of Rev. M. C. McPherson the treasure pay Rev. I. J. Green \$7.00 to pay his expenses to the S. C. Conference. On motion of Rev. Edgar Fowler our treasurer pay for the deeds of Pine Level Church being recorded.

On motion of Bro. C. V. Ward no more licentiate preachers be ordained until they are called to pastor a church. This motion was voted down by a motion of Rev. H. C. Adcox.

On motion of Bro. R. I. Batten that we take up the business of fixing the next session of the Association. Pine Level Church was selected for the next session of the body. Eld. H. P. M. Todd was appointed to preach the Introductory sermon, Rev. Norman Hilburn to be his alternate.

Upon motion of Bro. H. L. Watson we re-elect all of our present

officers for the next two years. On motion of Bro. A. D. McPherson we pay our clerk \$10.00 for his service. On motion of Bro. R. I. Batten we return our heart felt thanks to Beaver Dam Church and community for the kindness and hospitality shown us while in their midst.

On motion of Bro. R. I. Batten we have 300 minutes printed and distributed to the various churches.

A public collection was made for Rev. D. T. Gore to help him secure medical aid for his wife. On motion of Bro. A. D. McPherson we adjourn with benediction to meet with Pine Level Church on Thursday night before the 3rd Sunday in October 1938.

REV. E. H. RUSS, Moderator

REV. R. C. RHODES, Clerk

BRO. A. D. McPHERSON, Treasurer

CHURCHES, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

Beavor Dam—Thomas McPherson	Chadbourn, N. C.
Emerson—C. D. Nobles	Clarendon, N. C.
Mt. Ariel—R. F. Norris	Conway, S. C.
Pine Level—D. N. Long	Nakina, N. C.
Oak Grove—No. 1—F. M. Hester	Bladenboro, N. C.
Mt. Beulah—R. C. Rhodes	Tabor City, N. C.
Mt. Calvary—R. A. Callahan	Whiteville, N. C.
Cedar Branch—C. V. Ward	Clarendon, N. C.
Cypress Creek—R. T. Ward	Whiteville, N. C.
Little Bethel—A. Mc. Fowler	Tabor City, N. C.
Mt. Olive—Luther Price,	Hallsboro, N. C.
White Oak Grove—J. W. Bowen	Bladenboro, N. C.

MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

E. H. Russ	Bladenboro, N. C.
H. P. M. Todd	Conway, S. C.
Ransom Fowler	Tabor City, N. C.
H. C. Adcox	Bladenboro, N. C.
M. C. McPherson	Clarendon, N. C.
A. L. Duncan	Tabor City, N. C.
Luther Inman	Conway, S. C.
T. C. Cribb	Tabor City, N. C.
R. C. Rhodes	Tabor City, N. C.
Edgar Fowler	Tabor City, N. C.
I. J. Green	Clarendon, N. C.
J. H. Cannon,	Nakina, N. C.
Noah Duncan	Tabor City, N. C.
Stephen English	Rockingham, N. C.
Frank Sanford	Rockingham, N. C.
Walter Carter	Rockingham, N. C.
W. A. Hill	Conway, S. C.
Norman Hilburn	Bladenboro, N. C.
D. F. Gore	Loris, S. C., Route 2
J. A. Hucks	Conway, N. C.

LICENTIATE

H. H. Collins	Conway, S. C.
---------------	---------------

HOME MISSION WORKER

Mrs. Lacy May Hinson	Chadbourn, N. C.
----------------------	------------------

LIST OF CUSTODIANS: I. L. Russ, J. K. Ward, W. G. Wilson, Luther McPherson, V. C. Paik.

ORDAINING COUNCIL: Rev. H. C. Adcox, Rev. J. H. Cannon, Rev. Luther Inman, Rev. M. C. McPherson, and Bro. G. B. Osbourne.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Old money on hand -----	\$11.54
New funds -----	47.50

Total -----	\$59.04
Ordered paid clerk -----	\$10.00
Ordered paid Rev. I. J. Green -----	7.00

Total paid out -----	17.00

Balance on hand -----	\$42.04

Texts used during Association are as follows: Thursday night Rev. Noah Duncan used for the text Galatians 5:1, "Stand fast therefore." Friday noon Rev. M. E. Tyson used for a text St. John 4:35, "Look on the fields." Friday night Rev. M. S. Todd used for a text Ezekiel 46:4. Saturday noon Rev. A. L. Duncan used for a text St. John 15:2, "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away, and every branch that beareth fruit he purgeth it that it may bring forth more fruit."

The clerk failed to get the Saturday night text owing to a death in the community. Sunday the text was not recorded.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been brought as we believe by the divine grace of God to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Preserver, we do now solemnly and joyfully covenant and agree by God's help to walk together in brotherly love. We therefore enter into covenant as members of this church and as Christians that we will watch over each other in love, sharing together each others joys, and sorrows; that we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, nor omit the great duty of prayer for ourselves and others; that by divine assistance we will endeavor to bring up those under our care in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, that in all things we will strive to exemplify our profession by a corresponding practice to abstain from all sinful conformity to the world, to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in all our deportment; that we will abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; that we will sustain the worship ordinance, discipline and doctrine of this church; that we will contribute cheerfully to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor and the general spread of the Gospel.

CLERK'S NOTE

I am very glad to say in conclusion that we have been through another year filled full of the blessings of the good Lord. Since perhaps

some of us have met with disappointments, yet we are rejoicing to think of the beautiful comments from the great Apostle Paul to the Romans, chapter 8, verse 28 "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God to them who are the called according to his purpose."

All of the churches reported by letter and delegate except one, a brother of that church was present. All the churches requested the prayers of the Christians. Let us pray hard this year and press onward and upward to the prize of the high calling which is in Christ Jesus the Lord.

Please pray for your humble servant.

The Clerk.

