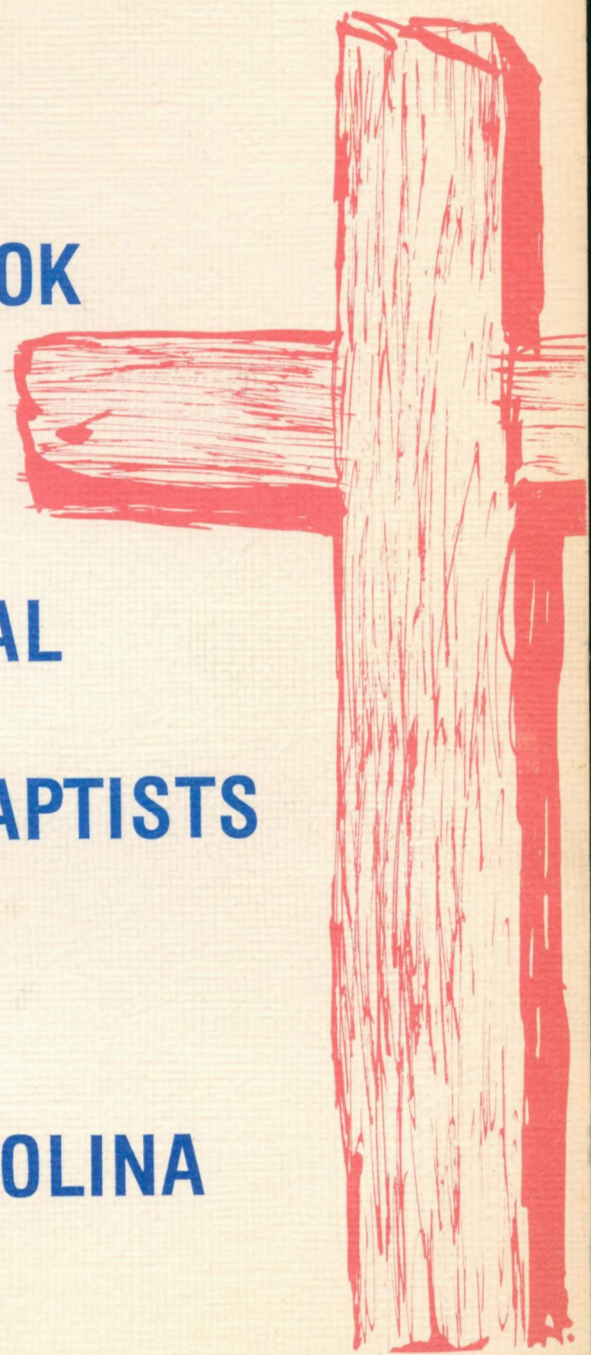


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MINUTES
of the
106th Annual Session
of the
PEE DEE ASSOCIATION
of
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS

Met in Session With
Cypress Creek Church
Columbus County, North Carolina
October 18, 1975

The next session will be held with the Emerson Church in
Columbus County, North Carolina, on Saturday before the third
Sunday in October, 1976, beginning at 9:30 a. m.

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PROCEEDINGS

The one hundred sixth annual session of the Pee Dee Association of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened at Cypress Creek Church in Columbus County, North Carolina, on October 18, 1975.

This session opened with the congregation singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." The Rev. William Jackie Godwin brought the devotional service, taking his message from 2 Corinthians, Chapter 4, Verses 13-18.

The welcome address was given by the Rev. Leon Simmons. The response was given by Brother Roland McPherson, and the congregation sang "Amazing Grace."

The moderator welcomed the visitors and invited them to sit with us during this session.

The moderator, the Rev. James B. Hardee, then announced the house in order for business. He then appointed the following committees:

Devotional—Sisters Letha McDaniels, Minnie Pait, and Stella Jenrette.

Periodical—Brothers Mayo Brown, Robert Benton, and Grant Gore.

Educational—Brothers Roland McPherson, Leamon Cribb, and Lawrence Hardee.

Sunday School—Brothers Daniel R. Wiggins, Clifton Kinlaw, and Norman E. Soles.

Ministerial—Brothers Lacy Nealy, Jackie Soles, and Elgin Cribb.

Obituary—Sisters Joyce Ransom, Brenda Wiggins, and Wilma Storms.

Resolution—Brothers Marvin McPherson, Donald Price, and J. O. Simmons.

Finance—Brothers Otis Cribb, Jake McPherson, and Walter Johnson.

Home Missions—The Home Missions Committee is a standing committee composed of Brothers E. Hayes Pait, Willie Jones, and Lloyd Thomas.

Investigation—The Investigation Committee is a standing committee composed of Brothers Lacy Nealy, Dallas Byrd, and Thomas Rhodes.

The roll of ministers was called and the following were absent: The Revs. J. W. Byrd, I. G. Ward, Robert Sellers, Harvey Cribb, Jasper Parnell, and Archie Smith. The Revs. Robert Sellers and Archie Smith were excused due to sickness.

The Devotional Committee was excused after the roll call of the ministers.

Mr. Sam Weeks, superintendent of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Middlesex, North Carolina, gave a report of progress on the Children's Home and on the Free Will Baptist Retirement Homes, Middlesex.

Brother Harold Herring brought greetings from Mount Olive College and gave a report of the college.

Reports on the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc., Ayden, and Foreign Missions were given by the conference moderator, the Rev. James B. Hardee.

The Devotional Committee returned and gave the following report to the clerk:

We, your Devotional Committee, beg leave to report that Chaplain Ned Eaddy bring our message for today.

Respectfully submitted,
Letha McDaniels
Minnie Pait
Stella Jenrette

The Devotional Committee's report was received by a motion of the Rev. William Jackie Godwin and a vote of the association. The committee was then dismissed.

The congregation sang " 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus," and then the service was turned over to Chaplain Ned Eaddy. He brought a very inspiring message from 1 Kings, Chapter 19.

Brother Harold Herring dismissed the association and asked the blessings for the lunch that had been prepared.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The association reassembled with the singing of "Pass Me Not." Prayer was offered by the Rev. Levy Ward.

A free-will offering was taken for the Children's Home in the amount of \$222.42.

The house was announced in order for business by the moderator.

There was a motion by Brother Mayo Brown that the Rev. Leon Simmons be put on the Ordaining Council in the place of the Rev. I. G. Ward, as the Rev. Ward's health is bad and he is unable to fulfill the duties of this job. Motion carried.

The Ordaining Council was excused by the moderator as they had business to discuss.

The moderator then called for church letters and they were read by the clerk. Pleasant Meadow Church reported with two different letters. They were returned as no report was accepted.

Motion by Brother Mayo Brown that the problem of Pleasant Meadow Church be turned over to the Investigating Committee. Motion carried.

The committee reports were called for and were read as follows:

PERIODICAL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we recommend that all our churches use Sunday school literature that is printed by the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc., Ayden, North Carolina, and that we support our educational institutions. Also that we continue our weekly prayer service.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Benton
Mayo Brown
Grant Gore

Motion was made by Brother Robert Benton to receive this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

EDUCATIONAL

We, your committee, beg leave to request the support of all our churches to their full extent to Mount Olive College, as this is our college to support. We should support both with our money and our students; these students to be taught the Word of God. Most of all we should support them with our prayers.

We would like to leave a standing invitation from our association to the people at Mount Olive College to report their progress and requests to us.

Respectfully submitted,
Roland McPherson
Leamon Cribb
Lawrence Hardee

Motion was made by Brother Roland McPherson that we receive this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we recommend that all our churches use every means possible granted by God's grace to promote an effective and efficient Sunday school. Extreme care should be used in selecting Christian officers and teachers who are qualified to perform God's work. Also, that we use literature printed by the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc., Ayden, North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel R. Wiggins
Clifton Kinlaw
Norman E. Soles

Motion was made by Brother Daniel R. Wiggins that we receive this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we recommend that all our churches use the Sunday school literature printed by the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation, Inc., Ayden, North Carolina; and we recommend support of our educational institution at Mount Olive College, also our Free Will Baptist Children's Home and Retirement Homes at Middlesex, North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin McPherson
Donald Price
J. O. Simmons

Motion was made by Brother Marvin McPherson that we receive this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

MINISTERIAL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we find all our ministers in good standing as far as we know, except the Rev. Jasper Pernell, pending the decision that is made on the Investigating Committee's report concerning him.

Respectfully submitted,
Lacy Nealy
Jackie Soles
Elgin Cribb

Motion was made by Brother Lacy Nealy that we accept this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

OBITUARY

We, the Obituary Committee, beg leave to report that there have been, according to reports, 21 deaths of Free Will Baptist members of our churches since the last association, with the exception of Pleasant Meadow Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Wiggins
Joyce Ransom
Wilma Storms

Motion was made by Sister Brenda Wiggins to receive this report and dismiss the committee, and for the body to stand for a moment of silent prayer in memory of these 21 persons. Motion carried.

FINANCE

We, your Finance Committee, beg leave to report:

Old Funds	\$181.54	
New Funds	<u>395.60</u>	
Total		\$577.14
Respectfully submitted,		
Otis Cribb		
Jake McPherson		
Walter Johnson		

Motion was made by Brother Otis Cribb that we receive this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Old Funds	\$279.70	
New Funds	<u>219.15</u>	
Total		\$498.85
Disbursements		
Home Missions	\$ 40.00	
Clerk	30.00	
Treasurer	7.00	
Minutes	242.93	
Postage	2.00	
Church Letters	<u>3.38</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>325.31</u>
Balance in Treasury		\$173.54

Respectfully submitted,
Howard McPherson, *Treasurer*

Motion was made by Brother Marvin McPherson that we receive this report. Motion carried.

HOME MISSIONS TREASURER'S REPORT

We, your committee, beg leave to report as follows:

Old Funds	\$302.90
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New Funds Received October 18, 1975	40.00
Balance in Treasury	342.90
Paid the Rev. A. L. Duncan	50.00
Balance in Treasury	\$292.90

Respectfully submitted,
E. Hayes Pait
Lloyd Thomas
Willie H. Jones

Motion was made by Brother E. Hayes Pait that we receive this report.
Motion carried.

INVESTIGATION

We, your Investigating Committee, met with Brother Jasper Pernell on the evening of October 15, 1975, to see if we could learn the reason why he has not been preaching or attending any of the union meetings or associations.

By word of Brother Jasper Pernell's mouth, we bring you the following report: Brother Jasper Pernell told us that in 1971, he became sick and disabled. He is suffering from hardening of the arteries which causes him to have dizzy spells, and also bronchitis, which causes him to have a shortness of breath. He also explained that since this has happened to him, that it upsets him to have to mix with large crowds or groups of people. When asked if he still had the desire to be a preacher and fulfill the duties of one, he said that he did and would, only if his health would permit; however, because of poor health, he could not.

Brother Jasper Pernell asked us to report to you that if it was not against the ruling of the association, he would like to remain a member as a disabled minister; however, if being a member in this way was against the ruling or would cause him to be a stumbling block to the association, any church, or anyone, then he was willing for the association to take whatever action necessary and remove his name from the roll. We ended our visit with this brother by praying for the healing of his body. Let us recommend that this body remember him in prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Dallas Byrd
Lacy Nealy

Motion was made by Brother Dallas Byrd that we receive this report.
Motion carried.

There was a motion by Brother Mayo Brown that the Rev. Jasper Pernell be put on the disabled ministers' list. Motion carried.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

We, your Ordaining Council of the Pee Dee Association, beg leave to report the following meetings in the year past:

I. Ordination of Ministers:

- A. Brother Leon Simmons, Cypress Creek Church, May, 1975.
- B. Brother Levy Ward, Pine Level Church, June, 1975.
- C. Brother Leland Etheridge, Fireway Church, August, 1975.

D. Brother Charles Hilburn, Cypress Creek Church, July, 1975.

II. Other Meetings:

A. Pine Level Church: After receiving a letter of charges, the council met with the Rev. Claude Housand. After questioning the Rev. Housand, the deacons were called in and reconciliation was made.

B. Pine Level Church: August 12, 1975, the council met to examine the Rev. Dewey Hilbourne of the South Carolina Central Association for pastoral work. The Rev. Hilbourne met the approval of the council and was recommended to pastor the church.

C. Pleasant Meadow Church: In August, 1975, the council met at Pleasant Meadow Church after receiving a letter of charges from the deacons that the Rev. Reedy Graham was holding an illegal conference. The council met with the Rev. Graham and advised him not to have a conference since no deacons were present at the church.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. A. L. Duncan
Rev. William Jackie Godwin
Rev. Robert Sellers
Rev. J. W. Byrd

Motion was made by Brother Jackie Soles that we receive this report.
Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, the Executive Committee and Investigating Committee, were asked to attend a conference meeting at Cypress Creek Church on December 4, 1974. After arriving we learned that the conference had been postponed, as there was some disagreement among the members. It was determined that the conference was called off by the pastor and two deacons. The committees met after the body was dismissed and the preacher and deacons had left the premises. We decided that the church had been denied the holding of the church conference. There was a motion by Brother E. Hayes Pait that we set up a conference for the church. The motion was carried and it was decided that the conference would be held December 17, 1974, at 7:30 p.m.

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report concerning the conference held at Cypress Creek Church on December 17, 1974.

Prior to the opening of the conference, the body of the church nominated the Rev. Jackie Godwin and the Rev. Billy Hardee as moderator. The Rev. Billy Hardee was elected to moderate the conference as he received 31 votes and the Rev. Godwin received 25.

The conference was begun and the house was announced in order for business. Visitors were invited to have seats with us. The church clerk, Brother F. J. Lee, called the church roll and read the minutes of the last conference. The minutes were approved and accepted as read, by motion of Brother Tom Rhodes, seconded by Brother Willie Jones, and vote of the body.

Old or unfinished business: None.

Deacons report: No report.

New business: Prior to the new business being started, the moderator

introduced the members of the Executive Committee, the Ordaining Council, and the Investigating Committee that were present.

Motion was made by Brother Lawrence Hardee to lower the deaconship of Brother F. J. Lee and Brother Willie Jones. Motion was seconded by Brother Tom Rhodes. Motion carried by vote of 28 for, 25 against.

The floor was then opened for nominations for new deacons. Nominees were as follows: Brothers Tom Rhodes, Pete Simmons, Lawrence Hardee, F. J. Lee, and Willie Jones.

There was a motion by Brother James Long that the church elect 5 deacons. Motion was seconded by Brother Willie Jones Jr. Motion carried by vote of 30 for, none against.

Brother Willie Jones withdrew his motion to close nominations, and Brother Tom Rhodes withdrew his second.

Two more nominees were nominated as follows: Brothers Alph Simmons and Gene Jones.

Motion was made by Brother Leon Simmons that the nominations be closed and this motion was carried.

The nominees left the room and votes were taken. The 5 that received the most votes were to be the deacons. The following brothers were elected as deacons: Tom Rhodes, 25 votes; F. J. Lee, 28 votes; Willie Jones, 27 votes; Alph Simmons, 39 votes; and Gene Jones, 35 votes. Brother Pete Simmons received 24 votes and Brother Lawrence Hardee received 21 votes.

The Investigating Committee along with the five deacons was excused at this time for the committee to talk with these men and then report back to the body with a decision as to whether or not these men were qualified for the deaconship.

A five minute recess was given the body at this time. After this recess the house was announced in order for business again.

The Investigating Committee reported that these five men were recommended for deacons.

Motion was made by Brother Leon Simmons that these men be ordained as deacons at this time. Motion was seconded by Brother Willie Jones. Motion carried by vote of 27 for, 24 against.

The moderator then gave the charge to these men, and they were ordained.

Motion was made by Brother Willie Jones to take up the business of the union. Motion was seconded by brother Tom Rhodes. Motion carried. Brothers F. J. Lee, Tom Rhodes, Gene Jones, Pete Simmons, and James Long, volunteered as delegates for the union to be held at Oak Grove Church on December 28, 1974.

Motion was made by Brother F. J. Lee that their church delegates vote "yes" at the union for changing the union meeting from Saturday to Friday nights. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Thurman Ward that the deacons be brought up for reelection every 2 years. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother James Long that the church elect 3 elders. Motion was seconded by Brother Jerry Spivey. Motion carried by vote of 26 for, 7 against.

Nominees for elders were as follows: Brothers Pete Simmons, Gold Ward, and Lawrence Hardee.

Motion was made by Brother Thurman Ward that nominations be closed. Motion was seconded by Brother Jerry Spivey. Motion carried. As there were only three nominated, they were elected to serve as elders.

There were requests at this time by Brother William Beacon and Sisters Betty Beacon and Wendy Beacon, that their names be dropped from the church roll.

Motion was made by Brother F. J. Lee to grant their request. Motion was seconded by Brother Thurman Ward. Motion carried.

There was a request by Brother Prince Albert McKeithan that his name be dropped from the church roll.

Motion was made by Brother F. J. Lee that his request be granted. Motion carried.

There was a request by Sister Doris Ward that her name be dropped from the church roll.

Motion was made by Brother Gene Jones that her request be granted. Motion carried.

Sister Clara Mae Simmons stated that she had joined another church and requested that her name be dropped from the church roll.

Motion was made by Brother Lawrence Hardee that this request be granted. Motion carried.

Brother Willie Jones stated that he had a card which stated that Sister Brenda Sarvis Fowler had united with another church and that she was requesting a letter from Cypress Creek Church to the church she had joined. Motion was made by Brother Willie Jones that we grant the request for this letter. Motion carried.

Sister Martha Jones requested that her name be dropped from the church roll. Motion was made by Brother James Long that her request be granted. Motion carried.

Sister Pearlle Mae McKeithan requested that her name be dropped from the church roll. Motion was made by Brother Willie Jones that her request be granted. Motion was seconded by Brother Pete Simmons. Motion carried.

There was a motion by Brother Leon Simmons that church conferences be held on the second Wednesday night of each month with 5 Sundays. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Willie Jones that the church keep Brother F. J. Lee as church clerk. Motion was seconded by Brother Pete Simmons. Motion carried.

Brother Ray Ward requested that his name be dropped from the church roll. Motion was made by Brother Jerry Spivey that his request be granted. Motion was seconded by Brother Lawrence Hardee. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Sammy Jones to adjourn until next conference. Motion was seconded by Brother Gold Ward. Motion carried.

Brother Sammy Jones withdrew his motion to adjourn and Brother Gold Ward withdrew his second, so the church could elect a chairman for the Board of Deacons.

Floor was opened for nominations for chairman of the Deacon Board.

Nominees were Brothers Willie Jones, Alph Simmons, and Tom Rhodes.

Motion was made to close the nominations by Brother Thurman Ward. Motion carried.

Vote was taken and Brother Willie Jones was elected as chairman of the Board of Deacons, receiving 23 votes. Brother Alph Simmons received 4 votes, and Brother Tom Rhodes received 10 votes.

Motion was made by Brother Sammy Jones that if there be no further business to come before the church that we adjourn by benediction, until the next regularly scheduled conference. Motion was seconded by Brother Gold Ward. Motion carried.

Benediction was given by Brother Robert Sellers.

The Executive Committee was also called for a meeting in February, 1975, for the purpose of sending a letter of recommendation for the Rev. Lewis J. Sprouse to the Home Mission Board of the Original Free Will Baptists, Fayetteville. The following letter was sent:

"It has been brought to our attention that you have requested a letter of recommendation from us for the Rev. Lewis J. Sprouse, as he is going to start a mission in Lumberton.

"We, the Executive Committee of the Pee Dee Association of Original Free Will Baptists, recommend to you the Rev. Lewis J. Sprouse as a minister in good standing with this association. Our prayers and support are with him."

This letter was signed by all members of the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. James B. Hardee
Rev. J. W. Byrd
E. Hayes Pait
Howard McPherson
Jack Penny

Motion was made by Brother Jake McPherson that we accept this report. Motion carried.

The reading of the minutes of the last association was omitted.

Old or unfinished business: The following report was read by the clerk concerning the budget.

We, your committee that was appointed to study the budget of the association, beg leave to report that this committee met on November 25, 1974, and determined that a minimum of \$40 per church would be needed each year to keep the budget functional.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. James B. Hardee
Rev. William Jackie Godwin
Howard McPherson
Dallas Byrd
Jack Penny

Motion was made by Brother Jake McPherson that this report be accepted. Motion carried.

New business was called for and the new ministers, the Revs. Charles Hilburn, Levy J. Ward, Leon Simmons, Hollon Norris, and Leland Etheridge,

were given the right hand of fellowship into the association, while the congregation sang "There Is Power in the Blood."

A petition for acceptance to the Pee Dee Association from Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church, Route 4, Whiteville, North Carolina, was submitted to the clerk. It read as follows:

"Macedonia Church petitioned the Pee Dee Union No. 2 on the fifth Saturday of August, 1975, and was accepted by the Pee Dee Union No. 2 pending and subject to the approval of the Pee Dee Association.

"Therefore at this Pee Dee Association meeting, Macedonia Church does hereby petition the Pee Dee Association for association membership. Macedonia Church has 90 members on church membership roll, with an average attendance of 75. The church property and grounds are owned by the church and are free from all debts.

"Church pastor—the Rev. Leland Etheridge.

"Deacons—H. E. McCumbee, W. B. Etheridge, Charles Hilburn, Santee Register, and Leslie Godwin.

"Church superintendent—H. E. McCumbee.

"Church clerk—W. G. Suggs.

"Church secretary—Shirley Duncan.

"Adult Sunday school teacher—Leslie Godwin.

"Junior Sunday school teacher—Hazel Etheridge.

"Intermediate Sunday school teacher—Lizzie Suggs.

"Primary Sunday school teacher—Myrtle McCumbee.

"God bless us all."

Sincerely,

Rev. Leland Etheridge,
Macedonia Free Will
Baptist Church

Motion was made by Brother Willie Jones that we accept Macedonia Free Will Baptist Church into the association. Motion carried.

A letter from Mission Valley Church was received and read by the clerk as follows:

"We, the members of Mission Valley Church, are sending this petitionary letter to the Pee Dee Association asking for the deed to the property of Mission Valley Free Will Baptist Church."

Pastor—Brooks Sykes

Deacons—Wilbert Stephens, Emery Ward, and Donnie Fowler

Church clerk and treasurer—Gary Sykes

Motion was made by the Rev. A. L. Duncan that we give the church this deed. Motion carried.

There was a request by Brother Lacy Nealy that the association replace Brother Thomas Rhodes on the Investigation Committee. Motion was made by Brother Howard McPherson that Brother Horace Cartrette be put on the committee in the place of Brother Thomas Rhodes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Mayo Brown that the association replace the Rev. I. G. Ward on the Ordaining Council with the Rev. Leon Simmons. The

Rev. I. G. Ward's health is bad and he is not able to fulfill his duties on this committee. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Willie Jones that we give the Rev. I. G. Ward \$50 from the home mission funds. Motion carried.

Motion was made by the Rev. William Jackie Godwin that we take up the business of reorganization. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Robert Benton that we keep the same officers for another term. Motion carried.

Motion was made by the Rev. William Jackie Godwin to pay the clerk and treasurer the same as last year. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Mayo Brown that the Rev. J. W. Byrd be replaced by Brother Clifton Kinlaw on the Executive Committee. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Mayo Brown that we give Cypress Creek Church a standing vote of thanks for the fine job they have done in hosting this association meeting. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother E. Hayes Pait that we give the Rev. A. L. Duncan \$50 out of the home mission fund. Motion carried.

At this time the Rev. Lewis J. Sprouse gave a report on missions.

Motion was made by Brother Clifton Kinlaw that all the church clerks mail their annual letters to the association clerk 30 days in advance of the next association meeting, and that the Executive Committee meet and make a tentative format for the next association meeting.

Brother Mayo Brown made an amendment to this motion that this be for a one-year trial period. Motion carried as amended.

Motion was made by Brother Clifton Kinlaw that we accept the invitation from Emerson Church to have the association there next year. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brother Willie Jones that Brother Lloyd Thomas replace Brother E. Hayes Pait as the home mission treasurer. Motion carried.

There was a motion by Brother Mayo Brown that the association adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
James B. Hardee, Moderator
Jack Penny, Clerk

Sandy Plain	406	166		21	14	25		170,000	17,796	4,192	21,988
Sarecta	109	75	45	12	8	25		55,000	6,478	3,918	10,396
Smith's New Home											
Smyrna	85	80		9		32		25,000	3,180	200	3,380
Sneads Ferry	75	49		10	10	12		35,000	4,558	686	5,244
Snow Hill	185	141		15	15	35	15	75,000	15,403	1,787	17,190
Sound View	98	102				24		70,000	9,233	1,109	10,342
Spring Hope	133	120		22	15	18	16	65,000	15,581	835	16,416
Trent	145	40						30,000	4,051	569	4,620
Vanceboro											
Verona	90	88				12		4,000	4,300	110	4,410
Warden's Grove	78	75				12		33,500	8,659	1,266	9,925
Warsaw	50	78		6	5	20		50,000	3,111	898	4,009
Welcome Home	77							25,000			
Whaley's Chapel	218	145		15	10	15		33,000	8,698	1,837	10,535
White Hill	154	78				20		25,000	6,579	634	7,213
White Oak Grove	113	113				22		36,000	8,965	1,220	10,185
White Oak (Jones)											
Wildwood	29	24				8		12,000	1,712	62	1,774
Wilmington, First	105	117						80,000	13,608	331	13,939
Wintergreen	347	234	28			42		95,000	29,809	1,769	31,578
Woodington	19	19				4			1,151	100	1,251
Woodrow, First	53	69				23	6	7,000	8,150	444	8,594
PEE DEE ASSOCIATION											
Beaverdam	633	500	200	20	20	36		\$100,000	\$26,604	\$5,036	\$31,640
Cypress Creek	116	120						40,000	3,562	408	3,970
Emerson	91	120							10,668	332	11,000
Little Bethel	40	92							1,794	24	1,818
Mission Valley	60	78						4,000	1,971	20	1,991
Mt. Beulah	24	49						10,000	974		974
Mt. Calvary	113	155						125,000	7,629	184	7,813
Mt. Olive	85	30						5,000	3,017	74	3,091
Oak Grove	146	137	80		13	30		62,000	8,907	3,158	12,065
Pine Level	29	56		17		16		5,000	9,267	36	9,303

Churches	MEMBERSHIP						Total Property Value	TREASURER'S REPORT			
	Church	SS	League	YFA	AFC	WA		LL	Total Used Locally	Denomi- national Enterprises	Grand Total
Indian Springs	39	40				10		7,000	3,280	645	3,925
Jackson Heights	149	84		15		14		38,681	10,335	1,852	12,187
Juniper Chapel	140	159	30	15	30	35	15	70,000	20,028	3,204	23,232
Kinston, First	358	230				28		225,000	13,520	1,850	15,370
Lanier's Chapel	91	101		20				70,000	59,435	881	60,316
Long Ridge	98	71		10		10			5,802	233	6,035
Macedonia	200	140		15	12	20		150,000	9,784	1,886	11,670
May's Chapel	141	154		10	13	21	20	75,000	18,899	1,450	20,349
Memorial	68	74				25		25,000	3,215	895	4,110
Moseley's Creek	104	62	35	8	6	21	10	35,000	9,447	1,711	11,158
Mount Olive											
Mount Pleasant	26	36				9		25,000	5,266	704	5,970
Mount Zion (Onslow)	72	65				12		35,000	2,958	813	3,771
Mount Zion (Pamlico)	76	67				32			9,797	3,675	13,472
New Bethlehem	141	100				25	20	40,000	9,995	577	10,572
New Haven	139	68		8	10	8		22,000	7,800	2,531	10,331
Northeast	170	261		20	25	30		80,500	8,673	2,310	10,983
Oak Grove	188	69		15	12	30	10	60,914	7,287	1,036	8,323
Oriental	95	64				17		115,000	13,827	1,512	15,339
Otway	74	50		10		11		25,000	7,715	443	8,158
Pearsall's Chapel	112	93		8	10	15	25	35,000	5,556	4,145	9,701
Pilgrim's Home	144	124				18		22,000	9,266	1,463	10,729
Pilgrim's Rest	12	35				4		15,000	3,062	478	3,540
Piney Grove	143	100		10		10		9,000	8,916	212	9,128
Reunion Chapel			10								
Rock of Zion	250	28				16		70,000	1,610	285	1,895
Rooty Branch	110	115		20	10	23		50,000	9,390	1,683	11,073
Russell's Creek	101	80			8	30		50,000	7,194	825	8,019
Saints Delight	103	43					7	50,000	5,075	453	5,528
St. Mary's	402	125		10		12		55,790	11,252	214	11,466
		180		20	22	65	18	295,000	35,225	6,531	41,756