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**MINUTES
of the
111th ANNUAL SESSION
of the
PEE DEE ASSOCIATION
of
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Met in session with
White Oak Church,
Bladen County, North Carolina
October 18, 1980

The next session will be held with the Oak Grove
Church in Bladen County, North Carolina, on Saturday
before the third Sunday in October, 1981, beginning
at 9:00 a.m.

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 The Rev. James B. Hardee, Box 43, Elizabethtown, NC 28337
 The Rev. A. L. Duncan, Nakina, NC 28455 (Honorary Member)

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 Clyde Nations Jr., Route 3, Box 380-A, Bladenboro, NC 28320

DISABLED MINISTERS

Jasper Parnell, Bladenboro, NC 28320

LICENTIATES

Tommy Simmons

PASTORS' AND CHURCH CLERKS' NAMES AND ADDRESSES AS STOOD IN 1980

Ash Church, Brunswick County

The Rev. Garland Suggs, Route 4, Box 264, Whiteville, NC 28472

Jeanette Simmons, Box 61, Ash, NC 28420

Beaverdam Church, Columbus County

The Rev. William Jackie Godwin, Route 1, Box 84, Clarendon, NC 28432

Robert Ward, Route 3, Box 308, Whiteville, NC 28472

Cypress Creek Church, Columbus County

The Rev. Leon Simmons, Route 4, Box 189-A, Whiteville, NC 28472

F. J. Lee, Route 1, Box 20, Nakina, NC 28455

Emerson Church, Columbus County

The Rev. Hollon Norris, Route 2, Box 28-B, Tabor City, NC 28463

Ricky W. Hilburn, Route 2, Box 26, Tabor City, NC 28463

Little Bethel Church, Horry County, SC

The Rev. Charles Hilburn, Route 3, Box 244, Whiteville, NC 28472

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Macedonia Church, Columbus County

The Rev. Leland Etheridge, Route 4, Box 252, Whiteville, NC 28472

Verlie Duncan, Route 4, Box 254, Whiteville, NC 28472

Mission Valley Church, Columbus County

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Gary Sykes, Route 3, Whiteville, NC 28472

Mount Beulah Church, Horry County, SC

None

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The Rev. J. W. Byrd, Route 1, Box 298, Whiteville, NC 28472

W. D. Brown, Route 2, Box 80, Clarkton, NC 28433

Mount Olive Church, Columbus County

The Rev. Neil Harrelson, Route 6, Box 52-A, Whiteville, NC 28472

Robert Benton, Route 2, Box 283, Whiteville, NC 28472

Oak Grove Church, Bladen County

The Rev. James B. Hardee, Box 43, Elizabethtown, NC 28337

Jerry Bryan, Route 2, Box 1195, Bladenboro, NC 28320

Pine Level Church, Columbus County

The Rev. Dewey Hilburn, Route 1, Box 202, Tabor City, NC 28463

Earnest Wilson Jr., Route 1, Nakina, NC 28455

Fireway Church, Columbus County

The Rev. Brooks Sykes, Route 1, Box 147-A, Clarendon, NC 28432

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Pleasant Meadow Church, Columbus County

None

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Thomasboro Church, Brunswick County

The Rev. Nedo Eaddy, Holden Beach, NC 28459

Grant Gore, Route 1, Box 128, Shallotte, NC 28459

White Oak Church, Bladen County

The Rev. Clyde Nations Jr., Route 3, Box 380-A, Bladenboro, NC 28320

Robert E. Adams, Route 2, Box 105, Clarkton, NC 28433

PROCEEDINGS

The one hundred-eleventh annual session of the Pee Dee Association of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened at White Oak church in Bladen County, North Carolina, on October 18, 1980.

This session was opened with the congregation singing "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms." The Rev. William Jackie Godwin conducted the devotional service, taking his message from James 1:25. Prayer was offered by the Rev. James B. Hardee.

The welcome address was given by the Rev. Clyde Nations Jr. The response was given by the Rev. Hollon Norris.

The moderator welcomed everyone and invited the visitors to sit with us during this session. He announced the house in order for business.

The roll of churches was called and all churches were represented by delegate.

The roll of ministers was called and the Revs. A. L. Duncan, I. G. Ward, Claude Housand, Archie Smith, Brooks Sykes, Levy J. Ward, Leland Etheridge, Vollie Smith, and Terry Wade Nealey were absent. The Revs. A. L. Duncan, Brooks Sykes, and Leland Etheridge were excused. Licentiate Tommy Simmons was absent also and was excused.

The moderator then appointed the following committees:

Devotional Committee: Brothers Billy Ray Mercer, Junior Tyler, and J. D. Sarvis. (This committee was excused to select the minister to bring the morning message.)

Periodical Committee: Brothers Willard Brown, Samuel Batten, and Miles Edwards.

Educational Committee: Brothers D. E. Hester, Ronald Smith, and James Simmons.

Sunday School Committee: Brothers Joe Clewis, Irvin McPherson, and Robert Adams.

Ministerial Committee: Brothers Jerome Jenerette, Hollon Norris, and Dewey Hilburn.

Obituary Committee: Sisters Kathleen Davis, Bernice Suggs, and Cora Phipps.

Resolutions Committee: Brothers William Cribb, Jay Hodge, and Buster Benton.

Finance Committee: Sisters Irene Harrelson, Lena Prince, and Johnnie Smith.

Home Missions Committee: This is a standing committee, composed of Brothers Lloyd Thomas, Willie Jones, and Bud Williams.

Investigation Committee: This is a standing committee composed of Brothers Dallas Byrd, Horace Cartrette, and Woodrow Hinson.

The Devotional Committee came back in at this time and gave the following report: We, your committee, beg leave to report that the Rev. J. W. Byrd will bring the morning message today.

Respectfully submitted,
 Billy Ray Mercer
 Junior Tyler
 J. D. Sarvis

The Devotional Committee's report was received by motion of the Rev. James B. Hardee and vote of the Association, and the committee was dismissed.

The Rev. James B. Hardee gave a report on Foreign Missions and Brother Alton Howard gave a report on Home Missions.

The Rev. Stewart Humphrey gave a report on the Children's Home and Retirement Homes.

Sister Janie Sowers and the Rev. James B. Hardee gave a report on the Free Will Baptist Press.

The Rev. Scott Sowers gave a report on Superannuation.

The Rev. Hubert Burruss gave a report on Church Finance Association.

Dr. Burkette Raper gave a report on Mount Olive College.

Reports were accepted on motion by the Rev. James B. Hardee and vote of the Association.

Church letters were called for and read by the clerk. All churches reported by letter.

The body was dismissed for a short recess at this time, and prayer was offered by the Rev. Joseph B. Benton, III.

The Association reassembled with the singing of "Surely Goodness." Prayer was offered by the Rev. Scott Sowers. Special music was presented by a group from Thomasboro church. The service was then turned over to the Rev. J. W. Byrd, who brought a very inspiring message from Matthew 10, 11.

The congregation then sang "I Surrender All" with prayer being offered by the Rev. Jerome Jenerette, who asked the blessings on the lunch that had been prepared and dismissing the Association for lunch.

The Association reassembled with the singing of "When We All Get to Heaven." Prayer was offered by the Rev. Cyde Nations Jr.

The house was announced in order for business by the moderator. He called for the Committee Reports and they were read by the clerk.

REPORTS

PERIODICAL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we recommend to all our churches that we use the King James Version of the Holy Bible in our churches for both preaching and teaching. Also that we use the literature printed by the Free Will Baptist Press in all our churches, and that we support all our denominational enterprises.

Respectfully submitted,
 Samuel W. Batten Jr.
 Miles Edwards
 Willard Brown

Motion by Brother Thomas McDaniels that we accept this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

EDUCATIONAL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we feel that any young person going to college should consider Mount Olive College, because they are involved with Christian leadership. We also encourage the support of Mount Olive College throughout our churches in the Pee Dee Association.

Respectfully submitted,
 D. E. Hester
 Ronald Smith
 James Simmons

Report was received and committee dismissed on motion by Brother Willie Jones.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we recommend to all our churches in our Association that they strive prayerfully and carefully to promote and maintain an effective and efficient Sunday school. We further recommend that the Sunday schools use every means possible, within the will of God, to encourage and help the youth and new converts. Extreme care should be taken to select Christian officers and teachers and that the Sunday school use literature printed by the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation in Ayden, NC.

Respectfully submitted,
 Joe Clewis
 Robert Adams
 Ervin McPherson

Motion by Brother Willie Jones that we accept this report and dismiss the committee. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we recommend the use of literature printed by the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation. BE IT RESOLVED that the Pee Dee Association and all the churches affiliated with it adhere to the *Statement of Faith and Discipline of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina* in conjunction with its calling and ordaining of men as ministers and deacons within our Association as stated and outlined in 1 Timothy, Chapter 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all ministers and deacons within our Association qualify in accordance with the Scriptures in 1 Timothy, Chapter 3, to enable our Association to prosper more in the future through dedicated leadership. WHEREAS, the White Oak church has entertained this Association in a gracious manner, BE IT RESOLVED that we extend to this church a rising vote of thanks for its fine hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
William Cribb
Joseph B. Benton, III
Jay Hodge

Report was received and committee dismissed by motion of Brother Irvin McPherson.

MINISTERIAL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that to our knowledge all ministers are in good standing at this time.

Respectfully submitted,
Jerome Jenerette
Hollon Norris
Dewey Hilburn

Report received and committee dismissed by motion of Brother Owen Ward.

OBITUARY

We, your committee, beg leave to report that is is with sincere regrets that we report 13 deaths to the best of our knowledge during the past year. We suggest that the congregation pause and bow their heads in silent prayer in memory of these.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Davis
Bernice Suggs
Cora Phipps

Report was received and committee dismissed by motion of Brother Jay Hodge.

FINANCE

We, your committee, beg leave to report:

Old Funds	\$483.55	
New Funds	<u>585.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$1,068.55

Respectfully submitted,
Irene Harrelson
Johnnie Smith
Lena Prince

Report received and committee dismissed by motion by Brother Jay Hodge.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Old Funds	\$320.31	
New Funds	<u>580.00</u>	
Total		\$900.31

DISBURSEMENTS

Bibles	\$ 25.99	
Minutes	273.77	
Home Missions	50.00	
Moderator	30.00	
Clerk	30.00	
Treasurer	<u>7.00</u>	
Total Disbursements		\$416.76
Balance in Treasury		\$483.55

An offering was taken up at the Association revival in the amount of \$446.36 and this was disbursed as follows: \$148.78 to Home Missions, \$148.78 to Foreign Missions and \$148.80 to the Children's Home.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard McPherson, Treasurer

Report received by motion of Irvin McPherson and vote of Association.

HOME MISSIONS TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Old Funds	\$322.90	
New Funds	<u>50.00</u>	
Balance in Treasury		\$372.90

Respectfully submitted,
Lloyd Thomas
Bud Williams
Willie Jones

Motion by Brother Neil Harrelson that we accept this report. Motion carried.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

The Ordaining Council of the Pee Dee Association reports the following meetings during the past year:

1. Met at Mount Calvary Free Will Baptist Church on February 26, 1980, to examine the Rev. Neil Harrelson for ordination. After questioning Brother Harrelson, the council found him sound and orthodox in the faith and set his ordination to be carried out at Mission Valley church on March 16, 1980. Also on that date the Council examined the Rev. Dewey Hilburn for the purpose of joining the Pee Dee Association. He was found sound and orthodox in the faith and accepted, subject to a letter of recommendation from the Central Conference in South Carolina.

2. Met at Mission Valley Free Will Baptist Church on March 16, 1980, and carried out the ordination service for the Rev. Neil Harrelson.

3. Met at White Oak Free Will Baptist Church on August 29, 1980, with the Rev. Lewis Sprouse as requested by the Pee Dee Association. We questioned Brother Sprouse concerning his not attending Union Meetings and the Association. He stated that he would attend the Union Meetings and the Association whenever possible, also that if he wasn't able to attend, he would send an excuse if possible. Also (August 29, 1980) the Council met with the Rev. Harvey Cribb as requested by the Association. We questioned Brother Cribb concerning his not attending the Union Meetings and the Association. Brother Cribb stated that he now lives in Belmont, NC, which, because of the distance and the cost of gas, it was now a hardship on him to attend. Because of his service and dedication in the past to the Pee Dee Association and it being his desire to remain a member of the Pee Dee Association, the Council requested that he attend the Association and the Union Meetings whenever possible. Also (August 29, 1980) Council met with the Rev. Tommy Simmons and recommended that his license be extended for another year. Also (August 29, 1980) Council received Brother Pete Simmons' license, who voluntarily turned it in.

4. Met at White Oak Free Will Baptist Church on October 18, 1980, to examine the Rev. Nedo Eaddy, concerning him pastoring Thomasboro church, coming from the Central Conference in South Carolina. The Council found him sound and orthodox in the faith and recommends him for the pastoring of Thomasboro church, subject to a letter confirming his calling as a pastor.

Respectfully submitted,
Leon Simmons, Clerk of Council

Motion by Brother Robert Adams that we accept this report and that we accept the Revs. Clyde Nations Jr., Dewey Hilburn, and Neil Harrelson into the Association and extend to them the right hand of fellowship. Motion

carried, and the congregation sang "At the Cross" while this was carried out.

INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE

No Report

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No Report

The reading of the minutes was omitted on motion of the Rev. James B. Hardee and vote of the Association.

Old or Unfinished Business: None

New Business was called for and there was a motion by Brother Robert Adams that the Executive Committee go back and make a study of rules and regulations that have been set forth by the Pee Dee Association concerning the elections of officers and other things pertaining to the Association. Motion carried.

Oak Grove church extended an invitation to the Association to hold its 1981 meeting at Oak Grove church. This invitation was accepted on motion by Brother W. D. Brown and vote of the Association.

Motion by Rev. James B. Hardee that we have 450 copies of the minutes printed. Motion carried.

Delegates for the 1981 State Convention were appointed, and Brothers Robert Adams, Bud Williams, Jay Hodge, and Woodrow Hinson were selected.

Motion by Brother James B. Hardee that we pay the Clerk, Treasurer, and Moderator the same as usual. Motion carried.

Motion by Brother Willie Jones that we take up an offering for the Children's Home. Motion carried and an offering in the amount of \$188.09 was received.

There was a motion by Brother James B. Hardee that if there was no more business to come before the Association today that we adjourn until next year. Motion was carried and the Association was dismissed with prayer by Brother William Jackie Godwin.

Respectfully submitted,

William Jackie Godwin, Moderator

Jack Penny, Clerk

STATISTICAL TABLES

Ash: Members, 45; received by baptism, 3. Conferences and unions, \$91; utilities, \$293; literature and supplies, \$109; repairs and improvements, \$362; miscellaneous, \$225; total \$894. Jeanette Simmons, church clerk.

Beaverdam: Members, 697; received by baptism, 13; by letter, 2; lost by death, 6; other, 5. Conferences and unions, \$455; utilities, \$2,928; literature, \$5,750; repairs and improvements, \$14,951; miscellaneous, \$34,114; Children's Home, \$2,200; Foreign Missions, \$1,619; Home Missions, \$150; Superannuation, \$100; total, \$62,267. Robert Ward, church clerk.

Cypress Creek: Members, 110; received by baptism, 11; by letter, 2; lost by death, 0; Conferences and unions, \$150; utilities, \$857; literature, \$1,040; repairs and improvements, \$3,065; miscellaneous, \$670; Children's Home, \$530; Foreign Missions, \$385; Home Missions, \$240; total \$6,767. F. J. Lee, church clerk.

Emerson: Members, 87; received by baptism, 10; lost by death, 1; by excommunication, 6. Conferences and unions, \$229; utilities, \$766; literature, \$866; repairs and improvements, \$9,625; miscellaneous, \$15,216; Children's Home, \$845; Foreign Missions, \$604; Home Missions, \$200; total, \$28,122. Ricky Hilburn, church clerk.

Little Bethel: Members, 25. Conferences and unions, \$25; Children's Home, 63; total, \$88. Nelson Soles, church clerk.

Macedonia: Members, 82; received by baptism, 2; lost by letter, 2. Conferences and unions, \$195; utilities, \$513; literature, \$292; repairs and improvements, \$300; church debt payments, \$1,400; miscellaneous, \$575; total, \$3,275. Verlie Duncan, church clerk.

Mission Valley: Members, 70; received by baptism, 3; lost, 1. Conferences and unions, \$77; utilities, \$689; literature, \$475; repairs and improvements, \$4,040; miscellaneous, \$1,305; total, 6,586. Gary Sykes, church clerk.

Mount Beulah: Members, 19; received by baptism, 3; lost by death, 1; other, 6. Conferences and unions, 74; utilities, \$276; literature, \$147; repairs and improvements, \$534; miscellaneous, \$222; total, \$1,366. Linda Perritte, church clerk.

Mount Calvary: Members, 120; received by baptism, 2; lost by letter, 2. Conferences and unions, \$183; utilities, \$1,500; literature, \$865; repairs and improvements, \$7,087; miscellaneous, \$2,088; Children's Home, \$150; Mount Olive College, \$75; Foreign Missions, \$150; Home Missions, \$75; total, \$12,248. W. D. Brown, church clerk.

Mount Olive: Members, 80. Conferences and unions, \$71; utilities, \$412; literature, \$324; repairs and improvements, \$562; miscellaneous, \$1,484; Children's Home, \$25; total, \$2,878. Robert Benton, church clerk.

Oak Grove: Members, 166; received by baptism, 4; lost by death, 1; other, 5. Conferences and unions, \$35; utilities, \$1,478; literature, \$1,969; repairs and improvements, \$2,451; miscellaneous, \$28,252; Children's Home, \$1,189; Mount Olive College, \$250; Foreign Missions, \$2,024; Home Missions, \$2,024; total, \$39,883. Jerry Bryan, church clerk.

Pine Level: Members, 44; received by baptism, 3; by letter, 4; lost by death, 1; by letter, 4; other, 1. Conferences and unions, \$70; utilities, \$1,350; literature, \$235; repairs and improvements, \$1,004; church debt payments, \$4,425; miscellaneous, \$1,245; total, \$8,329. Earnest Wilson Jr., church clerk.

Pireway: Members, 39; lost by death, 1; other, 3. Conferences and unions, \$110; utilities, \$623; literature, \$249; repairs and improvements, \$3,376; miscellaneous, \$3,139; total, \$7,497. Magdalene Cribb, church clerk.

Pleasant Meadow: Members, 25; lost by letter, 1; other 3. Conferences and unions, \$64; utilities, \$251; literature, \$79; repairs and improvements, \$1,982; miscellaneous, \$140; total, \$2,515. Brenda Piver, church clerk.

Thomasboro: Members, 49; received by baptism, 6; lost by death, 1. Conferences and unions, \$195; utilities, \$1,098; literature, \$880; repairs and improvements, \$6,299; church debt payments, \$1,400; miscellaneous, \$3,737; Children's Home, \$100; Foreign Missions, \$100; total, \$13,810. Grant Gore, church clerk.

White Oak: Members, 75; received by baptism, 5; by letter, 5; lost by death, 1; by letter, 1. Conferences and unions, \$372; utilities, \$3,142; literature, \$889; repairs and improvements, \$2,391; church debt payments, \$1,832; miscellaneous, \$15,927; Children's Home, \$627; Foreign Missions, \$379; Home Missions, \$92; Superannuation, \$25; Free Will Baptist Press, \$6,860; total, \$32,517. Robert E. Adams, church clerk.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

The special committee appointed eighteen years ago by the Association on gathering old resolutions that had been accepted recommended that the following resolutions be put in the minutes as rules and bylaws of our Association:

In October, 1939, at Pine Level church, this resolution was made: Be it resolved that we as ministers, members, or messengers use our influence against worthless criticism and gossip, and that ministers or members found guilty of such will answer for same to their church or Association.

This being adopted by motion of Brother D. F. Hester.

A protest resolution: Be it resolved that we do protest the two or three works of grace being preached in our churches. This protest was adopted by motion of Brother C. V. Ward.

At Oak Grove church in October, 1951, a resolution committee recommended that we use our resolutions that we are using at the present time. There was a resolution passed to take a freewill offering for creating a budget for all retired ministers in the Pee Dee Association.

At Mission Valley church in October, 1952, a motion was made by the Rev. A. L. Duncan as follows: Be it resolved, that from this the eighteenth day of October, 1952, that if any preacher walks disorderly or goes contrary to the Free Will Baptist Discipline, to call in his credentials and turn them over to the clerk to be recorded in the Association record book and then burn his credentials.

At White Oak church in October, 1953, new business was called for. There was a motion by Brother W. F. Cartrette that each church enrolled in our Pee Dee Association be required to be present at forthcoming Associations either by letter, or delegate, or both. Any church failing to report in some way in the future may be subject to committee investigation.

On October 19, 1957, at White Oak church, there was a motion by Brother D. J. Walton that each church use their choice as to number of delegates they send to the Association.

We, your committee, recommend that the above resolutions go down in the minutes continually throughout the years as rules and bylaws of our Pee Dee Association.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. Duncan

R. C. Rhodes

Grover McPherson

FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and public worship and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the gospel; nor fail to give according to our ability for the support of the church and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace," to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able to promote the success of the church and of the gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principles and obligations supreme, esteem it our chief business to make Christ known to the world, and constantly pray and toil that the kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to cooperate in the promotion of denominational institutions and enterprises, the support of the work of the local church, and the evangelization of the world.

May the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Churches	MEMBERSHIP						Total Property Value	TREASURER'S REPORT			
	Church	SS	League	YFA	AFC	WA		LL	Total Used Locally	Denom- national Enterprise	Grand Total
PEE DEE CONFERENCE	Ash	45	55					15,000	874	20	894
	Beaverdam	697	476	196	57	28	30	200,000	58,861	3,406	62,267
	Cypress Creek	110						80,000	5,632	1,135	6,767
	Emerson	87	115		50		26		26,702	1,649	28,351
	Little Bethel	25	54								
	Macedonia	82	75	15			12	50,000	3,275	25	88
	Mission Valley	70	96						6,586		3,275
	Mt. Beulah	19	34				6	10,000	1,364		6,586
	Mt. Calvary	120	155					400,000	11,540	708	1,364
	Mt. Olive	80						37,500	2,853	25	12,248
	Oak Grove	166	162	96	13	18	14	160,000	34,395	5,487	2,878
	Pine Level	44	64		37		21	110,000	8,259	70	39,883
	Pireway	39	60				8	20,000	7,497		8,329
	Pleasant Meadow	25	22					15,000	2,451	64	7,497
Thomasboro	49	104					30,000	13,610	200	2,515	
White Oak	75	107	28	9	11	15	180,000	24,533	7,984	13,810	
PIEDMONT CONFERENCE											32,517
	Baptist Cathedral							275,000			
	Calvary	40						50,000			
	Christ	40	22				9	20,000	2,665	150	2,715
	Christian Faith										
	Community	81	50	20			15	150,000	15,336	1,026	16,362
	East Rockingham	285	350	14	15	10	90	300,000	42,188	626	42,814
Faith	116							5,103		5,103	
Gethsemane	73	55					100,000				
Gospel							25,000				