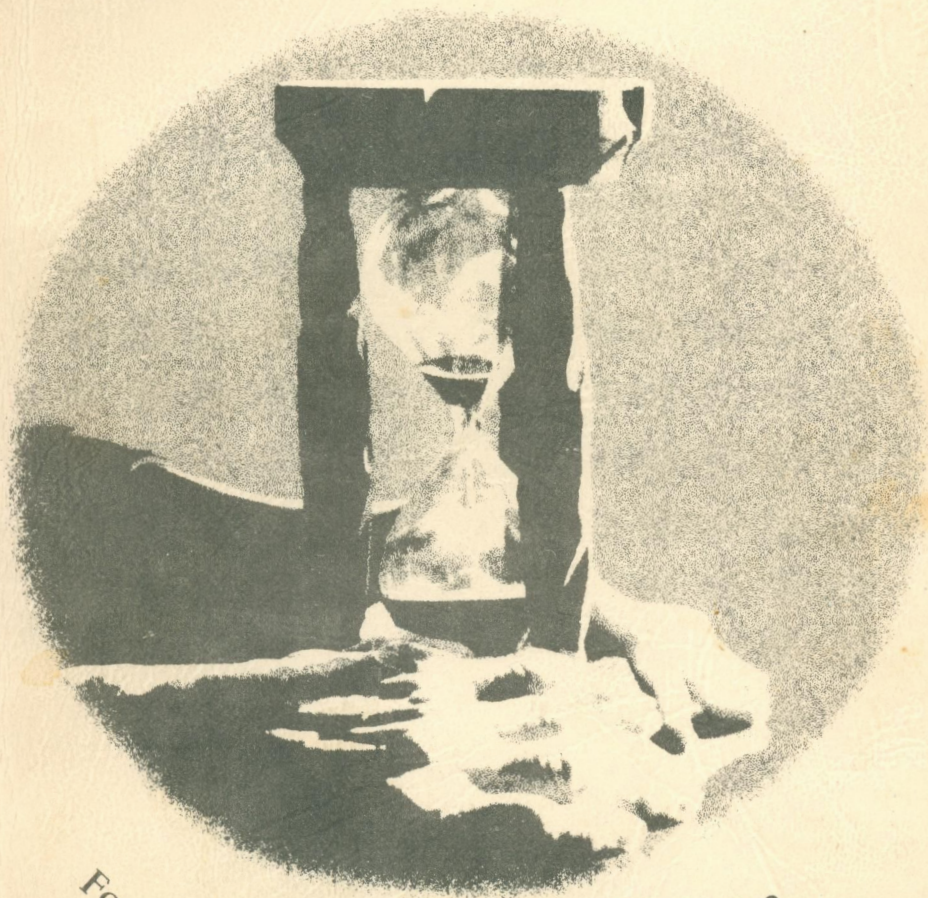


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PEE DEE ASSOCIATION
of
ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS**

Met in session with
Beaverdam Church
Columbus County, North Carolina
October 16, 1982

The next session will be held with Pireway Church in Columbus County, North Carolina, on Saturday before the third Sunday in October, 1983, beginning at 9 a.m.

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PROCEEDINGS

The one hundred-thirteenth annual session of the Pee Dee Association of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina convened at Beaverdam Church in Columbus County, North Carolina, on October 16, 1982.

This session was opened with the congregation singing "Standing on the Promises." The Rev. Buster Benton conducted the devotional service, taking his text from Psalm 27. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Neil Harrelson.

The welcome address was given by the Rev. Buster Benton. The response was given by the Rev. Jerome Jenerette.

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, except Ash and Pine Level, were represented by delegates.

The roll of ministers was called and the Revs. A. L. Duncan, I. G. Ward, Harvey Cribb, Claude Housand, Lewis J. Sprouse, Archie Smith, Levy J. Ward, and Horace Ward were absent. The Revs. A. L. Duncan and I. G. Ward were excused by motion of the Rev. Hollon Norris.

The moderator then appointed the following committees:

Devotional Committee: Richard Fowler, Harold Gene Cartrette, and George Eastman. (This committee was excused to select the minister to bring the morning message.)

Periodical Committee: Jackie Splivey, Jackie Soles, and Bessie Long.

Educational Committee: Mike Fowler, Terry Sellers, and Robert Adams.

Sunday School Committee: Ann Hooks, Grady Tatum, and Garland Suggs.

Ministerial Committee: Jerome Jenerette, Brooks Sykes, and Wade Nealey.

Obituary Committee: Edell Suggs, Stella Mae Jenerette, and Sherry Hooks.

Resolutions Committee: Buster Benton, David Earl Ivey, and Jay Hodge.

Finance Committee: Jerry Cribb, Willard Brown, and Billy Ray Mercer.

Home Missions Committee: This is a standing committee composed of Lloyd Thomas, Jerry Bryan, and Bud Williams.

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

The Devotional Committee came back in and gave the following report: We, your committee, beg leave to report that the Rev. Fred Baker will bring the morning message.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Fowler

Gene Cartrette

George Eastman

The Devotional Committee report was received by motion of the Rev. Garland Suggs and vote of the Association. Committee dismissed.

The Rev. Fred Baker gave a report on Foreign Missions and Jack Penny gave a report on Home Missions.

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

Howard Cayton gave a report on the Children's Home. The congregation then sang "Kneel at the Cross" and an offering was taken for the Children's Home in the amount of \$150.25.

The Rev. Gary Bailey brought greetings from the North Carolina State Convention and also gave a report on Superannuation and the Church Finance Association.

The Rev. David Charles Hansley gave a report on the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation.

The Rev. Walter Sutton gave a report on the Retirement Homes.

Reports were accepted on motion by the Rev. Garland Suggs and vote of the Association.

Church letters were called for at this time and read by the clerk. All churches reported by letter except Pine Level.

The body was dismissed at this time for a short recess.

The Association reassembled with the singing of "Amazing Grace." Prayer was offered by the Rev. Gary Bailey. The service was then turned over to the Rev. Fred Baker who brought a very inspiring message from 1 Timothy 4:15, 16.

The congregation was dismissed for lunch with prayer by the Rev. James B. Hardee who also asked the blessings for the lunch that had been prepared.

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

The house was announced in order 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,

Jackie Spivey

Jackie Soles

Bessie Long

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

EDUCATIONAL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that the first priority in an education should be the teaching and learning of the Word of God, taught as effectively as possible in our churches and homes; and in continuing their education our young people should consider Mount Olive College through our churches in the Pee Dee Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Sellers

Mike Fowler

Robert Adams

Received on motion of Brother Junior Tyler and committee dismissed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We, your committee, beg leave to report that we recommend to all churches in our Association that they strive prayerfully and carefully to promote and maintain an effective 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 schools use literature printed by the Free Will Baptist Press Foundation in Ayden, North Carolina. We believe that Sunday school should be a point of reviving as well as learning.

Respectfully submitted,

Garland Suggs

Grady Tatum

Ann Hooks

Report received and committee dismissed on motion of Brother Dallas Byrd.

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, the Pee Dee Association is very interested in the opening of the Foundation Bible and Bookstore in the Whiteville area, and;

WHEREAS, we feel funds are needed, and;

WHEREAS, to assist and encourage the opening of said bookstore:
BE IT RESOLVED, that we contribute \$300 of Conference funds to be given for materials for building fixtures and encourage our churches to receive an offering and send it to the Conference treasurer for said purpose.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph B. Benton, III
Jay Hodge
David E. Ivey

Report received and committee dismissed on motion by Brother Buster Benton.

MINISTERIAL

We, your committee, beg leave to report to the best of our knowledge that all our ministers are in good standing with our Association. We all desire your prayers, that you would work with us that God's work would be done in a pleasing and respectful way.

Respectfully submitted,
Wade Nealey
Jerome Jenerette
Brooks Sykes

Report received and committee dismissed on motion by Brother Junior Tyler.

OBITUARY

We, your committee, beg leave to report that it is with sincere regrets that we report twenty (20) 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,
Edell Suggs
Stella Jenerette
Sherry Hooks

Report received and committee dismissed on motion by Brother Leon Simmons.

FINANCE

We, your committee, beg leave to report:

Old Funds	\$ 869.47	
New Funds	<u>576.00</u>	
Total		\$1,445.47

Respectfully submitted,
Willard Brown
Jerry W. Cribb
Billy Ray Mercer

Report received and committee dismissed on motion by Brother Jackie Soles.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Old Funds	\$ 762.19	
New Funds	<u>568.00</u>	
Total		\$1,330.19

Disbursements

Clerk	\$ 30.00	
Treasurer	7.00	
Moderator	30.00	
Minutes	325.03	
Home Missions	50.00	
Bibles	<u>28.95</u>	
Total disbursements		\$ 460.72
Balance in Treasury		\$ 869.47

Respectfully submitted,
Howard McPherson, *Treasurer*

Report received on motion by Brother Jay Hodge.

HOME MISSIONS TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Old Funds	\$ 372.90	
New Funds	<u>50.00</u>	
Balance in Treasury		\$ 422.90

Respectfully submitted,
Lloyd Thomas
Bud Williams

Received by motion of Brother Jackie Soles.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

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

1. On December 3, 1982, we met with the Rev. Jack Lassiter concerning his pastoring White Oak Church. He was questioned and we recommend his pastoring White Oak Church.

2. On February 21, 1982, we met with Brother Daniel Tyler to question him for ordination. He was found sound in the faith and his ordination was set for March 7, 1982, at Mount Beulah Church.

3. On March 7, 1982, we met at Mount Beulah Church and carried out the ordination service for the Rev. Daniel Tyler.

4. On September 29, 1982, we met with Brother Jessie Jay Hodge to question him for ordination. He was found sound in the faith and his ordination service was set for October 10, 1982, at Emerson Church.

5. On October 10, 1982, we met at Emerson Church and carried out the ordination service for the Rev. Jessie Jay Hodge.

6. On October 16, 1982, we met with Brother Darrell Cartrette concerning his call into the ministry. He was questioned and recommended to his church for licensing.

7. On October 16, 1982, we recommended the Revs. Daniel Tyler, Jessie Jay Hodge and Jack Lassiter to the Association to be given the right hand of fellowship into the Pee Dee Association as ordained ministers, and Darrell Cartrette the right hand of welcome as a licentiate minister.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon Simmons, *Clerk of Council*

Report received on motion of Brother Robert Adams, and the right hand of fellowship and the right hand of welcome were given as recommended, after they were introduced and presented to the Association by the Rev. Robert Sellers.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No Report.

INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE

No Report.

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

Old or unfinished business—none.

New business was called for and there was a motion by Brother Robert Adams that Resolutions Number One and Number Two of last

year be put in the Special Committee Report in the back of the minutes to be reported each year. Motion carried.

There was a motion by Brother Robert Adams that we select delegates to the North Carolina State Convention for next year. Motion carried and Brothers Robert Adams, David Ivey and Grady Tatum were selected.

There was a motion by Brother Robert Adams that we give Beaverdam Church a standing vote of thanks for hosting the Association. Motion carried.

Motion by the Rev. Robert Sellers that we have four hundred (400) minutes printed. Motion carried.

Motion by the Rev. James Nobles that we get a home for Association meeting for next year. Motion carried. Fireway Church and Thomasboro Church extended invitations.

Motion by the Rev. Garland Suggs that the Association go to Fireway Church next year. Motion carried.

Motion by the Rev. Jay Hodge to pay clerk, treasurer, and moderator as usual. Motion carried.

Motion by the Rev. Wade Nealey to give the Rev. J. W. Byrd \$100 out of the treasury to aid and assist him during his sickness. Motion carried.

Motion by the Rev. Junior Tyler that the Rev. A. L. Duncan be given \$100 out of the Home Missions treasury. Motion carried.

Motion by Brother Robert Adams that if there was no more business to come before the Association today, that we adjourn until next year. Motion carried and the Association was dismissed with prayer by the Rev. David Charles Hansley.

Respectfully submitted,

William Jackie Godwin, *Moderator*

Jack Penny, *Clerk*

STATISTICAL TABLES

Ash: Members, 50; lost, by death 1; Conferences and unions, \$100; utilities, \$217; literature and supplies, \$200; repairs and improvements, \$1,169; miscellaneous, \$1,328; total, \$3,044. Jeanette Simmons, church clerk.

Beaverdam: Members, 719; received by baptism, 8; by letter, 1; lost by death, 5; by letter, 1; other, 5. Conferences and unions, \$861; utilities, \$4,173; literature, \$4,917; repairs and improvements, \$870; miscellaneous, \$43,352; Children's Home, \$4,115; Foreign Missions, \$3,000; Mount Olive College, \$500; Home Missions, \$465; Superannua-

tion, \$316; Cragmont, \$450; Retirement Homes, \$300; total, \$63,319. Robert Ward, church clerk.

Cypress Creek: Members, 91; received by baptism, 5; by letter, 0; lost by death 2. Conferences and unions, \$85; utilities, \$1,368; literature, \$1,237; repairs and improvements, \$528; miscellaneous, \$1,064; Children's Home, \$907; Foreign Missions, \$814; Home Missions, \$358; total, \$6,275. F. J. Lee, church clerk.

Emerson: Members, 91; received by baptism, 8; lost by death, 1; by excommunication, 4. Conferences and unions, \$270; utilities, \$1,475; literature, \$1,623; repairs and improvements, \$3,545; miscellaneous, \$19,769; Children's Home, \$1,159; Foreign Missions, \$1,089; Home Missions, \$200; total, \$29,130; Ricky Hilburn, church clerk.

Little Bethel: Members, 27; received by letter, 1; Retirement Homes, \$24; Children's Home, \$63; total, \$86. Nelson Soles, church clerk.

Macedonia: Members, 75; received by baptism, 1; received by letter, 4; lost by letter, 1; by death, 3; other, 3; Conferences and unions, \$120; utilities, \$800; literature, \$450; repairs and improvements, \$10,000; church debt, \$1,500; miscellaneous, \$475; total, \$13,670. Verlie Duncan, church clerk.

Mission Valley: Members, 63. Conferences and unions, \$44; utilities, \$925; literature, \$517; repairs and improvements, \$264; miscellaneous, \$2,299; Children's Home, \$102; Home Missions, \$23; Retirement Homes, \$25; total, \$4,199. Ricky Fowler, church clerk.

Mount Beulah: Members, 22; received by baptism, 2. Conferences and unions, \$178; utilities, \$473; literature, \$326; repairs and improvements, \$1,949; miscellaneous, \$647; total, \$3,573. Linda Perritte, church clerk.

Mount Calvary: Members, 103; lost by other, 2. Conferences and unions, \$135; utilities, \$1,294; literature, \$757; repairs and improvements, \$1,064; miscellaneous, \$6,528; Children's Home, \$344; Mount Olive College, \$38; Foreign Missions \$75; Home Missions, \$38; Retirement Homes, \$37, total, \$10,304. W. D. Brown, church clerk.

Mount Olive: Members, 80; lost by letter, 1. Conferences and unions, \$59; utilities, \$424; literature, \$175; miscellaneous, \$944; total, \$1,635. Robert Benton, church clerk.

Oak Grove: Members, 191, received by baptism, 8; by letter, 1; lost by death, 3. Conferences and unions, \$133; utilities, \$2,733; literature, \$3,022; church debt payment, \$24,326; repairs and improvements, \$3,254; miscellaneous, \$488; Children's Home, \$2,308; Mount Olive College, \$147; Foreign Missions, \$1,349; Superannuation,

\$90; Home Missions, \$1,349; Cragmont, \$128; total, \$37,098. Jerry Bryan, church clerk.

Pine Level: No report.

Pireway: Members, 42; received by baptism, 3; by letter, 1; lost by death, 1; other, 2. Conferences and unions, \$94; utilities, \$885; literature, \$315; repairs and improvements, \$477; miscellaneous, \$2,333; Children's Home, \$59; total, \$4,163. Magdalene Cribb, church clerk.

Pleasant Meadow: Members, 32, received by baptism, 4; lost by letter, 1, other, 7. Conferences and unions, \$15; utilities, \$481; literature, \$114; repairs and improvements, \$862; miscellaneous, \$1,426; total, \$2,441. Brenda Piver, church clerk.

Thomasboro: Members, 33. Conferences and unions, \$215; utilities, \$2,748; literature, \$295; repairs and improvements, \$643; miscellaneous, \$3,728; Children's Home, \$250; Foreign Missions, \$150; total, \$11,253. Grant Gore, church clerk.

White Oak: Members, 83; received by baptism, 12; by letter, 3; lost by death, 4; by letter, 4. Conferences and unions, \$457; utilities, \$2,956; literature, \$939; repairs and improvements, \$528; church debt payments, \$1,200; miscellaneous, \$17,924; Children's Home, \$500; Foreign Missions, \$221; Home Missions, \$21; Superannuation, \$23; Cragmont, \$46; total, \$24,833. Mrs. Jan Smith, 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 resolutions 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

The following rules and resolutions were approved and are to be added to this Special Committee per Conference held at Oak Grove Church on October 17, 1981.

In October 1946 at Mount Calvary Church the following resolution was adopted: That we, as Free Will Baptist Churches, call or secure Free Will Baptist Members to conduct revivals, preach, lecture, or hold special services of any kind at all times. If at any time, a minister of some other faith and practice, who is not of the Original Free Will Baptist Church, should be desired and considered worthy of conducting such services and meets approval of both the pastor and church, that such invitation shall be extended and delivered by your pastor only.

In October 1961 at Oak Grove Church a resolution to use our same resolutions that are at present printed in the minutes with the following addition: That we use preachers from the Free Will Baptist denomination in all churches.

On October 17, 1970, at White Oak Church a ruling that from now on, any minister coming into our Association from any other Conference or Association to do pastoral work must come before the Ordaining Council whether he joins the Association or not. He also must bring a letter of recommendation from the proper officials of the Association or Conference of which he is a member. Furthermore, if any minister that is now serving in the Pee Dee Association should leave the Association for as much as one year, then he must come before the Ordaining Council again.

On October 14, 1972, at Mount Calvary Church a resolution that in future years each church in our Association take up an offering for the Children's Home and bring it with them to the Association meeting.

The following rules and resolutions were approved and are to be added to this special committee report per Conference held at Beaverdam Church on October 16, 1982.

At Beaverdam Church on October 16, 1982, new business was called for and there was a motion by Robert Adams that the following resolutions be put in the Special Committee Report:

1. 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 3 and Titus 1, so that our Association may prosper more in future years with dedicated leadership.

2. BE IT RESOLVED, that any minister who is called full-time from another Conference to a Pee Dee Association church, shall become a member of the Pee Dee Association. The incoming pastor should bring a letter of good standing from the Conference/Association of which he is presently a member. It is the responsibility of the local church to contact the Ordaining Council and give them the name of the incoming pastor. This is for them to approve him for this pastorate. This incoming pastor must be approved by the Ordaining Council before assuming the pastorate.

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										TREASURER'S REPORT		
	Church	SS	YFA	AFC	WA	LL	Scouts	CA	League	Total Property Value	Total Used Locally	Denom- national Enterprises	Grand Total
Verona	57	95	17		16	12				200,000	16,064	1,071	17,135
Wardens Grove	77	66			15				45	95,000	6,432	2,890	9,372
Warsaw, First	37	60			10					50,000	6,047	1,795	7,842
Welcome Home	93	36								250,000			
Westside	122	124											
Whaley's Chapel	204	84			13					125,000	3,057	2,093	5,150
White Hill	165	57			13					55,000	8,052	594	8,646
White Oak (Jones)													
White Oak Grove	116	96	16		27					60,000	22,810	1,798	24,608
Wilmington, First	23	23								150,000	7,915	150	8,065
Wintergreen	325	125			30								
Woodrow, First	35	50			13				15	50,000	12,118	331	12,449
Totals	10,527	6,352	376	299	1,223	174	95	89	144	7,637,964	1,254,956	204,692	1,459,648
PEE DEE CONFERENCE													
Ash	50	20			16					24,000	2,914	130	3,044
Beavardam	719	451	57	28	30				167	200,000	53,312	10,007	63,319
Cypress Creek	91	103	12	8	8					75,000	4,196	2,079	6,275
Emerson	91	125			20	10			48		26,412	2,718	29,130
Little Bethel	44											86	86
Macedonia	75	80			15					60,000	13,225	445	13,670
Mission Valley	63	81								150,000	4,005	194	4,199
Mount Beulah	22	49			10					10,000	3,395	178	3,573
Mount Calvary	103	102								175,000	9,643	661	10,304
Mount Olive	80									37,500	1,542	93	1,635
Oak Grove	191	191	25	22	20				67	250,000	31,596	5,502	37,098

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