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Woman's
Auxiliary Convention**



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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

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Nashville, Tennessee

November 16, 1966

The 1967 Session will be held at
Randall Memorial Free Will Baptist Church
Memphis, Tennessee
November 15, 1967

TWCA OFFICERS

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Cumberland District Officers

Randall Memorial Officers

Union District Officers

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CONVENTION DEPARTMENTAL CHAIRMEN

Annual reports and recommendations should be mailed before November 1, 1967, by the District Chairmen to the TWAC Chairmen (first named).
Enlistment.....Mrs. J. B. Smith; Mrs. Gordon Hart, CDWA;
Mrs. Dennis Edgar, Randall; Mrs. Viola Jenkins, UDWA
Personal Service-Evangelism.....Mrs. H. Teague; Mrs. J. B. Smith, CDWA
Mrs. Charles McNeese, Randall; Mrs. Jessie Steffey, UDWA
Publicity-Literature-Missions—
Mrs. Paul Woolsey; Miss Mary Ruth Wisehart, CDWA;
Mrs. J. W. Harrelson, Randall; Mrs. Pearl Morgan, UDWA
Statistics.....Mrs. I. L. Stanley; Mrs. Glenn Vann, CDWA;
Mrs. J. W. Harrelson, Randall; Mrs. Peggy Pierce, UDWA
Stewardship-Preyer.....Mrs. Linda Wright; Mrs. W. A. Binkley, CDWA;
Mrs. Eugene Watkins, Randall; Mrs. Rauph Staten, UDWA
Study Course.....Mrs. Ray Turnage; Mrs. Byron Ross, CDWA;
Mrs. Cletus Bullman, Randall; Mrs. Dennis Christian, UDWA

TWAC COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Credentials.....Assistant Recording Secretary, Mrs. Fred Dover
Executive.....Treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Frazier
Honor Awards.....Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Paul Woolsey
Nominations.....Mrs. Ray Turnage; Mrs. Wm. Mishler; Mrs. Loretta Watkins
Plan of Work.....President, Mrs. Gorgon Hart
Registration.....Vice-President, Mrs. J. B. Smith

CONVENTION ENROLLMENT

District Delegates Who Registered

Cumberland—Mrs. W. E. Marshall, Mrs. Henry Melvin, Mrs. J. E. Simpson,
Mrs. J. B. Stack.
Union—Mrs. Dennis Christian, Mrs. E. M. French, Mrs. Ray Turnage, Mrs.
Harold Pitts.

Local Auxiliary Delegates Who Registered

Cumberland—Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Katherine Harris, Mrs. W. B. Harris,
Mrs. Gordon Hart, Mrs. Pearly Hunt, Mrs. William Mishler, Mrs. Cleo
Purcell, Betty J. Ross, Mrs. J. B. Smith.
Randall—Mrs. Loretta Watkins.
Union—Mrs. Dorlene Fields, Mrs. I. L. Stanley.

WNAC Officers Who Registered

Vice-President—Mrs. Robert Picirilli.
Executive Secretary—Mrs. Cleo Purcell.

District Convention Officers

Cumberland—Mrs. Robert Picirilli, Mrs. Gordon Hart, Mrs. W. B. Harris,
Mrs. Betty J. Ross, Mrs. J. B. Smith.
Union—Mrs. Dennis Christian,

Ministers Who Registered

Cumberland—Gordon W. Hart, W. B. Hughes, George Ludwig, Jim McLain,
William Mishler, W. T. Turnbough.
Randall—Eustace A. Riggs, Norlin D. Jones.
Stone—W. H. Teague.
Union—Dewey C. Bernard, E. H. Brock, Harley Brown, Seldon Bullard,
J. W. Fields, E. M. French, Bobby Greene, E. C. Jennings, Harold Pitts,
Don Sexton, Wiley Vaughn, Paul Woolsey.
West Virginia—F. A. Giles.

CONSTITUTION

of the

TENNESSEE FREE WILL BAPTIST

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Preamble

Believing that a bond of union and fellowship among Free Will Baptist Women of Tennessee will achieve greater success in all their efforts which are put forth in the various districts throughout the state, through a state organization, thus further combining our auxiliary work with a view to unity of purpose in promoting more effectively the cause of Christ along all lines of Christian Women's endeavors, we do organize and adopt the following constitution for our better government:

Article I—Name

This organization shall be known as the Tennessee Woman's Auxiliary Convention of Free Will Baptists.

Article II—Purpose

The primary purpose of this convention shall be to advance the cause of missions and to bring the women of each convention district within Tennessee together for the purpose of transacting business pertaining to the promotion of mission work in general.

Article III—Membership

Representation in the State Convention is by districts.

Section 1.—The officers of the Convention together with the district presidents, the ten district delegates duly accredited by the state credentials committee and one elected from each local auxiliary are entitled to vote.

Section 2.—Local Woman's Auxiliaries representing directly to this body shall send one dollar twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per member for membership and convention representation fee.

Article IV—Officers

Section 1.—The officers of this convention shall be a president, vice-president, recording secretary, assistant recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer, study course chairman, stewardship-prayer chairman, and personal service-evangelism chairman, five of whom shall be a quorum for transaction of business.

Section 2.—All officers and duly accredited delegates shall be members in good standing of a Free Will Baptist church and active members of a local woman's auxiliary.

Article V—Elections

All officers shall serve for a term of two years and shall be nominated by a nominating committee and be elected by acclamation, unless there are other nominations. In case of more than one nominee, for any particular office, a vote will be taken on each. All elections shall be held at the closing business session of the convention.

Article VI—Annual Meeting

The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of business shall be held each year at such time and place as may be determined at the previous annual meeting, or by the executive committee.

Article VII—Financing

Section 1.—One dollar (\$1.00) per active member shall be paid yearly to the Woman's Auxiliary Convention for membership and convention representation fee, plus an additional \$1.00 fee for each local Auxiliary comprising the District Convention.

Section 2.—Local auxiliaries, in sections of the state where there is no district convention, may elect and send one delegate with proper membership fee (\$1.25 per member) directly from the local to the state convention.

Section 2.—The desired plan for giving in the Woman's Auxiliary is (1) Mission offerings following each of the three special weeks of prayer, and (2) The Co-Labor offerings received and disbursed monthly. All Auxiliary offerings for every cause shall be sent promptly and regularly through the prescribed auxiliary channels; that is, local to district, district to state, and state treasurer to W.N.A.C. treasurer.

Article VIII—Amendments

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the convention by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the proposed amendment be presented in writing at the first official session of the convention and acted on during the closing session.

BY-LAWS

Article I—Duties of Officers

Section 1. President—The president shall preside over all meetings, appoint such committees as may be needed, call the executive committee together when necessary, be ex-officio member of all standing committees, and perform all duties usually pertaining to the office of president, and shall compile a tentative Plan of Work annually.

Section 2. Vice President—The vice president shall preside in the absence of the president and otherwise assist her in the oversight of the general work. As chairman of the enlistment committee, she shall help district enlistment chairmen in organizing and building up auxiliaries; should be in charge of all membership activities. During the state convention, the vice president serves as chairman of the registration committee.

Section 3. Recording Secretary—The recording secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the convention and executive committee meetings, preserve all valuable papers and turn same over to her successor in office, and make an annual report to the national recording secretary on the form provided for such reports.

Section 4. Assistant Recording Secretary—The assistant recording secretary shall serve as chairman of the credentials committee. In the absence of the recording secretary, the assistant recording secretary shall serve in her place.

Section 5.—Corresponding Secretary—The corresponding secretary has a three-fold responsibility; namely:

1. As Publicity Chairman she shall have charge of all correspondence pertaining to the work of the convention; send public notice of all meetings to public presses and report items of interest to W.N.A.C. for publication; prepare posters for convention displays and exhibits.
2. As Literature Chairman it shall be her duty to devise ways and means (1) for arousing interest in all W.N.A.C. literature and (2) for securing every possible subscription to denominational publications.
3. As Mission Chairman she shall keep well informed of the latest developments in our missionary program by correspondence with our missionary leaders and directors, and the study of our church publications.

Section 6. Treasurer—The treasurer shall have charge of all funds belonging to this convention, and shall pay out same only when authorized by the convention. The treasurer shall keep an accurate account and shall give a report in November. She shall also send an annual report to the W.N.A.C. executive secretary-treasurer at least ten days before the annual W.N.A.C. meeting in July. The treasurer must be bonded and her accounts and all funds must be audited annually. The convention year shall terminate and all books of the treasurer be closed October 30.

Section 7. Study Course Chairman—The study course chairman shall promote all mission study courses of the year, securing suggested text books and information from her national chairman. She shall encourage systematic study of the conditions and needs on our mission fields. She shall secure the cooperation of the district chairman in encouraging and promoting quarterly workshops.

Section 8. Stewardship-Prayer Chairman—It is the duty of the stewardship-prayer chairman to promote the idea of being good stewards in all phases, promote family altars, and to secure the cooperation of our women in planning challenging seasonal weeks of prayer programs and collecting mission offerings following each season of prayer.

Section 9.—Personal Service-Evangelism Chairman—The personal service-evangelism chairman shall encourage the district personal service chairman in assigned and directed community missions which includes all soul-winning efforts.

Article II—Department Promotional Work

Departmental promotional work shall be carried on by the chairman of the various departments in the convention in cooperation with like chairman in the district conventions. For instance, it shall be the duty of the state convention's vice president to share enlistment ideas and plans with vice presidents of the district conventions, who in turn shall cooperate in enlistment endeavors with vice presidents of local auxiliaries. The same principle applies to all other departments of the convention.

The state chairmen shall originate and direct the plan of work in their respective departments in harmony with the W.N.A.C. chief aims and the state convention's adopted plan of work. These plans shall be arranged and presented to the executive secretary at least (10) days prior to the regular annual meeting of the state executive committee. Approved plans will then become recommendations to the convention.

Each department chairman shall devise ways and means of promoting her respective department of work throughout all the district conventions within the state, securing materials and helps from the national chairman of her department; shall have charge of all work pertaining to, or necessary to the promotion of her special phase of the convention's plan of work; shall be expected to attend the executive committee meetings.

For the annual report, each department chairman will secure and compile informative and inspirational facts from district chairman concerning her department's activities during the year, that will make interesting and helpful historical records to be printed in the State's minutes.

Article III—Committees

Section 1. Executive Committee composed of the general officers and the department chairman, five of whom constitute a quorum, shall hold its regular annual meeting preceding the annual convention for the transaction of business; and shall report through its officers at each annual session of this Body what has been done toward carrying out the objects of the organization. Other meetings at such other time as the president shall designate may be held. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to maintain an oversight of the work at large. They shall act for the convention when necessary, same to be subject to the will of the convention at its regular meetings. They shall prepare the program for the regular annual meeting of the convention.

Section 2. Nominating Committee shall be composed of one member from each district convention and one member at large. All are to be nominated from the floor and elected by the body at its annual meeting. This committee shall be retained for the entire year in order to fill any vacancy occurring during the year. Each interim nomination will, of course, be upon approval of the executive committee.

Section 3. Credentials—The assistant recording secretary shall be chairman of the credentials committee, and other members may be appointed by the president. This committee shall study the district reports and make its report to the state body before delegates are seated. This report will be a digest of district reports, along with the eligibility report on delegates, etc.

Section 4. Finance—The treasurer shall be chairman of the finance committee, and other members may be appointed by the president. The members appointed by the president audits the financial records of the year and reports on same to the Body. All appropriations and expenses of the officers may be decided upon by the Finance Committee, and passed upon by the convention.

Section 5. Registration—The vice president shall be chairman, and other members may be appointed by the president. This committee registers every convention officer, every delegate, auxiliary, minister, visitor and any other the convention may desire. The report shall include this and other information as desired.

Section 6. Honor Awards—The corresponding secretary shall be chairman, and other members may be appointed by the president. The committee examines the year's records relative to participating in the Adopted Plan of Work for the convention year, and thereby determines the winner of the Highest Honor Award.

Section 7. Plan of Work—The president, as chairman, shall collect all plans and recommendations sent to her by each department chairman prior to the regular annual executive committee meeting. She will have these plans arranged as a tentative plan of work for presentation to the executive committee. The approved plans will then become recommendations to be presented to the Body in session for adoption as the convention's plan of work for the ensuing year. It shall be her duty to keep the convention's plan of work before the women of the convention area at all times by every available means. Other members of the Plan of Work Committee should be appointed by the president.

Article IV—Amendments

The by-laws may be amended according to Article VIII under the Constitution.

TENNESSEE FREE WILL BAPTIST WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

21st Annual Session

Convention Theme — "Pressing Forward"

Convention Hymn — "Higher Ground"

Scripture Test—Phillipians 3:14

Wednesday Morning, November 16, 1966

An organ prelude by Mrs. W. M. White opened the 21st session of the Tennessee Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary Convention at the East Nashville Free Will Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Ray Turnage, Superintendent at the Home for Children of Greeneville, Tennessee, led the opening song, "Higher Ground," the convention hymn. He also read from Phillipians 3:14 and announced the theme of the convention.

Mrs. Henry Melvin, the host pastor's wife, gave a very warm welcome to the officers, delegates and visitors. Mrs. Dennis Christian, Church Hill, responded.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Robert Picirilli from the Convention Scripture Text, Phil. 3:14. The one who wins is the one who thinks he can win, she reminded us, urging each to be good examples as we "press toward the mark."

The President, Mrs. Gordon Hart, opened the business session by calling for the report of the Credentials Committee, which by sustained motion was adopted as read. (See Committee Reports section.)

The district delegates, district presidents, and the local auxiliary delegates who had officially registered were recognized by the president and seated as duly authorized voting power of the convention. (Delegates listed on page 3.)

Recognition and welcome was extended to all attending the convention from various sections of the state. Two WNAC Officers, Mrs. Cleo Purcell, executive secretary; and Mrs. Clara Picirilli, Vice-president, were present. Five of the TWAC Officers were present, namely: Mrs. Gordon Hart, Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mrs. Ray Turnage, and Mrs. I. L. Stanley. One District president, Mrs. Robert Picirilli, was present. Two missionaries, Rev. and Mrs. Jim McLain, and children also attended. Two district conventions and six local auxiliaries were represented. Twenty-two ministers and forty visitors registered.

Motion was sustained to adopt the printed program as scheduled for the session with permission granted the president to make any changes where needed.

Rev. Eustace Riggs led the group in singing after which the president appointed the following committees:

Appreciation—Mrs. Harold Pitts, Mrs. E. M. French, Mrs. Mat Maxey.

Credentials—Mrs. Betty J. Ross, Mrs. Pearly Hunt, Mrs. Roger Reeds.

Finance—Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mrs. Edna Harris, Mrs. J. B. Stax.

Honors Awards—Mrs. W. A. Binkley, Mrs. William Mishler, Mrs. Loretta Watkins.

Plan of Work—Mrs. Cleo Purcell, Mrs. Dennis Christian, Mrs. W. E. Marshall.

Registration—Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. Edna Harris, Mrs. C. A. Christian.

Resolutions—Mrs. J. E. Simpson, Mrs. Clara Picirilli, Mrs. Norlin Jones.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the secretary, and the proposed Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws were duly discussed.

By sustained motion the proposed amendments were amended as follows: In line three of Section 2, Article II of the Constitution, the Membership fee (\$1.25 per member). Also, in Article VII—Financing; the first line of Section I shall read: One dollar (\$1.00) per active member; also, line two of Section 3 shall read "send one dollar twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per member." Then wherever necessary, the proper corrections are to be made to produce complete harmony with these amendments.

A motion sustained that proposed Amendments, as amended, be placed on the table for action at the closing business session of the Body.

Each TWAC Officer gave testimony along with brief report of her year's work as adopted for the Officers of the different departments within the organization. (See Officer's Reports section.)

Rev. W. B. Hughes directed the hymn "Have Faith in God" after which Rev. Jim McLain, missionary to Japan, brought a timely message on "Pressing Forward in Missions," which was challenging to the hearts of his hearers. Like the children of Israel, we often complain though living in a privileged age. Many gates open when people are obedient for we can rely on His promises. Japan has highest literacy rate, but needful of the Gospel. There have been no new missionaries within Free Will Baptist ranks since 1958 on the Japanese field.

The missionary offering of \$40.28 was received for Rev. and Mrs. McLain.

The Body was adjourned to re-convene at 1:30 P.M. Committees were to meet at 1:15 P.M. Closing prayer was led by Rev. Don Sexton.

Wednesday Afternoon, November 16, 1966

The afternoon session opened with prayer by the President, Mrs. Gordon Hart. Rev. W. B. Hughes led the convention in the hymn "Rescue the Pershing." The devotional was led by Mrs. McLain who described a missionary as "an ordinary person with an extra-ordinary job." She requested that auxiliary members remember the Youth of Japan who are seeking the Truth. She reminded us that we have the Truth—the Gospel.

Mrs. Norlin Jones, in giving a memorial of those who have gone to live with the Lord, read from Psalms 3:5 and Psalms 4:8. Mrs. Turnage led in prayer for blessings upon those who have lost loved ones during the past year.

The minutes of the morning session were read and adopted as read.

Reports of committees were read and by sustained motions adopted. (See Committees Reports section.)

The following Nominating Committee was nominated from the floor:

Cumberland Association.....Mrs. William Mishler

At large.....Mrs. Loretta Watkins

Union Association.....Mrs. Ray Turnage

Motion was made that Mrs. Turnage be chairman of the committee and have slate of officers to present to the convention when the 1967 session opens. Motion carried.

Motion was made to take the proposed amendments from the table and dispose of them item by item. Motion sustained.

ITEM I—Amendment to the Constitution

Article III—Membership

Section 2.—Local auxiliaries, in sections of the state where there is no district convention, may elect and send one delegate with proper membership fee (\$1.25 per member) directly from the local to the State Convention.

(Adopted as read.)

Article VII — Financing

Section 1. One dollar (\$1.00) per active member shall be paid yearly to the Woman's Auxiliary Convention for membership and convention representation fee, plus additional \$1.00 fee for each auxiliary comprising the district convention. (Adopted as read.)

Section 2. Local Woman's Auxiliaries representing directly to this Body shall send one dollar twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per member for membership and convention representation fee. (Adopted as read.)

That wherever necessary in the Constitution and By-Laws, the needed corrections are to be made to produce harmony with these amendments. (Adopted.)

Motion sustained for the Recording Secretary to send Plan of Work copies to the District Officers.

Motion sustained to add \$10.00 from the Treasury to the Missionary Offering for the Rev. and Mrs. Jim McLain.

The following delegates were nominated from the floor to WNAC to be held in Jacksonville, Florida, in July, 1967: Mrs. Ray Turnage, Mrs. William Mishler, Mrs. Harold Pitts, Mrs. W. T. Turnbough, Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. W. E. Marshall, and Mrs. Dennis Christian.

Rev. Don Sexton, State Home Missions, reported that a new work in Jackson, Tennessee, is off to a good start under the direction of Rev. Norlin Jones. Rev. Jones reported on evangelism work among the children around his home, where services are now being held. He urged all auxiliary members to visit them, pray for them and support the work in Jackson.

OFFICERS' REPORT SECTION

November 1, 1965 — October 31, 1966

"I Press Toward the Mark for the Prize" Phil. 3:14

President's Report

"Pressing Forward Through Leadership"

Phillipians 3:14 "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

As we think of pressing forward as Presidents of our State, District, and Local Auxiliaries, there are many things to be considered. I wish to call your attention to four things briefly:

1. Pressing Forward in Our Plan of Work—It is our job as President to keep the Plan of Work before our women and encourage them to participate in it wholeheartedly. Do you look for new ideas and ways to present it to make it more challenging and rewarding?

2. Pressing Forward in Our Meetings—Are your meetings Christ-centered and planned with the Glory of God in mind? Do they promote missions? Do we stress soul-winning as a main objective, or have our meetings fallen in the rut of "Let's hurry and get it over with"?

3. Pressing Forward in the "Near Future" Generation—It is an alarming thing when we notice how few young women we have in our auxiliaries. In political circles we hear so much about "Near Future" generations, and how they are planning ahead and figuring out ways to get the votes of this generation when they become "of age." Are we planning ahead and trying to make our auxiliaries challenging enough to reach our young women when they become "of age"?

4. Pressing Forward in Our Personal Relationship With the Lord—and With Others—It is frightening when we realize that our auxiliary will rise no higher than it's leaders. May this idea humble us and bring us to our knees before the Lord for help, strength and guidance in "pressing toward the mark."

Personal Report:

I attended one WNAC Meeting; 7 local meetings (due to illness I could not attend others); 1 district meeting; 1 district workshop; Seasons of Prayer; 3 study courses. I have served as State President and District Vice-President; local corresponding secretary; taught one study course.

Prepared 33 letters. Made 12 or more telephone calls.

I personally contacted 4 local churches about starting an auxiliary in their church.

Pray for me during the coming year and if I can be of help to any of you, please, feel free to call on me.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor P. Hart

Vice-President's Report

"Pressing Forward Through Enlistment"

Jeremiah 50:5b "Come and let us join ourselves to the Lord in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten."

Enlistment is necessary for the growth of all auxiliaries. In the average Free Will Baptist Church there are many fine women who do not belong to the auxiliary. These should be looked upon as prospects. It is the responsibility of the entire membership of the auxiliary, with the enlistment chairman as the leader.

How can we enlist these prospects—Nothing can take the place of visitation. This means a personal touch, which is so important. Everyone wants to feel important and wanted. We need to call on the new church members and those who have recently moved within reach of our churches. Consideration, courtesy, kindness and friendliness are real assets in winning new members.

After you have enlisted these new members, it is necessary to keep them. By all means, visit absentees. Let them know you miss them and you need them.

The ministry of the auxiliary helps us to understand God's will for our life. Each meeting will help to strengthen our determination to work for God's glory.

The talent and efforts of many of our finest women are being lost by our not enlisting them. May we plead that the auxiliaries everywhere realize the importance of the progress of this great work, and work hard to enlist the unenlisted. Remember the prayer of Jesus "That the world may know."

Attended—12 local meetings; 3 Seasons of Prayer; 5 study courses; 1 district meeting; 1 work shop.

Served as—State Vice-President; district personal service chairman; local program-prayer chairman; and taught one D.V.B.S.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. B. Smith

Recording Secretary's Report

"Pressing Forward Through Using Records"

We are endeavoring to "forget those things which are behind" wherein we have fallen short of the Great Command, but "reaching forth unto those things which are before" we press toward the mark.

There are many churches in the state without an auxiliary. There are auxiliaries within the state failing to see the need of reporting their work. But we do thank God for those who put forth effort to do what the Lord teaches; witnessing at home and abroad, cheering the discouraged ones, comforting the sick, and then record these activities to encourage others to "Press toward the Mark."

With more materials available than we have ever had for study, our women can be better qualified to do His work. A teacher fully lead of the Holy Spirit, observing the laws of teaching, can lead others to a knowledge of God's will for them toward world-wide evangelism.

Without the perseverance and labor of those who have gone before us, we would not have the reports we have today. But, with more prayer and more pressing forward toward our goal will we be able to accomplish the task before us.

Attended—1 WNAC meeting; 1 state meeting; 1 district meeting; 4 quarterly meetings; 12 local meetings; 4 study classes; 3 Seasons of Prayer.

Served as—TWAC recording secretary; Western Quarterly convention treasurer; local president.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. I. L. Stanley

Report of Assistant Recording Secretary

(Credentials Committee Chairman)

No report has been received from Mrs. Fred Dover, Newport, Tenn., who is Assistant Recording Secretary. Mrs. Betty J. Ross served as chairman of 1966 Credentials Committee in Mrs. Dover's absence. (See Committee Reports.)

Report of Corresponding Secretary- Missions Chairman

"Pressing Forward Through Publicity"

Mrs. Paul Woolsey was unable to attend the convention. However, she did report the following:

Attended—8 local meetings; 2 Seasons of Prayer; 1 WNAC; 1 district meeting; 4 quarterly conventions; 1 state meeting.

Taught—6 mission study classes.

Served as—District President; State corresponding secretary-missions chairman, president local, teacher in youth camp.

Prepared—helped prepare district program, wrote letters and cards to officers and committee.

I would suggest that each local auxiliary take care that Missionary Emphasis be a part of every monthly meeting. As your state Missions chairman, I have conducted six study courses on missions.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Paul Woolsey

Report of Treasurer

(Finance Chairman)

"Pressing Forward With Our Gifts"

Recently as we reviewed what God has done through the Woman's Auxiliaries of Tennessee since last November, we have been deeply conscious that in each monthly victory, in every step of advance; you have stood together with our missionaries in your praying, in your studying and in your giving, have had a vital share in these missionary endeavors which enabled TWAC to Press Forward for God and Missions.

TWAC members have, I think, always experienced joy in supporting missions with money. For this reason each year, this convention adopts certain projects, or goals, to be achieved during the year whereby it is hoped that not only will the members of the auxiliary press forward, but that through enlisting participation in these projects the whole church will become more actively concerned about, and enlisted in, supporting Free Will Baptist Missions everywhere.

The Treasurer's report reveals the results of our pressing forward together with God toward these goals that were adopted at Newport, Tennessee, on November 17, 1966, as the TWAC Plan of Work for this convention year. Truly "He that planteth and he that watereth are one—for we are laborers together with God." (I Cor. 3:8-9)

Designated Gifts 1965-66	Cash Received	Disburse- ments	Cash on Hand 11-1-65 \$ 379.17
Bible College Library	\$ 159.77	\$ 159.77	
Children's Home	992.93	992.93	
Co-Laborer Fund	476.94	317.31	
Convention Fund	240.98	368.93	
Foreign Missions	2,084.31	2,084.31	
Home Missions	984.47	984.47	
Miscellaneous (2 orphanage boys—students at Bible C.)	80.00	80.00	
Student Loan Fund	334.00	334.00	
State Home Missions	129.48	129.48	
Superannuation	20.00	20.00	
WNAC Emphasis Fund	297.25	297.25	
Youth Encampment	159.06	159.06	
TOTALS for the year	\$5,953.04	\$5,922.46	
Balance for the year			30.58
Cash in Ashland City Bank & Trust Co. 11-1-66			\$ 409.75

My Personal Report:

Attended—14 local meetings; 2 district meetings; 2 state meetings; 4 quarterly meetings; 2 study classes; 2 seasons of prayer; 1 national meeting.

Served as—local recording secretary; state treasurer; teacher of study classes; quarterly meeting treasurer; church clerk.

Prepared—Study class plan; 2 special programs; report forms; state Plan of Work for mailing; 36 letters; 5 TWAC committee reports.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. E. Frazier

Study Course Chairman

"Pressing Forward through Study and Meditation"

The seven areas of study provided for the auxiliary members are missions, stewardship, evangelism, prayer, manual, youth and Christian living. To be an "A" auxiliary four of these subjects must be studied during the year. Missions and the Auxiliary Manual are required subjects each year. Posters and playlets are helpful in teaching, especially in creating greater interest. Suggested books can be acquired through the Study Course Catalogue from WNAC Headquarters. I Timothy 2:15 tells us to "Know what the Bible says and means. Be a good workman, one who does not need to be ashamed when God examines your work."

(No personal report was received from the Study Course Chairman, Mrs. Turnage.)

Stewardship-Prayer Chairman

"Pressing Forward Through Our Gifts and Prayers"

(No personal report has been received from the Stewardship-Prayer Chairman, Mrs. Linda Wright.)

To listen to our missionaries speak, especially after their having served on the field, we are impressed to pray more and more for them and for the heathen to whom they go. When the worker knows that he has intercessors at home remembering his needs he is encouraged. Many auxiliaries have those who participate daily in Prayer Fellowship in behalf of world-wide evangelism.

When we realize the need of effectual fervent prayer for the unevangelized, God helps us to see the necessity of giving of our time, our money, and our talents to help win them to Him.

Report of Personal Service-Evangelism Chairman

"Pressing Forward through Helping Others"

Personal service is a vital part of every auxiliary. By performing the activities as outlined month by month in our Plan of Work, each member is given a wonderful opportunity to do "all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

He who gave His time, strength and Life serving humanity, has the right to expect us to do likewise.

Telling people everywhere how to be saved from sin is the business of all Christians. Across the seas the word is Missions; at home it is Evangelism; in the local church it is Soul-winning. But it all means the same.

Though the body is to be fed and clothed, Christian fellowship expressed, and morals lifted; the primary reason for the human ministries is that "souls might be clothed with Righteousness, the sick cheered and comforted and strangers be welcomed and led to better beliefs."

Here are some things that might help in the Personal Service-Evangelism Department:

1. Soul-winning is the most important phase of our work.
2. Be more considerate and helpful to those in the community.
3. Keep the needs of Free Will Baptist Home for Children before your people.
4. Give expression of interest and Christian love to our aged ministers and widows.

5. Prepare and serve meals in homes of bereaved.
6. Prayer meetings in homes of unsaved, jails, detention homes, and places where sin is so prevalent.

By Mrs. W. B. Harris
for Mrs. Norma Teague

Pressing Forward Through Missions

After hearing the inspiring reports of the TWAC officers and the committee reports showing the accomplishments of the past year, Mrs. Cleo Purcell stirred our hearts to do even more for Missions in the year ahead.

All were urged to pray much for the different fields where Free Will Baptist missionaries are serving.

Send gifts to the missionaries often, including paper mate refills, soap, deodorants (Safe Guard), Jello mixes, Tracts, etc.

Cancelled stamps even help the missionaries. Send them to REAP, P. O. Box 164, Bliss Street, Westfield, N. Y.

Every member was encouraged to give on Double Bible Sunday, December 11th the value of a Bible for someone who has no Bible (average \$1.50).

From the Missionary Provision Closet items of great need have been ready for the missionaries upon request. Many have expressed great blessings from gifts received from the Closet.

Tract Racks are available for auxiliaries. The Gospel can be sent through the printed page where we are unable to go many times. 15,000 Spanish speaking families are to be sent the Gospel of John during the months of March and April. Women are needed to address as many as 100 envelopes each in sending these out. Write WNAC Headquarters for information. Box 1088, Nashville, Tennessee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS SECTION

Appreciation Committee Report

We, your Appreciation Committee, wish to express appreciation to the following:

1. To the East Nashville Church for the accommodations of their beautiful, new church; and their kind hospitality and fellowship in entertaining this session of the TWAC.
2. To those who have worked faithfully during this convention year, to make each report possible, and this convention a success.
3. We, especially, thank each one who has had a part on the program for the Spiritual blessings we have received.

(Adopted as read.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Harold Pitts
Mrs. Mat Maxey
Mrs. E. M. French

Credentials Committee Report

We, the Committee on Credentials, submit the following report:

1. Reports received for the two district auxiliaries and Randal Memorial (local) have been examined and according to Article Three of the TWAC

Constitution, they are in order and we recommend that their delegates, who have officially registered, be seated; Cumberland District Woman's Auxiliary, Union District Woman's Auxiliary, and Randall Memorial Woman's Auxiliary.

2. We recommend that the delegates who registered properly from any local church that is affiliated with the various Bodies of TWAC be seated.

3. We recommend that this report be adopted and that all auxiliary delegates thus accredited along with the district presidents and the officers of this Body be assigned seats as the voting power of this convention.

(Adopted as read.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Betty J. Ross

Mrs. Pearley Hunt

Mrs. Myrtle Reeds

Finance Committee Report

The Committee on Finance submits the following report:

1. The Treasurer's records have been examined and found to be in agreement with records and the annual statement prepared by the Ashland City Bank and Trust Company.

2. That within 90 days following the adjournment of this session, 500 copies of the 1966 minutes be printed and distributed as follows: Ten copies per local auxiliary reporting to this Body; one copy per district and state convention officer be mailed to them.

3. That each TWAC Officer, upon presentation of a written report of her expenses incurred in promoting state auxiliary work, be reimbursed.

4. That the Recording Secretary and the Treasurer be paid the sum of \$35.00 each for the clerical work involved in these offices.

5. That the Treasurer's report form, as corrected, be adopted for use in 1967 by all auxiliaries from local treasurer through to the state treasurer, and copies be mailed.

6. That the offering of \$40.28 received today be given to missionaries Olena and Jim McClain.

(Adopted as read.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. E. Frazier

Mrs. W. B. Harris

Mrs. Bennie Stack

Honor Awards Committee

We, your Committee on Honor Awards, submit the following report:

1. According to the reports sent in by the auxiliary secretaries, there are 8 "A-1" auxiliaries; 18 "B" and 11 "C" auxiliaries.

2. 1966 reports revealed the following, relative to the participation in the convention adopted monthly reports:

Hence, to find the real winner of the Highest Honor Award, we resorted to a percentage gift record. Doing this revealed the following:

CDWA had a \$10.65 per capita gift average to the 12 projects.

Randall Memorial had a \$16.13 per capita gift average, while

UDWC had a \$5.18 average.

3. We recommend that the above data entitles Randall Memorial Auxiliary of Memphis to be the winner of the Highest Honor Award and

that the check of \$5.00 be presented to them.

Because of the splendid record of CDWA's participation and also their excellent cooperation in reporting their achievements and other data as requested, we recommend a special award be given them to present their local auxiliaries in recognition of their great work.

(Adopted as read.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ada Belle Binkley
Mrs. William Mishler
Mrs. Loretta Watkins

Plan of Work Committee

We, your Plan of Work Committee, recommend that the following projects constitute the 1966-67 Calendar of Activities for promotion by the Auxiliaries holding membership in the TWAC:

November—Season of Prayer with offering for Home Missions.

December—Season of Prayer with offering for State Missions.

January—Literature.

February—African Hospital Supplies offering.

March—Mission Ministries in India.

April—Pre-Easter Season of Prayer with offering for Foreign Missions.

May—Youth Encampment offering.

June—Free Will Baptist College Library offering.

July—Missionary Provision Closet. Send evaluation.

August—Missionary of your Choice; Emphasis Month.

September—Memorial Student Loan Fund offering.

October—Home for Children Harvest Days; State Reports and Convention Fees by November 1, 1967.

(Adopted as read.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Paul Purcell
Mrs. W. E. Marshall
Mrs. Dennis Christian

Registration Committee

We, your Registration Committee, wish to submit the following report:

District Auxiliaries Representing				2	
Local Auxiliaries Representing				6	
W.N.A.C. Officers Present				2	
T.W.A.C. Officers Present				5	
Missionaries Present				2	
& 2 children					
	Cumb.	Randall	Stone	Union	W. Va.
District Officers Registered	3			1	
District Delegates Registered	5			4	
Local Delegates Registered	8	1		2	
Ministers Registered	6	2	1	12	1
Visitors Registered	18	6	3	10	
Total Registered, 83	40	9	4	29	1

(Adopted as read.)

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. B. Smith
Mrs. C. A. Christian
Miss Katherine Harris

Resolutions Committee

We, your committee, submit the following report:

1. That each Woman's Auxiliary within the TWAC, during the year of 1967 be recognized as an outstanding auxiliary, where every member gives an offering to Missions during the three Special Seasons of Prayer, and be presented with a suitable pennant.

2. Article III and Article VII changes in Constitution. (See Wednesday Afternoon, November 16, 1966, minutes for adoption of changes in Constitution.)

3. That auxiliaries sending articles to the Missionary Provision Closet send evaluation of same to WNAC.

4. Be it resolved that we encourage our local members to read and study the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) by our next state meeting and that special recognition be given auxiliaries with greatest number of members participating (as shown on their report) at the 1967 session.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. E. Simpson

Mrs. R. E. Picirilli

Mrs. Norlin D. Jones

(Adopted item by item as read.)

Statistical Facts

For Year beginning November 1, 1965 through October 31, 1966

1. Statistical Report:

Woman's Auxiliary Enrollment November 1, 1967789
 Number of Woman's Auxiliary Organizations in District47

2. Stewardship Report:

Number of members making an offering to Missions.....298
 Number of tithers November 1, 1966303
 New tithers this year 49
 Present number of tithers352

3. Financial Report:

Amount sent for Representation Fee\$153.30
 Amount sent for Convention Expense Fund\$ 47.00
 Amount sent for Co-Laborer Fund\$475.94
 Cash Gifts for FWB Home for Children\$992.38

Offering sent to the Adopted Convention Projects:

January\$202.33	July\$ 36.50
February 314.20	(Valuation of Gifts..... 193.43
March 219.20	August 236.80
April 887.58	September 334.00
May 159.06	October 200.30
June 159.77	November 431.55
	December 239.47

Amount given to local church projects\$1,225.79

Amount spent for Auxiliary Literature 491.43

Executive Committee Minutes of Called Meeting

The Executive Committee of the TWAC met at 2:30 P.M. July 12, 1966, in the Robinson Auditorium, Little Rock, Arkansas. The following officers were present: Mrs. Gordon Hart; Mrs. J. B. Smith, Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Mrs. Paul Woolsey, Mrs. Linda Wright and Mrs. I. L. Stanley.

Mrs. Gordon Hart, President, called the meeting to order. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Stanley.

Motion was carried that the theme for the annual meeting in November be "Pressing Forward," and the Scripture to be used, Phillipians 3:14 "I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." The president was to secure a missionary on furlough to speak for the 11:00 service, and another missionary for the devotional in the afternoon.

Motion sustained that TWAC, in conference, be asked to follow recommendations of WNAC made concerning increase in membership fees.

Motion carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Gordon Hart, President
Mrs. I. L. Stanley, Rec. Sec'y

Annual Meeting of Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the TWAC met at East Nashville Church on November 15, 1966. Mrs. Gordon Hart opened the meeting by reading Isaiah 41:10 and read a poem "Oh, Give Me Rest From Self." Prayer by Mrs. Frazier.

Officers attending were Mrs. Gordon Hart, President; Mrs. J. B. Smith, Vice-President; Mrs. J. E. Frazier, Treasursr; Mrs. Ray Turnage, Study Course Chairman; Mrs. Edna Travis, proxy for Mrs. Harold Teague, Personal Service Chairman.

A discussion was held on the following:

- Plan of Work
- Amendment of the Constitution
- Adoption of the Program

Closing prayer by Mrs. J. B. Smith.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Gordon Hart, President

1965-66 Plan of Work Achievement Record

November—Season of Prayer with Thanksgiving Offering for National Home Missions	\$687.30
December—Season of Prayer with Love Offering for State Missions	591.74
(Children's Home \$462.26; State Home Missions \$129.48)	
January—Missions Ministries of North India	325.16
February—Africa Free Will Baptist Hospital Supplies	225.71
March—Furnishings for Jane Brown Cottage at Home for Children....	236.80
April—Easter Season of Prayer with Sacrificial Offering for Foreign Missions	315.36
May—Youth Encampment	159.06
June—Free Will Baptist College Library Fund	159.77
July—Missionary Provision Closet. (Shower Gift Valuation \$298.43)	31.50
August—WNAC Emphasis Month	297.25
September—WNAC Memorial Student Loan	334.00
October—State Reports and Convention Fees— by November 1, 1966	240.98
"Pressing Forward by Sharing Ourselves and Our Possessions"	

Convention Participation Record — 1965-66

District	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Total
Convention													
Cumberland	148.76	268.18	817.58	299.45	230.40	310.07	420.59	235.52	145.40	232.15	237.32	308.37	3,653.79
Randall	15.00	46.50	.00	20.00	.00	.00	23.89	15.00	18.64	.00	22.91	10.56	177.50
Temple	.00	.00	3.98	.00	.00	.00	4.22	.00	.00	.00	.00	2.76	10.96
Union	124.75	242.80	237.08	28.00	110.50	345.68	274.76	60.13	129.17	409.77	12.00	136.15	2,110.79

