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 Rev. J. H. Worley ----- Selma, N. C.
 Rev. Chester Pelt, ----- Ayden, North Carolina
 Rev. C. F. Bowen ----- Durham, North Carolina
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Rev. R. N. Hinnant ----- Micro, N. C.

DELEGATES APPOINTED

Eastern Conference ----- Rev. R. N. Hinnant
Central Conference ----- Rev. W. R. Williams
Cape Fear Conference ----- Rev. Chester Pelt
Pee Dee Association ----- Rev. J. H. Worley
Rock Fish Association ----- Rev. Paul Jenkins
Beaver Creek Association ----- Rev. Henry Melvin
State Association --C. S. Edwards, Henry Watson, C. S. Hinnant,
J. F. Oneal.
National Association ----- Fred Pittman

PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-Fifth Annual Session of the Western Association of the original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened with the Micro Free Will Baptist Church, Johnston County, North Carolina, October 15, 1941.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. F. A. Rivenbark. The congregation sang "Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us." We were then led in the devotional prayer by Brother Elton Pace. In his devotional remarks Bro. Rivenbark stressed the word "Together" as a devotional thought.

Dr. M. Hinnant, a member of the local church, extended a hearty welcome to all the Ministers, delegates and visitors. Rev. J. F. Parrish made the response.

In the Moderator's address, Rev. J. B. Ferrell, stressed the thought of dwelling together in brotherly love and right understanding of each other.

ROLL CALL OF MINISTERS

Present the first day: J. H. Worley, L. T. Phillips, A. R. Flowers, G. W. Ferrell, R. N. Hinnant, W. R. Williams, J. A. Evans, E. G. Holland, J. B. Ferrell, W. K. Jordan, J. S. Overman, B. B. Richardson, W. E. Anderson, J. F. Parrish, Henry Melvin, W. A. Hales, I. W. Jernigan, F. A. Rivenbark, Romie Mitchell, T. Renfrow, L. S. Joyner, Paul Jenkins, J. C. Varnell.

Ministers present the second day: J. H. Worley, A. R. Flowers, R. N. Hinnant, W. R. Williams, J. A. Evans, J. B. Ferrell, W. K. Jordan, M. L. Cummings, W. E. Anderson, Henry Melvin, L. H. Boykin, Dee Bissette, Romie Mitchell, F. A. Rivenbark, C. F. Bowen, L. S. Joyner, T. H. Allen, Paul Jenkins, Chester Pelt.

The Secretary was asked to wire Rev. E. T. Phillips, expressing regret that he could not be at the Association and extending our very best wishes for his recovery.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Finance Committee: J. F. Oneal, L. S. Joyner, I. W. Jernigan.

Resolutions Committee: Q. Hansley, Marvin Lee, Paul Jenkins.

Education Committee: Dr. M. Hinnant, W. H. Pittman, Elton Price.

Temperance Committee: B. B. Richardson, J. C. Varnell, Carl Choplin.

Auxiliary Committee: Mesdames D. O. Wilder, Sarah Morris, J. E. Combs.

Memorial Committee: J. A. Evans, F. A. Rivenbark.

Nominating Committee: J. F. Parrish, Fred Pittman, W. R. Williams.

After the Moderator declared the Association open for business a song "Bringing in the Sheaves" was sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. H. Worley.

A verbal report of the Executive Board was given by Rev. J. A. Evans for information.

It was voted by the Association to reconvey the property of the J. R. Radford Benefit Home back to J. R. Radford, the donor. A rising vote of thanks was given to Brother and Sister Radford for the gift.

The Executive Board and Board of Trustees was authorized to sell the Princeton Church property to the highest bidder. A letter was read from a colored minister offering to purchase the property.

Motion carried that the money derived from the sale of the Princeton Church be placed in the Home Mission fund of the Western Association.

"Just When I Need Him Most" was sung by the congregation and the ministers from various other Conferences and Associations were given a seat with all the privileges of the Association except that of voting.

Visiting ministers as follows: Cape Fear Conference, W. H. Lancaster, H. R. Faircloth, Milton Johnson, C. H. Coats, T. E. Beaman. Central Conference, L. R. Ennis, D. W. Alexander, C. J. Harris. Eastern Conference, J. C. Griffin, J. W. Alford, J. R. Bennett. Rock Fish Association, W. L. Baxley, delegate. Pentecostal Church, J. G. Crocker. Each of the above named spoke briefly and brought greetings from their respective bodies.

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark offered the following licentiates for membership in the Association: Elton Pace, Howard Wilson. Rev. C. H. Coats presented Bro. Willie Renfrow. Brothers Robert Woodard, Everett Connelly and Jasper Edwards were also presented for membership. Motion they be received as Licentiates was carried and a hand of welcome was extended.

Rev. George Dunbar was present from the Cumberland Association of Tennessee and was extended a welcome.

Report of the Orphanage as follows:

THE SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT TO WESTERN ASSOCIATION at

MICRO F. W. B. CHURCH, OCT. 15, 1941

The Superintendent read his report which was given to the Board of Trustees.

He then stated that the receipts from General Expenses from all

sources had been \$18,300.12; Total Disbursements in General Fund had been \$17,666.59.

The Building Fund receipts to date total \$6,629.39.

He then listed the needs for the Fiscal year 1941-42:

1. Remodeling of the girl's building so we can accommodate more children.
2. Heating repair or replacement for all the buildings.
3. Rebuild Dairy barn.
4. Repaint roofs and exterior of main building.
5. Build a chapel.
6. Arrange for recreational equipment.
7. Repair and re-equip laundry.
8. Reroof and repair Superintendent's Home.

The Superintendent urged that the people respond to the cause, particularly did he request, to set a plan to raise their part of the \$24,000 budget.

James A. Evans, Supt. F. W. B.
Orphanage

WESTERN ASSOCIATION
MONEY RECEIVED FROM SEPT. 1, 1940 THROUGH AUG. 30, 1941

The Different Churches and Organizations

Auxiliary Convention -----	\$ 38.75
Branch Chapel -----	65.22
Bob Pittman Vocal Union -----	8.70
Church Federation -----	1.47
Everetts Chapel -----	46.03
Elwood Lane -----	17.50
Edgemont -----	191.08
First Union Meeting -----	107.69
Second Union Meeting -----	87.25
Third Union Meeting -----	52.61
Friendship (Johnston) -----	173.87
Floods Chapel -----	43.00
Free Union (Nash) -----	13.51
Fremont Chapel -----	7.02
Free Union (Wake) -----	22.50
Union Grove (Wayne) -----	173.98
Union Grove (Durham) -----	65.10
Union View -----	1.52
Third Dis. -----	5.41
Pleasant Grove Church (Wayne) -----	169.60
Peoples Chapel -----	94.45

Piney Grove, (Johnston) -----	12.05
Piney Grove, (Nash) -----	35.95
Pleasant Plain -----	107.88
Pleasant Hill (Wayne) -----	24.25
Princeton -----	8.21
Vocal Singing -----	13.87
Holly Springs -----	95.03
Hansley Chapel -----	263.97
Wilson -----	109.68
Sts. Delight (Franklin Co.) -----	21.90
White Oak Hill -----	27.40
West Hillsboro -----	20.50
Vocal Union -----	5.31
Tippetts Chapel -----	27.30
Stoney Creek -----	36.08
St. Mary -----	97.22
Selma -----	52.97
Spring Hill -----	22.11
Stancil Chapel -----	50.59
South View -----	41.00
Rock Springs -----	34.16
Rose Bud -----	17.05
Rains X Roads -----	164.22
Second Union L. A. Convention -----	8.00
Stoney Hill -----	48.54
New Sandy Hill -----	32.17
Oak Grove (Durham) -----	35.93
Raleigh F. W. B. Church -----	2.50
Milbourney -----	74.71
Marsh Swamp -----	161.61
Micro -----	163.00
Kenly -----	96.45
Kings Chapel -----	36.50
Little Rock -----	162.30
Mt. Zion (Wilson Co.) -----	37.12
Mt. Zion (Nash) -----	53.63
 Total -----	 \$3,587.42

Rev. J. A. Evans was appointed to serve temporarily on the Executive Committee to negotiate with Rev. Walker for the sale of the Princeton Church.

After singing "I Am Thine, O Lord," a recess was given for ten minutes. Benediction by Howard Wilson.

The Association reassembled after the brief intermission with devotions conducted by Rev. J. H. Worley. Song "I Need Thee Every Hour"

and scripture from the 39 Psalms was read. Prayer by Rev. W. E. Anderson and another song "Blessed Assurance" by the congregation.

Rev. Paul Jenkins of Kannapolis, N. C. delivered the Introductory sermon, using as a text Acts 27: 25. From this text he drew the subject "Faith of Our Fathers." Emphasis was placed on the following divisions: 1. The object of our faith; 2. The ground of our faith; 3. The nature of our faith; 4. The encouragement of our faith; 5. The need of our faith; 6. The victory of our faith.

An offering was received for the Orphanage in the amount of \$42.25. Song and benediction by Rev. W. H. Lancaster.

LUNCH

The lunch hour having been enjoyed by all, the Association reassembled for business at 1:30 P. M. Devotions were led by Rev. L. S. Joyner. Song "What A Friend" was sung and prayer by Brother D. B. Wilson.

The roll call of churches was in order at this time and 43 churches; 1 union meeting district; 1 auxiliary convention represented.

Oak Grove church, a newly organized church, was presented to the Association for membership by Rev. J. F. Parrish. Rev. T. Renfrow also presented for membership another newly organized church, Union Grove, Nash County. Both of these churches were received into the Association.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

"We your committee beg to recommend and adopt same report as in previous year. We further recommend that each Pastor preach at least one Temperance Sermon each year to his church or churches.

We further recommend that all F. W. B. abstain from all intoxicating drinks and all other forms of intemperate living."

Committee:

B. B. Richardson,
J. C. Varnell,
C. E. Choplin

TRIBUTE TO REV. THOMAS C. MARKS

By Fred A. Rivenbark

No one who knew Mr. Marks could deny that he was a man with more than average ability. Like those of his generation, he, unfortunately grew up in the absence of good schools; his boyhood opportunities for an education were very limited. But he possessed a strong mind and a good memory; of him it may be more truly said than of most men today, he

was a man of one book; but most fortunately, that book is the Bible. He was a diligent Bible student, read it much, studied certain portions carefully, believed the Bible implicitly, and was inclined to interpret it literally. He was radically conservative, looked with extreme disfavor on all new innovations, especially in religion. But withal, Mr. Marks was a good man; he served his day and generation well, his influence was always for the right, as he saw it. He was a man with strong convictions, ready at all times to give a reason for the faith he professed; and found the basis for that faith in the book he read most and loved most; the Bible was his daily companion; much of it he could quote, word for word, he trusted in the literal fulfilment of its promises; God to him is real; he had little patience or none with speculation.

Mr. Marks had a vivid imagination; his powers of description far surpassed many whose general knowledge far surpassed his. He had a few favorite themes which he had studied long and carefully and delighted to preach sermons with which he had become thoroughly familiar. He used good language, choice words, both in private and public speech; his chaste language indicated clean thoughts; and he was a man with clean habits. It can be truthfully said that Mr. Marks honestly and sincerely believed religion is the most important interest and business of life; with him religion was neither a side-line nor a side-issue; but the one and all important issue. In moral courage he was not lacking; a man with clearly defined convictions which he was ever ready to express.

Converted at an early age he united with the Free Will Baptist church; and to the hour of his death never wavered in devotion and loyalty to the church of his choice.

Even the strongest man has some element of weakness in his make-up; and no man so perfect but his friends can see where he could improve in viewpoint or deportment that would enhance his value as a man and citizen. Perhaps Mr. Marks' greatest weakness lay in his ability to recognize the great changes taking place in the thought and necessary changes in religious customs to make religion function in the new age in which we live. Old thought forms are changing, old customs are giving place to new ones, no less religious, but more effective and more efficient to bring our churches up to date; and make them really centers of spiritual culture, especially to meet the changed and increasing needs and demands of the young people. However, our brother, though a loyal Christian and church member, he was unable to see the needs pressing in upon us who are charged with directing the work of the churches, guiding the young and enlisting them along useful lines of Christian service. We will do well to remember his virtues, but to forget his faults, as we saw them, remembering always that he was a good man, loyal and faithful, a true friend and devoted minister.

Mr. Marks and the late Z. P. Ferrell were the pioneers and founders

of the Free Will Baptist church in the city of Durham, and Mr. Marks served the church they constituted for twenty years as pastor; few men serve one church and congregation for so many years, almost a generation. Later he served Hansley's Chapel one year, earlier he had served Oak Grove, Durham County, 4 years.

For forty years Mr. Marks had resided in Durham, he saw our church there grow from just a few to several hundred; near by he saw Hansley's Chapel organized and become a strong prosperous church with preaching every Sunday. He witnessed too, new life in our churches in the section of which Durham is the center. He firmly and positively believed in the doctrines of the church to which he had given the best years and energies of his life, and with pride and pleasure in its growth, progress and prosperity, he looked with interested eyes in his declining years. He is gone; but his influence will live after him. Let us emulate his virtues, for he had them, but cover, as true Christians should, his faults with the mantle of charity. We live and labor in a different age from that into which our departed brother was ushered now nearly a half century ago. But we build on foundations he helped to lay. Mr. Marks was 68 years of age at death.

When 21 years old Brother Marks married Miss Alice Locamy of Roberson county; she survives him with 4 daughters and 2 sons as well as 10 grand children.

On the 18th. of the past July his frail body ceased living; he died however, in the triumph of a living faith; his funeral was conducted in the Sharon Acres Hansley's Chapel Free Will Baptist church, and his body rests in the Pine Hill Cemetery.

TRIBUTE TO REV. J. H. WHITLEY

The Association has sustained a great loss in the passing of a beloved and faithful minister, Rev. J. H. Whitley.

Brother Whitley lingered in ill health for several years. He was always cheerful when anyone called to see him. The latter part of his life he was unable to enjoy talking with his friends, however, in a way that was all his own he made known his inward joys. He died July 7, 1941, making his stay on earth 66 years. We bow in humble submission to the will of God knowing that a faithful servant has gone to that Heavenly Home.

Rev. James A. Evans

Prayer by Rev. J. C. Griffin and a solo was very beautifully rendered by Rev. Henry Melvin.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Rev. W. E. Anderson conducted the devotional services as follows:

Song "Blessed Assurance" and prayer by Rev. L .S. Joyner. Rev Henry Melvin delivered the message of the evening, using as a text II Kings 6: 1-7. Brother Melvin spoke on the tradgedy of lost power.

THURSDAY MORNING

Devotions conducted by Rev. T. H. Allen and prayer by Rev. F. A. Rivenbark. The Edwards family very beautifully rendered a trio "I Will Meet You in the Morning."

Brother Romie Mitchell stated that Bro. W. G. Pike was in the State Hospital, which was regreted by all.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE

We, your committee on education beg to report we find nothing in the way of educational advantages for the F. W. B. church in North Carolina and nothing being done to further the educational cause of the F. W. B. in our state.

Now therefore, we your committee go on record not to interfere with the National Educational Board or their work, but to ask the F. W. B. denomination in all its Conferences and Associations of North Carolina to start a campaign to organize, build, construct, and maintain a Junior College for our own denomination; that this move be started right here in this sitting of the Western Association.

Committee:

Dr. M. Hinnant,
W. H. Pittman,
E. B. Pace

Rev. J. R. Bennett was present and discussed the National Educational program verbally for the information of the body. After a general discussion by a number of ministers the report of the Educational Committee was adopted.

The Moderator appointed R. N. Hinnant, Chester Pelt, and Fred Pittman to serve as a Committee to visit the other Conferences and Associations of the State to present the foregoing report for their adoption and ask that they appoint a simular committee.

REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL

We recommend, in conjunction with the action of the Executive Committee, that Rev. Chester Pelt be received as a member of this body as an ordained minister, by transfer from the Salem Association of Florida and that his Credentials be endorsed.

We further recommend that Q. Hansley, having satisfactorily passed

a written examination upon the doctrine of the Bible, Church doctrine and usages, be ordained to the full connection of the ministry upon receipt of letter of recommendation from local church of which he is a member.

Signed:

Henry Melvin, *Secy.*,

W. R. Williams,

J. H. Worley,

J. A. Evans

Rev. T. E. Beaman asked that Free Union Church of Nash County be placed on the list of churches. The church was left off the roll by error.

Mrs. C. F. Bowen stated the Auxiliary Convention of the Western District was delegating to this body with \$2.00 and Mrs. M. V. Avery was appointed delegate.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE

We, your committee wish to state that we have nothing to report at this sitting of the Association.

Committee:

W. E. Anderson,

J. H. Worley,

F. A. Rivenbark

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

During this session of the Association there has been no resolutions for us to consider.

Committee:

Q. Hansley,

Paul Jenkins

The Association called off the preaching services with Rev. Henry Melvin conducting the devotions. Rev. C. J. Harris delivered the sermon using as a text II John 1: 9. His subject being "The Doctrine of Christ."

LUNCH

At 1:30 Association reassembled with the devotions conducted by Rev. L. S. Joyner and song "Rescue the Perishing" was sung by the congregation.

Mrs. Pelt rendered very beautifully a solo, "The Christ of the Cross."

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, the Finance Committee received from all sources \$235.20. We have turned same over to the Treasurer.

Committee:

J. F. Oneal,

L. S. Joyner,

I. W. Jernigan

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Western Association Oct. 16th. 1940 to Oct. 16th. 1941

Amount brought forward 1940 report -----	\$ 73.14
Amount received 1940 at Tippetts Chapel -----	218.00

Total funds -----	\$291.14
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Funds appropriated by the association and disbursed as follows:

To Rev. James A. Evanse, Supt. for Orphanage -----	\$ 35.00
Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Clerical etc. -----	20.00
Mertie Lee Turner, Church Bldg. Fund -----	10.00
Garland Whitley, Church Bldg. fund -----	10.00
H. A. Kirby, Kenly Church Bldg. fund -----	12.00
Raymond T. Sasser, Selma Church Bldg. fund -----	10.00
J. E. Wooten, Pastors Institute -----	30.00
Free Will Baptist Press, Minutes -----	35.00
Rev. G. W. Ferrell, Retired Minister -----	5.50
Rev. L. T. Phillips, Retired Minister -----	5.50
Rev. J. H. Whitley, Retired Minister -----	5.50
Rev. E. T. Phillips, Retired Minister -----	5.50
Postage and Incidentals -----	4.30

Total -----	\$188.30
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Total of all funds on hand -----	\$102.84
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Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Watson, *Treasurer*

REPORT OF AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

We, the auxiliary committee, recommend that the ministers in our churches encourage the Ladies Aid, Sunday School, and League work in all their churches. We urge that they co-operate in every way possible in the upbuilding of the auxiliary work so that our church of tomorrow may be a stronger one.

In view of the fact that we have literature prepared for all phases of Auxiliary work, we are asking that each ladies aid, league, and Sunday School support the Free Will Baptist denomination by using our own literature.

REPORT OF DISBURSEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes \$40.00; Incidentals \$11.65; Secretary \$20.00; Education \$20.00;

Missions \$40.00; Disabled Ministers \$40.00; Orphanage \$58.55; Treasurer (Gift) \$5.00. Grand total \$235.20.

Committee:

R. N. Hinnant,
J. A. Evans,
W. R. Williams,
T. Renfrow,
Henry Watson

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Moderator, Rev. J. B. Ferrell; Asst. Moderator, Rev. F. A. Rivenbark; Secretary, Rev. R. N. Hinnant; Reading Clerk, Rev. J. F. Parrish; Treas. Mr. Henry Watson.

Committee:

J. F. Parrish,
W. A. Williams,
W. F. Pittman

The following ministers were presented \$15.00 each from accumulations from the J. R. Radford Benefit Home: W. G. Boykin, J. H. Worley, L. T. Phillips, G. W. Ferrell, E. T. Phillips.

REPORT OF MISSION BOARD

Paid to Garland Whitley ----- \$10.00

Paid to H. A. Kirby ----- 12.00

Paid to Raymond T. Sasser ----- 10.00

We recommend the following disbursements: Union Chapel \$10.00; Kenly Church \$5.00; Foreign Missions \$10.00; Tippet's Chapel \$5.00; Selma Church \$5.00; Black Jack \$5.00.

Committee:

W. R. Williams,
Romie Mitchell,
F. A. Rivenbark

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the local church and community for the splendid way they cared for the Association.

Petitions from the sitting of the 1942 session of the Association were received from Pleasant Plain, Wilson, and Rock Spring churches. By a rising vote it was decided the 1942 session would meet with the Wilson Church.

It was voted that \$20.00 be allowed the delegate to the National Association for expenses, to be drawn from the treasury.

After singing "Lead Me to Calvary" by the congregation the final benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. H. Worley.

Rev. J. B. Ferrell, *Moderator*
Rev. R. N. Hinnant, *Secretary*

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR P. O. ADDRESSES

J. H. Worley, Selma, N. C.
 L. T. Phillips, Kenly, N. C. (Superannuated)
 E. T. Phillips, Ayden, N. C. (Superannuated)
 A. R. Flowers, Bailey, N. C.
 G. W. Ferrell, Wilson, N. C. (Superannuated)
 B. T. Dixon, Rocky Mount, N. C.
 E. C. Morris, Elizabeth City, N. C.
 W. G. Boykin, Raliegh, N. C. (Disabled)
 J. E. Jernigan, Four Oaks, N. C.
 R. N. Hinnant, Micro, N. C.
 W. R. Williams, Kenly, N. C., Route 1
 J. A. Evans, Middlesex, N. C.
 E. G. Holland, Kenly, N. C., Route 2
 J. B. Ferrell, Elm City, N. C., Route 2
 W. K. Jordan, Durham, N. C., Route 4
 J. S. Overman, Fremont, N. C., Route 1
 B. B. Richardson, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1
 M. L. Cummings, Raliegh, N. C.
 W. E. Anderson, Morehead City, N. C.
 Z. E. Cox, Apex, N. C.
 B. M. Carter, Kenly, N. C.
 J. F. Parrish, Elm City, N. C., Route 2
 Henry Melvin, Durham, N. C., 1211 E. Main St.
 E. R. Barnes, Newport News, Va., Kentucky Ave.
 J. E. Taylor, West Hillsboro, N. C.
 W. A. Hales, Elizabeth City, N. C.
 L. H. Boykin, Bailey, N. C., Route 1
 W. G. Pike, Smithfield, N. C., Route 2
 Milford Hales, Kenly, N. C., Route 2
 I. W. Jernigan, Spring Hope, N. C.
 Dee Bissett, Bailey, N. C., Route 3
 Romie Mitchell, Fremont, N. C., Route 1
 F. A. Rivenbark, Durham, N. C., 1405 Angier Ave.
 T. Renfrow, Kenly, N. C., Route 3
 C. F. Bowen, Durham, N. C., Box 203
 L. S. Joyner, Durham, N. C., Route 4
 E. Poston, New Bern, N. C.
 M. B. Woodlief, Marianna, Fla.
 A. P. Lee, Pikeville, N. C., Route 2
 Charlie Orton, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 2
 T. H. Allen, Raliegh, N. C., Route 2
 Paul Jenkins, Kannapolis, N. C., Route 3
 Barney Griffin, Kannapolis, N. C.
 Chester Pelt, Ayden, N. C.

LICENTIATES

Leonard L. Davis, Fremont, N. C., Route 2
James Driver, Fremont, N. C., Route 1
J. C. Varnell, Elm City, N. C., Route 3
Elton Pace, Durham, N. C., Route 4
Howard Wilson, Fayetteville, N. C., 302 Mason St.
Willie Renfrow, Kenly, N. C., Route 2
Robert Woodard, Kannapolis, N. C., 404 Chestnut St.
Everett Connelly, Kannapolis, N. C.
Jasper Edwards, Pine Level, N. C.

CHURCHES, COUNTIES AND PASTORS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 1941-1942

Pleasant Grove, Wayne, M. E. Tyson.
Stoney Creek, Wayne, C. F. Bowen.
Spring Hill, Wayne, G. C. Joyner.
Union Grove, Wayne, M. L. Johnson.
Pleasant Hill, Wayne, (not given)
Black Jack Grove, Wayne (not represented)
Fremont Chapel, Wayne, (no pastor)
Tippett's Chapel, Wake, C. H. Coats.
Marsh Swamp, Wilson, L. R. Ennis.
Little Rock, Wilson, M. E. Tyson.
St. Mary's Wilson, (not represented)
Peoples Chapel, Wilson, J. B. Ferrell.
New Sandy Hill, Wilson, J. B. Ferrell.
Mount Zion, Wilson, T. Renfrow.
Rose Bud, Wilson, J. F. Parrish.
Milbourny, Wilson, (not given)
Wilson, Wilson, L. E. Ballard.
Holly Springs, Johnston, C. F. Bowen.
Rain's Cross Roads, Johnston, Robert Wiggs.
Pleasant Plain, Johnston, C. F. Bowen.
Friendship, Johnston, M. E. Tyson.
Kenly, Johnston, Clifton Rice.
Everett's Chapel, Johnston, W. H. Lancaster.
Micro, Johnston, J. W. Alford.
Piney Grove, Johnston, W. R. Williams.
Pine Level, Johnston, M. E. Tyson.
Branch Chapel, Johnston, W. H. Lancaster.
Selma, Johnston, C. F. Bowen.
Stancil's Chapel, Johnston, C. H. Coats.
Flood's Chapel, Nash, J. F. Parrish.
Stony Hill, Nash, L. S. Joyner.

Barnes Hill, Nash, J. F. Parrish.
White Oak Hill, Nash, R. N. Hinnant.
Mount Zion, Nash, J. B. Ferrell.
Rock Springs, Nash, W. A. Hales.
Piney Grove, Nash, (not represented)
Saints Delight, Franklin, (Not given)
Union View, Franklin, (not represented)
Union Grove, Durham, M. E. Godwin.
Edgemont, Durham, Henry Melvin.
Hansley Chapel, Durham, F. A. Rivenbark.
South View, Durham, E. G. Holland.
Oak Grove, Durham, (not represented).
Kings Cross Roads, Durham. (not represented)
Free Union, Wake, F. A. Rivenbark.
Elwood Lane, Cabbarus, Paul Jenkins.
West Hillsboro, Orange, (not represented)
Free Union, Nash, Thos. E. Beaman.
Union Chapel, Nash, T. Renfrow.
Oak Grove, Wilson, J. F. Parrish.

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES

Wayne County

Pleasant Grove—J. R. Fleming, Pikeville, N. C.
Stoney Creek—Iredell Kennedy, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 2.
Spring Hill—D. A. Johnson, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 1.
Pleasant Hill—Mrs. O. P. Snipes, Princeton, N. C.
Union Grove—A. P. Morris, Kenly, N. C.
Black Jack Grove—Elmer Wiley, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 1.
Fremont Chapel—Albert J. West, Fremont, N. C.

Wake County

Tippett's Chapel—Mertie Lee Turner, Clayton, N. C., Route 2.
Free Union—Mrs. O. L. Wilson, Wake Forest, N. C., Route 1.

Wilson County

Marsh Swamp—A. B. Boykin, Bailey, N. C., Route 1.
Little Rock—H. S. Pittman, Lucama, N. C.
St. Mary's—W. F. Watson, Kenly, N. C.
People's Chapel—R. A. Winstead, Elm City, N. C.
New Sandy Hill—Floyd Bunn, Bailey, N. C., Route 3.
Rose Bud—Mrs. Lee O. Winstead, Lucama, N. C., Route 1.
Mt. Zion—M. H. Johnson, Kenly, N. C., Route 2.
Wilson—T. F. Felton, Wilson, N. C.
Milbourny—Sanford Lamn, Wilson, N. C., Route 2.
Oak Grove—Mrs. Alice Thorpe, Elm City, N. C., Route 1.

Johnston County

Holly Springs—Jessie Woodard, Kenly, N. C., Route 2.
Rain's Cross Roads—J. R. Evans, Princeton, N. C., Route 2.
Pleasant Plain—Ivy Batten, Selma, N. C., Route 2.
Friendship—Mrs. D. O. Wilder, Zebulon, N. C., Route 1.
Kenly—Mrs. Eddie Flowers, Kenly, N. C., Box 237.
Micro—Mrs. Carl Bagley, Selma, N. C., Route 2.
Everett's Chapel—C. R. Boling, Clayton, N. C.
Piney Grove—L. G. Pope, Kenly, N. C., Route 1.
Pine Level—Dan U. Oliver, Pine Level, N. C.
Branch Chapel, T. Edison Phillips, Selma, N. C., Route 1.
Selma—W. C. Sasser, Selma, N. C.
Stancil's Chapel—W. G. Bailey, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1.

Nash County

Flood's Chapel—Eddie Bissette, Bailey, N. C., Route 1.
Stony Hill—N. E. Strickland, Middlesex, N. C., Route 2.
Barnes Hill—Erwin Vick, Rocky Mount, N. C., Route 1.
White Oak Hill—H. W. Lamn, Bailey, N. C., Route 2.
Mt. Zion—L. W. Matthews, Nashville, N. C., Route 2.
Rock Springs—Oscar Hintón, Bailey, N. C., Route 3.
Piney Grove—J. W. Vandiford, Rocky Mount, N. C., Route 1.
Free Union—Clinton Morgan,, Spring Hope, N. C., Route 2.
Union Chapel—Clarence Todd, Middlesex, N. C.

Durham County

Union Grove—C. E. Ferguson, Raleigh, N. C.
Edgemont—G. E. McCarkle, Durham, N. C., 106 N. Holman St.
Hansley Chapel—J. D. Currie, Durham, N. C., Route 4.
South View—H. O. Carpenter, Raleigh, N. C., Route 6.
Oak Grove—Mrs. Ruth Melvin, Durham, N. C., Route 4.
Kings Chapel—(not represented)

Franklin County

Saints Delight—Paul Webster, Louisburg, N. C., Route 4.
Union View—Samuel L. Hobgood, Franklinton, N. C.

Orange County

West Hillsboro—Carlton Rippey, West Hillsboro, N. C.

Cabbarus County

Elwood Lane—Joe Hailey, Kannapolis, N. C., Route 2.

PROCEEDINGS

The Twenty-third Annual session of the Women's Auxiliary Convention of the Western Association held its regular business meeting with Pleasant Grove Church, Wayne Co., April 2, 1941.

The Theme of the Convention: "What Would Jesus Do?"

The meeting opened by singing "Have Thine Own Way" and opening devotions were conducted by Mrs. Joe Collier. Prayer by Rev. M. E. Tyson.

Address of welcome by Mrs. J. S. Rich and response by Mrs. Etta Frost Renfrow.

At this time we were favored with a vocal solo, "Teach Me to Pray," by Miss Olie Fleming.

Reading 1 Peter 2: 31 and remarks by President.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Reports—Mrs. L. H. McDade, Mrs. Bertha Talton, Mrs. Dixie Simpson.

Nominating—Mrs. C. D. Askew, Mrs. Dora Combs, Mrs. Ralph Strickland.

Resolutions—Mrs. Nora Pate, Mrs. B. H. Matthews, Mrs. Needham Foster.

Finance—Mrs. D. O. Wilder, Mrs. Deayne O. Morris, Mrs. J. S. Rich, Mrs. S H Styron

The President welcomed all visitors from other Conventions, also ministers and delegates.

REPORTS FROM VARIOUS VICE PRESIDENTS

Mrs. Lizzie McAdams suggested having prayer meetings in homes of unsaved people for the purpose of such winning. Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes suggested visiting shut-ins and unsaved during the week of special study course is not followed.

Mrs. M. V. B. Davis brought greetings and a report from Eastern Convention and Mrs. M. A. Woodard from the Central.

Remarks by State President, Mrs. C. B. Thompson, who urged all Directors to send their reports to the State Directors.

A motion was adopted that we have our minutes printed with the Western Association minutes and \$10.00 be appropriated for same.

Mrs. M. V. Avery was appointed delegate to the Western Association and Mrs. L. H. McDade to the State Auxiliary Convention, donation, \$2.00 to each.

Singing by the congregation, "Just When I Need Him." Convention Message, "What Would Jesus Do about a School" by Rev. L. R. Ennis. Closing song, "If Jesus Goes With Me" and prayer by Rev. J. B. Ferrell.

A bountiful Lunch was served picnic style which was enjoyed by all.

Afternoon devotions, "What Would Jesus Do about Our Debt of Love," by Mrs. M. A. Woodard. Singing "Faith of Our Fathers" and prayer by Rev. G. C. Joyner, remembering the Aged Ministers.

The First Vice President, Mrs. J. C. Sasser was appointed a committee, to serve with representatives from other Conventions, relative to new Report Blanks.

It was moved and carried to help Rev. C. F. Bowen pay his school debt. Rev. L. R. Ennis explained the Four Point Program.

Special song "Fairest Lord Jesus," by Orphanage children, after which Rev. J. A. Evans spoke on "What Would Jesus Do about the Fatherless." Offering \$18.75.

In the absence of Mrs. T. W. Stancil, Mrs. C. F. Bowen conducted the Memorial Service.

It was moved and carried to pay our retiring Treasurer, Mrs. S. H. Styron \$5.00 as a gift for her services.

Prayer by Rev. J. C. Griffin.

Adjournment until next year when we meet with St. Mary's Church, Johnston County.

Reports, Resolutions adopted.

ENROLLMENT REPORT

Officers and Delegates	-----	34
Visitors	-----	143
Ministers	-----	5

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

Resolved that we extend the Women's Auxiliary and members of Pleasant Grove Church a rising vote of thanks in appreciation of their kind hospitality manifested toward the Western District Women's Auxiliary Convention.

Committee:

Mrs. Needham Foster,
Mrs. B. H. Matthews,
Mrs. Guy M. Pate

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President—Mrs. C. F. Bowen, Durham, N. C.

Vice President—Mrs. J. C. Sasser, Goldsboro, N. C.
 2nd Vice President—Mrs. Cleveland Sasser, Selma, N. C.
 3rd Vice President—Mrs. Deanye O. Morris, Fremont, N. C.
 4th Vice President—Mrs. J. S. Rich, Pikeville, N. C.
 5th Vice President—Mrs. Hardy Talton, Pikeville, N. C.
 6th Vice President—Mrs. Etta Frost Renfrow, Wilson, N. C.
 Recording Secretary—Mrs. R. N. Hinnant, Micro, N. C.
 Treasurer—Mrs. Worth Davis.
 Field worker —Mrs. Georgie Frost Barnes, Lucama, N. C.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Brought forward 1940 Convention -----	\$ 47.16
Received today -----	124.40
Total -----	<u>\$171.56</u>

Disbursements

Convention expenses and salaries -----	\$ 19.15
Minute Fund -----	10.00
Donation Western Association -----	2.00
Donation State Auxiliary -----	2.00
Mrs. McAdams, Nat'l Mission Director -----	5.00
Missions -----	20.00
Superannuation -----	25.00
Education -----	30.00
Extension Work -----	5.00
Orphanage -----	20.00
Selma Church -----	5.00
Kenly Church -----	5.00
Total -----	<u>\$148.15</u>
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Balance in Treasury -----	<u>\$ 23.41</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT FROM APRIL 1940-1941

Received from Finance Committee -----	\$ 92.35
Balance after expenses were paid to the amount of -----	45.00
Total -----	<u>\$137.35</u>

Disbursements

Paid Mrs. Herman Nobles -----	\$ 15.00
Paid Mrs. Herman Nobles State and National dues -----	35.00
Paid Rev. Clarence Bowen, Education -----	20.00
Paid Mrs. Clarence Bowen for Services -----	5.00

Paid Mrs. Bowen for Stewardship expenses	1.50
Paid Mrs. Bowen for materials and programs	3.50
Paid to the Orphanage	14.95
Paid Mrs. R. N. Hinnant, service and postage	3.65
Paid Mrs. Georgia Frost Barnes, expenses	1.49
Total	\$ 90.19
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Leaving a balance in bank of	\$ 47.16

REPORTS COMMITTEE

The reports committee wish to submit the following report:

Pine Level as winner or having the best report. Rains Cross Roads came second. Four Societies have reached the Standard of Achievement.—Rains Cross Roads, Union Grove, Pine Level, Kenly.

No. Societies represented	24
No. Members	546
New Members since last convention	86
No. subscribers to F. W. B. Paper	157
No. to observe week of prayer	152
No. Trays	2,484
No. Funeral Designs	314
No. Convalescent and Condolence Cards	1,100
No. Orphan children adopted	14
No. Active	415
No. Inactive	104
No. Auxiliaries organized since last Convention	3
No. chapters read in the Bible	31,050
No. sick visits	12,758
No. Flowers	1,739
No. Religious services held	1,601
No. Gallons Milk	3,380
Amount raised by dues	\$ 613.78
Amount raised in other ways	1,624.21
Superannuation	38.59
Christian Education	75.70
Education Poster	20.00
Orphanage	712.64
Used locally	926.94
Benevolences	154.38

Home Missions -----	60.70
Foreign Missions -----	28.89
Amount to Convention -----	48.50
10c per Capita dues -----	37.00
20c per Capita dues -----	8.60
5c per Capita dues -----	9.00

Mrs. C. F. Bowen, *President*

Mrs. R. N. Hinnant, *Secretary*

