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OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1944-45

Rev. C. F. Bowen— <i>Moderator</i>	E. Durham, N. C.
Rev. W. R. Williams— <i>Assistant Moderator</i>	Kenly, N. C.
Rev. R. N. Hinnant— <i>Recording Secretary</i>	Micro, N. C.
Mr. H. G. Watson— <i>Treasurer</i>	Kenly, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. J. B. Ferrell— <i>Chairman</i>	Elm City, N. C.
Rev. R. N. Hinnant— <i>Secretary</i>	Micro, N. C.
Rev. Henry Melvin	Durham, N. C.
Rev. Paul Jenkins	Kannapolis, N. C.
Rev. C. F. Bowen	E. Durham, N. C.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. R. N. Hinnant— <i>Chairman</i>	Micro, N. C.
Rev. E. G. Holland	Kenly, N. C.
Rev. B. B. Richardson	Middlesex, N. C.
Mr. Fred Pittman	Pikeville, N. C.
Mr. W. C. Sasser	Selma, N. C.

BOARD OF ORDINATION

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark— <i>Chairman</i>	Elizabeth City, N. C.
Rev. J. H. Worley	Selma, N. C.
Rev. W. A. Hales	Columbia, N. C.
Rev. Paul Jenkins	Kannapolis, N. C.
Rev. Wiley Ferrell	Morrisville, N. C.

BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION

Rev. T. Renfrow— <i>Chairman</i>	Kenly, N. C.
Rev. L. S. Joyner	Durham, N. C.
Rev. E. G. Holland	Kenly, N. C.

BOARD OF MISSIONS

Rev. R. C. Wiggs— <i>Chairman</i>	Ayden, N. C.
Rev. J. F. Parrish	Rocky Mt., N. C.
Rev. Barney Griffin	Kannapolis, N. C.
Rev. Rommie Mitchell	Kenly, N. C.
Rev. J. S. Overman	Fremont, N. C.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL CHARACTER

Rev. Willie Renfrow— <i>Chairman</i>	Middlesex, N. C.
Rev. J. H. Worley	Selma, N. C.
Rev. Robert Woodard	Middlesex, N. C.
Rev. L. S. Joyner	Durham, N. C.
Rev. F. A. Rivenbark	Elizabeth City, N. C.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Rev. Q. Hansley—*Chairman* -----Durham, N. C.
Rev. L. H. Boykin -----Bailey, N. C.
Rev. W. E. Anderson -----Morehead City, N. C.

BOARD OF APPROPRIATION

Mr. H. G. Watson—*Chairman* -----Kenly, N. C.
Rev. J. C. Varnell -----Elm City, N. C.
Rev. R. N. Hinnant -----Micro, N. C.
Rev. R. W. Allman -----Kannapolis, N. C.

F. W. B. STOCK REPRESENTATIVE

Rev. R. N. Hinnant -----Micro, N. C.

DELEGATES APPOINTED

Eastern Conference -----Rev. R. C. Wiggs
Central Conference -----Rev. W. R. Williams
Cape Fear Conference -----Rev. Wiley Ferrell
Pee Dee Association -----Rev. J. H. Worley
Rock Fish Association -----Rev. J. B. Ferrell
Piedmont Association -----Rev. Barney Griffin
State Association -----Mr. W. C. Sasser, Mr. H. G. Watson, Mr. C. G.
Pope, Mr. Jack Avery
National Association -----Mr. J. W. Rollins

PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-Eighth Annual Session of the Western Association of the Original Free Will Baptist of North Carolina convened with Pleasant Plain Church, Johnston County, North Carolina.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. C. F. Bowen, pastor of the local church. Song, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah." Prayer by Brother Bowen. Song, "Fairest Lord Jesus." Scripture: Psalms 84.

Welcome address by the pastor. Brother Bowen extended a hearty welcome to all ministers, delegates, and visitors.

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark responded with words of appreciation to the pastor and church for the invitation to convene here.

Ministers present the first day: J. H. Worley, R. N. Hinnant, W. R. Williams, J. A. Evans, E. G. Holland, J. B. Ferrell, B. B. Richardson, W. A. Hales, L. H. Boykin, Milford Hales, F. A. Rivenbark, T. Renfrow, C. F. Bowen, L. S. Joyner, Paul Jenkins, Q. Hansley, R. C. Wiggs, Wiley Ferrell, Willie Renfrow, W. H. Ivey, R. W. Allman, C. G. Ashley, E. F. Crisco, Jasper Edwards.

Ministers present second day: J. H. Worley, R. N. Hinnant, W. R. Williams, J. A. Evans, J. B. Ferrell, J. S. Overman, B. B. Richardson, W. A. Hales, L. H. Boykin, Romie Mitchell, F. A. Rivenbark, T. Renfrow, C. F. Bowen, L. S. Joyner, Paul Jenkins, J. C. Varnell, Q. Hansley, R. C. Wiggs, Robert Woodard, Wiley Ferrell, Willie Renfrow, W. H. Ivey, Henry Melvin, R. W. Allman, C. G. Ashley, E. F. Crisco.

A card was read from Rev. J. F. Parrish stating he was in Duke Hospital and it would be impossible to attend the Association.

Rev. M. L. Johnson was appointed by the Moderator to send Brother Parrish a telegram, expressing regret that he could not be with us and hoping for his speedy recovery.

A letter from Rev. M. L. Cummings was read to the body, expressing regret in not being able to attend the Association and enclosed ten dollars as a gift to the Association.

Visiting Ministers present: Central Conference: R. P. Harris, Albert Harris, L. E. Ballard, Levi Humbles. Cape Fear Conference: W. H. Lancaster, M. L. Johnson, C. H. Coates.

The Moderator, Rev. J. B. Ferrell, spoke briefly expressing his appreciation for the co-operation the Association had given him during his tenure of office.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Finance: W. A. Hales, L. S. Joyner, Mrs. R. N. Hinnant.

Resolutions: F. A. Rivenbark, L. H. Boykin, Floyd Ashley.

Education: W. E. Anderson, R. W. Allman, C. G. Ashley.

Temperance: J. H. Worley, Mrs. C. G. Pope, Q. Hansley.

Auxiliary: C. F. Bowen, Mrs. Carl E. Gaddy, Mrs. J. C. Sasser.

Nominating: J. A. Evans, B. B. Richardson, Wiley Ferrell.

The congregation sang: "Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide." Prayer was offered by Rev. R. C. Wiggs.

Rev. Wiley Ferrell recommended Brother E. F. Chrisko to the Association and a motion was made to place his name on the list of licentiates.

Rev. L. S. Joyner presented Brother C. G. Ashley to the Association and his name was placed on the licentiate list by motion.

A hand of fellowship was extended to the above named brothers.

Roll call of churches. (See Statistical Table).

The Associational business was called off for the preaching service.

The song service was conducted by Rev. C. F. Bowen. Songs, "Footsteps of Jesus," and "The Morning Light is Breaking," were sung by the audience.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Albert Harris.

Brother Hales read from Matt. 14: 14-20. From this Scripture he used the subject: "The All Sufficient Christ." The Minister stressed in his message the need of unselfish labors on the part of Christians.

Prayer by Mrs. L. E. Ballard. Song: "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned."

Benediction by Rev. M. L. Johnson.

LUNCH

After the serving of a bountiful dinner by the members of the local church the Association re-assembled at 1:00 P. M., with Rev. R. P. Harris leading the congregation in singing, "Jesus is All the World to Me," and "Bring Them In."

Prayer was offered by Rev. C. G. Ashley. "Follow Me," was sung as a duet by Revs. R. P. and Albert Harris. Brother Wiley Ferrell conducted the devotional services and read the first three verses of the 126th Psalm.

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL CHARACTER BOARD (Adopted)

Upon the recommendation of his Association and of reliable members of the Western Association, we endorse the placing of Rev. W. H. Ivey's name upon our list of ordained ministers as a transfer from the Rock Fish Association of the Free Will Baptists.

We wish to postpone a decision on the standing of Maynard Woodlief.

Signed: C. F. Bowen, F. A. Rivenbark, L. S. Joyner.

The right hand of welcome was extended to Brother W. H. Ivey.

REPORT OF STATE SUPERANNUATION BOARD

(By Rev. M. L. Johnson)

Report of Western Association support of the State Superannuation work October 1, 1943, to October 1, 1944.

Your Association has contributed the following:

Churches -----	\$241.96
L. A. S. -----	50.34
Leagues -----	10.58
Union Meetings -----	80.00
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Total -----	\$382.88

Six of your Retired Ministers have received from this Board ----- \$402.50

The Total Receipts for last year were \$2,231.88.

We ask you to help us Raise a total of \$5,000.00 this year.

M. L. Johnson, Chairman-Treasurer.

Motion that the Treasurer of the Association turn all Superannuation funds over to the State Superannuation Board.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Field Worker for the Orphanage, made a verbal report of her work, for information.

Rev. R. P. Harris sang a solo, "I Want My Life to Glorify."

Rev. R. C. Wiggs, Chairman of the State Board of Missions, made a report on Missions. The same report was made at the State Association. For the report please see the 1944 Minutes of the State Association.

Rev. R. N. Hinnant, a member of the Board of Directors of the Free Will Baptist Press, made a verbal report of the press. A motion was made to extend a vote of thanks to Rev. R. N. Hinnant for the report and information given.

REPORT OF TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE (Adopted)

We, your committee on Temperance, beg to make the following report:

First seeing as we do the great evil of intemperance, we therefore resolve and ask our people to refrain from using alcoholic beverages, and do all that lies within our power to promote prohibition.

By the Committee:

Q. Hansley, Mrs. C. G. Pope, J. H. Worley.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Song services conducted by Rev. C. F. Bowen. Song: "I Need Thee Every Hour." Scripture: Psalm 15. Prayer by Rev. L. S. Joyner.

Roll call of Ministers.

Rev. R. C. Wiggs presented Brother Milton Davis, Princeton, N. C., R-3, as a licensed minister and a motion was passed to place his name on the list of Licentiates.

Motion Rev. Henry Melvin be received into our Association from the Cumberland Association of Tennessee, and that he be restored to his original position in the list of Ministers.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE (Adopted)

Whereas, our church letters from the various churches of the Association are all made on the same letter form; and

Whereas the information given in each letter is practically the same, and that the report from each church is recorded in our minutes, and that it takes a lot of time during the sitting of the Association reading the reports over and over again; Therefore be it resolved:

First: That we dispense with the reading of the letters in each session of the Association; and

Second: That the reports be turned over to the Finance Committee, and that they compile the reports and submit same to the Clerk for recording in the minutes.

Submitted by Rev. W. A. Hales and approved by Committee.

Resolved that we extend a rising vote of thanks to the Pleasant Plain Church and community for the splendid way they have entertained this Association during its 1944 session.

By the Resolutions Committee.

A splendid duet was rendered by Rev. and Mrs. Robert Woodard, "My All For Thee."

ORPHANAGE REPORT (Adopted)

Western Association Receipts

October 1, 1943—September 30, 1944

Land	\$ 608.32
Chapel funds and Bonds	193.26
Clothing	413.00
Current	4,035.62

Grand Total\$5,250.20

Donated commodities valued at\$ 304.17

James A. Evans, Superintendent.

An offering was taken for the Orphanage in the amount of \$68.54.

The Moderator dispensed with the business of the Association for the preaching services.

Rev. C. F. Bowen led the congregation in singing: "The Kingdom Is Coming," and "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations." Prayer by Rev. C.

H. Coats. A duet "Blessed Redeemer," was sung by Rev. and Mrs. Robert Woodard.

Rev. R. C. Wiggs brought the message of the hour, using as a Scripture basis parts of Matt. 25 and 28. He used as a subject: "Free Will Baptist at Work, Socially and Spiritually, to the Needs of the People."

Song: "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go."

Benediction by Rev. Henry Melvin.

LUNCH

The Board of Ordination being in charge of the services, re-assembled the Association and proceeded to ordain two brothers to the gospel ministry.

The procedure of ordination was as follows: Song, "Trusting Jesus, that is All." Prayer by Rev. W. H. Lancaster. Scripture read 1 Timothy 3: 1-7. The services were in charge of Rev. W. R. Williams. The ordination charge was given by Rev. Henry Melvin. Those ordained were Revs. R. W. Allman and C. G. Ashley. The members of the Board laid their hands upon the brothers as Rev. J. H. Worley led the prayer. The Bible was presented by Rev. J. B. Ferrell. A song "A Charge to Keep I Have," was sung and a hand of fellowship was extended to those ordained.

By motion the 1945 session of the Western Association be held at Friendship Church, Johnston County, near Middlesex, N. C.

REPORT OF BOARD OF ORDINATION (Adopted)

We have examined R. W. Allman of Elwood Lane Church, Kannapolis, and C. G. Ashley of Oak Grove Church, Durham County, and recommend their ordination to the full work of the Gospel Ministry as practiced by the Free Will Baptist Churches; and that their names be placed upon the Ministerial roll of this Association.

We have also examined E. F. Chrisco of King's Chapel, Durham County, and recommend his ordination at his local church, upon presentation of recommendation by local church.

Signed: W. R. Williams, R. C. Wiggs, Paul Jenkins.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE (Adopted)

We, your committee on Finance, are happy to make the following report:

We have received at this session of the Association from the churches, \$265.15.

From Sunday Schools, \$30.00. Ladies Auxiliary of the Western District, \$2.00. From Rev. M. L. Cummings, \$10.00. Total received from all sources, \$307.15. This amount has been turned over to the Treasurer, Mr. H. G. Watson.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee:

W. A. Hales, R. W. Allman, Mrs. R. N. Hinnant.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Adopted)

Treasurer's Report to the Western Association, convened with Pleasant Plains Church, Johnston County, October 11, 1944.

Money received from Churches, Mt. Zion session, 1943	\$270.05
Received from First Union Meeting	5.00
Received from the Ladies Auxiliaries, Western Association	12.00
Received from a Minister	1.00
Received from Sunday Schools	20.00
Received from Mr. J. E. Wooten, for Pastoral Institute	30.00
Received from Edgemont Church, Durham, by letter	5.00
Total all money received at last session	\$343.05
Brought forward from previous report	136.31
Total all money received	\$479.36

Disbursements

Paid to Church Finance Corporation	\$ 25.00
Paid to Rev. R. N. Hinnant, Secretary, and expenses	26.00
Paid Rev. J. A. Evans, for Mr. Robert Woodard	50.00
Paid F. W. B. Press for Minutes	60.00
Paid H. G. Watson, for stamps and expense	5.00
Total paid out	166.00
Balance on hand	\$313.36

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. Watson, Treasurer.

Rev. Henry Melvin very appropriately sang "The Ninety and Nine," as a solo.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPROPRIATION (Adopted)

We, your Committee on Appropriations submit the following report:

1. National Unified Program	\$ 75.00
2. Secretary and expenses	30.00
3. Minutes	50.00
4. Treasurer (Expenses)	5.00
5. National Association	10.00
6. Finance Association, Inc.	25.00
7. State Missions	10.00
8. Education	10.00
9. Orphanage	50.00
10. Superannuation	30.00

Total ----- \$307.15

Signed: H. G. Watson, J. A. Evans, W. A. Hales,
R. N. Hinnant, T. Renfrow.

A verbal report of the Free Will Baptist College of Nashville, Tenn., was given by Rev. Henry Melvin for information.

For the report of the Nominating Committee see the Officers for 1944-45.

Motion that the Board of Finance become a permanent Board and that the Board be composed of the following members: J. A. Evans, Henry Melvin, W. A. Hales.

It shall be the duty of this Board to compile a report from the data given in the church letters and submit it to the Association for information. This motion is in compliance with a resolution previously passed by the Association.

By motion the first named member of each Board serve as Chairman of each said board.

Motion a rising vote of thanks be given to the retiring Moderator, Rev. J. B. Ferrell, for the splendid way he has presided over the Association during the number of years he served as Moderator.

Motion to adjourn.

Song by the congregation, "Blessed Be the Tie that Binds."

Benediction by Rev. R. W. Allman.

REV. J. B. FERRELL, Moderator.

REV. R. N. HINNANT, Secretary.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR P. O. ADDRESSES

J. H. Worley, Selma, N. C.
E. T. Phillips, (Superannuated) Ayden, N. C.
A. R. Flowers, Sims, N. C.
E. C. Morris, Glennville, Ga., Box 132
W. G. Boykin, (Disabled) Raleigh, 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, Goldsboro, N. C., 713 Simmons St.
J. S. Overman, (Superannuated) Fremont, N. C., Route 1
B. B. Richardson, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1
M. L. Cummings, Raleigh, N. C., 119 W. Hargett St.
W. E. Anderson, Morehead City, N. C., 204 Eleventh St.
B. M. Carter, Kenly, N. C.
J. F. Parrish, Rocky Mount, N. C., Box 1296
E. R. Barnes, Baltimore, 20, Md. Trailer No. 89, Site 3
W. A. Hales, Columbia, N. C., Box 245
L. H. Boykin, Bailey, N. C., Route 1
W. G. Pike, (Superannuated) Smithfield, N. C., Route 2
Milford Hales, Kenly, N. C., Route 2
I. W. Jernigan, Spring Hope, N. C.
Dee Bissette, Bailey, N. C., Route 2
Romie Mitchell, Kenly, N. C., Route 1
F. A. Rivenbark, Elizabeth City, N. C., Greenleaf St.
T. Renfrow, Kenly, N. C., Route 3
C. F. Bowen, E. Durham, N. C., Box 203
L. S. Joyner, Durham, N. C., Route 5
E. Poston, New Bern, N. C.
M. B. Woodlief, U. S. Army
A. P. Lee, Pikeville, N. C., Route 2
Charlie Orton, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 2
Paul Jenkins, Kannapolis, N. C., Route 1
Barney Griffin, Kannapolis, N. C., 507 W. East St.
Chester Pelt, U. S. Army—Chaplain
J. C. Varnell, Elm City, N. C., Route 1
Q. Hansley, Durham, N. C., Route 5
R. C. Wiggs, Ayden, N. C.

R. H. Woolley, Durham, N. C.
Robert Woodard, Middlesex, N. C.
Wiley Ferrell, Morrisville, N. C., Route 1
Caleb Goodman, Durham, N. C., Route 4
Willie Renfrow, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1
W. H. Ivey, Selma, N. C.
Henry Melvin, Durham, N. C., 1707 Angier Ave.
R. W. Allman, Kannapolis, N. C.
C. G. Ashley, Durham, N. C., Box 672

LICENTIATES

Elton Price, Durham, N. C., Route 4
Howard Wilson, Wake Forest, N. C., Route 1
Jasper Edwards, Pine Level, N. C.
E. F. Crisco, Burlington, N. C., 101 King St.
Milton Davis, Princeton, N. C., Route 3

CHURCHES, COUNTIES, AND PASTORS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR 1944-1945

Cabarrus County—

Elwood Lane—Paul Jenkins.

Durham County—

Edgemont—Henry Melvin.
Hansley Chapel—Not given.
King's Chapel—Wiley Ferrell.
Oak Grove—C. G. Ashley.

Franklin County—

Sts. Delight—J. B. Ferrell.

Johnston County—

Branch Chapel—Wiley Ferrell.
Friendship—M. E. Godwin.
Holly Springs—L. E. Ballard.
Kenly—C. F. Bowen.
Micro—J. W. Alford.
Pine Level—M. L. Johnson.
Piney Grove—W. R. Williams.
Pleasant Plain—C. F. Bowen.
Rains X-Roads—J. W. Alford.

Selma—R. P. Harris.

Stancil's Chapel—C. H. Coates.

Nash County—

Flood's Chapel—C. D. Hamilton.

Free Union—C. H. Coates.

Orphanage—J. B. Ferrell.

Piney Grove—J. B. Ferrell.

Rock Springs—Willie Renfrow.

Stony Hill—J. B. Ferrell.

Union Chapel—T. Renfrow.

White Oak Hill—L. E. Ballard.

Wake County—

Free Union—Not given.

Tippett's Chapel—C. H. Coates.

Wayne County—

Black Jack Grove—J. S. Overman.

Pleasant Grove—Clifton Rice.

Pleasant Hill—G. C. Joyner.

Spring Hill—G. C. Joyner.

Stony Creek—C. F. Bowen.

Union Grove—M. L. Johnson.

Wilson County—

Little Rock—M. L. Johnson.

Marsh Swamp—C. F. Bowen.

Mt. Zion—Milford Hales.

New Sandy Hill—J. F. Parrish.

People's Chapel—C. D. Hamilton.

St. Mary's—W. R. Williams.

CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE

Cabarrus County—

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

Durham County—

Edgemont—W. L. Gibbs, Durham, N. C., 1211 E. Main St.

Hansley's Chapel—J. D. Currie, Durham, N. C., Route 5.

King's Chapel—Evelyn Ellis, Bahama, N. C., Route 1.

Oak Grove—N. W. Rhodes, Durham, N. C., 2612 Rochelle St.

South View—Eddie Carpenter, Durham, N. C.

Union Grove—C. E. Ferguson, Raleigh, N. C., Route 6.

Franklin County—

Sts. Delight—Mrs. Buck Sheron, Louisburg, N. C.

Johnston County—

Branch Chapel—Herbert G. Herring, Selma, N. C., Route 1.

Friendship—Mrs. D. O. Wilder, Zebulon, N. C.

Holly Springs—Jesse W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C., Route 2.

Kenly—Mrs. Eddie Flowers, Kenly, N. C., Box 237.

Micro—Mrs. Carl Bagley, Selma, N. C., Route 2.

Pine Level—Dan U. Oliver, Pine Level, N. C.

Piney Grove—L. G. Pope, Kenly, N. C., Route 1.

Pleasant Plain—Carl A. Godwin, Selma, N. C., Route 2.

Rain's X Roads—J. R. Evans, Kenly, N. C., Route 1.

Selma—W. C. Sasser, Selma, N. C.

Stancil's Chapel—R. L. Peele, Kenly, N. C., Route 2.

Nash County—

Flood's Chapel—Eddie Bisette, Spring Hope, N. C., Route 2.

Free Union—H. C. Morgan, Spring Hope, N. C., Route 2.

Mt. Zion—L. W. Matthews, Nashville, N. C., Route 2.

Orphanage—Odell Jones Thompson, Middlesex, N. C.

Piney Grove—Mrs. Roy Barnes, Nashville, N. C.

Rock Springs—Oscar Hinton, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1.

Union Chapel—James M. Todd, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1.

White Oak Hill—H. W. Lamm, Bailey, N. C., Route 2.

Stony Hill—N. E. Strickland, Middlesex, N. C., Route 2.

Wake County—

Free Union—Mrs. O. L. Wilson, Wake Forest, N. C., Route 1.

Tippett's Chapel—Miss Mertie Lee Turner, Clayton, N. C., Route 1.

Wayne County—

Black Jack Grove—Elmo Wiley, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 1.

Pleasant Grove—J. R. Fleming, Pikeville, N. C.

Pleasant Hill—Mrs. O. P. Snipes, Princeton, N. C.

Spring Hill—W. N. Turner, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 1.

Stony Creek—Iredell Kennedy, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 2.

Union Grove—D. B. Morris, Fremont, N. C.

Wilson County—

- Little Rock—H. S. Pittman, Lucama, N. C.
Marsh Swamp—Mrs. Blanche B. Loftin, Bailey, N. C., Route 1.
Mt. Zion—Millard Pittman, Kenly, N. C.
New Sandy Hill—Floyd Bunn, Bailey, N. C., Route 3.
People's Chapel—R. A. Winstead, Elm City, N. C., Route 2.
Milbourny—W. F. Watson, Kenly, N. C., Route 1.
Wilson—T. F. Felton, Wilson, N. C., 1000 Bragg St.
St. Mary's—W. F. Watson, Kenly, N. C., Route 1.
Rose Bud—James H. Bridgers, Wilson, N. C., 1507 Downing St.
Oak Grove—Mrs. Ada Gardner, Macclesfield, N. C.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF CHURCHES, DELEGATES, AND CONTRIBUTIONS.

Churches	Counties	Yearly Meetings	Paid Pastor	Funds to Assn.	Paid to Orphanage	Paid to Mission	Members 1944	Baptized	S. S. Members	Value Church Property	Total Funds Raised	Died	Delegates
Elwood Lane	Cabarrus	August	\$1,525	\$ 5.00	\$ 90	\$ 5.00	104	15	102	\$ 3,500	\$2,304.54	--	G. Lambert, E. C. Camp
Edgemont	Durham	October	2,600	5.00	75		166	--	160	50,000		--	By letter
Hansley Chapel	Durham	January	1,800	5.00	153	137.00	235	5	158	5,500	3,964.50	1	Mrs. Dorothy Phillips, Mrs. T. W. Choplins
K ng's Chapel	Durham	June	250	8.00	45	10.00	93	--	--	5,000	664.71	2	Mrs. W. I. Ellis
Oak Grove	Durham	September	200	7.00	16	8.00	68	1	45	1,200	340.70	--	Floyd Ashley
Sta. Delight	Franklin	October	143	5.00	30		171	1	--	2,000		--	
Branch Chapel	Johnston	August	343	8.00	95		282	10	88	1,000	593.54	2	Elijah Phillips, Arthur Pittman
Friendship	Johnston	August	360	13.00	166	4.00	200	--	73	5,000	555.81	2	Mrs. Bettie Thompson, Mrs. B. B. Richardson
Holly Springs	Johnston	October	416	7.50	119	21.00	274	3	--	3,000	687.00	3	R. Radford, P. Hales
Kenly	Johnston	August	360	7.00	32		190	2	128	15,000	5,921.98	7	A. G. Askew, Henry Watson
Micro	Johnston	August	300	15.00	110	25.00	290	25	200	25,000		--	N. Hatcher, T. Wellons
Pine Level	Johnston	August	365	10.00	65		267	17	183	10,000		--	J. W. Braswell, H. P. Creech
Piney Grove	Johnston	October	180	5.00	--		139	2	73	2,000		--	Rachel Hinnant, Gladys Pierce
Pleasant Plain	Johnston	August	300	15.00	150	30.00	220	--	186	8,000	690.00	--	H. A. Scott, W. O. Fields
Rain's X Roads	Johnston	September	300	11.00	302	20.00	264	2	136	10,000		3	Milton Davis, Jack Edwards
Selma	Johnston	August	240	6.00	92	10.00	51	2	53	5,000	576.85	--	Mrs. Paul Creech, Mrs. Fannie Grant
Stancil's Chapel	Johnston	August	160	5.00	25		56	--	50	750	234.45	--	Mrs. R. L. Peele, Sallie Renfrow
Flood's Chapel	Nash	September	120	5.00	50	10.00	100	--	25	1,500	480.00	--	J. C. Lamm
Free Union	Nash	October	120	5.00	75		80	--	--	500		--	Mrs. H. C. Morgan and Mrs. G. E. Morgan
Orphanage	Nash	August	120	5.00	--		24	--	--		120.00	--	By letter
Piney Grove	Nash	September	60	3.00	17		30	--	--	1,500		--	By letter
Rock Spring	Nash	September	180	6.00	56	5.00	95	3	39	1,500	297.56	2	Oscar Hinton
Union Chapel	Nash	August	90	4.00	7		31	1	20	1,000	70.87	--	D. T. Renfrow
Stony Hill	Nash	July	90	10.00	--		133	--	80	1,200	146.00	2	Not given
White Oak Hill	Nash	September	120	5.00	25		96	--	75	2,000	178.00	1	H. W. and W. A. Lamm
Free Union	Wake	September	84	3.65	47		42	3	25		158.87	2	Not given
Tippett's Chapel	Wake	November	180	5.00	60	8.50	184	--	79	2,500	426.00	--	By letter
Black Jack Grove	Wayne	August		2.50	--		16	--	35	500		3	By letter
Pleasant Grove	Wayne	May	390	15.00	270		204	6	135	6,000	1,341.16	3	W. F. Pittman and wife
Pleasant Hill	Wayne	August	102	7.50	33	1.20	32	12	--	1,000	187.15	--	Mrs. O. P. Snipes, Jesse Aycock
Spring Hill	Wayne	August	120	5.00	30	12.00	53	4	70	1,000	252.00	1	J. A. Allen and wife
Stony Creek	Wayne	October	300	10.00	50	20.00	103	--	60	2,000	584.00	1	Mrs. J. C. Sasser, Mrs. Dora Combs
Union Grove	Wayne	September	360	15.00	225	20.00	269	8	--	5,000	867.95	3	R. L. Fleming, Mrs. Sarah Morris
Little Rock	Wilson	September	420	15.00	288	48.00	288	1	108	5,000	827.42	3	Mrs. Etta F. Renfrow, F. T. Barnes
Marsh Swamp	Wilson	August	720	10.00	289	103.00	185	2	175	3,000	2,336.07	--	A. B. Boykin
Mt. Zion	Wilson	August	25	5.00	25		150	1	100	1,000	100.00	--	I. R. Crocker and wife
New Sandy Hill	Wilson	July	120	5.00	25		69	--	--	1,000	170.15	2	Z. C. Bisette and wife
People's Chapel	Wilson	September	125	10.00	117		--	6	--	3,000	292.00	1	Eddie Wells and wife
St. Mary's	Wilson	September	240	5.00	132	24.00	144	8	119	2,000	583.00	--	W. C. Pittman, H. H. Sullivan

PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES

of the

Women's Auxiliary Convention

of the

Western Association

For the Year of 1944

PROCEEDINGS

The Twenty-Sixth Annual session of the Woman's Auxiliary Convention of the Western Association, held its regular business meeting, Wednesday, April 5, 1944, with Micro Church, Johnston County.

Theme: "Steadfast in the Work of the Lord."

The Convention came to order by singing, "I Need Thee Every Hour," and reading of Scripture from Acts, Colossians, Deuteronomy, and Job. Prayer by Rev. J. A. Evans. Mrs. Carl E. Gaddy cordially welcomed each delegate, minister and visitor and Mrs. Welton Watson responded.

Visiting ministers present: J. A. Evans, F. A. Rivenbark, J. H. Worley, B. B. Richardson, E. G. Holland, R. N. Hinnant.

Reading of a letter by our President, Mrs. Chester Pelt, who was not able to be present.

The minutes of last year's session were read and accepted.

The following committees were appointed:

Resolutions—Mesdames E. G. Holland, J. C. Sasser, Garland Richardson.

Reports—Mesdames Mildred Holland, L. M. Edwards, Walter Blalock.

Nominating—Mesdames Charles Hinnant, Myrtle Rowe, Leon Godwin.

Announcements by First Vice-President, Mrs. D. E. Wilder, who presided.

REPORTS OF VICE-PRESIDENTS

PUBLICATION AND LITERATURE—Mrs. D. E. Wilder

Number Societies reporting, 15; Number members, 356; Average Attendance, 228; Number Temperance Programs given, 8; Number Religious Literature distributed, 4,956; Number Subscriptions to F. W. B. paper, 195; Number Subscriptions to Gem, 9.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—Mrs. Oliver Smith

Number Societies reporting, 10; Amount of Donations to National Educational Program, \$225.25; Amount of loans or donations to students, \$5.00; Amount of donation to Pastor for expense to Pastor's Institute, \$47.50; Amount sent to Anna Phillips Loan Fund, \$65.00; Number Societies planning programs in advance, 15; Number Vacation Bible Schools conducted, 5; Number Young Peoples' Organizations and Activities directed, 5; Number study classes for youth, 0; Number daily Bible readers, 907; Number special studies of Manual, 13; Money raised to furnish room in Bible College, \$78.00; Money raised to furnish Library in School, \$82.10.

MISSIONS—Mrs. Clarence Bowen

Number Auxiliaries reporting, 15; Number Mission Programs conducted,

28; Number Mission services sponsored, 12; Number Societies holding Week of Prayer, 15; Number observing 9 o'clock Prayer Band, 7; Amount contributed to Home Missions, \$287.82; Amount contributed to Foreign Missions, \$207.82; Number Study Classes conducted, 25; Names of Books studied: "The Open Gate to Prayer," "Keys of the Kingdom," "How to Pray," "Missionary Lessons from the Bible," "In His Steps."

STEWARDSHIP—Mrs. N. E. Strickland

Talks made, 43; Programs given, 22; Classes conducted, 29; Attendance to classes, 185; Number of titheers, 46.

ORPHANAGE—Mrs. Hardy Talton

Number Societies reporting, 18; Number Societies clothing an Orphan child, 12; Number contributing material to make Orphanage more attractive, 15; Number donating monthly to Orphanage, not given; Value of provisions and other commodities, \$244.01; Total amount money sent to Orphanage, \$794.03; Amount provisions, commodities and money, \$1,038.04.

SUPERANNUATION—Mrs. Etta Frost Renfrow

Number Auxiliaries reporting, 16; Amount money reported, \$106.74; Flowers, baskets and trays sent to sick, 665.

All have visited and helped to supply the needs of the sick and destitute in their communities.

Orphanage news by the Superintendent, Rev. J. A. Evans. He reported 29 girls and 39 boys, also the road to the Orphanage was covered with rock. They also purchased a farm. A new stove is needed. He asked that each one remember the Orphanage in prayer. An offering was taken amounting to \$30.29. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Worley. Song, "Yield Not to Temptation." Scripture read, Luke 23: 33, by Mrs. L. E. Ballard and prayer by Mrs. Etta Frost Renfrow and message, "Calvary, a Challenge for Steadfast Christian Women," by Mrs. Ballard.

Singing—"Lead Me to Calvary," and benediction by Rev. J. A. Evans.

LUNCH

A bounteous lunch was served which was enjoyed by all present.

The Convention re-assembled by singing, "Take My Life and Let it Be," and prayer by Mrs. J. A. Evans.

National Convention Highlights by Mrs. L. E. Ballard.

REPORT OF SECOND UNION AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Donations, \$17.00; Number Societies, 10; Number present, 9; Number on roll, 140; Testaments given, 4; Number absent, 1; New members, 25; Visitors, 247; Amount of dues paid to various Conventions, \$26.90; Sick visits, 3,565; Bible chapters, 13,040; Superannuation, \$1.00; Trays to sick, 496; Education, \$19.00; Gallons of milk, 1417½; Number pounds butter, 305;

Flowers for sick, 298; Number attending week of prayer, 75; Number funeral designs, 51; Number dozen eggs, 62½; Garments given, 325; Number Orphans adopted, 2; Cash to orphanage, \$121.60; Cards sent to sick, 399; Number days Charity work given, 139½; Number subscribers to F. W. B., 25; Home Missions, \$35.73; Foreign Missions, \$6.00; Number study classes on Stewardship, 5; Number study classes on Missions, 11; Value of supplies to Orphanage, \$188.37.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE (Adopted)

Your Resolutions Committee wishes to join with visitors in extending thanks to this Church for gracious hospitality for the way we have been entertained.

Be it resolved: That each local auxiliary make a monthly contribution, if possible to our Orphanage. Be it further resolved;

That Friday's service during this week of prayer be set aside as Special Prayer Service for Peace, both for our enemies as well as the Allies.

Reading of telegram from Mrs. Bruce Barrow, delegate from Eastern Conference.

Appointment of delegates as follows:

State Association of Women—Mrs. E. G. Holland.

Western Association—Mrs. Etta Frost Renfrow.

Report of State Auxiliary Convention by Mrs. Major Williams, and of the Western Association by Mrs. Marvin Adkinson.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Adopted)

President—Mrs. Chester Pelt.

First Vice-President—Mrs. D. E. Wilder, Middlesex, N. C., Rt. 2.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. M. P. Crocker, Smithfield, N. C.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. C. F. Bowen, E. Durham, N. C., Box 203.

Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. N. E. Strickland, Middlesex, N. C., Rt. 2.

Fifth Vice-President—Mrs. Ella Boyette, Kenly, N. C., Rt. 1.

Sixth Vice-President—Mrs. Etta Frost Renfrow, Wilson, N. C., Rt. 2.

Field Worker—Mrs. Luther Kirby, Kenly, N. C.

Secretary—Mrs. R. N. Hinnant, Micro, N. C.

Treasurer—Mrs. D. O. Wilder, Zebulon, N. C.

Reports Committee reported Pleasant Grove had the Best Chart and the Young Women's Society of Durham, second place.

At this time we had a season of prayer for our service men.

Mrs. Marvin Adkinson conducted a memorial service for deceased members: Mrs. Smitha Barnes from Pine Level, and Mrs. K. C. Atkinson from

Union Grove Church. She read a Scripture lesson from Proverbs 31: 10-31. Poem and song, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone."

Mrs. R. B. Spencer brought greetings from the Press. She suggested sending all good reports to the Press for publication.

FINANCE REPORT (Accepted)

Brought forward	\$ 5.00
Received today	104.06
Offering for Orphanage	30.29
Total	\$139.35

Disbursements

Orphanage (Offering-\$30.29; Appropriation-\$26.57)	\$ 50.86
Mrs. Herman Nobles (State and National dues)	15.40
Rev. R. N. Hinnant (Minute Fund)	10.00
Mrs. L. E. Ballard (Love gift)	10.00
Rev. R. N. Hinnant (Expenses and Secretary)	7.00
Mrs. Oliver Smith (Expenses)	2.09
Rev. J. H. Worley	5.00
Mrs. D. O. Wilder	5.00
Rev. C. F. Bowen (Education)	10.00
Delegate to State Convention	2.00
Delegate to Western Association	2.00
Missions	5.00
Superannuation	5.00
Total	\$139.35

An offering was taken for Kenly Church amounting to \$16.45.

Next year all money should be sent directly to the Treasurer, instead of the Secretary.

Eighteen Societies reported to me and they raised by dues \$660.12. In other ways, \$1,745.56. Convention dues, \$54.85. 10 Cents per capita dues, \$37.60.

A rising vote was extended to Mrs. D. E. Wilder for the fine way she presided over the Convention in the absence of President.

Adjournment and Benediction to meet next April with Kenly Church.

Mrs. D. E. Wilder, First Vice-President.

Mrs. R. N. Hinnant, Secretary.

