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Rev. R. N. Hinnant

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W. G. Boykin (Disabled), Raleigh, N. C.  
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J. B. Ferrell, Elm City, N. C., Route 2  
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L. H. Boykin, Kenly, N. C., Route 3  
W. G. Pike (Superannuated), Selma, N. C., R.F.D.  
Milford Hales, Wilson, N. C., 503 S. Tarboro St.  
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Rommie Mitchell, Kenly, N. C., Route 1  
F. A. Rivenbark, Durham, N. C., 109 Spring Road  
T. Renfrow, Kenly, N. C., Route 3  
L. S. Joyner, Durham, N. C., 220 Lynn St.  
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Barney Griffin, Kannapolis, N. C., 606 Sycamore St.  
J. C. Varnell, Wilson, N. C., 1211 Adam St.  
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Willie Renfrow, Kenly, N. C., Route 2  
W. H. Ivey, Selma, N. C.  
R. W. Allman, Saratoga, N. C., Box 52  
C. G. Ashley, Durham, N. C., 529 N. Hardee St.  
E. F. Chrisco, Burlington, N. C., 816 King St.  
Milton Davis, Princeton, N. C., Route 2  
M. L. Johnson, Sims, N. C., Route 1  
Q. G. Worrell, Durham, N. C., 1006 Angier Ave.  
Wingate Hansley, Kenly, N. C.  
Jasper Edwards, Micro, N. C.  
E. B. Williams, Durham, N. C., 2431 Guest Road  
M. W. Roach, Raleigh, N. C., Route 6.  
Allen Bryan, Elm City, N. C., Wilson St.  
Floyd Cherry, Ayden, N. C.  
M. L. Tyndall, Kinston, N. C., 213 S. McLewean St.  
David Wooten, Morrisville, N. C.  
Ralph E. Clegg, Durham, N. C., 1800 Washington St.  
Clifton Ange, Durham, N. C., 309 S. Guthrie Ave.  
W. L. Poythress, Wilson, N. C., 900 Randolph St.  
G. C. Joyner, Smithfield, N. C., 430 Church St.  
Joseph Ange, Durham, N. C., 1212 E. Main St.  
Adam Scott, Durham, N. C., Club Blvd., Duke St.  
Billy Morris, Kenly, N. C., Route 3  
Eugene Waddell, Kenly, N. C.  
Bobbie Jackson, Nashville, Tenn.

Hilery Minchew, Kenly, N. C., Route 1  
Douglas Johnson, Clayton, N. C.  
Larue Davis, Fremont, N. C., Route 2  
Dewey C. Boling, Clayton, N. C.  
Bobby Aycock, Fremont, N. C., Route 2  
Charles Bryan, Goldsboro, N. C.  
Joseph C. Yates, Kannapolis, N. C., 801 S. Ridge Ave.  
G. Herman Griffin, Kannapolis, N. C., 1107 Washington Lane  
Norman Adams, Durham, N. C., 910 Rosehill Ave.

## LICENTIATES

William Phipps, Morrisville, N. C., Route 1  
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P. R. Williams, Durham, N. C., 1208 Franklin St.  
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Jim Glasgow, Durham, N. C., 908 Middlin Terrace  
Cicero Etheridge, Wilson, N. C., 700 Crowell St.  
Norman Adams, Durham, N. C., 910 Rosehill Ave.  
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Elwood Davis, Durham, N. C., Box 81  
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M. L. Pittman, Lucama, N. C.  
Marvin M. Williams  
Billy Gene Outland  
Keith Boyd

# PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-Seventh Annual Session of the Western Conference of the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, convened with Mt. Zion Church, Nash County, October 14, 15, 1953.

Opening devotions were conducted by Rev. W. E. Renfrow. Rev. R. P. Harris led the congregation in singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Brother Renfrow read the first chapter of Joshua and briefly commented on the Scripture.

## APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

*Resolutions*—F. B. Cherry, L. H. Boykin, Elbert Christy.

*Temperance*—F. A. Rivenbark, Joseph Ange, Hilery Minchew.

*Memorial*—J. A. Evans, J. C. Yates, Rommie Mitchell.

*Nominating*—J. B. Ferrell, W. E. Renfrow, R. W. Allman.

By motion, the program be adopted as a guide to the Moderator in his proceedings.

## ROLL CALL OF MINISTERS

Present first day: R. N. Hinnant, W. R. Williams, J. A. Evans, J. B. Ferrell, M. L. Cummings, W. E. Anderson, L. H. Boykin, Rommie Mitchell, F. A. Rivenbark, Paul Jenkins, Wiley Ferrell, W. E. Renfrow, R. W. Allman, C. G. Ashley, M. L. Johnson, Q. G. Worrell, E. B. Williams, Allen Bryan, R. P. Harris, R. E. Clegg, W. L. Poythress, Joseph Ange, Adam Scott, Hilery Minchew, P. R. Williams, Cicero Etheridge, Elwood Davis, R. A. Etheridge, Felton Johnson, Douglas Johnson.

Present second day: R. N. Hinnant, W. R. Williams, J. A. Evans, J. B. Ferrell, M. L. Cummings, W. E. Anderson, L. H. Boykin, Milford Hales, Dee Bissette, Rommie Mitchell, F. A. Rivenbark, T. Renfrow, Paul Jenkins, J. C. Varnell, Wiley Ferrell, W. E. Renfrow, R. W. Allman, M. L. Johnson, Allen Bryan, F. B. Cherry, Billy Morris, P. R. Williams, Norman Adams, G. H. Griffin, J. C. Yates, Elwood Davis, R. A. Etheridge, Felton Johnson.

Visiting ministers: Hubert Burress, D. W. Hansley, C. J. Harris, Herman Hershey, M. C. Johnson, S. A. Smith, W. O. Lassiter, Warren Mallard, J. R. Davidson, W. B. Raper, N. B. Barrow, and J. W. Everton.

By request of Rev. R. P. Harris he was granted a letter of dismission to unite with the Central Conference.

By request of Rev. C. H. Overman he was granted a letter of dismission to unite with the Albemarle Conference.

A roll call of churches was called for. For the reports see the Statistical Table.

Business was suspended and Rev. R. P. Harris led the congregation in singing, "Love Lifted Me," followed with prayer by Rev. R. W. Allman. Solo by Brother Harris, "It's in My Heart."

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. M. L. Johnson, using Numbers 11:1-2 as a text.

Prayer by Revs. W. E. Anderson and M. L. Johnson.

A hearty welcome was extended to all present by the pastor, Rev. R. N. Hin-

nant, to participate in the noon meal prepared by the local church and served picnic style in the church yard.

Benediction by Rev. M. L. Cummings.

### LUNCH

Rev. A. B. Bryan conducted the afternoon devotions, reading Psalms 122. Singing by the congregation, "We'll Work 'Til Jesus Comes," and Solo by Rev. R. P. Harris, "I Will Pilot Thee."

### ORPHANAGE REPORT TO WESTERN CONFERENCE

1 OCTOBER, 1952-30 SEPTEMBER, 1953

General Fund .....	\$12,065.22
Clothing Fund .....	1,561.27
Chapel Fund .....	630.00
Concert Class Receipts .....	1,294.03
Kitchen Fund .....	30.00
Music Fund .....	40.00
Girls' Building .....	47.45
Total .....	\$15,667.97

S. A. SMITH, *Superintendent.*

An offering was given the Orphanage amounting to \$126.28.

Rev. D. W. Hansley gave an oral and informative report of State Board of Education.

### SUPERANNUATION REPORT

We, the Board of Superannuation of the Western Conference, report as follows:

We find from the records of the State Board of Superannuation, that the receipts from this District for the past year were, \$634.12. This is an increase of \$13.86 over the previous year.

The above amount was given as follows: Churches, \$520.30; Auxiliaries, \$42.37; Sunday Schools, \$34.00; Leagues, \$1.00; individuals, 50 cents; Union Meetings, \$35.95.

We find that there are six (6) of our ministers and six (6) of our ministers' widows now receiving checks from the State Board of Superannuation.

We urge our people to give full support to the program of the State Board of Superannuation. We ask each church to raise 25 cents per member as asked for by the State Board.

M. L. JOHNSON

E. B. WILLIAMS

### REPORT OF CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION, Inc., 1953

We submit this report of the Church Finance Association, Inc., as of September 1, 1953.

Number of members of the Association .....	367
Number members holding at least one \$25.00 Certificate .....	164
Number \$25.00 Certificates now held .....	370
Membership fees collected this year .....	\$616.78

Total membership fees now held .....	\$10,655.88
Number new loans made during this year .....	4
Total amount loaned this year .....	\$21,000.00
Total number loans made since 1940 .....	37
Total amount of loans made since 1940 .....	\$118,047.45
Number loans now on our books .....	14
Our total receipts during the past year were .....	\$31,546.79
Our total disbursements during the past year were .....	\$22,856.51
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Our balance on hand Sept. 1, 1953 .....	\$ 8,690.28

The following figures taken from the Annual Report Jan. 1, 1953:

Our total assets on Jan. 1, 1953 were .....	\$39,536.18
Our total liabilities on Jan. 1, 1953 were .....	36,507.49
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Our earned profit or surplus on Jan. 1, 1953 was .....	\$ 3,028.69

Our next Annual Meeting will be held at the Free Will Baptist Orphanage, in the Orphanage Memorial Chapel, on Tuesday, January 12, 1954, at 10:30 a. m.

CHURCH FINANCE ASSOCIATION, Inc.

By R. N. HINNANT, *President*

M. L. JOHNSON, *Secy.-Treas.*

### REPORT OF ORDAINING COUNCIL

We, your Ordaining Council, make the following report:

1. We have met four times since the last Conference.
2. The following candidates have been licensed:
  - a. Marvin M. Williams
  - b. Billy Gene Outland
  - c. Keith Boyd
3. The following candidates were ordained to the gospel ministry:
  - a. Douglas Johnson
  - b. Norman Adams
  - c. Larue Davis
  - d. Dewey C. Boling
  - e. Bobby Aycock
  - f. Charles Bryant
  - g. Joseph C. Yates
  - h. G. Herman Griffin

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. RIVENBARK, *Chairman*

F. B. CHERRY, *Secretary*

### REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST PRESS

I am happy to report to this conference that the Free Will Baptist Press is in the best financial and physical condition it has ever been. The service rendered to our people during the last fiscal year has been the most extensive since the Press has been in operation. We have the most modern equipment in its history and also



# STATISTICAL TABLE OF CHURCHES, DELEGATES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

CHURCHES	COUNTIES	YEARLY MEETINGS	REGULAR MEETINGS	Raised for Missions	Raised for Orphanage	Other Purposes	Paid Pastor	Total Funds Raised	Number Members	Baptized	Died	Average S. S. Attendance	No. Members W. A.	Value Church Property	Funds to Conference	DELEGATES
Elwood Lane	Cabarrus	August	Every Sunday	\$ 39	\$111	\$ 1,851	\$3,710	\$ 9,801	194	7	1	131	19	\$ 10,000	\$ 5.00	Mr. Elbert Christy, Mr. J. M. Jenkins
Calvary	Durham	September	Every Sunday	148	55	3,419	3,380	7,078	94	15	0	60	16	15,000	5.00	Mr. Henry Lee Bryant
Edgemont	Durham	October	Every Sunday	1,597	719	16,418	4,400	25,520	525	147	2	247	63	110,000	10.00	Mr. Lloyd Williford
Miami Boulevard	Durham	October	Every Sunday		28	168		1,874	54	15		60		5,000	2.50	Juanita Oakley
Oak Grove	Durham	September	Every Sunday		50	500	1,200		175		2	55	10	5,000	5.00	Mrs. Fred Roll, Mrs. J. N. Carter
Sherron Acres	Durham	July	Every Sunday	384	462	15,407	4,570		407	33	1	212	35	45,000	5.00	Mrs. C. E. Todd
Union Grove	Durham	August	Every Sunday	97	186	800	731	1,782	140	9	0	50		4,000	5.00	Mr. C. J. Rigsbee, Mr. C. E. Ferguson
Saints Delight	Franklin	September	Second & Fourth	125	26	1,850		2,676	233	25	1	148	38	15,000	5.00	Paul Webster
Branch Chapel	Johnston	August	Fourth	20	259	141	979	2,346	324	27	0	112		10,000	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Herring
Everett's Chapel	Johnston	September	Every Sunday	312	264	446	1,740	2,763	170	50		130	32	5,000	5.00	Rice Bagwell, Bennie Pollard
Friendship	Johnston	August	Second & Fourth	28	328	1,200	450	3,341	196	1	5	83	35	12,000	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Henry Congleton
Holly Springs	Johnston	October	First & Third	5	83	721	500	1,345	245	2	3	108	29	20,000	7.50	Mr. & Mrs. Edgar A. Johnson
Kenly	Johnston	August	Third	129	710	4,043	840	5,788	206	3	3	185	30	30,000	15.00	Mrs. Henry Watson
Piney Grove	Johnston	October	Second & Fourth	168	528	375	746	1,855	175	15	3	70	24	10,000	10.00	Rachel Hinnant, Ora Davis
Pine Level	Johnston	August	Second		453		1,020	3,500	330	35	6	319	35	50,000	10.00	U. B. Faulk, W. E. Crocker
Pleasant Plain	Johnston	August	Second & Fourth	109	814	1,458	822	3,259	283	31	1	150	16	10,000	15.00	Mr. & Mrs. Willard Pittman
Micro	Johnston	August	Fourth	25	111	1,072	740	2,016	250	3			23	25,000	20.00	Turner Wellons, Ner Hatcher
Rains' Cross Roads	Johnston	September	Third	50	541	4,013	600	5,279	304	8	3	145	24	20,000	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Sasser
Selma	Johnston	September	First & Third	20	103	1,280	900	2,331	99	6	0	80		25,000	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. W. C. Sasser
Stancil's Chapel	Johnston	August	Third	20	155	450	360	1,000	149	6	0	85	14	11,000	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. Johnie Renfrow
Barnes Hill	Nash	May	Second & Fourth		104	176	334	686	156	11		89		3,500	5.00	C. J. Barnes, Beatrice Pridgen
Flood's Chapel	Nash															
Free Union	Nash	September	Second & Fourth	15	200	300	580	1,095	90	2	1	85	35	4,000	5.00	Nancy Duncan, Maggie Puckette
Mt. Zion	Nash	September	Third	25	192	1,212	600	2,049	172	2	2	125	25	20,000	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Tom Mathews
Orphanage Mem. Chapel	Nash		Fourth	5	5	100								40,000	10.00	Doris Tyson
Piney Grove	Nash	September	Second		53		158	211	42	0	0			4,000	5.00	W. H. Cooper
Rock Spring	Nash	September	First & Third	11	163	1,021	300	1,196	83	3	0	50	13	2,000	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. Henry Issette
Stony Hill	Nash	July	Fourth		25	442	385	852	90	8		60	24	6,000	5.00	Gilliam Boykin, Delton Glover
Union Chapel	Nash	September	First & Third	10	39	188	340	577	49	0	0	45	6	1,000	5.00	Moses Todd, Ira Boykin
White Oak Hill	Nash	September	First & Third	30	32	454	600	1,116	190	54	1	130	23	4,000	8.00	Mrs. Lillie Mae Issette
Hillsboro	Orange	April	Every Sunday	12	12	120	500	60	6	3	4			2,500	5.00	Mrs. P. R. Williams, Maggie James
Tippett's Chapel	Wake		First & Third		300	1,000	2,000	135	3	0	0	75	20	15,000	5.00	
Black Jack Grove	Wayne	October	First & Third		80	196	160	436	44	3	3	50		3,000	5.00	Mrs. James Hinson, Mrs. Lennie Capps
Fremont Chapel	Wayne	October	First & Third	25	68	3,800	900	4,537	98	8	1	120	30	10,000	10.00	Mrs. Berkeley Smith, Mrs. Dewey Shelley
Pleasant Grove	Wayne	August	First	69	628	2,429	600	3,847	236	9	2	146	37	13,000	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. Fred Pittman
Pleasant Hill	Wayne	August	Third	13	69	1,062	360	1,510	62	12	2	87	13	5,000	5.00	Marie Hawley, Mrs. Marvin Bunn
Stoney Creek	Wayne	October	Second & Fourth	20	141	82	1,200	1,507	128	1	2	100	34	10,000	10.00	Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Forehand
Spring Hill	Wayne	August	First & Third	15	224	500	300	1,059	54	2	1	70	14	6,000	10.00	Elbert and W. H. Radford
Union Grove	Wayne	September	Second & Fourth	50	300	1,200	1,440	3,220	240	3	1	150	40	15,000	5.00	F. A. Morris
Little Rock	Wilson	September	Third	19	284	3,376	780	4,571	250	2	0	100	37	50,000	15.00	Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Aycock
Marsh Swamp	Wilson	September	Every Sunday	129	974	3,222	3,640	8,159	311	7	4	130	34	55,000	20.00	Raiford Fulghum, Roney Bunn
Millbourney	Wilson	August	First & Third	10	229	625	556	1,420	71	1		65	27	4,000	5.00	Leonard Williamson, Vernon Lamm
Mt. Zion	Wilson		Fourth		100	500	400	1,000	150	4	5	105	35	4,000	5.00	Mr. & Mrs. Henry Johnson
New Sandy Hill	Wilson	April	First	24	212	271	250	758	114	7	1	85	18	4,000	5.00	Doris Bunn, Judy Lamm
Oak Grove	Wilson	June	Second & Fourth			154	200	468	38	1	1	62		800	6.00	Mary Bridgers
People's Chapel	Wilson	September	Second & Fourth		140	1,044	720	1,900	190	12	0	85	20	5,000	10.00	Earl & W. J. Winstead
Rose Bud	Wilson	September	Second & Fourth	24	87	766	785	1,693	70	9	2	55	16	3,500	5.00	Mrs. Marjorie Braswell, Mrs. J. A. Moore
St. Mary's	Wilson	September	First, Second, Fourth	367	539	3,092	1,462	5,574	204	10	3	150	40	25,000	7.50	Ava Williamson
Watson's Grove	Wilson		First			37		37	18	2	0	20		1,000	5.00	Eddie Watson
Wilson	Wilson	October	Every Sunday	10	424	7,069	3,380	10,950	457	5	2	146	38	31,212	10.00	E. A. Winstead, Albert Newcomb

the most professional employed personnel; hence in a better condition to serve the needs of the denomination.

Plans are in the making for expanding our usefulness to our people. We solicit your co-operation, as members of the Free Will Baptist denomination, to patronize our press in every way possible.

R. N. HINNANT, *President*.

Motion to adjourn and Benediction.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

Singing by the congregation, "Stand Up for Jesus." Rev. Rommie Mitchell conducted the devotions, reading John 15 for a Scripture lesson. Solo by Rev. Rommie Mitchell, "What a Wonderful Time." Prayer by Rev. W. E. Anderson. The evening message was delivered by Rev. W. E. Anderson, Subject: "The Model Walk." Solo by Brother Anderson, "Satisfied With Jesus."

### THURSDAY MORNING

The congregation joined in singing "Amazing Grace" and "Have Thine Own Way, Lord." Prayer by Rev. Wayne Smith. Devotions were conducted by Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, reading for a Scripture lesson, Romans 12:1.

The minutes of the previous day were read by the clerk.

### REPORT OF STATE PROMOTIONAL DIRECTOR TO THE WESTERN CONFERENCE

Forty-one churches in the Western Conference sent reports to the 1953 Session of the North Carolina State Convention held with Marsh Swamp Church, Wilson County. The reports to the Convention revealed the following information about the work of the Western Conference.

- 41 churches reported to the Convention
- 10 churches support every phase of the United Program
  - 1 church does not support any phase
- 26 churches support Cragmont
- 31 churches support Missions
- 38 churches support Orphanage
- 31 churches support Christian Education
- 20 churches support State Promotional work
- 13 churches support Church Finance
- 24 churches support Superannuation

WILLIAM BURKETTE RAPER, *Promotional Director*.

Rev. F. A. Rivenbark was elected to the Uniform Examination Board for ministers, as requested by the State Convention.

A letter was read from the Board of Directors of Mt. Allen College, inviting the churches to send a delegation to Mt. Olive, N. C., to assist in cleaning the school grounds.

By motion, the 1954 session of the Conference convenes with the Micro Church.

Report of Nominating Committee: (See officers elected.)

Report of Ministerial Character Committee: (Adopted).

We, the Ministerial Character Board, recommend that Robert Woodard, Allen Taylor, and J. H. Cox, be excommunicated, as they have departed from the faith.

W. E. RENFROW  
J. B. FERRELL  
R. W. ALLMAN

#### REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

We, the Memorial Committee, wish to report that we have not lost a minister by death in the past year. However, we are sorry to report the death of Mrs. M. H. Roach, wife of Rev. M. H. Roach.

J. A. EVANS  
J. C. YATES  
ROMMIE MITCHELL

The hand of welcome was extended to all newly licensed and ordained ministers.

Business was suspended for the Conference sermon.

Singing by the congregation, "Every Day With Jesus." Scripture reading by Rev. J. A. Evans, Jeremiah 32:9 and message. Prayer by Brother Evans.

#### REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

1. Inasmuch as we practically had a second Free Will Baptist Church organized in Wilson eighteen months ago, and as prescribed by our Treatise on page 44 investigation, was asked for, but the investigation has not been made. Resolve, therefore, that the Western Conference appoint a committee to investigate and make suggestions as to the proper procedure for us to follow.

Presented by D. B. Sasser.

(The above resolution was tabled indefinitely.)

2. Resolve that the Conference pay Mrs. R. N. Hinnant \$5.00 for her services as pianist during this Conference.

3. Be it resolved that it be considered disloyal and a breach of his denominational obligations for any preacher to pastor a church that does not use Free Will Baptist literature, provided our denomination can supply the need.

4. Resolve that we extend to Mt. Zion Church and pastor a rising vote of thanks for the splendid way they entertained this Conference.

L. H. BOYKIN  
ELBERT CHRISTY  
F. B. CHERRY

By motion, this Conference assume the responsibility of completing the steeple on the Orphanage Chapel.

By motion, a committee of three be appointed to work with Brother Smith to raise the money for the steeple.

Committee: Wiley Ferrell, F. A. Rivenbark, F. B. Cherry.

# FINANCE BOARD REPORT OF FUNDS FOR YEAR 1952-53

Received from churches .....	\$391.50
Special offering for the Orphanage .....	126.28
Total Receipts .....	\$517.78
Amount turned over to the Orphanage Superintendent .....	\$126.28
Balance to be turned over to the Treasurer .....	\$391.50

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## TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 1952 .....	\$165.15
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### Received:

From Churches .....	\$397.50
From Western Auxiliary Convention .....	2.00
From R. N. Hinnant .....	5.00
Offering for Orphanage .....	70.30

Total received 1952 .....	474.80
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Total Conference Money .....	\$639.95
Borrowed .....	24.72

Total to Account For .....	\$664.67
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### Paid Out:

Mrs. R. N. Hinnant, Gift .....	\$ 5.00
Secretary Expense .....	54.40
Orphanage .....	70.30
Minutes .....	168.00
Programs .....	3.50
Ministers going to Cragmont .....	120.00
Mission Board, mileage .....	9.00
Executive Committee, mileage .....	33.60
Board of Ordination, mileage .....	131.77
Bibles .....	68.25
Certificates .....	.85

Total Paid Out .....	\$664.67
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RALPH BARNES, *Treasurer*

## STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES COMBINED 1952-53

Number churches in the Conference .....	53
Number churches reporting .....	50
Number full-time churches .....	11
Number 3/4 time churches .....	1
Number 1/2 time churches .....	20

Number 1/4 time churches .....	18
Number ministers pastoring in the Conference .....	35
Number delegates listed in reports .....	84
Amount sent to Conference by churches .....	\$ 391.50
Amount paid pastors for the year .....	50,078.32
Amount raised for Missions for the year .....	4,168.02
Amount raised for the Orphanage for the year .....	11,520.12
Amount raised for Education for the year .....	2,741.48
Amount raised for other purposes for the year .....	79,486.36
Total raised for the year .....	\$148,385.80
Total value of church property listed .....	\$774,512.61
Number baptised during the year .....	623
Number died during the year .....	62
Total number members .....	8,358
Total average attendance in Sunday School .....	4,960
Total number members Woman's Auxiliaries .....	1,022

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### REQUEST OF THE BOARD OF ORDINATION

Inasmuch as we have not had the situation to exist before concerning licensing and ordaining divorced candidates for the ministry, and a policy in our conference has not been established; we, therefore, request that a committee of three ministers and two laymen be elected to study the matter and make recommendations to the Executive Committee or the Conference at its next session.

F. A. RIVENBARK  
J. A. EVANS  
F. B. CHERRY  
A. B. BRYAN

Committee elected for the above request:

Adam Scott, F. A. Rivenbark, Joseph Ange, W. C. Sasser, Henry Bryant.

After adjournment and benediction by Rev. F. A. Rivenbark, a delicious dinner was served by the host church.

PAUL JENKINS, *President*  
R. N. HINNANT, *Secretary*

### CHURCHES, COUNTIES, AND PASTORS FOR YEAR 1953-1954

#### *Cabarrus County—*

Elwood Lane—Paul Jenkins.

#### *Durham County—*

Calvary—Adam Scott.

Edgemont—Joseph Ange.

Miami Blvd.—Elwood Davis.

Oak Grove—Q. G. Worrell.

Shady Grove—

Sherron Acres—F. A. Rivenbark.

Union Grove—E. B. Williams.

King's Chapel—

*Franklin County—*

Saints Delight—Ralph E. Clegg.

*Johnston County—*

Branch Chapel—W. E. Renfrow.

Everett's Chapel—Otis Lassiter.

Friendship—

Holy Springs—W. E. Renfrow.

Kenly—Warren Mallard.

Micro—D. W. Hansley.

Pine Level—D. W. Hansley.

Piney Grove—Gideon Stevens.

Pleasant Plain—W. E. Renfrow.

Rains' Cross Roads—D. W. Hansley.

Selma—J. E. Wooten.

Stancil's Chapel—W. E. Renfrow.

*Nash County—*

Barnes Hill—L. H. Boykin.

Flood's Chapel—

Free Union—W. L. Poythress.

Mt. Zion—R. N. Hinnant.

Orphanage—F. B. Cherry.

Piney Grove—J. B. Ferrell.

Rock Springs—Dewey Boling.

Stony Hill—A. B. Bryan.

Union Chapel—L. H. Boykin.

White Oak Hill—R. E. Clegg.

*Orange County—*

Hillsboro—P. R. Williams.

*Wake County—*

Free Union—

Tippett's Chapel—Billy Morris.

*Wayne County—*

Black Jack Grove—Douglas Johnson.

Fremont Chapel—Hubert Burress.

Pleasant Grove—R. N. Hinnant.

Pleasant Hill—G. C. Joyner.

Spring Hill—Wiley Ferrell.

Stoney Creek—J. W. Alford.

Union Grove—N. B. Barrow.

*Wilson County—*

Little Rock—N. B. Barrow.

Marsh Swamp—M. L. Johnson.

Milbourny—Dewey Boling.

Mt. Zion—Milford Hales.

New Sandy Hill—R. C. Proctor.  
Oak Grove—Douglas Johnson.  
People's Chapel—J. B. Ferrell.  
Rose Bud—Hubert Burress.  
St. Mary's—G. C. Joyner.  
Watson's Grove—T. Renfrow.  
Wilson—J. A. Evans.

#### CHURCH CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES

##### *Cabarrus County—*

Elwood Lane—G. P. Pulliam, Kannapolis, N. C., 1627 Lane St.

##### *Durham County—*

Calvary—Owen M. Smith, Durham, N. C., 2612 Elgin St.  
Edgemont—Leo Paschall, Durham, N. C., 213 Laurel St.  
King's Chapel—Mrs. J. A. Revill, Durham, N. C., Route 2, Box 67.  
Miami Blvd.—Juanita Oakley, Durham, N. C., 3840 Angier Ave.  
Oak Grove—Mrs. G. R. Flowers, Durham, N. C., 718 Pleasant Drive.  
Shady Grove—Wade T. Ferrell, Morrisville, N. C., Route 1.  
Sherron Acres—James Hill, Durham, N. C.  
Union Grove—C. E. Ferguson, Durham, N. C., Route 5, Box 66.

##### *Franklin County—*

Saints Delight—Paul Wester, Louisburg, N. C., Route 4.

##### *Johnston County—*

Branch Chapel—Leamon Brown, Selma, N. C., Route 2.  
Everett's Chapel—Buck Smith, Clayton, N. C., 549 E. Main St.  
Friendship—Mrs. J. Ralph Strickland, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1.  
Holly Springs—Edgar A. Johnson, Kenly, N. C., Route 2.  
Kenly—Millard Snipes, Kenly, N. C., Route 1.  
Micro—Mrs. Carl Bagley, Selma, N. C., Route 3.  
Pine Level—Wilbert A. Woodard, Pine Level, N. C.  
Piney Grove—L. G. Pope, Kenly, N. C., Route 3.  
Pleasant Plain—Eddie Brown, Selma, N. C., Route 2.  
Rains' Cross Roads—Robert W. Braswell, Princeton, N. C., Route 2.  
Selma—R. L. Stancil, Selma, N. C., 601 N. Webb St.  
Stancil's Chapel—R. L. Peele, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1.

##### *Nash County—*

Barnes Hill—Ervin L. Vick, Rocky Mount, N. C., Route 1, Box 267.  
Flood's Chapel—Elijah Bisette, Spring Hope, N. C., Route 1.  
Free Union—H. C. Morgan, Spring Hope, N. C.  
Mt. Zion—L. W. Matthews, Nashville, N. C., Route 2.  
Orphanage—Doris Little, Middlesex, N. C.  
Piney Grove—Mrs. Raymond R. Batchelor, Nashville, N. C., Box 357.  
Rock Springs—Mrs. Cleo Fulghum, Sims, N. C.  
Stony Hill—Mrs. Mabel Glover, Middlesex, N. C., Route 2.  
Union Chapel—Mrs. Rosa Boykin, Middlesex, N. C., Route 1.  
White Oak Hill—Mrs. Daisy Wells, Bailey, N. C., Route 2.

**Orange County—**

Hillsboro—Daphne Howard, West Hillsboro, N. C.

**Wake County—**

Tippett's Chapel—Bert Giles.

**Wayne County—**

Black Jack Grove—T. C. Hines, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 4.

Fremont Chapel—Berkley Smith, Pikeville, N. C., Route 1.

Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Hardy Talton, Pikeville, N. C., Route 2.

Pleasant Hill—Mrs. Marvin Bunn, Pikeville, N. C., Route 2.

Spring Hill—W. N. Turner, Goldsboro, N. C., Route 5.

Stoney Creek—Esper Futrell, Stantonsburg, N. C., Route 2.

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

**Wilson County—**

Little Rock—Ralph Barnes, Lucama, N. C.

Marsh Swamp—Mrs. Blanche B. Loftin, Sims, N. C., Route 1.

Milbourny—Mrs. Icie Lamm, Wilson, N. C., Route 2.

Mt. Zion—Millard Crocker, Kenly, N. C., Route 2.

New Sandy Hill—Charles H. Phillips, Bailey, N. C., Route 1.

Oak Grove—Martin Gardner, Elm City, N. C., Route 1.

People's Chapel—Miss Edna Wells, Elm City, N. C., Route 2.

Rose Bud—Russell Benton, Wilson, N. C., Route 4, Box 479.

St. Mary's—W. F. Watson, Kenly, N. C., Route 3.

Watson's Grove—Jimmie L. Barfield, Kenly, N. C., Route 3.

Wilson—Wray H. Tomlinson, Wilson, N. C., 816 Briggs St.



