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ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

D. W. Goodman

(Addresses will be found in Associational Membership Roll)

Moderator Rev. Mack Crisp
Vice Moderator Rev. W. C. Eggers
Clerk Rev. L. M. Pierce
Treasurer William D. House

(Treasurer's Address—532 E. Center St., Lexington, N. C.)

MINISTER'S CONFERENCE OFFICERS

(Addresses will be found in Associational Membership Roll)

Moderator Rev. Mack F. Crisp
Vice Moderator Rev. R. P. Sawyer
Clerk Rev. L. M. Pierce
Assistant Clerk Rev. J. W. Leviner

LADIES' AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President Mrs. R. P. Sawyer
Vice President Mrs. Rufus Morton

TRUSTEES

Rev. J. P. Langley Rev. Harvey Fritts Rev. Ramond Mason

ORDINATION COUNCIL

Chairman Rev. W. C. Eggers
Clerk Rev. L. B. Cochran
To Complete Council Rev. S. M. Ellington
Rev. George Goodman
Rev. R. P. Sawyer

ASSOCIATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ROLL

Ordained Ministers

Name	Address	Telephone
Rev. L. B. Cochran, Rt. 2, Box 303, Kannapolis, N. C.		WE 2-0384
Rev. W. J. Correll, Rt. 1, Iron Station, N. C.		735-6345
Rev. Mack F. Crisp, Rt. 4, Box 215, Lexington, N. C.		
Rev. W. C. Eggers, Box 272, Maiden, N. C.		
Rev. S. M. Ellington, 515 E. First St., Lexington, N. C.		3-6434
Rev. George Goodman, Rt. 2, Box 167, China Grove, N. C.		UL 7-7509
Rev. S. A. Graybeal, 709 Deaton St., Kannapolis, N. C.		WE 3-1561
Rev. L. M. Hooper, Rt. 4, Box 236, Rockwell, N. C.		UL 7-7760
Rev. Colon J. Hudson, Rt. 1, New London, N. C.		
Rev. J. C. Huneycutt, 307 Ingram St., Thomasville, N. C.		3-3315
Rev. J. P. Langley, 205 Hames St., Lexington, N. C.		CH 6-2557
Rev. Willis Lovingood, Box 922, Fisher Ferry Rd., Thomasville, N. C.		
Rev. Ramond G. Mason, Rt. 2, China Grove, N. C.		UL 7-2582
Rev. L. M. Pierce, 430 S. Gaston Ave., Dallas, N. C.		
Rev. I. W. Plyler, Rt. 1, Troutman, N. C.		
Rev. R. P. Sawyer, 2101 Clay St., Kannapolis, N. C.		WE 3-7825
Rev. Russell Stewart, Box 22, Catawba, N. C.		CH 1-2749
Rev. W. E. Teseniar, 515 Phenix St., Kings Mtn., N. C.		739-3873
Rev. Dewey W. Tilley, 917 N. Walnut St., Kannapolis, N. C.		
Rev. Johnny Triplette, 810 Welborn St., Thomasville, N. C.		2-0208
Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff, 1922 Rayon St., Statesville, N. C.		

Licensed Ministers

Rev. Donald Ray Fritts, 216 Forest St., High Point, N. C.	
Rev. S. G. Galloway, 127 W. First St., Newton, N. C.	IN 4-1109
Rev. Kenneth Goforth, Gen. Del., Kannapolis, N. C.	WE 2-8500
Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell, 639 Boger Ave., Mooresville, N. C.	

CHURCHES

Church	Clerk	Address
SHILOAH—Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff, 1922 Rayon St., Statesville		
PLEASANT HILL—Mrs. John F. Lutz		
OAK GROVE—Mrs. Paul Kemp, FRD 2, Kannapolis		
MT. ZION—N. E. Foy, 737 Eller Road, High Point		
LAKE ROAD VIEW—Ora Belle Payne—245 Amazon Road, Kannapolis		
BOGER CITY—Mrs. Carl Byers, RFD 4, Lincolnton		
FRIENDSHIP—Mrs. Kathryn Collins, Kannapolis		
ARRINGTON HEIGHTS—Mrs. Joe Langby, 205 Hames Street, Lexington		

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction to the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions and social worship; and by self-denial, faith and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

We will not forshake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace to be careful to one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able promote the success of the church and of the gospel.

We will, everywhere, hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of missions, the success of Sunday schools, and the evangelistic effort for the salvation of the world. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

RULES OF THE DECORUM

- (1) The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- (2) There shall be no conversation by the members one with another so as to interrupt business while in session.
- (3) Every member wishing to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator.
- (4) No member shall interrupt a member while speaking.
- (5) We shall admit no other title while in session but that of Brother and Sister.
- (6) Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.
- (7) No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject.
- (8) Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to, unless withdrawn by the person who made it.
- (9) No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the Moderator.
- (10) On all motions made, where the vote of the body is taken, a majority shall prevail.
- (11) The Moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any other member provided the chair is filled.
- (12) Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the Moderator.
- (13) Not less than nine members shall constitute a quorum.

YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONSTITUTION

- (1) This association shall be composed of delegates elected by each church and sent to the Association to represent the church.
- (2) Each church is required to select the best qualified members of the body to represent the church and carry on business.
- (3) The Association, when assembled, shall first elect a Moderator and Clerk.
- (4) The rules of the decorum must be read immediately after the Association is assembled.
- (5) The Association will encourage a sound ministry, such as presents Christ as an all sufficient Saviour: that the plan of salvation, presented by Christ, is strictly and definitely Grace, and, as presented by the gospel, will save all human beings who accept it.
- (6) Any minister, in good standing with his church, or Association, may be invited to a seat in our Council and may take part in the deliberations, and his name enrolled in our minutes.
- (7) It is the duty of the Association to appoint, or elect, committees to take care of special business, etc. Each committee report must be in writing, and turned in to the Clerk for reading before the assembly.

- (8) All queries regularly presented to the Association by any Church shall be attended to.
- (9) Any church wishing to become a member of this Association may do so by making application by letter and represented by the delegates of said church. The church must adopt our Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.
- ✓ (10) The Association may withdraw from any church who walks disorderly or violates any rule made and passed on by the body.
- ✓ (11) It is to be understood that the Association assumes no higher authority than that of an Advisory Council.
- (12) Any church wishing a letter of dismissal from this Association may do so on the grounds of a two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) majority of the members of said church.
- (13) Any minister found casting his influence against any church or, in any way, marring the character unjustly of another minister, or working in any way to secure the church of a fellow minister, will be dealt with by the Association.
- (14) This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) votes of the delegates attending. Providing that a notice of such change shall have been given during the first sitting of said meeting after permanent organization.
- (15) The Ordination Council shall function as such only at minister's conferences and Associational conferences.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.
2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.
3. Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His Divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our everpresent Saviour and Lord.
4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.
5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.
6. The Sinfulness of Man. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.
7. The Work of Christ. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.

8. The terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.
9. Election God determined from the beginning to save all who would comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.
10. Freedom of the Will. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.
11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.
12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.
13. Gospel Ordinances. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet Washing, an ordinance teaching humility of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers.
14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him." (I Cor. 16:2a).
15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.
16. Resurrection, Judgment and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- (1) The Ordination Council shall act as an Advisory Council (Association of 1953).
- (2) The Ministers' Conference shall have authority to elect the Ordination Council. (Association of 1954).
- (3) All Ministers, licensed and ordained, shall have a seat, voice and vote at all Ministers' Conferences, and, along with all delegates, at Associational Conferences. (Amended thus Association of 1958).
- (4) Any Minister failing to send a report to this Association shall subject his name to be placed on the Nominal Roll of Ministers: (Association of 1956).
- (5) The Ministers' Conference shall have authority to accept churches under their watch-care during the inactive season of the Association. (Association of 1958).
- (6) Worship service shall be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 7:30 p.m. on Friday during the Association. (Association of 1958).

RULES GOVERNING ORDINATION COUNCIL

- (1) No minister may be granted license or certificate of ordination unless he presents a letter of recommendation from the church to which he belongs. Also, this church must be a member of this Association.
- (2) No licensed minister may be ordained under one (1) year from date of issuance of Associational license unless he is called to be full-time pastor of a church.
- (3) No licensed minister, even though called to be assistant pastor, may be ordained under one (1) year from date of issuance of Associational license.
- (4) All Ministers being admitted to this Association must promise to relinquish the credentials they hold from this Association if, and when, he joins another Association, or when he is adjudged by the Ministers' Conference to be disqualified to preach the gospel.
- (5) All Ministers entering this Association from another Free Will Baptist Association must present a letter of recommendation from the Association he is leaving. Also he must surrender the credentials he holds from the Association he is leaving.
- (6) The Ordination Council shall license qualified women to preach but it shall not have authority to ordain them.
- (7) This Council shall not issue credential to brethren who have two (2) living companions, even though divorced.
- (8) This Council must not use partiality in the issuance of credentials.
- (9) These rules must be read to each minister asking for entrance into this Association.

ANNUAL MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, September 2, 1961

The annual Ministers' Conference of the YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF (Original) FREE WILL BAPTIST convened with Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Maiden, N. C. at 10:00 A.M. Services began with the singing of a song titled, "Some Day," after which Rev. L. M. Pierce led us to God in prayer. Rev. L. M. Hooper read a scripture from Matt. 26:1-13. He then turned the services over to the moderator, Rev. S. A. Graybeal. Rev. Graybeal called for a prayer at the altar and then declared the house in order for business.

The officers of the Ministers' Conference were elected as follows:

Moderator	Rev. Mack F. Crisp
Vice-Moderator	Rev. R. P. Sawyer
Clerk	Rev. L. M. Pierce
Assistant Clerk	Rev. J. W. Leviner

ORDINATION COUNCIL

Chairman	Rev. W. C. Eggers
Clerk	Rev. L. B. Cochran
To Complete Council	Rev. S. M. Ellington
	Rev. George Goodman
	Rev. R. P. Sawyer

Rev. Mack Overcash, Rev. S. G. Gallaway, and Rev. Johnny Tripplette were recommended to the Ministers' Conference for ordination. These brethren were referred to the Ordination Council.

Rev. L. M. Hooper was restored to full fellowship with Ministers' Conference.

The Laura Memorial Free Will Baptist Church in Mooresville, N. C. was accepted into the Association by the Ministers' Conference by the authority vested in it by the Association. (Regulation No. 5 of "Rules and Regulations").

An offering in the amount of \$12.04 was received for the printing of Notification Cards.

The next Minister's Conference will meet with Boger City Free Will Baptist Church in Boger City, N. C., on the first Saturday in December, 1961.

Dismissed by Rev. J. C. Huneycutt.

At the eleven o'clock hour of worship, Rev. L. M. Hooper brought a wonderful message: I Corinthians, Chapter 6, using as a subject, "Sanctified or Sanctification." The text was taken from John 17:7.

The body voted to enter into conference once more.

Article No. 7 of "Rules Governing Ordination Council" was brought up for discussion. This discussion was referred to the Association for Clarification.

Rev. Johnny Tripplett was granted ordination, and Rev. Gallaway was granted license to preach the Gospel.

The body adjourned. Dismissed by Rev. W. J. Correll.

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION

Friday Morning Session

The ninth annual session of the YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF (Original) FREE WILL BAPTISTS convened September 8, 1961 at 10:00 A.M. with Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Maiden, N. C.

Services began with the singing of a song titled, "In The Great Triumphant Morning". Rev. R. P. Sawyer welcomed the Association on behalf of the pastor, Rev. Russell Stewart. Rev. Sawyer read a scripture taken from I John 2:1-17. Rev. Mack Crisp led the audience in prayer, after which, the service was turned over to the Moderator, Rev. S. A. Graybeal.

The Moderator declared the house in order for business and called for nominations for the various officers of the Association. The following officers were elected:

Moderator	Rev. Mack Crisp
Vice-Moderator	Rev. W. C. Eggers
Clerk	Rev. L. M. Pierce
Treasurer	William D. House

The various committees were appointed by the Moderator by vote of the Association.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rev. R. P. Sawyer, Rev. J. P. Langley, Rev. George Goodman.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Ramond Mason, Rev. W. C. Eggers, William D. House.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Rev. J. P. Langley, Rev. Johnney Triplette, Rev. J. C. Huneycutt.

LADIES' AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Plas Owens, Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell, William D. House.

CHILDREN'S HOME COMMITTEE

Norman Foy, R. H. Stewart, Rev. G. W. Goodman.

MINISTERS' REPORT COMMITTEE

Rev. S. A. Graybeal, Rev. William J. Conell, Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff.

SINGING CONVENTION COMMITTEE

L. M. Hooper, Mrs. Shirley Ross, Rev. R. G. Mason.

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Rev. R. P. Sawyer, Rev. L. M. Hooper, George Goodman.

At the request of the Singing Convention, the Association elected William D. House as President of the Singing Convention and Mrs. Shirley Ross was elected as Secretary.

The Officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary were elected as follows:
President Mrs. R. P. Sawyer
Vice-President Mrs. Rufus Morton

A motion to adjourn was accepted. Dismissed by Rev. Russell Stewart.

At the eleven o'clock hour of worship, Rev. L. M. Pierce brought a wonderful message on "Wonderful Love" from I John 1:1-3. Dismissed to meet after lunch at 1:30 P.M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Services were begun at 1:15 by singing a song entitled, "I'll Fly Away." Prayer was led by Rev. I. W. Plyler. The Moderator then declared the house in order for the continuation of business.

The body voted that the Ordination Council choose ministers to complete their number in the absence of members of the Council. These ministers were to serve on the council only during this sitting and in the absence of regular members of the council.

Much discussion was given to article 7 of "Rules Governing Ordination Council" without any change being made.

The matter of the withdrawal of the Laura Memorial Church from the Association was tabled until the Saturday Morning Session.

Body adjourns until Saturday morning at 10:00 A.M. Dismissed by Rev. Russell Stewart.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Services began with the singing of a song entitled, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arm." Prayer was led by Rev. J. C. Huneycutt. Rev. R. P. Sawyer read a scripture from I John 1:17. He then turned the services over to the Moderator, Rev. Mack F. Crisp, who declared the house in order and immediately read the "Rules of the Decorum."

A short recess was declared in order for the various committees to draft their reports, since some were not present for Friday's Session.

Conference again entered into its business. At song entitled, "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be." Rev. Colon J. Hudson led prayer.

The Committee's Reports were adopted as follows.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Finance Committee, do hereby recommend the following:

- (1) That each church send twenty-five cents (\$.25) per member, annually, to this Association.
- (2) That each Sunday School send ten cents (\$.10) per member, to this Association.
- (3) That each Ladies' Auxiliary send five dollars (\$5.00) annually, to this Association.
- (4) That each minister send four dollars (\$4.00) annually, to this Association.
- (5) That the Association pay the clerk ten dollars (\$10.00) per year for his services.
- (6) If the Advisory Council is called to a church, said church shall pay the traveling expenses of the members of this council.

REV. R. P. SAWYER
REV. GEORGE GOODMAN
REV. J. P. LANGLEY

MISSIONS COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Missions Committee, do hereby recommend that each church give to both Home and Foreign Missions, and that each pastor encourage his church in this matter. We also recommend that each church send five dollars (\$5.00) to the treasurer of the Association for missions and the church sending the money specify whether the money is for Home or Foreign Missions. (Larger churches may send in larger amounts).

REV. RAMOND MASON
REV. W. C. EGGERS
WILLIAM D. HOUSE

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your Sunday School Committee do recommend that each Sunday School send at least two dollars (\$2.00) to the Free Will Baptist-Children's Home in Middlesex, on the first Sunday in each month; the Sunday Schools use Free Will Baptist Literature; the officers and teachers of the Sunday Schools be members of the church; and that the officers and teachers hold regular meetings among themselves.

REV. J. P. LANGLEY
REV. JOHNNY TRIPLETTE
REV. J. C. HUNEYCUTT

LADIES' AUXILIARY COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee, do hereby recommend: that each church organize a Ladies' Auxiliary in their church.

That each Auxiliary send a report to the Association each year for publication in the Minutes.

That each Auxiliary send five dollars (\$5.00) annually to the Association, to help finance the program of the Association. (If unable to send this amount, then send whatever possible).

That the various Auxiliaries meet at the Association and elect a president and vice-president of the combined Auxiliaries, and that these officers go to the churches and organize or assist local Auxiliaries.

MRS. SHIRLEY ROSS

MRS. R. P. SAWYER

WILLIAM D. HOUSE

CHILDREN'S HOME COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your committee on Childrens Home, do hereby recommend that each church send ten dollars (\$10.00) on the first Sunday in each month to the Children's Home in Middlesex, N. C.: take a special offering on Sunday before Thanksgiving for the Children's Home; and collect coupons from soaps, flours, coffees, teas, etc. and send these to the Home.

NORMAN FOY

R. H. STUART

REV. G. W. GOODMAN

MINISTERS' REPORT COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your Committee on Ministers' Reports, do hereby recommend that each minister attend the quarterly Ministers' Conference if at all possible; attend the annual Associations and bring to these Associations a complete report of their work during the past year, this report to contain the following information: Minister's name, address, telephone number, name of church he pastored (if any), number of sermons preached, number of revivals conducted, number of professions, number of members received into church, number baptized, number of funerals conducted, number of couples united in Matrimony, number of homes visited, number of Sunday School lessons taught, number of visits to hospitals, amount of money received in religious work, amount of money given for religious work, and the approximate number of miles traveled in religious work.

We also recommend that pastors of churches call Free Will Baptist ministers, or ministers in harmony with Free Will Baptist doctrine, to conduct their revivals.

REV. S. A. GRAYBEAL

REV. WILLIAM J. CONNELL

ARTHUR G. WOODRUFF

SINGING CONVENTION COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your Singing Convention Committee, do hereby recommend the following:

- (1) That all churches in the Association call off their Sunday morning worship services on the dates mentioned below and attend the Singing Conventions, bringing a picnic lunch to be spread on tables provided by the host church; lunch to be spread not later than 1:00 p.m.

- (2) That each group of singers participating in these conventions be recorded in the Minutes of the annual Association.
- (3) That the Singing Conventions be held on the first Sunday in May and the first Sunday in August and that the Conventions will meet.

L. M. HOOPER

MRS. SHIRLEY ROSS

REV. R. G. MASON

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your Committee on Evangelism, do hereby recommend the following:

- (1) That this Association appoint an evangelist for the purpose of organizing new churches;
- (2) That this evangelist have the authority to place a pastor over any church which he may organize and be responsible for the conduct and deportment of both church and pastor;
- (3) That the appointed evangelist have authority to take over churches which have gone down and place a pastor over these churches.

REV. R. P. SAWYER

L. M. HOOPER

REV. G. W. GOODMAN

With reference to the Committees report on Evangelism, the Association elected Rev. R. P. Sawyer to fill the office of Associational Evangelist.

The Association voted to send Laura Memorial Church's letter back to the church at the request of their pastor, who was not received into this Association.

The next annual Association will convene on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1962 with Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church in High Point, N. C.

The first Singing Convention will be held at Arrington Heights Church on the first Sunday in May. The second Singing Convention will be held at Mt. Zion Church on the first Sunday in August.

Body adjourns with the greatest Association in our history being recorded in these minutes. Dismissed by Brother J. E. Faulkner.

SCHEDULE

First Minister's Conference will be held at Boger City Free Will Baptist Church in Boger City, N. C. on the first Saturday in December, 1961.

Second and third Minister's Conferences: Dates will be the first Saturday in March and the first Saturday in June, 1962. Places for these two Conferences will be announced at the previous Conferences.

Annual, or fourth, Minister's Conference will be held with Free Will Baptist Church in North Carolina on Saturday, one week before the Association.

The First Singing Convention will meet with Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church, in Lexington, N. C. on the first Sunday in May, 1962.

The Second Singing Convention will meet with Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church in High Point, N. C. on the first Sunday in August, 1962.

Following is the Treasurer's Report:

Balance on hand at the close of 1961 Association	\$216.00
Paid out for printing of Minutes	109.70
Balance on hand	50.80
Received at 1961 Association:	?

RECEIVED AT 1961 ASSOCIATION:

Rev. Mack Crisp	\$ 4.00
Rev. W. C. Eggers	4.00
Rev. George Goodman	4.00
Rev. S. A. Greybeal	4.00
Rev. Raymond Maron	4.00
Rev. I. W. Plyler	4.00
Rev. R. P. Sawyer	4.00
Rev. O. W. Tilley	4.00
Rev. Johnny Tripplett	4.00
Rev. A. G. Woodruff	4.00
Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell	4.00
Rev. S. M. Ellington	4.00
Rev. J. P. Langley	4.00
Rev. L. M. Hooper	2.00
Rev. S. G. Galloway	4.00
Rev. W. J. Carrell	4.00
Rev. L. B. Cochran	4.00
Rev. J. C. Hunneycutt	4.00
Rev. L. M. Pierce	4.00
Rev. Kenneth Gofeth	4.00
Rev. Russell Stewart	4.00
Rev. Colon J. Hudson	4.00
Rev. Willis Lovingood	4.00
Total Offering by Ministers	\$ 86.00

CHURCHES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

Arrington Heights	\$ 25.00
Boger City	10.00
Lake Road View	18.10
Ladies Auxiliary	5.00
Mt. Zion	18.50
Oak Grove	17.65
Ladies Auxiliary	5.00
Pleasant Hill	11.00
Friendship	11.00
	\$121.35

Special Offering	6.67
Ministers	86.00
Total	<u>\$214.02</u>
Paid Clerk	12.75
Balance	<u>\$201.37</u>

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

ARRINGTON HEIGHTS: Superintendent, Willie Starr, 11 Hill St., Lexington, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Alice Hedrick, 524 E. Center St., Lexington, N. C. No. on roll 249. Average on roll for year 196. Average attendance for year 140. No. present last Sunday 128. Unified Budget.

FRIENDSHIP: Superintendent, Frank Flynn, 1002 Laura Ave., Kannapolis, N. C. Secretary, Miss Sybil Hudson, 2200 Fowler St., Kannapolis, N. C. No. on roll 46. Average No. on roll for year 31. Average attendance for year 31. No. present last Sunday 46. Unified Budget.

LAKE ROAD VIEW: Superintendent, Robert H. Cox, 207 Walnut St., Thomasville, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Ruth Lovingood, 922 Fisher Ferry Rd., Thomasville, N. C. No. on roll 46. Average No. on roll for year 36. Average attendance for year 36. No. present last Sunday 56. Unified Budget.

MT. ZION: Superintendent, Norman Foy, 737 Elder Road, High Point, N. C. Secretary, Sarah Barker, 737 Elder Road, High Point, N. C. No. on roll 83. Average No. on roll for year 75. Average attendance for year 48. No. present last Sunday 70. Unified Budget.

OAK GROVE: Superintendent, William F. Goforth, 127 Goldston St., Kannapolis, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Frances Goforth, 127 Goldston St., Kannapolis, N. C. No. on roll 124. Average No. on roll for year 90. Average attendance for year 68. No. present last Sunday 74. Unified Budget.

PLEASANT HILL: Superintendent, John F. Lutz, Rt. 1, Maiden, N. C. Secretary Mrs. John F. Lutz, Rt. 1, Maiden, N. C. No. on roll 37. Average No. on roll for year..... Average attendance for year 27. No. present last Sunday 37. Unified Budget.

SHILOH: Superintendent, I. W. Plyler, Rt. 1, Troutman, N. C. No. on roll 30. Average No. on roll for year 20. Average attendance for year 20. Unified Budget.

LADIES' AUXILIARY REPORTS

LAKE ROAD VIEW: President, Mrs. Pauline Shore, 811 E. Guilford St., Thomasville, N. C. No. on roll 7. Average No. on roll for year 6. No. present at last meeting 4. Money in treasury at beginning of year \$8.00. Money received during year \$65.00. Paid out during year for Charity \$13.00. Balance in treasury \$60.00.

MT. ZION: President, Mrs. Anna Foy, 737 Elder Rd., High Point, N. C. No. on roll 7. Average No. on roll for year 7. No. present at last meeting 5. Average attendance for year 6. Money in treasury at beginning of year \$42.60. Money received during year \$141.30. Paid out during year \$152.39. Balance in treasury \$31.51.

OAK GROVE: President, Mrs. Odell Vann, 903 E. Tenth St., Kannapolis, N. C. No. on roll 11. Average No. on roll for year 8. No. present at last meeting 8. Average attendance for year 6. Money in treasury at beginning of year \$11.00. Money received during year \$43.16. Money paid out during year for the following purposes: Flowers, gifts, and food, \$25.33. Balance in treasury \$28.83.

CHURCH REPORTS

NAME OF CHURCH	Rec'd by Letter										By Baptism	By Statement	Total Rec'd	Dismissed by Letter	By Erasure	By Death	Total Dismissed	Loss	Gain	Present Membership	Paid Pastor	Other Salaries	Paid for Evangelistic Purposes	Missions	Contributions to Children's Home	Contributions to Charitable Purposes	General Fund (Minutes, etc.)	Bldg. & Repairs	Indebtedness	Miscellaneous Purposes	Value of Ch. Property			
Arrington Heights	8	5	12	17	2	2	15	60													\$1,067	\$360	\$127	\$39	\$263	\$151	\$25		\$	100	\$	950	\$1,287	\$7,000
Boger City																					540		46		15	94	10				352		7,000	
Friendship	6	4	3	13			13	32													480		50		15	20							700	
Lake Road View	5	11	16	2	9	11	5	34																									2,000	
Mt. Zion	4	3	4	11	3		3	8	26												214		50		35	18			65	3,000	85	11,750		
Oak Grove	2	11	13				13	59													120	33	60		60	201	22		446				6,500	
Pleasant Hill		8	4	12	2	1	3	9	31														45			40	11		600	2,994			6,000	
Shiloh					1	6	7	7	8												30		17		15	25			494	2,400	243	10,000		
TOTALS	24	42	26	93	8	17	126	7	74	312											\$2,524	\$393	\$395	\$39	\$368	\$586	\$86	\$1,705	\$9,344	\$1,967	\$50,950			

MINISTERS' REPORTS

NAME	CHURCH PASTORED (If Any)	Sermons Preached	Reveries Held	Professions	Members Received	Number Baptized	Funerals Conducted	Homes Visited	Hospital Visits	Weddings Performed	Money Given			Money Received	Approximate Miles Traveled	Expenses
											\$	50¢	\$			
Lloyd B. Cochran		16	1	5				10	15					75	2,500	\$ 150
W. J. Correll		2						25	15					30	500	40
Mack F. Crisp	Mt. Zion	96		7	10	9		14	11					148	213	12,000
W. C. Eggers	Boger City (Asst. Pst)	68	2	5		1	15	10						40		375
S. M. Ellington		57	24					32	27					8	43	200
George Galloway		34														20
Kenneth Goforth		18	11													
George W. Goodman		50	7					50	25					150		
S. A. Graybeal	Oak Grove	75	2	13	13	11	3	50	40					7	450	18
L. M. Hooper	Cedar Grove	35		5	4		3	15	10					200	120	2,000
Colon J. Hudson	Friendship	200		20	15	4								75	150	345
J. C. Huneycutt		80	8			4		60	28					10	80	
J. P. Langley	Arrington Heights	110		4	12	7	9	73	38					48	325	1065
Willis F. Lovingood	Lake Road View	100	1	25	11	6	1	40	22					18	100	73
R. G. Mason		15				4		30	10					20	50	10,000
Mrs. Omie Pennell	Shiloh	54						112	4					134	40	3,000
L. M. Pierce	Boger City	60		7	11		2	60	70					62	540	2,500
L. W. Plyler		20						10	5					25	55	
R. P. Sawyer		45	2	46			25	15						25	131	88
Russell Stewart	Pleasant Hill	150	2	13	11	8	1	12	5					12	250	5,800
W. E. Teseniar		23		15				50	12					5	10	700
D. W. Tilley		18		1				20	4					17	105	7
Johnny Tripplette		20		4				33	50					15		4,000
Arthur G. Woodruff																100
TOTALS		1,346	10	220	87	53	12	1740	442	6	1266	\$2,635	\$2,432	49,300	\$2,203	



