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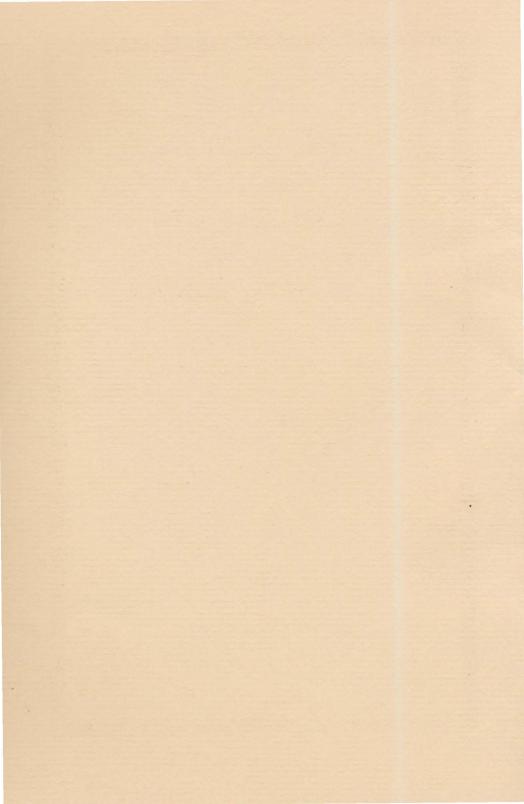
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ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

(Addresses will be found in Associational Membership Roll)

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Moderator	Rev. Wayne Hart
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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Rev. Dewey W. Tilley, 917 N. Walnut Ave., Kannapolis, N. C. 28081

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Clerk's Name and Address

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Arrington Heights F. W. B. Church; Mrs. Mary Cooper, Rt. 11, Box 407, Lexington, N. C.
Friendship F. W. B. Church; Lester Oliver, Rt. 1, Box 320, Kannapolis, N. C.
Mt. Zion F. W. B. Church; Ms. Vennie Ashby, Rt. 2, Box 287-E, High Point, N. C.
*Near Calvary F. W. B. Church
North View F. W. B. Church; Mrs. Evelyn Marlowe, 2002 Gagner St., Statesville, N. C.
Pleasant Hill F. W. B. Church; Floyce Talley, Route 1, Denver, N. C.
Prince of Peace F. W. B. Church; Ms. Ruby F. Baker, 1609 Daniel St., Kannapolis, N. C.

*Sent No Report In.

Church

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 of 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 forsake 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 of 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 eight members shall constitute a quorum.

YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

- (1) This Association shall be composed of delegates elected by each church; three for the first fifty members or fraction thereof, and one for each additional fifty members or fraction thereof, 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) 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.
- (6) 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 into the Clerk for reading before the assembly.
- (7) All queries regularly presented to the Association by any Church shall be attended to.
- (8) 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.

- (9) The Association may withdraw from any church who walks disorderly or violates any rule made and passed on by the body.
- (10) It is understood that the Association assumes no higher authority than that of an Advisory Council.
- (11) Any church wishing a letter of dismissal from this Association may do so on the grounds of a two-thirds majority of the members of said church.
- (12) 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.
- (13) This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by two thirds 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.
- (14) The Ordaining Council shall have authority to ordain Pastors of churches entering this Association between Sessions.

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, Preserve, 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 ever present Savior 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. Repentence 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.

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- (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, Judgement and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They 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 Ministers' Conference shall have authority to elect the Ordaining Council. (Association of 1954).
- (2) All Ministers of this Association, 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 1966).

- (3) 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).
- (4) 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).
- (5) The Annual Association shall begin at 9:00 a.m. on Friday mornblack ings by the commemorating of the Lord's Supper. (Association of 1973).

RULES GOVERNING ORDAINING 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 fulltime 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 Ordaining Council shall not have the authority to license, women to preach.
- (7) This Council shall not issue credentials to brethren who have two(2) living companions, even though divorced.
- (8) These rules must be read to each minister asking for entrance into this Association.

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ANNUAL MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The Annual Ministers' Conference of the Yadkin Valley Association convened August 31, 1974 at 10:00 A.M. with the North View F. W. B. Church.

The Conference was opened by singing "When We All Get To Heaven". Rev. Clarence Talley read Psalms 23 and led in prayer.

The Moderator, Rev. Wayne Hart called the Conference to order.

The Roll of Ministers was called and the following Ministers were present:

Rev. Alfred Absher Rev. Bobby Brown Rev. Hubert Bennette Rev. Wayne Hart Rev. Raeford L. James

Rev. J. P. Langley Rev. Johnny Triplette Rev. Lester Hughes Rev. Norman Hansley Rev. Clarence Talley

The following visiting Ministers were recognized and given a seat and voice in the Ministers' Conference:

Rev. James L. Kivett

Rev. Bruce Bindegrass Rev. Garv Whisnant

The following Officers were elected to office:

Rev. Wayne Hart	
Rev. Lester Hughes	Vice-Moderator
Rev. Hubert Bennette	Clerk
Rev. Norman Hansley	Assistant Clerk

The Conference elected Rev. Alfred Absher as the Chairman of the Ordaining Council. The Chairman appointed Reverends Bobby Brown, Johnny Triplette, J. P. Langley and I. W. Plyler.

The Conference was closed by motion.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION SEPTEMBER 6, 1974

The Twenty-second Annual Association opened at 9:00 A.M. with North View Free Will Baptist Church in Statesville, N. C. by commemorating the Lord's Supper. Rev. Leroy England, Pastor of the host Church opened the Service and extended a welcome to all. A song entitled "Power In The Blood" was sung by the congregation. Rev. Johnny Triplette led our hearts in prayer. Rev. Wayne Hart brought an inspiring message from Luke 22: 19 which was enjoyed by all.

The Communion Service followed and the presence of God was felt by all partakers in the Communion. An inspiring Testimony Service followed. Rev. Tony Bunton dismissed.

We opened up the Twenty-second Annual Session of the Yadkin Valley Association of (Original) Free Will Baptists by singing a song "Getting Ready To Leave This World". Rev. Leroy England extended a cordial welcome to all.

Rev. Alfred Absher acted as Moderator due to the absence of the regular Moderator since there had been a death in the Moderator's family. The Moderator asked Rev. Bobby Brown to read the Scripture which was found in I Corinthians 13. The House was then declared in order by Rev. Absher.

Rules of the Decorum and Roll Call were made by the Clerk. The Election of Officers usually held at this time was extended until the Saturday Morning Session due to the absence of the regular Moderator. Rev. Leroy England was given a voice and a seat in the deliberations of the Associational Meetings.

Reverends Bobby Brown, Wayne Hart and Lester Hughes were appointed as a Committee for the purpose of changing Rule #9 of the Rules . Governing the Ordaining Council. The various Committees were appointed by the Moderator and their Reports will be found following the Minutes of the Association.

Mrs. Arlene Brown, Treasurer, informed each Minister that a receipt would be given at his request for any monies paid by him into the Association. Also, a motion was made and seconded for the Association to buy a briefcase for the Clerk since, in the past, the Clerk of the Association and the Clerk of the Minister's Conference have been sharing this same briefcase which had been causing extensive inconvenience for both Clerks. The Clerk was advised to purchase this briefcase at the Association's expense.

Business adjourned at this time for the 11:00 Worship Service. Rev. J. E. Fisher dismissed.

"Everybody Will'Be Happy Over There" is the song that opened up the 11:00 Worship Service. Rev. Leroy England invited all to an old fashioned altar prayer. Rev. William S. Childers brought an inspiring message from Luke 14 using as his subject, "The Near Coming of Christ". Rev. Leroy England dismissed for lunch which was provided by the members of North View Church.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Friday Afternoon Session was opened by a special song, "Mercy" sung by Rev. Tony Bunton. Rev. Alfred Absher, Acting Moderator opened the Meeting and had Rev. Bobby Brown to lead in prayer. The following Committee Reports were presented to the Association and approved: Ladies Auxiliary, Sunday School, Finance and Home for the Aged. These Reports will be found following the Associational Minutes.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Mrs. Arlene Brown and the total amount collected through this time was \$336.00.

Rev. Wayne Hart brought up for discussion "The effective date of recommendation of the various committees would become effective immediately upon the approval by the Association. Rev. Lester Hughes made a motion that all phases of the Minutes be in effect from September to September each year. This was voted on and accepted by the body.

An Associational Evangelist was elected by the body. Rev. Bobby Brown received a unanimous vote to remain in this position. Rev. Lester Hughes was elected as Promotional Secretary.

It was announced at this time that services would be held at 7:30 P.M. this evening with Rev. Lester Hughes bringing the message.

The Association was adjourned at this time until services tonight. Rev. Leroy England led in the dismissal prayer.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

The Saturday Morning Session of the Association opened with a song "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There". Rev. Leroy England extended a cordial welcome to all Ministers, Delegates and Visitors.

Rev. J. P. Langley, Moderator, opened the business session by asking Rev. J.E.Fisher to lead in prayer. Rev. Bobby Brown read this morning's Scripture found in Mark 1: 1-12. The Moderator declared the House in order. The Rules of the Decorum were read by Rev. Clarence Talley. Officers of the Association were elected at this time which had been carried over from the Friday Morning Session due to the absence of the Moderator. The Officers of the Association were elected by the body as follows:

Moderator	Rev. J. P. Langley
Vice-Moderator	Rev. Alfred Absher
Clerk	Bro. J. P. Langley, Jr.
Treasurer	Mrs. Arlene Brown
Promotional Secretary	

A new Chairman of the Ordaining Council also was elected at the request of Rev. Alfred Absher who had been voted on as Chairman during the Minister's Conference. Rev. Bobby Brown was elected as the new Chairman. Rev. Raymond Mason, a visiting Minister was given a voice and a seat in the deliberations of the Association. It was also recommended that the Clerk keep all copies of Manuscripts used in preparation of 1974 Minutes for the purpose of helping to prepare Rev. Lester Hughes for the Clerk's position.

The committee appointed Friday Morning for the purpose of changing Rule #9 of Rules Governing the Ordaining Council presented their recommendations before the body. They recommended that we completely eliminate this rule. It was voted on and accepted. The remaining committee reports were read and accepted; Singing Convention, Missions, Evangelism and Ministers' Report Committees were approved and accepted. These reports can be found elsewhere in these Minutes.

Rev. J. P. Langley extended a welcome for the 1975 Association to be held at Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church in Lexington, N. C. It was accepted.

We then voted to send \$75.00 to the State Association for helping to promote the State work.

The Ordaining Council had met for the purpose of discussing the ordaining of Rev. Ray Dancy and exchanging credentials with Rev. R. G. Mason. Both were accepted as ordained Ministers into the Association. Rev. J. C. Huneycutt and Rev. Ray Dancy were to be considered as retired Ministers at their request. The Association then went right into the Worship Service.

Several wonderful and inspiring songs were sung by the Singing Jubilees, members of Arrington Heights F. W. B. Church, after which Rev. Clarence Talley brought a soul stirring message from John 15: 16. Our spirits were lifted high as Rev. Talley brought this inspiring message.

Rev. J. P. Langley returned to continue services in extending the Right Hand of Fellowship and welcome to Rev. Ray Dancy and Rev. R. G. Mason. The Association was then adjourned with all participating together in the closing prayer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

We, your Sunday School Committee do recommend that Sunday Schools use Free Will Baptist literature, that officers and teachers be members of the church, that officers and teachers hold regular meetings for suggestions of ways and means of improving the Sunday School work. We recommend that each Sunday School adhere to the recommendation of the Finance Committee concerning the Sunday School financial responsibility. We also recommend that each Sunday School elect a new group each month for visitation.

Rev. Bobby J. Brown Mrs. Mary Huneycutt Rev. Tony Bunton

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We the Finance Committee do hereby recommend the following:

(1) That each church send one dollar (\$1.00) per member, annually, to this Association.

(2) That each Sunday School send fifty cents (.50) per member, annually, to this Association.

(3) That each minister send twelve dollars (\$12.00), annually, to this Association. In addition to this, we recommend that each pastor receive a free will offering on the last Sunday before the Annual Association.

(4) That the Association pay the Clerk thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) per year for his services.

(5) That the Association pay the Treasurer fifteen dollars (\$15.00) per year for his services.

(6) If the Executive Committee is called to a church, said church shall pay the traveling expenses of the members of the Committee.

Bro. James D. Huneycutt Rev. William S. Childers Mrs. Ella Ostwalt

HOME FOR THE AGED COMMITTEE

We, the Committee for the Home For the Aged do hereby recommend that each church in the Association send \$.10 per Sunday School member to the Clerk of the Association. (Clerk's name and address may be found on Page two of these Minutes). This offering is to be sent each quarter on the basis of average Sunday School attendance of the present three month period. We urge each church to comply with this recommendation. This Home is located in Burnsville, N. C.

Bro. John F. Lutz Bro. J. D. Ostwalt Rev. Johnny Triplette

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Evangelism recommend that:

(1) All churches hold at least two (2) revival campaigns each year.

(2) All churches call Free Will Baptist Ministers or Ministers of same faith, belief and doctrine as Free Will Baptists to hold these revivals.

Rev. William Childers Rev. J. E. Fisher Mrs. Vina Triplette

SINGING CONVENTION COMMITTEE

We, the Singing Convention Committee make the following report and recommendations:

(1) That we have two (2) singing conventions each year, the first one to be held on the first Saturday in May at the Pleasant Hill F. W. B. Church in Maiden, N. C. and the second one to be held on the first Saturday in August at Arrington Heights F. W. B. Church in Lexington, N. C.

(2) That every church bring a well filled lunch to be spread on tables provided by the host church and for lunch to be spread not later than 1:00 P.M.

(3) When the singing conventions are held that each group of singers sing three songs the first time around.

Rev. Lester Hughes Rev. Clarence Talley Rev. Johnny Triplette

LADIES AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

We, the Ladies Auxiliary Committee do hereby recommend that Pastors encourage the ladies of their church to start a Ladies Auxiliary. As each organizes an Auxiliary, let the other churches know about the steps they took, then each Auxiliary could correspond and give each other encouragement. Send any interesting news to the Free Will Baptist Witness, Rev. Ronald Creech, 301 N. Driver Avenue, Durham, N. C.

We also recommend that each Ladies Auxiliary set aside at least one night a month for visitation.

We recommend that the members of the Ladies Auxiliary attend church and encourage young people to start a Young Women's Association.

[•] Mrs. Arlene Brown Mrs. Mary Huneycutt Mrs. Louise Stewart

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

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 ten dollars (\$10.00) per year to either the Clerk or Treasurer of this Association for missions. We recommend that this amount be sent in during the first fiscal quarter after the convening of the Annual Association, or by December 31 of the current year.

Rev. Clarence Talley Mrs. Vina Triplette Mrs. Ella Ostwalt

MINISTERS' REPORT COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Ministers' Reports, do hereby recommend, that each minister attend the Quarterly Ministers' Conferences; if it is absolutely impossible to be at any of these conferences, each minister is to send in a report to the clerk in time to be read at the Conference. We recommend that each minister 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 he preached, number of revivals conducted, number of professions, number of members received into the church, number baptised, number of funerals conducted, number of couples united in matrimony, number of homes visited, number of visits to hospitals, number of Sunday School lessons taught, 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 call Free Will Baptist ministers, or ministers in harmony with Free Will Baptist doctrine, to conduct their revivals.

Rev. Clarence Talley Rev. Lester Hughes Rev. J. E. Fisher

DATES TO REMEMBER SCHEDULE

December 7, 1974	1st Quarterly Ministers' Conference
	(To be announced)
March 1, 1975	
	(To be announced)
May 3, 1975	1st Annual Singing Convention
	Pleasant Hill FWB Church, Maiden, N. C.
June 7, 1975	3rd Quarterly Ministers' Conference
	(To be announced)
August 2, 1975	2nd Annual Singing Convention
	Arrington Hgts. FWB Church, Lexington, N. C.
September 6, 1975	Annual Ministers' Conference
-	Arrington Hgts. FWB Church, Lexington, N. C.
September 12-13, 1975	23rd Session of Yadkin Valley Assoc.
-	Arrington Hgts. FWB Church, Lexington, N. C.

GROUPS PARTICIPATING IN THE FIRST ANNUAL SINGING CON-VENTION AT ALEXIS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH IN ALEXIS, N. C. ON MAY 5, 1974.

Groups representing Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church.

THE SINGING JUBILETS:

Sheila Jones Juanita Deal Glenna Murph Tammy Langley

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THE SINGING JUBILEES:

Becky Murph Roland Langley Bonnie Deal Kenneth Deal

ARRINGTON HEIGHTS SINGERS:

Rev. J. P. Langley

Becky Murph

ARRINGTON HEIGHTS SINGERS:

Bonnie Deal

Vestal Cooper

Kenneth Deal

Roland Langley

Groups representing Alexis Free Will Baptist Church.

LORI ANN HART (Solo)

MISSION QUARTET

Howard Kirkland Stella Kirkland Terri Kirkland Elsy Reno

THE CHANDLER QUARTET

Gus Chandler

Robin Chandler

Visiting Groups:

SOUL SEEKERS: Zion Tabernacle Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Rev. Billy Willoughby Horace Willoughby Brenda Willoughby Ray Morris Elsie Lowdermilk Bruce Lowdermilk

DIANE WARD: Fellowship Baptist Church, Iron Station, N. C.

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GROUPS PARTICIPATING IN THE SECOND ANNUAL SINGING CONVENTION AT ARRINGTON HEIGHTS F. W. B. CHURCH IN LEX-INGTON, N. C. ON AUGUST 4, 1974.

Groups representing Alexis Free Will Baptist Church:

LORI ANN HART (Solo)

FAITHFULAIRES:

Barbara Haynie Brenda Childers Jeannette Childers Judy Summitt

Groups representing Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church:

HUNEYCUTT FAMILY:

James Huneycutt Mary Huneycutt Doug Huneycutt Dale Huneycutt Don Huneycutt

Groups representing Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church:

REV. J. P. LANGLEY & SON

THE SINGING JUBILETS:

Sheila Jones Juanita Deal Glenna Murph Tammy Langley

THE SINGING JUBILEES:

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Becky Murph Roland Langley Bonnie Deal

Kenneth Deal Herbert Wiles

Visiting Groups:

KINGSWAY QUARTET: Church of God, Thomasville, N. C.

Richard King Carol King Candy King

Alan King Vestal Widener The following section consists of the following itemized Reports:

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Money in Treasury September 5, 1974 Receipts:			\$	202.32
From Ministers at Association From Churches at Association From Singing Convention	\$	168.00 323.00 25.00		
Total Received	\$	516.00	<u>\$</u> \$	516.00 718.32
Disbursements:			Ψ	110.02
Clerk of Association	\$	35.00		
Postage and Stamps Treasurer of Association		5.00		
North Carolina State Association		$15.00 \\ 75.00$		
Deposit to Savings Account		100.00		
Total Disbursements	\$	230.00		230.00
Total Disburschients	φ	200.00		200.00
Balance in Treasury			\$	488.32
Rev. Alfred Absher	\$	12.00		
Rev. Grover C. Bare		12.00		
**Rev. Hubert Bennette				
Rev. Bobby J. Brown		12.00		
***Rev. Tony Bunton		10.00		
Rev. William S. Childers		12.00		
*Rev. Ray G. Dancy Rev. Henderson Eller		10.00		
		12.00		
Rev. J. E. Fisher *Rev. George Galloway		12.00		
***Rev. Wayne Gregory				
Rev. Norman Hansley		12.00		
Rev. Wayne Hart		12.00		
Rev. Lester Hughes		12.00		
*Rev. J. C. Huneycutt		12.00		
Rev. Raeford L. James		12.00		
Rev. J. P. Langley		12.00		
Rev. I. W. Plyler		12.00		
Rev. Clarence Talley		12.00		
*Rev. Dewey Tilley				
Rev. Johnny Triplette		12.00		
**Rev. Jack Wilkins				

* Retired
** Sent Report but no Membership Fee
***Sent neither Report nor Membership Fee

Churches:

Arrington Heights	\$ 75.00
Alexis	32.00
Friendship	20.00
Mt. Zion	81.50
*Near Calvary	
North View	50.00
Pleasant Hill	48.50
Prince of Peace	16.00
Total Received from Churches	\$ 323.00

* Sent no Report in

NOMINAL ROLL OF MINISTERS

Rev. Tony Bunton

Rev. Wayne Gregory

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORTS

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Name of Church Auxiliary	President's Name and Address	No. on Rol'	No. Present at Last Meeting	Average No. on Roll For the Year	Average No. Present For the Year	Money in Treasury at the beginning of year	Money received during Year	Money paid out during Year	Balance in Treasury
	Mrs. Hazel Jones			+					
Arrington Heights	606 Market St.]							
	Lexington, N. C. Brenda Hampton	18	12	18	15	\$271.24	\$338.53	\$379.45	\$230.3
North View	Amity Hill Road	1							
	Statesville, N. C.	21	21	18	14	196.43	1,034.21	1 124.62	106.03
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Church Pastored (If Any)	Mt. Zion	Friendship	Near Calvary (6 mos.)	Assoc. Evangelist			New Hope	Prince of Peace		Alexis	Pleasant Hill	Oak Grove	Arrington Heights					
Name	Rev. Alfred Absher	Rev. Grover C. Bare	Rev. Hubert Bennette	Rev. Bobby J. Brown	Rev. William Childers	Rev. Ray G. Dancy	Rev. Henderson Eller	Rev. J. E. Fisher	Rev. Norman Hansley	Rev. Wayne Hart	Rev. Lester Hughes	Rev. Racford James	Rev. J. P. Langley	Rev. I. W. Plyler	Rev. Clarence Talley	Rev. Johnny Triplette	Rev. Jack Wilkins	Totals

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES FOR

ARRINGTON HEIGHTS FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

FROM JULY 1, 1973 TO JULY 1, 1974

INCOME:		
Total Cash Received	\$	25,431.55
Plus Cash in Bank July 1, 1973		2,195.77
Plus Cash in Building Fund		9,463.56
Total Cash to be Accounted For	\$	37,090.88
EXPENDITURES:		
Social Security Payment		252.00
State Association		325.00
Yadkin Valley Association		70.00
Home Mission		59.00
Pastors Salary		7,012.50
Pastors Expenses		2,252.50
Janitors Salary		720.00
Treasurers Salary		120.00
Utilities		916.80
Literature		591.13
Flowers and Wreaths		367.13
Church Payments		2,160.00
Pastors Retirement		450.00
Bible School		70.83
Cash Contributions		380.00
Building Additions and Repairs		1,266.82
Evangelistic Purposes		467.90
Christmas Treats		355.61
Insurance on Church and Contents		233.00
Christmas Play		8.63
Night Deposit		10.00
National Association		105.00
Miscellaneous		1,784.18
Deposit in Building Fund		6,000.00
Total	\$	25,978.03
Total Expenditures	\$	25,978.03
Plus Cash in Bank July 1, 1974	, in the second s	1,649.29
Plus Cash in Building Fund		9,463.56
Total Cash Accounted For	\$	37,090.88

Respectfully Submitted

Mrs. Kenneth Deal, Sec./Treas.

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Pastor		Rev. J. P. Langley	kev. Wayne Hart	Rev. Grover C. Bare	Rev. Alfred Absher		Rev. Leroy England	Rev. Lester Hughes	Rev. J. E. Fisher	
Name of Church		Arrington Heights	Alexis	Friendship	Mt. Zion	Near Calvary	North View	Pleasant Hill	Prince of Peace	Totals

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP REPORTS

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Arrington Heights	Rev. J. P. Langley	\$ 9,517	\$ 840	\$ 168	\$ 380	\$ 70	\$1,267	\$1,784	\$15,000	\$ 75,000	1
Alexis	Rev. Wayne Hart	23	0	300	100	25	460	1,340	600	2,445	í
Friendship	Rev. Grover C. Bare	096	0	0	0	20	346	1 0	288	10,000	
Mt. Zion	Rev. Alfred Absher	3,260	-	225	0	61	137	884	0	30,000	
Near Calvary					No Church Report Sent In	Report Sent	<u> </u>				. <u> </u>
North View	Rev. Leroy England	2,170	360	174	•	50	836	•	0	32,000	
Pleasant Hill	Rev. Lester Hughes	2,280	47	125	140	49	76	303	2,100	40,000	<u> </u>
Prince of Peace	Rev. J. E. Fisher	300	0	0	•	16	0	500	-	10,000	1
Totals		\$18,712	\$1,247	\$1,292	\$ 920	\$ 291	\$3,422	\$4,851	\$18,288	\$199,445	
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SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

