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MINISTERS

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| 1—J. E. L. Winecoff | 22—C. R. Gleason |
| 2—P. L. Clark | 23—W. H. Allison |
| 3—J. L. Fairly | 24—J. V. Axtell |
| 4—C. C. Myers | 25—F. M. Thompson |
| 5—H. C. Hammond | 26—J. D. MacLeod |
| 6—D. L. Williamson | 27—E. D. Witherspoon |
| 7—J. W. Miller | 28—L. A. Taylor |
| 8—R. H. Poole | 29—E. H. Clarke |
| 9—J. S. Crowley | 30—J. M. Smith |
| 10—S. C. Farrior | 31—B. F. Brown |
| 11—M. C. MacQueen | 32—W. B. Hood |
| 12—J. G. Morrison | 33—W. C. Bennett |
| 13—E. B. Carr | 34—C. D. L. Mosser |
| 14—B. F. Ormand | 35—J. F. Garvin |
| 15—C. B. Craig | 36—J. D. Withrow |
| 16—William Crowe, Jr. | 37—J. M. Waggett |
| 17—A. K. Dudley | 38—G. F. Miller |
| 18—B. E. Dotson | 39—J. A. Marrow, Jr. |
| 19—F. M. Bain | 40—F. W. Lewis |
| 20—D. W. Sprunt | 41—H. R. Newland |
| 21—N. P. Farrior | |

CHURCHES

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| 1—Acme | 23—Currie |
| 2—Antioch | 24—Delgado |
| 3—Ashwood | 25—Elizabethtown |
| 4—Baker | 26—Elkton |
| 5—Bethany | 27—Faison |
| 6—Beth Car | 28—Graves Memorial |
| 7—Bethel | 29—Grove |
| 8—Beulaville | 30—Hallsville |
| 9—Black River | 31—Harmony |
| 10—Bladenboro | 32—Harper-Southerland |
| 11—Bowden | 33—Hebron |
| 12—Brown Marsh | 34—Holly Grove |
| 13—Brunswick | 35—Hopewell |
| 14—Burgaw | 36—Immanuel |
| 15—Calypso | 37—Jacksonville |
| 16—Cape Fear | 38—Lake Waccamaw |
| 17—Carolina Beach | 39—Maple Hill |
| 18—Caswell | 40—McClure Memorial |
| 19—Chadbourn | 41—Mt. Horeb |
| 20—Chinquapin | 42—Mt. Olive |
| 21—Clarkton | 43—Mt. Williams |
| 22—Croatian | 44—Mt. Zion |

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45—Myrtle Grove	61—South River
46—New Hope	62—Stanford
47—Oakdale	63—Tabor City
48—Oak Plains	64—Teachey
49—Page's Mill	65—Topsail
50—Pearsall Memorial	66—Wallace
51—Pike	67—Warsaw
52—Pink Hill	68—Webb Memorial
53—Pleasant View	69—Westminster
54—Pollocksville	70—White Plains
55—Potts Memorial	71—Whiteville First
56—Rockfish	72—Wildwood
57—Rocky Point	73—Willard
58—St. Andrews-Covenant	74—Wilmington First
59—Smiths	75—Winter Park
60—Southport	76—Woodburn

CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY

Edward J. Humphrey, Scott York Pharr, Robert Willis Pope, Jerry M. Newbold, James Albert Jerrett, John Aaron Bender, Samuel Norman Thomas, Preston Cumming Oliver, John Fletcher Fisler.

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The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and sixty-first stated session at the Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, N. C., on Tuesday, January 13, 1948, at 10 a. m. The meeting was called to order by Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett, the last Moderator present, in the absence of Dr. E. D. Witherspoon, and was constituted with prayer by Rev. L. A. Taylor. Mr. Taylor then conducted a devotional service during which Rev. Luke C. Ray, Stated Supply of the Cape Fear Church, preached the Presbyterian sermon from the text John 15:16.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed with Revs. F. W. Lewis and G. F. Miller presiding. Eight ruling elders of the Presbytery served the elements.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: P. L. Clark, C. C. Myers, J. W. Miller, R. H. Poole, M. C. Macqueen, M. R. Kennedy, B. F. Ormand, C. B. Craig, William Crowe, Jr., A. K. Dudley, B. E. Dotson, F. M. Bain, N. P. Fariior, C. R. Gleason, W. H. Allison, J. V. Axtell, J. D. MacLeod, L. A. Taylor, E. H. Clarke, J. M. Smith, B. F. Brown, W. B. Hood, C. D. L. Mosser, J. F. Garvin, G. F. Miller, J. A. Marrow, Jr., F. W. Lewis.

Ruling Elders: C. L. Braddy, Ashwood; Woodard Dail, Baker; Gardner Edwards, Beulaville; J. Frank Davis, Bladenboro; W. O. Connor, Brunswick; H. M. Corbett, Burgaw; J. R. Maxwell, Calypso; D. N. Page, Carolina Beach; M. R. Jones, Caswell; E. L. Derrick, Chadbourn; John Hollingsworth, Chinquapin; H. H. Edwards, Elizabethtown; P. S. Carr, Graves Memorial; J. E. Jerritt, Grove; Nick Smith, Harper-Southerland; N. B. Murray, Hopewell; A. I. Maynard, Immanuel; John Cameron, McClure Memorial; Paul Savage, Mt. Horeb; W. A. Patterson, Mt. Olive; R. A. Thigpen, Mt. Williams; D. G. Alderman, Mt. Zion; Earl Bender, Sr., Myrtle Grove; H. A. Parker, Pollocksville; D. G. Murphy, Potts Memorial; C. H. Smith, Rockfish; J. K. Bannerman, St. Andrews-Covenant; R. W. Wallace, Smiths; H. C. Brogen, Stanford; E. L. Turner, Teachey; J. K. Blanchard, Wallace; M. V. Orr, Warsaw; H. L. Joslyn, Webb Memorial; F. A. Newman, Westminster; W. P. High, Whiteville, First; C. O. Ballinger, Willard; H. A. Codington, Wilmington, First; Frank Lasater, Winter Park.

Rev. C. R. Gleason, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Whiteville, was unanimously elected Moderator.

Rev. W. H. Allison, pastor of the host church extended a welcome to the members of Presbytery.

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A proposed docket, submitted by the Stated Clerk, was adopted with especial notice being taken of the arrangement for the discussion of the Federal Council.

Communications were received and referred as follows:

A resolution of respect, honoring the late Rev. A. J. Howell, from the Wilmington Ministerial Association, referred to the special committee on Memorial to Rev. A. J. Howell.

Upon motion Presbytery was led in prayer by Rev. P. L. Clark in behalf of Rev. W. P. M. Currie and Rev. E. B. Carr, who are ill.

Rev. W. H. Allison, Chairman of the Committee on Examinations, presented a certificate of dismissal from Athens Presbytery for Rev. H. Reid Newland, who has been called to be pastor of the Bethany and McClure Memorial churches. Mr. Newland was introduced to the Presbytery and was examined as follows: On Experimental Religion by Rev. M. C. Macqueen; on Theology by Rev. William Crowe, Jr.; on Church Government and the Sacraments by Rev. P. L. Clark. The examinations were sustained separately and then as a whole, and Mr. Newland was received as a member of Wilmington Presbytery pending his signing of the agreement.

Rev. M. C. Macqueen, Chairman of the Commission of the Minister and His Work, presented calls for the pastoral services of Mr. Newland from the Bethany and McClure Memorial churches. These calls were found in order, and the following commissions were appointed to install Mr. Newland as pastor of these churches:

At McClure Memorial—February 1, 1948, at 7:30 p. m., Rev. P. L. Clark to preside and propound the constitutional questions; Rev. C. C. Myers to charge the pastor; Ruling Elder H. T. Wilson to charge the congregation; and Rev. A. K. Dudley to preach the sermon.

At Bethany—February 22, 1948, at 7:30 p. m., Rev. L. A. Taylor to preside and propound the constitutional questions; Rev. W. H. Allison to charge the pastor; Ruling Elder Sandy Marks to charge the congregation; and Rev. J. A. Marrow, Jr., to preach the sermon.

Mr. W. M. Boice, Chairman of the Stewardship Committee presented the Stewardship Report, which was adopted with its recommendations.

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STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Contributions to all benevolences 1946-47.....	\$103,454.00
An increase over the previous year.....	15,575.00
Total contributions 1946-47.....	344,484.00
Increase over previous year.....	68,758.00

The askings of the Assembly for Assembly Causes for the church year 1948-49 are \$3,475,415.00, an increase over the asking of last year of \$365,415.00. Included in these askings is the sum of \$250,000 of the Program of Progress, viz: \$150,000 for Christian Education and Ministerial Relief; \$50,000 for Assembly's Training School; and \$50,000 for Negro Work.

The Synod of North Carolina has been appointed the sum of \$580,140 as its quota of the askings for Assembly's Causes. For local and Presbyterian causes, the Synod has adopted a like Budget of \$580,140, making a total budget for the Synod of \$1,169,280.00.

The Presbytery of Wilmington has been apportioned the sum of \$95,143 as its quota of the budget of Synod.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That March 7, 1948 be designated as Every Member Canvass Day; that our church be called upon to make this day a day of full dedication of life and property.

2. That the period of February 2-March 7, 1948 be designated as a special time for the emphasis of the Stewardship of life and possessions, and that pastors be asked to preach on these themes.

3. That the salary of the Permanent Clerk be increased to \$100.00 annually.

4. That two issues of the "Wilmington Presbyterian," viz: the Stewardship and the Religious Education Issues be financed by the Treasury of the Presbytery.

5. That the Presbytery of Wilmington accept the amount of \$90,250.00 as its part of Synod's budget of \$1,160,230 for the year 1948-49; and that the sum of \$4,750 be added to this to provide for the expenses of the office of Presbytery's Executive Secretary, making a total benevolent budget for the Presbytery of \$95,000.

6. That this amount (\$95,000) be allocated to various causes as follows:

Assembly's Causes

Foreign Missions	21.0%	\$19,950
Assembly's Home Missions	9. %	8,550
Christian Ed. and Min. Relief.....	7.7%	6,650
Assembly's Training School	1.5%	1,425
American Bible Society3%	285
Religious Ed. and Publication.....	1.5%	1,425
Defense Service Council5%	475
Negro Work	2. %	1,900
War Relief	1.3%	1,235
Christian Relations3%	285
Evangelism3%	285
Radio8%	760
	45.5%	\$43,225

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Synod's and Presbytery's Causes

Synod's Home Missions	9. %	\$ 8,550
Educational Institutions	12. %	11,400
Union Theological Seminary	1.5%	1,425
Orphan's Home	5. %	4,750
Religious Ed. and State Institutions.....	3. %	2,850
Presbytery's Home Missions	19. %	18,050
Executive Secretary	5. %	4,750
		\$51,775
Totals.....	100 %	\$95,000

7. That the above quota of \$95,000 be allocated to the churches as follows:

Acme	\$ 250	McClure	\$ 325
Antioch	200	Maple Hill	50
Ashwood	300	Mt. Horeb	250
Baker	250	Mt. Olive	2,100
Beth Car	350	Mt. Williams	150
Bethany	300	Mt. Zion	1,350
Bethel	325	Myrtle Grove	350
Beulaville	400	New Hope	350
Black River	700	Oakdale	150
Bladenboro	150	Oak Plaines	375
Bowden	150	Pearsall Memorial	1,500
Brown Marsh	25	Pike	200
Brunswick	150	Pink Hill	300
Burgaw	1,350	Pleasant View	325
Calypso	650	Potts Memorial	425
Cape Fear	550	Pollocksville	900
Carolina Beach	425	Rockfish	1,000
Caswell	425	Rocky Point	475
Chadbourn	1,000	St. Andrews-Covenant	21,200
Chinquapin	500	Smiths	250
Clarkton	2,450	Southport	300
Croatan	175	South River	400
Currie	150	Stanford	150
Delgado	500	Tabor City	200
Elizabethtown	1,500	Teachey	750
Elkton	150	Topsail	400
Faison	1,150	Wallace	4,300
Graves Memorial	5,200	Warsaw	1,500
Grove	700	Webb Memorial	700
Hallsville	600	Westminster	2,500
Harmony	350	White Plains	200
Harper Southerland	250	Whiteville, First	2,300
Holly Grove	400	Wildwood	550
Hebron	50	Willard	650
Hopewell	400	Wilmington, First	18,450
Immanuel	2,000	Winter Park	3,000
Jacksonville	1,250	Woodburn	475
Lake Waccamaw	500		

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. BOICE, Chairman.

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Rev. B. F. Ormand presented a petition signed by nineteen persons of the Page's Mill community requesting that Presbytery organize them into a Presbyterian church. Upon motion Presbytery voted to comply with the request and to commend Mr. Ormand for his splendid work in this community. The following commission was appointed to organize this Church: Rev. L. A. Taylor to preach the sermon; Rev. J. R. Kennedy to act as chairman; Rev. B. F. Ormand, and Rev. J. W. Miller; Ruling Elders E. L. Derrick, W. G. Prevatte, and W. D. Thompson. It was stated that a quorum should be three ministers and one elder.

THE PETITION

Chadbourn, North Carolina,
January 11, 1948.

We, the undersigned, do hereby petition the Presbytery of Wilmington, in session at the Immanuel Presbyterian church, Wilmington, N. C., January 13, 1948, to appoint a Commission to organize us into a Presbyterian church on the first Sunday of February 1948, if the way be clear:

Mrs. Flossie Batten, David Batten, Jessie Batten, Bessie McDuffie, Alma Perritt, Amanda McDuffie, Doshie Williams, Luther McDuffie, Dock Williams, Grover Batten, Mabel Batten, Jerrick Hammond, Katherine Hammond, James Paul Dorsey, Billie Batten, John Rozier Ballard, J. D. Williams, Elizabeth McDuffie, Homer McDuffie.

Reverend N. P. Farrior presented the report of the Committee on Sabbath and Family Religion, which was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SABBATH AND FAMILY RELIGION

This is a factual, but not a statistical, report. The ministers replying to the request for data from which to make this report gave many facts which are both interesting and encouraging, as well as some that are depressing. Let us consider the latter first.

It is evident that most, if not all, ministers replying felt very keenly the lack of serious Sabbath observance by some members of their churches, and that many Presbyterian homes do not manifest a deep religious characteristic in their home life. It is often taken as a matter of course, even by officers in the church, that Sunday movies and Sunday baseball are not Sabbath desecration. It is quite evident that there has been a great liberalizing of views on this subject. It is even rumored that some ministers do not entertain fully the traditional attitude toward Sabbath observance. This is probably in line with the general rethinking of ethical subjects on the border line of what is worldly and what is holy that is always going on, and that has been very pronounced in the past decades.

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It is gratifying to learn that the practice of Sabbath observance and of family religion is not outmoded or neglected by great numbers of our people, and that the ministers of our Presbytery are keeping before their people the value of these institutions and their meaning to the life of the church. It is notable that the Ruling Elders as well as ministers are concerned and active in this respect. Let us note some of the activities: Passing out Day by Day to families in the congregations, frequent mention of the vital importance of family religion and Sabbath keeping in sermons, occasional sermons on these themes, stressing Christian living in the home through the Women's Auxiliary, the Men of the Church, and the Church School, as well as from the pulpit, and, in one church, seminars on family religion were conducted and a class of high school age young people was given a course on preparation for marriage and parenthood by the pastor with the aid of a physician, the pupils being enrolled only with the consent of the parents. One pastor reports the use of the catechism in the home. Doubtless most pastors can report the same. One pastor reports business houses closing this year through the winter months in an area where this had not been practiced.

We would like to emphasize the fact that religion in the home is not confined to the practice of reading the Bible and praying together as a family group, though this is preeminently to be desired, but that private reading of the Scriptures and prayer, the study of the catechism, the reading of church papers and making matters of the Kingdom of God a primary interest in the home, the preparation of Sunday School lessons, the reading of character-building books, and the Christian character of the conversations in the home, are all expressions of religion in the home.

The committee recommends a wider use of the catechisms in the home for teaching religion in a systematic outline. Memorizing of the catechisms should not be condemned; but the teaching of the truths presented in the catechisms and their meaning and application in practical living should be emphasized above all else. It were better to teach one page of the catechism to a child so that he would get its meaning, though he didn't memorize one answer letter-perfect, than to have him perfectly memorize the whole thing, and not understand one page of it.

N. P. FARRIOR, Chairman.

In the absence of the Chairman, Rev. B. E. Dotson presented the report on Foreign Missions, which was received as information and its recommendations adopted.

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE TO WILMINGTON PRESBYTERY

The widespread and vital interest in foreign missions is greater than at any time. Not only the testimony of missionaries, but the public generally, is unanimous in this. During the past year the ingathering of souls has broken all records in our foreign mission history. Never before has there been such an open hearted reception of the gospel message, as has been found in those areas which have been torn by war. A Japanese religious leader summed

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up the present situation recently when he said, "There never was a time when it was as easy to do Christian work in my country as it is now."

With a realization of this unprecedented opportunity, our Church has set up the five year Program of Progress Committee and is asking the churches of the Assembly to underwrite the \$4,000,000 allotted to foreign missions by a special fund-raising effort to be carried out from January 1 to February 1, 1948. Every church is asked to accept a quota as its share of this goal, and the success of the entire campaign hinges on the faithfulness of each church in raising its proportionate part.

This year, through the Program of Progress, we are being called upon to restore destroyed property in the Far East and to expand our work to meet the opportunities now open to us in Africa and Latin America. To meet the tremendous opportunity which confronts us in China, Japan, and Korea, we must restore immediately, properties which it took us 85 years to build and develop. The minimum amount necessary to get our mission properties in the Far East back into working condition is \$2,300,000.

As we review our work in Africa we can rejoice that from 7 baptized Christians in 1894 the Church membership has grown to 62,600. But we have only touched the fringes of the thousands upon thousands of souls for whom our mission is responsible in the heart of the Congo. The Christian cause in Africa is ready to move forward with new force if our churches in America will give the needed support.

In Brazil and Mexico our work is at the peak of its strength. Indeed the Protestant Church in Brazil is said to be the fastest growing evangelical body in the entire world, with an increase of 640% in the last thirty years. Yet our missionary force in Brazil is no larger than it was twenty-five years ago. At present our missions there have laid careful plans for a bigger and better work to be carried on as soon as the funds can be provided.

In Mexico our Church is characterized by a warm evangelistic fervor and a zeal for personal work. The chief obstacle to the growth of our work there has been the half-hearted support that we have given it. Recently a careful survey was made and our program of advance calls for the increasing of our ten mission centers to twenty, and the equipping of these stations for missionary operation.

At present there is the greatest missionary interest and dedication among our young people that we have ever known. There are more than 3,000 names on the candidate correspondence list, ranging from those who are now in high school to those who have completed their preparation and are ready to begin foreign mission work. During the past year of 1947, twenty-eight missionaries sailed to their respective fields of service. So let us thank God for the young life that is dedicated to His service and pray that they may be given courage and strength for the great task of world evangelism.

Your committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That each church accept its assigned quota as a share of the total goal of \$4,000,000.00 and undertake to raise in cash, and by pledges payable over the next thirty months, their proportionate part of this sum.

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2. That the foreign mission season, January 1 through February 1, 1948, be observed in all of our churches as a time of church-wide study and dedication to the world task of Christian missions, and the whole Church be called to earnest prayer for this work.
3. That all Church organizations be urged to make the largest possible use of the following mission study books:—"Committed Unto Us"—by Lamott, and supplemented by Dr. Fulton's book, "Now Is the Time."
4. Pending the adoption of this report we request Presbytery to be led in prayer, asking God's divine blessing upon this cause—that Presbytery be led in prayer for this cause.

(Signed) J. G. MORRISON, Chairman,
Foreign Mission Committee.

Rev. J. R. Kennedy, Chairman of a special committee on the Wrightsville Beach Chapel, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH CHAPEL COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee appointed to make a study of the Wrightsville Beach Chapel, after having given the matter careful consideration, recommends the following:

1. That Presbytery assume the responsibility of raising approximately \$8,000.00 to complete the fund of \$20,000.00 for erecting the proposed Chapel at Wrightsville Beach, in order that we might claim a \$10,000.00 gift offered for this purpose.
2. That the Home Mission Committee of Presbytery be authorized to provide a year round ministry for this Chapel, and that during the summer months, outstanding religious leaders be invited in to assist the pastor.
3. That a special committee be appointed by Nominating Committee of Presbytery to solicit funds for this project, and that this cause be commended to the Sessions and Boards of Deacons of the local churches.

(Signed) J. R. KENNEDY, Chairman.

The Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees:

Bills and Overtures: Rev. B. F. Brown, Rev. N. P. Farrior, Elder P. S. Carr.

Leave of Absence: Rev. B. F. Ormand, Rev. C. B. Craig, Elder E. W. Faires.

Time and Place of Next Meeting: Rev. B. E. Dotson, Rev. W. B. Hood, Elder E. L. Derrick.

Resolutions: Rev. J. W. Miller, Elder H. H. Edwards, and Elder F. A. Newman.

After prayer by Rev. A. K. Dudley Presbytery took recess for lunch.

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AFTERNOON SESSION

Presbytery reconvened at 2 p. m., and was led in prayer by Rev. W. B. Hood.

Dr. Sandy Marks, Chairman of Presbytery's Committee on the Presbyterian Program of Progress, gave a verbal report on this subject with special emphasis on its bearing on the subjects of union with the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., and our relationship to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. The report was received as information.

Presbytery noted that a floral tribute had been sent by the Stated Clerk for the funeral of Rev. A. J. Howell.

Rev. John D. MacLeod, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Divorce and Remarriage, which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIVORCE AND REMARRIAGE

Three cases were referred to your committee since the last meeting of Presbytery. One was submitted by Dr. William Crowe. After investigation and consultations it was recommended that Dr. Crowe perform the ceremony. Another was submitted by Reverend Carl B. Craig. After investigation it was recommended that Mr. Craig perform the ceremony. Another was submitted by Reverend John D. MacLeod. After proper investigation it was recommended that he perform the ceremony.

Full details of the three cases submitted have been filed in the office of the Stated Clerk of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. MacLEOD, Chairman.

THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

In preparation for a vote on the question of our relationship to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America Rev. J. R. Kennedy presented a paper on the affirmative side, and Rev. C. D. L. Mosser presented the negative side. After some discussion from the floor Presbytery voted 33 to 11 to go on record as favoring that the Presbyterian Church, U. S., remain in the Federal Council.

Mr. W. G. Coxhead, Business Manager of Flora MacDonald College, was introduced and given the privilege of the floor to present a brief report on conditions at the College from Dr. Bedinger, President. This report was adopted:

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REPORT ON FLORA MacDONALD COLLEGE — 1947-1948

The year 1947-1948 thus far at Flora Macdonald College has been marked by a number of very encouraging features.

The enrollment numbers 287 boarding students and 27 special and day students. The boarding students' enrollment filled the dormitories to overflowing and made it necessary to secure 20 additional rooms on the campus and rented from people in the community for the overflow of students and professors. The greatest need of the college, after completion of the present Improvement Program, is for additional housing for students and professors.

The successful progress of the Flora Macdonald Improvement Fund Campaign made a number of physical improvements possible, including the complete re-wiring and re-lighting of the building, improved water works and the erection of a new water tank, new furniture in West Hall, which is occupied by the Senior Class, new furniture in some class rooms, new shelving and other equipment in the library, the re-cataloguing of the library, and new equipment has been ordered for the chemistry and biology laboratories which will be delivered in time for use next year.

The financial condition of the college has been greatly strengthened by the addition of \$61,000 to the Endowment Fund from the campaign and \$50,000 from the bequest of Mrs. Kate Bitting Reynolds; \$24,000 has been added, through contributions, to the Scholarship Fund.

In view of these improvements made possible by the Improvement Fund Campaign, the college requested the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools to appoint a Survey Committee which will visit the college this spring to make a study. If this Committee reports favorably, the college will be admitted to membership in the Southern Association at the meeting in December, 1948; however, it usually requires two or more visits by the Survey Committee before the college which is not a member is admitted. Flora Macdonald is hoping to be an exception to this rule.

Mr. William G. Coxhead has been added to the Administrative Staff as Business Manager and Assistant to the President. He will have general charge of the business affairs of the college and continue the effort to improve its financial condition.

Flora Macdonald is depending upon the Controlling Presbyteries and individual friends for their continued support in order that it may continue to serve the Church and State in the training of young women for useful, happy, Christian lives of unselfish service.

Rev. M. C. Macqueen, speaking as Chairman of the Commission on the Minister and His Work, recommended that Dr. F. W. Lewis be appointed Stated Supply for the Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian Church for one year. The recommendation was adopted.

The election of commissioners to represent the Presbytery at the meeting of the General Assembly in Atlanta, Ga., on May 23th, 1948, was held with the following results:

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MINISTERS

Principals	Alternates
Rev. William Crowe, Jr.	Rev. E. D. Witherspoon
Rev. W. H. Allison	Rev. Carl Craig
Rev. J. G. Morrison	Rev. J. D. MacLeod

RULING ELDERS

Dr. Sandy Marks	R. P. Bender
E. W. Faires	J. K. Blanchard
E. L. Derrick	Colwell Smith

Rev. P. L. Clark presented an appreciation of the life and work of Rev. Andrew J. Howell, which was adopted:

AN APPRECIATION OF REV. A. J. HOWELL

Andrew Jackson Howell, son of A. J. and Laura H. Howell, was born in Wilmington, North Carolina, March the 10th, 1869. All his life, except a period of about seven years was spent in his native city. Thus in quite a large way he was identified with the business, civic, and religious life of the community.

In his early adult life he was engaged in business as an official of the Wilmington, Newbern, and Norfolk Railway, and later in the employment of the Atlantic Coast Line.

After a number of years as a business man, in his late thirties he decided to enter the christian ministry.

This decision was quite a natural outgrowth of several years of local outpost work for his church in which he was instrumental in developing the work at Delgado, Winter Park and Bethany, and in organizing Delgado and Winter Park churches.

In preparation for the work of the ministry he spent some three years in the private study of theology under the tutorship of his pastor, Rev. J. M. Wells, D.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Under this tutorship the christian and theological convictions which he held became deeply entrenched in his life, and moulded and colored his career as a minister of the gospel.

After this period of private study and a brief period of special study in Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, he was ordained a minister of the gospel by Wilmington Presbytery. This ordination took place October 20th, 1912, in the First Presbyterian Church, where he had been a worshipper and which he had served as a teacher of the Men's Bible Class and as a Ruling Elder for a number of years.

In early life he was married to Miss Gertrude Jenkins of Winston-Salem.

After his ordination, he served as an active minister as follows:

Assistant pastor First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, 1912-1913; Pastor Winter Park and Delgado churches 1913-1918; in the Army Y. M. C. A., Camp Gordon 1918-1919; Pastor at Latta, S. C., 1919-1920; Westminster Church, Whiteville, N. C., 1920-1925; Winter Park and Pearsall Memorial churches, Wilmington, 1925-1937.

In all these fields of service he had a fruitful ministry, and was deeply loved by his people. He was made Pastor Emeritus of the Pearsall Memorial Church at the time of his retirement in 1937.

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In 1927 he was, over his earnest protest, elected stated clerk of Wilmington Presbytery, which office he filled until, after repeated requests by himself, he was relieved in 1946. It was in this capacity that he was best known by the ministers and elders of the Presbytery. In the exacting duties of this responsible task he was painstaking and accurate. He took pride in doing the work well and keeping the records straight. He insisted that everything should be done in accordance with the accepted rules of the government of our church.

During his tenure as stated clerk the docket of the meetings of Presbytery was revised and improved in order that the work of the Presbytery might proceed with the least confusion. He was a model stated clerk.

He loved the Presbyterian Church and he loved Wilmington Presbytery. His brethren liked to hear him say "Presterian" and "Prestery."

His religious interest, however, was not confined to Wilmington Presbytery. He was active in the work of the Synod of North Carolina and interested in the work of the church at large. He made the final and probably the determining address before the Synod when the question of the establishment of the Junior College at Maxton was being discussed.

His interest in missions was attested by his attendance at the World Missionary Conference at Edinburg, Scotland, in 1910.

As both an author and a historian he attained quite a large local prominence.

In 1918 he organized and was made chairman of the New Hanover Historical Commission and later was named County Historian by the board of County Commissioners. On December 3rd, 1937 he made an address before the North Carolina Literary and Historical Society in Raleigh.

His interest in the history of the Lower Cape Fear area included a vital interest in the history of the churches of the Presbytery. Repeatedly he urged ministers and sessions to keep full and accurate records for the benefit of future generations. His "Book of Wilmington" and his biography of "Cornelius Harnett" attest his interest in the history of this section.

After several years of failing health he passed to his eternal reward October 6th, 1947, in the 78th year of his age. The funeral was held in his home church—First Presbyterian—conducted by the present pastor, Rev. William Crowe, D.D. Thus ended the earthly career of a man who made for himself, by the grace of God, a good name—a name which many will cherish and honor.

Many impressions remain as we think of his life and work:

First of all we think of him as a humble and sincere man of God, whose faith and devotion were always evident. The fruits of the Spirit were beautifully illustrated in his life and character. The category of those fruits in the 5th chapter of Galations was exemplified in a good degree in his daily walk: "But the fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance."

Another impression is that of the courteous friend and christian gentleman. All the members of Wilmington Presbytery will, no doubt, bear out this impression. Several instances stand out in

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my own experience—instances of encouraging words, brief letters spontaneously written, visits in sickness, that bear testimony to his good will and kindly feelings.

The impression abides of the firmness of his faith in and loyalty to the Lord Jesus Christ, as the Lord of our life and the only Saviour from sin. He was a conservative in his theological convictions. His Calvinistic theology meant much to him: The sovereignty of God and salvation by grace through faith in Christ. These were the great truths on which he based his hope.

As we think now of the life and achievements of our brother beloved who by his christian character and faithful service achieved so much for the kingdom of God, we are profoundly grateful that he was permitted to serve so long and well in Wilmington Presbytery.

P. L. CLARK.

Rev. P. L. Clark requested that Presbytery dissolve the pastoral relation between himself and the Burgaw, Hope-well, and Mt. Williams churches in order that he may retire from the active ministry. Elder H. M. Corbett, representing the Burgaw congregation, brought word that they had concurred with Mr. Clark's request with deep regret when they learned that his resignation was prompted by the state of his health. After a number of expressions of appreciation of Mr. Clark's long and fruitful service in this Presbytery, it was voted to accept his request and to notify the Ministers' Annuity Fund of his retirement.

Rev. J. R. Kennedy presented a request that the pastoral relation between himself and the First Presbyterian Church of Whiteville be dissolved, in order that he might accept the call to become the Associate Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Norfolk, Va. Motion was made that his request be granted and a letter of commendation be sent to Norfolk Presbytery along with his certificate of dismissal. Pending the adoption of the motion many of the brethren expressed appreciation of the fine work done by Mr. Kennedy, both as pastor of the Whiteville Church and as a faithful Presbyter. The motion was passed.

Rev. B. F. Ormand made the following report for the Leave of Absence Committee; which was adopted: One member asked to be excused, Rev. E. D. Witherspoon, because of illness. Excuse was granted to Rev. B. E. Dotson, W. F. Patterson, Woodard Dail to leave early. Cards expressing our prayers and good wishes for recovery will be sent to our brethren who are sick: Rev. E. D.

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Witherspoon, Rev. W. P. M. Currie, and Rev. E. B. Carr.

Rev. B. F. Ormand, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, recommended the following appointments:

Rev. J. W. Miller to replace Rev. J. R. Kennedy as Trustee of Flora Macdonald College.

Rev. Reid Newland to replace Rev. J. R. Kennedy on Committee of Social and Moral Welfare.

Rev. J. M. Smith to replace Rev. J. R. Kennedy as Chairman of the sub-committee on Young People's Work of the Religious Education Committee.

Mr. T. D. Love, Jr., to replace Rev. J. R. Kennedy on the Committee on Stewardship.

Rev. F. W. Lewis to replace Rev. J. R. Kennedy on Examining Committee on English Bible.

The recommendations of the Nominating Committee were adopted.

Rev. W. B. Hood, Chairman of the Committee on Time and Place, reported that the committee had received no invitation for the next meeting, and that announcement of time and place would be made later.

Rev. J. W. Miller, Chairman of the Committee on Resolution of Thanks, offered the following paper, which was adopted by rising vote: "The Committee on Resolution of Thanks expresses its gratitude to the pastor and Session of the Immanuel Church for the splendid entertainment given to the Presbytery of Wilmington during this meeting of Presbytery. We thank the good women for the delicious dinner so well prepared and served."

After having shared together this fine fellowship, we go back to our churches revived in spirit thanking God and taking new courage in our work."

The name of Dr. William Crowe, Jr., was placed in nomination for Moderator of the spring meeting of Presbytery.

The minutes of the day were read and approved.

After prayer by the Moderator, Presbytery adjourned to meet in regular spring session on April 13th, 1948.

W. H. ALLISON, Permanent Clerk,

L. A. TAYLOR, Stated Clerk.

STATED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in its one hundred and sixty-second stated session in the Chinquapin Presbyterian Church, Chinquapin, N. C., on Tuesday, April 13th, 1948, at 10 a. m. The meeting was constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. C. R. Gleason, who preached the opening sermon on the subject, "Christ, Our Mediator," based on the text Romans 5:6, 8.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers: P. L. Clark, C. C. Myers, J. W. Miller, R. H. Poole, M. C. Macqueen, J. G. Morrison, B. F. Ormand, C. B. Craig, William Crowe, Jr., A. K. Dudley, B. E. Dotson, F. M. Bain, N. P. Farris, C. R. Gleason, W. H. Allison, J. V. Axtell, L. A. Taylor, E. H. Clarke, J. M. Smith, B. F. Brown, W. B. Hood, C. D. L. Mosser, J. F. Garvin, J. D. Withrow, J. M. Waggett, G. F. Miller, J. A. Marrow, Jr., F. W. Lewis, H. R. Newland, (29);

Elders: Antioch, F. T. Pettiway; Ashwood, C. L. Braddy; Bakers, Albert Cox; Bethel, J. E. Alberton; Beulaville, Gardner Edwards; Black River, J. C. Corbett; Burgaw, H. M. Corbett; Calypso, L. L. Flowers; Cape Fear, S. G. Withers; Caswell, W. H. Vick; Chadbourn, E. L. Derrick; Chinquapin, W. B. Ward; Clarkton, E. H. Munroe; Faison, A. P. Cates; Graves Memorial, A. E. Kennedy; Grove, C. C. Newton; Hallsville, Walter Miller; Holly Grove, J. T. Pearson, Sr.; Hopewell, J. V. Rivenbark; Immanuel, N. L. Mintz; Jacksonville, G. E. Maulsby; Mt. Horeb, Paul Savage; Mt. Olive, L. J. Simmons; Mt. Zion, C. F. Blanchard; Oak Plains, D. D. Williams; Page's Mill, Jerrick Hammond; Pike, W. J. Lane; Potts Memorial, J. C. Southerland; Rockfish, A. C. Hall; Rocky Point, A. N. Rhodes; St. Andrews-Covenant, R. C. Platt; South River, Henry Beatty; Stanford, Simon Quinn; Teachey, J. B. Wells; Topsail, E. V. King; Wallace, E. W. Farris; Warsaw, A. L. Cavanaugh; Webb Memorial, A. M. Lewis; Westminster, E. F. Davis; Willard, H. McN. Johnson; Wilmington First, W. M. Dickson, (42).

Dr. William Crowe, Jr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmington, was elected Moderator by popular acclaim.

Rev. J. F. Garvin, pastor of the host church extended a welcome to the Presbytery and gave a brief history of the Chinquapin Church.

A printed docket, submitted by the Stated Clerk, was adopted.

Communications were received and referred as follows: From Rev. J. D. MacLeod, referred to the Leave of Absence Committee; from Dr. Wade H. Boggs, referred to Committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief; report of Presbytery's Treasurer of Benevolences and Presbytery's Treasurer were placed in the hands of the Auditing Committee.

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Upon motion the Moderator appointed the following special Auditing Committee in the absence of the Permanent Committee on Auditing: A. L. Cavannaugh, Chairman; G. E. Maultsby, W. B. Ward.

The report of the Religious Education Committee was presented by Rev. W. H. Allison, in the absence of the Chairman, Dr. E. D. Witherspoon, and was adopted as follows, the recommendations being taken up serially:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Your Committee on Religious Education, in presenting its annual report, again wishes to express its appreciation to God for His blessing upon our work, and to the ministers, elders, and teachers in the various churches of our Presbytery for their loyal support and splendid cooperation. Your Committee wishes to call your attention to some of our accomplishments in the field of Religious Education, to present the work of the summer, and to present to you the Rev. T. A. Frye, of Red Springs, who will address the Presbytery on a very vital, yet very neglected part of our program, namely, Student Work.

First, the work in retrospect. Last summer, under the capable leadership of the Rev. B. F. Brown, 54 Vacation Church Schools were held within the bounds of Wilmington Presbytery, with 473 workers and 3,595 enrolled. There were 10 more schools than the previous year, 156 more workers, and 880 more pupils. It is significant to note that the number of schools held in Presbytery has almost doubled since 1945, and the number enrolled almost trebled.

Our Pioneer and Young People's Conferences, held at Lake Singleary and Peace College, respectively, were highly successful. Fall and Spring Rallies were held in Wilmington and Clarkton. Both were well and enthusiastically attended. The three Leadership Training Schools held in Whiteville, Wallace, and Wilmington did good work in spite of the fact that two of them were handicapped by bad weather.

The Men-of-Wilmington Presbytery held district meetings and held their Annual Rally in Wilmington early in March. Men from various sections of our Presbytery met for business and to hear Colonel Ray LeCraw. Encouraging reports were presented by various Men's organizations.

So much for what has been done. In order that you may know that plans of your Committee for the summer months we ask your undivided attention as the various sub-chairmen present their plans.

1. Vacation Bible Schools, Rev. B. F. Brown.
2. Pioneer Camp, Rev. W. H. Allison.
3. Young People's Conference, Rev. J. Murphy Smith.
4. Men's Work, Rev. Joe Morrison.

Your Committee presents the following recommendations:

1. Presbytery suggests that the terms of office for Superintendents of Sunday Schools be limited to not more than four years, and that a period of one year must elapse before he is eligible for reelection.

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2. That each Sunday School be urged to cooperate fully in the Presbyterian Program of Progress in both spiritual and financial goals.
3. That each Church make careful and complete plans for the observance of Religious Education Week, September 26-October 2, 1948.
4. That each Church observe Rally Day in both the Sunday School and Church, and make an earnest effort to raise its quota for Religious Education in the Presbyterian Program of Progress.
5. That plans be made immediately by each Church for the observance of Christian Family Week, May 2-9.
6. That the churches support the Vacation Church School Clinics which are to be put on in the three districts of the Presbytery.
7. That following the adoption of this report, Presbytery hear the Rev. T. A. Frye on "Student Work."

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. WITHERSPOON, Chairman.

Pending the adoption of this report the Rev. T. A. Frye, of Fayetteville Presbytery, was introduced to Presbytery and given the privilege of the floor to address the Presbytery on the subject of "Student Work." Rev. B. F. Brown presented the plans for the Vacation Church School Clinics to be held in the three districts of the Presbytery May 9th. Rev. W. H. Allison gave information concerning the Pioneer Camp to be held at Lake Singletary July 12-17, and the Rev. J. Murphy Smith revealed the plans for the Young People's Conference to be held at Peace College June 21-26. Rev. Joe Morrison spoke briefly concerning the progress of Men's Work in the Presbytery.

Mrs. J. Max Gregg, retiring President of the Woman's Auxiliary of Wilmington Presbytery, was presented by the Rev. W. H. Allison, Chairman of the Committee on Woman's Work, and invited to present the report on Woman's Work, which was adopted as follows:

"To enlist every woman for Christ" is the goal of the Woman's Auxiliary and the three-fold objective is to develop the woman along spiritual, educational and expressional lines. Although neither has been attained, it is believed that much progress has been made toward the attainment of both.

The organization of five auxiliaries,—Oakdale, McClure Memorial, Croatan, Beulaville, and Oak Grove, brings the total number of auxiliaries in Wilmington Presbyterial to 61. This is an increase in membership of 131.

Total gifts for the year amount to \$32,150; \$22,882 to Benevolences and \$8,264 to local churches. Although this is a decrease in total gifts, it is an increase of \$527 in gifts to Benevolences over the previous year.

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For the 14th consecutive year, the auxiliaries have been 100% in gifts to the Birthday Offering, the amount of which this year was \$1,684, a gain of \$422 over last year. Every auxiliary contributed to White Cross, to the contingent fund, and every auxiliary sent in its report to the Recording Secretary. This is significant in the fact that the Presbyterian Auxiliary has the interest, the loyalty and the prayers of every local auxiliary, and they have supported the entire program of the Church.

The "Program of Progress" was presented at each of the six district conferences as well as to the Business Women. A "Program of Progress" committee has been appointed from the Presbyterian, at the request of Presbytery's Chairman of this committee, to help carry out this program in the Church.

The women are vitally interested in the young people of their churches. Many Vacation Bible Schools have been held, the women directing and teaching in these schools, as well as in the Outpost Sunday Schools. The expenses of many delegates to Young People's Conferences have been paid by the auxiliaries, and the women have organized and helped with Young People's groups in their churches. They continue to pray definitely that young people of superlative qualities from this Presbytery will be called into full time Christian service. Several auxiliaries have paid or helped to pay the expenses of young people from their churches at our Christian colleges.

Vital interest in the Negro is evidenced by the help given them with their programs, training leaders in Negro churches, contributing to Stillman Institute, and many other ways. Sixteen delegates were sent by the auxiliaries to the Negro Women's conference at Winston-Salem.

Since the incentive for the organization of the Presbyterian in 1888, was to support Kiangyin Hospital (China), the women have always been Foreign Mission minded. This hospital was destroyed during the war, but has been replaced by a clinic, to which the Foreign Mission percentage goes. \$2,892 has been contributed to this project during the year.

The Presbyterian gives annually a scholarship to Flora Macdonald College and has paid the expenses of a young lady from the Presbytery, in her senior year at the Assembly's Training School for the year 1947-1948. It has assumed the responsibility for redecorating and furnishing 20 rooms in Vardell Hall at Flora Macdonald College and \$974 has been contributed voluntarily since September to this project.

A definite spiritual development and broadened vision is reflected in the many activities reported, the deep concern for others of all denominations and of all races, both in the homeland and in foreign lands and in the increased interest in Bible study, participation in prayer groups, tithing, family altars and readers of "Day by Day," and the church papers.

The women of the Presbyterian appreciate all that you have done to help them in the support of the work and the many kindnesses extended them.

It is with joy in my heart that I relinquish the responsibility of this work that I love so dearly, to one who is so well equipped to carry it on, Mrs. Fred E. Little.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. J. M.) ANNE LYNN C. GREGG.

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The Presbytery expressed its appreciation to Mrs. Gregg for the splendid work she has done as President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbytery during the past three years by a rising vote of thanks.

At the request of the Moderator, Rev. L. A. Taylor took the chair and Dr. Crowe, as Chairman of Presbytery's Home Mission Committee, presented the Home Mission Report. The report with its recommendations was adopted as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

The committee on Home Missions reports a year of prosperity. Every phase of our work has shown progress. The people of the churches have shown an increasing responsiveness to the ministry of the Church. Many special services have been held in our mission churches and the statistical record will show encouraging signs of development throughout the Presbytery.

We are proud of the fine cooperation of ministers who are serving our Home Mission churches. They are competent and devoted to their tasks and they are being honored by their people. Several factors have entered into the making of the encouraging situation that we have. As best we can analyze them they are as follows:

(1) An increasing concern on the part of the Church people in our area, at least, for the permanent values of the Christian faith. No doubt this has arisen in large measure from the tragic situation of our world. It is encouraging to see people turning more seriously than in other recent years to the Church.

(2) The quality of ministers in our Home Mission field, as we have already pointed out.

(3) The unusually effective ministry of our Executive Secretary. He has the capacity to lead the ministry and to gain and hold the confidence of the laymen. He has vision, a fine ambition for our churches, a practical mind with which to work out programs, and withal a sense of balance which is an invaluable asset for any Presbytery to have in its chief executive.

(4) A more generous financial support than our Presbytery has had since the days of the amazingly large gifts from a few wealthy individuals.

Among many facts of importance that could be pointed out, we note the following:

Following the disastrous fire at the Cape Fear Church, the educational building has been re-built and re-furnished at a cost of \$8,670. However, the indemnity for our fire loss paid by the insurance company was approximately \$4,000 more than the replacing of the building and the equipment cost, this due to the fact that we do not need nearly as much space now since the war has closed as that which was destroyed by the fire.

We have also invested something more than \$600 in assisting Woodburn Church to provide a recreation hut for its youth activities and have invested \$3,105 in the construction of a \$7,000 educational building for the Oak Grove Chapel. This Chapel is the

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property of the Presbytery, resulting from the Home Mission Emergency Fund. We have provided a former army chapel for the Page's Mill Church at a cost of \$726.00, granted the sum of \$1,250 for the construction of a manse for the Bethany-McClure Churches and have reduced the indebtedness on the Southport manse \$900.

Other enterprises in which we have been engaged are as follows:

We have enabled 20 churches to have special evangelistic meetings, assisted 3 fields in securing pastors, provided salary supplements in 15 fields, arranged for good religious motion pictures to be shown in the churches, formed a new pastorate for the Bethany-McClure Churches and secured a minister for it, and organized churches at Brunswick and Page's Mill.

In addition to these services rendered the Home Mission fields, the following investments have been made: \$350 for repairs at Myrtle Grove, \$300 for repairs to the Currie Church, \$345 for repairs to the Southport manse, paint furnished for Delgado manse and Northeast Chapel, interior of the Presbytery manse refinished, new installation completing the Carolina Beach manse at a cost of \$514, and a loan of \$1,000 to the New Hope Church for an educational building.

We would call the attention of the Presbytery to several needs that the Committee feels should be met in our Home Mission churches which will require an enlarging of our program and an expenditure of greater funds than our present budget calls for.

First, the time is ripe for the enlarging of the program in our small churches so as to stimulate the people of the churches and give them a greater sense of purpose. This could be done through leadership training, through various phases of rural sociology, through more motion pictures, and by sending rural ministers to the Duke University School of Rural Life and giving greater assistance to the churches in improving their buildings. If it would be possible to employ an assistant in the field of religious education who also had some knowledge of good music, it would be a splendid investment on the part of the Presbytery. Moreover, several of our churches need manses and building improvements and there are several localities where outpost Sunday School buildings could be erected at an advantage to our work. We recommend:

(1) That the Home Mission Committee be instructed to explore the fields already suggested in which the greatest needs of our churches seem to be found and make recommendations regarding them to a subsequent meeting of the Presbytery.

(2) That the Presbytery approve the increase of \$400 in the salary of the Executive Secretary, an increase which was considered necessary in mid-winter by the Committee.

(3) That the churches do all that is within their power to popularize the movement for erecting a chapel on the boardwalk of Wrightsville Beach, now an enterprise of the Presbytery which will cost at least \$8,000 in addition to the funds already subscribed.

(4) That the churches give diligence in the matter of paying the Presbytery Home Mission quotas and that individuals within our churches be led when possible to make private contributions to the cause.

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(5) That the laymen of our churches be given specific and frequent information about the work of our Home Mission committee and about the needs and opportunities opened to us. The Treasurer's report shows that \$21,876.88 has been received and that \$10,844.04 has been disbursed. The list of disbursements and the sources of our receipts may be found in the files of the Stated Clerk and members of the Presbytery are invited to inspect these lists. Suffice it to say in this narrative that \$5,652 was paid in salaries to workers in our churches and \$1,965 granted in travel allowances to the same with \$2,350 apportioned to the office of the Executive Secretary and \$876.54 for miscellaneous costs such as visual education, auditing, annuity fund dues, etc. We have a total of \$10,844.04.

Supplements have been received from the treasurers of the Synod's Home Mission Committee in the amount of \$4,193.30 and from the Assembly's Home Mission Committee of \$3,600.

The remainder has come as income from the churches and from individuals, notably from the Belk fund, in the amount of \$3,000.

It should be noted that the Church and Manse fund on April 1 stood with a balance of \$2,524.69. We have commitments that have been made in the last year or two but have not been cleared for various reasons in the amount of \$5,140. This deficit can be made up from the balance in the current expense fund. Receipts in the Church and Manse fund for the year were \$20,343, more than half of which came from the Cape Fear fire and \$4,574 which was in the treasury April 1, 1947. The disbursements which are on file in the Stated Clerk's records totaled \$17,818.28.

While the current expense treasury shows a balance of approximately \$11,000 it should be noted that the Home Mission Committee is already committed for several thousand dollars more than is in its Church and Manse fund and that there are more needs in the Presbytery for construction work and for a program of enlargement than this small named amount could take care of. We feel that there should be a balance of three or four thousand dollars in the Church and Manse fund for mere safety's sake and we would barely have that after our present commitments were paid without entering into any further obligations.

The Chairman of the Committee expresses his gratitude for the privilege he has had of having more associations with the Home Mission churches during the past year than in any other year of his service. He expresses his gratitude also for the privilege of being associated with this cause and expresses only the regret that there has not been more time and energy to invest in the enterprise.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM CROWE, JR., Chairman,
Home Missions Committee, Wilmington Presbytery.

Rev. J. Murphy Smith presented the report on Synod's Home Missions, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON SYNOD'S HOME MISSIONS

The information found in this report came out of the office of Dr. E. E. Gillespie, superintendent of Synod's Home Missions.

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During the year 1947-1948 the Synod's Home Mission Committee has made appropriations through the Department of Sustentation to 81 fields, serving 173 churches throughout the Synod.

Rev. A. C. Miller is giving part of his time to preaching to the deaf mutes throughout the State, in Presbyterian Churches at hours that do not conflict with the regular services.

The Committee is continuing its appropriations to 2 Negro institutions in the State; Mary Potter School at Oxford and Palmer Memorial Institute, Sedalie, N. C. The total enrollment of boys and girls in the 2 schools is 750.

The Church and Manse Erection Department has been the most active in the history of the Church. The Committee has made 61 appropriations amounting to \$32,617, embracing all the Presbyteries of the Synod.

Rev. O. V. Caudill, the director of church and manse planning, has visited 183 churches in the Synod and attended 150 committee meetings; prepared 85 sketches and designs for building committees. He has travelled 29,000 miles during the year in the interest of this work. It is believed that his advice and work in this matter of building and repairing churches and manses saves the Church large sums of money. His expenses are paid by the Synod's Home Mission Committee, except that the churches requesting his services entertain him while he is meeting with them. His advice and services are free to all the churches in our Synod. His address is South Main St., Salisbury, N. C.

In addition to the services of Rev. R. K. Davenport, the Synod's evangelist, 14 meetings were held by Mr. Henderson and other pastors with particular evangelistic gifts.

The Synod's Committee has given \$5,110 to Home Mission fields in Wilmington Presbytery during the year. In addition it has contributed to the following:

Bethany-McClure manse.....	\$ 750.00
Oak Grove Educational Bldg.....	500.00
Pollocksville manse.....	500.00
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	\$1,750.00

Also a loan was made from the Church and Manse Loan Department of \$4,500, the recipients of which were not named by Dr. Gillespie in his report to our committee, but we have learned that it is the Southport manse.

Respectfully submitted,

J. MURPHY SMITH, Chairman.

The report of the Assembly's Home Mission Committee was also presented by Rev. J. M. Smith, in the absence of the Chairman, Rev. J. D. MacLeod. The report with its recommendation was adopted as follows:

Your committee has received very little pertinent information recently from the Assembly's Home Mission office. However, we are all aware of the need for continuing advance, especially so in this Presbytery where we have seen what can be accomplished in Mission work by concerted effort. We call attention to the efforts

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made throughout our Church to attain the minimum salary standards set by the General Assembly and commend this forward movement.

Your committee recommends:

That the period October 3-October 31, 1948 be set aside as a special season devoted to Home Mission study and that the week October 21-29 be specially designated as the week of Prayer and Self-Denial with emphasis on the quotas assigned regularly and under the Program of Progress.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. MacLEOD, Chairman.

A verbal summary of the First Year of the Program of Progress was given by Rev. L. A. Taylor. A number of pastors were called on to give an account of the success of the Program of Progress in their churches.

Upon motion the Commission on the Minister and His Work was given permission to meet during the time Presbytery examines the Sessional Records.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees:

Bills and Overtures: Rev. W. B. Hood, Chairman; Rev. F. M. Bain, Elder N. L. Mintz.

Leave of Absence: Rev. C. R. Gleason, Elder L. J. Simmons.

Time and Place of Next Meeting: Elder Gardner Edwards, Elder D. W. Maready.

Resolution of Thanks: Rev. J. A. Marrow, Elder H. McNair Johnson, Elder W. M. Dickson.

Dr. H. G. Bedinger, President of Flora MacDonald College, was introduced and given the privilege of the floor to make a brief verbal report.

Presbytery recessed for lunch.

At 2 p. m., Presbytery reconvened and was led in prayer by the Moderator.

Miss Mollie Anne Boney, President of the Young People of Wilmington Presbytery was introduced to the Presbytery.

Rev. B. F. Ormand, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following report of the Nominating Committee, which was adopted and the nominees elected:

Trustees of Flora MacDonald College: James H. Clark, Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Rev. L. A. Taylor.

Assembly's Home Missions: Rev. J. D. MacLeod, Rev. J. M. Smith, Elder L. B. Stevenson.

Christian Relations: Rev. J. M. Waggett, Chairman; Rev. J. R. Newland, Rev. C. C. Myers, Elder L. N. Wells.

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Educational Institutions: Rev. E. D. Witherspoon, Chairman; Rev. M. C. Macqueen, Rev. L. A. Taylor, Elders J. H. Clark, Eugene Davis, Glasgow Hicks.

Sabbath and Family Religion: Rev. N. P. Farrison, Chairman; Rev. A. K. Dudley, Elders C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

Stewardship Committee: Rev. W. B. Hood, Chairman; Rev. A. K. Dudley, Rev. R. H. Poole, Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Elder E. L. Derrick; Deacons W. M. Boice, T. D. Love, John Diefield; Mrs. J. H. Clark, Mrs. DeWitt Clark.

Evangelism: Rev. C. D. L. Mosser, Chairman; Rev. J. D. MacLeod, Rev. B. E. Dotson, Rev. G. F. Miller, Rev. J. V. Axtell; Elders J. B. Huntington, W. G. Prevatte, J. S. Mackenzie.

Woman's Work: Rev. B. F. Brown, Chairman; Rev. L. A. Taylor, Rev. J. D. Withrow, Elder J. R. Maxwell, Mrs. J. M. Gregg.

Auditing: Elders J. H. Clark, J. R. Benson, J. B. Huntington.

Nominations: Rev. B. F. Ormand, Chairman; Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. C. B. Craig, Elders W. A. Smith, Dr. W. E. Miller.

The Resolution of Thanks was presented in the presence of the ladies of the Chinquapin congregation by the Chairman, Rev. J. A. Marrow, and was adopted by a rising vote:

Your Committee on Resolution of Thanks wishes to express to the Pastor and members of the Chinquapin Church their heartfelt thanks for the wonderful hospitality shown to the members and visitors of this session of Wilmington Presbytery.

We especially wish to thank those who were responsible for the bounteous dinner provided for us.

Our visit here has been most enjoyable and we wish to thank all who contributed to the success of the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MARROW, Chairman,
H. McN. JOHNSON,
W. M. DICKSON.

Presbytery recessed to examine the Sessional Records.

At 3 p. m., Presbytery reassembled. Authority was given the Moderator to appoint three men to sign the Sessional Records in his stead. Rev. H. R. Newland, Rev. C. B. Craig, and Rev. C. R. Gleason were thus appointed.

The Committee on Divorce and Remarriage made the following report through the Chairman, Rev. J. W. Miller:

Your Committee on Divorce and Remarriage since the last meeting of Presbytery has handled one case. This case was in one of the congregations served by Rev. C. D. L. Mosser. After consulting with the Chairman, Mr. Mosser was advised to proceed with the marriage of the innocent party to a member of his congregation.

J. W. MILLER, Chairman.

The report was adopted.

Rev. L. A. Taylor, Executive Secretary, presented the report of the Central Treasurer of Benevolences, which was adopted as follows:

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**REPORT OF THE CENTRAL TREASURER OF BENE-
VOLENCES—April 1, 1947 to March 31, 1948**

RECEIPTS	\$85,740.71
April	\$10,157.34
May	22,757.66
June	1,616.58
July	5,992.54
August	2,212.45
September	2,913.62
October	9,982.30
November	6,463.58
December	3,838.44
January	9,109.78
February	6,663.03
March	24,063.39
DISBURSEMENTS	\$85,142.20
Foreign Missions	\$22,871.30
Assembly's Home Missions	8,351.61
Christian Ed. and Min. Relief	4,716.60
Religious Education and Publication	1,737.14
Assembly's Training School	837.06
Bible Cause	273.56
Defense Service Department	875.66
Negro Work	870.52
War Relief (Excludes Easter Offering)	2,267.05
Christian Relations	203.48
Evangelism	259.78
Radio	637.85
Synod's Home Missions	6,350.49
Synod's Educational Institutions	8,284.52
Union Theological Seminary	1,006.79
Orphan's Home	5,062.02
Synod's Religious Education	2,515.81
Presbytery's Home Missions	14,305.46
Presbytery's Executive Office	3,360.70
Presbytery's Religious Education	97.13
Presbyterian Home for the Aged	51.82
N. C. Council of Churches	10.00
Program of Progress Expenses	5.50
Oak Grove Chapel	50.00
Catherine Kennedy Home	50.00
Bible in the Public Schools (Wilmington)	50.00
Auxiliary White Cross	40.35
BALANCE IN BANK (Easter Offering for War Relief)	\$ 598.51

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. TAYLOR, Central Treasurer.

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Rev. L. A. Taylor also presented his report as Treasurer of the Presbytery, which was adopted as follows:

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF WILMINGTON
PRESBYTERY**

RECEIPTS		\$ 2,307.27
Balance in Bank November 13, 1947.....	\$ 429.75	
Deposits	1,877.52	
DISBURSEMENTS		\$ 1,561.74
Salary of Permanent Clerk.....	\$ 100.00	
Allotted to Presbytery Office.....	200.00	
Wilmington Printing Company.....	212.62	
Carolina Printing Company.....	17.91	
Stewardship Promotion	25.00	
Assembly's Assessment	1,006.20	
BALANCE IN BANK.....		\$ 745.53

A total of 69 churches paid the Presbytery Tax in full for the church year, paying into the Treasury a total amount of \$2,385.95.

One church, Page's Mill, being newly organized was not given an assessment.

Five churches failed to pay the tax after having received not less than two notices with request that the tax be paid. These, with the amounts due from each one, are as follows:

Brown Marsh	\$ 1.25
Lake Waccamaw	18.00
Myrtle Grove	17.00
Southport	13.75
White Plains	15.00
Total amount due.....	<u>\$65.00</u>

Presbytery voted to pay the final year's salary, due to the late Rev. Andrew J. Howell as Treasurer of the Presbytery, to Mrs. Andrew J. Howell.

Upon motion the following committee was appointed to draw resolutions in memory of the late Rev. W. P. M. Currie: Rev. W. B. Hood, Rev. P. L. Clark, Ruling Elder E. W. Faires.

The Committee on Time and Place of Next Meeting reported through its Chairman, Mr. Garner Edwards, that no invitations had been received.

Mr. A. L. Cavannaugh, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, made the following report, which was adopted:

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REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, the Auditing Committee, appointed by your body, beg to report as follows:

Presbyterial Tax Account:

We find the receipts as listed for each individual Church totals \$2,385.95, while the Treasurer's Report shows receipts as \$2,299.77, a difference of \$86.18.

Our examination of the same account shows an amount due by the churches of \$127.75, while the report shows only \$72.50 as being due, a difference of \$55.25.

No further discrepancies were discerned.

Benevolent Account:

For want of time we have been able to only partially check receipts and disbursements of this account and we find them to be in accord with the report. We are sure the members of the Presbytery can appreciate that in view of the great volume of transactions embraced in the Treasurer's record, it was impossible for your Committee to make a complete audit.

We desire to compliment the Treasurer for the neatness and clearness of his records, showing as he has in minute detail all transactions involved. The Committee also desires to take the liberty to suggest that in view of the great volume of work connected with the office of Treasurer, some consideration be given to the matter of providing the Treasurer with sufficient assistance to relieve him of a great mass of the detail, thus enabling him to devote his efforts to the office of the Executive Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. CAVANNAUGH, Chairman,
G. E. MAULTSBY,
Wm. B. WARD.

The recommendation contained in the foregoing report was referred to the Committee on the Executive Office.

The Nominating Committee was requested by the Moderator to bring in recommendations for members of a special Committee on the Chapel-on-the-Boardwalk.

The Minutes of Commissions appointed by Presbytery were read and accepted for record as follows:

BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The commission appointed to install Rev. H. Reid Newland as pastor of the Bethany Church met at the Church Sunday, Feb. 22, 1948, at 7:30 p. m. There were present Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. J. A. Marrow, Rev. W. H. Allison, and Ruling Elder Dr. Sandy Marks. The commission was called to order by the Chairman, Rev. P. L. Clark, and was constituted by prayer led by Dr. Marks. Rev. W. H. Allison was appointed Clerk, and parts to be taken in the service were accepted by the members present. The commission then adjourned to the sanctuary for the installation service.

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Rev. P. L. Clark presided and propounded the constitutional questions. Rev. J. A. Marrow preached the sermon from the text Mark 11:25. Rev. W. H. Allison delivered the charge of the pastor, and Ruling Elder Dr. Sandy Marks delivered the charge to the congregation.

At the close of the service the newly installed pastor pronounced the benediction.

Following the service, the commission reassembled. The minutes were read and approved and the meeting was adjourned by prayer led by Rev. P. L. Clark.

W. H. ALLISON, Clerk.

McCLURE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The commission appointed by Presbytery to install Rev. H. Reid Newland as pastor of McClure Memorial Church met at the church at 7:50 p. m., April 4, 1948.

Members present were: Ministers—C. C. Myers, A. K. Dudley, and L. A. Taylor; Ruling Elder H. T. Wilson.

The meeting was duly opened with prayer by Rev. L. A. Taylor, Chairman. The parts for the service being designated, the commission adjourned to the sanctuary for the worship service. Rev. L. A. Taylor presided after the worship service was opened by Rev. H. Reid Newland. Rev. A. K. Dudley preached a sermon from Titus 2:7 on "A Pattern of Good Works."

Rev. L. A. Taylor propounded the constitutional questions, after which the former pastor of the church, Rev. C. C. Myers, delivered a fitting charge to the newly elected pastor. The charge to the congregation was made by Ruling Elder H. T. Wilson in a most unusual manner, of high quality, and speaking out of his own experiences.

Following the closing hymn, Rev. H. Reid Newland pronounced the benediction. The congregation, on invitation from the presiding officer, came forward to extend a cordial welcome to their new pastor.

The commission assembled again to read the minutes, which were approved, and the commission, having completed its business, was dismissed with prayer by Rev. L. A. Taylor.

A. K. DUDLEY, Clerk.

ORGANIZATION OF THE PAGE'S MILL CHURCH

The commission appointed by Presbytery to effect the organization of a Presbyterian Church at Page's Mill met in a Sunday School room of the new building on Sunday afternoon, February 8, 1948. The commission was providentially prevented from meeting on February 1st, as originally planned, by a heavy sleet storm.

There were present: Rev. J. W. Miller, Chairman; Rev. B. F. Ormand, Rev. L. A. Taylor, Rev. C. R. Gleason, and Ruling Elder W. D. Thompson and Ruling Elder W. G. Prevatte. Prayer was offered by Elder Prevatte. Rev. C. R. Gleason was appointed clerk. Rev. L. A. Taylor was requested to preach the sermon and Rev. B. F. Ormand to conduct the worship service.

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Public worship was conducted. A suitable and impressive sermon was delivered by Rev. L. A. Taylor on "The Church."

Following the worship service, the prospective members of the church were examined as to their Christian faith and experience. A motion that they be received as members of the church was passed. With the Chairman presiding, the following persons were accepted as charter members of the Page's Mill Presbyterian Church, the pastor asking the questions for church membership contained in the Book of Church Order and conducting the baptisms: Mr. and Mrs. Luther McDuffie, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Batten, Mr. and Mrs. Jenrick Hammonds, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Batten, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Williams, Sr., Mrs. Bessie McDuffie, Mr. Jessie Batten, Mrs. Wilson McDuffie, Mr. Homer McDuffie, Mr. Bill Batten, Mr. J. D. Williams, Jr., Miss Alma Perrett, Mr. Rozier Bullard. All of the above were baptized except the following, and they were received on reaffirmation of their faith: Mrs. Bessie McDuffie, Mr. Jessie Batten, Mrs. Wilson McDuffie, Mr. Dave Batten, Mrs. Jenrick Hammonds.

The constitutional questions for the organization of a church were propounded by the Chairman, and the group was declared to be a regularly organized Presbyterian Church in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. Prayer was offered for the Lord's blessing upon the new church by Rev. J. W. Miller.

The following persons were elected as ruling elders: Mr. Jenrick Hammonds and Mr. Jesse Batten.

The following persons were elected as deacons: Mr. Dave Batten and Mr. J. D. Williams, Sr.

Rev. J. W. Miller spoke words of congratulations and encouragement to the congregation on the organization of their church. A charge was given to both the new officers and the members of the church by Rev. C. R. Gleason. Elder W. G. Prevatte brought words of greeting to the newly organized church.

After the singing of a hymn the meeting closed with prayer by Rev. L. A. Taylor. The commission retired to hear and approve the minutes of the meeting. The motion was made and passed that the session of the Chadbourn Presbyterian Church be authorized to duly ordain and install the newly elected officers at a later date after they had been duly instructed. Rev. J. W. Miller closed the meeting with prayer.

C. R. GLEASON, Clerk.

ORDINATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS AT PAGE'S MILL

The session of the Chadbourn Presbyterian Church met at Page's Mill at 2:30 p. m., March 28, 1948 with the following present: Moderator B. F. Ormand, Elders E. L. Derrick and J. K. Currie.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Moderator B. F. Ormand.

The newly elected officers of the Page's Mill Presbyterian Church were examined as to their religious experience, their knowledge of the system of doctrine, government, and discipline contained in the Standards of the Church, and the duties of the office to which they had been elected.

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A motion was made by E. L. Derrick and seconded by J. K. Currie that the examination be approved. The motion was carried.

Immediately following, the newly elected officers were duly ordained and installed. This carried out the completion of organization of said church as ordered by the Commission of Wilmington Presbytery. The meeting was closed with the close of the ordination and installation service.

J. K. CURRIE, Clerk.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee on Bills and Overtures presented an overture to the General Assembly recommended by the Home Mission Committee: THAT fifty percent of the gifts of the Presbytery to Assembly's Home Missions from Self-denial Offerings under the Program of Progress be retained by the Presbytery. The overture was passed.

The name of Dr. Sandy Marks was placed in nomination as Moderator for the next meeting by a unanimous vote.

Rev. B. F. Ormand presented the report of the Committee on Sessional Records, which was adopted as follows:

The sessional records of the following churches were approved without exception: Immanuel, Westminster, Rocky Point, Beth Car, Mt. Horeb, Oakdale, Page's Mill, Burgaw, Wallace, Grove, Woodburn, Calypso, Beulaville, Topsail, Clarkton, Holly Grove, Stanford, Winter Park, Black River, Mt. Olive, Pike, Chadbourn, Graves Memorial, Antioch, Ashwood, Teachey, Mt. Zion, Hopewell, Caswell, Smith River, St. Andrews-Covenant, Potts Memorial, Chinquapin, Delgado, Wilmington First, Faison, Pearsall Memorial, Rockfish, Jacksonville, Myrtle Grove, Elizabethtown.

The following churches had exceptions noted as follows: Pink Hill—quarterly meetings lacking; Mt. Williams—members present not named, no quarterly meeting, no representative to Synod named; Harper-Southerland—less than four meetings during the year; Baker—meetings inserted in pencil; Croatan—no reading and approving of minutes; Pollocksville—no reading and approving of minutes; McClure Memorial—incomplete records of meetings; Pleasant View—place of meeting not given; Wildwood—place of meeting not given; Bladenboro—Time and place of meeting not always given; Southport—no statistical report.

Two things should be called to the attention of the ministers and clerks of sessions: (1) Many of the sessional record books have very poor bindings and leaves are loose. We recommend that these books be rebound as soon as possible. (2) That the name of the church be placed on the outside of the book.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. ORMAND, Acting Chairman.

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The Nominating Committee asked for authority to appoint a committee later on the Chapel-on-the-Boardwalk to make plans for raising of funds, as time is needed to select this committee carefully. Upon motion the same committee was appointed as a commission with power to appoint this committee.

The Committee on Leave of Absence through its Chairman, Rev. C. R. Gleason, recommended that requests to be excused from this meeting of Presbytery made by Rev. J. D. MacLeod and Rev. E. D. Witherspoon be granted. Recommendation adopted.

Rev. C. R. Gleason requested that Presbytery meet in adjourned session in the Westminster Church, Whiteville, on April 21, 1948 at 3:30 p. m.

The minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery was adjourned with prayer by the Moderator to meet in the Westminster Church, Whiteville, on April 21, 1948 at 3:30 p. m.

W. H. ALLISON, Permanent Clerk,
L. A. TAYLOR, Stated Clerk.

ADJOURNED MEETING

The Presbytery of Wilmington met in adjourned session, as ordered, in the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Whiteville, N. C., on Wednesday, April 21, 1948, at 3:30 p. m., and was called to order by the Moderator, Dr. Wm. Crowe, Jr. An opening prayer was offered by Rev. W. H. Allison.

The following members were enrolled:

Ministers—C. R. Gleason, W. H. Allison, B. F. Ormand, Wm. Crowe, Jr., J. W. Miller; Ruling Elder—Dr. W. E. Miller.

Rev. C. R. Gleason, pastor of the Westminster Church, requested that Presbytery dissolve the pastoral relationship effective May 15, 1948. He stated that at a congregational meeting on April 18th the congregation had voted to concur with him in his request to Presbytery that the pastoral relation be dissolved. Ruling Elder Dr. W. E. Miller, representing the congregation, testified to the action of the congregation.

Upon motion the request was granted, and the Stated Clerk was instructed to send a certificate of dismissal

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to the Presbytery of Louisville, together with a letter of commendation for the fine work he has done as a Presbyter in this Presbytery.

A resolution authorizing the Home Mission Committee to purchase Government property at Camp Davis was presented by Dr. Crowe and was adopted as follows:

A RESOLUTION

County of New Hanover,
State of North Carolina.

Be it resolved, by the Presbytery of Wilmington, Synod of North Carolina, in session in Whiteville, N. C., on the 21st day of April A. D. 1948, that Reverend L. A. Taylor, as Executive Secretary of the Wilmington Presbytery be and is hereby appointed to act for and in behalf of the Home Missions Committee of Wilmington Presbytery in negotiating with the War Assets Administration for the purchase of such buildings and structures as are needed in this Presbytery for Religious purposes, including the actual signing for and in behalf of this Presbytery, of such sales agreements as are required by War Assets Administration in the sale to the Home Missions Committee of this Presbytery of such buildings and structures at such religious organization benefit allowances as are allowed by War Assets Administration.

Be it further resolved that the said Executive Secretary herein named be and is hereby directed upon the execution of any sales agreement herein authorized by him for and in behalf of this Presbytery be returned to the Home Missions Committee of this Presbytery and be attached to the original of this resolution as a part thereof and be spread upon the minutes of said Committee at the next regular meeting date.

This 21st day of April, 1948.

(Signed) WM. CROWE, JR., Moderator,
(Signed) L. A. TAYLOR, Stated Clerk.

Upon motion it was voted that the traveling expenses of committee members to committee meetings be paid for out of Presbytery's funds.

Rev. B. F. Ormand presented a partial report of the Nominating Committee concerning the Commission on Chapel-on-the-Boardwalk. Upon motion the following Commission was appointed: Mr. Walker Taylor, Chairman; F. E. Little, J. Max Gregg, J. R. Benson, Allen Marshall, E. R. Toms, Heide Trask, Wm. C. Connon, Concord, N. C., P. G. Bunn, Clinton, N. C.

The Sessional Records of the Currie Presbyterian Church were examined and approved with the following

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exceptions: Members not named, Minutes not read and approved, Session Book not brought to Presbytery last year.

The minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned with prayer led by the Moderator.

W. H. ALLISON, Permanent Clerk,
L. A. TAYLOR, Stated Clerk.

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DIRECTORY

Moderator—Rev. William Crowe, Jr., D.D., Wilmington, N. C.
Executive Secretary, Stated Clerk, Treasurer of Benevolences,
Treasurer of Presbytery—Rev. L. A. Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.
Permanent Clerk—Rev. W. H. Allison, Wilmington, N. C.

TRUSTEES OF PRESBYTERY

Exit 1949

G. Dudley Humphrey, Walter P. Sprunt, James H. Clark.

TRUSTEES OF DAVIDSON COLLEGE

Rev. E. D. Witherspoon, Th.D., Exit 1949, Rev. M. C. MacQueen,
Exit 1950.

TRUSTEES OF FLORA MacDONALD COLLEGE

Exit 1949

Rev. R. H. Poole, Mr. H. McNair Johnson, Mr. F. B. Johnson,
Mrs. J. E. Evans.

Exit 1950

Rev. B. E. Dotson, Mr. W. D. McCaig, Mr. C. S. Clark, Mr. Glas-
gow Hicks.

Exit 1951

James H. Clark, Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Rev. L. A. Taylor.

TRUSTEES OF PEACE COLLEGE

Rev. William Crowe, Jr., D.D., Exit 1949, Rev. W. B. Hood, Exit
1950.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES

Assembly's Causes—Rev. W. B. Hood, Chairman, Exit 1950.

Foreign Missions—Exit 1949, Rev. J. G. Morrison, Rev. B. E.
Dotson, Rev. N. P. Farrior, Ruling Elders: S. A. Haines, L. N.
Boney.

Assembly's Home Missions—Exit 1951, Rev. J. D. MacLeod,
Rev. J. M. Smith, Ruling Elder L. B. Stevenson.

Christian Education and Ministerial Relief—Exit 1949, Rev.
W. H. Allison, Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Rev. W. B. Hood, Rul-
ing Elder F. B. Johnson.

American Bible Society—Exit 1950, Rev. C. B. Craig, Rev. J. S.
Crowley, Ruling Elder H. M. Corbett.

Christian Relations—Exit 1951, Rev. J. M. Waggett, Chairman;
Rev. J. R. Newland, Rev. C. C. Myers, Ruling Elder L. N. Wells.

Divorce and Remarriage—Exit 1949, Rev. J. W. Miller.

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Sub-committees:

- Area 1. Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. B. F. Ormand.
- Area 2. Rev. J. D. MacLeod, Rev. William Crowe, Jr.
- Area 3. Rev. C. B. Craig, Rev. N. P. Farrior.
- Area 4. Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. W. B. Hood.

Sabbath and Family Religion—Exit 1951, Rev. N. P. Farrior, Rev. A. K. Dudley, Ruling Elders: C. S. Clark, R. C. Carson.

Synod's Causes:

Home Missions—Exit 1949, Rev. J. M. Smith, Rev. E. H. Clarke, Ruling Elders: E. F. Davis, J. R. Marks.

Educational Institutions—Exit 1951, Rev. E. D. Witherspoon, Chairman; Rev. M. C. MacQueen, Rev. L. A. Taylor, Ruling Elders, J. H. Clark, Eugene Davis, Glasgow Hicks.

Orphans' Home—Exit 1949, Rev. F. M. Bain, Rev. B. F. Brown, Rev. E. H. Clarke, Ruling Elders: John Hall, Melzar Pearsall, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, C. O. Bollinger, C. S. Clark, James H. Clark.

War Relief—Exit 1950, J. M. Smith.

Presbytery's Causes:

Home Missions—Exit 1949, Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Rev. M. C. MacQueen, Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. E. D. Witherspoon, Rev. C. R. Gleason, Ruling Elders: E. Norfleet, Dr. Wilbert Jackson, W. D. Jones, W. M. Boice, F. E. Little, A. E. Gibson, Presbyterianial representative—Mrs. H. W. Beatty.

Religious Education—Exit 1949, Rev. E. D. Witherspoon, Chairman, Rev. W. H. Allison, Secretary, Rev. L. A. Taylor, Treasurer.

Children's Work—Rev. B. F. Brown, Rev. C. R. Gleason, Rev. C. B. Craig, Rev. L. A. Taylor, Mrs. C. E. Stevens.

Young People's Work—Rev. J. R. Kennedy, Rev. M. C. MacQueen, Rev. B. F. Ormand, Rev. B. E. Dotson, Rev. W. H. Allison, Rev. L. A. Taylor, Miss Eleanor Southerland, Miss Mollie Ann Boney.

Adult Work—Rev. J. G. Morrison, Rev. J. M. Waggett, Ruling Elder E. W. Faies.

Additional members—Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Rev. A. K. Dudley, Rev. J. W. Miller, Rev. R. H. Poole, Rev. W. B. Hood, Rev. P. L. Clark, Ruling Elders: James H. Clark, A. E. Amen.

Stewardship—Exit 1951, Rev. W. B. Hood, Chairman; Rev. A. K. Dudley, Rev. R. H. Poole, Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Elder E. L. Derrick; Deacons: W. M. Boice, T. D. Love, John Diefield; Mrs. J. H. Clark, Mrs. DeWitt Clark.

Evangelism—Exit 1951, Rev. C. D. L. Mosser, Chairman; Rev. J. D. MacLeod, Rev. B. E. Dotson, Rev. G. F. Miller, Rev. J. V. Axtell; Elders J. B. Huntington, W. G. Prevatte, J. S. Mackenzie.

Woman's Work—Exit 1951, Rev. B. F. Brown, Chairman; Rev. L. A. Taylor, Rev. J. D. Withrow, Elder J. R. Maxwell, Mrs. Max Gregg.

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History of Presbytery—Ruling Elder O. F. Cooper.

Auditing—Exit 1951, Ruling Elders: James H. Clark, J. R. Benson, J. B. Huntington.

Sessional Records—Exit 1949, Rev. J. D. MacLeod, Rev. C. C. Myers, Rev. B. F. Ormand, Rev. J. V. Axtell, Rev. C. B. Craig, Rev. A. K. Dudley, Rev. W. H. Allison, Rev. J. M. Smith.

Minutes of the General Assembly—Exit 1950, Rev. C. B. Craig, Rev. A. K. Dudley, Rev. W. B. Hood, Ruling Elder J. R. Marks.

Minutes of Synod—Exit 1949, Rev. J. V. Axtell, Rev. W. B. Hood.

Nominations—Exit each Spring Meeting of Presbytery, Rev. B. F. Ormand, Chairman; Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. C. B. Craig, Ruling Elders: W. A. Smith, Dr. W. E. Miller.

EXAMINATIONS:

Rev. W. H. Allison, Chairman, Exit 1950.

Experimental Religion—Rev. M. C. MacQueen, Rev. J. M. Smith, Rev. J. G. Morrison.

Academic Studies—Rev. B. E. Dotson, Rev. J. W. Miller.

Languages—Rev. C. R. Gleason, Rev. J. W. Miller.

Theology—Rev. William Crowe, Jr., Rev. J. V. Axtell, Rev. N. P. Farrior.

Church History—Rev. C. D. L. Mosser, Rev. R. H. Poole.

Church Government—Rev. P. L. Clark, Rev. E. H. Clarke, Rev. C. B. Craig.

English Bible—Rev. B. F. Ormand, Rev. J. R. Kennedy, Rev. L. A. Taylor.

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Exit fall 1948, Rev. M. C. MacQueen, Ruling Elder James H. Clark;
Exit fall 1949, Rev. A. K. Dudley, Rev. P. L. Clark; Exit fall
1950, Rev. B. E. Dotson, Ruling Elder Geo. L. Mitchell.

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