

# Report of the Commission on Education

This is also the Report of the Church-School Superintendent

The report to the Official Board shall be made on this form. The REPORT TO THE QUARTERLY CONFERENCE, if and when requested, shall also be made on this form. If additional space is needed for a full report, use extra sheets of plain white paper the same size as this form.

Duke Memorial Church Duke Memorial Charge  
Durham District North Carolina Conference

For the Period Beginning October 1, 1952 and Ending September 30, 1953

## CHURCH-SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE INCREASE

- (a) Who is the assistant superintendent in charge of securing new members and improving attendance in the church school (§ 229 §1)? appointed but resigned
- (b) Does he have a committee working with him representing the divisions, or departments, or classes? \_\_\_\_\_
- (c) What are their names? \_\_\_\_\_
- Is a list of prospective new members maintained and worked? only by classes
- How do church-school membership and average attendance compare with a year ago? 1952 -- 519  
1953 -- 534

## QUALITY OF WORK

- What is being done about teacher training? Urged to attend Durham County Church Leadership Schools held once each year. Planning to begin local Leadership School during the Sunday morning hour
- Do the Commission on Education and the Workers' Conference meet regularly? Yes
- What other features of progress can be reported? A conscientious commission on education who are interested in making plans for improvements in the general teaching and organization of the Church School

## EVANGELISM IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL

- (a) Has the responsibility of teachers to lead pupils to Christ and church membership been emphasized? Yes
- (b) Is the co-operation of parents and the home actively sought? Yes (c) Do you have a practical plan for training teachers to be evangelists? No

## NEW CHURCH SCHOOLS

- Has a new church school been organized by this commission during the period of this report (§ 227)? No

NOTE: For definition of church school, see § 228, 1952 Discipline.

See Other Side for Statistical Report

# STATISTICAL REPORT

The statistical report corresponds to the Pastor's Report to Annual Conference. If this is an annual summary and is accurately done, it can be copied by the pastor into his report to Annual Conference, since the numbered lines below appear also in the Pastor's Report to Annual Conference. The church-school superintendent can secure the data for this report from page four of the General Secretary-Treasurer's Record, Methodist Church-School Record System, where these items occur.

|  | Item  | No.   | Period This Report | One Year Ago* |      |
|--|---|---|--------------------|---------------|------|
| MEMBERSHIP   | Officers and Teachers (do not include in lines 14-18 inclusive)   | 13  | 85                 | 83            |      |
|  | Children's Division 0-11 Yrs.   | Nursery Home Members (formerly Cradle Roll)   | 14                 | 30            | 26   |
|  |   | Children (not including Nursery Home Members) Report members in Sunday school, additional sessions, vacation school, weekday groups, etc.—not counting same person twice.   | 15                 | 367           | 371  |
|  | Youth Division—12-23 Years Report members in Sunday school, Sunday evening fellowships, weekday groups, youth home members, etc.—not counting same person twice.  |   | 16                 | 124           | 99   |
|  | Adult Division 24 & Over  | Adult Home Members (formerly Home Department)   | 17                 | 78            | 76   |
|  |   | Adults (not including Adult Home Members) Report members in Sunday school, Sunday evening fellowships, weekday groups, etc.—not counting same person twice.   | 18                 | 471           | 470  |
|  | Total Church-School Membership (add lines 13-18 inclusive)  |   | 19                 | 1155          | 1124 |
| ATTENDANCE   | Average Attendance at Sunday School (all ages)  | 20  | 534                | 519           |      |
|  | Average Attendance at Methodist Sunday Evening Fellowship (all ages)  |   | 21                 | 62            | 50   |
|  | Average Attendance Additional Meetings of Church School   | Children Report here the average total attendance at all children's meetings in the church school held on Sunday and during the week, added together. (Not including Sunday school or Methodist Sunday evening fellowship.) | 22                 |               |      |
|  |   | Youth Report here the average total attendance of all youth meetings in the church school held on Sunday and during the week, added together. (Not including Sunday school or Methodist Sunday evening fellowship.)         | 23                 |               |      |
|  |   | Adults Report here the average total attendance at all adult meetings in the church school held on Sunday and during the week, added together. (Not including Sunday school or Methodist Sunday evening fellowship.)        | 24                 |               |      |
| New Church-School Members Added This Year, or Period (all ages)<br>(Report here the number of new members that have been secured—the "gross additions," not the "net gain.") |   |   |                    |               |      |
| GENERAL INFORMATION  | Methodist Pupils and Constituents in Vacation Church Schools  | 26  | 104                | 115           |      |
|  | Methodist Pupils and Constituents in Weekday Church Schools   | 27  |                    |               |      |
|  | Church-School Members Joining the Church on Profession of Faith   | 28  | 27                 | 24            |      |
|  | Are All Lesson Materials Used Approved by The Methodist Church?—This means the regular lesson materials prepared by The Methodist General Board of Education and other items approved by the Methodist Curriculum Committee.  | 29  | Yes                |               |      |
|  | Church-School Offering for World Service and Conference Benevolences  | 30  | 951.97             | 926.09        |      |
|  | Amount Paid for Church-School Administration, Lesson Materials, Supplies, etc.  | 45  | 1340.85            | 1938.87       |      |
|  | Amount of Church-School Rally Day Offering  | 65  | 140.27             | 54.72         |      |
|  | Amount of Methodist Youth Fund Report here the amount of this fund, which is raised by youth for missions and youth work, and is forwarded by the local youth treasurer to the Annual Conference treasurer.   | 66  | 46.85              |               |      |
|  | Amount of Children's Service Fund Special offering made by children in additional sessions. It is divided: 20% used by children for service enterprises selected by them; 40% to the local W. S. C. S. treasurer; 40% to the local church-school World Service treasurer. |   | 75.22              |               |      |
|  | Paid by Church School for All Other Causes  |   | 357.10             |               |      |
| Total Amount Raised by Church School for All Purposes  |   |   | 3228.29            | 3180.41       |      |

\* For comparison, place in this column corresponding figures for one year ago, as shown in last year's General Secretary-Treasurer's Record of the Church School.

(Signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Church-School Superintendent

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Chairman, Commission on Education

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