

THE METHODIST CHURCH

OFFICIAL BOARD

# 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 Methodist Church Duke Memorial Methodist Charge  
Durham District North Carolina Conference  
 For the Period Beginning July, 1956 and Ending September 30, 1956.

## CHURCH-SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE INCREASE

1. (a) Who is the assistant superintendent in charge of securing new members and improving attendance in the church school (§ 229 §1)? This Office is vacant at present  
 (b) Does he have a committee working with him representing the divisions, or departments, or classes? \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) What are their names? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Is a list of prospective new members maintained and worked? \_\_\_\_\_
3. How do church-school membership and average attendance compare with a year ago? \_\_\_\_\_

Approximately same.

## QUALITY OF WORK

4. What is being done about teacher training? Encouragement to attend local teacher training and sending delegates to conferences.
5. Do the Commission on Education and the Workers' Conference meet regularly? Yes
6. What other features of progress can be reported? \_\_\_\_\_

## EVANGELISM IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL

7. (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? Yes

## NEW CHURCH SCHOOLS

8. Has a new church school been organized by this commission during the period of this report (§ 227)? Yes

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	93	97	
	Children's Division 0-11 Yrs.				
	Nursery Home Members (formerly Cradle Roll)	14	31	25	
	Children (not including Nursery Home Members) Report members in Sunday school, additional sessions, vacation school, weekday groups, etc.—not counting same person twice.	15	325	383	
	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	173	174	
	Adult Division 24 & Over				
	Adult Home Members (formerly Home Department)	17	75	68	
	Adults (not including Adult Home Members) Report members in Sunday school, Sunday evening fellowships, weekday groups, etc.—not counting same person twice.	18	494	481	
	Total Church-School Membership (add lines 13-18 inclusive)	19	1191	1228	
ATTENDANCE	Average Attendance at Sunday School (all ages)	20	481	483	
	Average Attendance at Methodist Sunday Evening Fellowship (all ages)	21	45	45	
	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		
	GENERAL INFORMATION	New Church-School Members Added This Year, or Period (all ages) (Report here the number of new members that have been secured—the "gross additions," not the "net gain.")		15	20
Methodist Pupils and Constituents in Vacation Church Schools		26			
Methodist Pupils and Constituents in Weekday Church Schools		27			
Church-School Members Joining the Church on Profession of Faith		28	1		
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	Yes	
Church-School Offering for World Service and Conference Benevolences		30	187.11	191.51	
Amount Paid for Church-School Administration, Lesson Materials, Supplies, etc.		45	297.67	562.55	
Amount of Church-School Rally Day Offering		65	28.90		
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			
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.					
Paid by Church School for All Other Causes			213.38	242.31	
Total Amount Raised by Church School for All Purposes			902.09	858.21	

\* 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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