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MINUTES

OF THE

Forty-Third Annual Session

OF THE

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

Moravian Falls Baptist Church

August 24, 25, 26 and 27, 1916

The next session will be held with Edgewood Church on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1917.

OFFICERS:

C. C. WRIGHT, MODERATOR

R. L. PROFFIT, Clerk and Treasurer.

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- ✓ D. M. Wheeler, Triplett
- ✓ Edward Long, North Wilkesboro
- ✓ W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro
- ✓ Grant Cothren, Lomax
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- ✓ Lee Miller, Bengé
- ✓ T. E. Redmon, New Hope
- ✓ W. T. Comer, New Castle

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- W. C. Meadows
- S. S. Jennings
- Ernest Bumgarner
- A. T. Pardue
- W. E. Linney

TRUSTEES MT. VIEW INSTISUTE

- C. C. Wright, 2 years
- H. C. Kilby, 1 year
- F. B. Hendren, reelected 3 years

DELEGATES TO STATE CON.

- W. C. Meadows
- Edward Long
- S. S. Jennings

ALTERNATES

- F. D. Meadows
- F. B. Hendren
- R. L. Proffit

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN CON.

- R. A. Spainhour

Proceedings of the Forty-third session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, held with Moravian Falls church August 24, 25, 26 and 27, 1916

THURSDAY AUG. 24,—MORNING SESSION.

The association was opened by prayer by Rev. S. S. Jennings. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. Charles H. Utley, text: "I am the Truth and the Life." John 14:6.

2 P. M. EVENING SESSION.

The roll call of churches resulted in sixteen of the twenty-four churches being represented. Prof. C. C. Wright was re-elected moderator and R. L. Proffitt clerk and treasurer.

Rev. Chas. H. Utley was received as a visiting brother from Raleigh association and was seated as a member. The following committee on the order of business was appointed: W. C. Meadows, E. M. Blackburn and John Moore. Bro. W. N. Johnson corresponding secretary of the Baptist State Convention was received as a visitor and seated as a member.

3 P. M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERIODICALS.

The man who reads is the man who leads. This is true in every line of human endeavor. We have leading members in every church but not in every case are they leading far enough. Knowledge is power, is an old and true saying. The leader of today must know about the affairs of the Kingdom, and especially be reasonably familiar with our own denominational interests. A large part of essential knowledge is available only through our periodicals. The Biblical Recorder is devoted through and through to our part in the Kingdom. A reading man as a rule is a thinking man. In fact the man who knows is the man who grows. Information makes one intelligent, intelligence is the mother of interest, and interest is the first great essential for efficiency. These are natural and logical steps. In North Carolina we have approximately 80,000 Baptists, but the Recorder goes only into 11,000 homes—leaving 69,000 homes into which the paper never enters. By a new arrangement the Home and Foreign Mission Journals are to be consolidated into one and will be the one great means of informing ourselves along missionary lines. Charity and Children may be had in clubs for sixty cents per copy and is one of the brightest, cleanest and best weekly papers to be found anywhere. Children as well as the grow ups feast upon its columns of fine matter and keep in touch with our great orphanage and its work. Our own Sunday School literature is already used in practically every Sunday School which is as it should be while this literature grows better week by week.

C. H. UTLEY,
W. A. LAXTON,
E. J. LEACH,

Committee.

Discussed by C. H. Utley, S. S. Jennings, V. McGhinnis, W. C. Meadows and adopted.

9:30 A. M.

FRIDAY AUGUST 25,—MORNING SESSION

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. A. T. Pardue.

10 A. M.

REPORT ON THE THOMASVILLE ORPHANAGE.

We are glad to bring to the association a good report from the Orphanage. The year has been filled with blessings. The health of the children has been excellent and the progress they have made has been altogether satisfactory. There are at present 450 children at Thomasville, and 50 at the Kenedy home in Lenoir County. The cost of maintaining the institution is about \$150.00 per day. The current fund runs behind through the Spring and Summer, but usually the Fall collections bring the institution out of debt. The one day's work plan has been a great blessing to the Orphanage and we hope all our brethren will set aside sacredly the income of one day's work at our Thanksgiving and joyfully give it to the Orphanage. Our Sunday Schools are doing a noble part in Orphanage support; hundreds of them give a monthly collection to the Orphanage. We urge all our Sunday Schools to adopt this plan.

A. JOHNSON,

W. C. MEADOWS,

R. A. SPAINHOUR,

Committee.

Discussed by A. Johnson and W. C. Meadows.

12 Noon

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is the preaching of the gospel in the destitute sections of North Carolina and in planting Baptist churches in communities that need them and of helping weak churches to become self supporting. This work is entrusted by the Baptist churches of North Carolina to the State Board of Missions of the Baptist State Convention and correspondence about it should be with the Baptist Missions Rooms, Raleigh, N. C. 148 missions; 266 churches aided; 20 out stations supplied. That is the work of our Board of Missions for this year to date. Last year there were 11,323 sermons preached and 2,469 baptisms by our State missionaries. There were 2,726 professions of faith over our missionary field last year. This promises to be a great year's work also. Our State Mission work is laid out on a basis of \$55,000 by instructions of our Baptist Convention. So far only a little over Seven Thousand Dollars has been contributed to this object. We have less than four months to raise the balance of nearly \$48,000. There are three points that need to be stressed in our State Mission work. 1. We must supply the educational centers of North Carolina with convenient and adequate church buildings, and strong preachers equipped to present New Testament equality of all relations. 2. We must use our State Board of Missions in helping our weak churches to group themselves into compact pastorates. The time has come when our Mission Board is to

aid our country churches to get adjusted to the new order of things that is upon us in country churches. 3. We must stress regular giving in all our churches for all regular objects of our Baptist work. Our churches need revivals like that one recorded in Acts 4th chapter. In the meantime we shall have to take care of our State Mission work this year. We need \$48,000 in the next 120 days. In the Brushy Mountain Association came up with its part of this amount. This Association gave last year \$237.22 to this cause. This year it gave \$424.53. Resolved that we endeavor to raise as much as we can in this association for State Missions by Nov. 21st. Let the pastors and the delegates in this session of the association stand together in solemn covenant to undertake this.

A. T. PARDUE,
E. F. STAFFORD,
W. N. JOHNSON.

Discussed by Rev. J. C. Owens and others and adopted.
2 P. M.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions is the organized effort of our people to make all the people of our country efficient real Christians. The Southern Baptist Home Mission means our co-operative effort to win every responsible person in the bounds of the Southern Baptists Convention to Jesus Christ and train him for the Masters service. We co-operate through our Home Mission Board which is located in Atlanta, Ga. Through this Board we undertake to join hands with every other agency that is engaged in the effort to save our people. We send missionaries to the pioneer communities of the Southwest, to the Indians and Mexicans, and to Cuba and Panama; we have our workers among the negroes and the "strangers within our gates", and in the neglected districts of our great cities. We assist in building churches in important places where the local Baptists are weak, and to pay the salaries of preachers where this is necessary. We support a band of 26 evangelists who devote their time in winning the lost to Christ and the backslider to his service. We recommend: 1. That every pastor preach at least one sermon each year to each church on the subject of Home Missions. 2. That every member make regular contributions to this great work. 3. That a persistent effort be made to place in every home "The Home Field." Literature on Home Missions will be sent to any one who will write to Rev. V. I. Masters, D. D., Atlanta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. OWENS,
Z. T. FERGUSON,
RICHARD LANKFORD,

Discussed by Rev. J. C. Owen and adopted.

Rev. J. C. Owen of Buncombe association, Rev. G. W. Sebastian, of Stone Mt'n. association and Prof. E. R. Settle, of Mt'n. View School were recognized by the moderator and seat-

ed as members.

The following question was submitted to the Executive committee by Pilgrim church regarding the action of an excluded member in joining another church: 1. "Is it right for a Baptist church to receive as a member one who has been unanimously excluded from a sister church and has not been restored to fellowship?" Answer. No. 2. "Was Pilgrim church justifiable in her failure to comply with a previous request of the association to reconsider the case of Bro. H. I. Shoemaker?" Answer. Owing to new developments of grievance we consider such a failure justifiable.

3. P. M.

The Executive committee reported the following queries and answers:

"Where animosity is used and prejudice and party feelings contrroll the action of a church and it excludes a member unjustly for a cause not true, can such excluded member get a new hearing of the case?" If so, how?" Answer. 1. Yes, he can get a new hearing. Answer. 2. By applying to his former church.

If a member is innocent of a charge and cannot truthfully make acknowledgements to the facts for which such member was excluded, can such member ever join another church?" "If so, how?" Answer. 1. If innocent yes, if not no. Answer 2. By application.

"In such cases upon proof of the facts that a member has been unjustly treated and is innocent of the charges for which he was excluded, would another church of like faith be justified in receiving such member by application?" Answer. Yes, if he is innocent and the proof is satisfactory to both churches. To The Brushy Mountain Association, GRETIENG:

First. Is it right for a Baptist church to prefer charges against a member and give him no chance to defend himself.

Second. Is it right for a church to exclude a member beginning the privilege to believe his Bible.

Third. And making forgiveness for anything he has done.

Fourth. And proposing to be reconciled to an enemy of eight years standing?"

Now Brethren I have asked these questions in faith believing you will consider them.

Your brother in Christ.

S. G. STOUT.

Answer 1. If the offense is a public one, yes. If personal or private, no.

Answer 2. It is not right.

Answer 3. It is not right if done in the proper spirit.

Answer 4. It depends upon whether or not the reconciliation has reference to the case of grievance.

4:30 P. M.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY AUGUST 26.—MORNING SESSION

9:30 A. M.

Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

10 A. M.

REPORT ON LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

The aim of the Laymen's Missionary Movement is to enlist all the Laymen in all our churches in definite work for the promotion of the Masters Kingdom. The Christian men who take the lead in the business and political affairs of our land ought not to be idle as to the affairs of the Kingdom of our God. All the Laymen ought to be active: 1. In winning the men and boys to Jesus Christ. No one else can do this so well as the consecrated laymen. The laymen in every church ought to be organized and trained for this work. 2. All the laymen in every church ought to be active in the Sunday School, the prayer meetings and all other meetings of the church. It is a disgrace for the laymen to leave these matters so largely to the women and the preachers. 3. The men who conduct the business affairs of the country ought to make out and work a program for financing the churches and all the affairs of the Kingdom which is at least as business like as that on which they operate their temporal affairs. This is a man's job. Let our men face it and meet it in a way creditable to themselves and in a way adequate to the great task before us.

J. C. OWEN,

W. O. HENDREN,

H. C. BAKER,

Committee.

Discussed by V. McGhinnis and others and adopted.

11 A. M.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" is the command of our resurrected Lord. When He uttered this command He had triumphed over the grave and held the keys of death and of hell in his hands. He held in his hands the scepter of universal empire and pledged His presence with His obedient servants till the task is finished. This command must be revoked by its author or obeyed by every one who acknowledges Him Lord till the task is finished. The command has not been revoked. It is still in the book. Every Christian acknowledges Jesus Christ as Lord. The work is not yet done. More than half the people of the world are now in heathen darkness and do not know that the light of the world has been given. "Shall we whose souls are lighted with wisdom from on high, shall we, to men benighted their lamp of life deny?" We ought to go out speedily and preach the gospel to every creature for the following reasons: 1. Jesus our Lord commanded it. 2. The nature of our religion requires it. 3. The conditions of the heathen pleads for it. Let us arise and do our duty at once; then we shall share in the victory and

the glory. Not to do so is rebellious and suicidal.

J. C. OWEN,
W. E. LINNEY,
J. C. McNEIL,

Committee.

11 A. M.

Sermon on Foreign Missions by Rev. J. C. Owen and report adopted.

12 P. M.—Adjourned for dinner.

1 P. M.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Christian education is a process by which an immature human being is made to understand and readily to fulfill every relations to God and his fellowman. No education is sufficient which does not take account of every relation man sustains both to God and his fellowmen, and train him rightly to meet them all. Christian education is the only education which does this. The biggest fact in every human life is his religion. No education is adequate which either ignores man's religion or fails to give it a large place in the curriculum. Christianity has always flourished or languished in proportion to number of trained, consecrated ministers that the churches had. Our Christian schools are the only agencies we have for the training of these ministers. Ninety-three percent of all the trained teachers in this country were educated in Christian schools. They are our only hope for trained Home and Foreign Missionaries. Ninety-two percent of all our workers in these fields were trained in our Christian schools. If we neglect our Christian schools and let them close we will ultimately close our churches and Sunday-schools for lack of trained leaders. Our Home Board now operates thirty-six Baptist High Schools in our Southern Highlands. In these we have 182 consecrated men and women engaged as teachers. There are 6,000 pupils. Of these 394 professed conversions last year, 88 are enrolled as young preachers and 531 last year signified their willingness to work anywhere God wants them if it be in some Foreign field. We recommend, First: That all our brethren and sisters pray often for our Christian schools. Second: That we be diligent in looking up the boys and girls and urging them to attend one of these schools. Third: That with our means and our efforts we cordially support these schools. This association with two good sister associations; the Stone Mt'n., and the Elkin, owns and foster Mountain View Institute, a school that is growing greatly in favor among our people. It is well equipped and has a splendid corps of consecrated and efficient teachers. Our people should never hesitate to support it. In the sphere of higher education in North Carolina, Baptists should never falter in their support of Wake Forest and Meredith Colleges. We wish to express our appreciation of the great work our county Superintendent of Schools, the moder-

ator of this association, has done in the marvelous development of the public schools of this county.

E. R. SETTLE,
F. B. HENDREN,
R. L. PROFFIT,

Committee.

Discussed by F. B. Hendren, E. R. Settle, J. C. Owen and adopted.

3:00 P. M.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE.

The next session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association will be held with Edgewood church, 4 miles southeast of Wilkesboro, beginning on Thursday before the 4th Sunday in August 1917. The introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. W. C. Meadows; alternate Rev. A. T. Pardue.

3:30 P. M.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday school is the church at work. It is the preparatory school, fitting the workers for the larger duties in the church. Statistics show that about 80 out of every 100 who join the church come out of the Sunday school. Referring to our record, we find that out of a church membership of 2,600 we have only 1,536 scholars enrolled. One half of the scholars are children or grown people who are not church members. The time has come to arouse our church members to a sense of duty along this line. We believe that the pastors of our churches should take the lead in this work and help to organize a Sunday school at every church where there is not already one. We believe that there should be an evergreen Sunday school at every church in our association.

Respectfully submitted,

V. McGHINNIS,
S. H. LOVETT,
E. F. ANDERSON,

Committee.

Discussed by V. McGhinnis and adopted.

4:00 P. M.

We the executive committee recommend that the offering taken today of \$7.64 be added to the minute fund.

W. C. MEADOWS,
S. S. JENNINGS,

Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this association is due and are hereby tendered to this church and community for the noble hospitality in the excellent manner in which they have entertained this association, also to the choir for the excellent music which they have rendered during this session.

W. C. MEADOWS,
S. S. JENNINGS,

Committee.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The 16th Annual Session of the Sunday School Convention was held with Moravian Falls Church, July 29th and 30th, 1916.

10:30 A. M.—Song Service by choir.

11:00 A. M.—Annual sermon by Rev. Edward Long.

AFTERNOON.

1:00 P. M.—Election of officers, in which C. C. Wright was elected president; R. L. Proffit secretary.

2:00 P. M.—Song by choir.

Reports and enrollments of delegates. Churches represented as follows: Moravian Falls, Goshen, Edgewood, Walnut Grove.

The following Committee on Time and Place was appointed by the president: W. C. Meadows, R. L. Proffit, A. G. Hendren.

The program was taken up and discussed by speakers. After a song by choir the afternoon service was dismissed by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

SUNDAY MORNING.

10:00 A. M.—Devotional exercise by Rev. Hanibal Duncan.

10:30 A. M.—Sunday school lesson.

11:30 A. M. Sermon by Rev. W. E. Linney. Text: First Cor. 5:20.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30—Question: How to get the children in S. S. and how to hold them. By W. O. Hendren.

Question: Duty of S. S. to the Orphanage. Discussed by W. C. Meadows. 3 P. M. Duty of the pastor to the S. S. Discussed by R. L. Proffit.

Committee on Time and Place reported as follows: We, the Committee on Time and Place, report that the next Sunday School Convention is to be held with Edgewood Baptist Church for the year 1917. Committee on Program, to prepare program for the next annual Sunday School Convention, appointed as follows: W. C. Meadows, A. G. Hendren, C. C. Wright.

Then a collection was taken for money to help defray the expense of having the minutes printed with the Association Minutes, in which was collected \$2.11.

3:00—Dismissed by song by choir and prayer by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

C. C. WRIGHT, President, Hunting Creek, N. C.

R. L. PROFFIT, Secretary, Goshen, N. C.

Financial Report of Woman's Missionary Union

CHURCH	NAME OF ORGANIZATION	PRESIDENT	POSTOFFICE	Number of Members	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Training School	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Mt. Zion	Sunbeam	Panzv Robinett	Hendrix	51	22.30	1.23	23.55	5.00	30.00	1.26
1st North	W. M. S.	Mrs. Edward Long	N Wilkesboro	28	2.00	2.00	2.00		103.00	6.00
Wilkesboro	Sunbeam	Miss Maie Myers	" "	40	15.00	5.00	16.00		16.10	52.10
Wilkesboro	W. M. S.	Miss Nan Wellborn	Wilkesboro	31						

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor and Address	Clerk and Address	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Gains By Baptism	Gains By Letter	Losses by Restoration	Losses by Letter	By Exclusion	Losses by death	Number of Males	Number of Females	Members Total
Beaver Creek	✓ G. Z. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	Z. T. Ferguson, Oakdale	30	300	13	2	1	2	1	2	40	53	93
Cub Creek	✓ E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	W. E. Smithy, Oakwoods	30	600						1	18	36	54
Edgewood	✓ C. F. Fields, Elkin	A. G. Hendren, Straw	30	1100	21	1		1		1	85	95	180
Fishing Creek	✓ R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	R. L. Welborn, Wilkesboro R2	1	500	2			1			33	62	95
Goshen	✓ L. E. Murray, State Road	H. A. Carlton, Goshen	2	1200	8			8	2		24	31	55
Harmony													
Lewis Fork	✓ S. S. Jennings, N. Wilkesboro	P. S. Church, Purlear	1	1200				3	3	2	85	138	223
Little Rock	✓ G. Z. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	N. C. Andrews, Boomer	3	700	1			2			32	45	77
Moravian Falls	✓ E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	D. J. Pargue, Moravian Falls	2	1200				4	4		21	32	53
Mt. Carmel	✓ J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. T. Roder, Moravian Falls	1	1500				3			36	51	87
Mt. Pleasant	✓ T. E. Redman, New Hope	U. G. Foster, Champion	2	1300	9			6	6		100	152	252
Mt. Zion	✓ D. M. Wheeler, Bamboo	W. O. Jarnett, Mt. Zion	4	600	1	4		2			51	49	100
New Hope	✓ L. B. Murray, State Road	W. H. Eller, Purlear	4	1800				1	1	1	64	111	175
1st. N. Wilkesboro	✓ Edward Long, N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	3	3000	23	11		14	2		127	186	313
2nd. N. Wilkesboro	✓ W. W. Myers, N. Wilkesboro	W. H. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro	1	500	7			2	2		21	25	46
Pleasant Grove	✓ L. B. Murray, State Road	J. G. Parsons, Buck	1	300		8			1		62	129	191
Pleasant Home	✓ R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	W. T. Kilby, Millers Creek	3	1000				1		2	65	95	160
Pilgrim	✓ W. F. Carlton, Wilbar	Z. V. Church, Congo	4	800	17			6	10	5	30	52	82
Shady Grove													
Stony Hill													
Walnut Grove	✓ E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	W. A. Brown, Moravian Falls	1	500	2	4		5		2	78	129	207
Wilkesboro	✓ W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	J. E. Spainhour, Wilkesboro	1	3475	10	7		1			45	84	128
Zion Hill	✓ J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. E. German, Boomer	1	1500	5					1	39	80	119
Oak Grove	✓ J. S. Elliott, Knotville	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	1		4			2		1			

TABLE II--FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Schools and Colleges	Other Objects	TOTALS
Beaver Creek	65.00					1.15		1.10	2.11	2.71	1.00	6.30					14.37
Cub Creek	60.00			12.00		1.00		5.00	5.00	10.00	2.00	6.00	2.00				82.00
Edgewood	32.00			10.86	5.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		5.00	1.00				103.00
Fishing Creek	40.00	800.00			1.00	.75		1.00	1.00	1.00		2.00					54.86
Goshen																	846.75
Harmony	55.00			5.00	10.00	.75		1.63				11.00	.72			4.02	88.12
Lewis Fork				2.50		1.15						5.00					13.15
Little Rock	60.00	5.00	1.00	15.00		.95		5.00	.82	5.00	.82	12.50	.82				113.15
Moravian Falls						.50	3.46			3.99		5.05					
Mt. Pleasant	72.00		13.55	7.00	7.50	1.00		2.00	2.00	2.00		5.00	3.00				115.05
Mt. Carmel	60.00			8.00	35.00	1.35		7.50	2.00	7.00		9.77					129.62
Mt. Zion	95.20		3.37		5.81	1.35		2.45	2.00	1.60	1.25	4.46	1.70				117.51
New Hope					5.87	4.00		143.81	70.49	95.00	10.00	80.14	5.00	50.00		273.42	2619.29
1st N. Wilkesboro	1200.00	550.00		96.65		1.00						4.00					187.00
2nd N. Wilkesboro	40.00	140.00				1.00		1.50									89.50
Pleasant Grove	66.00			3.00	10.00	1.00		2.00	2.00	2.00		12.00	2.00			14.50	85.50
Pleasant Home	50.00			3.00	10.00	.50						1.00					56.11
Pilgrim	42.61																
Shady Grove																	
Stoney Hill	60.00					.95		10.00		16.00		25.00	1.00				113.95
Walnut Grove	500.00	75.00	14.31	25.00	1.00	1.30		25.74		93.99		108.83					967.69
Wilkesboro				6.00	4.68	.50			10.00	8.56		8.48					38.22
Zion Hill				5.00	5.00			40.00		10.00							125.00
Oak Grove	50.00																
	\$1,965.81	1,570.00	32.23	199.01	100.86	21.85	14.46	249.73	146.33	258.35	15.07	320.53	7.70	17.54	50.00	315.46	5,940.19

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE.

CHURCH	Superintendent and Address	Secretary and Address	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Mem- bers in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Beaver Creek	J. W. Nichols, Ferguson	Jas. Barlow, Ferguson	1	6	80	86		12		1.35	6.10			36.18
Cub Creek	T. J. Smither, Wilkesboro	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro	1	10	126	136	64	9		8.62		2.24		10.86
Fishing Creek	R. L. Proffit, Goshen	Genera Caudill, Goshen	1	5	66	71	20	9	7	5.00				5.00
Goshen	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek	Miss Pansy Fletcher, Straw	1	7	153	160	100	9	20	12.00				12.00
Edgewood	H. C. Baker, Maple Springs	Vera Eller, Ready Branch	2	10	86	96	75	6		5.00		5.50	4.02	14.52
Harmony	Isaac Broyles, Boomer	N. C. Andrews, Boomer	1	5	40	45		9		2.50				2.50
Lewis Fork	H. G. Duncan, Moravian Falls	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Moravian Falls	1	5				12		15.00				32.00
Little Rock	D. T. Kilby East Fruitland	L. W. Laxton, Moravian Falls	1	7	50	57		5		4.00				4.00
Moravian Falls	U. G. Foster, Chamption	A. F. Parsons, Chamption	1	5	125	130	20	12	9	7.00				7.00
Mt. Carmel	N. H. Robnett, Hendrix	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	1	7	116	123	61	12	1	8.00	10.50			25.12
Mt. Pleasant	D. V. Nichols, Purlear	Vertie Watts, Purlear	1	6	77	83		12		5.00				5.00
New Hope	W. H. Church, N. Wilkesboro	A. W. Horton, N. Wilkesboro	1	16	276	292	200	12	20	96.65	29.51	15.90	13.42	155.48
Old N. Wilkesboro	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	Rena Holbrook, N. Wilkesboro	1	7	70	77		9						
alk Grove	T. V. Church, Minton	J. H. Curtis, Buck	1	3	50			4						
Pleasant Grove	L. B. Peire, Millers Creek	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro	1	8	66	104	30	8		4.50				4.50
Pleasant Home	B. L. Minton, Congo	Z. V. Church, Congo	1	5	60	65	35	12	8	3.00				3.00
Pilgrim														
Shady Grove														
Stony Hill														
Walnut Grove														
Wilkesboro	F. B. Hendren, Wilkesboro	A. C. Dennis, Wilkesboro	1	10	125	135	20	12	10	25.00		15.89		40.89
Zion Hill	Isaac Watts, Boomer	Arthur Greer, Boomer	1	5	60	70	25	6		6.00				6.00

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OF THE

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

Edgewood Baptist Church

August 23, 24, 25 and 26, 1917.



The next session will be held with Beaver Creek Church on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1918.



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Proceedings of the Forty-Fourth Session of the Brushy Mt'n.
Baptist Association held with Edgewood Church, Aug.
23, 24, 25 and 26, 1917.

Thursday, August 23.

11 A. M. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. C. Meadows. Text 1st Cor. 15:58.

2 P. M. The roll call showed 13 churches represented. The organization resulted in the re-election of C. C. Wright as moderator and R. L. Proffit as clerk and treasurer.

The following correspondents and visitors were recognized and seated as visitors of the association: M. L. Kesler of the Thomasville Orphanage, J. L. Kessler of Waco, Texas., C. H. Durham of the State Mission Board and B. P. Roach of the Foreign Mission Board.

2:30 P. M. Report on the Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

In making this report permit us to quote from Bro. Kesler's report:

"Every year is crowded with work, and yet that is the easiest thing we have to do—the anxiety—suspense and disappointment that comes in common with all who labor for the betterment of mankind—these make up the real burdens and the wear of life."

In the main our health has been good—not a single death. We have had the best year financially we ever had. The "one day" for the orphanage, Thanksgiving, put us out of debt. Over \$20,000 was received in 15 days and yet contributions have continued to keep up well all the time, about half of which comes from the Sunday-schools—a rebuke to the churches to let the children surpass us in giving to the orphanage. Since the beginning in 1885, there has been enrolled 1,759 children, now present 505, with fifty applications a month—it costs \$110.00 per year for each child. Over \$150.00 per day for all. Where does all this money come from? From God, through the great host of Baptists of North Carolina to whom He has entrusted as His stewards millions of dollars, and He puts it into their hearts to give. Brother, did you ever hear His call through the cry of ten thousand children in North Carolina who need help? Did you ever hear His call through His word?

“Pure and undefiled religion is this to visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.” Every child in the orphanage is taught that “Cleanliness is next to Godliness” hence the wonderful record of health. They are also taught industry as well as literature. They go to school half the day and work the other half, boys on the farm, dairy, shoe shop and printing office, the girls in the sewing room, laundry and cooking departments, their opportunities for moral and religious training is not surpassed anywhere. They are given varied and definite training, equipping them for life so they may take their places along with the rank and file of the world workers. We urge every Sunday-school to give one collection every month to the orphanage.

Signed, W. C. MEADOWS,
U. G. FOSTER,
R. L. WELLBORN, Committee.

Discussed by M. L. Kesler and W. C. Meadows and adopted.

3:00 P. M. Report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The biggest fact in every human life is religion. No education is adequate which either ignores man's religion or fails to give it a large place in the curriculum. Christianity has always flourished or languished in proportion to the number of trained, consecrated ministers that the churches had. Our Christian schools are the only agencies we have for the training of these ministers.

The saddest thing in all this world is a human wreck,—a man or a woman, young or old, who is undone and who, in one or more walks of life, is a failure. There are so many of them! Mental wrecks, physical wrecks, nervous wrecks, social wrecks, business wrecks, character wrecks. The aspect of these derelicts is the more pitiable because of the possibilities before every well-born human being who, with the endowment of intelligence and other gifts and powers bestowed upon him by a kind Creator is capable of rising to heights of human perfection. Ample provision made for man's every need by God, and yet we find misery where there ought to be happiness, poverty where there ought to be riches, darkness where there ought to be light, ignorance where there ought to be knowledge vice where there ought to be virtue and turmoil and strife where there ought to be peace. Only too accurately do the poets words apply:

“Of all the sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these: It might have been.” The surest way to avoid this wreckage is to place our children in our Christian schools, where character, the foundation for true education is forcefully stressed. While have some teachers who teach the importance of character, yet we fear that many of our rural teachers are derelict in this great duty. The only remedy for the present wrecks is the grace of God, and to guard against future wrecks, is to place our children in our Christian schools where they will be trained as God has commanded.

This association, with two others, the Stone Mt'n. and Elkin, owns and fosters Mountain View Institute, a school that is growing greatly in favor among our people. It is well equipped and has a splendid corps of consecrated and efficient teachers. Our people should never hesitate to support and patronize it. In the sphere of higher education we recommend Wake Forest and Meredith Colleges. We wish to express our appreciation of the great work our county superintendent of schools, the moderator of this association, has done in the marvelous development of the public schools of this county. Realizing that larger schools and more teachers to the school, is the greatest need of our system in this county, we would especially recommend that our people keep an eye open to every opportunity of consolidating a number more of our small schools.

R. L. PROFFIT,
J. M. GERMAN,
V. MC GHINNIS, Committee.

Discussed by R. L. Proffit and J. L. Kesler and adopted.

Committee on devotional exercises report that Rev. W. E. Linney will conduct devotional exercises at 9 A. M. Friday morning.

5 P. M. Adjourned to 9 A. M. Friday.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24.

10 A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. S. S. Jennings.

10:30 Report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The leaders of men are well read men. The papers and books that come into our homes are used by our families as food for the mind. Good reading matter is conducive to

good thinking and good thinking is conducive to good living. If we are to grow strong in the faith we must feed our minds on good reading matter.

In order to keep ourselves loyal to the Baptist faith and subject to bible truth, we should subscribe to the Biblical Recorder and see to it that our children read this wonderful paper and thus grow up strong in the faith for which we stand.

Charity and Children is a wonderful little paper and no home should be without it and the children of the Baptists of North Carolina have fallen in love with it.

Of course our homes need The Home and Foreign Mission Journals in order to keep in touch with this great work of the Kingdom.

S. S. JENNINGS,
U. G. FOSTER,
R. L. WELBORN, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. S. S. Jennings, C. H. Durham, W. C. Meadows and adopted.

11 A. M. Report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The object of this work, like that of every Christian endeavor is the spreading abroad the gospel of the Son of God, the enlargement of His Kingdom, and the perfection of Christian life and character. State Missions has helped powerfully in making North Carolina a strong Baptist State, and it is the spirit and activities of the State Mission Board that will have a mighty influence in leading us on to greater conquests for the truth, for Christian efficiency in all our work for better citizenship, and for the coming of the Kingdom of our Lord.

State Missions is our right hand of power. Strength and growth, here means strength and growth everywhere. A state thoroughly evangelized means well organized and enlisted churches in the Lord's work. This is a great age of progress in education and all the industries of life. Has religious progress kept with the others? The State Mission Board has men of God in destitute parts of North Carolina preaching the gospel to the lost. Up to this week only \$12,390.28 had been contributed to State Missions.

Shall we not rise to the great opportunity before us?

C. F. FIELDS,
C. T. CRITCHER,
J. W. MOORE, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. C. F. Fields and C. H. Durham and adopted.

12. M. Adjournment for dinner.

2 P. M. Report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Georgia, is the agency through which Southern Baptists, as a single body, address themselves to the task of saving the lost and building up the churches in the whole South.

The task of Home Missions is immense. The territory served by the Home Board embraces 1,000,000 square miles and has in it about 36,000,000 people. After counting out 4,000,000 as infants or other irresponsible persons, 18,000,000 persons in the South make no profession of religion.

To meet this immense need last year our Board maintained wholly or in part 1,409 missionaries. These reported 43,792 baptisms and brought into the churches 71,386 persons. They organized 167 Baptist churches and 321 Sunday-schools. They held up before the eyes and hearts of men in more than 5,000 communities the Light of the World, the Saviour of mankind. No Mission Board in America was ever blessed with such large success or such marked evidences of the favor of God on its workers.

In the highlands and on the plains, in the cities and the country-side, among white and black, natives and foreigners in Cuba and the Canal Zone, messengers of Christ have brought light for darkness, and driven out sin with divine love.

This year the Convention has apportioned \$438,750 for Home Missions, to be raised by Baptist Churches in seventeen States. This is less than \$18 for each church. Nearly every one of the smaller and weaker churches are able to raise this amount for so great a cause, and thousands of stronger ones should do far more than that.

We recommend—

1. That our churches be encouraged to order and use the instructive free tracts of the Board, which tell of each phase of its work, and that classes be formed to study its admirable book "Baptist Missions in the South," and its other Mission Study books.

2. That earnest prayer be made in all the churches for the Board and for its work, and that at least one sermon yearly be preached in every church on Home Missions.

3. That this Association take proper steps to apportion its Home Mission apportionment among the churches and publish the list in the minutes of our body, also that the matter be pressed upon the churches throughout the year.

Fraternally submitted,

C. F. FIELDS,

J. H. WALKER,

V. MC GHINNIS, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. C. F. Fields, W. C. Meadows and B. P. Roach and adopted.

11 A. M. Report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

It is now nearly nineteen centuries since the command of our Lord "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" was given, and it is evident that the church has been slow to fulfill her mission. Still much has been accomplished, steady progress is being made and the report from the field is most encouraging.

It is with gratitude to God that we are enabled to report marked signs of awakening in some of the fields in which our missionaries have labored hard and for which we have long prayed. The wonderful transformations taking place in many foreign countries due to the political, social and religious changes are signals to us to again hear the appeal of the master to lift up our eyes and look on the fields white already unto the harvest.

We recommend that the pastors inform their people on Foreign Missions that they write to the Secretary of the Foreign Missions Board for tracts for free distribution; that if possible a missionary campaign be organized in the Association with two or three of our brethren to visit the churches and present the claims of the mission work; that the churches adopt some method of systematic giving; that we pray earnestly unto the Lord of the harvest that he send forth speedily more laborers into the field.

R. N. GARNER,

B. P. ROACH,

A. G. HENDREN, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. B. P. Roach and W. C. Meadows and adopted.

Committee on time and place, G. H. Walker, Geo. Miller and John Fletcher.

3 P. M. Report on Sunday Schools.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

It is said and I think truthfully said that the Sunday School is the nursery of the Church; that it is the place where the parents bring or ought to bring their boys and girls to the house of God on every Sabbath morning to engage in the work of the Sunday School for the purpose of training up their children in the way they should go so that when they get old they will not depart from it.

At least ninety per cent of the members of our Churches are men and women who have been trained and taught in the Sunday School and been converted and added to the Churches. We would, therefore, urge every Father and Mother in the bounds of the Brushy Mountain Association to send their children to the Sunday School every Sunday morning and not only send them, but go with them.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON MC NEIL,
L. R. MILLER,
T. C. WEST, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. M. McNeil, C. F. Fields and S. S. Jennings and adopted.

3:30. The Association was pleased to give the Women's Missionary Union 30 minutes to make a report on their work, read papers and talks and were assured that the association would co-operate with their work.

5 P. M. Adjourned to meet at 9:30 for devotional exercises by Rec. W. C. Meadows, Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25.

9:30 A. M. Devotional exercises by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

10 A. M. Report on ministerial relief.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS RELIEF.

No object of this association is more worthy of our loving care than our aged ministers, who have worn out their lives in the service of our dear Lord, and our Baptist cause. We earnestly urge all our churches to make a special Christmas offering to this very worthy object.

W. C. MEADOWS,
W. E. LINNEY,
D. V. NICHOLS,
W. E. SMITHY, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. W. C. Meadows, Rev. R. P. Blevins and S. S. Jennings, and adopted.

Roll call showed all churches save one represented. There being 22 represented.

12 M. Adjourned for dinner.

Picnic in the grove.

2 P. M. Report on Resolutions.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

1st. Resolved, That when a church fails to represent in the association for two years, that the secretary be and is hereby instructed to send to such church a blank letter asking the church to properly fill out the same and return to the secretary, and that in case same is not received in due time to be included in the printed minutes, that the secretary drop from the list the name of such church, which, however, may be restored by sending messengers asking to be restored;

2nd. Resolved, That the thanks of this association are due and are hereby tendered to Edgewood church and community for the noble hospitality shown in the excellent manner in which they have entertained this association. Also to the choir for the excellent music rendered during the session.

W. C. MEADOWS,

J. E. BENTLEY,

WM. PRATT, Committee.

2:30 Report on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Be ye temperate in all things is a Bible command, and while our usual understanding of the term intemperance is intoxication we might also include all kinds of excessive living.

We the Baptist people must stand firm on this question of temperance, we must not compromise ourselves by endorsing any kind of intemperance or by remaining silent when by speaking we could uncover and run down this awful crime of intemperance. The curse of strong drink has wrecked so many homes and lives that to remain silent, and thus refuse to help put this great evil down would be a crime against the present and future generations for which our great denomination would be held responsible.

S. S. JENNINGS,

D. F. SHEPHARD,

L. D. WHITTINGTON, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. S. S. Jennings, R. P. Blevins and A. B. Hayes, and adopted.

3 P. M. Report on Relation of Pastor and Church.

REPORT ON RELATION OF PASTOR AND CHURCH.

The pastor should be to his church what the shepherd is to his flock. He should look after and carefully see to the spiritual condition of the church. He should preach the word and keep close touch with his church. The church should bear up the preacher's arms; by prayer and personal support and see to it that the pastor has a square deal.

S. S. JENNINGS,
C. F. FIELDS, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. C. F. Fields and S. S. Jennings, and adopted.

Brothers A. B. Hayes of Stone Mt'n. Association, Prof. E. R. Settle of Mt'n. View school and R. P. Blevins of Crozier University, N. T. Jarvis of Briar Creek Association were recognized and seated as visitors.

3:30 P. M. Report of Committee on Time and Place.

We the committee on time and place beg to report that the next session of the Association will be held with Beaver Creek church beginning on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August 1918. The introductory sermon will be preached by Rev. S. S. Jennings of North Wilkesboro.

G. W. MILLER,
J. W. WALKER,
G. H. WALKER, Committee.

4 P. M. The committee on devotional exercises for tomorrow report that Rev. B. P. Roach will preached at 11 A. M., and Rev. R. P. Blevins at 2 P. M. tomorrow.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26.

10 A. M. Sunday school by association, regular lesson.

11 A. M. Sermon by Rev. B. P. Roach, missionary to China.
Subject: Life Eternal.

12 M. Dinner in grove.

2 P. M. Sermon by Rev. R. P. Blevins.

3 P. M. Report of committee on Resolutions.

Resolved; That the hearty thanks of this association are due and are hereby tendered to Edgewood church and community for their noble hospitality manifested in the excellent manner in which they have entertained this association, also to the choir for the excellent service which they have rendered during this session.

W. C. MEADOWS,
S. S. JENNINGS, Committee.

3:30 P. M. Adjourned. Song: "God be with you 'till we meet again." Prayer by Rev. T. E. Redmon.

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator.

R. L. PROFFIT, Clerk and Treasurer.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE S. S. CONVENTION.

The 17th annual session of the Sunday School convention was held with Edgewood church July 28 and 29, 1917.

11 A. M. Song service by the choir.

12 M. Intermission.

1 P. M. Election of officers, resulted in the re-election of C. C. Wright, president and R. L. Proffit secretary.

The various committees were appointed.

2 P. M. The program was taken up and the following questions discussed.

1st. The duty of the church member to the Sunday School. Discussed by Bros. C. C. Wright, E. R. Settle and R. L. Proffit.

Bro. E. R. Settle of Mt. View Sunday School in Stone Mt. Association and Bro. Daniel Hendren of the Arbor Sunday School in Briar Creek Association were recognized and seated as members of the convention.

3 P. M. 2nd. How may we secure and hold the attendance of the people in Sunday Schools? Discussed by Bro. E. R. Settle.

3:30 P. M. How can we have more efficient teachers in the Sunday School? Discussed by A. G. Hendren.

Roll call resulted in 12 Sunday Schools being represented by letter or delegates viz: Goshen, Edgewood, Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Zion, New Hope, Bellview, Pleasant Home, Pilgrim, Walnut Grove, Beaver Creek, Moravian Falls, and Deps Knob.

SUNDAY MORNING

10 A. M. Sunday School lesson.

11 A. M. E. L. Middleton work of Sunday Schools.

12 M. Dinner.

1 P. M. E. L. Middleton value Sunday Schools for Community

Collection for minutes \$2.86.

Committee on program, time and place C. C. Wright and R. L. Proffit.

3:00 P. M. Dismissal: Song by choir and prayer by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

C. C. WRIGHT, President.

R. L. PROFFIT, Secretary.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

CHURCH	Name of Organization	PRESIDENT AND ADDRESS	Number of Members	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Objects	Total Contributions
1st No. Wilkesboro Wilkesboro	W M U W M U	Mrs J. I. Myers, No. Wilkesboro Miss Nan Welborn, Wilkesboro	26 31	\$23.00 13.00	\$-- 37.72	\$5.00 5.00	\$ 1.30 12.50	\$29.30 68.22
1st No. Wilkesboro	S B B	Mary L. Stafford, No. Wilkesboro	35	7.00	2.75	3.00	--	12.75

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SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE.

Church	Superintendent and Address	Secretary and Address	Number of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Mem. B. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms From School	School Expense	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contribution
Beaver Creek	J. W. Nichols, Ferguson.	M. E. Barlow, Ferguson.	1	6	82	88	---	12	20.20	15.00	19.54	---	---	54.74
Cub Creek	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Edgewood	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek.	Eula Bumgarner, Wilkesboro R2	1	10	108	118	68	9	23.00	---	---	---	---	23.00
Fishing Creek	T. J. Smithy, Wilkesboro R.	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro R2	1	6	54	60	20	10	4	6.00	3.00	4.00	---	13.00
Goshen	R. L. Proffit, Goshen.	Loise Triplett, Boomer.	1	6	40	46	20	3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Harmony	Dewey Caudill, Millers Creek.	Cora Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	1	6	50	56	40	8	6	5.00	---	---	---	5.00
Lewis Fork	Lee Walsh, Purlear.	Belva Triplett, Purlear.	1	6	50	56	40	8	6	5.00	---	---	---	5.00
Little Rock	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.	W. J. Hendren, Moravian Falls.	1	6	50	56	25	12	25.50	---	---	---	---	25.50
Mt. Carmel	C. T. Critcher, Moravian Falls.	Jimmie Isaacs, East Fruitland	1	6	50	56	---	5	3.00	---	---	---	---	3.00
Mt. Pleasant	U. G. Foster, Champion.	Claud McGee, Champion.	2	6	85	91	---	12	8.00	---	---	---	---	8.00
Mt. Zion	N. H. Robinett, Hendrix.	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion.	1	7	95	102	---	12	20	12.00	---	---	---	12.00
New Hope	D. V. Nichols, Purlear.	Kate Eller, Purlear.	2	6	220	226	50	12	26	6.00	5.00	---	---	17.00
1st No. Wilkesboro.	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.	A. W. Horton, N. Wilkesboro.	2	16	341	357	200	12	5	98.95	4.92	19.50	42.45	165.82
2nd No. Wilkesboro.	J. W. Porter, N. Wilkesboro.	W. L. Minton, N. Wilkesboro.	1	6	50	56	20	9	10.00	---	---	---	---	10.00
Oak Grove	---	---	1	5	---	75	---	---	---	5.00	---	---	---	5.00
Pleasant Grove	T. V. Church, Minton.	J. H. Curtis, Wilkesboro R1	1	5	45	50	40	10	8	2.50	---	---	---	2.50
Pleasant Home	L. B. Pierce, Millers Creek.	Minnie McNeil, Millers Creek.	1	9	55	64	---	8	4.50	---	---	---	---	4.50
Pilgrim	B. L. Minton, Congo.	---	1	4	36	40	30	12	---	---	---	---	---	---
Stony Hill	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville.	Bertha Walsh, Parsonville.	1	8	51	59	32	8	---	1.94	---	---	---	1.94
Walnut Grove	W. G. Lowe, East Fruitland.	A. S. Love, East Fruitland.	1	7	163	170	100	12	12	10.00	5.00	---	---	15.00
Wilkesboro.	F. B. Hendren, Wilkesboro.	Ila Holman, Wilkesboro.	1	10	90	110	20	12	20.50	---	36.09	---	---	56.59
Zion Hill	Isaac Watts, Boomer.	A. F. Greer, Boomer.	1	5	60	65	25	10	2	6.00	---	---	---	6.00

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

Church	Pastor and Address	Clerk and Address	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Gain by Baptism	Gain by Letter	Gain by Restoration	Loss by Letter	Loss by Exclusion	Loss by Death	Number of Males	Number of Females	Total Membership.
Beaver Creek	G. Z. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	Z. T. Ferguson, Oakdale	3	300	16	4					52	62	114
Cub Creek	R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	W. E. Smithy, Oakwoods	1	600							18	36	54
Edgewood	C. F. Fields, Elkin	A. G. Hendren, Straw	3	1100				3		1	85	91	176
Fishing Creek	R. N. Garner, Spurgeon	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro, R2	1	800	2			3			33	60	93
Goshen	L. B. Murray, State Road	H. A. Carlton, Goshen	2	1200	8	4				1	28	39	67
Harmony	A. T. Pardue, Roaring River	R. J. Farington, N. Wilkesboro	2	2500				9			34	44	78
Lewis Fork	S. S. Jennings, No. Wilkesboro	W. C. Triplett, Purlear	1	1200	28			1		4			251
Little Rock	G. Z. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	N. C. Andrews, Boomer	3	700	6	2					35	47	82
Moravian Falls	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls	2	700		1				1	21	32	53
Mt. Carmel	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. T. Rogers, Moravian Falls	1	1500				7	1		33	50	83
Mt. Pleasant	L. B. Murray, State Road	U. G. Foster, Champion	2	1300	45	3	6	7	2	1	118	174	292
Mt. Zion	D. M. Wheeler, Bambo	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	4	600	25	5				4	61	60	121
New Hope	L. B. Murray, State Road	W. H. Elle, Purlear	4	1800	26		2	1	1	4	74	125	199
1st. No. Wilkesboro	Edward Long, No. Wilkesboro	J. E. Cuthill, N. Wilkesboro	Weekly	30000	5	11	131	5	3		120	169	289
2nd. No. Wilkesboro	W. W. Myers, Round Mt'n	E. W. Minton, N. Wilkesboro	1	500	1			3			20	26	46
Oak Grove	A. T. Pardue, No. Wilkesboro, R2	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro, R2	1	1000	12	6	5	6	2	2	71	147	218
Pleasant Grove	I. C. Woodruff, Roaring River	J. G. Parsons, Buck	3	800		2		6	2		64	89	153
Pleasant Home	R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	W. T. Kilby, Millers Creek	3	500		4	2	1	4	1	29	54	83
Pilgrim	W. F. Carlton, Wilbar	Z. V. Church, Congo	2	500	29	2		3	1	4	41	47	88
Stony Hill	M. Michael, Summit	L. D. Whittington, Parsonville	1	500	6						78	127	205
Walnut Grove	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	W. A. eJnnings, East Fruitland	1	500		6		1	4	6	44	78	122
Wilkesboro	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	J. E. Spainhour, Wilkesboro	1 and 3	5000							44	78	122
Zion Hill	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. E. German, Boomer	1	1500	4	2		2		2	41	80	121

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Church	Pastor's Salary	Buildings and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Colleges and Schools	Other Objects	Total
Beaver Creek	50.00			20.20		.85	1.00	1.00	1.00	3.00	.78	3.00					9.63
Cub Creek	62.00		5.00			.75	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	3.59					59.34
Edgewood				23.00		1.50	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00		6.80	1.00	2.00			95.92
Fishing Creek		1000.00		6.00		1.00	4.00	4.00				3.00	1.00	1.00		8.00	40.80
Goshen	65.00					.50	3.18					7.45		2.71			1086.50
Harmony	50.00					1.40	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.47		6.00	1.00	1.00			66.21
Lewis Fork	100.00				100.00	1.65				2.00							
Little Rock					5.55	.80				3.50		7.00		2.00			9.85
Moravian Falls	60.00			25.50	2.00		5.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	1.17	4.00	1.00				110.67
Mt. Carmel				3.00		.50	.82	2.00	1.00	3.18		5.00					13.50
Mt. Pleasant	81.00			8.00	3.50	1.40	2.00	2.00	2.00	5.00		5.00		3.00		27.10	118.00
Mt. Zion	81.00		12.37	13.00	25.00	1.00	5.56	5.03	5.03	10.54	1.50	10.56	2.69	5.00		26.00	200.25
New Hope	85.00			6.00	9.19	1.00	20.34	1.20	1.20	1.26	1.56	14.08	1.00	1.02		5.00	131.65
1st. No. Wilkesboro	1200.00	2751.10	67.00	98.95	8.05	4.00	115.00	86.20	86.20	149.30	4.92	80.00	10.00	5.00	18.73	520.00	5118.25
2nd. No. Wilkesboro	20.00					1.00		2.00	2.00			2.55		2.00			27.55
Oak Grove	50.00				10.00		50.00			10.00		5.00					125.00
Pleasant Grove	80.00			2.50	22.71	1.20											106.41
Pleasant Home	61.00	46.25				1.00	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.00		15.00		2.50		22.50	155.25
Pilgrim	32.81		6.00		10.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00								48.81
Stony Hill	61.50			1.54	4.10	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.50					74.04
Walnut Grove	60.00					1.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	26.30		20.20		1.00		20.00	140.50
Wilkesboro	387.00		11.70	20.50		1.30	24.13			24.10		81.00				63.30	613.03
Zion Hill			15.00	6.00	5.00	.50		10.00	10.00	11.07							47.57

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MINUTES

OF THE

Forty-Fifth Annual Session

OF THE

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

Beaver Creek Baptist Church

August 22, 23, 24, and 25, 1918

The next session will be held with Zion Hill Church on Friday at 11 o'clock before the fourth Sunday in August, 1919.

Explanatory Note:—The Executive Committee deems it wise to change the time of meeting from Thursday to Friday at 11 a. m., holding a two days' session.

OFFICERS:

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator.

R. L. PROFFIT, Clerk and Treasurer.

DIRECTORY FOR 1918-1919

- C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.
R. L. Proffit, Clerk and Treasurer, Goshen, N. C.
R. A. Spainhour, Mem. State Mission Board, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

- G. Z. Bumgarner, Taylorsville
M. McNeill, Wilkesboro
R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek
A. T. Pardue, North Wilkesboro, R2
S. S. Jennings, North Wilkesboro
E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville
J. W. Watts, Liledoun
L. B. Murray, State Road
D. M. Wheeler, Triplett
Grant Cothren, Lomax
Lee Miller, Bengé

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- W. C. Meadows
S. S. Jennings
W. F. Staley
A. T. Pardue
W. E. Linney

TRUSTEES MT. VIEW INSTITUTE

- F. B. Hendren, 1 year
H. C. Kilby, 2 years
C. C. Wright, re-elected 3 years

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

- W. C. Meadows
V. McGhinnis
S. S. Jennings

Alternates

- W. F. Staley
F. B. Hendren
F. G. Holman

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN CONVENTION

- R. A. Spainhour

Proceedings of the Forty-fifth Session of the Brushy Mt'n.
Baptist Association held with Beaver Creek Church,
August 22, 23, 24 and 25, 1918.

Thursday, August 22.

11 A. M. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. S. S. Jennings. Text Rev. 22:14, "Blessed are they that do His commandments.

2 P. M. The roll call showed 12 of the 23 churches present.

The organization resulted in the re-election of C. C. Wright as Moderator and R. L. Proffit as Secretary and Treasurer.

The following correspondents and visiting brethren were recognized and seated in the Association: Rev. G. Z. Bumgarner of Alexander Association, Rev. D. M. Wheeler of Stony Fork Association and Brother W. T. Land of Stony Fork Association.

3 P. M. Report on Temperance.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report: That since the adoption of the prohibition law in North Carolina prohibiting the manufacturing and sale of ardent spirits the cause of Temperance had greatly advanced in North Carolina, and especially so in Wilkes County, up to twelve or eighteen months ago.

But since that time conditions have become distressingly bad, especially in certain sections in Wilkes County, blockade distilleries are and have been running almost continually, making blockade liquor and loading automobiles with liquor conveying same to the camps to the soldier boys, and to the cities and towns, selling, it is said, from ten to twenty dollars per gallon, and it being at a time when the world is engaged in the greatest war the world has even known, and at a time when we are commanded to make and save everything we can, to feed our own people and the allies over in France and England.

With the enforcement of the laws now upon the statute books we believe this country could be freed from the blighting influence of intoxicating liquors.

To this end we would urge the officers of the United States and the officers of Wilkes County to do all in their power to see that the law is enforced. And we, your Committee, would urge the brethren and sisters of the Brushy Mountain Association, to aid and assist in the removal of this great evil from our land and country.

Respectfully Submitted,

MILTON McNEILL,

S. S. JENNINGS, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. S. S. Jennings, M. McNeil and adopted.

3:30 P. M. Report on Periodicals.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The leaders of men are well read men. The papers and books that come into our homes are used by our families as food for the mind. Good reading matter is conducive to good thinking and good thinking is conducive to good living. If we are to grow strong in the faith we must feed our minds on good reading matter.

In order to keep ourselves loyal to the Baptist faith and subject to Bible truth, we should subscribe to the Biblical Recorder and see to it that our children read this wonderful paper and thus grow up strong in the faith for which we stand.

Charity and Children is a wonderful little paper and no home should be without it and the children of the Baptists of North Carolina have fallen in love with it.

Of course our homes need the Home and Foreign Mission Journals in order to keep in touch with this great work of the Kingdom.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. M. WHEELER,
W. O. BARNETT, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. D. M. Wheeler, Rev. W. C. Meadows, C. C. Wright, and adopted.

4 P. M. Report of Relation of Pastor and Church.

REPORT ON RELATION OF PASTOR AND CHURCH.

The pastor should be to his church what the shepherd is to his flock. He should look after and carefully see to the spiritual condition of the church. He should preach the word and keep close touch with his church. The church should bear up the preacher's arms; by prayer and personal support and see to it that the pastor has a square deal.

S. S. JENNINGS,
W. C. MEADOWS, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. G. Z. Bumgarner and others and adopted.

4:30 P. M. The application of a new church at Oakwoods was received and the ministers of this Association were appointed a committee to examine as to orthodoxy and report.

At this juncture Rev. W. C. Meadows, the oldest minister of our Association, very interestingly entertained the Association with reminiscences of its past history, among other things he stated that just 50 years ago he attended the Brushy Mountain Association at this place and upon inquiry there were only three others present who attended said session.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that

Rev. D. M. Wheeler would conduct devotional exercises at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

5 P. M. Adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

Friday, August 23.

9:30 A. M. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. D. M. Wheeler.

10 A. M. The Committee on Orthodoxy reported favorably on the new church of Oakwoods. On motion the church was received as a member of this Association and its delegates seated as members.

10:30 A. M. Report of Men's Movement.

REPORT ON MEN'S MOVEMENT.

We, your Committee on Laymen's Movement, beg leave to submit the following report:

The Laymen's Movement is an organized effort in all evangelical denominations of Christians throughout the world to arouse a deeper interest in the evangelization of the world; to carry out the commission of our Lord, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

It is a concerted movement. Each denomination is working through its own agencies.

This Association has never done what it should have done along this line. We would suggest that this Association appoint a committee of three or five to arrange for missionary rallies in their respective churches, to provide speakers and in every way possible to push the work.

The movement seeks to obtain a contribution from every member of the church, the more able are expected to give more, those not now giving being expected to give, all according to their ability, which is the measure of duty as given by our Lord.

To this end we recommend the appointment in every church of an active missionary committee, whose duty shall be to secure a contribution, if possible, from every member of the church.

Respectfully Submitted,
V. McGHINNIS, Committee.

Discussed by V. Mc Ghinnis, Rev. W. F. Staley and Archibald Johnson and adopted.

11 A. M. Report on the Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We have unusual grounds for gratitude to God for His abundant blessings which have crowned the year at our Orphanage. Never before have our people responded so cheerfully and so liberally.

The one day's offering at Thanksgiving has surpassed

anything we have ever had, and the regular funds have held up better than ever and we closed the year without debt.

The health of the children has never been better. We had 132 cases of measles, but no complications; no deaths except two small boys lost their lives by accident, for which no one was to blame except their thoughtlessness.

We now have at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home 525 children, costing \$12.12 per month per child, which four years ago was \$8.35. During the month of July we had 79 applications and they continue to pour in from all over the state. What shall we do? Let us go forward. Our Association has seven children there. Let us support at least four of them, which will require about \$600.00.

The moral and religious influence is fine, having a wholesome effect upon the children. The Church, the Sunday School and the Graded school all are producing fine results, as well as the farm work, shoe shop, print shop, sewing rooms and laundry. All combine to give the children just the right training to fit them for useful service in after life.

Now in this world crisis we look to the future with anxiety; however there should be no paralyzing fear; let us trust God who has brought us safely thus far; He will put it into the hearts of the great host of North Carolina Baptists not only to continue but to greatly increase their gifts to this noble purpose.

Here is a word of warning: Amid the campaign for War Savings Stamps, Liberty Bonds, Y. M. C. A. and Red Cross, (all of which are worthy objects), the Orphanage may be overlooked, especially since we closed the year without a debt. We must see to it that such shall not be the case.

Now let us urge upon all our brethren in all the churches:

1. A more general reading of Charity and Children.
2. An offering once a month in every Sunday School, and
3. A liberal Thanksgiving offering from every man, woman and child, equal to one day's work.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

Bros. Archibald Johnson of Thomasville Orphanage and Prof. J. T. C. Wright of Mountain View Institute were recognized and seated in the Association.

12 M. Adjourned for dinner.

1 P. M. The Association re-convened and after song and prayer proceeded with regular business.

1:30 P. M. Report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

All true preachers and churches should be engaged in Home Missions. By faith Abraham went out, not knowing whither he went. By faith James, Peter and John gave to

Paul and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship to go to the foreign fields, while they themselves went to the home fields. And as evidence that the work was intended to grow in self support, Paul had great care for the poor.

As Christ said, go and preach and teach all to observe the things he commanded. We can do no better thing than to lay down our lives and energy and means so far as is required, to give all the people coming to our shores and to them already in our home fields an opportunity to have the gospel. As we need ten times as much work done for orphan children as we are doing before every weeping Moses can be cared for, so we surely need much more mission work done on the home field.

A. T. PARDUE,
H. A. CARLTON,
J. R. FOSTER, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. A. T. Pardue and adopted.

3 P. M. Report on Aged Ministers' Relief.

REPORT ON BAPTIST MINISTERS' RELIEF WORK.

The Baptist Ministers' Relief Board was established twenty-eight years ago. During that time it has brought relief to one hundred and twenty-three needy beneficiaries—ministers and widows of ministers. There are at present thirty-seven on the Board. There are several applications pending, showing that the increase of beneficiaries may be expected to continue. The beneficiaries receive from twenty-five to two hundred dollars per year. Many of them need more. Some of them have no other means of support. That the aid extended may be adequate to the needs of the beneficiaries, it is frequently necessary to increase the appropriations.

It is the aim of this Board that no one who has been a worthy proclaimer of God's truth shall suffer for the necessities of life. We desire that every Baptist of the State shall share this ambition with us, and contribute towards its accomplishment. Many of our people already give gladly to this work, but many of the churches of the State contribute nothing.

We do, therefore, urge that each church of this association make regular contributions to this object, just as to State Missions and Orphanage, and that the amount be equal to five per cent of the amount paid to the pastor. Our last meeting of the Convention recommended that every church in the State give to Ministers' Relief an amount equal to five per cent of the salary it pays its pastor.

In accord with the recommendation of the Baptist State Convention at its meeting at Wilson, we urge, in the second place, that each pastor present the needs and worthiness of this object to his people, and that a special collection for this work be taken on the Sunday nearest to Christmas on

which the church may have services. Let it be clearly understood, however, that the Christmas offering is a special offering, not to be used to pay the church's pledge to this object, but separate and distinct from it. A Christmas check is sent to each beneficiary.

R. L. PROFFIT,
W. F. STALEY, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. W. F. Staley and adopted.

3:30. The following resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote of the Association:

Resolved that this Association go on record as entering the strongest protest against the liquor traffic in Wilkes county and pledge ourselves to do all in our power to prohibit this great evil to humanity.

4 P. M. On motion it was ordered that the conditions of the churches be discussed and the report handed in tomorrow.

Discussed by Rev. W. C. Meadows and others.

4:30 P. M. Report of Devotional Exercises.

Rev. M. McNeil to conduct devotional exercises tomorrow morning at 9:30 A. M.

5 P. M. Adjournment.

Saturday, August 24.

9:30 A. M. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. M. McNeil.

10 A. M. Report of Treasurer, which was adopted.

10:30. Report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Since education is power we should harness that power for good. To be educated means to be fitted for usefulness. To be useful we must be efficient and comply with God's plan of work. Therefore we believe Christian education rounds out and develops the best within us. To obtain a Christian education we must attend a Christian school, Hence we recommend that our young people attend our schools maintained by the Baptist denomination, one of which is located very near us and known as Mountain View Institute and this school is our very own, located so near us it appeals to our fondest hopes, yet we do not forget our other great schools at Mars Hill, Bowies Creek, our own Wake Forest College and Meredith College, all of which offer great opportunities for higher and efficient preparation for life's great work.

S. S. JENNINGS,
J. T. C. WRIGHT,
RUSSEL HENDREN, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. S. S. Jennings, Prof. J. T. C. Wright and others and adopted.

11 A. M. The Committee on Time and Place reported that the next session of the Association would convene with

Zion Hill Church at Boomer, N. C., eleven miles southwest of North Wilkesboro, N. C., at the usual time on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1919. Introductory sermon to be preached by Rev. W. E. Linney.

11:30 A. M. Report on the Condition of Churches.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

The condition of our people financially is all we could hope for. God has wonderfully blessed us all with as much of this world's goods as we will use to His glory—perhaps more. Our abundant crops of corn and other crops laid in our "laps" is a direct challenge from our Lord, whose eye is looking into our hearts to see if there we have a purpose to "bring to Him the first fruits of our lands, honor Him with our substance" and "bring in the tithes of all the land, which is God's" that He might pour us a blessing which there might not be room to contain.

The condition, spiritually, is not all we could hope for, yet from the reports in the letters from the churches, we take some encouragement. There have been about one hundred baptisms, an increase in our offerings to the Orphanage of about forty per cent and a healthy increase in all of our mission work.

Let us thank the Lord and take courage; "Gird up our loins and set ourselves steadily and determinedly to our tasks in the future."

Respectfully Submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS,

I. C. CHURCH,

J. M. PARSONS, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. W. C. Meadows, Rev. G. Z. Bumgarner and others and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The work of State Missions is vital to our denominational life. It behooves us therefore to strengthen the home base which will enable us to contribute more largely to other objects of the Convention. If the supply at home is inadequate we can not do anything for those about. There has been a complete revolution in our plans lately. The one mission drive in the spring has proven a great blessing to the Board. Our Secretary is establishing a chain of schools for the developing of a larger life of efficiency. The experiment was tried with ten schools located in various parts of the state, and so successful were they that next year more elaborate plans shall be inaugurated. State Missions has several channels which serve people greatly: Church building funds; from the W. M. Society. Especially "Sunbeam" fund money is used to help struggling churches get a permanent home.

The aid fund that sustains a pastor on a promising field

has been a great factor in building up our home base. However, there seems to be a smaller number of churches aided this year than last.

It is interesting to learn that on the State Mission fields this year there were 178 every member canvasses, and 133 meetings in which the churches of a pastorate came together for inspiration and conference and cooperation among the churches served by the same pastor.

It is always worth while to look at the tabulations of facts:

Churches served—283; Number of missionaries—161; Conversions—2,851; Baptisms, 1,765; Received by letter—2,215; Average Sunday attendance—17,264; Mission Study classes—77; Men in Mission Study classes—256; Houses of worship building—37; Houses of worship built—11; Churches organized—14.

The amount given for last year not including Associated Missions was \$45,273.43.

One sad record of our Conventional history is that there were 456 fewer baptisms this year than last. We must not let anything interfere with our Evangelism. Naturally there ought to be a turning to God among these days of peril when the hearts and homes of our people are broken and when the war clouds hover over us. Your committee desires to recommend that

1. We strive to keep up our spirit of Evangelism;
2. That we who remain enlist and revitalize others in the work of State Missions;
3. That we cooperate fully with our Board which is doing such efficient work.

W. F. STALEY.

Discussed by Rev. W. F. Staley in sermon and adopted.

12 M. Adjourned for dinner.

1 P. M. Report on Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Mission is sending the Gospel to those who do not have it. We are commanded again and again to do this. We have named ourselves "Missionary Baptists." If we do not go ourselves or give our money to send others we are not true to our name.

As a denomination we have several branches or departments of the work. We are trying to carry out the command of Jesus in Acts 1:8. We are witnessing for Him in Jerusalem or our own community; in Judea or our own state; unto Samaria or the other states of the South and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

Foreign missions is carried on in every continent of the earth. God is richly blessing our efforts and is calling for larger gifts. Let us hear the call.

We urge our churches to give to all these objects. Is it

too much to ask each church to try to average ten cents per member next year? This would be more than we now give. Let us see our duty and do it.

D. M. WHEELER,
A. S. ELLER,
J. W. NICHOLS, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. D. M. Wheeler and adopted.

2 P. M. Report on Resolutions.

Be it Resolved:—That we express our appreciation to the church at Beaver Creek for the kind hospitality extended to the delegates during this Association.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. F. STALEY,
S. S. JENNINGS, Committee.

Complementary remarks by Rev. S. S. Jennings and Rev. W. F. Staley and others, and unanimously adopted.

3 P. M. Report on Sunday Schools.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

It is said and I think truthfully said that the Sunday School is the nursery of the Church; that it is the place where the parents bring or ought to bring their boys and girls to the house of God on every Sabbath morning to engage in the work of the Sunday School for the purpose of training up their children in the way they should go so that when they get old they will not depart from it.

At least ninety per cent of the members of our Churches are men and women who have been trained and taught in the Sunday School and been converted and added to the Churches. We would, therefore, urge every Father and Mother in the bounds of the Brushy Mountain Association to send their children to the Sunday School every Sunday morning and to not only send them, but go with them.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Z. BUMGARNER,
A. T. PARDUE,
WM. STROUD, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. G. Z. Bumgarner and Rev. W. F. Staley and adopted.

4 P. M. The Sunday School Convention was discussed and it was agreed that this Convention meet with Stony Hill Church on the fifth Sunday in September for reorganization.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that Rev. J. S. Jennings would preach tomorrow at 11 A. M., and that the Association would convene in Sunday School at 10 A. M. On motion adjourned.

August 25.

9:30 A. M. Convened in regular Sunday School lesson.

11 A. M. Sermon by Rev. S. S. Jennings.

12 M. Adjournment.

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator.

R. L. PROFFIT, Secretary and Treasurer.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

The B. Y. P. U. was organized February 17, 1918, with 47 members to start with. Our first officers were: Miss Ruby Blackburn, president; Mr. Ernest Eller, vice president; Miss Fay Meadows, secretary; Edwin Waugh, treasurer; the following committees were elected: Nora Ellis, Pauline Jennings and Clate Meadows, Program Committee; Fay Meadows, Pauline Jennings and Ernest Eller, Social Committee, and Mildred Jennings and Mary L. Stafford, Membership Committee.

During the time these officers served about \$9.00 was collected by the treasurer; during this time we had a social which cost us \$5.85. We also sent Miss Nora Ellis as our B. Y. P. U. delegate to the Annual B. Y. P. U. Convention, which was held at Winston-Salem.

On June 23, 1918, new officers were elected which were: Miss Ruby Blackburn, reelected president; Ernest Eller, first vice president; Miss Verda Bauguess, second vice president; Miss Clyde Lee, secretary and corresponding secretary; Miss Mary L. Stafford, treasurer and the following committees were elected: Pauline and Mildred Jennings, Program Committee; Valeria Belle Nichols and Ruth Caudill, Membership Committee; Clyde Lee, Aurora Brookshire and Katie Hawkins, Social Committee, and Ernest Eller, Bernice Foote and Mary L. Stafford, Executive Committee.

On August 11, 1918, the B. Y. P. U. was divided into four companies, with eight members in each group. The company captains were elected which are—Company A, Leah Long, Captain; Company B, Mildred Jennings, Captain; Company C, Eugene Eller, Captain, and Company D, Valeria Belle Nichols, Captain.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S WORK OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

The W. M. U. held its annual meeting Saturday afternoon of the Association, the vice president, Mrs. J. I. Myres, presiding. Meeting opened by Scripture reading and prayer. Reports were read by the different representatives. Five organizations were represented. Reading, "The Foundation of the Work," was given by Mrs. J. W. Nichols. Mrs.

W. T. Eller told how she maintained Sunbeam work in a country church. Mrs. Myres talked an woman's work and the literature we should read and study. Three other churches promised to make an effort to at least organize a Sunbeam Band.

Let our aim be a missionary society in every church in the Brushy Mountain Association and a representative at the annual meeting. Any one wanting information write Mrs. J. I. Myres, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Meeting was dismissed by singing and prayer.

MRS. J. I. MYRES, President.

MRS. J. W. NICHOLS, Secretary Pro-tem.

Women of the North Wilkesboro Society to the Sisters of the Brushy Mountain Association,

Greetings.

Dear Sisters:

This has been a year of varied experiences. The war has added its burdens. Notwithstanding all this our society has been able to maintain its work. We have now on roll thirty members, with an average attendance of 10. We have enlisted five new members.

For a number of years our society has supported a Bible woman on the Foreign Field. This is one of the joys of our work—to have a representative over the seas, carrying the blessed Gospel into Christless homes.

We have been able to give the sum of \$116.70. Our aim for the new Associational year is a ten per cent increase.

All of the special seasons for prayer have been observed and a Mission Study Class has been conducted. A Young Girls' Auxiliary has been organized and is doing excellent work. The Sunbeams have also taken on new life and they will make a record this year. We are anxious to secure as many dollar Sunbeams as possible.

We have many things to encourage us. God in His goodness has sent Mrs. Staley, our former president, back to us after an interval of eleven years. She is again accomplishing the same mission.

We have done much personal service work—given \$15.00 in cash, a good deal of clothing and food, some sewing, reported 114 visits, think I would be safe in saying we have made double the amount of calls to the sick, strangers and shut ins.

We are anxious for every church in the Association to have a good missionary organization.

Praying the Father's blessings upon our united efforts, we remain,

Sincerely yours,

The Missionary Society of the North Wilkesboro Baptist Church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	Superintendent and Address	Secretary and Address	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Open Months Kept	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Beaver Creek	H. L. Greene, Ferguson.	Mary L. Barlow, Ferguson.	1	6	80	86	31	12	10	20.00	5.00	30.00		55.00
Cub Creek	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek.	Lula Winkler, Wilkesboro.	1	8	131	139	70	9	10	71.00			20.00	91.00
Edgewood	W. E. Colvard, Wilkesboro R2	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro R2	1	12	176	188	120	9		51.00				51.00
Fishing Creek	D. K. Greene, Goshen.	Louise Triplett, Boomer.	1	5	40	45	25	12		10.00				10.00
Goshen														
Harmony														
Lewis Fork	Bine Triplett, Ready Branch.	Zora Eller, Ready Branch.	1	6	40	46	25	6		12.00				12.00
Little Rock	Isaac Broyhill, Boomer.	R. C. Andrews, Boomer.	1	5	45	50	20	9		3.00				3.00
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.	W. C. Hendren, Moravian Falls	1	6	50	56	25	12	3	25.00			7.00	32.00
Mt. Carmel														
Mt. Pleasant	Alva Foster, Purlear.	A. J. McNeil, Champion	1	10	140	150		12		10.00		6.00		16.00
Mt. Zion	W. M. Minton, Mt. Zion.	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion.	1	7	100	107	40	12		7.00		8.00		20.00
New Hope	D. V. Nichols, Purlear.	Kate Eller, Purlear.	2	8	291	299	50	12	5	14.00		6.25		21.50
1st No. Wilkesboro.	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	S. R. Jaines, N. Wilkesboro.	1	11	245	256	200	12	34	35.00		54.00		189.00
2nd No. Wilkesboro.	E. V. Combs, N. Wilkesboro.	W. L. Minton, N. Wilkesboro.	1	3	50	53		10	8	20.00				20.00
Oak Grove	J. W. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro 2	Rena Holbrook, N. Wilkesboro 2	1	7	93	100	30	9	10	5.00		5.00		5.00
Oak Woods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro.	R. L. Eller, Oakwoods.	1	5	64	69	25	9		3.50				8.50
Pleasant Grove	T. V. Church, Minton.	J. H. Cart's, Buck.	1	5	75	80	10	10	8					
Pleasant Home	L. B. Pierce, Millers Creek	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro R2	1	10	56	66	26	6		7.80		3.00		17.00
Pilgrim	B. L. Minton, Congo.	J. R. Church, Congo.	1	5	40	45	15	10		3.00				3.00
Stony Hill	L. D. Whittington, Parsonville.	Bertha Walsh, Parsonville.	1	6	50	56	43	7		.96				
Walnut Grove	W. G. Lowe, Pores Knob.	Mac Price, Pores Knob.	1	8	100	108	90	9		25.00			36.00	61.00
Wilkesboro	J. R. Jones, Wilkesboro.	Mr. Dennis, Wilkesboro.	1	67	67			12	5					9.00
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer.	Arthur Green, Boomer.	1	4	50	54	30	9	4	9.00				3.00
Shady Grove	I. C. Church, Adley	M. G. Steelman, Adley	1	3						3.00				

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCH	Name of Nation	President and Address	Members	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Board	Training School	Other Objects	Total Contributions
New Hope	S B B	Mrs. W. T. Eller, Purlear.	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$.....	\$ 1.02
1st No. Wilkesboro	W M S	Mrs. W. F. Staley, No. Wilkesboro.	20.15	69.55	46.00	5.00	2.00			122.70
1st No. Wilkesboro	Y W A	Valery P. Nichols, No. Wilkesboro.	32	8.50	8.50					

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor and Address	Clerk and Address	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	Gain by Baptism	Gain by Letter	Loss by Letter	Loss by Exclusion	Loss by Death	No. of Males	No. of Females	Total Membership
Beaver Creek	G. Z. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	Z. T. Ferguson, Boomer	3	300	16	5	5	2	2	58	67	127
Cub Creek	R. N. Garner, Spurgeon	W. E. Smithy, Oakwoods	4	600			3		1	17	34	51
Edgewood	C. F. Fields, Elkin	A. G. Hendren, Straw	3	1100	12		11	1		72	89	161
Fishing Creek	A. T. Padue, N. Wilkesboro	R. L. Welborn, N. Wilkesboro R2	2	800						32	60	92
Goshen	L. B. Murray, State Road	H. A. Carlton, Goshen	2	1300			1	1	1	27	38	65
Harmony												
Lewis Fork	M. McNeil, Wilkesboro	W. C. Triplett, Purlear	1	1200					125	124	249	
Little Rock	G. Z. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	N. C. Andrews, Boomer	3	700	5	1	1	1	1	38	47	85
Moravian Falls	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls	2	1200	3		1			21	34	55
Mt. Carmel	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. T. Rogers, Moravian Falls	1	1500	13	2	2	2	3	34	55	89
Mt. Pleasant	L. B. Murray, State Road	W. G. Foster, Champion	2	1500	1	2	3	1	3	120	162	288
Mt. Zion	D. M. Wheeler, Bamboo	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	4	600	12		4			63	66	129
New Hope	F. C. Watts, Purlear	W. H. Ellet, Purlear	4	800	6	3	1	7	4	71	126	197
1st No. Wilkesboro	W. F. Starkey, N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	Weekly	3200	50	22	2	12	1	150	200	350
2nd No. Wilkesboro	J. M. Abshey, Offen	E. W. Minton, N. Wilkesboro	2	500	17		3	5		25	30	55
Oak Grove	A. T. Padue, N. Wilkesboro R2	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro R2	1	1	11		3			31	28	59
Oak Woods	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	J. T. Jones, Oakwoods	1		15							15
Pleasant Grove	L. C. Woodruff, Dimmett	J. G. Parsons, Buck	1	1000	66	10	11	5	3	120	174	294
Pleasant Home	R. C. Garner, Hunting Creek	W. T. Kilby, Millers Creek	3	100	4	6	3	2	2	64	88	152
Pilgrim	W. F. Carlton, Wilbar	Z. V. Church, Congo	3	500	4	6	3	2	2	35	58	93
Stony Hill	Levi Greene, Hopkins	L. D. Whittington, Parsonville	2	500	5	4	1	1	2	47	43	90
Walnut Grove	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	1	500			1	9	2	80	130	210
Wilkesboro	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	J. E. Spainhour, Wilkesboro	1 and	3500	7	3				25	66	91
Zion Hill	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. E. German, Boomer	1	1200	7	4		3	3	40	83	123
Shady Grove	M. McNeil, Wilkesboro	M. G. Steelman, Adley	3	200			3		3	14	33	47

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Buildings and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expense	The Poor	Minute Fund	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministers' Relief	Other Objects	Total
Beaver Creek	60.00			20.35	1.00	1.15	5.00			4.11		50.00				80.46
Cub Creek	75.00			11.00	2.60	2.60	5.00		5.00	10.00		10.00				81.15
Edgewood	50.00			51.00	1.25	1.25	2.00		3.00	3.00		17.40		2.00	22.60	153.60
Fishing Creek	70.00	60.00		10.00	.60	.60	2.00		.50	1.50		3.00		2.00		132.78
Goshen																147.60
Harmony																
Lewis Fork	75.00				1.00	1.00	2.00		1.00	2.00		6.00				88.00
Little Rock	60.00			3.50	1.00	1.00				2.50		4.50				71.50
Moravian Falls	60.00		1.40	25.50	1.22	1.22	5.00		3.00	5.00	2.00	6.00		2.00	7.00	118.12
Mt. Carmel					6.00	6.00				2.36		7.21				15.57
Mt. Pleasant	100.00		2.55	10.00	2.30	1.25	2.00		2.00	8.00	1.00	8.00		3.00	29.16	150.26
Mt. Zion	66.00		5.00	7.00	6.00	1.08	4.80		2.00	3.76	2.00	16.00		4.00		119.66
New Hope	50.00	76.85		14.00	1.37	1.00	2.33		3.03	5.00	1.25	16.00		6.00	35.54	213.37
1st No. Wilkesboro	120.00	700.00	485.30	135.40	16.00	4.00	124.15		196.27	158.25	24.62	83.10	13.08	10.00	88.77	3239.66
2nd No. Wilkesboro	51.75			20.00								4.00		4.00		79.75
Oak Grove	50.00			5.00	10.00	.50	50.00			10.00		10.00				135.50
Oak Woods	25.00				1.00	1.00			3.00	5.00		4.00		3.00		291.00
Pleasant Grove	85.44			3.00	23.10	1.40	1.00		1.00							114.94
Pleasant Home	60.00			7.80	1.35	1.35	4.00		3.00	3.00		20.00		3.00	6.00	108.15
Pilgrim	40.41			3.00	8.00	.50									7.00	58.91
Stony Hill	48.13				1.00	1.00			3.00	2.00		2.06				56.19
Walnut Grove	91.00			25.00	2.75	2.75	3.00		5.00	11.00		25.00		1.00		168.75
Wilkesboro			25.28		1.30	1.30						119.27			65.00	210.85
Zion Hill				9.00	11.00	.50				18.62		8.35			23.00	70.47
Shady Grove				3.00	1.00	1.00						1.50				5.50

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MINUTES

OF THE

Forty-Sixth Annual Session

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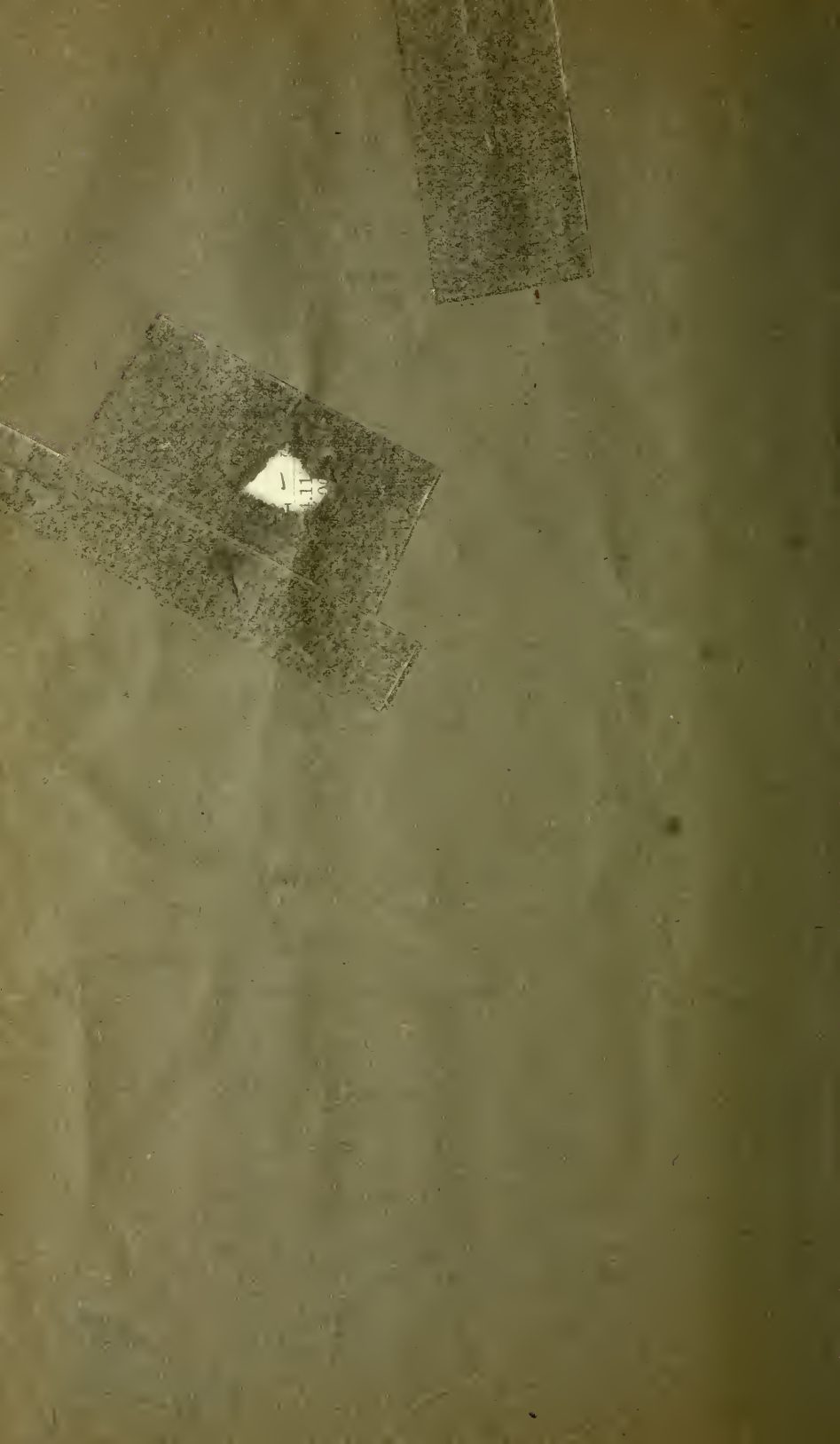
BRUSHY MOUNTAIN
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Zion Hill Church

AUGUST 22, 23, AND 24,

1919



DIRECTORY FOR 1918-1919.

C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.

R. L. Proffit, Clerk and Treasurer, Goshen, N. C.

R. A. Spainhour, Mem. State Mission Board, Wilkesboro, N. C.

The next session will be held with Ronda Church on Friday at 11 o'clock before the fourth Sunday in August, 1920.

PASTOR'S DIRECTORY

W. F. Staley, North Wilkesboro

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W. J. Bumgarner, Taylorsville

G. M. Absher, Olfen

M. McNeill, Wilkesboro

R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek

A. T. Pardue, North Wilkesboro, Rt 2

S. S. Jennings, North Wilkesboro

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J. W. Watts, Liledoun

L. B. Murray, State Road

D. M. Wheeler, Triplett

Grant Cothren, Lcmx

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. C. Meadows

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A. T. Pardue

W. E. Linney

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F. B. Hendren, 3 years

H. C. Kilby, 1 year

C. C. Wright, 2 years

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

W. F. Staley

W. H. Church

S. S. Jennings

Alternates

J. W. Nichols

F. B. Hendren

F. G. Holman

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN CONVENTION

E. E. Eller

Alternate

E. M. Blackburn

Proceedings of the Forty-Sixth Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, held with Zion Hill Church, August 22nd, 23rd and 24th, 1919.

After an introductory sermon by Rev. S. S. Jennings at 11 A. M., and dinner in the grove, the Association convened at 1 P. M., called to order by the Moderator and proceeded to organize by re-electing C. C. Wright, Moderator, and R. L. Priffit, Sec. & Treas. The roll call showed that 22 of the 25 churches were represented the first day. The following visiting brethren we received and seated in the Association: Rev. C. M. Cope of Stone Mountain Association, and F. B. Hamric of Thomasville Orphanage.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

2 P. M. Report on Periodicals.

For Eighty-five years the Biblical Recorder has been carrying its message all over the Old North State, ever proclaiming the gospel of Christ and the doctrine of his gospel, as interpreted by Baptists, since the days of Christ himself. It has for all these years carried its message of love and hope and good cheer each week into every home to which it has had an invitation and yet there are homes into which it has not come. The papers and books that come into our homes are used by our families as food for the mind. If we are to grow strong in the faith we must have good reading matter. We recommend and insist that each delegate strive to create a greater interest in the Recorder. We also recommend the Charity and Children. We earnestly urge every Sunday School or Church to see that a club is formed. This report would not be complete without the mention of our Home and Foreign Field, one of the most complete journals of its kind in the world. Also our Royal Service is most indispensable. Let us resolve that we will endeavor to put all these papers in every Baptist home in this association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. NICHOLS, J. M. GERMAN, J. W. WATTS, Committee

Discussed by J. M. German, J. W. Nichols, W. F. Staley and F. B. Hamric and adopted.

Upon request of Ronda Baptist church for membership, the Executive Committee with the delegates of said church retired and after examination as to orthodoxy reported favorable and the church was unanimously received.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

3 P. M. Report on Thomasville Orphanage.

The orphanage has, in the past year, with the rest of mankind, shared many of the unusual experiences of this never-to-be-forgotten time. But the blessings have so outnumbered the reverses that we come to the close of the year with a cheerful report in which there is much room for praise and thanksgiving. Our number has so increased that we now have present 531. Of this number 86 are at

the Kennedy home. Hundreds of applications have been turned off for want of room. We had a good year financially. The one day's thank offering went beyond our expectations, coming as it did in the midst of the great epidemic of influenza, which closed the most of our churches. We no further need proof that North Carolina can take care of a cause when they unanimously and heartily want to do it. Our health record for the year has been remarkable. We had four hundred and eighty cases of influenza, and not a single death. The situation was handled mainly by the orphanage forces. The doctor went down but soon rose to duty again. So did many of the workers, and children, but in due time rose again to help others.

All for which we give to God our most humble thanks and grateful praise. There was two deaths by accident. Contributions for the year was \$103,091.53. Value of all property \$452,087.

In spite of all the difficulties the school made a wonderful success. Twenty-nine girls and boys graduated this year, who now go out, prepared for college, or almost any station in life, and the several thousands which have before gone out to bless the world. So we see that the magnitude and glory of this work is far beyond our comprehension.

W. C. MEADOWS, J. W. MOORE, C. C. Gambill, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. W. C. Meadows, J. W. Watts and F. B. Hamric and adopted.

4 P. M. Report on Temperance.

Discussed by Revs. W. F. Staley, C. M. Cope, S. S. Jennings and adopted.

A resolution was adopted to appoint a committee of three brothers and two sisters to push propoganda in the bounds of our association to execute the Prohibition laws.

The committee on devotional exercises reported that Rev. C. M. Cope would conduct devotional exercises Saturday morning 9 A. M. Adjourned with prayer by F. B. Hamric.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23,

9 A. M. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. M. Cope.

9:30 A. M. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

10 A. M. Report on Ministerial Relief.

REPORT ON BAPTIST MINISTERIAL RELIEF WORK.

Verily, I say unto you, In as much as ye have done unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.—Matthew 25—40.

We know of other way to comply with the scripture better than to help our old ministers who have spent the best part of their lives—their all—in preaching true religion to us—not a hand shake religion—not a card signing religion—but a heart felt religion that saves men and women from an awful hell. We therefore urge the delegates to take the matter up with the deacons of their churches and give at least one good collection each year to this object and help

these good old brethren to spend their last days in ease and plenty.

We usually make a thanksgiving offering to the orphanage, so we know of nothing better than a nice Christmas offering for the old ministers.

Lets help them.

J. E. GERMAN, U. G. FOSTER, Committee.

Discussed by Revs. W. C. Meadows and W. F. Staley and adopted.
11 A. M. Report on Missions.

MISSIONS.

With God there are no territorial distinctions. He loved the world and gave His only begotten son to die for it. Jesus' programme of missions embraced the territorial idea, they were to begin at Jerusalem, then touch Judea and Samaria, and finally reach the uttermost parts of the earth. The personal element in the Great Commission was to preach repentance and Faith in Jesus for the remission of sins to every creature. For convenience, we have divided Missions into three parts, namely State, Home and Foreign, with a distinct management, with separate boards. In the work of our state we have much to rejoice over, the one mission drive during the spring has prevented a big debt at the close of the year. Never was the work more hopeful. Last year the idea of conducting Mobile Schools brought a new day for Baptists. This year, about 40 were held and many unenlisted have been quickened. Another new feature of our denominational policy is the Colportage work. Our sect is also opening a literary department, where good books can be secured at reasonable prices.

The state mission board is hard at work trying to reach the unenlisted, and train for efficiency. Much interest is manifested just now over the 75 million dollar campaign. Never in our history have we attempted such great things for God. \$6,000,000 is our share, \$1,200,000 of this amount will be raised by the Womans' Missionary Union. State missions is the basis principle of all our work. The gospel is being preached in its simplicity, struggling fields are being strengthened, ripe opportunities are being apprehended, and church building and equipment is given wise consideration. We have as our goal this year \$75,000 for state missions, because of growing conditions we need more Loyal cooperation.

Home missions covers a large area. It copes with the work of church buildings (there being over 7000 homeless churches in the South), Evangelism, we have the strongest force of evangelists of any denomination. Enlistment, thousands of our people don't contribute a cent. Mt. Schools, the schools are bringing a new vision to our people and revolutionizing the mountain sections. Foreigners—in our midst we must christianize them or they will paganize us. Indians—The most hopeful opportunity of a remnant race. Negroes—Ninety-ninths of the population of the United States live in the South. A great problem to reach them. Hospitals for our afflicted people. Panama—this is a successful enterprise. Army and Navy work, which

resulted in over 10,050 Baptisms amount the Soldiers. 38,114 professions. Many were sent over the seas before they had an opportunity to be baptized. 68,169 testaments were distributed and 704,511 tracts.

The board has recently placed Dr. W. W. Hamilton of Lynchburg, Va., at the head of its Evangelistic forces. These groups of trained evangelists go to cities and hold simultaneous meetings strengthening the lives of our church membership and save the lost. We have begun our work among the Cherokee Indians of Western North Carolina and the Cherokee Indians of Mississippi. In the near future we shall undertake work among the Croatans in Eastern North Carolina, who are anxious for the gospel and Baptist leadership. But the gravest problem confronting the board is the negro problem. They effect us socially, politically, commercially and religiously. But our work with the Negro Baptist Convention show signs of steady, hopeful progress, both in theological training and evangelism. The tuberculosis sanatorium which is planned by the convention is located at El Paso, Texas.

Foreign Missions presents the largest field of opportunity. Never in the history of the world was there such demands for workers and money as at the present hour, recently the Foreign Missionary Board sent out a booklet emphasizing our special needs in our seven great fields. They need church buildings, colleges, Hospitals, missionaries' homes and printing establishments. The war created new conditions which must be met. The Judson Memorial Fund helped greatly to establish our work in needy sections. Foreign Missions read like a romance. God is moving the people by his spirit and wonderful things are occurring. We rejoice that last year was the first time in ten years that there was no debt over the foreign mission board and contributions to all departments of our work passed the million dollar mark. Two states, Virginia and Texas gave over \$100,000. We long for the time when North Carolina will be among the list. Our board has an educational department which is doing splendid work in multiplying mission study classes—768 copies of the text book, "Romance of Missions in Nigeria" were sold last year. Here are a few encouraging items: Last year 41 churches were organized, two assuming self support, also 5635 converts baptized. We have 464 churches of which 141 are self supporting with a membership of 53,629. 715 Sunday schools with 34,428 pupils. 482 literary schools of all grades with 13,866 students. In our 11 Theological training schools there were 302 scholars. The theological training school in Italy has been closed on account of the war.

Our medical missionaries had a busy year. They administered 129,298 treatments and treated 61,588 patients. The convention at Atlanta in May recognized the new obligation which the extraordinary world situation laid upon Southern Baptists and authorized the board to undertake reconstruction work in Europe to hasten with the Gospel into disturbed Russia, and to set up the Banner of Christ in Persia, Syria and in Galilee. From whence the blessings of Christ's life and death have flowed down through the centuries to us and to which

we are under peculiar obligation. The world fields are ripe unto the harvest but much of the grain will be lost if we do not quickly put in the sickle. While the 75 million dollar campaign will be presented to this association, your committee commends the movement and urges the churches to cooperate with the leaders of the campaign. We have set ourselves to a great task, worthy of a great people and God our Father is watching to see whether we are going to herald the tidings of His Son, our Savior to the end of the Earth.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. F. STALEY, S. S. JENNINGS, A. T. PARDUE, Committee

Discussed by Revs. C. M. Cope, W. F. Staley, S. S. Jennings and A. T. Pardue, F. B. Hendren and adopted.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved that it is the sense of this Association that every church in it should run a Sunday School the year around, but that where this is impossible for lack of facilities each church should run its school until after Thanksgiving to the end that it may arrange for and conduct a Thanksgiving service for the benefit of the Orphanage, giving every member of every church in the Association an opportunity to contribute at least one day's wages to the support of the orphanage.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

During the past year your committee has held one meeting at North Wilkesboro on the 2nd day of August, 1919, and formulated the program for this association. Also decided to recommend to the association that in view of the great need of informative enlistment and co-operation, that we appoint a missionary and colporteur for full time, who shall visit all of our churches, and as many homes as possible, preaching and talking to our people, distributing books and tracts, papers, etc., giving out light and truth, informing the people on the lines of missions, education, stewardship, enlistment and co-operation, and the Lord's work generally.

(Signed,) W. C. MEADOWS, W. F. STALEY, S. S. JENNINGS.

The Association resolved that the Executive Committee meet every quarter and take steps looking to the preparation of the churches for group pastorates.

That we ask the State Mission Board to aid the Executive Committee in doing this work.

A report of the B. Y. P. U. was read by Bro. J. S. Reins and the other churches were earnestly requested to organize in this line of work.

STATE B. Y. P. U. CONVENTION.

Through the assistance of the Senior B. Y. P. U., a Union was organized at the Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro.

The young people are getting helped and also the church by having occasional church meetings directed by the B. Y. P. U. aside from holding services in our own church, demonstration meetings were conducted at Wilkesboro and Moravian Falls. Besides the regular

weekly meetings, a business and social meeting is held once every quarter.

Two very encouraging results accruing from our educational work:

1. Daily Bible Reading.
2. Systematic Giving.

The Unions have contributed to state work by reading the Biblical Recorder, giving to Department expenses, The Senior Union has pledged \$150.00 for Christian Education and we send representatives to the annual Baptist Young Peoples' Union.

The B. Y. P. U. spirit is growing to such an extent among the young people of the First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro, that it has necessitated the organization of a Junior Union.

Each Union is striving to be an A1 Union, graded by the Standard of Excellence adopted by the State Convention.

Both the Senior and Junior Unions have the required officers, committees, groups and group leaders.

The present enrollment are Seniors 40, Juniors 30.

Secretary J. D. Moore is anxious for Unions to be established in all our churches. As the majority of churches in the country have once a month preaching, it would prove an invaluable aid to the church to have a live B. Y. P. U. holding regular services every Sunday and developing the young people for the future growth of the church.

Your committee urges that the organization of Unions be given immediate consideration.

Submitted by RAYMOND STALEY.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The women of the Brushy Mountain Association have been and are being wonderfully blessed. True some have laid their sons on the altar of service in the great world war for the purpose of destroying the foe which threatened the freedom of the world, and by obedience to the call of their country and united efforts they conquered.

The great God of Heaven and earth has been calling us to united effort in His service. And now the call comes more urgent, and in thundering tones to be up and doing. The time has come when there is not the shadow of an excuse for not being informed and keeping our children informed, as to the needs and opportunities of the work in missions. The gates are thrown open and the world is ready to receive the gospel. Shall we stand idle while others make the sacrifice and receive the blessing? May we say "No, a thousand times no, we want a part in what God has in store for faithful women." We believe the women of North Carolina will raise their apportionment of the 15 million dollars, but each of us want a share. Let us begin at once to plan and help plan and get ready to seize our opportunity for service. God in His allwise providence saw best to take from us our vice President, Mrs. J. I. Myers. Let us earnestly ask Him for the right one to take her place. The task before us is great. Will we fail or shall we in His name, Go Forward, and win the victory.

We must have the service of all. It will be great encouragement and inspiration to know that we are all working for the same thing, in the same way, at the same time and for the same objects.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. W. NICHOLS.

Discussed by Mrs. J. W. Nichols, W. C. Meadows and W. F. Staley, and adopted and ordered printed in the minutes.

The committee on time and place of the next session reported that it would be held with Ronda church on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1920.

M. A. WALSH, W. O. BARNETT, Committee.

Report of Secy. Treas. was read and approved.

Committee on devotional exercises report that C. C. Wright conduct Sunday School in the morning at 10 A. M., Rev. W. F. Staley to preach at 11 A. M., followed by Rev. A. T. Pardue.

On motion of A. T. Pardue the clerk was requested to have the church covenant printed in the minutes:

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved that the thanks of this association are due and are hereby tendered to this church and community for the noble manner in which they have entertained this association, also to the choir for the fine music rendered.

W. C. MEADOWS, W. F. STALEY, S. S. JENNINGS, Committee.

12 M. Dinner in the grove.

1 P. M. The following committee was appointed to push propagan-da against the Liquor traffic in the bounds of this Association:

Rev. W. F. Staley, Rev. S. S. Jennings, F. B. Hendren, Mrs. J. B. Nichols and Mrs. F. G. Holman.

3 P. M. Report on Sunday Schools.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Last year was one of the darkest for Sunday School work in our history. The heavy demands of the war called at least 20,000 young men from Baptist homes, doubtless half of the regular attendants at Sunday School before leaving home. Superintendents, Teachers and pupils answered the call of their country, and with the terrible epidemic of influenza our work suffered badly.

We have 2125 Sunday Schools. There seems to be a loss of 26; but the number of branch schools reported is 41 fewer than last year. 2053 churches now have schools, 138 have none. There are 72 branch schools the membership is 212,841, a loss of over 700 in our total membership is due the war. As the terrible conflict has come to an end, we turn brighter faces toward a more prosperous year. We cannot over emphasize the work of the Sunday School. It is the teaching function of the church. More of the word of God is expounded in the class rooms than in any other way. Graded schools and lessons have proved to standardize our schools. Within the past few years our department of state work has held a number of Institutes with prac-

tical benefits following. Better methods and efficient teaching is our Aim. The new Normal Manual ought to be carefully studied by each officer and teacher of our schools. It is a treatise upon the Sunday School and equipment, the pupils and How to teach the Bible and how to study it.

The educational department of our Sunday School work is sadly neglected. We need a good circulating library with books on Missions and Doctrines of our faith visiting our homes weekly. We look forward to our denominational days with joy. State Mission Day in September has proven to be a great day, the observances of which cultivates a growing love for our state. Home and foreign Mission Day the last Sunday in March are very successful and large contributions are made. Educational Day June 30th has placed Christian education before our people in a new light. A request for Ministerial relief and annuities is now before the Sunday School board at Nashville direct and indirect efforts to align our forces with the programme of the denomination in all interests is the purpose of our board. Soul winning is the crowning feature of all our labor. The teacher has an excellent opportunity to present Christ to the pupils every week. Our Ideal should be to make our schools A1. This will require special effort, but the results will amply reward us.

The greatest need in our association is more thorough organization. Institute work would arouse us and improve present conditions. Your committee recommends (1) that we invite Brother E. L. Middleton to hold an institute in the near future. (2) That we put more enthusiasm in our work. That we endeavor to make this coming year the best for the Master.

Submitted by W. F. STALEY, W. G. LOWE, W. H. CHURCH.

Discussed by F. B. Hendren and J. J. Hayes and adopted.

Associational Report of Woman's Missionary Society of the Wilkesboro Baptist Church for the year ending August 31, 1919.

This year we have given to

Foreign Missions -----	\$15.00
Home Missions -----	15.00
State Missions -----	10.00
Christian Education -----	5.00
Expense Fund -----	1.50
Total -----	\$46.50

In addition to the above the Society pays \$12.00 per year for church janitor.

We also do a lot of mission work in our town, caring for the poor and sick.

We have enrolled 28 members.

Number of Foreign Journals taken 7.

Number of Biblical Recorders taken 5

MRS. W. E. LINNEY, President. MRS. W. A. STROUD, Sec. & Treas

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

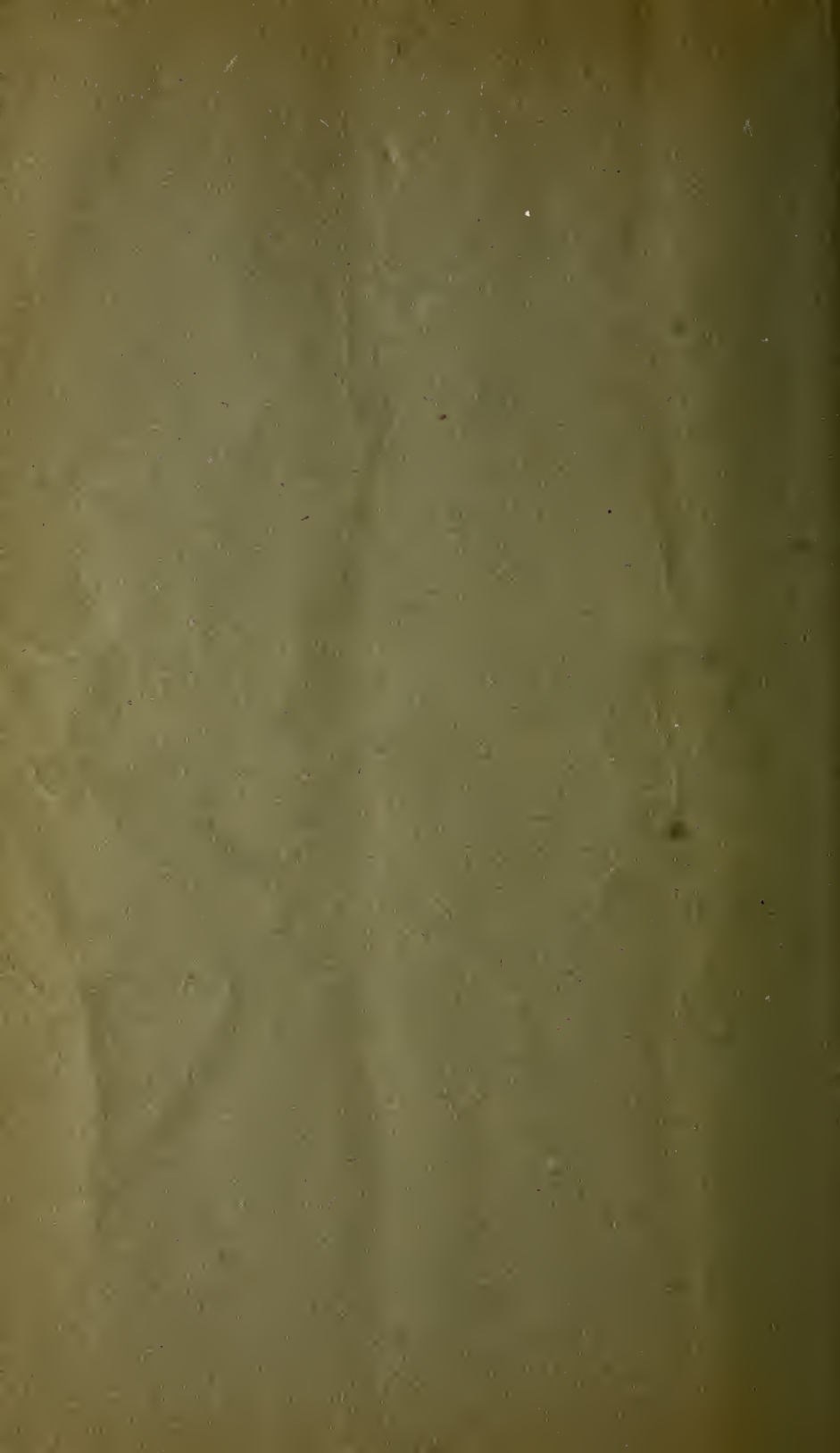
Church	Superintendent	Secretary	Officers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Membership in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptism from S. S.	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Total Contributions
Beaver Creek	L. C. Matherley	Mary Barlow	5	33	38	11	9			12.17	3.99	15.16
Fishing Creek	R. L. Welborn	Pearl Jarvis	10	105	115	10	9					36.00
Goshen	T. R. Barlow	Pansy Ferguson	5	40	45	25	12				5.00	5.00
Harmony	H. W. Mahaffy	Cora Sebastian	6	64	70	35	6				2.50	2.50
Lewis Fork	H. C. Baker	Roby McNeill	7	60	67	40	6				10.00	10.00
Little Rock	Isaac Broymhill	R. C. Andrews	5	25	30	20	6					
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue	W. C. Hendren	6	20	56	25	6				32.00	32.00
Mt. Carmel	J. T. Rogers	Leola Hester	6	68	74						3.00	3.00
Mt. Pleasant	J. C. McNeill	Claude McGee	6	94	100	50	9				7.80	7.80
Mt. Zion	S. J. Barnett	G. F. Barnett	18	134	152	50	12	8.50		6.00	22.00	36.50
New Hope	D. V. Nichols	Viola Eller	11	210	221	12		2.37			14.61	16.98
1st North Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn	A. W. Horton	10	165	175	150	12	6			200.35	200.35
2nd North Wilkesboro	G. M. Parter	M. L. Minton	3	30	33	9		3.00		3.00	3.00	9.00
Oak Grove	G. Blackburn		6	50	59	8					11.00	11.00
	I. P. Anderson	Nora Laws	5	54	59	8					9.24	9.24
Pleasant Grove	W. M. Hamby	W. M. Hamby	5	31	36	20	12					
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church	Minnie McNeill	10	75	85	25	6	6		3.00		3.00
Pilgrim	B. L. Minton	Vera Church	6	60	66	20	12				10.85	10.85
Stony Hill	J. M. Parsons	Victoria Watts	6	39	45	8					6.67	6.67
Walnut Grove	W. G. Lowe	Mac Price	5	217	222	75	12			21.55	144.25	165.81
Zion Hill	J. E. German	Arthur Greer	6	50	56	30	9				10.00	10.00
Wilkesboro	J. R. Jones	A. C. Dennis	9	113	122					57.13	25.00	82.13

STATISTICAL TABLE

Church	Pastor	Clerk	Gain by Baptism	By Letter	Total Membership
Beaver Creek	B. F. Austin	G. H. Walker	5		120
Fishing Creek	R. N. Garner	W. E. Smithey	4		47
Goshen	C. F. Fields	A. G. Hendren	2	3	162
Harmony	J. W. Watts	R. L. Welborn	4		88
Lewis Fork	L. B. Murray	H. A. Carlton		5	70
Little Rock	R. N. Garner	H. M. Phillips	5	1	73
Moravian Falls	G. W. Sebastian	H. C. Baker	16		214
Mt. Carmel	W. J. Bumgarner	I. J. Pardue	1	9	63
Mt. Pleasant	L. B. Murray	W. G. Foster	15	11	283
Mt. Zion	M. McNeill	J. T. Rogers	8		83
New Hope	D. M. Wheeler	W. O. Barnett		6	135
1st North Wilkesboro	L. B. Murray	W. T. Eller	11		186
2nd North Wilkesboro	W. F. Staley	J. E. Cudill	16	10	344
Oak Grove	G. M. Absher	E. M. Minton	6	5	57
Oakwoods	A. T. Pardue	W. N. Alexander	1	1	60
Pleasant Grove	W. E. Linney	R. L. Jones	13		26
Pleasant Home	I. C. Woodruff	J. G. Parsons	13	10	289
Pilgrim	I. C. Woodruff	W. T. Kilby	1	10	161
Stony Hill	Melvin Mikeal	E. M. Huffman	6	5	96
Walnut Grove	Melvin Mikeal	L. D. Whittington	7	7	95
Zion Hill	E. V. Bumgarner	W. A. Jennings	23	2	191
Wilkesboro	W. E. Linney	J. E. Spainhour	9		91
Zion Hill	J. W. Watts	J. E. German	4	7	126
Ronda					85
Little Rock	J. W. Watts	N. C. Andrews	2	10	93

FINANCIAL TABLE

Church	Pastor's Salary	Value of Buildings	Incidental	S. S. Expenses	Poor	Minute Fund	Associated Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Ministerial Relief	Total	Other Objects
Beaver Creek	\$ 60.00	\$ 300.00	\$	\$ 3.99		\$ 1.25						\$ 12.17				19.44
Club Creek	60.00	600.00		11.55	2.00	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	10.00		10.00		2.00		90.00
Edgewood	75.00	1100.00		36.00		1.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	10.00		17.00		2.00		115.00
Fishing Creek	50.00	800.00		10.00		1.00		2.00	2.00	1.00		8.00	1.00	1.35		102.55
Goshen	75.00	1300.00		2.50		.70		2.00	1.95	1.50		2.00	.50	.50		92.20
Harmony	60.00	500.00		10.00		1.00		3.00	3.00	3.00		7.00	2.00	2.00		66.55
Lewis Fork	75.00	1800.00	4.00	36.00		2.00		2.00	3.00	5.00		5.00	25.00	1.00		116.00
Moravian Falls	60.00	1200.00	20.00	7.80	15.00	1.00		2.00	2.00	2.00		4.00	12.00	2.29		144.00
Mt. Carmel	100.00		10.00	22.00	11.00	1.55		2.00	2.00	5.00		10.00	4.00			183.64
Mt. Pleasant	66.00		35.00	14.61		1.72		6.00	6.00	9.00		2.00	12.00			164.72
Mt. Zion	44.00	100.00		15.00		.40		2.00	2.37	2.00		14.00				75.88
New Hope	1200.00	32000.00	992.45	134.46	49.29	5.00	22.00	232.00	224.10	295.16	25.00	100.00	620.68	50.00	.90	4268.94
1st North Wilkesboro	55.00	500.00	93.00	3.00	11.00	1.25		75.00	3.00	10.00		16.00	6.25	3.00	4.00	187.00
2nd North Wilkesboro	60.00			11.00		.80		5.00	5.00	5.00		4.00		3.00		188.20
Oak Grove	125.00	600.00	138.16	9.24	7.70	1.00		5.00	3.00	6.00		4.50		3.00		125.52
Oakwoods	103.32	1000.00	6.00	3.00		2.00		5.00	5.00	6.00		25.00		3.00		136.85
Pleasant Grove	60.00	1000.00		10.55		.65		5.00	5.00	6.00		1.00		3.00		103.25
Pleasant Home	24.96	600.00	60.00	6.67	10.00	1.00		1.25	5.00	1.25		1.20		.67		62.97
Pilgrim	42.00	500.00		5.00	10.00	1.00		5.00	5.00	15.00		46.95	48.00	1.00		382.81
Stony Hill	100.00	1000.00		16.10	144.26	1.50		5.00	85.00	9.50		30.00				605.00
Walnut Grove	383.00	7000.00		25.00	10.00	1.00		60.00	2.00	2.15		60.00				69.50
Wilkesboro	200.00	2000.00		36.00				2.00	2.00			8.00				354.00
Zion Hill	60.00	700.00		3.00				2.00	2.00			8.00				117.00
Konda																
Little Rock	\$3036.28	\$54600.00	\$1358.61	\$431.77	\$270.25	\$30.02	\$25.00	\$334.25	\$411.97	\$397.16	\$33.67	\$508.12	\$692.43	\$71.81	\$197.96	\$7592.45



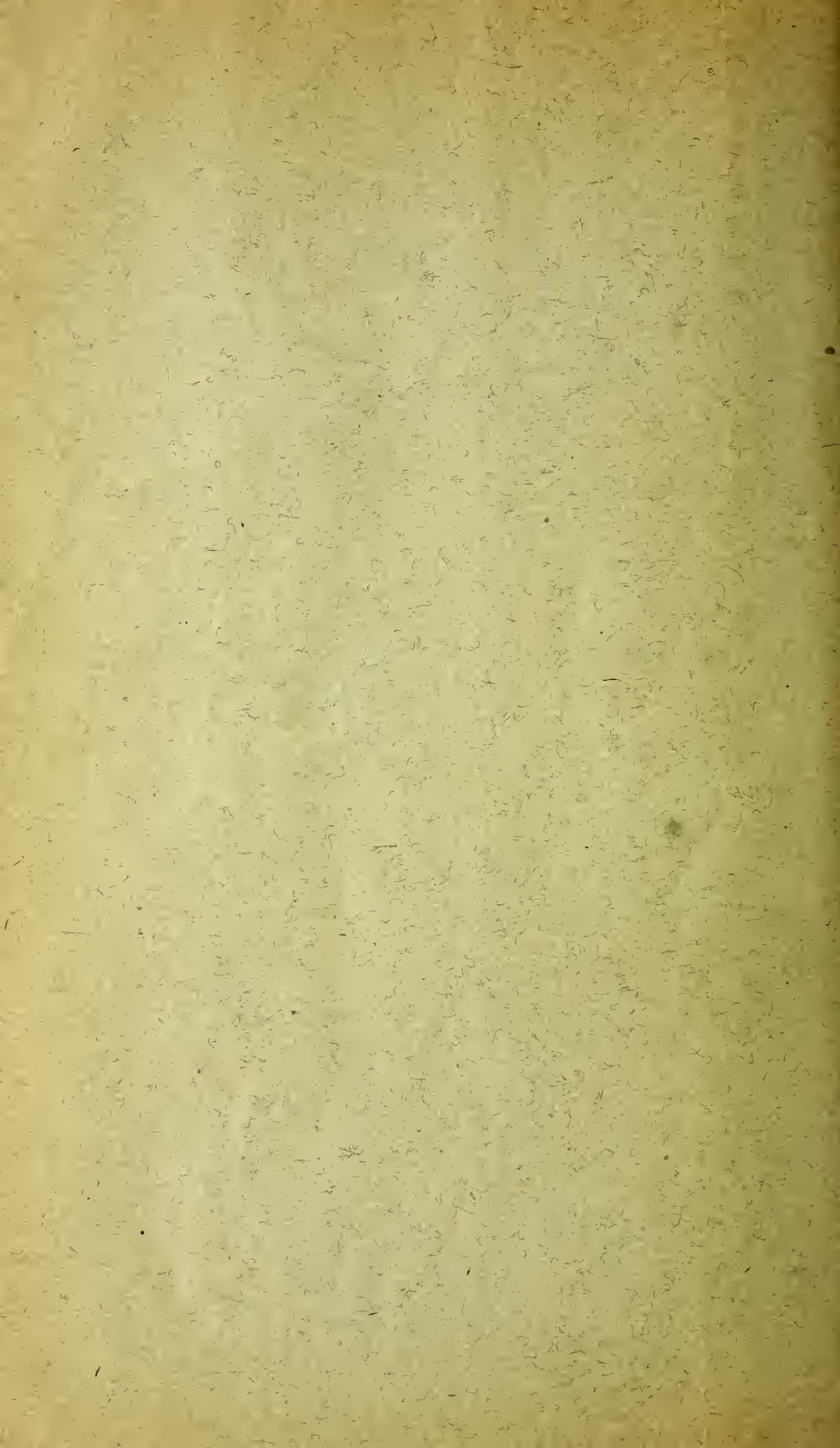
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August 20, 21 and 22, 1920.

The next session will be held with First North Wilkes-

boro Church on Friday at 11 o'clock before the

fourth Sunday in August, 1921.

OFFICERS:

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator.

R. L. PROFFIT, Clerk and Treasurer.

DIRECTORY FOR 1920-1921.

- C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.
R. L. Proffit, Clerk and Treasurer, Goshen, N. C.
R. A. Spainhour, Mem. State Mission Board, Wilkesboro, N. C.

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S. S. Jennings, North Wilkesboro
E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville,
J. W. Watts, Liledoun
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G. W. Sebastian, Hays.
W. J. Bumgarner, Taylorsville
J. M. Absher, Offen
I. C. Woodruff, Dimmett
Melvin Migeal, Patton Ridge.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- W. C. Meadows
S. S. Jennings
W. F. Staley
A. T. Pardue
W. E. Linney

TRUSTEES MT. VIEW INSTITUTE

- F. B. Hendren, 1 year
H. C. Kilby, 2 years
C. C. Wright, re-elected 3 years

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

- W. F. Staley
W. H. Church
S. S. Jennings
Alternates
J. W. Nichols
H. C. Kilby
W. G. Foster

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN CONVENTION

- E. E. Eller
Alt.: E. M. Blackburn

**Proceedings of the Forty-Seventh Annual Session of the
Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Held with
Ronda Church, August 20,21 and 22, 1920.**

Friday, 11 A. M.

11 A. M. Introductory sermon by Rev. W. F. Staley.

12 M. Dinner in the grove.

1 P. M. Organized by electing C. C. Wright Moderator,
and R. L. Proffit Secretary-Treasurer.

Upon request of Gordon Baptist Church for admission
the executive committee was appointed a committee to
investigate the orthodoxy of said church, and report.
The report being favorable the church was admitted as
a member of this association.

Brother F. B. Hamric of Thomasville Orphanage and
Rev. W. S. Edwards of Elkin Association were seated as
corresponding delegates; also Rev. G. W. Sebastian, of
Stone Mountain.

2 P. M. Report on Orphanage.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The number of children remains about the same as
last year. We have now at Thomasville 440, at the Ken-
nedy Home 87, total 527.

The cost of maintaining a child in 1914 was \$8.35 per
month, in 1920 it is \$16.43. This includes board, clothes,
shoes, housing, medicine in fact everything necessary
to the welfare of the children; also schooling from the
primary to the tenth grade; also Sunday School and
Church Work. At the same time the children are under
Christian influence (the same as at our other Christian
Schools) which is of vital importance in forming their
character. So we are taking the poor, helpless children
which otherwise might grow up in ignorance and vice
and making of them men and women fitted for useful-
ness in any avocation of life, helping in the uplift of other
unfortunate people. They are also trained in farming,
dairying, printing, sewing, cooking, etc.

The growing interest of our Sunday Schools in support-
ing the Orphanage is a direct asset to the Baptists of
North Carolina. The receipts have gone far beyond
any thing in the past reaching the splendid mark of
\$267,531.24, partly due to the Seventy-five Million Cam-
paign. The Thanksgiving offering was about \$20,000.00,
a wonderful demonstration of the spirit of God in the
hearts of our people all over North Carolina, and all who

failed to have a part in it missed the blessing of Him who said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Therefore we most earnestly urge all our people not to fail in giving the "One Day Thanksgiving Offering" for the Orphanage, or more when they can do so.

(Signed)

W. C. MEADOWS,
J. E. CHAMBERS,
N. E. Purlear,
Committee.

Read by W. C. Meadows; discussed by Rev. W. C. Meadows, F. B. Hamric and adopted.

3 P. M. Report on Evangelism.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM.

Follow up work of the \$75,000,000 campaign. The work of evangelism is now most important, never in the world's history has there been a greater opportunity to proclaim the gospel. Our Home Mission Board has a special evangelistic department. Last year the Board reported 1203 baptism 17419 addition to the churches, and 2336 volunteers for Christian service, total number of workers is now about 45, though the number was not so large for the entire year. The number of baptisms reported by this department alone is about twice as large as the number reported from all of the Mission work of any other home mission board in America. The \$75,000,000 campaign was born of God, it was laid upon the hearts of our people by the Holy Spirit, it embodied in its program three things: Evangelism, Enlightenment, and Enlistment. Instead of raising \$75,000,000 our people gave over \$90,000,000. This was accomplished through prayer and concerted action. During the campaign 5,000 of our young people dedicated their lives to the work of the Lord. The follow up work now consists of reaching the lost everywhere, this movement is South-wise, the campaign committee urges each pastor to conduct special evangelistic services in his churches, and try to induce Christians to do personal work. We need to arouse our people to a sense of their duty toward the lost, let us plan in our Association to make this the greatest year for winning souls to Christ. The goal for the Southern Baptist Convention is 2,000,000 souls for this year. Let us share this responsibility. Our state mission board is keeping the work of Evangelism before our people through the mobile schools, colportage department and missionary work. In our state two-thirds of the population is considered unreached by the gospel. Within the

bounds of our Association there is a great work to be done.

We recommend that a committee of three be appointed to plan a vigorous campaign for soul winning this year.

Submitted by

REV. W. C. MEADOWS,
REV. G. W. SEBASTIAN,
REV. S. S. JENNINGS,
Committee.

Read by Rev. W. F. Staley; discussed by Revs. W. F. Staley, S. S. Jennings, W. E. Linney, and G. W. Sebastian, and adopted.

4 P. M. The committee on devotional exercises reported that Rev. W. C. Meadows would conduct devotional exercises Saturday morning at 9 o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. W. S. Edwards.

Saturday, August 22.

9 A. M. Devotional exercises by Rev. W. C. Meadows, including a talk by our colporter.

10 A. M. Home Missions Report.

THE HOME MISSIONS REPORT.

The Home Missions Board stands for the Christian school and Christian education; and undertakes to help in the building of church houses when such are needed.

The great aim of the Home Mission Board is to open up a way by which and through which the gospel may be preached in all the home land.

S. S. JENNINGS,
J. C. McNEIL,
F. G. HOLMAN.

Report read by Rev. S. S. Jennings; discussed by Rev. S. S. Jennings; W. F. Staley and adopted.

Brother W. N. Johnson of Raleigh Association was seated as a corresponding delegate.

11 A. M. Report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Ninety-eight years ago this coming December, the Baptist State Convention was organized. At the first session of the convention a board of managers were appointed, which are known as the Board of Missions and they began at once to plan for the evangelization of North Carolina. It was then stated that the primary object of the Convention was to repair and build up waste places in North Carolina, and during this period since the first organized effort was made until this time

this object has ever been before the Baptists of North Carolina.

Our work today is or should be to repair and build up the waste places in the State and especially in Wilkes County. And we, as your committee, do most earnestly urge all the Baptist churches of the Brushy Mountain Association to do all that is in their power to encourage the growth and development of Church work in the Brushy Mountain Association and also in the State of North Carolina, with their prayers and money.

But we should remember that the one supreme and lasting motive is the command of Jesus Christ, who laid out the missionary program when he said:

“Ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, in Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth.”

We have as a goal for State Mission in North Carolina, \$75,000 to be used for State Missions in North Carolina, to be used by the State Mission Board to build up the waste places in North Carolina, to aid in building churches, and for the advancement of the cause of Christ in North Carolina.

MILTON McNEILL,
JOHN MOORE
W. G. FOSTER.

Committee.

Read by Brother F. B. Hendren; discussed by W. N. Johnson, W. F. Staley, and adopted.

Resolved by a rising vote of the association that we express to Brother W. N. Johnson our appreciation for the services as secretary of the State Convention and his great address to us.

12 M. Dinner in the grove.

1 P. M. Report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Education, no matter how acquired, increases one's native endowments. It is a far cry from the most savage man in the world to the most illiterate man in Wilkes County; and it is the difference in degree of education that makes the difference in the degree of civilization between a savage community and our own community. The greater the quantity and the higher the quality of education in any given community the more important and influential will become that community in the State if not in the church. And it will become as important and influential in the church as in the State provided its education is wholesome.

About nine out of every ten people in Wilkes County are of Baptist persuasion. The responsibility is ours to see that these people are educated up to the exigencies of good citizenship and useful church membership. Unless we do this, they will gradually drift from us.

The Baptist denomination in Wilkes County never until recently caught a vision of its latent powers. We have hitherto been living from hand to mouth. The time has come for us to wake up fully and shake off our lethargy. We are beginning to catch step with the progress of the times. We have builded Mountain View Institute, a school that challenges the laudable pride, the sympathetic interest and active support of every Baptist in the county. It has already left its impress large on our denomination's life, and it is now so firmly entrenched in the affections of our people as to insure it a future of inestimable usefulness. As the years come and go, let us send more of our boys to Wake Forest and more of our girls to Meredith.

Finally, may we not direct the attention of our people to the vital necessity of a ministry at least slightly abreast of the pews in education? And this should be brought about without relegating to the rear the fine old soldiers of the Cross who have received their education in the stern school of necessity, but are nevertheless educated, and who have led us with unfaltering courage and steadfast faith through the years of the past.

F. B. HENDREN,
G. W. WALSH,
L. D. WHITTINGTON,
Committee.

Read by F. B. Hendren; discussed by F. B. Hendren, W. N. Johnson, and adopted.

2 P. M. Report on Sunday Schools.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School, next to the Church and ministry, is the greatest agency in evangelism, leading more souls to Christ than all other societies, as well as training them in Bible doctrine and Christian work of benevolence.

The Sunday school is now an important factor in our orphanage work. Many Sunday School classes are supporting an orphan and a large majority of our contributions come from Sunday Schools. They are doing a work upon which God has set his seal of approval, by saving thousands of lost souls through their work, which will be so many stars in the crowns of the workers, "which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to * * *

all who love and long for his appearing." So let every church press the Sunday School work, and run an ever-green school, or as many months as possible.

(Signed)

W. C. MEADOWS,

J. W. MOORE,

A. S. ELLER,

Committee.

Read by W. C. Meadows; discussed by W. C. Meadows, F. B. Hendren, and adopted.

On motion of F. B. Hendren, the following committee was appointed as a permanent Sunday School committee, said committee to report annually to the Association: W. H. Church, J. W. Nichols, F. B. Hendren, Mrs. W. F. Staley, Miss Nan Welborn.

3 P. M. Report on periodicals.

SUPPLEMENT.

Your committee would add that the periodicals of our denomination, namely, The Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home and Foreign Field and Royal Service, be recommended to our people, which will bring them in touch with our work.

W. F. STALEY.

Discussed by Rev. A. T. Pardue and adopted.

Report on Time and place.

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE AND PREACHER.

We, your Committee on Time and Place, respectfully submit the following report: Time: Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1921; Place: First Baptist Church at North Wilkesboro; Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. G. W. Sebastian.

U. B. WALTERS,

U. G. FOSTER,

W. H. CHURCH,

Committee.

4 P. M. Report on Temperance.

Discussed by Revs. W. E. Linney, W. F. Staley and F. B. Hendren, and adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF WORK.

We wish to endorse and heartily support the efforts of the Baptist people of the South to provide a more liberal support for the servants of God among us who have denied themselves the privilege of accumulating sufficiently of this world's good to support themselves in old

age, in order that they might give their whole lives to God and His creatures.

We find that the sum set aside for the purpose last year in the Brushy Mountain Association was only \$71.81, and that out of a total of 26 churches, 13 paid this amount.

We recommend that a regular fund be set aside by each church for the support of the aged and infirm ministers and that the importance of this phase of our benevolence be stressed along with every other object of the denomination.

W. E. LINNEY,
A. S. ELLER,
J. A. WEBSTER,
Committee.

Read by Rev. W. E. Linney; discussed by Rev. S. S. Jennings and adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The authority of our risen Lord is our marching orders for missions. The whole world for Christ should be our slogan. The needs of the fields are greater than ever; 20 millions were designated for foreign missions from the 75 million campaign. Ten millions is to be used in developing new works, and ten million in maintaining the work.

Building of church edifices, pastor's home, boys' and girls' schools, colleges and seminaries and hospitals in Africa, China, Japan, Brazil, Chile, Argentine, Bohemia and Mexico will fill a great need of our missionaries. In Buenos Aires, the largest city in South America, the Foreign Mission Board purchased a good lot, a barn was remodeled and used for the Baptist church. We expect to spend \$30,000 in placing a modern house of worship there that will be a credit to the cause, also a theological training school where we can train our native workers, and a high school for their literary training. In Rome, the center of Catholicism, \$25,000 will be used for a lot, chapel and pastor's home, and \$85,000 for a theological seminary where we can train our ministers and send them forth to proclaim the gospel. OTHER illustrations could be mentioned but time forbids it. Europe and the near East will be scenes of Missionary activity, a significant fact at this time is the missionary ship. At the board meeting held June 10, 1920, 49 new missionaries were appointed and 16 more were appointed at the July meeting. 50 of these started upon their voyage on the 17th of this month for China and Japan. This party, including a number of old missionaries families returning to

their work from furlough, will be the largest party ever sent out on one ship by any Foreign Mission Board.

Let us pray God's protecting care may be given them, and let us praise Him for the progress that is being made in His kingdom. We now have 542 churches in foreign lands, one-fourth of which are self-supporting, more than half of which worship in houses owned either by the board or by these churches. Last year 6,834 were baptized, the largest number ever reported in a single year, with a total membership of 57,438.

These native churches contributed last year \$242,460, which represents a gift of \$4.22 per member. Sunday Schools now number 836, with an enrollment of 47,672 scholars. 14 medical missionaries were able to give 205,098 treatments. The missionary force rose to 341 during the year. There was not a great gain in Foreign missionaries, but there was a gain of 208 natives, who now number 979.

The 75 Million Campaign was a God-send to our missionary work. Let us all resolve to meet our pledges, so that the work of reaching the lost will not be hindered.

Submitted by

G. W. SEBASTIAN,
G. W. WALSH,
L. D. WHITTINGTON,
Committee.

Read by Rev. G. W. Sebastian; discussed by Rev. G. W. Sebastian, W. C. Meadows, G. W. Walsh, and adopted.

Report of the Executive Committee that they had a meeting in August, arranged a program and requested the clerk to renew his contract for printing minutes, if he could get them by the time the Association meets.

On motion, H. C. Kilby was re-elected as a trustee of Mountain View Institute.

Brother J. J. Hayes was elected a member of the Executive Committee, in lieu of Rev. S. S. Jennings, resigned.

On motion, A. V. Foote was elected a delegate to the Baptist State Convention.

F. B. Hendren was elected a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, that the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren and sisters of

Ronda Baptist Church, and also the community, for the noble manner in which they have entertained this Association.

MILTON McNEILL,
Committee.

5 P. M. Adjournment with song, "Blest be the Tie That Binds," and prayer by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

C. C. WRIGHT,
Moderator.

Rev. W. F. Staley remained over Sunday and preached two sermons on Evangelism.

The Committee on Women's work submitted the following report:

Our work is making rather slow progress, but we must not be discouraged; because we do not believe that our slowness of developments is due to indifference or opposition of our Baptist women, but because of lack of a leader who will work among our people and inspire them with the glorious privilege they have of training both themselves and the coming generation for more efficient service in the noble work of saving the world for Christ. There have been three Woman's Missionary Societies, three Sunbeam Bands organized in the past year; also one W. M. S., one S. B. and one Young Women's Auxiliary at Mountain View Church, in the Stone Mountain Association, making nine societies organized. With the W. M. S. and S. B.'s of the Wilkesboros we have a total of six W. M. S., six S. B.'s and one Y. W. A. Four W. M. S., five S. B.'s and one Y. W. A. have reported meetings and contributions, which will amount to over \$400.00. Also some of these societies report personal work with money, clothing, trays, visits, etc.

There should be a live missionary society in every church. What a task we have, and yet many of our people drift along idle and indifferent in the Lord's work. And why? They are faithful, loyal Christians, love God and the Bible, but do not seem to know the need of a dying world. They do not give because they are not interested, and are not interested because they are not informed. Read, and you will know, know and you will love, love and you will serve. To interest and educate our women and young people along missionary lines is the work of the Women's Missionary Union. It works only through the church and in co-operation with the pastors. When we again have a superintendent of our women's work, will you not invite her to your churches, report your work to

her and let her do all she can to help you in this great work?

We thank the Association for the interest shown in our work, and earnestly ask the support of our pastor's and laymen in our efforts to spread the knowledge of, and increased love for our organized Southern Baptist Work.

Mrs. W. F. Staley addressed the women and children on Sunbeam and W. M. U. work on Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. W. NICHOLS.

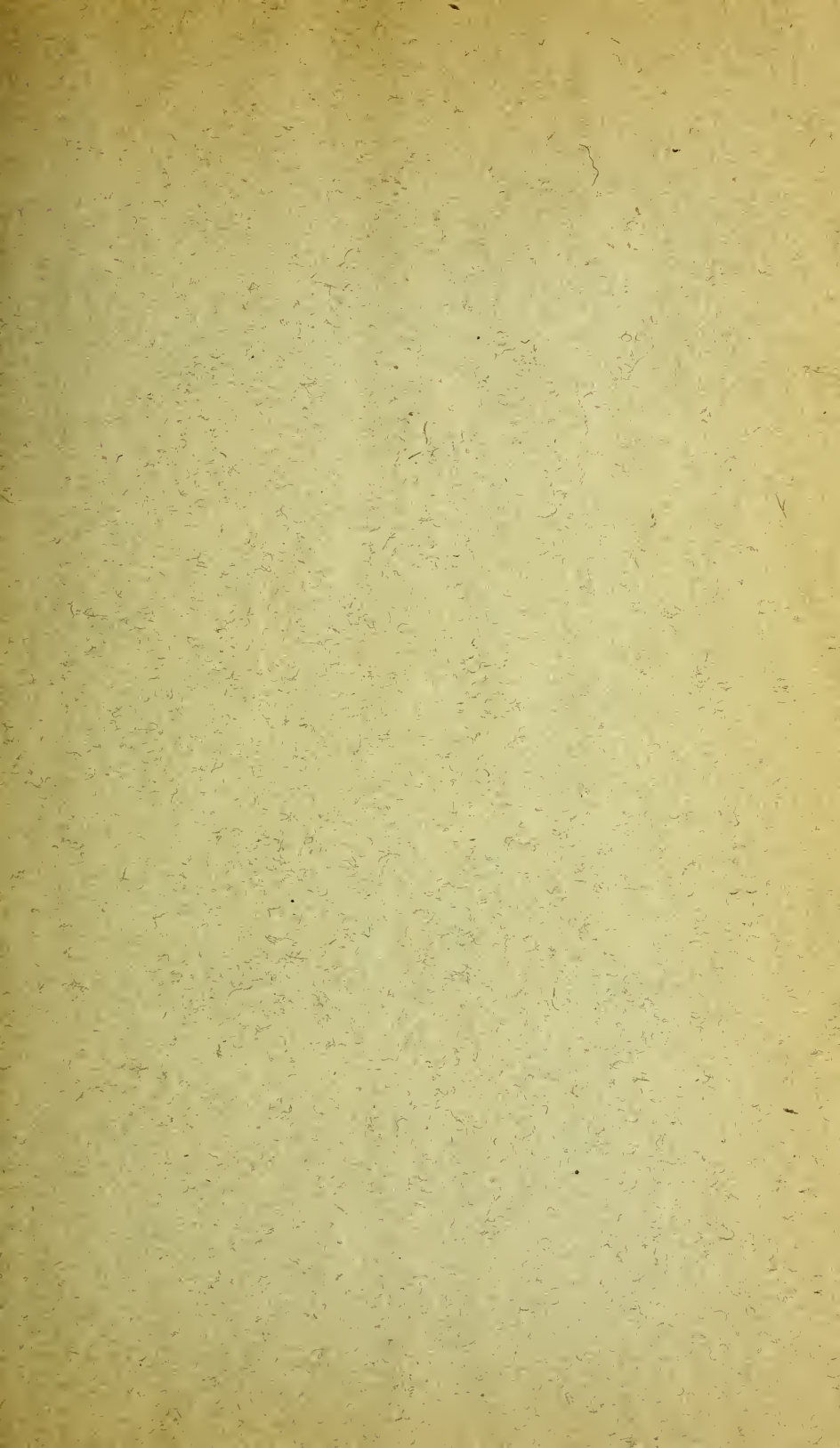
TABLE I---STATISTICAL

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			Number of Males	No. of Females	Total Membership
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Beaver Creek	B. F. Austin, Taylorsville	G. H. Walker, Boomer	3	300	11	2	4	6	1	3	49	60	109
Cub Creek	R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	J. B. Hall, Wilkesboro	3	600	3			2		3	21	21	42
Edgewood	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	A. G. Hendren, Straw	4	1100	3			1			80	84	164
Fishing Creek													
Goshen	B. F. Ausin, Taylorsville	H. A. Carlton, Goshen	3	1300	3			1	1	1	28	36	64
Gordon	L. B. Murray, State Pockd	A. B. McNeill, N. Wilkesboro	1		3	3				2	14	14	28
Harmony	G. W. Sebastian, Hays	H. M. Phillips, N. Wilkesboro	3	2500	4	3	2	7			30	42	72
Lewis Fork	G. W. Sebastian, Hays	H. C. Baker, Maple Springs	1	2000	19		1	1		1	78	140	218
Little Rock													
Moravian Falls	W. J. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls	2	1200						1	25	38	63
Mt. Carmel	M. McNeill, Wilkesboro	J. T. Rodgers, Moravian Falls	3	1500				2	1		32	52	84
Mt. Pleasant	G. W. Sebastian, Hays	J. C. McNeill, Champion	2	1500	15		1	5		1	121	173	294
Mt. Zion	D. M. Wheeler, Bamloo	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	4	400	6	2				2	69	70	139
New Hope	G. W. Sebastian, Hays	W. T. Eller, Purlear	4	800	14	2	1	7	2	2	69	124	193
2nd N. Wilkesboro	W. F. Staley, N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	Weekly	33000	16	5	2	16	5	3	143	200	343
1st N. Wilkesboro	J. M. Absher, Offen	E. M. Minton, N. Wilkesboro	2	500		2				2	22	37	59
Pleasant Grove	L. C. Woodruff, Dimmette	J. G. Parson, Buck	1	1000	10	3	1	6	2	3	117	133	250
Pleasant Home	I. C. Woodruff, Dimmette	W. T. Kilby, Millers Creek	3	1000				1			63	88	151
Pilgrim	Melvin Mikeal, Patton Ridge	E. M. Huffman, Congo	3	700	5	1		1	23		24	49	73
Ronda	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	N. E. Parlier, Ronda	2	2000				1		1	34	41	75
Stony Hill	Melvin Mikeal, Patton Ridge	L. D. Whittington, Parsonville	2	500	8			1	6	1	38	50	88
Walnut Grove	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	W. A. Jennings, Pines Knob	4	5000				1	1	1			197
Wilkesboro	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	J. E. Spainhour, Wilkesboro	Bi-Weekly	2000	2	1		2					127
Zion Hill	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. E. German, Boomer	1	600									58
Oak Grove	A. T. Pardue, Rearing River		1	600							10	15	25
Oakwoods	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	R. L. Jones, Oakwoods	1						1	1			

TABLE III---SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	Superintendent and Postoffice	Secretary and Postoffice	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Lewis Fork	D. F. Shepherd, Ready Branch	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch	1	6	60	66	40	9	19	10 00				10 00
Ronda	W. H. Church, Ronda	Vetra Stone, Ronda	1	7	129	136		12	4	25 00			10 50	35 50
Edgewood	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek	Lexie Moore, Straw	1	8	80	88	60	9	3	25 00				25 00
Mt. Zion	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	G. F. Barnett, Mt. Zion	1	6	96	112	50	12	4	23 00				23 00
Goshen	G. T. Proffit, Goshen	Lola Proffit, Goshen	1	5	35	40	25	9		5 00		5 00		10 00
Gordon	Sam Church, North Wilkesboro	Alice McNeill, North Wilkesboro	1	6	44	50	15	12						
Harmony	H. M. Phillips, North Wilkesboro	Ela May Sebastian, Crickett	1	5	60	65	25	8		12 00			10 60	22 60
Mt. Carmel	J. T. Rodgers, Moravian Falls	Leola Hester, Boomer	1	6	59	65	20	3		5 00				
Mt. Pleasant	E. A. Foster, Purlear	A. G. Church, Champion	1	10	70	80	30	12	11	16 00		5 00		21 00
1 N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	A. W. Horton, N. Wilkesboro	1	14	150	164	100	12	16	324 05	154 91		25 00	503 96
2 N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Porter, N. Wilkesboro	W. L. Minton, N. Wilkesboro	1	4	44	44		12						
Oak Grove														
Oakwoods	R. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro, 2	Minnie Anderson, Wilkesboro, 2	1	4	26	30	8	9						
Pleasant Grove	T. V. Church, Minton	Docia Minton, Buck	1	5	40	45	25	12		2 00				
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, 1	1	8	80	88	40	6	6	8 35				8 35
Pilgrim	E. M. Huffman, Congo	V. A. Church, Congo	1	5	30	35	20	12		2 22				
Stony Hill	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville	I. M. Laws, Parsonville	1	6	30	36	15	6		75				
Walnut Grove	W. G. Lowe, Pores Knob	Grace Lowe, Pores Knob	3	7	200	207	60	12	5	13 44		60 13 27		86 71
Moravian Falls	B. M. Partuc, Moravian Falls	W. C. Hendren, Moravian Falls	1	5	65	70	35	12		36 00				
Wilkesboro	J. R. Jones, Wilkesboro		1	5	65	63				92 64		20 00	17 53	130 17
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer	Arthur Greer, Boomer	1	5	60	65	35	12	2		8 00			8 00







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August 26, 27 and 28, 1921.

The next session will be held with Pleasant Grove
Church on Friday at 11 o'clock, before the
Fourth Sunday in August, 1922.

OFFICERS:

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W. E. Linney.

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J. W. Nichols.
J. I. Myers.

Alternates.

- V. McGhinnis.
A. G. Hendren.
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- W. F. Staley.
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MINUTES
of the
FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Wilkesboro, N. C., Aug. 26, 1921.

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met at the morning hour this day, with the North Wilkesboro First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro, N. C., for devotional services, and a quorum of the churches were found present by delegates or letter. Prayer by Brother W. C. Meadows. An address of welcome was made by Brother W. F. Staley, pastor of North Wilkesboro church and response by Brother C. C. Wright, moderator, who also, introduced Rev. G. W. Sebastian.

After reading the scriptures and prayer, Brother Sebastian announced his text, chosen from Joshua, first chapter and eighth verse, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

Recess was then taken for dinner and recreation. Benediction by Bro. Staley.

At 1 P. M. the body reassembled and was called to order by Bro. C. C. Wright, the moderator of last year. Prayer by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

On motion the Association went into permanent organization by re-electing C. C. Wright, moderator and electing V. McGhinnis, clerk and treasurer. Election by acclamation.

The moderator extended an invitation to correspondents and visitors, whereupon, Rev. G. W. Sebastian, Bro. J. S. Kilby and Mrs. Kilby, his wife, from Stone Mountain

Association, A. T. Pardue from Elkin Association and Bro. A. Johnson, representing Charity and Children, presented themselves and were welcomed to seats in the body.

Letters from the different churches were then handed in and the following delegates enrolled, to-wit:

Beaver Creek—G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—J. B. Hall, Hilary Jones.

Edgewood—A. G. Hendren, J. W. Moore, L. R. Miller.

Fishing Creek—R. L. Welborn.

Goshen—Homer Carlton, T. F. Walsh.

Gordon—J. H. Curtis, G. L. Carter, C. M. Coleman.

Harmony—L. E. Phillips, H. W. Mahaffey.

Little Rock—V. McGhinnis.

Mount Pleasant—W. G. Foster, J. G. Walsh, A. F. Parsons.

Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, W. M. Minton, G. W. Walsh.

New Hope—W. T. Eller, A. M. Church, W. H. Eller.

North Wilkesboro First—J. W. Nichols, E. F. Stafford, J. I. Myers.

North Wilkesboro Second—Bro. Combs, J. M. Minton.

Oak Grove—R. C. Campbell, W. A. Alexander, J. W. Blackburn.

Oakwoods—J. F. Jones, J. D. Laws, R. L. Jones.

Pleasant Grove—R. L. Lankford, T. V. Church, Dewey Caudill.

Pleasant Home—W. T. Kilby, C. E. Church, A. G. Bumgarner.

Pilgrim—E. M. Huffman, B. L. Minton, T. R. Foster.

Ronda—A. M. Blackburn, W. H. Church, J. A. Poplin.

Stony Hill—L. D. Whittington, G. W. Walsh, J. M. Parsons.

Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, J. S. Jennings, P. V. Lowe.

Wilkesboro—W. A. Stroud, A. C. Dennis, F. B. Hendren.

Delegates from a few of the churches were not present at the time of enrollment, hence, their names do not appear in the list.

The moderator announced the following committees, to-wit:

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Delegates of North Wilkesboro Church.

Executive—W. F. Staley, A. T. Pardue, W. E. Linney, M. McNeil, W. C. Meadows.

Digest of Church Letters—V. McGhinnis, W. F. Staley, J. W. Nichols.

Foreign Missions—Arthur Eller, W. A. Jennings, B. L. Minton.

Home Missions—M. McNeil, W. T. Kilby, Hilary Jones.

State Missions—G. W. Sebastian, R. L. Welborn, J. I. Myers.

Orphanage—W. C. Meadows, T. F. Walsh, L. E. Phillips.

Sunday Schools—W. H. Church, J. W. Nichols, G. H. Walker.

Education—F. B. Hendren, J. A. Poplin, J. M. Parsons.

Ministerial Relief—W. E. Linney, A. T. Parsons, A. G. Hendren.

Periodicals—W. C. Meadows, E. F. Stafford, G. W. Walsh.

Temperance—G. W. Sebastian, J. W. Blackburn, W. N. Minton.

Evangelism—W. F. Staley, U. G. Foster, A. B. McNeil.

Obituaries—W. T. Eller, J. B. Hall, L. R. Miller.

Historian—W. F. Staley, J. I. Myers.

Resolutions—W. C. Meadows, W. F. Staley, A. T. Pardue.

Time and Place—F. B. Hendren, John Laws, J. W. Moore.

It was then decided by a unanimous vote of the body that only the names of the delegates who were present during the session of the association, shall be enrolled in the minutes.

The Baptist Orphanage being the special order of the hour, the following report was read by W. C. Meadows

and spoken to by W. C. Meadows, W. F. Staley and Archibald Johnson:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Under the blessings of God our orphanage has enjoyed another good year. Nothing unusual has happened. No serious sickness nor deaths have marred the onward march of this great institution. The contributions have fallen short of last year by \$17,000, yet by strict economy and good management the orphanage has come safely through another year and is still pressing on in the great work for which God called it into existence, and we have no fears about its future support, as we are sure that God has laid this work on the hearts of the Baptist of North Carolina with a grip that will never let go. We now have 531 children, 85 of which are at the Kenedy Home. The annual cost per child is, 214.02, the total annual expenses are \$252,789.84. A large amount of this comes from the the Sunday Schools. Eternity alone can tell the good accomplished in taking the fatherless and helpless children, supplying all their needs and making them first class citizens and many of them christian workers. Let all our people remember the orphanage needs you, and you need the orphanage as a call from God to save you from a life of selfishness and help you to remember, God says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Let us not forget our motto, a thanksgiving offering of "One day's work for the orphanage," and let all our Sunday Schools take once a month collections for the orphanage, and all that can, take one child to support.

W. C. MEADOWS,

T. F. WALSH,

L. E. PHILLIPS,

Committee.

The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on order of business or program committee, submitted the following report which was adopted and the committee discharged:

Friday 11 A. M.—Introductory Sermon.

Friday 12 M.—Intermission.

Friday 1 P. M.—Organization.

Friday 1:30 P. M.—Report on Orphanage.

Friday 2:30 P. M.—Report on Evangelism.

Friday 3:30 P. M.—Miscellaneous.

Friday 3:45 P. M.—Report on Devotional Exercises.

Friday 4:00 P. M.—Dismiss.

Saturday 9:00 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.

Saturday 9:30 A. M.—Report on Home Missions.

Saturday 10:30 A. M.—Report on State Missions.
Saturday 11:30 A. M.—Report on Ministerial Relief.
Saturday 12 M.—Intermission.
Saturday 1:00 P. M.—Report on Education.
Saturday 2:00 P. M.—Report on Sunday Schools.
Saturday 3:00 P. M.—Report on Periodicals.
Saturday 3:30 P. M.—Report on Woman's Work.
Saturday 3:45 P. M.—Report on B. Y. P. U.
Saturday 4:00 P. M.—Miscellaneous.
Saturday 4:15 P. M.—Adjourn.

The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Bro. W. M. Sebastian, County Superintendent of Public Welfare, of Elkin Association, and Rev. R. N. Garner of Brier Creek Association were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body.

Bro. W. F. Staley read the report on Evangelism. The report was ably discussed by Brethren Staley, Meadows, McNeil and others.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

The work on evangelism was one of the principal features of the 75 million campaign. The objective was 75 million dollars and 2 million souls won to Christ. At the present time our attention is called at the special campaign. At the great session of the Southern Baptist Convention at Chattahoochee a Southwide movement was presented by the commission, which was endorsed by the convention. The Evangelistic Department of the Home Mission Board suggests the following slogan, Every One Win One. Last year, we saw the blessing of God on our Southwide efforts. One hundred and seventy-five thousand converts were baptised into the fellowship of our churches. This year, we expect far greater results. Evangelism naturally has two phases, first pastoral, this work is carried on by our pastors throughout the association; second, personal, lay members of our churches engaged in the task of leading souls to Christ. The commission outlines a two-fold plan: First summer campaigns with the association as the units. This is to be under the direction of the state secretaries, working through the associational organization. The plan is to have as far as possible a simultaneous meeting going in every church. The second plan is to have a denominational day, the idea is to have one day set apart for the discussion of the 75 million program. The work of our boards, State, Home, Foreign, Education, Relief, Sunday School, W. M. U., B. Y. P. U. are to be discussed, this is for the enlightenment of the people. Special emphasis is

to be laid on calling out the called. Endeavor should be made to lead young men to dedicate their lives to the ministry and the young women to the work of the Kingdom. A special effort should be made to turn all of our young people to our Baptist schools and seminaries. Baptists ought to have at least this year as their goal 250 thousand souls won to Christ, and brought into the services of our churches. Every possible effort should be put forth by evangelists, pastors, and laymen to lead souls to Christ. Your committee asks that we cooperate with the State Mission Board in this work of evangelism, and that each church may cultivate a spirit of the Master who came to seek and to save the lost. We further recommend that something definite be done in our association this year along this line.

W. F. STALEY,
U. G. FOSTER,
A. B. McNEIL,

Committee.

The report was adopted and committee discharged.

The matter of enlistment would be in order in connection with the report on Evangelism.

What is enlistment?

First—To enroll.

Second—To enlist for service.

Third—To enter heartily in a cause, as a soldier enlists into the ranks in warfare, to work and strive with his comrades for the accomplishment of the purpose for which they labor. Obedience to our Lord is the best proof of a sound conversion. It is to be understood when the new convert has connected himself or herself with a church that he or she has at the same time in a most solemn manner enlisted for service and has taken upon himself or herself a solemn obligation to the church and to Christ, the great head of the church. The design of churches evidently was that they should be the light of the world, the salt of the earth, etc. They constitute the effective instrumentality by which the will of God and the knowledge of Salvation through Christ are made known to men, and at the same time they form homes for the saints on earth, sheep folds for the safety of the flock, and schools for instruction of its converts.

The churches should well understand their high calling,

and seek to accomplish it according to the will of God.

Church fellowship is of first importance, and when fully obtained, then it will be a comparatively small matter to enlist them in the financial work of the churches.

V. McGHINNIS.

The committee on Devotional Exercises reported Bro., A. C. Hamby to conduct Devotional Exercises to-morrow morning at 9 A. M. In the event that Bro. Hamby should not be present, Bro. Meadows should conduct the exercises.

On motion adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 A. M.

SECOND DAY

Saturday, Aug., 27. 1921.

Met as per adjournment.

Devotional led by Bro. A. C. Hamby.

The hour having arrived for the consideration of State Missions, Rev. G. W. Sebastian read the report on that topic.

The report was spoken to by brethren, Sebastian, Hendren, Staley, Meadows, Hamby and others.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

We are glad we have a Baptist State convention for North Carolina and we feel that every true Baptist throughout the State should be proud of State Missions. It was organized nearly one Hundred years ago and its progress has been retarded by many obstacles but it has gradually grown stronger year by year, until at the present day it stands as a great power for God in this great South land of ours. Its main object is to repair and build up waste places in our state and we as your committee do earnestly request the good people of the Brushy Mountain Association to do all in their power to develop the church work in Wilkes county, with their prayers and money and make a great drive against the liquor traffic and evil society in Wilkes county and raise the standard of morality and Christianity to a higher plane than we have at present and save the boys and girls of Wilkes county.

But we should remember the supreme need of the land to teach and preach Christ and be witnesses for Him both in Jerusalem and

all Judea, in Sameria and to the uttermost parts of the earth, Acts 1:8.

G. W. SEBASTIAN,
R. L. WELBORN,
J. I. MYERS,

Committee.

The report was adopted and committee discharged.

Bro. Meadows read the report on Periodicals. The report was very interestingly discussed by a number of the brethren.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We cannot over estimate the value of our denominational papers. "Knowledge is power," but the person who reads no denominational paper has no power to defend himself, or his church against the tidal wave of error and false doctrine now flooding our country. To be a strong and useful Christian one must know his bible and must read other good literature too. Nothing can take the place of our periodicals.

The Biblical Recorder keeps us informed about our churches and the work they are doing to save the lost, train the saved and educate the young men and women, that they may be able to lead our people to higher and more noble lives for our Lord, and to be able to contend for truth as it is taught in the Bible, all of which is believed and taught by Baptist only. We wish to urge our people to take and read the Biblical Recorder, also our Home and Foreign Fields, which tell us about the great work of our Denomination, in the Southern States, Cuba and Panama, also the work of our Foreign Fields, Brazil, China, Japan, Italy, Africa and Spain. We further recommend Royal Service which tells of the great work of our women. We should by no means forget Charity and Children which keeps us informed about our whole work in caring for the orphan children of our State.

W. C. MEADOWS,
E. F. STAFFORD,
G. W. WALSH,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Bro. Milton McNeil read the report on Home Missions. The report was discussed by a number of the brethren and adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The work of our Home Mission Board is fundamental. This

statement will be fully sustained when we consider the following incontrovertible facts. The hope of the world is Christianity, for there is no other name under the heaven, given among men whereby we must be saved. The Foreign Mission enterprise is the divine method of giving the gospel to a lost and perishing world, but the salvation of America rests upon the enterprise of Home Missions. These assertions are manifestly true, and if so, then the work of Home Missions is second to no other enterprise and should have the support of all our churches. Upon the Home Mission Board rests some of the profoundest questions of our times, for salvation is the outlook upon the work needed to be done and to be done immediately, for if it is not done now, it may never be done. The work to be done in our towns, our cities and in the counties, as our people grow in numbers and in intelligence the pressure of the work becomes greater and more work needs to be done to overcome the gigantic forces that are uniting to hinder and defeat the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ. The divine program of missions as announced by our Lord after his resurrection and before his ascension was: Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, Matthew 28:18, Mark 16:15, Beginning at Jerusalem Luke 24:47, and "Lo! I am with you always, even unto the end." It is said our Jerusalem and Judea and Samaria are the United States, Panama, Cuba, Isle of Pines and that every Christian in all the Southern Baptist Churches should all get of one mind and of one accord and all engage in prayer, asking for the power of the Holy Spirit to come upon us that we might have a Pentecostal shower of the Spirit and that the people of God might be greatly revived and built up and that the servants of God might go out unto Judea and Samaria, (As it were,) then into all the world and preach the everlasting gospel to a lost world.

MILTON McNEIL,
W. T. KILBY,
HILARY JONES,

Committee.

W. E. Linney read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Ministers Relief Board has been in existence for more than twenty-five years, and during that time it has aided more than 125 needy preachers. The Sunday School Board a few years ago, at a meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, made an offer of \$100,000 as a nucleus around which there might be gathered a fund in the future for the purpose of pensioning aged and infirm ministers.

The object is a worthy one and we recommend:

1. That our churches make an offering for aged ministers' relief near Christmas each year.

2. That where possible we make life more comfortable and pleasant to all beneficiaries.

3. That we lend our support readily to whatever movement the convention may launch for the accumulation of an endowment fund.

W. E. LINNEY,
A. T. PARSONS,
A. G. HENDREN,
Committee,

The report was discussed at some length by a number of brethren and on motion, was adopted and committee discharged.

F. B. Hendren read the report on

EDUCATION

The last census report will place North Carolina several steps higher in the scale of general education than she has hitherto occupied. This should be grounds for pride on the part of every patriotic citizen of the state. Wilkes county, during the past twenty years, has likewise made rapid progress in all that pertains to general education. But the outstanding fault of our North Carolina system of education is that it falls short of the demands of the times. We are surely entering upon a period when most difficult problems of church and state will press heavily for wise solution. A clear recognition of this condition should be accepted as a challenge by every forward looking man and woman to educate their children for a more strenuous life than they themselves have been called upon to lead. We need more and better high schools today than at any previous period in our history. We need to train our boys and girls for intelligent citizenship in every community. Social and economic dangers threaten every step of our progress and the weak will continually fall a prey to them. If we would avoid falling into a state of religious stagnation, we must foster wholesome Christian education. We can no longer afford to treat this subject lightly. The zero hour has struck and we must put on our gas masks and storm the lines of ignorance and prejudice.

Happily we have in our midst and under our nurture an agency calculated to supply our needs in this respect. It is not too much to say that Mountain View Institute is ordained to revitalize the civic and religious activities of this section of the state. It has already quickened our denominational life. For the future it promises life and strength. We rejoice not only in its past achieve-

ments, but shout a glorious future for it. We believe it was planted by the hands of God for the rejuvenation of his cause in North Western North Carolina, and in pleading for Mountain View, we believe we are making most effective possible plea for all our other denominational institutions of learning.

F. B. HENDREN,

J. A. POPLIN,

J. M. PARSONS,

Committee.

This report was very ably discussed by F. B. Hendren, W. F. Staley, Arthur Carmack and others.

Pledges were given for Mountain View Institute amounting to over \$5,000.00.

On motion the report was adopted and committee discharged.

Bro. G. W. Sebastian read the report on Temperance. The report was interestingly discussed by G. W. Sebastian, W. C. Meadows, Milton McNeil and others.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report. Since the adoption of the Prohibition law in North Carolina, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, the cause of temperance had greatly advanced in North Carolina and especially in Wilkes county, up to the time of the great world war, but during the war and since that time conditions have become distressingly bad, especially in certain sections of Wilkes county. Blockade distilleries have been running almost continually, making blockade liquor, loading automobiles and supplying boot-leggers with ardent spirits. Now with law enforcement upon the statute books of North Carolina, we believe the country can be freed the blighting influence of intoxicating liquors. To this end we would urge the officers of Wilkes county to do all in their power to see that the law is enforced. We your committee would urge the good people of Brushy Mountain Association and the better element of Wilkes county to aid and assist in putting down the great evil that is blighting the land and country we all love.

G. W. SEBASTIAN,

J. W. BLACKBURN,

W. N. MINTON,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted and committee discharged.

Bro. Edward Long read the report on Foreign Missions. The report was spoken to by brethren Long, Meadows, Staley and others.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Christian Religion is primarily a missionary religion. Christ's program begins at Jerusalem and embraces the ends of the earth. Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is our superior officer and as good soldiers we have no choice but to obey Him. He has commanded us to preach the gospel to all the world and it is our business to see that His orders are carried out. We should not only be willing soldiers, but should find great joy in obeying his command. Foreign Missions is the work of giving the gospel to the people living outside the borders of our own country. This is a great task, but let us remember that the Master is leading, an ultimate victory is assured. We have approximately one billion people living in heathen lands, and while the Lord has greatly blessed our work, yet, we have only made a beginning in our task of evangelizing this world of humanity.

Our work is administered by our Foreign Mission Board, which is located in Richmond, Va. Dr. J. F. Love is our efficient Corresponding Secretary.

Southern Baptist are now engaged in mission work in seven different fields—Africa, Argentina, Brazil, China, Italy, Japan and Mexico.

We believe our people will respond to the call of Foreign Missions in a way which will startle us when we give them the facts regarding the most advanced work of the kingdom. We, therefore, wish to urge our pastors to preach more on this phase of the kingdom enterprise. We should also urge our people to read books and tracts on this work and by all means they should read the Home and Foreign Field. This is an important time for foreign missions and we need to be in constant prayer and supplication for the Father's constant blessings upon our brethren at Richmond, the missionaries abroad, and that He may open the eyes of the heathen that they may see and be saved.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR ELLER,
W. A. JENNINGS,
R. L. MINTON,

Committee.

The report was adopted and committee discharged.

Sunday school being the special order of the hour, and

the committee not having the report ready the clerk was requested to write the report for them.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Bible school, commonly called Sunday school, is one of our oldest religious institutions. The teaching of the word of God to the people, from the days of the wilderness wandering down thru the centuries to the present time, has always been a powerful force in keeping nations from falling into sin and going off after false gods.

Whenever God's people have magnified the teaching of his word his cause has prospered greatly, and on the other hand whenever the teaching of the Word was neglected, His cause has languished and the progress of the Christian religion has been retarded.

There has been great growth in teacher training, larger buildings, and better equipment, the grading of schools in order to more properly instruct and develop all ages, the organization of home departments to reach those who for various reasons are unable to attend Sunday school, planning evangelistic campaigns to win the lost, etc.

If every school in the Brushy Mountain Association would start a teacher training class and take up the study of the normal manual and after that other books in the regular course, we would see a wonderful impetus given to the work, and our report a year hence would show that very much bigger things had been accomplished.

We would, therefore, make the following recommendations for the coming year:

1. Definite campaign for reaching more of our people for Sunday school.

2. An enlistment of more of our workers in study courses and reading courses. Our schools can never do their best until we have trained workers.

3. A close touch and cooperation with the Sunday School Department of our Mission Board. The Secretary, Brother E. L. Middleton, will furnish free valuable tracts and suggestions on every phase of Sunday school work.

4. A persistent effort to train the children and young people regarding the great interest of the kingdom fostered by our convention.

5. Finally, a vitalizing of all of our schools to make them more effective in evangelism and more definite in training every one for personal service.

Respectfully submitted,

V. McGHINNIS,

For Committee

Following the report on Sunday schools we would suggest a few thoughts on

SABBATH OBSERVANCE

The Sabbath Day is an institution of God. "On the seventh day God ended his work which he had made, and he rested on the seventh day. And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it." When He gave his code of Ten Commandments to Israel, He there placed a safeguard around the Sabbath day, saying, "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy." To emphasize the importance of keeping this commandment, and as a warning to future generations, on one occasion a man was ordered stoned to death for gathering sticks on the Sabbath Day.

When Jesus came He brushed aside many of the man made rules which made the observance of the day a burden, and laid down some fundamental principles. According to His teachings, two kinds of work are permissible on the Sabbath Day—works of necessity and works of mercy.

Under the direction of Jesus and the Holy Spirit, after the resurrection, which took place on the first day of the week, the old Jewish Sabbath, or seventh day, was changed to the Lord's Day, or first day of the week, but the obligation to keep the day sacred was not changed or minimized.

One of the growing evils of the day is the sin of Sabbath desecration, under the plea of necessity many business enterprises do not close on the Lord's Day. Sunday work is on the increase, and many are making of the day a holiday, a day of pleasure. Sunday amusements, Sunday excursions, Sunday entertainments, Sunday outings are getting to be a curse in the land. One of the duties of the church today, is that of calling the world back to a right observance of God's day, a day of rest, meditation, worship and Christian service.

V. McGHINNIS.

PRAYER MEETING

The prayers of the church should be addressed to God, for prayer and the open Bible are the greatest of all Christian privileges. Through prayer we express our thoughts and needs to God. Through the Bible God speaks to us, revealing His mind and will. The prayers of the church should be as the prayers of one, united in thought and purpose. "Prayer is the key that opens the gate of heaven's treasure house." The best and most profitable service is the weekly prayer meeting.

The country church can have the Sunday evening prayer meeting and the town church can have the midweek prayer meeting, to

render thanks and implore Divine aid, and if this be neglected the cause must suffer.

Prayer that is for the health of the soul must be offered in an earnest spirit. The more natural and true, the nearer to success—not artificial, not mechanical, but simple and sincere.

Prayer is the appointed channel for receiving both temporal and spiritual blessings. "Ask and ye shall receive." There should be more interest manifested in the weekly prayer meetings, also prayer meetings in the homes, "ye have not, because ye ask not." "The praying church is the receiving church." The question is often asked, how may the different phases of church work be built up and carried on successfully? The solution may be found in the following words of Jesus, "If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it."

Respectfully submitted, V. McGHINNIS,

Bro. F. B. Hendren offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved: That this Association ratify the appointment of the five additional trustees of Mountain View Institute by the last session of the Legislature.

The committee on resolutions submitted the following report, viz:—

Resolved: That the thanks of this Association are due and hereby tendered to the First North Wilkesboro Baptist church and to the town generally, for the princely manner in which it was entertained during this session of the Brushy Mountain Association.

W. C. MEADOWS,

W. F. STALEY,

A. T. PARDUE, Committee,

The resolution was unanimously adopted and committee discharged.

The committee on Time, Place and Preachers, report as follows:—

Time, Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1922, at 11 A. M. Place, Pleasant Grove church, four miles west of North Wilkesboro and one mile north of Brown's Ford. To preach Introductory sermon, W. F. Staley. Alternate, W. C. Meadows.

F. B. HENDREN,

JOHN LAWS,

J. W. MOORE, Committee.

On motion of W. C. Meadows the minutes were ordered printed and the Clerk was allowed eight dollars for his services.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

Of the twenty seven churches composing this association only three maintain missionary societies. Besides the financial work as the minutes will show, these societies have enriched their own lives by Bible and mission study, prayer, personal service work, etc. As we study about and pray for our State, Home and Foreign work, do you dare think, we will pray and think less about our own church or that the church will not be helped by spiritual blessings which come in answer to such prayer?

The requirements for membership in the Woman's Missionary Union is a small monthly offering once a month, daily prayer for the progress of God's work. You may say we can do that without an organization, but one woman alone however earnest and zealous she may be, can not do one tenth as much as ten organized.

May the Lord bless each member in each church and may He create in us a hunger for information concerning His work that we may be able to do more effectively His will, and instill in the minds and hearts of the young the satisfaction that comes through consecration and service. Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. F. STALEY, Superintendent First North Wilkesboro.

MRS. W. F. MILLER, Superintendent Wilkesboro.

MRS. W. H. CHURCH, Superintendent Ronda.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK AT THIS SESSION

The women of the association held a meeting for a few minutes on Saturday of the present session, the meeting was called to order by Mrs. W. F. Staley, who spoke a few words of encouragement about our work also something of how the world was looking to America for the Gospel. There were five churches represented. Reports from the W. M. S., showed \$366.15 given to missions undesignated. Each society reports gifts to the poor and others at home. One of the two Sunbeam Bands reported \$67.38 to missions. The meeting adjourned with a prayer that other churches might feel the need of a Missionary Society and be able to report much good done at our next annual meeting.

MRS. J. W. NICHOLS, For Committee.

On motion it was decided to appoint a Historian at each session of this association, in the future, to write a brief history of the church where the session is held.

Rev. W. F. Staley was appointed to get up a brief Historical Record of First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro, which he did as follows:

ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTH WILKESBORO

Organized Dec. 17th, 1892, with seven charter members, in the old building known as the stalls, by Rev. C. S. Cashwell, and

J. S. Forester, the first Deacons, Dr. W. P. Horton, W. M. Absher, A. M. Church, and Frank Mayberry. A lot on the hill corner of 6th, and F, Streets was given by the Land Company, upon which the church edifice was erected. Mr. A. M. Church going into the woods and selecting choice timber which was used in the building. Rev. W. R. Bradshaw was called and served as pastor for twelve years.

The following ministers have served the church, their pastorates are as follows: W. F. Staley, from Feb. 1, 1904 to Nov. 30th, 1908. Rev C. M. Rock, from Feb. 3rd, 1909 to Feb. 27th, 1911. Rev. L. B. Padgett, from Aug. 9th, 1911 to Dec. 3rd, 1911. Rev. J. M. Dunnaway, from Jan. 14th, 1912, to Oct. 22nd, 1913. Rev. Edward Long, from April 8th, 1914, to Aug. 1st, 1917. Rev. W. F. Staley, from March 3rd, 1918, to Aug. 19th, 1921.

The Sunday school has had three superintendents: Dr. W. P. Horton, served twelve years. Mr. W. H. Church, served twelve years, Mr. E. M. Blackburn served five years, being assistant since 1903.

The beautiful new church was erected in 1910, Rev. W. F. Staley delivered the address at the laying of the Corner Stone. The subject having been selected by Rev. C. M. Rock, "The Struggle of the Baptist." The First Baptist church undertook two enterprises in order to stimulate our growth in this section. In the early history the membership built a Denominational School being run for a period of five years, which academy was sold and the present School Building was erected in its stead. Also, the Blue Ridge Baptist, a denominational paper was edited by Rev. W. R. Bradshaw. Two Baptist churches were organized by the first church, Namely the Second Baptist church, during the first pastorate of Rev. W. F. Staley, and the Gordon Baptist church during the present ministry.

The membership has slowly increased to 371. To our knowledge Dr. Horton, and T. W. Church are the only charter members living in North Wilkesboro.

The church is thoroughly organized and has a W. M. U., and a B. Y. P. U., and a Sunbeam Society, and a Ladies Society.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. STALEY.

Adjournment to time and place of next Association. Prayer, W. C. Meadows leading, closing one of the most pleasant and profitable sessions of the Brushy Mountain Association.

V. McGHINNIS,
Clerk and Treasurer,

C. C. WRIGHT,
Moderator.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSS.			Number of Males	No. of Females	Total Membership
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death			
Beaver Creek	M. McNeil, Wilkesboro.	G. H. Walker, Boomer.	3	1000 00	19	5	4	55	61	116			
Cub Creek	R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek.	J. B. Hall, Wilkesboro.	4	800 00		1	1	21	19	40			
Edgewood	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	A. G. Hendren, Straw.	3	1100 00	7	3	1	88	87	170			
Fishing Creek	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro.	1	1000 00				40	69	109			
Gordon	L. B. Murry, State Road.	J. H. Curtis, N. Wilkesboro.	1	87 00	12	2	2	15	19	34			
Goshen	L. B. Murry, State Road.	H. A. Carlton, Goshen.	1	1300 00			8	23	35	58			
Harmony	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro.	H. M. Phillips, No. Wilkesboro.	4	2000 00	3	2	1	31	42	73			
Lewis Fork	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro.	J. W. Dyer, Purlear.	1	2000 00	11	2	5	120	136	256			
Little Rock	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	S. M. Knight, Boomer.	2	2500 00	18	3	1	52	56	108			
Moravian Falls	W. J. Bumgarner, Taylorsville.	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls.	2	1200 00				25	34	59			
Mt. Carmel	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	J. T. Rodgers, Moravian Falls.	1										
Mt. Pleasant	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro.	J. C. McNeil, Champion.	2	1500 00	21	2	4	125	181	306			
Mt. Zion	Levi Greene, Hopkins.	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion.	2	500 00	3		5	68	72	140			
New Hope	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro.	W. T. Eller, Purlear.	4	800 00	60	2	3	115	143	258			
1. N. Wilkesboro	W. F. Staley, No. Wilkesboro.	J. F. Canchill, No. Wilkesboro.	4	33000 00	23	17	12	163	208	371			
2. N. Wilkesboro	J. M. Absher, Offen.	E. W. Minton, N. Wilkesboro.	2	500 00	14	3	1	31	51	82			
Oak Grove	A. T. Pardue, No. Wilkesboro.	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro.	1		5	1	1	33	30	63			
Oakwoods	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro.	R. L. Jones, Oakwoods.	1										
Pleasant Grove	L. B. Murry, State Road.	J. G. Parsons, Buck.	1	1000 00	1	4	4	108	160	268			
Pleasant Home	Grant Cothren, Lomax.	W. T. Kilby, Millers Creek.	3	1200 00		1	1	65	90	155			
Pilgrim	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge.	J. M. Huffman, Congo.	4	1000 00	8	1	2	24	57	81			
Ronda	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro.	C. B. Butner, Ronda.	1		2	1	1	33	37	70			
Stony Hill	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge.	L. D. Whittington, Parsonville.	2	500 00	8	1	3	43	54	67			
Shady Grove	Isaac Watts, Boomer.	M. G. Stelman, Pores Knob.											
Walnut Grove	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville.	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob.	4	1200 00	11	1	1	77	129	196			
Wilkesboro	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro.	J. E. Spainhour, Wilkesboro.	2	10000 00	2	4	3	62	68	120			
Zion Hill	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	J. E. German, Boomer.	2										
TOTAL				33287 00	222 34	20 24	46	251335	1804	3139			

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75 Million (Undig'ted)	State and Assoc- tional Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministers' Relief	Hospitals	TOTAL
Beaver Creek	60 00			35 00		1 00					15 00	6 26				7 26
Cub Creek	100 00	4 00	21 15			1 00		127 00				10 00				120 00
Edgewood				25 00		1 00		15 25				18 27				271 15
Fishing Creek	49 65			11 93		1 20				15 00	30 93	40 00		5 00		86 25
Gordon	80 00		2 00	5 00	3 75	50		40 00				22 00				108 71
Goshen																127 50
Harmony																25 75
Lewis Fork	150 00					1 10				1 00		2 20		1 00		157 10
Little Rock	100 00		4 00	3 00	5 00	1 00						3 00				116 00
Moravian Falls	60 00		5 00						5 00	2 00	5 00	5 00		5 00		87 00
Mt. Carmel																
Mt. Pleasant	199 10	275 46	25 00	16 00		70		22 42		24 46		25 00				588 14
Mt. Zion	100 00			2 83	14 10	95	20 00		30 25	8 80	8 80	37 85	40 00			299 58
New Hope	100 00		14 00			1 50	40 00	21 37				13 60				190 47
1 N. Wilkesboro	1500 00	625 60	1017 55	510 86	178 51	5 00		1963 86		158 51		109 00				6100 52
2 N. Wilkesboro	20 58															
Oak Grove	60 00		10 00	10 00	32 00	50	5 00		75 00		15 00	10 00				217 50
Oakwoods						70				3 00	5 00	7 50		3 00		19 20
Pleasant Grove	85 00	61 25		5 00	5 60	1 00		1 00			8 35					167 20
Pleasant Home	100 00	12 00		11 27	10 00	2 00	29 13	90 25				20 00				274 65
Pilgrim	31 19	105 60	1 50	21 97	3 50	55										164 31
Ronda	200 00			76 55		2 00		100 45				50 00				423 70
Stony Hill	71 00				4 00	85		10 00								85 85
Shady Grove																
Walnut Grove	200 00	150 00				1 25	50 00		11 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	2 00		439 05
Wilkesboro	1000 00	250 00		72 58		2 00		321 86								1646 44
Zion Hill																
TOTAL	5152 01	1483 31	1099 00	807 19	248 96	26 80	144 13	3713 46	121 25	217 77	793 08	389 68	45 00	11 00	15 00	11642 23

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	Superintendent and Postoffice	Secretary and Postoffice	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Kept Open	Baptisms from Schools	School Expenses	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions	
Beaver Creek	A. J. Foster, Boomer.	James Barlow, Ferguson.	2	10	100	110	35	12	16					
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.	G. Anderson, Wilkesboro.	1	4	35	39		12		24 00		11 00	35 00	
Edgewood	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek.	Miss Texie Moore, Straw.	1	8	123	131	40	9	6	15 00			15 00	
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro.	Mrs. J. R. Johnston, Wilkesbor.	1	8	97	105		9		25 00			25 00	
Gordon	C. M. Colman, No. Wilkesboro.	Clara McNeil, No. Wilkesboro.	1	6	50	70	20	12	12					
Goshen	C. M. Carlton, Goshen, N. C.	Mrs. R. L. Proffit, Goshen.	1	4										
Harmony	R. Lankford, Cricket.	Ella Mae Sebastian, Cricket.	1	6	46	52	24	9		8 00			8 00	
Lewis Fork														
Little Rock	Isaac Broyhill, Boomer.	S. M. Knight, Boomer.	1	4	50	54	30	9	12	3 00			3 00	
Moravian Falls	W. G. Lowe, Moravian Falls.	Bernice Pardue, Moravian Fal	1	7			25	12		30 00				
Mt. Carmel														
Mt. Pleasant	J. C. McNeil, Champion	Albert McGee, Purlear.	1	10	65	75				16 00			16 00	
Mt. Zion	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	G. F. Barnett, Mt. Zion	2	10	84	94	40	12	2	21 00	17 00	15 00	53 83	
New Hope	A. S. Eller, Purlear.	Lola Yates, Purlear.	1	6	97	103		12	34	17 00			16 61	
1. N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.	J. H. Joines, N. Wilkesboro.	1	14	155	169	120	12	*20	210 00			210 86	
2. N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Porter, No. Wilkesboro.	W. L. Minton, No. Wilkesboro.	1	4	40	44		12						
Oak Grove	Amos Alexander, Wilkesboro.	Blanche Lowe, No. Wilkesbor	1	5	70	75	40	8						
Oakwoods.	R. P. Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.	Minnie Anderson, Wilkesboro.	1	4	26	30	8	9						
Pleasant Grove	T. V. Church, Minton.	Iesse Nichols, Buck.	1	5	75	80		12		5 00			5 00	
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek.	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro.	1	8	130	138	53	12	12	12 00	30 00	30 00	40 40	
Pilgrim	E. M. Huffman Congo.	T. R. Foster Congo.	1	4	65	87	25	12	5					
Ronda	W. H. Church, Ronda.	Miss R. V. Stone, Ronda.	1	8	145	153		12					76 55	
Stony Hill	M. A. Walsh, Parsonville.	Dora Hamby, Parsonville.	1	7	176	183	75	6		8 00			8 00	
Shady Grove														
Walnut Grove	R. C. Meadows, Pores Knob.	Gay Lowe, Pores Knob.	1	4	75	125	65	8		21 00	40 00		65 00	
Wilkesboro	F. B. Hendren, Wilkesboro.	A. C. Dennis, Wilkesboro.	1	10	125	135	65	12	2	73 00			123 59	
Zion Hill														
TOTAL			25	156	1793	1949	665	109	1488	00	157	00	56 00	701 84

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HELD WITH
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August 25, 26, and 27, 1922.

The next session will be held with Oakwoods Baptist Church, three miles south of Wilkesboro, commencing on Friday at 11:00 o'clock, before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1923.

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MINUTES

Of the

FORTY NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of the

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Buck, N. C., Aug. 25, 1922,

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met this day with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. Rev. W. F. Staley who was appointed at the last session of the association to preach the Introductory sermon, being absent, it was preached by Rev. W. L. Griggs, pastor of North Wilkesboro First Baptist Church. Text, Mark, 16 Chapter and 15th and 16th verses which read as follows, to-wit:

“And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.”

The introductory sermon by Bro. Griggs was timely and practical.

An intermission of one hour was then taken for rest and refreshments.

At 1:30 p. m. messengers reassembled in the house and were called to order by Bro. C. C. Wright, the moderator of last year, Rev. W. C. Meadows then led a very earnest prayer for the guidance of the holy spirit in all the deliberations of the Association.

By a roll call, a quorum of the churches were found present. The association then proceeded to organize permanently.

For Moderator E. M. Blackburn placed in nomination the name of C. C. Wright. There being no other names before the body Bro. Wright was reelected by acclamation. Rev. W. C. Meadows placed the name of V. McGhinnis in nomination for clerk and treasurer. As there were no other names before the body, he was on motion reelected by acclamation.

An invitation, was then extended to correspondents, transients and visitors, whereupon, Prof E. L. Middleton of Raleigh, Secretary of the Sunday school department of the Baptist State Convention was present and welcomed to a seat in the association.

Dr. A. E. Brown, Superintendent of Mountain Schools, and Prof. M. T. Tanner of Mountain View Institute were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body.

Letters from the different churches were then handed in and the following messengers enrolled, to wit:

Beaver Creek—L. C. Matherly, Fred Walsh, G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—James Lankford, J. B. Hall.

Edgewood—A. G. Hendren, J. W. Moore, Clyde Wright.

Fishing Creek—R. L. Wellborn, S. B. Miller, J. W. Pardue.

Gordon—J. H. Curtis, G. L. Canter, A. B. McNeil.

Goshen—R. L. Proffitt, T. F. Walsh.

Harmony—L. E. Phillips, R. J. Farrington, H. W. Mahaffey.

Lewis Fork—W. C. Triplett, D. F. Shepherd, J. R. Triplett.

Little Rock—W. F. Jarvis, S. M. Knight, V. McGhinnis,

Moravian Falls—D. J. Pardue, J. E. Parleir, R. L. Pearson.

Mount Carmel—James Isaacs.

Mount Pleasant—J. B. Foster, H. I. Shoemaker, W. G. Foster.

Mount Zion—Richard Wooten, W. M. Minton, D. M. Triplett.

New Hope—A. S. Eller, W. B. McNeil, N. C. Church.

1. North Wilkesboro—E. M. Blackburn, J. W. Nichols, J. C. Wallace.

2. North Wilkesboro, J. W. Wilson, C. H. Higgins, C. H. Dancy.

Oak Grove—

Oakwoods—R. L. Jones, W. T. Stroud, J. T. Jones.

Pleasant Grove—J. J. Parsons, John Bumgarner, J. G. Parsons.

Pleasant Home —W. T. Kilby, C. C. Church, A. L. Nichols.

Pilgrim— E. M. Huffman, P. H. Eller, B. L. Minton.

Ronda—C. B. Butner, W. A. Hendrix, A. M. Blackburn.

Stony Hill—L. P. Whittington, G. W. Walsh, Alonzo Walsh.

Shady Grove—Kemma Steelman.

Walnut Grove—Floyd Jennings, W. C. Meadows.

Wilkesboro—F. B. Hendren, W. A. Stroud, J. H. Johnson.

Zion Hill—

Zion Hill and Oak Grove were not represented by messengers nor by letter, consequently the names of their delegates do not appear in the foregoing list.

The Moderator announced the following committee, to-wit:

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Delegates of Pleasant Grove church.

Executive—W. C. Meadows, M. McNeil, W. L. Griggs, A. T. Pardue, W. E. Linney.

Digest of Churer Letters—V. McGhinnis, R. L. Proffitt, W. G. Foster.

Foreign Missions—M. T. Tanner, E. E. Eller, J. W. Moore.

Home Misisons—J. M. Hayes, A. G. Hendren, E. M. Blackburn.

State Missions— W. L. Griggs, W. H. Eller, A. B. McNeil.

Orphanage—W. C. Meadows, A. S. Eller, A. M. Blackburn.

Sunday Schools—U. G. Foster, R. L. Proffitt, I. P. Anderson.

Education—F. B. Hendren, R. L. Proffitt, V. McGhinnis.

Ministerial Relief—W. C. Meadows, L. E. Phillips, B. L. Minton.

Periodicals— W. L. Griggs, J. B. Jones, C. H. Dancy.

Temperance—M. McNeil, J. W. Nichols, W. L. Stroud.

Evangelism and Enlistment—G. W. Sebastian, S. M. Knight, James Isaacs.

Obituaries—W. C. Meadows, D. F. Shepherd, J. W. Nichols.

Associational Organization—W. C. Meadows, F. B. Hendren, R. L. Proffitt.

Historian—V. McGhinnis.

Resolutions—W. C. Meadows, W. M. Minton, F. B. Hendren.

Time, Place and Preachers—G. W. Walsh, J. C. Wallace, J. R. Foster.

Last year, it was decided by a unanimous vote of the body that only the names of the messengers who were present during the session of the association, shall be enrolled in the minutes.

This decision was not recinded this year, consequently, it is yet in force.

Rev. Milton McNeil read the report on

TEMPERANCE

Your committee on Temperance beg leave to submit the following report:

After the adoption of the Prohibition Act prohibiting the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, the cause of temperance greatly improved up to beginning of the great war with Germany; but when the United States declared war with Germany, the price of intoxicating liquor advanced to such an extent that numbers of our people began to manufacture and sell intoxicating liquors at such a rate that automobiles were loaded with intoxicating liquors going from town to town and from city to city, and we, your committee, are sorry to have to report that the same condition still exists. The manufacture of intoxicating liquors and the sale of of the same is being carried on in almost every section in North Carolina, and especially, in Wilkes County.

We were talking with a Baptist Minister of Wilkes County some time ago, and he told us that in his section of the county the majority of the people were engaged in the manufacture and sale of liquor and the balance of the people in that section were in sympathy with those who were engaged in it, (except just a few) and they were afraid to open their mouths for fear they would be killed.

We your committee, want to ask the good law abiding citizens, both men and women, to see that no blockade still is allowed to operate in their section of Wilkes County, and we want to ask that if one should be put up in your section to report it to the officers of the county and also to the United States officers, and we

further recommend the officers to do all in their power to see that the law is enforced, and when that is done, the condition of our County and State will be free from the manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

MILTON McNEIL,
W. T. STROUD,
J. W. NICHOLS,

Committee.

Following the report on Temperance the following resolution on

PROHIBITION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT,
was unanimously adopted by the Association.

Resolved, 1. That it is the sense of this Association that in as much as the use of alcoholic liquors is the mediate or immediate cause of ninety per cent of the criminal litigation in Wilkes County and in as much as the manufacture and sale of it for beverage purposes are especially prohibited by the constitution and laws of our country, we deem it to be the Christian duty of members of the church composing this Association to take an active united and firm stand against violations of the prohibition laws and, to that end, to report all known violations of these laws to the officers charged with their enforcement and in the event these officers ignore such reports or trifle with them to report the officers themselves to authorities as may have the power of removal.

Resolved, 2. That we call upon all officers in Wilkes County, whether Federal or State, upon their own official initiative and whether specific reports are made to them or not, to faithfully and energetically enforce the prohibition laws, to the end that our boys and girls may be protected and saved to useful lives.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on

THE ORPHANAGE

During thirty-seven years our Orphanage at Thomasville has been Baptist headquarters for the appeal of North Carolina widows and orphans.

During this time we have received 2097 children and turned away perhaps 12,000 for want of room and means.

We have a task that is unfinished, because, "The poor ye have always with you". Our obligations to them will never be discharged until, in co-operation with other like Institutions in the state, we so enlarge our work, so as to be able to care for all orphans and deserving widows in North Carolina.

This shortage of room is being supplemented by our "Mothers' Aid Plan" in this way we are caring for 105 orphans with their 23 mothers. So far the results have been satisfactory. One of these homes is in our association. Sister Bertha Cain at Mora-

vian Falls, who has five children filled the requirements of the orphanage and she is receiving aid every month. This should stimulate our people to give more liberally to this worthy cause. This work can be extended where we find worthy cases. We now have 542 children in the orphanage 89 are in the Kennedy Home, at an average cost of \$19.40 per child, per month. This is a fine showing, when we consider that this amount covers all expenses for food, clothing, schooling, medicine, and church and Sunday School advantages, in fact everything they need.

The last year has been marked by no startling record; but is has been a good year, as harmony and cooperation prevails among all the workers. The health of the children has been fine. There has been little or no sickness, which is a token of the blessings of God upon the Institution.

We are grieved at the death of one fine boy caused by a fall from a mule. The children have the very best training in school extending to the 10th grade, hence they leave the orphanage well equipped for any vocation in life. Once in a while some of the orphans take a college course. Physical training is not neglected. They are trained on the farm, in the sewing department, laundry, shoe shop, and printing office. They go to school half the time and work on the farm and various trades the other half, hence we see that this is one of, if not the greatest, works in which we as Baptists are engaged. It calls for our warmest and heartiest cooperation in prayer and liberal giving.

We should not neglect our Thanksgiving offering—"One days work for the orphanage." Let us see that collections in church and Sunday School are taken regularly.

W. C. MEADOWS,

A. S. ELLER.

A. M. BLACKBURN,

Committee.

In addition to the report on the orphanage, E. M. Blackburn offered the following resolution to-wit:

Resolved; That the Brushy Mountain Association recommend that the superintendent of every Sunday School in the Association be requested to take a collection in his Sunday School for the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville on the first Sunday in each month.

The report and resolution was interestingly discussed by E. M. Blackburn, W. C. Meadows, F. B. Hendren, G. W. Walsh and others.

On motion, the report and resolution were adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on order of business was discharged with, as

some of the brethren had gotten together a few weeks previous to the meeting of the association and made the following cutline for the work of the body during this session, to-wit:

- Friday 11 A. M.—Introductory sermon.
- Friday 12 M.—Intermission.
- Friday 1 P. M.—Organization.
- Friday 1:30 P. M.—Report on Temperence.
- Friday 2:30 P. M.—Report on Orphanage.
- Friday 3:45 P. M.—Miscellaneous.
- Friday 4:15 P. M.—Dismission.
- Saturday 9:00 A. M.—Devotional Exercises.
- Saturday 9:30 A. M.—Report on Home Missions.
- Saturday 10:30 A. M.—Report on State Missions.
- Saturday 11:30 A. M.—Report on Evangelism.
- Saturday 11:45 A. M.—Report on Enlistment.
- Saturday 12:15 P. M.—Intermission.
- Saturday 1:15 P. M.—Report on Education.
- Saturday 2:00 P. M.—Report on Sunday Schools.
- Saturday 3:00 P. M.—Report on Periodicals.
- Sat. 3:30 P. M.—Report on Associational Organization.
- Saturday 3:45 P. M.—Report on Woman's work.
- Saturday 3:45 P. M.—Report on B. Y. P. U.
- Saturday 4:00 P. M. Miscellaneous.
- Saturday 4:15 P. M.—Adjourn.

Foreign Missions being the special order of the hour, the report not being ready, it was decided to discuss the topic and write the report and hand it in later on.

Quite a number of the brethren made very timely and informing speeches on the subject. The following report on Foreign Missions was handed to the clerk and reads as follows, to wit:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is our superior officer and as good soldiers we have no choice but to obey Him. He has commanded us to preach the gospel to all the world and it is our business to see that His orders are carried out. We should not only be willing soldiers, but should find great joy in obeying His command. Foreign Missions is the work of giving the gospel to the people living outside the borders of our own country. This is a great task, but let us remember that the Master is leading and ultimate victory is assured.

In our Foreign Mission work, last year was the one of the greatest achievements in our work. Eleven new churches, 7,891 Baptists, a total membership on the Foreign Fields, of 64,251, Contributions by Christians of \$465,235, are some of the

outstanding facts. This vast work has been transacted by our Board at an expenditure at home of 3.74 per cent of the funds handled—a record for economy unmatched any where.

The mission stations of Southern Baptists now nearly encircle the world. We are now at work in eighteen nations, preaching the Gospel of the blessed God to the representatives of an audience of nine hundred millions of people, a territory and audience larger than has ever confronted any other Protestant organization in all time.

With our profoundly simple doctrines and our democratic organizations so fully in conformity with the trend of the times, we are confronted with more open doors and enticing calls than have ever before challenged the faith and inspired the courage of the people of God. Our Board has proceeded with marvelous wisdom in selecting and entering the new fields.

The one depressing fact in our work for the past year is that our financial income, while gloriously large as compared with that of a few years ago, did not equal that of last year. While the fields are whiter than ever before and the doors wider open than ever before, a large number of volunteers are in training and urging to be sent out, than ever before and God is crowning our efforts on the fields with larger success than ever before, the work is badly crippled and retarded and the workers discouraged for lack of adequate financial support.

Therefore in order to meet, in a worthy and adequate way the wholly unusual world challenge and opportunity, this association must increase its finances for our Foreign Mission work.

M. T. TANNER,

E. E. ELLER,

J. W. MOORE,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The following committee on Devotional Exercises reported Rev. T. V. Church to conduct devotional exercises to-morrow morning at 9 A. M. On motion adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 A. M.

SECOND DAY

Morning Session.

Saturday, Aug. 26, 1922.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Devotional led by Rev. T. V. Church.

The hour having arrived for the consideration of

Home Missions, the report was read by Rev. J. M. Hayes.

HOME MISSIONS

As will be learned from the annual report of the Home Mission Board made to the Southern Baptist Convention at Jacksonville last May, the Board presented a record of wonderful achievements. The previous year had been the greatest in all the history of the Board, and tho there was retrenchment in the force of workers the past year in results was even greater.

The Million dollar mark was reached in the church Building & Loan Fund which is loaned to Churches in the erection of church buildings.

It was the greatest year in soul saving and in the enlistment of our forces in the work of the Kingdom, in advancement towards self support in so many of our fields all of which conspired to render the year memorable in our history.

Some times statistics are tiresome and uninteresting, but such as the following ought to cause thanksgiving to God on our part and resolutions to make it possible for even greater results through the labors of our Home Mission Board.

There were last year under the employment of the Board independent and Cooperative workers, a total of 1,188 missionaries who supplied 3,131 churches and missions, delivered 165,445 sermons and addresses, made 236,992 religious visits, baptized 56,164 converts, received 83,994 additions to the churches, organized 305 churches, built or improved 456 houses of worship, organized 786 Sunday Schools and did a vast work in personal visitation among the sick and distributed millions of pages of tracts and thousands of copies of the scriptures.

What a mighty work is being accomplished through this great agency of Southern Baptists—the Home Mission Board. Surely the Lord of Hosts is with us, making bare his mighty arms in the salvation of the lost.

The Board's work is done under the following Departments: Cooperative Missions, Enlistment, Evangelism, Mountain Schools, Foreigners, Indians and Negroes. Cuba, Panama, Soldiers and Seamen, Publicity, Southern Baptist Sanatorium, Church Extension.

In every department of the work there has been splendid progress, especially on the lines of Evangelism and Enlistment, which two departments have recently been more closely coordinated and are working hand in hand for the salvation of the lost and the development of the saved.

The Board for two years has been heavily in debt because of the enlargement of the work at the beginning of the 75 Million Campaign and a great falling off in receipts during the past year.

This has made it necessary for retrenchment wherever possible, and has at the same time made it impossible for the Board to respond to numerous and pressing calls for help.

Financial conditions are improving and the Board is encouraged to believe that its receipts will be in advance of those for last year and thus make it possible to lessen the Board's debt and turn our forces towards the larger opportunities that are found on every hand.

Free literature in the way of tracts and leaflets can be had on application to the Home Mission Board,

1004 Healey Building,
Atlanta, Ga.

J. M. HAYES,
A. G. HENDREN,
E. M. BLACKBURN,
Committee.

This report was ably discussed by J. M. Hayes, E. L. Middleton, Dr. A. E. Brown and others.

On motion, the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. W. L. Griggs read the report on State Missions.

STATE MISSIONS

State Missions is our effort as a great Denomination, to evangelize and train the Baptist people of North Carolina. The work will not be done until Christ comes again. The tasks confronting us now are larger than since we began this work. We are now doing more in this department than ever before. There are now about two hundred Missions working under the State Board, getting a part of their salaries from the Board, and the balance from the Churches.

Our Secretary, Dr. Maddry, has organized the work under the State Board into Departments, Namely: 1. The Department of Missions which has for its aim that of helping to supply weak fields and churches with pastors, in paying a part of salaries for pastors in locating pastors at strategic points. We are now aiding about three hundred churches and mission points in this way. These workers look after every phase of the work in these churches.

We are going into the highways and hedges with the gospel as Baptists understand it. The results are very gratifying in soul winning, church development, organizing new churches, and putting into these the proper organizations.

2. The Development of Evangelism is at present led by H. T. Stevens of Greensboro. He has three evangelists aiding in this work, and they are holding great meetings. The work is largely

supported by thank offerings where these meetings are held.

3. The Sunday School Department is now in charge of Secretary E. L. Middleton. He has three other workers, and the Sunday School work in our State is making great progress. Training schools are conducted by these workers. Institutes held and suggestions in the Recorder by our secretary and his staff are helpful, as well as accounts of how the work is being blessed in this department.

4. The B. Y. P. U. Department is led at present by Secretary Perry Morgan and a junior B. Y. P. U. worker. This work is making fine progress. There are now eight hundred unions with about 30,000 members in training for better service in our churches. Your committee appeals to our churches in our association to encourage this work. We should organize an Association- al B. Y. P. U. Convention and do all we can to arouse an interest in our young people's work.

5. The W. M. U. work is now led by Miss Mary Warren of Raleigh. These women now have over 1,700 societies in the State and they gave last year more than three hundred thousand dollars to our various boards, and they turn back into our treasury more than \$100.00 for every dollar we spend in maintaining their work. Every church with a splendid W. M. S. in our association, is the wish of your committee.

6. The Department of Enlistment and Country church work is led by Rev. A. C. Hamby. He has four helpers. The country churches offer a challenge to us, and we must develop them. No need is greater today in our state than the training of our country churches.

7. The Book Department is in charge of the Cashier of the Board, Robert L. Middleton of Raleigh. It is a financial asset and not an expense. During the last year it sold over \$11,000 worth of religious books to our people. It can furnish our Baptist people with the best song books, Bible and any religious books published. We urge all our people to support this work. Let us meet our pledges to the campaign year.

Your committee regrets to report a debt on our State Mission Board of \$22,040.15 on the first day of August 1922. Let us send in all money in hands of our Treasurer regularly to help keep this work going.

W. L. GRIGGS,
E. E. ELLER,
A. B. McNEIL,

Committee.

Evangelism and Enlistment being the special order of the hour the committee appointed to write these reports not being present they were written by the clerk.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

The great work which has been achieved through this agency is beyond our conception. One of the greatest needs in our State Mission work is an adequate force of men who can hold meetings with weak and struggling State Mission Churches. Often they cannot command the help needed in a meeting and then a brother pastor cannot always give the time necessary for a successful and effective evangelistic meeting. Our men employed by the Board can go to the strong and weak churches alike and they can remain until the victory is won and the church put on the way to a great destiny.

We gather from the minutes of the last session of the Baptist, State Convention that more meetings have been held than ever before in the same length of time. The results have been highly gratifying from every standpoint.

Last year there was reported 16,617 additions by baptism, 1,519 addition by letter, 224 by restoration. The results have demonstrated the wisdom of an organized systematic effort on the part of the churches, for the winning of the lost.

Your committee again asks that we cooperate with the State Mission Board in this work of evangelism, and that each church may cultivate a spirit of the Master who came to seek and to save the lost.

V. McGHINNIS,
JAMES ISAACS,
S. M. KNIGHT,

Committee.

Report of Committee on

ENLISTMENT

The purpose is to help the country churches to see and understand their greatly enlarged task and debt created (1) in the State, by the swift and steady advance in education, agriculture, good roads, health, and sanitation. (2) In the world, by its almost complete freedom from political and religious oppressions and from old forms and old parties; by the manifestations that it is conscious of its overwhelming need of God; by the many facilities and agencies for effective work and by the soul-stirring that NOW is the conspicuous Baptist opportunity of the ages in that the nations of earth are clamoring for freedom of action and development, and for self determination in politics and religion. It means to encourage and help the churches to function with spiritual power in their respective communities by showing them how to get into the center of the correlative forces of the community, such as the school, the farm, civics and co-

operative associations, social and sanitary and relational organizations. It will seek to create and foster a desire for compact fields, more preaching, pastors homes and better houses of worship equipped for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. work. It will urge the churches to adopt a continuous program of training for effective work, laying special stress upon training the young people and getting them to work. It will likewise persist in trying to get into the churches a program big enough to require and important enough to enlist the whole membership in putting it over." It will be the duty of the Enlistment committee to go into all the neglected parts of our Christian enterprises and enlist the uninlisted in the common Christian task and do for the Master what was meant by them to be done in their profession of their faith made before they were baptized and received into church fellowship. This is the obligation that rest upon us all, and all alike. It enters into all true church life, Missionary details, Bible student activities, and Christian benevolence, with many other things outlined by Christian church workers. This great work is before us. Let us save churches that we already have by teaching them "All things", for we have the promise of the master that He will be with us always, even unto the end of the world.

Committee.

EDUCATION

The Baptist denomination has always stood for general education and we congratulate the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools in Wilkes county upon the highly efficient administration of the public school system in the county during recent years.

But since knowledge is power and is apt to assert itself in social, civic and industrial development, therefore the expansion of our public school system calls for more attention on the part of our churches to Christian Education, lest our social development becomes lopsided. Unless we have made up our minds that our venerated Christian ideals shall be consigned to the scrap heap of fogyism and be replaced by gross materialism and half baked skepticism. We should cherish as our most valuable possession our Christian Schools. In the opinion of your committee they, and they alone, can save the day for the Baptists of this section. Wholesome evangelization and training for Christian service are alike dependent upon them to bring and hold in the Baptist fold, where they belong by birth and environment, about ninety per cent of the white population of Wilkes county,

to furnish leadership to the more than 100 Baptist churches in Wilkes County such as the young men and young women of tomorrow will reasonably require, is a task well calculated to challenge the highest endeavors of all forward looking Baptist in Wilkes County. To let them drift from us, would be denominational cowardice.

Mountain View Institute situated almost exactly in the geographical center for the county, is our most indispensable asset. If we will but properly nourish it, it will in the end save the day for us. In the past eleven years of its existence, it has given us hope and inspiration, and it is just beginning to enter upon that career of usefulness planned for it. It is and will be maintained an accredited high school. The plant is worth \$75,000.00. The present faculty, we have every reason to believe is exceptionally strong.

For collegiate training we commend Wake Forest College and Merideth College for our boys and girls respectively.

Respectively submitted,

F. B. HENDREN,

R. L. PROFFITT,

V. McGHINNIS,

Committee.

This report was ably discussed by F. B. Hendren, M. T. Tanner and Dr. A. E. Brown.

On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

W. C. Meadows read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Board of Ministerial Relief is to see to the collections of needed funds, investigate applications and endorse those who are worthy and see that their needs are supplied. It is expected for North Carolina to raise \$60,000 annually for this work. All contributions for this work should be sent to Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C.

The government pensions old soldiers. Many corporations reward disabled men for their services. Should Baptists be less careful to aid their faithful ministers who have given their lives with all their best energies to preaching the gospel?

Many of whom have helped largely to lay the foundation of the liberty and prosperity enjoyed by us. So intensely interested in the Lord's work that they gave little time and thought to laying up means for a support in old age.

We your committee urge that all the churches make a Christian offering for this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS,

L. E. PHILLIPS,

B. L. MINTON,

Committee.

This report was spoken to by Rev. W. C. Meadows and others and adopted. After adoption the committee was discharged.

The Executive committee introduced the following:

RESOLUTION

The Brushy Mountain Association in regular session this, the 26th day of August, 1922, to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, greeting:

Whereas there is being taught in some of our colleges and high schools the theory of evolution with all its demoralizing and harmful effects upon the young people of our county, weakening their faith, destroying their confidence in God and in His Word, leading to infidelity and ultimate rejection of God, and which, if permitted to spread its pernicious influence, will undermine our system of Christianity and long cherished devotion to God and His Word, and whereas these colleges and high schools are supported by voluntary contributions from the Baptists of North Carolina, we feel that we have a God-given right to determine what shall be or what shall not be taught in these schools and imparted to our boys and girls.

Now, therefore, we most urgently petition our said convention that it may order that the report of the committee of the Southern Baptist Convention at Jacksonville be carried out viz., "That in our opinion a person cannot believe in the theory of evolution as taught today and in the Bible, and we advise all our boards of education to select text books on science which are in accord with the teachings of the Bible. Therefore, we ask that there shall be eliminated from our schools and colleges any teaching of the theory of evolution with all its attendant evils. Be it resolved further that we reaffirm our belief in and loyalty to the Bible as a whole from beginning to end and being the Word of God.

Prophecy came not by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. We believe that the Bible is the positive declaration of God's will to man and if we repudiate a single word of it and say the writing of Moses is only a myth we thereby repudiate the writings of Isaiah, Malachi, Paul, Peter and of Jesus Christ Himself who endorsed Moses as one of the prophets; then we have left only a "scrap of paper" held in

derision and hissed at by the teachers of our schools in the future and if this tendency is not checked in some way the next generation of our people will have no reverence nor regard for God or His Word, and with this goes all regard for law and order. Of what value is the oath of one who does not believe in God.

Now brethren believing as we do that ninety per cent of the Baptists of North Carolina do not believe in evolution as it is taught today, we feel that the great body of the Baptist State convention can not afford to shackle the liberties of the more than three hundred thousand Baptists of the State by appropriating their money to propagate a thing in which they do not believe. Therefore, we confidently believe and expect that you will rise to the great responsibility of the hour, and let the great majority of the Baptists of North Carolina be heard, and thus grant our most urgent request.

Executive Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

For well written detailed data and lengthy learned dissertations on the great Sunday School question you are respectfully referred to the Minutes of our North Carolina State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention. These may be had by addressing a request to Baptist Mission Rooms, Raleigh, N. C.

Actual facts of the number of schools, present membership and other matters will be found in the statistical tables of our Association Minutes; hence we will make no attempt to give statistics in this report. So far as we are informed, every church in the Brushy Mountain Association has a Sunday school.

Teacher training is highly important in all of our local Sunday schools, as well as in our State work. Why should not every school have a teacher-training class and thereby better equip our teachers? Nothing means more to the efficient and good work of our Sunday schools than consecrated well trained teachers.

We would recommend that every individual school establish a teacher training Class, using the course prescribed by the State Convention.

Many who undertake to teach are poorly trained and have little or no special equipment in the way of books and help for their work. Many of these workers have plodded for years in a faithful effort to do their work against tremendous odds. Proof accumulates from direction that the great mass of our people do not know their Bibles and, in many instances, our efforts to really teach them the precious word of God are falling far short of the mark. Many of the children and of our adult population, including a large per cent of our church members need to be attracted to our Sunday schools and taught the word of life. In view of this condition of affairs your committee would suggest the closest and fullest contact and cooperation with Secretary Middleton and our Sun-

day School Department at Raleigh. The institutes and teacher training work could be utilized to fine advantage here. This work alone will do wonders toward solving our Sunday School problems. It is a great eternal business we are about. Error, sin and falsehood are being sown all around. God help us to improve our efforts in our Sunday Schools.

W. G. FOSTER,
R. L. PROFFIT,
I. P. ANDERSON,

Committee.

The report was ably discussed by E. L. Middleton and others and on motion adopted. Committee on Associational Organization made the following report:

ASSOCIATIONAL ORGANIZATION

We, your committee on the above topic would suggest the following plan of organization to-wit:

1. An Associational Board composed of:

1. An Executive committee of seven consisting of the moderator and Clerk of the Association, and three other men and two women. Of the five men, two shall be laymen. The moderator and clerk, by virtue of their office, shall be the chairman and secretary, respectively, of this Board.

2. An Enlistment and Stewardship Committee, consisting of five members of the Association, as follows: A leading pastor, a leader in Sunday School work, a wide-awake B. Y. P. U. leader and the best W. M. U. worker obtainable, and a consecrated layman to take the lead in laymen's work.

3. An Advisory Committee, composed of one representative from each field in the Association, whose duty it shall be to keep the Chairman of this Board informed as to all matters needing attention by the Board in the various sections of the Association.

DUTIES

1. To arrange fields or pastorates.
2. Build homes for pastors
3. Provide for the missionary needs of the Association.

MEETINGS

This Board shall meet four times a year in connection with the fifth Sunday or Union meetings of the Association, and at such other times as the moderator and clerk may deem wise.

QUORUM

Four members of the Executive Committee and three of the Enlistment and Stewardship Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transacting of business. The members, however, must be notified by the Chairman as to time and place for all meetings of this Board.

In the local church there shall be an Enlistment and Steward Committee of five representing the Sunday school work, the B. Y. P. U. Organization, the W. M. S. Society, the Laymen's work, and one on Missions and Finances.

Respectfully Submitted,
F. B. HENDREN,
W. C. MEADOWS,
R. L. PROFFIT,

Committee.

The report was discussed by E. L. Middleton and others and adopted.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE

Under the direction of Jesus and the Holy Spirit, after the resurrection which took place on the first day of the week, the old Jewish Sabbath, or seventh day, was changed to the Lord's Day, or first day of the week. But the obligation to keep the day sacred was not changed or minimized.

One of the growing evils of today is the sin of Sabbath desecration. Under the plea of necessity many business enterprises do not close on the Lord's Day. Sunday work is on the increase. And many are making of the day a holiday, a day of pleasure. Sunday amusements, Sunday excursions, Sunday entertainment, Sunday outings are getting to be a curse in the land. One of the duties of the church today is that of calling the world back to a right observance of God's Day, a day of rest, meditation, worship and Christian service.

Respectfully submitted,
V. McGHINNIS.

PRAYER MEETING

Prayer meeting, this is one important subject we need to study well. Prayer and prayer meetings are as essential to the individual and church as food is to man. Prayer meeting means more than a gathering and uttering a memorized chain of words. The writer's understanding of prayer meeting is this: First two or more persons, at a decided place; Second, this number blending their hearts and minds together in the King's business; Third, presenting a united prayer to God, asking His will be done; Fourth, those asking to labor earnestly to bring an answer.

This plan followed, we will be in accordance with the New Testament Church.

Respectfully submitted,
V. McGHINNIS

The committee on time and place report as follows:
Time—Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1923, at 11 a. m.

Place—Oakwoods church three miles south of Wilkesboro.

The ministers to preach introductory, denominational, and missionary sermons are to be named by the Exe-

cutive committee prior to the next meeting of the Association.

The following resolution of thanks offered by Rev. W. C. Meadows, was most heartily and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the sincere and heartfelt thanks of this Association be extended to this, the Pleasant Grove church and community for the most excellent entertainment during its session. We therefore shall remember this church and community with great joy.

On motion the usual number of minutes were ordered printed and the clerk was allowed eight dollars for his services. The minute funds contributed by the churches being inadequate, the clerk was instructed to get advertisements enough to pay balance on printing and distributing minutes.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention is a great factor in the work of the Kingdom. Every woman should be a member of the missionary society of her church, doing her part of the great task outlined for us.

Our work in the Brushy Mountain Association moves slowly, but is moving. There is a desire—almost a determination in the minds and hearts of many of our women to organize for greater service. The societies have done a great work besides their gifts to the objects of the convention, hundreds of visits, giving of money trays, clothing, etc. to the poor and needy, have been reported.

Report of the superintendent's work for the year is as follows: Miles traveled 88, letters written 68, meetings with women in churches not having a society 2. A number of tracts sent out and distributed.

Let us all resolve to stand by and encourage the women to undertake this work in their respective churches.

MRS. J. W. NICHOLS, Supt. of Woman's work.

On motion, it was decided at the last session of the Association to appoint a historian at each session of the Association to get up a brief history of the church where the association is held. V. McGhinnis was appointed to get up a brief historical record of Pleasant Grove Church, which he did as follows:

Organization and History of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. Organized November 13th, 1886, with 12 charter members from other Baptist churches of same faith and order. The other Baptist Churches to which these charter members belonged, being remote, and not being accessible to them, they after mature deliberation and earnest prayer to God for guidance, decided to organize a church and build a house of worship in the most convenient locality in the community consequently, they invited Revs. J. W. Church and J. F. Davis to preach in the community. These brethren assisted in the organization and were chosen the first pastors of the church.

The following are the names of the charter members who went into the organization and who helped to bear the first burdens of the church, to-wit.

John Bumgarner, Emeline Bumgarner, Adelaide Foster, Martha Parsons, Mary Parsons, Hamilton Church, Jefferson Parsons, Henry Bumgarner, Roma Bumgarner, Wesley Bumgarner, Amos Church and Poley Church.

Some of the original members have gone to their reward.

The following are the names of the ministers who have served this church as pastors for the past 36 years, viz: J. W. Church, J. F. Davis, A. T. Pardue, J. F. Eller, Washington Adams, James T. Nichols, L. B. Murry, J. C. Woodruff, Melvin Michael.

This church has now a commodious house of worship situated on the public road in a beautiful grove of native oaks. It has 212 members, and preaching once a month. It also has a well organized Sunday school with an enrollment of 105 and an average attendance of 70.

Few, if any country churches, have made more progress, under adverse circumstances than Pleasant Grove.

V. McGHINNIS.

OBITUARIES

The Committee on Obituaries reported the following names of members of the different churches, who have died since the last session of the Association:

Beaver Creek—Thomas Hartley, James Walsh, and J. M. Hair.

Fishing Creek—Luther Sparks, Mrs. Mary Smithy.

Lewis Fork—Elizabeth Church.

Little Rock—Odell Livingston.

Moravian Falls—Mrs. Vina Parleir, Mrs. Frankie Parleir, Miss Grace Earp.

Mount Carmel—Mrs. Martha Hester.

Mount Pleasant—Mrs. Amanda Summerlin, Mrs. Mary Longbottom.

North Wilkesboro—J. A. Carlton, Dr. W. P. Horton, B. H. Johnson, John Henderson.

Pleasant Grove—L. L. Minton, Emma Parsons, J. W. Bumgarner, S. D. Church, A. W. Minton.

Pleasant Home—Polly Miller, A. C. Nichols.

Ronda—R. G. Hickerson, M. H. Stone.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with Oakwoods Baptist Church at 11:00 a. m., on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August 1923.

V. McGHINNIS,
Clerk-Treas.

C. C. WRIGHT,
Moderator.

TABLE 3—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES

Secretaries and P. O.

Superintendents and P. O.

Church	Secretaries and P. O.	Superintendents and P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance for the year	Ch. Members Enrolled	No. on Cradle Roll	Total Beginners, Primaries and Juniors	Total in Home Dept.	Total in Mission Schools	Teachers Holding Diplomas	Teachers Holding Seals	No. of Organized Classes	Baptisms from School	Contributed to Local Expenses	Contributed to Missions	Total of All Contributions
Beaver Creek	A. J. Foster, Boomer	Fred Walsh, Boomer	5	45	25	15		20	45				6	5	5 00	4 00	9 00
Cub Creek	C. Wright, Hunting Creek	A. G. Hendren, Straw	7	100	45	27		58					6	18	18 00		18 00
Fishing Creek	E. F. Anderson, Wilkesboro	Mrs. J. R. Johnson, Wilkesboro	8	118	92	30		41					5	30	30 00		30 00
Gordon	A. B. McNeil, N. Wilkesboro	Clara McNeil, N. Wilkesboro	8	126	65	20	19						5	78	32 00		78 32
Goshen	F. R. Barlow, Boomer	Lola Proffitt, Goshen	3	61	35								3	4	00 00		4 00
Harmony	Dewey Caudill, Wilkesboro	Ella Maie Sebastian, Crickett	8	70	44			12					3	9	00 00		9 00
Lewis Fork	D. F. Shepherd, Ready Branch	Conrad Jones, Ready Branch	3	60	45								3	1	10 00		10 00
Little Rock	V. McGinnis, Boomer	S. M. Knight, Boomer	4	67	50	24	10	12					4	15	10 00		10 00
Moravian Falls	W. G. Lowe, M. Falls	Griffin Humphries, M. Falls	7	93	66	20		25					6	9	21 00		21 00
Mount Carmel	I. S. Isaacs, Pores Knob	Miss Onie L. Steele, M. Falls	8	104	65	40		24						12	25 00		25 00
Mount Pleasant	J. C. McNeil, Champion	Albert McGee, Purlear	6	101	41								9	9	12 27		12 27
Mount Zion	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	G. F. Barnett, Mt. Zion	7	157	75	75		94					6	2	41 18		41 18
New Hope	A. S. Eller, Purlear	Vertie Watts, Purlear	18	360	245	120	35	145	78			1	10	1	278 48		278 48
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	J. H. Jones, N. Wilkesboro															
2d N. Wilkesboro	C. H. Higgins, N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Porter, N. Wilkesboro															
Oak Grove																	
Pleasant Grove	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro	5	75	41	18		50					3	14	12 80		12 80
Pleasant Home	I. G. Parsons, Buck	W. E. Parsons, Buck	5	85	60								3	4			
Pilgrim	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro	6	105	70			49					3	5	16 89		16 89
Ronda	E. M. Huffman, Congo	F. O. Foster, Congo	4	70	50								3	5			
Stony Hill	W. S. Edwards, Ronda	R. E. Martin, Ronda	7	160	71												
Shady Grove	E. D. Parsons, Parsonville	J. M. Laws, Parsonville	8	126	65								3	2	50 00		7 89
Walnut Grove																	
Wilkesboro	Mack Price, Pores Knob	D. S. Broyhill, Pores Knob	6	75	60					56			4	25	00 12 00	57 70	37 00
Zion Hill	F. B. Hendren, Wilkesboro	A. C. Dennis, Wilkesboro	11	125	73								2	20			57 70
Total			144	2553	883	314	64	528	90	101	1	1	67	123	1110 44 63	70 688	53 688 53

TABLE 1—Church Directory, Membership and Property

CHURCHES	When Constituted	Pastors and Postoffices	Clerks and Postoffices	Regular Days
Beaver Creek	1811	Milton McNeil, Wilkesboro	✓ G. H. Walker, Boomer	3
Cub Creek	1870	R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	✓ James Lankford, Wilkesboro	4
Edgewood	1893	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	✓ A. G. Hendren, Stray	3
Fishing Creek	1822	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	✓ R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro	2
Gordons	1919	L. B. Murray, State Road	✓ J. H. Curtis, N. Wilkesboro	1
Goshen	1914	I. C. Woodruff, Lomax	✓ H. A. Carlton, Goshen	1
Harmony	1900	L. B. Murray, State Road	✓ H. M. Phillips, N. Wilkesboro	4
Lewis Fork	1818	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	✓ J. W. Dyer, Purlear	1
Little Rock	1866	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	✓ S. M. Knight, Boomer	2&4
Moravian Falls	1886	W. J. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	✓ D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls	2
Mount Carmel	1887	J. W. Clanton, Gilreath	✓ James Isaacs, Pores Knob	1
Mount Pleasant	1875	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	✓ J. C. McNeil, Champion	2
Mount Zion	1849	Levi Green, Hopkins	✓ W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	3
New Hope	1830	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	✓ W. T. Eller, Purlear	4
1st N. Wilkesboro	1892	W. L. Griggs, N. Wilkesboro	✓ J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	Weekly
2d N. Wilkesboro	1907	D. C. Clanton, Gilreath	✓ J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro	2
Oak Grove	Not represented			
Oakwoods	1918	J. W. McAlpine, Stony Point	✓ R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro	1
Pleasant Grove	1886	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	✓ J. G. Parsons, Buck	1
Pleasant Home	1880	Grant Cothrew, Lomax	✓ W. T. Kilby, Millers Creek	3
Pilgrim	1830	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	✓ E. M. Huffman, Congo	4
Ronda	1893	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	✓ C. B. Butner, Ronda	4
Stony Hill	1888	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	✓ L. D. Whittington, Parsonville	4
Shady Grove	1880	Isaac Watts, Boomer	✓ M. G. Steelman, Adley	2
Walnut Grove	1845	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	✓ W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	4
Wilkesboro	1880	J. M. Hayes, N. Wilkesboro	✓ J. E. Spainhour, Wilkesboro	1&3
Zion Hill	Not represented			
Total,				
Total, Last Year,				
Increase,				
Decrease,				

TABLE 2—FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and P. O.	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Incidentals	Building and Repairs	Ministerial Help	Help for Local Poor	Literature for Sunday School, B. Y. P. U.	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Total Local Church Contributions
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	50 00			13 00				1 00		64 00
Cub Creek	Bevel Pardue, M. Falls	50 00							1 10		51 10
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Straw	100 00							1 00		101 00
Fishing Creek	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro			5 00			13 40	25 00	1 50		1 50
Gordon	Alice McNeil, N. Wilkesboro	75 00		3 00				5 00	1 50		118 90
Goshen	H. A. Carlton, Goshen	80 00							1 70		88 60
Harmony	H. M. Phillips, N. Wilkesboro	80 00			175 00		6 00		1 00		262 00
Levis Fork	J. W. Dyer, Purlear	105 00							1 50		106 50
Little Rock	S. M. Knight, Boomer	100 00	12 00	25 00		5 00	75 00	4 00	2 00	16 00	181 00
Moravian Falls	J. C. Critcher, M. Falls	60 00				20 00		15 00	1 00		133 00
Mount Carmel	J. F. Pearson, M. Falls	50 00	12 75	3 07	25 00			2 00	1 00		73 00
Mount Pleasant	J. C. McNeil, Champion	163 00	10 00	1 00					55	6 20	204 40
Mount Zion	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	87 00							50		153 70
New Hope	W. T. Eller, Purlear	127 00				29 00	8 25	12 27	1 00		152 78
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	1527 50	393 50	552 08	1522 87	49 00	32 50	292 53	5 00	102 03	4471 94
2d N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro	63 00		10 00	50 00			10 00	1 80	34 50	167 50
Oak Grove											
Oakwoods	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro	100 00		5 00	15 00	46 66			1 00		167 66
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	90 00					17 12	10 00			118 12
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	190 00				25 00		25 00	1 00		150 00
Pilgrim	E. M. Huffman, Congo	64 67	5 00		55 00		5 55	16 89	1 00	85	147 96
Ronda	E. D. Byrd, Ronda	200 00		5 00				38 00	2 00	27 00	72 00
Stony Hill	L. D. Whittington, Parsonville	20 00			8 00		5 00		90		15 00
Shady Grove											
Walnut Grove	W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob	200 00	300 00					25 00	1 50		526 50
Wilkesboro	W. R. Spainhour, Wilkesboro	1000 00	27 00	242 11	325 00	128 10		75 00		18 75	1815 96
Zion Hill											
Total,		3492 37	759 75	821 18	2190 85	302 76	164 82	591 47	29 55	295 33	11344 12

TABLE 2—FINANCIAL—(Continued)

CHURCHES	Special Campaign or Benevolence Treas. and P. O.	Regular 75 Million Campaign Funds (Undesignated)											Total of All Denominational Contributions				
		Regular 75 Million Campaign Funds (Undesignated)	Foreign (D) Missions	Home (D) Missions	State (D) Missions	Schools (D) and Colleges	Orphanage (D)	Hospitals (D)	Ministerial (D) Relief	Foreign (D) Relief	Total 75 Million Campaign Funds	Total of All Denominational Contributions					
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer																
Cub Creek	Bevel Pardue, M. Falls		15 00		2 61				9 81					12 42	12 42		
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Straw	85 00						4 60	19 60				19 60	103 27	103 27		
Fishing Creek	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro	9 11						18 27	103 27				50 11	50 11	50 11		
Gordon	Alice McNeil, N. Wilkesboro				13 40			26 00	73 40				35 00	73 40	73 40		
Goshen	H. A. Garlben, Goshen	40 00						25 00	30 80					30 80	30 80		
Harmony	H. M. Phillips, N. Wilkesboro							21 50	21 50					21 50	21 50		
Lewis Fork	J. W. Dyer, Purlear							4 00	4 00					4 00	4 00		
Little Rock	S. M. Knight, Boomer							14 00	14 00					14 00	14 00		
Moravian Falls	J. C. Critcher, M. Falls		5 00					10 00	10 00					10 00	10 00		
Mount Carmel	J. F. Pearson, M. Falls							2 00	2 00					2 00	2 00		
Mount Pleasant	I. C. McNeil, Champion	68 25	2 00	5 00				5 00	7 00					43 66	73 66		
Mount Zion	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	12 39	4 05					2 00	2 00					228 12	228 12		
New Hope	W. T. Eller, Purlear	21 46	57		15 30			18 17	34 61					34 61	34 61		
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. E. Eller, N. Wilkesboro							4 05	4 05					232 02	232 02		
2d N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro							1 20	1 20					247 32	2393 89		
Oak Grove														1 20	1 20		
Oakwoods	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro	18 50	5 00	3 00				7 50	18 50					18 50	18 50		
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	40 00						5 00	5 00					42 00	42 00		
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek							12 00	12 00					3 00	3 00		
Pilgrim	Vera Church, Congo							3 00	3 00					106 80	106 80		
Ronda	C. B. Butner, Ronda	106 80												7 27	7 27		
Stony Hill	L. D. Whittington, Parschville	2 84	2 49					1 59	1 59					47 00	77 00		
Shady Grove		30 00	5 00	5 00				27 05	3 00					612 92	692 92		
Walnut Grove	W. C. Meadows, Potes Knob	612 92							3 00					47 00	77 00		
Wilkesboro	Pearl Stroud, Wilkesboro													612 92	692 92		
Zion Hill														47 00	77 00		
Total		9200 41 38	54 44	01 10	35 21	05 22	69 5 00	13 45	275 83	3758 10	3939 07						

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CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This association shall be denominated and known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association.

Article 2. The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament.

Article 3. This association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates, and ordained ministers having care of churches in the association and members of the Executive Board, and ordained ministers having their membership in churches belonging to the association and living within the bounds thereof.

Article 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and giving an account of the condition of their church and a statement of all funds contributed to benevolent purposes during the year.

Article 5. The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by ballot from among the members of the churches composing this association, by a majority of the members voting, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

Article 6. The moderator shall preside at the meeting, preserve order, decide questions in case of equal divisions, extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates of churches received, appoint all committees, except the Executive which shall be nominated and elected by a majority of the delegates present. He shall be that the constitution and by-laws are properly respected.

Article 7. The clerk shall call the roll to keep a true record of the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and in the absence of the moderator, call the association to order.

Article 8. The Treasurer shall receive the funds and disburse them as ordered by the Association and at the close of the fiscal term, shall report the amount received, and expended.

Article 9. The minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

Article 10. Any church not representing itself in this body three successive sessions, by letter or by delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

Article 11. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

Article 12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State convention and the Southern Baptist convention shall be chosen by vote.

Article 13. Any church desiring to become a member shall present her petition at an annual session of this body, through the delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Article 14. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to preserve gospel order, but shall not entertain any charge against any church unless it is brought in through a church.

Article 15. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all the privileges of regular delegates, except that of voting.

Article 16. The annual session of this body shall commence on Friday before the Fourth Sabbath in August at such a place as the Association may select.

Article 17. By appointment there shall be preached, at each annual session, an introductory, a missionary and a denominational sermon.

Article 18. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and messengers from the churches of the Association.

2. Daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

4. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand of fellowship.

5. The Clerk shall provide letters for the use of the churches of the Association previous to the meeting of the Association, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them and have it present at each annual session, read the proceedings of the preceding session at the beginning of each morning session, and the last day's proceedings at the close of the annual session.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "Brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe, the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members are requested not to absent themselves from the sessions of the Association, but, to remain to the end of the meeting.

8. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also a copy to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and one to the Field Secretary for Sunday Schools in North Carolina.

9. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Parliamentary Law.

10. The order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session and shall be changed only by a vote of the body.

LIST OF DELEGATES

Beaver Creek—W. G. Materly, James Edmiston, G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—James Lankford, W. S. Smithey, J. B. Hall.

Edgewood—A. G. Hendren, John Bumgarner, L. R. Miller.

Fishing Creek—Sanford Jarvis, George Holland, J. C. Jarvis.

Gordon—A. B. McNeil, G. L. Canter, N. H. Steelman, T. H. Curtis.

Goshen—H. A. Carlton, R. L. Proffit, T. F. Walsh.

Harmony—W. H. Staley, R. J. Farrington, H. W. Mahaffey, R. L. Lankford.

Lewis Fork—D. F. Shepherd, Conrad Jones, G. C. Hamby.

Little Rock—V. McGhinnis, N. C. Andrews, S. M. Knight.

Moravian Falls—

Mount Carmel—

Mount Pleasant—H. I. Shoemaker, W. G. Foster, Oscar Church.

Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, G. F. Barnett, L. W. Triplett.

New Hope—A. S. Eller, W. L. Church, W. B. McNeil.

1st North Wilkesboro—E. E. Eller, C. M. Caudill, E. M. Blackburn.

2nd North Wilkesboro—J. W. Wilson, Nuton Wood, Charley Dancy.

Oak Grove—Green Blackburn, Carey Pardue, H. T. Pardue.

Oakwoods—W. T. Stroud, I. P. Henderson, J. T. Jones.

Pleasant Grove—T. V. Church, W. E. Parsons, F. M. Bumgarner, Albert Evans.

Pleasant Home—W. T. Kilby, J. J. Kilby, A. G. Bumgarner.

Pilgrim—J. A. Parsons, B. L. Minton, G. P. Foster.

Ronda—W. E. Edwards, L. E. Dobbins, Charles Mathis, G. C. Poplin.

Stony Hill—G. W. Walsh, J. M. Parsons, M. R. Hamby.

Shady Grove—

Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, E. P. Lowe, J. E. Bentley, W. C. Meadows.

Wilkesboro—W. L. Yates, A. C. Dennis, F. G. Holman, C. A. Lowe.

Zion Hill—

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Delegates of Oakwoods church.

Executive—W. C. Meadows, M. McNeil, W. L. Griggs, A. T. Pardue, W. E. Linney, J. L. Shinn.

Digest of Church Letters—R. L. Proffit, W. G. Foster, V. McWhinnis.

Missions—G. H. Walker, L. R. Miller, J. W. Wilson.

Orphanage—W. C. Meadows, A. S. Eller, A. B. McNeil.

Sunday Schools—J. M. Lankford, W. E. Parsons, Sanford Jarvis.

Education—W. L. Griggs, F. B. Hendren, Roscoe Prevetie.

Ministerial Relief—W. C. Meadows, J. T. Jones, E. M. Blackburn.

Christian Literature—F. B. Hendren, D. F. Shepard, G. W. Walsh.

Temperance—Milton McNeil, F. G. Holman, W. S. Edwards.

Evangelism and Enlistment—L. R. Miller, G. W. Sebastian, R. C. Hendren.

State of the Church—F. B. Hendren, W. S. Edwards, N. C. Andrews.

Fundamentals—W. C. Meadows, W. L. Griggs, V. McWhinnis.

Resolutions—W. C. Meadows, W. L. Griggs, W. S. Edwards.

Visitors to Other Associations—Johnson J. Hayes, F. B. Hendren, W. L. Griggs.

Time, Place and Preachers—G. W. Walsh, R. L. Lankford, J. T. Jones.

PROCEEDINGS

Oakwoods, N. C., Aug. 24, 1923.

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met in its fiftieth annual session with Oakwoods Baptist Church, August 24, 1923, 10:30 o'clock A. M.

The delegates and others assembled in the house at the appointed hour. The choir then rendered a very beautiful and appropriate hymn, after which Rev. W. C. Meadows led in prayer. C. C. Wright then introduced Rev. G. W. Sebastian who led in prayer after which he preached the Introductory Sermon, Text, Romans 1:16, "For I Am Not Ashamed of the Gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek".

An intermission of one hour was then taken for rest and refreshments.

At 1:30 o'clock P. M. the delegates reassembled in the church and were called to order by C. C. Wright, the moderator of last year.

After the roll call of churches, with response of delegates from eighteen, the Association proceeded with the annual election of officers, C. C. Wright of Hunting Creek, the moderator of last year was nominated by W. C. Meadows for moderator. There being no other names before the body. Brother Wright was reelected by acclamation.

On motion of R. L. Proffit, V. McGhinnis was reelected for Clerk and Treasurer by acclamation.

The Moderator recognized the following correspondents and visitors and welcomed them to seats in the body, viz; Dr. C. E. Maddry, corresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board, Rev. W. R. Beach representing the Biblical Recorder, Miss Edwards of the Baptist Orphanage, J. S. Kilby and Rev. Mr. Johnson of Mountain View College, Rev. Holloway of Elkin, and Revs. Stevens and McMillan.

Letters from the different churches were then handed in and messengers enrolled as they appear in this minute.

The Moderator then announced the different committees as they appear on another page in this minute.

The hour having arrived for the special order of business, the Moderator called for the report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Rev. Milton McNeil read the report on that topic as follows:

Your committee on Temperance and Law Enforcement beg leave to submit the following report:

We are sorry to have to report that the cause of Temperance has not advanced in Wilkes County nor in the State of North Carolina as we hoped it would after the adoption of the Prohibition Act.

The manufacture of intoxicating liquors is going on over all the State and especially in Wilkes County, men who have taken the oath to support the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of North Carolina, are engaged in the manufacture of liquor in almost every township in Wilkes County, in violation of the oath they have taken. We want to urge the good law abiding citizens of Wilkes, both men and women, to see that no blockade still is allowed to be operated in your section of the county. If one should be put up in your section of the county, report it to the United States officers and to the Sheriff of your county. We want to urge the various officers to enforce the law and break up the violation of the laws in our county.

Respectfully submitted,
MILTON MCNEIL,
F. G. HOLMAN,
W. S. EDWARDS,
Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Brother McNeil and R. L. Proffit.

On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on

FUNDAMENTALS

Fundamental as defined in the dictionary means, serving as a foundation or basis; essential; primary and original.

Fundamentalism is the opposite of modernism. Modernism accepts as truth all the theories of modern science as taught by some teachers, but it is in conflict with the Bible. Fundamentalists accept the Bible as the infallible word of God and it is our sufficient guide and rule of faith and practice.

According to the Bible we understand that the entire universe and all things therein were made by the word and the power of God. That He created man of the dust of the earth and breathed into him the breath of life and man became a living soul. That he was made in the image of God and free from sin. That by disobedience he fell from that holy state into a state of sin and depravity.

We also believe that Jesus Christ is Divine, was born of the virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Ghost. That by His vicarious death He procured redemption for all mankind. That salvation comes to all who repent and believe in him as their personal saviour and that only those are fit subjects for baptism and church membership. We believe that baptism is the immersion of the believer in water and only such are entitled to partake of the Lord's supper.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. MEADOWS,
For Committee.

F. B. Hendren read the report on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The Biblical Recorder is the organ of our denomination in this state. It is the paper our fathers and mothers read and loved. It is loyal, sound and conservative. A Baptist who fails to read it cannot justly claim to be well informed respecting those matters that most vitally affects him, his family and his church.

Charity and Children is the organ of the Baptist Orphanage and is perhaps the most widely read paper published in North Carolina. None is more ably edited. None is more eagerly or profitably read by intelligent Baptists, both old and young.

We earnestly urge every Baptist family within the bounds of this association to take both the Recorder and Charity and Children. The Sunday School Builder, published by our Sunday School Board, should be read by every Sunday School Superintendent.

We heartily commend Home and Foreign Fields to our people.

F. B. HENDREN,
D. F. SHEPARD,
G. W. WALSH,
Committee.

This report was discussed by F. B. Hendren and W. R. Beach.

On motion it was adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on

THE ORPHANAGE

Our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville has passed its thirty-eighth mile stone.

This report, like all others is noted for what is left out. Like the inner life of the home, the deep things most forever remain unwritten.

The health of the children in general has been good. We are pained to report the death of one of our little boys. We had some cases of "flu", but not bad enough to stop the school. Thirty four children completed the eleventh grade.

The contributions have been all we could ask: \$169,260 was contributed last year.

The result of the "One Day's Work" Thanks offering went beyond our expectations. This Motto is growing with our people, and we again ask that this plan be stressed and urged in all of our churches. Who could not afford to give those fatherless children one day's work in a year? We now have at Thomasville 456 children and at the Kennedy Home 91,547 in both.

The cost of maintenance per month for each child, is \$19.85. This includes every thing needed. The Mothers' Aid department in care of Miss Mattie Edwards is doing a great work. By this, we visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, exhibiting pure and undefiled religion to the extent of 227 children and 49 mothers of which one mother and five children are in our association.

Now brethren, the orphanage needs us, but we need the orphanage more. It has done more to awaken our people to a sense of duty in giving of their means to God than any thing else. We think it safe to say, the orphanage has been the means of increasing the contributions of North Carolina Baptist 500 percent.

May the good work continue till all our people have their hearts filled with the love of God. They will hear Jesus saying, "In as much as ye have done it to one of these little ones, ye have done it unto me".

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. MEADOWS,
A. S. ELLER,
A. B. McNEIL,

Committee.

This report was discussed by Rev. W. C. Meadows, Miss Mattie Edwards and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

Committee on devotional exercises reported Dr. Charles E. Maddy to conduct devotional exercises tomorrow morning. On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 o'clock A. M. Prayer by Brother Winkler.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Friday, August 25, 1923.

The Association met according to appointment. Devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. C. E. Maddry.

F. B. Hendren read the report on

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

There are 99 Baptist churches in Wilkes County and 27 of them in this association. Many of them are inactive if not decadent. The Pastoral work has not been and is not now stressed as its importance in our denominational progress demands. Many of our pastors stress evangelism and neglect pastoral work. Our churches cannot wield the influence on community life as they should until they are led by loyal and active pastors. We recommend:

1. That this association cooperate with the Stone Mountain, Brier Creek and Elkin Associations in county wide Fifth Sunday meetings.

2. That this association appoint a committee to visit the Stone Mountain, Elkin and Brier Creek associations and lay before them the question of consolidation and the organization of a larger association to be called the Wilkes county association.

F. B. HENDREN,
W. S. EDWARDS,
N. C. ANDREWS,

Committee.

In connection with the above report the following resolutions were offered and adopted:

Resolved: That we the Brushy Mountain Association favor consolidation with the Stone Mountain, the Brier Creek and Elkin Associations, in the formation of a greater association to be called the Wilkes County Association.

2. That the moderator appoint a committee to visit the next sessions of the above associations to invite them to so consolidate.

3. That in the event that any or all of the above associations shall vote to consolidate, the executive committee of this association is authorized to cooperate with the executive committees of the other associations above named, in effecting such consolidation.

The report and resolutions were ably and interestingly discussed by F. B. Hendren, Brother Holloway and others and adopted and committee discharged.

The report on Christian Education and Mountain View College was read by Rev. W. L. Griggs.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND MOUNTAIN VIEW COLLEGE

Our people are seeking an education today as never before. The most serious question before parents is the selection of the schools and colleges they are going to patronize, if our children are trained correctly it means their success, but if not it means their failure. What do we think of as we face this question? Many think of the cheapest schools, or the nearest to their homes. We should ask who the teachers are and what will the children get? The teacher of our children will stamp his life upon the child's life for good or bad. He will give them the right or wrong impressions, and the right or wrong conceptions of the subject matter found in the text books. A book on science in the hands of a Godless teacher will do harm, but that same book in the hands of a Godly teacher will do good. A Godless education is expensive. Any school where the mind is not trained to think in terms of religion and to understand the great responsibilities of life and ones obligations to God and to his fellow man is an expensive school and dangerous.

We must educate our children for service in the highest sense of that word. We have here such a school in our county, Mountain View College, and we should support it with our prayers, patronage and money. We should built at Mountain View a great Christian school. We have a splendid faculty there, and we must stand by them and encourage them, and make that school go, or it will die on our hands.

W. L. GRIGGS,
F. B. HENDREN,
ROSCOE PREVETTE,
Committee.

The report was discussed by W. L. Griggs, F. B. Hendren and J. S. Kilby. On motion the report was adopted and committee discharged.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Met at 1:30 o'clock P. M. After a song and prayer by Brother Beach, the report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. Nichols.

WOMAN'S WORK

To the Brushy Mountain Association, Greeting. The Superintendent of Woman's Work, Mrs. J. W. Nichols, called an annual meeting apart from the regular association, on July 10th, 1923. Meeting opened by singing, "Stand Up For Jesus". Devotional Exercises by Miss Lucy Stout. Prayer for God's guidance, a vision of his plans in our lives and for consecrated service, led

by Rev. W. L. Griggs. Song, "Break Thou the Bread of Life". Mrs. W. L. Griggs and Mrs. F. G. Holman gave helpful talks, on the importance of the mission work and study in all of our churches. Thereby giving our young people something to do and encouragement to work in their home churches.

Superintendents report as follows: 126 letters written; about 36 miles traveled; three churches visited; two societies organized. To the 75 Million Campaign, \$777.40; 24 Young Women Auxiliary members, contributed \$12.00; Girls Auxiliary contributed \$15.00; Sunbeams have 75 members contributed \$47.27. Splendid work has been done in the Social Service Work. Hundreds of visits to the sick and shutins, jail and county home, etc.

Mrs. Nichols offered her resignation as superintendent of Woman's Work.

Denominational literature was discussed by Rev. W. L. Griggs followed by a talk on Missionary Literature by Valera Bell Nichols. The Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Baptist State convention of North Carolina, is one of the greatest assets in Kingdom work.

The purpose of this organization as stated in the constitution, is to stimulate the missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and children of the churches and aiding in the collection of funds.

Since its organization in 1886, a substantial increase in the work has been made. They report efficient organizations in fifty six associations. Last year meetings were held in fifty one and nearly all of these were attended by officers of the union.

As stated above, the purpose is to stimulate missionary spirit. This can best be done through mission study classes, so a study course for the different grades has been prepared for the completion of which certificates and seals are awarded. They are now in the fourth year in which mission study has been made a real feature, 2,489 certificates and 3,800 small seals were issued last year.

Another important aim is to stimulate the grace of giving among all its members which includes all the women and young people individual responsibility is stressed. We find in the associations where there are no W. M. U. organizations, the gifts to missions from the churches are very small. One of their objectives is to reach the women and young people in these associations and enlist them in missionary activities. They earnestly ask the sympathy and cooperation of the pastors in this effort.

Since the union was organized, thirty seven years ago, its contributions to missions have been, to May 31, 1923, \$1,843,354.97. Since the beginning of the campaign counting gifts from May 1919, to May 31, 1923, they have paid, \$1,163,277.56. In the

apportionment of the 75 Million Campaign they were asked for \$1,100,000, and have already exceeded this amount. But the women through their societies pledged, not this amount, but \$2,167,000 and every effort possible will be made to redeem this large voluntary pledge. The aim for this year is \$350,000. They have third place.

At the Baptist Woman's Missionary Union Training School at Louisville, Ky., there were twenty students from our state last year, fifteen holding scholarships.

There has been an interest in all lines. Fitting and stewardship have been stressed over all the state. The number of tithers added this year was 1,394 which brings the total to 2,598.

May the brothers be co-workers with us and carry out the injunction of Paul, "Help those women who are laboring with us in the Gospel".

MRS. J. W. NICHOLS,
Committee.

The report was spoken to briefly by Mrs. Nichols and adopted.

State, Home and Foreign Missions were blended and discussed together under the head of missions. The reports were handed in and read as follows; viz:

STATE MISSIONS

The State Mission Board began its work ninety-two years ago when there were only about fifteen thousand Baptist in the State. Now there are more than three hundred thousand white Baptist. The work of State Missions is not over. Less than fifty per cent of the people of the State are even nominal christians. We need to reach these people and lead them to Christ for the sake of their own immortal souls, for the sake of the State and Nation, and that they may strengthen our forces as we march under the banner of Jesus Christ to other fields.

State Missions is caring for the weak and destitute parts in our State. The work is both intensive and extensive. Extensively there are many sections where the Gospel needs to be preached and reinforced by strong and able men. The intensive work consists in enlisting the unenlisted churches, developing and enlarging their sense of responsibility for the spread of the Gospel both at home and abroad.

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board made a great report to the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City last May. When the convention met in that city eighteen years ago, the board's receipts for the year were \$169,988.92. This year they were \$1,002,193.07.

Then the board reported 10,551 baptisms, this year 38,770. Then there were 20,570 additions to the churches, this year 59,597. In 1905 the board had no special department of Evangelism. Shortly after that the department was organized and through it there have been 152,856 converts baptized, 208,643 additions to the churches and 23,260 volunteers for the ministry or definite mission work.

All the other departments of the board's work have advanced in a similar way. Surely we have reason for abundant thanksgiving to God for His marvelous favor upon the work of our Home Mission Board.

It is our one great Southwide Missionary Agency and has been the greatest single factor in helping to make the South a mighty Baptist empire, especially has its power been felt in the newer sections of the South, the Mississippi Valley and great Southwest. While Southern Baptist have made mighty progress there are greater needs and vaster opportunities at present than ever before in our history.

There are millions of lost souls whom we must reach and our people must be enlisted in all our denominational life and activities.

Our Home Mission Board is heavily in debt on account of the great enlargement of the work and the falling off in receipts, due largely to the deflation in prices in general.

The last report of the board states, that we raise \$75,000,000 by the close of the 75 Million Campaign and the Home Board receives its due proportion, the Board's debt can be paid and the board's work increased fifty per cent, over its present operations.

Let us come to the help of this great work and all our other interests as well.

Write to the Home Mission Board, 1,004 Healey Building, Atlanta, Georgia, and secure free its fine assortment of excellent tracts, and buy their splendid new Home Mission Books.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Our Foreign Mission work grows. We have now 891 churches in sixteen foreign lands; 211 or practically one-fourth of these churches are self-supporting; 442 or one-half have their own houses of worship. In addition to the churches there are 2,896 out stations which give us a total of practically 4,000 stations where the word of God is preached regularly. Last year was the crowning year in baptisms, 12,611 were baptized, which is 4,720 more than reported the year before. We have passed the 100,000 mark in membership. We have 103,328 members. These gave \$4.23 per capita last year. We have 796 schools which were attended last year by 32,789 scholars. This is about equal to the number of students in Baptist schools in the Southland. Of

course all of our schools in foreign lands are not of equal grade to those in the South, but we have our students in these foreign lands under our tutelage quite as long as we have the students in our Southern schools.

There were 1,447 Sunday Schools, which had an enrollment of 67,407. We have now 501 Foreign Missionaries and 2,820 native missionaries. This is almost twice as many Foreign Missionaries and almost four times as many native missionaries as we had in 1919 at the beginning of the 75 Million Campaign.

The Board reported a debt of \$403,000 at the last Southern Baptist Convention. There has been no disposition to criticize the Board because every body has realized that the Board has been very conservative in making appropriations. It has appropriated only a little above one-half of the amount that was proposed for it in the 75 Million Campaign. The convention was very serious about the situation, and was anxious to do something to set this great Board forward in its wonderful work.

After hearing of the Board's financial condition and of the more than fifty young people who were ready to be sent out to the foreign fields this year, the convention passed a most remarkable endorsement of the Board by raising through voluntary subscriptions from delegates present, enough money to send out these new missionaries. That was a very practical endorsement. It took place in one of the most spiritual hours the Southern Baptist convention ever experienced. The story of that Friday night's session of the convention has carried inspiration not only to great numbers of churches in the homeland but has enheartened the missionaries in every foreign field.

In the spirit of what took place at the Southern Baptist convention the Board at its June meeting appointed forty-eight new missionaries who in the early fall of this year will go to their fields.

The practical suggestion for everybody to take to heart at this critical time when the Board is burdened with debt, overwhelmed by the growth of the work, and appalled by vast unmet needs, is that every one should do his utmost to pay his 75 Million Campaign pledge in full this year. If these pledges are paid fully, the Board can pay its debts, support the missionaries and provide for many, many more distressing needs. The simple solution of our present situation is the payment of our 75 Million Campaign pledges. This is the biggest need for Foreign Missions this year. Now is the time to go forward.

G. H. WALKER,

L. R. MILLER,

J. W. WILSON,

Committee.

The above reports were ably discussed by Dr. Mad-dry, and others and on motion adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

From the best estimate that we can get, Southern Baptist, in all the states put together, paid their old preachers in the three years preceding the 75 Million Campaign, in round numbers, \$116,-000.00. In the past three years, since the beginning of the Campaign, we have increased the yearly allowance paid to our beneficiaries over the estimated three years immediately preceding the Campaign, \$184,173.31, an average of more than \$61,000.00 per year. While this increase is gratifying, we are by no means doing what we should do. With the fixed income herein referred to, in addition to current receipts, we shall be enabled to increase the stipends of our beneficiaries at least 60 per cent, which will bring us to a point in our work where we shall have made great strides in solving our relief problem.

The immediate and imperative need of the Relief and Annuity Board, at this time, is a fixed income of \$100,000.00 per year on the relief side of the work alone, in addition to what the Board is now receiving and will continue to receive from the states, whatever the plan may be. This will take an interest bearing fund, for relief alone, of at least one and a half million dollars, of which we now have about five hundred thousand, including endowment and reserve.

The Board has now a beneficiary list of between eight and nine hundred. Others are being added from month to month. While we have made great strides since the organization of the new convention Board, we are not beginning to do what we should do.

Our aim is to persuade our people to make it clear to the minister that after he has given himself whole-heartedly to the work, and spent himself freely, in his ministry, that if he should fall in his work, or die in it, or grow old in it, the denomination will not permit his family to suffer nor him to suffer in his declining years. We want to make our young preachers feel that the denomination has thus spoken to them, and that they can accept its word at par. To do this will put new life in our preachers, greatly increase their efficiency and the denomination would be the real beneficiary.

The number of beneficiaries in North Carolina are 43 men and 35 women, making a total of 78.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. MEADOWS,
J. F. JONES,
E. M. BLACKBURN,
Committee.

The report was spoken to by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The subject of Sunday Schools was discussed by a number of the brethren, but no report was written nor handed in, consequently we insert the report of last year.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

For well written detailed data and lengthy learned dissertations on the great Sunday School question, you are respectfully referred to the Minutes of our North Carolina State convention and Southern Baptist convention. These may be had by addressing a request to Baptist Mission Rooms, Raleigh, N. C.

Actual facts of the number of schools present membership and other matters will be found in the statistical tables of our Association Minutes, hence we will make no attempt to give statistics in this report. So far as we are informed, every church in the Brushy Mountain Association has a Sunday School.

Teacher training is highly important in all of our local Sunday Schools, as well as in our State work. Why should not every school have a teacher-training class and thereby better equip our teachers? Nothing means more to the efficient and good work of our Sunday Schools than consecrated well trained teachers.

We would recommend that every individual school establish a teacher Training Class, using the course prescribed by the State Convention.

Many who undertake to teach are poorly trained and have little or no special equipment in the way of books and helps for their work. Many of these workers have plodded on for years in a faithful effort to do their work against tremendous odds. Proof accumulates from direction that the great mass of our people do not know their Bibles and in many instances, our efforts to really teach them the precious word of God are falling far short of the mark. Many of the children and of our adult population, including a large per cent of our church members need to be attracted to our Sunday schools and taught the word of life. In view of this condition of affairs your committee would suggest the closest and fullest contact and cooperation with Secretary Middleton and our Sunday School Department at Raleigh.

The institutes and teacher training work could be utilized to fine advantage here. This work alone will do wonders toward solving our Sunday School problems. It is a great eternal business we are about, error, sin and falsehood are being sown all around. God help us to improve efforts in our Sunday Schools.

SANFORD JARVIS,
W. E. PARSONS,
J. M. LANKFORD,
Committee.

Report on

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

The Baptist Young People's Union of America was organized in 1890. It came into life because of the wide-spread effect of the Christian Endeavor Movement, and was a noble effort to so organize the Baptist Young People as to keep them identified with our own work and under our own influence. The first convention was held in Chicago in 1891.

In the South, the new organization attracted much attention. Many of the Brethren found in it that which they especially desired.

In 1893, a committee reported to the Southern Baptist convention, commending the organization of societies in the local churches, and that these societies "be under the sole authority of the church, without interdenomination affiliation".

The Southern B. Y. P. U. was organized in Atlanta, Georgia, November 1896.

The present B. Y. P. U. of North Carolina was organized at Ridge Crest in 1902. The first State convention was held with the Second Baptist Church, of Durham, June 1910. About ten unions with approximately 350 members were there. There are now in the State 1180 unions with a membership of over forty thousand.

There are two whole time B. Y. P. U. workers. They are available for both city and country churches. The B. Y. P. U. Headquarters is 214 Biblical Recorder Building, Raleigh, N. C. The workers are Perry Morgan, General Secretary and Miss Elma Leigh Farabow, Secretary Junior and Intermediate Work.

The object of the Baptist Young People's Union, as given in the B. Y. P. U. Manual, shall be the increased spirituality of the young christians. their training in essential church activities; their edification in scriptural knowledge; their instructions in Baptist doctrine and history; their enlistment in all forms of missionary endeavor through existing demonstrational organizations. The meaning of which is, in brief, Inspiration, Preparation and Service.

The B. Y. P. U. is the training service of a Baptist church and as such should be under church control, supported by the church financially and otherwise. The church should elect its officers, publicly install them and recognize them as church officers and call upon them for reports. The B. Y. P. U. is a church task and should be assumed seriously as such by the church. Churches are weak because the members are weak. In the future our churches will be strong in just the proportion that we train and enlist our constituency in Kingdom Service.

If we are diligent to conserve the possibilities wrapped up in the youth of our churches the time will speedily come when we will have a trained constituency that will completely and effectively revolutionize the life of the same. May North Carolina Baptists seize upon the opportunity which is now golden, to conserve, harness and develop the wonderful and powerful mines and reservoirs of unused spiritual and material resources lying dormant in the hearts and lives of our fine young people.

Today the B. Y. P. U. outlook is splendid in every way. The work is featured in local churches, conventions, assemblies, city training schools, colleges and seminaries. Our literature is well adapted to the needs of our young church members. Our standard of Excellence has unified the activities of the unions. Our text books are being studied widely, our Bible Readers' course is increasingly popular and helpful. Pastors are friends of the work almost without exception. Sunday School Superintendents depend upon the B. Y. P. U. to train up workers. The ministry and the mission fields get their recruits from the B. Y. P. U. more and more. Thank God for the B. Y. P. U.

V. McGHINNIS.

HISTORIANS' REPORT

W. C. Meadows, Mont Jones, Robert Jones and V. McGhinnis were appointed to get up a history of Oakwoods Baptist Church which they did as follows:

It is high time that our Baptist people gather and organize the wealth of Baptist historical data and information that may now be found in the Brushy Mountain Association. Baptist have through all the ages, been great makers of history, but have always been reluctant to record and preserve what they have done. We would urge upon the brethren of our association the vital importance of gathering the historical facts of our churches and having them recorded for the information of future generations.

It is a duty we owe to ourselves and to future generations to keep history straight.

Oakwoods Baptist church was organized on November 1st, 1917. During the autumn of that year preaching services were held

in the school house in that community by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

Those services resulted in getting together a few Baptist men and women of the community who after due consideration and prayer to God for guidance, decided that they wished to be organized into a church. Where upon, a Presbytery was called, consisting of Revs. Milton McNeil, W. E. Linney, W. S. Edwards and W. C. Meadows. Letters from thirteen brethren and sisters from Edgewood Baptist church were presented. Those brethren and sisters were duly examined by the Presbytery, and found orthodox and they unanimously voted to endorse the articles of faith, contained in the minutes of the Brushy Mountain Association, and were duly organized into the Oakwoods Baptist church. This church then called as its pastor Rev. W. E. Linney who served in that capacity until about 1921.

The church continued to worship in the school house until sometime in 1918.

By the the assistance of W. C. Meadows, it purchased the present house, then standing near the public road, which was later moved to the present site which was donated by M. C. Jones and wife by making a warranty deed to the church.

The church has prospered from its organization. It now has 72 members and a house of worship valued at \$600. A total enrollment in Sunday School of 96. May the good Lord continue to bless this church and may such be added to it from time to time as He would have to be saved.

Committee.

Ronda Baptist church was granted a letter of dismission to join Elkin Association.

Its letter of request reads as follows, viz:

Ronda, N. C., August 24, 1923.

To the Brushy Mountain Association:

The Ronda Baptist church asks for a letter of dismission from your body to join the Elkin Association as it is more conveniently located. Done by order of the church in conference, August 12th 1923.

A. M. BLACKBURN,

Mod. Pro. Tem.

E. D. BYRD,

Clerk Pro. Tem.

The committee on time and place report as follows:

Time—Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1924, at 11 a. m.

Place—Harmony church four miles north of North Wilkesboro.

To preach introductory sermon Dr. W. L. Griggs. Alternate Rev. Milton McNeil.

The following resolution of thanks offered by W. L. Griggs was heartily and unanimously adopted:

Resolved. That the sincere and heartfelt thanks of this Association be extended to this the Oakwoods Baptist church and community for the most excellent entertainment during its session. We especially thank the good ladies of this community for the splendid dinners served each day.

The committee on devotional exercises reported:

Rev. Milton McNeil to conduct devotional exercises tomorrow at 9:30 a. m. Dr. Lumpkin to address the people with reference to the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, at 10 a. m.. Rev. T. L. Blalock to preach on Foreign Missions at 11 a. m. Rev. W. R. Beach to preach the annual sermon at 12 m.

On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 a. m.

SABBATH

Pursuant to adjournment, the Association met at 9:30 o'clock and the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Milton McNeil.

At 10 o'clock Dr. Lumpkin of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem addressed the congregation telling them the story of the erection of the hospital, its equipment, something of the work it has already done, etc.

At 11 o'clock Rev. T. L. Blalock, missionary to China, addressed the audience on the work which the missionaries to that country are doing, stressed and emphasized the needs over there and urged our people to support their missionaries.

At 12 o'clock Rev. W. R. Beach delivered the annual sermon taking for his text Mark 11:27.

After announcements by the moderator and the closing song by the congregation, Rev. A. T. Pardue led the closing prayer.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Milton McNeil, closing one of the best and most successful sessions of the Brushy Mountain Association.

V. McGHINNIS.

Clerk-Treas.

C. C. WRIGHT,

Moderator.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	Pastor and P. O.	Clerk and P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSS			Total Membership
					By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death	
Beaver Creek	Milton, McNeil, Wilkesboro	G. H. Walker, Boomer		\$1500	1		1			1	119
Cub Creek	R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	James Lankford, Wilkesboro		4 1500							45
Edgewood	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	A. G. Hendren, Straw		2 2000	4	1	4				155
Fishing Creek	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro		2 500	29	1	1			1	129
Gordon	L. B. Murray, State Road	J. H. Curtis, N. Wilkesboro		1 5000		3	5	1	1	3	64
Goshen	I. C. Woodruff, Lomax	H. A. Carlton, Goshen		1 1500	1			3	3		72
Harmony	L. B. Murray, State Road	H. M. Phillips, N. Wilkesboro		3 2500	16	8	1	1	1	1	99
Lewis Fork	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Dyer, Purlear		4 2000	7	1	1	1	2	5	250
Little Rock	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	S. M. Knight, Boomer		2 2000	7	1	1	1	2		114
Moravian Falls	W. J. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls		2 1200							68
Mount Carmel	W. C. Clanton, Gilreath	James Isaacs, Pores Knob		1 4000		1	8	4	6		79
Mount Pleasant	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	J. C. McNeil, Champion	2&4	4 1500	11	1					286
Mount Zion	Levi Greere, Hopkins	W. T. Eller, Purlear		3 500	7		3	1	3		146
New Hope	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	W. T. Eller, Purlear		4 800							250
1st N. Wilkesboro	W. L. Giggis, N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	Every S.	\$1500	46	103	1	23	1	2	500
2nd N. Wilkesboro	B. L. Minton, Congo	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro		2 1000	28	4	1	9	10		104
Oak Grove	A. T. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro	M. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro		2 500							60
Oakwoods	J. W. McAlpine, Stony Point	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro		1 600	8	4	4	5	5		72
Pleasant Grove	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	J. G. Parsons, Buck		1 1000	9	5	1	16	3	3	200
Pleasant Home	Grant Cothren, Lomax	W. T. Kilby, Millers Creek		3 1200	14		2	9	1	1	175
Pilgrim	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	E. M. Huffman, Congo		3 1000			2	1	17	2	60
Ronda	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	C. B. Butner, Ronda		4 2600	9	4	4	7			104
Stony Hill	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	L. D. Whittington, Parsonville		2 1500	5	5	2	2	2		103
Shady Grove	Isaac Watts, Boomer	Bumen Jarvis, Wilkesboro		2 600							80
Walnut Grove	J. W. McAlpine, Stony Point	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob		4 1000	5	6	6	1	5		271
Wilkesboro	J. L. Shinn, Wilkesboro	J. E. Spainhour, Wilkesboro	1&3	10000	2	2	1		1		166
Zion Hill	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville	J. E. German, Boomer		2 2000							
Total				81000	210	149	12	86	58	43	3771

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	Superintendent and P. O.	Secretary and P. O.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Mos. Kept Open	Baptisms from School	Orphanage	School Expenses	Total Contributions				
Beaver Creek	A. J. Foster, Boomer		1	4	60	6								
Cub Creek	James Lankford, Wilkesboro		1	4	50	6								
Edgewood	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek		1	4	80	8				10 00				
Fishing Creek	E. F. Anderson, Wilkesboro	Miss Valera Glass, Wilkesboro	1	8	113	121	8			5 00				
Gordon	A. B. McNeil, N. Wilkesboro	Elizabeth Berry, Wilkesboro	1	8	84	92	12							
Goshen	T. R. Barlow, Boomer	Clara McNeil, N. Wilkesboro	1	3	50	53	8							
Harmony	H. D. Caudill, Wilkesboro	R. L. Proffitt, Goshen	1	7	90	97	8							
Lewis Fork	D. F. Shepard, Ready Branch	Mrs. H. D. Caudill, Wilkesboro	1	3	72	75	8			10 94				
Little Rock	V. McGinnis, Boomer	Conrad Jones, Ready Branch	1	3	58	61	8	5 00	2 45	7 45				
Moravian Falls		N. C. Andrews, Boomer	1											
Mount Carmel														
Mount Pleasant	U. G. Foster, Congo	Miss Bernice Foster, Purlear	1	12	114	126	12	46 78		46 78				
Mount Zion	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	S. J. Barnett, Mt. Zion	1	7	74	81	8	25 00	16 80	41 80				
New Hope	A. S. Eller, Purlear	Vertie Watts, Purlear	1	7	150	157		48 02		48 02				
1st. N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	A. W. Horton, N. Wilkesboro	1	36	490	532	12	37		451 28				
2nd. N. Wilkesboro	Nute Wood, N. Wilkesboro	J. F. Davis, N. Wilkesboro	1	5	40	45	12							
Oak Grove	Carey Pardue, N. Wilkesboro	G. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	1											
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro	1	6	90	96		6		23 25				
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	W. E. Parsons, Buck	1	5	55	60	9			10 50				
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro	1	6	106	112	8		25 50	25 50				
Pilgrim	J. A. Parsons, Congo	Zora Church, Congo	1	5	65	70								
Ronda	W. S. Edwards, Ronda	Miss Perue Martin, Ronda	1	7	120	127								
Stony Hill	Dora Hamby, Parsonville	Martie Baker, Parsonville	1	5	88	93				3 53				
Shady Grove														
Walnut Grove	R. C. Meadows, Pores Knob	Margaret Foster, Pores Knob	2	8	150	158		8 00	6 00	14 00				
Wilkesboro	F. B. Hendren, Wilkesboro	Pauline Linney, Wilkesboro	1	12	138	150		2 53	79 63	47 117 26				
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer	Mattie Greer, Boomer												
TOTAL			23	165	2327	2408	118	72	186	59	114	22	815	21



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- F. B. Hendren, H. C. Kilby, C. C. Wright

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- W. C. Meadows, D. F. Sheppard, C. C. Wright

Alternates

- R. L. Proffit, E. M. Blackburn, F. B. Hendren

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HISTORICAL

The Lewis Fork Association held a convention in April, 1835, and organized in 1836. This association convened at Lewis Fork church, in Wilkes County. Elder Philip Powell preached the Introductory Sermon, Smith Ferguson was elected moderator and John Carlton, clerk. There were seven churches that went into this organization. The seven churches combined had only 496 members. The names of the seven churches that went into the organization were: Lewis Fork, Beaver Creek, Lower Creek, Antioch, Zion Hill, New Hope and Yadkin. Other churches joined this body from time to time until there were about 40 in 1853.

The Lewis Fork Association was disturbed on the Temperance issue and divided into three parts in 1853. The associations were named, Lewis Fork, Lower Creek, and Taylorsville. Harmony was restored in 1859 and the three bodies having become Missionary by adopting the objects of the State Baptist Convention in 1857 reunited under the name of the United Baptist Association in 1860. This continued to the year 1862, when the Stony Fork Association organized and drew six of its churches to the new body. The following year eight of the remaining churches withdrew and reorganized the Lewis Fork Association. In 1871 the reunion of these two bodies was effected and in 1872 the Brushy Mountain Association was formed.

We have no data of the Lewis Fork Association from 1859 to 1868. The history seems to be lost.

I wish some brethren who have them would send me minutes of this association from 1859 to 1868. If I had them I could write a more complete history of the association than I can with the information I have. In 1868 the Lewis Fork Association was held at Beaver Creek church. Elder William Pool was moderator and Peter Eller was clerk. The ordained ministers attending that association were, Samuel Smith, R. L. Steel, Joel Brown and W. C. Meadows. In 1871 it was held with Pilgrim church, Elder William Pool was moderator and David Downs was clerk. In 1870 the United Baptist Association was held at Cub Creek church. It appointed the clerk, Rev. G. D. Sherrill, to write a letter of correspondence to the Lewis Fork Association, proposing a union of the two bodies. The letter was received by the Lewis Fork Association at Pilgrim church in 1871, and took into consideration the resolutions of the United Baptist Association with reference to consolidation. The proposition was agreed to, and the body appointed Friday before the 4th Sunday in November, 1871, to meet in convention at the Three Forks of Little River Meeting House. The churches were advised to send one delegate from each church to said convention and the United Baptist Association was requested to do the same.

At this convention, (Nov. 1871), The Brushy Mountain Association was organized and held its first session at Sulphur Springs Baptist church in 1872. At this session R. L. Steel was moderator

and G. D. Sherrill was clerk. In 1873 it was held at New Hope church, R. L. Steel moderator and J. B. Pool clerk. In 1874 it was held at Three Forks church with the same moderator and clerk. In 1875 it was held at Buffalo. In 1876 at Oak Forest. In 1877 at Union. In 1878 at Lewis Fork, R. L. Steel served as moderator seven years. In 1879 it was held at Antioch, Isaac Oxford was moderator. In 1880 it was held at Bethel, R. A. Spainhour was moderator. In 1881 at Cub Creek. In 1882 at Macedonia. In 1883 at Kings Creek. In 1884 at Three Forks. In 1885 at Zion Hill. In 1886 at Sulphur Springs. In 1887 at Wilkesboro. In 1888 at Walnut Grove. In 1889 at Mount Pleasant. In 1890 at Little Rock. In 1891 at Mount Carmel. In 1892 at Moravian Falls. In 1893 at Pleasant Home. In 1894 at North Wilkesboro. In 1895 at New Hope. In 1896 at Mount Zion. In 1897 at Edgewood. In 1898 at Beaver Creek. In 1899 at Lewis Fork. In 1900 at Zion Hill.

This Association was organized fifty-one years ago. It has made progress from the beginning. In 1885 there were 36 churches in the association. Ten of these churches were granted letters of dismission to join other associations. There are now twenty-six churches in the body with a membership of 3,800.

The following is a list of the moderators with the number of years served, viz: R. L. Steel 7, Isaac Oxford 1, R. A. Spainhour 15, J. L. Hemphill 6, W. M. Absher 2, I. T. Prevette 1, C. C. Wright 20.

The following is a list of the secretaries with the years served: G. D. Sherrill 1, J. B. Pool 10, W. E. White 4, W. P. Laws 1, J. L. Hemphill 1, John Crouch 1, W. R. Edwards 2, R. P. Blevins 1, W. H. Church 6, R. L. Proffit 6, V. McGhinnis 18.

LIST OF DELEGATES

Beaver Creek—G. H. Walker, A. J. Gould, Thomas Marley.

Cub Creek—James Lankford, W. S. Smithey, J. L. Hemphill.

Edgewood—A. G. Hendren, C. G. Glass, J. W. Moore.

Fishing Creek—R. L. Wellborn, Quint Johnson, S. S. Jarvis.

Gordon—G. L. Canter, Everett Parsons, Will Carson.

Goshen—R. L. Proffit, T. F. Walsh, D. K. Greene.

Harmony—L. T. Barnard, Obe Martin, H. W. Mahaffey.

Lewis Fork—D. F. Sheppard, Conrad Jones, J. R. Triplett.

Little Rock—I. J. Broyhill, N. C. Andrews, S. M. Knight.

Moravian Falls—R. L. Earp, H. J. Steelman, E. M. Parlier.

Mount Carmel—

Mount Pleasant—H. I. Shomaker, W. G. Foster, A. G. Foster.

Mount Zion—Richard Wooten, G. F. Barnett, G. D. Wellborn.

New Hope—A. S. Eller, J. F. Hayes, W. H. Eller.

First North Wilkesboro—Mrs. W. L. Griggs, Miss Flos-
sie Hendren, R. C. Hendren, E. M. Blackburn, E. E. Eller.

Second North Wilkesboro—J. W. Wilson, John Ander-
son, Thomas Hall.

Oak Grove—Green Blackburn, W. N. Alexander, Carey
Pardue.

Oakwoods—W. T. Stroud, J. T. Jones, I. P. Anderson.

Pleasant Grove—T. V. Church, W. E. Parsons, Albert
Evans.

Pleasant Home—C. C. Church, W. T. Kilby, W. V. Cau-
dill.

Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, G. A. Parsons, B. L. Minton.

Stony Hill—G. W. Walsh, Lee Beshears, W. H. Powell.

Shady Grove—

Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, N. C. Craven, R. C.
Jennings.

Wilkesboro—F. B. Hendren, L. Bumgarner, F. G. Hol-
man.

Zion Hill—

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Delegates of Har-
mony Church.

Executive—W. C. Meadows, M. McNeil, V. McGhinnis,
W. L. Griggs, A. T. Pardue, W. E. Linney, J. L. Shinn.

Digest of Church Letters—V. McGhinnis, R. L. Proffit,
I. P. Anderson.

Foreign Missions—J. L. Shinn, G. H. Walker, A. G.
Hendren.

Home Missions—V. McGhinnis, R. L. Wellborn, G. L.
Canter.

State Missions—M. McNeil, H. W. Mahaffey, S. M.
Knight.

Orphanage—W. C. Meadows, H. J. Steelman, R. L.
Wooten.

Education—J. C. Pow, F. B. Hendren, A. S. Eller.

Ministerial Relief—W. C. Meadows, E. M. Blackburn,
J. W. Wilson.

Christian Literature—F. B. Hendren, W. L. Griggs, M.
Alexander.

Temperance—J. L. Shinn, Carey Pardue, W. T. Stroud.

Evangelism—A. T. Pardue, C. C. Church, B. L. Minton.

State of the Church—M. McNeil, U. G. Foster.

Fundamentals—W. L. Griggs, L. T. Barnard, H. I.
Shoemaker.

Resolutions—W. C. Meadows, W. T. Kilby, L. Bumgar-
ner.

Enlistment—V. McGhinnis, G. W. Walsh, F. G. Holman.

Time, Place and Preachers—W. A. Jennings, W. T.
Stroud, J. W. Moore.

**MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION
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Harmony Baptist Church, August 22, 1924.

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met at the morning hour this day with Harmony Baptist Church for devotional services. These services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Meadows. The choir rendered a very beautiful and appropriate song, after which Bro. J. L. Shinn led in prayer. Brother Meadows then read some verses of scripture and gave some wholesome advice to the assembled delegates. After another song by the choir, Brother A. T. Pardue closed the services by prayer. After an intermission of ten minutes the delegates and others reassembled in the house and Dr. W. L. Griggs preached the introductory sermon, using as a text the first and second verses of the 133rd Psalm, which reads as follows, viz: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments." Dr. Griggs's sermon was timely and practical, one of the greatest ever delivered at this association.

After an intermission of one hour for refreshments and recreation, the delegates reassembled in the house and were called to order by Bro. C. C. Wright, the moderator of last year. After the roll call of the churches with the response of delegates from 21 churches, the body proceeded with the annual election of officers. On motion the usual practice of electing the officers by ballot was dispensed with and the moderator and clerk were elected by acclamation. C. C. Wright was reelected moderator and V. McGhinnis was reelected clerk and treasurer.

The following correspondents and visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body, viz: Brother M. A. Huggins, of Raleigh, representing the Board of Education; Brother F. B. Hamrick, representing the Baptist Orphanage; Prof. Story, of the Wilkesboro graded school; Rev. L. B. Murray, of Elkin Association; Revs. R. N. Garner and N. T. Jarvis, of Brier Creek Association; Brethren J. S. Kilby, W. S. Johnson and Prof. Pow, of Stone Mountain Association; Bro. Shinn and family, of Piedmont Association; Rev. W. M. Gilmore, representing State Missions and the Biblical Recorder.

The moderator then announced the different committees as they appear on another page in this minute.

The hour having arrived for the special order of business, the moderator called for the report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Dr. J. L. Shinn read the report on that topic as follows:

Webster's definition of Temperance is, habitual moderation of the appetites and passions. Abstemiousness expresses a greater degree of selfdenial than the word temperance. The Bible definition of temperance is, "The moderate use of all things not hurtful, and the abstaining from all things hurtful." This report, relative to temperance, deals with only one thing used by man, namely, strong drink. God commands the people to let strong drink alone, Luke 21:34, "And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares." Romans 13:13, "Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying."

The results of strong drink: Prov. 23:29, 30, "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babblings? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? they that tarry long at the wine." Prov. 23:32, "At last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." The 18th Amendment to the Constitution of our government forbids the making and using strong drink. Laws have been made to carry out the spirit of this amendment. Any one who makes, sells, buys, or gives intoxicants; or aids therein has broken the law. What is law? Law is not a series of action, but the cause or principle from which they proceed, and of which they are the evidence. Law is a rule of action prescribed for the government of rational beings, to which rule they are bound to yield obedience, in default of which they are exposed to punishment. Laws are imperative or mandatory, prohibitory and permissive. Law should be obeyed. It is the duty of each and every citizen to stand by and uphold the law. If the law is broken, then it becomes the duty of each law abiding citizen to use all legitimate means to help bring the offender to the bar of justice. In Wilkes county, the making, selling and using of strong drink and law breaking is the greatest hinderance to a healthy growth of our homes, schools, churches and civic life. Something must be done to bring relief.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. SHINN,
CAREY PARDUE,
W. T. STROUD,

Committee.

The report was very ably discussed by J. L. Shinn, J. L. Hemphill, L. B. Murray, N. T. Jarvis and G. W. Walsh.

On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

F. B. Hendren read the report on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Your committee respectfully recommend that Baptist families in this Association take and read the following papers: The Biblical Recorder for general information along denominational lines. It is indispensable to the man or woman who wishes to be posted on the work of the denomination. Charity and Children, a paper at once interesting and fascinating to all members of the family, to be taken in clubs of ten or more at the rate of sixty cents per copy, and distributed in the Sunday School to all families therein represented. The Home and Foreign Fields for those desiring an intimate knowledge of missions.

Respectfully submitted,
F. B. HENDREN,
W. L. GRIGGS,
M. ALEXANDER,

Committee.

The report was spoken to by F. B. Hendren and others, and adopted and the committee discharged.

W. C. Meadows read the report on

THE ORPHANAGE

Our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville has passed its thirty-ninth mile stone. The health of all the children has been good. The work is encouraging. Twenty-one boys and girls were graduated and have gone out to serve and bless humanity. Every department of the work is well cared for by efficient managers, teachers and matrons, through which the children learn habits of obedience, industry and economy, coupled with moral and religious influence, which prepares them for usefulness through life and happiness beyond this life.

Receipts for current funds and special contributions reached to \$194,186.18, which covered all running expenses with a fair surplus on hand. We now have at Thomasville 462 children. At the Kennedy Home 90 boys and girls.

Our mothers aid department in care of Miss Hattie Edwards, has accomplished all that could be hoped for. Seventy-one mothers are being made able to hold their little home together by the timely aid they are receiving from the Orphanage treasury, and three hundred children are kept under their mothers love and care through this agency.

The Orphanage has ever been dear to our people. Let us learn to love it more and more as the years go by.

Nothing reaches the hearts and purses of men as does the cry of a child. Do not forget our motto: "ONE DAY'S WORK" for the orphans at Thanksgiving.

Let our Thanksgiving offering be worthy of Him who said, "In as much as ye did it to one of these little ones, ye did it to me."

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS,

H. J. STEELMAN,

R. L. WOOTEN, Committee.

The report was ably and feelingly discussed by W. C. Meadows, F. B. Hamrick, and others. On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on devotional exercises reported Rev. Milton McNeil to conduct the exercises tomorrow morning at 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Saturday, August 23, 1924.

The Association met according to appointment. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. M. McNeil.

At this hour Rev. O. E. Shaver, a Methodist minister who led the singing for the Association, was extended a vote of thanks for the splendid music which he rendered for the body.

The report on

EDUCATION

was then handed in, which reads as follows, viz:

The life of a nation depends upon its schools; the value of a school depends upon its ideals; the ideals of a school have their highest worth only as they are Christian. It is the duty of the churches to make these ideals dominant in education. To this end North Carolina Baptists have inaugurated a broad and systematic educational program. They are undertaking to maintain in this State one college for men at Wake Forest, and two for women, Meredith, at Raleigh, and Chowan, at Murfreesboro. From last reports, Wake Forest enrolled 845 students, including 8 ministerial students and seven volunteers for the foreign fields. The two women colleges enrolled together 503, including 23 student volunteers. The combined property value of the three, including plants, equipment and endowments, is \$3,865,494.87.

We also maintain two junior colleges for both sexes, Mars Hill, at Mars Hill, and Wingate, at Wingate. These two enrolled 685 pupils, including 64 ministerial students, and 20 student volunteers. Their property value was \$340,000.00.

Our three high schools are Buie's Creek, Boiling Springs, and Liberty-Piedmont, enrolling 1121 pupils, including 48 ministerial students and 8 student volunteers. Their property value is \$431,000.00.

We also have 100 high school students in the Thomasville Orphanage.

So the Baptist high schools and colleges in this State owned and controlled by Associations and the State Convention, enrolled 3,254

students, including 193 ministerial students and 58 mission volunteers, and own property worth \$4,336,494.87.

In addition to these institutions, our Home Mission Board, in Atlanta, maintains 7 high schools, which enrolled 1196 pupils, and are worth \$340,850.00. Their student bodies include 35 ministerial students and 44 student volunteers. So the total number of students enrolled in our North Carolina Baptist schools was 4,450 with 228 ministerial students and 102 student volunteers, and their total property value was \$4,977,344.87.

Southwide institutions in which we have a part includes the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and W. M. U. Training School, Louisville, Ky; the Southwestern Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans. These institutions altogether enrolled 1613 pupils and their property is valued at \$3,929,404.34. It is for the maintenance of these institutions that our Education Board is laboring.

While the \$5,000,000.00, in round numbers, which we have invested in school property in this State seems a large sum, it is small in comparison with the many millions invested in State schools; and the few thousands which we raise annually for our schools is a trifling sum when compared with the State's annual appropriations to her high schools, colleges and university. In addition to maintaining these institutions themselves, we are helping to support our 330 young ministerial and missionary students which are being trained in them, on these we expend about \$14,000 a year.

The necessity for maintaining our schools, great as it has been in the past, must increase rather than diminish for the future.

1st. Because our institutions must be kept in the front rank, along with those of the State in the cultural training that they give, or we cannot hope to keep our Baptist boys and girls in our schools.

2nd. Heretofore, practically nine-tenths of our educated ministers and missionaries have come out of our Baptist institutions; and in the nature of the case, these still must be trained in our schools or no where. Moreover, the State is rapidly enlarging and strengthening her educational program, and compelling all her children to be educated. This, of course, means a much more intelligent membership in our churches, and that we must educate a still larger proportion of our ministers and leaders; for an educated membership will demand an educated leadership.

3rd. Because of the tendency of some students of science to attack the Bible from the standpoint of science, we must train our God-fearing men and women to meet these scientists on their own ground, and while pursuing all knowledge in all realms, to relate all knowledge and all science to God Almighty. In our schools the Bible is revered and taught as the inspired word of God, and the study of it is required of all.

4th. The denominational school emphasizes not only the religious spirit but the denominational principles as well; and thus they

help to enlighten their students in respect to our distinctive doctrines, and also to enlist them loyally in our Baptist enterprises.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. POW,

F. B. HENDREN,

A. S. ELLER, Committee.

The report was spoken to by J. C. Pow, F. B. Hendren and others. On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

M. McNeil read the report on

STATE MISSIONS

Your committee on State Missions beg leave to make the following report:

The Baptist State Mission convention was contrived in the consecrated brain of Martin Ross. The convention was organized at Greenville, N. C., March 26th, 1830. A board of directors was appointed at that meeting. Our information is, when the convention was organized there were only 15,000 Baptist in the State, white and colored. Now there are 340,000 white Baptist and 230,000 colored Baptist, making a total of 570,000 out of a population of 3,500,000.

There have been 100,000 Baptists, we are informed, baptised and added to our Baptist churches in North Carolina since 1919.

The financial achievement in their contributions during the past four years of the 75-Million campaign, has been great.

The Baptist of the State have paid the following named amounts on the 75-Million campaign each year:

First year	\$1,426,629.54
Second year	1,281,742.58
Third year	950,442.27
Fourth year	795,441.06

State Missions only get 13 cents out of the dollar. In the year 1925 the State Missions are to get 20 cents out of every dollar collected. With this increase we ought to enlarge our State Mission program. We, your committee, urge all the Baptist churches in the Brushy Mountain Association to pay the balance on the 75-Million campaign, and to contribute all they can in the 1925 program for State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON McNEIL,

H. W. MAHAFFEY, Committee.

The report was discussed by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on Home Missions not being ready at the time set for it on the program, the clerk was instructed by the other committee to write the report on that topic and insert in the proper place in the minutes, which he did as follows:

HOME MISSIONS

It is said that the Home Mission Board is the only great inter-state missionary organization of Southern Baptist. Its work is largely co-operative in connection with various State Mission agencies. It thus forms a board of union, and has probably been the greatest force among Southern Baptist for the unification of our denomination.

Through this way Southern Baptist in the largest way make it possible for the strong to help the weak. The principal work of the Board is, therefore, in the weaker states of the Mississippi valley and Western states of our territory. Yet the changes in our industrial and business life, and in the cities and country side of the older States, are so great that increasing attention must be given to the needs in the older sections.

The problem in the cities of the South is growing acute in many places like Birmingham, St. Louis, New Orleans and Memphis. The Home Mission Board is helping to solve this problem and to meet the demands as rapidly as funds will justify.

Evangelistic campaigns by the Evangelistic Department of the Home Mission Board are proving to be a mighty factor in the evangelization of the cities.

An opposite problem is presented in the changing conditions of country life, where we must go with greater forces of men and money. In the country lies the greatest numerical strength of Southern Baptist, and yet there is found our greatest weakness in point of efficiency.

Through the missionary and enlistment forces of the Home Mission Board much is being done to conserve our vast host of country Baptist and to enlist them in our denominational work.

Evangelism, enlightenment, and enlistment form the keynote of the work of the Home Mission Board. During the four years of the campaign period and through its co-operative work an average of (according to the latest data we have at hand), 1,495 missionaries and reports for that period 134,832 baptisms, 218,371 additions to the churches, 2,276 Sunday Schools and 759 churches organized, 1,409 houses of worship built or repaired, and 9,523 volunteers for special Christian service. In addition to its work along evangelistic and enlistment lines, the Home Board reports the completion of its \$1,000,000 Church Building Loan Fund, launching of an encouraging work among the Jews, establishment at Jacksonville, Fla., of the Seamen's Institute, vast improvement in 38 mountain mission schools with more than 6000 pupils, establishment at El Paso of a modern tuberculosis sanatorium, and strengthening of its work in Panama and Cuba, and among the foreigners, Indians and Negroes.

Such is the work we are doing under God through the Home Mission Board. Let us continue to offer our loyal support through our

means and our prayers, that the message of salvation may be carried to all parts of our Southland.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. WELLBORN,
G. L. CANTER,
V. McGHINNIS, Committee.

The report was discussed in connection with Foreign Missions, and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Dr. J. L. Shinn read the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Here is a brief glance at the statistics of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. This glance brings a most inspiring assurance of the success of our Foreign Mission cause:

I. We have on our field 1,095 churches. About one-third of them are self-supporting. There are quite a number of stations where we have no church organizations. There are 111,872 church members.

II. 54 new missionaries were sent out last year, bringing the total of our missionaries up to 544. We have a native working force of 2,494. A large majority of the churches have native pastors.

III. The work of our Foreign Mission schools is encouraging. Never have students flocked in such numbers, many were accepted and many were turned away because of lack of room and instructors. We have 860 schools of all grades, in which were enrolled 35,106. This number is about the same as the number of students in all our Baptist schools in the Southland. Twenty of these schools are kindergartens; five are colleges; thirteen are normal and training schools; seventeen are Bible and Theological schools and eight hundred and five are of the lower primary and middle school grades. Our schools are tremendous evangelizing agencies. A large number are won to Christ in these schools and are received into the churches.

IV. We have medical work in three countries, China, Africa and Mexico. There are sixteen male and three female physicians and seven trained nurses among our foreign missionary forces. Also there are 19 native physicians and 29 native nurses. There are 23 buildings of all descriptions in our nine hospital plants. In these are rooms for 796 beds. In these hospitals were treated last year 6,229 patients. The patients outside of the hospital were 70,415. The total treatments given reached the amazing number of 294,422.

V. We have publishing houses organized in China, Japan, Mexico, Brazil, Italy and Argentina, and embryonic publishing interests in all the other fields. These publishing plants brought out books, tracts, Bibles, Testaments, Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. quarterlies, S. S. leaflets and denominational papers in vast quantities. 84,944,180 pages of literature were distributed. Many have been

converted to the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ by reading Gospel tracts or a Testament. A number of churches have been organized as a result of some one having read the word of God from the printed page. Thus our work abroad presses forward with the favor of God upon it.

Southern Baptist rejoice in it, yet they are not supporting it as they ought and can. The Board has been compelled to halt in its great program right at the time when it could press the work most advantageously.

VI. The present situation is distressing. In May, 1924, the Board reported a debt of \$711,000. When appropriations were made, just after the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, over \$1,600,000 in requests from the fields were denied for the lack of funds. Appropriations were made for current expenses only. No new missionaries were appointed and sent except where the salary and expenses were provided by individual churches or people.

The only hope for the mission work to advance is in the payment of our 75-million pledges and to swing into the 1925 program with all our soul, mind, strength and means. Let the people trust in God and do their best.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. SHINN,

G. H. WALKER,

A. G. HENDREN, Committee.

Able and convincing speeches were made on the report, and on motion it was unanimously adopted and the committee discharged.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

Met at 1:30 P. M. After singing a hymn by the choir, the moderator called the Association to order.

W. L. Griggs then read his report on the

75-MILLION CAMPAIGN

And for the 1925 Program:

Nearly five years ago our denomination launched at Atlanta during the session of the Southern Baptist Convention what is known as the 75-Million Campaign. The churches over our convention territory were asked to make pledges to this campaign. Everyone will recall the very intensive work done from November 30th, to December 7th, 1919, by our people in most of our churches. Now it goes without saying that more money has been turned into our denominational treasury than ever before in the same period of time. The credit is due largely to our pastors who have been in hearty accord with this great movement. There have been more baptisms, more schools aided, more churches built, more missionaries sent out, and a greater work accomplished than ever before. The denomination has put itself on record the world over as having seen a vision of opportunity, and of having accepted the challenge to carry out that vision.

All of the churches of the Association did not take part in securing pledges. Some churches closed their doors against this for-

ward movement. Alas, some pastors and preachers have taken a stand against this forward movement, and they should have our prayers and sympathy and love. We deplore the thought that we have a single man in our Association opposed to enlarging the Lord's work, much less having churches with no spirit of co-operation with our denominational policies. Those churches which pledged have done well.

Some country churches deserve special mention: Pleasant Home and Walnut Grove have paid in full to the end of the campaign. There may be others of which the director has not been notified.

Edgewood church has led in the amount pledged and paid in on the campaign.

Your director makes this appeal that our churches shall pay their pledges. We want it said that our Baptist people are honest and interested in our work. We can pay every cent promised. Your director makes this suggestion: That we shall go back home and raise every cent pledged and where no pledges were made, take a special cash offering for the cause, and especially on Thanksgiving make a special offering of one day's wages or income for our Orphanage at Thomasville. We must come to the front in the matter of taking care of our missionaries on the fields. Let every pastor preach on missions, and the great commission of our blessed Lord, and urge their people to do their best for our campaign, and send to Walter Durham, Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C., the money before December 30th.

We have a plan for our 1925 work as follows, viz: Let a canvass be made November 30th, to December 7th, of this year of every member for pledges for Missions and Benevolences for next year, and let every church make such of every member. Our Association is asked to raise \$3500 for 1925 for Missions and Benevolences, the Orphanage included.

We can, if we will, and we should do our duty by our denominational plans and program. Let every church take a collection for others at each regular meeting, and catch step with our great forward vision of evangelizing, teaching, and training our people for service in the Kingdom of our Lord.

W. L. GRIGGS, Your Director.

This report was discussed and on motion adopted.

D. F. Sheppard read the report on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Sunday School work is one of the most important of all our endeavors in trying to bring in the Kingdom of Christ. There is nothing that will take the place of teaching the people the word of God. We know that most of the additions to our churches come from the Sunday School. It is in the Sunday School that our children get their impressions and truth is planted in their hearts that will spring up into great blessings. The Sunday School is not simply for children, but for adults as well. More people are get-

ting into the habit of attending Sunday School; but we urge that more of our church members shall be found in our Sunday Schools in the Brushy Mountain Association. May we not have a larger attendance next year than ever before. Let our pastors make much of Sunday Schools, and give their presence and attention toward encouraging our people to take a deeper interest in Sunday School work.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. SHEPPARD, For Committee.

The report was spoken to by D. F. Sheppard and others and adopted.

E. M. Blackburn offered the following report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board has had a little more than five years of actual functioning. In the meantime it has paid to its old and retired preachers \$538,944.96. This board paid out during the past year to its relief beneficiaries the sum of \$125,449.60 which is \$12,000.00 in excess of what we paid them last year.

The first great need of the board is an interest bearing fund that will yield on the relief side of the work alone \$100,000.00 annually, independently of what the board would receive from the annual budget. A fund of this sort would enable us to greatly increase our benefits to our retired preachers until we could at least appropriate something in the way of adequate aid.

Southern Baptist should deal with the Relief and Annuity Board in the most liberal manner possible, and should see that a program is provided by which it can go on and accumulate at least five millions of interest bearing funds, and then to its higher goal for ten millions.

A NEW SLOGAN

Southern Baptist have reached a point in Ministerial Relief work when they should adopt a new "Slogan," as follows: A Pension for Every Baptist Minister, and from Every Baptist Church a Full Share of the Cost.

It is so easy for us to forget the part which the minister plays in our lives. If we could keep that before us constantly, and in mind, it would not be difficult for us to do what we should do in this great matter.

E. M. BLACKBURN,

W. C. MEADOWS,

J. W. WILSON, Committee.

The report was discussed by a number of the brethren and adopted.

The report on Woman's Work by Mrs. W. L. Griggs was handed in and read by the clerk.

WOMAN'S WORK

I herewith present the following report of the Woman's Work of the Brushy Mountain Association for the year. We have organized three societies, one of which is active and doing good work. We have three societies in the Association that are doing well;

namely, Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro and Goshen. We have held our annual meeting at Wilkesboro in June with a splendid attendance, and in fine spirit. We had our State Vice-President, Mrs. W. N. Jones, of Raleigh, who made us a fine address. There were other addresses which were inspiring. Our women are just taking hold of our part of the work with a beautiful spirit, and we are hoping to have a Woman's Society in all our churches as soon as possible.

We have the Y. W. A. of which Mrs. Triplett is the leader for the Association and with Mrs. C. E. Jenkins as our secretary, we are expecting to do our best year's work.

The society at North Wilkesboro is on the Standard of Excellence, and we have there a loyal band of women.

Our next annual meeting goes to Goshen and we hope to have a large delegation there. Let all the churches desiring a Woman's Society be known to Mrs. W. L. Griggs, North Wilkesboro, and we will visit your church and organize such society. We crave the prayers of our people for our work. Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. L. GRIGGS, Superintendent,

Of the W. M. S. of Brushy Mountain Association.

The report was unanimously adopted.

A formal report of the Baptist Young Peoples Union was not handed in at any session of the Association. For lack of time, it was overlooked. Because of its importance, the secretary takes the liberty to insert here a short report on that topic:

The object of the B. Y. P. U. as given in the Manual by L. P. Leavell, Field Secretary of the Sunday School Board, shall be the increased spirituality of the young christians, their training in essential church activities; their edification in scriptural knowledge; their instruction in Baptist doctrine and history; their enlistment in all forms of missionary endeavors through existing denominational organizations. It is the training service of a Baptist church. It is a Baptist church at work in, for and among its young people.

The active membership in the Baptist Young Peoples Union is made up of young church members, as young soldiers who have enlisted in the Lord's army. Their efficiency as soldiers will depend largely upon their training.

What relation does the B. Y. P. U. bear to the church? The same relation that the preaching service bears to the church; the same that the prayer meeting bears to a church; the same that the Sunday School bears to a church. The preaching service is a church worshipping. The Sunday School is a church teaching the Bible. The B. Y. P. U. is a church developing and training its young members in service. Let us all get busy and do more along this line.

V. MCGHINNIS.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Again we would urge our Baptist people to gather and organize the wealth of Baptist historical data and information that may

now be found in the Brushy Mountain Association. Baptist have through all the ages been great makers of history, but have always been reluctant to record and preserve what they have done. It is a duty we owe to ourselves and to future generations to keep the history straight.

Harmony Baptist church was organized in 1901. Rev. J. J. Beach and Rev. A. T. Pardue were the ministers who led in this movement. From its organization, this church has made progress. It now has a beautiful church house valued at \$2500. The church has 110 members and a well organized Sunday School with an enrollment of 97. Its contributions the past year were \$390.23. This church has been greatly blessed and may the good Lord continue to bless it and add to it from time to time such as he would have to be saved.

Committee.

The committee on **Time, Place and Preacher**, report as follows:

Time—Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1925, at 11 a. m.

Place—Walnut Grove church, seven miles southwest of North Wilkesboro and thirteen miles north of Taylorsville.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. J. L. Shinn.

The following resolution of thanks offered by W. C. Meadows was heartily and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the sincere and heartfelt thanks of this Association be extended to this the Harmony Baptist church and community for the most excellent entertainment during its session. We especially thank the good ladies of this community for the splendid dinners served each day.

The committee on devotional exercises report:

Rev. J. L. Shinn to conduct devotional exercises tomorrow at 9:30 a. m. C. C. Wright to conduct Sunday School tomorrow at 10:00 a. m. Rev. Walter M. Gilmore to preach tomorrow at 11:00 a. m.

On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 a. m.

SABBATH

As per adjournment, the Association met at 9:30 a. m. The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. L. Shinn.

At 10:00 a. m. Prof. C. C. Wright conducted the Sunday School.

At 11:00 a. m. Walter M. Gilmore preached a very able and interesting sermon on the subject of missions. A collection was taken for the various objects of the church amounting to a very handsome sum.

This closed one of the most harmonious sessions of the Brushy Mountain Association.

V. McGHINNIS,
Clerk-Treasurer

C. C. WRIGHT,
Moderator.

TABLE I—STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	Treasurer and Postoffice	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Property	Value of Home	GAINS			LOSS			
							By Baptism	By Letter	Statement	Restoration	By Letter	By Death	Total Membership
Beaver Creek	Milton McNeil, Wilkesboro.	G. H. Walker, Boomer.	G. H. Walker, Boomer.	3	1000					1	1	117	
Cub Creek	R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek	James Lankford, Wilkesboro.	James Lankford, Wilkesboro.	4	1000							45	
Edgewood	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	A. G. Hendren, Straw	L. R. Miller, Straw	2	2000	12				2		165	
Fishing Creek	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro.	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro.	2	500	5						184	
Gordon	L. B. Murray, State Road	Isaac Curtis, N. Wilkesboro.	Ed. Eller, N. Wilkesboro.	1	5000	1	3			5		51	
Goshen	I. C. Woodruff, Hays	H. A. Carlton, Goshen.	H. A. Carlton, Goshen.	1	1500		7			2		78	
Harmony	L. B. Murray, State Road	H. W. Mahaffey, Crickett.	H. W. Mahaffey, Crickett.	1	2500	17	4	1		8	1	110	
Lewis Fork	Levi Greene, Boone.	J.M.Shepherd, ReadyBranch.	D.F.Shepherd, ReadyBranch.	1	2000	5	4	1		2	1	255	
Little Rock	J. W. Watts, Taylorsville.	S. M. Knight, Boomer.	S. M. Knight, Boomer.	2	2000							99	
Moravian Falls	Atwell Watts, Patterson	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls.	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls.	3	1500	18	6			1		121	
Mount Carmel						8						131	
Mount Pleasant	G.W.Sebastian,N.Wilkesboro.	J. C. McNeil, Champion	J. C. McNeil, Champion	2	1500	18	1			7	6	339	
Mount Zion	Levi Greene, Boone.	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	Lela Barnett, Mt. Zion	4	500	5		4		7		148	
New Hope	I. C. Woodruff, Hays	W. T. Eller, Purlear	W. T. Eller, Purlear	4	800					2	4	243	
1st N. Wilkesboro	W. L. Griggs, N. Wilkesboro.	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	E.M.Blackburn,N.Wilkesboro.	twice	33000	10000				6	6	243	
2d N. Wilkesboro	J. M. Absher, Offen	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro.	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro.	2	1000	6	1			5		105	
Oak Grove	A. T. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro.	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	2	600							60	
Oakwoods	J. M. McAlpine, Stony Point.	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro.	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro.	1	600	10	7	2		1		79	
Pleasant Grove	MelvinMichael, PattonRidge.	J. G. Parsons, Buck	J. G. Parsons, Buck	1	1000	4	4			2	2	205	
Pleasant Home	Grant Cothren, Lomax	J.C.Whittington, Wilkesboro.	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	3	1200	5		1		4	1	172	
Pilgrim	MelvinMichael, PattonRidge.	F. O. Foster, Congo	F. O. Foster, Congo	2	1000	9	7			6	5	1	
Stony Hill	E. O. Miller, Wilbar	Lee Beshears, Parsonville	Lee Beshears, Parsonville	2	1500	5	7			1	5	107	
Shady Grove													
Walnut Grove	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro.	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob.	W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob.	4	1000	2	2			2		279	
Wilkesboro	J. L. Shinn, Wilkesboro.	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro.	Mrs.W.E.Harris, Wilkesboro.	twice	12000	14	9	2		4		187	
Zion Hill													
Total					71900	13000	169	88	9	12	69	19	30

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S.S. and B.Y.P. U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund, etc.	Other Objects	Home Total	75-Million (Un-designated)	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State and Asso. Missions	Christian Edu.	Orphanage	Ministerial Relief	Other Benevolences	Denominational Total	Grand Total
Beaver Creek								1.00			10 00	2 15	2 00			6 00			11 15	11 15
Cub Creek	82.00							1.00		165.50	50 00				15				92 00	92 00
Edgewood	100.00		50.00		4.00	10.00		1.00											65 00	230 50
Fishing Creek								1.40								13 00			14 40	14 40
Gordon	90.00		25.00			15.00		1.00		131.00	200 00					3 00			8 00	134 00
Goshen	90.00							1.00											200 00	301 00
Harmony	150.00			104.00		26.95		1.50	3.25	286.23						24 00		80 00	104 00	390 23
Lewis Fork	177.00					11.37		1.50	11.00	215.62						15 55			15 55	258 17
Little Rock	100.00		50.00	1.00		6.00		2.00		173.00					7 20				180 20	180 20
Moravian Falls	60.00	8.00	296.00	396.15				.50	3.00		10 00					12 00	9 50		31 50	807 30
Mount Carmel										453.35	26 15					12 45		13 59	52 19	505 54
Mount Pleasant	226.00		24.00	88.08	22.45	91.17	4.25	1.80		172.05	11 11	11 10		9 25			12 50		41 96	224 01
Mount Zion	92.75		25.00		10.00	22.83	20.00	.90		96.85	13 14					20 64			33 78	130 63
New Hope	85.00		11.00					.85											1530 97	10548 58
1st N. Wilkesboro	2,800.00	600.00	20.00	3,690.11	511.37	1,287.33	4.75	5.00		9,017.61	1103 70				427 27	3 00	2 00		5 00	113 29
2d N. Wilkesboro	80.00					8.29				108.29		20 00	300 00			10 00			330 00	465 50
Oak Grove	60.00						75.00	.50		135.50		3 00				8 00	3 00		14 00	217 18
Oakwoods	105.38		12.30	85.00				.50		203.18									8 55	147 07
Pleasant Grove	85.00	21.35				6.67		2.00		138.52	8 55								58 00	408 00
Pleasant Home	100.00		50.00	23.50	119.00		80.00	1.00		350.00	58 00								2 00	87 96
Pilgrim	63.76				6.84	14.36		1.00		85.96			1 00			1 00			5 00	139 22
Stony Hill	90.87				22.50		20.00	.85				1 00	1 00	1 00		2 00			5 00	139 22
Shady Grove			50.00				25.00	1.75	50.00	378.75		7 55	7 55	5 00	25 30	10 00			85 40	464 40
Walnut Grove	200.00			10.00	6.00	36.00		3.00	193.10	2,464.54	171 93	42 30	42 29	10 00		277 70		80 41	624 63	3089 17
Wilkesboro	1,500.00	84.24	135.00	124.83	258.34	173.63	25.00	3.00												
Zion Hill																				
Total	6,337.76	672.59	748.30	4,518.27	760.50	1,719.60	299.05	31.05	260.35	14,676.95	1652 58	97 10	53 84	825 25	40 87	281 37	00 174 00	3328 08	19956 50	

TABLE III—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	Supt. and Postoffice	Secretary and Postoffice	Officers, Teach.	Beginners, 3-5	Primary, 6-8	Junior, 9-12	Intermediate	Senior & Adult	Home Dept.	Total	Is School Graded	Is School Stand.	Normal Diplo.	Baptisms from School	Contributions for Home Exp.	Contributions for Orphanage Missions, etc.	Total Contributions	
Beaver Creek	James Lankford, Wilkesboro.	James Lankford, Wilkesboro.	4							54	no							
Cub Creek	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek.	Valeria Glass, Wilkesboro.	7							101	no							
Edgewood	E. F. Anderson, Wilkesboro.	Lois Holland, Wilkesboro.	7	29	19	16	17	57		145	yes		2					
Fishing Creek	A. B. McNeil, N. Wilkesboro.	Clora McNeil, N. Wilkesboro.	4							80	no							
Gordon	R. L. Proffit, Goshen.	Lola Proffit, Goshen.	4	6	10	10	6	15		47	yes							
Harmony	H. D. Caudill, Millers Creek.	Clora Minton, Wilkesboro.	7	10	10	4	15	44		97	yes		17	26 98			26 98	
Lewis Fork	D.F. Shepherd, Ready Branch.	Conrad Jones, Ready Branch.	7	4	22	18		28		68	yes		5					
Little Rock	J. W. Livingston, Boomer.	S. M. Knight, Boomer.	3	18	7	10	11	25		43	yes			5 00			5 00	
Moravian Falls	W. G. Lowe, Moravian Falls.	Mrs. R. L. Earp, M. Falls.	8							91	no			100 00			135 00	
Mount Carmel																		
Mount Pleasant	Ralph Dockery, Champion.	James Ellis, Champion.	14		22	30		50		116	yes			46 61	9 58		57 35	
Mount Zion	Mrs. J. S. Walsh, Mt. Zion.	Lela Barnett, Mt. Zion.	7		12	9		40		68	yes		5	28 83			28 83	
New Hope	A. S. Eller, Purlear.	Vertie Watts, Purlear.	7		28	19	22	59		135	yes		1	18 82	18 51		37 33	
1st N. Wilkesboro	E.M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.	C.N. Myers, N. Wilkesboro.	52	59	104	107	85	192	84	683	58	yes	40	25	118 65	168 68	1287 33	
2d N. Wilkesboro	J.M. Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.	O.E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro.	5							35	yes						15 79	
Oak Grove	W.N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro.	Carey Pardue, N. Wilkesboro.																
Pleasant Home	J. G. Parsons, Buck.	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro.	6	16	12	21		36		90	no		4	10 73			10 73	
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek.	W. E. Parsons, Buck.	5	10	10	15	11			51	yes							
Pilgrim	J. A. Parsons, Congo.	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro.	6	30	20	15	20	30		121	no	no	3	1	15 80	50 00	65 00	
Stony Hill	Lee Beshears, Parsonville.	Zora Church, Congo.	6	6	10	20	19	10		71	no			4 00			4 00	
Shady Grove		Mrs. J. M. Laws, Parsonville.	6							59	no							
Walnut Grove	R. C. Jennings, Pores Knob.	Eula Brock, Pores Knob.	6							125	no		2	10 00	8 00		18 00	
Wilkesboro	F. B. Hendren, Wilkesboro.	Pauline Linney, Wilkesboro.	15	13	16	25	38	65	72	244	33	yes	no	14	173 63	335 00	508 60	
Zion Hill																		
Total			182	197	302	318	233	662	156	2524	91			43	76	1559 05	589 77	2199 94



MINUTES
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FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION
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HELD WITH
WALNUT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

August 21, 22 and 23, 1925

DR. W. L. GRIGGS, Moderator
V. McGHINNIS, Clerk and Treasurer

The next annual meeting of the Association will be held with the Second Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1926.

The Introductory Sermon to be preached by Dr. W. L. Griggs. Alternate, W. E. Linney.

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DR. W. L. GRIGGS, Moderator
V. McGHINNIS, Clerk and Treasurer

The next annual meeting of the Association will be held with the Second Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1926.

The Introductory Sermon to be preached by Dr. W. L. Griggs. Alternate, W. E. Linney.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This Association shall be dominated and known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association.

Article 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament.

Article 3. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates, and ordained ministers having care of churches in the Association and members of the Executive Board, and ordained ministers having their membership in churches belonging to the Association and living within the bounds thereof.

Article 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and giving an account of the condition of their church and a statement of all funds contributed to benevolent purposes during the year.

Article 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by ballot from among the members of the churches composing this Association, by a majority of the members voting, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

Article 6. The moderator shall preside at the meeting, preserve order, decide questions in case of equal divisions, extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates of churches received, appoint all committees, except the Executive which shall be nominated and elected by a majority of the delegates present. He shall see that the constitution and by-laws are properly respected.

Article 7. The clerk shall call the roll to keep a true record of the proceedings, conduct all correspondence, and in the absence of the moderator, call the association to order.

Article 8. The Treasurer shall receive the funds and disburse them as ordered by the Association and at the close of the official term, shall report the amount received, and expended.

Article 9. The minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

Article 10. Any church not representing itself in this body three successive sessions, by letter or by delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

Article 11. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

Article 12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State convention and the Southern Baptist convention shall be chosen by vote.

Article 13. Any church desiring to become a member shall present her petition at an annual session of this body, through

the delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Article 14. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to preserve gospel order, but shall not entertain any charge against any church unless it is brought in through a church.

Article 15. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all the privileges of regular delegates, except that of voting.

Article 16. The annual session of this body shall commence on Friday before the Fourth Sabbath in August at such a place as the Association may select.

Article 17. By appointment there shall be preached, at each annual session, an introductory, a missionary and a denominational sermon.

Article 18. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and messengers from the churches of the Association.

2. Daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

4. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand of fellowship.

5. The Clerk shall provide letters for the use of the churches of the Association previous to the meeting of the Association, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them and have it present at each annual session, read the proceedings of the preceding session at the beginning of each morning session, and the last days proceedings at the close of the annual session.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "Brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members are requested not to absent themselves from the sessions of the Association, but, to remain to the end of the meeting.

8. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also a copy to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and one to the Field Secretary for Sunday Schools in North Carolina.

9. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Parliamentary Law.

10 The order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session and shall be changed only by a vote of the body.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

Beaver Creek—A. J. Foster, G. H. Walker, Zachary Ferguson.

Cub Creek—J. B. Hall, B. Pardue, J. M. Lankford.

Edgewood—M. R. Miller, C. G. Glass, J. W. Fletcher.

Fishing Creek—J. C. Jarvis, C. H. Holland, S. S. Jarvis.

Gordon—C. M. Coleman, H. M. Huffman, W. P. Carson.

Goshen—H. A. Carlton, R. L. Proffit, John Walsh.

Harmony—H. D. Caudill, Monroe Faw, H. W. Mahaffey, R. L. Lankford.

Lewis Fork—A. J. Proffit, J. R. Triplett, J. M. Shepard.

Little Rock—S. M. Knight, V. McGhinnis, N. C. Andrews.

Moravian Falls—D. J. Pardue, W. G. Lowe, Wed Hendren.

Mount Carmel—Not represented.

Mount Pleasant—H. I. Shoemaker, U. G. Foster, Oscar Church.

Mount Zion—R. L. Wooten, J. G. Eller, W. O. Barnett.

New Hope—A. S. Eller, W. B. McNeil, N. C. Church.

First North Wilkesboro—R. C. Hendren, E. M. Blackburn, J. W. Nichols.

Second North Wilkesboro—J. W. Wilson, T. S. Hall.

Oak Grove—Green Blackburn, Carey Pardue, A. T. Pardue.

Oakwoods—I. P. Anderson, J. B. Laws, W. A. Ellis.

Pleasant Grove—T. V. Church, John Bumgarner, William Church.

Pleasant Home—A. G. Bumgarner, Luther Nichols, Ray Bumgarner.

Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, J. A. Parsons, B. L. Minton.

Stony Hill—G. W. Walsh, Lee Beshears, L. P. Whittington.

Shady Grove—Not represented.

Wilkesboro—W. H. Foster, T. E. Story, J. F. Jordan.

Walnut Grove—J. E. Bentley, E. P. Lowe, W. A. Jennings.

Zion Hill—G. B. Carlton, W. M. McGlammery, J. E. German.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Messengers of Walnut Grove Church.

Digest of Church Letters—V. McGhinnis, R. C. Meadows, R. L. Proffit, R. L. Jones.

Temperance—M. McNeil, G. W. Sebastian, E. C. Miller.

Religious Literature—V. McGhinnis, D. F. Shepard, C. M. Coleman.

Orphanage—W. C. Meadows, A. S. Eller, A. J. Foster.

State Missions—K. D. Stukenbrok, G. W. Sebastian, Valeria B. Nichols.

Ministerial Relief—S. F. Conrad, J. C. Parsons, R. L. Lankford.

Home Missions—J. L. Shinn, Mrs. W. E. Harris, W. C. Meadows, R. L. Wellborn.

Education—S. J. Honeycutt, C. C. Wright, T. E. Story.

Evangelism—W. L. Griggs, A. E. Watts, G. W. Sebastian, Levi Greene, J. W. Watts.

Foreign Missions—T. E. Story, H. W. Mehaffey, E. F. Anderson.

State of the Churches—G. W. Walsh, G. H. Walker, W. P. Carson, W. G. Lowe, J. W. Wilson, A. T. Pardue.

Enlistment—G. W. Sebastian, J. L. Hemphill.

Resolutions—J. L. Shinn, Melvin Michael, J. M. McAlpine.

Time, Place and Preachers—U. G. Foster, R. C. Hendren, J. W. Fletcher.

B. Y. P. U.—T. E. Story, J. F. Jordan, Miss Valeria Belle Nichols, Miss Nola Foster, Mrs. James Richie.

Woman's Missionary Union—Mrs. W. L. Griggs, Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok, Mrs. J. W. Nichols, Mrs. R. L. Proffit, Mrs. F. G. Holman.

Sunday Schools—F. B. Hendren, H. D. Caudill, J. G. Parsons.

Historian—W. C. Meadows, V. McGhinnis.

Obituaries—R. L. Proffit, A. T. Pardue, J. R. Eller.

Co-operative Program—W. L. Griggs, Homer Carlton, Hayes Foster.

PROCEEDINGS

Walnut Grove Church, Aug. 21, 1925.

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met in its fifty-second annual session with Walnut Grove Baptist Church, August 21, 1925, at 10:30 o'clock, A. M.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. R. Beach. News having reached the Association that Bro. C. C. Wright, the former Moderator, had received a very painful wound in an automobile accident, which rendered him unable to be present at this session, the congregation joined in a very earnest prayer for his speedy recovery, which was led by Rev. G. W. Sebastian.

The introductory sermon was then preached by Dr. J. L. Shinn, using as a text I Cor. 4:2, which reads as follows, viz: "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." Dr. Shinn's sermon was a very able and interesting discourse.

The congregation then adjourned for forty-five minutes for dinner and recreation.

The Messengers then reassembled in the house and in the absence of the Moderator, the Association was called to order by the Clerk.

After the roll call of the churches, with the response of Messengers from twenty churches, the body proceeded with the annual election of officers, Rev. W. C. Meadows acting as Moderator, Pro Tem.

On motion of G. W. Walsh, C. C. Wright was re-elected Moderator and Dr. W. L. Griggs Vice-Moderator to serve in the absence of Brother Wright at the present session.

The following correspondents and visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body, viz: Rev. S. F. Conrad from Mecklenburg-Cabarrus Association, Bro. F. B. Hamrick, Treasurer of Thomasville Orphanage, Dr. W. M. Gilmore, representing the State Mission Board, Rev. W. R. Beach, representing the Biblical Recorder, J. R. Swanson, of Caldwell County Association, Mr. J. N. Barnett and wife, representing the Sunday School work of the Baptist State Convention, Rev. H. C. Whitener and wife, of Catawba Association; Bro. H. M. Beach, of Caldwell County Association, Rev. J. A. Boldin and wife, of Caldwell County Association, Dr. Brinson, of the Theological Seminary, of Louisville, Ky., Rev. R. N. Garner, of Brier Creek Association, Rev. Mr. Teague, of Caldwell County Association, R. L. Church, of Stone Mountain Association.

The moderator then announced the different committees as they appear on another page of this minute.

The hour having arrived for the special order of business, the moderator called for the report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Dr. J. L. Shinn read the report on that topic as follows, viz:

Your committee on Temperance and Law Enforcement beg leave to submit the following report:

We are sorry to have to report that the cause of Temperance has not advanced in Wilkes County nor in the State of North Carolina as we hoped it would after the adoption of the prohibition act.

The manufacture of intoxicating liquors is going on over all the State, and especially in Wilkes County. Men who have taken the oath to support the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of North Carolina, are engaged in the manufacture of liquor in almost every Township in Wilkes County in violation of the oath they have taken. We want to urge the good law-abiding citizens of Wilkes County, both men and women, to see to it that no blockade still is allowed to be operated in your section of the county. If one should be put up in your section of the county, report it to the United States officers and to the sheriff of your county. We want to urge the various officers to enforce the law and break up the violation of the laws of our country.

Respectfully submitted,
MILTON McNEIL,
G. W. SEBASTIAN,
E. C. MILLER,

Committee.

The report was spoken to by G. W. Sebastian and others and adopted and the committee discharged.

The clerk read the report on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The newspaper now is an indispensable necessity. All kinds of business and professions and every kind of organization must have a newspaper as a medium of information and knowledge. The greatest agency for reaching the public mind is the newspaper. We face a great danger in the matter of reading material furnished in the average Christian home. Frequently it is of the sort that does not develop Christian character nor strengthen our young people in the faith of their church.

One may be a Baptist and a Christian without any denominational paper; but no church member can be informed as he should be without his denominational organ.

The Biblical Recorder is now in its ninety-third year and has been the recognized medium of information to the Baptists of North Carolina since it was founded in 1832. As an exponent of the Bap-

tist principles it has largely helped us to have one of the most orthodox and loyal bodies of Baptists in the United States. It comes to us fifty-two times a year for a little less than four cents a week. The cost is very small for such a great paper. The Recorder should be read by every Baptist family in our Association. We urge the pastor of every church to speak a kind word for the Recorder and ask the heads of families in his church to take and read the paper regularly.

We also highly recommend Charity and Children, now regarded as the greatest orphanage paper in the United States.

For those of our people who want to be well informed about our work as Baptists, we would recommend Home and Foreign Fields. This paper costs only \$1.00 per year. It is published by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville, Tennessee. This paper is essential to give us the information we need about our work in home and foreign lands.

Respectfully submitted,

V. McGHINNIS,
D. F. SHEPARD,
C. M. COLEMAN,

Committee.

The report was discussed by W. R. Beach and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on Sunday Schools not being ready, on motion it was decided to discuss the report and hand it in later on. J. N. Barnett, who represents the Baptist Sunday School work of the State, made a very interesting speech on that topic.

The report was later handed in and reads as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

In this modern day, the Sunday School is indispensably necessary to every Missionary Baptist church in the accomplishment of its mission. A church without a Sunday School is a drag and almost an aimless institution. Indeed, the Sunday School is the mobilizing agency in the church. Each church should consider it a Christian duty to maintain its Sunday School without an intermission throughout the year, and not merely through the spring and summer months. It is a most serious mistake to close it for the winter months.

It is recommended that this Association undertake a campaign to bring about the organization and maintainance of an all the year round Sunday School in every church in its bounds.

E. M. BLACKBURN,
F. B. HENDREN,
H. D. CAUDILL,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on the

ORPHANAGE

The General Manager in his report to the Board of Trustees of the institution, says, "I hereby hand you the fortieth annual report of our work. We are very grateful to the Father of mercies for His good hand upon us during the year. We have come up to this good hour with a health record that compares favorably with that of the country at large."

We are grieved to report the death of three fine little girls. The school work has been fine. We look with pardonable pride to our forty-two graduates. Fine specimens of young men and women who go out to bless the world in many varieties of usefulness. Our last Thanksgiving offering was fine, however, there has been a falling off since that time. The religious work is encouraging. Sixty boys and girls have been baptized into the Orphanage church. The outstanding need of the Orphanage is funds and trained workers.

There are now at Thomasville 492 and at the Kennedy Home 110, total 602 children. The cost of maintaining these children is \$23.70 per month. The Mothers' Aid department conducted by Miss Mattie Edwards, who says, "My two years experience in this work has convinced me that homes should not be broken up when mothers are capable of caring for their children with a little help. It is better to keep the children under the influence of home if the home is a good one, and it must be good in order to obtain aid from the Orphanage."

The work is encouraging. Many homes are made happy at far less cost than it would be at the Orphanage, the average being only \$5.22 per month for each child.

It is the finest department of our work, as many ministers and committeemen will testify.

Brethren, let us rally to our Orphanage. Take regular collections, especially in the Sunday School. Do not forget the Thanksgiving offering of one day's work or income, at Thanksgiving day each year, and also to pray that God's blessings may rest upon all workers and the children.

W. C. MEADOWS,

A. S. ELLER,

A. J. FOSTER,

Committee.

The report was discussed by W. C. Meadows, F. B. Hamrick and others and adopted and the committee discharged.

S. J. Conrad read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITY

The report of the Relief and Annuity Board for the last convention year closed May 1st, 1925, was one of the fairly good years in the Board's history, notwithstanding the great financial depression and shortage of receipts.

The relief beneficiaries received during the year \$127,021.35; the beneficiaries of the Annuity Fund received \$10,103.58, making a total of \$137,124.93, which is more than the Board has paid out in benefits in any one year.

The Board repeated itself last December in sending out Christmas checks to beneficiaries, the amounts ranging from \$5.00 to \$10.00 each, according to the circumstances. The Board hopes to make this an annual habit.

The Board is now carrying on its roll 1086 beneficiaries; 600 aged ministers, 386 widows and about 100 orphan children.

The Board is also sending aid to states which are wholly unable to provide for their retired preachers. It is spending thousands of dollars annually in this specific kind of aid. There was but little hope for a large class of dependent preachers until the Relief and Annuity Board was organized. The 75 Million Campaign was \$53,838.72.

The great, immediate and all but desperate need of this Board is a fund that will yield for general relief alone \$100,000.00 per year in addition to what the Board would get from the regular budget. This statement has been made over and over again through our denominational press for the past two years. It is the one outstanding, glaring need of our Board, and should not be difficult of attainment. We must continue to press this particular need. The Board can never begin to do the adequate thing until this fund is obtained. If some of our rich people could only see their way to make some large gifts to this Board, or to remember us in their wills.

Every minister, of course, knows that sooner or later, if he lives, he will have to retire to private life. It is sweet and assuring to know that when the time comes he can do so without being the humiliated object of charity; that he can still hold up his head and walk with self-respect among his brethren of the calling, because there has been provided by the gratitude and thoughtfulness and generosity of the people he serves, at least a small competence to supplement his own meagre means, so that in the latter days of his earthly life he will not have to eke out a bare existence. Now, what we are trying to do is to bring just such a

situation into our Southern Baptist ministry. The new plan, when once in operation, will absolutely do that.

S. F. CONRAD,
J. C. PARSONS,
R. L. LANKFORD,

Committee.

The report was discussed by S. F. Conrad, W. C. Meadows and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

C. C. Wright's letter to Rev. W. C. Meadows and the Association was read and on motion it was ordered to be printed in the minutes. The letter reads as follows:

August 20, 1925.

Dear Bro. Meadows:

It is with a feeling of very deep regret that I write you this morning that I shall be unable to attend the annual meeting of the Association. I came very nearly losing my life in an automobile accident last week in South Carolina. I was just able to return home Thursday afternoon. The doctor has ordered absolute quiet for several days.

One of the greatest pleasures of my life has been my association with you and the brethren in our annual gatherings. The pleasant recollections of these shall ever remain with me. This meeting marks the close of my twentieth consecutive year as moderator of our Association. During these years I have tried to do my best. It is true in this as in all things, we sometimes fall short of our ideals; but it is very gratifying to note that in many activities the body has gone forward during the past two decades. I take this opportunity to tender my thanks to the ministers and the laymen of the churches who have so nobly held up our hands during these years of service. I am praying that God may direct you tomorrow in the selection of your presiding officer and that under his direction and management our Association may continue to go forward, attaining greater results than have been attained in the past. May God's blessings rest and abide with you now and always, is the wish of your brother,
C. C. WRIGHT.

Bro. Andrew Jennings then read the assignment of homes for the delegates and visitors.

The committee on devotional exercises reported Rev. A. T. Pardue to conduct the devotional exercises tomorrow morning at 9:30 and Bro. Gilmore to preach tomorrow at 11 A. M.

On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Saturday, August 22, 1925.

The Association met as per adjournment. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. A. T. Pardue.

At 10 A. M. the body was called to order by the moderator. The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the Association, viz: Bro. John Gwaltney, of Alexander County Association, Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, of Hickory, Prof. S. J. Honeycutt, Principal of Mountain View Institute.

The report on State Missions was read by Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok:

STATE MISSIONS

The Baptist State Convention was organized at Greenville in 1830. At this first meeting, a State Mission Board was elected and a corresponding secretary was sent out to raise funds with which to evangelize North Carolina. We have been in the business of State Missions for ninety-four years and the work was never more vital.

There are 145 missionaries in the employ of the Board this year. We are making it possible for many communities and destitute sections of the State to have the Baptist message. The labors of these missionaries have been wonderfully owned and blessed of the Lord.

We have five Sunday School workers together with several Associational workers. These Associational workers are paid by the local Association and the Sunday School Board at Nashville.

We have a B. Y. P. U. force of four all-time workers together with the Associational workers who give half-time to the work of B. Y. P. U. Miss Winnie Rickett, of Andrews, a recent graduate of Meredith College, has been selected as the Junior-Intermediate Secretary, succeeding Mrs. Elma Farabow Davis.

We have four all-time workers in the W. M. U. department and two Associational workers.

We have four Evangelists and one Negro Evangelist to our negro brethren.

There are three Enlistment men whose salaries are paid in part by the Home Mission Board. These men are all-round servants of the pastors and the churches.

In the Student Department we have three workers. They are located with the A. & E. College, Raleigh, the University at Chapel Hill, and with the N. C. C. W., Greensboro. These Student Secretaries are our connecting link between the home and the individual student while away in college. They are doing much to foster and conserve the spiritual lives of our boys and girls in State schools.

There are many other phases of our State Mission work that we have not mentioned. Just now we are seriously hampered by a heavy debt on our running account. We are hoping that there will be a generous and loyal response from all the churches this fall

so that we can go to the Convention with our debts paid in full, ready for a great forward looking program in our State Mission work.

K. D. STUKENBROK,
G. W. SEBASTIAN,
VALERIA BELLE NICHOLS,
Committee.

The report on Home Missions was read by Dr. Shinn:

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board presented its eightieth annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention last May in Memphis, Tennessee. Eighty years of service by this board since its organization in 1845 constitute a real romance in Home Missions. Through many vicissitudes and steady and unvarying purpose for the salvation of the lost and the upbuilding of the Kingdom in our Southland, the Home Mission Board presents an unbroken history of fidelity and spiritual conquest. For the last twenty-five years the advance in Home Missions has been at times remarkable and always continuous and healthy. It reached its highest point in 1920, the first year of the 75 Million Campaign. Since that time due to various causes, but chiefly to the falling off in receipts, the Board has made severe and drastic retrenchments in many phases of its work. In some instances such severe retrenchment has brought the work to the verge of calamity. The Board has had to stand still in the face of countless calls and unwonted opportunities. Fields ripe for the harvest have cried out for the sickle of the reaper and the Board has not been able to thrust laborers sufficient into harvest fields to garner the grain. At the recent annual meeting of the Executive in June, on account of the heavy and burdensome debt, the Board had to still further retrench. Enlargement, on the contrary, is called for in every direction.

First, in an increase of forces; second, in better equipment. The Board has need for at least fifty capable young women and as many men in the field at home and a half dozen young women for Cuba.

In equipment, the needs are even greater. For school buildings in El Paso, Texas, and Havana, Cuba; the enlargement and better equipment of our thirty mountain schools; at least fifty chapels in the homeland, Cuba and Panama. The greatest need of the Board just now is a mighty increase in financial receipts to lift the heavy burden of debt and prepare for the recovery of lost ground and to enter new fields that are white unto harvest.

Notwithstanding the retrenchments made the Board presents a year of wonderful results: With 1,077 missionaries, they report 49,218 churches and stations occupied; 30,027 additions by baptism; 4,896 by letter; total additions 50,354; 210 churches constituted;

355 church houses built or improved; 608 Sunday Schools organized; distributed 12,995 Bibles and Testaments.

The Home Mission field was never so great and urgent as now. To save our own land is a condition of saving the lost in distant lands.

Let us remember the Board and all its work in our prayers and come with greater liberality in our gifts.

J. L. SHINN,
W. C. MEADOWS,
MRS. W. E. HARRIS,
Committee.

The report was spoken to by J. L. Shinn and others and on motion was adopted.

T. E. Story read the report on

MISSIONS

During the last year God has blessed our work abroad. The fact that our missionaries baptized 12,134 people into the membership of our churches on our foreign mission fields is an achievement which should set our hearts aglow with joy. We now have 124,000 members as the fruits of our labors abroad. Our records show that we have 544 missionaries in 14 different countries. We wish here to quote from our Foreign Mission Board. This being the year of our Diamond Jubilee of the work in Africa, we look back with rejoicing and thanksgiving for all God has done in this land. A great expansion has taken place in the last few years over all the country. Much of this has been the result of Home Mission work on the part of the independent churches. During the past year there have been 18 new churches organized in Brazil, not only this, but old ones have been developed in every line of work.

Two years ago a Chilean Home Mission Board was organized to carry the gospel into the frontier. During the past year they have supported three missionaries and have carried on a splendid work in the regions beyond.

Our Christian people are rising up and showing where they stand in China. Our China Baptist Publication Society is one part of our enterprise which serves every phase of our church work. During the year the society has sent out of its different publications 1,792,236 copies, with a grand total of 37,693,155 pages. This year (1924) has been the best in the Italian Mission since the outbreak of the World War. The largest number of baptisms ever reported in our Mission consoles us no little. Two hundred and fourteen new members baptized into Christ and a large number of inquiries for 1925 make us more hopeful for the future.

The Willingham Memorial School for boys, established April 11, 1916, at Fuknoka, Japan, has grown until today we have a school with three departments. These are: middle school, college, and Theological Seminary. In these we have 635 students and very favorable Christian progress being made.

In Jerusalem we have made some progress. Especially have we been fortunate in having Brother Volkavitch, our Jewish worker, who has made wonderful progress with a number of young Jews. In all our work our efforts have been wonderfully blessed.

In the face of such triumphs it makes us sad to turn our attention to the embarrassment our Foreign Board is now experiencing on account of the failure of the churches to support it properly. The Board reported to the last Southern Baptist Convention a debt of \$1,250,000. This debt came through no extravagance on the part of the Board. In fact the Board has been cutting its appropriations severely for the last three years, and is now holding back more than 100 volunteers who are ready to go to the front. It has also denied for two years any additional equipment to the missionaries. This debt grew because our Baptist people are not giving adequately. The large program of the Board cannot be maintained on the amounts they are now giving. What is the remedy for the present distressing situation? The simple remedy is for the churches to put on the 1925-26 program. Let the churches make the every-member canvass and support the great program, including all the interests fostered by Southern Baptists, and our Foreign Mission Board will be cared for along with all the others.

T. E. STORY,
H. W. MAHAFFEY,
E. F. ANDERSON,

Committee.

The report was discussed by T. E. Story, S. F. Conrad and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

At 11 A. M. a very able and interesting sermon was preached by Dr. W. M. Gilmore.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association reassembled at 2 P. M. After singing "When I can read my title clear," and "Amazing Grace," Rev. J. A. Boldin led in prayer.

Prof. S. J. Honeycutt read the report on

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In presenting the report on Christian Education, you can recognize that the emphasis on education will have to be laid on what our denomination understands to be Christian. Too much educa-

tion today parades under the guise of Christian, therefore great safeguards should be placed round our schools that are distinctively Christian and denominational. The object of maintaining our denominational schools is not only to give the younger Christian an opportunity to get an education in a spiritual atmosphere with the additional training for service in our churches, but to train those who have been called of God to special service to preach the gospel at home and abroad.

We cannot and ought not to expect this from the State schools, since they are designed to train for citizenship only. Therefore the denomination is compelled to maintain its own schools for the above mentioned objects.

It is not necessary to go into detail of what our denominational schools have accomplished. The investment of money and investment of the life of the Godly teachers are amply demonstrated by the products of these schools in every walk of life, especially so in the lives of our missionaries who have been trained in our schools, colleges and seminaries.

With the above facts before us, we as an Association should stand four-square behind these our schools in our co-operative program, giving of our prayers, our sympathy and our means.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. HONEYCUTT,

T. E. STORY,

A. G. HENDREN,

Committee.

The report was discussed by S. J. Honeycutt, K. D. Stukenbrok and others, and on motion was adopted.

Bro. J. L. Hemphill read the report on

ENLISTMENT

We your committee on Enlistment advise our churches to try to get all their members enlisted: 1st, In personal evangelism; 2nd, In all the co-operative work set forth in the co-operative program; 3rd, That so few of our people are co-operating with the work, it behoves us to use every scriptural means to bring them together. We recommend therefore that pastors everywhere preach on missions and wherever possible have a school of missions that our people may study this subject in thorough way.

J. L. HEMPHILL,

G. W. SEBASTIAN,

Committee.

The report was discussed by J. L. Hemphill, G. W. Sebastian and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Dr. W. L. Griggs read the report on

EVANGELISM

Missionary Baptists have always believed in the New Testament in its entirety. Evangelism is plainly taught in the New Testament; therefore, we have practiced this blessed teaching through the centuries. We are trying to do evangelistic work in all the world because we believe in the great commission of our Saviour. Evangelism has been our strongest fort in all of our endeavor. Our Mission Boards have put great emphasis upon evangelism. Our State Mission Board has employed a strong force of consecrated men with Rev. H. T. Stevens as Superintendent, to carry on that department of our work. This department has accomplished wonderful things.

Last year they reported 1,481 professions and 976 baptisms in the State in revival meetings, while the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention reported 11,344 conversions and 8,001 baptisms. This is only touching the hem of the garment as compared with the great number of unsaved to be won to Christ. We rejoice in every success of Evangelistic effort by our Boards, but we know that after all, we must depend upon our pastors and churches for the most of this particular phase of the work.

We most earnestly urge that a revival meeting be held in each church in the Brushy Mountain Association during the year and wherever possible in each community, in school houses, brush arbors, tents, and where we may not have church houses adequate for such meetings. Then your committee urges that we shall do more individually in soul winning.

Sunday School teachers and deacons and members can do much in helping evangelise our people. All our work depends upon our consecration to the great task of evangelism. We should get in earnest about the salvation of all our people. Let each church and pastor pray for each other that they shall be blessed of God in evangelism. May we have a great revival throughout our Association during the coming year.

W. L. GRIGGS,

A. E. WATTS ,

G. W. SEBASTIAN,

Committee.

The report was discussed by W. L. Griggs, A. E. Watts and G. W. Sebastian and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Bro. G. W. Walsh presented a verbal report on

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

We your committee on the above topic are pleased to report that so far as we can see with our limited observation, we believe that the churches are making progress in material things. There are

better houses of worship being built. There are better Sunday Schools and better trained teachers. There is more being done for Christian Education and more along all lines of the organized work of our denomination. We are living in a State that is rapidly developing its natural resources and material wealth; but we fear that the spirituality of the churches is on the decline. It will be disastrous to our Baptist churches not to keep pace in their spiritual progress with the great forward program of our State. Our supreme effort should be along the line of a revival of spiritual religion in which all of our people will be brought to consecrate themselves completely to the service of our Saviour.

This being done, as someone has said, and all our other problems will melt away.

The Macedonian Christians "first gave their own selves to the Lord," and then in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. See II Cor. 8:2-5.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. WALSH,

A. J. FOSTER,

W. G. LOWE,

Committee.

The report was ably and interestingly discussed by G. W. Walsh and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

T. E. Story read the report on the

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

The object of the B. Y. P. U. shall be the increased spirituality of the young Christians, their training in essential church activities; their edification in scriptural knowledge; their instruction in Baptist doctrine and history; their enlistment in all forms of missionary endeavors through existing denominational organizations. It is the training service of a Baptist church. It is a Baptist church at work in, for and among its young people.

The following churches in the Brushy Mountain Association report Young People's Union, viz: Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro, Moravian Falls, New Hope, Mount Pleasant, Goshen, Lewis Fork.

A splendid interest has been shown by the young people in this field of work. Our State worker, Edwin S. Preston, Field Worker, has been in the Association twice during the past year, and has given us much encouragement. During the spring a most enthusiastic Associational meeting was held at New Hope church. At that time it was decided to hold the next meeting at Moravian Falls.

More than a dozen of our young people attended the State meeting of B. Y. P. U. workers at Salisbury in the early summer. Our

workers have during the year organized three Unions outside of this Association. Bible study, mission study and systematic giving have been materially encouraged in the churches where the young people's work has been organized.

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. STORY,
J. F. JORDAN,
MISS VALERIA BELLE NICHOLS,
MISS NOLA FOSTER,
MRS. JAMES RICHIE,

Committee.

The report was spoken to by T. E. Story and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Mrs. W. L. Griggs read the report on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

In presenting the report of the Woman's Work in the Brushy Mountain Association, we are thankful to report one hundred per cent increase in societies over last year, wherein we had three active societies, and this year we have six, namely, Moravian Falls, New Hope, Mount Pleasant, Goshen, Wilkesboro, and North Wilkesboro. Our annual meeting will be held with the women of Goshen church, in September. We are looking forward to having several of our State leaders with us.

Never in the history of our Association have the women been so interested in Mission Study courses as now. Our eyes are being opened to the great need. The hearts of the women beat with sympathy and the response of the women of North Carolina and all other states of the Southern Baptist Convention in giving this year. As women of the Brushy Mountain Association, we praise the Lord for sending into our midst our Field Workers, Rev and Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok, who have labored faithfully and with wonderful results. We wish to have the prayers and co-operation of our pastors and churches for our Woman's Work.

MRS. W. L. GRIGGS,
MRS. K. D. STUKENBROK,
MRS. R. L. PROFFIT,
MRS. J. W. NICHOLS,

Committee.

The report was spoken to by Mrs. W. L. Griggs, Mrs. Nichols and others and adopted.

The Association Director, Dr. W. L. Griggs, read the report on the

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

We have a very happy name now for carrying on the work of the Kingdom of Christ in all the world. This name, "Our Co-operative Program." Regular Missionary Baptists throughout the

Southern Baptist Convention have agreed to co-operate together in giving the gospel to the whole world. We need to take the whole world on our heart, and then work to make our own churches as nearly as possible 100 per cent strong in giving of our means, regularly, systematically and individually, to help in carrying on this Co-operative Program. Each church in the Brushy Mountain Association is urged to take collections upon their meeting days and forward all moneys to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention, Walters Durham, Raleigh, N. C., immediately and regularly. Our missionaries must be paid by the tenth of each month, and likewise all of our paid workers must be supported.

Your committee urges that the churches do all possible for the support of the pastors and that next year each church shall be able to report something done for each of the seven objects of our Co-operative Program. We only need to get together in spirit, prayer, interest and support of this Co-operative plan.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. GRIGGS, Associational Director.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. W. C. Meadows and was unanimously adopted by the Association:

Whereas the theory of evolution now being taught in our State University and other State schools and also in our own denominational college at Wake Forest, and

Whereas this doctrine has been a fruitful source of agnosticism, atheism and infidelity which are destroying faith in the Bible, the Christian religion and God,

Therefore be it resolved that with the light given to us by the Word of God and from Christian men with equal sources of knowledge with others, we declare this doctrine false and unsupported by facts. We do here and now express for it our unwavering condemnation and hereby appeal to the trustees of our College to see that it be eliminated from the teaching and instruction given in our Baptist colleges and schools which is contrary to the belief of 98 per cent of the Baptists of the State.

We also appeal to the Baptist State Convention to use its influence in carrying out this our earnest appeal, also that the Convention adopt and carry out the report on "Baptist Faith and Message," which was adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, Tenn., in 1925.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

Walnut Grove Baptist Church was organized about the year 1845, through the work of Rev. R. L. Steel and J. G. Bryant, an arm from Little River Church in Alexander County, composed of John Jones, Harvey Meadows, James Price, Rosena Price and others as charter members, at the home of James Price.

A log house was then erected on the present site which was used until 1879. In that year the house which the church now occupies was built.

The church now has 291 members. It has a good Sunday School with an enrollment of 101.

The pastors who served at various times were J. Gilson Bryant, Robert L. Steel, A. Gilreath, James Kerley, L. P. Gwaltney, J. P. Gwaltney, I. T. Prevette, C. C. Pool, R. W. Bradshaw, D. W. Pool, S. D. Barnes, T. E. Redman, J. G. Weatherman, E. V. Bumgarner, J. M. McAlpine and W. E. Linney.

W. C. MEADOWS.

The committee on Time, Place and Preachers report as follows:

Time—Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1926, at 11 A. M.

Place—Second Baptist Church in North Wilkesboro.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Dr. W. L. Griggs.

Alternate—W. E. Linney.

The following resolution of thanks offered by Dr. J. L. Shinn was heartily and unanimously adopted:

Be it resolved, that we the messengers and visitors, do hereby express our appreciation to the membership of the Walnut Grove church and friends for the royal hospitality and magnificent entertainment extended to us during the sessions of this Association. May God's richest blessings rest on you.

J. L. SHINN,

F. B. HENDREN,

W. G. LOWE,

Committee.

It was decided by a majority vote of the body that the next annual session of the Association begin on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August instead of Friday as heretofore. This was done in order to give the pastors a chance to attend the sessions of the Association.

The committee on devotional exercises decided that as the annual protracted meeting would begin at Walnut Grove on Sunday that the Association would adjourn on Saturday and not have any session on Sunday.

This closed one of the best and most harmonious sessions of the Brushy Mountain Association.

V. McGHINNIS,
Clerk-Treasurer

W. L. GRIGGS,
Moderator.

TABLE I—MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	GAINS					Loss	Total Present Members	Regular Days of Meeting	In Village (V), Town (T), or Country (Co.)	When Constituted	Revals During Year	Rec. State Bap. Paper	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value all Church Property
			Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters													
Beaver Creek	M. McNeil, Wilkesboro.	G. H. Walker, Boomer	11	1	2	116	3	Co. 1811	1	wood	250	1	1000	1000						
Cub Creek	R. N. Garner, Spurgeon	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	4	1	2	46	4	Co. 1810	1	wood	250	1	2000	2000						
Edgewood	J. W. Watts, Patterson	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro	2	2	1	166	2	Co. 1893	6	wood	700	2	2000	2000						
Fishing Creek	J. W. Watts, Patterson	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro	11	1	1	134	2	Co. 1835	1	wood	200	1	500	500						
Gordon	L. B. Murray, State Road	C. M. Coleman, N. Wilkesboro	9	2	2	62	1	Co. 1919	1	wood	1000	3	6000	6000						
Harmony	L. C. Woodruff, Hays	H. A. Carlton, Goshen	9	3	1	92	1	Co. 1914	1	wood	500	1	1500	1500						
Little Rock	L. B. Murray, State Road	H. W. Mahaffey, Crickett	15	3	1	126	1	Co. 1900	1	wood	400	1	2500	2500						
Lewis Fork	Levi Greene, Boone	J. M. Shepard, Ready Branch	3	3	2	175	1	Co. 1792	1	wood	700	1	2500	2500						
Little Rock	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	S. M. Knight, Boomer	5	1	1	117	1	Co. 1866	1	wood	600	1	2500	2500						
Moravian Falls	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	D. J. Pardue, Moravian Falls	6	1	1	104	3	V 1890	1	wood	400	2	1500	1500						
Mount Carmel	G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro	J. C. McNeil, Champion	8	2	1	328	2	Co. 1875	1	wood	500	1	2500	2500						
Mount Pleasant	Levi Greene, Boone	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	3	1	2	143	4	Co. 1849	1	wood	400	1	1500	1500						
Mount Zion	M. McNeil, Wilkesboro	J. H. Davis, Purlear	15	5	6	246	4	Co. 1830	1	wood	400	1	1000	1000						
New Hope	W. L. Griggs, N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	66	26	13	618	Twice	T 1892	2	brick	600	15	33000	10000						
1st N. Wilkesboro	J. C. Pruitt, N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro	6	3	1	111	2	T 1907	1	wood	300	1	1000	1000						
2nd N. Wilkesboro	A. T. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	10	3	1	57	2	Co. 1910	1	wood	300	1	1000	1000						
Oak Grove	J. M. McAlpine, Stony Point	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro	9	1	1	203	1	Co. 1917	1	wood	200	1	800	800						
Oakwoods	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	J. G. Parsons, Buck	9	1	2	208	1	Co. 1886	1	wood	200	1	1000	1000						
Pleasant Grove	Grant Cothren, Lomax	J. C. Whittington, Millers Creek	12	4	9	176	3	Co. 1880	2	wood	500	1	1500	1500						
Pleasant Home	Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge	F. O. Foster, Congo	3	3	1	72	3	Co. 1859	3	wood	500	1	1000	1000						
Pilgrim	Ed. O. Miller, Wilbar	Lee Beshears, Parsonville	3	4	2	102	2	Co. 1888	1	wood	250	1	1500	1500						
Stony Hill	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	20	2	4	291	4	Co. 1840	2	wood	200	1	1200	1200						
Shady Grove	J. L. Shinn, Wilkesboro	Bumgarner, Wilkesboro	17	9	9	168	Twice	T 1880	2	brick	400	5	12000	3000						
Walnut Grove	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	J. E. German, Boomer	15	2	6	198	2	Co. 1814	1	wood	700	1	3000	3000						
Wilkesboro			233	79	25	3959					1104	50	47000	15000						
Zion Hill			15	2	1	198	2	Co. 1814	1	wood	700	1	3000	3000						
Total			233	79	25	3959					1104	50	47000	15000						

CHURCH	Treasurer and Post Office	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund, etc.	Other Objects	Home Total
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer.....	60 00					5 85	13 85	1 00		20 20
Cub Creek.....	Beule Pardue, Moravian Falls.....	86 00							1 00		
Edgewood.....	L. R. Miller, Straw.....	100 00		30 00	184 51		20 00		1 20		519 71
Fishing Creek.....	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro.....	100 00		12 50					1 00	17 00	129 50
Gordon.....	Mrs. T. H. Williams, N. W'boro.....	86 00		3 51	500 00		30 00	10 00	1 00	2 50	632 97
Goshen.....	H. A. Carlton, Goshen.....	125 00					10 00	2 00	1 00		
Harmony.....	H. W. Mahaffey, Crickett.....	150 00	29 00			1 00	37 84		2 00	8 50	226 34
Lewis Fork.....	G. C. Hamby, Ready Branch.....	161 00	14 12	35 00	17 00	2 00	26 50	29 00	2 00	19 12	291 03
Little Rock.....	S. M. Knight, Boomer.....	100 00							1 42		
Moravian Falls.....	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls.....	195 00		62 44	164 35				1 00		
Mount Carmel.....											
Mount Pleasant.....	U. G. Foster, Champion.....	143 00	20 00	95 00		17 50	42 00	8 51	1 15		327 16
Mount Zion.....	Miss Lelia Barnett, Mt. Zion.....	130 00	10 00	23 00	1000 00	8 00	18 00	10 00	1 50		1189 56
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.....	100 00			33 50				50		
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.....	2983 00	350 00	2500 00	1876 43	790 50	566 97	16 00	5 00		10365 14
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro.....	41 00							1 10		
Oak Grove.....	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro.....	80 00						75 00	50		
Oakwoods.....	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro.....	145 65		18 30	266 95	3 00	6 50		1 00	6 55	346 95
Pleasant Grove.....	J. C. Parsons, Buck.....	93 57							2 00		
Pleasant Home.....	C. C. Church, Millers Creek.....	100 00		81 50	240 00				1 00		
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....	75 16	1 50						1 00	1 00	
Stony Hill.....	Lee Beshears, Parsonville.....	105 00	3 00				8 00	18 00	50	184 50	
Shady Grove.....											
Walnut Grove.....	W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob.....	150 00		75 00	125 00			5 00	1 50		
Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. W. E. Harris, Wilkesboro.....	1500 00	62 50	228 70	221 63	66 00	158 22	30 00	4 10	22 75	2284 90
Zion Hill.....	Arthur Greer, Boomer.....	180 00		50 00	300 00		4 00	50 00			584 00
Total.....		6989 38,490	12,3214	95,4929	37,888	00,933	88,269	71,33	47,211	92,172	17,217 46

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TABLE II—FINANCIAL (Continued)

CHURCH	Cooperative Program (Undesignated)	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State and Associa- tional Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	Other Benevolences	Denominational Total	GRAND TOTAL
	Beaver Creek.....	2 00	2 00	2 00			7 00				31 20	31 20
Cub Creek.....										87 00	87 00
Edgewood.....				100		48 00				667 71	667 71
Fishing Creek.....	14 13									143 63	143 63
Gordon.....						21 15	5 00			26 15	659 12
Goshen.....						10 00				148 00	148 00
Harmony.....	10 00	10 00	10 00	10	5	44 77	11 00	10 00	8 50	112 27	340 61
Lewis Fork.....	21 20					5 25				53 20	344 23
Little Rock.....						80 33				459 17	459 17
Moravian Falls.....		10 00						13 32		526 44	526 44
Mount Carmel.....											
Mount Pleasant.....	60 00				9	40 00			5 00	441 16	441 16
Mount Zion.....	37 24				1	1 00			1 00	41 24	1226 80
New Hope.....	33 50					30 00			8 00	38 00	171 50
1st N Wilkesboro.....	566 50		57 85		850	350 00	43 03			1867 38	12532 52
2nd N Wilkesboro.....						3 00		2 00			47 10
Oak Grove.....		15 00				5 00					525 50
Oakwoods.....		3 20			350	8 68				13 88	360 83
Pleasant Grove.....			2 00			2 00					100 00
Pleasant Home.....						10 00					431 50
Pilgrim.....		2 00									166 42
Stony Hill.....			82 91								134 50
Shady Grove.....											
Walnut Grove.....	187 90	5 00	6 50	5		20 00		1 00		635 87	2920 77
Wilkesboro.....			3 50			200 00	155 10	40 09	49 28	635 87	596 50
Zion Hill.....	12 50										
Total.....	920 47 59	70 16 65	76 13 66	965 886	18 214	13 66	41 71	78 50 57	30 12 34	18 21	

CHURCH	Superintendents and Post Offices		Secretaries and Post Offices		Officers and Teachers	Beginners, 3-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates, 13-16	Seniors and Adults	Cradle Roll, under 3	Total Enrollment	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms From School	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.	Does Church Provide for all Depts. and Classes?	
	Superintendents and Post Offices	Secretaries and Post Offices																		
Beaver Creek	A. J. Foster, Boomer.	G. H. Walker, Boomer.	5		87	yes	no												no	
Cub Creek	G. Anderson, Wilkesboro.	G. Anderson, Wilkesboro.	7		no	no													no	
Edgewood	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek.	Valeria Glass, Wilkesboro.	7	15	77	no	no												no	
Fishing Creek	E. F. Anderson, Wilkesboro.	Ruby Anderson, Wilkesboro.	6	15	164	no	no	21	40	66		15	00						no	
Gordon	W. F. Carson, N. Wilkesboro.	G. Osborne, N. Wilkesboro.	6		115	no	no												no	
Goshen	R. L. Proffit, Goshen.	Lola Proffit, Goshen.	4	7	60	no	no	10	7	20									no	
Harmony	H. D. Caudill, Millers Creek.	Clara Minton, Wilkesboro.	8	15	88	no	no	10	22	25			37	84	15			51	00	
Lewis Fork	D. F. Shepard, Ready Branch.	Conrad Jones, Ready Branch.	8		92	no	no	12	15	23					2			32	00	
Little Rock	V. McGinnis, Boomer.	S. M. Knight, Boomer.	3	12	58	no	no	18		25									no	
Moravian Falls	W. G. Lowe, Moravian Falls.	Mrs. R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls.	8		95	no	no											86	24	
Mount Carmel	J. C. McNeil, Champion.	A. C. Church, Purlear.	14	20	109	no	no	13		50			20	50	1			1	78	
Mount Pleasant	Mrs. Walsh, Mount Zion.	Miss Lelia Barnett, Mt. Zion.	7		74	no	no	9	7	51					1			28	00	
New Hope	N. C. Church, Purlear.	Kyle Hayes, Purlear.	7	16	106	no	no	20	20	43			2	00				9	18	
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.	Earl Caudill, N. Wilkesboro.	36	42	597	yes	yes	85	100	70	250	12	25			62	466	97	256	
2nd N. Wilkesboro	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.	5		45	no	no												no	
Oak Grove	Carey Pardue, N. Wilkesboro.	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro.	3		87	no	no												no	
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro.	R. L. Jones, Wilkesboro.	6	15	80	no	no	15		47					9				no	
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck.	W. E. Parsons, Buck.	5		51	no	no										5	31		
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek.	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro.	6	20	120	no	no	28	18	28					6				no	
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo.	Veonia Foster, Congo.	5	15	59	no	no	18	18	12							1	00	17	
Stony Hill	Lee Beshears, Parsonville.	Mrs. I. M. Laws, Parsonville.	5		95	no	no												no	
Shady Grove						no	no												no	
Walnut Grove	Earl Meadows, Pores Knob.	Eula Brock, Pores Knob.	8	15	101	no	no	25	28	28					11				no	
Wilkesboro	F. B. Hendren, Wilkesboro.	Ursula Blevins, Wilkesboro.	15		247	no	no	159	25	159	25						148	52	77	
Zion Hill	Arthur Greer, Boomer.	J. E. German, Boomer.	5	7	85	no	no	25		20					14				no	
Total			183	199	248	284	248	866	37	2642					27	124	725	20	531	18

TABLE IV—B. Y. P. U. AND W. M. U. WORK

CHURCHES	THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK					THE WOMAN'S WORK								
	Presidents of B. Y. P. U.'s and Post Offices	Senior Unions	Total Enrolled	No. Daily Bible Readers	Taking Study Courses	Total Systematic Givers in All Unions	Presidents and Leaders of Woman's Organizations and Post Offices	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of G. A.'s.	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions and Benevolences	Total Gifts All Purposes	
Lewis Fork.....	Miss Estelle Church, Ready Branch	1	45	36	36	36				8				
Moravian Falls.....	W. G. Lowe, Moravian Falls.....	1	30	25	30	30						14	25	
Mount Pleasant.....	Kathrine Walsh, Champion.....	1	34	15	18	18		15					14	
New Hope.....	T. R. Nichols, Parlear.....	1	33	20	18	7						48	00	
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. L. E. Harris, N. Wilkesboro....	3	131	89	40	80		64			48	00	101	
Wilkesboro.....	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro.....	1	34					38	29	12	106	25	135	
Total.....		8	307	185	58	171		117	29	20	154	25	250	77
													405	02

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

**BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

HELD WITH

SECOND NORTH WILKESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

August 19, 20 and 21, 1926

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator

V. McGHINNIS, Clerk and Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Goshen Baptist Church on the river road eight miles west of Wilkesboro, on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1927.

The Introductory sermon to be preached by G. W. Sebastian. Alternate, N. C. Teague.

DIRECTORY FOR 1926 AND 1927

C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.

V. McGhinnis, Clerk and Treasurer, Boomer, N. C.

R. A. Spainhour, Member State Mission Board, Wilkesboro, N. C.

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N. C. Teague, Wilkesboro, N. C.

George G. Reeves, North Wilksboro, N. C.

G. W. Sebastian, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

B. L. Minton, Congo, N. C.

A. J. Foster, Boomer, N. C.

Isaac Watts, Boomer, N. C.

R. L. Andrews, Ready Branch, N. C.

James T. Nichols, Purlear, N. C.

F. C. Watts, Purlear, N. C.

S. S. Jennings, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

K. D. Stukenbrok, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

R. Paul Caudill, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

H. M. Winkler, Wilkesboro, N. C.

T. V. Church, Buck, N. C.

R. S. Whittington, Millers Creek, N. C.

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A. E. Watts, Taylorsville, N. C.

R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek, N. C.

A. T. Pardue, Roaring River, N. C.

L. B. Murray, State Road, N. C.

J. M. Absher, Offen, N. C.

I. C. Woodruff, Dimmett, N. C.

Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge, N. C.

W. C. Clanton, Gilreath, N. C.

Levi Greene, Hopkins, N. C.

Grant Cothren, Lomax, N. C.

Ministers Retired From Active Pastorates

W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C.

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MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE

Brushy Mountain Baptist
Association

HELD WITH
SECOND NORTH WILKESBORO BAPTIST CHURCH

August 19, 20 and 21, 1926

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator
V. McGHINNIS, Clerk and Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Goshen Baptist Church on the river road eight miles west of Wilkesboro, on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1927.

The Introductory Sermon to be preached by G. W. Sebastian. Alternate, N. C. Teague.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—G. H. Walker, L. C. Matherly, A. J. Foster.
- Cub Creek—J. L. Hemphill, J. B. Hall, J. M. Lankford.
- Edgewood—J. W. Fletcher, J. W. Moore, A. G. Hendren.
- Fishing Creek—T. J. Smithey, S. S. Jarvis, R. L. Wellborn.
- Gordon—A. B. McNeil, G. L. Canter, W. P. Carson.
- Goshen—H. A. Carlton, T. F. Walsh, D. K. Greene.
- Harmony—W. B. McNeil, L. T. Barnard, H. W. Mahaffey.
- Lewis Fork—D. F. Shepherd, A. J. Proffit.
- Little Rock—I. J. Broyhill, N. C. Andrews, V. McGhinnis.
- Moravian Falls—J. C. Critcher, W. G. Lowe, D. J. Pardue, H. J. Steelman.
- Mount Carmel—Not represented.
- Mount Zion—D. M. Triplett, G. D. Wellborn, Richard Wooten.
- Mount Pleasant—H. I. Shomaker, T. O. Minton, J. R. Eller.
- New Hope—A. S. Eller, N. C. Church, B. Benton.
- First North Wilkesboro—E. M. Blackburn, R. E. Walters, J. E. Caudill.
- Second North Wilkesboro—A. E. Chambers, I. S. Baity, J. W. Carter.
- Oak Grove — Clyde Ward, Charlie Blackburn, Carey Pardue.
- Oakwoods—W. A. Ellis, I. P. Anderson, W. F. Stroud.
- Pleasant Grove—T. V. Church, W. E. Parsons, John Bumgarner, Sam Church.
- Pleasant Home—W. V. Caudill, W. T. Kilby, J. B. McNeil.
- Pilgrim—J. A. Parsons, M. F. Huffman, F. O. Foster.
- Stony Hill—Lee Beshears, G. W. Walsh, M. R. Hamby, W. H. Powell.
- Shady Grove—Not represented.
- Wilkesboro—J. H. Johnson, T. E. Story, J. F. Jordan.
- Walnut Grove — J. E. Bentley, E. P. Lowe, W. A. Jennings.
- Zion Hill—G. B. Carlton, W. M. McGlamery, J. E. German.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Messengers of Second North Wilkesboro Church.

Digest of Church Letters—V. McGhinnis, E. M. Blackburn, J. F. Jordan.

Temperance—R. L. Proffit, J. W. Moore, H. A. Carlton.

Religious Literature—F. B. Hendren, J. W. Fletcher, W. M. McGlamery.

Orphanage — W. C. Meadows, M. F. Huffman, G. W. Walsh.

State Missions—N. C. Teague, I. S. Baity, R. E. Walters.

Home Missions—George G. Reeves, A. B. McNeil, A. G. Hendren.

Foreign Missions—J. L. Shinn, W. A. Eller, D. F. Shepherd.

Ministerial Relief—M. McNeil, J. L. Hemphill, Mrs. W. T. Eller.

Education — S. J. Honeycutt, J. M. Lankford, A. T. Pardue.

Evangelism—Geo. Sebastian, I. C. Woodruff.

State of the Churches—E. M. Blackburn, G. H. Walker.

Enlistment—G. W. Sebastian, Geo. G. Reeves, K. D. Stukenbrok.

Sunday Schools — T. E. Story, V. McGhinnis, J. C. Pruitt.

Co-operative Program—K. D. Stukenbrok, G. W. Walsh, Paul Caudill.

B. Y. P. U.—Paul Caudill, T. E. Story, J. F. Jordan.

Historian—J. C. Pruitt, W. C. Meadows, V. McGhinnis.

Time, Place and Preachers — E. M. Blackburn, I. S. Baity, V. McGhinnis.

Obituaries—George G. Reeves.

Woman's Missionary Union—Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok, Miss Valeria Belle Nichols.

Resolutions — W. C. Meadows, N. C. Teague, G. W. Walsh.

MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Wilkesboro, N. C., Aug. 19, 1926.

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met in its fifty-third annual session with North Wilkesboro Second Baptist Church, August 19, 1926, 10:30 A. M. After the singing of a few beautiful and appropriate hymns, Rev. W. C. Meadows led in prayer. At the conclusion of the devotional exercises, Rev. George G. Reeves read the first chapter of Hebrews. After prayer by Rev. M. A. Adams, Rev. George G. Reeves preached the Introductory sermon, using as a text, Hebrews 13:8, which reads as follows, viz: "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever." The sermon was very able, interesting and appropriate. The congregation then adjourned one hour for dinner and recreation. After the expiration of one hour the messengers reassembled in the house and were called to order by Bro. C. C. Wright, the former Moderator. After the roll call of the churches, the body proceeded with the annual election of officers. C. C. Wright was re-elected Moderator and V. McGhinnis was re-elected Clerk.

The Moderator then called for correspondents and visitors to report. The following were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body, viz: Rev. M. A. Adams, of Rutherfordton, representing State Missions and the Biblical Recorder, Bro. Perry, representing Charity and Children, Revs. C. C. Holland and R. N. Garner, of Brier Creek Association, Rev. A. B. Hayes, S. J. Honeycutt and R. L. Church, of Stone Mountain Association. Rev. Geo. G. Reeves, who was recently called as pastor to the First North Wilkesboro Baptist church, was introduced and accepted a seat in the Association.

The Moderator then announced the different committees as they appear in another page in this minute.

The hour having arrived to take up the program which was previously prepared by the executive committee, the Moderator called for the report on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

F. B. Hendren, chairman of the committee on that topic, read the report:

Every Baptist in the Brushy Mountain Association, who is becomingly proud of his denomination and has the price, should take the following papers: The Biblical Recorder, organ of the denomination in this State; Charity and Children, organ of the Orphanage, and Home and Foreign Fields, devoted to missions. If he has not the price of all of them, then he should compromise by taking as many of them as he can pay for.

The Biblical Recorder keeps us informed as to denominational policy and activities, particularly in the State and more generally throughout the whole country. The farmer reads an agricultural paper, the professional man a professional paper, the business man a trade journal and everybody reads a newspaper; but very few people read a denominational paper. Unless we are content to make our denominational interest a secondary matter, we must read our denominational paper.

Every church in the Brushy Mountain Association should have a Sunday School and every Sunday School should take at least ten copies of Charity and Children. Ten copies in a club cost only six dollars per year. It is a high class paper adapted to the needs of every member of the family.

The Home and Foreign Fields is cheap, interesting and necessary to keep us informed as to the extension of Christ's Kingdom in out of the way places.

It is urged that the forward looking men and women in all the churches of this Association make an especial effort during the coming year to stir up interest in religious literature. We simply must elicit a more intelligent interest in our denominational affairs or lose ground.

Respectfully submitted,

F. B. HENDREN,

J. W. FLETCHER,

W. M. McGLAMERY,

Committee.

The report was ably and interestingly discussed by F. B. Hendren and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

R. L. Proffit read the report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Your committee on Temperance and Law Enforcement beg leave to submit the following report:

We are sorry to report that the liquor traffic in our county is still the greatest menace to society and Christianity that we have to contend with. Although drunkenness has decreased wonderfully since the prohibition law was passed. We have laws sufficient, but we are lacking in public sentiment to back up the laws. If all our Baptist people in the bounds of the Brushy Mountain Association would take a firm stand for the law against traffic, it is our opinion that a still could not operate anywhere in our bounds any length of time.

We earnestly urge that our people give the officers all the information they can get and try them out before you condemn. We should all read and study the fifth chapter of Isaiah.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MOORE,

R. L. PROFFIT,

H. A. CARLTON,

Committee.

The report was ably discussed by R. L. Proffit and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on the

ORPHANAGE

Our Baptist people of North Carolina have always manifested the deepest interest in the welfare of helpless and dependent children. The orphanage occupies a high and honorable place in their association and convention programs. It is never side-tracked or ignored in our general meetings.

From the beginning of its history more than forty years ago, it has been a cherished object in our church life, and its grip on the hearts of our people grows with the passing years. From a trickling stream it has become a broad, deep river requiring a vast outlay to meet the necessities of its ever widening work.

Five hundred and eighty-seven children, including those at the Kennedy Home, were enrolled in the Orphanage in the last report. Besides directly under the care of the institution there are 373 being assisted under the Mother's Aid plan. The first families aided under this plan, was in the year 1920; since then help has been given to 550 children. The per capita cost of aiding these children is \$5.22 per month, while the cost of maintaining those at the Orphanage, including everything, is \$24.92 per capita per month.

The Orphanage school has eleven grades running from the Kindergarten up. Above the nursery age all the boys and girls have duties—one half the day being devoted to school and the other half to domestic, field and mechanical work. A well organized church with an active and consecrated young pastor, furnishes a fine opportunity for the development of the moral and religious life

of the community. Cultivation of the missionary spirit in Sunday School, B. Y. P. U., Missionary Society, Sunbeam Bands and other agencies is especially emphasized.

Since the fervor of the 75 million campaign has passed contributions to the current fund have fallen off, last year's receipts being \$30,000 less than the year before. The treasurer has been compelled to pay interest on borrowed money for the past two years. We urge our Sunday Schools to increase their monthly collections, and our churches to enlarge the Thanksgiving offerings; That every Sunday School take Charity and Children on the club plan, and that all our people give one day's income to the institution as a special thank offering.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. MEADOWS,
M. T. HUFFMAN,
G. W. WALSH,

Committee.

The report was spoken to by W. C. Meadows and a number of others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on Missions being on the program before Sunday Schools, it was decided that Bro. T. E. Story, who was chairman of the committee on that topic, prepare and read his report on Sunday Schools before the report on Missions. Bro. Story read the report on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Throughout the years the Sunday Schools of the Brushy Mountain Association have shown an appreciable progress in increased attendance, in the offerings, and in the service rendered. But a study of the present conditions in our work reveals a great opportunity for extending the usefulness of the Sunday Schools among our people.

According to the best figures that can be had at this time there is a population of 18,000 people in the territory of the Brushy Mountain Association. Of this number there is enrolled in the Baptist Sunday Schools 2640 pupils and in the Sunday Schools of other denominations about 660 making a total of 3300. We see therefore in the outset that there is a bare 18 per cent of the people of our Association who attend any Sunday School at all. Only three of the churches in our Association have an enrollment in Sunday School which exceeds their respective church membership rolls. On the other hand there is a number of churches with a Sunday School enrollment less than one-third of the church membership, and one church with a very large membership has a Sunday School enrollment of less than one-fourth the church membership. This is a condition unworthy of us and we must do better.

There is another condition among some of our Sunday Schools that should be overcome. Quite a few are still unable to withstand the ravages of cold winter weather, therefore they go into winter quarters for a period of three to six months of the year. This ought not to be. The Evergreen Sunday School ought to be the goal of every church in the Association.

The records show that only one Sunday School in our Association has made any pretense of achieving a standard of excellence. The requirements of this standard are such that a number of the churches in the Association could with a slight effort make this attainment. It is heartily recommended and urged that the Sunday Schools of this Association secure from our Sunday School Board a copy of the Standard of Excellence and attempt to meet its requirements in the near future.

As best we can learn only a small number of the teachers and officers of our Sunday Schools have the diplomas or any other awards for special preparation equipping themselves for better work as teachers and leaders in Sunday School work. We deserve to press this matter, especially with our superintendents that they avail themselves of all opportunities during the coming year to attend every meeting planned for their encouragement and benefit, and further that they make an effort to have in their own Sunday School a study course for their teachers and officers some time during the year.

It is believed that if our brotherhood will face the conditions and suggestions mentioned in this paper as it truly can, a great improvement will be noticed immediately in our work.

T. E. STORY,
V. McGHINNIS,
J. C. PRUITT,

Committee.

Remarks by T. E. Story and others and on motion the report was adopted and committee discharged.

The committee on devotional exercises reported Rev. N. C. Teague to conduct devotional exercises tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Friday, August 20, 1926.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. N. C. Teague.

At 10 A. M. the body was called to order by the moderator.

Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok read the report on the

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

Here are four vital reasons why the Co-operative Program of Southern Baptists is entitled to the most sympathetic and liberal support of our associations and churches:

1. This program embraces every form of co-operative work in which our Baptist people are engaged—Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Ministerial Relief and our Baptist Schools, Orphanages and Hospitals.

2. The plan of the Program greatly simplifies the appeal of the denomination to the churches in that it lays before the churches our whole denominational work in one well-wrought out plan instead of disturbing the churches with repeated appeals for separate interests many times during the year. This method also results in saving much effort and money.

3. Support of the Co-operative Program on the part of the churches and people tends to their well-rounded development, leading them to support all our causes in a proper proportion rather than giving to just a few of our enterprises.

4. When it is properly supported by all our people the Co-operative Program will insure an adequate income to every department of our organized Baptist work, thus relieving our State and General Secretaries and heads of institutions of constant solicitation of funds and setting them free to plan for the enlarged scope and increased efficiency of the work entrusted to them.

In view of these conditions and the fact that the Southern Baptist Convention and our various State Conventions have committed themselves unreservedly to the Co-operative Program as the best possible means of providing for the general work of our denomination, and have adopted a financial objective of \$9,000,000 for the South as a whole for 1927, we hereby voice our approval of the principle and plan of the Co-operative Program and pledge our best efforts in insuring its success within the bounds of this Association.

In taking this action we agree to assume a definite financial objective for this Association and instruct our executive board, or such committee as it may designate for this purpose, to communicate with the representatives of every church in this Association with a view to enlisting each church in assuming a definite objective for the Program for the ensuing year and then putting on an every-member canvass for underwriting such objective. If any churches cannot now be enlisted in putting on the every-member canvass we would urge this committee to seek to secure a special cash offering for our general denominational work at least once in the fall and again in the spring months.

Respectfully submitted,
K. D. STUKENBROK, for committee.

The report was discussed by K. D. Stukenbrok, M. A. Adams and others and on motion adopted and committee discharged.

Rev. N. C. Teague read the report on

STATE MISSIONS

The clearer the vision we get of a matter the fuller and more sincere our support. Next to our local work, therefore, State Missions should appeal to us. The Master's ministry was spent mainly in preaching, teaching and healing in the state in which He lived, first Judea, then Galilee. One of His last commissions was, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me in all Judea." (Your own state.)

Our State Mission Board today is attempting to preach, teach and heal in our own State of North Carolina. The state has made rapid strides in education, manufacturing, water power, highways, and every other material way. Our State Board is bending every effort to make a similar advance in Kingdom work. 145 pastors are being aided in preaching the gospel. There are two State evangelists, three Sunday School workers, three B. Y. P. U. workers, three W. M. U. workers, eight Associational workers and four field workers besides Secretary Maddry.

There were between eight and nine thousand additions to our churches last year, through the pastoral aid and evangelistic departments alone.

Untold good also is being done through our Baptist schools and our hospital at Winston-Salem. By order of the Convention the \$70,000 debt is being paid off, one-third each year.

We urge that you patronize our schools and hospitals and that you whole heartedly support our Co-operative Program as a means of doing our best state mission work.

N. C. TEAGUE,
I. S. BAITY,
R. E. WALTERS,

Committee.

The report was spoken to by N. C. Teague, M. A. Adams and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The following is the report on

HOME MISSIONS

Our denominational papers have given most hearty commendation of the Home Mission work for the past year. The Board made a glorious report to the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Texas, last May.

Notwithstanding the receipts were more than \$100,000 short of those of the previous year, the year's work was most gratifying. Conversions and baptisms were numerous. The Home Board for

years has been recognized as probably the greatest single evangelizing agency in America. Also the report of the Board shows a most gratifying tendency towards self-support. Mission stations and weak churches helped by the Board are in turn giving liberally to our denominational work—beneficiaries thus becoming benefactors.

Since the convention met in Houston eleven years ago, the work of the Home Mission Board has gone steadily forward. Since that time, the workers—independent and co-operative—of the Home Mission Board, have delivered 1,794,408 sermons and addresses; conducted more than 140,480 prayer meetings; made 3,069,975 religious visits; have added to the churches through baptism 405,796 members; total additions, 652,312; volunteers for Christian service, 121,895; constituted 2,123 churches, built or improved 4,696 houses of worship; organized 7,148 Sunday Schools; distributed 309,753 Bibles and Testaments, circulated 53,537,829 pages of religious tracts. A great record, indeed!

The Board is laboring under a heavy debt contracted not from plunging but from a reduction in receipts for five years past. Retrenchment of the severest sort has been exercised each year. It will be almost suicidal for us to enforce further retrenchments in this great work. This report may well be closed by a brief statement from the last annual report of the Board:

This is the greatest hour for Home Missions in the history of our country. The problems were never so acute, the demands so urgent, the opportunities so great and the obligations so overwhelming. This conviction is growing with thoughtful persons who realize the significance of America for the salvation of the world. America constitutes at once the greatest field and force in all the world for Christian civilization. Christian statesmen everywhere are beginning to realize this. Problems at home are as serious and complicated as those beyond the seas.

Our country has become notorious for its disrespect for law, for its numerous murders, for its commercialism and materialism. Nothing but the mighty power of the Gospel of Christ will save us from this deluge of worldly diversion and material prosperity. These things constitute a most serious problem which deserves the thoughtful consideration of our Convention. Our work abroad will advance apace as we lay the foundation at home.

The Board furnishes free of cost excellent tracts and leaflets on all phases of its work at headquarters, 808 Wynne-Claughton Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

Your committee most cordially recommends that every church and individual in our bounds study this great department of our work and pray earnestly and give liberally for its success.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. G. REEVES,

A. B. McNEIL,

A. G. HENDREN, Committee.

The report was discussed by the chairman of the committee and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The following is the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The gigantic task of evangelizing, healing and teaching the whole world is a challenge such as has never before been committed to the sons of men. It is a task for which Baptists are especially fitted and to which we should be thoroughly devoted, with our fundamental emphasis on the regeneration of the individual human heart, with every local Baptist church modeled after the New Testament church, our repudiation of the pope or bishop or any other center of authority but Christ, our rejection of all creeds, but the New Testament; these together with the tremendous strides made by democracy during and since the great war and the natural appeal of this great principle to the average man, Baptists have an opportunity unparalleled in the history of Christianity.

Christ's command to begin at Jerusalem, then gradually enlarge the borders of the church until men recognize "that the field is the world," and the invitation by non-Christian lands "to come over and help us," have been marvelously fruitful during the past nineteen hundred years.

But we must not be content with what it has already been accomplished, for "there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed." While we are amazed at the limitless opportunity stretching out before us and recall the Master's warning that "the field is already white unto harvest," will we hear and heed the command to "go into all the world and preach the Gospel."

The satanic suggestion to the missionary forces of Christendom is to "go back." The natural instinct of man is to "stand still." The command of the Lord of the harvest is, to "go forward." Shall we obey hell, earth or Heaven?

Last year our foreign missionaries baptised 13,269 converts, a gain over the previous year of 1,135. We now have 140,488 members in foreign fields. We also have 5285 missionaries in 17 different countries. Native workers, 2,644. Our debt up to Christmas of last year was \$1,800,000. The love offering at Christmas by churches in the Southern Baptist Convention amounted to \$811,334.11, thus retrenching the debt to \$988,656. But this is too much. Expansion, and not retreat, must be our achievement if we would not be disobedient to and heedless of our golden opportunity. Let us pay, pray, go, and grow, in order that the prophetic dream may be realized, that "the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of Jehovah as the waters cover the sea."

GEORGE G. REEVES,

A. G. HENDREN,

A. B. McNEIL, Committee.

This report was discussed with State and Home Missions under the subject of Missions, and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. Milton McNeil read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, through its relief fund and its annuity fund, is grappling with a great and growing problem of providing for ministers, their widows and dependent orphans in the best possible way. This Board is located in Dallas, Texas, and has made rapid progress in the work committed to it and there is a growing appreciation of its work on the part of the brotherhood throughout the South.

The action of the Southern Baptist Convention, which met in Houston, Texas, in May last, in adopting the New Service Annuity Plan, as recommended by the Laymen's Committee and by the Relief and Annuity Board itself, has been hailed with great satisfaction by thousands of our ministers and by the brotherhood generally. The provisions of this plan mark a distinct advance in the work of Ministerial Relief and the carrying out of these provisions will give to every participating minister, the widows, and dependent orphans of participating ministers, within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, a support worthy of our great denomination, when they shall come to require it by reason of age, physical disability or dependency.

Some of the outstanding features of the New Service Plan are as follows:

1. An age annuity available at sixty-five for every active minister. This plan builds to a retirement annuity of approximately 50% of the average salary on a basis of thirty-five years of service, that is on a basis of an average salary of \$2400.00, there will be eventually given an annuity of \$1200, and so on. There will be guaranteed to every active minister participating in this plan, a minimum of 50% of his average salary up to \$600.00. Three-fifths of the retirement annuity will be continued to the widow.
2. Total and permanent disability prior to the age of sixty-five will entitle the participant to an annuity amounting to 40% of his average annual salary, during the five years preceding disability.
3. There will be a death benefit to the widows, after the first year of membership, amounting to 75% of the current year's salary of the minister, but not to exceed \$1,000.00.
4. Minor children of disabled ministers will participate in this plan to receive \$100.00 a year each, up to age eighteen with certain educational allowances up to the age of twenty-one.

For details concerning the New Service Annuity Plan, ministers or others interested should write to the Relief and Annuity Board

of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1226 Athletic Club Building, Dallas, Texas, and illuminating literature will be sent promptly.

Respectfully submitted,
MILTON McNEIL,
K. D. STUKENBROK,
J. L. HEMPHILL,

Committee.

The report was ably discussed by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted.

S. J. Honeycutt read the report on

EDUCATION

An educated person is worth more to the church and state than the same person could be worth uneducated. Therefore, the church and state should both be interested in education. They are. Hence we have two systems of schools: the one maintained by the State, the other by the Church. The State undertakes to furnish elementary education for all the children. This is eminently right and proper. The state also furnishes higher education to a very small per cent. But the State cannot do the educational work of the Church any more than the Church can do the work of the State. The State cannot meet the religious demands of the individual, because it cannot teach religion. Man is a religious being and the education that does not meet the religious need is not complete.

If the faith that we hold and preach is to be held and preached by coming generations, we must have schools that hold and teach the same religious principles that our homes and churches hold and teach. While the child is in the home and attends the church of its parents, its religious needs can be supplied. But when it goes away to school, the school must hold the same principles that the child holds, if it is to develop spiritually as well as mentally.

Our Christian high schools and colleges are guardians of our faith. We must fortify them with equipment and endowment and support them with our patronage, and must develop a highly cultivated and deeply spiritual people.

Possibly, the greatest auxiliaries to our churches today, are our Baptist schools and colleges. The Baptists of North Carolina should love and cherish their schools; and we as an Association should especially love, cherish, defend and support our own Mountain View Institute. It has a great and glorious mission in our midst.

The Baptist Associations of Western North Carolina do not realize what a priceless possession is theirs. The Lord in His wisdom gave this section almost entirely to the Baptists. What are we doing to develop it? A great opportunity is before us. Will we seize it by uniting our efforts to build up a great school for North

Western North Carolina, one that will demand and hold the respect of the whole State, at Mountain View Institute?

S. J. HONEYCUTT,
J. M. LANKFORD,
A. T. PARDUE, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association reassembled at 1:30 P. M. After singing an appropriate hymn, Rev. J. C. Pruitt led in prayer, E. M. Blackburn read the report on

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Your committee on State of the Churches beg leave to submit the following report: It might appear to your committee that our churches of today have grown more into formalism and socialism than spiritualism. In years gone by when the souls of men were stirred to the extent that they would leave their families in destitute circumstances and travel for miles over these mountains on horseback, yes, even go on foot to carry the gospel to a lost world and the lay members would look forward from one meeting to another and take time to attend those meetings where they could serve God in fervency and zeal. Yet there is another side to the picture. When we consider our preachers of today, how they are from day to day and from year to year wrestling with the problems that effect the spiritual condition of the churches of today; and the wonderful response of their faithful members in giving their time, talent and money for the spread of the gospel in home and foreign fields, then we might say that the religion of today is the same that it was when Paul and Silas were in prison, singing praises to God at midnight. Then let us lay aside all formalism and socialism which is detrimental to the cause of Christ and contend for the faith that was once delivered to the saints.

E. M. BLACKBURN,
G. H. WALKER, Committee.

The report was spoken to by E. M. Blackburn and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on devotional exercises reported Rev. George G. Reeves to conduct the devotional exercises tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Saturday, August 21, 1926.

Pursuant to adjournment the Association met. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. George G. Reeves.

At 10 A. M. the body was called to order by the moderator.

Prof. T. E. Story read the report on

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

For every hope we have of achievement in any endeavor there comes ringing home to us the great necessity for preparation. Today the great challenge that comes to us in our church programs and the hopes to accomplish the tasks of these programs resolve themselves ultimately to one of intelligence and training. The great power house and training station in our denomination today to accomplish this task is the B. Y. P. U.

Paul said, "Study to show thyself a workman approved unto God; a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim., 2:15.

The B. Y. P. U. is an organization for the purpose of training young church members in Kingdom service. We are having some splendid examples of this in a number of our churches where unions are organized.

The following churches have Young People's Unions organized: Lewis Fork, Moravian Falls, Mount Pleasant, New Hope, First North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Fishing Creek, Beaver Creek and Gordon.

A great Associational meeting was held at Moravian Falls the third Sunday in May. At this meeting two splendid programs were rendered by the young people.

Resolutions were adopted pressing each union now organized to organize another union before the year is over; and further that we strive to have a great number of A1 unions in the Association by another year.

The annual Associational meeting for the coming year will be held with the Gordon Union, one mile Northwest of North Wilkesboro the first Sunday in May, 1927.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Paul Secretary; Lura Reynolds, Feld Secretary; Grace Nichols, Chorister.

PAUL CAUDILL,

T. E. STORY,

J. F. JORDAN, Committee.

The report was discussed by Paul Caudill and T. E. Story and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Mrs. George G. Reeves read the report on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Brushy Mountain Association met with the Mount Pleasant Society July 21st, 1926. About 60 women and young women were in attendance. A very interesting program for both sessions of the day was carried out. Nine of

the 13 societies answered the roll call. The W. M. S. of Wilkesboro has the honor of being the only A1 Society in the Association this year. During the past year societies were organized at Pilgrim and Gordon and a G. A. at North Wilkesboro.

Mrs. Edna R. Harris, from the Raleigh W. M. U. office was present and gave a most timely and inspiring message.

The Brushy Mountain W. M. U. has been very fortunate in securing Miss Valeria Belle Nichols, North Wilkesboro, as Associational Field Worker for the month of August.

The next Associational meeting will be held with the society at Moravian Falls. Date will be announced later. The new officers are: Mrs. A. O. Bray, Superintendent; Mrs. George G. Reeves, Assistant Superintendent; Mrs. W. F. Johnson, Secretary and Treasurer; Miss Mabel Hauser, Young People's Leader; Mrs. J. W. Nichols, Stewardship Leader; Mrs. W. F. Miller, Mission Study Leader; Mrs. F. G. Holman, Personal Service Leader; Mrs. C. S. Sink, Musical Director.

The recommendations for the coming year were adopted and are as follows:

1. That we plan to advance in the work among young people, especially stressing the organization of R. A. S.

2. That we adopt the plan of a missionary rally for the Association the latter part of third month in each quarter.

3. That we support an Associational W. M. U. Worker for two months next year.

4. That we endorse the Bible plan of giving, and work to increase the number of tithers.

5. That each society provide itself with a "Standard of Excellence" and strive to attain it.

6. That we establish an Associational progress fund, asking each society to send us an offering for the same to the annual meeting. It gives joy to think, to pray and to work for a higher goal for 1927, and to believe that the churches still unorganized will in time rally for the sake of Christ to the cause which is dear to them, but which has not yet made its most direct and heartening appeal.

MRS. A. O. BRAY, Superintendent.

The report was interestingly discussed by Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok, and Rev. W. C. Meadows and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report on Evangelism was read by Rev. I. C. Woodruff:

EVANGELISM

Missionary Baptists have always believed in the New Testament in its entirety. Evangelism is plainly taught in the New Testament; therefore, we have practiced this blessed teaching through the centuries. We are trying to do evangelistic work in all the world because we believe in the great commission of our Saviour. Evangelism has been our strongest fort in all of our endeavor.

Our mission boards have put great emphasis upon evangelism. Our State Mission Board has employed a strong force of consecrated men with Rev. W. T. Stevens as Superintendent, to carry on that department of our work. This department has accomplished wonderful things.

We most earnestly urge that a revival meeting be held in each church in the Brushy Mountain Association during the year and wherever possible in each community, in school houses, brush arbors, tents, and where we may not have church houses adequate for such meetings. Then your committee urges that we shall do more individually in soul winning. Sunday School teachers and deacons and members can do much in helping evangelize our people. All our work depends upon our consecration to the great task of evangelism. We should get in earnest about the salvation of all our people. Let each church and pastor pray for each other that they shall be blessed of God in evangelism. May we have a great revival throughout our Association during the coming year.

I. C. WOODRUFF,

G. W. SEBASTIAN, Committee.

After discussion the report was on motion adopted and committee discharged.

EVENING SESSION

Reassembled at 1:30 P. M. The moderator called the body to order.

The report on Enlistment was read from last year's minutes by George G. Reeves.

ENLISTMENT

We, your committee on Enlistment, advise our churches to try to get all their members enlisted: 1st, in personal evangelism; 2nd, in all the co-operative work set forth in the Co-operative Program; 3rd, that so few of our people are co-operating with the work, it behooves us to use every scriptural means to bring them together. We recommend, therefore, that pastors everywhere preach on missions and wherever possible have a school of missions that our people may study this subject in a thorough way.

GEORGE G. REEVES, for committee.

The report was discussed by George G. Reeves, N. C. Teague, W. C. Meadows, K. D. Stukenbrok, F. B. Hendren and S. S. Jennings, and on motion was adopted.

On motion of K. D. Stukenbrok seconded by W. C. Meadows, that the Brushy Mountain Association adopt as an objective \$3,408 for the 1927 Program, That we undertake to raise this amount, 1st by sending a committee to be suggested by the Executive Committee to every church which has not made a contribution, and ask that church to make a contribution for the Co-operative Program.

2nd. That the committee ask each church that did contribute last year to increase their last year's contribution by one-third or more.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution offered by F. B. Hendren was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION

Resolved: That the Executive Committee of this Association be instructed to co-operate with the committee already serving on Fifth Sunday Associational meetings to the extent of encouraging pastors, deacons and Sunday School superintendents to attend such meetings.

F. B. HENDREN.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

The Second Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro was organized January 27th, 1907, through the work of Rev. L. B. Murray, W. F. Staley and A. T. Pardue. The charter members were Nora Reynolds, Beulah Minton, Lottie Hall, W. S. Owens, H. F. Lovett, John Robinson and others. The church now has a nice house of worship, with electric lights. It has 162 members and a good Sunday School with an enrollment of 156. The pastors who served at various times were L. B. Murray, A. B. Hayes, C. W. Cheek, J. A. Jordan, W. W. Myers B. L. Minton, J. M. Absher and J. C. Pruitt.

J. C. PRUITT, for committee.

F. B. Hendren moved that the moderator appoint a committee to look to the collection of historical data of the Baptist work in Wilkes County.

The moderator then appointed F. B. Hendren chairman of that committee.

The report of the committee on Digest of Church Letters was made on a slated cloth blackboard which was hung on the wall of the church house. This report was made on Saturday—the last day of the Association. The clerk being absent on that day, failed to get the report. The blackboard was sent to him later on; but in transportation the figures became so dim, they could not be read, hence only a partial report can be made here:

There are now 26 churches in the Brushy Mountain Association, 24 of which are represented by messenger and letter. These letters show a total membership of 4011; Baptisms, 168; deaths, 43; church property valued at \$124,100; total contributions, \$17,700.10. Twenty-four Sunday Schools report an enrollment of 2677.

The Constitution was amended by a unanimous vote, adding Article 19 which reads as follows:

The committee on digest of church letters shall be appointed one year in advance, and it shall be the duty of each church to send in

the letter of that church two weeks before the annual Association to the chairman of this committee.

The moderator appointed N. C. Teague, E. M. Blackburn and I. S. Baity on committee for the digest of church letters for the year 1927.

Article 19 of the Constitution requires the church clerk of each church to send the Associational letter to N. C. Teague, chairman of the committee on digest of church letters, at least two weeks before the body meets in 1927. Mr. Teague's address is Wilkesboro. N. C. The purpose for requesting the clerks to send the Associational letters to the chairman of the committee on digest of church letters is, that the committee may have time to prepare the report on that topic prior to the meeting of the Association.

The moderator in an address to the Association gave some interesting statistics which deal both with the numerical increase and the financial improvement in the body as a whole. The data was taken from the official reports to the body from the various churches composing the Association. Twenty years ago the Sunday School membership was 1,585, while today we find 2642 members enrolled, or an increase of 66 per cent. The church membership has more than doubled during the past two decades, having grown from 1,977 to 3,959 or an increase of slightly more than 100 per cent. The various amounts paid by all the churches for the various objects of the Southern Baptist Convention, including pastors' salaries, expenses, etc., having grown from \$3,005.00 during this period to \$23,418.00 today, or an increase of 678 per cent. In other lines of activity the body has gone forward. Several new churches have been erected during this period, a more progressive atmosphere comprising the territory of the Association, and there seems to be a determination all along the line to go forward in the work of the Master's Kingdom on earth.

The committee on obituaries reported the following list of members who died during the last Associational year:

Gordon—Mr. W. H. Squires.

Goshen—Mr. C. M. Carlton.

Oakwoods—Mr. Arthur Earp, Mr. Lee Canter.

Lewis Fork—Mr. Clyde Church, Mr. S. J. Adams, Mrs. Salina Church.

Little Rock—Mr. William Pope, Mr. Samuel Hudson, Mrs. Jane Knight.

Moravian Falls—Mrs. N. E. Steelman.

First North Wilkesboro—Mr. James Wallace, Mrs. J. S. Barnes, Mr. M. W. Guy.

Second North Wilkesboro—Mrs. Amanda Combs.

Pilgrim—Mrs. Jerusia Church, Mr. Franklin Foster.

Pleasant Grove—Mr. Edmund Laws, Mrs. Martha Church, Mrs. Lexie Dancy.

Pleasant Home—J. S. Kilby, John Brown.

Stony Hill—L. P. Whittington.

Wilkesboro—Mrs. B. J. Kennedy.

Zion Hill—Mr. J. J. Russell, Mr. M. S. Gibbs, Mrs. Lizzie Parlier. Mrs. B. F. Ferguson.

The committee on Time, Place and Preachers report as follows:

Time—Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1927, at 11 A. M.

Place—Goshen Baptist Church, eight miles west of Wilkesboro on the river road.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. G. W. Sebastian. Alternate, Rev. N. C. Teague.

The following resolution of thanks offered by Rev. W. C. Meadows was heartily adopted:

Be it resolved, that we the messengers and visitors, do hereby express our thanks and appreciation to the members of the Second Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro and the town generally for their kind hospitality in entertaining the messengers and visitors during the sessions of this Association.

W. C. MEADOWS, for committee.

It was decided by a unanimous vote of the body that the next annual session of the Association begin on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, instead of August as heretofore. This was done in order to put the Association out of the way of the protracted meetings which generally are held in August. This change seemed necessary in order to give the pastors a chance to attend the sessions of the Association.

As only a few of the churches of the Association report any W. M. U. work or B. Y. P. U. work, the Secretary finds it necessary to leave out Table IV till 1927. It is to be hoped that all the churches that can possibly do so will have the Woman's Work and the Young People's Work organized by the next session of the Association, in order that a full report from all the churches may appear in the minutes of 1927.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Goshen Baptist Church on Thursday before the Fourth Sunday in September, 1927.

V. McGHINNIS,
Clerk-Treasurer.

C. C. WRIGHT,
Moderator.

TABLE I—MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCH	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	GAINS					LOSS			Total Present Members	Regular Days of Meeting	In Village (V), Town (T), or Country (Co.)	When Constituted	Revals During Year	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastors' Home	Total Value all Church Property
			Baptisms	Statements	Restorations	Exclusions	Deaths	Letters	Letters	Deaths											
Beaver Creek	S. I. Watts, Boomer	G. H. Walker, Boomer	5	7	1	1	1	1	117	3	Co. 1811	1	wood	300	1	1000		100			
Cub Creek	C. C. Holland, Statesville	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro							48	4	Co. 1863	3	wood	250	1	1000		100			
Edgewood	J. L. Shinn, Wilkesboro	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro							166	2	Co. 1891	6	wood	700	2	2000		200			
Fishing Creek	John Elliot, N. Wilkesboro	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro							134	3	Co. 1822	1	wood	200	1	1000		100			
Gordon	L. B. Murray, State Road	C. M. Coleman, N. W'boro	22	61	14	1	80				V. 1919	1	wood	600	3	5000		500			
Goshen	I. C. Woodruff, Hays	H. A. Carlton, Goshen							89	1	Co. 1914	3	wood	500	1	1500		150			
Harmony	L. B. Murray, State Road	H. W. Mahaffey, Cricket	15	8	1	2	1	147			Co. 1900	3	wood	400	1	2500		150			
Lewis Fork	Levi Greene, Boone	Conrad Jones, R'dy Branch	15	2	3	2	2	185			Co. 1792	1	wood	600	1	2500		250			
Little Rock	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	S. M. Knight, Boomer	5	2	3	2	4	113			Co. 1866	1	wood	500	1	2500		250			
Moravian Falls	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	D. J. Pardue, M. Falls						99		2 & 4	Co. 1888	1	wood	300	2	2500		250			
Mount Carmel	Not represented																				
Mount Pleasant	G. W. Sebastian, N. W'boro	T. O. Minton, Champion	25	3	4	7	4	346			Co. 1875	1	3 wood	500	1	2500		250			
Mount Zion	Levi Greene, Boone	H. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion						140		4	Co. 1849	1	wood	500	1	1800		180			
New Hope	M. McNeil, Wilkesboro	J. H. Davis, Purlear	6			1	4	244		4	Co. 1830	1	3 wood	500	1	1500		150			
1st N. Wilkesboro	G. G. Reeves, N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro		120		32	17	3	587	Twice	T. 1892	35	Brick	600	15	60000		7000			
2nd N. Wilkesboro	J. C. Pruitt, N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	33	22	2	3	1	162		2	T. 1907	1	1 wood	300	1	1000		100			
Oak Grove	A. T. Pardue, R. River	Carey Pardue, Roar. River									Co. 1906	1	wood								
Pleasant Home	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro	3	3	3	3	2	104		4	Co. 1907	1	wood	300	1	600		60			
Pleasant Grove	L. B. Murray, State Road	V. M. Baker, Wilkesboro		5	18	5	3	189		3	Co. 1886	1	wood	400	1	1000		100			
Pleasant Home	Milton Hayes, Nathans C'k	J. E. Whittington, W'boro	3		1	2	175			3	Co. 1880	2	wood	500	1	1200		120			
Pilgrim	Melvin Michael, Patton Rg.	F. O. Foster, Congo	5	7	3	4	2	80		3	Co. 1859	3	wood	1000	1	1000		300			
Stony Hill	E. O. Miller, Wilbar	Lee Beshears, Parsonville	7	2	2	1	107			2	Co. 1888	1	wood	300	1	1500		150			
Shady Grove	Not represented																				
Walnut Grove	W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	10	1	1	1	4	296		4	Co. 1840	1	1 wood	300	1	1000		100			
Wilkesboro	N. C. Teague, Wilkesboro	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro	13	9	1	4	1	211		Twice	T. 1880	6	Brick	400	5	12000		1450			
Zion Hill	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	J. E. German, Boomer				2	4	192		2	Co. 1812	1	wood	700	1	3000		300			
Total			168	95	49	98	42	43	4011			26	69		10650	45	109600		12410		

TABLE II—FINANCIAL

CHURCH	Treasurer and Postoffice	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund, etc.	Other Objects	Home Total
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	86	25 00		64 50		12 00				189 50
Cub Creek	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	200	30 00				20 00		1 10		251 10
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro								2 00		2 00
Fishing Creek	R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro										
Gordon	Mrs. T.H. Williams, N.W.boro	140	10 00		9 50		17 37				350 78
Goshen	H. A. Carlton, Goshen	125	40 00		10 00		10 00	5 00	1 00	10 00	211 00
Harmony	Mrs. H. W. Mahaffey, Cricket	170	19 00		14 00		30 28	125 00	1 50		359 78
Lewis Fork	Conrad Jones, Ready Branch	142	40 00		13 15		32 21				227 46
Little Rock	I. J. Brovhill, Boomer	100						25 00	2 00		127 00
Moravian Falls	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	200	73 35				24 20				381 17
Mount Carmel	Not Represented										
Mount Pleasant	W. G. Foster, Champion	202	16 00	82 00		7 31	20 51		1 50	11 85	341 17
Mount Zion	Miss Lelia Barnett, Mt. Zion	148		20 00	200 00	5 00	18 00	20 00	1 50		561 00
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purlear	150					32 00	8 00			190 00
1st N. Wilkesboro	E.M.Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	2300	240 00	165 00	4393 25	553 18	495 00	19 00	5 00		8170 93
2nd N. Wilkesboro	J. W. Wilson, N. Wilkesboro	140	50 87		15 70			12 45	1 60		
Oak Grove	W.N.Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	75						50 00	1 00		125 50
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro			25 00							
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, Wilkesboro	68		8 05		1 00	6 10	22 70	2 15		107 88
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	120		170 00							290 00
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	79	5 08		51 85	29 35			1 00	7 00	173 18
Stony Hill	Lee Beshears, Parsonville	70						5 00			83 00
Shady Grove	Not represented										
Walnut Grove	W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob	175	75 00		50 00		25 00	20 00	1 00		346 00
Wilkesboro	Mrs. W.A.Stroud, Wilkesboro	931	67 50	164 20	57 00	67 97	73 06	7 00	4 10	41 12	1443 53
Zion Hill	A. F. Greer, Boomer	180					4 00	50 00			274 00
Total		5831	691 80	634 25	4878 95	663 81	827 73	369 15	26 95	69 97	14206 07

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TABLE II—FINANCIAL (Continued)

CHURCH	Cooperative Program (Undesignated)	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State and Associa- tional Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	Denominational Total	GRAND TOTAL
Beaver Creek		12 00				6 50			206 00	206 00
Cub Creek		5 00		5 00		10 00			271 10	271 10
Edgewood						9 00			11 00	11 00
Fishing Creek						63 59	4 50		413 67	413 67
Gordon			25 00			5 00			236 00	236 00
Goshen	20 00	2 50	5 00	2 50		32 00	5 00	5 00	421 78	421 78
Harmony			4 00						231 46	231 46
Lewis Fork						12 40			139 40	139 40
Little Rock		10 00				50 00		19 00	460 17	460 17
Moravian Falls									414 94	414 94
Mount Carmel						20 00	10 00		626 00	626 00
Mount Pleasant	43 77								65 00	65 00
Mount Zion	65 00					30 00			255 00	255 00
New Hope	35 00					180 00			2296 15	10467 08
1st N. Wilkesboro	2043 00	50 00	23 15			8 30			229 79	229 79
2nd N. Wilkesboro						10 00			16 25	142 57
Oak Grove			2 50	4 00		2 64			37 15	37 15
Oakwoods		8 51				4 00			111 88	111 88
Pleasant Grove		8 00	15 00	10 50				9 55	365 05	365 05
Pleasant Home				15 00		11 00			199 18	199 18
Pilgrim									83 00	83 00
Stony Hill										
Shady Grove									45 00	391 00
Walnut Grove	5 00	25 00				40 00			235 35	1682 88
Wilkesboro	78 60	28 50	5 00	40 00	5 35	75 00	16 75		304 00	304 00
Zion Hill		10 00					20 00			
Total	2281 37	159 51	79 65	77 00	5 35	569 43	56 25	33 55	7423 32	17700 10



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The Introductory sermon to be preached by N. C. Teague. Alternate, A. J. Foster.

DIRECTORY FOR 1927 AND 1928

- C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.
V. McGhinnis, Clerk and Treasurer, Boomer, N. C.
J. L. Hemphill, Member State Mission Board, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

- Milton McNeil, Wilkesboro, N. C.
W. E. Linney, Wilkesboro, N. C.
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H. M. Winkler, Wilkesboro, N. C.
George G. Reeves, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
G. W. Sebastian, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
S. S. Jennings, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
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James Nichols, Purlear, N. C.
F. C. Watts, Purlear, N. C.
T. V. Church, Buck, N. C.
R. S. Whittington, Millers Creek, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

- A. E. Watts, Taylorsville, N. C.
R. N. Garner, Hunting Creek, N. C.
A. T. Pardue, Roaring River, N. C.
L. B. Murray, State Road, N. C.
J. M. Absher, Offen, N. C.
I. C. Woodruff, Dimmett, N. C.
Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge, N. C.
W. C. Clanton, Gilreath, N. C.
Levi Greene, Hopkins, N. C.
Grant Cothren, Lomax, N. C.

Ministers Retired From Active Pastorates

- W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- V. McGhinnis, George G. Reeves, N. C. Teague, W. C. Meadows,
F. B. Hendren, T. E. Story, Milton McNeil, Mrs. A. O. Bray,
C. C. Wright.

TRUSTEES OF MOUNTAIN VIEW INSTITUTE

- E. E. Eller, A. O. Bray, N. C. Teague, Glenn Proffit, Geo. G. Reeves

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

- V. McGhinnis, F. B. Hendren, J. F. Jordan

Alternates, R. L. Proffit, L. C. Matherly

DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

- George G. Reeves; Alternate, N. C. Teague

The following were appointed to visit other Associations:

Stony Fork—R. L. Proffit, A. J. Foster.

Blue Ridge—G. W. Walsh, Bro. Shoemaker.

Stone Mountain—J. C. Pruitt, I. S. Baity.

Elkin—J. F. Jordan, George G. Reeves, F. B. Hendren.

Alexander—G. M. Earp, V. McGhinnis.

Brier Creek—C. C. Wright, A. G. Hendren, J. L. Hemphill.

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V. McGHINNIS, Clerk and Treasurer

The next Annual session of the Association will be held with Mount Pleasant Baptist Church on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1928.

The Introductory sermon to be preached by N. C. Teague. Alternate, A. J. Foster.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

Beaver Creek—Miss Leora Johnson, Miss Mattie Gould, L. C. Matherly, G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—J. L. Hemphill, G. Anderson, J. M. Lankford.

Edgewood—J. W. Fletcher, L. R. Miller, A. G. Hendren.

Fishing Creek—R. C. Miller, R. N. Holland, S. S. Jarvis, Sherman Anderson.

Gordon—A. B. McNeill, J. L. Parsons, Gilbert Osborne.

Goshen—R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton, F. F. Bumgarner.

Harmony—Monroe Faw, C. C. Jones, H. D. Caudill.

Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, A. C. Chambers, J. W. Porter.

Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplett, W. T. West, C. H. Jones.

Little Rock—N. C. Andrews, William Jarvis, V. Mc-Ghinnis.

Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, R. L. Earp, R. A. Greer.

Mount Carmel—John Jenkins, John Pearson, Ernest Pearson.

Mount Zion—R. L. Wooten, Lelia Barnett, W. O. Barnett.

Mount Pleasant—U. G. Foster, A. M. McGee, J. R. McNeil.

New Hope—A. S. Eller, W. L. Church, M. D. Faw.

First North Wilkesboro—E. E. Eller, E. M. Blackburn, A. O. Bray.

Second North Wilkesboro—John Anderson, J. S. Hall, J. N. White.

Oak Grove—Greene Blackburn, Carey Pardue, A. T. Pardue.

Oakwoods—W. A. Ellis, R. L. Jones, W. T. Stroud.

Pleasant Grove—T. V. Church, Willie Church, Albert Evans.

Pleasant Home—C. C. Church, Miss Minnie McNeil, Grant Whittington.

Pilgrim—W. M. Eller, J. A. Parsons, F. O. Foster.

Stony Hill—W. H. Powell, G. W. Walsh, J. F. Hamby, Ed. B. Parsons.

Shady Grove—Represented by letter.

Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, R. C. Meadows, C. P. Brock, J. E. Bentley.

Wilkesboro—Mrs. R. L. Welborn, L. Bumgarner, B. J. Kennedy.

Zion Hill—G. B. Carlton, G. M. Earp, J. E. German.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Messengers of Goshen Church.

Digest of Church Letters—N. C. Teague, A. J. Foster, V. McGhinnis.

Temperance — Milton McNeil, R. L. Proffit, G. W. Walsh.

Religious Literature—T. E. Story, A. G. Hendren, J. E. German.

Orphanage—R. C. Meadows, F. O. Foster, John Jenkins.

State Missions—Mrs. J. W. Nichols, R. L. Wooten, R. L. Earp.

Home Missions—N. C. Teague, N. C. Andrews, A. B. McNeil.

Foreign Missions—Mrs. W. F. Miller, Mrs. R. L. Wellborn, J. L. Hemphill.

Ministerial Relief—I. C. Woodruff, L. C. Matherly, F. G. Holman.

Education—A. O. Bray, R. N. Holland, J. B. Hall.

Evangelism—A. T. Pardue, T. V. Church, W. M. Eller.

State of the Churches—R. L. Proffit, W. H. Powell, G. M. Earp.

Enlistment—J. C. McNeil, I. S. Baity, J. W. Porter.

Sunday Schools — U. G. Foster, J. F. Hamby, J. A. Parsons.

Co-Operative Program — J. F. Jordan, Willie Church, J. N. White.

B. Y. P. U.—Miss Leora Johnson, L. C. Matherly.

Historian—H. A. Carlton, V. McGhinnis, R. L. Proffit.

Time, Place and Preachers—L. R. Miller, A. M. McGee, H. A. Carlton.

W. M. U.—Mrs. A. O. Bray, B. M. Pardue, Mrs. Ila Holman, Miss Valeria Belle Nichols.

Prayer Meeting—G. W. Walsh, John Jenkins, V. McGhinnis.

Resolutions — Finley Walsh, George G. Reeves, N. C. Teague.

Hospitals—A. S. Eller, V. McGhinnis, George G. Reeves, T. T. Bumgarner.

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary — V. McGhinnis, George G. Reeves, N. C. Teague.

MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Goshen, N. C., Sept. 23, 1927.

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met this day with Goshen Baptist Church. The devotional meeting was conducted by Rev. George G. Reeves. At the conclusion of the devotional exercises, the Moderator introduced Rev. G. W. Sebastian, who preached a very appropriate and inspiring Introductory sermon.

The congregation then adjourned one hour for dinner and recreation. After the expiration of that time the messengers reassembled in the house and were called to order by the Moderator.

After the roll call of churches the body proceeded with the annual election of officers (election by acclamation.) C. C. Wright was re-elected Moderator and V. McGhinnis was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer.

Dr. M. L. Kesler, General Manager of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, Rev. W. R. Beach, representing the Biblical Recorder, H. S. Deal and Rev. Mr. Stephenson, of Alexander Association, Rev. L. C. Wilson of Three Forks Association, and Dr. Perkins, of Wilkesboro, were present and were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body.

Dr. Kesler, of the Orphanage, having to go away before the close of the Association, was requested to read and discuss the report on the Orphanage, which he did in a very informing and interesting manner. The report was also ably spoken to by a number of the other brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The following is the report on the

ORPHANAGE

For forty-two years our Orphanage has been making answer to the roll call of institutions set apart to carry on the service of Him "who went about doing good." The last annual report gives the number of children present 614, of these 114 are at the Eastern

branch known as the Kennedy Home. There are 365 cared for with their own mothers, making in all 979. From the beginning, for shorter or longer periods, 3200 children have felt the helping hand of North Carolina Baptists. We now have sixteen cottages at Thomasville and four at the Kennedy Home. These are that many households having their own dining rooms and kitchens.

The health, training and well-balanced education of these children engage the heads, hands and hearts of those who have them in charge. The training ranges from the kindergarten through high school, and from simple, useful labor to work combining the skill of head and hand. An effort is made to have the children grow up in a Christian atmosphere. The pastor, in addition to his regular work, teaches the Bible and several training courses.

Our children, all our children, are our greatest asset, and the only hope of the race; but neglected they become our liability and our despair. This is particularly true of the children at the Orphanage. There, we open to them the door of hope and turn their young feet into safe paths.

The Orphanage, like all our institutions, is suffering from debt. This can be easily handled if we press the simple program followed from the beginning, a collection once a month from every Sunday School in the Association, and a great thank offering urging one day's work, or one day's income.

For the next three years, while the one and a half millions are being raised for our schools, this is of utmost importance. The Orphanage cannot rely on big gifts and it must not put on high pressure methods, hence, as never before, we make the modest request, that once a month a collection be taken in every Sunday School. We also urge that a club of Charity and Children be taken by every school. The paper is \$1.00 per single copy, and 60 cents a copy in clubs of ten or more to one address.

In order that the Orphanage may keep in closer touch with the Sunday Schools, we recommend the appointment of an orphanage representative by the Association. This may be a man or woman whose duty it shall be to keep the management at Thomasville in touch with the schools in the Association.

Miss Edwards, in the Mothers' Aid department, has saved the breaking up of 107 homes, and is caring for 383 children at a cost of \$67.17 per child during the year. At the Orphanage it costs \$293.65.

Be it ever so humble there is no place like home. There they have the love, sympathy and care of their mother, brothers and sisters.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS,

R. C. MEADOWS,

F. O. FOSTER,

JOHN JENKINS, Committee.

Hinshaw Street Baptist Church, a newly constituted church in North Wilkesboro, presented a letter asking

permission to join the Brushy Mountain Association. A committee was appointed to look into the orthodoxy of the church. The committee made a favorable report and the church was received and I. S. Baity, A. C. Church and J. W. Porter accepted seats in the Association as messengers.

Rev. W. C. Meadows, an aged, useful and highly respected citizen and Baptist minister of Wilkes county and Brushy Mountain Association, being unwell and not able to attend this session of the body, sent the following letter to the Association which was publicly read and ordered printed in the minutes.

The following is Bro. Meadows' letter:

"To the Brushy Mountain Association:

Dear Brethren:—It is with profound sorrow that I must fail to get to our Association at this session. I have been attending this body fifty-nine years and missed only four times, being providentially prevented those times. Those sessions have been the joy of my life. Now I have no idea of living till another Association.

I have been preaching fifty-four years, and Bro. Milton McNeil the same length of time. I have tried to be faithful in all the Lord's work, but I have made many failures; but I am trusting to a merciful Heavenly Father for His forgiveness and His watch-care over me as I go down through the valley and shadow of death. I am feeling that all will be well with me.

Now, dear Brethren, I commend you to the guiding care of Him who has kept us over a half century and that He will ever be the guiding star and that you will ever stand by His word. Now I bid you an affectionate farewell.

Your brother in Christ,

W. C. MEADOWS."

After hearing Bro. Meadows' letter read, the Association passed the following resolution:

Whereas our beloved and highly esteemed brother, Rev. W. C. Meadows, is unable to be with us because of age and infirmity, and whereas, we the messengers of the Brushy Mountain Association, reflecting upon the great amount of good and the faithful and unselfish service rendered to us by him.

Therefore, be it resolved: That we desire to express our appreciation and thanks to Bro. Meadows for his unselfish service to the cause of the Master for this long period of time.

Rev. Milton McNeil read the report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Your committee on Temperance and Law Enforcement beg leave to submit the following report:

We are sorry to have to report again that the cause of Temperance has not advanced in Wilkes County nor in the State of North Carolina as we hoped and prayed it would after the adoption of the prohibition act. It seems that the manufacturing of intoxicating liquor is advancing all over the State of North Carolina and especially in Wilkes County in violation of the oath they have taken.

We want to urge again that the good law abiding citizens of Wilkes County, both men and women, to see that no blockade stills are allowed to be operated in their sections of the county. If one should be put up in your section of the county, report it to the United States officers and to the sheriff of your county. We want to urge the officers to enforce the law and break up the violation of the law of the United States in each and every county; but especially in Wilkes County.

Respectfully submitted,
MILTON McNEIL,
R. L. PROFIT,
G. W. WALSH, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Milton McNeil, R. L. Proffit, G. W. Walsh and others, and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

T. E. Story read the report on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Denominational papers have made so large a contribution to the life of our denomination that it is impossible for any one to adequately state their worth. Their helpfulness reaches out in every direction to the individual reader, to the home, to the church and the denomination at large. In order that we may not grow indifferent in our valuation and lax in our appreciation of our papers, it is worth while that we consider, from time to time, the outstanding elements in their value.

In the first place the denominational papers are valuable in the kind and variety of information furnished. In every sphere of life, the importance of information is recognized. There are hundreds of papers and magazines on business, farming, manufacturing, and many other subjects. These are all valuable to those who are interested. How much more important it is that a Baptist have information about the affairs of his denomination and about the interests of his Master's cause. Every Baptist should have his memory well stored with all kinds of facts about his denomination—about the various departments of work and the methods of conducting them, about the needs that are pressing, about the results that are soul stirring, and about all the affairs of Christ's world program.

The denominational papers are valuable in the second place in teaching Baptist doctrines. There are certain doctrines that are

distinctively Baptists. They are, we fully believe, the correct interpretations of great Bible truths. Our people should fully understand these teachings and be able both to defend and proclaim them. Our papers, from time to time, wisely discuss and explain our distinctive doctrines. And of course, they expound the great Bible truths that are held in common by all Christians.

Again, the denominational papers are valuable in the enrichment they bring to the spiritual life which must have food just like our physical and mental systems. Without food the body will weaken and die. Without great thoughts on which to dwell the mental powers will rapidly decline. And without proper food the spiritual life will not grow. There is much of such food to be found in our denominational papers.

The denominational papers are valuable, too, as an offset to the baneful influence of the trashy literature now flooding the country. There is little use to bewail the fact that such literature is in circulation. The best way to meet it is to provide other literature that is good. For this reason, if for no other, every Baptist should have the weekly visit of one or more denominational papers. Few things are more important than the reaching of our people. It is true that as a man "thinketh in his heart so is he." What a man thinks about reveals the kind of man he is. And it is also true that what a man reads largely shapes his thinking. Parents should see to it that their children have only the purest and best reading matter. In providing such reading matter, of course, the Bible will come first.

Furthermore, the denominational papers are valuable in the denominational results they produce. Every worker, in whatever line of denominational service he is engaged, knows the value of our papers. If our denominational papers were discontinued, all our denominational work would be in a sad plight.

Realizing the helpfulness of our papers in our work, the Southern Baptist Convention endorsed and urged a campaign endeavoring to put our denominational papers into at least sixty per cent of our Baptist homes. By all means this ought to be done.

For 95 years the Biblical Recorder has been the organ and the mouthpiece of the Baptists of North Carolina, and furthermore has been a great and telling force through the South and the world wherever Baptists have gone forth to labor in Christ's Kingdom. Fifty-two issues of this paper can be had for \$2.00. Mail your subscription at once to J. G. Farmer, business manager, Raleigh, N. C.

Charity and Children is perhaps the best orphanage paper in this country. Every Baptist Sunday School in the Brushy Mountain Association should take it at club rates. Ten copies per week can be had in a club for \$6.00 per year.

Home and Foreign Fields, our great mission organ, published by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., can be had for \$1.00 per year. Every Baptist home should be a reader of this publication.

In this report we feel we should also mention the numerous Sunday School helps, children's papers, etc., published by our Sunday School Board, the B. Y. P. U. Magazine and other helps for young people, and finally the Baptist Book Shop at Raleigh, which ever keeps in stock the very best of books that every Baptist should read.

Respectfully submitted,
T. E. STORY,
A. G. HENDREN,
J. E. GERMAN, Committee.

The report was discussed by T. E. Story and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report on

STATE MISSIONS

was read by Mrs. J. W. Nichols as follows:

Ever since the day the Baptist State Convention was organized, March 26, 1830, at Greenville, with 14 members, its avowed purpose has been to give the gospel to North Carolina and then to all the world. How successfully the founders of the Convention and their successors have wrought may be seen by the following comparisons:

In 1830 there were only 15,000 Baptists in North Carolina, white and colored. There are 375,767 white Baptists alone, and approximately 240,000 negro Baptists, making a total of around 600,000, or about 48 church members in every 100 in North Carolina are Baptists. There is not a county in the State and scarcely a town of any size without a Baptist church. However, in many places the Baptist cause greatly needs strengthening. The first year the Convention met it contributed \$700 for Missions and Education, the two objects to which it contributed. Last year's contributions to all benevolent objects, including the Orphanage, amounted to \$737,317.32.

Not until 40 years ago when Columbus Durham became Correspondent Secretary, devoting all of his time to the work, did the Baptist cause begin to gather momentum. For seven years Dr. Durham threw himself into the work with the zeal of the early disciples. Then came John E. White for 5 years, followed by Livingston Johnson for 15 progressive years, when the cause went forward by leaps and bounds. Then came Walter N. Johnson for five years, during which period the 75 Million Campaign was launched and new financial levels were reached, which we have not been able to attain since. For the past seven and a half years Charles E. Maddy has directed in a masterly way the affairs of the Board as its executive head, being now the General Secretary of the General Board. He has associated with him in the direction of the State Mission Department A. C. Hamby, Mars Hill, and Walter M. Gilmore, Raleigh.

Notwithstanding the appropriation for State Missions has been reduced each year for the past four from \$146,000 to \$132,000, then

to \$92,000 and then to \$77,000 for this year, there is a debt of around \$60,000 on the running account of State Missions. Still more drastic cuts will be made next year unless there is a marked increase in the income of the Board. This would be suicidal to all the work; for it is only as we strengthen the stakes at home that we can hope to lengthen the cords to the end of the earth.

To evangelize 600,000 people in North Carolina over 10 years of age who are not Christians; to enlist in all the work of the Kingdom the 250,000 members who are doing nothing; to train for effective leadership our young people; to bring about a great revival of Christian stewardship. When this is done, the Kingdom of God will come in a day. 23 cents out of each dollar given to the Co-operative Program will be devoted to the promotion of our State Mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. W. NICHOLS,
R. L. WOOTEN,
R. L. EARP, Committee.

The report was discussed by Mrs. J. W. Nichols and others, and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

It was then decided that the B. Y. P. U. of Goshen church have a recital tomorrow night at 7:30 P. M.

The Committee on devotional exercises reported that the Association meet to-morrow at 9:30 A. M. Rev. L. C. Wilson to conduct the devotional exercises. On motion adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 A. M.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Friday, Sept. 23, 1927.

Pursuant to adjournment the Association met. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. L. C. Wilson.

At 10 A. M. the body was called to order by the Moderator.

Rev. N. C. Teague read the report on

HOME MISSIONS

One of our greatest agencies for carrying the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world is our Home Mission Board located at Atlanta, Ga. This board does work within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, including Cuba and Panama. We have this year 977 workers. These are supported through our gifts to the Co-operative Program. Out of every dollar given, Home Missions gets 11¼ cents. These workers have a large field, 18 states, Cuba and Panama, with a population of 40,000,000. Thirteen million of these are unsaved people. We have 5,000,000 foreigners, 10,000,000 negroes, 500,000 Jews and 200,000 Indians to reach for Christ.

The Home Board work is divided into departments as follows:

1. Co-operative work with State Conventions, 783 workers.
 2. Evangelism, 14 workers.
 3. Independent work among the foreigners, Indians, Negroes, Soldiers and Seamen, Deaf Mutes and Jews, 125 workers.
 4. Cuba and Panama, 55 workers.
 5. Mountain Mission Schools, 212 teachers and 4808 students.
 6. Southern Baptist Sanatorium, 271 patients.
 7. Church Extension.
 8. Publicity, Tracts and Books.
- Total Workers, 977.

All these workers report 20686 baptisms, 168 new churches, and 406 new Sunday Schools for last year.

One department calls for special mention, that of Mountain Schools. Mountain View Institute of our county is one of these. This school needs our prayers, patronage, and support as never before in its history. All our pastors received a letter recently in which was this statement: "Mountain View needs two things—pupils and money." This school is essential to the growth of our Baptist churches, but yet we can refuse to see the opportunity and let our only dependence for Christian Education in North Western North Carolina slip away from us. We recommend that this Association give full support to this great school.

In Home Missions we have a two fold task: (1) to provide a base for sending the gospel to the whole world, and (2) to save our homeland from destruction to salvation and Christian service. We recommend, therefore, that every Baptist study our great Home Mission work, Home and Foreign Fields, published at Nashville, Tenn., our denominational papers, minutes, and books and tracts published by the Home Mission Board furnish us an almost unlimited source for information. We call attention to the fact that this is a most trying time in our work. Retrenchment on account of the lack of funds is being made on every side. Twenty-five workers among the foreigners were discontinued in June. We urge that all our people pray earnestly and give liberally to Home Missions.

N. C. TEAGUE,
N. C. ANDREWS,
A. B. McNEIL, Committee.

The report was discussed by N. C. Teague and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The Clerk read the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board in its 82nd annual report says "That in spite of disappointment, discouragements and difficulties in the work, glorious things have been wrought in the name of Jesus and by the power of the Holy Ghost." 12085 persons were baptized.

There has been a decline of more than \$480,000.00 compared with last year. The Board has had to retrench in all of its work. Unless more is received the missionaries home on furloughs cannot be sent back; young people who have stepped forward to go on the foreign fields to give their lives for the Master's service are just waiting for us Southern Baptists to get a vision large enough to send them.

From every field—China, Africa, South America, all—we hear the same report, that the doors are open as never before, opportunities just waiting for us to go in and take the field for Jesus.

What is wrong? Is our missionary ardor growing weak? We would recommend to this Association that each church put on a program of prayer and giving. Pray for missions, give to missions. Are we robbing God? Have we brought in the tithes and offerings? Our missionary staff has been reduced from 544 to 513. Let us pray as we have never done before. Let us give as we never have before and help to increase this staff, so that we may help to carry out the commandment given by our Master, "Go ye into all the world."

MRS. W. F. MILLER,
MRS. L. R. WELLBORN,
J. L. HEMPHILL, Committee.

The report was ably and interestingly discussed by A. C. Hamby and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The Clerk read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF and ANNUITIES

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, through its relief fund and its annuity fund, is grappling with a great and growing problem of providing for ministers, their widows and dependent orphans in the best possible way. This Board is located in Dallas, Texas, and has made rapid progress in the work committed to it and there is a growing appreciation of its work on the part of the brotherhood throughout the South.

The action of the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Texas, in May, 1926, in adopting the New Service Annuity Plan, as recommended by the Laymen's Committee and by the Relief and Annuity Board itself, has been hailed with great satisfaction by thousands of our ministers and by the brotherhood generally. The provisions of this plan mark a distinct advance in the work of Ministerial Relief and the carrying out of these provisions will give to every participating minister, the widows and orphans of participating ministers, within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, a support worthy of our great denomination, when they shall come to require it by reason of age, physical disability or dependency.

Some of the outstanding features of the New Service Plan are as follows:

1. An age annuity available at sixty-five for every active minister. This plan builds to a retirement annuity of approximately 50% of the average salary on a basis of thirty-five years of service, that is on a basis of an average salary of \$2400.00 there will eventually be given an annuity of \$1200.00, and so on. There will be guaranteed to every active minister participating in this plan, a minimum of 50% of his average salary up to \$600.00. Three-fifths of the retirement annuity will be continued to the widow.

2. Total and permanent disability prior to the age of sixty-five will entitle the participant to an annuity amounting to 40% of his average annual salary, during the five years preceding disability.

3. There will be a death benefit to the widows, after the first year of membership, amounting to 75% of the current year's salary of the minister, but not to exceed \$1,000.00.

4. Minor children of disabled ministers will participate in this plan to receive \$100.00 a year each, up to the age of eighteen with certain educational allowances up to the age of twenty-one.

For details concerning the New Service Annuity Plan, ministers or others interested should write to the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, 1226 Athletic Club Building, Dallas, Texas, and illuminating literature will be sent promptly.

Respectfully submitted,

FLOYD HOLMAN,

L. C. MATHERLY,

I. C. WOODRUFF, Committee.

The report on motion was adopted without discussion.

A. O. Bray read the report on

EDUCATION

When Christ fed the five thousand men and women and children He gave us a wonderful example to apply to Christian Education. He began by doing three definite things. He took the food they had in hand; He organized the disciples, His leaders; and He began work immediately.

When we speak of Christian Education we naturally think first of our own Mountain View Institute. Then we think of other denominational schools. They each have their place and serve their capacity and locality. Our Sunday Schools, Churches, Baptist Schools and Periodicals using the Holy Bible as our source of information, give us and our children our Christian Education. The influence of Christian parents prevails over boys and girls as long as they live in the home and the most important change of environment in lives of young people is when they go to boarding school or to college. When they leave the influence of a Christian home we want to be very sure that their environment has the spiritual influence that will be for their best development and usefulness.

The Lord gave this section almost entirely to Baptists but we are given no assurance that we are to keep it. Unless we live up to our opportunities we are sure to lose ground.

Is there a real need? Is Mountain View Institute entitled to our devotion and support? Develop the body alone and you have an athlete; develop the mind alone and you have a sceptic; develop the soul alone and you have a fanatic; develop body, mind and soul and you have indeed the noblest work of God. We need the Baptist denomination. About twenty per cent of the Baptist pastors of the Southland have been students in our mountain schools. Fifty per cent of the ministerial students at our Baptist Theological Seminary come from a radius of 150 miles of Asheville. Our mountains positively do produce preachers. One of our State Evangelists conducted a simple Bible test in senior classes in high schools and State schools in many points in North Carolina and only thirty-five per cent of the pupils passed this simple test. The same test was given at Mountain View. Sixty-five per cent of the pupils passed this test. This is a definite evidence of the work done at Mountain View. A great opportunity and responsibility lies before us.

Is Mountain View the place? There is not a school in the whole country more beautifully located. The nearest Baptist school to it in North Carolina is 90 miles away.

How shall we do the job? Mountain View Institute has done a great work in sending out many teachers and leaders. It will do a much greater work with our co-operation, more pupils and better equipment. Your committee begs to recommend to this Association the "God's Acre" plan to be used among our farmers for their share in supporting Mountain View Institute and other Christian obligations. Rendering a service in labor of love brings us in closer relationship with our Master than the merely paying over cash and with many of us is easier to do. Every father, mother, sister and brother can take a part in the "God's Acre" plan of service, and it will be to the farm what the family altar is to the home, a place for worship in service. In actual experience the "God's Acre" plan has brought blessings almost beyond belief to individuals in communities where it is in operation. The plan is to locate one acre on each farm and let it be known as God's Acre. Set aside all of the income from this acre to be used only for Christian obligations.

A. O. BRAY,
R. N. HOLLAND,
J. B. HALL, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by A. O. Bray and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

A. T. Pardue read the report on

EVANGELISM

The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. Peter, John, James and Paul taught the people true Evangelism

by the power of the Holy Spirit. By faith men have walked on the water, subdued kingdoms and stopped the mouths of lions.

When the Hebrew children were bound and cast into the fire their faith quenched the violence of the fire, and the king, who had them cast in said, "Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and the fourth is like the Son of God."

Our faith and evangelism, then, must not stand in the wisdom of men; but in the power of God. Our Lord taught the rich man to sell that which he had and give to the poor, but he failed to obey. So after this failure of the rich man, our Saviour told the apostles the preparation they should make to evangelize the world. Jesus said unto them, "Ye who have followed me in the regeneration shall sit upon twelve thrones," and "every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or fathers or mothers, or wife or children or lands for my name's sake shall receive an hundred fold, and shall inherit everlasting life." Matt. 19:28-29.

After the Lord conquered death and the power of darkness and rose from the dead, He said unto them, "All things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms concerning me." Then opened He their understanding that they might understand the scriptures and thus it behooved Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem, "But tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high."

The preaching and working under this high power, the apostles made converts by the thousands in a day, and they continued in the apostles doctrine and fellowship steadfastly; and had money and goods to supply the needs of all that believed. So we see that the simple gospel did more in a month than our long drawn out college and hospital expenses do in forty years. When the Spirit of God leads, it unites the believers in heart and soul. When men and denominations lead they make factions and divisions without number. When false teachers caused trouble in the church at Antioch the apostles and elders came together for to consider this matter, then James said, "My sentence is that we trouble not them which from among the Gentiles are turned to God, but that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornications and from things strangled and from blood." Acts 15:20.

Thus we find this short God-given creed can furnish all true teaching of the doctrine of evangelism and faith without any new creed making or adding or taking away anything taught in it.

Paul and Silas went out confirming the churches, and as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees to keep that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem, and so were the churches established in the faith.

The rules of Anarchy, Hierarchy and Oglarchy have so taken the place of church antonomy that twenty thousand churches of the South stand almost idle in the work of evangelism. It has been said that the churches of the South have an income of \$1,500,000,000 each year, the tenth of this income is \$150,000,000 each year for widows and orphans and all other legitimate objects.

About thirty years ago the churches of this Association voted to work on a direct plan of missions. Since then visitors have ignored our chosen plans and even offered to alienate our affections from these chosen plans. For years we have been wishing that the churches, delegates and officers would urge the people to tenfold more good work of their own choice.

A. T. PARDUE,

T. V. CHURCH,

W. M. ELLER, Committee.

The report was interestingly discussed by A. T. Pardue, George G. Reeves and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

R. L. Proffit read the report on

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy is a command of our Lord, with a promise of both temporal and spiritual blessings. The great trouble with our churches to-day seems to be the non-attendance of church members who seem to be overcome with worldly pleasures to the extent that they also disobey His command to forsake not the assembling of yourselves together. To be a Christian means to be Christ-like and we learn that it was His custom to attend worship in the synagogue on the sabbath day. We thought that good roads and automobiles would improve the attendance at church and Sunday School; but we learn by observation that we were sadly mistaken.

"As a man thinketh in his heart so is he." If his heart is set more on worldly pleasure trips on the Sabbath day, than on religious worship, then he is of the world worldly. We would earnestly recommend that our church members who wish to take pleasure trips would include them in the program of the six days allotted to them and quit desecrating the Lord's day, thereby training the young people of our communities to be more considerate in obeying the commendments of our Lord.

R. L. PROFFIT,

G. M. EARP,

W. H. POWELL, Committee.

The report was interestingly spoken to by R. L. Proffit and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report on Enlistment was handed in and reads as follows:

What is

ENLISTMENT?

First, to enroll; Second, to enlist for service; Third, to enter heartily in a cause, as a soldier enlists into the ranks of warfare, to work and strive with his comrades for the accomplishment of the purpose for which they labor.

Obediance to our Lord is the best proof of a sound conversion. It is to be understood when the new convert has connected himself with a church that he has at the same time in a most solemn manner enlisted for service and has taken upon himself a solemn obligation to the church and to Christ, the great head of the church. The design of churches evidently was that they should be the light of the world, the salt of the earth, etc. They constitute the effective instrumentality by which the will of God and the knowledge of salvation through Christ are made known to men, and at the same time they form homes for the saints on earth, sheepfolds for the safety of the flock, and schools for the instruction of its converts. The churches should well understand their high calling and seek to accomplish it according to the will of God.

Church fellowship is of first importance, and when fully obtained, then it will be a comparatively small matter to enlist them in the financial work of the churches.

J. C. McNEIL,

I. S. BAITY,

J. W. PORTER, Committee.

On motion this report was adopted without discussion and the committee discharged.

U. G. Foster read the report on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We find by investigation that our Sunday Schools are not what they should be. From the fact we find that just a little over one half of our church members attend Sunday School who are in reach, making about thirty per cent of the total church membership who attend Sunday School. We also find that there are about one half of school students who are unsaved people who do not attend any Sunday School at all.

For these reasons we think there is a great possibility and room for consecrated church members to do some fine mission work to get those church members in Sunday School and the unsaved interested who are out of Sunday School, because we believe that Christ taught on the Sabbath when He was here on earth. We have proof that it pays to run a good successful Sunday School by the number of converts who join the churches from the Sunday Schools. We find about sixty per cent that join the churches are members from the Sunday School.

There is a small per cent gain of the attendance over last year in Sunday School. For a good many years the Sunday Schools of

the Brushy Mountain Association have been progressing in attendance, in the offerings, and in the service rendered.

But yet to look at the present condition of affairs of the churches and Sunday Schools, there is a great need of extending the usefulness of the Sunday Schools among our people. We find there are a few churches yet that do not have an evergreen Sunday School. We believe that all churches should run an evergreen Sunday School.

We urge all Sunday School officers to inform themselves so they can be of greater usefulness in leading the Sunday Schools to a higher plane of Christian service.

The Bible is a missionary book and is the good news of salvation for all men everywhere in the saving name of Jesus.

The business of the Sunday School is to teach, interpret, apply and make effective this missionary Book. It has been well said that the mission of the Sunday School is missions. No Sunday School is true to its mission unless it is a missionary Sunday School.

But we cannot understand and interpret the missionary message of the Bible aright if we do not know what God through His servants is doing in our day to win the lost nations to himself. It is sadly true that so many of our Sunday School teachers don't know about our great missionary achievements, needs, opportunities and difficulties, in this day of wide open doors throughout the world. No wonder our boards are in debt and our missionaries discouraged by our failure to support them adequately when so many of our people are uninformed of the facts.

We have a missionary magazine which brings all this information and inspiration month by month. We refer to our mission journal, Home and Foreign Fields, published by the Sunday School Board. The Sunday School Board has now made it possible for this magazine to be ordered just as any other supplies, and paid for quarterly by the Sunday School. No greater investment for the Kingdom nor for the building of a greater missionary Sunday School and church, could be made than for the Sunday School to provide enough copies of this magazine to be placed in the hands of its officers and teachers, and B. Y. P. U. leaders.

We your committee therefore urgently recommend that every Sunday School in this Association order a supply of Home and Foreign Fields, that our Sunday Schools may be better informed and that we raise up a generation of church members who are genuine missionaries in spirit and in deed.

U. G. FOSTER,
J. F. HAMBY,
J. A. PARSONS, Committee.

The report was ably spoken to by U. G. Foster and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

EVENING SESSION

After an intermission of one hour the messengers re-assembled in the house. After singing an appropriate hymn and prayer by Rev. Mr. Caldwell, the Moderator called the body to order. J. F. Jordan read the report on the

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

The General Board of the Baptist State Convention at its June meeting adopted \$600,000 as the goal for North Carolina Baptists to raise in 1928 for all the objects included in Co-operative Program, except the Orphanage.

This objective is to be divided equally between State-wide and South-wide objects as follows:

State-wide Objects

Out of each dollar given, unless otherwise designated, the objects will receive the following amounts:

State Missions	23 cents
Baptist Schools	23 cents
Baptist Hospitals	4 cents
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Total.....	50 cents

South-wide Objects

Foreign Missions	25 cents
Home Missions	11¼ cents
Theological Seminaries	8¼ cents
Ministers Relief	4½ cents
New Orleans Hospital	1 cent
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Total.....	50 cents

In co-operation with the other associations in the State, we recommend that this Association adopt the above ratio of division of its funds and that it set as its goal for 1928 \$3,000.00, which is a little more than the Association raised for the objects included in the Co-operative Program for 1926; that this amount be apportioned upon as fair and equitable a basis as possible among all the churches of the Association, or by a special committee; and that each church endeavor to raise its objective by making an every member canvas Dec. 4-11, the Southwide date set, or at such other time as may seem best, or to raise it by some other method adopted by the church.

In order that this every-member canvass be successful, we would recommend further that the most thorough and prayerful preparation be made, beginning several weeks in advance, giving information about the objects included in the program, and thoroughly indoctrinating the people with the idea of stewardship.

We also recommend that a mission leader be elected to represent this Association in its dealing with the general State organization,

and that this mission leader, in co-operation with the Executive Committee of the Association or a special mission committee to be appointed, communicate with each local church and try to effect a simple organization consisting of a mission leader and a mission committee of four others at least, and to co-operate with this committee in every possible way in putting on and successfully carrying through the co-operative program for 1928.

J. F. JORDAN,
WILLIE CHURCH,
J. N. WHITE, Committee.

The report was discussed by J. F. Jordan, A. C. Hamby and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The committee on devotional exercises reported N. C. Teague to conduct devotional exercises tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Saturday, Sept. 24, 1927.

The Association met according to appointment. Devotional exercises were conducted by George G. Reeves. At 10 A. M. the body was called to order by the Moderator.

T. E. Story read the report on

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

The object of the B. Y. P. U. as given in the B. Y. P. U. manual, shall be the increased spirituality of the young Christians, their training in essential church activities; their instruction in Baptist doctrine and history; their enlistment in all forms of missionary endeavor through existing denominational organizations. The meaning of which is, in brief, Preparation, Inspiration and Service.

The B. Y. P. U. is the training service of a Baptist church financially and otherwise. The church should assist in the election of its officers, publicly install them and recognize them as church officers, and call upon them for reports. The B. Y. P. U. is a church task and should be assumed seriously as such by the church. Churches are weak because the members are weak. In the future our churches will be strong in just the proportion that we train and enlist our constituency in Kingdom Service.

The B. Y. P. U. Department in the state has had a phenomenal growth. Just 16 years ago we began this work with many fears and misgivings, and even opposition in some places. At the convention held at Meredith College nearly fifteen hundred were in attendance. Secretary Perry Morgan is rapidly becoming one of the outstanding men in young people's work in the South. He is

doing a wonderful work among our young people and must have more assistance in his department as soon as possible.

In bringing to the State Convention his seventh report, Perry Morgan, Secretary of B. Y. P. U. work, declares it to be his conviction that "Wisdom has fled from us if we neglect longer to train the young members of all our churches in the duties, and privileges of church membership."

There is no such thing as reaping a harvest where the soil has not been prepared and no seed sown. The future hope for Baptist churches is dependent upon the membership of the same being filled with consecrated and useful Christians.

Our state workers with offices at Raleigh, N. C., are, Perry Morgan and Miss Winnie Rickett. They are ready at any time to give assistance to any church that will ask them.

The churches in the Brushy Mountain Associations having Unions are: North Wilkesboro First, Wilkesboro, Beaver Creek, Walnut Grove, New Hope and Mount Pleasant. Your committee hopes that by another year every church in the Association will have a good working B. Y. P. U.

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. STORY, for Committee.

The report was ably and interestingly discussed by a number of brethren and sisters and on motion was adopted, and committee discharged.

Mrs. A. O. Bray read the report on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The object of our W. M. U. is a two-fold one, (1) "to distribute missionary information and stimulate effort through State Women's Missionary Unions; (2) to secure the earnest, sympathetic cooperation of women and young people in collecting and raising money for missions." In reviewing the past year's work of the Brushy Mountain W. M. U. we can say "Thank God" that our W. M. U. has found its rightful place in some of our churches as a force in teaching, training, enlisting, giving, and fostering a zeal for missions. We can say "Thank God" for the societies that have labored together. The work has been one of development rather than expansion. Several societies report better seasons of prayer, personal service and mission study. None of our societies reached our aim for the year, but we express a hope to attain next year. The churches having a W. M. S. are North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Goshen, Pilgrim and Mount Pleasant. The churches having young people's societies are North Wilkesboro, a Y. W. A., a G. A., and a Sunbeam Band, Wilkesboro a Jr. G. A., an Intermediate G. A., and a Sunbeam Band; and Pilgrim Church a Sunbeam Band. Various efforts have been made to organize the work in a number of other places, but for the lack of leaders or other hindrances the work has not yet been begun. From

July 1926 to July 1927, the women gave \$671.65; this included \$41.70 above apportionment, \$25.00 for a field worker, and 013.00 for Kathleen Mallory Hospital, and \$3.70 for progress fund.

Miss Valeria Belle Nichols, our field worker for last August, did much foundation work. During this time she conducted three mission study classes, traveled approximately 200 miles, made 12 talks, visited 6 societies and organized 4 societies, visited 5 churches having no W. M. U. organizations and taught in G. A. Camp at Mountain View.

A very generous "Canned Shower" was sent to Mountain View on opening day in 1926. A similar one has been planned to be sent again at Thanksgiving.

During July a full graded W. M. U. was held at Mountain View, under the direction of Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok. Several other organizations co-operated. The girls and boys showed such interest in this camp we expect some well trained leaders for tomorrow.

Missionary rallies have been held at Pilgrim and New Hope. These were well attended, programs good, and a fine spirit prevailed.

The annual W. M. U. meeting was held at Moravian Falls in July with about 60 in attendance. We were fortunate in having Mrs. Edna R. Harris, the State Corresponding Secretary, with us. At both sessions were rendered well arranged, instructive and inspirational programs. At this meeting the following recommendations were adopted:

1. That we adopt the plan of a missionary rally for the Association the later part of the third month in each quarter.
2. That we indorse the Bible plan of giving, and work to increase the number of tithers.
3. That each society provide itself with a "Standard of Excellence," and strive to attain it.
4. That we establish an Associational progress fund, asking each society to send an offering for the same to the annual meeting.
5. That we endeavor to secure a permanent W. M. U. field worker.
6. That we try to organize at least ten young people's societies. That we try to organize six Woman's Missionary Societies.

With the coming of 1927 we found that because of lack of funds the State Mission Board had taken our field worker, Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok, from us. Her loss to Western North Carolina can not be estimated.

Our Southern W. M. U. wishes to celebrate 1928, the fortieth or Ruby anniversary of its organization by intensive effort to enlist and train for His service more of our Southland and to glorify our King by making the year 1928 memorable for our gift of sacrificial services as well as of substance. God grant that we, women of the Brushy Mountain W. M. U., will redeem the time, rejoicing in the privilege of laboring together, for the Master is come and calleth for thee. Marshal Foch says, "Victory is an inclined plane."

Will we not live earnestly, climbing this inclined plane to transcendent victory? Who dares fail to try?

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. A. O. BRAY, for Committee.

The report was ably spoken to by Mrs. Bray and others and adopted.

The report on Hospitals was read by A. S. Eller.

HOSPITALS

Our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem has been in operation for more than three and one half years and in this time it has cared for approximately 6000 patients coming from every part of our State and from every walk of life. From the very beginning the presence of the Great Physician has been with us and the larger part of our patients have gone home cured or improved. Our death rate there has been less than any other hospital in the State, only 14 per thousand patients, while others have had as high as 40 per thousand.

Bro. G. P. Lumpkin, the Superintendent, states in his annual report that the institution is growing in popularity daily. His report further shows that the income of the institution is not sufficient to do all the work of service that could and ought to be done. It is therefore our belief that our support to the institution should be more ample. Especially do we recommend that the matter be put into our Sunday School programs and stressed in all our churches and that offerings be made regularly for our hospital.

Respectfully submitted,
A. S. ELLER,
V. McGHINNIS,
T. T. BUMGARNER, Committee.

The report was discussed by A. S. Eller and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The Secretary read the report on

SOUTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The cry has gone up that there is a shortage of ministerial students. Men who have raised that cry know what they are talking about.

Added to this, many who have responded to the call to preach have not recognized its companion call to prepare to preach, and many beginning their preparation for the ministry have either delayed, taken one of the side-tracks, or turned back altogether.

In recent years, due largely to other interests, Southern Baptists have overlooked Ministerial Enlistment and Education. Now it is a matter of serious concern.

Even to-day some do not plan to enter one of our many educational institutions for training. Others, having started, drop out

during the preparatory or high school years. An appalling leakage is evident in the college period as evinced by a contrast between the number ministerial matriculates and ministerial graduates. Then, to make a bad matter worse, only a small percentage of college ministerial graduates immediately go to the Seminary. There were twelve ministerial students at one Baptist college last Spring but not one was planning to enter the Seminary in the Fall.

We must remember here that many called men do not answer, and that many of those who answer turn back or aside. God's call is adequate, but our moral and financial aid is lacking.

There is no attempt to restate the age-worn claims that small salaries cause ministerial shortage. Personal experience and personal impressions teach, while better salaries are in order, that small salaries do not figure in any appreciable way in this matter. Called men are interested in giving, not getting. Regardless, however, their preparation for the ministry depends in large measure on financial assistance.

Strong reasons for a shortage in ministerial recruits and for leakage in ministerial ranks are that many attractive side-lines are soliciting called men, many called men are skilled in some trade, vocation or art that has been incorporated in the modern Christian program, and many men left to themselves follow their bent rather than their call. A called man who succeeds with young people is immediately tempted to become a young people's leader. Another, skilled as a musician, is tempted to emphasize music at the expense of his call to preach. We are in danger of saying that there are other things as important as preaching.

Here is an example: A young missionary went to China thinking he could answer his call by teaching physics. He shortly found, however, that the Chinese's greatest need was Christ and he returned to the Seminary to prepare to preach the Gospel. His motto now is: "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel."

No minister is void of a bent that leads away from his call and ministry. One's bent is not his call, the opinion of many consecrated persons to the contrary. A bent, fully surrendered to God, is a great asset in one's ministry, but only an asset. Simon Peter was a skilled fisher of Galilee, and leaving his net, he retained his skill in a new occupation as a fisher of men. And it was the devil's suggestion when he later said, "I go a fishing."

It is high time that we take cognizance of these conditions and prayerfully try to remedy them. Two things seem necessary. One is the supplying of funds that will be wisely handled in aiding to complete their whole educational programs. And the other is to effect a closer contact with each ministerial student for his encouragement and spiritual discipline. Choice laymen and pastors could assume the role of big brothers as Barnabas to Paul and every group could give ministerial enlistment and education vital consideration on their programs.

A student has just this minute related his experience in this connection to me. He said, "The only encouragement I received was to have a good layman to say, as I was leaving for school, 'I'm sorry to see you go, you're just ruining a good business man.'"

Now a word relative to the part of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in the program. Naturally, the Seminary is primarily a training agency and only secondarily an enlisting agency. Apparently the Seminary feels no ministerial shortage. During Dr. Boyce's administration the enrollment went over 100, while Dr. Broadus was president it reached over 200, the three hundred mark was passed during Dr. Whitsitt's term, and Dr. Mullins has already seen more than 400 preachers at the Seminary in one session. It looks as if Dr. Boyce's vision of 500 will shortly be realized.

Last session 434 licensed or ordained ministers were enrolled from 37 states, the District of Columbia, and 16 foreign countries. There were 37 from North Carolina; 33 of them were from Wake Forest College. These men enjoyed the Seminary's first full session at "The Beeches," its new suburban home. It was a year of rejoicing with Southern Baptists over the achievement of erecting the new buildings in such ideal surroundings and a year of thanksgiving over every effort and every gift contributing toward this great enterprise.

The Seminary aided about 320 students last session with a total of \$45,159.68. This was divided as follows: Gifts to married students, \$13,456.35; gifts to single students, \$12,274.73, and loans to both classes, \$19,428.60. There is, however, grave danger now that these student aid funds, so necessary to the Seminary's program, shall become depleted because the Seminary's income is inadequate to replenish them.

V. McGHINNIS, for Committee.

H. A. Carlton, Historian, made the following report:

HISTORY OF GOSHEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Situated as we are in this beautiful Yadkin Valley, among a noble, kind hearted people and in a radius of eight or ten miles, without any church of this denomination, we were impressed, and we believe, directed by our Master, to erect a house of worship at this place.

Goshen Baptist Church was organized April 11, 1914, by Rev. L. B. Murray. The church building was erected in April, 1916.

Rev. L. B. Murray was chosen moderator and pastor, with H. A. Carlton as Clerk. Rev. Murray served this church for six years after his election. Rev. B. F. Austin, now residing near Greensboro, served this church as pastor for one year. Rev. I. C. Woodruff, of Hays, N. C., has served this church as pastor for six years.

When the church was organized it consisted of 58 members. At present, it has 92 members; however, a number of them are living in nearby towns.

We have a very good attendance at Sunday School, also an increasing attendance in the Woman's Missionary Society Work.

While this church is considered very young, we feel that we are accomplishing a little of the great work that God has assigned for us to do.

Respectfully submitted,

By H. A. CARLTON, Historian.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Reassembled at 1:30 P. M. The moderator called the body to order.

The committee on the Co-operative Program made the following report, which was endorsed by a unanimous vote of the body, that the Brushy Mountain Association adopt as an objective, \$3,000 for the 1928 Program. It was recommended that each church in the Association try to raise the following amounts during 1928:

Beaver Creek, \$20; Cub Creek, \$15; Edgewood, \$15; Fishing Creek, \$15; Gordon, \$45; Goshen, \$20; Harmony, \$25; Hinshaw Street, \$10; Lewis Fork, \$20; Little Rock, \$10; Moravian Falls, \$15; Mount Carmel, \$10; Mount Pleasant, \$65; Mount Zion, \$15; New Hope, \$40; First North Wilkesboro, \$2115; Second North Wilkesboro, \$10; Oak Grove, \$10; Oakwoods, \$15; Pleasant Grove \$15; Pleasant Home \$35; Pilgrim, \$10; Stony Hill, \$15; Shady Grove, \$5.00; Walnut Grove, \$45; Wilkesboro, \$350; Zion Hill, \$20.

Recommendation of the Executive Committee:

We recommend to the Brushy Mountain Association that the time of meeting be changed back to Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, instead of Thursday as heretofore.

V. McGHINNIS, Chairman;
N. C. TEAGUE, Secretary;
MRS. A. O. BRAY,
MILTON McNEIL,
GEORGE G. REEVES,
T. E. STORY.

The reasons for changing the time of meeting back to August is, the majority of the churches of the Association are located in the country and the members make their living by farming. August being the most leisure month for farmers it was decided to change the time of meeting back to Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1928.

The Committee on Digest of Church Letters beg leave to submit the following report:

There are now 27 churches in the Brushy Mountain Association, one new church having joined this year (Hinshaw Street Church, of North Wilkesboro). This year, every church was represented

either by messenger or by letter. These letters show a total membership of 4263, a gain of 252 in 1927; Baptisms, 208, a gain of 40 in 1927; deaths, 35, fewer deaths by 8 in 1927; church property valued at \$129,910.00; total contributions, \$19,325.57.

The Committee on Obituaries reported the list of members who died during the last Associational year:

Beaver Creek—Mr. Z. T. Ferguson.

Cub Creek—Miss Margaret Leach.

Goshen—Mrs. Com Holder.

Hinshaw Street—Mrs. Ellen Griffin.

Lewis Fork—Mr. I. E. Shepherd, Mrs. Ethel Taylor, Mr. A. E. Church, Mr. J. G. Church, Mrs. M. L. Atkins.

Little Rock—Mrs. Amanda Walker, Mr. William Andrews.

Moravian Falls—Miss Marie Sloop.

Mount Carmel—Mr. Thomas Pearson.

Mount Pleasant—Mrs. Sarah Ann McNeil, Mr. G. F. Walsh, Mr. L. V. Church.

Mount Zion—Mrs. M. C. Watson.

First North Wilkesboro—Mr. W. H. Waugh.

Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Martha Parsons, Mrs. Moriah Eller, Mr. T. S. Logan.

Pleasant Home—Mrs. Lon Nichols, Miss Calla Lovette.

Stony Hill—Mr. Thomas Wheeling.

Wilkesboro—Mrs. M. A. Edwards, Mrs. D. E. Ginnings, Mrs. R. E. Lewis.

Zion Hill—Mrs. John Russell, Mr. Claud Barlow, Mrs. S. S. Carlton, Mr. H. A. Kilby.

The Committee on **Time, Place and Preachers** report as follows:

Time — Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1928, at 11 A. M.

Place—Mount Pleasant Baptist Church 12 miles north-west of North Wilkesboro.

To Preach Introductory Sermon — Rev. N. C. Teague.
Alternate, Rev. A. J. Foster.

The following resolution of thanks offered by Rev. Geo. G. Reeves was unanimously and heartily adopted:

Be it resolved, that we the messengers and visitors, do hereby express our thanks and appreciation to the members of Goshen Baptist Church and the community generally for their kind hospitality in entertaining the messengers and visitors during the sessions of this Association.

Also that we express our keen regret of the absence and illness of Bro. W. C. Meadows and send him our love and prayers for his speedy recovery.

GEORGE G. REEVES, for Committee.

It was decided by a unanimous vote of the body that the next annual session of the Association begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in **August** instead of September as heretofore. This was done because farmers have more leisure time in August than September.

Again this year only a few of the churches of the Association report any W. M. U. work or B. Y. P. U. work. The Secretary finds it necessary to leave out Tables VI and VII.

It costs about twice as much to print the tables as it does other pages of the same size in the minutes and as the minute funds are inadequate we deem it advisable to omit Tables VI and VII this year, hoping that all the churches that possibly can do so, will have the Woman's Work and the Young People's Work organized by next session of the Association in order that a full report from all the churches may appear in Tables VI and VII of the minutes of 1928.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Mount Pleasant Baptist Church on **Friday** before the fourth Sunday in August, 1928.

V. McGHINNIS,
Clerk.

C. C. WRIGHT,
Moderator.

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Sept. 1927

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country	When Constituted	Church Clerks and Postoffices	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year			GAINS			LOSSES			Present Members	Wky Prayer Meet.	Revsals during yr.	Ob. Lord's Supper	Rec. Sta. Bap. paper
					Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths						
Beaver Creek.....	Co. 1811	G. H. Walker, Boomer.		3	117	2	1	2	1	117	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cub Creek.....	Co. 1860	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.		3	48	4	8	1	1	58	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Edgewood.....	Co. 1893	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro.		2	166	6	6	17	2	147	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Fishing Creek.....	Co. 1822	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro		1	134	20	3	2	2	153	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gordon.....	V. 1919	Gilbert Osborne, N. Wilkesboro		1	75	4	1	1	3	75	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Goshen.....	Co. 1914	H. A. Carlton, Goshen.		1	89	3	3	2	1	92	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Harmony.....	Co. 1900	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro		1	147	3	3	6	7	140	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Hinshaw Street.....	V. 1927	A. E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro		1	52	4	7	2	1	52	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Lewis Fork.....	Co. 1792	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch.		1	185	9	1	7	2	181	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Little Rock.....	Co. 1866	S. M. Knight, Boomer.		1	112	6	1	1	2	118	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Moravian Falls.....	V. 1888	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls		2	99	3	2	1	1	100	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Pleasant.....	Co. 1884	Miss Jamie McNeil, Boomer.		3	88	5	6	1	2	82	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Pleasant.....	Co. 1875	A. M. McGee, Purlear.		2	346	5	6	1	2	354	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Zion.....	Co. 1849	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion.		4	140	3	1	1	1	144	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
New Hope.....	Co. 1830	J. H. Davis, Purlear.		4	244	20	1	1	4	252	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	15
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	T. 1892	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro.		Twice	587	8	24	1	13	5	1	601	yes	2	4	35	1	1
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	T. 1907	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro		1 & 4	162	6	3	45	3	162	yes	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Oak Grove.....	Co. 1904	M. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro		1	59	3	3	1	1	59	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Oakwoods.....	Co. 1917	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro.		4	74	3	3	3	1	104	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pleasant Grove.....	Co. 1886	V. M. Baker, Wilkesboro.		1	181	42	8	6	1	232	no	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Pleasant Home.....	Co. 1880	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro		3	173	11	2	2	13	2	169	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pilgrim.....	Co. 1859	F. O. Foster, Congo.		3	80	23	2	2	1	105	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stony Hill.....	Co. 1888	Ed. B. Parsons, Parsonville.		2	110	2	2	1	1	110	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Shady Grove.....	Co. 1886	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.		2	40	6	6	4	4	40	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Walnut Grove.....	Co. 1840	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob.		4	296	6	6	4	3	256	no	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wilkesboro.....	T. 1880	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro.		Twice	228	11	12	2	3	228	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Zion Hill.....	V. 1813	J. E. German, Boomer		2	180	9	1	2	2	185	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total.....					4212	211	90	7	16	106	47	20	45	43	16	81	82	81

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association for September, 1927

CHURCHES	Secretaries and Post Offices	Others and Teachers							Young People, 17 to 24	Adults, 25 years up	Cradle Roll, under 3	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard A1?	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from school	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.
		Beginners, 3 to 5	Primaries, 6 to 8	Juniors, 9 to 12	Intermediates, 13 to 16	Young People, 17 to 24	Adults, 25 years up	Cradle Roll, under 3												
Beaver Creek	Co. Finley German, Ferguson	6										102	62	no	no		1			
Cub Creek	Co. Dora Minton, Moravian Falls	9	5	3	20	10	8					40	65	no	no		6	10.00		
Edgewood	Co. Valeria Glass, Wilkesboro	7	12	30	18	15	26					110	25	yes	no		6	25.00		
Fishing Creek	Co. Ruth Holland, Wilkesboro	7	20	20	14	25	22					122	70	no	no		1	25.00	8.00	
Gordon	V. J. H. Burtis, N. Wilkesboro	7	34	24	18	35	35					118	56	no	no		2	3.30	34.49	
Goshen	Co. Leola Proffitt, Goshen	6	5	12	8	8	15	6				60	40	yes	no		2	10.00	12.00	
Harmony	Co. Blanche Faw, Wilkesboro	10										70	50	no	no		1	43.74	14.00	
Hinshaw Street	V. A. E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro	7	15	13	10	14						73	52	no	no		1	15.85		
Lewis Fork	Co. C. H. Jones, Ready Branch	6	15	15	18	26	30	5				115	45	no	no		3	22.00		
Little Rock	Co. S. M. Knight, Boomer	3	20	51		20						91	40	no	no		1		5.00	
Moravian Falls	V. Annie Maie Sloop, M. Falls	10	6	14	16	25	16	6				107	60						20.39	
Mount Carmel	Co. Janie McNeil, Boomer	3										40	30							
Mount Pleasant	Co. A. G. Church, Champion	12	10	15	27	15	23	17				119	54					59.48		
Mount Zion	Co. Leola Barnett, Mt. Zion	7	8	7	4	6	13	20				65	31				3	8.00	11.55	
New Hope	Co. C. C. Hayes, Purlear	9	30	30	15	44	44					159	125				18	30.00	40.00	
1st N. Wilkesboro	T. Earl Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	33	49	43	86	31	24	157	124	86	643	285	yes	yes	25	6	458.20	246.77		
2nd N. Wilkesboro	T. J. W. White, N. Wilkesboro	6										60	40							
Oak Grove	Co. W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	4	4	5	6	12	20					60	30	yes						
Oakwoods	Co. R. L. Ellis, Oakwoods	5	13	14	13	14	24					98	55	yes			10	10.00	4.00	
Pleasant Grove	Co. W. B. Parsons, Buck	6	20	15	24	20	16	20	4			125	92				10	28.40	46.00	
Pleasant Home	Co. Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro	5	5	30	20	29	29					84	48					23.71	4.29	
Pilgrim	Co. Fred Shomaker, Congo	6	8	10	12	12	18					70	50							
Stony Hill	Co. Mrs. Dora Hamby, Parsonville																			
Shady Grove	Co. T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro																			
Walnut Grove	Co. Miss Mae Lowe, Pores Knob	7	10	8	20	21	20	25	12			123	65				6	20.00	40.00	
Wilkesboro	T. J. F. Jordan, Wilkesboro	16	15	27	32	43	23	25	11			192	84				6	10	113.91	44.59
Zion Hill	V. John German, Boomer											85	50							
Total		194	280	292	429	289	292	589	168	86	293	1598					39	66	906.59	612.56

TABLE III—Church Property of Brushy Mtn. Baptist Asso. Sept. 1927

CHURCHES	Does Church Own Its	House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Are all Depts. of S. S.	Are all S. S. Classes	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Mission Chapel if any	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
	yes	no	yes	no	yes	no	yes	no	\$	none	none	\$	none	none
Beaver Creek.....	yes	1895	wood	200	1	no	no	no	500	none	none	550	none	none
Cub Creek.....	yes	1860	wood	250	1	no	no	no	1000	none	none	1100	none	none
Edgewood.....	yes	1893	wood	700	2	yes	yes	yes	2000	none	none	2000	none	none
Fishing Creek.....	yes	1900	wood	400	1	no	no	no	1000	none	none	1100	none	none
Gordon.....	yes	1921	wood	600	3	no	no	no	6000	none	none	6050	none	none
Goshen.....	yes	1916	wood	500	1	no	no	no	1500	none	none	1600	none	none
Harmony.....	yes	1900	wood	500	1	yes	yes	yes	3000	none	none	3060	none	none
Hinshaw Street.....	yes	1927	wood	300	5	yes	yes	yes	2700	none	none	3600	none	\$1500
Lewis Fork.....	yes	1909	wood	500	1	yes	yes	yes	2500	none	none	2600	none	none
Little Rock.....	yes	1904	wood	500	1	no	no	no	3000	none	none	3100	none	none
Moravian Falls.....	yes	1888	wood	300	2	no	no	no	2500	none	none	2600	none	none
Mount Carmel.....	yes	1886	wood	400	1	no	no	no	3000	none	none	3000	none	none
Mount Pleasant.....	yes	1909	wood	500	1	no	no	no	2500	none	none	2600	none	none
Mount Zion.....	yes	1926	wood	500	1	yes	no	no	2000	none	none	2000	none	none
New Hope.....	yes	1894	wood	400	1	yes	no	no	1500	none	none	1500	none	none
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1892	Brick	600	15	no	no	no	60000	none	\$10000	70000	350	50000
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1915	wood	1000	1	no	no	no	1000	none	none	1000	none	none
Oak Grove.....	no	.....	wood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	none	none	none	none	none	none
Oakwoods.....	yes	1917	wood	300	1	no	no	no	950	none	none	1000	none	none
Pleasant Grove.....	yes	1908	wood	400	1	no	no	no	1000	none	none	1000	none	none
Pleasant Home.....	yes	1903	wood	500	1	no	no	no	2000	none	none	2000	none	none
Pilgrim.....	yes	1859	wood	600	1	no	no	no	1800	none	none	1800	none	none
Stony Hill.....	yes	1922	wood	300	1	no	no	no	1500	none	none	1500	none	none
Shady Grove.....	yes	1880	wood	300	1	no	no	no	600	none	none	650	none	none
Walnut Grove.....	yes	1885	wood	300	1	no	no	no	1000	none	none	1000	none	none
Wilkesboro.....	yes	1902	Brick	400	4	no	yes	yes	10000	none	1500	11500	none	1000
Zion Hill.....	yes	1910	wood	500	1	no	no	no	2000	none	none	2000	none	none
Total.....	.....	.....	.....	11450	51	.....	.....	.....	116460	.....	11500	129910	350	53500

TABLE IV—Gifts For Local Church Work of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Sept. 1927.

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Postoffices	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Total for Support of Local Church Work
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer.....	85.00	.....	43.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00	1.00	.....	162.85
Cub Creek.....	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro.....	100.00	.....	57.43	124.44	22.82	.....	.....	.....	.....	146.52
Edgewood.....	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro.....	125.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	166.00
Fishing Creek.....	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....	100.00	30.00	90.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	4.50	.....	239.50
Gordon.....	Gilbert Osborne, N. Wilkesboro.....	175.00	.....	.....	330.00	17.16	.....	.....	1.15	12.00	544.45
Goshen.....	H. A. Carleton, Goshen.....	150.00	.....	30.00	10.00	10.00	.....	.....	1.50	10.00	221.00
Harmony.....	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro.....	140.00	13.45	23.65	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	256.60
Hinshaw Street.....	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro.....	43.38	.....	46.00	986.91	.....	.....	.....	1.04	.....	1077.33
Lewis Fork.....	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch.....	172.95	66.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	265.55
Little Rock.....	I. J. Broyhill, Boomer.....	146.30	50.00	33.70	300.00	.....	10.00	50.00	2.00	.....	580.00
Moravian Falls.....	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls.....	250.00	.....	43.00	75.00	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	398.00
Mount Carmel.....	Jamie McNeil, Moravian Falls.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.65
Mount Pleasant.....	U. G. Foster, Champion.....	116.00	127.00	11.50	1.85	30.18	15.15	.....	1.00	.....	324.91
Mount Zion.....	D. M. Tripiett, Mt. Zion.....	137.30	.....	20.00	200.00	5.00	.....	.....	1.50	11.50	389.12
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.....	150.00	.....	.....	73.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114.00
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.....	2712.00	495.00	839.00	311.99	734.58	.....	.....	5.00	1390.00	6994.77
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	J. N. White, N. Wilkesboro.....	60.00	.....	18.00	75.00	12.00	.....	.....	1.20	.....	174.20
Oak Grove.....	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro.....	50.00	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	350.50
Oakwoods.....	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro.....	75.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.44
Pleasant Grove.....	V. M. Baker, Wilkesboro.....	85.00	.....	54.71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	157.71
Pleasant Home.....	C. C. Church, Millers Creek.....	65.27	16.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.00	2.00	.....	158.27
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....	164.20	.....	.....	24.00	12.19	.....	.....	.....	.....	201.39
Stony Hill.....	Ed. B. Parsons, Parsonville.....	40.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48.85
Shady Grove.....	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....	36.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Fores Knob.....	200.00	.....	90.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00	376.00
Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. W. E. Harris, Wilkesboro.....	1000.00	.....	274.21	164.69	144.69	.....	.....	4.10	67.50	1769.08
Zion Hill.....	A. F. Greer, Boomer.....	210.50	20.00	102.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	100.00	432.50
Total.....		6619.90	817.55	1791.20	2701.88	1040.62	25.15	138.00	32.79	1631.00	15613.24

CHURCHES

	Gifts to Co-operative Program	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Schools and Colleges	Hospitals	Orphanage	Aged Ministers Relief	Total All Missions, Education and Benevolence	Grand Total All Local Church Expenses, Missions and Benevolences
Beaver Creek				18.29			6.00			162.85
Cub Creek				5.00			20.00		30.00	164.81
Edgewood		5.00					8.00		8.00	196.00
Fishing Creek						3.15			36.45	247.50
Gordon	33.30								221.00	580.90
Goshen		2.00		2.00			2.00	2.00	256.60	229.00
Harmony							24.00			280.60
Hinshaw Street										1077.33
Lewis Fork							4.00		580.00	265.55
Little Rock					5.00		2.10		22.10	584.00
Moravian Falls				10.00						420.10
Mount Carmel				6.00			17.46		74.78	30.65
Mount Pleasant	36.56	14.76					17.30		17.30	399.69
Mount Zion										405.42
New Hope	35.00									149.00
1st N. Wilkesboro	2024.11						506.59		2530.70	9525.47
2nd N. Wilkesboro										174.20
Oak Grove		250.00		10.00			5.00			350.50
Oakwoods				.85			2.64			3.49
Pleasant Grove							4.00			161.71
Pleasant Home		5.00	5.00	5.00			53.00		68.00	226.00
Pilgrim			3.27				4.00		7.27	247.31
Stony Hill		2.00					2.45			57.85
Shady Grove										66.00
Walnut Grove				13.65	62.00		20.00		95.65	531.65
Wilkesboro	254.60	12.31	11.30	18.00	7.00		184.08	17.15	510.09	2279.17
Zion Hill				26.26			25.00		51.26	513.76
Total	2383.57	291.07	19.57	115.05	74.00	8.15	908.04	19.15	4509.20	19325.51

Tithe reported: Beaver Creek, 2; Wilkesboro, 5; Total 7. Budget for Local Expenses adopted: Wilkesboro, \$1300.00; Budget for Missions, etc, Wilkesboro \$500.00.

MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
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HELD WITH
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CHURCH

August 24, 25, and 26, 1928

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DIRECTORY FOR 1928 AND 1929

C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.
V. McGhinnis, Clerk and Treasurer, Boomer, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

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N. C. Teague, Wilkesboro, N. C.
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James Nichols, Purlear, N. C.
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T. V. Church, Buck, N. C.
R. S. Whittington, Millers Creek, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

A. E. Watts, Taylorsville, N. C.
A. T. Pardue, Roaring River, N. C.
L. B. Murray, State Road, N. C.
J. M. Absher, Offen, N. C.
Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge, N. C.
W. C. Clanton, Gilreath, N. C.
Levi Greene, Hopkins, N. C.
Grant Cothren, Lomax, N. C.

Ministers Retired From Active Pastorates

W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C.
Milton McNeil, Wilkesboro, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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T. E. Story, Milton McNeil, Mrs. A. O. Bray, C. C. Wright.

TRUSTEES OF MOUNTAIN VIEW INSTITUTE

E. E. Eller, A. O. Bray, N. C. Teague, Glenn Proffit, Geo. G. Reeves.

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

C. C. Wright, U. G. Foster, R. L. Proffit.

Alternates: W. C. Meadows, George G. Reeves, N. C. Teague.

DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

G. W. Walsh, George G. Reeves, N. C. Teague, J. F. Jordan.

The following were appointed to visit other Associations:

Stony Fork—R. L. Proffit, A. J. Foster.

Stone Mountain—J. C. Pruitt, I. S. Baity.

Elkin—Geo. G. Reeves, J. F. Jordan

Alexander—G. M. Earp, J. E. German.

Brier Creek—C. C. Wright, A. G. Hendren, J. L. Hemphill.

Caldwell—V. McGhinnis, I. J. Broyhill.

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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

To the Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association

Beaver Creek—A. J. Foster, A. J. Gould, G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. L. Hemphill, J. B. Hall.

Edgewood—A. G. Hendren, J. W. Fletcher, J. W. Miller.

Fishing Creek—R. C. Miller, H. M. Anderson, T. J. Smithey.

Gordon—Gilbert Osborne, George Osborne, Joel Curtis.

Goshen—R. L. Proffitt, H. A. Carlton, John Edmison.

Harmony—Monroe Faw, H. W. Mahaffey, R. L. Lankford.

Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, C. H. Dancy, A. E. Chambers, D. V. Faw.

Lewis Fork—W T. West, R. F. Church, G. M. Foster.

Little Rock—N. C. Andrews, V. McGhinnis.

Moravian Falls—P. M. Pardue, R. A. Greer, R. L. Earp.

Mount Carmel—John Pearson, Earnest Pearson, John Jenkins.

Mount Pleasant—A. M. Foster, U. G. Foster, A. M. McGee.

mount Zion—J. G. Eller, R. L. Wooten, W. O. Barnett.

New Hope— M. L. Yates, J. C. Parsons, A. S. Eller, W. L. Church.

First North Wilkesboro—J. W. Nichols, Mrs. A. O. Bray, Mrs. E. E. Eller.

Second North Wilkesboro—E. P. Glass, I. N. White, George Stone.

Oak Grove.

Oakwoods.

Pleasant Grove—Joel Minton, Willie Church, Melvin Bumgarner.

Pleasant Home—W. V. Caudill, Thomas Snyder, A. G. Bumgarner.

Pilgrim—W. M. Eller, F. O. Fister, J. A. Parson.

Stony Hill—G. W. Walsh, Bynum Baker, W. H. Powell.

Shady Grove—M. S. Church, S. C. Church, T. B. Jarvis.

Walnut Grove—J. S. Jennings, Marvin Ashley, W. C. Meadows, W. A. Jennings.

Wilkesboro—J. F. Jordan, N. E. Parlier, T. E. Story, R. L. Welborn.

Zion Hill—G. M. Earp, Jarvis Walsh, J. E. German.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Messengers of Mount Pleasant Church.

Digest of Church Letters—R. L. Proffit, V. McGhinnis, W. T. West.

Temperance—R. L. Proffit, J. S. Jennings, Marvin Earp.

Religious Literature—U. G. Foster, W. V. Caudill, Homer Carlton.

Orphanage—I. S. Baity, W. C. Meadows, John Moore.

State Missions—A. E. Chambers, Thomas Snyder, A. G. Hendren.

Home Missions—N. C. Andrews, A. C. Bumgarner, A. J. Foster.

Foreign Missions—R. L. Lankford, F. O. Foster, G. W. Walsh.

Ministerial Relief—L. A. Minton, J. A. Parsons, M. McNeil.

Education—A. J. Foster, H. M. Anderson, J. S. Jennings.

Evangelism—A. J. Gould, T. J. Smithey, N. C. Teague.

State of the Churches—G. H. Walsh, S. L. Anderson, M. McNeil.

Enlistment—A. M. McGee, J. W. Nichols, H. M. Anderson.

Sunday Schools—J. F. Jordan, T. E. Story, U. G. Foster.

Co-operative Program—N. E. Parlier, George G. Reeves, J. L. Hemphill.

B. Y. P. U.—R. L. Wellborn, T. E. Story, Miss Veleria Belle Nichols.

Historian—U. G. Foster.

Time, Place and Preachers—A. S. Eller, A. G. Hendren, J. L. Hemphill.

W. M. U.—Gilbert Osborne, Mrs. A. O. Bray, Mrs. U. G. Foster.

Resolutions—George Osborn, W. C. Meadows, N. C. Teague.

Hospitals—G. W. Walsh, George C. Reeves, J. B. Hall

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary—L. P. Whittington, J. F. Jordan, R. L. Proffit.

RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Held With
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church
Champion, Wilkes County, N. C.

First Day, Friday, August 24, 1928, at 10:30 A. M.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met with Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Friday, August 24, 1928, at 10:30 a. m.

Brother A. S. Eller led the Association in song and Rev. W. C. Meadows led in prayer. After another song the Moderator introduced Rev. N. C. Teague, who preached the introductory sermon. Text, Rom. 5:19.

Adjourned for one hour.

After the expiration of that time the messengers re-assembled in the house and the Association was called to order by C. C. Wright, the former Moderator. Rev. George G. Reeves led in prayer.

The Association then went into permanent organization by re-electing C. C. Wright, Moderator, and V. McGhinnis, Clerk and Treasurer.

On calling for correspondents and visitors, the following were present: Dr. Francis P. Gaines, president of Wake Forest College; Dr. Charles E. Maddry, corresponding secretary of the State Mission Board; Rev. Mr. McMillan, of Wake Forest College; Rev. I. C. Woodruff, of Stone Mountain Association; Rev. N. T. Jarvis and Brother Robinett, of Brier Creek Association; Rev. D. S. Lee, of Caldwell County Association; Rev. Mr. Reynolds, of Wilkesboro; Rev. Mr. McCain, representing the Biblical Recorder; Brother J. S. Kilby and C. C. Holland, of Stone Mountain Association.

Dr. Gaines and Dr. Maddry, having to leave before the close of the association, made very interesting and profitable talks on the subjects of Christian Endeavor and the Co-operative Program.

Rev. G. W. Sebastian read the report on

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is grooming the runner for the race. It is giving the new members of society what the old ones have, all that the old ones have, all that is available. It is the center of all Christian culture that stands for Christianity.

The aim of educational establishments before the Revolution were to prepare young men and women for the future life to come,

also to fight the chief projects of the old deluder—Satan that was trying to keep them from the knowledge of the Scriptures. But after the Revolution, mainly through the influence of a serious and virtuous citizenship indeed, supplanted religion as the aim of higher education. Accordingly education is recovering somewhat of its old moral purpose and swinging back to its obligation to fit the young for Christian service and realizing the higher interests and ideals of the human race.

Various expedients to renew in secular education the religious motive and standard have been resorted to. Denominational schools and colleges arising and pressing onward have been all along true to the high Christian standard of education.

What is Christian Education? Christian Education is Christianity operating in the field of enlightenment. The Bible is the final authority for faith and practice; hence, Christian Education. Christianity arose in the best culture of its time and when not misrepresented has been the nourishing mother of the best culture ever since; hence, Christian Education. Christianity is the only hope for the redemption of the moving world and must keep pace with its task; hence, Christian Education. Christianity organizes itself in denominations for its task; hence denominational education.

If persons, classes and nations will agree and stand for Christian Education, then we may have the true standard of Christianity exalted to a higher plane, and we shall have peace and find our social salvation and security in Christian Education. Then God will judge among the nations and rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nations shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. Then instead of the nations of the world fighting in cruel wars, they can draw water out of the wells of salvations with joy and drink from the living fountain that never runs dry.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. SEBASTIAN,
A. J. FOSTER,
J. S. JENNINGS, Committee.

The report was interestingly discussed by G. W. Sebastian and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

R. L. Proffit read the report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

We are sorry to have to report again that the cause of temperance has not advanced in Wilkes county as we hoped and prayed it would after the adoption of the prohibition law in our state by the great majority of over forty thousand voters and the strengthening of our state law by the adoption of the eighteenth amendment by the United States.

There is a cause for this and we should make a great effort to find and remove the cause. We want to urge again that the good

law abiding citizens of our county, both men and women, see that no liquor stills are allowed to be operated in their sections of the county, first by reporting to the officers and if the officers prove **unfaithful to their trust**, then let public sentiment come to the rescue by law abiding citizens seeing to it that no liquor is made in their immediate section by destroying every such outfit and we also believe that all Christians should vote as they pray and elect officers who will do their whole duty.

It is our observation that a great majority of the violators of our prohibition laws are the most ignorant class of people we have, therefore, we believe that the best solution of this vexing problem is in the education of our young people, especially in our Christian schools and colleges.

Woe unto him that gives to his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him and maketh him drunken also.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. Proffit,
G. M. EARP,
J. S. JENNINGS, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by R. L. Proffit and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The committee on Devotional Exercises reported a program for tonight and tomorrow which was adopted. On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 a. m.

Saturday Morning Session, August 25, 1928, 9:00 A. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. I. C. Woodruff.

At the conclusion of the devotional, the Moderator declared the Association ready for business. The Secretary being absent, because of an automobile accident, Brother R. L. Proffit acted as clerk for the time being.

Rev. Milton McNeil read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

Any Minister or Christian worker who has labored for the uplift of the people, whose presence is welcomed in sickness, whose counsel in things pertaining to our after life is freely given and whose story of the Master has cheered the weary so often, should not be neglected when they need help due to age, physical disability, or dependency. We have a Board to provide such helps. It is located at Dallas, Texas, with I. J. Watts as secretary. This Board works in two directions: to give relief when needed, and also to enable the minister while in health to provide an annuity fund for his own use later.

Last year 552 ministers, 442 widows and 150 orphans received help. In North Carolina 66 men and 59 women are receiving aid on the average of \$118 per year each.

Funds provided through the Co-operative Program and interest

on reserve fund held by the Board. We should pray for and contribute to this worthy cause.

Dr. R. T. Vann, Raleigh, N. C.; can give us further information on this great subject. Respectfully submitted,

MILTON McNEILL,

L. A. MINTON,

J. A. PARSONS, Committee.

The report was spoken to by Milton McNeil and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on the

ORPHANAGE

The forty-third year of our Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., has passed with the usual gratifying success. The number of children at present is 618. Of this number 117 are at the Kenedy Home. Besides those, we have in the Mothers' Aid Department 282 children with 68 mothers receiving aid during the year. 116 were dismissed. There were only 3 deaths in 1927. Uncle Tom, the colored helper, who had been at the institution for 30 years, and who was loved and respected by all the children and managers, died this year. Only three deaths in a population of 618 children is a record far surpassing that of any other population of like number of which we have any record.

The training of the children in industry, books and religious knowledge is all that could be desired. The training the children receive at the institution prepares them for college or for filling any ordinary pursuits of life. Nearly all of the children at the Orphanage become Christians and make fine workers in Sunday School and church.

The finances of the institution are administered in the most economical way. The endowment is aided by the contributions coming from the Sunday schools and churches, flushed by a fine Thanksgiving offering. These sustain the institution reasonably well.

The pastor teaches the Bible and every possible means is used to lead the children to Christ. This is the work of the Baptists of North Carolina and the obligation rests equally upon every member of our churches and there is no way to escape this obligation without being a slacker in the work of the Lord. If you would hear the welcome applaudit, "In as much as ye did it to one of the least of these children, ye did it to me," now is the time to work. These little ones represent Jesus. As you treat them, just so you treat Jesus.

Do not neglect the Thanksgiving offering. Let it be the value of one day's work or income for one day. In so doing the Lord will bless you for he loveth a "cheerful giver." See 2nd Cor. 9:7. See all the chapter. Respectfully submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS,

I. S. BAITY,

JOHN MOORE, Committee.

The report was spoken to by W. C. Meadows, Brother McCoin and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

At 10 a. m. the report was read on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

It is fitting and proper to consider the influence of all literature to properly emphasize the importance of reading and studying literature that will leave an everlasting imprint for good on the minds of the Baptist of the Brushy Mountain Association. Reading is universal in its scope. People are going to read something. In almost every home you will find literature that is read more or less. If this is the proper kind of literature the impressions will be for good, otherwise bad. Then we who are supposed to know good literature should recommend it and do all in our power to place it in the hands of the people.

Realizing the importance of placing the best in the hands of our people and especially in the hands where the greater part of the reading is done, your committee most earnestly and sincerely recommends that every father and mother give careful and prayerful attention to the kind of literature brought into the home. Children read, during certain periods of life, almost everything that they have a chance to read. This literature helps to make or break the character of the individuals. As individuals are made strong, God's Kingdom is enlarged because of the good influence of the individuals. Then we, as parents, Christians and Baptists, owe it to ourselves, our children and our God to provide the best. The best is God's Holy Word—The Bible. There is none so good and we heartily recommend it first.

After placing God's Book first, we then recommend our own publications. The Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home and Foreign Fields and the books and tracts published by our Sunday School Board in Nashville, Tenn. We especially urge every Baptist family in our Association to take and read our own state paper—the Biblical Recorder. The Recorder has stood by and been true to the Baptist cause for almost a century. We get all the information that we need about the workings of the denomination in our state. The families who read the Recorder regularly are intelligent. Therefore, we urge our Baptist people to take and read the Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

U. G. FOSTER,

W. V. CAUDILL,

H. A. CARLTON, Committee.

The report was spoken to by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report next brought forward was on

STATE MISSIONS

We, your committee on the above topic, beg leave to submit the following report:

Baptists carry on their mission work from three points of view: State Missions, Home Missions, and Foreign Missions. Jesus said to his disciples after his resurrection: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

State Missions is an effort on the part of the Board of Missions to bring everything human into right relationship with God. It is the bringing of all the denominational forces of the state together, and then leading all these forces out beyond for the conquest of the world. It is the building up of a denominational life whose fruitage shall be:

Evangelism, Church Building, Sunday Schools, Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Hospitals, Aged Ministers' Relief, Orphanages and all other benevolences fostered by the denomination. As goes the work in the state, so goes the work in every other field of our missionary endeavors. The history of achievements of North Carolina Baptists is a record that should make the heart of every Baptist in the state swell with pride. Dr. Maddry says in his little tract on three marvelous years of the Seventy-five Mililon Campaign that we are embarrassed by the great success of the campaign.

We now have the Co-operative Program. The program has been a great success. The apostles of our Lord undertook a world-wide conquest, "beginning at Jerusalem." North Carolina Baptists are setting their hands to the same task, beginning in North Carolina. They can begin nowhere else and get anywhere. The distance they go and the force with which they get there depends solely on what they do in the state, and on the spirit in which they do it. It is the function of our State Board of Missions to foster the right spirit, discover the methods, and marshal the forces necessary to success.

It is no unfair conclusion to say that State Missions is the very life-supplying force to our whole program. Your committee wants doubly impressed on our messengers the fact that the effectiveness of the Co-operative Missionary Baptist efforts is largely dependent on the success we achieve in giving to the cause of State Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. CHAMBERS,

A. G. HENDREN, Committee.

A. J. Foster read the report on

HOME MISSIONS

At the Southern Baptist Convention in Louisville, Ky., last May, the Home Mission Board presented its eighty-second annual report. The workers of the Board, independent and co-operative, during the year delivered 109,419 sermons and addresses; conducted 19,966 prayer meetings; made 171,239 religious visits; added to churches by baptism 20,686 members; total additions, 36,233; won 840 volunteers for Christian service; constituted 168 churches; built or improved 278 church houses; organized 406 Sunday schools; dis-

tributed 11,847 Bibles and Testaments; circulated 1,651,204 pages of religious tracts.

This fine record is worthy of all praise and calls for grateful thanksgiving to God for His wonderful favor. But for the lack of means many new fields white unto harvest would have been entered.

The convention in Louisville instructed the Board in laying out its work for the new year not to go beyond the receipts of last year in its appropriations. This called for drastic retrenchment at the annual meeting of the Board the first of June. In one department, that of independent and direct missions, twenty-five missionaries were dropped and similar cuts were made in departments. It is enough to stir strong hearts—these open doors in ripe fields and no laborers to enter in to reap the harvest. Let us pray the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers into His harvest through the liberality of our people.

The heavy debt on the Board must be lifted as soon as possible in order that this great task of saving our beloved Southland for Christ may be carried on in a way worthy of our people, so numerous and well able to accomplish it and for the glory of God.

Three recent Home Mission books should be read and studied by our people, namely:

“The New Challenge of Home Missions,” by E. P. Alldredge, price 60 cents.

“A Tale of Two Peoples—Gentiles and Jews,” by W. M. Seay, price 60 cents and \$1.00.

“Just Around the Corner Tales,” by Mrs. Una R. Lawrence, price 50 cents.

The above prices are just about the cost of publication and can be had direct from the Home Mission Board or the Baptist Book Store of our state.

The Board has a fresh supply of tracts and leaflets on all phases of its work which can be had without charge on request of the Home Mission Board, 804 Wynne Claughton Building, Atlanta, Ga.

Let us pray constantly for the Lord's blessings upon our Home Mission Board and its work. This Board has been the great unifying, coordinating agency of Southern Baptists and probably more than any other agency has been the greatest force for unifying Southern Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. FOSTER,

N. C. ANDREWS,

A. G. BUMGARNER, Committee.

The report was spoke to by A. J. Foster and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The next report presented was on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The outstanding event in the history of the Foreign Mission Board during the last year was the death of Dr. James Franklin Love, its devoted Corresponding Secretary. He passed to his reward

on May 3, 1928. He gave fourteen years to the service of the Board. Through his prolific pen and public addresses he sounded in the ears of Southern Baptists a clarion call to world-wide evangelization. By his wise counsel in conference on the fields in the Orient, South America, Europe and the Near East, he brought reassurance and renewed devotion to the missionaries. His unwavering faithfulness to gospel truths increased loyalty to them wherever he went. His zeal for the spread of the gospel was so unflagging that he pressed on without stint of time and physical strength until he lay exhausted and prone in death. We are bereft over the loss of our beloved brother and mighty leader. Indeed "there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel."

The Board has been long depressed by debt, but during the last year substantial progress has been made towards reducing this great encumbrance. The debt on January 1, 1928, was \$1,145,729.00. By May 1st it was reduced to \$1,065,791.18. This shows a reduction during the period mentioned of \$79,938.56. The Board has a definite plan for the reduction of the debt which is as follows:

1. Ten per cent. will be taken monthly from the receipts of the Co-operative Program and applied to the debt.

2. Certain properties in the home and in the foreign lands belonging to the Board which cannot now be developed for the work of the Board will be sold.

3. Special gifts by friends for the reduction of the debt. Already substantial sums have been received for this purpose. The appropriations for the present year have been made at such a low figure that the debt will not be further increased. Thus it appears that the Board has developed a plan which will ultimately free it from debt.

From all lands come inspiring news of gospel triumphs.

A year ago the situation in China was chaotic and ominous. While the situation has not cleared altogether, reports from various sections of China indicate that opposition to Christian work is diminishing and anti-foreign and anti-Christian sentiments have abated wonderfully. One of the most cheering things is that the native Christians have stood the grilling test well, and have been true in a most gratifying way. In many, many cases the Chinese pastors have displayed heroic and effective leadership. The churches on the average have demonstrated their faithfulness and have shown remarkable ability to take care of themselves. Many missionaries have returned to interior stations. The Board has twenty-eight main stations where missionaries reside. Missionaries have returned and are living in twenty-four of these. Occasional visits are being made by missionaries to the other four. Not all the missionaries have returned full force to every station, but the fact that so many have returned is very encouraging.

One of the most heartening things of the year occurred in Roumania. On February 1, 1928, the Roumanian government granted Baptists full liberty of teaching, and treatment on equal

footing with all Roumanian citizens. The infamous persecution of our brethren in Roumania has been one of the great scandals of modern times. The shame of it spread throughout the world. The widely flung Baptist brotherhood was aroused, and in turn made its indignation felt. The signatures of protesting Baptists poured in from all corners of the earth. It was unnecessary to count the number of signatures that reached the office of our Baptist commissioner for Europe. The number may be imagined by the fact that if the sheets of foolscap paper on which these signatures were written were placed end to end, they would stretch a mile and a quarter. It might also be added that in many cases the signatures are those of officials of representative bodies and express decision taken on behalf of very large groups.

There are connected with our work abroad 1,275 churches, 675 of which (more than half) are self-supporting, and 959 of which own their own houses of worship. Their grand total of membership reaches 146,072. They gave last year an average of \$3.30 per member.

There were 12,542 baptisms last year. Undoubtedly the number actually baptized was larger than this, but on account of disturbed conditions in several fields it was not possible to gather full reports. Even so, the number reported baptised was 457 more than the number reported the previous year. For all these evidences of Divine blessing upon our work, we thank God and take courage.

This report and the one on State Missions were ably and interestingly discussed by N. C. Teague, W. C. Meadows and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

EVENING SESSION

Reassembled at 1 p. m.

After a song and prayer, the body was called to order by the Moderator.

The report was then called for on

EVANGELISM

Our faith and evangelism, then, must not stand in the wisdom of men; but in the power of God. Our Savior taught the rich man to sell that which he had and give to the poor, but he failed to obey. So after this failure of the rich man our Savior told the apostles the preparation they should make to evangelize the world. Jesus said to them, "Ye who have followed me in the regeneration shall sit upon twelve thrones," and every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or fathers, or mothers, or wife, or children, or lands for my name's sake shall receive an hundred fold, and shall inherit everlasting life. Mat. 19:28-29.

After the Lord conquered death and the power of darkness and rose from the dead, He said unto them, "All things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses and in the Psalms concerning me." Then opened He their understanding that they might understand the Scriptures and thus it behooved Christ to

suffer and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. "But tarry in the city of Jerusalem until ye be endued with power from on high."

The preaching and working under this high power, the apostles made converts by the thousands in a day, and they continued in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship steadfastly; and had money and goods to supply the needs of all that believed. So we see that the simple gospel did more in one month than our long drawn-out college and hospital expenses do in forty years. When the Spirit of God leads, it unites the believers in heart and soul. When men and denominations lead they make factions and divisions without number. When false teachers caused trouble in the church at Antioch the apostles and elders came together for to consider this matter, then James said, "My sentence is that we trouble not them which from among the Gentiles are turned to God, but that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and from fornications and from things strangled and from blood." Acts 15:20.

Thus we find this short God-given creed can furnish all true teaching of the doctrine of evangelism and faith without any new creed making or adding or taking away anything taught in it.

Paul and Silas went out confirming the churches, and as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees to keep that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem, and so were the churches established in the faith.

The rules of anarchy, hierarchy and oligarchy have so taken the place church anatomy that twenty thousand churches of the South stand almost idle in the work of evangelism. It has been said that the churches of the South have an income of \$1,500,000,000 each year, the tenth of this income is \$150,000,00 each year for widows and orphans and all other legitimate objects.

About thirty years ago the churches of this Association voted on a direct plan of missions. Since then visitors have ignored our chosen plans and even offered to alienate our affections from those chosen plans. For years we have been wishing that the churches, delegates and officers would urge the people to tenfold more good work of their own choice.

Respectfully submitted,
A. J. GOULD,
J. T. SMITH,
N. C. TEAGUE, Committee.

The report was spoken to by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.
The next report called for was on

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

We, your committee on the above topic, are pleased to report that so far as we can see with our limited observation, we believe that the churches are making progress in material things, as well

as spiritual. There are better houses of worship being built and better Sunday schools and better trained teachers. In every church with its own members, there is need for enlightenment, enlistment, and enlargement. Self-training on the part of the church, self-development grows from within as with the human body; this is the highway in church life, and opens the way for Christ's final conquest through His churches.

We can magnify the churches of Christ by the life we live as members. A church in any community is largely what its members think it to be and all together, what its members make it. It has its character in the character of its members, its doctrine in the teachings of its members, its efficiency in the efficiency of its members. As they are so are their church. They can make the church good or they can make it bad. We have never emphasized as we ought the great importance of church life. And this importance holds whether we think of the life of the individual member, or the life of the aggregate membership. Every member has it in his power to mar or exalt his church and this may be the crucial point in his life as a follower of his Lord. This seems to comprehend the true idea of Christ and His church. One may, of course, be churchly and not Christly; but if one be devoted to Christ as his Savior and Lord, his devotion will show itself in his relation and bearing to Christ's church.

His experience of grace which is inward and of the heart, finds outward expression in his church life. Church membership is based first of all upon Christian experience. The church is a place for those professing to have passed from death unto life, to know God in the forgiveness of sin, and to have accepted Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN,

G. H. WALKER,

L. ANDERSON,

M. McNEILL, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by J. F. Jordan and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report next called for was on

ENLISTMENT

This department of our church work should have for its sphere of service the enlistment of the unenlisted members of our churches in the body and bodies of our working forces in all our local bodies, and the committee is named the Enlistment Committee, with the duty of going into all the neglected parts of our Christian enterprises and enlisting the unenlisted in the common Christian task and do for the Master what was meant by them to be doing in their profession of their faith made before they were baptized and received into church fellowship. This is the obligation that rests upon us all, and all alike. It enters into all true church life, mis-

sionary details, Bible students' activities and Christian benevolence, with many other things outlined by Christian church workers. Our work is before us. Let us save our churches that we already have by teaching them all things, for we have the promise of the Master that He will be with us always, even unto the end of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. McGEE,

J. W. NICHOLS,

H. M. ANDERSON, Committee.

On motion this report was adopted without discussion and committee discharged.

Rev. N. C. Teague read the report on

THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

We are now in the fourth year of doing Mission, Benevolent, and Educational work through the Co-operative Program. Defects have been remedied, and we believe today it is the best and most effective way of doing our mission work.

There are many reasons for supporting this program:

1. Because it embraces every form of work in which our Baptist people are engaged—Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Ministerial Relief, Christian Education, Orphanages and Hospitals.

2. Because it makes easier the appeal to the churches and the individuals.

3. Because it tends to an all-around development of Christian people in Missionary work, because it gives everybody a chance to have a part in every part of our Baptist work, and

4. Because when adequately supported, all causes will succeed together and none will be slighted.

For the last year, May 1st, 1927, to April 30th, 1928, our Southern Baptist Convention gave \$5,750,000 to Missionary and benevolent causes through the Co-operative Program. North Carolina Baptists gave \$693,000 of this amount—half was used in the state; half was sent to South-wide and world objects. Our State Convention last November set \$600,000 as a goal for the calendar year, 1928. So far, up to August 15 (7½ months) \$300,000 has been given. 1,433 churches in North Carolina have given nothing so far this year. Last year the Brushy Mountain Association reported \$2,383 as given to the Program. We set our goal for this year at \$3,000.

We would very earnestly request every pastor, every messenger and every church to give in this great Co-operative task. Every church and every member should have a part in our Master's program of saving the lost world.

Respectfully submitted,

N. C. TEAGUE,

N. E. PARLIER,

GEORGE G. REEVES,

J. L. HEMPHILL, Committee.

The report was discussed by N. C. Teague and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

There was a committee appointed on the Baptist Young People's Union; but for some reason the committee did not hand in its report to the Secretary. As he was instructed a few years ago by the Association in the event that any committee failed to hand in its report on any topic after it had been discussed, he should write the report and let it appear on the face of the minutes. Therefore, he inserts the following report on

THE B. Y. P. U.

The following facts on the B. Y. P. U. should be carefully considered and deeply impressed upon the minds and hearts of our church members: First, untrained members constitute one of the greatest burdens resting upon the churches of this Association; Secondly, we, the members of the churches, have brought burden upon ourselves by failing to train those who accepted Christ and enter into fellowship with us to serve Him. Third, if we continue to suffer under this burden and thereby fail to serve God as truly as He expects us to, only we are to blame. We can train our members if we will.

Furthermore, we believe that churches are just as truly responsible to God for training the saved as for saving the lost. Our responsibility does not cease when the soul is saved. It is the spiritual babe, and that does cease when the soul is saved. It is then a spiritual babe, and that church to whom it is born is surely responsible to God for its spiritual growth and development. "The surest way to petrify a human is to awaken feeling and give it nothing to do," says Dr. Chivers. Our churches must be strongly evangelistic, but evangelize and not train is a sin.

Southern Baptist churches have an organization, the B. Y. P. U., whose express aim is training in church membership.

In the Sunday School our young people are taught the Bible while in the B. Y. P. U. they are trained to be useful Christians. Dr. I. J. Van Ness says our people are rapidly coming to think of a well rounded program on Sunday including teaching, preaching and training.

Some churches in this Association excuse themselves for having no B. Y. P. U. Department by saying. "We have no leaders." That is the best reason one can give for having a B. Y. P. U. Department. Leaders are not sent down from heaven, they are trained from among us just as dressed lumber is made from rough logs; the B. Y. P. U. is the mill for training them. We plead with our churches to train leaders for the work of the Kingdom.

We are very much encouraged with our work this year, but we still have churches without B. Y. P. U.s. We ask your prayers and co-operation in putting one or more B. Y. P. U.'s in every church in our Association.

Respectfully submitted,
V. McGHINNIS, for Committee.

Mrs. A. O. Bray read the report on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

As we review the year's work we see mistakes and blunders that we have made. We wish all our mistakes could be but stepping stones to better things. While some phases of our work has presented discouragements, yet we see progress—much to encourage for larger and better work in 1929.

The Brushy Mountain W.M.U. is composed of 13 missionary organizations—4 woman's missionary societies and 9 young people's societies. This shows a loss of 1 W. M. S. from the 1927 report but a gain of one Y. W. A. and one R. A. The Wilkesboro church is the only one in the Association that has a full graded W. M. U. This means a W. M. S., a G. A., a Y. W. A. and an R. A. and a Sunbeam Band. The North Wilkesboro church has 4 W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., and a Sunbeam Band. Pilgrim church has 2 W. M. S. and Sunbeam Band. Goshen has a W. M. S. The quality of the year's work is told by the 5 A-1 societies—North Wilkesboro W. M. S., Y. W. A., G. A., and Sunbeam Band and the Wilkesboro W. M. S. Goshen W. M. S. is in Class C. Pilgrim Sunbeam Band is in Class D.

Two rallies were held at Walnut Grove and at Mount Pleasant. Similar ones were planned for at New Hope and at Hinshaw street. Both of these had to be called off because of inclement weather and conflict of dates.

The annual meeting was at Pilgrim, June 13th. In many respects this was one of the best meetings ever held. 12 of the 13 organizations were represented. 4 points reached an Associational standard, an increase over the preceding year. Program showed unusual preparation and all who served on program were at their best. It was a joy to have Mrs. Edna R. Harris, State W. M. U. Secretary, and Mrs. Eph. Whisenhunt, a returned missionary from China, address this meeting. Both brought wonderful messages. Mrs. Whisenhunt wore a Chinese costume and had many curios with her. The following plans were adopted: That we stress the organization of our young people; that we have occasional Fifth Sunday Missionary Rallies; that we stress soul winning, and that we try to make our Ruby Anniversary organization goal, also the anniversary quota gifts amount to approximately \$630.

During the past year the Brushy Mountain Association lost two of her best friends in the deaths of Mrs. J. W. Nichols and Mrs. J. M. Wellborn. At one time Mrs. Nichols served as superintendent of the Association and at the time of her death was stewardship leader. Her influence still lives. The sweet memories of her loyal, unselfish service will be remembered in the years to come. Mrs. Wellborn was a loyal, devoted member of her society.

The third annual W. M. U. camps were held in July at Mountain View Institute, with Miss Valeria Bell Nichols directing. This work was begun by Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok, field worker for this northwestern district. Our W. M. U. appreciates the privilege of sharing in this where we are led to look "inward—to know your-

self; upward—to Him for inspiration; outward—to see His world and its need; onward—to bigger and better things, filled with His spirit of service.”

The watchword of our South-wide W. M. U. for the year is, Enlarge—spare not—lengthen—strengthen.” Is not this a challenge to each association, to each society, to each individual? One glance at the “unoccupied areas” in the Brushy Mountain Association. Twenty-seven churches! Only 4 churches with any active missionary organization for our women and young people! Surely there should be no cessation of effort. When we put, “first things first,” and give of our best we can and will accomplish great things for his Kingdom. The ground for all our missionary endeavor is Christ’s command and example. This is strengthened by God’s love and His promises.

As we set about a vigorous activity these remaining months of 1928, let us, as instruments of God, be willing to spend and be spent, finding our strength in Him. Let us look above for our help and not depend altogether on human instruments. Andrew Bonar said, “If we had prayed more, we need not have worked so hard. Our Father has immeasurable resources. He alone can transfigure the commonplace. He alone can make organization throb with living energy and love.”

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. O. BRAY, Superintendent.

The report was ably and interestingly discussed by Mrs. Bray and others and on motion was adopted.

Mrs. Bray has the thanks of the Association for her energy and untiring efforts to advance and enlarge the sphere of the Woman’s work in the churches of the body.

Our sincere prayer is, that there may be a W. M. U. organization in every church in the Brushy Mountain Association before the end of the year 1929.

G. W. Walsh read the report on

HOSPITALS

Our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem has been in operation for more than four and one-half years and in this time it has cared for approximately 6,000 patients coming from every part of our state and from every walk of life. From the very beginning the presence of the Great Physician has been with us and the larger part of our patients have gone home cured or improved. Our death rate there has been less than any other hospital in the state, only 14 per thousand patients, while others have had as high as 40 per thousand.

Brother G. P. Lumpkin, the superintendent, states in his annual report that the institution is growing in popularity daily. His report further shows that the income of the institution is not sufficient to do all the work of service that could and ought to be done. It is, therefore, our belief that our support to the institution should be more ample. Especially do we recommend that the

matter be put into our Sunday School programs and stressed in all our churches and that offerings be made regularly for our hospital.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. WALSH,
GEORGE G. REEVES,
J. B. HALL, Committee.

On motion the report was adopted and committee discharged. For lack of time the report was not discussed.

U. G. Foster read a brief history of Mount Pleasant church as follows:

Mount Pleasant Baptist church is situated on a beautiful flat ridge in Lewis Fork township, Wilkes county, N. C., Champion postoffice.

The church is in the center of a number of good citizens of Wilkes county.

The church was organized August 21st, 1875. By request of William Proffit, J. O. McNeil and others. Thirty-five members from Lewis Fork, New Hope and Pilgrim Baptist churches, legally dismissed by letter from those churches with the Presbytery consisting of R. L. Steel, James McNeil, Daniel Wellborn and Linville Land organized the church with thirty-five charter members.

After the church was organized, James McNeil was called as the first pastor, and A. M. Church was chosen the first clerk.

In 1880 J. O. McNeil was chosen clerk. James McNeil was pastor six years. J. F. Eller and I. T. Prevette served as pastors till December 1890 W. C. Meadows served as pastor for three years. In 1893 A. F. Pardue was called and served two years. In 1895 Milton McNeil was called and served four years. In 1899, W. F. Carlton was chosen pastor and served three years. M. E. Watson was clerk during the above pastorates. In 1902 G. H. Hamby was called as pastor and served one year. In 1903, J. F. Eller was called as pastor and served four years. In 1907 W. F. Carlton was again called and served as pastor one year. At this time U. G. Foster was elected clerk and served sixteen years. In 1908, L. B. Murray was chosen pastor and served seven years. In 1915, T. E. Redman was chosen pastor and served two years. In 1917 L. B. Murray was again called and served two years. In 1919, G. W. Sebastian was called and served six years. J. C. McNeil served four years as clerk.

In 1921 C. C. Holland was pastor nearly one year. T. O. Minton served as clerk two years. In 1927 L. B. Murray was again chosen as pastor and is serving at the present time. A. M. McGee is clerk at the present time, August, 1928.

Our church is held together by the 2nd article in our constitution. The condition of continuation of membership in this church shall be that of a strict observance of all the precepts of the gospel and example of Jesus Christ.

The present membership of this church is, non-resident members	94
Active members	198
Total	292

Our church has a good Sunday school with a large attendance.

U. G. FOSTER, Historian

The committee on Digest of Church Letters handed in their report; but as five churches had not handed in their letters when the report was made, the clerk decided as the data were not in from all the churches, the report would not be correct, consequently it would be useless to have the report printed in the minutes. Everything in the report can be found in the tables.

CLERK.

The Committee on Obituaries report the list of members who died during the last Associational year:

Beaver Creek—Miss Olive Teague, Mrs. Apaline Barlow, Mrs. Julia Bradley.

Cub Creek—Mr. Bine D. Duncan.

Edgewood—Mr. J. E. Winkler.

Hinshaw Street—Mr. J. W. Wilson, Mrs. Enich Griffin.

Lewis Fork—Mr. J. I. M. Stikeleather, Mrs. Fanny Blankenship, Mrs. Martha J. Jones, Mrs. N. E. Triplett, Mrs. Mary Cox.

Mount Pleasant—Mrs. Sarah Ann McNeil, Mr. J. G. Walsh, Mrs. J. G. Walsh, Mr. L. V. Cardwell.

Mount Zion—Mrs. C. M. Watson.

New Hope—Mrs. Candis Church, Miss Annie Foster, Mr. J. C. Bumgarner.

First North Wilkesboro—Mrs. W. H. Waugh, Mrs. J. W. Nichols, Mr. Robert McNeil.

Oakwoods—Mr. J. B. Laws.

Pleasant Grove—Mr. William Crabb, Mrs. Jane Woods, Mrs. Carolina Beaman.

Pleasant Home—Mr. J. B. McNeil, Mr. R. E. Lovett, Mrs. Mattie Adams, Mrs. Martha Brown.

Stony Hill—Mr. Thomas Atkins.

Shady Grove—Mrs. Fannie Minton, Mrs. Angeline Bumgarner.

Wilkesboro—R. A. Spainhour, F. B. Hendren, Mrs. Alice Prevette.

Zion Hill—Mrs. T. J. Greer, Mrs. Hattie Gilbert, Mr. J. L. Pearson, Mrs. J. J. Russell.

The Committee on **Time, Place and Preachers** report as follows:

Time—Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1929, at 11 A. M.

Place—Stony Hill Baptist church, 16 miles north of North Wilkesboro.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. Finley Watts; **Alternate**, Rev. A. J. Foster.

The following resolution of thanks offered by Rev. N. C. Teague was unanimously and heartily adopted:

Be it resolved, that we, the messengers and visitors, do hereby express our thanks and appreciation to the members of Mount Pleasant Baptist church and the community generally for their kind hospitality in entertaining the messengers and visitors during the sessions of this Association.

N. C. Teague, Committee.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 A. M.

SABBATH

Met pursuant to adjournment.

At 9:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Avery Church.

At 10 A. M.—Regular Sunday School Lesson.

At 10:30 A. M.—Prof. T. E. Story read the report on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

In the past ten years the number of Sunday schools in the Southern Baptist Convention has increased from 17,648 to 22,186. This is an increase of 450 per year or 38 per month. In the same ten years the enrollment has increased from 1,750,208 to 2,821,070, an increase of more than one million in ten years. Can we take such figures into our thinking? 8,848 net increase in enrollment every month for the ten years.

In North Carolina 825,000 people went to Sunday School during the year 1927; of this number 335,000 were Baptists. This is more than 40 per cent of the Sunday School going population, for which fact we think we should rejoice.

In the Brushy Mountain Association during the past year we enrolled more than 2,931 in the Sunday Schools. This is a splendid number and is commendable because it is an increase over any previous year in the Association's history.

As interesting as the above figures are to us, we think it would not be fair to leave them without saying a word on the other side of the question. In the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention where the predominant religion is the Baptist faith, there were literally millions of white people who were not enrolled in Sunday School last year. In North Carolina alone one million and a fourth of white people did not attend Sunday School in the year 1927. In the territory of the Brushy Mountain Association there are about 12,000 people and during the past year there were less than 5,000 enrolled in all Sunday Schools of all denominations.

The above figures are indeed challenging. If it is true that 9 per cent of the new membership coming into our churches is from the Sunday Schools and that more than 90 per cent of the crime of the country is committed by those who do not go to Sunday School it would seem to the committee a challenge so compelling that we would do our utmost to put standard Sunday Schools in every church in the Association. Respectfully submitted,

T. E. STORY,

J. F. JORDAN, Committee.

On motion the report was adopted and committee discharged.

The report was interestingly discussed by T. E. Story and Judge Johnson J. Hayes.

At 11 A. M.—Annual sermon by Mr. George G. Reeves, Text, Luke 15:7.

At 12 M.—Adjourned. Singing, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

Benediction by George G. Reeves.

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator.

V. McGHINNIS, Clerk.

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	Village, Town or Country	Superintendents and Post Offices	Officers & Teachers	Beginners, 3-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and up	Cradle Roll, under 3	Home Dept.	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from school	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanages, etc.	Mission S. S.	Enrollment Miss.S.S.
Beaver Creek	C.	A. J. Foster, Boomer	9									94	42			2				
Cub Creek	C.	J. Anderson, Wilkesboro	3	8	15	5	5	11	20			23	20			4	8.00	.30		
Edgewood	C.	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek	8	12	30	18	50	20	86			110	68	yes			30.00			
Fishing Creek	C.	C. B. Mayberry, Wilkesboro	8	32	18	16	36	29	139			139	86				16.44			
Gordon	V.	Gilbert Osborne, N. Wilkesboro	7	8	12	12	15	6	25	5		90	33				38.99	30.09		
Goshen	C.	Mrs. R. L. Proffit, Goshen	6	5	12	12			15	6		56	40			2				
Harmony	C.	L. T. Bernard, Crickett	8										50				58.65	32.00		
Hinshaw Street	T.	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro	8									75	45							
Lewis Fork	C.	D. F. Shepherd, Ready Branch	6	12	20	12	12	15	25	6		108	58			5	4	10.00		
Little Rock	C.	V. McGinnis, Boomer	4	20	51				20			91	40			1		5.00		
Moravian Falls	V.	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	11	6	13	12	18	25	25			110	65					29.36		
Mount Carmel	C.	No report																		
Mount Pleasant	C.	U. G. Foster, Champion	8		20	42	16	16	26			128	80				39.92			
Mount Zion	C.	No report																		
New Hope	C.	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	3	33	28	16	12	44	20			161	109	yes	1		20.00	45.00		
1st N. Wilkesboro	T.	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	33	50	67	98	41	39	133	135	67	663	291	yes	35	4	501.85	414.72		
2nd N. Wilkesboro	T.	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	4			15	20		11			50	40			2				
Oak Grove	C.	No report																		
Oakwoods	C.	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro																		
Pleasant Grove	C.	V. M. Baker, Wilkesboro	6	9		8	12		8			43	37				11.00	4.50		
Pleasant Home	C.	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	6	15	20	15	18	30	25	6		125	75				14.25	87.25		
Pilgrim	C.	T. O. Foster, Congo	5	14	14				19			75	49				14.97	29.34		
Stony Hill	C.	Zollie Parsons, Parsonville	6										60			2	6.00			
Shady Grove	C.	No report																		
Walnut Grove	C.	R. C. Meadows, Pores Knob	7	10	8	20	20	20	25	12		122	40				20.00	40.00	yes	75
Wilkesboro	T.	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	17		38	33	39	26	27	21		201	91	yes	5	7	123.77	79.73		
Zion Hill	C.	A. F. Greer, Boomer	8	10	20	20	15	25	23			120	70				25.00			
Total			183	236	287	407	289	308	476	191	67	2584	1489		47	27	928.84	807.29		75

TABLE III—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	No. of Rooms	Are all Depts. of S. S. Provided For?	Are all S. S. Classes Provided For?	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Home Pastor's	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer.	yes	1811	wood	200	1	no	no	500		615		
Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.	yes	1860	wood	150	1	no	no	1000		1000		
Edgewood.....	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro	yes	1893	wood	700	2	yes	yes	2000		2000		
Fishing Creek.....	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro.	yes	1928	wood	600	1	yes	no	3500		3500	1697	
Gordon.....	J. H. Curtis, N. Wilkesboro.	yes	1921	wood	600	3	no	no	6000		6020	40	
Goshen.....	H. A. Carlton, Goshen.	yes	1916	wood	500	1	no	no	1500		1500		
Harmony.....	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro.	yes	1900	wood	400	1	yes	no	2500		2500		
Hinshaw Street.....	A. E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro.	yes	1927	wood	300	6	yes	yes	2500		2500	800	1500
Lewis Fork.....	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch.	yes	1909	wood	500	1	yes	yes	2500		2500		
Little Rock.....	S. M. Knight, Boomer.	yes	1904	wood	500	1	no	no	3000		3000		
Moravian Falls.....	P. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.	yes	1888	wood	300	2	no	nc	2500		2500		
Mount Carmel.....	Miss Jamie McNeil, Boomer.	yes	1886	wood	500	1	no	no	3000		3000		
Mount Pleasant.....	A. M. McGee, Purlear.	yes	1909	wood	500	1	no	no	2500		3000		
Mount Zion.....													
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.	yes	1894	wood	400	1	no	no	2000		2000		
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro.	yes	1910	brick	600	15	no	no	6000	10000	70000	3100	50000
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.	yes	1915	wood	200	1	no	no	1000		1000		
Oak Grove.....													
Oakwoods.....	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro.	yes	1917	wood	300	1	no	no	1000				
Pleasant Grove.....	V. M. Baker, Wilkesboro.	yes	1908	wood	400	1	yes	yes	1000		1000		
Pleasant Home.....	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro.	yes	1903	wood	500	1	no	no	2000		2000		
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.	yes	1859	wood	600	1	no	no	1800		1800		
Stony Hill.....	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville.	yes	1921	wood	200	1	no	no	1000		1000		
Shady Grove.....	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.	yes	1881	wood	200	1	no	nc	500		500		
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob.	yes	1875	wood	300	1	no	nc	1000		1000		
Wilkesboro.....	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro.	yes	1902	brick	400	4	no	no	7000	4500	11500		
Zion Hill.....	J. E. German, Boomer.	yes	1912	wood	500	1	yes	no	2000		2000		
Total.....					9650	51			117800	14500	132300	5637	51500

TABLE IV—Gifts for Local Church Work of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. B.Y.P.U. and S.M.S.	Help to Local Poor	For Printing Minutes and Clerk of Asso.	Other Objects	Total for Support Local Church Work
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer.....	66.00		19.00		2.00	20.00		1.10		107.10
Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.....	118.30			18.93	12.00			.75		151.98
Edgewood.....	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro.....	125.00		25.00			20.00		1.00		171.00
Fishing Creek.....	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....	100.00			2500.00				1.60		2760.00
Gordon.....	Gilbert Osborne, N. Wilkesboro.....	125.00				25.30	22.00				172.90
Goshen.....	Charlie Church, Goshen.....	125.00		40.00		10.00	10.00		1.00	45.00	211.00
Harmony.....	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro.....	154.00	15.00		25.00		36.57	5.00	2.00		227.57
Hinshaw Street.....	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro.....			80.00	88.00	10.00	25.00				203.00
Lewis Fork.....	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch.....	114.85	65.70	54.50			12.00	6.00	1.85		254.90
Little Rock.....	L. L. Carlton, Boomer.....	120.00		30.00	100.00		20.00	100.00	2.00		350.00
Moravian Falls.....	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls.....	250.00				38.00	31.95				319.95
Mount Carmel.....	Miss Janie McNeil, Boomer.....	25.00		3.50		1.00			.50		30.00
Mount Pleasant.....	J. F. Walsh, Purlear.....	185.10		8.00	85.00	51.35	31.78		1.20		382.35
Mount Zion.....											
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.....	120.00				12.00		45.00	.40		174.40
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.....	2760.00	705.00	587.70	387.42	1453.83	385.00	25.00	5.00	60.40	6369.35
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	J. N. White, N. Wilkesboro.....	30.00		20.00		21.85	7.00		.80		78.85
Oak Grove.....											
Oakwoods.....	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro.....										
Pleasant Grove.....	V. M. Baker, Wilkesboro.....	53.11	15.25	10.00	5.00	2.00	4.81	3.00	.50	11.00	104.67
Pleasant Home.....	C. C. Church, Millers Creek.....	145.00		12.00		1.00	14.25	75.00	2.00		249.25
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....	47.61			30.00				1.00		82.61
Stony Hill.....	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville.....	120.00									120.00
Shady Grove.....	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....										
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob.....	200.00		75.00		10.00	25.00	5.00	4.36		315.00
Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. W. E. Harris, Wilkesboro.....	1000.00		136.47	2546.26	178.98			4.36	22.50	3898.57
Zion Hill.....	A. F. Greer, Boomer.....	225.00	32.00	90.00	25.00		12.00				384.00
Total.....		6208.87	832.95	1191.17	5820.61	1829.31	677.36	264.00	31.82	138.90	17118.45

TABLE V—Gifts for All Missions, Etc., Brushy Mt. Asso., Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	Gifts to Cooperative Program	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Schools and Colleges	Hospitals	Orphanages	Total All Missions, Education and Benevolence	Grand Total All Local Ch. Exp., Missions and Benevolences
Beaver Creek.....				3.61			10.00	13.61	13.61
Cub Creek.....			2.56	8.00	2.00		2.95	15.51	179.49
Edgewood.....	200.00							200.00	371.00
Fishing Creek.....							4.50		2760.00
Gordon.....		2.50	2.69		7.50		24.91	36.70	219.60
Gosher.....				1.00		1.00			213.00
Harmony.....									237.57
Hinshaw Street.....				5.00			11.24		219.24
Lewis Fork.....							10.00		264.90
Little Rock.....							7.00	15.00	372.00
Moravian Falls.....							14.00	14.00	333.95
Mount Carmel.....									30.00
Mount Pleasant.....							25.00	25.00	407.35
Mount Zion.....									
New Hope.....							45.00	45.00	222.00
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	874.41		69.80	40.20		45.76	304.70	1838.08	8207.43
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....							1.50	3.00	81.85
Oak Grove.....									
Oakwoods.....									
Pleasant Grove.....							4.50	4.50	109.17
Pleasant Home.....			5.00	5.00			73.00	88.00	337.25
Pilgrim.....		4.00					8.00	12.00	124.07
Stony Hill.....		1.00	1.00	2.00			2.90	7.80	8.60
Shady Grove.....									
Walnut Grove.....				13.65	60.00		20.00	93.65	408.65
Wilkesboro.....	206.50	3.00		18.00	22.50	14.49	177.48	442.58	4341.15
Zion Hill.....	10.00			25.00			25.00	60.00	444.00
Total.....	1074.41	216.50	81.05	121.46	93.00	61.25	771.68	2914.43	19505.88

Gifts reported: 1st North Wilkesboro, 25. Budget for local expenses adopted, 1st North Wilkesboro, \$4868.40. Budget for all missions, etc., adopted, 1st North Wilkesboro, \$2500.00. Pledged to Cooperative Program next year, 1st North Wilkesboro, \$2000.00; Walnut Grove, \$90.00; total \$2080.0. Ministerial education, Stony, Hill, \$2.00. Aged ministers' relief, 2nd North Wilkesboro, \$1.50.

TABLE VI—B.Y.P.U.'S of Brushy Mtn. Asso. 1928

CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Interme. Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Interme. Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Systematic Givers	Daily Bible Readers
	Beaver Creek.....	1				1	20			20	20	
Hinshaw Street.....		1			1				60	60		
Moravian Falls.....		1			1				20	20		10
Mount Pleasant.....		1			1				16	16		
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	3	31	28		40	99	35	40
Walnut Grove.....	1				1	20				20		
Wilkesboro.....	1				1	49				49	18	11
Total.....	2	4	1	1	7	69	51	28	156	234	53	61

TABLE VII. Women's Work of Brushy Mtn. Asso., Aug. 1928.

CHURCHES	No. W. M. S.	No. Y. W. A.'s.	No. G. A.'s.	No. R. A.'s.	No. Sunbeams	W.M.U.Organizat's	W.M.S.Members	Y.W.A.'s. Members	G.A.'s. Members	R.A.'s. Members	Sunbeam Members	Members Enrolled	Enrolled Mis. Study	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions and Benevolences	Total Gifts All Purposes
	1st N. Wilkesboro	1	1	1	1	1	5	69	23	30	10	62	194	142		503.21	503.21
Pilgrim.....					1									2.50		2.50
Wilkesboro.....	1	1		2	1	6	36	17	23	12	22	110		583.51	105.00	688.51
Total.....	2	2	1	3	3	11	105	40	53	22	84	304	142	586.01	608.21	1194.22



MINUTES
OF THE
FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
Brushy Mountain
Baptist Association

HELD WITH
STONY HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

August 16, 17, and 18, 1929

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V. McGHINNIS, Clerk and Treasurer

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The Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. I. C. Woodruff; Alternate, Rev. N. C. Teague.

DIRECTORY FOR 1929 AND 1930

C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.
V. McGhinnis, Clerk and Treasurer, Boomer, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

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N. C. Teague, Wilkesboro, N. C.
George G. Reeves, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
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S. S. Jennings, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
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Melvin Michael, Patton Ridge, N. C.
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Grant Cothran, Lomax, N. C.
J. M. Absher, Offen, N. C.
L. B. Murray, State Road, N. C.
A. T. Pardue, Roaring River, N. C.
A. E. Watts, Taylorsville, N. C.
Pastors Retired from Active Service
W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

C. C. Wright, V. McGhinnis, I. S. Baity, Geo. G. Reeves, U. G. Foster
N. C. Teague, W. C. Meadows, R. L. Proffit, Thomas Snyder

DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

George G. Reeves, C. C. Wright

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

R. L. Proffit, N. C. Teague, W. C. Meadows
Alternates: V. McGhinnis, A. J. Foster

The following were appointed to visit other associations:

Stony Fork—R. L. Proffit, A. J. Foster.
Stone Mountain—I. S. Baity, Sherman Shumate.
Elkin—J. F. Jordan, A. G. Hendren.
Alexander—W. C. Meadows, Andrew Jennings.
Brier Creek—N. C. Teague, R. L. Wellborn.
Caldwell—V. McGhinnis, N. C. Andrews.

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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

To the Fifty-Sixth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association

Beaver Creek—L. C. Matherly, Irvin German, G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. L. Hemphill, J. B. Hall.

Edgewood—Mayford Miller, Carl Canter, Clifford Moore, A. G. Hendren.

Fishing Creek—C. B. Mayberry, Miss Pearl Jarvis, Mrs. R. C. Miller, H. M. Anderson.

Gordon—A. B. McNeil, W. P. Carson, H. S. Canter, Mrs. Alice Williams.

Goshen—R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton, C. E. Church.

Harmony—C. E. Jones, W. B. McNeil, H. W. Mahaffey.

Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, Sherman Shumate, Press Dancy.

Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplett, W. C. Triplett, R. S. Church.

Little Rock—S. M. Knight, I. J. Broyhill, J. W. Livingston.

Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, D. J. Pardue, R. A. Greer.

Mount Carmel—Fred Eller, Ernest Pearson, John Jenkins.

Mount Pleasant—A. M. McGee, E. C. Foster, H. J. Shoemaker.

Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, G. D. Wellborn, J. G. Eller.

New Hope—A. M. Church, A. S. Eller, W. H. Eller.

First North Wilkesboro—E. M. Blackburn, Roscoe Prevette, Mrs. J. I. Myers.

Second North Wilkesboro—John Anderson, E. A. Reynolds, T. S. Hall.

Oak Grove—Green Blackburn, Cary Pardue, A. T. Pardue

Oakwoods—

Pleasant Grove—Willie Church, Albert Evans, Tom Church.

Pleasant Home—Thomas Snyder, Miss Minnie McNeil, Miss Toyce McNeil.

Pilgrim—J. A. Parsons, W. M. Eller, F. O. Foster.

Stony Hill—G. W. Walsh, Willis Huffman, E. D. Hamby.

Shady Grove—M. S. Church, I. C. Church.

Walnut Grove—Mack Bentley, R. C. Meadows, Perry R. Lowe.

Wilkesboro—R. L. Wellborn, T. E. Story, Zeb Davis, Claud Kennedy, F. G. Holman.

Zion Hill—G. A. Eller, Jarvis Walsh, J. E. German.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Messengers of Stony Hill Church.

Digest of Church Letters—V. McGhinnis, R. L. Proffit, I. S. Baity.

Temperance—Miss Pearl Jarvis, Miss Alice Williams, C. J. Jones.

Religious Literature—J. R. Triplett, John Anderson, Perry R. Lowe.

Orphanage—W. C. Meadows, W. M. Eller, Jarvis Walsh.

State Missions—N. C. Teague, Mack Bentley, Miss Minnie McNeil.

Home Missions—E. M. Blackburn, Miss Toyce McNeil.

Foreign Missions—Roscoe Prevette, Mrs. R. C. Miller, E. C. Foster.

Ministerial Relief—J. F. Jordan, A. M. McGee, H. I. Shomaker.

Education—A. S. Eller, R. L. Proffit, Ernest Pearson.

Evangelism—A. T. Pardue, D. J. Pardue, I. J. Broyhill.

State of the Churches—B. Benton, C. N. Jones, J. W. Lankford.

Enlistment—G. A. Eller, A. B. McNeil, J. W. Moore.

Sunday Schools—V. McGhinnis, W. B. McNeil, T. E. Story.

Co-operative Program—J. L. Hemphill, Sherman Shumate, T. S. Hall, H. S. Chambers.

B. Y. P. U.—T. E. Story, C. E. Church, J. W. Moore.

Historian—G. W. Walsh.

Resolutions—W. C. Meadows, N. C. Teague, F. G. Holman.

Hospitals—G. W. Walsh, W. H. Eller, R. M. Church.

Obituaries—N. C. Teague, V. McGhinnis, W. C. Meadows.

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH
ANNUAL SESSION OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HELD WITH STONY
HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, PARSONVILLE,
WILKES COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

First Day—Friday, August 16th, 1929, 10:30 A. M.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Stony Hill Baptist Church, Friday, August 16th, 1929, at 10:30 A. M.

Devotional exercises were led by Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, who used for the scripture lesson the 116th Psalm.

Dr. Bradshaw then introduced Rev. Walter M. Gilmore who preached the introductory sermon. Brother Gilmore's sermon was timely and practical.

Recess for one hour was then taken after which the messengers reassembled in the house and was called to order by C. C. Wright, the Moderator of last year, for the transaction of business.

Officers were then elected to serve for the present session as follows:

C. C. Wright, of Hunting Creek, was re-elected Moderator and V. McGhinnis, of Boomer, was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer.

The Moderator then called for correspondents and visitors. The following were present and enrolled: Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, of Catawba River Association; Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, of Raleigh; Rev. Mr. Early, of Raleigh, representing the Biblical Recorder; Rev. Mr. Ivey, of Raleigh, representing the B. Y. P. U.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on

MILLS HOME

First, let us note the change in name from Baptist Orphanage to "Mills Home", done by the order of the Baptist State Convention in honor of Brother John H. Mills, its founder and general manager for the first ten years, a man with a great and loving heart for children.

It is now under the efficient management of Dr. M. L. Kesler. The financial condition of the Home is embarrassing just now. Is it for lack of interest just now on the part of the Baptist of North Carolina? or is it simply neglect? We hope it is only neglect, and that is bad enough and unless remedied will prove to be the

undoing of a great institution. Many of our Sunday Schools do nothing and many of our preachers do not take the interest in the work they should. Brethren, let us remedy this condition and measure up to our full duty in this great work.

We have now in the Home 632 children, 135 of them at the Kennedy Home. There are 273 cared for by our "Mothers Aid Plan," making a total of 1,040.

Every evidence proves the wisdom of our Home department, which plan we all should encourage. While it costs \$25.00 per month for the support of one child at the Mills Home, \$6.02 per child will help the mothers to keep them at home where they have the advantage of a mother's care. This plan enables us to care for four times as many children and so wonderfully enlarges the usefulness of the institution. Our health record, aside from our epidemic of the "Flu", has been very good during the year. All cases of sickness have proper medical attention. The children have the advantages of a first class Christian school, also of Sunday school and preaching in which every effort possible is made to induce them to become Christians. So faithfully is this work done that very few leave the Home not Christians.

Almost all of them make good in life and become useful instead of being a blight on society, they prove to be a great blessing to the community in which they live.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS,

For Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Brother Meadows and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report of the Baptist Young Peoples Union not being ready, it was decided to discuss that topic and hand in the report later.

Brother Ivey made a very interesting and sensible talk on that subject.

Prof. T. E. Story read the report on the

B. Y. P. U.

as follows:

Our young people are our greatest hope. When in school, state or church we have inspired them to live noble and pure lives, our lives have been worthily expended. In my opinion, no greater service can be done than to direct young converts into the large life of truly Christian service. The B. Y. P. U. is the organization in the Baptist church which trains young Christians for all the service activities of the church. Their training in Bible study, church history, missionary endeavors and Christian leadership is of inestimable worth.

Each year the church is recognizing more and more this phase of its work. However, in our association the record is none too flattering. At present, as best can be learned, there are only six churches which have active unions. A number of our churches have had active organizations for a time, but when interest lagged on the part of some and cold weather came to others the good work discontinued. Our plea tonight is that there be an active union in every church in the association. The churches now having unions are: North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Moravian Falls, Goshen, New Hope, and Beaver Creek.

We hope by another year that every church in our association will have an active B. Y. P. U. The need in our churches, that the B. Y. P. U. aims to meet, is that of efficient church members. Churches are weak because the members are inefficient in the work of the church. They do not forward the work the Kingdom at home or abroad because they do not just know how to do it. They are good and possibly willing, "They wish they could, but they don't know how."

The aim of this organization is "Training in Church Membership."

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. STORY,
C. E. CHURCH,
MRS. A. O. BRAY, Committee.

On motion the report was adopted and committee discharged.

Rev. A. T. Pardue read the report on

EVANGELISM AND ENLISTMENT

Evangelism means winning to Christ by a proclamation of the Evangel, good news of the Christ. It carries the idea of the simple process of bringing the lost to Christ.

Enlist means to enroll, to gain over, to employ in some cause.

Obediance to our Lord is the best proof of a sound conversion. It is to be understood when a new convert has connected himself with a church that he has at the same time in a most solemn manner enlisted for service and has taken upon himself a solemn obligation to the church and to Christ, the Great Head of the Church.

We see great need of sound doctrine in our evangelism and enlistment. Jesus Christ was made of the seed of David and declared to be the Son of God by the resurrection from the dead. He is our authority for evangelism and enlistment. He gives gifts unto men, to some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists. With this authority we should encourage our evangelists to preach the Word in its purity whenever an opportunity presents itself in our churches. In some localities there are no churches and the people do not often have an opportunity to hear the gospel. Our evan-

gelists should use every effort to go into the destitute places and preach the gospel in its purity.

In enlisting our young converts we should impress upon them the importance of reading and studying the great truths of the Bible. It teaches that we are not our own. We are bought with a price. It also teaches that we as His faithful stewards are to use all we possess for His glory, giving not less than the tenth of our income which is the Bible plan.

“What glory gilds the sacred page,
Majestic as the sun,
It gives its life to every age,
It gives, but borrows none.”

Respectfully submitted,

A. T. PARDUE,

J. W. MOORE,

I. J. BROYHILL, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by A. T. Pardue, W. C. Meadows and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

J. F. Jordan read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

The cause of Ministerial Relief is being promoted by the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dallas, Texas. Dr. Thomas J. Watts is the executive Secretary.

The Relief and Annuity Board is the agency of the Convention through which the contributions of our churches are distributed to approximately 1450 ministers, and widows and orphans of ministers.

During the past year relief benefits were paid to 1333 persons including 150 orphan children who were indirectly aided, and Annuity benefits were paid to 110 ministers, widows and orphans. The current contributions from the churches were supplemented from the interest earnings on the Board's invested funds, and the total amount paid to beneficiaries was \$162,705.06. This was the largest sum ever paid in any year by several thousands of dollars.

The contributions of the churches were less last year than the previous year by about \$20,000.00. The already decrease in the contributions of the churches is making it more and more difficult for the Board to add new names to its roll of relief beneficiaries, while at the same time the annuity fund cannot safely increase its liabilities without running the risk of reduced benefits. The obligations of Southern Baptists to their disabled and aged ministers cannot be properly met until our people come to think of this work in terms commensurate with its real size. And not until we as a denomination lay by in store a great fund to be invested and com-

pounded against the day of need will we ever meet that need in any worthy manner.

The Reserve Annuity Plan will always yield larger and surer results than the Relief Plan which merely distributes the fluctuating contributions of the churches and the interest earnings on endowments month by month as they come in compound interest reduces the capital cost of ministerial relief by from 54% to 65%. Annuities for preachers, therefore, are not expensive when the reserve method of providing them has been followed.

We rejoice in the great success that has already come to the Relief and Annuity Board, yet the payment of \$1,300,000 in benefits and the growth in its resources from \$106,000.60 in 1919 to \$3,028,000 in 1929 is only illustrative of what is possible for it to achieve, if only the reserve Annuity Plan is pressed to its logical conclusion. Let it be remembered that accumulations of the Board are in the nature of the case to be found on the Annuity side of its work, since the earnings of the Relief Fund have to be used month by month in paying the beneficiaries. Increased endowment is being diligently sought for both the Relief and Annuity Funds, and that with some measure of success. The resources of the Board must be much larger if our ministers and their families are to be more adequately cared for.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN,

A. M. McGEE,

— — SHOEMAKER, Committee.

The report was spoken to by J. F. Jordan and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

was next called for and reads as follows:

The fight for prohibition, both National and world-wide, is becoming more intense. People throughout our land and country are awakening to the fact more and more that liquor is not necessary to be had or kept in the home. Today the manufacture, selling and drinking of intoxicating liquor is greater than any other evil in existence.

The liquor traffic is the most fruitful source of poverty, ignorance, crime, disgrace and suffering. No citizen can afford to violate the laws of his state or nation. We have prohibition in both our state and nation.

Every church member and every loyal citizen whether he is a member of the church or not, should do everything in his power

to aid the officers to enforce the prohibition laws. All Christian people should unite to banish liquor from the face of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,
MISS PEARL JARVIS,
C. J. JONES,
MRS. ALICE WILLIAMS, Committee.

On motion to adopt, this report was ably discussed by a number of the brethren and adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on devotional exercises report Bro. Bradshaw to conduct the opening exercises tomorrow morning.

On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:00 A. M.

SATURDAY, MORNING SESSION

Aug. 17, 1929, 9:00 A. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

The devotional was conducted by W. M. Gilmore. At the conclusion of the devotional exercises, the Moderator declared the Association ready for business. The chairman of the committee read the report on

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE

The Baptists of our state are accused of not being a reading people. The subscription lists of our periodic denominational literature certainly indicate that a large majority of our people do not read our papers and magazines.

We have a sufficiency of literature, both in book form and of a periodic nature, hence the need is to get the rank and file of our people to reading this literature. Just how to do this is more than this committee is able to say, and we find that pastors of other denominations are striving with this same difficulty.

We are told that some people even subscribe to the Biblical Recorder as an expression of denominational loyalty, and then seldom read a line in it. We are sure, however, that the fault is not with the reading matter in the Recorder, for we have certainly had variety in it of late, and the editorial matter and many of the contributed articles have been excellent indeed, and just what we believe is needed today.

All of our people, who are really interested and active in the work of the Kingdom and are growing in grace, realize the importance of reading periodic and other religious literature, both for their own personal development and to be informed so as to be able to co-operate intelligently with others in the Master's work.

So then the problem before us is to get those who do not realize this need to recognize it and to enlist them in such reading.

We recommend, That the pastors of the churches continue to keep before the people, both by statements from the pulpit and in personal contact in the homes and elsewhere, the imperative need of such reading by every one. We further urge Sunday School superintendents and teachers and all others who are cognizant of the helpfulness of this literature, to use their best endeavors to induce others to learn its value and become regular subscribers to the Biblical Recorder, Home and Foreign Fields, and Charity and Children. No Baptist who wants to be well informed about the work of his denomination can afford to be without those papers.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. TRIPLETT,

JOHN ANDERSON,

PERRY R. LOWE, Committee.

Pending the adoption of the report, it was ably discussed by B. G. Early and a number of other brethren and was adopted.

R. L. Proffit read the report on

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The first Christian school was established in the garden of Gethsemane, composed of twelve students taught by the only perfect instructor the world has ever known—Christ, the Savior of the world. The duration of this school was three years and six months. The hours of class work occurred often. Eleven of the class graduated with honors and were commissioned to teach the Christian religion in all the world.

In our Association Christian Education has fallen back somewhat, due to the failure of Mountain View Institute. In fact most of our mountain schools have felt sharply the curtailment of help from the Home Board. However, they are carrying on as best they can.

Our colleges, Wake Forest, Meredith, Campbell, Mars Hill, Wingate and others scattered over the state are nobly bearing their share in giving our youth the proper foundation for their life work.

We earnestly recommend our denominational schools and colleges for our Baptist young people, for "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

We are justly proud of the great work we are doing at our Orphanage at Thomasville in giving Christian education training to our six hundred children who are going out into the world to bless humanity in Christian service.

R. L. PROFFIT,

A. S. ELLER, Committee.

Pending the motion to adopt, the report was ably discussed by R. L. Proffit and others and was adopted.

The next report on the program was the

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The report on this topic not being ready, on motion it was decided to adopt the report of last year:

We, your committee on the above topic are pleased to report that so far as we can see with our limited observation, we believe that the churches are making progress in material things, as well as spiritual. There are better houses of worship being built and better Sunday Schools and better trained teachers. In every church with its own members, there is need for enlargement, enlistment, and for enlightenment. Self-training on the part of the church, self-development grows from within as with the human body; this is the highway in church life, and opens the way for Christ's final conquest through His churches.

We can magnify the churches of Christ by the life we live, as members. A church in any community is largely what its members think it to be and altogether what its members make it. It has its character the character of its members, its doctrines in the teachings of its members, its efficiency in the efficiency of its members. As they are so is their church. They can make a church good or they can make it bad. We have never emphasized as we ought the great importance of church life. And this importance holds whether we think of the life of the individual or the life of the aggregate membership. Every member has it in his power to mar or exalt his church and this may be the crucial point in his life as a follower of his Lord. This seems to comprehend the true idea of Christ and His church. One may, of course, be churchly and not Christly; but if one be devoted to Christ as his Savior and Lord, his devotion will show itself in his relation and bearing to Christ's church.

His experience of grace which is inward and of the heart, finds outward expression in his church life. Church membership is based first of all upon Christian experience. The church is a place for those professing to have passed from death unto life, to know God in the forgiveness of sin, and to have accepted Jesus as their Savior and Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

C. N. JONES,

B. BENTON,

J. W. LANKFORD, Committee.

The report was spoken to by a number of the brethren and was adopted and committee discharged.

The committee on

THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

reported.

We are now in the fifth year of doing Mission, Benevolent and

Educational work through the Co-operative Program, and we believe today it is the best and most effective way of doing our mission work.

This program embraces every form of Co-operative work in which our Baptist people are engaged—State, Home and Foreign Missions, Ministerial Relief and our Baptist Schools, Orphanages and Hospitals.

The plan of the Program greatly simplifies the appeal of the denomination to the churches in that it lays before the churches our whole denominational work in one well-wrought out plan instead of disturbing the churches with repeated appeals for separate interests many times during the year. This method also results in saving much effort and money.

The support of the Co-operative program on the part of the churches and people tends to their well-rounded development, leading them to support all our causes in a proper proportion rather than giving to just a few of our enterprises.

When it is properly supported by all our people the Co-operative Program will insure an adequate income to every department of our organized Baptist work, thus relieving our State and General Secretaries and heads of institutions of constant solicitation of funds and setting them free to plan for the enlarged scope and increased efficiency of the work entrusted to them.

The Southern Baptist and North Carolina Baptist, through the action of their conventions, are committed to the plan of the Co-operative Program in financing all of their denominational enterprises.

We recognize the right of each individual Baptist to designate his gifts to whatever objects he may desire, and this right will be respected absolutely by Treasurer Durham, yet we would earnestly recommend that all of our people give their money undesignated. This is the fairest and most equitable way to do it. The ratio of division among the different objects has been carefully worked out by a group of our representative brethren in the light of all the needs of each object and has been accepted by our Conventions in sessions. Each of the different objects is looking to the Baptist denomination, and to that only, for its support as well as for its direction.

We respectfully ask all the churches in our Association which have not been contributing regularly to the Co-operative program to take a collection once a month for this object.

We also ask all the churches that are now paying with regularity to the Co-operative Program to increase their contributions during

the fall and winter in order that we may decrease our debts and get them paid off as soon as possible

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. HEMPHILL,
SHERMAN SHUMATE,
T. S. HALL,
H. S. CANTER, Committee.

This was ably and interestingly discussed by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The next report brought before the body was on

STATE MISSIONS

The object of the State Mission Board located at Raleigh is to reach the unsaved in the State and that they may succeed in accomplishing their object they are striving to unite the churches in the State to get churches to unite their members and enlist them in one great co-operative effort, not only to reach the lost of North Carolina but to help evangelize the world.

Jesus said to His disciples after His resurrection: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth"

State Missions is an effort on the part of the Board of Missions to bring everything human into right relationship with God. It is bringing all of the denominational forces of the State together for the conquest of the State, and then leading all these forces out beyond for the conquest of the world. It is the building up of a denominational life whose fruitage shall be: Evangelism, Church Building, Sunday Schools, Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Hospitals, Old Ministers' Relief, Orphanages, and all other benevolences fostered by the denomination. Therefore we earnestly urge our brethren to pray and work for the success of State Missions.

N. C. TEAGUE,
MACK BENTLEY,
MISS MINNIE McNEIL, Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board has fields with the gates wide open and it has not the means to reach out in these fields. Let Baptists of this Association and of our Southland rally to the Home Mission Board that it may accomplish and do the great work that lies before it. The fields are white unto the harvest. Let us go on our knees as never before and pray God to give us faith and confidence in our brethren who have this work on hand. We need spiritual power. Let us pray for it.

A heart-breaking and unprecedented emergency has been thrust

upon our beloved denomination by the appalling tragedy in connection with the Home Board. It is such an emergency as to challenge the inquiring attention of many throughout the nation and the whole world to Southern Baptists at this time. It is an hour to test the best mettle of every Baptist in the South. With the right spirit, even with the determined heroic, sacrificial, Christian spirit our people can and will turn this terrible tragedy into a glorious epoch for the furtherance of Christ's cause. By every worthy motive that can constrain us to worthy action; by our good name and unsullied honor as Baptists; by our self-respect; by our proper regard for our glorious past; by our responsibility and hope for all our work both for the present and future; above all for our loyalty and love for Him who died for us and whom we live to serve—surely we are fully ready and highly resolved to go forward with Christ in turning this tragedy into a notable triumph for His cause.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has lost, through the defalcation of the treasurer, Clinton S. Carnes, the sum of approximately one and a half million dollars.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in co-operation with the Home Board, has already taken steps to rehabilitate and refinance the said board.

We recognize our obligation together with all Southern Baptists, to raise and replace the full amount of the loss sustained by the Home Board through the defalcation of its treasurer.

The heavy debt on the Board must be lifted as soon as possible in order that this great task of saving our beloved Southland for Christ may be carried on in a way worthy of our people so numerous and well able to accomplish it for the glory of God. Let us pray constantly for the Lord's blessings upon our Home Mission Board and its work.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. BLACKBURN,

MISS TOYCE McNEIL, Committee.

The report was spoken to by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The next report on the program was on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The success of our Foreign Mission work should be an inspiration to the Baptists of this Association and the South. Far more could have been done if our churches had made it possible for the Board to take care of its missionaries and to appoint to this great service a multitude of young people who have prepared themselves for the work only to be disappointed for the lack of funds. Nevertheless, there are many encouraging reports coming to us from the far off mission fields. The chaotic condition in China has cleared

up to some extent. The opposition to work is diminishing. The Chinese Christians have stood the awful test well. The pastors and churches have arisen to meet the situation beyond our expectation. Many missionaries have been returned to their respective fields.

Your committee recommends: That the pastors of our churches call their congregations to earnest prayer on behalf our Foreign Mission Board, foreign mission work, our missionaries, the volunteers, and native Christians on the mission fields, and that all our people be encouraged to give this great cause a place in their daily prayers.

We recommend frequent sermons and addresses on foreign missions and the use of foreign mission incidents from our pulpits. Surely our people ought to have information about a great cause like this, and the facts about Southern Baptist Foreign Missions will prove an inspiration and a benediction to any church.

We would advise all who would inform themselves concerning Foreign Missions, the greatest enterprise on earth, to write to the Foreign Mission Board for books and for suggestions on the best mission books and mission libraries.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE PREVETTE,

MRS. R. C. MILLER,

E. C. FOSTER, Committee.

This report was ably and interestingly discussed by W. C. Meadows and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

SATURDAY, EVENING SESSION

Reassembled at 1:00 P. M.

The report was then called for on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

There are two things that the Sunday School should do for the community at large, win to Christ and save to Christ.

The Sunday School finds the people where they are. It puts them in touch with the Bible, the church and Christ. It brings them in contact with the Gospel which is the power of God. People must hear in order to believe and believe in order to be saved.

The purpose of finding people and bringing them under Christian influence is to get them saved, and this is the Sunday School's main business. But the Sunday School's work is not done when the soul is won. The life must be saved to its fullest capacity. Our Sunday Schools are in position to win for Christ. There has never been a better time for Sunday School teachers and leaders to fight to win souls for Christ. The main instrument in Sunday School is the Bible. The soul-winning Sunday School is carrying out the great

commission. Jesus said "go;" the Sunday School goes and helps the church finish the task of the commission. Soul winning is the Sunday School's Big Business. We find in this Association 27 churches and every one of them report Sunday Schools.

We recommend a standard Sunday School in every church in this Association. You can have one in a one-room building. Do the best with what you have, building a standard Sunday School in your present quarters. If you wait for ideal conditions before you start you are already defeated.

Dr. Burroughs says, "Winning to Christ holds central place in the Sunday School." Therefore let us strive earnestly to have an A1 Sunday School in every church in our Association.

Respectfully submitted,

V. McGHINNIS,

T. E. STORY,

W. B. McNEIL, Committee.

Pending the adoption of the report, it was discussed by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

G. W. Walsh presented the report on

HOSPITALS

Not having time to prepare a new report it was decided to adopt the 1928 report which reads as follows:

Our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem has been in operation for more than five and one-half years and in this time has cared for approximately 6,000 patients coming from every walk of life. From the very beginning the presence of the Great Physician has been with us and the larger part of our patients have gone home cured or improved. Our death rate has been less than any other hospital in the State, only 14 per thousand patients, while others have had as high as 40 per thousand.

Brother G. P. Lumpkin, the superintendent, states in his annual report that the institution is growing in popularity daily. His report further shows that the income of the institution is not sufficient to do all the work of service that could and ought to be done. It is, therefore, our belief that our support to the institution should be more ample. Especially do we recommend that the matter be put into our Sunday School program and stressed in our churches and that offerings be made regularly for our hospital.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. WALSH,

W. H. ELLER,

R. M. CHURCH, Committee.

The report was discussed by G. W. Walsh and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Mrs. A. O. Bray read the report on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

As the world gets "smaller" our task of giving the gospel to all lost souls gets larger. Not to be truly a world citizen—with the world at our door—is tragic. Not to embrace with a loving, sympathetic, understanding heart and mind all peoples and races in our world neighborhood today is dangerous. In the light of this fact our Woman's Missionary Union has a tremendously inspiring task ahead of her. Women are grateful to Jesus Christ for the place He has given them in the extension of His Kingdom. A realization of the individual responsibility involved in responding to Jesus' "Go ye into all the world," provides reason for our Brushy Mountain W. M. U. work.

In looking back on the works of the past year, we see wherein we have fallen short of reaching our goal. At the same time we are made to rejoice when we see much has been done to deepen the missionary spirit and to further the mission cause. Among the young people especially is evidenced an awakened interest in the cause of Jesus.

The churches having a Woman's Missionary Society are Wilkesboro, North Wilkesboro, and Goshen. The one having a Young People's Society is North Wilkesboro. North Wilkesboro also has a Sunbeam Band, a G. A., and a Y. W. A. Wilkesboro has a Sunbeam Band, a Jr. G. A., and a Y. W. A. Wilkesboro as the report shows, has a full graded W. M. U.

From July 1928 to July 1929 the women gave \$1,247.12. This amount exceeded our financial goal for the preceding year. Meetings looking toward organizing or strengthening our work have been planned and attended by our Associational Superintendent at New Hope, Harmony and Mount Pleasant.

This year's work came to a close at the annual meeting in July. In this session with the Mount Pleasant church it was again our happy privilege to have with us Mrs. Edna R. Harris, the State Corresponding Secretary. Her message was a stirring call to meaningful activity as standards of the gospel. Our superintendent painted a moral picture of the Brushy Mountain Association as a garden. This soil, we who are laboring for the Master Gardener, is infested with two roots which make proper cultivation a slow and arduous task, so hard in fact that there is often complete failure. Indifference to Jesus Christ's all-inclusive missionary program provides the toughest root.

May the pastors and Christian workers of our Association be alert and open minded toward any plan which has for its mission the salvation and enlightenment of men's souls. This other root, ignorance of conditions of the lost world, methods, organizations and missionary endeavor, we hope to begin tearing away this year

by placing in the hands of interested women and young people instructive and inspiring missionary literature.

For the coming year the following officers were elected, viz: Superintendent, Mrs. A. O. Bray; Associate Superintendent, Mrs. H. G. Nichols; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. W. J. Johnson; Junior Superintendent, Mrs. C. N. Myers; Mission Study, Mrs. W. F. Miller; Intermediate G. A. Chairman, Mrs. F. G. Holman; Stewardship leader, R. L. Wellborn.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. O. BRAY,
MISS VALERIA BELLE NICHOLS,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Mrs. Bray and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

G. W. Walsh presented a brief history of Stony Hill Church as follows:

This church is located among the beautiful foothills of the historic Blue Ridge Mountains. It is in the midst of a fine farming section on the north prong of Lewis Fork Creek in Jobs Cabin Township in Wilkes County.

There are many good citizens in the community, most of whom are members of this church.

This church was organized August 11, 1888, with twenty charter members. The members who went into the organization of this church belonged to other Baptist churches some distance away. They, after due consideration and prayer to God for guidance, decided that they desired to organize a church in the community. A presbytery was called consisting of W. F. Carlton, J. F. Davis and William Lee. W. F. Carlton was elected chairman and William Lee secretary. Letters from brethren and sisters of other churches were presented. Those brethren and sisters were duly examined and were found orthodox and they unanimously voted to endorse the articles of faith of the Baptist church and were duly organized into the Stony Hill Baptist Church. From the beginning the church has progressed slowly. It now has 80 members and a Sunday School enrollment of 85 with an average attendance of 52.

The Brushy Mountain Association has met with this church twice, first in 1904, and again in 1929.

The present pastor is Rev. W. H. Wilcox.

May the Lord continue to bless this church and may such be added to it from time to time as He would have to be saved.

G. W. WALSH, Historian.

The Committee on Obituaries report the list of members who died during the last Associational year:

William B. Ferguson was born September 15th, 1852. He died March 20th, 1929. Age 76 years, 6 months and 5 days. He professed a hope in Christ about 40 years ago and joined Beaver Creek Baptist Church and lived a consistent member of that church until death. He was a faithful deacon of that church for about 20 years.

Rev. Milton McNeill, who passed to his reward a few months ago, was 84 years old at the time of his demise. Fifty years ago, he entered the ministry and during this half a century he served as pastor about twenty-five churches. By his earnest and eloquent presentation of the crucified and risen Savior, he persuaded hundreds to turn from sin and accept Jesus as Savior. He was one of the greatest Baptist ministers of Northwest North Carolina. He enjoyed in an unprecedented manner the respect and confidence of the people of Wilkes County who elected him to a number of offices of trust and honor.

His every motive was to serve his fellow man; to cheer those who were in sorrow; to comfort those in distress. As a neighbor, he was accommodating, kind and considerate. The little children loved him and he loved them.

Righteousness is the measurement by which God estimates the greatness of man. So far as we can discern, Mr. McNeill walked in the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. He fought the good fight, he kept the faith, he finished his course, and, we confidently believe, he has won the crown of righteousness laid up for him and all those who place their trust in the Lord.

W. H. Powell of Stony Hill passed to his reward a few months ago. He was a faithful member of this church and was a regular attendant upon the services of his church. He will be greatly missed by his church and his neighbors.

He was a faithful deacon of Stony Hill church for several years.

The following is a list of members who died during the last Associational year.

Beaver Creek—Miss Lucy Walker.

Cub Creek—Mr. T. Bine Duncan, W. T. Reins, Mrs. Mary Duncan, Miss Faye Hall.

Fishing Creek—Mrs. Dicy A. Shew.

Harmony—Mrs. Robert Farrington.

Lewis Fork—Mr. W. E. McNeil, deacon; Mrs. Mary Church.

Moravian Falls—Mrs. Bettie Davis.

Mount Pleasant—Mr. J. M. Watson, Mr. J. M. Summerlin, Mrs. Susie Eller, Mrs. Visa Triplett, Mrs. Cynthia Cardwell.

New Hope—George McNeil.

North Wilkesboro, First—P. A. Lomax, Mrs. C. G. Day, Miss Fannie Mahaffey.

Pilgrim—Mrs. Nancy Church.

Pleasant Grove—Perve Nichols, Finley Woods, Mrs. Jennie Parsons, Mrs. Margaret Crabb, Emaline Wood.

Pleasant Home—Mrs. Mariah McNeil, Mrs. Elvira Bumgarner.

Stony Hill—Mitch Parsons, Andrew Cornette, Mrs. Dovie Cornette.

Wilkesboro—Jesse T. Ferguson, J. S. Wilcox.

Zion Hill—Mr. John Hood, Thomas Earp, Paul Pearson, Miss Lella Parlier.

The Committee on Digest of Church Letters met as usual and reviewed the letters that were handed in; but at the time of meeting a number of churches had not handed in their letters. For that reason, it could not make a correct report, consequently it thought it would be useless to have an incorrect report printed in the minutes.

The Committee on **Time, Place and Preachers** report as follows:

Time—Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1930, at 11 A. M.

Place—Little Rock Baptist Church, 14 miles Southwest of Wilkesboro, on State Highway No. 18.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. I. C. Woodruff; Alternate, Rev. N. C. Teague.

The following resolution of thanks offered by the committee on that topic was unanimously and heartily adopted:

Be it resolved, That we, the messengers and visitors, do hereby express our thanks and appreciation to the members of Stony Hill Baptist church and the community generally for their kind hospitality in entertaining the messengers and visitors during the sessions of this Association.

W. C. MEADOWS,
N. C. TEAGUE, Committee.

The following resolution was also unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That we ask the churches of this Association to consider the importance of the sessions and arrange their revivals and send their messengers and pastors that we may have well attended Associational meetings. We urge this more especially because we need the assistance of the brethren, both laymen and pastors, in carrying on the work of the Association.

N. C. TEAGUE,
W. C. MEADOWS, Committee.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 A. M.

SABBATH

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Moderator who called upon Rev. W. C. Meadows to conduct the devotional exercises. At 10 A. M. the regular Sunday School lesson was conducted by the Assistant Superintendent. At 10:30 the report on Sunday Schools was read by J. F. Jordan and after being discussed by J. F. Jordan, G. W. Walsh and C. C. Wright was adopted. At 11 o'clock the sermon was delivered by Rev. N. C. Teague of the Wilkesboro Baptist Church, his subject being, "The Better Life," and the text, "Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" After the song, "God be with you till we meet again," the Association was adjourned with the benediction by Rev. W. C. Meadows.

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator.
V. McGHINNIS, Clerk.

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1929.

CHURCHES	Village, Town or Country, Church?	Superintendents and Post Offices	Officers & Teachers	Beginners, 3-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and up	Cradle Roll, under 3	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.
Beaver Creek	C.	M. S. Phillips, Ferguson	7									50	35			2	\$ 25.00	
Cub Creek	C.	J. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	4	8	6	6		4				25	25					
Edgewood	C.	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek	8	10	17	10	11	41	20			109	68					
Fishing Creek	C.	C. B. Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro	8	22	16	23	20	25	26			140	68					
Gordon	V.	George Osborne, N. Wilkesboro	7	15	17	12	10	18	15			77	33		2	3.00	\$ 24.93	
Goshen	C.	Mrs. R. L. Proffitt, Goshen	4	6	5	4	15	6	10	4			50	yes				5.00
Harmony	C.	H. D. Caudill, Millers Creek	7									86	60					41.45
Hinshaw Street	T.	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro	10										45					
Lewis Fork	C.	D. F. Shepherd, Ready Branch	6	3	6	12	12	20	22			75	45		4			
Little Rock	C.	N. C. Andrews, Boomer	4	10	20	40		15				85	53		1			
Moravian Falls	V.	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	11	12	11	11	11	27	31			114	53		1			33.80
Mount Carmel	C.	Fred Eller, Moravian Falls										25						
Mount Pleasant	C.	Miss Marie McNeil, Champion	12	10	25	23	20	20	20	10		128	58					
Mount Zion	C.	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	5	11	10	15	6	18				63	51					
New Hope	C.	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	10	20	20	20	25	30	30			130					22.00	34.00
1st N. Wilkesboro	T.	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	40	45	71	95	49	50	137	100	60	607	300	yes	35	28	650.00	657.40
2nd N. Wilkesboro	T.	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	5						8			45	30				20.00	
Oak Grove	C.	Mrs. Esther Ward, N. Wilkesboro	4															
Oakwoods	C.																	
Pleasant Grove	C.	J. G. Parsons, Buck	5	18	10	15	10	8				71	40				9.00	
Pleasant Home	C.	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	6	10	15	15	20	25	15			100	65				22.00	96.00
Pilgrim	C.	F. O. Foster, Congo	5	20		14			20			104	54	yes			22.71	3.95
Stony Hill	C.	M. E. Woodruff, Parsonville										85					3.37	
Shady Grove	C.																	
Walnut Grove	C.	R. C. Meadows, Pores Knob	7	10	8	20	20	20	25	12		155	65	yes				35.00
Wilkesboro	T.	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	25	15	24	42	26	32	52	22		238	106	yes	7		167.37	76.98
Zion Hill	C.	A. F. Greer, Boomer	8	14	20	23	15	25	26			131	75					
Total			203	245	324	373	325	848	494	148	60	2643	1379		48	32	\$944.45	\$1,008.51

TABLE III—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1929.

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer.....	yes	1890	wood	200	1			\$ 400		\$ 400		
Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1864	wood	500	1			1000		1000		
Edgewood.....	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1893	wood	700	2			2100		2100		
Fishing Creek.....	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1928	wood	600	1			3500		3500		
Gordon.....	H. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1921	wood	600	3							
Goshen.....	C. E. Church, Goshen.....	yes	1916	wood	500	1			1500		1500		
Harmony.....	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1900	wood	500	1	1		3000		3000		
Hinshaw Street.....	Sherman Shumate, N. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1927	wood	450	5	4		3000		3000	\$ 700	\$ 1500
Lewis Fork.....	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch.....	yes	1909	wood	400	1			2500		2500		
Little Rock.....	S. M. Knight, Boomer.....	yes	1904	wood	500	1			3000		3000		
Moravian Falls.....	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.....	yes	1888	wood	300	2	4		2500		2500		
Mount Carmel.....	M. ss Janie McNeil, Boomer.....	yes	1886	wood	400	2			3000		3000		
Mount Pleasant.....	A. M. McGee, Purlear.....	yes	1909	wood	500	1			2500		2500		
Mount Zion.....	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion.....	yes	1925	wood	500	1			2000		2000		
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.....	yes	1894	wood	400	1			1500		1500		
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	J. E. Caud II, N. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1910	brick	600	15	7		60000	10000	10000	3100	50000
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1902	wood	200	1			1000		1000		
Oak Grove.....	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1917	wood	300	1			1000		1000		
Oakwoods.....	J. G. Parsons, Buck.....	yes	1903	wood	400	1			1000		1000		
Pleasant Grove.....	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1903	wood	500	1			2000		2000		
Pleasant Home.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....	yes	1859	wood	600	1			1800		1800		
Pilgrim.....	G. W. Walsh, Parisville.....	yes	1922	wood	500	1			1100		1100		
Stony Hill.....	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1881	wood	200	1			500		500		
Shady Grove.....	Perry R. Lowe, Pores Knob.....	yes	1875	wood	300	1			1000		1000		
Walnut Grove.....	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1902	brick	400	4	3		7000	4500	11500	910	2500
Wilkesboro.....	J. E. German, Boomer.....	yes	1912	wood	500	1			2000		2000		
Zion Hill.....													
Total.....					11550	52	9	14	\$109900	\$14500	\$54400	\$4710	\$54000

TABLE IV—Gifts For Local Church Work of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1929.

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature For S. S.	Help Given Local	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Assn.	Other Objects	Total for Support of Local Church Work
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	60.00		50.00		2.00	12.00				124.00
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	79.75		21.33	12.00		6.00				130.38
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro	125.00		25.00			20.00		1.10		171.10
Fishing Creek	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro	140.00		125.00	1697.00	14.00	25.00		2.00		2003.00
Gordon	H. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro	115.65			100.00	25.00	25.00		1.10		266.75
Goshen	C. E. Church, Goshen	150.00			25.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	1.10	5.00	316.00
Harmony	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro	150.00		20.00	30.00	12.00	96.00	10.00	1.50		318.00
Hinshaw Street	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro	76.30				12.00	25.00		1.00		114.30
Lewis Fork	G. C. Hamby, Ready Branch	94.14		43.94			12.00		1.80		151.78
Little Rock	L. L. Carlton, Boomer	181.00		40.00		1.00	20.00	50.00	2.00	20.00	314.00
Moravian Falls	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	324.39									402.24
Mount Carmel	Miss Jamie McNeil, Boomer	25.00				38.50	38.35		1.00		30.00
Mount Pleasant	J. F. Walsh, Purlear	200.00		7.71	55.21	32.70	38.39	5.00	2.00		341.01
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Mt. Zion	94.00		17.50	22.00			10.00	1.00		181.10
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purlear	150.00				24.00	52.00	40.00			266.00
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	3120.00	85.00	835.18	69.75	511.72	804.12		5.00	457.50	5888.27
2nd N. Wilkesboro	J. N. White, N. Wilkesboro	30.00		25.00		17.00	6.15		.50		78.45
Oak Grove	W. N. Alexander, N. Wilkesboro	50.00		5.00		5.00	5.00	5.00	.50		70.50
Oakwoods											
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	68.60		10.00	5.00	1.00	2.00		1.00		88.60
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	153.00	10.00	15.45		6.00	18.00		2.00		204.45
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	71.83			70.00	10.51			1.00		157.01
Stony Hill	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville	48.00			75.00		3.37		1.00		134.87
Shady Grove	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro	36.00		10.00				5.00	1.00		46.00
Walnut Grove	Perry B. Lowe, Pores Knob	140.00		85.00							231.00
Wilkesboro	A. C. Dennis, N. Wilkesboro	1,000.00		18.70	200.12	159.77	166.62		2.60	35.00	1582.81
Zion Hill	A. F. Greer, Boomer	32.50		7.50			14.00		1.50		305.50
Total		3,935.10	95.00	1,362.31	2,361.08	882.20	1,399.00	146.20	31.70	517.50	13,817.12

TABLE V—Gifts For Missions, Benevolences, Etc., Brushy Mtn. Asso., Aug. 1929

CHURCHES	Church Gifts to Co-operative Program	Church Gifts to All Special Objects	Sunday School Gifts to Co-operative Program	Sunday School Gifts to All Special Objects	W. M. U. Gifts to Co-operative Program	W. M. U. Gifts to All Special Objects	Total All Missions, Education and Benevolence	Grand Total All Gifts For All Purposes	Tithers in Church	Budget for Local Expenses Adopted	Budget for all Missions, etc., Adopted	Pledged Co-operative Program Next Year
Beaver Creek							11.30	124.00	1			
Cub Creek								141.68				
Edgewood								171.10				
Fishing Creek			50.00	6.15			56.15	2,089.00				
Gordon	21.10			24.92	4.00	7.00	64.02	305.85				
Goshen								216.00				
Harmony				35.00				353.00				
Hinshaw Street								114.30				
Lewis Fork								157.78				
Little Rock				11.00				325.00				
Moravian Falls	171.00	17.30		33.80			222.10	624.34	1			
Mount Carmel	2.50							32.50				
Mount Pleasant		46.05		54.45			100.00	441.51				
Mount Zion		10.00		24.60			34.60	215.70				
New Hope				40.00			40.00	306.00				
1st N. Wilkesboro	1,412.70	110.29		657.40	530.40	171.70	2,882.49	8,770.76	25	yes	yes	2,000.00
2nd N. Wilkesboro								78.45				
Oak Grove								70.50				
Oakwoods												
Pleasant Grove				13.30				101.30				
Pleasant Home				44.00			248.45	248.45				
Pilgrim		150.00		3.95			153.95	329.75				
Stony Hill		3.50		5.00			8.50	143.47				
Shady Grove								46.00				
Walnut Grove								275.50				
Wilkesboro	102.07	62.42		76.98	105.00	15.62	362.09	1944.90	3	yes	yes	250.00
Zion Hill		31.50		18.00			49.50	355.00				
Total	1,709.37	431.06	50.00	1,048.55	639.40	194.32	4,233.15	17,975.84	30			2,250.00

TABLE VI—B. Y. P. U.'s of Brushy Mtn. Asso., Aug. 1929.

CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermed. Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermed. Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Systematic Givers	Daily Bible Readers
	Beaver Creek	1	1	1	20	...	20	20	20	...
Moravian Falls	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	20	20	20	...	10
1st N. Wilkesboro	1	1	2	1	5	17	...	26	35	100	35	50
Walnut Grove	1	...	...	...	1	20	...	...	...	20	...	...
Wilkesboro	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	48	23	14
Total.....	5	3	2	1	10	37	20	26	75	208	58	74

TABLE VII—Woman's Work of Brushy Mtn. Asso., Aug. 1929.

CHURCHES	No. W. M. U.	No. Y. W. A.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	Total Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y.W.A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members	Enrolled Mis. Study	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions and Benevolences	Total Gifts All Purposes
	1st N. Wilkesboro.	1	1	1	1	4	60	26	24	...	71	181	...	702.10	702.10
Wilkesboro.....	1	...	19	1	...	30	17	19	11	23	100	49	181.00	182.98	363.98
Total.....	2	1	20	2	4	90	43	43	11	94	281	49	181.00	885.08	1166.08



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OF THE

**Brushy Mountain
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HELD WITH

LITTLE ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH

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V. McGHINNIS, Clerk and Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Fishing Creek Baptist Church on Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1931. This church is located 6 miles east of Wilkesboro.

The Introductory Sermon to be preached by Rev. A. E. Watts; Alternate, Rev. A. J. Foster.

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J. M. Absher, Offen, N. C.
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A. T. Pardue, Roaring River, N. C.
A. E. Watts, Taylorsville, N. C.

Pastors Retired from Active Service

W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

C. C. Wright, V. McGhinnis, George G. Reeves, U. G. Foster, J. F.
Jordan, W. C. Meadows, R. L. Proffit

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George G. Reeves, V. McGhinnis

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

R. L. Proffit, George G. Reeves, W. C. Meadows.
Alternates: A. J. Foster, N. C. Andrews.

The following were appointed to visit other associations:

Stony Fork—A. J. Foster, R. L. Proffit.
Stone Mountain—I. S. Baity, Sherman Shumate.
Elkin—J. F. Jordan, A. G. Hendren.
Alexander—W. C. Meadows, Perry Lowe.
Caldwell—N. C. Andrews, V. McGhinnis.

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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

To the Fifty-Seventh Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association

- Beaver Creek—G. H. Walker, Charlie Walsh, L. C. Matherly.
Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. B. Hall, J. L. Hemphill.
Edgewood—Clifford Moore, J. W. Fletcher, C. G. Glass.
Elk—F. L. Dula, J. J. McNeill, W. A. Proffit.
Fishing Creek—Sherman Anderson, J. W. Pardue.
Gordon—R. B. McNeil, H. S. Canter, R. B. Church, W. P. Carson,
J. L. Parsons.
Goshen—R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton, J. F. Walsh.
Harmony—John Mahaffey, Frank Lankford, W. B. McNeil.
Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, C. H. Dancy, A. E. Chambers.
Lewis Fork—C. H. Jones, R. S. Church, W. C. Triplett.
Little Rock—N. C. Andrews, S. M. Knight, W. M. Lackey.
Moravian Falls—Lawrence Critcher, Walter Earp, R. A. Greer,
B. M. Pardue.
Mount Carmel—Mrs. Bessie Pearson, Miss Janie McNeil, Mrs.
J. M. Hester.
Mount Pleasant—A. M. McGee, Lee Summerlin, H. S. Shoemaker.
Mount Zion—R. S. Wooten, D. M. Triplett, W. O. Barnett.
New Hope—Ted Nichols, Raleigh Church, A. S. Eller.
First North Wilkesboro—E. M. Blackburn, E. F. Stafford, Miss
Flossie E. Hendren, B. T. Henderson, Miss Dare Bumgarner.
Second North Wilkesboro—John Anderson, George Stone, T. S.
Hall.
Oak Grove—
Oakwoods—W. A. Ellis, I. P. Anderson, W. T. Stroud.
Pleasant Grove—Melvin Bumgarner, Willie Church, Roby Hincer.
Pleasant Home—W. T. Kilby, C. C. Church, J. F. Porter.
Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, J. A. Parsons, J. Foster.
Stony Hill—
Shady Grove—
Walnut Grove—P. R. Lowe, N. C. Craven, Floyd Jennings.
Wilkesboro—R. L. Wellborn, J. F. Jordan, L. Bumgarner.
Zion Hill—J. E. German, G. M. Earp, Dodson Watts, G. B. Carl-
ton.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Messengers of Little Rock Church.

Digest of Church Letters—V. McGhinnis, R. L. Wellborn, R. L. Proffit.

Temperance—B. T. Henderson, J. W. Pardue, G. M. Earp.

Religious Literature—U. G. Foster, H. A. Carlton, R. L. Earp.

Mills Home—W. C. Meadows, W. T. Kilby, S. Anderson.

State Missions—A. G. Hendren, R. L. Wooten, Frank Lankford.

Home Missions—R. C. Meadows, W. O. Barnett, A. G. Church.

Foreign Missions—Miss Valeria Belle Nichols, A. B. McNeil, G. H. Walker.

Ministerial Relief—R. L. Proffit, I. S. Baity, Willie Church.

Education—J. F. Jordan, Eugene Eller, B. M. Pardue.

Evangelism and Enlistment—A. J. Foster, W. T. Stroud, J. A. Parsons.

State of the Churches—A. E. Watts, W. A. Proffit, Robert Jones.

Sunday Schools—C. C. Wright, W. B. McNeil, Robert Ellis.

Co-operative Program—George G. Reeves, J. E. German, W. C. Meadows.

B. Y. P. U.—T. E. Story, John Anderson, F. O. Foster.

W. M. U—Mrs. A. O. Bray, Mrs. A. B. McNeil, Melvin Bumgarner.

Historian—V. McGhinnis, Wilson Lackey.

Query—A. S. Eller, C. C. Hayes, R. C. Eller.

Hospitals—N. C. Teague, George W. Miller, S. M. Knight.

Obituaries—F. M. Jennings, E. M. Blackburn, Perry Lowe.

Resolutions—W. C. Meadows, R. A. Greer, George G. Reeves.

Time, Place and Preachers—A. G. Hendren, N. C. Andrews, C. C. Church.

PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-seventh session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met with Little Rock Baptist Church Friday, August 22, 1930, at 10:30, A. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. S. I. Watts. The introductory sermon was preached by Dr. W. R. Bradshaw. Bro. Bradshaw's sermon was able, timely and practical. A recess of one hour was then taken for dinner and recreation, after which the messengers reassembled in the house and were called to order by C. C. Wright, the Moderator of last year, for the transaction of business.

Officers were then elected to serve for the present session as follows: C. C. Wright, of Hunting Creek, was re-elected Moderator, and V. McWhinnis, of Boomer, was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body, viz: Dr. M. L. Kesler, of Thomasville, representing the Mills Home; G. W. McNeil, of Caldwell Association; Rev. James A. Ivey, representing the B. Y. P. U.; Rev. R. D. Carroll, of Caldwell Association; Perry Morgan, Secretary of Sunday School Work, Raleigh, N. C.; J. Morgan, representing the Biblical Recorder, Raleigh; N. C., and Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, of Catawba River Association.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on

MILLS HOME

Our orphanage work is one of the most important objects that claims our attention; because we take up poor and deserving children—children who have lost their father. The support of the home is left in the care of their mother, many of whom are not able to properly care for them. Without our assistance they would be a menace to the country and a ruin to themselves.

At the Mills Home and the Kennedy Home they receive everything necessary for their welfare, food clothes, medical and dental attention. They are educated and given religious instruction as well as training in useful employments. They are taught to respect and obey authority. Very few leave the institution without being led to Christ. They go out into the world well prepared for life and they make good in every line of industry in which they engage.

Our Mothers' Aid department is doing a fine work in keeping many children in the homes with their mothers—the best place on earth for those who are blessed with good mothers. We have at the Mills Home 504 children and at the Kennedy Home 135, and with their mothers 269, total 908.

In view of the great work we are doing in this line, it is the imperative duty of every member of our churches to give liberally of their means to support these children.

When you do so you obey the words of Jesus who said "Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," and will in the Judgment hear the welcome applaudit, "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." But to leave it undone is to invite upon yourself the denunciation, "Depart from me, for I never knew you." This is a strong statement; but it is the words of Jesus, who also said, "By their fruits ye shall know them." He also said, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments."

Every Sunday School ought to give a once a month offering to the Orphanage, and every church should give a liberal part of their offerings to the Orphanage work and be sure to make a good Thanksgiving offering, everyone giving the worth of one day's work, whatever your occupation may be.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. MEADOWS,

W. T. KILBY,

SHERMAN ANDERSON, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by W. C. Meadows, Dr. M. L. Kesler and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Elk Baptist Church, a member of the Stony Fork Association, brought a letter from that Association asking to be admitted. The Moderator appointed W. C. Meadows, N. C. Teague and George G. Reeves to report on the application. They reported the church orthodox and recommended its admission as they found evidence of its agreeing in faith and practice with the principles of the Word of God as understood by this body. The request was granted and the messengers were cordially welcomed by the Moderator.

Rev. George G. Reeves read the report on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

The care of our aged and disabled preachers and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers deserves the most earnest and prayerful attention at the hands of all our people. The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters at Dallas, Texas, with Dr. Thomas Watts as Executive Secretary, is faithfully and sympathetically administering and distributing the funds placed in its hands by the churches. That far too little money has been contributed by our people for this nobly beneficent work all must freely confess. That more money should be given for the support of our veterans, widows and orphans, will not be

questioned. Surely our old ministers are deserving of better treatment in their declining years. What Southern Baptists are doing through their Board for these faithful servants of the Cross is helpful, but it is painfully insufficient. Surely every church should strive to see to it that the old preacher is better provided for. Let some good man or woman in each church write the Board for literature and inform the people concerning this great need. Do not wait—do it now.

Important Changes in the Methods of the Relief and Annuity Board

The Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans provided for the placing of all gifts through the Co-operative Program into the Relief fund. After the 31st of December, 1930, the Board's Annuity Department will receive no more money from the benevolent contributions of the churches. The relief beneficiaries will get the full benefit of these gifts. They will, of course, continue to receive also the benefits of earnings on the Board's Relief Endowment and all contributions designated for relief. Not only so, the Board will strive to secure special gifts looking to the enlargement of the Relief Fund. If our churches will give the money that they should through the regular Co-operative Program the relief beneficiaries of the Board will receive very much larger benefits and a greater number of beneficiaries will be added to the roll. It should be clear to our people that the Relief Board cannot pay out money any faster than it comes in, but as the money is given, the donors may know that the relief beneficiaries will get every dollar of it.

The Service Annuity Plan

Provision is now offered through the Service Annuity Department whereby churches can individually assist their preachers in building up for themselves and their dependents an age or disability monthly income and do this building while they are in active service. Thus our ministers will be provided for against the time of need and in the most economical way. Interest earnings will produce the greater part of the benefits. This is a method of prevention rather than of cure. The churches are urged to get directly from the Relief and Annuity Board or from an authorized representative the facts about this plan. This is a matter that cannot be acted upon intelligently without full information. Many of our preachers and churches are ready to go into the plan and ere long their number will be legion. The more our churches do to prevent dependence in old age or disability on the part of their ministers the better. The Relief Board will not do less for preachers who come to old age unprovided for. In fact, it will do far more than it has ever done for them. At the same time it will, by the operation of the Service Annuity, bring about a condition in which fewer preachers will come to old age without a support and this support will be more adequate. All serious minded Baptists

will, upon taking due thought, approve the plan. The Southern Baptist Convention, after careful consideration, adopted the recommendations of the committee of thirty-eight consisting of two messengers from each state, approved the Service Annuity and did this by a great majority. Therefore, the Convention has commended the plan for the use of churches and preachers.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. PROFIT,

I. S. BAITY,

WILLIE CHURCH, Committee.

Pending the adoption, the report was spoken to by W. R. Bradshaw and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The committee appointed to answer the query of Bro. T. J. Bishop at the 1929 session of the association, viz: A. S. Eller, A. J. Foster and V. McGhinnis reported that in their opinion Mount Pleasant Church should give Bro. Bishop another trial.

B. T. Henderson read the report on

TEMPERANCE AND LAW OBSERVANCE

To the Brushy Mountain Association—Greeting:

Your committee believes in and commends to the constituency of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association a form of temperance which is universal in its character and scope. In our zeal to rid the country of the liquor traffic and to banish forever the saloons we have lost the full meaning of the term temperance. Certainly protestants and most especially Baptists should not only be temperate in the use of intoxicating liquors, but should be total abstinents from the use of any intoxicant, as a beverage. Christian will not be satisfied to stop when the enemy liquor is conquered, rather they will live and teach a temperance which condemns over-indulgence of any character. Natural passions must be conquered and guided, and temperance must be applied to our pleasures, our reasoning, and most especially to our judgment of others.

Law in its broadest sense is a rule of action, prescribed by a Superior, which an inferior is bound to obey. Then in the first place it is incumbent upon us to create in our communities respect for law and order. One does not readily observe rules of action which he does not respect. This respect for law and order must be taught first in the home. Love and firmness must be intermingled in the administration of the law of the home. Parents must be the judge and jury of the home. "Even with men who have grown reckless and reprobate and have broken all restraints, human and divine, the last cable they have been able to snap, the last anchor which has dragged, is the memory which has moored them to a virtuous home."—Dr. Hamilton.

No child should be taught to fear the policeman, rather he should be taught that the policeman is protector of life and property. Just as home training is the first essential of good citizenship, so is training in the school the second essential. Parents should cooperate with the teachers in all their efforts to prepare the child for the privileges and obligations of citizenship. In the second place we must create in our communities a cooperative attitude towards law enforcement. A breach of the law is the business of every citizen, and every good citizen makes it his business. Good citizens petition law making bodies for better laws, assist officers and tender their services to their state and county for jury duty or any other duty of citizenship that may devolve on them.

B. T. HENDERSON,
J. W. PARDUE,
G. M. EARP, Committee.

Pending the adoption the report was discussed by B. T. Henderson and others and adopted and the committee discharged.

U. G. Foster submitted the report on

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE

Our Baptist people need good wholesome literature in their homes to take the place of worthless papers and stories which many of our young people are reading. In doing this we recommend that one and all read the Bible, the book of all books, the book of life, the book that is the way bill from earth to heaven. Then we recommend the Biblical Recorder which was first printed by Thomas Meredith ninety-five years ago. Since then it has served as the organ of the Baptists of North Carolina. It contains the best thoughts of the best thinkers among our people. It is set for the constructive effort of our people in obeying the commands of the Master to carry the gospel to all the world. It is published in the interest of the Baptist work. It seeks to aid in bringing in the reign of Christ.

The readers of the Recorder are its best asset and in North Carolina the Kingdom's best friends. The best is none too good for our North Carolina Baptist homes.

The future of our people depends on the Christian culture of the homes of this generation. People are largely influenced by what they read. The Biblical Recorder seeks to give weekly a summary of our Baptist news, local and general, to our people.

It seeks to give the achievements among our schools, churches, Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U., and Laymen's work so that the reader may be informed as to the best method of doing our work.

We should not forget to urge our people to read Home and Foreign Fields and Charity and Children.

We recommend all these papers to our people who want good Christian literature in their homes.

U. G. FOSTER,
H. A. CARLTON,
R. L. EARP, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by a number of brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

J. F. Jordan read the report on

EDUCATION

Christian education is grooming the runner for the race. It is giving the new members of society what the old ones have, all that the old ones have, all that is available. It is the center of all Christian culture that stands for Christianity. "The soul of education is the education of the soul." There is a vast difference between education and Christian education. Mr. Roosevelt once said: "To educate a man in mind and not in morals is to educate a menace to society."

The aim of educational establishments before the Revolution was to prepare young men and women for the future life to come, also to fight the chief projects of the old deluder, Satan, that was trying to keep them from the knowledge of the Scriptures. But after the Revolution, mainly through the influence of a serious and virtuous citizenship, indeed, supplanted religion as the aim of higher education. Accordingly education is recovering somewhat of its moral purpose and swinging back to its obligation to fit the young Christian for service and recalling the higher interests and ideals of the human race.

Various expedients to renew in secular education the religious motive and standard has been resorted to. Denominational schools and colleges arising and pressing onward have been all along true to the higher standards of Christian education.

Christian education is Christianity operating in the field of enlightenment. The Bible is the final authority for faith and practice; hence, Christian education. Christianity arose in the best culture of its time and when not misrepresented has been the nourishing mother of the best culture ever since. Christianity is the only hope for the redemption of the moving world and must keep pace with its task; hence, Christian education. If persons, classes and nations will agree and stand for Christian education, then we may have the true standard of Christianity exalted to a higher plane, and we shall have peace and find our social salvation and security in Christian education. Then God will judge among the nations and rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. Then instead of nations of the world fighting in cruel

wars, they can draw water out of the wells of salvation with joy and drink from the living fountain that never runs dry.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN,
EUGENE ELLER,
ROBERT JONES, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on devotional exercises reported to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M. Bro. Avery Church to conduct devotional exercises. On motion adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY, MORNING SESSION

Aug. 23, 1930, 9:30 A. M.

The Association met as per adjournment.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Avery Church. At the conclusion of the devotional, the Moderator declared the Association ready for business.

Rev. A. J. Foster presented the report on

EVANGELISM AND ENLISTMENT

If there ever was a time when Evangelism was a crying need it is now. While much has been done for the saving of the lost in the past by the faithful evangelists who have gone out undismayed by discouragements, yet today as never before the masses have become seared against the gospel of Jesus Christ and men and women are dying without hope and without a saving knowledge of a Savior.

Statistics show that we need more godly men and women who will heed the call to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel." In the state of North Carolina there are about three million people. Less than one-third of this number belong to any church at all. This means that more than two million people in our state are strangers to grace and yet North Carolina is only one little state as compared with the whole world, including the dark benighted heathen lands where the good news of salvation has not been heard.

Hence the great need of evangelism and enlistment. When our Savior was here on earth, He had compassion on the multitudes because they were scattered as sheep without a shepherd and He enlisted His disciples and gave them the great commission, and since the days of the apostles men and women have been telling the "old, old story of Jesus and His love." "Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth more laborers into his harvest."

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. FORTNER,
W. T. STROUD,
J. A. PARSONS, Committee.

The report was ably and interestingly discussed by a number of brethren and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

Rev. A. E. Watts read the report on

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

We rejoice that we can say that some of our churches have had real, old-time, heaven-sent revivals of religion during the past year, and while we rejoice with them and thank God for these blessings, yet we note and deplore the lack of spiritual power in the individual Christian life and the church life of our day. From every state comes the cry of spiritual declension and the lack of spiritual power. Most reports on this subject state causes for this deplorable condition and no doubt it is well to do so often; but we want to offer some suggestions that we believe will correct this condition and therefore we submit the following for your consideration:

I. We must as individual Christians wear the beautiful garments of the Christian religion.

(1) We must be clothed with humility, I Peter 5:5.

(2) We must wear the garment of faith. "Without faith it is impossible to please God." "According to your faith so be it unto you."

(3) We must be clothed with the spirit of importunity, Matt. 7:7, James 5:16. Prayer changes things.

(4) We must put on the grace of liberality (giving) II Cor. 8:7.

(5) We must wear the garment of love, Col. 3:4. Above all "Put on charity," John 13:35.

II. We must anchor firmly our faith in the doctrine, that our first duty as individual Christians and as churches is to evangelize the lost. See Matt. 6:33, Mark 16:15, Acts 1:8.

III. We must rid our churches of members who do not walk worthy of their calling. Study Rom. 12:1 and Eph. 4:1-3 for examples of how church members should walk. Study also what the Bible says in 2 Thess. 3:6, I Tim. 6:3-5, with reference to the withdrawing of fellowship from those who fail to walk worthy of their calling.

We believe that if the suggestions we offer were accepted and lived up to that it would restore spiritual power to the individual Christian life and to the church life of our day and the cry of spiritual declension and the lack of spiritual power would end.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. WATTS,

W. A. PROFFIT,

ROBERT JONES, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Rev. A. E. Watts and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

On motion it was decided to discuss State, Home and Foreign Missions together and separate, each recorded in the minutes. The report on

STATE MISSIONS

was handed in and reads as follows:

State Missions is an effort on the part of the Board of Missions to bring everything human into right relationship with God. It is bringing of all the denominational forces of the state together for the conquest of the state, and the leading of all these forces out beyond for the conquest of the world. It is the building up of a denominational life whose fruitage shall be: Evangelism, church building, Sunday Schools, Home and Foreign Missions, Education, Hospitals, Old Ministers' Relief, Orphanages and all other benevolences fostered by the denomination.

Shifting economic conditions are creating new problems for the state missions to face. One of the problems is the country church. The country churches have been our stronghold as a denomination. From these have come in large measure our recruits for the ministry and the mission field. Farming conditions have made it increasingly difficult for pastors to serve country fields. Our growing industrial centers, also, call for the helping hand of state missions. There has never been a time when our opportunity for aggressive state missions was greater than at the present.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. HENDREN,

R. L. WOOTEN,

FRANK LANKFORD, Committee.

Pending the adoption, the report was discussed with Home and Foreign Missions and on motion was adopted.

The report on

HOME MISSIONS

was presented and reads as follows:

The deplorable misfortune which befell the Home Board about two years ago is too well known among our people to need much discussion in this report. It is sufficient to say that Southern Baptists will not allow the treachery of one man to cause them to default in their stewardship or to lessen their interest in the Kingdom of Christ.

The loss sustained by the Carnes defalcation has been partly redeemed by property belonging to the former Treasurer's estate. This has been supplemented by \$450,000.00 contributed by the churches on "Honor Day." The Board has also received nearly \$500,000.00 from Mrs. Geo. W. Bottoms, of Texarkana, Ark., for the purpose of erecting and maintaining a school in Havana, Cuba. This registers the faith of at least one large contributor in the future of our Home Mission work.

At the session of the Southern Baptist Convention at Memphis, Tenn., the Board was constituted of an almost entirely new personnel. This was done not through any lack of confidence of the brethren who served on the Board for many years, but at their request.

We recognize our obligation together with all Southern Baptists to raise and replace the full amount of the loss sustained by the Home Board, through the defalcation of its treasurer.

The heavy debt on the Board must be lifted as soon as possible in order that this great task of saving our beloved Southland for Christ may be carried on in a way worthy of our people so numerous and well able to accomplish it for the glory of God. Let us **pray constantly** for the Lord's blessings upon our Home Mission Board and its work.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. MEADOWS,

W. O. BARNETT,

A. G. CHURCH, Committee.

The next report on the program was

FOREIGN MISSIONS

When Christ spoke to His disciples saying "Go ye into all the world and proclaim the good tidings to the whole creation," there were some among that little band of followers who did not understand. Today some of us consider that program but an idle dream and fail to take His marching orders seriously. As a result of our present failure to carry His work, we are facing a critical situation in our Foreign Mission endeavor. It is for us to realize that then and now our Lord included in His love and program all the world.

Just now debt is not the chief trouble because arrangements have been made whereby this is being reduced. The main problem is that Southern Baptists are not giving enough to maintain the present work on the field. One of two alternatives are open: Unless our gifts are increased, we must incur a larger debt or we must abandon some of our fields. The first is forbidden by our Convention and the second would be turning our backs on Christ's command.

Already in the last three years we have had to lose 100 missionaries and 600 native workers.

God has thrust open the doors in the older fields and has given us new fields in which there were last year 5,710 baptisms. The work prospers marvelously. The native Christians sacrifice to support the work. The needs cry to us day and night, emphasizing our Savior's command. Shall we fail them and Him?

But we need to think in higher terms than the dollar mark. When we do money will come. We need to think in terms of missionaries who preach the gospel, of children in heathen darkness who are depending on our mission schools; of suffering millions who

receive healing of body and spirit in our hospitals; of ignorance and superstition being dispelled by Christian literature, especially the Word of God; of all those who are eternally lost without the message of Christ who died for them.

Your committee would recommend that every pastor read Home and Foreign Fields, our Foreign Mission magazine; that the Bible be studied to find in it the world in God's plan; that through prayerful consideration each measure his efforts in the light of the great commission.

Respectfully submitted,
VALERIA BELLE NICHOLS,
For Committee.

SATURDAY, EVENING SESSION

Reassembled at 1:00 P. M.

The report was then called for on

THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

We are now in the sixth year of doing Mission, Benevolent and Educational work through the Co-operative Program, and we believe today it is the best and most effective way of doing our mission work.

This program embraces every form of co-operative work in which our Baptist people are engaged—State, Home and Foreign Missions, Ministerial Relief and our Baptist Schools, Orphanages and Hospitals.

The plan of the Program greatly simplifies the appeal of the denomination to the churches in that it lays before the churches our whole denominational work in one well-wrought out plan instead of disturbing the churches with repeated appeals for separate interests many times during the year. This method also results in saving much effort and money.

The support of the Co-operative Program on the part of the churches and the people tends to their well-rounded development, leading them to support all our causes in a proper proportion rather than giving to just a few of our enterprises.

When it is properly supported by all our people the Co-operative Program will insure an adequate income to every department of our organized Baptist work, thus relieving our State and General Secretaries and heads of institutions of constant solicitation of funds and setting them free to plan for the enlarged scope and increased efficiency of the work entrusted to them.

The Southern Baptists and North Carolina Baptists, through the action of their Convention, are committed to the plan of the Co-operative Program in financing all their denominational enterprises.

We recognize the right of each individual Baptist to designate his gifts to whatever objects he may desire, and this right will be

respected absolutely by Treasurer Durham, yet we would earnestly recommend that all of our people give their money undesignated. This is the fairest and most equitable way to do it. The ratio of division among the different objects has been carefully worked out by a group of our representative brethren in the light of all the needs of each object and has been accepted by our Conventions in sessions. Each of the different objects is looking to the Baptist denomination, and to that only, for its support as well as for its direction.

We respectfully ask all the churches in our Association which have not been contributing regularly to the Co-operative Program to take a collection once a month for this object. We ask all the churches that are now paying with regularity to the Co-operative Program to increase their contributions during the fall and winter in order that we may decrease our debts and get them paid off as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE G. REEVES,
J. E. GERMAN,
W. C. MEADOWS, Committee.

Pending the adoption, this report was ably and interestingly discussed by Geo. G. Reeves, W. R. Bradshaw and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

was read by the Moderator, C. C. Wright.

There are two things that the Sunday School should do for the community at large, win to Christ and save to Christ. The Sunday School finds the people where they are. It puts them in touch with the Bible, the Church and Christ. It brings them in contact with the gospel which is the power of God. People must hear in order to believe and believe in order to be saved.

The purpose of finding people and bringing them under Christian influence is to get them saved, and this is the Sunday School's main business. But the Sunday School's work is not done when the soul is won. The life must be saved to its fullest capacity. Our Sunday Schools are in position to win for Christ. There never has been a better time for Sunday School teachers and leaders to fight to win souls for Christ. The main instrument in Sunday School is the Bible. The soul-winning Sunday School is carrying out the great commission. Jesus said, "Go;" the Sunday School goes and helps the church finish the task of the commission. Soul winning is the Sunday School's Big Business. We find in this Association 28 churches and every one of them report Sunday Schools.

We recommend a Standard Sunday School in every church in this Association. You can have one in a one-room building. Do

the best with what you have, building a standard Sunday School in your present quarters. If you wait for ideal conditions before you start you are already defeated.

Dr. Burroughs says "Winning to Christ holds central place in the Sunday School." Therefore let us strive earnestly to have an A 1 Sunday School in every church in our Association.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WRIGHT,

W. B. McNEIL,

ROBERT ELLIS, Committee.

The report was spoken to by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

T. E. Story read the report on

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

The influence of the B. Y. P. U. among Baptist young people can hardly be exaggerated. It furnishes the opportunity for activity and development which satisfies their mental, spiritual and social natures. Its variety of activities, first of all in the presenting of lessons in Bible study, missions, devotionals and doctrinal teachings; and second in the social opportunities which it affords, make it a unique organization for aiding young people to go forward into greater fields of service. The key words, "STUDY," "LEARN," AND "SERVE" are applicable in this report. They indicate in brief the great purpose of the organization. And in every church where there is an organization that functions, results may be seen. Without difficulty leaders of prayer meeting, Sunday School teachers, song leaders, and others prepared to do religious and social service can be found in the B. Y. P. U. group.

The B. Y. P. U., therefore, endeavors to give training in the following: singing, speaking, giving, tithing, Bible reading, prayer meeting, personal work, the ministry, missions, social life, stewardship and leadership.

In the Brushy Mountain Association the following churches have now or have had B. Y. P. U. organizations: North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Mount Pleasant, Stony Hill, New Hope, Goshen, Beaver Creek, Moravian Falls, Walnut Grove, Fishing Creek and Gordon. In some of these the work has been discontinued for one reason or another. However, in those where there is leadership and proper encouragement the work has gone forward and splendid results are the reward.

There are now 6 Senior Unions with 200 members, 1 Intermediate Union with 30 members, and 2 Junior Unions with 60 members.

Therefore it is recommended:

First, that every church in the Association should have a B. Y. P. U.

Second, that those churches which have unions encourage and perfect unions in the non-union churches.

Third, that all pastors and laymen endeavor to enlist all of our young Christians in this great discovery—the making of themselves useful through the training received in the B. Y. P. U.

T. E. STORY,
JOHN ANDERSON,
F. O. FOSTER, Committee.

This report was spoken to by T. E. Story and James A. Ivey and on motion was adopted.

The report on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

was handed in and reads as follows:

The chief aims of the Woman's Missionary Union fall under the following headings:

1. Prayer, individual and united.
2. Study missionary messages of the Bible and world missions.
3. Personal service, directed and individual enlistment and soul-winning.
4. Missionary education of young people.
5. Stewardship of possessions, tithes and offerings.

"We ask for toys when we should ask for continents and be claiming the world for Christ."

If we as individuals are rendering a mediocre or even average service, let us in Christ attempt the extraordinary in our prayer life, our aims for development, in our visions of consecration, in our gifts through our church program, thus through the Co-operative Program and in every realm of service. Only through such a dedication can we realize the extent of our ultimate potentialities in Christ's work.

The unity of our workers in the Woman's Missionary Union for missions is a beautiful and sacred relationship. Though each state, each organization, each worker is an equal sovereign, yet in love, we are bound together in a spirit of unity for Christ's sake. In Him let us attempt the extraordinary.

The churches of the Brushy Mountain Association having a Woman's Missionary Society are: North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Pilgrim, Gordon and Harmony.

The churches having Young Women's Auxiliaries are: North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro.

The churches having Intermediate Girls' Auxiliaries are: North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro.

The churches having Sunbeam Bands are: North Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro and Gordon.

North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro have full graded W. M. U.s. From June, 1929, to June, 1930, the women gave \$932.24.

The North Wilkesboro W. M. S. sent an orphan baby to the

State Sanitarium for treatment and have paid its expenses for eight months.

We wish the prayers and co-operation of our pastors and churches for our Women's Work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. N. MYERS,
For Committee.

Pending adoption, the report was discussed by a number of the ladies and on motion was adopted.

Rev. N. C. Teague read the report on

HOSPITALS

Within our Southern Baptist Convention territory we have 24 Baptist Hospitals, 22 state hospitals in 14 states, the Southern Baptist Hospital at New Orleans, and the Southern Baptist Sanitarium at El Paso, Texas.

Our North Carolina Hospital at Winston-Salem is of greatest interest to us because of its proximity. Reports from Supt. G. T. Lumpkin show that 3000 patients have been treated within the past year. In his report to the State Convention last fall Supt. Lumpkin stated that in record of service for five years our hospital has surpassed all other hospitals in the South. More than half of the patients are either entirely charity or part pay patients. \$25,000 is needed annually to continue this needy work.

The great need of the hospital at this time is three-fold: First, prayer for superintendent, nurses, doctors and patients. Second, more patronage by those who can pay. The advantages offered are the best and the home-like Christian spirit is unsurpassed in the state. Third, an enlarged Mother's Day offering in May by every Sunday School and Church in the State.

Respectfully submitted,

N. C. TEAGUE,
G. W. MILLER,
S. M. KNIGHT, Committee.

The report was spoken to by N. C. Teague and on motion was adopted.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

This church was first located about one and a half miles west of the present site, on the edge of Caldwell county. The church building was a log house, situated on a high hill, and was named Meadow Hill. The church was organized February 3rd, 1866, with about twenty-five charter members. The members who went into the organization of this church belonged to other Baptist churches some distance away. They came mostly from Kings Creek and Zion Hill. A presbytery was called consisting of Edmund Tilly, G. W. Livingston and Hiram West. Hiram West was elected

chairman and G. W. Livingston secretary. Letters from brethren and sisters of other churches were presented. Those brethren and sisters were duly examined and were found orthodox and they unanimously voted to endorse the articles of faith of the Baptist church and were duly organized into the Meadow Hill Church. The church retained the name Meadow Hill for about eight years. The majority of the members living some distance east of the church, decided to move the church about one and a half miles down the road toward Wilkesboro. After the building was moved the name was changed to Little Rock. The building was moved and the name changed in 1874.

Since being moved and the name changed the church has progressed slowly. It now has 119 members, and a Sunday School enrollment of 158. with an average attendance of over 100.

The first building was burned a few years ago. A new five room building has been erected and the cemetery and grounds around the building has been cleared and shrubbery and flowers planted which adds much to its appearance.

The records show that the following pastors have served this church since its organization, viz: Hiram West, Daniel Welborn, William Knight, David Knight, Milton McNeill, W. C. Meadows, A. T. Pardue, S. D. Barnes, H. C. Marley, C. C. Pool, J. F. Eller, W. J. Bumgarner, Richard Jarvis, W. R. Beach, G. Z. Bumgarner, J. B. Reid, J. G. Benfield, T. E. Payne, J. W. Watts, A. E. Watts, and S. I. Watts.

The Brushy Mountain Association has met with this church three times, first in 1890, second in 1909, and third in 1930.

May the Good Lord continue to bless this church and may such be added to it from time to time as He would have to be saved.

WILSON LACKEY, Historian.

The Committee on Obituaries reported the list of members who died during the last Associational year:

Cub Creek—Mr. W. B. Smithey, Miss Mary Fagg Lankford, Mrs. Amelia Anderson.

Edgewood—Mrs. Rebecca E. Miller.

Harmony—Mrs. R. Farrington, Mrs. W. M. Howell.

Goshen—Mrs. John Edminson.

Hinshaw Street—Mrs. H. Campbell, Mr. Talmage Tedder.

Lewis Fork—Mrs. Annie Hayes, Mrs. Lindsay Triplett.

Little Rock—Mrs. Martha Jarvis, Mr. William Fairchilds, Mr. D. M. Knight.

Moravian Falls—Mr. J. C. Critcher, Mr. W. A. Laxton, deacon.

Mount Carmel—Mrs. Lillie Shuping, Mrs. Ann Williams.

Mount Pleasant—Mr. W. H. Fairchilds, Mrs. Martha Wolfe, Mrs. Alice McGee, Mrs. Addie Messick, Mrs. Lydia Adams.

First North Wilkesboro—Mrs. L. J. Parks, Mrs. R. H. Shepherd, Mrs. J. E. Bullis, Deacon John W. Dimmette.

Second North Wilkesboro—Mr. T. V. Combs, deacon.

Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Josephine Whittington, Mrs. Minda Church.

Pleasant Home—Mr. G. A. Nichols.

Walnut Grove—Mr. James Bentley, Mrs. Mary Ann Nichols, Mrs. Elizabeth Wiles.

Wilkesboro—Mr. C. E. Parlier, Mrs. Lucy Foster.

Zion Hill—Mr. John H. German.

The Committee on **Time, Place and Preachers** report as follows:

Time—Friday before the **Fourth Sunday** in August, 1931, at 11 A. M.

Place—Fishing Creek Baptist Church, 6 miles east of Wilkesboro.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. A. E. Watts; Alternate, A. J. Foster.

The following resolution of thanks offered by the committee on that topic was unanimously and heartily adopted:

Be it resolved, That we, the messengers and visitors at this session of the Association, do hereby express our thanks and appreciation to the members of Little Rock Baptist Church and the community generally for their kind hospitality in entertaining the messengers and visitors during the sessions of this Association.

W. C. MEADOWS,
R. A. GREER,
GEO. G. REEVES, Committee.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we ask the churches of this Association to consider the importance of the sessions and arrange their revivals and send their messengers and pastors that we may have well attended Associational meetings. We urge this especially because we need the assistance of the brethren, both laymen and pastors, in carrying on the work of the Association.

N. C. TEAGUE,
W. C. MEADOWS, Committee.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 A. M.

SABBATH

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. The Moderator being detained and was absent at the time set for the opening exercises, the devotional was conducted by the Sunday School Superintendent. After the usual Sunday School lessons, the Moderator having come in, the body was called to order and the Messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention, the Baptist State Convention and other Associations were appointed. At 11 o'clock A. M. the sermon was delivered by Dr. W. R. Bradshaw, of Morganton. After a few remarks by the Moderator, thanking the people for their good attendance on the sessions and their splendid deportment, the Association adjourned to meet with Fishing Creek Baptist Church on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1931.

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator.

V. McGHINNIS, Clerk.

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1930.

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country	When Constituted	Pastors and Postoffices	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year			GAINS			LOSSES			Present Members	Wky Prayer Meet.	Revivals during yr.	Ob. Lord's Supper	Rec. Sta. Bap. paper	
					Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths								
Beaver Creek	C.	1811	Melvin Michael, Pattons Ridge.	3	111	12								123	no	1	1		
Cub Creek	C.	1860	C. Holland, Stony Point.	4	62	1	4							62	yes	1	1		
Edgewood	C.	1893	L. C. Woodruff, Hays	2	144	7		3						147	no	1	1	2	
Elk	C.	1905	J. E. Driver Lenoir	2	48									47	no	1	1		
Fishing Creek	C.	1822	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	1	146	3				1					no	1	1		
Gordon	V.	1919	I. C. Woodruff, Hays.	1 & 3	75	9	4								yes	1	1		
Goshen	C.	1916	L. B. Murray, State Road.	2	95	6		5						97	no	1	1	3	
Harmony	C.	1900	F. C. Watts, Purlear.	1	144	8		3						153	yes	1	1		
Hinshaw Street	T.	1927	D. C. Clanton, Hamptonville.	4	62	5	3							69	no	2	1		
Lewis Fork	C.	1792	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock	1	185	15	4	2	2					200	no	1	1		
Little Rock	C.	1866	S. I. Watts, Boomer	3	118	7	2	1	3					119	no	1	1	1	
Moravian Falls	V.	1888	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1	115	1	4		1					117	no	2	1		
Mount Carmel	C.	1880	A. J. Foster, Boomer	1	81									81	no	1	1		
Mount Pleasant	C.	1875	L. B. Murray, State Road	2	286	19	2		1					301	no	2	1		
Mount Zion	C.	1830	E. C. Hodges, Boone	1	144	6	1		5					146	no	1	1		
New Hope	C.	1830	F. C. Watts, Purlear	4	251	3			4					250	no	1	1		
1st N. Wilkesboro	T.	1892	Geo. G. Reeves, N. Wilkesboro.	Twice	620	7	19	2	10					610	yes	1	4	12	
2d N. Wilkesboro	T.	1907	D. C. Clanton, Hamptonville.	2 & 4	105				5					108	yes	2	1		
Oak Grove	C.	1906	A. T. Pardue, Roaring River	1	55									50					
Oakwoods	C.	1917	D. C. Thompson, New Hope	1	91	4	3							95	no	2	1		
Pleasant Grove	C.	1885	L. C. Woodruff, Hays.	1	220	3			5					222	yes	1	2		
Pleasant Home	C.	1880	F. C. Watts, Purlear	3	169	14	3							185	no	1	1		
Pilgrim	C.	1888	J. H. Wilcox, Summit	3	105	12	1	4						125	no	1	1		
Stony Hill	C.	1888	J. H. Wilcox, Summit	3	79									80					
Shady Grove	C.	1880	A. J. Foster, Boomer	2	30														
Walnut Grove	C.	1840	C. C. Holland, Stony Point	4 & 3	240	21	7	4						248	no	1	1	1	
Wilkesboro	T.	1880	C. C. Teague, Wilkesboro	1 & 3	223	10	10	11	1					229	yes	1	1	15	
Zion Hill	C.	1814	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	2	181	21	2	2						199	yes	2	1	3	
Total					4185	194	80	1	6	53	5	13	37	4063					83

TABLE III—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1930.

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	yes	1890	wood	200	1	1		200		\$ 275		
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	yes	1864	wood	200	1	1		1000		1000		
Edgewood	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro	yes	1893	wood	700	2	1		2100		2100		
Elk	Ruth Proffit, Denny	yes	1926	wood	400	1	1		2000		2000		
Fishing Creek	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro	yes	1928	wood	600	1	1		4000		4000		
Gordon	H. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1921	wood	400	3	3		5000		5000		
Goshen	C. E. Church, Goshen	yes	1916	wood	500	1	1		1500		1500		
Harmony	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro	yes	1900	wood	500	1	1		3000		3000		
Hinshaw Street	A. E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1927	wood	350	5	5		3000		3000	\$ 500	\$ 1500
Lewis Fork	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch	yes	1909	wood	400	1	1		2500		2500		
Little Rock	W. M. Lacky, Boomer	yes	1904	wood	500	5	5		4000		4000	160	
Moravian Falls	B. M. Fardue, Moravian Falls	yes	1888	wood	300	2	2		2500		2500		
Mount Carmel	Miss Jamie McNeil, Boomer	yes	1886	wood	500	1	1		3000		3000		
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear	yes	1909	wood	500	1	1		3000		3000		
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Mt. Zion	yes	1925	wood	500	1	1		2000		2000		
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purlear	yes	1895	wood	400	1	1		1500		1500		
1st N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1910	brick	600	15	3	7	60000	\$10000	70000	3000	50000
2d N. Wilkesboro	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1902	wood	200	1	1		1000		1000		
Oak Grove													
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro	yes	1917	wood	500	1	1		1000		1000		
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	yes	1903	wood	400	1	1		1000		1000		
Pleasant Home	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro	yes	1903	wood	500	1	1		2000		2000		
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	yes	1859	wood	500	1	1		1800		1800		
Stony Hill	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville	yes	1922	wood	500	1	1		500		500		
Shady Grove	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro	yes	1881	wood	200	1	1		500		500		
Walnut Grove	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob	yes	1930	brick	700	5	5		4000		4000		
Wilkesboro	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro	yes	1902	brick	400	4	3		7000	4500	11500		
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer	yes	1912	wood	500	1	1		2000		2000		
Total		.....	.....	.....	11950	60	7	20	\$121100	\$14500	\$150975	\$3660	\$51500

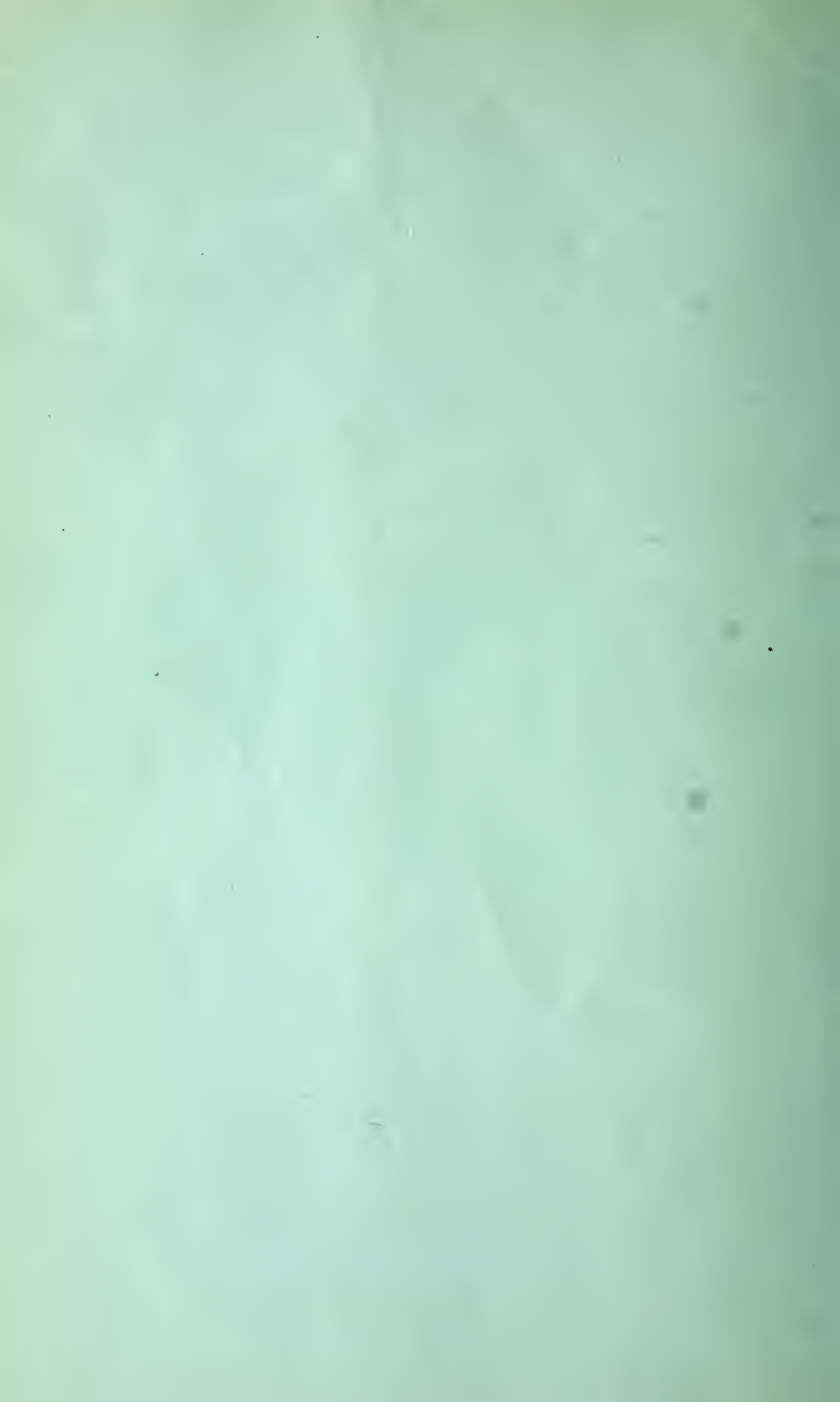
TABLE IV—Gifts For Local Church Work of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1930.

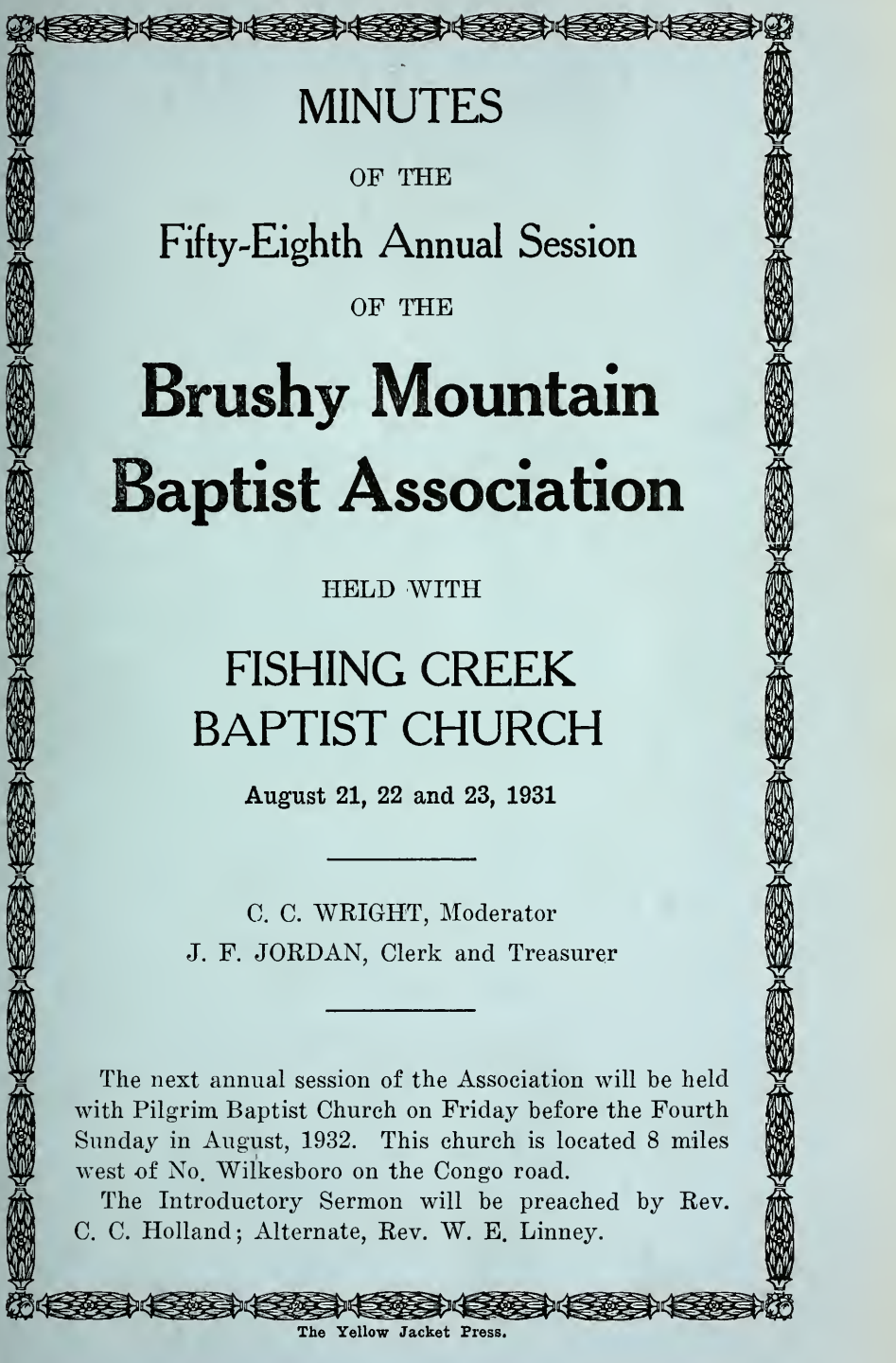
CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U., W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Total for Local Church Work given by W. M. U.	Total for Local Church Work given by S. S.	Total for Local Church Work by Church and all Organizations
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	66.50		35.80		40.00	10.00		1.00				120.05
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	71.62	25.00						1.00				104.62
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro	125.00	20.00	60.00	60.00				1.20				216.00
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	48.57		155.00	155.00	5.00	15.98		2.50				227.05
Fishing Creek	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro	140.00		85.00	645.00	17.00	23.00		2.00				913.00
Gordon	E. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro	110.20	25.00	23.00		31.40		16.05	1.00		30.00		297.45
Goshen	Mrs. R. L. Proffit, Goshen	150.00		25.00		5.00	8.00		1.00				189.00
Harmony	Mrs. Kirby, Wilkesboro	150.00	22.27				22.40			22.27			194.67
Hinshaw Street	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro	59.00		17.00	280.00				.60				356.50
Lewis Fork	G. C. Hamby, Ready Branch	60.00		24.00			12.00		2.00				98.00
Little Rock	L. L. Carlton, Boomer	150.00		25.00	800.00		20.00	25.00	2.00				1172.00
Moravian Falls	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	284.73	3.58			39.00	41.47		1.00				379.78
Mount Carnel	Miss Jamie McNeil, Boomer	50.00		5.00									55.00
Mount Pleasant	J. F. Walsh, Purlear	270.65		109.01	3.19	46.00	45.60		1.00				475.45
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	106.15		17.00	100.15	5.00	11.00	5.00	1.00		14.46		245.00
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purlear	100.00		40.00	100.00		60.00		.55				300.00
1st N. Wilkesboro	J. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	3120.00		874.23	1169.78	731.39	555.40	200.00	5.00		580.40		6675.80
2d N. Wilkesboro	J. Hn Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	25.00		10.00			5.35		.60		17.35		47.35
Oak Grove	Carey Pardue, Roaring River												
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro												
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	60.00	9.00	10.00	50.00	2.00	4.00	2.00	1.00				138.00
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	167.00			405.76	10.00	17.35	5.00	1.00				610.10
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	114.06											148.12
Stony Hill	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville	40.00											134.87
Shady Grove	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro	36.00											36.00
Walnut Grove	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob	171.65		45.00	2734.80			10.00	1.00				2951.45
Wilkesboro	A. C. Dennis, N. Wilkesboro	1050.00		135.00	218.99	121.42			2.00		7.50	138.19	1700.61
Zion Hill	A. F. Greer, Boomer	331.29		131.00	23.75			18.35	2.00				549.67
Total		7057.42	104.85	1671.04	6746.42	1053.21	804.83	281.40	29.70	22.27	37.50	750.40	18335.64

TABLE V—Gifts for Missions, Education and All Benevolences, Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1930.

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Old Ministers' Relief	Other Special Gifts	Total for Co-operative Program & all Specials	Given by W. M. U.	Given by S. S.	Total all Missions, Education & Benevolence	Grand Total All Gifts for All Purposes by Churches & all Depts.
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer							6.76								126.81
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro							13.00				22.50				127.12
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro	10.00				16.50										216.20
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny															227.05
Fishing Creek	Miss Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro															938.00
Gordon	H. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro		2.00					35.65		5.00		25.00			6.30	350.70
Goshen	Mrs. R. L. Profit, Goshen							5.00	3.00			53.25	1.40			222.00
Harmony	Mrs. J. A. Kirby, N. Wilkesboro							20.00				13.00				26.42
Hinshaw Street	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro				6.42			9.24								9.24
Lewis Fork	G. C. Hamby, Ready Branch															98.00
Little Rock	L. L. Carlton, Boomer							15.50								377.00
Moravian Falls	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls							26.00								26.00
Mount Carmel	Miss Jamie McNeil, Boomer															105.00
Mount Pleasant	J. F. Walsh, Purllear			25.00				39.50	5.00						69.50	544.95
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix							14.46	3.70							266.46
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purllear							50.00								350.55
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro	1361.47										700.00	458.64		2182.79	8858.59
2d N. Wilkesboro	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro															42.35
Oak Grove	Carey Pardue, Roaring River															
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro															
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck							51.50								141.08
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek			5.00	9.00	5.00		3.00		2.00		78.50		6.12	4.10	679.60
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo															142.31
Stony Hill	G. W. Walsh, Parsonville															282.65
Shady Grove	Burman Jarvis, Wilkesboro							44.00								
Walnut Grove	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob	11.75						119.91								
Wilkesboro	A. C. Dennis, N. Wilkesboro	27.76		5.00	13.00		25.00	29.08								
Zion Hill	A. F. Greer, Boomer								3.81							
Total		1310.98	2.00	10.00	53.42	49.88	25.00	482.60	18.59	7.00	13.75	588.95	777.91	535.38	2527.46	16862.52

The minute funds being inadequate, it was necessary to leave out Tables VI and VII. Only four churches reported work done by the Young People's Union and the Woman's Missionary Union. The churches reporting were Gordon, Pilgrim, North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro. The reports show that those churches are doing a great work among the young people, and that the Woman's Missionary Union is making great progress. It is to be hoped that every church in the Association will take up this work during the ensuing year.





MINUTES
OF THE
Fifty-Eighth Annual Session
OF THE
**Brushy Mountain
Baptist Association**

HELD WITH
**FISHING CREEK
BAPTIST CHURCH**

August 21, 22 and 23, 1931

C. C. WRIGHT, Moderator
J. F. JORDAN, Clerk and Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Pilgrim Baptist Church on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1932. This church is located 8 miles west of No. Wilkesboro on the Congo road.

The Introductory Sermon will be preached by Rev. C. C. Holland; Alternate, Rev. W. E. Linney.

DIRECTORY FOR 1931 AND 1932

C. C. Wright, Moderator, Hunting Creek, N. C.
J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

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T. V. Church, Buck, N. C.
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J. H. Wilcox, Summit, N. C.
C. C. Holland, Stony Point, N. C.
J. A. Duren, Meigs, Ga.
A. E. Watts, Taylorsville, N. C.
L. B. Murray, State Road, N. C.

Pastors Retired from Active Service

W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

C. C. Wright, J. F. Jordan, George G. Reeves, U. G. Foster,
W. C. Meadows and R. L. Proffit.

DELEGATES TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

George G. Reeves.

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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

To the Fifty-Eighth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association

- Beaver Creek—Zachery Ferguson, Charlie Walsh, G. H. Walker, Fred Walsh and Vilas Walsh,
- Cub Creek—J. B. Hall, J. L. Hemphill and J. M. Lankford.
- Edgewood—J. W. Moore, Clifford Moore and L. R. Miller.
- Elk—W. A. Proffit, F. W. McNeill and Mattie McNeill.
- Fishing Creek—G. W. Miller, H. M. Anderson and W. M. Mastin.
- Gordon—W. P. Carson, R. E. Pearson and H. S. Canter.
- Goshen—R. L. Proffit, D. F. Barlow and H. A. Carlton.
- Harmony—C. J. Jones, W. B. McNeill and Jake Mahaffey.
- Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, Turner Wheeling, Clarence Hayes, S. A. Jones, Fletcher Hayes and A. E. Chambers.
- Lewis Fork—C. H. Jones, C. C. Bishop and W. D. Foster.
- Liberty Grove—W. R. Pardue, R. L. Chureh and J. F. Pardue.
- Little Rock—
- Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, Lawrence Critcher and R. A. Greer.
- Mount Carmel—Miss Janie McNeill, Ernest Pearson and John Pearson.
- Mount Pleasant—A. M. McGee, U. G. Foster and H. I. Shoemaker.
- Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, B. L. Wooten and D. M. Triplett.
- New Hope—J. E. Vannoy, N. C. Church, A. S. Eller, C. C. Hayes and R. D. Nichols.
- First North Wilkesboro—J. I. Myers, Bill Dancey and W. R. Sturdivant.
- Second North Wilkesboro—John Anderson, E. A. Rhenels, T. S. Hall and George Stone.
- Oak Grove—
- Oakwoods—W. A. Ellis, I. P. Anderson and W. L. Stroud.
- Pleasant Grove—Melvin Bumgarner, W. E. Parsons and Elisha Parsons.
- Pleasant Home—John Johnson, J. C. Whittigton, W. V. Caudill and Tom Snyder.
- Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, W. M. Eller and Percy Foster.
- Stony Hill—G. W. Walsh, J. B. Baker and Zollie Parsons.
- Shady Grove—
- Walnut Grove—P. R. Lowe, W. A. Jennings and Mrs. Floyd Jennings.
- Wilkesboro—R. L. Welborn, Mrs. George Johnson and L. Bumgarner.
- Zion Hill—J. E. German, G. M. Earp and Dodson Watts.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

- Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Messengers of Fishing Creek Church.
- Digest of Church Letters—J. F. Jordan, R. L. Welborn and R. L. Proffit.
- Temperance and Law Enforcement—B. T. Henderson, W. K. Sturdivant and I. S. Baity.
- Religious Literature—G. H. Walker, B. M. Pardue and U. G. Foster.
- Mills Home—A. S. Eller, R. L. Church and G. W. Miller.
- State Missions—J. F. Jordan, R. L. Wooten and Frank Lankford.
- Home Missions—W. C. Meadows and W. O. Barnett.
- Foreign Missions—J. F. Jordan, G. H. Walker and Mrs. Floyd Jennings.
- Ministerial Relief—R. L. Proffit, A. E. Chambers and J. L. Hemphill.
- Education—A. J. Foster, J. S. Elliott and N. C. Church.
- Evangelism and Enlistment—W. M. Mastin, C. J. Jones and A. T. Pardue.
- State of the Churches—Rev. George G. Reeves, John Anderson and John Moore.
- Sunday School—Rev. Edgar German, John Pearson and L. M. Bumgarner.
- Co-operative Program—Rev. A. J. Foster, I. C. Woodruff and Rev. A. E. Watts.
- B. Y. P. U.—T. E. Story, Edgar German and John Pearson.
- An Every Member Canvass—W. A. Proffit, A. S. Eller and W. M. Ellis.
- W. M. U.—Miss Valerie Bell Nichols, Mrs. R. L. Welborn, Miss Pearl Jarvis.
- Historian—G. W. Miller, H. M. Anderson and R. L. Miller.
- Hospitals—Rev. J. W. Watts, R. L. Proffit and J. B. Baker.
- Obituaries—J. F. Jordan and Zachery Ferguson.
- Resolutions—Rev. A. C. Meadows, A. J. Foster and J. F. Jordan.
- Time, Place and Preacher—George Miler, Mrs. Floyd Jennings and R. L. Wooten.

PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-eighth session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met with Fishing Creek Baptist Church Friday, August 21, 1931, at 10:45, A. M.

After the choir met and sung a song the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. A. E. Watts. Rev. Watts sermon was able, timely and practical. A recess of one hour was then taken for dinner and recreation, after which the messengers reassembled in the house and were called to order by C. C. Wright, the Moderator of last year, for the transaction of business.

Officers were then elected to serve for the present session as follows: C. C. Wright, of Hunting Creek, was re-elected Moderator, and J. F. Jordan, of Wilkesboro, was elected Clerk and Treasurer.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body, viz: Dr. M. L. Kesler, of Thomasville, representing the Mills Home, Rev. R. L. Church, of Knottsville, Rev. G. W. Seabain, of North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Liberty Grove Baptist Church a member of the Stone Mountain Association brought a letter from the Association asking to be admitted. The Moderator appointed G. G. Reeves, A. J. Foster and Avery Church to report on the application. They reported the church orthodox and recommended its admission as they found evidence of its agreeing in faith and practice with the principles of the Word of God as understood by this body. The request was granted and the messengers were cordially welcomed by the Moderator.

The report on Temperance and Law Enforcement was read by Mr. B. T. Henderson.

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Your committee on the above query believes in a form of Temperance applicable to all phases of physical life and in the strict and rigid enforcement of all laws as long as they remain on the statute books. We believe that Temperance is the law of God and should be enforced and obeyed as strictly as statutory laws, which is the law of man. We believe Temperance covers the code of laws handed down to man by the Supreme Law Giver, and the Christian Church is the medium through which this code of laws is to be enforced. Thus, a complete separation of church and state—the Christian Church enforcing the laws of God, and the courts enforcing the laws of man. This committee further believes that the term Temperance should be universally applied to all evils confronting mankind, and that no one evil such as indulgence in intoxicating liquors, should be outlawed to the neglect of other attending evils. We do not mean by this that our National and State Governments should let up in the enforcement of the prohibition laws, but that they should be more zealous in their attempt to enforce same. We do mean that it is incumbent upon the Christian Church to teach a Temperance which condemns over indulgence of any character, and just as truly

should the state outlaw any form of evil. We believe that all general laws are enforced today as thoroughly as ever, when we take into consideration the facts of an ever-increasing population, living in an ever changing age. Your committee recommends the teaching of law observance as a panacea for the evils attending law enforcement. In other words, if we teach our people to observe the laws of their state, then law enforcement will be made easy, and we will save millions of dollars in taxes which are used now to carry on our congested law enforcement machinery. We recommend speedy trial as the greatest deterrent to those who are prone to violate the law. In our own county we see an urgent need of a general county court which will relieve our congested court dockets, and save the tax payers thousands of dollars in jail fees, witness fees and other court expenses. Such a court would try criminals immediately after the commission of crime while evidence is obtainable, and in this way would relieve the burden of housing and caring for said criminals for months, awaiting trial and would relieve witnesses of the arduous strain of attendance upon criminal courts for weeks at a time.

In conclusion, our committee commends to the Christian Church that it live and teach a Temperance which is universal in its scope and character, and teach its constituents to observe the law of the State and Nation. Then law enforcement will no longer be the most expensive item in our tax rate, and the dual problem of Church and State will be solved.

Respectfully submitted,

B. T. HENDERSON,

W. K. STURDIVANT,

I. S. BAITY, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by B. T. Henderson and L. Bumgarner and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

Mr. A. S. Eller read the report on

MILLS HOME

Our orphanage work is one of the most important objects that claims our attention; because we take up poor and deserving children—children who have lost their father. The support of the home is left in the care of their mother, many of whom are not able to properly care for them. Without our assistance they would be a menace to the country and ruin to themselves.

At the Mills Home and Kennedy Home they receive everything necessary for their welfare, food clothes, medical and dental attention. They are educated and given religious instruction as well as training in useful employment. They are taught to respect and obey authority. Very few leave the institution without being led to Christ. They go out into the world well prepared for life and they make good in every line of industry in which they engage.

Our Mothers' Aid department is doing a fine work in keeping many children in the homes with their mothers—the best place on earth for those who are blessed with good mothers.

In view of the great work we are doing in this line, it is the imperative duty of every member of our churches to give liberally of their means to support these children.

When you do so you obey the words of Jesus who said "Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me," and will in the Judgment hear the welcome applaudit, "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." But to leave it undone is to invite upon yourself the denunciation, "Depart from me, for I never knew you." This is a strong statement; but it is the words of Jesus, who also said, "By their fruits ye shall know them." He also said, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments."

Every Sunday School ought to give a once a month offering to the Orphanage, and every church should give a liberal part of their offerings to the Orphanage work and be sure to make a good Thanksgiving offering, everyone giving the worth of one day's work, whatever your occupation may be.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. ELLER,

R. L. CHURCH,

G. W. MILLER, Committee.

Pending the adoption the report was ably discussed by Mr. Eller and Rev. M. L. Kesler, of Thomasville, and adopted and the committee discharged.

Mr. U. G. Foster read the report on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Our people need good literature in their homes at all times to be read by the family and the best is always the cheapest.

We must admit that the Holy Bible, the word of God is the Book of books. It is read too little by the parents and much less by the children because of the influence from the parents.

Really it is a shame how little the word of God is read in the homes of the people. But the reading is not all, it is obeyed so poorly. No wonder our children are wandering off so far from the old landmark. Let us all urge more reading of its beautiful pages and live up to its teaching, and then our homes will be so much sweeter and pleasant.

The future welfare of our people depends on the Christian culture of the homes of this generation. People are largely influenced by what they read. So let us lay a good example before our children and neighbors by giving them the very best literature. So we recommend that we add to our library weekly such as our denominational papers—The Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children. The Sunday School ought not to be without the Charity and Children. Also the Sunday School Builder and the Teacher to aid us in the Sunday School work. Again the denominational papers are valuable in the spiritual life which must have food. Just like physical and mental systems without the proper food our bodies will weaken and die, so without great thoughts on which to dwell the mental powers will rapidly decline. And

without spiritual food the soul will dwindle and dry up. So brethren keep worthless and trashy literature away from your homes.

U. G. FOSTER, for Committee.

The report was ably discussed by a number of the brethren and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on devotional exercises reported to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M. Brother G. G. Reeves to conduct devotional exercises. On motion adjournment to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY, MORNING SESSION

August 22, 1931, 9:30, A. M.

The Association met as per adjournment.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. G. G. Reeves, 12th Chapter of First Samuel, read as lesson. At the conclusion of the devotional the Moderator declared the Association ready for business.

Rev. Perry Morgan presented the report on

AN EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

The report was ably and interestingly discussed by a number of brethren and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on

STATE MISSIONS

was presented and read as follows:

Suggested Report on State Missions

From the very beginning of the organized life of North Carolina Baptists, State Missions have held a large place in the thinking and planning of our people. One of the primary objects in the minds of our fathers in the organization of the Convention as stated in the first article of the Constitution, adopted at Greenville in 1830 was "the employment of missionaries within the limits of this state." This has been the consistent and aggressive policy of the Baptist State Convention for more than a hundred years. The truth is, the wise and aggressive policy of State Missions, humanly speaking, has made the denomination what it is in members and power in North Carolina today. Napoleon said: "Conquest has made me what I am, and conquest will sustain me." That is certainly true of State Missions, and the growth and enlargement of the Baptist churches in North Carolina demonstrate the truth of it. Literally hundreds of our strong churches are trophies of State Missions.

Great and far-reaching changes have taken place in North Carolina within recent years. Three recent developments especially have thrust upon our

country and village churches acute and critical problems,—the coming of good roads, the automobile, and the consolidation and growth of the rural grammar and high schools. We believe these three developments are going to be the very acid test in the life or death struggle of many of our smaller rural churches. In the days of bad roads and lack of communication, there was some necessity for a Baptist church every three miles. But that necessity no longer exists. Many of those weak, struggling churches are doomed to die. Many more of them are going to be compelled to consolidate with others in the same territory. There must be better equipment and better support for the ministry.

The great agency in this new and untried situation, for a sane and progressive program of work and development, ought to be our General Board of the Baptist State Convention.

J. F. JORDAN,
R. L. WOOTEN,
FRANK LANKFORD.

The report was ably discussed by J. F. Jordan and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The next report on the program was

FOREIGN MISSIONS

We are grateful to God for His manifest blessings upon the work Southern Baptists are carrying on in the Regions eBeyond.

Secretary T. B. Ray, Miss Kathleen Mallory, Dr. George W. Truett and others made a very successful trip last summer through South America. One of the most outstanding evangelistic tours ever known was made by Dr. Truett through Brazil, Argentina and Chile. As a result of his ministry, multitudes confessed Christ as Saviour.

The Foreign Mission Board reports the largest number of baptisms it has ever been able to report in any one year, 14,415. Roumania again leads in the number of baptisms, 5,500. Italy reports a larger number of baptisms than in any previous year, 396. Gracious revivals were reported in the Shan-tung Province in North China, in Canton, Shanghai, Soochow, Lagos in West Africa, and numerous other places.

The mission schools have been crowded with students and large numbers were turned away. In spite of the closing of two hospitals, the others had a record year in treating the ill and stricken people. The nine hospitals treated 73,784 patients compared to the 85,431 patients treated in our 24 hospitals here in the Southland, most of the treatments being on the charity basis. The five publishing houses on foreign fields could not meet the demands for literature.

The present personnel of our mission workers consists of 425 foreign missionaries, of which 79 are at home on furlough, and 2,052 native missionaries who are operating in fourteen different countries. Fifty-eight missionaries have returned to the field during the year. Sixteen have retired and six died.

The debt of the Foreign Mission Board January 1, 1928, was \$1,145,000. On January 1, 1931, it was \$945,366, a net reduction of \$200,000. The reduction

would have been far greater but for the slump in receipts of \$265,000 in 1929. When it became apparent that there would be a serious loss in the receipts for 1930, the Board curtailed its expenditures \$51,000 from the amount appropriated for the year. In making the appropriations for 1931 the Board reduced the appropriations \$280,000 below the amount appropriated in 1930, a reduction of 20 per cent. The Board suspended temporarily the payment of 10 per cent. of Program receipts upon the debt.

We feel constrained to call attention to another debt. We spend so much time worrying over the bank indebtedness of the Board that we overlook this other debt which presses persistently for payment every day. This is the debt to be paid before all others. Perhaps the reason why we are having so much trouble paying the debt in the banks is because we have defaulted so sadly in paying this preferred debt. The surest guarantee of payment of our bank indebtedness would be the payment of this primary debt.

This is the debt to the nations which Paul confesses in the First Chapter of Romans when he says:

"I am debtor both to Greeks and to Barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you also that are in Rome. For I am not ashamed of the gospel; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

If Southern Baptists will pay fully this debt to the nations, the banks will be paid overnight, and the cause of Christ in all the world will be set forward without delay.

The Lottie Moon Offering, taken during December by our women enabled the Foreign Mission Board to pay the salaries of one hundred missionaries and to provide for other desperately needed things. This timely help from the women kept the work of the Foreign Mission Board from crushing disaster in a number of its fields.

It has been four years since any serious attempt at reinforcement of missionaries has been made. In the meantime there has been a total net loss of 121 foreign missionaries and 704 native missionaries, placing a double strain on the missionaries that remain. After subtracting 104 volunteers who have passed the age limit, there are still 125 on the waiting list of volunteers who are eager to go to the foreign field as soon as Southern Baptists are willing to send them.

In the closing paragraphs of the Foreign Mission Board's report, the Board asked the Convention for specific action as to the policy to be pursued by the Board. We quote the Board's statement:

"If \$1,250,000.00 could be given us during the next twelve months, we think we can hold the work as it is now organized, meet our budget and make a substantial payment on our debt.

In this meeting next October, the meeting in which the Board will make appropriations for 1932, unless its income is materially increased, the Board will have to consider the possibility of either abandoning some of its fields, recalling some of its missionaries or reducing the salaries of the missionaries, or otherwise severely contracting the work. If Southern Baptists have permanently lowered their gifts to this cause, our foreign mission program, of course, must be contracted.

The Board wishes to say with all earnestness that the Southern Baptist Convention has launched a foreign mission program which cannot be supported on the present scale of contributions from Southern Baptists. Unless the receipt of the Board are materially increased for next year, an increase in the debt is inescapable."

The Convention passed a series of resolutions dealing with the control of the budgets of the Convention Boards and Institutions, in which it made the following special proviso in reference to the Foreign Mission Board:

"Provided, however, that the Convention grants to the Foreign Mission Board, on account of the peculiar needs and nature of its work, a maximum line of credit for the year 1932, of \$1,150,000, beyond which it may not go."

This sets the maximum limit to which the Foreign Mission Board may go, but the Board cannot approach that limit unless the friends of Foreign Missions rally heroically to its support.

It now rests with the local churches and every friend of Foreign Missions to save this work which is in peril. The Convention can only pass resolutions, but with the churches and individuals rests the present and future of this work of Christ. We pray you will not let the Lord's work fail.

J. F. JORDAN,
G. H. WALKER,
MRS. FLOYD JENNINGS.

The report was ably discussed by Rev. George G. Reeves and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on,

HOME MISSIONS

Home Missions Defined

Home Missions is the effort of all that group of missionary and evangelistic tasks which either because of their nature or their size and difficulty can best be handled by a Southwide denominational agency. The object in operation should always be and is to conserve whatever is being done by any other agency working in the same field by a careful coordination of the work of all with the purpose of evangelizing the whole Southland. It differs from Foreign Missions only in the conditions under which the work is done, not at all in the message and very little in the method.

Home Mission Operation

The Home Mission Board through which the Southern Baptist Convention is doing its Home Mission work, has worked itself out of a very precarious financial condition and now stands on solid ground. Some workers have been dropped but the real mission work of the Board has been continued. This has been done, in the face of decreasing receipts, in two ways: (1) by giving to the missionaries more territory; and (2) by reducing the appropriations to institutions. The Board is interpreting "Missions" to mean primarily the "making and baptizing of disciples" and is therefore majoring on

preaching the Gospel to Foreigners, the Indians, the Negroes in the congested centers of our Homeland, and in Cuba and Panama.

The Budget of Work

Following the instruction of the Southern Baptist Convention the Board is living within its income and paying its debts. Last year, in spite of decreased receipts, the Board by combining departments and practicing the most heroic economy paid \$141,000 on the principal of its indebtedness and carried on its mission work. Not one single mission field has been abandoned.

The budget for next year at the annual meeting of the Board, June 3rd, was laid out according to the instruction of the Convention, on the basis of the cash receipts of the year before. The receipts were \$413,283.96. This was \$26,510.80 less than the Board received the year before. The Board was, therefore, forced to the painful necessity of cutting \$26,500 off of its budget of operations. This reduction was made by economizing in overhead expense and in reducing the appropriation to institutions. Only a very small percentage of reduction was made in the Mission work. Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars was set aside for payment of interest and principal on indebtedness. The Board has definitely decided to retire its indebtedness as rapidly as possible.

During the past year the Board has had 252 missionaries and helpers who have given 3,162 weeks of labor, conducted 3,563 religious services, preached 9,373 sermons, held 5,857 prayer meetings, made 51,356 religious visits, received by profession and baptism 3,562 people, added to the churches 3,015 members and distributed 634,514 pages of tracts.

Future Policy

In its report to the Southern Baptist Convention the Home Mission Board announced some general principles by which it would be governed in its future operation. These principles as announced by the Board and accepted by the Convention are as follows:

1. It shall be the policy of the Board to practice every possible economy, watching carefully every item in the operating expense and in the mission work so as to secure 100 cents worth of service out of every dollar expended.
2. It shall be the policy of the Board to give itself primarily to strictly mission work—the making and baptizing of disciples. The Home Mission Board is a mission board and has only one reason for its existence, namely, mission work in the Homeland, Cuba and Panama.
3. It shall be the policy of the Board to work in the closest cooperation with all the State and Southwide organizations.
4. It shall be the policy of the Board to stand absolutely for the Program adopted by the Convention, and to give at all times its undivided support to that Program.
5. It shall be the policy of the Board to pursue a wide-open policy and to have no secrets about the handling of any of its funds or the administration of any of its affairs.
6. It shall be the policy of the Board to live within its income. The Board regrets the necessity which requires a reduction of its work, but it is

definitely of the conviction that it should not attempt to do more work than can be done by the money received.

7. It shall be the policy of the Board to keep intact and to faithfully administer every trust fund committed to its care. All trust funds, annuities and bequests shall be sacredly guarded.

8. It shall be the policy of the Board to adopt a definitely defined debt-paying program. The debt-paying program which the Board has adopted will, if continued, retire the entire indebtedness of the Board in approximately ten years.

9. It shall be the policy of the Board to dispose of all property not being used for mission and church purposes and apply the proceeds on the debt.

10. It shall be the policy of the Board to pay its debts and to stay out of debt.

11. It shall be the policy of the Board to turn over to the local congregations the church property now owned by the Board just as soon as the congregation is strong enough to maintain the property. The Board will retain a gift contract covering the equity it has in the property.

12. It shall be the policy of the Board to make surveys of mission tasks in order that the Board may be assured in the work it is doing and appraised of work that it might do so that it will be able to judge as to the fields of greatest need.

13. It shall be the policy of the Board to get out to the churches adequate and accurate information about Home Mission work.

14. It shall be the policy of the Board to take the churches into its confidence and to seek their counsel and help on all the work to be done.

What of the Future?

The Home Mission Board provides an agency through which Southern Baptists can bring the impact of the whole denomination to bear upon any mission problem anywhere in Southern Baptist territory. With the cooperation of the State Board, Southern Baptists through the Home Mission Board will be able to evangelize the Southland, preach the Gospel to the foreigners who are in our midst, help the Negroes to come into their own as a Baptist people, build denominational moral, and revitalize our spiritual interest throughout the whole Southern Baptist territory. The prospects for the future for Home Missions are as bright as the promises of God and the faith of His people.

SATURDAY, AFTERNOON SESSION

August 22nd.

Reassembled at 1:15 P. M.

The report was then called for on,

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The report was ably discussed by W. M. Mastin and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report was read on the

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAMME

The report was ably discussed by Rev. A. J. Foster and others and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report on

EVANGELISM AND ENLISTMENT

The report was ably discussed by W. W. Mastin and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The next report was read on

HOSPITALS

Our record of Christian ministry for the healing of our Baptist people is before you. We have received them all in the spirit of the Great Physician and done our best for them. We want to continue in this large way to save life and heal the diseased. We therefore plead for your co-operation in a greater material way that no one shall be turned away to die uncared for.

The wonderful blessing and favor of our Lord in this work should be our greatest incentive to make every sacrifice that the work may go on to even greater proportions.

We plead with our Sunday Schools for a greater Mother's Day offering. Eighteen hundred of our Sunday Schools have never given us a cent for this great work. It would be a great source of revenue they would provide if they would join hands in this great business of healing.

The hospital needs now several thousand dollars in order to carry on its work. Without more money it can never give the service the thousands of North Carolina Baptist need. They are sick and helpless unless we come to their aid. The North Carolina Baptist are able to raise the amount needed and should do that during the ensuing year.

Our Baptist people of means can leave a perpetual stream of love and service for humanity by remembering the hospital in their wills.

Our North Carolina hospital at Winston-Salem is of greatest interest to us because of its proximity.

The great need of the hospital at this time is three-fold: First, prayer for superintendent, nurses, doctors and patients. Second, more patronage by those who can pay. The advantages offered are the best and the home-like Christian spirit is unsurpassed in the state. Third, an enlarged Mother's Day offering in May by every Sunday School and church in the State.

We, your committee, urge the churches of our association to come to the relief of our hospital as soon as possible.

REV. J. W. WATTS,
R. L. PROFFIT,
J. B. BAKER, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Rev. G. G. Reeves, after which it was adopted and the committee was discharged.

The report on,

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In this enlightened age an education is almost indispensable in every vocation of life, and especially in the field of Christian leadership. Our denominational schools have done great and lasting good in educating and training many young men and women to go out into the many fields of Christian labor and spread the gospel of salvation.

The apostle Paul was a man of liberal education and thereby was all the more fitted to be "a chosen vessel" in God's hands to be a great missionary and become the greatest of all the apostles.

Owing to the financial depression our mountain Baptist schools have not been at their best during the last year, but notwithstanding this handicap, our schools have done much in the kingdoms work.

It was Solomon who said, "Get wisdom, and with all thy getting get understanding," and our Christian schools are potent factors in carrying out this injunction, and we should encourage and commend them in every way possible.

Paul said to Timothy, "Study to show thyself approval unto God," and this applies to the students of our schools as well as to all ministers of the Gospel.

Let us hope, and work, and pray, that beyond this cloud of financial depression there may be a silver lining when our schools, our churches, and our missionaries can be at their best.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. FOSTER,

The report was ably discussed by Rev. A. J. Foster and others, after which it was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report was then called for on,

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

To the General Association, Greeting:

At no time in the history of our Christian endeavor has it been more important that every follower of His catch a new vision of our mission as world evangelists and work together more earnestly and unitedly to bring to pass Christ's Kingdom in the hearts of men and women everywhere. That is just what these women who have allied themselves with the Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention are busying themselves to help do. "Laborers together with God" we would hold up the hands of our pastors, pray for and try to win the lost of our communities, and spread the Gospel Message to the uttermost parts of the world by paying the salaries of preachers, nurses and missionaries.

Our Associational meeting was held at the Wilkesboro Church on July 15. Miss Alva Lawrence, State young peoples' leader was with us. Twelve societies had delegates. The radiant urge of the theme of the meeting, "That the world may know", a prayer of the Redeemer, was burned into every

heart. The invitation to meet with Harmony in 1932 was accepted. As Christian women and young people of the association we pledged ourselves to pray more diligently, give more freely, study more faithfully, train more constructively and serve more lovingly at home and afar.

We would like to ask that the pastors look into the purpose and work of the Y. M. U. and determine for themselves if such an organization could accomplish in their churches the ends for which the church itself exists.

VALERIA BELLE NICHOLS, Asso. Sup^t. of W. M. U.,
MRS. R. L. WELBORN,
MISS PEARL JARVIS,

Committee on W. M. U.

After which an interesting discussion was given by Mrs. R. L. Welborn, Mrs. A. C. Dennis and others. Report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on,

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Arthur Flake, one of the greatest Sunday School workers in the Southern Baptist Convention says, "The Sunday Schools in Baptist Churches today live and move and have their being in the churches. They are in the churches, of the churches, and for the churches. This has not always been the case. In the beginning the Sunday School was a separate, independent body without any connection whatever with the churches. The churches were slow to see the need for Sunday Schools, and for a long time hesitated to give them a place among the regular church activities. The Sunday School had to make a long, laborious and tiresome climb in order to secure its place as a church activity, and even now, in many churches, it is merely tolerated, and only in a few is it properly evaluated and allowed to function to its fullest capacity.

These conditions exist because the leaders do not have a correct understanding of the true functions of the Sunday School. Its place and work in the churches and its power and usefulness have not been understood and appreciated. Many have sought to define and set out the nature of the work of the Sunday School in a sentence. The place and power of the Sunday School are too great and its activities too varied and wide in their scope for this to be done successfully. These efforts have given rise to many false impressions concerning what the Sunday School is and what it should do, and in an endeavor to limit the Sunday School to these definitions, its work has been greatly hindered."

Sunday Schools in Baptist churches are the agencies of the church which created it and of which it is a part.

Efficient churches are built by great Sunday Schools. Great and efficient churches are not built save by efficient teaching and character-building processes.

The Sunday School offers a complete and effective method of church organization. A properly organized Sunday School, reaching and teaching and otherwise ministering to its normal possibilities, means a well-organized church.

The practical possibilities of the simple workable organization afforded by the organized Sunday School are all but limitless. They are becoming more and more fully appreciated as they find demonstration in many places. Not in all the history of Christian effort and church development has any other organization approximated this in completeness and effectiveness of service.

The practical value of the thorough effective organization offered by the modern Sunday School has been demonstrated in every part of the land. The well-organized church is the church which has a complete and aggressive Sunday School organization.

Every church in the Brushy Mountain Association should strive to reach which it is trying to reach, can but result in the school doing better work. The Sunday School, to do its best work, must ever have before it a definite objective. If the Sunday School will adopt the Standard of Excellence and begin to work toward attaining the ten requirements it will soon settle down to good substantial work and have a drawing power because of its worth-whileness.

The fact that a Sunday School has before it a worthy goal, a high ideal which it is trying to reach, can but result in the school doing better work.

There are twenty-eight churches in this association and every one of them report Sunday Schools. We hope a majority of them will reach the Standard of Excellence by next association.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. EDGAR GERMAN,
JOHN PEARSON,
L. M. BUMGARNER, Committee.

After which an interesting discussion was given by the brethren, and the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on,

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLES UNION

The B. Y. P. U. is the training department of a Baptist Church. Young church members who join this organization have the finest opportunity to study and train for future service. The literature prepared by the Sunday School Board consisting of weekly lessons, monthly periodicals, and study course books is unsurpassed by any other work of our board. The quarterlies are arranged with the following type of lessons coming regularly from month to month: Devotional, Bible Study, Doctrinal, and Mission Study. A beautiful and inspiring magazine is published each month; and a series of fine books dealing with every phase of Baptist work furnish the study material for those who choose to be taught and informed in Baptist work.

There is a great need for this sort of training in our association. Only a limited number of the churches does, to any extent, this much needed work. It would seem to us that the ancient call, "Who will go for us?", had no greater challenge than our own field offers today,—and our plea to the churches of the Brushy Mountain Association is that this work be given a place in every church:

T. E. STORY.

After which a timely discussion was given by T. E. Story and others. The report was adopted and the committee was discharged.

The report was given on,

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The care of our aged and disabled preachers and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers deserves the most earnest and prayerful attention at the hands of all our people. The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters at Dallas, Texas, with D. Thomas Watts as Executive Secretary, is faithfully and sympathetically administering and distributing the funds placed in its hands by the churches. That far too little money has been contributed by our people for this nobly beneficent work all must freely confess. That more money should be given for the support of our veterans, widows and orphans, will not be questioned. Surely our old ministers are deserving of better treatment in their declining years. What Southern Baptists are doing through their Board for these faithful servants of the Cross is helpful, but it is painfully insufficient. Surely every church should strive to see to it that the old preachers is better provided for. Let some good man or woman in each church write the Board for literature and inform the people concerning this great need. Do not wait—do it now.

Important Changes in the Methods of the Relief and Annuity Board

The Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans provided for the placing of all gifts through the Co-operative Program into the Relief fund. After the 31st of December, 1930, the Board's Annuity Department will receive no more money from the benevolent contributions of the churches. The relief beneficiaries will get the full benefit of these gifts. They will, of course, continue to receive also the benefits of earnings on the Board's Relief Endowment and all contributions designated for relief. Not only so, the Board will strive to secure special gifts looking to the enlargement of the Relief Fund. If our churches will give the money that they should through the regular Co-operative Program the relief benefactions of the Board will receive very much larger benefits and a greater number of beneficiaries will be added to the roll. It should be clear to our people that the Relief Board cannot pay out money any faster than it comes in, but as the money is given, the donors may know that the relief beneficiaries will get every dollar of it.

The Service Annuity Plan

Provision is now offered through the Service Annuity Department whereby churches can individually assist their preachers in building up for themselves and their dependents an age or disability monthly income and do this building while they are in active service. Thus our ministers will be provided for against the time of need and in the most economical way. Interest earnings will produce the greater part of the benefits. This is a method of prevention rather than of cure. The churches are urged to get directly from the Relief and Annuity Board or from an authorized representative the facts about this plan. This is a matter that cannot be acted upon intelligently without full information. Many of our preachers and churches are ready to go into the

plan and ere long their number will be legion. The more our churches do to prevent dependence in old age or disability on the part of their ministers the better. The Relief Board will not do less for preachers who come to old age unprovided for. In fact, it will do far more than it has ever done for them. At the same time it will, by the operation of the Service Annuity, bring about a condition in which fewer preachers will come to old age without a support and this support will be more adequate. All serious minded Baptists will, upon taking due thought, approve the plan. The Southern Baptist Convention, after careful consideration, adopted the recommendations of the committee of thirty-eight consisting of two messengers from each state, approved the Service Annuity and did this by a great majority. Therefore, the Convention has commended the plan for the use of churches and preachers.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. PROFFIT,

A. E. CHAMBERS,

J. L. HEMPHILL, Committee.

A timely discussion was given by R. L. Proffit and others after which the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The committee on Obituaries reported the list of members who died during the last association year:

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- Beaver Creek—Mrs. Sarah Walsh.
 - Cub Creek—None.
 - Edgewood—Mr. William Saunders.
 - Elk—None.
 - Fishing Creek—None.
 - Gordon—None.
 - Goshen—Mrs. James Parsons.
 - Harmony—None.
 - Hinshaw Street—Mrs. I. S. Baity.
 - Lewis Fork—Mrs. Janie Dyer.
 - Little Rock—None.
 - Liberty Grove—None.
 - Moravian Falls—Deacon Charley Critcher.
 - Mount Carmel—None.
 - Mount Pleasant—Mrs. G. C. Hamby, Mrs. Ann Summerlin.
 - Mount Zion—Mrs. W. S. Hall, Mrs. Will Hendrix, Sallie Shell, Willard Welch.
 - New Hope—None.
 - First North Wilkesboro—Roscoe Pevette, R. C. Hendren, Mollie Dowell, Archie Bumgarner, Sallie Walker.
 - Second North Wilkesboro—Mrs. John Pardue.
 - Oak Grove—None.
 - Oakwoods—Mrs. Ella Clinard.
 - Pleasant Grove—Mr. Cleve Byers.
 - Pleasant Home—S. J. Caudill, J. J. Faw, Martha Kilby, Virginia Brown
 - Pilgrim—None.

Stony Hill—Mrs. Adelia South, Mrs. Malinda Whittington.
Shady Grove—None.
Walnut Grove—Elizabeth Wiles, David Laws.
Wilkesboro—None.
Zion Hill—Mrs. Mary Watts.

The Committee on **Time, Place and Preachers** report as follows:

Time—Friday before the **Fourth Sunday** in August, 1932, at 11 A. M.

Place—Pilgrim Baptist Church, 8 miles west of North Wilkesboro on the Congo road.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. C. C. Holland; Alternate, Rev. W. E. Linney.

The following resolution of thanks offered by the committee on that topic was unanimously and heartily adopted:

Be it resolved that the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the brethren and sisters of Fishing Creek Church and the people of this community for their kind hospitality in so nobly supporting this Association and to the choir for the excellent music rendered.

W. C. MEADOWS,
GEORGE G. REEVES, Committee.

The following resolutions was unanimously adopted:

Be it resolved that this Association request the churches when they appoint delegates to ask them to remain at the Association until the business of the Association is completed.

W. C. MEADOWS,
GEORGE G. REEVES, Committee.

WHEREAS the Livingstone Johnson Memorial is for the purpose of establishing a permanent memorial to Livingstone Johnson, and at the same time paying \$200,000.00 on the debts of the Baptist State Convention.

RESOLVED, First that the Brushy Mountain Association accept \$500.00, the quota asked by the convention committee.

Second, that the executive committee and pastors be asked to apportion this among the churches.

Third, that brother ministers of Brushy Mountain Association be appointed to help the churches in raising their quotas.

Motion by G. G. Reeves, that it be referred to the Executive Committee to be disposed of later, which motion was unanimously carried.

Motion was made by Rev. Perry Morgan, and unanimously carried that all churches in the Brushy Mountain Association give an offering once each month during the year to The Mills Home at Thomasville.

PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Chairman, B. L. Henderson

LAYMEN—J. F. Jordan, E. M. Blackburn and R. L. Proffit.

PASTORS—George Reeves, Avery Church and A. J. Foster.

B. Y. P. U.—Miss Lunda Hendren and T. E. Story.

WOMEN—Miss Valeria B. Nichols and Mrs. Floyd Jennings.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet tomorrow at 10 A. M.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 1931

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Met with Fishing Creek Church.

Sunday School open and lesson taught by Brother C. B. Mabery, superintendent.

Report on Sunday School by Rev. Edgar German, chairman, John Pearson and L. M. Bumgarner. Report voted and adopted unanimously.

Song by choir.

Scripture read by Rev. C. A. Upchurch—First Psalm, 6 verses.

HISTORY OF FISHING CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Fishing Creek Baptist Church was organized February, 1822, as an arm from Brier Creek Baptist Church in the home of Mr. Robert Martin, about four miles east of Wilkesboro on the old Boone Trail road. The house is near Fishing Creek Church and is in very good condition. It is later known as the "Smith Place," "T. B. Williams Place," and still later as the "A. H. Berry Place," but owned at present by Mr. Oid Wiles.

The church started with twenty (20) members, to wit: Joshua Johnson, William W. Wright, William P. Johnson, Rosha Anderson, John Curry, Joel Curry, Green Anderson, Black Jack (a slave), Amelia Martin, Lydia Wright, Francis Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, Elizabeth Anderson, Cloa Hays, Presilla Chambers, Mary Johnson, Black Sally (a slave), Thomas Mastin, William Dotson and William Gilliam. They held services here once a month until they built their first church, which was made of logs. About thirty years ago we built a frame house and in 1928 we built the house that we still have, which is a very good one-room building.

Fishing Creek was first in the Brier Creek Association, which met with Fishing Creek in 1825, then again in 1841. Later they joined the Elkin Association and it met with us in 1906. We then joined the Brushy Mountain Association and it met with us this year for the first time.

According to the records the following preachers have been pastors of Fishing Creek, some of them as long as twenty years, to wit: Rev. Jesse Adams, Samuel P. Smith, Ferguson, Irdle Prevette, Ephriam Hollar, John A. Foster, Marcus Walker, Milton McNeil, Noah T. Jarvis, F. Pressley Blevins, Robert N. Garner, A. T. Pardue, Atwell E. Watts, John S. Elliott and our present pastor, J. W. Watts.

The church has progressed slowly from 20 members to 166. We have a very good Sunday School.

May the Lord continue to give us such blessings as we need.

PEAL JARVIS, Church Clerk for Fishing Creek Church.

EXPLANATORY

The minute fund being inadequate, it was necessary to leave out Tables VI and VII. Only eleven B. Y. P. U. Unions were reported, 1 Adult Union, 4 Senior Unions, 3 Intermediate Unions, 3 Junior Unions. Only 4 churches reported these Unions. It is to be hoped that every church in the Association will take up this work during the ensuing year. Only two churches reported on Women's Missionary Union. All the churches should take up this work as it is a great help among the women of the Brushy Mountain Association.

CHURCHES

Pastors and Post Offices

Church	Pastor and Post Office	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES				Present Members	Wky Prayer Meet.	Revsals During Yr.	Ob. Lord's Supper	Rec. Sta. Pap. Paper		
				Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Expasures	Deaths							
Beaver Creek	C. 1814 Rev. Avery Church, Purlear	3	119	2	4	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	121 no	1	1	1
Cub Creek	C. 1860 N. T. Jarvis, R. River	4	54	1	3	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56 yes	1	1	1
Edgewood	C. 1893 S. C. Woodruff, Hayes	2	144	1	1	.....	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	141 no	1	1	2
Elk	C. 1905 J. E. Driver, Lenoir	2	48	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51 no	1	1	1
Fishing Creek	C. 1822 J. W. Watts, Patterson	2	145	17	5	.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	164 yes	1	1	1
Gordon	V. 1919 S. C. Woodruff, Hayes	1 & 3	75	7	2	.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	81 yes	2	1	1
Goshen	C. 1916 L. B. Murray, State Road	1st	115	15	5	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	133 no	1	1	2
Hamony	C. 1900 L. B. Murray, State Road	1st	145	6	5	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 yes	1	1	1
Hinshaw Street	T. 1927 D. C. Clanton, Hamptonville	2 & 4	75	15	1	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	84 yes	2	1	1
Lewis Fork	C. 1792 W. D. Ashley, Boomer	1st	201	5	1	.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	202 no	1	1	2
Liberty Grove	C. J. S. Elliott, Knotsville	4th	138	1	2	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	136 no	1	1	1
Little Rock	C. 1866 S. I. Watts, Boomer	3rd	116	4	2	.....	.....	6	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	113 no	1	1	1
Moravian Falls	V. 1888 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	2 & 4	116	1	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	115 no	1	1	2
Mount Carmel	C. 1880 A. J. Foster, Boomer	1st	81	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81 no	1	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant	C. 1876 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	2	301	15	2	.....	.....	11	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	301 no	1	1	1
Mount Zion	C. 1830 E. C. Hodges, Boone	1st	153	6	4	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	160 no	1	1	1
New Hope	C. 1830 Avery Church, Purlear	4th	256	9	1	.....	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	262 no	1	1	1
1st N. Wilkesboro	T. 1892 G. G. Reeves, N. Wilkesboro	1, 2, 3, 4	615	35	28	.....	.....	21	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	680 yes	1	4	12
2d N. Wilkesboro	T. 1907 H. A. Bullis, N. Wilkesboro	2nd	152	49	5	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 yes	2	.....	.....
Oak Grove	C. 1906 A. T. Pardue, Roaring River	1st	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53 no	.....	.....	.....
Oakwoods	C. 1917 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1st	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	C. 1885 S. C. Woodruff, Hayes	1st	221	12	14	.....	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	243 yes	2	1	1
Pleasant Home	C. 1880 Finley C. Watts, Purlear	3rd	185	20	1	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	201	.....	.....	.....
Pilgrim	C. 1859 A. E. Hayes, N. Wilkesboro	3rd	124	7	5	.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	123 no	1	1	1
Stony Hill	C. 1888 J. H. Wilcox, Summit	2nd	80	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	86	.....	.....	.....
Shady Grove	C. 1880 Ed O. Miller, Wilbar	3rd	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Grove	C. 1840 C. C. Holland, Stony Point	4th	242	2	3	.....	.....	4	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	242 no	1	1	1
Wilkesboro	T. 1880 J. A. Duren, Meigs, Ga.	1, 3, & 4	213	4	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	210 yes	0	1	1
Zion Hill	C. 1814 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1st	179	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	178 yes	0	1	3
Total			4496	223	112	0	1	1107	32	0	3	4690	28	27	39

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1931.

CHURCHES	Village, Town or Country, Church?	Superintendents and Post Offices	Officers and Teachers	Beginners, 3-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and up	Cradle Roll, under 3	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard, A-1	Teachers—Normal Dip.	Baptisms from School	Mission Sunday School	Average Attendance Vacation School
Beaver Creek	C.	L. C. Matherly, Boomer	7									30	30						
Cub Creek	C.	Jasper Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	3	12	7	6	10					30	30	no	no				
Edgewood	C.	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek	8	12	18	9	13	37	12			109	68	yes					68
Elk	C.	C. Ed. Parsons, Ferguson	7	6	12	10	7	12	4			64	35						35
Fishing Creek	C.	C. B. Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro	7	20	19	21	25	22	8			132	80						80
Gordon	V.	R. B. Church, N. Wilkesboro	8	23	24		15	25				95	55						
Goshen	C.	Virgil Baker, Goshen	7	5	10	12	8	15				57	50						
Harmony	C.	Dewey Caudill, Millers Creek	6	15	10	21	14	20	26			122	100						
Hinshaw Street	T.	C. H. Dorcey, N. Wilkesboro	10									125	75	yes					
Lewis Fork	C.	D. F. Shepherd, Ready Branch	6	4	6	6	8	4	12			48	35			5			
Liberty Grove	C.	Mrs. J. S. Elliott, Knottville	5	12	10	18	11					56							
Little Rock	C.	N. C. Andrews, Boomer	9	8	13	15	17	40	18			120	85	no	no	1	4	no	
Moravian Falls	V.	W. G. Lowe, N. Wilkesboro	13	7	8	18	10	50	28	10		131	75						
Mount Carmel	C.		5	10	8	8		5	5	2		43	20						
Mount Pleasant	C.	J. C. McNeill, Champion	9									75	75						
Mount Zion	C.	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	6	4	11	10	15	6	18			64	44			3			
New Hope	C.	J. F. Hayes, Purear	8	15	20	20	25	20	15			123	80						
1st N. Wilkesboro	T.	E. M. Backburn, N. Wilkesboro	40	40	70	98	67	44	138	75	100	672	315	yes	no	25	25	no	
2d N. Wilkesboro	T.	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	5									100	65						
Oak Grove	C.	Kager Alexander, Roaring River																	
Oakwoods	C.	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	3									40	25	yes					
Pleasant Grove	C.	T. V. Church, Buck	5									40	40			10			
Pleasant Home	C.	C. C. Church, Mileirs Creek	10	18	10	17	15	8	9			90	77						
Pilgrim	C.	F. O. Foster, Congo	5	18	15	18	8	8				72				13			
Stony Hill	C.	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville	7	4	5	13	10	12				60	45						
Shady Grove	C.	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro	3									30	25						
Walnut Grove	C.	Plato Hendren, Pores Knob	6	10	12	9	8	12	60	7		124				1			
Wilkesboro	T.	E. E. Story, Wilkesboro	17	9	18	32	22	48	29	7		165	99	yes		5			
Zion Hill	T.	E. German, Boomer	8	14	10			20	20	20		120	60						

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Church Clerks and Post Offices

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Dept. Assembly R'ns	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	yes	1890	wood	200	1	4	\$ 200	200		300		
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	yes	1864	wood	500	1		1000	1000		1000		
Edgewood	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro	yes	1893	wood	700	2		2100	2100		2100		
Elk	Ruth Proffit, Denny	yes	1926	wood	400	1		2100	2100		2200		
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2	yes	1928	wood	600	1		4000	4000		4000		
Gordon	H. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1921	wood	400	3	3	5000	5000		5000		
Goshen	C. E. Church, Goshen	yes	1916	wood	300	1		1500	1500		1500		
Harmony	C. J. Jones, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1900	wood	300	1		2500	2500		2500		
Hinshaw Street	A. E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1927	wood	350	5	5	3000	3000		2500		\$ 1500
Lewis Fork	C. H. Jones Ready Branch	yes	1908	wood	400	1		2500	2500		2500		
Liberty Grove	W. R. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro	yes		wood	400	4	4	1000	1000		1000		
Little Rock	W. M. Lackey, Boomer	yes	1904	wood	500	5	4	4000	4000		4000	\$ 50	
Moravian Falls	B. M. Parque, Moravian Falls	yes	1888	wood	300	2	4	2500	2500				
Mount Carmel	Miss Janie McNeill, Boomer	yes	1886	wood	500	1		3000	3000				
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purllear	yes	1909	wood	500	1		3000	3000				
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	yes	1925	wood	500	1		2000	2000				
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purllear	yes	1895	wood	400	1		1550	1550		1550		
1st N. Wilkesboro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1910	brick	600	15	3	7	60000	\$10000	70000		50000
2d N. Wilkesboro	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1902	wood	200	1		1000	1000		1000		
Oak Grove	Kager Alexander, Roaring River	no											
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro	yes	1917	wood	500	1		1000	1000		1000		
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	yes	1903	wood	300	1		1000	1000		1000		
Pleasant Home	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro	yes	1903	wood	800	1		2000	2000		2000		
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	yes	1859	wood	500	1		1800	1800		1800		
Stony Hill	G. W. Walsh, Parsonsville	yes	1922	wood	300	1		1050	1050		1050		
Shady Grove	F. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	300	1		500	500		500		
Walnut Grove	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob	yes	1930	brick	500	5	1	5000	5000		5000		
Wilkesboro	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro	yes	1902	brick	400	4	3	7000	4500		11500	685	2500
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer	yes	1912	wood	500	1	5	2000	2000		2000		
Total					12350	64	35	36	\$123800	\$14500	\$125000	\$785	\$54000

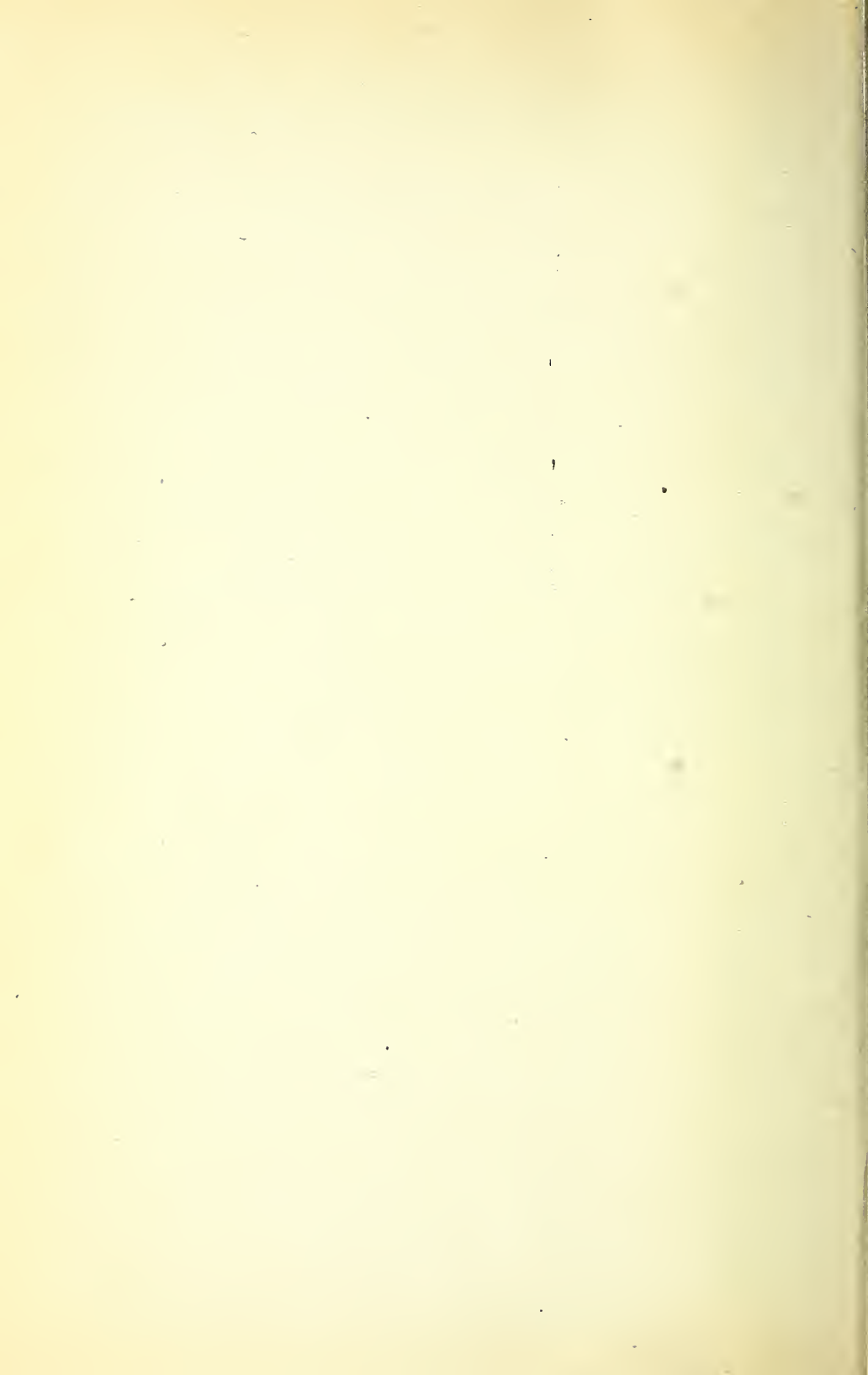
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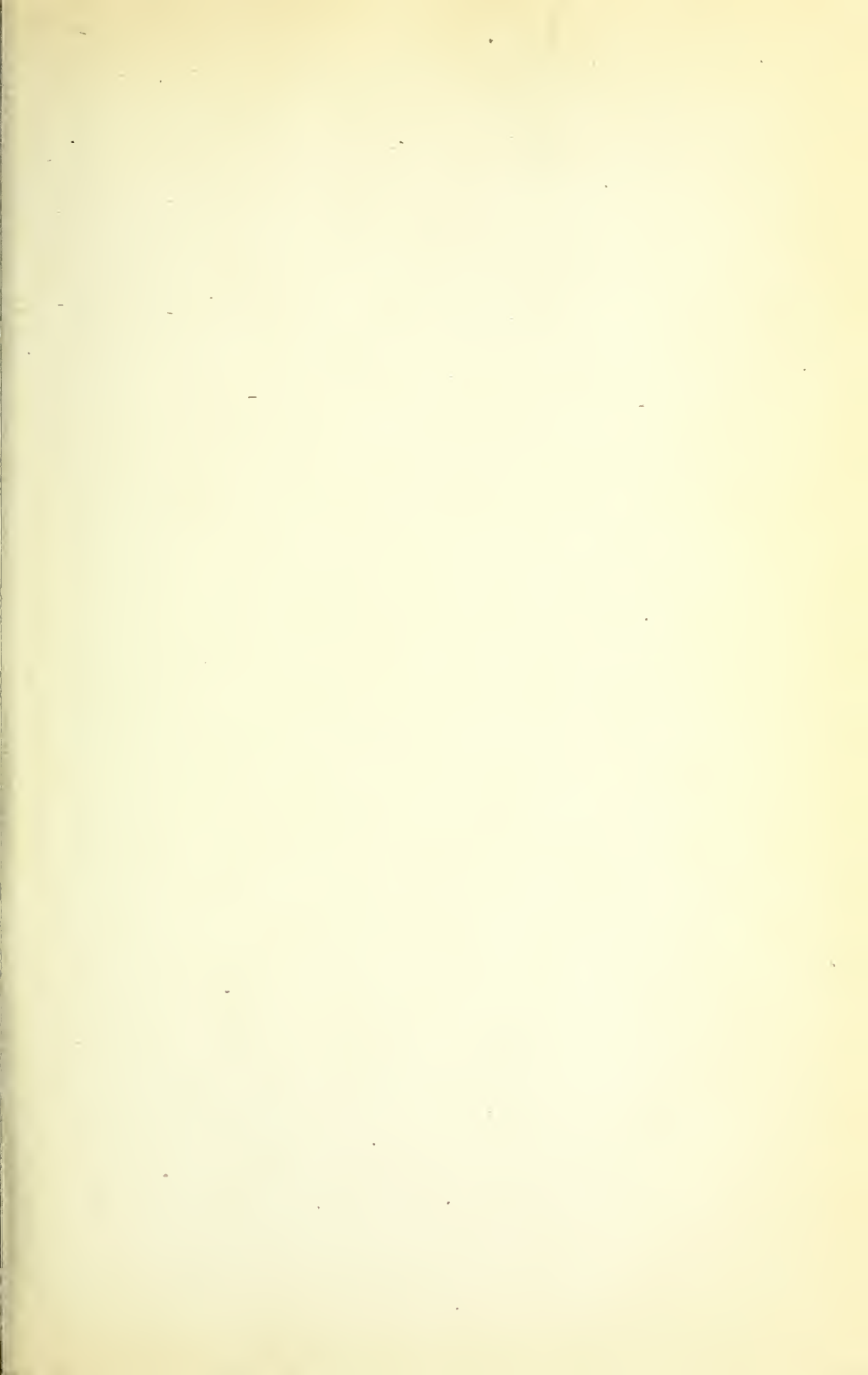
CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices		Pastor's Salary		Other Salaries		Ministerial Help and Supply		Building Repairs		Incidentals		Literature for S. S. B. Y. P. U., W. M. S.		Help Given to Local Poor		Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association		Other Objects		Total for Local Church Work Given by Church and all Organizations	
			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer.....		50.00	7.00										12.00				1.00				69.00
Cub Creek.....	Jasper Anderson, Wilkesboro.....		62.45	10.00														1.00				73.45
Edgewood.....	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro.....		125.00			50.00								16.00				1.00	8.00			200.00
Elk.....	Ruth Proffitt, Denny.....		70.30											11.63				1.00	1.00			167.48
Fishing Creek.....	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2.....		122.00			99.32								22.00				3.50				276.82
Gordon.....	H. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro.....		90.00	42.75		1.00								25.00				1.00				219.25
Goshen.....	Mrs. R. L. Proffitt, Goshen.....		150.00	36.83										10.00				1.00				212.83
Harmony.....	Blanch Kilby, Wilkesboro.....		160.00											39.60				1.10				259.70
Hinshaw Street.....	I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro.....		100.00																			100.00
Lewis Fork.....	W. D. Foster, Maple Springs.....		110.00			31.00								10.00				2.00				421.00
Liberty Grove.....	W. R. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro.....													7.35				1.50				48.85
Little Rock.....	W. M. Lackey, Boomer.....		82.50			13.50								20.00				1.00				179.25
Moravian Falls.....	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls.....		244.93			40.00								38.79				1.00				369.67
Mount Carmel.....	Janie McNeill, Boomer.....		20.00											2.00								22.00
Mount Pleasant.....	J. F. Walsh, Purlear.....		241.70	28.50										43.50				1.20	17.25			534.76
Mount Zion.....	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix.....		98.15	16.00										10.00				1.00				136.15
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.....		100.00											60.00				1.00				225.00
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	E. M. Blackburn, N. Wilkesboro.....		2,700.00			725.54								487.91				5.00				7,657.61
2d N. Wilkesboro.....	Elsie Reynolds, N. Wilkesboro.....		30.00			25.00								12.00				.50				92.50
Oak Grove.....	Kager Alexander, Roaring River.....		50.00																			50.00
Oakwoods.....	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro.....																					1.00
Pleasant Grove.....	W. E. Parsons, Buck.....		63.50	15.00										6.00				1.00				94.50
Pleasant Home.....	C. C. Church, Millers Creek.....		133.25	25.00		12.50								15.55				1.00				187.30
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....		87.34											.69				.75	14.50			103.28
Stony Hill.....	G. W. Walsh, Parsonsville.....		22.26			9.00								12.96				2.30	9.00			55.52
Shady Grove.....	T. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....		50.00			20.00												1.00				70.00
Walnut Grove.....	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob.....		150.00			52.00								457.35				1.00				678.35
Wilkesboro.....	A. C. Dennis, N. Wilkesboro.....		1,000.00											111.17				1.40				1,949.44
Zion Hill.....	A. F. Greer, Boomer.....		206.41											35.00				4.00				361.97

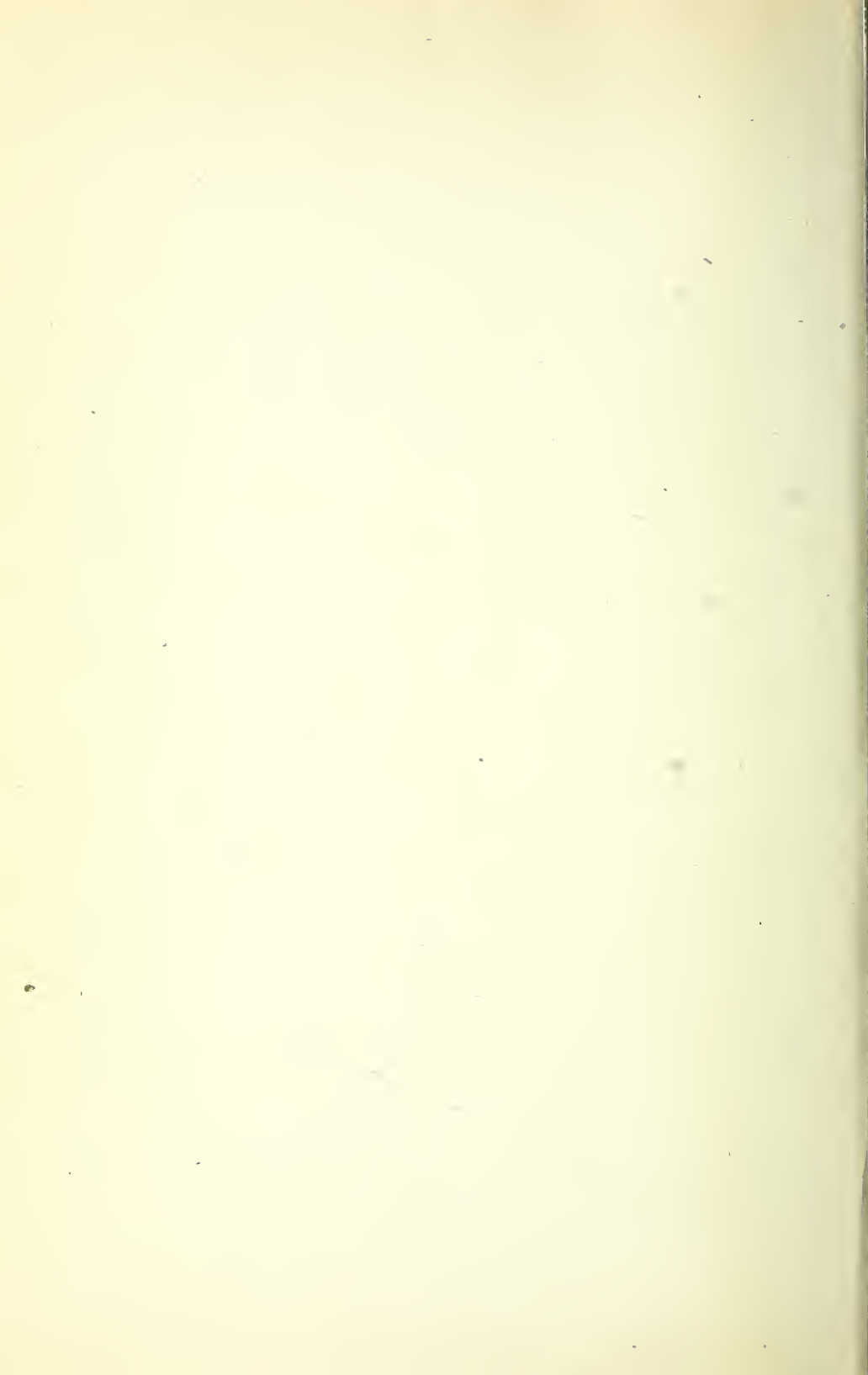
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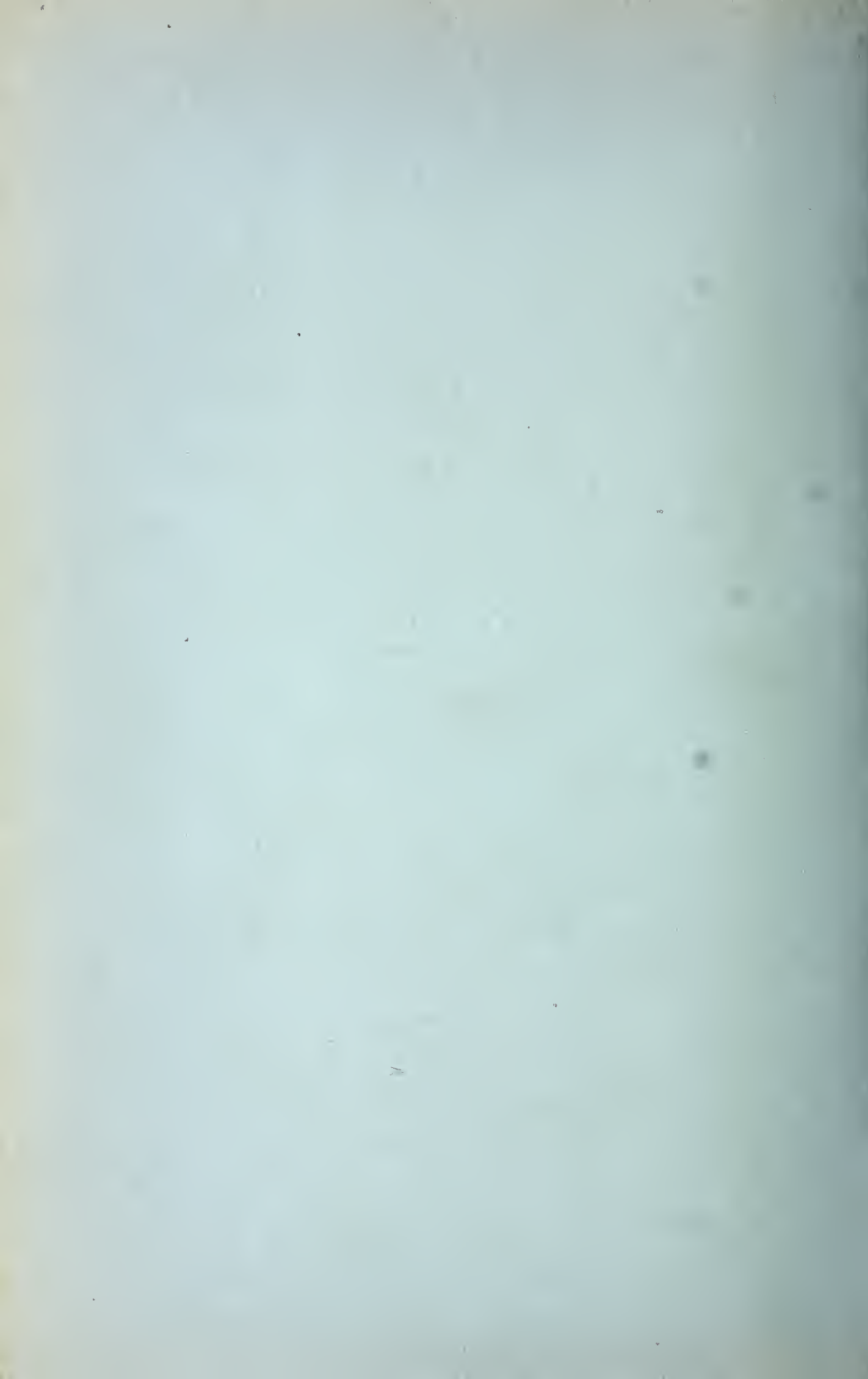
Regular Treasurers and Post Offices

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Co-operative Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Old Ministers' Relief	Other Special Gifts	Total for Co-operative Program & all specials	Grand Total All Gifts for All Purposes by Churches & all Depts.
Beaver Creek.....	L. C. Matherly, Boomer.....				\$ 3.50		\$ 5.60				\$ 9.10	78.09
Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.....				11.82							73.45
Edgewood.....	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro.....											200.00
Elk.....	Ed Parsons, Ferguson.....					7.17						184.63
Fishing Creek.....	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....				15.00							276.82
Gordon.....	H. S. Canter, N. Wilkesboro.....				1.00		\$ 39.16	5.00			50.16	278.41
Goshen.....	C. E. Church, Goshen.....		5.00				5.00	3.00			11.16	223.00
Harmony.....	C. J. Jones, Goshen.....	3.00					30.00		\$ 12.00		49.00	259.70
Hinshaw Street.....	A. E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro.....						5.12				5.12	100.00
Liberty Street.....	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch.....											403.00
Liberty Grove.....	W. R. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro.....						12.00		\$2.15		54.00	103.00
Little Rock.....	W. M. Lackey, Boomer.....						25.00			3.25	207.50	207.50
Moravian Falls.....	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.....				7.39		48.94				56.33	426.00
Mount Carmel.....	Miss Janie McNeill, Boomer.....											22.00
Mount Pleasant.....	A. M. McGee, Purlear.....		25.00				13.80	5.32			44.12	577.68
Mount Zion.....	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix.....						29.23	2.00		2.77	34.00	170.15
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.....											225.00
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro.....				50.00	5.00				52.97	1981.11	9638.72
2d N. Wilkesboro.....	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.....		\$19.37	45.00								92.50
Oak Grove.....	Kager Alexander, Roaring River.....											50.00
Oakwoods.....	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro.....											
Pleasant Grove.....	J. G. Parsons, Buck.....											95.50
Pleasant Home.....	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro.....		5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	105.00	2.00			125.00	311.30
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....											103.30
Stony Hill.....	G. W. Walsh, Parsonsville.....											45.22
Shady Grove.....	F. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....	16.00										70.00
Walnut Grove.....	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob.....	83.00	9.10	15.79	22.96		36.00				52.00	730.35
Wilkesboro.....	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro.....				21.18	53.00	97.22	9.80			288.63	1839.06
Zion Hill.....	J. E. German, Boomer.....										74.18	486.15
Total.....		\$102.00	\$33.47	\$ 95.79	\$122.85	\$72.00	\$469.22	\$ 27.12	\$2.15	\$117.92	\$2812.15	\$17219.67









Donated by G. F. Jordan
Wilkesboro, N. C.

MINUTES
OF THE
Fifty-Ninth Annual Session
OF THE
**Brushy Mountain
Baptist Association**
HELD WITH
PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH
August 23 and 24, 1932

J. L. HEMPHILL, Moderator
J. F. JORDAN, Clerk and Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Mt. Zion Baptist Church on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1933. This church is located 25 miles west of No. Wilkesboro on the Stony Fork road.

The Introductory Sermon will be preached by Rev. G. G. Reeves; Alternate, Rev. A. J. Foster.

DIRECTORY FOR 1932 AND 1933

J. L. Hemphill, Moderator, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Anderson, R. L. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Beshears, Lee Parsonsville, N. C.

Byrd, W. L. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Church, Avery M. Purlear, N. C.

Church, T. V. Buck, N. C.

Elliott, J. S. Knottville, N. C.

Foster, A. J. Boomer, N. C.

Hodges, E. C. Boomer, N. C.

Huffman, Glenn Parsonsville, N. C.

Jennings, S. S. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Minton, B. L. Congo, N. C.

Nichols, James T. Champion, N. C.

Parsons, J. A. Parsonsville, N. C.

Porter, James C. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Reeves, G. G. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Watts, S. I. Boomer, N. C.

Watts, Finley C. Purlear, N. C.

Whittington, R. S. Reddies River, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Ashley, W. D. Blowing Rock, N. C.

Bullis, H. A. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Call, C. M. Call, N. C.

Hayes, J. E. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Hayes, W. N. North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Holland, C. H. Stony Point, N. C.

Jarvis, N. T. Roaring River, N. C.

Miller, Ed. O. Wilbar, N. C.

Murry, L. B. State Road, N. C.

Watts, J. W. Patterson, N. C.

Watts, A. E. Taylorsville, N. C.

Woodruff, I. C. Hayes, N. C.

Pastors Retired from Active Service

W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C., R. F. Jarvis, Wilkesboro, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. L. Hemphill, C. C. Wright, J. F. Jordan, George G. Reeves,

U. G. Foster, W. C. Meadows, and R. L. Proffit.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

George G. Reeves.

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Under new ruling of the Southern Baptist Convention, each church may send as many delegates as it wishes.

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CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This association shall be denominated and known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association.

Article 2. The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament.

Article 3. This association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates, and ordained ministers having care of churches in the association and members of the Executive Board, and ordained ministers having their membership in churches belonging to the association and living within the bounds thereof.

Article 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and giving an account of the condition of their church and a statement of all funds contributed to benevolent purposes during the year.

Article 5. The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by ballot from among the members of the churches composing this association, by a majority of the members voting, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

Article 6. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, decide questions in case of equal divisions, extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates of churches received, appoint all committees, except the Executive which shall be nominated and elected by a majority of the delegates present. He shall see that the constitution and by-laws are properly respected.

Article 7. The Clerk shall call the roll and keep a true record of the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and in the absence of the Moderator, call the association to order.

Article 8. The Treasurer shall receive the funds and disburse them as ordered by the Association and at the close of the official term, shall report the amount received, and expended.

Article 9. The minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

Article 10. Any church not representing itself in this body three successive sessions, by letter or by delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

Article 11. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

Article 12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.

Article 13. Any church desiring to become a member shall present her petition at an annual session of this body, through the delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the Moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Article 14. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to preserve gospel order, but shall not entertain any charge against any church unless it is brought in through a church.

Article 15. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and

extend to them all the privileges of regular delegates, except that of voting.

Article 16. The annual session of this body shall commence on Friday before the Fourth Sabbath in August at such a place as the Association may select.

Article 17. By appointment there shall be preached, at each annual session, an introductory, a missionary and a denominational sermon.

Article 18. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and messengers from the churches of the Association.

2. Daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

4. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand of fellowship.

5. The Clerk shall provide letters for the use of the churches of the Association previous to the meeting of the Association, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them and have it present at each annual session, read the proceedings of the preceding session at the beginning of each morning session, and the last day's proceedings at the close of the annual session.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "Brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members are requested not to absent themselves from the session of the Association, but, to remain to the end of the meeting.

8. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also a copy to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and one to the Field Secretary for Sunday Schools in North Carolina.

9. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Parliamentary Law.

10. The order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session and shall be changed only by a vote of the body.

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

To the Fifty-Ninth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association

Beaver Creek—Charlie Walsh, L. C. Matherly, Ruby Phillips, Mrs. Charlie Walsh, Roy Barlow and G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, I. P. Anderson and J. B. Hall.

Edgewood—A. G. Hendren, Clifford Moore and R. L. Jones.

Elk—F. W. McNeill, Mrs. W. A. Proffit and Mrs. Ed. Dulla.

Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, Sherman Anderson, Mrs. C. L. Miller, Mrs. Robert Holland, C. M. Call and Raymond Miller.

Gordon—George Osborn, J. L. Parsons and W. P. Carsons.

Goshen—R. L. Proffit, T. F. Walsh and H. A. Carlton.

Harmony—L. G. Minton, Jake Mahaffey and Monroe Faw.

Hinshaw Street—A. E. Chambers, I. S. Baity and W. E. Snow.

Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplett, W. D. Foster and C. H. Jones.

Liberty Grove—W. R. Pardue, R. L. Church and Argyle Elliott.

Little Rock—V. McGhinnis, I. J. Broyhill and W. M. Lackey.

Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, R. A. Greer and R. L. Pearson.

Mount Carmel—Earnest Pearson, R. S. McNeill and Miss Janie McNeill.

Mt. Pleasant—A. M. McGee, U. G. Foster and J. F. Walsh.

Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, L. M. Triplett and R. L. Wooten.

New Hope—A. S. Eller, N. C. Church and C. F. Canter.

First North Wilkesboro—Rev. G. G. Reeves, E. M. Blackburn, Bill Dancey, Mrs. P. A. Dancey, Mrs. G. G. Reeves and B. T. Henderson.

Second North Wilkesboro—John Anderson, Q. N. White and Tommy Hall.

Oak Grove—

Oakwoods—W. A. Ellis, William Anderson and Fred Blevins.

Pleasant Grove—Melvin Bungarner, J. G. Parsons and W. E. Parsons.

Pleasant Home—John Johnson, Jim Martin and Luther Nichols.

Pilgrim—M. F. Huffman, F. O. Foster and Lafayette Deal.

Stony Hill—C. O. Parsons, W. M. Whittington and Zollie Parsons.

Shady Grove—

Walnut Grove—D. S. Broyhill, P. R. Lowe and R. C. Meadows.

Wilkesboro—R. L. Welborn, T. E. Story and Mrs. George Johnson.

Zion Hill—L. J. Walsh, G. M. Earp and Dodson Watts.

LIST OF COMMITTEES

- Devotional Exercises—M. F. Huffman, F. O. Foster and Lafayette Deal.
- Digest of Church Letters—J. F. Jordan, R. L. Welborn and R. C. Meadows
- Temperance and Law Enforcement—Kyle Hayes, Bill Dancey and J. F. Triplett.
- Religious Literature—J. S. Elliott, F. G. Holman and Argyle Elliott.
- Mills Home—Marie McNeil, W. C. Meadows and Lafayette Deal.
- State Missions—G. G. Reeves, G. H. Walker and L. C. Matherly.
- Home Missions—Mrs. Addie Howell Jones, R. L. Church and J. B. Hall.
- Foreign Missions—Avery Church, A. M. McGee and Jake Mahaffey.
- Ministerial Relief—U. G. Foster, L. M. Triplett and D. S. Broyhill.
- Christian Education—Valeria Bell Nichols, Mrs. G. G. Reeves and Bill Dancey.
- Evangelism and Enlistment—H. A. Bullis, E. M. Blackburn and U. G. Foster.
- State of the Churches—A. S. Eller, W. A. Ellis and John Johnson.
- Sunday School—Jimmie McNeill, A. M. McGee and V. McGhinnis.
- Co-operative Program—B. T. Henderson, I. S. Baity and W. O. Barnett.
- B. Y. P. U.—T. E. Story, Marie McNeill and Argyle Elliott.
- An Every Member Canvass—R. L. Welborn, R. L. Proffit and J. F. Walsh.
- W. M. U.—Mrs. J. N. Shockey, Mrs. E. M. Blackburn and Mrs. Robert Holland.
- Historian—F. O. Foster, Lafayette Deal and W. M. Whittington.
- Hospitals—Eula Lowe, Bill Dancey and W. A. Proffit.
- Obituaries—Melvin Bumgarner, W. E. Parsons and G. M. Earp.
- Resolutions—Rev. W. C. Meadows, C. F. Canter and Luther Nichols.
- Time, Place and Preacher—A. G. Hendren T. E. Story and R. L. Wooten.

PROCEEDINGS

The Fifty-ninth session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association met with Pilgrim Baptist Church Friday, August 26, 1932, at 10:45, A. M.

After the choir met and sung a song the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. Avery M. Church. His text was Romans 5:5; "And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us". The sermon was able, timely and practical and brought the lesson to us not to be ashamed of our Master and his work.

A recess of one hour was taken for dinner and recreation, after which the messengers reassembled in the Church and were called to order by J. F. Jordan, Clerk, as the Moderator was absent, after which U. G. Foster was called to the chair to act temporarily until the organization could be made permanent.

Officers were then elected to serve for the present session as follows: J. L. Hemphill, of North Wilkesboro, was elected Moderator, and J. F. Jordan, of Wilkesboro, was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the Association, viz: Bro. M. K. Mason, of the Pilot Mountain Association, representing the Biblical Recorder, Bro. J. R. Anderson, of the Briar Creek Association, and Bro. Perry Morgan, State Secretary.

The Roll of the churches was called and twenty were present with their letters and messengers.

The report on Temperance and Law Enforcement was called for and read by Kyle Hayes.

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." When temperance is spoken of we at once think of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution, but let us not say that we are temperate if we do not violate the Prohibition law, because there are many things in which we can be intemperate in besides the violation of this particular statute. We may be intemperate in our eating, language and our thoughts.

A law is enforced or failed to be enforced according to the opinion of the people. Our courts are for the protection of our rights as well as for the punishment of criminals. We have been living in a crime wave that we feel has already begun to break, because the people have awakened to their duty as citizens. It seems that the young whites have lead in this breakdown of society. The responsibility has been shifted from one to another and back again and probably placed on the courts because of the lax enforcement of the law, but when we place the responsibility there we are liberal in taking our part of the blame, because every citizen is a part of the court and the court and its officials are powerless without the support of the citizens.

We do not want to bring charges, but prefer to suggest that we as a denomination, and we as citizens of this country take on us anew our duty and our responsibility and in our homes, the place where government had its beginning, teach the children to respect the law and that without the law we would be helpless, that our lives, property and happiness are secure and that our higher faculties are left free for development. That just as it is necessary to us we are necessary to it and without us to support the law it would be more useless than the paper on which it is written. Let us feel that every citizen has a part in the making and enforcement of the law and strive to see that evenhanded justice is meted out to all alike and "If all cannot be equal in wealth then justice should be equal to all."

Respectfully submitted,
KYLE HAYES,
BILL DANCEY,
J. F. TRIPLETTE, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by B. T. Henderson and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

Motion by J. R. Triplette, and seconded by Bro. G. G. Reeves, that this Association go on record as favoring the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

The report was read on the

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAMME

The report was ably discussed by Perry Morgan, and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Mr. J. S. Elliott read the report on

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

It is essential today, as has always been and will be, that we create within our people a love and a desire for good literature. Then will they be able to gain the great truths that are in store for them through the reading of the greatest production of literature that has ever been written—the BIBLE.

The world is crowded with literature that tramples down the soil of our hearts. How many pounding feet there are, till our souls are beaten so hard that the seeds of truth can find no lodgment there, and the fowls of the air come down and peck them all away!

It is not easy to keep our heart soil mellow and receptive. Prayer will do it. Bible reading will do it. Meditation on the love of God and the sacrifice of Christ will do it. But these take time, they take thought, and thought requires effort.

Yet the one vital point in our lives is this heart soil. If we allow it to be ground hard under the feet of worldly literature, this world is all we

can hope for; the next world, the world of God and Christ and heaven and eternal life, is not ours. No phase of our work is more important than this.

The time has come in which we must provide wholesome literature for our children. We firmly believe that religious literature is the highest and most wholesome form of literature. We believe that the Bible, the Holy word of God, holds first place in this phase of literature. It teaches us when to pray, how to pray, and what to pray for. It is the mirror through which we can see our lives. It is the truth that every child should hide in his heart that he might not sin against God.

The Baptist Sunday School literature is another wholesome type of literature and it is so closely connected with the Bible that every one should have a copy together with his Bible at all times.

Another source from which we receive good literature is our Baptist State Board. We are indeed grateful to it for the Biblical Recorder which comes to us once each week. From its pages we learn what our Baptist are doing at other places and at the same time get food for our souls from some of the very best writers of the South. The Biblical Recorder is so arranged that it is interesting to every member of the family from the father to the youngest child. We recommend that a copy be placed in every Baptist home.

Charity and Children keeps one posted concerning the needs and the delights of the children at the Mills Home. It also keeps before us the fact that charity extends a great deal farther than our own home.

Last but not least we recommend Home and Foreign Fields to those who would have their eyes open to the fact that the nations abroad need the Christ of Galilee.

Respectfully submitted,
F. G. HOLMAN,
ARGYLE ELLIOTT,
J. S. ELLIOTT, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Argyle Elliott and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on

MILLS HOME, KENEDY HOME AND MOTHER'S AID DEPT.

was presented and read as follows:

While the stringency of the times has prevented us from the "Thrill" of a forward movement, as in former years, yet we can say, with the man who lost his money in a bank failure, though my money is gone, I still have my life, health, friends and God to care for me. All of this we have and better health could not be wished for and faithfulness in all of workers and friends all over North Carolina, who have stood loyally by us. Our contributions have been coming regularly from our Sunday Schools sufficient to enable us to carry on, and care for the large number of children in our care. We now have at Mills Home 496—at the Kenedy Home 136 and in Mothers'

Aid Department 298, with 79 mothers, total 932. We had no deaths of children, but 3 of our workers answered the Summons and passed on to their reward. We are caring for all the needs of our children. Food, clothing, education and religious instruction, training them for a useful life in various fields of activity, able to make good in whatever line they may choose to operate.

All of which makes a strong appeal to us to do our very best. May we not depend on all of our churches to stand loyally by this great God-given institution by giving liberally and regularly of our means to help carry on this great work. Let every Sunday School give one collection every month and at Thanksgiving let every church member, and all others who will, give the worth of one days work as a thanks offering to God for His many mercies to us all. "In as much as you did it to one of these little ones, ye did it unto me." * * * "Enter into the joy of thy Lord."

It is with deep sorrow and anguish of soul that we come to chronicle the sad death of the man who ment so much to our orphanage work, who for 27 years guided the institution with a firm hand, yet with such loving kindness that he won the affections of every worker and child, Rev. W. L. Kesler who was killed by a train August 19, 1932. Bro. Kesler was known and loved all over North Carolina and was the most efficient general manager the orphanage ever had.

Immediately after the burial of Bro. Kesler comes the sad and sudden death of Brother L. L. Leary, one of the Trustees of the Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE McNEILL,

LAFAYETTE DEAL,

W. G. MEADOWS, Committee.

Pending the adoption the report was ably diseussed by a number of brethren and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

Marie McNeill read the following concerning

MILLS HOME

Mills Home should claim a main interest from every church in our Association; because it is here the children of our own communities, who are left without the care of mother or father, are sent to be given the best of care. Here they find one who gives them the love of mother and father as near as possible, they live in a christian atmosphere, and their every need is granted in so much as we as North Carolina Baptist contribute. Shall we in these days of little money and depression allow these little ones to suffer for the bare necessities of life? Surely no, because God is still giving to us bountifully.

Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Will we accept the joys offered us by our Lord by giving to these little ones?

Every Sunday School should have a once a month offering for the Orphanage, and of course our churches will give liberally.

Every evidence points toward the wisdom of our Orphanage. Only few of that vast number that go out year after year are not christians, and almost one hundred per cent of these make noble law-abiding citizens. Another great thing that can be said of our orphanage is that it makes a noble effort to send out youths fitted for life's service.

There is one who has been a leader in making Mills Home what it is, he has helped to mould hundreds of youthful lives into noble men and women, and this is none other than our beloved Dr. M. L. Kesler, who passed to his reward last Saturday morning, August 20th. He has been Superintendent of Mills Home for twenty-seven years, and it is enough to say that his burial was attended by thousands of interested friends to the grave on the Orphanage hillside, and gently laid to rest with twenty-odd of his adopted children. His heart was knit to them and it is more appropriate that he sleep among them. His spirit winged its flight to realms above in the twinkling of an eye.

We mourn with the thousands of others and pray that God shall bless Mills Home with another so great a leader.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE McNEILL.

The committee on devotional exercises reported to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M. Bro. G. G. Reeves to conduct devotional exercises. On motion the Association adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

August 24, 1932, 9:30, A. M.

The Association met as per adjournment.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. G. G. Reeves. 16th Chapter of Mathew, read as lesson. At the conclusion of the devotional exercises the Moderator declared the Association ready for business.

Rev. G. G. Reeves presented the report on

STATE MISSIONS

From the very beginning of the organized life of North Carolina, Baptist State Missions have held a large place in the thinking and planning of our people. One of the primary objects in the minds of our fathers in the organization of the Convention as stated in the first article of the Constitution, adopted at Greenville in 1830, was "The employment of missionaries within the limits of this State." This has been the consistent and aggressive policy of the Baptist State Convention for more than a hundred years. The truth is, the wise and aggressive policy of State Missions, humanly speaking, has made the denomination what it is in members and power in North Carolina today. Napoleon said: "Conquest has made me what I am, and conquest will sustain me". That is certainly true of State Missions, and

the growth and enlargement of the Baptist churches in North Carolina demonstrate the truth of it. Literally hundreds of our strong churches are trophies of State Missions.

Great and far-reaching changes have taken place in North Carolina within recent years. Three recent developments especially have thrust upon our country and village churches acute and critical problems; the coming of good roads, the automobile, and the consolidation and growth of the rural grammar and high schools. We believe these three developments are going to be the very acid test in the life or death struggle of many of our smaller rural churches. In the days of bad roads and lack of communication, there was some necessity for a Baptist church every three miles. But that necessity no longer exists. Many of those weak, struggling churches are doomed to die. Many more of them are going to be compelled to consolidate with others in the same territory. There must be better equipment and better support for the ministry.

The great agency in this new and untried situation, for a sane and progressive program of work and development, ought to be our General Board of the Baptist State Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

G. G. REEVES,

G. H. WALKER,

L. C. MATHERLY, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by G. G. Reeves and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The next report was read on

HOME MISSIONS

Home Mission Territory

Home mission territory embraces the 18 states of the Southern Baptist Convention, Cuba and the Canal Zone. In this territory there are 26 nationalities that speak 22 different languages. This includes our mountain people, Indians, Spanish, Italians, French, Jews, Negroes, Cubans and many other nationalities. According to statistics there are 45,000,000 people living in this boundry. There are 18,000,000 ten years of age and over who have no church affiliations whatever. 8,000,000 of these are of Baptist sentiment and therefore Baptist responsibility.

These Foreigners, Indians, Negroes and Americans differ in racial characteristics, in rocial and religious heritage, but with heart-hunger and soul-longing that only Christ can satisfy. Jesus died for them—they are here in our midst challenging our love—shall we win them to our Saviour?

Measured by souls the home mission field is one to touch our hearts with compassion and to fire our souls with zeal to win to Christ these millions whom He has placed at our door. Home mission work was never more important or imperative than now.

The Purpose of Home Missions

Dr. Lawrence defines the purpose of Home Missions as follows—"It is the denomination as a whole taking the Gospel in all its fullness to the people within its bounds who know it not." The Board determines to put the main emphasis on making and baptizing disciples, and to evangelize the southlands lost millions. However its purpose is broader than that. We must evangelize this great and growing empire and marshal its marvelous resources for evangelization of the world; south salvation, nation-salvation, world salvation.

The Progress of Home Missions

How great has been the progress of our Home Mission work is shown by the report of the Board for last year. The 252 missionaries and their helpers have received by profession and baptism 3562, an average of more than 14 souls per worker. Churches and Sunday Schools were organized, mission schools maintained, Bibles distributed, the hungry were fed, the sick visited, the poor helped, and thousands of the lost had the Gospel preached to them. Statistics reveal only a part of results. Influences have been set in motion which will not cease until the Saviour comes.

The Problems of Home Missions

The great problem is that of inadequate funds. The receipts of the Board last year were less than the year before. Confronted with handicaps, the like of which perhaps no denominational agency has ever faced, the Board is heroically endeavoring to meet its obligations to the Lord, the denomination and the unsaved. Some workers have been dropped because of financial conditions, which we in part are responsible for. The Board is living within its income and paying its debts. It has combined departments and practiced heroic economy. It is easy to see the work cannot go on if Southern Baptist continue to reduce their gifts. The emergency appeal sent out to all our churches for a special offering in June or July resulted in something over 50% of the amount asked. We did not reach the goal. Many pastors and churches ignored the call, while many gave sacrificially. There are in these United States of ours thousands to whom the words that Jesus spoke while here on earth are yet sealed pages. Will they ever have the great joy of knowing them if all southern Baptist do not support the Home Mission work?

The Prospects of Home Missions

Again quoting Dr. Lawrence "The prospects for this work are as bright as the promises of God and the faith of His people". Many fields have not been entered, but the Board is ready to enter when funds are available. Our task is great. The enlistment of our forces and resources is the prime task of the Southern Baptist. Indeed it is the foremost task of Christendom today. The purpose of the Southern Baptist Convention when organized was to "elicit, combine and direct" the energies of the denomination for the propagation of the gospel. After all these years, according to Dr. Alldredge, there are 150 small towns in the South with a population ranging from 1000 to 6000 with no Baptist church in them, and an average of 4142 rural churches

and 154 urban churches among Southern Baptist which are pastorless continually. What a mighty appeal for patient, faithful, thorough enlistment and development of our unlisted and undeveloped constituency.

Surely we cannot turn a deaf ear to these great needs. We must give prayer and money so greatly needed. We must match our faith with God's promises, that the prospects for an enlarged home mission program may be gloriously realized.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. ADDIE HOWELL JONES,
A. L. CHURCH,
J. B. HALL, Committee.

After being very ably discussed by Mrs. Addie Howell Jones and others and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

The next report on the program was

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Although two thousand years have gone by men believe with Simon Peter, "We believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God." Men today are wanting to hear the Word of God. Men today accept Jesus as a personal Savior because they believe the promises of His word. Men yet today are sending and going "into all the world and preaching the gospel." Jesus is today with us.

Some Strides Shown

Sometimes we hear some remark, "we are making slow show in our work abroad." Perhaps we ought to remember that we find many evidences of remarkable accomplishment.

In 1906 we had 214 churches. By 1931 these had grown to 2,651. We ought to notice that of these 2,651 churches, 1,910 are self-supporting. Last year these churches gave \$428,807.58 through their local churches. We sent to help them \$846,763.77. In other words, these churches abroad in these twelve countries with their mission divisions provided over one-half of the total of the operating expenses.

Twenty-five years ago there were 12,894 members in our churches, whereas in 1931 there were 177,196. Our membership has multiplied over 13½ times. The Eighty-Seventh Report of Foreign Mission Board says, "The growth in membership has been much more rapid during the last few years. It is worthy of note that more people were baptized last year than we had church members twenty-five years ago."

Last year our medical missionaries ministered to 170,697 persons by way of treatments. They performed 949 major operations. We have only 22 physicians and nurses from our country while there are 155 native Baptist physicians and nurses. By the help of our foreign colleges and training schools abroad, the natives are being taught to minister to their own needs in a marvelous manner.

Our Liabilities

When we note all the things that our missionaries are doing, by our sending them, we are encouraged. We have, however, some things we ought to remedy. The net indebtedness of our Foreign Mission Board is \$1,130,658.87. The Board has been unable this year to borrow money from our banks. This year the Board has been forced to cut down the budget 25% over last year. This results in sending back fewer missionaries, with less equipment, and with more strain on those who go. At present there are 90 missionaries at home on a furlough. Many of these certainly ought to be sent back with others that are full of youthful health and vigor that are willing "to spend and be spent" for the Great Command of Jesus. There have been some good responses to the Special Emergency Offering for our workers, but we have fallen so far from our goal.

Our Hopes

Last year (1931) our Association gave in a very small way to the Co-operative program and Foreign Missions. Just a few churches showed any effort at all. J. M. Kester in his report on Foreign Missions to the Baptist State Convention last fall said, "The greatest need of the Foreign Mission today is not an opportunity to go forward; for it has far more of that than it can now occupy. The need is for a missionary-minded membership in our churches—men and women who think on, and pray for the work. Such would bring support and interest and joy to the cause. We may have such a constituency if we pay the price. And the price is more missionary preaching, Church Schools of missions, and the wider circulations of the 'Home and Foreign Fields'."

May we tactfully and prayerfully teach our people until our worship services shall not be complete except that each member shall feel, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house" for himself and his neighbor abroad. Is our hope not here?

Respectfully submitted,

AVERY M. CHURCH,

A. M. MCGEE,

JAKE MAHAFFEY, Committee.

The report was interestingly discussed by Rev. Avery M. Church and on motion was adopted and committee discharged.

The report on

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Earth's mightiest challenge is the challenge of the unreached multitudes. Jesus was compassionate towards the multitudes always. He was thinking of them when He said, "Go ye into all the world." "Go into the highways and hedges." For them he agonized in Gethsemane and died on Calvary. Christ sounded this challenge of the unreached multitudes to the world in tones that still echo down the corridors of time. It is clothed in his power and stamped with his regal authority. It is a militant challenge for every

preacher, Sunday school officer and teacher and Christian in all the world.

The first thing necessary in meeting the challenge of the unreached multitudes is a conception of its gigantic proportions. For instance, 31,000,000 of the South's 40,000,000 population are not in any Sunday school. Baptists rightly have a pardonable pride in the phenomenal and unprecedented growth in their Sunday school work. But when we soberly and seriously face the fact that as Baptists we are reaching less than 6% of our population for teaching, joy leaves our hearts and we focus our eyes upon the unreached multitudes, and look, and think, and long until our eyes grow dim, and our hearts grow sick. A harrowing nightmare of this wandering, starving, imperiled, lost, doomed multitude causes sleep to flee from our eyes, ease from our souls, and slumber from our bodies. We feel the very foundations beneath us shake, tornadoes sweep, volcanoes blaze, and a paralysis seizes us as we remember that they are lost and that we are accountable to God for them. If we are not doing our best to reach these countless multitudes, we are failing at the heart of the most solemn task ever committed to man or angel, betraying the multitudes and defaulting God. We must be pioneers for God, pushing back the frontiers to new horizons, and blazing trails into new habitations, and unknown domains of humanity. Christianity has grown and prospered to the degree that it has pushed out across mountains, plains, prairies, deserts, and oceans in hungering search for the multitudes.

Mighty armies of young people help make up these unreached multitudes. Some of these are swayed hither and thither by every wind that blows, customs that blight, and sins that damn.

Do we have a deep conviction that these multitudes are lost, and that they are hungry for the gospel message? They are not antagonistic, we are apathetic; they have more concern than we have compassion. Their hearts are filled with hunger; ours are filled with apoplexy. We are content enough to sit together in heavenly places, but not willing enough to walk and work together in unholy places. We should not be wholly possessed with our present numbers; we should be obsessed with the unreached numbers. The deep conviction that the message of Christ Jesus will open their eyes, slake their thirst, satisfy their hunger, and save their poor lost souls should cure us of our criminal supineness, and kindle a fire of compassion that will spread into an unquenchable conflagration. If our message is what we profess it to be, if it is what we believe it to be, if it is what its fruits through history prove it to be, we should carry it in all haste, and on tongues of fire to these unreached masses. We dare not gamble with these lost souls. Shall we not hang indifference on the scaffold and place deepest interest upon the throne?

With our lives and our all consecrated to the task of winning the unreached multitudes, and with our eyes fixed on Christ, we will win hosts of them. The fate, the destiny, the salvation of these multitudes depend upon what they do with Jesus. Moral essays will not reach them! Social reform is not sufficient for them! A milk and water gospel will not suffice for those lost, helpless, hopeless multitudes. Jesus alone will suffice; glory to His precious name, he will suffice for the lost everywhere. "He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed." We can

tell the multitudes that Christ did leave heaven, came down into this world, and shed His blood on Calvary to save sinners everywhere.

“I know of lands that are sunk in shame,
Of hearts that faint and tire;
But I know a Name, a Name, a Name,
That can set those lands on fire.”

One of the most vital questions facing our Sunday schools is that of reaching these multitudes. How shall we meet the situation confronting us?

1. By enlisting and maintaining an adequate force of teachers and officers. Trained leaders are essential to a successful Sunday school. Almost every church has within its membership sufficient material to meet all its needs for teachers and leaders. All they like is training. We are glad for the progress that many of our churches have made in this respect in the past few weeks, by co-operating with the State Board in putting on the Sunday school Revival.

2. By allowing no person to hold more than one office at a time.

3. By adopting some definite plans and standards and keeping them constantly before the school.

4. By much earnest prayer and hard work. The earnestly interested pastor and Superintendent will not limit their efforts to less than seven days a week. Encourage your teachers to spend much time in prayer. Theirs is the greatest responsibility in the world, that of helping to reach the multitudes, shaping and moulding human lives and character and saving souls. But theirs may be the greatest joy in life—the joy of a glorious partnership with Christ in His kingdom building and the consequent fellowship with our Lord.

May each Sunday school in every church in this Association put forth every effort to win its share of the unreached multitudes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. McNEILL,

A. M. McGEE,

V. McGHINNIS, Committee.

After which an interesting discussion was given by J. C. McNeill. Report was adopted and committee discharged.

The next report was read on

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In last years report the committee used Paul as an example of “a chosen vessel” because he was fitted by a thorough and liberal education to be used of God to become the great missionary and apostle. From his day unto this the same has been true. God has laid His hand upon those who were ready—prepared and willing to serve Him. Someone has said that we need a new Paul for each new beginning and meaning that every new reform or effort at progress or change demands a leader who is trained in advance of his followers in order that he may truly lead.

Despite necessary curtailing of funds for operation and decrease in gifts to our Denominational schools they have continued to function. We are happy to report that from our own Association several boys and girls were members of those student bodies.

It is not left for us to question the worth or the need for schools under Christian and Denominational influence—that need and worth has been proved. It is however up to you and me as followers of Christianity and as members of Baptist churches to say whether or not we shall keep open the doors of these schools. Your gift and mine will determine to what extent this phase of our Denominational program shall serve.

Christian Education begins not at the boarding school but in the home and should continue throughout the days in public school. Never before has there been a greater challenge to the American home as there is now. When our homes are turned toward Christ, and the children in the home are trained “in the fear and admonition of the Lord” then will America cease being a nation of lawlessness and crime but will be in truth the Christian nation which we like to call ourselves.

Your committee begs to recommend:

1. That the people in our Association keep in touch with the working condition of our schools through the Biblical Recorder reports.
2. That it be borne in mind when making contributions to the work, the cause of Christian Education will receive a proportional amount.
3. That when possible we patronize our own schools by sending our boys and girls to them.
4. That we spend much time in praying that these schools may properly fill their place in carrying out the command of the Great Teacher, “Go ye—teach all Nations—teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.”

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE McNEILL,

VALERIA BELL NICHOLS,

MRS. G. G. REEVES, Committee.

After which an interesting discussion was given by the brethren, and the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report on,

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLES UNION

The training of our young people for intensive Christian endeavor should be in the forefront of all our plans. To this task The Baptist Young Peoples Union has set its hand. Our efforts in the past year have by no means been in vain but the results have been far too small when compared with the opportunities presented in the Brushy Mountain Association.

At this time there are only three churches having active unions, which are: North Wilkesboro First, Wilkesboro and Mount Pleasant. In the recent past several other churches have had active unions, but due to the lack of more permanent leadership many organizations have fallen down when those who have them in charge go away to school or out of community work.

It is our earnest desire that an active organization be perfected in every church and that we, the older members of the local church and the Association lend our every effort toward making such a move possible.

A number of representatives from the above named unions attended the District or Regional Convention at Hickory and the State Convention at Ridge Crest this summer.

Respectfully submitted,
T. E. STORY,
MARIE McNEILL,
ARGYLE ELLIOTT, Committee.

After which a timely discussion was given by T. E. Story and others. On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report was read on

HOSPITALS

The Hospitals is a place for the shelter and treatment of the sick or wounded in peace or war.

Southern Baptist accept the Bible as their authoritative source of faith and practice and believe its teaching on the sanctity of the human body and the sin of abusing it. They also accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Master and believe his teaching on the subject of healing. They are seeking to carry out this same ministry of mercy in the healing of humanity's hurt. This is being done in three areas of service.

1. In conducting hospitals both in the homeland and on the foreign fields. In the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention there are twenty-six Baptist hospitals with eighty-five buildings and property worth \$15,000,000. They have a bed capacity of 3,543 and treat over 85,000 patients annually. They expend more than \$6,000,000 in charity work annually.

2. In conducting nurses' training schools in these hospitals.

a. The ministry of nursing is very old. The history is a story of romance, heroism, achievement, and advancement.

b. The first Christian nurse of record was Paula in the fourth century after Christ. Afterwards there developed nursing sisterhoods and brotherhoods, but their members were little more than servant attendants.

c. It took the artistry of Florence Nightingale and the genius of her great Christian character to lift nursing into the high plane upon which it now stands—She had the advantages of (1) being well born,, (2) having natural adaptability, (3) being well educated, and (4) being divinely called.

d. Southern Baptist hospitals have nearly two thousand nurses. There are hundreds of others in secular and state hospitals.

3. In sending out doctors and Christian nurses for Missionary work.

a. Some of the most thrilling stories we get from the foreign fields come from the medical missionaries and Christian nurses in their clinic and hospital work.

b. The foreign mission enterprise has been blessed with such medical missionaries as Doctors Grenfell in Labrador, Hepburn in Japan, Leavell in China, Parker, Livingston, McCartie, Chamberlin, Cochran, Bryan, Ayers, Simmons, and others, and with such Christian nurses as Grace McBride, and scores of others.

We believe that God has the power to heal the sick directly and independently. We believe fully in the promises he has made in this regard. We believe, also, that it is His will and plan to use means and methods toward healing the sick. The Scriptures speak approvingly of physicians. The ministry of healing was committed by Christ to his disciples. We believe, therefore, that the building of hospitals, the training of nurses, and the sending out of medical missionaries, constitute a part of Christ's commission and example to use all possible means for carrying the gospel to all possible peoples.

Respectfully submitted,
EULAH LOWE,
BILL DANCEY,
W. A. PROFFITT, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by W. A. Proffit, after which it was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report was given on

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Any Minister or Christian worker who has labored for the uplift of the people, whose presents is welcome in sickness, whose counsel in things pertaining to our future life is freely given, and whose story of the Master has cheered the weary so often, should not be neglected when he needs help in old age, physical disability, or dependency. We have a board to provide such helps. It is located at Dallas, Texas. This board works in two directions; to give relief when needed, also to enable the minister, while in health to provide annuity funds for his own use later. It has been one of the functions of the board from the beginning of its activities to provide the greatest possible assistance to our aged ministers and the widows and orphans of the deceased ministers.

The very fact that any child appeals to us for help, brings us, as an agency, under obligations to do something about it. If the child can not and should not be received, we have not met our moral and Christian obligations without making effort to bring the child in touch with relief at once. Hence the plea that we lift our eyes for a larger vision and supply a stronger and brotherly service for the needy.

Since the board of the Southern Baptist Convention is the only agency that administers funds for the support of our old ministers we should give our prayerful support to aide it.

The care of our aged and disabled preachers and their widows and orphans of deceased preachers deserve the most earnest and prayerful attention at the hands of all of our people. That far too little money has been

contributed by our people to those old ministers who have worn their lives out preaching the gospel to the lost world. Surely our old ministers are deserving a little better treatment in their declining years. What the Southern Baptist are doing through their board for these faithful servants of the cross is helpful, but it is not sufficient. Surely every church should strive to see to it that the old preachers are better provided for. The spirit of brotherhood should be our highest ambition. The test of brotherhood is living together in intimate and constant contact day by day. Why not remember and help the old ministers who have worn out their lives preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ? "Behold how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Respectfully submitted,
U. G. FOSTER,
H. A. BULLIS,
E. M. BLACKBURN, Committee.

A timely discussion was given by U. G. Foster and others after which the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The report was then called for on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

For the year the W. M. U. of the Southland has taken for its motto, or watchword, "Jesus Shall Reign". In the organizations which we have in four of the churches of our Association the women, young ladies and children are endeavoring to have a part in helping to bring Jesus' reign to the hearts of men everywhere.

While there haven't been any new organizations added this year there have not been any lost. We are especially proud of the fact that North Wilkesboro First Baptist had an A-1 graded W. M. U.; this was one of ten in the entire State. We are also happy that, despite the hard times, our Associational goal in offerings was reached.

The regular yearly meeting was held at Harmony Baptist Church with a large attendance from seven churches. Miss Alva Lawrence, State Young People's Leader, brought an inspiring message challenging us that we must not fail in our obligation and opportunity to help bring about Christ's Kingdom. At this meeting it was decided to have next year's meeting with Gordon Baptist Church. Mrs. J. N. Shockey, president of the North Wilkesboro W. M. U. was elected Superintendent for the coming year.

We were especially fortunate in having Miss Lawrence in the Association for a week. She worked in every church where there were W. M. U. organizations.

Again your committee would like to urge that all pastors acquaint themselves with the purpose and work of this organization and that in every church the women are given encouragement and support in their efforts to stand by the plan of Christ for winning a lost world unto Himself.

Respectfully submitted,
VALERIA BELL NICHOLS,
MARIE McNEILL,
MRS. ROBT. HOLLAND, Committee.

After which an interesting discussion was given by Marie McNeill, Joyce Welborn and others. Report was adopted and committee discharged.

The committee on Obituaries reported the list of members who died during the last association year:

Beaver Creek—None.
Cub Creek—One.
Edgewood—Two.
Elk—One.
Fishing Creek—Two.
Gordon—Three.
Goshen—None.
Harmony—Two.
Hinshaw Street—One.
Lewis Fork—One.
Liberty Grove—Three.
Little Rock—None.
Moravian Falls—Two.
Mount Carmel—One.
Mount Pleasant—Two.
Mount Zion—None.
New Hope—None.
First North Wilkesboro—Seven.
Second North Wilkesboro—None.
Oak Grove—None.
Oakwoods—Two.
Pleasant Grove—Four.
Pleasant Home—One.
Pilgrim—Two.
Stony Hill—One.
Shady Grove—None.
Walnut Grove—None.
Wilkesboro—One.
Zion Hill—Two.

The Committee on **Time, Place and Preachers** report as follows:

Time—Friday before the **Fourth Sunday**, in August, 1933, at 11 A. M.

Place—Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 25 miles west of No. Wilkesboro, on the Stony Fork road.

To Preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. G. G. Reeves; Alternate, Rev. A. J. Foster.

The following resolution of thanks offered by the committee on that topic was unanimously and heartily adopted:

Be it resolved that the thanks of this Association are due and hereby tendered to the brethren and sisters of Pilgrim Baptist Church and the people of this community for their kind hospitality in so nobly supporting this Association and to the choir for the excellent music rendered.

W. C. Meadows,
GEORGE G. REEVES, Committee.

PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Our Twofold Objective: 1. The complete enlistment of every member of every church in the regular and systematic support of all the work of Southern Baptists everywhere. 2. The practice of the Tithe as the minimum of Christian Stewardship.

ASSOCIATIONAL COMMITTEE TO PROMOTE AN EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS NOVEMBER 27 TO DECEMBER 4.

B. T. Henderson, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Chairman.

J. F. Jordan, Wilkesboro, N. C.

T. E. Story, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Mrs. R. L. Wellborn, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Mrs. J. N. Shockey, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

E. M. Blackburn, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

James McNeill, Champion, N. C.

“Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.” 1 Cor. 16:2.

HISTORY OF PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

This church (Pilgrim Baptist Church) is located about ten miles from North Wilkesboro, one-half mile off Congo Road, near H. J. Shoemaker's store. This place of worship was first started in a small log house. It went by name of Freewill Church. Later a new frame building was constructed. This church was organized the 7th day of March, 1859, with a number of twelve charter members from other Baptist churches. The Presbytery was called, consisting of J. E. McNeil, chairman and A. W. Vanoy, secretary. Letters from brothers and sisters of other churches were presented. Those brothers and sisters were duly examined and were found orthodox and they unanimously voted to endorse the articles of faith of the Baptist church, and were duly organized into the Pilgrim Baptist church, changing the name of Freewill to Pilgrim. Since that time it has had many struggles, and is now progressing slowly. It has now 119 members and a Sunday school enrollment of 120; average attendance of 63. The steps has been remodded. The cemetery and grounds around the building have been cleared, and shrubery and flowers planted about the grounds. The records show that the following pastors have served this church: A. W. Vanoy, Thomas H. Foster, D. Wellborn, G. Walker, J. W. Church, J. F. Davis, W. N. Church, W. F. Carlton, L. B. Murry, Melvin Michael, J. E. Hayes and others.

The Brushy Mountain Baptist Association first met with this church in 1861; in 1891 and again in 1932. May the Good Lord continue this church and may such be added to it from time to time as He would have to be saved.

F. O. FOSTER, Historian.

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1932.

CHURCHES	Pastors and Post Offices	When Constituted	Village, Town, City or Country	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	GAINS						LOSSES					Revivals During yr.	Ob. Lord's Supper	Rec. Sta. Bap. paper	
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Present Members	Wkly Prayer Meet.					
Beaver Creek			C. 1811 J. S. Elliott, Knottville	3rd	119	2											119	no	1	
Cub Creek			C. 1860 N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	3rd	53	5											53	54	yes	1
Edgewood			C. 1893 S. C. Woodruff, Hayes	2nd	144	5											144	122	no	1
Elk			C. 1905 Ed. O. Miller, Wilbar	3rd	48												48	45	no	1
Fishing Creek			C. 1822 J. W. Watts, Patterson	2nd	145	25											145	172	no	1
Gordon			V. 1919 S. C. Woodruff, Hayes	3rd	75	1											75	70	yes	1
Goshen			C. 1916 L. B. Murray, State Road	1st	115	5											115	121	no	1
Harmony			C. 1900 H. A. Bullis, No. Wilkesboro	1st	145	9											145	147	yes	2
Hinshaw Street			T. 1927	1st, 3rd	75												75	83	yes	1
Lewis Fork			C. 1792 W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock	1st	201	16	2										201	218	no	1
Liberty Grove			C. J. S. Elliott, Knottville	4th	136	2											136	130	no	1
Little Rock			C. 1886 S. I. Watts, Boomer	3rd	138	3											138	137	no	1
Moravian Falls			V. 1886 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	2nd, 4th	116	5	5										116	123	yes	2
Mount Carmel			C. 1886 A. J. Foster, Boomer	2nd	81												81	80		1
Mount Pleasant			C. 1876 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1st	301	15	10										301	291	no	1
Mount Zion			C. 1849 E. C. Hodges, Boomer	1st	160	3											160	163	no	1
New Hope			C. 1830 Avery Church, Purlear	4th	256												256	254	no	1
1st N. Wilkesboro			T. 1892 G. G. Reeves, No. Wilkesboro	1, 2, 3, 4	646	2	17	1									646	642	yes	4
2d N. Wilkesboro			T. 1907 J. E. Hayes, No. Wilkesboro	2nd, 4th	200	14	2										200	213	yes	2
Oak Grove			C. 1906 A. T. Pardue, Roaring River	1st	55												55	55		1
Oakwoods			C. 1917 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1st	86												86	87	yes	1
Pleasant Grove			C. 1885 J. E. Hayes, No. Wilkesboro	1st	221	41											221	4	250	no
Pleasant Home			C. 1880 Finley C. Watts, Purlear	3rd	201	11	1										201	1	212	no
Pilgrim			C. 1859 J. E. Hayes, No. Wilkesboro	3rd	131	5	1										131	6	7	no
Stony Hill			C. 1888 Ed. O. Miller, Wilbar	2nd	80	1											80	1	79	no
Shady Grove			C. 1880 Ed. O. Miller, Wilbar	3rd	30												30			no
Walnut Grove			C. 1840 C. C. Holland, Stony Point	3rd	242	7	2										242	8	29	no
Wilkesboro			T. 1880 Avery Church, Purlear	1st, 3rd	216	8	16										216	5	115	no
Zion Hill			C. 1814 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1st	178	12	1										178	4	4	yes
Total					4539	190	95	2	8	104	37	51	37	4605			27	25	27	

CHURCHES	Village, Town or Country, Church?	Superintendents and Post Offices	Officers and Teachers	Beginners, 3-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and up.	Cradle Roll, under 3	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is it Standard, A-1	Teachers—Normal Dip.	Baptisms from School	Mission Sunday School
Beaver Creek	C.	Ruby Phillips, Boomer	13	7	14	20	24	26	28	8	4	144	50	yes	.....	1	.....	.....
Cub Creek	C.	C. S. Lowe, Wilkesboro	4	10	10	12	8	16	12	.....	.....	58	40	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
Edgewood	C.	C. C. Wright, Hunting Creek	8	10	14	8	14	32	12	.....	.....	98	60	yes	no	.....	4	.....
Elk	C.	C. W. A. Proffitt, Denny	6	12	12	10	11	13	.....	.....	.....	46	35	yes	no	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek	C.	C. B. Maberry, No. Wilkesboro	13	23	22	27	33	38	35	6	.....	197	152	yes	no	4	20	no
Gordon	C.	W. F. Carson, No. Wilkesboro	9	17	36	24	21	20	6	.....	.....	133	70	no	no	7	.....	.....
Goshen	C.	D. F. Barlow, Boomer	20	9	21	34	24	45	88	5	.....	226	41	no	no	1	.....	.....
Harmony	C.	H. D. Caudill, Millers Creek	13	15	18	30	30	19	42	20	.....	187	125	yes	no	6	7	.....
Hinshaw Street	T.	C. H. Dancy, No. Wilkesboro	11	20	15	15	20	15	15	5	.....	150	65	yes	no	.....	.....	.....
Lewis Fork	C.	D. F. Shepherd, Ready Branch	6	10	4	8	6	8	10	.....	.....	52	25	yes	no	.....	6	.....
Liberty Grove	C.	Mrs. J. S. Elliott, Knottville	12	8	10	11	13	8	9	13	.....	84	.....	yes	no	.....	1	.....
Little Rock	C.	V. McGhinnis, Boomer	11	8	7	12	11	30	19	.....	.....	98	70	yes	no	1	3	.....
Moravian Falls	V.	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	14	9	8	12	10	45	27	.....	.....	125	60	yes	no	7	.....	.....
Mount Carmel	C.	J. T. Rogers, Moravian Falls	7	4	9	11	11	.....	.....	4	.....	59	40	yes	no	.....	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant	C.	J. C. McNeill, Champion	14	8	12	36	22	9	37	.....	.....	138	80	yes	no	1	.....	.....
Mount Zion	C.	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	97	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Hope	C.	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	13	12	16	19	24	38	39	.....	.....	161	79	yes	.....	4	.....	.....
1st N. Wilkesboro	T.	E. M. Blackburn, No. Wilkesboro	51	62	68	99	65	127	125	125	80	742	324	yes	no	25	.....	.....
2d N. Wilkesboro	T.	John Anderson, No. Wilkesboro	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Grove	C.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakwoods	C.	Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, R2	20	10	9	13	14	10	20	.....	.....	102	50	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	C.	T. V. Church, Buck	6	20	10	10	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	86	50	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Home	C.	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	6	20	12	18	20	10	10	.....	.....	96	85	no	.....	21	.....	.....
Pilgrim	C.	F. O. Foster, Congo	4	19	.....	13	.....	20	9	.....	.....	120	63	no	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stony Hill	C.	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville	7	15	.....	14	14	.....	20	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shady Grove	C.	F. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Grove	C.	R. C. Meadows, Pores Knob	16	8	26	30	22	37	26	8	10	167	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilkesboro	T.	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	17	12	20	38	19	19	28	2	.....	155	103	yes	no	15	8	.....
Zion Hill	C.	J. E. German, Boomer	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	88	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....
Total			246	326	337	538	453	474	644	202	94	3712	63.8	.....	.....	81	70	.....

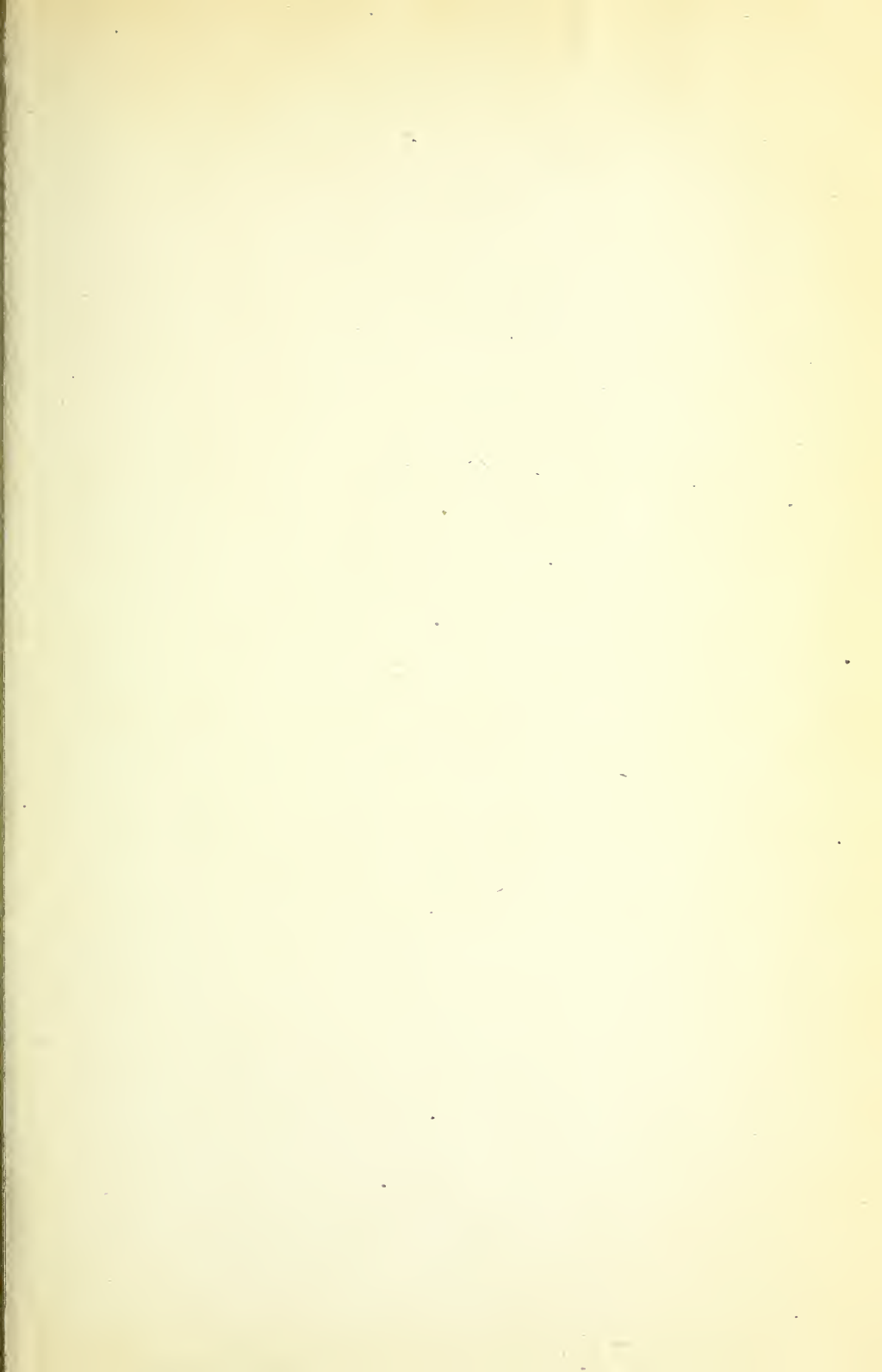
TABLE III—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1932.

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Dept. Assembly R'ns	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer, R. 2.....	yes	1890	wood	200	1	1	1	\$ 300		\$ 350		
Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1864	wood	500	1	1	1	1000		\$ 1000		
Edgewood.....	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1893	wood	700	2	1	1	2100		\$ 2100		
Elk.....	Ruth Proffit, Denny.....	yes	1926	wood	400	1	1	1	2100		\$ 2100		
Fishing Creek.....	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2.....	yes	1928	wood	600	1	1	1	4000		\$ 4000		
Gordon.....	W. P. Carson, No. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1921	wood	400	3	3	3	5000		\$ 5000		
Goshen.....	J. L. Walsh, Goshen.....	yes	1916	wood	500	1	1	1	1500		\$ 1500		
Harmony.....	H. W. Mahaffey, Cricket.....	yes	1900	wood	300	1	1	1	2500		\$ 2500		
Hinshaw Street.....	A. E. Chambers, No. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1927	wood	350	5	5	5	3000		\$ 3000		
Lewis Fork.....	C. H. Jones, Ready Branch.....	yes	1909	wood	400	1	1	1	2500		\$ 2500		
Liberty Grove.....	W. R. Pardue, No. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1886	wood	500	4	4	4	1000		\$ 1000		
Little Rock.....	W. M. Lackey, Boomer.....	yes	1904	wood	500	5	5	5	4000		\$ 4000		
Moravian Falls.....	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.....	yes	1888	wood	300	2	2	2	2500		\$ 2500		
Mount Carmel.....	Miss Jamie McNeill, Boomer.....	yes	1886	wood	500	1	1	1	3000		\$ 3000		
Mount Pleasant.....	J. F. Walsh, Purlear.....	yes	1909	wood	500	1	1	1	3000		\$ 3000		
Mount Zion.....	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix.....	yes	1925	wood	500	1	1	1	2000		\$ 2000		
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear.....	yes	1895	wood	500	1	1	1	2000		\$ 2000		
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	J. E. Caudill, No. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1910	brick	600	15	7	6000	\$10000	\$ 10000	\$ 70000	2000	\$50000
2d N. Wilkesboro.....	John Anderson, No. Wilkesboro.....	yes	1902	wood	200	1	1	1	1000		\$ 1000		
Oak Grove.....	Kager Alexander, Roaring River.....	no											
Oakwoods.....	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro, R. 2.....	yes	1917	wood	500	1	1	1	1000		\$ 1000		
Pleasant Grove.....	J. G. Parsons, Buck.....	yes	1903	wood	250	1	1	1	1000		\$ 1000		
Pleasant Home.....	Mrs. A. L. Nichols, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1903	wood	800	1	1	1	1000		\$ 1000		
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....	yes	1859	wood	350	1	1	1	1800		\$ 1800		
Stony Hill.....	C. O. Parsons, Parsonsville.....	yes	1922	wood	300	1	1	1	1000		\$ 1000		
Shady Grove.....	F. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1880	wood	300	1	1	1	500		\$ 500		
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob.....	yes	1930	brick	500	5	4	4	5000		\$ 5000		
Wilkesboro.....	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro.....	yes	1902	brick	400	4	3	3	7000	\$ 4500	\$ 11500	390	\$ 2500
Zion Hill.....	J. E. German, Boomer.....	yes	1912	wood	500	1	1	1	2000		\$ 2000		
Total.....					12350	64	61	57	\$170400	\$14500	\$137350	2390	\$52500

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. B. Y. P. U., W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Total for Local Church Work Given by Church and all Organizations
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	\$ 60.00				\$ 2.00					\$ 62.00
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	54.75					16.00		1.20	10.00	54.75
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro, R. 2	125.00		\$ 40.00	\$ 100.00				\$ 1.20		292.20
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	65.52				3.00	9.06		3.00	10.12	113.88
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2	130.70		32.50		8.00			3.00	3.50	238.97
Gordon	W. P. Carson, No. Wilkesboro	100.00				10.00					110.00
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Goshen	100.00		22.50			10.00		2.00	10.00	144.50
Harmony	Mrs. Augustus Kirby, Wilkesboro	197.53	\$ 56.10			29.75			1.50	33.76	378.44
Hinshaw Street	I. S. Baily, No. Wilkesboro					26.00	20.35		2.00		44.35
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Maple Springs	68.40		20.40			1.00		2.00		101.80
Liberty Grove	W. R. Pardue, No. Wilkesboro	50.00			80.00			\$ 2.00	1.50		133.50
Little Rock	L. L. Carlton, Boomer	93.27		22.00	50.00	12.00	20.00	1.80			199.07
Moravian Falls	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	214.35	5.00	76.05		50.00	27.00	5.00			377.40
Mount Carmel	Miss Janie McNeill, Boomer	10.00									10.00
Mount Pleasant	J. F. Walsh, Purlear	216.25		27.00	2.80	32.00	20.81	6.00	1.00		305.86
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	153.00		35.50	473.30	2.00	10.00	10.00	1.15		684.95
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purlear	147.00		.25	.18		.60		2.00		150.10
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, No. Wilkesboro	2400.00	336.00		628.33	731.07	448.08	17,000	5.00	17,07	4582.55
2d N. Wilkesboro	Elsie Reynolds, No. Wilkesboro	35.00		10.00		16.00	7.00		.60		64.55
Oak Grove	Kager Alexander, Roaring River	50.00									50.00
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro					12.00					12.00
Pleasant Grove	J. G. Parsons, Buck	72.84					8.22		2.00		83.06
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	137.00		5.00		73.00	16.00	1.00	1.00		233.00
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	70.71				10.00		1.50	.85		103.31
Stony Hill	Lee Beshears, Parsonsville	25.00				10.00			1.00		36.00
Shady Grove	F. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro	60.00									60.00
Walnut Grove	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob	106.35	5.00	45.00	60.00			15.00	1.25		232.60
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	700.00		30.00	390.00	241.10	128.64		2.00		1518.39
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer	300.00				12.00	17.50	7.25			367.75
Total		\$5477.42	\$402.10	\$ 366.20	\$1784.43	\$1280.10	\$ 752.36	\$66.80	\$30.05	\$ 74.45	\$10699.30

TABLE V—Gifts For Missions, Education and All Benevolences, Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1932.

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Co-operative Program	Special to Associa-tional Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Christian and Minis-terial Education	\$	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Other Special Gifts	Total given by W.M.U. Organizations	Total given by the Sunday School	\$	Grand Total All Gifts for All Purposes by Churches & all Depts.
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer			\$ 1.50					8.83						10.33
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro								2.10						5.19
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro			5.00					5.00						10.00
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny								10.12						10.12
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2								22.25						22.25
Gordon	W. P. Carson, No. Wilkesboro								30.00	\$ 1.54					31.54
Goshen	J. L. Waush, Goshen														
Harmony	Mrs. Augustus Kirby, Wilkesboro								30.00		\$ 3.35	\$ 26.75			60.10
Hinsbaw Street	I. S. Baily, No. Wilkesboro								17.29						17.29
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Maple Springs														
Liberty Grove	W. R. Pardue, No. Wilkesboro														
Little Rock	L. L. Carlton, Boomer				\$ 3.05				11.63						14.68
Moravian Falls	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls												\$26.00		37.16
Mount Carmel	Janie McNeill, Boomer														
Mount Pleasant	J. F. Walsh, Purlear				32.00				8.95						73.47
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix								16.00	3.00	2.00				21.00
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purlear	\$ 10.00			15.00										45.00
1st N. Wilkesboro	E. M. Blackburn, No. Wilkesboro	237.69		22.95	65.00				98.83	\$42.05	24.25	762.52			1829.80
2d N. Wilkesboro	Elsie Reynolds, No. Wilkesboro														
Oak Grove	Kager Alexander, Roaring River														
Pleasant Grove	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro														
Pleasant Home	J. G. Parsons, Buck				3.00				55.00	3.00					64.00
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo				2.50										2.50
Stony Hill	Lee Beshears, Parsonsville	5.00													10.00
Shady Grove	F. B. Jarvis, Wilkesboro														
Walnut Grove	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob		\$20.00												56.00
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	140.15	24.35	22.56	36.05				146.41		23.60				398.12
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer					20.00			55.30						75.30
Total		\$392.84	\$44.35	\$51.01	\$156.60	\$124.92	\$42.05	\$1025.88	\$27.17	\$55.20	\$789.27	\$78.52	\$2723.55		





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DIRECTORY FOR 1933 AND 1934

J. L. Hemphill, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Mrs. Roxie F. Jennings, Clerk and Treasurer, Pores Knob, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Bullis, H. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Church, Avery, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Elliott, J. S., Knottville, N. C.

Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Hayes, A. B., Hays, N. C.

Jarvis, N. T., Roaring River, N. C.

Miller, Ed O., Wilbar, N. C.

Olive, Eugene, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Shew, T. R., North Wilkesboro, N. C., R.F.D. 2

Non-Resident Pastors

Ashley, W. D., Blowing Rock, N. C.

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.

Holland, C. C., Stoney Point, N. C.

Hodges, E. C., Boone, N. C.

Murray, L. B., State Road, N. C.

Payne, T. E., Hudson, N. C.

Secreast, David, Lenoir, N. C.

Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

Watts, J. W., Lenoir, N. C.

Pastors Retired from Active Service

W. C. Meadows, Pores Knob, N. C.; R. F. Jarvis, Wilkesboro, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. L. Hemphill, Eugene Olive, T. E. Story, W. C. Meadows,

U. G. Foster, R. L. Proffit, and Mrs. Roxie Jennings.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Eugene Olive

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

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CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This association shall be denominated and known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association.

Article 2. The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament.

Article 3. This association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates, and ordained ministers having care of churches in the association and members of the Executive Board, and ordained ministers having their membership in churches belonging to the association and living within the bounds thereof.

Article 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and giving an account of the condition of their church and a statement of all funds contributed to benevolent purposes during the year.

Article 5. The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by ballot from among the members of the churches composing this association, by a majority of the members voting, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

Article 6. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, decide questions in case of equal divisions, extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates of churches received, appoint all committees, except the Executive which shall be nominated and elected by a majority of the delegates present. He shall see that the constitution and by-laws are properly respected.

Article 7. The Clerk shall call the roll and keep a true record of the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and in the absence of the Moderator, call the association to order.

Article 8. The Treasurer shall receive the funds and disburse them as ordered by the Association and at the close of the official term, shall report the amount received, and expended.

Article 9. The minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

Article 10. Any church not representing itself in this body three successive sessions, by letter or by delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

Article 11. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

Article 12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.

Article 13. Any church desiring to become a member shall present her petition at an annual session of this body, through the delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her, the Moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Article 14. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to preserve gospel order, but shall not entertain any charge against any church unless it is brought in through a church.

Article 15. The Association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all the privileges of regular delegates, except that of voting.

Article 16. The annual session of this body shall commence on Friday before the Fourth Sabbath in August at such a place as the Association may select.

Article 17. By appointment there shall be preached, at each annual session, an introductory, a missionary and a denominational sermon.

Article 18. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and messengers from the churches of the Association.

2. Daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Delegates shall be recognized by letters from their churches designating them as such.

4. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand of fellowship.

5. The Clerk shall provide letters for the use of the churches of the Association previous to the meeting of the Association, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them and have it present at each annual session, read the proceedings of the preceding session at the beginning of each morning session, and the last day's proceedings at the close of the annual session.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "Brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members are requested not to absent themselves from the session of the Association, but to remain to the end of the meeting.

8. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also a copy to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and one to the Field Secretary for Sunday Schools in North Carolina.

9. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Parliamentary Law.

10. The order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—Sam Jones, Zachary Ferguson and G. H. Walker.
Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. B. Hall and J. J. Anderson.
Edgewood—A G. Hendren, L. R. Miller and D. R. Wright.
Elk—W. A. Proffit, Mrs. E. L. Hight and F. W. McNeil.
Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, Mrs. Carl Miller and Mrs. C. B. Mayberry.
Goshen—Frank Walsh, Foster Barlow and R. L. Proffit.
Gordon—W. P. Gordon.
Harmony—R. L. Lankford, Walter Jones and Jake Mahaffey.
Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, A. E. Chambers and Finley Holler.
Lewis Fork—L. L. Jones, W. T. West and J. R. Triplett.
Liberty Grove—James Henderson, Paul Church and W. R. Pardue.
Little Rock—V. McGhinnis, N. C. Andrews and W. M. Lackey.
Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, R. A. Greer and R. L. Pearson.
Mount Carmel—
Mt. Pleasant—A. M. McGee, P. O. Church and E. C. Foster.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, R. L. Wooten and I. H. Triplett.
New Hope—J. C. Parsons, C. C. Hayes and C. F. Canter.
First North Wilkesboro—E. M. Blackburn, E. E. Eller and J. I. Myers.
Second North Wilkesboro—John Anderson, T. N. White and Q. H. Royal.
Oakwoods—W. A. Ellis, Silas Tedder and Fred Blevins.
Pleasant Home—W. T. Snyder, Gentry Pierce and John Johnson.
Pleasant Grove—Wm. E. Parsons, M. L. Bumgarner and J. R. Parsons.
Pilgrim—Dorner Huffman, F. O. Foster and Wiley Minton.
Stony Hill—C. O. Parsons, Zollie Parsons and Ed B. Parsons.
Walnut Grove—W. C. Meadows, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jennings.
Wilkesboro—T. E. Story, Mrs. R. L. Welborn and L. Bumgarner.
Zion Hill—J. E. German, Charlie German and G. B. Carlton.

LIST OF COMMITTEES, 1933 SESSION

Devotional Exercises—Avery Church, Foster Barlow and R. L. Wooten.
Digest of Church Letters—F. M. Jennings, Sam Jones and Ruby Cothren.
Temperance and Law Enforcement—W. G. Foster, J. B. Hall and W. A.

Jennings.

Religious Literature—R. L. Proffit, J. F. Jordan and Rev. Avery Church.
Mills Home—Rev. W. C. Meadows, Wm. E. Parsons and Clifford Moore.
State Missions—Mrs. C. B. Mayberry, Wiley Minton and Rev. A. J. Foster.
Home Missions—Rev. Geo. Sebastian, J. M. Lankford and Glenn Carlton.
Foreign Missions—D. R. Wright, F. A. McNeil and V. McGhinnis.

Ministerial Relief—W. A. Proffit, Zachary Ferguson and Rev. H. A. Bullis.

Christian Education—E. M. Blackburn, Mrs. Carl Miller and Miss Argyle Elliott.

Evangelism and Enlistment—E. E. Eller, N. C. Andrews and A. J. Foster.

State of the Churches—Jake Mahaffey, M. L. Bumgarner and Rev. A. T. Pardue.

Sunday School—B. M. Pardue, T. E. Story and Moss Blackburn.

Co-operative Program—Rev. Eugene Olive, Walter Jones and I. S. Baity.

B.Y.P.U.—R. A. Greer, C. C. Foster and Mrs. Helen Linney Cashion.

On Every Member Canvass—J. R. Triplett, A. G. Hendren and F. O. Foster.

W.M.U.—Mrs. Eugene Olive, Mrs. W. G. Foster and Mrs. F. G. Holman.

Historian—J. C. Parsons, W. V. Barnett and Mrs. J. S. Welch.

Hospitals—A. S. Eller, Mrs. S. S. Welch and Mrs. Floyd M. Jennings.

Obituaries—A. M. McGee, L. Bumgarner and Mrs. R. L. Welborn.

Resolutions—U. G. Foster, Rev. W. C. Meadows and Mrs. Roxie Jennings.

Time, place and Preacher—A. G. Hendren, Ruffin Triplett and Floyd Jennings.

Pastors enrolled during session of Association—Eugene Olive, Avery Church, A. T. Pardue and A. J. Foster.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Sixtieth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Mt. Zion, N. C., August 25, 1933 at 11:00 A. M.

Devotional service was led by W. O. Barnett of Mt. Zion Baptist Church. After a song had been sung he read the 103rd Psalm. Rev. A. J. Foster led in prayer.

In the absence of Rev. G. G. Reeves Rev. A. J. Foster preached the Introductory Sermon. The sermon was able, timely and practical and brought the lesson to us to be "steadfast and unmoveable."

Recess for one hour was taken for dinner and recreation.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator J. L. Hemphill. The roll of the churches was called and seventeen were present with their letters and messengers.

Officers were then elected to serve for the present session as follows:

J. L. Hemphill, of Wilkesboro, was re-elected Moderator and Mrs. Roxie Jennings, of Pores Knob, was elected Clerk and Treasurer.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the Association. Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Olive, of First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro was welcomed as a new pastor in the Association.

PROGRAM

Friday Morning, August 25

Devotionals.

11 A. M.—Introductory Sermon.

12 M.—Recess.

1 P. M.—Organization and enrollment of Delegates; Recognition of Visitors.

1:30—Report on Temperance and Law Enforcement.

2 P. M.—Mills Home.

2:30—Co-operative Program.

3:15 P. M.—Religious Literature.

3:45 P. M.—Miscellaneous.

4 P. M.—Song nad Adjournment.

Saturday Morning, August 26

9 A. M.—Devotionals.

9:15 A. M.—Home Missions.

10:30 A. M.—Foreign Missions.

11 A. M.—Sunday School.

11:30 A. M.—Christian Education.

12 M.—Recess for One Hour.

1 P. M.—Baptist Young People's Union.

1:30 P. M.—Hospitals.

2 P. M.—Ministerial Relief.

2:30 P. M.—State of the Churches.

3 P. M.—Kennedy Home and Mothers' Aid Department.

3:30 P. M.—Woman's Missionary Union.

4 P. M.—History of Mount Zion Baptist Church.

Miscellaneous discussions.

Adjournment.

The report on Temperance and Law Enforcement was read by U. G. Foster. Later about one hour was given over for round table discussions on the same subject.

Rev. Eugene Olive and T. E. Story were appointed to draw up strong resolutions for the Association that it might go on record as favoring the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

TEMPERANCE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Your Committee begs leave to report the following. We are so sorry the Eighteenth Amendment is abused like it is by the world. But it grieves us so much more to see the professed Christian abuse their profession in Christ and put their light under a bushel. When a man or woman takes Christ into their lives, joins the church and says they want to live a Christian life and then go off into breaking the law it is not a true witness for Christ.

Our observation of those who drink liquor to break the prohibition law are those who do not attend Sunday school, prayer service or preaching much. We believe that if men are going to drink, make use of the poison liquor, they ought to think enough of the church of God to get out of the church and hold to the mammon which they serve.

Wine is a mocker. Strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning that they may follow strong drink: that continue until night, till wine inflame them.

Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil: that put darkness for light and light for darkness: that put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter. Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink.

Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people. Then let the righteous stand firm for and by the word of God.

If the law is ever enforced on crime the good law-abiding citizens and Christians will have to come to the front and see that it is done.

We understand that there are about 4000 prisoners in our state between the ages of 16 and 23, the youth of the land. Of this number 90 per cent went there on account of liquor. In our own good county of Wilkes' 90 per cent of the crime is due to intoxicating liquor.

If we ever expect to stop this evil and hold down crime we must have men who believe in righteousness to lead and rule, Christians to vote as they pray.

Let us urge the Christian homes, schools and churches be called on to teach the evil effects of liquor and where they will spend eternity if followed. If we fight in faith as Gideon and his three hundred men we can win.

Respectfully submitted,

U. G. FOSTER,

J. B. HALL,

W. A. JENNINGS, Committee.

Resolutions in regard to the Eighteenth Amendment.

"Resolved, that it is the sense of the messengers from the churches of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, assembled in their sixtieth annual session at Mount Zion Baptist church, August 26, 1933, that an appeal should

be made to the entire membership of our churches, about five thousand in number, urging them to use their voices and their votes to defeat the efforts being made to destroy the Eighteenth Amendment as a part of the Constitution of the United States. Resolved further, recognizing the untold evils arising from the use of alcoholic beverages, that we heartily commend the teaching in the homes, the public schools and the churches the evils of intemperance, and that we call upon all our citizens to rally to those forces which make for sobriety, law observance and better citizenship."

REV. EUGENE OLIVE,
T. E. STORY, Committee.

The report on Mills Home was read and ably discussed by Rev. W. C. Meadows, followed by another interesting discussion by Mr. McMillian

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

Four days before our last Association our Beloved and efficient general manager Rev. L. M. Kesler died from a collision of the car in which he was riding with a railway car. This sad occurrence spread profound sorrow all over North Carolina. However, his place was soon filled by the election of Mr. I. G. Greer, who assumed charge of the institution in October, 1932, and is now giving entire satisfaction.

The Mills Home management has brought it safely through the crisis of the "depression" without any serious loss or hindrance in its great work of taking up helpless orphan children and caring for them; giving them food, clothing, education, medical and dental care, which prepares them to make good in the battles of life. They leave the Home prepared for college or any ordinary business of life. Very few of them leave there without being Christians. We have in the Home 632 children, and in the Mothers' Aid department 314. In all the institution last year cared for over 1,000 children at a cost of \$74.51 per capita.

Charity and Children, the orphanage paper, is run not to make money, but to get before our people the work of the Mills Home, a club of which ought to be in every Sunday school in North Carolina. The institution depends for support largely on the "once a month" collections in the Sunday schools and the Thanksgiving offerings, the amount of which should be the worth of one day's work. Any lover of children and Jesus can well afford to give the orphans one day's work in a year. We appeal to all our churches to be liberal in their offerings to the Mills Home. Remembering the words of Jesus, "Inasmuch as you did it to one of these little ones, you did it unto me.

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. MEADOWS,
Wm. E. PARSONS,
CLIFFORD MOORE, Committee.

REPORT ON THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

The report was read by Rev. Eugene Olive.

The Co-operative Program is a plan which involves a program of work, and this program attempts to carry on the things which Jesus Himself began to

do. It provides a plan of co-operation by which each Baptist and each church may share in the great task of teaching, preaching and healing in all parts of the earth; in fact, it enables each individual and each church to join with others in doing the things which Jesus began to do and did and commanded us to do.

What were and are those things? In Luke 4:16-21 we read:

"And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto Him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book he found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He hath anointed me to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears."

Once John the Baptist was in prison, discouraged and doubting. He sent his disciples to Jesus with the question, "Are you he that should come, or are we to keep on looking for the Messiah?" Jesus answered not by argument nor by the citation of scripture, by telling them to tell John that something marvelous was happening: "the blind see, the lame walk, the deaf are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the gospel preached to them."

Hence, the early apostles and disciples conceived of their tasks as doing the things which Jesus began to do. Now we Baptists are trying to co-operate in providing the means whereby these things which Jesus began to do may continue to be done both at home and abroad. The plan through which we attempt this is what we call the Co-operative Program. In this teaching, preaching and healing program each Baptist can have a part.

Let us consider how this plan works. We believe Paul knew whereof he spoke when he admonished early Christians "to lay aside on the first day of the week as God had prospered." In this program each Baptist is asked to follow Paul's instructions. Each gift is combined with those of other Baptists in other churches and constitute a general fund. This fund is divided on a percentage basis by the Baptist State Convention and by the Southern Baptist Convention. In this way it is possible for an individual Baptist to have a share in promoting the whole program of Jesus. However, it is recognized that each Baptist has the right to designate his gift to any particular object, and the gift so designated is sent to the particular object to which it was designated. But most Baptists who have thought upon it do not designate, except at times when special offerings are made, for the reason that they wish to promote and carry on the whole program of Jesus.

Why should we support this plan?

1. Fellowship is a beloved word among Baptists. The plan provides that individual Baptists, though widely separated, may enjoy a fellowship of ministry to the whole world's needs.

2. Coercion is a hated word among Baptists. This plan provides for a voluntary co-operative effort which can be far more effective than an effort

which depends on coercion because it makes for a spiritual unity which is from the inside out, and not from the outside in.

3. It provides a plan whereby each may make his or her gift intelligently. The world field in which Baptists are trying to carry on is so great and complicated that very few Baptists can possibly know where the need is greatest. A group, however, who are acquainted with these needs can take the dollars which Baptists give and divide them so as to render the greatest service and supply the most urgent needs. In most of our relationships wise people follow the lead of those who are in a position to know. Why should we not follow this plan in the gifts which we make for the cause of Christ?

As goes the Co-operative Program so goes the welfare of all those objects which Baptists have learned to support in the days that are gone. Let us, therefore, stand by it, urge others to stand by it by laying aside on the first day of the week as God has prospered us. With a decrease in unemployment, an increase in the things we sell, and an increase in income, we should press this fall for the greatest every-member canvass in our history.

The Brushy Mountain Association contributed during the year 1931-1932 to all Convention objects a total of \$2689.30. In this nine churches did not share, and other churches shared very little.

The total contributed to all Convention objects during the first six months of 1933 was \$1058.67. We must contribute about \$1650.00 between July 1st and December 31st if we equal the record made for the Associational year 1931-1932. Fifteen churches have given nothing for any object in the co-operative program for the first six months of 1933. Seventeen churches have given nothing for the Mills Home during that time. The following churches have given more during the first six months of 1933 than for a similar period in 1932: Harmony, Little Rock, North Wilkesboro First, and North Wilkesboro Second.

EUGENE OLIVE,
WALTER JONES,
I. S. BAITY, Committee.

The report was adopted after a very timely discussion was given by Mr. Olive.

Miss Argyle Elliott read the report on Religious Education and discussed the merits of the same in a very interesting way. It was adopted and the committee discharged.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Statistics tell us that in the South 16,000,000 people who rightfully belong to our Baptist constituency are still to be reached. Therefore the greatest need for Southern Baptists is the training and enlistment of all our people, and the reaching of this vast number. We need to put forth every effort we can towards evangelizing the world, but along with this must go a serious and enthusiastic effort to train and enlist those who may be reached as is implied in the Great Commission.

There is no conflict between evangelism and religious education. They are merely two different methods for accomplishing the same great purpose. The great purpose of the whole Christian program is evangelism; and it may be promoted by various methods—personal work, teaching, preaching, and re-

vivalism. The great purpose of religious education is to teach the Bible and the message of the Christian religion that girls and boys, women and men will learn, accept, and live this message. Seldon L. Roberts says in his book, "Teaching in the Church School," that all evangelism to be finally effective must be educational; any educational plan or effort must be evangelistic to be Christian. The two are as inseparable as the two sides of one board.

Let us think of religious education in broader terms than heretofore. We are accustomed to limiting the term to our Christian schools and colleges, which include not only religious education but general education as well, and this education is provided for only the favored few who may attend these institutions. The value of this work cannot be over estimated, for here we are training the leaders and setting the pace for a Christian emphasis in all education. But what are we going to do with all the people who are unable to go to our Christian schools and colleges? If we are to reach these, we must include in the term religious education all of the educational agencies of our churches such as the Sunday School, Daily Vacation Bible School, Young People's Unions, and Missionary Unions, as well as our schools, colleges, and seminaries. Thus we will have a system of Christian education that will reach the masses of the people from the kindergarten through the university. For the support of this phase of our work we need an aroused denominational and public conscience and a new emphasis, if we are to promote Christian civilization and bring in the Kingdom of God.

Let us pray that we may eventually move forward into a new day and a new emphasis, for, as one writer has said, we must educate or die, and this great task will never be completed until Jesus comes again!

Respectfully submitted,

ARGYLE ELLIOTT,

E. M. BLACKBURN,

MRS. CARL MILLER, Committee.

SECOND DAY—SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 1933

Morning Session

The Association reconvened at 9 a. m. with R. L. Wooten in charge of the song service and devotionals. A. J. Eller led in prayer. At the conclusion of the devotional exercises the Moderator declared the Association ready for business.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board has been faced with the necessity of doing its work on a constantly decreasing income. It is the definite policy of the Board to live within its income and pay its debts. It has been forced to reduce its mission force, but it has not abandoned any of its mission fields.

The work has been blessed of the Lord in the homeland among the Negroes, the Indians, the foreigners, and also in Cuba and Panama with thousands of conversions and baptisms.

The Future Policy

The Board is interpreting missions to be primarily the making and baptising of disciples. Its policy is, therefore, to major on preaching the Gospel in Cuba and Panama and to the foreigners, the Indians, the Negroes, and in all

congested centers in the cities in our homeland. It is for this task that it asks State Baptists to enlarge their gifts to Home Missions. May our Baptist people not be found wanting in the hour when it is Christ or chaos.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. GEORGE SEBASTIAN,
J. M. LANKFORD,
GLENN CARLTON, Committee.

The report was ably discussed by Rev. George Sebastian, and on motion was adopted and the committee discharged.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Since 1830 State Missions have occupied an important place in the dispensation of gospel work among North Carolina Baptists. Evangelists have gone into remote and isolated sections of our state and have won many to Christ.

State Missions have stimulated greater interest in Sunday Schools in recent years than has ever been known in our state. This has been done by sending out workers over the state to revive the Sunday school work, and to get people interested in their church and community.

In 1932, there were 6414 new attendants brought into the Sunday schools of the state as a result of this awakening. Then there are other phases of the State Mission work, such as the B.Y.P.U., the W.M.U., and other organizations that function under the supervision of the State Mission.

In the year 1932, there were 2516 unions in the state in which the young people are receiving Christian training for future leadership.

The Woman's Missionary Union last year raised \$220,355.12 to be applied to the various objects in the gospel work.

Owing to the financial depression, the number of State Evangelists has been greatly reduced, and the operating funds have been cut to one-third of the amount used a few years ago.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. FOSTER,
MRS. C. B. MAYBERRY,
WILEY MINTON, Committee.

This report was discussed in a very able manner by Rev. A. J. Foster, after which it was adopted by the Association.

Rev. Eugene Olive read the report on Foreign Missions prepared by V. McGhinnis.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The position of Baptists is the whole Bible for the whole world. We cannot, heretofore, accept anything less than the wide world as our mission field. The glow of Spiritual life is always found brightest where Foreign Missions have a large place in our evangelistic program. Baptists can never surrender this position and retain a large place of influence in the world.

The great Commission as recorded in Matthew is, "Jesus came to them and spake unto them, saying, "All authority hath been given unto me in

heaven and on earth. Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo! I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

This is the great order from the headquarters of the Captain of our salvation. To fulfill this order is the duty of each individual Christian and of each church of Jesus Christ. In carrying out its obligation to the world a church must teach world wide missions.

Christ's program of world redemption calls for Foreign Missions. Our Saviour says "You shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the earth." (Acts 1:8.)

The early Christians, under the direct inspiration and leadership of the Holy Spirit, when they had evangelized Jerusalem and all Judea and Samaria, launched the foreign mission movement by sending out Paul and Barnabas. (Acts 13:1-4).

The New Testament is largely a foreign mission book. The four Gospels are given over to an account of the mission of Jesus, the great Foreign Missionary of the ages, who came to this earth to reveal salvation to man, by the truth which he taught and exemplified, to achieve salvation for man by his sacrificial death on the cross; to work salvation within man, by the operation and indwelling of his Spirit and to accomplish the world's salvation through man, by the redeemed and empowered church which he established.

The greatest problem before Southern Baptists just now, is the maintenance of ground which we have already gained while we are forced to adjust ourselves to a steadily decreasing budget for Foreign Missions work. Those who face this situation are like the ancient Israelites who were forced to make brick without straw. Our missionaries feel this situation most keenly and have a right to believe that we have a sense of responsibility. Many have been forced to undergo curtailment in their work and personal sacrifices that have made their hearts bleed. Some have had to retire from their life-long work, and others have been denied the privilege of entering upon the work because the churches have not supplied the necessary means. We think that it is the churches' duty to see that the opportunity to contribute to Foreign Missions is so presented that the least as well as the greatest may have a share in this work. The appeal should be made and the facts presented so that all may understand not only the duty but the opportunity to contribute to Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

V. McGHINNIS,

D. R. WRIGHT,

F. A. McNEIL, Committee.

The report on Sunday Schools was given by E. M. Blackburn, followed by very interesting discussions concerning the work by T. E. Story, J. F. Jordan, W. C. Meadows, R. L. Wooten and R. L. Proffitt.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Under the leadership of Perry Morgan, Sec., and L. L. Morgan, field worker, the Sunday Schools in the state have made wonderful progress. The membership in our Association in 1932 has increased from 2,187 to 3,855

or a total increase of 1,668. Perhaps this is partly due to the Sunday School Revival conducted by our secretary and field worker. The Sunday School in our state is no longer a secondary consideration, but is as necessary to our churches as the mountain brook is to the larger stream. The things that our Sunday Schools need most are efficient, consecrated, Christian teachers; therefore we would recommend a teachers' training class each year in all of the churches, using the teachers' manual approved and published by the Sunday School Board.

We note in the quarterly report of the superintendent of the orphanage that many of our churches in the association do not contribute anything to the orphanage. We therefore recommend that the superintendent of every church in the association take an offering for the orphanage at least once a month.

Respectfully submitted,
E. M. BLACKBURN,
B. M. PARDUE,
T. E. STORY. Committee.

OUR CHURCH READING

This report was presented and discussed very forcibly by Rev. Avery Church.

Wordsworth remarks, "There is one great society alone on earth, the noble living and the noble dead." Tom Hood wrote, in the closing years of his life: "My books have saved me from the prize ring, the dog pit, the gambling hell and the barroom." Fenelon paid his tribute of love to his choice books in these words, "If all the riches of the Indies and all the crowns of all the kingdoms of Europe were laid at my feet in exchange for my books I should know which to choose."

Just two years after the organization of the Baptist State Convention Samuel Wait, the General Agent or Secretary said, "It will be easily seen that we have long labored under the very serious disadvantages for want of a well conducted religious journal. Such a paper we might hope, being adapted to the different state of our churches, would be productive of the best consequences. Much information on important subjects could be imparted to the churches and congregations at large, many prejudices removed, and the way soon prepared for securing to the convention annually a large amount of aid." At the convention the following year, 1833, Thomas Meredith's religious periodical, "Interpreter," was adopted as an organ of the convention. The "Interpreter" was later called the "Biblical Recorder."

Your committee especially commend the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, and Home and Foreign Fields as great sources of information and inspiration on the work of the kingdom and the state of the churches.

Even children find the Bible instructive, interesting and inspiring!

Respectfully your committee,
AVERY CHURCH,
R. L. PROFFIT,
J. F. JORDAN.

After a motion it was adopted and the committee discharged.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, AUGUST 26, 1933

The Association reconvened after a happy hour for dinner and recreation. Many beautiful songs were rendered by the Mt. Zion choir before the business was taken up.

Rev. Seymour Taylor, of Wilkesboro Methodist Church, was welcomed as a visitor of the Association. Upon being called upon, he gave an interesting talk on Temperance and Law Enforcement.

The first report on the program was for

B.Y.P.U.

Out of the twenty-eight churches in the Association, we have seven B.Y.P.U.'s, making a gain of five unions over last year. There are seven senior unions, four junior, and four intermediate, one B.A.U., and one story hour making a total of seventeen unions. We have three General Organizations with approximately 350 young people enrolled in the B.Y.P.U.'s of the whole association.

North Wilkesboro First Church has the largest number of unions and the largest enrollment. This General Organization has been on the Standard of Excellence for the past two quarters. This being the only B.Y.P.U. in the Association to make the Standard.

The Associational B.Y.P.U. meeting was held at Pleasant Home Church the fourth Sunday in July. A large crowd attended. A splendid program was rendered by young people from the various churches in the Association. Inspirational talks were made by State B.Y.P.U. Secretary, Miss Winnie Rickett, and the Regional President, Mr. Bryan Hurd.

At a business meeting of the Association officers we decided to have a quarterly meeting of the officers, and a quarterly meeting and program of each division.

We are asking that the churches of the Association cooperate to the extent that they at least give us an opportunity to make a B.Y.P.U. go in their church.

Our aim for next year is a B.Y.P.U. in every church, and we are hoping to be able to report 100 per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HELEN LINNEY CASHION,

R. A. GREER,

C. C. FOSTER, Committee.

After having presented the report, Mrs. Helen Linney Cashion gave a timely discussion on the influences of the B.Y.P.U. On motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Mrs. Floyd Jennings presented report on

HOSPITALS

We are sharing in the great work of our Master's when we heal the sick and broken souls of men. In our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, we are doing a great work in healing the people in our associations. The sick go down there and come back to us, in most cases, in their health and strength. They come back to us for service and usefulness. No one can estimate the value of our Hospitals to the cause of Christ.

But it costs to heal people. Food must be bought, bills paid and workers must live. However, we can not see people die because of lack of money. Therefore, it is the duty of every Baptist to have a part in helping our unfortunate brothers.

This is our Hospital. It was built by the convention for the service of humanity. This service must be available to all the people whether they have the price or not. We cannot obey our Lord's command "to heal the sick," nor justify our existence, unless we make provisions to care for those who are sick and have no money to meet the hospital care.

Over 21,000 patients have been cared for in these years and Over 9,000 have been helped financially, either as part pay or free patients. Many of this number have gone down there from churches in our Association. Every Sunday School should hear the cry of the needy sick and give a liberal offering on Mother's Day. Those churches sending patients to the hospital should raise at least \$1.50 a day to pay on the patient sent. If the churches continue to cooperate, in the two ways suggested, the Hospital will be able to meet the demands of free service ad stay in first class condition and out of debt.

Though we feel so grateful for our Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, we are grateful that other sections in the South are blessed too. There are twenty-five other hospitals in the Southern Baptist Convention with property worth \$15,000,000. They have a bed capacity of 3,543 and treat over 85,000 patients annually. They expend more than \$6,000,000 in charity work annually.

We believe it is the will of God that we use means and methods toward healing the sick. We believe, also, that the building of hospitals constitute a part of Christ's commission and example to follow in his great work for the Kingdom of God.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLOYD M. JENNINGS,

A. S. ELLER,

MRS. S. S. WELCH, Committee.

In the absence of Mrs. Addie Howell Jones the report on the Kennedy Home and Mothers' Aid was read and discussed by Mrs. Eugene Olive. After a motion the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

THE KENNEDY HOME AND MOTHERS' AID

The Kennedy Home is the eastern branch of the Mills Home and is under the same general management. It consists of a farm of twelve hundred acres, located near Kinston, N. C., and has been in operation as a part of our orphanage since 1914. This home was given to the Orphanage by Mr.

and Mrs. W. B. Kennedy and stands as a memorial to them. 134 children are being cared for there this year. Mr. J. C. Hough is the superintendent. A church, school, library, dairy, laundry, light and water systems are maintained there and the per capita cost last year was \$21.78 per month per child, which is nearly two dollars higher per child than at Mills Home. Scriptural training and spiritual growth is provided for the boys and girls, and through the B.Y.P.U. both social and spiritual development is given. Mr. B. W. Spilman, President of Board of Trustees, makes his home there and has recently erected a substantial building at his own expense, which will eventually be a part of the library and administration building. A great opportunity awaits us to build, and we must not lose sight of the fact that needy children are in our midst, which should be our chief concern—immortal souls to be rescued or lost. The job must be well done if we reap the reward of faithful servants.

In connection with our orphanage for 13 years Mother's Aid Work has been in operation. Miss Hattie Edwards has been in charge for 10 years. Aid in their own homes is now being given 314 children and 78 mothers. A widowed mother in good health, worthy in character and capable of handling her own household should never be separated from her children, if only a few dollars a month would save the little family circle unbroken. If she is completely or permanently broken in health, or is mentally incapable of caring for them, or is morally unfit to do so, nothing remains but to break up the home. In some cases the strong and capable mother is as helpless to care for her little ones as the one broken in health. She cannot go out to work and leave the children alone. If she employs some one to keep house for her and train the children it would take her earnings to pay this woman her salary. If this woman is not as capable as the mother the children are not getting a square deal—she has a full woman's task to take care of the household without being a bread winner. This mother must have help from some source.

In many cases relatives will see that help is given readily and systematically so that the mother will be saved embarrassment and suspense. But in many cases there are no relatives who can do this. The community will not let them starve, but the uncertainty of such relief would soon drive a becomingly sensitive woman into nervous prostration.

In the past this woman has been advised to send her children to the Orphanage. This seemed to be the only thing to do, but now there is a growing conviction that this is wrong. The mother should not be relieved of her responsibilities, but be helped in bearing them.

The Mothers' Aid work is done in connection with the local church, the church appointing a committee to look after the case, receive the monthly check from the treasurer of the Orphanage, see that the money is properly spent and report monthly to the church and to the Orphanage. It is important that the local church be linked up with the Orphanage in doing this work. This same committee is supposed to render service in advising the mother and help her to self support and independence as soon as possible. If this is not done she is pauperized and not helped. The mother and children must be guided and encouraged to do work which in addition to helping support the family, tends to develop habits of industry and a feeling of self respect. The mother who is not willing to do this is not worthy of help.

Also it is required that the children attend church and Sunday school as well as public school.

Our field worker investigates the case thoroughly before it is accepted. The pastor of the church, along with the local committee and the Orphanage representative go over the case carefully before the monthly allowance is decided upon. Their findings are carried before the General Manager before the case is finally adopted. The mother is visited to be given encouragement and help. In this type of work the pastor, local church and neighborhood is in co-operation with the Orphanage.

So far the cost of aiding these children with their mothers is less than one-third of the cost of keeping them in the Orphanage. So while we are preventing the breaking up of homes, we are working in the interest of economy also. The records show children are cared for in the home at a cost of \$5.35 per month per child.

This phase of the work cannot be enlarged unless we rally to the support of the Orphanage in our cash collections. Wilkes County now has 16 children at Mills Home and I do not know how many mothers get aid. What are our Sunday schools doing about their monthly collections? Go home and find what yours is doing, and let it burn into your heart and soul that "In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto me."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ADDIE HOWELL, JONES.

The report was then called for on

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Having accepted the command of Jesus to go into all the world, we women of our Brushy Mountain Association W. M.U. have been happy to do our part, as a unit of the local churches, to obey the order of our Marching Captain.

Our record through the years has been one of earnest and loyal devotion by some faithful women and a few "evergreen" societies. It is not easy for the women in our rural churches to attend regularly. Nor is it easy to arrange to have regular meetings when there is often an objecting or uninterested pastor. All praise for those women who have carried on through glad days and dark days, having held their 12 meetings, sent in their reports, made gifts to missionary objects, acquainted themselves with the missionary work on the Foreign Fields, and observed the weeks of prayer.

We are proud to report 3 W.M.S.'s., 3 Y.W.A.'s., 3 Sunbeam Bands, 4 G.A.'s., and 2 R.A.'s. One new organization is the recently organized Y.W.A. at Boiling Springs Church. North Wilkesboro is again one of North Carolina's ten full graded A-1 Unions for the year. Despite the depression our Association went beyond our goal for gifts.

Our annual meeting was held with the W.M.S. at Gordon Church on July 25. The theme of our meeting was the Union's watchword for the year, "Launch out into the deep." Mrs. Edna R. Harris, State W.M.U. corresponding secretary, was with us and brought a challenging message. Only one church in which we have a W.M.U. organization failed to have its representative. Inspiration was given to our meeting by the presence and messages of two of our interested pastors. For the coming year we elected Mrs.

Eugene Olive as Associational President. Under her capable leadership we plan to hold every organization and to put forth our best efforts to arouse and interest the other women and young people in the churches having no organization.

It's given to us who are His followers to carry the message to every un-saved person in the world. We may not have the money to give but we do have time to spend in prayer. "Down in the valley, now of endurance and self-sacrifice, may we give more time to prayer, and may we say with Cook in "The Larger Stewardship",

"Stir me, oh stir me, Lord,
I care not how
But stir my heart in
Passion for the world!
Stir me to give, to go—
But most to pray."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. G. FOSTER,
MRS. F. G. HOLMAN,
MRS. EUGENE OLIVE,
MRS. U. G. FOSTER, Committee.

After which interesting discussions were given by Mrs. U. G. Foster and Mrs. Eugene Olive. Report was adopted and committee discharged.

HISTORY OF MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

This church (Mt. Zion Baptist Church) is located about 25 miles west of North Wilkesboro, N. C., on the Stony Fork road. The place of worship was first started in a small log house, later being replaced by a new frame building and in 1925 we built the present house of worship—it is a nice building for the country.

This church was constituted June 30, 1849 with 12 charter members from Lewis Fork and Stony Fork Baptist Churches. The presbytery was called, consisting of William Church and William Brown. Letters from the following brothers and sisters were presented: Wilson Fairchilds, Elizabeth Fairchilds, Mary Gray, Mary A. Triplett, Thomas Land, Jane Land, Mary Land, Nancy Land, Narsissus Miller, John Culler, William Adkins, Sarah Adkins. These brothers and sisters were duly examined and were found orthodox and they unanimously agreed to endorse the articles of faith of the Baptist church and were duly organized into the Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Since that time it has had many struggles and is now progressing slowly. It has now 165 members and a Sunday school enrollment of 87, and average attendance of 65.

The grounds around the church and cemetery have been beautified.

The records show that the following pastors have served this church: John G. Bryant, James McNeil, L. Land, J. H. Brown, Larkin Hodges, Daniel Welborn, J. F. Eller, Larkin Pipes, Milton McNeil, A. S. Church, W. M. Wheeler, Levi Greene, E. C. Hodges.

May the good Lord continue this church, and may those be added to it from time to time as He would have to be saved.

W. O. BARNETT, Historian

RESOLUTIONS

The delegates and visitors of the annual meeting of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association wish to express our appreciation of the cordial hospitality extended to us by the Mt. Zion Church. Especially do we want to thank the ladies of this church for the delicious and most bountiful dinner so well served under the trees. For the flowers in the auditorium and other courtesies, we are grateful.

Your committee on time and place make the following report :

We recommend that the next session of the Brushy Mountain Association be held with **Moravian Falls Baptist Church beginning on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1934.** We further recommend that Rev. Eugene Olive preach introductory sermon; Rev. Isaac Watts alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. JENNINGS

J. R. TRIPLETT,

A. G. HENDREN, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased Divine Providence to remove from our midst our beloved brother, C. C. Wright, on July 14, 1933.

Whereas, we are his associates in the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association with his family, friends and everyone who knew him personally, keenly feel the loss by his passing. No greater loss could have come to the Association, since he had given twenty-seven years of faithful service as its Moderator.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Brushy Mountain Association, that in the death of Mr. Wright the Association has lost one of its senior members.

That the Association, as well at the church and county, has lost a citizen who was diligent in business, most successful in his chosen field of labor, practice and possessing a fine character.

That his family and friends have lost one whose bigness of heart and generosity of hand ever bound them to him by ties whose breaking has brought profound sorrow:

That a copy of these resolutions be placed in the current Minute and a copy be sent to the bereaved family.

This August 26, 1933.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ROXIE JENNINGS,

U. G. FOSTER,

REV. W. C. MEADOWS, Committee.

OUR DEAD

Beaver Creek—Mr. T. F. Walsh.

Cub Creek—

Edgewood—Deacon C. C. Wright.

Elk—

Fishing Creek—Mrs. F. W. Foster, Mrs. Ada Anderson and Mr. Claude Foster.

Gordon—Deacon Joe Curtis, Mrs. Joe Davis, Mrs. Robert Cardwell.

Goshen—

Harmony—

Hinshaw Street—Mr. H. J. Byrd.

Lewis Fork—Mr. W. C. Bishop, Mr. A. M. Triplett, Miss Harriet Cox, Mrs. Rhoades Dyers, Mrs. Veora Walsh.

Liberty Grove—Mr. T. W. McCarter.

Little Rock—Mrs. Susan Pennell.

Moravian Falls—

Mount Pleasant—Mr. John Adams and Mrs. Mamie Dyer.

Mt. Zion—

New Hope—Mrs. Susie Annie Davis.

North Wilkesboro First—Deacon J. F. Johnson, Deacon F. D. Meadows, Miss Mattye Eller, Mrs. Richard Kelly.

North Wilkesboro Second—

Oakwoods—Mrs. Sarah Laws and Deacon J. T. Jones.

Pleasant Home—

Pleasant Grove—

Pilgrim—Mrs. Martha J. Foster.

Stony Hill—

Walnut Grove—Mrs. Minnie Treadway, Mr. W. A. Bentley.

Wilkesboro—Mrs. Lelia Jones.

Zion Hill—Mr. T. G. Davis and Mr. R. P. Yates.

A. M. McGEE,

L. BUMGARNER,

MRS. R. L. WELBORN,

Committee of Obituaries.

TABLE III—CHURCH PROPERTY OF BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1933.

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Post Offices	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Indebtedness on all Church Prop.	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	yes	1890	wood	200	1	1	1	300	.....	350	.....	.....
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Moravian Falls	yes	1864	wood	500	1	1	1	1,000	.....	1,000	.....	.....
Edgewood	A. G. Hendren, Wilkesboro	yes	1893	wood	700	2	1	1	2,100	.....	2,100	.....	.....
Elk	Ruth Proffit, Denny	yes	1926	wood	400	1	1	1	2,200	.....	2,200	.....	.....
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro	yes	1928	wood	600	1	1	1	4,000	.....	4,000	.....	.....
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	.....	.....	wood	600	3	1	1	4,000	.....	5,000	.....	.....
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Goshen	yes	1916	wood	500	1	1	1	1,500	.....	1,500	.....	.....
Harmony	H. W. Mahaffey, Cricket	yes	1900	wood	400	1	1	1	2,500	.....	2,500	.....	.....
Hinshaw Street	A. E. Chambers, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1927	wood	350	5	1	1	3,000	.....	1,500	.....	.....
Lewis Fork	D. F. Shepherd, Maple Springs	yes	1909	wood	400	1	1	1	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	.....
Liberty Grove	W. R. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro	.....	1886	wood	500	4	1	1	1,000	.....	1,000	.....	.....
Little Rock	W. M. Lacey, Boomer	yes	1904	wood	500	5	4	1	3,000	.....	3,000	.....	.....
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	yes	1888	wood	300	2	6	1	2,500	.....	2,500	.....	.....
Mount Carmel	Cecil Rodgers, Moravian Falls	yes	.....	wood	500	1	1	1	3,000	.....	3,000	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlar	yes	1909	wood	500	1	1	1	3,000	.....	3,000	.....	.....
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	yes	1925	wood	500	1	1	1	2,000	.....	2,000	.....	.....
New Hope	J. H. Davis, Purlar	yes	1894	wood	400	1	1	1	1,500	.....	1,500	.....	.....
1st N. W'boro	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1910	brick	600	15	3	12	60,000	10,000	70,000	4,100	50,000
2nd N. W'boro	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1902	wood	200	1	1	1	1,000	.....	1,000	.....	.....
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro	yes	1917	wood	500	1	1	1	1,000	.....	1,000	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	Ias. G. Parsons, Buck	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Home	Mrs. A. L. Nichols, Wilkesboro	yes	1903	wood	800	1	1	1	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	yes	.....	wood	350	1	1	1	1,800	.....	1,800	.....	.....
Stony Hill	C. O. Parsons, Parsonville	yes	1922	wood	300	1	1	1	1,000	.....	1,000	.....	.....
Shady Grove	(No report given)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	yes	1929	brick	500	5	5	5	5,000	.....	5,000	766	.....
Wilkesboro	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro	yes	1902	brick	400	4	3	3	7,000	4,500	11,500	210	2,500
Zion Hill	(No report given)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals		.....	.....	.....	11,500	61	3	31	116,400	14,500	120,450	5,076	52,500

TABLE IV—GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF BRUSHY MT'N BAPTIST ASSO, AUGUST, 1933.

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices		Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B.Y.P.U. and W.M.S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Given by all W.M.U. Organizations	Given by the Sunday School	Given by Church and all Organizations For Local Purposes
Beaver Creek		G. H. Walker, Boomer	60.00					12.00		1.00				73.00
Cub Creek		J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	37.00							1.00				38.00
Edgewood		L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro, R2	100.00		20.00	50.00		15.00		1.00	15.00			201.00
Elk		Ruth Proffitt, Denny	60.00				1.00	9.30		2.00	20.00			92.30
Fishing Creek		Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R2	142.30				6.00			3.00			31.00	182.30
Gordon		W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	87.00	3.00		6.80		27.00	15.00	1.00		10.00		149.80
Goshen		J. T. Walsh, Goshen	95.00			63.00				2.00				170.00
Harmony		Mrs. J. A. Kirby, Wilkesboro	118.67		16.00		10.00	32.87		2.00		25.85		240.39
Hinshaw Street		I. S. Baity, N. Wilkesboro	70.00				45.00			2.00				45.00
Lewis Fork		W. D. Foster, Maple Springs			25.00		8.00	12.00		2.00				109.55
Liberty Grove		W. R. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro			16.85					1.50				121.45
Little Rock		L. L. Carlton, Boomer	84.20		15.75			20.00		1.50	7.26			121.45
Moravian Falls		R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	159.95		32.00		40.00	27.26		1.50				259.21
Mount Carmel		Cecil Rodgers, Moravian Falls	30.00		6.80			5.17						41.97
Mount Pleasant		J. F. Walsh, Purlear	193.25		32.50	58.20		53.99	5.40	2.00	12.43			400.38
Mount Zion		D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	109.95		14.00	20.00		12.00	15.00	1.50				180.45
New Hope		J. H. Davis, Purlear	124.86		26.00	12.00		25.00		2.00				189.86
1st N. W'boro		C. O. McNeil, N. Wilkesboro	1974.46	450.00		670.47		445.85		5.00	522.99			5054.72
2nd N. W'boro		John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro	30.00		10.00					1.25				41.25
Oakwoods		W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro	114.08		16.00	139.23								281.31
Pleasant Grove		(None given)	89.39											
Pleasant Home		C. C. Church, Millers Creek	162.40		20.00			22.33		3.07	4.32			121.73
Pilgrim		F. O. Foster, Congo	40.00					13.42		.86				59.28
Stony Hill		Lee Beshears, Parsonville												
Shady Grove		(No report)												
Walnut Grove		W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	140.00			75.00					50.00			265.00
Wilkesboro		W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	418.46		19.26	210.00		102.89	100.00				119.65	970.26
Zion Hill		(None given)	137.50			14.50		6.50						205.20
Totals			4578.47	453.00	270.16	1319.20	1333.45	338.65	135.40	35.68	588.69	50.35	119.65	5040.21

TABLE V—GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ALL BENEVOLENCES, BRUSHY MT'N BAP. ASSO., AUG., 1933.

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Post Offices	Total to Co-operative	Special to Associational	Special to State	Special to Home	Special to Foreign	Christian and Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospital	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Other Special Gifts	To Missions, Edu., and Benev. by Ch. Only	Given by W.M.U. Organizations	Given by the S. S.	Grand Total for Miss. and Benev. given by the Church and All Depts.
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer							4.00							4.00
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro					8.61									8.61
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro, R2		5.00		5.00										10.00
Elk	Ruth Proffitt, Denny								4.00					4.00	8.00
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R2						20.00		4.00						24.00
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro						12.50								
Goshon	J. T. Walsh, Goshon						7.00								
Harmony	Mrs. J. A. Kerly, Wilkesboro	25.85			6.00	3.85		21.06			13.36			12.74	82.80
Hinshaw Street	I. S. Batty, N. Wilkesboro							12.25							
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Maple Springs								3.40						5.45
Liberty Grove	W. R. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro			2.05											7.26
Little Rock	L. L. Carlton, Boomer							7.26							23.18
Moravian Falls	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls							18.56	4.62						
Mount Carmel	Cecil Rogers, Moravian Falls		5.00												
Mount Pleasant	J. F. Walsh, Purlar							5.30						18.38	28.68
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix							22.28	3.57						25.85
New Hope	I. H. Davis, Purlar	10.00						35.00							45.00
1st N. W'boro	C. O. McNeil, N. Wilkesboro	292.36			22.22	49.84	110.03	13.00	374.51	49.25	21.00		683.17		1615.38
2nd N. W'boro	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro							5.00							
Oak Grove	(No report)														
Oakwoods	W. A. Ellis, Wilkesboro														
Pleasant Grove	(No report given)														
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek		5.00	5.00		5.00		8.00		5.00				34.00	62.00
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo														
Stony Hill	Lee Beshears, Parsonsville														
Shady Grove	(No report)														
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	7.00						10.00	10.00	10.00	1.00				38.00
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	62.36	1.25	7.00		1.50	4.75				180.00	39.10		49.66	345.62
Zion Hill	(None given)														
Totals		397.57	5.00	33.47	74.89	128.99	17.75	562.66	78.84	36.00	194.36	39.10	683.17	118.78	2253.84

TABLE VI. B.Y.P.U.'S OF BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1933.

CHURCHES	Does Ch. have Gen. B.Y.P.U. Organization?	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	No. Daily Bible R'd'rs	Taking B.Y.P.U. S.C.	Givers in All Unions	Students in College
Mount Pleasant	yes	1	1	1	1	1	25	27	52	2	..	..	..	..	..
New Hope	yes	1	1	1	1	1	30	30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
First North Wilkesboro	yes	1	1	2	2	6	24	23	50	61	158	69	4	..	3
Second North Wilkesboro	yes	1	1	1	1	1	30	30	..	..	..	30	..	..	..
Pleasant Home	yes	1	1	1	1	1	25	25	20	13	58	10	39	12	2
Wilkesboro	yes	1	1	3	1	3	25	20	70	101	268	111	43	12	5
Totals	..	1	6	3	3	11	24	150	70	101	268	111	43	12	5

TABLE VII.—WOMAN'S WORK OF BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1933.

CHURCHES	Woman's Mis. Soc's	No. of Y.W.A.'s	No. of G.A.'s	No. of R.A.'s	No. of Sunbeams	Total W.M.U. Organ.	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A.'s Members	G.A.'s Members	R.A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Enrolled in Mis. S. C.
Harmony	1	1	1	1	1	8	40	20	68	35	65	228	191
First North Wilkesboro	1	1	4	1	1	5	32	16	16	29	92	12	..
Wilkesboro	1	1	2	1	1	13	72	36	84	35	94	320	203
Totals	3	2	6	1	2	13	72	36	84	35	94	320	203



MINUTES
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August 24 and 25, 1934.

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The next annual session of the Association will be held with Lewis Fork Baptist Church on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1935. This church is located 15 miles west of North Wilkesboro, on the Boone Trail Highway.

The Introductory Sermon will be preached by Rev. Avery Church; Alternate, Rev. H. A. Bullis.

DIRECTORY FOR 1934 AND 1935

Prof. T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Mrs. Roxie F. Jennings, Clerk and Treasurer, Pores Knob, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Bullis, H. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Church, Avery, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Elliott, J. S., Knottville, N. C.

Hayes, Noah, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Hays, A. B. Hays, N. C.

Jarvis, N. T., Roaring River, N. C.

Miller, Ed O., Wilbar, N. C.

Olive, Eugene, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Shew, T. R., RFD 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.

Holland, C. C., Stony Point, N. C.

Hodges, E. C., Boone, N. C.

Payne, T. E., Hudson, N. C.

Secrest, Daniel, Lenoir, N. C.

Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

Watts, J. W., Lenoir, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. L. Hemphill, Eugene Olive, T. E. Story, U. G. Foster,

R. L. Proffitt and Mrs. Floyd M. Jennings.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Avery Church.

DELEGATES TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Under new ruling of the Southern Baptist Convention, each church may send as many delegates as it wishes.

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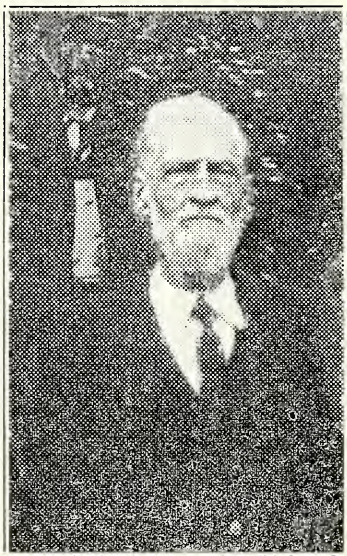
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REV. W. C. MEADOWS.

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CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This association shall be denominated and known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association.

Article 2. The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament.

Article 3. This association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to three delegates, and ordained ministers having care of churches in the association and members of the Executive Board, and ordained ministers having their membership in churches belonging to the association and living within the bounds thereof.

Article 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and giving an account of the condition of their church and a statement of all funds contributed to benevolent purposes during the year.

Article 5. The officers of this association shall be a Moderator and a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by ballot on the second day before the recess adjournment, by members of the churches composing this association, by a majority of the members voting, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

Article 6. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings, preserve order, decide questions in case of equal divisions, extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates of churches received, appoint all committees, except the Executive which shall be nominated and elected by a majority of the delegates present. He shall see that the constitution and by-laws are properly respected.

Article 7. The Clerk shall call the roll and keep a true record of the proceedings, conduct the correspondence, and, in the absence of the Moderator, call the association to order.

Article 8. The Treasurer shall receive the funds and disburse them as ordered by the association, and at the close of the official term shall report the amount received and expended.

Article 9. The minutes of the association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the association adjourns.

Article 10. Any church not representing itself in this body three successive sessions, by letter or by delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

Article 11. The association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

Article 12. At each session of the association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.

Article 13. Any church desiring to become a member shall present her petition at an annual session of this body, through the delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the association shall consent to receive her, the Moderator shall extend the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Article 14. The association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to preserve gospel order, but shall not entertain any charges against any church unless it is brought in through a church.

Article 15. The association may invite visiting brethren to seats and extend to them all the privileges of regular delegates, except that of voting.

Article 16. The annual session of this body shall commence on Friday before the Fourth Sabbath in August at such a place as the association may select.

Article 17. By appointment there shall be preached, at each annual session, an Introductory, a Missionary and a Denominational Sermon.

Article 18. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and messengers from the churches of the Association.

2. Daily sessions of the Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

3. Delegates shall be recognized by letter from their churches designating them as such.

4. The Moderator shall recognize corresponding messengers or delegates of newly received churches by extending to them his right hand of fellowship.

5. The Clerk shall provide letters for the use of the churches of the Association previous to the meeting of the Association, superintend the publication and distribution of the Minutes, preserve a file of them and have it present at each annual session, read the proceedings of the preceding session at the beginning of each morning session, and the last day's proceedings at the close of the annual session.

6. Members desiring to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator; shall use the term "Brother" in speaking to each other; shall not speak on the same subject more than twice without permission, and shall observe the courtesy that becomes Christians.

7. Members are requested not to absent themselves from the session of the Association, but to remain to the end of the meeting.

8. A copy of the Minutes shall be sent to the Secretary of the State Mission Board, also a copy to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention, and one to the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and one to the Field Secretary for Sunday Schools in North Carolina.

9. All questions of order not herein provided shall be decided by Parliamentary Law.

10. The order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

Beaver Creek—Zachery Ferguson, L. C. Matherly, and G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, T. Cain and J. J. Anderson.

Edgewood—C. W. Fletcher, D. R. Wright, and Mrs. J. G. Bumgarner.

Elk—W. A. Proffit, Bly Hall, and Anna McNeil.

Fishing Creek—H. M. Anderson, Clifton Waddell, C. B. Mayberry, and Miss Pearl Jarvis.

Goshen—R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton and Frank Walsh.

Gordon—W. P. Carson, Joe Parsons, G. D. Osborn, and G. L. Canter.

Harmory—H. D. Caudill, Jake Mahaffey, and Monroe Faw.

Hinshaw Street—A. E. Chambers, C. H. Dancy, and I. S. Baity.

Lewis Fork—C. H. Jones, C. C. Bishop and James Triplett.

Liberty Grove—W. R. Pardue, W. N. Pardue, and Ruby Cothorn.

Little Rock—V. McGinnis, I. J. Broyhill, and G. M. Knight.

Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, F. G. Brewer, and R. L. Earp.

Mount Carmel—E. W. Walker, E. S. Pearson and Robert Wilson.

Mount Pleasant—A. M. McGee, J. F. Walsh, and W. M. Eller.

Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, P. M. Triplett, and G. F. Barnett.

New Hope—J. T. Vannoy, Hubert Canter, A. S. Eller, N. C. Canter, and A. W. Eller.

First North Wilkesboro—C. O. McNeil, J. E. Caudill, and E. M. Blackburn.

Second North Wilkesboro—O. H. Royal, John Anderson, and Barthlow Blevins.

Oakwoods—Charlie Steelman, J. P. Anderson, and Fred Blevins.

Pleasant Home—Jim Martin, Tom McNeil, and A. G. Bumgarner.

Pleasant Grove—W. T. Parsons, W. E. Parsons, and Lish Parsons.

Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, Fate Deal, and Fred Shoemaker.

Stoney Hill—J. B. Barker, M. E. Woodruff, and J. W. Huffman.

Walnut Grove—C. P. Brock, W. A. Jennings, and R. C. Meadows.

Wilkesboro—Prof. T. E. Story, Dr. M. G. Edwards, and Mrs. George Johnson.

Zion Hill—J. E. German, G. A. Eller and Jarvis Walsh.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-First Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with the Moravian Falls Baptist Church, Moravian Falls, N. C., August 24, 1934, at 10:00 A. M.

The devotional service was led by Rev. H. A. Bullis, who read from Romans chapter 8, and led in prayer. The congregation sang, "On Jordan's Stormy Banks." The Moderator took the chair for the beginning of the session, and the Clerk called the roll for messengers.

The program opened with the report on Religious Literature by Prof. T. E. Story, who was followed by Rev. B. K. Mason, representative of *The Biblical Recorder*, in a timely discussion.

Visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the Association. Among the visitors were Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, of Hickory, Mr. Smith Hagaman, of the Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, Prof. Wood of Mars Hill College, and Prof. I. G. Greer, of Mills Home.

PROGRAM

Friday, August 24th, 1934.

- 10:00 A. M.—Praise and Worship Service led by Rev. H. A. Bullis.
- 10:15 A. M.—Enrollment of Messengers. With the Moderator presiding.
- 10:30 A. M.—Report and Discussion on Religious Literature.
- 11:00 A. M.—Report and Discussion on Mills Home.
- 11:40 A. M.—Introductory Sermon.
- 12:15 A. M.—Announcements. Adjournment.

RECESS

- 1:30 P. M.—Praise and Worship Service.
- 1:45 P. M.—One minute reports from churches.
- 2:45 P. M.—Christian Education.
- 3:30 P. M.—Closing meditation. Adjournment.

Saturday, August 25th, 1934.

- 9:30 A. M.—Praise and Worship Service.
- 9:45 A. M.—Woman's Missionary Union.
- 10:30 A. M.—Hospitals. Ministers' Relief.
- 11:30 A. M.—Music.
- 11:35 A. M.—Digest of Letters.
- 12:00 Noon—Election of Officers.
- 12:15 P. M.—Closing Meditation.

RECESS

- 1:30 P. M.—Praise and Worship Service.
- 1:45 P. M.—Report and Discussion of Sunday Schools.
- 2:15 P. M.—Reports of church representatives.
- 2:40 P. M.—B. Y. P. U.
- 3:00 P. M.—Temperance and Public Morals.
- 3:15 P. M.—Closing business. Final adjournment.

The report on Baptist Literature was presented by Prof. T. E. Story, and was followed by Rev. B. K. Mason in a plea to place religious literature in every home.

BAPTIST LITERATURE

If our Baptist people in the Brushy Mountain Association were well informed in all our Baptist work and activities many of the delinquencies in Sunday School and church attendance, in giving, and other Kingdom work, would undoubtedly be eliminated. It has been said, "Reading makes a ready man," and surely we need more ready men and women.

The Biblical Recorder is an outstanding weekly. As a source of information no Baptist home should be without it; and yet only a mere handful of our homes have it.

Charity and Children, representing our orphanage, and a well edited weekly very positive in its stand on all moral issues, should go into every home of our Association.

The Home and Foreign Field, a very fine monthly magazine, giving up-to-date reliable information from all our mission fields, should be in every Missionary Baptist home.

All these publications are the product of our best Baptist thought and should have our support that they might enlarge their activities; but better still, that we who should read them have our vision enlarged to the degree that the Kingdom work might go forward in a greater way.

Brethren, subscribe for and read your church papers.

T. E. STORY.

The report on Mills Home was given by Rev. A. E. Watts, followed by an inspirational address by Prof. I. G. Greer, of Mills Home.

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

The Mills Home is deeply loved by our Baptist people. They are deeply interested in the welfare of helpless, dependent, and unfortunate children, and cherish the thought of having a part in taking care of them. The work grips their hearts and they go forth to meet the necessities of this great work in the fear and love of God.

We are caring for in round numbers 846 children. At Thomasville we have 498 children; at the Kennedy Home 138; and 210 children are with their mothers.

The children at the two Homes live under a wholesome atmosphere, where their time is divided between work, play and worship. The boys work on the farm, in the Dairy, the Shoe Shop and the Print Shop. The girls have the Sewing Room, the Laundry and the Kitchen. The Church is the center of the religious life of both Homes where regular services are held. The spiritual life of every child is carefully entered into and very few leave either Home without having accepted the Christ.

Our Mother's Aid Department is doing a fine work. It keeps mother and child together. Where mothers are physically able and morally fit to care for their children, except the earning of something to eat, then aid is given toward the maintenance of that home.

Bro. I. G. Greer is the able and efficient General Manager. The work is making marked progress under his leadership. Debts have been paid, and running expenses materially reduced, and yet he has maintained the same high standard. The Baptists of North Carolina could not have found a better, a nobler, or more consecrated leader for this great work.

How do we support this great work? The Mills Home depends largely on the ONCE A MONTH OFFERING from the Sunday Schools and a GREAT THANKSGIVING OFFERING from the Churches. We appeal to every Sunday School and Church in this Association to follow out this worthy plan. It will meet the needs.

.. Respectfully submitted,

A. E. WATTS.

Friday Afternoon Session, August 24, 1934.

The Association re-convened after a happy hour for dinner and recreation. Rev. C. C. Holland led the devotionals, followed by congregational singing.

The first report on the program was:

- (1) One-minute reports from the churches.
- (2) Preliminary report on Digest of church letters, directed by Rev. Eugene Olive.

Mr. Smith Hagaman, Manager of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, was presented to tell of the progress of the institution. Mr. C. B. Mayberry gave the following report:

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

Jesus declared war on disease when by His miracles He convinced all mankind that it was worthwhile to touch deadly contagion and apply treatment. Today this holy war in healing is a world war—not waged on flesh and blood—but a war to rescue suffering humanity.

While unusual conditions of our state have cast added burdens on the Hospital, during the year our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, N. C., has rendered service to 2270 patients, while there has been given 8496 days of service to charity or part-pay patients. The increased demands to render aid to our needy brothers and sisters has placed a new challenge and added responsibility on the hearts of the Baptists of our State; for while there have been increased demands for charity work, the decline in gifts to the Co-Operative Program which should take care of the bonds for the Hospital, has made it necessary to raise \$6000 last year (1932) and \$7000 this year (1933) to meet this obligation, besides doing about \$40 000 worth of service work. The Hospital received a total of around \$20,000 to take care of \$40 000 worth of charity work.

While the Mothers' Day offering was not as large as usual, it is gratifying to know that more churches and Sunday Schools sent in an offering than in any year in the history of the work, which convinces one of the increased interest in the Ministry of Healing.

One way in which our Baptist churches can greatly help when sending a patient to the Hospital, is to send a contribution equal to \$1.50 per day, which will defray the expenses of the Hospital care.

Since the future of our Baptist Hospitals depends on the attitude of the Baptist people, may we, in the name of Christ who gave His life for humanity, find ourselves busy doing service for our fellow-man.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. MAYBERRY.

Rev. C. C. Holland read the report on Christian Education, and discussed the advantages of the same in a very interesting way. It was adopted and the reporter discharged.

Prof. Moore, of Mars Hill College, presented to the Association in a very delightful manner the advantages of a denominational college.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.—Prov. 22:6.

Such is the admonition and promise of God's Word. Our obligation to do this is inescapable. Jesus in His ministry set for us the best example in Christian teaching. In the home, in the temple, in the synagogue, by the wayside, on the mountain, on the sea, our Lord taught the people.

Three institutions He has given us through which to work—the home, the church, the school. With either of these failing, the result is usually tragic. For the best results, right type of teaching must begin in the home, be energized and vitalized in church, watered and reinforced in the school.

Truly our denominational schools, such as Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, and the others, have wrought nobly in this field. The fruits have proved the value of the tree. Surely they have demonstrated, "The soul of culture is the culture of the soul." May we strengthen them by our prayers, support, and patronage.

CHAS. C. HOLLAND.

SECOND DAY—SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 1934

The Association reconvened at 10 A. M., with the praise and worship service led by Rev. Avery Church, who read the 23rd Psalm. At the conclusion of the devotional period the Moderator declared the Association ready for business.

In the absence of Mrs. Eugene Olive, the report on the W. M. U. was read in a very charming manner by Mrs. R. P. Casey. Interesting discussions followed by Mrs. F. G. Holman, Mrs. C. B. Mayberry, and Mrs. Addie H. Jones. The report was adopted for publication.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

One is constantly impressed in reading the Bible by the frequent mention of women and with the important part they had in the religious life of the people. Jesus gave woman her rightful place. He accepted and blessed

her ministries and truly made her a messenger of His gospel. We must go back to the New Testament itself to find the basis of our Woman's Missionary Union work. There we find recorded examples of every phase of activity that exists in our organization to-day.

Thus, ours in a simple plan of work by which the women are trying to carry out the program of Jesus in reaching with His gospel the people of all the world. The plan includes an organization for the very young children, the Sunbeam Band; one each for larger boys and girls, Royal Ambassadors and Girls' Auxiliaries; one for young women, the Young Women's Auxiliary; and the Woman's Missionary Society for mature women. The aims and ideals of these organizations are based on the fundamental principles of Christian living: "Bible and Mission Study, Prayer and Personal Service, Enlistment and Soul-Winning, and Christian Stewardship. These ideals are so emphasized in the programs and activities of each organization as to stimulate every member to develop every phase of life in the light of the Great Commission."

We believe that some such aims and ideals should be held by the women in all of our churches. Hence, the Women's Missionary Union of the Brushy Mountain Association desires to enlist during the coming year ALL the women of the churches in a worthy missionary program which will carry out these ideals. To this end the churches of the Association have been divided into four groups with a leader for each group, as follows:

Group No. 1—Miss Marie McNeill, Champion, Leader: Mount Pleasant, New Hope, Elk, Pilgrim, Lewis Fork, Stony Hill, Mount Zion.

Group No. 2—Miss Lucy Stout, Moravian Falls, and Mrs. R. C. Jennings, Pores Knob, Leaders: Moravian Falls, Walunt Grove, Zion Hill, Little Rock, Mount Carmel, Beaver Creek.

Group No. 3—Mrs. J. F. Jordan, Wilkesboro, Leader: Wilkesboro, Cub Creek, Edgewood, Fishing Creek, Goshen, Oakwoods, Shady Grove,

Group No. 4—Mrs. R. P. Casey, North Wilkesboro, Leader: North Wilkesboro First, North Wilkesboro Second, Hinshaw Street, Gordon, Harmony, Liberty Grove, Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Home.

Our annual meeting was held on June 20th with the First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro. We were delighted to have with us a number of the women from the churches throughout the Association. In the morning, after the business session, Mrs. Edna R. Harris, State W. M. U. Corresponding Secretary, brought us a helpful message. In the afternoon the first part of the program was devoted to our young people's work. Mrs. Earl James, of Elkin, made the address at this time, and quite a number of young people took part on the program. Mrs. Harris then led in a round-table discussion of our work. In the evening the W. M. U. of North Wilkesboro presented the Heck Memorial Pageant, and Mrs. Harris again spoke to us.

At this time we are glad to report that we have all the W. M. U. organizations in three of our churches—North Wilkesboro First, Wilkesboro, and Harmony. There is a Woman's Missionary Society at Fishing Creek and a Girl's Auxiliary at Gordon. Of these the following were organized during the past year: Royal Ambassador Chapter at Wilkesboro, all of the young people's organizations at Harmony, and a Woman's Missionary Society at Fishing Creek. We have begun also a circulating mission library,

under the direction of Mrs Avery Church, Wilkesboro, Mission Study chairman, assisted by Mrs. J. F. Johnson, North Wilkesboro, Librarian. These books are for free use of any church desiring them and may be secured from Mrs. Johnson at her residence.

We are convinced that these W. M. U. organizations among our women and young people will greatly help any church and will cause it to strive more earnestly to carry out the Great Commission entrusted to it by our Saviour, the head of the church. With this confidence your Superintendent and the Executive Committee offer their services to assist any church desiring to promote this mission program.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is like leaven, which a **woman** took and hid in three measures of meal until the whole was leavened." Likewise, wherever faithful women have nurtured the missionary leaven in their churches, the life-giving power has gone out with its blessings to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EUGENE OLIVE,
Supt. W. M. U.

Mrs. Mayberry, Fishing Creek
Mrs. Holman, Wilkesboro
Mrs. Jones, Harmony
Mrs. Dennis, North Wilkesboro

Rev. Eugene Olive read the following report prepared for the Association by Attorney A. H. Casey. It was adopted after a splendid discussion on the subject by Mr. Huggins, Secretary to the Board.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

In making this report it is taken for granted that members of **missionary** Baptist churches are vitally interested in the cause of missions both at home and abroad. And since a "report" should report something, an effort will be made to indicate some things that are being done on the mission fields, and at the same time call attention to the record of our own churches with reference to their missionary activities.

I. State Missions. For more than a hundred years Baptists of North Carolina have worked together in an organized capacity to evangelize, enlist, and train the people of our own State. Long before that time there were Baptist churches that were attempting to reach with the gospel all the people that their limited capacities allowed. It has been due to the fact that throughout the years the desire to give the gospel to the people of our State has been strong, that the Baptists of North Carolina out-number any other denomination, and are unsurpassed in the contribution they have made to the life of our people.

It is a matter of record that almost all of the strongest Baptist churches in North Carolina to-day were once mission points. They have become missionary fountains which give out in ever-increasing measure that which they have received. The General Secretary of our Convention informs us that our State Mission work is progressing satisfactorily. The departments Sunday Schools, Baptist Young People's Unions and Student Activities are

included in the State Mission program. Our State Mission Board is chosen by the Convention itself, and is made up of some of the wisest and most consecrated men amongst us who seek to direct the work in such a way as to make the best possible contribution to the life of our people with the means available for the purpose. Our General Secretary is proving his fitness for the position he holds in a remarkable way. He tells us that it is practically certain that there will be no indebtedness on State Missions at the close of the current year, and that it is his policy for State Missions to live within its budget. At the same time we must not be unmindful of the fact that there are many places where work should be done which are now neglected for lack of resources.

According to the records already received from the churches in our Association, a little more has been contributed during the past year than in the preceding one, but our contributions are still shamefully small.

II. Home Missions. The outlook for the Home Mission Board is brighter right now than it has been since 1928. This is not because we are receiving more money, and we are, but it is because of the confidence which the brethren throughout the territory of the Convention evidence in the Board, and because of the belief registered everywhere by our people that the Board is still doing and will continue to do a necessary and valuable mission work.

There is not a year since 1928 that the Board has not lived within its income and paid something on the principal of its debts. During this time over \$700,000 has been paid on the principal of the debts and the mission work, that part of the work which has to do directly and specifically with the making and baptising of disciples, has been maintained and, in fact, increased.

The Board this year, through the magnificent offering of the women in the Arne W. Armstrong Week of Prayer, will put thirty-two new missionaries in the field. It is now in the process of adjusting its debts so that it can go on with its mission program and pay its debts as it gets the money. The overhead operating expense for the last Convention year was only \$10,063.49. The many expressions of appreciation for the way the affairs of the Board are being handled are indeed heartening. We take courage and press on.

The Board has in all departments and fields of its work 202 missionaries and workers. It is maintaining in all over 400 mission stations and preaching places; it is operating in whole or in part five Good-Will centers, two rescue missions, and a Seaman's Institute; it has fifteen schools operated by its missionaries, and is furnishing the property of eight Mountain Schools free of charge to local boards of trustees for the operation of schools in the mountains. It is operating a Tubercular Sanatorium, and has a Building and Loan department with over a million dollars loaned to churches.

III. Foreign Missions. Financially speaking, the Foreign Mission Board has stayed within its budget. This is the firm resolve for all the future. The debts have been reduced in a great way during the past few months. Since January 1, 1933, the Foreign Mission Board has paid more than \$86,000 for interest and \$125,000 on the principal of the debts, thus bringing the debt down from \$1,115,000 to \$990,000 in sixteen months. The Board is

indeed grateful to Baptists everywhere for their part in helping to wipe out the debt.

Indications of this sure response of Southern Baptists to God's call are observed in many other and divers ways besides gifts. More Baptists are reading and studying about missions. Schools of missions, mission study classes, special Sunday School and church missionary rallies are being held monthly here and yonder throughout the South. More people are praying definitely by name for missionaries and their work, writing them letters, and thinking about missions.

From the fields of the fourteen countries where Southern Baptists proclaim the gospel, there comes news that thrills the soul. A spirit of revival is sweeping the fields. Turning from old things that do not satisfy, multitudes are seeking salvation, and the missionaries are over-worked, but rejoice in it all. More churches are becoming self-supporting. Many are catching the missionary vision themselves and seeking to have a part, also, in evangelizing the world. Last year the 191,073 Baptists on the several fields gave \$349,092.03 unto the Lord, while 4,065,140 Southern Baptists in the homeland gave only \$4951,011.00 to missions and benevolences in 1932.

But for all this work in these fourteen countries Southern Baptists have only 394 missionaries. Seven years ago there were 544. The figures themselves tell a story of closed hospitals and schools, abandoned stations and forsaken native workers, over-worked missionaries and lost opportunities. But the days of retreat have passed. The foreign mission work is facing forward and onward. Already great victories for Christ are being won.

The record of our Association for several years indicates that not only hundreds of individuals in all our churches, but also whole churches are taking no part whatever in this great enterprise. Let us resolve that we will take our proper place among these followers of our Lord who are earnestly seeking to carry out His request to give the "good news" to all men.

Respectfully submitted

A. H. CASEY.

The report on Ministerial Relief was presented by J. F. Jordan, who also made a strong plea for the church to come to the aid of the old ministers.

After a motion it was adopted by the Association.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The care of our aged and disabled preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers, deserves the most earnest and prayerful attention at the hands of all our people. The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters at Dallas, Texas, is faithfully and sympathetically administering and distributing the funds placed in its hands by the churches. That far too little money has been contributed by our people for this nobly beneficent work, all must freely confess. That more money should be given for the support of our veterans, widows and orphans, will not be questioned. Surely our old ministers are deserving of better treatment in their declining years. What Southern Baptists are

doing through their Board for these faithful servants of the cross is helpful, but it is painfully insufficient. Surely every church should strive to see to it that the old preachers are better provided for. Let some good man or woman in each church write the Board for literature and inform the people concerning this great need. Do not wait—do it now.

The Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans provided for the placing of all gifts through the Co-Operative Program into the Relief Fund. Since 1930 the Board's Annuity Department has not received any money from the benevolent contributions of the churches. The relief beneficiaries will get the full benefit of these gifts. They will, of course, continue to receive also the benefits of earnings on the Board's Relief Endowment and all contributions designated for relief. Not only so, the Board will strive to secure special gifts looking to the enlargement of the Relief Fund. If our churches will give the money that they should through the regular Co-Operative Program the relief beneficiaries of the Board will receive very much larger benefits and a greater number of beneficiaries will be added to the roll. It should be clear to our people that the Relief Board cannot pay out money any faster than it comes in; but as the money is given, the donors may know that the relief beneficiaries will get every dollar of it.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN.

The Association enjoyed a splendid address at this time by Mr. Huggins of the State Mission Board. He also presented by diagram the activities of the churches by the Board of Missions.

Rev. Eugene Olive called the attention of the delegates to the charts on the wall depicting the financial aims of the churches for the coming year.

Officers were then elected to serve for the coming year as follows: Prof. T. E. Story, of Wilkesboro, Moderator, and Mrs. Floyd M. Jennings, of Pores Knob, was re-elected Clerk and Treasurer.

Saturday Afternoon Session, August 25, 1934.

The Association enjoyed a delicious dinner served by the ladies of the community, and re-convened for the concluding program. The praise and worship service was led by Rev. A. E. Watts.

Miss Marie McNeil presented the following report on Sunday Schools, and also gave an inspirational talk on the work in her home church, Mount Pleasant.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

It has been rightly said by a Sunday School believer that the Sunday School is the church at work. How true this statement is when we realize that every church that has a good Sunday School has good church services, and are yearly bringing souls into the Kingdom. We find from reports that more than 60 percent of all the additions to our churches, in our Association, come from the Sunday School Department.

There are two things that the Sunday School is doing in every community if the "true functions of the Sunday School" are being carried out. These two things are: Winning to Sunday School and saving to Christ. Every man, woman and child can have a part in this winning. How happy is the small boy or girl who is given a definite person or number of persons to visit and invite to Sunday School. We find that people will respond when personally asked. Then as they respond, the Superintendents and teachers should be so prepared to give food to the soul that the individual would be anxious to return every Sunday. First in every Sunday School should come the teaching of the Bible. This, of course, has foremost, winning the last. Dr. Burroughs says: "Winning to Christ holds central place in the Sunday School."

This year our Association was greatly blessed by the coming of Mr. L. L. Morgan, State Sunday School Field Worker, and his band of helpers. Twelve of our Sunday Schools had these helpers. These helpers are fine young men and women who have given themselves wholly to God's work. They are devoted, earnest Christians. To come in contact with them is to feel uplifted, because they have been with God.

One Sunday School that I personally know about had 163 people enrolled in Sunday School when the Sunday School revival started. At the end of the weeks revival they had 275 in Sunday School. They even went above the goal they set, because they went after the people personally. The most glorious thing of all was this: Some people were reached who never come to church or Sunday School. They began coming, and when the annual church revival started two of their children were born into the Kingdom of God.

Every church in the Brushy Mountain Association has a Sunday School, and with the help of these State workers we ought to be able to do real work for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE McNEILL.

Mrs. Helen Cashion read the report on the B. Y. P. U., and discussed the merits of the same in a very interesting way. It was adopted by the Association.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

During the year quite a few B. Y. P. U.'s have died, but we have gained three new unions, and now there are eight churches that have B. Y. P. U.'s in them.

Miss Mabel Starnes, the B. Y. P. U. field worker, was in the Association for a week during July and we held B. Y. P. U. rallies in various places in the Association. As a result of this, Beaver Creek organized a union.

Twenty-five young people from the Association attended the State B. Y. P. U. convention at Ridgecrest, and more are planning to attend next year. Lunda Hendren from North Wilkesboro attended the Southwide B. Y. P. U. Conference in Nashville.

For the past month we have been conducting a Study Course drive, and

most all of the B. Y. P. U.'s have held a study course: J. D. Williams, a Wake Forest student, taught most of the study courses.

Our Associationaal meeting will be the 23rd of September. The week following this meeting Miss Starnes will be in the Association and teach a training school for the Associational officers.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. HELEN CASHION.

The Committee on Time and Place made the following report :

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE

The committee on Time and Place for the next session report: **Lewis Fork Church, 15 m'les west of North Wilkesboro on Boone Trail Highway.** Beginning on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1935. Rev. Avery Church to preach Introductory Sermon; Rev. H. A. Bullis, Alternate.

R. L. PROFFITT
T. F. WALSH
F. F. BUMGARNER, Com.

Resolutions were introduced and adopted as follows :

A RESOLUTION

During the past year the sainted and beloved Brother W. C. Meadows has been translated to the Heavenly Home. His great love for and service to the Brushy Mountain Association throughout a great many years make us keenly conscious of his absence from this session, although we cannot but feel that his spirit hovers about us now.

In the passing of the long and useful life of our dear brother we are made conscious of our lasting debt of gratitude to him, and we shall continue to cherish his memory as one of our most highly prized possessions.

Therefore, be it resolved by this Association that, if possible, a page containing the picture of Brother Meadows be included in the Minutes of the Association this year and that the Minutes be dedicated to his memory.

Resolved, also, that this Association hereby express to the surviving relatives of Brother Meadows its grateful appreciation of his life and work and its love for his noble Christian character.

Respectfully submitted,
EUGENE OLIVE.

A RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that we, the messengers and visitors to the 61st annual session of the Brushy Mountain Association, hereby express our sincerest gratitude to the members of the Moravian Falls Baptist church for their most cordial entertainment of this session of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,
EUGENE OLIVE.

OUR DEAD

- Beaver Creek—Presley Shepherd and Mrs. Myra Church.
Cub Creek—Deacon J. B. Hall.
Edgewood—
Elk—
Fishing Creek—T. J. Smithey.
Goshen—
Gordon—
Harmony—
Hinshaw Street—
Lewis Fork—J. W. Dyer, Miss Candis Foster and Miss
Martha Walsh.
Liberty Grove—
Little Rock—
Moravian Falls—
Mount Carmel—William Pearson.
Mount Pleasant—Mrs. Mae Holder and T. C. Church.
Mount Zion—Mrs. Mary J. Welborn.
New Hope—
First North Wilkesboro—James P. Walters, Miss Ossie M.
Clayton, Mrs. Emma V. Pearson, Mrs. S. E. Garvey, Miss
Robena Andrews, Mrs. C. O. Grubb, and Mrs. Claude
McGee.
Second North Wilkesboro—Nellie Brooks.
Oakwoods—Jacob Shew.
Pleasant Home—Mrs. Belle Bumgarner and Mrs. Delie Dancy.
Pilgrim—
Stony Hill—Deacon G. W. Walsh and J. M. Parsons, charter
members.
Shady Grove—
Walnut Grove—Rev. W. C. Meadows.
Wilkesboro—Mrs. Florence Byrd and Mrs. W. E. Harris.
Zion Hill—Mrs. Wm. Gross and Mrs. Minnie Laws.

HISTORICAL

FOREWORD—We are indeed fortunate to have the Historical Tables of the early Associations compiled by the beloved Rev. W. C. Meadows, who passed on to his great reward since the last associational meeting. No one in the Association could have given us this data so accurately, and we should cherish our copies for years to come.

The Yadkin Association, organized in 1786 with 11 churches, had as many as 16 churches in 1813, although as many as 10 churches had in 1799 withdrawn in order to organize the Mountain District Association.

The Mountain District Association was organized in the year 1799, but its organization did not include a single member of the present Brushy Mountain group. The French Broad Association was too far to the Southwest to draw upon the Yadkin country for churches or for aid when it was organized in the year 1807, and the Sandy Creek lay too far to the East to either contribute or draw from the Brushy Mountain District.

The Brier Creek Association drew both from the Yadkin and the Mountain District when it was organized in 1822. It contributed two churches to the Lewis Fork Association in 1830, viz: Little River and Zion Hill. New Hope, Beaver Creek and Lewis Fork probably went into that body from the Yadkin Association; and Head of Yadkin, Kings Creek and Lower Creek from the Catawba which was organized in 1827.

The Lewis Fork Association held a convention in April, 1835, and organized in 1836.

TABLE I—Historical Table of the Lewis Fork Baptist Association

Where Held	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher	No. of	No. of	Total
				Ch's.	Bms.	Members
Lewis Fork...	Smith Ferguson.	John Cariton...	Phillip Powell...	07		496
Beaver Creek...	Smith Ferguson.	John Cariton...	Benj. Beach....	11	9	662
Lower Creek...	Benj. Beach....	John Cariton...	Wm. Church....	14	8	745
Antioch.....	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele...	Joseph Harrison.	15	30	728
Zion Hill.....	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	Phillip Powell...	15	48	782
New Hope.....	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	James Vannoy...	15	19	728
Yadkin.....	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	C. Livingstone...	18	14	797
Union.....	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	S. Ferguson....	18	24	776
Little River...	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	Wm. D. Holder..	17	33	727
Reddies River.	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	Wm. Church....	18	42	763
Kings Creek...	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	Wm. B. Brown..	18	21	775
Dover.....	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	Wm. Goforth....	19	481	1285
Lewis Fork...	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	S. Ferguson....	20	438	1657
Elk Creek.....	Smith Ferguson.	R. L. Steele..	R. H. Moody....	22	165	1770
Sardis.....	Wm. Church....	R. L. Steele..	R. L. Steele....	23	109	1780
Macedonia....	John G. Bryan.	Burton Bradley	I. H. West.....	24	82	1660
Beaver Creek..	John G. Bryan.	Burton Bradley	James McNeil...	26	88	1567
Liberty.....	John G. Bryan.	Burton Bradley	B. Bradley.....	25	147	1612
New Hope....	John G. Bryan.	P. Eller.....	Jacob Crouch...	12	67	983
Little River...	John G. Bryan.	P. Eller.....	Joel H. Brown..	11	31	918
Stony Hill....	John G. Bryan.	P. Eller.....	I. G. Bryan....	12	60	1019
Zion Hill....	John G. Bryan.	P. Eller.....	Wm. Pool.....	13	97	1082
Mt. Zion.....	John G. Bryan.	P. Eller.....	A. W. Vannoy..	12	110	106?
Beaver Creek..	John G. Bryan.	P. Eller.....	Linville Land...	13	109	1030

Table II—Historical Table of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association

Year	Where Held	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher	No. of	No. of	Tot
					Ch's.	Bms.		Memb
1872	Sulphur Spgs.	R. L. Steele...	G. D. Sherrill.	I. N. Haynes...	27	45	214
1873	New Hope...	R. L. Steele...	jas. B. Pool...	W. M. Wingate...	28	75	217
1874	Three Forks...	R. L. Steele...	jas. B. Pool...	Jessac Oxford...	28	96	199
1875	Buttalo.....	R. L. Steele...	jas. B. Pool...	James McNeil...	29	201	220
1876	Oak Forest...	R. L. Steele...	jas. B. Pool...	C. C. Pool.....	.....	.....	.....
1877	Union.....	R. L. Steele...	jas. B. Pool...	W. A. Pool.....	30	90	255
1878	Lewis Fork...	R. L. Steele...	jas. B. Pool...	Wm. Pool.....	30	191	272
1879	Antioch.....	Isaac Ox.ord.	jas. B. Pool...	Geo. Greene.....	31	85	266
1880	Bethel.....	R.A.Spainhour.	jas. B. Pool...	J. B. Pool.....	.....	.....	.....
1881	Cub Creek...	R.A.Spainhour.	jas. B. Pool...	M. McNeil.....	36	188	285
1882	Macedonia...	R.A.Spainhour.	jas. B. Pool...	W. J. Taiford...	34	166	279
1883	Kings Creek...	R.A.Spainhour.	W. E. White...	W. A. Pool.....	35	204	298
1884	Three Forks...	.....	.....	I. W. Thomas...	.....	.....	.....
1885	Zion Hill...	R.A.Spainhour.	W. E. White...	Dr. Wm. Royal...	36	207	331
1886	Sulphur Spgs.	R.A.Spainhour.	W. E. White...	W. A. Pool.....	31	125	280
1887	Wilkesboro...	R.A.Spainhour.	W. E. White...	Dr. C. E. Taylor	27	253	269
1888	Walunt Grove.	R.A.Spainhour.	W. F. Laws...	W. R. Gwaltney.	14	43	111
1889	Mt. Pleasant.	I. T. Prevette...	J. L. Hemphill.	W. R. Gwaltney.	17	133	146
1890	Little Rock...	R.A.Spainhour.	V. McGinnis...	W. L. Wright...	17	17	117
1891	Mt. Carmel...	R.A.Spainhour.	V. McGinnis...	W. W. White...	18	61	111
1892	Moravian Falls.	R.A.Spainhour.	V. McGinnis...	I. T. Prevette...	18	28	122
1893	Pleasant Home.	R.A.Spainhour.	V. McGinnis...	A. T. Pardue...	19	52	137
1894	N. Wilkesboro.	R.A.Spainhour.	V. McGinnis...	W. R. Bradshaw.	20	73	124
1895	New Hope....	R.A.Spainhour.	V. McGinnis...	A. T. Pardue...	20	74	135
1896	Mount Zion...	R.A.Spainhour.	V. McGinnis...	J. C. Blaylock...	19	67	178
1897	Edgewood....	J. L. Hemphill.	V. McGinnis...	W. R. Bradshaw.	19	89	133
1898	Beaver Creek...	J. L. Hemphill.	V. McGinnis...	A. T. Pardue...	18	54	144
1899	Lewis Fork...	W. M. Absher...	V. McGinnis...	J. J. Beach.....	19	37	157
1900	Zion Hill....	W. M. Absher...	V. McGinnis...	W. R. Gwaltney.	19	90	160
1901	Cub Creek....	J. L. Hemphill.	V. McGinnis...	A. T. Pardue...	20	110	142
1902	Wilkesboro...	J. L. Hemphill.	V. McGinnis...	S. F. Conrad...	20	167	175
1903	Shady Grove...	J. L. Hemphill.	V. McGinnis...	W. R. Bradshaw.	21	91	179
1904	Stony Hill....	J. L. Hemphill.	John Crouch...	W. H. Miller...	21	74	187
1905	Walunt Grove.	C. C. Wright...	W. H. Church...	W. F. Staley...	21	152	158

TABLE III—Historical Table of the Brusy Mountain Baptist Association

Year	Where Held	Moderator	Clerk	No. of	No. of	Total	
				Ch's.	Baptisms		Members
1906	Harmony.....	C. C. Wright.....	W. H. Church.....	22	No report	No report	
1907	N. Wilkesboro...	C. C. Wright.....	W. H. Church.....	22	208	2196	
1908	New Hope.....	C. C. Wright.....	W. H. Church.....	22	No report	No report	
1909	Little Rock.....	C. C. Wright.....	W. H. Church.....	23	No report	No report	
1910	Wilkesboro.....	C. C. Wright.....	W. H. Church.....	23	No report	No report	
1911	Mt. Pleasant...	C. C. Wright.....	W. H. Church.....	23	206	2419	
1912	Mt. Carmel...	C. C. Wright.....	W. H. Church.....	22	156	2469	
1913	Pleasant Home...	C. C. Wright.....	R. L. Proffit...	23	201	2721	
1914	Lewis Fork....	C. C. Wright.....	R. L. Proffit...	24	164	2630	
1915	Mount Zion....	C. C. Wright.....	R. L. Proffit...	24	103	2403	
1916	Moravian Falls...	C. C. Wright.....	R. L. Proffit...	24	107	2640	
1917	Wilkesboro...	C. C. Wright.....	R. L. Proffit...	.....	.....	.....
1918	Beaver Creek...	C. C. Wright.....	R. L. Proffit...	25	.....	2268
1919	Zion Hill.....	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	25	106	2807	
1920	N. Wilkesboro...	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	27	222	3139	
1921	Edgewood....	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	27	.....	.....
1922	Pleasant Grove...	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	27	315	3501	
1923	Lewis Fork....	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	.....	.....	.....
1924	Harmony.....	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	26	160	3713	
1925	Walunt Grove...	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	26	223	3050	
1926	N. Wilkesboro...	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	26	168	4011	
1927	Goshen.....	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	27	211	4216	
1928	Mt. Pleasant...	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	27	90	3019	
1929	Stony Hill....	C. C. Wright.....	V. McGinnis...	27	79	3782	
1930	Little Rock.....	Will be held Aug. 22nd, 1930.				

TABLE I—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ETC. BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, Aug. 1934

Church	Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted?	Pastors and Postoffices		Days of Meeting	GAINS			LOSSES			Present Membs.	Weekly Prayer Meet.	Reviv's During Yr.	Ch. Lord's Supper	Rec. Sta. Pap. Paper
			Baptisms	Letters		Statemen'ts	Restorations	Letters	Deaths	Transfers						
Beaver Creek.....	Cl 1181 David Secret, Lenoir		1	3	138	71	6	1	2	148	No	1	1	1	1	1
Cub Creek.....	Cl 1864 N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River		3	3	47	3	1	2	1	44	Yes	1	1	1	1	1
Edgewood.....	Cl 1893 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville		1	1	133	3	3	1	6	150	No	1	1	1	1	1
Fik.....	Cl 1905 Edd O. Miller, Wilbur		3	2	44	2	1	1	1	45	No	1	1	1	1	1
Fishing Creek.....	Cl 1822 T. E. Payne, Hudson		2	4	221	5	2	5	1	3	219	No	1	1	1	1
Gordon.....	Cl 1919 G. W. Sebastian, N. Wilkesboro		1	1	122	8	1	9	1	76	Yes	1	1	1	1	1
Goshen.....	Cl 1916 Isaac Watts, Boomer		1	3	157	32	19	3	3	123	No	1	1	1	1	1
Harmony.....	Cl 1900 H. A. Caudill, Millers Creek		1	3	85	13	6	1	7	202	Yes	1	1	1	1	1
Hinshaw Street.....	Cl 1927 H. A. Bullis, N. Wilkesboro		2	4	218	6	1	6	3	214	No	1	2	1	1	1
Lewis Fork.....	Cl 1792 E. C. Hodges, Boone		1	1	133	3	2	6	3	178	No	1	1	1	1	1
Liberty Grove.....	Cl 1886 H. A. Bullis, N. Wilkesboro		4	1	137	1	1	1	6	137	...	1	1	1	1	1
Little Rock.....	Cl 1866 E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville		2	4	116	1	2	2	2	117	...	1	1	1	1	1
Moravian Falls.....	Cl 1886 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville		1	1	63	15	1	1	1	79	Yes	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Carmel.....	Cl 1886 H. A. Bullis, N. Wilkesboro		1	1	297	23	3	4	1	177	Yes	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Pleasant.....	Cl 1876 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville		2	1	165	1	1	5	1	161	No	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Zion.....	Cl 1849 E. C. Hodges, Boone		4	1	248	16	3	1	6	257	No	1	1	1	1	1
New Hope.....	Cl 1840 Avery Church, Wilkesboro		4	1	639	19	17	34	7	2	625	Yes	1	4	10	4
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	Cl 1892 Eugene Olive, N. Wilkesboro		4	1	213	2	1	2	1	212	No	1	1	1	1	1
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	Cl 1907 Noah Hayes, N. Wilkesboro		1	2	95	9	3	4	1	102	Yes	1	1	1	1	1
Oakwoods.....	Cl 1917 A. E. Watts, Taylorsville		3	3	249	25	2	2	5	273	...	1	1	1	1	1
Pleasant Grove.....	Cl 1885 T. E. Hayes, N. Wilkesboro		3	3	234	19	8	1	5	235	No	1	1	1	1	1
Pleasant Home.....	Cl 1880 F. C. Watts, Parlear		3	1	133	2	2	1	3	133	No	1	1	1	1	1
Pilgrim.....	Cl 1870 H. A. Bullis, N. Wilkesboro		2	1	116	2	1	1	2	115	No	1	1	1	1	1
Stony Hill.....	Cl 1888 A. B. Hays, Hays		2	4	267	10	4	3	1	277	No	1	1	1	1	1
Shady Grove.....	Cl 1845 C. C. Holland, Stony Point		1	3	228	12	2	6	2	234	Yes	1	1	1	1	1
Walnut Grove.....	Cl 1880 Avery Church, Wilkesboro		1	3	203	1	1	2	2	200	No	1	1	1	1	1
Wilkesboro.....	Cl 1814 J. W. Watts, Lenoir		2	4	469	228	139	4	9	115	35	40	23	46	31	22
Zion Hill.....																

Total

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1934.

Churches	Village, Town, Or Country?	Superintendents and Postoffices										Total Enrollment—	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Is It Standard A-1?	Tchs. Hold. Nor. Dips.	Baptisms from School	Have Mission S. S.?	Vacation Bible School?	Enrollment Vaca. Sch.	Av. Daily Att. Vac. S.	
		Beginners, 3-5 Years	Primaries, 6-8 Years	Juniors, 9-12 Years	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 and Up	Cradle Roll, under 3	Officers & Teachers	Home Department												
Beaver Creek.....	C	L. C. Matherly, Boomer, N. C.	3	11	15	15	41	29	15	9	150	44	Yes	No	21	2	No	No				
Cub Creek.....	C	No report for Sunday School.	15	12	21	11	24	15		6	104	70	Yes	No	3	3	No	No				
Edgewood.....	C	D. R. Wright, R2, Wilkesboro.	5	6	8	10	9	11		6	50	35	No	No	0	0	No	No				
Elk.....	C	W. A. Proffit, Denny, N. C.	11	24	30	34	27	28	4	14	165	90	Yes	No	1	0	No	No				
Fishing Creek.....	C	C. B. Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro.	22		30	10	9	28	5	8	112	67	No	No	7	6	No	No				
Gordon.....	C	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro.	12	6	8	12	12	12	3	7	72	60	No	No	0	0	No	No				
Goshen.....	C	Shabbie Eledge, Goshen, N. C.	18	19	21	13	41	36		8	156	80	Yes		21	0	No	No				
Harmony.....	C	H. D. Caudill, Millers Creek, N. C.									6	6			13							
Hinshaw Street.....	C	C. H. Dancy, N. Wilkesboro.	10	10	15	15	10	20		6	80	50	No		3		No	No				
Lewis Fork.....	C	D. F. Shepherd, Maple Spgs., N. C.	4	10	13	7	10	6	1	6	57	35	Yes	No	0	0	0	0				
Liberty Grove.....	C	Mrs. J. S. Elliott, Knottville, N. C.	17	17	30	26	30	26	25	23	11	70	70	Yes	No	1	0	0	0			
Little Rock.....	C	V. McGinnis, Boomer, N. C.	9	8	13	12	28	20		8	98	40	No	No	2	1	0	No				
Moravian Falls.....	C	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls, N. C.																				
Mount Carmel.....	C	E. W. Walker, Moravian Falls,	35	46	34	40	45	70		17	287	105	Yes	No	7	22	0	No				
Mount Pleasant.....	C	J. C. McNeil, Congo N. C.									6	71	49									
Mount Zion.....	C	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix, N. C.																				
New Hope.....	C	I. F. Hayes, Purlear, N. C.	15		16	18	30	19		7	105											
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	T	E. M. Blackburn N. Wilkesboro.	27	53	82	55	58	184	116	48	75	688	298	Yes	No	20	19	No	Yes	150	120	
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	T	John Anderson N. Wilkesboro.								8												
Oakwoods.....	C	J. P. Anderson, R2 Wilkesboro.	10	7	7	12	11	16		9	1	73	33	Yes	No	4	No	No	No			
Pleasant Grove.....	C	No Sunday School report.																				
Pleasant Home.....	C	C. C. Church, Millers Creek, N. C.	24	20	20	30	18	25		7	144	100	No	No								
Pilgrim.....	C	F. O. Foster, Congo N. C.		29	18		28	19		5	98	47	No	No								
Stony Hill.....	C	Zollie Parsons, Parsonville, N. C.	9		20	14		24		7	74	51	No	No								
Shady Grove.....	C																					
Walnut Grove.....	C	R. C. Meadows, Pores Knobs, N. C.	11	22	28	26	20	25	37	17	341	208	Yes	No	8	8						
Wilmington.....	T	Prof. T. E. Story, Wilkesboro, N. C.	9	20	38	19	15	28	9	17	103	103	Yes	No	7	10	No	No				
Zion Hill.....	C	J. E. German, Boomer, N. C.	266	320	467	379	456	638	306	254	127	2892	2992			179	91				150	120

TABLE III—Church Property of Erudley Mountain Baptist Association, . . . August 1934.

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Post Offices		Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Mms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds.	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek.....	J. J. Walker, Boomer.....	Yes 1890 Wood	200	1	1	12.00	81.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1864 Wood	100	1	1	600.00	100.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Edgewood.....	A. G. Hendren, Gilreath.....	Yes 1893 Wood	700	2	1	2100.00	2100.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elk.....	Ruth Profit, Denay.....	Yes 1925 Wood	400	4	1	2200.00	4000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek.....	Pearl Jarvis, K2, Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1822 Wood	600	1	1	5000.00	6000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gordon.....	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1918 Wood	300	3	4	6000.00	6000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Goshen.....	Jesse Walsh, Goshen.....	Yes 1916 Wood	500	1	1	1500.00	2500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harmony.....	Walter E. Jones, Cricket.....	Yes 1900 Wood	400	1	1	2000.00	3000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hunshaw Street.....	J. C. Pruitt, N. Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1927 Wood	350	5	1	2000.00	2000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lewis Fork.....	James Triplett, Maple Springs.....	Yes 1909 Wood	200	1	1	1000.00	1000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Liberty Grove.....	W. R. Parsons, N. Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1886 Wood	500	4	1	3000.00	3000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Rock.....	W. M. Lackey, Boomer.....	Yes 1904 Wood	500	5	1	2000.00	2500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Moravian Falls.....	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.....	Yes 1888 Wood	300	2	1	5000.00	5000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek.....	E. W. Walker, Moravian Falls.....	Yes 1911 Wood	500	1	1	3000.00	3000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	A. M. McGee, Parlear.....	Yes 1909 Wood	500	1	1	2000.00	2000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Zion.....	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix.....	Yes 1925 Wood	500	1	1	1000.00	1000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Hope.....	I. H. Davis, Purlear.....	Yes 1894 Wood	400	1	1	60000.00	70000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1910 Brick	600	15	312	1000.00	1000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1902 Wood	500	1	1	1000.00	1000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakwoods.....	Charlie Steelman, Oakwoods.....	Yes 1917 Wood	500	1	1	1000.00	1000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	W. E. Prasons, Buck.....	Yes.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Home.....	A. L. Nichols, RI, Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1903 Wood	800	1	1	2000.00	2000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo.....	Yes 1859 Wood	350	1	1	1800.00	1800.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stony Hill.....	C. O. Parsons, Parsonville.....	Yes 1922 Wood	300	1	1	1000.00	1000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shady Grove.....	.....	Yes.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob.....	Yes 1930 Brick	500	5	1	5000.00	5000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilkesboro.....	Lanville Bumgarner, Wilkesboro.....	Yes 1902 Brick	400	4	3	7000.00	11000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Zion Hill.....	T. E. German, Boomer.....	Yes.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	.....	.....	11450	64	2732	\$12,725.00	\$14,500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

.....\$14,500.00 \$137,225.00 2863.95 \$30,500.

TABLE IV—GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAP. ASSO., AUG., 1934

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Postoffice	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Given By All W. M. U. Organizations	Given by the Sunday School	Given by Church and all Organizations For Local Purposes	
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer	60.00		6.30		10.00			1.50				92.80	
Cab Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	60.56							1.10				61.66	
Edgewood.....	L. R. Miller, Straw	147.27				12.00			2.00				161.27	
Elk.....	W. A. Proffit, Denny	97.56				3.00			2.00	5.00			117.12	
Fishing Creek.....	Miss Pearl Jarvis, R2, Wilkesboro	154.50	5.00	40.00	25.00	13.50			3.00	25.00	3.75		306.80	
Gordon.....	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	63.77			33.20				1.00				134.69	
Goshen.....	Jesse Walsh, Goshen	119.32			1.45	7.26			2.00				142.03	
Harmony.....	Mrs. J. A. Kilby, Wilkesboro	253.91		35.00		25.00			37.82		3.00		374.08	
Hinshaw Street.....	L. S. Baily, N. Wilkesboro	178.90		26.00	72.00	31.65			63.00	1.00			352.55	
Lewis Fork.....	W. D. Foster, Maple Springs	55.05		19.50		3.00			1.00				95.85	
Liberty Grove.....	W. R. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro	120.00		4.00					8.00	4.72	16.15		141.72	
Little Rock.....	L. L. Carlton, Boomer	81.00		20.00					70.00	2.00			126.00	
Moravian Falls.....	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	210.90		33.00		45.50			25.00	1.50			316.03	
Mount Carmel.....	E. S. Pearson, Moravian Falls	47.20							8.61	1.00			57.85	
Mount Pleasant.....	J. F. Walsh, Purlear	195.35		31.00	131.63	45.73			51.00	2.00	18.60		526.60	
Mount Zion.....	D. W. Triplett, Hendrix	111.00		15.00					4.00	2.00			151.00	
New Hope.....	J. H. Davis, Purlear	180.00		20.00		20.00			21.00	2.00			236.00	
1st N. Wilkesboro.....	C. O. McNeill, N. Wilkesboro	250.00	386.58	160.00	916.72	628.27			426.52	10.00	61.90		5301.97	
2nd N. Wilkesboro.....	O. H. Royal, N. Wilkesboro	20.00				17.00			10.00	2.00			49.00	
Oakwoods.....	Charlie Steelman, Oakwoods	207.85		15.00		12.00			14.94	2.25			166.95	
Pleasant Grove.....	W. T. Parsons, Buck	97.63				5.00			2.20	9.32			123.05	
Pleasant Home.....	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	152.21		21.00	45.00	25.00			25.00	3.00			274.25	
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Conso	53.00		7.58		1.15			19.84				81.57	
Stony Hill.....	Lee Beshears, Parsonville	50.00				8.07			10.57	1.00	6.00		75.64	
Shady Grove.....														
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	225.00		30.00	265.00	10.00			54.80	5.00	24.00		615.30	
Wilkesboro.....	Wm A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	600.00		19.68	230.00	155.50			56.76	5.00	18.59	51.00	1085.53	
Zion Hill.....	I. F. German, Boomer					8.00							8.00	
Total.....		\$501.27	391.58	506.06	1770.00	1087.91			943.58	16.22	59.25	368.41	73.90	\$515,081.11

TABLE VI—B. Y. P. U. AND W. M. U. WORK OF BRUSHY
MT'N. BAP. ASSOCIATION, AUGUST, 1934.

CHURCHES	YOUNG PEOPLES' WORK.															
	Does Church Have Gen. B. Y. P. U. Organization?	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Number daily Bible Readers	Num. Taking B. Y. P. U. Study Course	Total Systematic Givers in All Unions	Students in College From Your Church
Beaver Creek.....	Yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	15	28	1	1
Moravian Falls.....				1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	14			
Mount Pleasant.....	Yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	45	14	29		
1st N. Wilkesboro..	Yes	1	1	2	3	7	4	20	35	27	38	150	79	73	100	3
2nd N. Wilkesboro..			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	17	7		
Pleasant Home.....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21				
Pilgrim.....			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	26				
Wilkesboro.....	Yes	1	1	1	1	3	1	16	16	16	18	50	11	21	26	3
Totals		1	6	5	5	16	4	20	68	54	103	357	150	158	126	5

CHURCHES	W. M. U. WORK												
	Number of W. M. S.'s	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Course
Fishing Creek.....	1					13						13	12
Gordon.....		1									9	9	
Harmony.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	18	7	15	10	20	70	10
1st N. Wilkesboro..	1	1	2	1	1	6	65	20	72	18	65	240	162
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	2	1	1	6						22	
Total.....	4	3	6	3	3	17	96	27	96	28	85	332	206



MINUTES
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Mrs. Floyd M. Jennings, Clerk and Treasurer, Pores Knob, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

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Bullis, H. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Church, Avery, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Elliott, J. S., Knottville, N. C.
Eller, A. W., R. F. D. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, Noah, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, A. B., Hays, N. C.
Jarvis, N. T., Roaring River, N. C.
Jennings, S. S., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Miller Ed. O., Wilbar, N. C.
Olive, Eugene, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Shew, T. R., R. F. D. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Watts, Isaac, Boomer N. C.
Watts, F. C., Purlear, N. C.

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Bumgarner E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
Day, R. F., Benham, N. C.
Green, Levi, Deep Gap, N. C.
Gwaltney, R. C., Winston-Salem, N. C.
Hodges, E. C., Boone, N. C.
Holland, C. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Peeler, M. F., Taylorsville, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Each church may send as many delegates as it wishes to the
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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—A. J. Foster, Charlie Walsh, G. H. Walker.
- Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. L. Hemphill, J. J. Anderson.
- Edgewood—L. R. Miller, C. W. Fletcher, A. G. Hendren.
- Elk—W. A. Proffit, Mrs. W. A. Proffit, F. W. McNeil.
- Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, R. C. Miller, J. W. Pardue.
- Gordon—W. P. Carson, Mrs. G. L. Canter, Miss Louise Canter.
- Goshen—J. L. Walsh, John Higgins, R. L. Proffit.
- Harmony—Sherman Shoemake, Walter E. Jones, Frank Lankford.
- Hinshaw Street—J. S. Baity, C. H. Lenderman, Frank Kilby.
- Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplett, Lee Jones, W. T. West.
- Liberty Grove—Miss Argyle Elliott, Miss Ruth Haynes, Mrs. F. C. Johnson.
- Little Rock—C. W. Carlton, I. J. Broyhill, V. McGhinnis.
- Moravian Falls—R. A. Greer, R. L. Earp, L. G. Critcher.
- Mount Carmel—E. S. Pearson, Robert Wiles, Mabel Hester.
- Mount Pleasant—U. G. Foster, J. F. Walsh, Miss Verna Foster.
- Mount Zion—J. G. Eller, G. F. Barnett, D. M. Triplett.
- New Hope—Millard Faw, G. E. Vannoy, N. C. Church.
- First North Wilkesboro—E. M. Blackburn, A. H. Casey, A. H. Andrews, C. O. McNeil
- Second North Wilkesboro—
- Oakwoods—Charlie Steelman, I. P. Anderson, R. L. Jones.
- Pleasant Grove—W. T. Parsons, W. E. Parsons, Melvin Bumgarner.
- Pleasant Home—Luther Nichols, Tom McNeil, C. O. Lovette.
- Pilgrim—Charles Shoemaker, Lafe Deal, F. O. Foster.
- Stony Hill—Ed B. Parsons, C. O. Parsons, W. C. Laws.
- Shady Grove—
- Walnut Grove—Vaughn Jennings, Miss Bessie Brock, Mrs. Bertha Hodges.
- Wilkesboro—Linville Bumgarner, Kyle Hayes, Mrs. Dave Hamby.
- Zion Hill—

MEMBERS OF PROMOTION COMMITTEE

Eugene Olive, Chairman; T. E. Story, Mrs. Floyd Jennings

Beaver Creek—G. H. Walker.

Cub Creek—J. L. Hemphill.

Edgewood—C. W. Fletcher.

Elk—W. A. Proffit.

Fishing Creek—Pearl Jarvis.

Gordon—George Anderson.

Goshen—R. L. Proffit.

Harmony—Sherman Shoemake.

Hinshaw Street—I. C. Baity.

Lewis Fork—Mrs. A. J. Proffit.

Liberty Grove—Mrs. J. S. Elliott.

Little Rock—V. McGhinnis.

Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue.

Mount Carmel—E. S. Pearson.

Mount Pleasant—U. G. Foster.

Mount Zion—R. L. Wooten.

New Hope—N. C. Church.

First North Wilkesboro—E. E. Eller.

Second North Wilkesboro—John Anderson.

Oakwoods—Fred Blevins.

Pleasant Grove—W. T. Parsons.

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Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings.

Wilkesboro—J. H. Johnson.

COMMITTEES

Time, Place and Preacher—E. M. Blackburn, U. G. Foster, W. P. Carson.

Nominating—Eugene Olive, Hayes Walker, Walter Jones.

Resolutions—R. L. Proffit, Vaughn Jennings, Avery Church.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-Second Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Lewis Fork Baptist Church, Purlear, N. C., August 23, 1934, at 10:00 A. M.

The devotional service was led by the Moderator, Prof. T. E. Story, who gave an interesting and instructive discourse drawn from the subject: "Come out into the desert place and rest." The congregation sang, "Blest Be The Tie That Binds."

The program opened with the roll call and recognition of messengers and visitors. Visitors welcomed into the assembly this session were: Rev. J. A. McKaughan, representative of the Dry Forces, Winston-Salem; Rev. J. M. Page, of the Biblical Recorder, Raleigh; Rev. D. C. Hodges, Boone, and Rev. J. T. Higgins

PROGRAM

Friday Morning

- 10:00—Praise and worship Rev. J. E. Hayes
10:15—Enrollment of Messengers and Recognition of Visitors
10:30—Report on Religious Literature—Biblical Recorder,
Charity and Children, Home and Foreign Missions,
Etc. E. M. Blackburn
Discussion by Rev. J. M. Page and Others
11:00—Report on Orphanage W. A. Stroud
Discussion by Orphanage Representative
11:40—Introductory Sermon Rev. Avery Church
12:15—Announcements, Appointment of Committees, Miscellaneous
Business, Adjournment.

Recess for Lunch

Friday Afternoon

- 1:30—Praise and Worship Rev. A. W. Eller
1:45—One-Minute Reports from the Churches, Directed by the
Moderator
2:15—"Christian Stewardship Made Practical".....A. H. Casey
2:45—The Cooperative Program:
(1) State Missions Report by Eugene Olive
(2) Home Missions Report by Avery Church
(3) Foreign Missions.....Report by Miss Bessie Brock
(4) Address by Convention Representative
3:30—Historical Report C. H. Jones
3:45—Closing Meditation Rev. N. T. Jarvis

Saturday Morning

- 9:30—Praise and Worship Rev. A. J. Foster
9:45—Woman's Work.....Directed by Mrs. Eugene Olive

- 10:30—The Cooperative Program (Continued):
- (1) Christian Education.....Report by Vaughn Jennings
Address by Visitor.
 - (2) Report on Hospitals..... U. G. Foster
Address by Representative of Hospital.
 - (3) Report on Aged Ministers' Relief....Mrs. Bertha Hodges
General Discussion.
- 11:35—Report on Digest of Church Letters:
- (1) Summary of Year's Achievements
 - (2) Our Goals for Next YearRev. Eugene Olive
- 12:00—Election of Officers for Next Year
- 12:15—Closing Meditation Rev. Richard Day
- Recess for Lunch**

Saturday Afternoon

- 1:30—Praise and Worship Rev. H. A. Bullis
- 1:45—Report on Temperance and Public Morals.....Linville Bumgarner. Address by Rev. J. M. Page.
- 2:15—Report on Sunday Schools.....Miss Marie Haigwood
General discussion.
- 2:40—Report on Baptist Training Union.....Mrs. John Cashion
General discussion.
- 3:00—Reports of Committees. Miscellaneous Business. Final Adjournment.

The report on Religious Literature was presented by Bro. E. M. Blackburn and was followed by Rev. J. M. Page, who made a plea to place the Biblical Recorder in every home in the Association.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

As Baptists we love our religion, our churches, our schools and our leaders who are laboring to make our work a great one. We are faithful to these, but there is one phase of the work to which we are not so faithful, it is our Baptist literature. As Baptists we do not keep ourselves informed about Baptist activities; if we did there would be more interest displayed in our Sunday Schools, our churches and our work as a whole.

THE HOME AND FOREIGN FIELDS brings to us every month reliable and up-to-date and interesting information from all our foreign fields and about the work being done there. This magazine costs \$1.00 a year and should be read by every adult Baptist.

CHARITY AND CHILDREN is a weekly paper published by our Orphanage at Thomasville, The Mills Home. Aside from giving Baptists news of their own ranks it has many thoughtful and positive editorials. This paper costs only \$1.00 a year and should be in the home of every good, loyal Baptist.

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER is the pride of North Carolina Baptists and is our prize publication costing only \$2.00 a year. The Recorder is published weekly at Raleigh, N. C., and carries in its

print information that Baptists shouldn't be without as well as articles from the pens of many noble and brilliant North Carolina Baptists. A church cannot keep abreast with the progress of the denomination without reading the Biblical Recorder.

In the year to come let us show a new interest in the work of the Kingdom by subscribing to and reading our Baptist literature.

E. M. BLACKBURN.

After a motion it was adopted by the Association.

Rev. Avery Church read the report on Temperance and Public Morals as prepared by Layman Linville Bumgarner:

THE CURSE OF RUM TO THE HUMAN RACE

We believe from the time it issues from the coiled and poisonous worm in the distillery, until it empties into the hell of death, dishonor and crime, that alcohol is demoralizing to everybody that touches it, from its source to where it ends. We do not believe that anybody can contemplate the subject without being prejudiced against the crime. All we have to do is to think of the wrecks on either side of the stream of death, of the suicides, of the insanity, of the poverty, pauperism and destruction coming from alcohol; of the little children tugging at the breast of weeping, despairing, starving mothers begging for bread; of the men of genius it has wrecked; of the men struggling with imaginary serpents produced by this thing called alcohol; and when we think of the jails and alms-houses, of the asylums, of the prisons, and of the scaffolds on either bank, we do not wonder that every thoughtful man and woman is prejudiced against this vile stuff called alcohol.

Intemperance cuts down youth in its vigor, manhood in its strength, and age in its weakness. It breaks the father's heart, bereaves the doting mother, extinguishes natural affection, destroys conjugal love, blots out filial attachments, blights paternal hope, and brings premature age in sorrow and dishonor to the grave.

It produces weakness, not strength; sickness, not health; death, not life. It makes wives widows, children orphans, fathers fiends and all paupers.

It produces controversies, fosters quarrels, cherishes riots. It crowds the penitentiaries and furnishes victims for the scaffold and the electric chair.

Alcohol burns up men's systems, consumes women, destroys life, curses God to his face, and despises heaven. It bribes voters, corrupts elections, and endangers the government. It degrades the citizen, debases the legislator, dishonors the statesman, and disarms the patriot.

It brings shame, not honor; terror, not safety; despair, not hope; misery, not happiness. It destroys peace, ruins morals, wipes out

national honor, curses the world and then laughs at the ruin it has wrought. It does that and more—it murders the soul.

It is the sum of all villianies, the Father of all crimes, the Mother of all abominations. It is the Devil's best friend and God's worst enemy.

L. BUMGARNER, Committee.

Following the adoption of th's report the Annual Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. Avery Church. His splendid text was taken from Luke 12:32. "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."

The Moderator made anouncements, appointed committees and the convention adjourned for an hour's recess.

Friday Afternoon Session, August 23, 1935

The Association reconvened after a pleasant hour for d'inner and recreation. Rev. A. W. Eller led the praise and worship service, followed by congregational singing.

One-minute reports from churches were led by the Moderator.

The Association enjoyed a splendid address on Stewardship at this period by Attorney A. H. Casey.

The Cooperative Program was introduced by the efficient Chairman Eugene Olive, who gave the report and discussion on State Missions:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Strictly speaking, there is no difference between State, Home and Foreign Missions. They are all one in spirit and motive. Christian Missions must be concerned about human beings everywhere. With-in our State there are individuals who have come from every continent on earth. From our State there are those who have gone out to every land. The whole world, in a very real sense, is now our home. Hence, all our mission work is Home Missions.

For a hundred years it has been the objective of what we call State Missions to win the people of North Carolina to Christ and then to the fellowship and work which the churches provide. With-in the last quarter of a century increased emphasis has been placed upon the importance of training and developing those who come into the churches. Our State Mission program now embraces the following activities, all of which are under the oversight of the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention and of the General Board of the Convention:

1. Missionary Pastoral Assistance. "To the poor the Gospel is preached" in needy and strategic places. Many of our strong churches are now trophies of State Missions. At present about 130 churches are aided.

2. Student Work. Some churches in educational centers are aided in order that they may properly minister to students away from home and the home church.

3. A Sunday School and a Baptist Training Union Department are maintained. Through these agencies the church membership is taught and stimulated to the end that the church member may devote not only a life but a trained life to the service of Christ.

4. Church Building. At the present time in the face of a serious shortage of funds, several churches, three of them in educational centers, are being aided in paying for adequate buildings.

5. Oteen Hospital. For some years past State Mission funds have made it possible for one of our most capable preachers to minister to the spiritual needs of the sick veterans in the government hospital at Oteen, N. C.

6. Indians. During the past few years we have assumed the responsibility of giving the Gospel to the Indians in our midst in Robeson and Swain Counties.

7. Negroes. Work was begun some years ago on a very limited scale, among the Negroes. Recently we were forced to discontinue it. It is earnestly hoped that the white Baptists may be able next year to lend a hand to their quarter of a million Negro brothers.

Without an aggressive State Mission and Christian Education program it is obvious that there would soon be no strong home base to make possible the Home and Foreign Mission efforts which are winning tens of thousands of souls to Christ year by year. We must see to it that our state is made and kept predominantly Christian if we would contribute most largely to the building of a Christian world.

It is therefore urged that our pastors and churches inform the people about this important work, that they contribute regularly to the Cooperative Program, in which State Missions shares, and that a special offering be made in the Sunday Schools and churches on State Mission Day in October.

EUGENE OLIVE.

Rev. Avery Church gave the report and discussion on Home Missions:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The work of the Home Mission Board for the past year has been signally blessed of the Lord. From every mission field there come reports of gracious revivals and large ingatherings of the lost. In Cuba, distraught as it has been by the revolution, the favor of God upon the Gospel preached by our missionaries has been exceedingly gracious. Revival fires have burned high. On the border with our Mexican missionaries and throughout the homeland there has been a perennial revival. Reports show that in every month in all the mission fields the waters have been troubled by the burial of new born souls with Christ in Baptism.

The Fields and Services

The Board has in all departments and fields of its work 228 missionaries with 18 additional workers in the Sanatorium, schools

and Good-Will centers. It is maintaining 598 mission stations and preaching places; operating in whole or in part five Good-Will centers, two rescue missions and a Seamen's Institute; has 29 schools operated by missionaries in Panama, Cuba and the homeland, and is furnishing the property of eight mountain schools free of charge to local boards of trustees for the operation of schools in the mountains; it is operating the Southern Baptist Sanatorium in El Paso, Texas, which has, since October, 1930, paid its operating expenses; the Board also has a building and loan department with \$1,176,000 loaned to churches. The Board last year put 36 new missionaries in the field and opened 76 new missions.

The missionaries of the Board reported last year 3,740 conversions and baptisms, made 39,515 personal contacts with unsaved people, visited in 22,000 homes, distributed 443,225 tracts, Bibles and pieces of literature, and delivered 19,538 sermons and addresses.

The Budget of Operations

The Board has endeavored to faithfully perform its stewardship as an agency of Southern Baptists. It has enlarged its mission work, but at the same time so handled its finances as to live within its income and pay an appreciable amount each year on its debts.

In 1934 the Board received from all sources \$320,030.95. This was \$81,330.42 more than it received in 1933. Of this amount the women gave \$94,273.57 in their March Week of Prayer and Annie W. Armstrong offering.

The budget fixed for the past year was \$150,000 for missionary operations including overhead, and \$170,030.95 for interest and principal on debts. The Board operated within this budget and for the first time in many years met all of its obligations without borrowing money for current work.

Looking to the Future

The old frontiers of Home Missions are changing and new frontiers are taking their place, but the need for the evangelization and Christianization of the homeland remains. Countless millions of our neighbors know not Christ. Many influences are at work to undermine our civilization. The salvation of our country depends upon the enthronement of Christ in the life of our people. Our part in the evangelization of the world depends upon the evangelization and Christianization of our own land. Christ did not overlook His homeland; let us not overlook our homeland.

EVERY CHURCH.

After a motion the report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was presented by Miss Bessie Brock:

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

At the annual meeting of the Board the budget for the calendar year of 1935 was fixed at \$659,927.74, including the specially sup-

ported missionaries. Every request for increase and enlargement on all mission fields was denied, and the Board followed strictly the program of retrenchment and economy that it set for itself in 1933. This policy will be continued until the debt of the board is paid or greatly reduced. The loss in the value of the American dollar abroad has worked a great hardship upon the Board, and in some countries has fallen heavily upon the missionaries.

It should be said to the everlasting credit of the Woman's Missionary Union that the Christmas offering of 1933 in a very definite way stopped the disastrous seven years' retreat in our foreign mission work. The objective of the W. M. U. for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for 1934 was \$150,000.00. Up to May 1st a total of \$214,000.00 had been received.

With the launching of the 100,000 Club came new hope and renewed faith in the determination of the denomination to pay its debts. The Board is deeply grateful for the sum of \$77,308.69 that has come to it from the 100,000 Club. Because of the substantial reduction in the Board's indebtedness with funds received from the 100,000 Club and the sale of lands and other means, its bankers have generously given it a reduction of one per cent in the amount of interest charged, thus saving the Board \$6,000.00 this year in interest charges.

Two years ago Foreign Mission Week was inaugurated at Ridgecrest. This week has been made possible through the generous cooperation and financial assistance of the Sunday School Board and the efficient management of Dr. R. F. Staples. These days at Ridgecrest are given over to informational and inspirational studies and addresses, and it has already become one of the most popular gatherings among Southern Baptists.

The announcement that the leading mission study books for 1935-36 will be on our mission work in South America will be received with great interest. The Foreign Mission Board is publishing four books on South America; for adults and young people, "Sharing With Neighbor Africa," by W. C. Taylor, and "Christ in Silver Lands," by J. C. Quarles; for Juniors, "Guitars and Water Jars," by several missionaries; for Primaries, "The Sugar Loaf," by several missionaries. Through the Baptist papers and monthly publications of the South, facts about our foreign mission work have been given Southern Baptists.

From the regions beyond there come reports from our 388 missionaries that there has been a net gain in church membership of 21,733 souls, and that the 204,894 Baptists in these lands gave \$370,075.66 to the Master's work last year.

Ninety years ago the Foreign Mission Board was organized and on August 4, 1845, appointed Samuel Clopton and wife as the first missionaries of the Board to South China. Clopton lived but

one year after reaching Canton, but today, we have in South China what some consider to be the greatest Baptist Mission in the world. In ten years the Foreign Mission Board will celebrate its centennial of missionary achievement.

BESSIE BROCK.

Following the adoption of the report Rev. M. O. Alexander, the Convention representative, gave an inspirational address concerning the work as a whole.

Layman C. H. Jones of the Lewis Fork Church presented the Historical Article which was adopted for publication:

HISTORICAL

The Lewis Fork Baptist Church is located 15 miles West of North Wilkesboro, 1-4 mile from Boone Trail Highway. This church was constituted in the year 1792 in an old house about two miles from where the church now stands. The place of worship was later moved to the present location and replaced by a log house. After many years of worship a larger log house was erected and in 1909 through the work of Rev. Roey Norris the present building was constructed.

The church now has about 200 members. It has a good Sunday School with an enrollment of around 100.

The pastors who served at various times were: James McNeill, Joel Brown, A. W. Vannoy, L. Land, Wm. Church, Daniel Wellborn, Richard Jacks, W. W. White, Milton McNeill, J. F. Eller, Wm. Lee, W. F. Carlton, Roey Norris, Pressley Blevins, J. W. Burchette, S. S. Jennings, G. W. Sebastian, John Norris, Landreth Blevins, W. D. Ashley, E. C. Hodges and J. L. Greene.

C. H. JONES.

The closing meditation was led by Rev. N. T. Jarvis.

SECOND DAY—SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 1935

The Association reconvened at 9:30 A. M., with the praise and worship service led by Rev. A. J. Foster. At the conclusion of this period the Moderator declared the house ready for business.

Mrs. Eugene Olive introduced the program designated to the Woman's Work by reading and discussing the history and aims of the same. Mrs. Addie Howell Jones continued the discussion with a report and picture showing the church in dark and in light.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

At the very beginning of this report I should like to make clear the object of our Woman's Work. Our supreme purpose is to have a worthy part in carrying out the program of Jesus. Throughout His ministry Jesus blessed and magnified the services of women.

The New Testament itself is the source of authority for our work, and in it we find examples of the same sort of activities as those engaged in by our women today.

The plan of work of the Woman's Missionary Union in the Brushy Mountain Association is quite simple. Organizations for each church are a Sunbeam Band for very young children; Royal Ambassador Chapter for larger boys; Girl's Auxiliary for larger girls; Young Women's Auxiliary for young women; and a Woman's Missionary Society for more mature women. Each of these organizations meets every month for a missionary program which gives information about the needs and work being done on our various mission fields. In addition to these regular meetings, special seasons of prayer are observed and schools of missions and mission study classes are held. Each organization also stresses some form of personal service each month, such as visits to the sick, helping the needy, special care of the church building, beautifying the church grounds, and any other service we can render to our church and community.

We are happy to report that during the past year more mission study has been done than in any similar period heretofore. Gifts to our mission objects have been increased and more of our women are informing themselves about and becoming more vitally interested in a world-wide mission program. This is the second year that women in the First Church, North Wilkesboro, are supporting a Bible Woman to work with Miss Pearle Johnson of China. This is done over and above their regular mission offerings. All the women's societies in our Association are cooperating with those of the Charlotte Division in supporting our missionary, Miss Earle Hester, in Rumania.

Our annual meeting was held June 5th with the women of the Wilkesboro church. In the morning, after a business session, Miss Emma Leachman, field worker of the Home Mission Board, brought us an informing and challenging message. In the afternoon, Mrs. Edna R. Harris, corresponding secretary of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Union, led a discussion about the various phases of our work. In the evening the Associational young people's organizations, directed by Misses Lunda Hendren and Marie McNiell, presented a missionary playlet. This was followed by another address by Miss Leachman in which she gave reports from mission fields she had recently visited. At this meeting the women adopted as their financial goal for missions this year the sum of \$1,000.00.

The Executive Committee, consisting of the officers of the Association, has met regularly each quarter to discuss, plan, and pray for our work. We are greatly distressed that so many of our churches do not feel the need of these missionary organizations and that more of the women throughout the Association are not sufficiently interested to cooperate with us in a world-wide missionary

program. We have organized mission work in only five of the twenty-eight churches of our Association. We are anxious to assist any church desiring to form missionary organizations and to promote the missionary program. For this purpose the Superintendent and the Executive Committee will gladly visit any church where they may be invited.

MRS. EUGENE OLIVE.

After a motion the reports were adopted by the assembly.

The second division of the Cooperative Program was opened by a report and discussion on Christian Education by Bro. Vaughn Jennings:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 1934-1935

Today, probably as never before, the critics and enemies of our social order are declaring that education does not pay. They fling abroad the challenge that boys and girls are wasting their time and the hard earned money of their parents, that the price paid is too much for the profit received. This is not a challenge to be ignored; on the contrary it demands our earnest attention.

We, as Southern Baptists and proponents of Christian Education, can safely take as our premise the fact that all true education is Christian education. There is a vast difference in the assimilation of many facts and in being educated. The institutions in which we receive our formal training determine to a great extent whether we merely have knowledge of things, or an inspiration to follow more closely the precepts of the Master. We are Scripturally admonished to "Study to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

If we had some animal which we wanted trained for a certain thing, we would put that animal in the care of a person whom we believed could give it the best training. How much more important is it then to see that our youth is placed in the hands of those who strive to mould character, rich and full? Southern Baptists have 29 senior colleges, 21 junior colleges, and five seminaries. These institutions need the young people of our Southland, and our young people need these institutions. It is from these schools that we get our leaders. No schools are worthier of our sons and daughters. If we are really interested in Christian education, let us give freely of our prayers, patronage and substance to that cause.

VAUGHN E. JENNINGS.

Layman U. G. Foster gave the report on Hospitals. Supt. Smith Hagaman, of the Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, gave a concise and inspirational address concerning hospital work.

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

And Jesus went forth and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.—Matthew, 14:14.

The Baptists of North Carolina desiring to carry out the full program of Jesus established the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, N. C., over twelve years ago.

Since the opening of the hospital May 28, 1923, to July 15, 1935, 29,000 patients have entered for treatment. In the first half of the year 1935, 1,760 patients have been treated. At this rate, the hospital will have 3,520 patients this year, or 31,260 patient days. Of this, 11,882 will be full pay, 9,704 part pay and 9,674 free.

The hospital has had an average of 86 patients per day for the last six months and is now averaging 300 per month. Almost one-half of patient days are service, or free days.

From the foregoing, it is apparent that it costs a large amount of money to care for this increasing number of patients coming from practically every section of the State. The hospital must depend very largely on the offerings of the churches and Sunday Schools to care for these hundreds and hundreds of patients who can't pay for treatment.

The Woman's Missionary Unions of the State, in addition to their cash contributions, have sent to the hospital during the first six months of this year, 3,635 articles of linen, consisting of sheets, spreads, pillow cases, towels, etc. These are much needed and much appreciated.

Mother's Day (the second Sunday in May) has been designated by the denomination as "Hospital Day." If only all of our churches would seriously put on a well-planned Mother's Day program, enough money could be provided to amply care for this vast host of God's poor, who can't provide this service for themselves. We are trying to carry on the same program that Jesus gave so much of His life to—relieving suffering humanity. What part have you had in it? What part will you have in it?

Your committee urges that every church in the Brushy Mountain Association make a special effort to take a Mother's Day offering for the worthy cause and that we also not hesitate to send our sick and suffering to our hospital.

Submitted:

U. G. FOSTER.

The report on Aged Ministers' Relief was made by Mrs. Bertha Hodges:

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF

Realizing how poorly many of our pastors are paid and the certainty of old age every Southern Baptist should be interested

in the Aged Ministers' Relief. There is much being done in our Southland for this worthy cause.

For several years the several states in the South undertook to carry on this work themselves, but with no paid secretary and some busy pastor to look after the work their efforts were more or less ineffectual. So about eighteen years ago these states agreed to turn the work over to the Southern Baptist Convention. This body immediately appointed The Relief Board and located it at Dallas, Texas.

As its object this may be stated briefly in the language of its general secretary: "To minister to ministers" to all Baptist ministers who are needy and worthy and as far as possible, help relieve their wants.

There are two plans by which ministers of this class may obtain aid. One is by direct relief and the other by an Annuity plan which is a form of insurance which involves the cooperation of its beneficiaries. The name of this department now existing in the Southern Baptist Field is the Service Annuity Plan.

A brief survey of the Board's achievements shows that it has aided several thousand old ministers and their widows, together with many children. It has dispensed for this purpose up to last year \$1,686,160.05 in its regular relief work. Since the beginning of the Annuity Plan, it has paid out \$519,121.02.

In North Carolina during 1934 there were fifty-five ministers and fifty-three widows given aid. Also there were sixty-seven members of the Annuity Fund drawing benefits which made in all dispensed in this state \$6,652.02.

There is much yet to be done for this great work. We should not neglect these aged servants of God, who have given their lives to the cause of the Gospel and for dying humanity, and who are no longer able to work with their hands to support their bodies, but we who are younger should give out of our strength to help these worthy aged ones to live.

MRS. BERTHA HODGES.

The Associational Achievements and Goals were discussed by Rev. Eugene Olive at this period. The closing meditation was led by Rev. McMillan, editor Charity and Children.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION, AUGUST 24, 1935

The Association enjoyed a delicious dinner served by the ladies of the community, and reconvened for the concluding program. The Moderator led the audience in singing "Rock of Ages" and "Where He Leads Me I'll Follow."

In the absence of W. A. Stroud, the report on Mills Home was read by Eugene Olive. Editor McMillan of Charity and Children addressed the assembly in his appealing way in behalf of this Home. He spoke particularly of the prayer life of the children and its influence in North Carolina.

MILLS HOME

Since the founding of Mills Home at Thomasville, N. C., many years ago hundreds of destitute children have passed through its doors and by its fireside to come out enobled young people prepared to meet the battles of life along with their fellows in every nook and corner of the state. The Baptists of the State are proud of its record and have in most instances shown their pride by their splendid support.

The institution is not now, however, and has never been able to care for anything like all of the requests that have been made. Many hundreds of other children perhaps as noble as those we have were turned away. There are many urgent requests now but they too must be turned away because there is no more room. A more liberal support by the many thousands of Baptists in this state would enable the institution to be so enlarged that others of these fatherless children could be cared for.

May it be our ambition and soul's desire the coming year to more liberally support these little ones.

WM. A. STROUD,
For the Committee.

Miss Marie Haigwood read the report on Sunday Schools. She was assisted in timely discussions by Eugene Olive, Avery Church and J. A. McKaughn.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday School is the teaching function of the church, **and** has well been called the "church at school." Certainly the whole church should be the Sunday School. Great opportunities await the church in this field, for Christian people everywhere are coming to realize the importance of teaching and winning to Christ. Children, young people, men and women are learning more of Christ and are coming to follow Him as their Master as they are taught in the Sunday School.

Reports show that during the past four years Southern Baptists have gained 1,393 more Sunday Schools, while there was an enrollment gain of only 34,927. The past two years, 1933 and 1934, have witnessed the most dangerous fall-off in Sunday School enrollment within the past twenty years. However, progress has been made in the last twenty years for in 1917 there were 18,394 Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 1,784,992; while in 1935 there are 22,072 Sunday Schools in the South with an enrollment of 3,104,411. In the Brushy Mountain Association we have enrolled 3,790 in 28 Sunday Schools.

The total number of Sunday Schools Standard for one or more years during the years 1919-1933 were 2,624. Only a little more than 10% of Southern Baptists Sunday Schools have ever been recognized as Standard for even one year. Yet, the Standard re-

quirements are within reach of all Southern Baptists Sunday Schools for a large per cent of the 2,624 have been in churches having one-room buildings and preaching once each month. It has been found that Standard Sunday Schools have greater gains; in church membership the percentage of gain was found to be more than twice as great; Sunday School enrollment nearly twice as great; and in gifts, gains greater than in either church membership or Sunday School enrollment. Surely the Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Association would do well to strive for Standard Sunday Schools.

Mere figures cannot indicate the significance of Sunday School work for through them Christ and the Church have been magnified.

The Southern Baptist Sunday School Board and State Sunday School forces through their field workers, supply of books, lesson materials, publications and supplies have had a large part in promoting the work of the Sunday School in recent years.

Shall we not now look to the future with courage and press toward the goal—our Sunday Schools the Schools of Christ?

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE HAIGWOOD.

In the absence of Mrs. Helen Linney Cashion, the report on Baptist Training Union was read by Avery Church. After a motion by the Moderator it was adopted by the Assembly.

REPORT OF BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

The past year has been a very successful one for the Baptist Training Union in the Brushy Mountain Association. Usually a large percentage of the unions died during the long winter months, but not so this winter, for a larger number of them survived the winter than usual and those that survived are doing splendid work. Besides holding our ground, and we feel that if we even do that much in winter we have done well, we have gained three new unions.

Every B. T. U. in the Association has within the past year conducted a Study Course and preparations are being made for other courses to be given in the near future.

The Regional Convention met with the First Church, North Wilkesboro in April. The programs were well attended and everyone went home inspired to magnify HIM. The North Wilkesboro Church took care of the convention in a wonderful way.

The State B. T. U. Convention at Ridgecrest was called off because of an epidemic, and none of us were fortunate enough to attend the Southwide Conference. We hope the Association will put forth every possible effort to have a representative at the Southwide Convention to be held some time in January.

Our Association has the distinct honor of being the only Association in the State to make the Standard of Excellence and we were

one of the only five in the whole Southern Convention to make the Standard. We are very proud of this fact as it is the only time our Association has attained to such heights and I wish to commend my associational officers for their splendid work in bringing this about. Especially do I wish to commend Miss Mamie Brewer, Associational Secretary, for her untiring efforts in the work. Everyone has worked and cooperated in a very fine way and only through hard work, prayer and cooperation were we able to attain results.

Our Associational meeting will be held the first of October and plans are under way for a most inspiring program.

We feel that the work is slowly but surely growing in the Association and we had rather that the growth would be slow but sure for too many times we have seen organizations rushed and almost pushed upon the people when they were not very much interested, and were totally unfamiliar with the work. The unions flourish for a while, but too soon meet with ignominious death.

If all of us will pledge ourselves to do our bit in the work we believe that much good can be accomplished. Let us all say with the poet,

“I am but one, but I am one:
I cannot do everything, but
I can do something.
What I can do, I ought to do:
What I ought to do,
God helping me I will do.”

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN A. CASHION.

At this period miscellaneous business was brought before the assembly.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

REPORT ON TIME AND PLACE

The Committee on Time and Place for the next session report: Oakwoods, Oakwoods, N. C., two miles South of Wilkesboro on the Brushy Mountain road, on Thursday and Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1936. Rev. N. T. Jarvis to preach the Introductory Sermon with Rev. A. W. Eller as his alternate.

E. M. BLACKBURN,

U. G. FOSTER,

W. P. CARSON, Committee.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Officers were re-elected to serve for the coming year as follows: Prof. T. E. Story, of Wilkesboro, as Moderator, and Mrs. Floyd M. Jennings, of Pores Knob, Clerk and Treasurer.

EUGENE OLIVE,

HAYES WALKER,

WALTER JONES, Committee.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Be it resolved that the Brushy Mountain Association in session express thanks to Mr. T. E. Story, Moderator, Mrs. F. M. Jennings, Clerk, and Brother Eugene Olive, Promotion Secretary, for the very efficient manner in which the work of the Association has been carried on during the past year and at this session.

Further, we wish to express appreciation for our visiting brethren: J. M. Page, M. O. Alexander, J. A. McKaughan, Smith Haganman and J. A. McMillian. The contributions of these gentlemen were worth while and inspirational

Finally, we express our sincere appreciation for the hospitality of Lewis Fork Church and community in all courtesies shown to visiting messengers.

AVERY CHURCH,
VAUGHN JENNINGS,
R. L. WELLBORN,
Resolution Committee.

HISTORICAL NOTE

The one hundredth anniversary of the Lewis Fork Baptist Association will occur with the annual session of 1936. Since the Brushy Mountain Association was drawn from the same in 1872, it is fitting that we take note of the fact at the coming session. A motion prevailed that Moderator T. E. Story prepare and present in the next session an historical paper in commemoration of the occasion.

OUR DEAD

- Beaver Creek—Roy Barlow.
Cub Creek—
Edgewood—T. W. Davidson.
Elk—
Fishing Creek—Mrs. J. C. Jarvis.
Gordon—
Goshen—C. M. Carlton, Wiles Wells and Catherine Fair-
childs.
Harmony—
Hinshaw Street—
Lewis Fork—W. R. Church and Mrs. Alverta Shepherd.
Liberty Grove—Mrs. J. H. Hicks and Margaret Wyatt.
Little Rock—
Moravian Falls—Calloway Wainscott.
Mount Carmel—Calvin Walsh.
Mount Pleasant—Stephen Huffman, Com Eller, Elmer
Church and Louise Huffman.
Mount Zion—Mrs. Ellen Shell and Miss M. E. Triplett.
New Hope—Roy Robertson and Mrs. Delphia Crane.
First North Wilkesboro—Carl S. Coffey, D. T. Beish and
Mrs. C. A. Sink.
Second North Wilkesboro—
Oakwoods—
Pleasant Grove—Rev. T. V. Church.
Pleasant Home—W. B. Owens, Wiley McDaniel and Mrs.
Delphia McGlammery.
Pilgrim—Mrs. Sanna Huffman.
Stony Hill—
Shady Grove—
Walnut Grove—J. I. Holland.
Wilkesboro—Asa Greene, Mrs. Martha Reins and W. S.
Vickers.
Zion Hill—

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1935.

CHURCHES	When Constituted	Village, Town, City or Country	Pastors and Postoffices	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES				Weekly Prayer Meet.	Reverals During Yr.	Ob. Lord's Supper	Rec. State Bap. Paper
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Ersures	Deaths				
Beaver Creek	C.	1811	M. F. Peeler, Taylorsville	1	148	4	1	133	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cub Creek	C.	1864	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	3	44	7	4	1	144	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Edgewood	C.	1893	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1	150	2	1	39	no	2	6	1	1	2	no	1	1
Elk	C.	1905	Ed. O. Miller, N. Wilkesboro	3	219	1	1	193	no	1	24	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fishing Creek	C.	1822	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	2 & 4	76	1	1	76	1	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gordon	V.	1919	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	1	123	2	2	118	no	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1
Goshen	C.	1916	Isaac Watts, Boomer	1	202	4	1	201	no	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1
Harmony	C.	1900	Levi Greene, Deep Gap	2	86	1	1	92	yes	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1
Hinshaw Street	T.	1927	R. F. Day, Benham	2	214	6	1	215	no	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	1
Lewis Fork	C.	1792	Levi Greene, Deep Gap	4	133	4	5	132	no	1	3	2	1	1	1	1	1
Liberty Grove	C.	1886	H. A. Bullis, North Wilkesboro	1	130	4	1	172	yes	1	5	3	2	1	1	1	1
Little Rock	C.	1866	B. F. Peeler, Taylorsville	1 & 3	117	5	1	119	no	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Moravian Falls	V.	1886	R. C. Gwaltney, Winston-Salem	2	79	6	4	1	78	yes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Carmel	C.	1886	H. A. Bullis, North Wilkesboro	1	161	1	2	156	no	1	1	4	2	1	1	1	1
Mount Pleasant	C.	1876	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1	257	10	1	257	yes	1	8	1	2	1	1	1	1
Mount Zion	C.	1849	E. C. Hodges, Boone	2	625	1	19	618	yes	1	24	3	1	1	1	1	1
New Hope	C.	1830	A. W. Eller, R. 1, Wilkesboro	1	102	6	1	102	yes	1	5	2	1	1	1	1	1
1st N. Wilkesboro	T.	1892	Eugene Olive, N. Wilkesboro	*	273	17	4	289	no	1	2	8	1	1	1	1	1
2nd N. Wilkesboro	T.	1907	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1 & 2	248	3	4	247	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Oakwoods	C.	1885	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	3	133	16	1	144	1	1	4	1	2	1	1	1	1
Pleasant Grove	C.	1880	F. C. Watts, Purlear	3	125	11	4	110	yes	2	11	4	1	1	1	1	1
Pleasant Home	C.	1859	A. W. Eller, R. 1, Wilkesboro	3	277	7	1	281	no	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pilgrim	C.	1859	A. W. Eller, R. 1, Wilkesboro	3	234	12	2	237	yes	2	8	3	1	1	1	1	1
Stony Hill	C.	1888	Ed. O. Miller, North Wilkesboro	2	1845	1	1	1845	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Shady Grove	C.	1845	C. C. Holland, Stony Point	2 & 4	1880	1	1	1880	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Walnut Grove	C.	1880	Avery Church, Wilkesboro	1 & 3	1814	1	1	1814	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wilkesboro	T.	1814	Avery Church, Wilkesboro	1 & 3	1814	1	1	1814	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Zion Hill	C.	1814	Avery Church, Wilkesboro	1 & 3	1814	1	1	1814	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

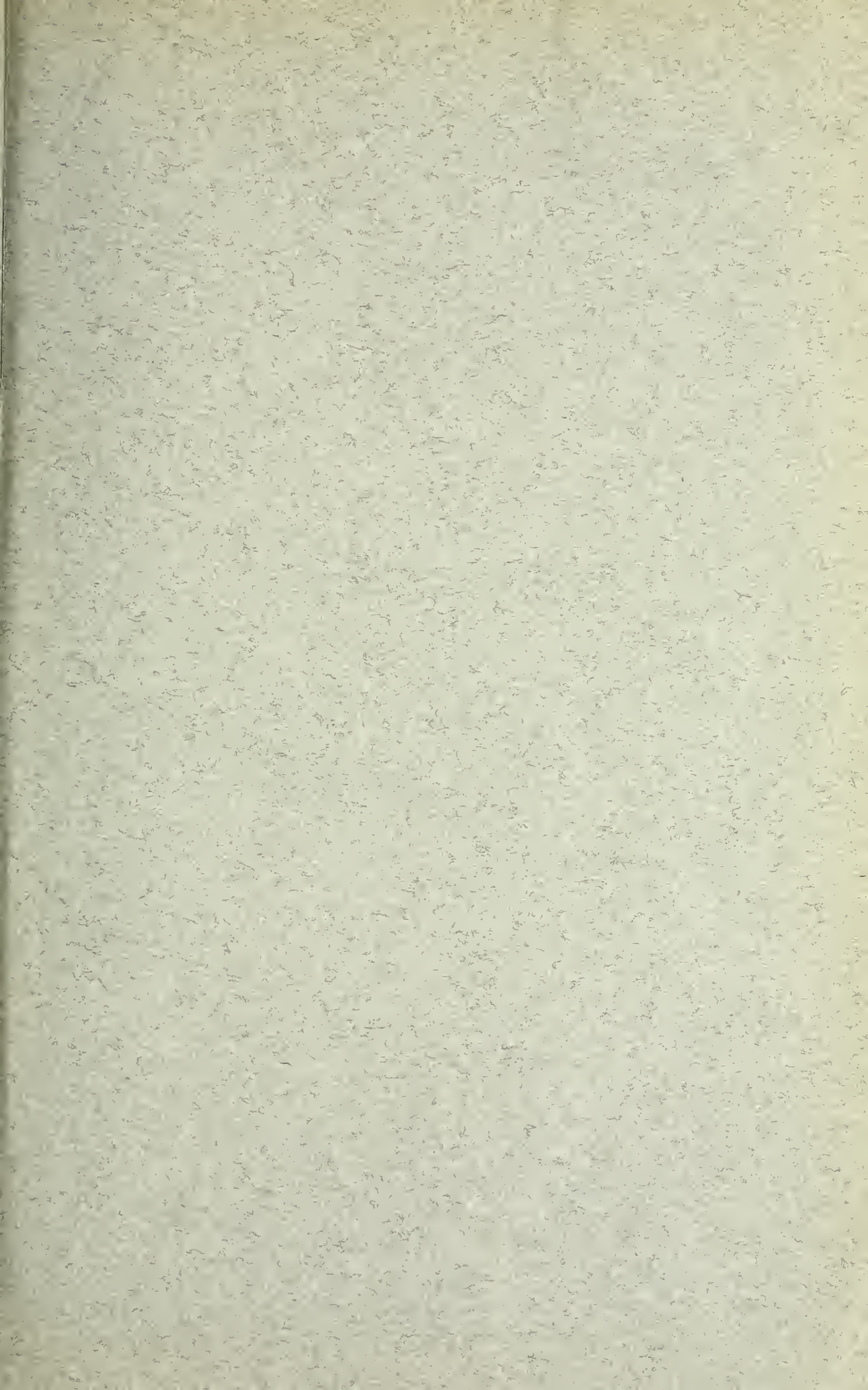
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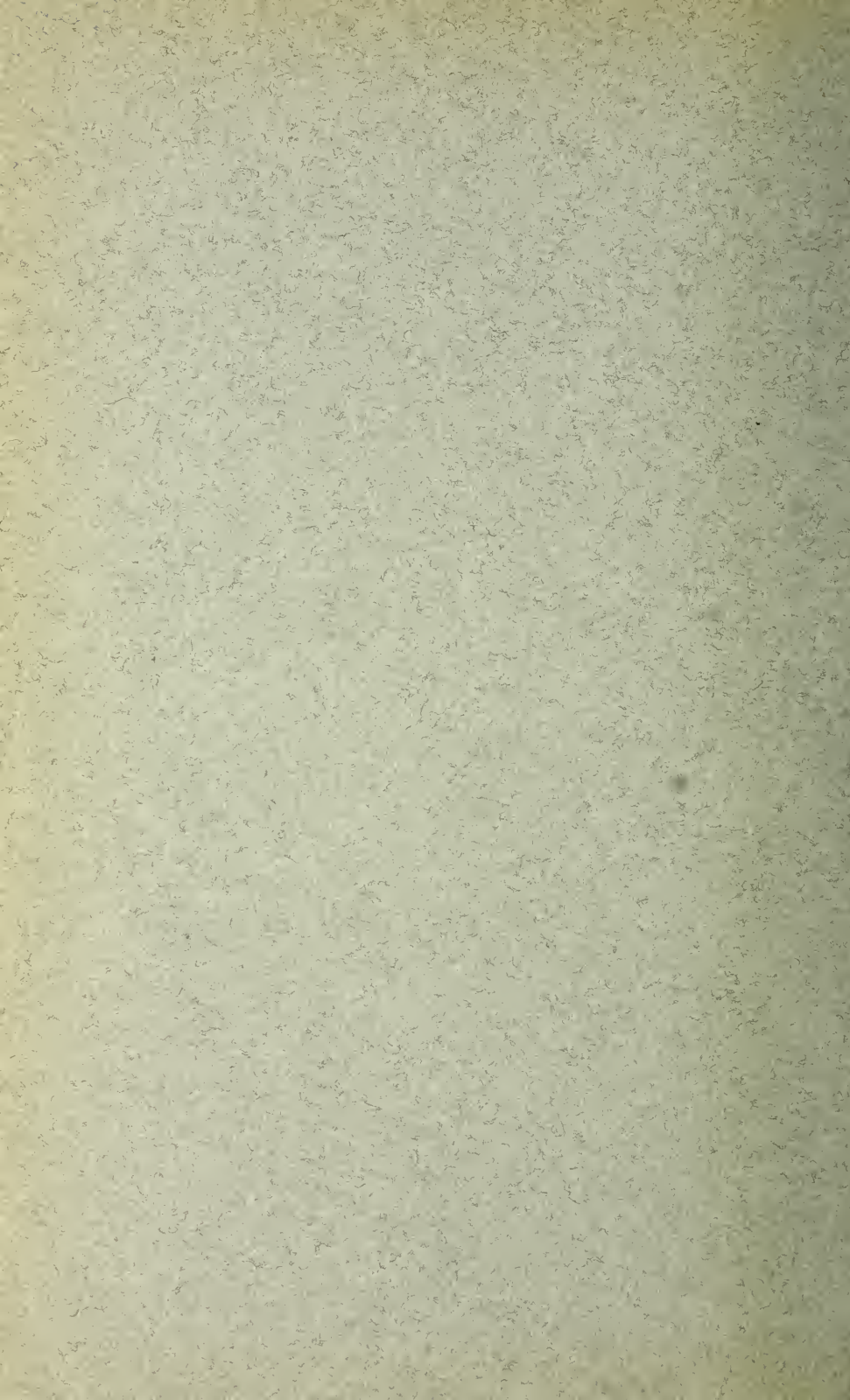
TABLE V—Gifts for Missions, Education and All Benevolences, Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, August, 1935.

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES										Total to Co-operative Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Christian & Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Minis- ters' Relief	Other Special Gifts	(Missions, Etc.) Given by the Church Only	(Missions, Etc.) Given by W. M. U. Organizns	(Missions, Etc.) Given by the Sunday School by Church & all Depts.	(Missions, Etc.) Total For Missions & Benev.	Grand Total for all Pur- poses Given by Church and all Organizations
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	10.00	2.00																				12.00	81.00
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	10.00																					5.00	5.00
Edgewood	J. R. Miller, Wilkesboro	8.00																					17.23	17.23
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny	8.00																					8.00	8.00
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro	34.60	7.00	24.00	13.40																		109.47	109.47
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	8.00	4.60																				36.60	36.60
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Boomer	3.19																					3.19	111.73
Harmony	Mrs. Augusta Kerley, Wilkesboro	15.00	3.17																				57.60	385.45
Hinshaw Street	Clarence Hays, North Wilkesboro	6.00																					18.17	328.02
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Maple Springs	5.40																					6.00	317.32
Liberty Grove	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	10.00	3.67	7.50																			12.90	112.93
Little Rock	R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	5.00	3.82																				13.67	662.67
Moravian Falls	J. W. Anderson, Boomer	1.30																					3.60	174.60
Mount Carmel	E. W. Walker, R. 1, Elkin	3.00	10.50																				88.86	701.36
Mount Pleasant	J. R. Foster, Purlear	12.00																					37.74	203.40
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	18.00																					46.00	351.25
New Hope	R. J. Eller, R. 1, Wilkesboro	1196.32	59.25	71.02	211.12	7.25	277.59	27.98															1852.53	9320.43
1st N. Wilkesboro	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro																							
2nd N. Wilkesboro																								
Oakwoods	L. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	19.10																					31.10	216.83
Pleasant Grove	W. E. Parsons, Buck	1.60	1.60																				4.80	107.27
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	50.50	5.00	4.40																			74.90	300.09
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo																							
Stony Hill	Ed. O. Parsons, Parsonsville	3.92	2.29																				6.21	92.30
Shady Grove																								
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	30.00																						
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	149.25	6.50	5.00	7.92	7.60																	312.69	1268.13
Zion Hill		95.52	11.50	37.00	252.27	60.42																	24.45	

Special to Associational Missions: Fishing Creek, .85.







MINUTES
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DIRECTORY FOR 1936 AND 1937

Prof. T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Mrs. Floyd M. Jennings, Clerk and Treasurer, Pores Knob, N. C.
Miss Virginia Johnson, Assistant Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Bullis, H. A. North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Church, Avery, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Elliott, J. S., Knottville, N. C.
Eller, A. W., R. F. D. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, Noah, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, A. B., Hays, N. C.
Jarvis, N. T. Roaring River, N. C.
Jennings, S. S., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Miller, Ed. O., Wilbar, N. C.
Olive, Eugene, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Shew, T. R., R. F. D. 2, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Watts, Isaac, Boomer, N. C.
Watts, F. C., Purlear, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
Day, R. F. Benham, N. C.
Green, Levi, Deep Gap, N. C.
Gwaltney, R. C., Winston-Salem, N. C.
Hodges, E. C. Boone, N. C.
Holland, C. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Peeler, M. F., Taylorsville, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Each church may send as many delegates as it wishes to the
Baptist State Convention:

T. E. Story, A. E. Watts and F. C. Watts

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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

Beaver Creek—Zachary Ferguson, Charlie Walsh, Miss Gertrude Ferguson.

Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. J. Anderson, Mrs. Edith Hall Lowe.

Edgewood—R. L. Miller, J. W. Moore, J. J. Bumgarner.

Elk—S. F. Miller, W. A. Proffit, F. W. McNeil.

Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, Mrs. C. P. Miller, C. B. Mayberry, H. M. Anderson.

Gordon—W. P. Carson, Mrs. G. L. Canter, Ike Webb, George Osborne, Mrs. Will Barnett.

Goshen—John Higgins, R. L. Proffit, F. F. Bumgarner.

Harmony—H. W. Mahaffey, Walter Jones, H. D. Caudill, J. T. Mahaffey.

Hinshaw Street—Frank Kilby, S. A. Jones, I. S. Baity.

Lewis Fork—Mrs. Ina Davis, C. H. Jones, James Triplett.

Liberty Grove—J. S. Elliott, W. N. Pardue, R. L. Church.

Little Rock—J. W. Andrews, I. J. Broyhill, V. McGhinnis.

Moravian Falls—R. A. Greer, D. J. Pardue, Mrs. J. C. Critcher.

Mt. Carmel—

Mount Pleasant—U. G. Foster, A. M. McGee, Mrs. T. O. Minton.

Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, G. D. Wilborn, G. F. Barnett.

New Hope—C. F. Canter, G. E. Vannoy, A. S. Eller.

First North Wilkesboro—John Hall, D. E. Elledge, E. E. Eller.

Second North Wilkesboro—John M. Anderson, I. M. White.

Oakwoods—W. A. Ellis, Mrs. Fred Blevins, Mrs. Charlie Steelman
Pleasant Grove—W. T. Parsons, W. E. Parsons, Melvin Bumgarner,
Clarence Minton.

Pleasant Home—A. G. Bumgarner, A. L. Nichols, W. U. Caudill.

Pilgrim—Lafe Deal, F. O. Foster, Wiley Minton.

Stony Hill—W. M. Whittington, Zollie Parsons, O. T. Parsons.

Shady Grove—Earl Anderson, Mrs. Earl Anderson, Mrs. Willard Eller.

Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, R. C. Meadows, C. P. Brock.

Wilkesboro—L. Bumgarner, J. H. Johnson, Mrs. R. L. Welborn.
C. A. Lowe, W. A. Stroud.

Zion Hill—J. E. German, G. B. Carlton, John Ferguson.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-Third Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Oakwoods Baptist Church, Oakwoods, N C., October 15, 1936, at 10:00 A. M.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator, T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing several verses of "Glory to His Name." The devotionals were conducted by Rev. Avery Church, who gave an inspirational discourse from the text, "Thy kingdom come." "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning" was sung by the congregation.

The Moderator called for enrollment of the messengers and fourteen churches reported. Visitors recognized and welcomed into the Association were Rev. J. A. McKaughan, Winston-Salem; Rev. J. A. McMillan, Thomasville; and Mr. J. L. Gwaltney, Moderator of the Alexander Association for twenty years.

PROGRAM

Thursday Morning

- 10:00—Praise and Worship Rev. Avery Church, Pastor
10:15—Enrollment of Messengers and Appointment of
Committees Moderator
10:30—Religious Literature Report by Rev. C. C. Holland
(1) Biblical Recorder Discussion by W. R. Beach
(2) Charity and Children Discussion by J. F. Jordan
(3) Mission Literature Discussion by Mrs. Eugene Olive
11:00—Orphanage Report by Rev. A. E. Watts
Discussion Rev. J. A. McMillan
11:40—Introductory Sermon..... Rev. N. T. Jarvis or Alternate,
Rev. A. W. Eller.
12:30—Adjournment.

Thursday Afternoon

- 1:30—Praise and Worship Rev. A. W. Eller
1:45—Historical Paper T. E. Story
2:25—State of the Churches Rev. Eugene Olive
(1) One-minute Reports from the Churches.
(2) Digest of Letters from the Churches (Blackboard).
3:00—The Cooperative Program Report by Eugene Olive
(1) Christian Education Report by Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant
(2) Hospitals Report by R. L. Proffitt
Discussion Rev. J. A. McKaughan
(3) Aged Ministers' Relief Report by Rev. H. A. Bullis
3:45—Temperance and Public Morals—
Report by Vance McGhinnis
Discussion Rev. M. A. Adams
4:15—Miscellaneous Business and Adjournment.

Friday Morning

- 9:30—Praise and Worship..... Rev. F. C. Watts
9:45—Sunday Schools Report by D. E. Elledge
10:15—Baptist Training UnionsReport by Miss Marie McNeill
10:45—Woman's Missionary Union Report by Mrs. G. G. Foster
11:15—Final Report on Digest of Church Letters, Rev. Eugene Olive
 (1) Summary of Year's Achievements.
 (2) Our Goals for Next Year.
11:45—Undergirding the Cooperative Program
 Address by Rev. J. P. Davis
 (1) Stewardship Schools in the Churches.
 (2) Plans for Every Member Enrollment.
 (3) Tithing and the Lord's Acre Plan.
12:30—Election of Officers for Ensuing Year.
12:40—Adjournment.

Friday Afternoon

- 1:40 Praise and WorshipRev. Vernon Eller
1:45—The Cooperative Program (Continued)
 (1) State Missions Report by Rev. Avery Church
 (2) Home Missions Report by Mrs. Will Johnson
 (3) Foreign Missions!Report by Mrs. R. P. Casey
 (4) Address by General Secretary, M. A. Huggins, Raleigh
3:00—Reports of Committees.
3:15—Miscellaneous Business and Final Adjournment.
 The report on Religious Literature was presented in divisions:
 1st—Biblical Recorder, by Rev. C. C. Holland.
 2nd—Charity and Children, by J. F. Jordan.
 3rd—Mission Literature, by Rev. Eugene Olive.

A report was made concerning the Mills Home by Rev. A. E. Watts; Rev. J. A. McMillan, of the Mills Home Orphanage, gave an inspirational talk, using as his subject, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these ye did it unto me." The reports were accepted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

It is an old saying that we are known by the company we keep. Just as truly it might be said that we are known by what we read.

Perhaps the most neglected of all religious literature today is our Bible. There are many books today, but as Sir Walter Scott said in his dying hour, "There is but one book, THE BOOK is THE BIBLE." The Bible is the fountain head of all other worth while literature, as well as art and government.

One has well said, "The Bible contains the mind of God, state of man, way of salvation, doom of sinners. Its doctrines are holy, precepts binding, histories true, and decisions are immutable. Read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy. It

is given us in life, our pillow in death, and will be opened in the judgment."

There is much literature today that ought to be kept out of our homes. Much that is immoral, degrading, destructive of our most holy institutions, and some under the guise of religion that is dangerous.

There is abundance of good literature that ought to be regularly coming to our homes that is an utter stranger there.

The Swedish Baptists have a foreign missionary to every 600 members, and no doubt one of the contributing factors in this record is that into every Swedish Baptist home comes a Baptist paper every week. If Southern Baptists would do as well instead of a little over 400 missionaries we would have around 6000. If we would read more of our Baptist literature, we would know more; if we knew more we would care more, and if we care more we will do more. Therefore we recommend a more faithful reading of such papers as Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Home and Foreign Fields, and other good periodicals and books.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. C. HOLLAND.

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

The Mills Home is, and has been for many years, very close to the hearts of our Baptist people. Our people are vitally interested in the temporal and spiritual welfare of helpless, dependant and unfortunate children, and therefore cherish the privilege of having a part in taking care of them. This good work grips their hearts and they march forth as a mighty army to meet the needs of these children in the love and fear of God.

We are caring for at present 810 children. At Thomasville we have 500 children; at the Kennedy Home 135; and 175 children are with their mothers.

The children live under a very wholesome atmosphere, where their time is divided between work, play and worship. The spiritual life of every child is entered into carefully, and very few leave without having accepted Jesus as their personal Savior.

The Mother's Aid department is doing a fine work. It keeps mother and child together. Where mothers are physically able and morally fit for their children, except the earning of something to eat and wear, then aid is given towards the maintenance of that home.

The Mills Home is under the very efficient management and able leadership of Bro. I. G. Greer.

The Mills Home is largely supported by the ONCE A MONTH OFFERING from the Sunday Schools and a GREAT THANKSGIVING OFFERING from the Churches. We appeal to every Sunday School and Church in this Association to follow out this

worthy plan, for it will meet the needs of these helpless and unfortunate children.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. WATTS.

Rev. Eugene Olive read a new Constitution and made a motion that it be adopted by the Association. The motion carried and it was accepted.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership, at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of such church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church, the moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before the noon recess ad-

jourment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon the final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the Kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to other denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the Moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher. a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee of Order of Business shall pre-

pare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on Order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual session of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

Moderator T. E. Story appointed the following committees:

Place and Time—R. L. Proffit, Chairman; J. F. Jordan, Rev. Isaac Watts, Rev. Eugene Olive.

Nominating Committee—Rev. Avery Church, Chairman; Frank Walsh, W. P. Carson, Rev. C. C. Holland.

Resolution Committee—U. G. Foster, Chairman; Miss Pearl Jarvis, Rev. Hubert Bullis.

Order of Business—Rev. Eugene Olive, J. F. Jordan, J. C. McNeil, A. E. Watts, Mrs. G. G. Foster.

The congregation sang, "Stand Up for Jesus." The inspirational introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. N. T. Jarvis, who used as his text, "And They Stood Every Man in His Place." The congregation adjourned for the noonhour, Rev. Avery Church offering the benediction.

The Moderator called the meeting to order again at 1:30 P. M. with singing of "Power In The Blood." Rev. A. W. Eller led the devotionals, taking as his text, "Let Us Make Us a Name," followed by a prayer. The song, "Savior, More Than Life to Me," was sung.

Messengers from five more churches reported to the Association at this time.

A historical sketch of the Brushy Mountain Association compiled by Moderator Story was read by him. A motion prevailed that the same be printed in the minutes for this session.

A Brief History of the Brushy Mountain Association

Probably the first organized group of Baptist people in North-western North Carolina was the Baptist Church at Mulberry Fields, which was established as a branch of Shallow Ford Baptist Church about 1769 by Rev. Joseph Murphy and Morgan Edwards, and belonging to that group known as SEPARATE BAPTISTS. It was situated at what is now the Town of Wilkesboro just 100 yards South of the Court House Square. It is not known definitely when this Church came into existence but when General Lenoir, famous statesman and soldier, who came to Western North Carolina from Halifax County and established a home near Wilkesboro, he found this Church in existence about the year 1770 or 1771. In a sketch which he wrote he states: "This territory was thinly inhabited being an entire wilderness. The Mulberry meeting house was the only place of worship in said country. It was built by the Baptist and very large congregations of different persuasions of people attend their meetings. The men generally dress in hunting shirts, short breeches, leggings, and moccasins. The ladies wear linsey petticoats and bed gowns and often go without shoes in summer. . . . The men wore their long hair clubbed. They appeared very orderly at meetings, and going to their homes you found them living well and with great hospitality, giving you plenty of pork, beef, bear meat and venison; also milk, butter, cheese and honey."

During the year 1772 the PARTICULAR BAPTIST CHURCH of Dutchman's Creek, Davie County, reorganized the members of the Mulberry Fields Church. In the light of future history the continuation of the SEPARATE BAPTIST organization constituted by Murphy and Bryant might have enkindled a far different flavor among the Mountain Baptists, had its principles continued to predominate.

The minutes of the Dutchman's Creek Church make the following reference to the Mulberry Fields Church:

Nov. 28, 1773

At a meeting held at the Mulberry Fields there were eleven members added to the church by Baptism, whose names were as

follows: John Prophet, Luke Lee, Alexander Holton, Samuel Rite, John Simson, Susannah Prophet, Susannah Placher, Elizabeth Beacon, Elizabeth Lee, Mary Simson, Elizabeth Jones—"30 in the whole."

Jan. 22, 1774

At a meeting held by the brethren at Mulberry Fields and there constituted a branch of the Church and at that time administered the ordinance of the gospel as baptism and the Lord's Supper. The persons baptised were: Edward Boone, Peter Butner, William Rite, Quilla Green, John Barker, Ann Rite, Hannah Green, Elizabeth Barker—38 in all. Furthermore chose Alexander Holton deacon.

Aug. 28, 1774

Received at Mulberry Fields by baptism, Daniel Baley, Bozel Owens, Jesse Bond, Catherine Vannoy, Ann Allen, Rebecca Turpin, and William Turpin, "by letter and experience."

Sept ye 6, 1777

A petition from the Branch of this Church at Ye Mulberry Fields craving the liberty to be constituted, and help to be sent for that purpose, being laid before ye church, is granted. James Reymond, Thos. Estep, David Revis appointed to go to Ye Mulberry Fields, whether they be qualified for constitution and make report to this church.

Octo. 4, 1777

The report from the Mulberry Fields being made their petition granted.

History Facts Concerning Mulberry Fields

From: Miss Adelaide Frie's Record of the Moravians in North Carolina, Vol. 1:

1. Copies from Bishop Spangenburg's diary under date of Dec. 20, 1752, p. 188:

"From the camp on the Atkin opposite the Mulberry Fields, near Mr. Owen's Hut. (Spag. Diary.) Through the goodness of God we have reached here, all well except Henry Antes, who has fever from the cold in his arm. We are the more glad to be here so that he can have a little rest. The rest of us are busy surveying for by Mr. Owen's advice we have here taken up a valuable piece of land. It lies four miles down the river from the last tract, and is opposite the Mulberry Fields. These are old Indian Fields, on which the Cherokees probably once lived. They have a pleasant situation and a rich soil. Morgan Edwards has taken these up but no one lives on them," etc.

- 2, p. 390, Wachovia Diary, under date of May 6, 1769:

"Brother Marshall received the three deeds to the Cossart lands on the west line of the Wachovia, and on the Mulberry Fields."

3. p. 433, Wachovia Memorabilia, Year 1771:

“And we pray that in His own time He will bless with a rich harvest the preaching tours of Bro. Souelle to the Yadkin, the Mulberry Fields, to Abbott’s Creek, and the Hu Warrie.”

From Vol. 2, p. 621:

Under date of Nov. 3, 1771 (Marshall’s reports to N. E. C.)

“Bro. Soelle’s preaching plan is extending for he has been more than 60 miles to the west towards the Mulberry Fields,” etc. Memorabilia for 1772, p. 665, Vol. 2:

“Bro. Soelle is carrying out his plan for preaching in the region of North Carolina around Wachovia, has proclaimed the Gospel . . . and in Mulberry Fields.

Bethabara Diary for 1772, p. 735:

“May 21—A man from near the Mulberry Fields came through with a load of flour from Haw River, bought at 16 shillings per 100 lbs. and is taking it to his settlement, where there is no more food.”

From Volume 3, p. 1209, Record for 1778:

“In the November assembly a part of Surry County was included in a new County named Wilkes. . . The Court House for the new county was built on land belonging to the Brethren, called Mulberry Fields,” etc.

In 1783 Briar Creek Church was organized and in 1792 Lewis Fork was established. By the time of these dates several other churches throughout this territory had been organized. As early as 1786 and perhaps earlier thirteen such churches along the Yadkin belonged to the Strawberry Association in Virginia. In 1790 these churches definitely withdrew from the Strawberry Association and met at Eaton Meeting House in Rowan County and organized the Yadkin Association with Elder George McNeil as Moderator. Nine of the 15 churches composing it were in Wilkes County and their territory extended to the top of the Blue Ridge. The second session of the Association was held with the Briar Creek Church in 1791. At this time the Dutchman’s Creek Church was added.

From this beginning, so filled with the missionary spirit, the Baptists spread abroad—that the territory they then occupied is now embraced in the organization of 22 Baptists Associations with thousands of members. The first one of these divisions came in 1799 when the Mountain Baptist Association was organized with 10 churches. The next was the Briar Creek Association in 1821. Out of each of these has come a number of other Associations.

In 1836 the Lewis Fork Association was organized with a church membership of 370 and the following churches made up its membership: Lewis Fork (1792), Briar Creek, (1811), Lower Creek, Antioch, Zion Hill, (1814), New Hope, (1830), Yadkin, Union, Little River, Reddies River, Kings Creek, Dover, Elk Creek, Sardis, Macedonia, Liberty and Pilgrim. In the years that followed some of these churches dropped out and joined other churches to form

the Taylorsville and Lower Creek Associations. The Lewis Fork continued under this name until the year 1859, according to Rev. W. H. Eller.

Quoting the late Rev. W. C. Meadows: The events following this time, including the years of war between the states, and up to 1868 are but little known to the writer, except as stated by Rev. W. H. Eller. He states that the Lewis Fork Association in 1853 was disturbed over the Temperance issue and divided into three parts known as Lewis Fork, Lower Creek and Taylorsville Associations. However in 1859 harmony was restored, the three bodies having become Missionary, by adopting the objects of the Baptist State Convention, and united under the name of the United Baptist Association. The Stony Fork Association was formed and drew off six of the churches the following year. The remaining eight churches withdrew and reorganized the Lewis Fork Association. This is the body that was in existence in 1868 and met at Beaver Creek church, Elder William Pool Moderator, at which time Rev. W. C. Meadows identified himself with this body for the first time and attended every session except five to 1934 making a record attendance of 57 of the 62 sessions, the most of which has been in the Brushy Mountain Association."

In 1859 11 of the churches from the Lewis Fork Association joined 11 churches from the Taylorsville Association and 4 from the Lower Creek and met with the Zion Hill Church at Boomer to form a new Association which they called the United Association. On Nov. 11 the delegates from these 26 churches together with certain representatives from Bethel Baptist Church of Ashe met in convention and proclaimed a program that all future generations should admire and emulate. Quoting Rev. J. H. Fletcher: "This was the first Association in our Mountain country to come out boldly for Missions, Sunday Schools, and Temperance. It required courage of an unusual high degree to do the things that this Association did; and much of our Baptist achievement of which we are so proud today would not have been possible if these splendid Brethren had not lived and wrought so wonderfully.

It is recorded that the Convention opened with a sermon by Elder William Poole and that Elder S. Ferguson was elected Moderator and P. Elder, Clerk. The 26 churches joining reported 26 ordained preachers. These being: Richard Gentry, Aaron Johnson, J. Reed, R. L. Steele, J. G. Bryan, W. M. Poole, J. Crouch, P. Tritt, G. Swain, H. Holtsclaw, S. P. Smith, William Church, S. Ferguson, P. Grimes, R. Pipes, Hugh M. Stokes, J. H. Brown, L. Land, J. McNeil, A. W. Vannoy, J. B. Green, E. Tilly, J. H. West, D. Austin, M. Austin, I. Oxford.

In addition to these were the following licentiates: J. B. Green, Jr., D. Welborn, J. Barnes, A. B. West, I. Walker, and J. H. Spainhour."

From the History of Ashe County and New River Baptist

Associations by J. F. Fletcher, 1935, we quote further the following:

From the Lewis Fork Association—Pilgrim Church, represented by E. Davis and F. H. Foster, delegates; Lewis Fork, M. Walsh, L. Triplett and A. J. Proffitt, delegates; Little River, Elder W. M. Pool, S. Medlock and P. Barnes, delegates; Beaver Creek, Elder B. Ellis and A. A. Jolly; Zion Hill, J. Barnes and Dan Welborn. Three Forks, Elder J. G. Bryan, J. Crouch and N. A. Pool; Macedonia, William Teague, D. Warren and J. Martin; New Hope, Elder J. McNeill, J. H. Spainhour and P. Elder; Walnut Grove, R. Brock and C. Low; Mt. Zion, E. K. Walsh, A. B. West and W. J. Miller.

From the Lower Creek Association—Union Church, represented by Elders I. Oxford and J. H. West; Antioch, Elders M. Austin and D. Austin and W. S. Pool; Dover, Elder Holtsclaw, Thomas Reed and W. R. Pennell; Kings Creek, Elder E. Tilley and Thomas Isbell.

From the Taylorsville Association—Fishing Creek Church, represented by H. Curtis, E. B. Salmons and S. Smith; Taylor Springs, Elder J. R. Green, A. K. Williams; Mt. Gilead, E. Ellis, R. Hines and A. A. Hines. Taylorsville, Elder S. Ferguson, E. C. Harrington and C. Jones; Liberty Grove, Elder R. L. Steele, J. Palmer and S. Harrington, Jr.; Pleasant Grove, Elder H. M. Stokes and A. M. Foster; Bethel, Elders Richard Gentry and Aaron Johnson; Concord, G. W. McIntosh, J. H. Gyler and E. Turner; Oak Forest, D. Edwards A. M. Parks and A. H. Martin; Senter, Elder J. Reek, E. C. Oxford and B. Reed; Mt. Airy, Elder P. Grimes.

I wish that I could give in detail the story of this convention. A few extracts from the minutes, which appear below, will be sufficient to show that these men were far ahead of their day and generation:

Whereas, the Lewis Fork, Lower Creek and Taylorsville Associations, being met in convention by delegates from the different associations at Zion Hill for the purpose of uniting in one Association in order to be enabled to carry out the gospel principles of missions and temperance, having become united as a Missionary and Temperance body, we adopt the following constitution:

“Art. 2: In the selection of delegates the churches shall pay strict regard to the moral and intellectual qualifications of the ones appointed.”

Art. 11: This Association shall withdraw her fellowship from any church in her confederacy who holds members in fellowship who distill, vend or use spiritous liquors as a beverage.”

The Association also adopted a resolution favoring Sunday Schools and asked each Church to make report annually to the Association of the number of students and the number of verses in the Bible memorized by the students.

The next minutes of this association which I have been able to find cover the meeting beginning October 16, 1862, with Kings Creek Church in Caldwell County. The Civil War was in progress at this time, and we find Rev. W. R. Gwaltney, representing Army Colportage, present as a visiting brother. At this session no less than thirteen churches were under investigation for having violated Article 11 of the Association's Constitution, quoted above, and fellowship was withdrawn from three. The Association continued to ring true on Missions, education and temperance.

It is good to note in the minutes of this session that Elder S. P. Smith preached a missionary sermon on Sunday and that a collection for missions was taken, amounting to \$12.07. It is also recorded in the minutes that the churches had sent up to the Association a total of \$67.30, to be divided as follows:

Foreign Missions, \$6.25; Home Missions, \$10.22½; Education, \$5.87½; Colportage, \$4.85; Clerk's compensation, \$6.00; Printing, etc., \$34.10. Total \$67.05.

Both of the churches located near Jefferson, in Ashe County, were represented at this meeting. They were Liberty Chapel, with Elder S. Trivett as pastor, and Bethel, of which Elder Aaron Johnston was pastor. Bethel Church was later moved to a point in the Beaver Creek Section, eight miles south of Jefferson, where it still stands and is a flourishing church.

"In 1871 the Lewis Fork Association was held at Pilgrim church, at which time the Rev. James McNeil came to us and proposed a union of the United Baptist with the Lewis Fork, stating that the differences which for many years had kept us divided had now been removed, which differences arose about 1850-55 over the order known as the "Sons of Temperance."

A peculiar incident occurred at Bethel church, which in the same day withdrew fellowship from one brother for joining the "Sons of Temperance" and from another brother for being intoxicated. Time, the Great Healer of differences, did its perfect work so that the Lewis Fork Association gladly accepted the proposition offered by Rev. James McNeil, and appointed delegates to meet with delegates appointed by the United Baptist to meet at Three Forks church, in Alexander County, in November 1871. This meeting resulted in the organization of the Brushy Mountain Association.

In 1886 the Alexander Association was organized, drawing from the Brushy Mountain Association all its churches located in Alexander County, to-wit: Sulphur Springs, Three Forks, Union, Antioch and Macedonia. Later the Ashe and Alleghany Association was organized and drew from us two churches, Bethel and Oak Forest on New River.

From 1836 to 1859 the following Moderators served in the Lewis Fork Association: Smith Ferguson, 13 years; Benjamin Beach, 1 year; William Church, 1 year; and John G. Bryon, 9

years. For the remaining twelve years of the period up to 1872 I am unable to find a record of the names of the Moderators.

The only Moderator of the United Association for the period 1859 to 1872 available was Elder S. Ferguson. If any others served there are no minutes of their service.

The Clerks for the Lewis Fork Association for the period named were: John Carlton 3 years, R. L. Steele 12 years, Burton Bradley 3 years, and P. Elder 6 years.

The only Clerk we can find a record of for the United Association was P. Elder.

The Moderators of the Brushy Mountain Association from 1872 to this writing, October 15, 1936, were: R. L. Steele 7 years, Isaac Oxford 1 year, R. A. Spainhour 16 years, I. T. Prevette 1 year, W. M. Absher 2 years, J. L. Hemphill 7 years, C. C. Wright 27 years, and T. E. Story 2 years.

During this period the following have served as Clerks: G. D. Sherill, J. B. Pool, W. E. White, W. P. Laws, J. L. Hemphill, John Crouch, W. H. Church, R. P. Blevins, R. L. Proffitt, Vance McGhinnis, J. F. Jordan, and our present Clerk, Mrs. Roxie Jennings.

The Clerk serving longest was Vance McGhinnis, with 25 years as his record. The minutes and records he kept during this long period of years will remain as a memorial to the fine services he rendered the Association.

Time forbids our speaking at length of the outstanding services rendered by so many of the brethren through this period of years. A long list of names for honorable mention should be made and those here today would delight to hear their services mentioned.

The late R. A. Spainhour, whose wide interests gave him insight into every sort of mountain life rendered a far reaching service to his own church and the Association. He was an excellent business man. He was public spirited and had a burning desire that others should be lifted up. In the second year of his services as Moderator in 1881 he appointed an Education Committee of the following brethren: I. W. Thomas, George W. Green, and N. H. Robinette, and we quote the following from their report expressing his desire for uplift: "We rejoice to see signs of an increase of the spirit of education among our people. Academies and high schools are growing up in various sections, and our boys and girls are laying the foundation of a good education. Our Colleges, too, are fuller than ever before. Let the good work go on; let parents make many sacrifices to give their children all possible education. And while the masses are being educated, the ministry should not be left behind. They are set to instruct the people. How can they instruct those who are superior to them in education?"

For his devotion to the churches of Wilkes County, the educational interests and the general public welfare we shall ever be indebted.

C. C. Wright, another layman who served his church, this Association, the County and the State in a most versatile way, should not go unmentioned. When he began his long service as Moderator we were doing most things in a small way. The schools of which he was Superintendent had many needs, the teachers were poorly prepared and equally poorly paid. The membership of the Brushy Mountain Association was then less than 1600 and at the end of his second year as Moderator the pledges of the churches for all missionary and educational endeavor were only \$834.50 and the contributions for all objects, local and otherwise, were less than \$3,600.

However, his zeal for education and a wider outlook on life in every way prompted him to make a great effort for improvements not only in the schools, in the civic life of the County but in the churches. In 1931, the last year of his service as Moderator, the membership of the churches had reached the number of 4700 and the value of church property was \$125,000. There was more than \$17,000 being spent for missions and charities, and for local expense. Truly he showed fruits for his efforts.

Rev. W. C. Meadows was a sainted and moving spirit in the Association for many years. He loved his church, the Association and the Lord's people. We believe the Lord loved him. He never grew tired in the effort to proclaim the Good News through sermon, prayer, written tract or otherwise. He believed "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof," and that we are His stewards. He was a missionary both in spirit and in the conduct of his affairs.

Our heart would delight to speak at length of the work of the long list of other brethren, both laymen and ministry, who have wrought well since the days when Morgan Edwards in 1769 erected the little Baptist Meeting House in the Mulberry Fields. The bare mention of all the names would be too long for your indulgence today. So we shall only mention this brief list of the names of whom have lived and wrought in our own day and generation as examples of the others who preceded them: George W. Greene, teacher, preacher and missionary; L. P. Gwaltney, powerful pulpit preacher; Milton McNeill, minister of long service; A. T. Pardue, fearless preacher; W. R. Bradshaw, preacher beloved of both saint and sinner; S. G. Ginnings, church official of many years; F. B. Hendren, Sunday School superintendent and devoted layman; W. T. Stroud, devoted layman.

During the business session a motion prevailed that the clerk contact the churches for additional funds needed for printing the minutes.

A one minute report from all the churches was led by the Promotion Chairman, Eugene Olive. A study was made from the digest of letters on the blackboard. The Cooperative program was also discussed at this time.

The report on the N. C. Hospital was presented by R. L. Proffitt. After a discussion, it was adopted. Rev. J. A. McKaughan also gave a timely report of the work being accomplished there.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

Jesus healed all manner of diseases as He went about doing good. We, as his followers, should do likewise to the best of our ability. As individuals we are unable to apply the remedies of surgery, medicine and nursing, but through the organization of our Baptist State Convention we can use these remedies to the relief of a great number of our people who could not financially take treatment in our common hospitals.

In our Southern Baptist Convention territory we have 24 Baptist hospitals but our North Carolina hospital at Winston-Salem is of greatest interest to us because of its proximity. Many from our Association have been treated and healed at this hospital, for which we are very thankful.

Since the hospital was opened in 1923, a little more than 33,000 patients have entered for treatment. We shall have this year about 4,000 patients; of this number, almost one-half will be part-pay and free patients. We had a little more than 14,000 free days last year. This year, as we are now running, we shall have a little more than that number. We shall have at the present rate 19,932 part-pay and free days, or 1,458 free and part-pay patients. This, with our present capacity, cannot be increased, as we are running as full as possible.

Our individual part in this healing process is three-fold: First, prayer for superintendents, doctors, nurses and patients. Second, more patronage by those who can pay. Third, an enlarged Mother's Day offering in May by every Sunday School and church in the state.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. PROFFIT, Committee.

Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant presented the report on

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Last year more than 16,000 students were enrolled in our twenty-nine senior colleges in the South and more than 4,000 in our twenty-one junior colleges. Twenty-one hundred of these students were enrolled in the Junior and Senior Baptist colleges in our own state. In spite of the fact that the critics of Christian religion are maintaining that religious institutions for Christian education are not needed, these colleges continue to furnish some of the nation's most consecrated and influential men.

It is true that many of our Baptist schools are heavily in debt because of enlargement and improvement programs which must be carried on, but the amount of indebtedness is a small sum compared to the value of the Christian spirit which they are capable of instilling in the youth of our land.

If we send our young men and young women to schools where only the physical and intellectual powers are emphasized, what can we hope for the infinitely more important concern of moral and spiritual development among our people?

Let us open our eyes to the need for Christian education and say with Woodrow Wilson, "The Christian College is the light house of civilization." Let us rally to the pressing needs of our colleges, support them with our means and our prayers and fill their class rooms with young men and women of all this Southland.

MRS. W. K. STURDIVANT.

The following report was presented by Rev. H. A. Bullis:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

The work of The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Dallas, Texas, should find a large place in the thought and concern of every Baptist in the South. They should make it a matter of prayer, of study and of co-operative effort.

The Care of Our Aged and Infirm Preachers and Widows

First, the Board continually faces the great task laid upon it by the Southern Baptist Convention, and by the various States, of providing food, clothing and shelter for thousands of ministers who have grown old in the service of Christ, and of the widows of ministers who have gone to their heavenly home. The upturned faces and the outstretched hands of these needy ones make a mute appeal to the generosity of the people of our churches that should find quick and practical response and "who would begrudge a few embers to keep the frosts of winter from chilling the weary frames of the old veterans of the Cross."

The "Fellowship Offering"

The Relief and Annuity Board is now asking that a special "Fellowship Offering" be taken by each church at least once a year in connection with the observance of the Lord's Supper. This offering will be in addition to their regular contributions and should be sent to The Relief and Annuity Board through the State offices like all other contributions but marked "Special Fellowship Offering for Ministerial Relief." If thousands of our churches will take the "Fellowship Offering" the Relief and Annuity Board will be able to send thousands of dollars more money to these aged and dependent veterans.

Building Against the Day of Need

Second, the younger men now active in the ministry of Southern Baptist churches will, if they live, grow old, and unless something is done to prevent them from reaching old age in poverty they are well nigh certain to become dependents upon the churches or upon their communities. It is not enough to say that the children and grandchildren of aged ministers should or will take care of them. The simple truth is that most of them do not and many of them

could not if they would; they have family cares of their own that usually make drafts upon them for all that they can do. Many children of ministers do help their parents and they often do it at a very great sacrifice, but be that as it may, is it not better for churches and ministers to co-operate in the payment of certain (not burdensome) dues by means of which pensions may be built up through the Relief and Annuity Board during the years of active service and drawn upon during the years of inactivity and retirement. The church dues may be limited to three per cent (3%) of the minister's monthly salary while the minister pays a like amount. No salary is too small to enable the churches and ministers to benefit by this plan.

Record of Benefits Paid

The Relief and Annuity Board has already paid to aged ministers and widows nearly three millions of dollars in benefits, but vastly more needs to be done and the Board is limited in what it can do only by the churches. Will they co-operate?

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. BULLIS.

The report was adopted by the Association.

The following is Mr. McGhinnis' report on

TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

Temperance means self control. It means total abstinence from all things harmful, and moderation in the use of things not hurtful. Every right thinking person is against liquor, and certainly every professing Christian should do all he can to rid the land and country of this curse. We believe that every person who has named the name of the Lord should be against it.

Why? Because it robs a man of his self-respect, his health, his wealth; it deceives a man and makes a fool of any one. It is one of the greatest enemies of the human race.

It slays, directly or indirectly, each year, more human beings than war, famine and pestilence. It is an enemy to the body. It is an enemy to the mind. It is an enemy to the home. It is an enemy to the soul. God's word condemns strong drink with no uncertain sound. We, therefore, as church members and citizens of the state and nation, ought to do all in our power to stamp out this great evil.

Temperance is one of the greatest questions now confronting the Christian people, not only the American people, but all people of all races in all nations. Temperance is one of the basic principles upon which all civilized true Christian religion rests and depends. Temperance in all things and most especially in the handling and use of alcoholic liquors.

A brighter day now dawns for the suppression of the evils of the liquor traffic than at any time in the history of the whole world. Why do we say this? Here is the answer: All worthwhile

business concerns of the country have come to realize the importance of sober men and women to run their business for them, consequently we are rapidly drifting into one of the greatest Christian civilized nations upon the face of the globe. And don't get away from the one great idea that these great and noble sober principles of our American people must originate in the homes and around the firesides of our religious and liberty loving fathers and mothers.

Bring your children up in the way you would have them go and when they are old they will not depart from it.

Nothing to be lost and a great deal to be gained when we respect the laws governing temperance. Give this great principle your whole-hearted support and see the greatest nation of people set a pace that will benefit the whole world.

The United States can set an example for the whole world by re-enacting a prohibition law. The Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States rested upon the presumption that drinking would bring an evil upon the community and work an injury and hardship to individuals. If we had the Eighteenth Amendment back as it was and could keep it for twenty years, other nations would see how we were prospering and would pass similar laws.

There is only one safe course in regard to the use of alcoholic liquors, and that is totally to abstain from their use.

Evil abounds on every hand, we all admit. Our chief concern is: What is the remedy? There is only one, namely, a domination of the Spirit of Jesus Christ in the daily life and actions of His followers. "Ye are the salt of the earth." Now, we all know, salt has saving, cleansing and flavoring power. In like manner, we as followers of Jesus Christ, should at all times strive to exert a purifying and beneficial influence on the social and moral life around us.

It is our fault if we are not gaining for the right. No weapon can compare with ours. It is sharper than any two-edged sword and it will still be ready when heaven and earth pass away. Our General, Jesus Christ, has never lost a battle when his orders were obeyed.

Every man, woman and child helps to solve our social evils when they so live that people will take knowledge of them that they have been with our Saviour.

We urge that men in all walks and relationship of life should teach and stand for prohibition. The liquor traffic cannot exist nor thrive without the patronage of each rising generation, a large number of whom it must necessarily ruin, body, soul and spirit. Therefore, we should teach temperance in our homes so that we may bring up a generation that will be wholly for prohibition.

Respectfully submitted.

V. McGHINNIS, for Committee.

The adoption of this report was made following a discussion by Rev. M. A. Adams.

At this period miscellaneous business was brought before the assembly.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Officers were re-elected to serve for the coming year as follows: Prof. T. E. Story, of Wilkesboro, as Moderator, and Mrs. Floyd M. Jennings, of Pores Knob, Clerk and Treasurer. Miss Virginia Johnson was appointed Assistant Clerk and Treasurer.

The Promotion Committee is composed of the following: Rev. Eugene Olive as Chairman, with all Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents as members. The names of whom may be found in the back of this minute.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY, OCT. 16, 1936

The Association re-convened at 10:00 A. M., with the call to order by Moderator T. E. Story, and the congregational singing of "We're Marching to Zion." The devotionals were conducted by Rev. J. A. McKaughan, using for scripture reading the 12th chapter of Romans.

Layman D. E. Elledge introduced the program by his report on Sunday Schools, which was adopted for publication.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

According to the latest statistics available, we have in the Southland today, 24,538 Baptist churches. Approximately 2,500 of these churches have no Sunday School, at all. We have now an enrollment of 3,157,000 in the Baptist churches of the South, a net gain in enrollment over 1935 of 52,589. We as Baptists feel proud of the progress made during the last fifteen or twenty years, and justly so.

There are today 24,000,000 people in our Southland who are not Christians. More than 700,000 people who are actually enrolled in our Sunday Schools are out of Christ. In the 28 Baptist churches in the Brushy Mountain Association we have an enrollment of 3,134 in our Sunday Schools out of a reported church membership of 4,662.

From the above figures we get a glimpse of the task ahead of us. The Sunday School work in our churches offers a great challenge to those of us who work in this capacity. It seems that our task has just begun. Our Sunday School Board, together with the various State Boards through their Sunday School departments, are conducting hundreds of training classes every year dealing with every phase of the work, from the cradle roll through extension department. In this way workers are better fitted for this most important part of our church work.

The outstanding needs in our Sunday Schools are more trained workers and better equipment. Particularly is this true in our immediate section. Let us make our Sunday Schools Standard.

This will be a fine thing for the work of the churches in our Brushy Mountain Association. Our enrollment will increase, and our gifts will multiply, if we make our Sunday Schools Standard.

It would be a fine thing for every Sunday School in this Association to conduct one or more training classes every year. We hope this will be done. Let us look to the future with courage and faith, as we strive to do better work for Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

An open discussion regarding the Baptist Training Union was given by Rev. Eugene Olive and Rev Avery Church and others, due to the absence of Miss Marie McNeil. The report was accepted for publication later.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

The past year in the B. T. U. work has been very successful. A large number of our churches do not have unions, but those who do are carrying out a splendid work. None of the Unions have died during the past year and we have had a new one organized.

We were very fortunate in having our State B. T. U. Secretary, Miss Mabel Starnes, and eight State workers spend a week in our Association. They gave us splendid help, and made it possible for all the Unions, except one, to have study courses this year.

The Associational Meeting was held with the First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro, in August. The program was a grand climax to the week of study in the different churches. The program was very inspiring, and we all went away with a desire to make our Unions one hundred per cent for Christ.

The State B. T. U. Convention at Ridgecrest was attended by a good number from our Association. These spent the week there, thus being able to study under some very inspiring teachers.

It was in this Convention that our very capable former Associational B. T. U. President was elected State Intermediate Leader. Mrs. John Cashion has been a splendid Associational President and we know she will make a wonderful Intermediate Leader.

Miss Lunda Hendren was our only representative at the South-wide B. T. U. Convention last January. We hope she and others can go again this year.

We feel sure that much good is accomplished through Baptist Training Union work, and we believe that every church in the Association needs one. If at any time the churches who have unions can help in organizing the work in other churches, they would be very glad to do so.

Let each of us pledge ourselves anew to Him, and with courage and hope press forward to the goal, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."—II Timothy, 2:15.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE McNEILL.

The Woman's Missionary report prepared by Mrs. G. G. Foster was read by Rev. Avery Church. After a motion it was adopted. The work of this organization was discussed by Mrs. Eugene Olive.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

When we say Woman's Work we mean the work of the Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to Southern Baptist Convention, whose two-fold object is first, to distribute missionary effort, and, second, to secure the earnest and sympathetic cooperation of young people in giving to missions. This year the Union has looked back with rejoicing on three important dates. A century ago Henrietta Hall Shuck and J. Lewis Shuck went out as the first Baptist missionaries to China. Older even than the Union itself are the tracts (mission literature) on mission work which helped to hasten the organization of Baptist women. The third important fiftieth anniversary is that of our Sunbeam Bands begun fifty years ago, when the pastor of a Virginia church saw the opportunity and need of arousing missionary interests and giving missionary information to the children of his church.

In reviewing the past year's work of our Associational W. M. U. under the leadership of Mrs. Eugene Olive, Superintendent, we see a year of development. We cannot report expansion, but we can tell of a quickened mission consciousness within present organizations. Financial goals for all mission objects were reached. Societies tell of deepened interest in all mission endeavors; reports come of great spiritual blessings from special seasons of prayer. The women of the First Church, North Wilkesboro, again supported a Bible woman in China.

Our year's work came to a close at the annual meeting in June. In this session, with the women of the Fishing Creek church, it was our great privilege and joy to have Miss Naomi Schell, Missionary to Japan. Following the business session of the morning she brought a thrilling and challenging report of what Christianity does for the Japanese woman. In the afternoon Miss Mary Currin, Young Peoples' Secretary of the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Union, brought a message regarding the work of the Young Peoples' organizations. At the evening session, the Associational Young People, under the direction of Miss Lunda Hendren, gave a pageant based on the life story of the Shucks. Following the pageant Miss Schell brought another message which inspired and challenged.

We bring you this report from only five churches in our Association. Do you, the leaders of your churches, desire a greater missionary zeal in those churches? Would you support the women in your churches should they enter into a study of our mission work or form themselves into mission organizations to actively support our Southern Baptist Missionary Program? We of the

Associational W. M. U. ask that we may be used by any who desire to further the missionary program of the churches.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GILBERT FOSTER.

The final report on Digest of Church Letters was given by Rev. Eugene Olive, giving the summary of the year's achievements and goals for the new year. An open discussion was given on "How can we increase our giving to the Cooperative Program?"

"Undergirding the Cooperative Program" was the subject of the inspirational address delivered by Rev. J. P. Davis.

The report on the Cooperative Program was presented by Rev. Olive:

REPORT ON COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists is a plan which enables the individual and the church to share in the support of every object which Baptists believe should be supported in continuing the program begun by Jesus. This plan makes a unified appeal to the individual to contribute through the Cooperative Program to the support of every object, at the same time recognizing the right of every member to contribute to any object or objects with the guarantee that contributions so designated will be applied exactly as directed.

In North Carolina funds contributed to the Cooperative Program are divided as follows:

State Missions	13%
Christian Education Debt Service	42%
Baptist Hospital (Winston-Salem)	4%
Ministerial Education	1%
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Total for State Objects	60%
Foreign Missions	20%
Home Missions	9.4%
Old Ministers' Relief	2.8%
Southwide Education, including all Seminaries....	6.8%
Hospital (New Orleans)	1%
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Total for Southwide Objects	40%

Strictly speaking, Baptists do not contribute to the Cooperative Program, but through it. And money contributed to these causes is not for a board or agency, but for the benefit of **people** who need what the religion of Jesus can bestow.

Year by year Southern Baptists in their conventions have reaffirmed their approval of the Cooperative Program as the best plan yet devised for supporting all the causes fostered by them. A faithful following of the plan is the best insurance that these causes will not become victims of changing geographical conditions, such as drouths, epidemics and other unforeseen calamities.

The Cooperative Program must have the support of every church and of every individual in the churches if it is to reach its highest degree of usefulness. We therefore urge that every church in the Brushy Mountain Association seek to enlist every one of its members in making regular and generous offerings to the various causes through the Cooperative Program.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE OLIVE.

A motion carried and the report was adopted by the assembly. A splendid address was made at this time by General Secretary M. A. Huggins, of Raleigh.

Rev. Avery Church gave the following report on

STATE MISSIONS IN NORTH CAROLINA

1936

The spirit and motive of Missions, Foreign, Home and State, are identical. It is difficult to understand why one should profess to believe in one and not in the other. The objectives, however, are slightly different. Within the State a distinction is made between Missions, Christian Education, and Benevolence—including the Orphanage and Hospital,—whereas Foreign Missions, and with some limitations Home Missions, includes all of these objects. What then is included under the head of "State Missions?"

For a hundred years the objective of State Missions has been to win the people of North Carolina to Christ and then to the fellowship which the churches provide. In more recent years, notably during the past quarter of a century, another objective has been to train and develop those who come into the churches. With these purposes dominant, State Missions now embraces the following activities:

1. **Missionary Pastoral Assistance.** "To the poor the Gospel is preached" in needy and strategic places. Many of our strong churches in the state are trophies of State Missions. At present about 160 churches are aided.

2. **Student Work.** Churches in educational centers are aided in order that they may properly minister to students away from home and the home church.

3. **A Sunday School and a Baptist Training Union Department** are maintained. Through these agencies the church membership is taught and stimulated to the end that the church member may devote not only a life but a trained life.

4. **Church Building.** At the present time, in the face of a serious shortage of funds, several churches, some of them in educational centers, are being aided in paying for adequate church plants.

5. **Oteen Hospital.** For some years past the Board has made it possible for Rev. Wayne Williams to minister to the sick veterans in the Government Hospital at Oteen.

6. **Indians.** The State Mission Board is responsible for giving the Gospel to the Indians in Robeson County. Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Lunsford have been working there for several years.

7. **Negroes.** Beginning with 1935 the Baptist State Convention undertook some cooperative work with the Negro State Convention. After careful search a man was found in the person of Rev. W. C. Somerville who undertook the task of arousing and enlisting the quarter of a million Negro Baptists in the state. The Convention is continuing this work, and the success which Brother Somerville is achieving brings real gladness to the hearts of all who believe we ought to cooperate in every way possible with our Negro brethren.

8. **General Missionaries.** There are two, M. O. Alexander and J. C. Pipes. Mr. Pipes spends his full time in the western area of the state. These men spend their time in holding revivals, visiting general meetings, helping churches to get together in fields, etc. Another man could be used in this work to great advantage. The state is too large to be covered by only two men.

AVERY CHURCH.

The report was accepted.

The report on Home Missions was presented by Mrs. Will Johnson, as follows:

HOME MISSIONS

Fundamentally the mission work is the making and baptizing of disciples, and the mission fields are the fields of spiritual need: a world composed of throbbing, thirsty and hungry-hearted men and women gripped by, enslaved by and being destroyed by the power of evil. We do not have to leave the homeland in order to find this world-field of human need. Millions of people here in the homeland are without Christ. Large groups in our own land numbering hundreds of thousands have never heard of the Gospel. They are cut off from the services of our churches by social, economic, racial and language barriers that effectively isolate them from the activities of our churches.

The population in Home Mission fields is divided approximately into three groups: 1. Native whites of native white parentage, 27,000,000 people. 2. Foreign and alien peoples in five groups aggregating 15,000,000, divided as follows: 10,000,000, negroes, 5,000,000 foreigners, 60,000 French-speaking Americans, 500,000 Spanish-speaking Americans, 200,000 American Indians. Last year the Home Mission Board appointed 27 new Missionaries, making a total of 283 missionaries working in 894 churches and mission stations. There were 4000 conversions and baptisms; 18 new churches organized; 62 mission stations opened.

In 1935 the Board received from all sources. \$416,576.85. There was an increase of \$82,880.82 over 1934. The budget for 1936 is \$150,000 for mission work and \$194,896.67 for interest and principals on debts. The Board is operating within the budget and has operated for two years without borrowing. The Board has received

from the Hundred Thousand Club up to May 1st, 1936, \$98,766.37, all of which has been applied on the principal of its debts.

In Cuba the missionaries made 31,858 visits, held 2802 prayer meetings and conducted 4987 preaching services. In the homeland in addition to the preaching services 5,510 individuals were reached by personal evangelism. Of these 578 were Italians, 1,610 Indians, 1974 Mexicans and nearly 1,000 were negroes. 9326 Bibles were distributed.

One phase of the work is Christian education which is carried on by our Christian colleges, schools and Bible Institutes located over the Southland.

The foreigners, Indians, Negroes, Cubans and others in Home Mission Fields are the direct responsibility of Southern Baptists. We cannot shift this responsibility, for, in the Providence of God these peoples have been placed in our way and we must answer to our Master for their evangelization. Last year for the first time in our history more foreigners left America than came to it. More than 100,000 went back; 46,000 came. Every one of the 100,000 went back a missionary, but what sort of a missionary? The winning of foreigners to Christ in our homeland is the open door to the winning of the foreigners in foreign lands.

Finally, there is both religion and patriotism in the work of Home Missions. We are winning our land for its own salvation and we are winning it to Christ for the salvation of the world. To win the world for Christ we must constantly and continuously give ourselves to the task of keeping our own land Christian.

Time would fail us to tell of all the benevolent work being done by our Board such as that of our Southern Baptist Sanatorium at El Paso, the orphanage for Mexican children at Bastrop, Texas, the free clinic for poor children in Cuba, and almost innumerable other services, the spiritual ministries back of which, as Miss Kelly suggests, "cannot be estimated until the Judgment Day."

MRS. WILL JOHNSON.

Mrs. R. P. Casey presented the following report for Foreign Missions:

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD—S. B. A.

1936

Ninety-one years ago our fathers met in Augusta, Georgia, and launched the foreign mission enterprise of Southern Baptists. We are profoundly grateful to Almighty God for the marvelous way in which He has led us through these years.

Reports from our missionaries tell of splendid progress in all of our mission fields. 13,982 baptisms were reported last year.

During recent months the Foreign Mission Board, through a special committee, has made a careful and detailed study of the minimum needs of each mission and station in the fifteen foreign countries where we are carrying on mission work. During the past ten years we have been compelled to cut in a very drastic way the

work in all lands. At the same time we have been unable to send any considerable number of new missionary recruits. The property of the Board has not been repaired in any adequate way and much of it is rapidly going to pieces for lack of repairs.

At home we have been handicapped with a paralyzing debt. With all of these facts in view, the Board has formulated a minimum forward looking plan for the next three years ahead. The first item in this program calls for the payment of the debt—all of it, by the end of the year 1938. We propose to set aside for application on the debt all funds received from the Hundred Thousand Club, Wade Bryant Plan, gifts through wills and annuities and all other special gifts that can be applied on our debt. In addition to this, we propose to put a definite and fixed sum in the budget for debt curtailment so that all of the debt will be retired within the three-year period.

OUR PLEDGE—The Foreign Mission Board has pledged itself before the Convention to live within its income and pay its debt. We will be unable to send the missionaries at home on furlough back to their fields of labor and fulfill this pledge unless our receipts increase during the next few months.

MRS. R. P. CASEY.

After a motion it was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

First, Whereas it has pleased the Divine Providence of the universe to remove from our midst since last we met, a great number of our brethren and sisters. We miss them so much in our churches and communities.

Second, Be it resolved that this Association remembers their loved ones in their devotions.

Third, Be it resolved that the messengers and visitors of this Association do hereby express our thanks and appreciation to the members of Oakwoods Baptist Church and community for their kind hospitality and friendship. We wish for them many more such sessions.

U. G. FOSTER, Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We respectfully recommend that the next meeting of the Association be held on Tuesday and Wednesday following the second Sunday in October, 1937, with Liberty Grove Baptist Church, and that Rev. C. C. Holland be designated to preach the introductory sermon, or alternate F. C. Watts.

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE OLIVE,
J. F. JORDAN, Committee.

OUR DEAD

- Beaver Creek—Mrs. Elizabeth Edminston.
Cub Creek—
Edgewood—Marcus Moore.
Elk—
Fishing Creek—George Anderson.
Gordon—Deacon G. L. Canter.
Goshen—
Harmony—John Englebert.
Hinshaw Street—Mrs. H. J. Byrd, Mrs. Lee Shepherd.
Lewis Fork—Deacon W. T. West, Miss Nancy Simmons.
Liberty Grove—
Little Rock—Isaac Broyhill, Mrs. Nancy Earp, Mrs. Nelia Fairchilds.
Moravian Falls—Deacon R. L. Earp, Milton Davis.
Mount Carmel—
Mount Pleasant—Miss Welhelmina Triplett, Mrs. S. E. Matthews, Mrs. Lodelia Hamby, M. D. West, E. R. Minton, N. C. Huffman, T. B. Fairchilds.
Mt. Zion—
New Hope—Mrs. Edith Canter, P. M. McNeil, J. W. Foster, F. G. Yates, Mrs. Cornelia Vannoy.
First North Wilkesboro—Allie Pearson, Mrs. A. G. Anderson, Mrs. J. T. Bussel, A. A. Bumgarner, M. L. Gilreath, Mrs. Phoebe Porter, S. C. Ellis.
Second North Wilkesboro—T. V. Weems, Jean Eller, Mrs. Ellen Parlier, George Anderson.
Oakwoods—Mrs. Catherine Stroud, Howard Stanley.
Pleasant Grove—Deacon J. G. Parsons.
Pleasant Home—Mrs. Amie Church, Mrs. Emma McNeil, S. J. Reeves, Blake Bumgarner.
Pilgrim—Mrs. Elizabeth Adams, W. N. Foster.
Stony Hill—
Shady Grove—Mrs. Roxie Bullis, Mrs. Mattie Dula.
Walnut Grove—Senter Jennings, J. J. Bentley, Lou Brock, H. W. Wiles.
Wilkesboro—Mrs. D. M. Hamby, Mrs. F. G. Holman, Dr. S. L. Perkins, Marion Beach, O. F. Blevins.
Zion Hill—Mrs. Mary Walsh, Mrs. Bis Hamby, W. H. Hamby.

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending Oct., 1936

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country	When Constituted	Pastors and Postoffices	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES				Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meet.	Revels During Yr.	Ob. Lord's Supper	Rec. State Rep. Paper				
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Exsures	Deaths									
Beaver Creek.....	C.	1811	B. F. Peeler, Taylorsville	2	130	2	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	130	yes	1	1	1
Cub Creek.....	C.	1861	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	3	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44	yes	1	1	1
Edgewood.....	C.	1893	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1	91	12	2	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	no	1	1	1
Elk.....	C.	1905	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	1	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39	no	1	1	1
Fishing Creek.....	C.	1822	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	2	193	7	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	198	no	1	1	1
Gordon.....	V.	1919	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	2 & 4	76	17	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	90	yes	1	1	1
Goshen.....	C.	1914	Isaac Watts, Boomer	1	118	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	127	no	1	1	1
Harmony.....	C.	1900	Levi Greene, Deep Gap	1	202	1	5	.....	.....	137	.....	.....	.....	.....	164	yes	1	1	1
Hinshaw Street.....	T.	1927	R. F. Day, Elkin	2	92	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	1	.....	.....	.....	91	yes	1	1	1
Lewis Fork.....	C.	1792	Levi Greene, Deep Gap	1	217	11	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	219	no	1	1	2
Liberty Grove.....	C.	1886	H. A. Bullis, North Wilkesboro	4	132	10	2	.....	.....	2	6	.....	.....	.....	136	no	1	1	1
Little Rock.....	C.	1865	B. F. Peeler, Taylorsville	1 & 3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	174	no	1	1
Moravian Falls.....	V.	1888	R. C. Gwaltney, Winston-Salem	1	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	118	no	1	1
Mount Carmel.....	V.	1886	E. W. Walker, Elkin, R. 1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	C.	1876	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Zion.....	C.	1849	E. C. Hodges, Boone	1	156	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	no	1	1	1
New Hope.....	C.	1830	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	4	257	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	259	no	1	1
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	T.	1892	Eugene Olive, N. Wilkesboro	*	618	35	19	25	86	7	554	yes	1	4	55
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.....	T.	1907	Noah Hayes, North Wilkesboro	2 & 4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakwoods.....	C.	1917	Avery Church, Wilkesboro	1	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pilgrim.....	C.	1859	H. A. Bullis, North Wilkesboro	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	C.	1880	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	1	289	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Home.....	C.	1880	A. W. Eller, Millers Creek	3	247	4	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shady Grove.....	C.	1880	Lee Minton, Congo	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stony Hill.....	C.	1888	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro R. 1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walnut Grove.....	C.	1845	C. C. Holland, Taylorsville	2 & 4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilkesboro.....	T.	1880	Avery M. Church, Wilkesboro	2 & 3	237	4	1			
Zion Hill.....	C.	1814	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	1			
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* Twice each Sunday

TABLE III—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association For Year Ending October, 1936

CHURCHES	CHURCH OWNERS		Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
	CHURCH CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES													
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer		yes	1890 wood	200	1	1		1	\$ 125.00		\$ 150.00		
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro		yes	1862 wood	500	1				1,000.00		1,000.00		
Edgewood	Della Bumgarner, Wilkesboro		yes	1893 wood	700	2	1			2,100.00		2,100.00		
Elk	S. F. Miller, Denny		yes	1926 wood	400	1				2,200.00		2,200.00		
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro		yes	1928 wood	600	1				4,000.00		4,000.00		
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro		yes	1918 wood	300	3				6,000.00		6,000.00		
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro		yes	1916 wood	500	1				1,500.00		1,500.00		
Harmony	J. T. Mahaffey, Cricket		yes	1900 wood	400	1				2,500.00		2,500.00		
Hinshaw Street	Frank Walker, North Wilkesboro		yes	1927 wood	350	5		4		3,000.00		3,000.00	\$ 195.00	\$1,500.00
Lewis Fork	James Triplett, Purlear		yes	1909 wood	400	1		3	4	2,000.00		2,000.00		
Liberty Grove	J. S. Elliott, Knottville		yes	1887 wood	300	4	3	4		4,500.00		4,500.00		
Little Rock	C. W. Carlton, Boomer		yes	1905 wood	500	8	8	8		2,500.00		2,500.00		
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls		yes	1888 wood	300	2				5,000.00		5,000.00		
Mount Carmel	E. W. Walker, Elkin, R. 1		yes	1911 wood	500	1				3,000.00		3,000.00		
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Champion		yes	1909 wood	300	1				2,000.00		2,000.00		
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix		yes	1925 wood	500	1				1,000.00		1,000.00		
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1		yes	1894 wood	400	1				2,000.00		2,000.00		
N. Wilkesboro 1st	J. E. Caudill, North Wilkesboro		yes	1910 brick	600	15	3	12		60,000.00	10,000.00	70,000.00	2,400.00	26,500.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	John Anderson, North Wilkesboro		yes	1907 wood	500	1				1,000.00		1,000.00		
Oakwoods	Charlie Steelman, Oakwoods		yes	1917 wood	500	1				1,000.00		1,000.00		
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo		yes	1910 wood	350	1				1,000.00		1,000.00		
Pleasant Grove	W. T. Parsons, Wilkesboro		yes	1903 wood	800	1				2,000.00		2,000.00		
Pleasant Home	Mrs. A. L. Nichols, Wilkesboro		yes	1859 wood	350	1				1,800.00		1,800.00		
Shady Grove	T. I. Eller, Wilkesboro R. 1		yes	1922 wood	300	1				1,000.00		1,000.00		
Stony Hill	Edd O. Parsons, Parsonville		yes	1922 wood	300	1				1,000.00		1,000.00		
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob		yes	1930 brick	500	5	4	5		5,000.00		5,000.00		
Wilkesboro	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro		yes	1902 brick	400	15	3	15		10,000.00	4,500.00	14,500.00	1,125.00	3,740.00
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer		yes	1912 wood	200	1				2,000.00		2,000.00		

TABLE IV—Gifts for Local Church Work Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Year Ending Oct., 1936

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U. & W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total Given by the Church For Local Purposes and all its Organizns
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer	50.00	.....	20.00	.....	.....	5.00	15.00	.....	1.60	.....	91.60
Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	51.49	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.60	12.00	.....	2.00	.....	75.09
Edgewood.....	R. L. Miller, Wilkesboro	226.65	.....	52.00	7.48	.....	12.00	25.02	.....	3.00	135.00	461.15
Elk.....	W. A. Proffitt, Denny	107.59	11.00	.....	.....	.....	.46	8.39	.....	3.00	11.60	142.04
Fishing Creek.....	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2	175.62	.....	25.00	.....	.....	22.60	52.00	.....	3.00	11.70	289.92
Gordon.....	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	81.00	12.04	.....	.....	.....	20.00	33.90	69.00	2.00	.....	217.94
Goshen.....	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	126.00	8.00	20.00	69.00	.....	1.50	13.00	.....	3.00	6.00	246.50
Harmony.....	Mrs. Allie H. Jones, Cricket	150.00	.....	13.50	.....	.....	46.70	25.50	.....	3.00	3.75	242.45
Hinshaw Street.....	Clarence Hayes, N. Wilkesboro.	110.00	.....	.....	.....	84.00	135.00	75.50	32.00	1.25	.....	437.75
Lewis Fork.....	W. D. Foster, Purlear	79.00	.....	.....	150.00	.....	2.00	12.75	.....	.....	.....	268.75
Liberty Grove.....	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	93.07	.....	25.00	.....	.....	8.84	.....	5.00	2.00	63.25	191.04
Little Rock.....	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	180.00	.....	25.00	10.00	210.00	20.00	35.00	10.00	.....	10.00	500.00
Moravian Falls.....	Mrs. R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	140.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	5.62	.....	.....	3.00	.....	173.62
Mount Carmel.....	E. W. Walker, Elkin, R. 1	333.50	.....	43.25	3.00	.....	148.17	64.54	.....	2.00	50.59	645.05
Mount Pleasant.....	A. M. McGee, Purlear.....	149.67	.....	20.00	67.29	.....	.....	.....	12.76	3.00	17.00	269.72
Mount Zion.....	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	180.00	.....	55.76	.....	.....	24.60	65.00	.....	3.00	.....	328.36
New Hope.....	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro	180.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	765.12	785.07	.....	11.00	10.00	7321.40
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	3300.00	190.00	300.00	1680.56	279.65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.....	Vess Loyd, North Wilkesboro	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakwoods.....	L. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	124.36	.....	35.00	.....	.....	.....	11.20	20.28	.....	.....	190.84
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo	90.65	42.00	.....	17.23	.....	4.87	26.32	.....	1.00	.....	182.07
Pleasant Grove.....	W. E. Parsons, Buck	82.73	.....	12.50	.....	.....	2.00	8.32	.....	3.00	.....	108.55
Pleasant Home.....	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	160.00	.....	28.00	.....	.....	17.84	22.29	16.65	3.00	.....	247.78
Shady Grove.....	T. I. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	42.25	.....	15.65	.....	.....	.....	5.83	.....	1.00	.....	64.73
Stony Hill.....	Ed. B. Parsons, Parsonsville	72.08	.....	26.38	.....	.....	8.75	10.79	.....	2.07	.....	120.07
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	325.00	75.00	35.00	725.00	.....	25.00	75.00	.....	3.00	.....	1263.00
Wilkesboro.....	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	660.00	70.00	11.00	4075.00	45.00	139.55	95.75	7.00	6.00	40.00	5149.30
Zion Hill.....	J. E. German, Boomer	143.29	15.00	.....	.....	.....	11.20	25.00	.....	.....	.....	194.49

TABLE V.—Gifts for Missions, Education, Benevolences, Brushy Mtn. Baptist Association, October, 1936

CHURCHES REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Christian & Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Minis- ters' Relief	Other Special Gifts	(Missions, Etc.) Total for Missions & Bev. by Church & all Depts.	Grand Total for all Pur- poses—Local & Missions —Given by Church and all its Organizations
Beaver Creek.....							8.00	1.00			9.00	100.60
Cub Creek.....							2.00				2.00	77.09
Edgewood.....							36.51	4.00			40.51	501.66
Elk.....							1.00				1.00	143.04
Fishing Creek.....	3.50	1.50	3.00	2.00	7.00	7.00	27.80	7.00		6.00	64.80	354.72
Gordon.....							8.70	21.90			30.60	248.54
Goshen.....							8.00				8.00	254.50
Harmony.....							23.46				23.46	265.91
Hinshaw Street.....							11.09	5.50			16.39	454.14
Lewis Fork.....							4.00	3.15			7.15	275.90
Liberty Grove.....												191.04
Little Rock.....							15.00	6.75			21.75	521.75
Moravian Falls.....	5.56			24.64	16.41		9.75	2.75			61.11	234.73
Mount Carmel.....												
Mount Pleasant.....			9.00	9.00	9.00		92.20	5.23	9.00		133.43	778.48
Mount Zion.....				1.66	1.67		30.66	5.45		5.25	44.69	314.41
New Hope.....	28.00						18.00				46.00	374.36
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	1350.04		65.40	50.50	115.65	28.00	378.96	39.48	6.00	32.75	2066.78	9388.18
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.....												
Oakwoods.....	17.95				14.00		14.00				45.95	236.79
Pilgrim.....												182.07
Pleasant Grove.....							1.25	7.80	1.00		10.05	118.60
Pleasant Home.....			5.00	5.00	5.00		85.00	15.00	5.00		120.00	367.78
Shady Grove.....												64.73
Stony Hill.....				1.20	2.00		4.00	2.00			9.20	129.27
Walnut Grove.....	35.00							10.00			25.00	1333.00
Wilkesboro.....	155.00						68.11				223.11	5372.41
Zion Hill.....							60.00				60.00	254.40



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PASTORS DIRECTORY

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Church, Rev. Avery M., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Eller, A. W., R. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hicks, H. V. Traphill, N. C.
Jarvis, N. T., Roaring River, N. C.
Minton, B. L., Purlear, N. C.
Olive, Eugene, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Watts, Isaac, Boomer, N. C.
Watts, F. C., Purlear, N. C.

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Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
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Hodges, E. C., Boone, N. C.
Holland, C. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Peeler, B. F., Taylorsville, N. C.
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Wooten, E. K., Hamptonville, N. C.

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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—Charlie Walsh, Zachary Ferguson, L. C. Matherly, G. H. Walker.
- Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, Tom Cain, Will Anderson, J. L. Hemphill.
- Edgewood—Clifford Moore, John Moore, J. G. Bumgarner.
- Elk—S. F. Miller, T. W. McNeill, Dana Triplett.
- Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, J. W. Pardue, H. M. Anderson, R. C. Miller.
- Gordon—W. P. Carson, Carmel Hamby, Miss Emerlue Bumgarner.
- Goshen—R. L. Proffit,, Frank Walsh, F. F. Bumgarner.
- Harmony—W. C. Jones, J. F. Mahaffey, R. L. Lankford.
- Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, Frank Walker, S. U. Jones.
- Lewis Fork—C. H. Jones, C. C. Bishop, James Triplett, Florence Shepherd.
- Liberty Grove—D. L. Hendren, J. W. Brinegar, F. C. Johnson.
- Little Rock—N. C. Andrews, C. W. Carlton, R. J. Wallace.
- Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, R. A. Greer, Mrs. R. C. Scroggs.
- Mount Carmel—
- Mount Pleasant—A. M. McGee, U. G. Foster, H. I. Shoemaker.
- Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, G. D. Welborn, G. F. Barnett.
- New Hope—M. O. Faw, C. F. Canter, A. S. Eller.
- North Wilkesboro, 1st—E. E. Eller, John K. Blackburn, W. K. Sturdivant.
- North Wilkesboro, 2nd—I. N. White, J. M. Andrews, Mary Anderson.
- Oakwoods—Mrs. Fred Blevins, Mrs. Henry Ogilvie, Will Ellis.
- Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, Lafayette Deal, M. F. Huffman.
- Pleasant Grove—L. M. Bumgarner, W. E. Parsons, Charlie Faw.
- Pleasant Home—Tom McNeill, W. V. Caudill, Tom Snyder.
- Shady Grove—B. L. Minton, Earl Anderson, Marshall Church, Truin Eller.
- Stony Hill—McKinley Whittington, Zollie Parsons, Clarence Whittington.
- Walnut Grove—W. W. Jennings, Fleet Brock, C. P. Brock.
- Wilkesboro—Dr. M. G. Edwards, T. E. Story, L. Bumgarner.
- Zion Hill—G. B. Carlton, W. J. Earp, W. D. Watts, J. E. German.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-Fourth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Liberty Grove Baptist Church, Knottville, N. C., October 12, 1937, at 10:00 A. M.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator, T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing hymns, "Stand Up For Jesus," and "Amazing Grace." The devotional was conducted by Rev. W. R. Beach, who gave an inspirational discourse from the 116th Psalm. After the devotional was over, Rev. J. S. Elliott gave the address of welcome to the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association.

The Moderator called for enrollment of messengers and twenty-three churches responded. Visitors recognized and welcomed into the Association were Rev. Ed. Hayes and Rev. A. B. Hayes, of Stone Mountain Association, and Mrs. W. R. Beach and Mrs. D. K. Green, of Caldwell Association, and R. D. Covington, of Thomasville, N. C. Gaston Association, R. B. Mayes. Ministers present, twenty-three.

PROGRAM

Tuesday Morning

- 10:00—Praise and Worship led by Rev. Noah Hayes.
10:15—Enrollment of Messengers, Recognition of Visitors, Appointment of Committees.
10:30—Cooperative Program—Report by Rev. Avery Church.
 (1) Aged Ministers—Report and Discussion led by Rex West.
 (2) Christian Education—Report and Discussion led by J. H. Whicker.
 (3) Baptist Hospital—Report and Discussion led by Mrs. H. G. Nichols.
 Discussion by Rev. J. A. McKaughan.
10:30—Introductory Sermon by Rev. C. C. Holland; Alternate, Rev. F. C. Watts.
12:15—Recess and Lunch.

Tuesday Afternoon

- 1:30—Praise and Worship, led by Rev. J. E. Hayes.
1:45—Woman's Missionary Union Report and Discussion, led by Mrs. G. G. Foster. Discussion by Rev. W. E. Linney.
2:15—Sunday Schools—Report and Discussion led by Fred Blevins. Discussion by T. E. Story.
2:45—Baptist Training Unions—Report and Discussion led by Mrs. John Cashion. Discussion by John K. Blackburn.
3:15—State of the Churches—(1) One-minute reports from the churches. (2) Digest of Church Letters. Led by Rev. Eugene Olive.
3:45—Religious Literature Report and Discussion, led by Rev. J. S. Elliott.
4:00 Miscellaneous Business and adjournment.

Wednesday, October 13

- 9:30 A. M.—Praise and Worship, led by Rev. B. F. Peeler.
9:45—Orphanage—Report and Discussion led by C. C. Church.
10:30—Cooperative Program (continued)—
 (1) State Missions—Report by J. F. Jordan.
 (2) Home Missions—Report by A. H. Casey.
 (3) Foreign Missions—Rev. N. T. Jarvis.
 (4) Address—M. A. Huggins, General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention.
11:30—Address—“Undergirding the Cooperative Program,” Rev. J. C. Canipe.
12:30—Recess and Lunch.
1:30 P. M.—Praise and Worship, led by Rev. Isaac Watts.
1:45—Temperance and Public Morals—Report by W. A. Stroud. Discussion by Rev. M. A. Adams.
2:15—Final Report on Digest of Church Letters.
 (1) Summary of Year’s Achievements.
 (2) Goals for Next Year. Led by Eugene Olive.
3:00—Report of Committees and Miscellaneous Business.
3:30—Final Adjournment.

COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS

Eugene Olive,	J. F. Jordan,
J. C. McNeill,	A. E. Watts.
Mrs. G. G. Foster,	

AGED MINISTERS AND ANNUITIES

Since the Relief and Annuity Board began its work about 3,000 pastors and pastor’s widows have been aided by the Relief Department; and to these about \$2,000,000 has been paid.

In addition about \$1,000,000 has been distributed in Annuities.

For the relief of aged ministers the Board now receives annually from the churches only about \$65,000. It pays out about \$85,000 annually for aiding the approximate 1,100 ministers and widows of ministers. For this purpose the Board needs at least \$300,000, or about five times as much as it now receives from the churches, in order to provide an income of \$25.00 a month for these aged ministers who are in real need.

The Annuity Board has a small, simple plan by which each church member can help our aged ministers of the gospel. This plan, if all the church members would cooperate with their pastor, would enable the pastor to receive a monthly income for life after the ministers old age retirement. This plan is known as the Age Security plan. This is obtained by the ministers paying three per cent (3%) of his salary and the church pay three per cent (3%) of the salary they pay to him into the Age Security Treasury. This action on the part of the church will solve the problem of old age dependency among ministers;

it will insure a more worthy support than has ever been given through the relief department, and for those whose years of serving the Lord as ministers are not largely behind them it will provide an adequate support in their old age. Churches should remember that an annuity for a retired minister is not to be thought of as their gift in order that he can have an easier life, but rather is to pay him the promised part due him as their obligation to him for putting in his life for a mere "support." The retired minister is the church's graduated leader—not its pauper dependent.

Respectfully submitted,

REX W. WEST.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Church has been throughout its history an educational institution. The founders of the first college in America did not want to leave to future generations an illiterate ministry, so Harvard was established in 1636.

Beginning with Wake Forest College in 1834, North Carolina Baptists have believed in and supported Christian schools. Other colleges now belonging to North Carolina Baptists are Chowan, Mars Hill, Meredith, and Campbell. Wingate and Boiling Springs are Baptist schools owned by associations and not by the Convention.

More than 2,500 college students and about three hundred high school students are enrolled in these institutions belonging to the Baptists. Members of faculties number more than 200.

While special attention has been given from the beginning to training ministers, missionaries and other Christian workers in these schools, many men and women have gone from them into the various walks of life to serve their fellowman as fine Christian citizens.

North Carolina Baptists share with others composing the Southern Baptist Convention in the ownership and support of three southwide seminaries and training schools. We have a small part, also, in the support of a seminary for Negroes.

These institutions deserve our loyal support both in the matter of sending our young people to them and in giving them our financial aid through the Cooperative Program.

J. H. WHICKER.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

I have been informed by Mr. Hagaman that the year closing June 30, 1937, was the greatest in the history of the fourteen years of the Baptist Hospital located at Winston-Salem—greatest in number of patients admitted, in number of churches contributing to its support, and greatest in amount contributed.

About 5,000 applied for treatment during the year. Of this number 1,000 could not be admitted for lack of room. The Hospital never turns away a patient as long as there is an empty bed.

The Nurses' Home, which is now a three-story building with 29

rooms, is being enlarged—the capacity doubled. Plans are also under way to enlarge the Hospital.

The Hospital depends largely on the Mother's Day offering for providing treatment for those who cannot pay. This offering last May was a little more than \$20,000. Hospital linen, such as sheets, pillow cases, towels, etc., has been donated in large quantities this year by the Woman's Missionary Union and other such organizations.

The Hospital has a staff of 66 doctors, 5 internes, and 55 nurses.

I was a patient at the Baptist Hospital for 12 weeks during the last 18 months, and I know that it is a Christian Institution and always endeavors to minister to not only the suffering body, but distressed mind and spirit as well.

The Hospital and doctors are rendering a vast amount of free service to the sick and distressed humanity—not less than \$160,000 for the year. These patients come from practically every section of the State.

I was in a six-bed ward and approximately 37 patients were received and dismissed from that ward during my stay. Not one bit of difference was shown in the service rendered patients who paid and those who did not. The nurses and doctors are as nice as can be to everyone. The Baptist State Hospital is certainly a fine place to be when you're sick, and let's all do all we can to help in this good work. By doing so, we are helping to carry on Jesus' program on earth.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. G. NICHOLS.

After the report was read and adopted a very able discussion was given by Rev. J. A. McKaughan. The Baptist Hospital takes in 350 patients per month. It has treated 40,000 patients since it first opened. It has specialists on all kinds of diseases and the best medical staff in the State.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. C. C. Holland. Text, third chapter of 1st Timothy "Church of Christ, Church of Living God, Our Church."

After introductory sermon adjourned for one hour and fifteen minutes, after which the Association was called to order again by the Moderator, T. E. Story, and the Association joined in singing hymn, "Near the Cross," after which Rev. J. E. Hayes conducted the devotional, reading the 21st Psalm.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

There is no separation of the aims and work of the Woman's Missionary Union and the work of the local church. The word included in the name of our organization, "Auxiliary," indicates exactly what the group can and does do for the church: help in all the program of the church. These aims as listed in our plan of work are: individual and united prayer, enlistment, Bible and Mission study, personal service, tithes and offerings on the part of every member, and missionary education of our young people. Significant today is

our effort to uphold such moral standards as international and inter-racial justice, world peace, Christian observance of Sunday, sacredness of the home, child welfare and public health. Surely a group in each of our churches striving towards the realization of these purposes would hasten the work of the Kingdom.

We are happy to report that all of the churches having organizations last year have been faithful and steadfast. Our young people and women gave last year to all mission causes more than \$1,000. For the fourth year the women of the First Church of North Wilkesboro are supporting a Bible Woman to work with Miss Pearl Johnson of China.

Our annual meeting was held on June 20th with the women of Moravian Falls Church. It was a joy indeed to meet with the interested women of this new organization. Mrs. Earl C. James, who was formerly Young People's Leader for the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Union, brought to us an inspiring and challenging message. Under the direction of Miss Lunda Hendren, Associational Young People's Leader, the young people's organizations presented an impressive and informational program. We were deeply grateful for the presence of one pastor of two of our churches.

In 1938 our Union will celebrate the fiftieth or golden anniversary of its organization. There is an intensive effort all over the Southland to enlist more of our church members for His service and to glorify our King by making the year memorable for our gifts of sacrificial service and substance. God grant that we, in this Association will redeem the time, rejoicing in the privilege of "laboring to-
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gether" in bringing about His kingdom in the hearts of men everywhere.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GILBERT FOSTER, Committee.

After the report was adopted, a very able discussion was made by Rev. C. C. Holland as to the needs of a W. M. U. in all the churches.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

According to the latest statistics available, we have in the Southland today, 24,538 Baptist churches. Approximately 2,500 of these churches have no Sunday School at all. We have now an enrollment of 3,157,000 in the Baptist churches of the South, a net gain in enrollment over 1936 of 52,589. We as Baptists feel proud of the progress made during the last fifteen or twenty years, and justly so.

There are today 24,000,000 people in our Southland who are not Christians. More than 700,000 people who are actually enrolled in our Sunday Schools are out of Christ. In the 28 Baptist churches in the Brushy Mountain Association we have an enrollment of 3,134 in our Sunday Schools out of a reported church membership of 4,662.

From the above figures we get a glimpse of the task ahead of us. The Sunday School work in our churches offers a great challenge

to those of us who work in this capacity. It seems that our task has just begun. Our Sunday School Board, together with the various State Boards through their Sunday School departments are conducting hundreds of training classes every year dealing with every phase of the work, from the cradle roll through extension department. In this way workers are better fitted for this most important part of our church work.

The outstanding needs in our Sunday Schools are more training workers and better equipment. Particularly is this true in our immediate section. Let us make our Sunday Schools Standard.

It would be a fine thing for every Sunday School in this Association to conduct one or more training classes every year. We hope this will be done. Let us look to the future with courage and faith, as we strive to do better work for Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED BLEVINS.

After the report was read and adopted, Prof. T. E. Story gave a very able discussion on the needs of a Sunday School in all of the Baptist churches, and what it means to a church that has a good Sunday School in it.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

The past year in B. T. U. work has been very successful. A large number of our churches do not have unions, but those who do are carrying out a splendid work. None of the Unions have died during the past year and we have had a new one organized.

We were very fortunate in having our State B. T. U. Secretary, Miss Mable Starnes, and eight State workers spend a week in our Association. They gave us splendid help, and made it possible for all the Unions, except one, to have study courses this year.

The Associational Meeting was held with First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro, in August. The program was a grand climax to the week of study in the different churches. The program was very inspiring, and we all went away with a desire to make our Unions one hundred per cent for Christ.

The State B. T. U. Convention at Ridgecrest was attended by a good number from our Association. These spent the week there, thus being able to study under some very inspiring teachers.

It was at this Convention that our very capable former Associational B. T. U. President was elected State Intermediate Leader.

We feel sure that much good is accomplished through Baptist Training Union work, and we believe that every church in the Association needs one. If at any time the churches who have unions can help in organizing the work in other churches, they would be very glad to do so.

Let each of us pledge ourselves anew to Him, and with courage and hope press forward to the goal, "Study to show thyself approved

unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy, 2:15.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN CASHION.

After this report was read and adopted, a very fine discussion was given by John K. Blackburn, as to the needs of more training Unions in all of the Baptist churches.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

One minute report was given from all of the churches that were present and a Digest of Church Letters.

This discussion was led by Rev. Eugene Olive. A very timely talk was given on the State of the Churches and the different objects that the Churches should support and contribute to.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Inspiration comes to one through information and in order to be religiously inspired one must have access to good Christian Literature. The mind looks at things, people, and ideals as we read or hear read the printed page. Any book or periodical brought before the mind's eye has an influence over the heart, mind and character. Therefore it is wisdom to carefully select things to read. We should be sincere in our desire to read the things which afford us the most information along the avenues leading us to the highest ideal of our Christian profession.

Listen to the Apostle Paul as he prays that the eyes of the Ephesian Christians might be enlightened, as he advises the church at Philippi to think truthly, honestly and justly, as he exhorts Timothy to study, in order that he might be approved of God, and give his hearers the very best suited to each one's needs.

From early times God's children have recognized the power of Christian literature to lead the mind aright. To the thoughtful it has always been a sacred duty and joy to find for themselves a wholesome type of books and periodicals.

The Baptists of North Carolina are among these thoughtful ones. The Baptist Book Store, Raleigh, N. C., owned jointly by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., and the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, handles Bibles, song books, and most any religious books needed. Catalogues are free. Get a catalogue and patronize your denomination.

The Biblical Recorder, published every Wednesday by the Biblical Recorder Publishing Company, is the organ of the Baptist State Convention. Its circulation is about 13,000; its price \$2.00 a year. Under the new budget plan, the Recorder, the local church and the denomination have a triangular responsibility for placing the Recorder in the Baptist homes of North Carolina.

When the local church cooperates with the denomination and the Recorder by securing subscriptions to the Recorder equal to ten per

cent or more of its resident membership you get the Recorder for \$1.50 a year.

Charity and Children, published each week by the trustees of Mills Home, Inc., is the orphanage organ of the Baptists of North Carolina. Its circulation is about 30,000. Its price, \$1.00 a year. In clubs of ten or more it is sixty cents a year. Every Baptist Sunday School in the State should have a club of Charity and Children.

If the Brushy Mountain Association is to go forward in this phase of our denominational life, then the pastors in our Association must take the lead in their respective churches. Should this be done (and it can be) by the next yearly Association, the Recorder will have a circulation of approximately 25,000, and Charity and Children 50,000. We need the information and the inspiration found in these papers therefore let it be recommended by the Association and endorsed by the local churches to this end we plant our goal and in the language of the Apostle Paul, press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. ELLIOTT,

W. R. BEACH, Committee.

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

The Mills Home is, and has been for many years, very close to the hearts of our Baptist people. Our people are vitally interested in the temporal and spiritual welfare of helpless, dependent and unfortunate children, and therefore cherish the privilege of having a part in taking care of them. This good work grips their hearts and they march forth as a mighty army to meet the needs of these children in the love and fear of God.

We are caring for at present 599 children not counting those being cared for by their mothers. This is a great number. At Thomasville and the Kennedy Home we have 599. The number with their mothers is around 173. The children live under a very wholesome atmosphere where their time is divided between work, play and worship. The spiritual life of every child is entered into carefully and very few leave without having accepted Jesus as their personal Savior.

The mother's aid department is doing a fine work. It keeps mother and child together where mothers are physically and morally fit for their children except the earning of something to eat and wear. Then aid is given towards the maintenance of their home.

The Mills Home is under the very efficient management and able leadership of Brother I. G. Greer. The Mills home is largely supported by the once a month offering from the Sunday Schools and a great thanksgiving offering from the churches. We appeal to every Sunday School and Church in this Association to follow out this worthy plan; for it will meet the needs of these helpless and unfortunate children.

Respectfully submitted,

CALVIN C. CHURCH.

After this report was read and adopted a very timely discussion was given on Mills Home by R. D. Covington, the Secretary of Mills Home, as to the needs and supplies for the Home.

STATE MISSIONS IN NORTH CAROLINA

The spirit and motive of Missions—Foreign, Home and State—are identical. It is difficult to understand why one should profess to believe in one and not in the other. The objectives, however, are slightly different. Within the State a distinction is made between Missions, Christian Education, and Benevolence, including the Orphanage and the Hospital, whereas Foreign Missions, and with some limitations, Home Missions, include all of these objects. What then is included under the head of "State Missions."

For a hundred years the objective of State Missions has been to win the people to Christ and then to the fellowship which the churches provide. When, however, we use the word "win" we do it with the distinct understanding that it is not the mere word in the New Testament record. The key word there is "witness." We understand then, that the method of winning people, whether as individuals or whether as churches cooperating one with another, is in witnessing to the redeeming love and power of the Lord Jesus in the individual life and in all human relationships. This was, and is, the primary task of State Missions.

1. **Missionary Pastoral Assistance:** "To the poor the gospel is preached" in many needy and strategic places. Many of our strong churches are trophies of State Missions. The fact is that hundreds of churches formerly aided by the Board are now returning to the treasury for all purposes one hundred fold. The task is not concluded, but merely begun. In many sections the majority of the pastors do not receive sufficient support from their churches to keep them fit for Kingdom service. This means that they must find work to do with their hands in order to support their families. The result is that about the only work they can do for their people is an occasional sermon. Visitation and training of the membership are almost unknown in widely scattered areas. There is spiritual hunger which is not being supplied. The hungry sheep look up and are not fed because the pastors are busy with this, that and the other in an attempt to supply the physical needs of their families. In the early days attention was almost solely on evangelism. Now that our membership has grown so rapidly the chief emphasis should be the training and development of the membership, without, however, omitting evangelism.

2. **Teaching and Training:** About 1900 State Missions generally assumed a part of its enlarging task. Sunday School departments were established as a part of the general work. The workers connected with this department, as time would permit, went out to the churches in an effort to secure and train better teachers and to put into operation methods of better Sunday School administration.

At a later period the B. Y. P. U.—now the B. T. U.—was organized, emphasizing not so much the teaching but the training and development of membership.

3. **Indians:** The State Mission Board is responsible for giving the Gospel to the Indians in Roberson County. Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Lunsford have been working there for several years.

4. **Negroes:** The Baptist State Convention is now undertaking some cooperative work with the Negro State Convention. At one time it was necessary to provide white workers among the Negroes. In more recent times, however, increased educational advantages have produced more competent leaders among them, and the plan now is to cooperate with them rather than to provide workers. The white Baptists have at their doors a tremendous opportunity in giving sympathy and financial support to Christian Education among the Negroes. Our Convention is aiding the Negroes in paying the salary of Rev. W. C. Somerville, who is achieving notable success in arousing and enlisting the quarter of a million Negro Baptists in the State. The Convention is also helping with the salary of Mr. Clanton, who has recently been engaged to do special Sunday School work.

5. **Oteen Hospital:** For some years now our Board, together with some aid in recent years from other states, has made it possible for Rev. Wayne Williams to minister to the sick veterans in the Government Hospital at Oteen.

6. **General Missionaries:** There are two, M. O. Alexander and J. C. Pipes. Mr. Pipes spends his full time in the Western part of the State. These men hold revivals, visit general meetings, aid churches in forming fields; answer all kinds of calls that come to them for assistance. Another man could be used in this work to great advantage. The state is too large to be covered by only two men.

While the care of the orphans and the care of the sick in our Baptist Hospital may not be considered as a part of the work done under the head of State Missions, surely the impulse to establish orphanages and hospitals was given by State Missions.

There is one task of State Missions, which, in reality, we have not yet undertaken—a ministry to the prison population. Surely at the earliest opportunity this work should become a definite part of our State Mission program.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is an agency, elected by the Convention, which seeks to give the Gospel to millions of people within our territory not being reached by the local churches and the State Mission Boards. Special attention is being given to the foreigners living in our midst, the Jews, the Negroes, the deaf, neglected areas in the mountains, rescue missions and good will centers, and general work in Cuba.

About 327 full-time missionaries and 125 part-time native workers receiving no salary are doing this work. The Board maintains 850 mission stations and operates or aids five schools. Since 1928 the tremendous debt which has handicapped the work of this Board has been reduced by more than a million dollars.

One thousand missionaries and an income more than twice that received at present are needed by the Home Mission Board in order that it may minister in any adequate manner to all those groups in the South sorely needing the Gospel.

The new department of evangelism, begun the first of the year, promises to be a mighty factor in promoting the spirit of evangelism throughout our territory. Through the Cooperative Program we contribute 9.4c out of each undesignated dollar to the work of Home Missions.

A. H. CASEY.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

“There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.” Joshua 13:1.

For ninety-two years, we, through our Foreign Mission Board, have been busy sowing gospel seed beside all waters. This is a short time in the long sweep of God’s redemptive purpose for His prodigal race, but long enough for us to begin to see in many lands the glorious results of some of this seed sowing.

There is evidence on every hand that God is slowly, but surely, gathering out of every nation a people for Himself.

The great commission, “Preach the Gospel to every creature, beginning at Jerusalem and to the uttermost parts of the earth,” has not lost its power nor meaning and is binding on his followers as when spoken by the Lord.

“There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.” In the South are countless thousands who are not even nominal Christians. The world has a population has a i

The world has a population of nearly two billion. Only about 25% are Christians, counting all denominations, and about one-half of these are Catholics.

Christ is the propitiation for our sins, and for the sins of all the world. Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent?

Since the organization of the Foreign Mission Board 1,061 missionaries have been sent out. Mission work is now being done in sixteen countries with a total of 410 missionaries and 2,361 native workers. There are 1,715 churches on the mission field with a membership of a little over 200,000.

We maintain, or aid materially, nine hospitals; which make provision annually for about 88,000 patients.

The number of non-Christians now living in the countries in which we are promoting work is 621,410,335. "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed."

Let our watchword be, Trust God and go forward. "Lo, I am with you alway, even to the end of the world."

REV. N. T. JARVIS.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

At the present time we are confronted with the most serious situation of the liquor traffic any time in fifty years. A strong effort is being made to legalize the traffic in all of our country. A strong effort is being made to make the sale and drinking of liquor respectable. The liquor forces have set as their goal—thirty million new drinkers for this year, for our young people and women. They are bending every effort to that end.

There are other evils abundantly that greatly handicap our social order. Your committee suggests:

1. That our church people practice total abstinence in regard to liquor and bend every effort possible to curb all the evils that are a menace to our social order at the present time.

2. That our people be urged to co-operate with all agencies that are now striving against these evils that threaten our social order.

3. That we reverently urge our people to support only those men and measures that stand for the total suppression of the liquor traffic in all its forms.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. STROUD.

After the report was read and adopted, Rev. M. A. Adams, of Rutherfordton, gave a very timely and inspiring talk on temperance and how rapidly the evils of intemperance are spreading over the country.

UNDERGIRDING THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Address by Rev. J. C. Canipe, of Boone, N. C.

Text: Acts, 6:7. Christ judged on what he did, said and was. The word of God increased accordingly as the Disciples worked, so will our churches increase according to the way we work and give to God and His Kingdom.

Address by M. A. Huggins, General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, on

BAPTIST MISSIONARY WORK

At present we have only 415 Missionaries, but 600 is needed to keep the mission work going. There are 621,000,000 non-Christians, whose soul is sensitive to the Love of God and will become Christian students if reached with the Religion of Christ.

COMMITTEES

Time and Place—U. G. Foster, Frank Walker, H. M. Anderson.

Resolutions—W. K. Sturdivant, W. O. Barnette, H. C. Kilby.

Order of Business—Eugene Olive, A. B. Hayes, Noah Jarvis, A. M. McGee.

Nominating Committee—R. L. Proffit, Miss Pearl Jarvis.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We nominate for Moderator our present Moderator, Brother T. E. Story, and for Clerk, Brother J. F. Jordan.

R. L. PROFFIT,
MISS PEARL JARVIS,
Committee.

COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

Time, Thursday and Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1938.

Place, Mount Pleasant church, near Champion, N. C., with the privilege of going to Elk Baptist church the following year.

Introductory sermon by Rev. A. E. Watts; alternate, Rev. Isaac Watts.

U. G. FOSTER,
FRANK WALKER,
H. M. ANDERSON, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas a number of our brothers and sisters from the churches making up the Brushy Mountain Association have slipped away and their spirits ascended unto the heavenly Father to receive their reward, be it resolved that we here now assembled rise to our feet for one minute in silent prayer in honor of those we loved.

Second, That we extend our sincere appreciation to every member of every committee who has made this splendid, inspiring and uplifting program possible, to every speaker, to the pastor and membership of Liberty Grove Church for the privilege of associating with them in this series of meetings, and last but not least, to the good ladies for the good food and every act so graciously administered, which has made the Association so pleasant in every way.

Respectfully submitted,
W. K. STURDIVANT,
J. C. KILBY,
W. O. BARNETTE, Committee.

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF
OUR BROTHER
REV. W. E. LINNEY

Whereas, news has just come to the Association of the sudden passing this morning of Rev. W. E. Linney, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

FIRST, that the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, assembled in annual session, express to the members of the bereaved family of Brother Linney, its sincerest sympathy in their deep sorrow, and assure them of the fervent prayers of all those present for God's sustaining grace in their great loss.

SECOND, that the Association hereby express its thanks to our Heavenly Father for the consecrated and useful life Brother Linney has lived within its bounds, and for the noble service he has rendered to the cause of Christ here and elsewhere.

THIRD, that one copy of these resolutions be conveyed to the family of the deceased, and that one be recorded in the minutes of the Association.

OUR DEAD

Beaver Creek—Mr. Gaither Eller, Mrs. Martha Shepherd.

Cub Creek—Mrs. Nonnie Walsh.

Edgewood—Deacon A. G. Hendren.

Fishing Creek—Deacon E. F. Anderson.

Harmony—C. C. Church, W. H. Staley.

Moravian Falls—Miss Mattie Laxton.

Mount Pleasant—Joe Cardwell, Mrs. Diana Crane, Deacon
A. M. Foster, Mrs. Callie Walsh.

New Hope—Rufus C. Eller, Mrs. W. T. Eller, Bill Pierce,
W. E. Fletcher, Mrs. Julia McNeill.

North Wilkesboro, 1st—Mr. D. S. Lane, Deacon A. C.
Dennis.

North Wilkesboro 2nd—Mrs. Ada Rhodes.

Pilgrim—Mrs. Ethel Deal, Mr. R. H. Huffman.

Pleasant Home—W. T. Kilby, Mrs. Lou Adams.

Stony Hill—J. M. Powell, L. J. Whittington.

Walnut Grove—R. M. Brock, Eugene Broyhill, Mrs. Vena
Ashley, Miss Violet Bentley.

Wilkesboro—J. R. Byrd, Mrs. F. E. Ferguson, James M.
Bumgarner.

Zion Hill—Mrs. C. A. Caudill.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership, at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of such church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before the noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon the final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private

duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the Kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to ther denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the Moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations, a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee of Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on Order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending Oct., 1937

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted	Pastors and Postoffices	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	GAINS					LOSSES			Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meet.	Reverals During Yr.	Ob. Lord's Supper	Rec. State Bap. Paper
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths						
Beaver Creek.....	C.	1811	Rev. B. F. Peeler, Taylorsville R.	3	130	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	135	no	1	1	.....
Cub Creek.....	C.	1861	Rev. N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River.	3	44	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	no	1	.....	.....
Edgewood.....	C.	1893	Rev. A. E. Watts, Taylorsville.....	1	152	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	149	no	1	.....	.....
L'lk.....	C.	1905	Rev. J. E. Hayes, N. Wilkesboro.....	2	39	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	no	1	.....	.....
Fishing Creek.....	C.	1822	Rev. N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River.....	2	198	21	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	222	no	1	.....	.....
Gordon.....	V.	1919	Rev. J. E. Hayes, N. Wilkesboro.....	2 & 4	90	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	91	no	1	.....	.....
Goshen.....	C.	1914	Rev. Isaac Watts, Boomer, N. C.	1	127	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	no	1	.....	.....
Harmony.....	C.	1900	Rev. F. C. Watts, Purlear.....	1 & 3	162	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	155	no	1	.....	.....
Hinshaw Street.....	T.	1927	Rev. R. F. Day, Elkin.....	1	91	15	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	107	yes	1	.....	.....
Lewis Fork.....	C.	1792	Rev. Levi Green, Deep Gap.....	1	220	27	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	no	1	.....	.....
Liberty Grove.....	C.	1886	Rev. H. V. Hicks, Traph li.....	4	155	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	155	no	1	.....	.....
Little Rock.....	C.	1866	Rev. B. F. Peeler, Taylorsville.....	1 & 3	174	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180	no	1	.....	.....
Moravian Falls.....	V.	1888	Rev. R. C. Gwaltney, Winston-Salem.....	2	118	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109	no	1	.....	.....
Mount Carmel.....	C.	1886	Rev. D. C. Clanton, Hamptonville.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	C.	1876	Rev. A. E. Watts, Taylorsville.....	1	321	7	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	323	no	1	.....	.....
Mount Zion.....	C.	1849	Rev. E. C. Hodges, Boone.....	1	150	7	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	153	no	1	.....	.....
New Hope.....	C.	1830	Rev. A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1.....	4	259	13	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	268	no	1	.....	.....
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	T.	1892	Rev. Eugene Olive, N. Wilkesboro.....	*	554	5	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	559	yes	1	.....	.....
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.....	T.	1907	Rev. E. K. Wooten, Hamptonville.....	4	40	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	yes	.....	.....	.....
Oakwoods.....	C.	1917	Rev. Avery Church, Wilkesboro.....	1 & 3	97	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	106	yes	1	.....	.....
Pilgrim.....	C.	1859	Rev. A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1.....	3	141	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	143	no	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove.....	C.	1880	Rev. J. E. Hayes, N. Wilkesboro.....	1	282	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	276	no	1	.....	.....
Pleasant Home.....	C.	1880	Rev. A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1.....	3	249	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	244	no	1	.....	.....
Shady Grove.....	C.	1880	Rev. B. L. Minton, Congo.....	2	59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59	no	1	.....	.....
Stony Hill.....	C.	1888	Rev. A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1.....	2	132	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	135	yes	1	.....	.....
Walnut Grove.....	C.	1845	Rev. A. C. Holland, Taylorsville.....	2 & 4	273	20	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	281	no	1	.....	.....
Wilkesboro.....	T.	1880	Rev. Avery Church, Wilkesboro.....	1 & 3	225	25	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	246	yes	1	.....	.....
Zion Hill.....	C.	1814	Rev. E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville.....	4	197	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	193	no	.....	.....	.....

*Twice Each Sunday

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association For Year Ending October, 1937

CHURCHES	Superintendents and Postoffices										Grand Total for All Purposes Given by the Sunday School						
	Beginners, 3 to 5	Primaries, 6 to 8	Juniors, 9 to 12	Intermediates, 13 to 16	Young People, 17 to 24	Adults, 25 Years Up	Cradle Roll, Under 3	Home Department	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment, Officers, Teachers & Pupils		Average Attendance	Is the School Graded?	Is It Standard A1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Contributions (Local Work) Given by S. S.	Gifts (Missions) Given by Sunday School
Beaver Creek												yes	no		3	12.50	12.50
Cub Creek	15	10	15	5					40	40	40	no	no		3	12.50	12.50
Edgewood	15	18	7	18	25				4	49	48	no	no	2	2	17.81	33.30
Fk.	6	11	12	12	9				7	57	57	no	no			13.23	5.00
Fishing Creek	10	12	32	22	25	18	3		12	135	80	yes	no	no		49.00	39.00
Gordon	16	33	15	13	34				8	111	36	no	no	3		57.06	5.00
Goshen	10	8	12	15	8	15			7	75	35	no	no	2		14.00	14.00
Harmony	10	8	12	15	8	15			6	64	68	yes	no	15		34.86	24.00
Hinshaw Street	20	16	12	17	26	20	11		11	122	68	yes	no	15		42.00	25.80
Lewis Fork	10	6	8	8	6	20	6		6	58	59	yes	no	1		5.70	
Liberty Grove	4	20	15	12	12				8	105	65	no	no				
Little Rock	4	6	15	35	25	12			12	101	50	no	no	no		76.98	30.98
Moravian Falls																	
Mount Carmel																	
Mount Pleasant																	
Mount Zion	19	12	26	43	17	40			12	169	115	no	no	no		139.88	64.97
New Hope	12	15	15	23	50	50			8	174	90	no	no			40.61	15.74
N. Wilkesboro 1st.	22	41	95	86	28	144	50	50	42	558	244	yes	no	5			
N. Wilkesboro 2nd																	
Oakwoods	23	15	12	24	19				7	100	36	no	no			20.20	6.00
Pilgrim									7		50					16.79	1.00
Pleasant Grove											100					9.52	9.52
Pleasant Home	1	30	25	18	35	15	30		7	160	100			6			
Shady Grove	3	5	13	2	11	12			4	46	37			3			
Stony Hill									8	122	37			3		6.00	
Walnut Grove	10	15	25	25	30	30	5		7	177	72	yes	no	6			
Wilkesboro	20	16	52	28	93	36	16		16	247	90	yes	no	14	23		
Zion Hill	5	12	14	6	30	16			7	83	40						

TABLE III—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association For Year Ending October, 1937

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES		Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer		yes	1890	wood	200	1			200.00		300.00		
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro		yes	1862	wood	200	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Edgewood	Della Bumgarner, Wilkesboro, R.		yes	1893	wood	700	2			2200.00		2200.00		1000.00
Fik	S. F. Miller, Denny		yes	1926	wood	400	1			2200.00		2200.00		
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2		yes	1928	wood	400	1	1		4000.00		4060.00		2000.00
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro		yes	1919	wood	300	3	2	2	5000.00		5000.00		
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro		yes	1916	wood	500	1			1500.00		1500.00		
Harmony	J. T. Mahaffey, Crickett		yes	1900	wood	500	1			2500.00		2500.00		
Hinshaw Street	Frank Walker, N. Wilkesboro		yes	1927	wood	350	5	5		3000.00		3000.00	72.00	1500.00
Lewis Fork	James Triplett, Maple Springs		yes	1909	wood	400	1			2000.00		2000.00		
Liberty Grove	J. S. Elliott, Knottville		yes	1887	wood	300	4	3	4	1000.00		1000.00		
Little Rock	C. W. Carlton, Boomer, N. C.		yes	1905	wood	400	8	8		2500.00		2500.00		
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls		yes	1888	wood	300	2	6		2500.00		2500.00		
Mount Carmel	Will Hock, Moravian Falls		yes	1911	wood	500	1			5000.00		5000.00		
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear, R. 1		yes	1909	wood	500	1			3000.00		3000.00		
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix		yes	1925	wood	500	1			2000.00		2000.00		
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro		yes	1894	wood	500	5	5		3500.00		4000.00	600.00	3000.00
N. Wilkesboro 1st	J. E. Caudill, North Wilkesboro		yes	1910	brick	600	15	3	12	60,000.00	10,000.00	70,000.00	19,000.00	26,500.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	J. M. Anderson, N. Wilkesboro		yes	1937	wood	500	1			1500.00		1500.00	223.00	
Oakwoods	W. C. Stroud, Wilkesboro, R. 2		yes	1917	wood	500	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo		yes	1910	wood	350	1	5		1000.00		1000.00		
Pleasant Grove	W. T. Parsons, Wilkesboro, R. 1		yes	1903	wood	300	1			1500.00		1500.00	166.22	
Pleasant Home	Mrs. A. L. Nichols, Wilkesboro		yes	1903	wood	600	1			1800.00		1800.00		
Shady Grove	Mrs. Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro		yes	1880	wood	300	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Stony Hill	Dora Hamby, Parsonville		yes	1922	wood	300	1	1		1000.00		1000.00		
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob		yes	1929	brick	500	4	4		5000.00		5000.00		
Wilkesboro	L. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro		yes	1902	brick	400	15	5	15	9000.00	4500.00	14,500.00	995.00	3740.00
Zion Hill	J. E. Germain, Boomer		yes	1912	wood	500	1	1		2000.00		2000.00		

TABLE IV—Gifts for Local Church Work Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Year Ending Oct., 1937

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U. & W.M.S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total For Local Purposes Given by the Church & all its organizations
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	70.00		25.00			5.00	12.50		1.60		114.10
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	72.30		150.00								222.30
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro, R. 2	160.66		25.00			25.60	17.81		3.50		232.75
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny	74.76						6.30		3.00		84.06
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2	208.88		59.86			34.50	41.69		3.00	50.00	410.91
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	60.24	5.00				24.72	36.10	14.00	2.00		147.06
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	125.13		8.50			24.50	14.00		2.25		174.38
Harmony	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	170.00	10.00	17.00			10.60	16.58	2.50	2.00	9.68	238.36
Hinshaw Street	Clarence Hayes, N. Wilkesboro	91.00		15.00		108.00	25.00	42.00		2.10		282.10
Lewis Fork	James Triplett, Maple Springs	122.50	30.00							2.00		154.50
Liberty Grove	J. S. Elliott, Knottville	38.00		2.43			22.20	7.55				70.18
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	100.00		35.00	10.00		25.00	30.00			10.00	255.00
Moravian Falls	Mrs. R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	150.00			28.61		49.35	34.26	8.70			270.92
Mount Carmel	Elbert Walker, Elkin											
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, Purlear, R. 1	319.00		45.00	51.19		74.60	52.34	3.63	3.00	11.00	559.76
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	144.00		28.02			43.00	50.00		3.00	4.72	176.96
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	180.00		70.00						3.00		346.00
N. Wilkesboro 1st	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	3135.00	490.00		220.97		270.92	655.79			20.00	5468.78
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Vess Loyd, North Wilkesboro											
Oakwoods	L. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro, R. 2	132.00		26.10			11.50	20.20		2.00		191.80
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	83.97		19.50	33.80		2.80	8.31				176.32
Pleasant Grove	W. E. Parsons, Buck			22.00	700.00				.60			732.12
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	157.75		73.50	20.00		17.60	22.50		3.00	101.00	395.40
Shady Grove	Mrs. Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	47.67		1.40			14.50	4.00				80.11
Stony Hill	Dora Hamby, Parsonville	150.00		20.00	37.70		12.00	9.38		2.00	10.00	228.24
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	287.30		45.00	200.00		2.50	50.00	5.00	3.00		572.80
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	660.00		65.00		187.00	165.76	83.81		6.00	110.00	1277.57
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer	125.00					4.80	25.00		2.50		157.30

TABLE V—Gifts for Missions, Education, Benevolences, Brushy Mtn. Baptist Association, October, 1937

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Christian & Ministerial Education	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Minis- ters' Relief	Other Special Gifts	(Missions, Etc.) Total for Church & all Depts. by Church & all Depts.	Grand Total for all Pur- poses—Local & Missions —Given by Church and all its Organizations
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer											43.30	275.87
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro							21.30	12.00			7.00	96.00
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro, R. 2			3.00	3.00	4.00		5.00			2.00	81.31	496.91
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny							37.00	9.50	12.45	1.00	19.00	147.66
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2		1.00	5.81	5.00	8.50	1.00	2.00	3.00			7.55	181.93
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro				14.00	1.55		6.00				99.00	337.36
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro							36.00	6.00			25.80	307.90
Harmony	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	57.00						15.00	10.80				167.35
Hinshaw Street	Clarence Hayes, N. Wilkesboro							24.41	12.00	12.00		56.61	126.79
Lewis Fork	James Triplett, Maple Springs		2.20			2.00		15.00	6.25		5.00	26.78	281.75
Liberty Grove	J. S. Elliott, Knottville				4.00			41.98	3.91			64.84	335.76
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer			2.18	3.00	11.00	.50						
Moravian Falls	Mrs. R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	2.27											
Mount Carmel	Will Houck, Moravian Falls		5.00	20.14	16.00	6.00		64.33	5.21	6.00	13.65	145.33	705.09
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, Purtear, R. 1							15.03	4.94			19.97	274.75
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Purlear							18.00				46.00	392.00
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	28.00											
N. Wilkesboro 1st.	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	1480.05		31.00	65.56	158.90	32.15	372.58	54.34		28.46	2224.04	7692.82
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.	Vess Loyd, North Wilkesboro												
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro, R. 2	24.00				12.00		20.21	5.14		3.00	64.35	256.15
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Con ^{co}												163.91
Pleasant Grove	W. E. Parsons, Buck												
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek			5.00	5.00	5.00		1.00	5.00	1.00		7.00	818.52
Shady Grove	Mrs. Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro							73.00	16.00	5.00		109.00	504.40
Stony Hill	Dora Hamby, Parsonville	28.00											28.00
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	51.00											95.00
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	173.30	2.00	2.46	7.88	6.11	.50	142.45	25.69		3.05	362.94	1640.41
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer							40.00				40.00	197.30

TABLE VI—Baptist Training Unions, Etc. of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Year Ending Oct., 1937

CHURCHES	B. T. U. With Director											Students In College			
	B. A. U.'s	Senior B. Y. P. U.'s	Intermediate B. Y. P. U.'s	Junior B. Y. P. U.'s	Total B. A. U. & B. Y. P. U.	Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	No. Daily Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers	
Mount Pleasant.....	1				1	1					28	6	4	.....
New Hope.....	1				1	1					40	10	25	20	
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	1	1	2	1	5	8	15	33	18	74	29	28	49	.....
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	3	37	15			27	5	18	27	4	

TABLE VII—W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts, Brushy Mountain Association, Year End Oct., 1937

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. U. AND POST OFFICES	No. Woman's Miss. Soc.	No. Y. W. A.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. R. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organiz'ns	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mis- sion Study Courses	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.	Grand Total for All Pur- poses Given by W. M. U. and all its Organizations
Fishing Creek.....	Mrs. Robert Holland, Wilkesboro, R. 2....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	10	30.03	28.60	58.09
Moravian Falls.....	Mrs. B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	9	120	12	71	27	25	13	.....	.....	25.00	25.00
N. Wilkesboro 1st....	Mrs. R. P. Casey, North Wilkesboro.....	1	1	4	2	1	1	1	120	12	71	27	25	220	.....	985.17	985.17
Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	32	18	18	7	10	85	25	.50	52.42	52.92



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J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Eller A. W., R. 2, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Eller, V. G., Purlear, N. C.
Foster A. J. Boomer, N. C.
Frost, G. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hicks, H. V., Traphill, N. C.
Higgins, John, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hodges, E. C., Boomer, N. C.
Huffman, J. G., Parsonville, N. C.
Huffman, Glenn, Parsonville, N. C.
Jarvis N. T., Roaring River, N. C.
Minton, B. L., Congo, N. C.
Minton, J. C., Buck, N. C.
Olive, Eugene, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Pruitt, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Walsh, T. J., Walsh, N. C.
Walker, James, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Watts, Isaac, Boomer, N. C.
Watts, F. C., Purlear, N. C.
Watson, W. T., Buck, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
Brookshire, Woodrow, Taylorsville, N. C.
Clanton, D. C., Union Grove, N. C.
Day, R. F., Elkin, N. C.
Ford, Howard J., Sparta, N. C.
Green Levi, Deep Gap, N. C.
Gwaltney, R. C., Thomasville, N. C.
Holland, C. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Isaacs, John Rufus, Louisville, Ky.
Jennings, S. S., Lenoir, N. C.
Peeler, B. F., Taylorsville, N. C.
Walker, E. W., Jonesville, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.
Wooten, E. K., Hamptonville, N. C.

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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—L. C. Matherly, Fred Walker, G. H. Walker.
- Big Ivey—W. A. Blackburn, H. H. Beshears, T. R. Parsons.
- Boiling Springs—B. F. Huffman, J. R. Eller, B. F. Whittington.
- Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. L. Hemphill, Will Anderson.
- Edgewood—J. W. Moore, Clarence Fletcher, J. G. Bumgarner.
- Elk—S. F. Miller, W. A. Proffit, Dana Triplett.
- Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, Mrs. R. S. McLain, Mrs. C. B. Mayberry, Mrs. R. C. Miller.
- Gordon — W. P. Carson, Worth Church, Jesse Luman, Mrs. Jesse Luman.
- Goshen—John Higgins, R. L. Proffit, J. L. Walsh.
- Harmony—W. E. Jones, H. D. Caudill, Elijah Nichols.
- Hinshaw Street—Rev. W. S. Byrd, Clarence Hayes, Frank Walker, Hobart Deal.
- Lewis Fork—G. C. Hamby, C. H. Jones, J. R. Triplette.
- Liberty Grove—W. L. McCarter, Evy Myers, Andrew Call.
- Little Rock—I. J. Broyhill, S. M. Knight, C. W. Carlton.
- Moravian Falls—H. J. Steelman, D. J. Pardue, Mrs. J. C. Critcher.
- Mount Carmel—Will Houck, M. A. Earp, Ernest Pearson.
- Mount Pleasant—H. T. Shoemaker, J. R. Foster, V. C. Elledge.
- Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, D. M. Triplette, Richard Wooten.
- New Hope—C. F. Canter, A. S. Eller, R. M. Church.
- North Wilkesboro, 1st—T. J. Frazier, J. E. Spainhour, A. H. Casey.
- North Wilkesboro, 2nd—J. M. Anderson, Isaac White, J. W. Porter.
- Oakwoods—W. C. Stroud, Mrs. Pearl Blevins, Mrs. J. M. Canter.
- Pilgrim—Charles Shoemaker, M. F. Huffman, F. O. Foster.
- Pleasant Grove—W. E. Parsons, James Parsons, W. T. Parsons.
- Pleasant Home—A. G. Bumgarner, W. T. Snyder, J. A. Johnson.
- Shady Grove—B. L. Minton, Earl Anderson, Marshall Church, Junior Eller.
- Stony Hill—G. S. McNeil, C. O. Parsons, W. C. Laws.
- Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, P. R. Lowe, H. M. Broyhill.
- Wilkesboro—James Hamby, L. Bumgarner, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell.
- Zion Hill—G. B. Carlton, Earl German, A. F. Green.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-Fifth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, September 8th, 1938, at 10:00 A. M. The Association was called to order by Moderator T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing hymns, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," and "Amazing Grace." The devotional was conducted by Rev. F. C. Watts, who gave an inspirational discourse from the 62nd chapter of Isaiah.

The Moderator called for the enrollment of messengers and 20 churches responded. Pastors present were nine. Visiting brothers: H. V. Hicks, Stone Mountain Association; Rev. A. F. Absher, Alleghany; Rev. M. A. Adams, Rutherfordton; Rev. J. E. Hayes, Stone Mountain; Rev. J. A. McKaughan, Pilot Mountain, and Rev. E. K. Wooton, Yadkin.

Big Ivey Baptist Church and Boiling Springs Baptist Church presented themselves to become members of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association. Under Article 4 of the Constitution a committee was appointed by the Moderator, composed of the following: Rev. F. C. Watts, J. L. Hemphill and U. G. Foster, to pass upon the faith and practice of the churches to be received into the Association. Rev. F. C. Watts, Chairman of the committee, reported favorable. Motion was made and carried unanimously that the churches be received into the Association.

The Moderator called for a motion and seconded that the following program be adopted, which was carried unanimously:

PROGRAM

Thursday Morning

- 10:00—Praise and Worship, led by Rev. F. C. Watts.
- 10:15—Enrollment of Messengers, Recognition of Visitors, and Appointment of Committees.
- 10:30—Religious Literature, report by J. E. Spainhour, with discussion by representative of Biblical Recorder.
- 11:00—Orphanage, report by Rex West and discussion by Orphanage representative.
- 11:40—Annual Sermon by Rev. A. E. Watts or alternate, Isaac Watts.
- 12:30—Recess and Lunch.

Tuesday Afternoon

- 1:30—Praise and Worship, led by Rev. A. W. Eller.
- 1:45—Temperance and Public Morals, report by A. H. Casey and discussion.
- 2:15—Cooperative Program: (1) Christian Education, Hospitals and Aged Ministers' Relief, report by Rev. Howard J Ford, discussed by Smith Hagaman.
- 3:15—Reports from the Churches, led by Rev. Eugene Olive.
- 4:00—Miscellaneous Business and Adjournment.

Friday Morning

- 9:30—Praise and Worship, led by Rev. A. B. Hayes.
9:45—Cooperative Program (continued): (2) State, Home and Foreign Missions, report by Rev. F. C. Watts, discussed by visitor, J. C. Pipes.
10:45—Woman's Missionary Union, report and discussion by Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, superintendent.
11:15—Election of Officers for ensuing year.
11:30—Address: "Today's Opportunity for the Baptists," R. E. Hardy.
12:15—Recess and Lunch.

Friday Afternoon

- 1:30—Praise and Worship, led by Rev. Glenn Huffman.
1:45—Sunday Schools, report and discussion by Rev. C. C. Holland.
2:15—Baptist Training Unions, report and discussion by James Hamby.
2:45—Final reports from churches and Goals for Next Year, led by Rev. Eugene Olive.
3:15—Report of Committees and Miscellaneous business.
Final Adjournment.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

In the discussion in last year's minutes on Religious Literature, I was struck with the statement made by Bro. J. S. Elliott in his opening paragraph, "Any book or periodical brought before the mind's eye has an influence on the heart, mind and character." If this is true, (and it is true) with what great importance should the Christian church consider the reading matter of her members. Never in the history of the world, has so much worthless (and often harmful) literature been placed before the people of today—a casual glance at any news stand reveals its sensational and worthless character.

Recently a speaker from a near-by town made the statement in the First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro, that he was confident that at least fifty per cent of the membership of his church were not Christians. Perhaps this discouraging percentage does not exist in all of our churches, yet the fact remains that the church, the bride of Christ, has more to contend with than ever before to keep the true Christians in working order, and try to bring into the fold those who are not of the sterling pattern.

By a mysterious Providence, we are privileged to live in a very unusual time, and while we have many advantages our forefathers did not enjoy, the temptations are also much greater, and it behooves the church to be "up and doing" as never before. Unfortunately the church is not able to fill the vast field intended for her to fill—many who could, do not attend the services—Some are sick, many indifferent; many churches have few services per month, so that it makes the field of religious literature all the more important. Take a "shut-in," for instance, some one physically unable to attend church services, such a

person is wholly dependent on either the radio or good books for their soul's food.

Dr. S. D. Gordon, in his wonderful "Quiet Talks on Service" describes the first meeting of John with Jesus as three steps that begin all service—John looked at Jesus, John talked with Jesus, and forever after he talked about Jesus; one always leads to the other. The highest calling on earth is that of talking about Jesus—the minister who by word of mouth points men to the Savior Jesus, and next to that comes the writings of Christian, consecrated men and women. Wonderful indeed is that ability to put in writing the truths gleaned by gifted men, so that the great gems of the Bible stand out in glorious array and bring such a glow to the soul that even though the writer may have long since passed out of earthly existence, his pages glisten and bring warmth and food to the hungry soul, like manna in the desert.

The religion of Jesus Christ is the greatest marvel on earth—it has come down thru the many vicissitudes of the ages without losing any of its power, but we must remember that God is behind it and cares for His own, and good books have been a great instrument in His hands in keeping the fires burning. And it is just as impossible for a Christian to thrive religiously without soul food as for the physical body to live without sustenance.

So, what should be the prescription for a Christian to follow to stay in sight of the Master? Most of us get to church once each week or once each month, but what about the intervening period? Can a Christian stay healthy on a meal each week or month? Impossible. DAILY contact is the only way.

Dr. S. D. Gordon speaks most beautifully and helpfully in his "Quiet Talks" about the eyes of the heart, "Looking at Jesus—what does it mean practically? It means hearing about Him first, then actually appealing to Him, accepting His word as personal to one's self, putting Him to the test in life, trusting His death to square up one's sin score, trusting His power to clean the heart and sweeten the spirit and stiffen the will. It means more yet; something on His side, an answering look from Him. There comes a consciousness within of His love and winsomeness. That answering look of His holds us forever after His willing slaves, love's slaves. Paul speaks of the eyes of the heart. It is with these eyes we look at Him and receive His answering look." Thru the eyes of the heart it is possible to meet and worship daily by means of a good book as well as through a good sermon.

I believe a great impetus would be given to the church if only every Christian home would in addition to the denominational literature add a group of religious books, interesting and well written. Our pastor has secured for our church supplies of daily readings called the "Upper Room," which only costs five cents for three months. Every one has time for that much reading, and in addition I would suggest that every home secure as many of Dr. S. D. Gordon's "Quiet Talks" as possible, and by all means get "The Art of Living" by

Norman Vincent Peale. Any one wanting these books can secure them at wholesale price, and they are well worth their weight in gold to any home.

When the time comes that the Church membership of this country gives time to daily reading, accompanied by daily habits of prayer, we will see the religious awakening so greatly needed; and the Church will move forward to fill the place our Saviour intended.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. SPAINHOUR.

RESOLUTION

All the ministers were appointed on a committee, to report to the Association, if it should adopt the club plan of subscribing for the Biblical Recorder, for all churches of the Association. The committee reported and it carried unanimously for the following resolution to be adopted, resolved, "That the Association endorse the new associational plan of subscribing to the Biblical Recorder in the churches to begin and expire about the time of the annual meeting of the Association, and that Prof. T. E. Story be elected to cooperate with the pastors and Biblical Recorder in forming clubs of membership at \$1.50 per year."

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

The Mills Home is, and has been for many years, very close to the hearts of our Baptist people. Our people are vitally interested in the temporal and spiritual welfare of helpless, dependent and unfortunate children, and therefore cherish the privilege of having a part in taking care of them. This good work grips their hearts and they march forth as a mighty army to meet the needs of these children in the love and fear of God.

We are caring for at present 599 children, not counting those being cared for by their mothers. This is a great number. At Thomasville and the Kennedy Home we have 599. The number with their mothers is around 173. The children live under a very wholesome atmosphere where their time is divided between work, play and worship. The spiritual life of every child is entered into carefully and very few leave without having accepted Jesus as their personal Savior.

The mother's aid department is doing a fine work. It keeps mother and child together where mothers are physically and morally fit for their children except the earning of something to eat and wear. Then aid is given towards the maintenance of their home.

The Mills Home is under the very efficient management and able leadership of I. G. Greer. The Mills Home is largely supported by the once a month offering from the Sunday Schools and a great thanksgiving offering from the churches. We appeal to every Sunday School and Church in the Association to follow out this worthy plan for it will meet the needs of these helpless and unfortunate children.

Respectfully submitted,

REX WEST.

Motion and seconded that the report be adopted and carried unanimously, after which a fine discussion was made by Dr. I. G. Greer, of the Mills' Home.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

Nominating—A. M. McGee, W. E. Parsons, Mrs. Pearl Blevins.

Time and Place—R. L. Proffit, B. M. Pardue, Rev. Isaac Watts.

Resolutions—O. B. Barnette, Mrs. Geo. Johnson, Lafayette Math-
erly.

Order of Business—Rev. Eugene Olive, Walter Jones, Rev. Howard Ford, Miss Pearl Jarvis, U. G. Foster.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. Isaac Watts, from the 3rd chapter of Nehemiah, on building the walls of Jerusalem.

12:30—Adjourned for dinner.

At 1:30 the Association reassembled in the church and the audience joined in singing "My Jesus, I Love Thee." The devotional was conducted by Rev. A. W. Eller, by giving a discourse from the 3rd chapter of Nehemiah.

Visitors recognized were: Rev. W. R. Beach, from the Caldwell Association, and Rev. Howard J. Ford, from the Alleghany Association.

DISCUSSION ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

At the present time we are confronted with the most serious situation of the liquor traffic any time in fifty years. A strong effort is being made to make the sale and drinking of liquor respectable. The liquor forces have set as their goal thirty million new drinkers, for this year, for our young people and women. They are bending every effort to that end.

There are other evils abundantly that greatly handicap our social order. Your committee suggests:

1. That our church people practice total abstinence in regard to liquor and bend every effort possible to curb all the evils that are a menace to our social order at the present time.

2. That our people be urged to co-operate with all agencies that are now striving against these evils that threaten our social order.

3. That we reverently urge our people to support only those men and measures that stand for the total suppression of the liquor traffic in all its forms.

We further urge that men in all walks and relationship of life should teach and stand for prohibition. The liquor traffic cannot exist nor thrive without the patronage of each rising generation, a large number of whom it must necessarily ruin, body, soul and spirit. Therefore, we should teach temperance in our home so that we may bring up a generation that will be wholly for prohibition.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. CASEY.

Motion made and seconded that the report be adopted and carried unanimously.

Brother M. A. Adams gave a timely and interesting discussion on temperance and the A. B. C. stores.

REPORT ON COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program is a plan worked out and endorsed by Southern Baptists, with a unified appeal to every church and member to contribute to the cause of the Kingdom of God to the utmost part of the world. This plan urges that all contributions be sent through it, but certainly recognizes the right of members to give to any object or objects with the assurance that the contributions will be applied exactly as designated.

North Carolina gets 60% for the different missions and 40% South-wide.

This program has year by year had the reaffirmed approval of the Southern Baptist Convention. They believe it is the best plan for the carrying out the command of the Man of Galilee, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

If this program is to reach its best, it must have the support of every church and every church member. There are at least three great reasons for giving:

- (1.) It is a plain command from God.
- (2.) The world is a challenge to Baptists as never before.
- (3.) The churches and their members are starving for this one thing—Giving.

On the grounds of these reasons we urge that every church in the Brushy Mountain Association seek to enlist all of their members, **FOR GOD'S SAKE, FOR THE WORLD'S SAKE AND FOR THEIR OWN SAKE.**

Respectfully submitted,

FINLEY C. WATTS.

Report was read and unanimously adopted and an interesting discussion by Rev. Finley C. Watts and Rev. J. C. Pipes.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, HOSPITAL AND AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF

The gospel is for the whole man. Jesus added to his preaching, teaching and healing. Any man or woman who hears the Great Teacher teach the whole truth will believe in Christian Education. Everyone who follows the Great Physician in His healing ministry will support, insofar as he is able, the efforts of the church to heal the sick. The Christian who catches the spirit of our Master will not be satisfied to let the old ministers live in poverty.

Our State Convention now has a Department of Christian Education. This department is encouraging men's work in the churches, promoting student work throughout the State, and reminding us of the necessity for more and better teaching and training in all of our churches. The Convention also has five colleges under its care. There are two great four year institutions, Wake Forest and Meredith; three Junior Colleges, Mars Hill, Campbell and Chowan.

We are now helping to support through our Cooperative Program and a Mother's Day offering, our Baptist Hospital. In the year 1937 about 5,000 people applied for treatment; about 1,000 of this number was turned away for lack of room. Of this number about 1,700 paid little or nothing.

The local church should see to it that every aged and infirm minister is adequately fed, clothed and housed. The Relief and Annuity Board is the only agency within our church that attempts to provide for the aged ministers, their widows and orphans. Secretary Huggins is working on a plan to propose to our next Convention which will enable every pastor through the Relief and Annuity Board to prepare for the day when he will no longer be active.

We believe the privilege of doing our Christian duty by contributing regularly to these worthy causes through our Cooperative Program.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD J. FORD.

Report was read and unanimously adopted, and a very able discussion on Christian Education by Rev. N. C. Teague, of the Pilot Mountain Association, and Rev. J. M. Hayes; also an able talk on Hospital by Smith Hagaman.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The church has been throughout its history an educational institution. The founders of the first college in America did not want to leave to future generations an illiterate ministry, so Harvard was established in 1636.

Beginning with Wake Forest College in 1834, North Carolina Baptists have believed in and supported Christian schools. Other colleges now belonging to North Carolina Baptists are Chowan, Mars Hill, Meredith and Campbell. Wingate and Boiling Springs are Baptist schools owned by associations and not by the Convention.

More than 2,500 college students and about three hundred high school students are enrolled in these institutions belonging to the Baptists. Members of faculties number more than 200.

While special attention has been given from the beginning to training ministers, missionaries and other Christian workers in these schools, many men and women have gone from them into the various walks of life to serve their fellowman as fine Christian citizens.

North Carolina Baptists share with others composing the Southern Baptist Convention in the ownership and support of three Southwide seminaries and training schools. We have a small part, also, in the support of a seminary for Negroes.

These institutions deserve our loyal support, both in the matter of sending our young people to them and in giving them our financial aid through the Cooperative Program.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD J. FORD.

This report was unanimously adopted after which an interesting discussion was given by Rev. James Hayes on Christian Education.

AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF

Since the Relief and Annuity Board began its work about 3,000 pastors and pastors' widows have been aided by the Relief Department; and to these about \$2,000,000 has been paid.

In addition about \$1,000,000 has been distributed in Annuities. For the relief of aged ministers the Board now receives annually from the churches only about \$65,000. It pays out about \$85,000 annually for aiding the approximate 1,100 ministers and widows of ministers. For this purpose the Board needs at least \$300,000, or about five times as much as it now receives from the churches, in order to provide an income of \$25.00 a month for these aged ministers who are in real need.

The Annuity Board has a small, simple plan by which each church member can help our aged ministers of the gospel. This plan, if all the church members would cooperate with their pastor, would enable the pastor to receive a monthly income for life after the ministers old age retirement. This plan is known as the Age Security Plan. This is obtained by the minister paying three per cent (3%) of his salary and the church paying three per cent (3%) of the salary they pay to him, into the Age Security Treasury. This action on the part of the church will solve the problem of old age dependency among ministers; it will insure a more worthy support than has ever been given through the relief department, and for those whose years of serving the Lord as ministers are not largely behind them it will provide an adequate support in their old age. Churches should remember that an annuity for a retired minister is not to be thought of as their gift in order that he can have an easier life, but rather is to pay him the promised part due him as their obligation to him for putting in his life for a mere "support." The retired minister is the church's graduated leader—not its pauper dependent.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD J. FORD.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

There is no separation of the aims and work of the Woman's Missionary Union and the work of the local church. The word included in the name of our organization, "Auxiliary," indicates exactly what the group can and does do for the church; help in all the program of the church. These aims as listed in our plan of work are: individual and united prayer, enlistment, Bible and Mission study, personal service, tithes and offerings on the part of every member, and missionary education of our young people. Significant today is our effort to uphold such moral standards as international and interracial justice, world peace, Christian observance of Sunday, sacredness of the home, child welfare and public health. Surely a group in each of our churches striving towards the realization of these purposes would hasten the work of the Kingdom.

We are happy to report that all of the churches having organizations last year have been faithful and steadfast. Our young people and women gave last year to all mission causes more than \$1,000.

For the fourth year the women of the First Church of North Wilkesboro are supporting a Bible woman to work with Miss Pearl Johnson of China.

Our annual meeting was held on June 20th with the women of Moravian Falls Church. It was a joy indeed to meet with the interested women of this new organization. Mrs. Earl C. Hames, who was formerly Young People's Leader for the North Carolina Woman's Missionary Union, brought to us an inspiring and challenging message. Under the direction of Miss Lunda Hendren, Associational Young People's Leader, the young peoples' organizations presented an impressive and informal program. We were deeply grateful for the presence of one pastor of two of our churches. Last year our Union celebrated the fiftieth or golden anniversary of its organization. There is an intensive effort all over the Southland to enlist more of our church members for His service and to glorify our King by making the year memorable for our gifts of sacrificial service and substance. God grant that we, in this Association, will redeem the time, rejoicing in the privilege of "laboring together" in bringing about His kingdom in the hearts of men everywhere.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. T. MITCHELL.

Report was unanimously adopted after which an interesting discussion was given by Rev. James Hayes.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We are reminded anew that "the Sunday School is the church at work," when we hear of the wonderful revivals that have been held in our Association this year. It makes it easy to believe that the churches have truly been at work through the Sunday Schools when we note what a great number of souls have been won through these revivals. If you were to look personally into the life of every new born soul, you would find that more than 60% of them were Sunday School students before they became Christians. Then if you will talk personally to pastors and personal workers, they will tell you that Sunday school people are easy to lead to Christ. Why? Because the way has been paved by teachers who believe in the saving grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Also because "Winning to Christ holds central place in the Sunday School."

We are happy that every church in our Association has a Sunday School, and as far as we know these Sunday Schools are evergreen. The good that these Sunday Schools are doing in their communities can never be fully realized by any of us. They are making it easier for the people in their communities to do right, and where right prevails, we find "a peace that passeth all understanding."

However, let us not think we have done all the good that we might. God never intended that we be an idle people; so there's plenty to be done in our Sunday Schools. For example: There are at present over 2,500,000 church members in the Southland who are not enrolled in Sunday Schools. We must not forget them after they have been born

into His kingdom, because Jesus said, "They shall go in and out and find pasture." We believe the Sunday School to be one of the greenest pastures for new Christians for several reasons. First: It meets weekly at the house of God and gives to all who attend it fellowship with Christ and other Christians. Second: In Sunday School the most important book, the Bible, is taught. Third: Sunday School gives one the desire to study the Bible, the study increases faith in Him, and through faith we are saved.

Several of the churches in our Association have been interested enough in their Sunday School to have study courses and enlargement campaigns even though it was not Associational wide. We know great good has been done through these. We would suggest that any church who does not have a resident pastor have your pastor spend a week with you. While he is with you find out your possibilities for Sunday School, have a week's study together, and work to get the folks there. You'll be surprised at the good that will be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE Mc. HENDRIX.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Nominating Committee, respectfully recommend Prof. T. E. Story be re-elected as Moderator and J. F. Jordan for Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. PARSONS, Chairman,

A. M. McGEE,

MRS. FRED BLEVINS,

Committee.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

Just as long as Baptist churches shall exist there shall be an urgent need for training their members in Christian service. Our Baptist Training Union is made up of various Young People's Unions, the Story Hour, and the Baptist Adult Union, and its great aim is "Training in Church Membership." The Baptist Training Union is a church task. It is the responsibility of every Baptist church to establish and maintain a Training Union, and through it to organize as many B. Y. P. U's as are necessary for reaching and training its church membership from the Junior Department up.

Although our Training Unions are constantly growing in numbers and in service, there remains a need for greater zeal and more earnest efforts on the part of the young people to reach out and answer the call for workers to fill the ranks of the great Christian army as it struggles ceaselessly against the foes of God's kingdom. In most of our churches there is a vital need for a deeper church consciousness on the subject of training. The obligation of the older church members to the young Christians is just as serious as is the obligation of parents toward the training of their children. No Training Union can flourish without the support of the deacons and other church leaders, the parents, and the church as a whole. This should prove a challenge to the older church members to encourage and assist the Training

Union in every way possible. To this end the Baptist Adult Union has been formed in many churches all over the Southland.

Southern Baptist Training Union leaders have developed the most successful methods in the world for training young people in Christian service. The church which has a great B. T. U. has an inexhaustible source of supply for teachers, leaders for Juniors and Intermediates, W. M. U. workers, and deacons. Thousands of preachers and other religious workers who are now in active service heard the call and received their preliminary training in the Training Union. Many of our great missionaries around the world received their first impulse to give their lives in this service when in B. Y. P. U. But still a call comes ringing over the restless waves, a call of lost souls crying for salvation. Are we, the young people, going to answer the challenge by preparing ourselves to answer that call?

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES HAMBY.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

First. In accord with the time honored programme of this Association, and at this time reaffirming our belief in the principles of the brethren who organized the Brushy Mountain Association, we offer as our first resolution that we continue our fight against all forms of narcotic liquors, the manufacture, sale, and drinking of same, and pledge our body to war against this great evil.

Second. Whereas it has pleased the Divine Providence of the universe to remove from our midst a number of our brethren and sisters from the churches of the Brushy Mountain Association since we last met, be it resolved that this assembly rise to our feet for a minute in silent prayer in honor of those we loved.

Third. That we extend our sincere appreciation to each speaker and to every committee, who have helped to make this splendid, inspiring and uplifting program possible. To the pastor and members of Mount Pleasant church we express our thanks and gratitude and friendship.

Respectfully submitted,

W. O. BARNETTE,
MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON,
LAFAYETTE MATHERLY,
Committee.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Beaver Creek—Mrs. Martha Marley.
- Edgewood—Mr. J. T. Moore.
- Fishing Creek—Mrs. S. B. Miller, Mr. Roy Love.
- Hinshaw Street—Mrs. H. A. Walker.
- Lewis Fork—Mrs. Mary Nichols, Mr. Tommie Cox.
- Liberty Grove—Mrs. Mary Jane Burchette.
- Mount Pleasant—Mrs. Lula Fairchilds, Mrs. Frances Foster, Mrs. Fannie Adams, Mr. Joe Cardwell, Mr. Joe Eller, Mr. Carl Ellis.
- New Hope—Mrs. Bethania Bumgarner, Mrs. Hattie Cardwell, Mrs. Sarah Jane Phillips.
- North Wilkesboro 1st—Mr. John A. Johnston, Mr. E. C. Woodie, Mrs. Glen Gollither.
- Pilgrim—Mrs. M. J. Church, Fannie Minton, Mr. A. G. Eller.
- Pleasant Grove—Mr. Spurgeon Minton.
- Pleasant Home—Mrs. Jane Kilby, Mrs. Mary Miller.
- Stony Hill—Mr. G. F. Parsons, Mrs. A. M. Whittington, Mr. Thomas South.
- Walnut Grove—Deacon C. P. Brock, Mrs. Grace Meadows, Mrs. Rurie Treadway, Mrs. Maud Foster.
- Wilkesboro—Mrs. J. L. Hemphill, Mrs. Mae Walker.
- Zion Hill—Miss Matilda Ferguson, Mary Russell, Mr. Moody Hamby.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership, at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of such church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before the noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of

established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the Kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the Moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on Order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall arise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., Brushy Mtn. Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1938

CHURCHES	Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted	Pastors and Post Offices	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	GAINS			LOSSES			Weekly Prayer Meet.	Reverals During Yr.	Obsv. Lord's Supper	Rec. State Bapt Paper	
						Baptisms	Letters	Restorations	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths					Total Present Members
Beaver Creek	Co.	1811	B. F. Peeler, Taylorsville	2	130	18	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Big Ivey	Co.	1884	Glenn Huffman, Parsonville	1	86	7	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Boiling Springs	Co.	1932	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	1	54	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cub Creek	Co.	1895	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	2	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Edgewood	Co.	1893	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1	149	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Elk	Co.	1905	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	2	45	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fishing Creek	Co.	1922	N. T. Jarvis, Roaring River	2	222	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Gordon	Co.	1919	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	2 & 4	92	6	2	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Goshen	Co.	1914	Isaac Watts, Boomer	1	122	7	3	1	6	167	132	1	1	1	1	1
Harmony	Co.	1900	F. C. Watts, Purlear	1	160	12	1	2	2	112	167	1	1	1	1	1
Hinshaw Street	T.	1927	R. F. Day, Elkin	2	106	9	1	2	2	112	167	1	1	1	1	1
Lewis Fork	Co.	1792	Levi Green, Deep Gap	1	250	47	10	5	3	4	302	1	1	1	1	1
Liberty Grove	Co.	1887	H. V. Hicks, Traphill	4	155	1	1	3	2	1	150	1	1	1	1	1
Little Rock	Co.	1866	Woodrow Brookshire, Taylorsville	2	174	6	2	1	2	180	121	1	1	1	1	1
Moravian Falls	V.	1888	R. C. Gwaltney, Thomasville	2 & 4	109	6	8	2	2	121	37	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Carmel	Co.	1880	D. C. Clanton, Union Grove	1	37	19	1	9	1	6	325	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Pleasant	Co.	1875	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	1	150	11	1	2	1	162	162	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Zion	Co.	1849	E. C. Hodges, Boomer	1	268	6	1	2	1	3	272	1	1	1	1	1
New Hope	Co.	1830	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro	4	559	12	11	14	14	3	565	yes	1	1	1	1
N. Wilkesboro 1st	T.	1892	Engene Olive, North Wilkesboro	*	40	24	3	6	6	61	61	1	1	1	1	1
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	T.	1907	E. K. Wooten, Hamptonville	2 & 4	118	12	2	4	4	132	132	1	1	1	1	1
Oakwoods	Co.	1917	R. C. Gwaltney, Thomasville	2 & 4	143	5	1	4	9	1	265	1	1	1	1	1
Pilgrim	Co.	1859	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro	1	276	3	2	3	3	253	253	1	1	1	1	1
Pleasant Grove	Co.	1880	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	1	59	1	1	1	1	59	59	1	1	1	1	1
Pleasant Home	Co.	1880	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro	3	254	2	2	2	2	253	253	1	1	1	1	1
Shady Grove	Co.	1880	B. L. Minton, Congo	2	133	3	3	3	3	132	132	1	1	1	1	1
Stony Hill	Co.	1888	J. G. Huffman, Parsonville	2	273	9	5	5	5	273	273	1	1	1	1	1
Walnut Grove	Co.	1845	C. C. Holland, Taylorsville	2 & 4	246	16	7	7	7	258	258	yes	1	1	1	1
Wilkesboro	T.	1880	H. J. Ford, Sparta	1 & 3	197	5	1	2	2	199	199	1	1	1	1	1
Zion Hill	Co.	1814	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	4	197	5	1	1	1	199	199	1	1	1	1	1

*Twice Each Sunday.

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mtn. Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept., 1938.

CHURCHES	Superintendents and Post Offices	Enrollment										Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Teachers Diplomas	Vacation Bible School Enrollment			
		Cradle Roll, under 3	Beginners, 3 to 5	Primaries, 6 to 8	Juniors, 9 to 12	Intermediates, 13 to 16	Young People, 17 to 24	Adults, 25 up	Extension Department	Departmental Officers	Have You Mission S.S.					Total Enrollment, Officers, Teachers, Pupils	Average Attendance	Baptisms from S. S.
Beaver Creek	A. J. Foster, Boomer																	
Big Ivy	Mrs. Nora Miller, Walsh		8	8	15	14									50	40	18	
Boiling Springs	B. F. Huffman, Purlear														80	53		
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	6	15	15	10	12									60	40	no	no
Edgewood	C. W. Fletcher, R. 3, N. Wilkesboro		15	11	10	13	11	14							74	43	no	no
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny		10	14	11	9									50	25		
Fishing Creek	C. B. Mayberry, R. 3, N. Wilkesboro	6	8	12	30	20	18	30							124	78	yes	
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	3	20	12	30	13	29	46							153	59	3	no
Goshen	John Higgins, Wilkesboro	11	12	10	15	16	12								76	40		
Harmony	H. D. Caudill, Millers Creek		7	8	12	12									39			
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Dancy, North Wilkesboro	42	28	12	11	20	58								174	98	yes	
Lewis Fork	Mrs. Novella Foster, Purlear	15			9	14	22								60	60		
Liberty Grove	Mrs. J. S. Elliott, Knottville	19	17	25	21										82	56		
Little Rock	Miss Arlee Broyles, Boomer	6	8	16	40	30	12								112	70		
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	7	4	25	6	17	41	18							118	65	6	
Mount Carmel	M. A. Earp, Moravian Falls														40	30		
Mount Pleasant	Loyd Hendrix, Champion	19	14	25	26	30	45								159	70		
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	1	16		7	11	46								81	60	5	
New Hope	Clinton Eller, R. 2, Wilkesboro	30	15	15	25	50	50								185	100		
N. Wilkesboro 1st	D. E. Elledge, North Wilkesboro	40	29	41	107	80	72	177	50						596	260	12	yes
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	J. M. Anderson, North Wilkesboro														90	50		
Oakwoods	Fred Blevins, R. 2, Wilkesboro	16	12	16											75	31		
Pilgrim	W. F. Shoemaker, Wilkesboro		20												105	60		
Pleasant Grove	Clarence Minton, Buck														100	50		
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	15	30	20	40	25	30								170	125		
Shady Grove	Mrs. Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	4	6	10	6	10	14	4	5						60	55		
Stony Hill	Zollie Parsons, Parsonsville	29	27	44											142	46	3	
Walnut Grove	Vaughan Jennings, Pores Knob	8	9	17	24	17	28								96	75	7	
Wilkesboro	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	23	16	46	35	44	21	17							187	87	14	yes
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer														75	45	5	

TABLE IV—Gifts for Local Church Work, Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Year Ending Sept. 1938.

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U. & W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total For Local Purposes Given by Church and All Its Organizations
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	\$ 80.00		\$28.00	\$2000.00		\$10.00	\$16.00		\$2.00		\$2136.00*
Big Ivy	W. A. Blackburn, Walsh	50.00										50.00
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear											
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	73.15		19.00			12.00	35.00		4.00		113.15
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, R. 2, Wilkesboro	135.00					9.60	18.50		1.30	4.11	168.51
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny, N. C.	78.26		3.65			1.44	4.73		2.00		90.08
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, R. 2, Wilkesboro	179.88		30.00			65.37	29.65		3.00	135.17	320.70
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	37.65		12.30	60.00		26.10	39.45	\$9.75	2.50		168.90
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	111.30				\$ 24.50	9.86	15.00		2.50		163.16
Harmony	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	167.70	\$20.00				15.00	13.74	\$33.00	1.50	5.00	255.94
Hinshaw Street	Clarence Hayes, N. Wilkesboro.	75.58				62.00	60.00	40.00		2.00		195.58
Liberty Fork	W. D. Foster, Purlear	75.78		50.00	40.00		2.50	21.11		2.00		275.25
Liberty Grove	Rev. J. S. Elliott, Knottville	27.75		15.00				6.85		5.70		83.05
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	200.00		20.00			30.00	24.00		1.00	10.00	183.00
Moravian Falls	Mrs. R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls	157.95		67.95	105.22		53.95	24.42	37.70	3.00		549.29
Mount Carmel	Will Houck, Moravian Falls			48.95						1.25		1.25
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, Purlear	436.73		29.57	71.10		95.81	37.03	25.00	3.00	15.85	732.99
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	168.50		29.57				18.91	5.00	2.00	14.20	237.01
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro	180.00		40.00		500.00	36.30	44.34		3.00	7.63	832.27
N. Wilkesboro 1st.	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	2750.00	495.00	65.00	220.33	1832.10	335.95	644.47			199.10	6541.93
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Isaac White, North Wilkesboro.	30.00		10.00	200.00			13.80		2.00	10.00	252.00
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, R. 2, Wilkesboro	80.35		54.43								144.38
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Congo	76.22		9.14			14.11	17.58		1.00		212.63
Pleasant Grove	W. E. Parsons, Buck				175.00			19.58		3.00		198.08
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	166.31		41.83			44.32	18.07	25.00	3.00		298.53
Shady Grove	Mrs. Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	55.68		12.50				4.00		1.50		73.68
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonville	92.10		20.50	28.00		12.00	10.64		2.00		165.24
Walnut Grove	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob	300.00		40.00	30.00	10.00	15.00	25.00	6.00	3.00	10.00	440.00
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	600.00		61.03		279.38	149.25	109.71		6.00	76.20	1311.57
Zion Hill	Mary Ferguson, Boomer.	150.00		81.00			5.00	25.00				261.00

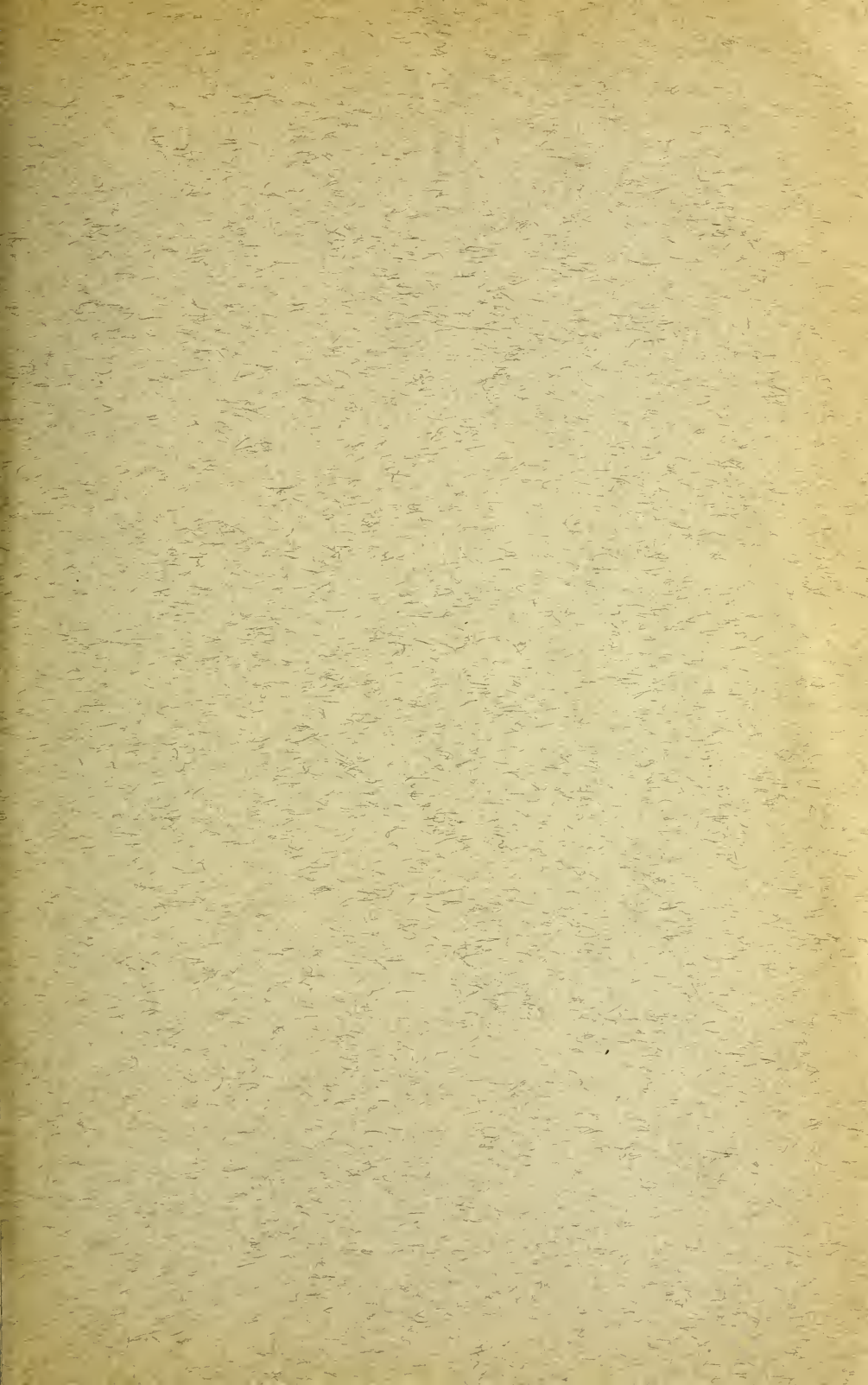
*Beaver Creek—Value Fod and Clothing to Orphanage, \$6.30.

**TABLE VI—Baptist Training Unions, Etc., of
Brushy Mountain Baptist Association for
Year Endng September, 1938.**

CHURCHES													
	B. T. U. With Director	Senior B. Y. P. U.'s	Intermediate B. Y. P. U.'s	Junior B. Y. P. U.'s	Total B. A. U. & B. Y. P. U.	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	No. Daily Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers	Students In College
New Hope.....	1				1				30	20			
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	1	2	1	4	20	55	28	103	39	16	36		
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	3	12	13	15	40	28	19		1	

**TABLE VII—W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts, Brushy Mountain
Baptist Association, for Year Ending September, 1938**

CHURCHES															Grand Total for All Pur- poses Given by W. M. U. and all its Organizations	
	No. Woman's Miss. Soc.	No. Y. W. A.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. R. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organiz'ns	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mis- sion Study Courses	Contributions (Local Work) given by W. M. U.		Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.
Edgewood.....	1					1	11				11					\$ 36.68
Fishing Creek.....	1					1	13				13	8				12.76
Moravian Falls.....	1					1		1			19		\$ 4.50	\$ 8.26		
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	1	1	4	2	1	9	109	17	105	24	29	279	232	797.04	121.16	918.20
Oakwoods.....	1						14							1.00	9.00	10.00
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1			3	35	15	24			74	15	11.51	57.85	69.36





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Prof. T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.
J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Beshears, Lee, Parsonville, N. C.
Byrd, W. L., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Curry, G. W., Benham, N. C.
Eller, A. W., North Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1
Eller, V. G., Purlear, N. C.
Foster, A. J., Boomer, N. C.
Frost, G. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, Milt
Higgins, John, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hodges, E. C., Boomer, N. C.
Huffman, Glenn, Parsonville, N. C.
Jarvis, N. T., Roaring River, N. C., R. 2
Miller, Ed. O., Knottville, N. C.
Minton, Clarence, Buck, N. C.
Minton, B. L., Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1
Olive, Eugene, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Parsons, J. A., Purlear, N. C.
Pruitt, J. C., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Shew, Tom R., North Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1
Walsh, T. R., Walsh, N. C.
Walker, James, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Watson, Tom, Tumbling Shoals, N. C.
Watts, F. C., Purlear, N. C.
Watts, Isaac, Boomer, N. C.
Watts, S. J., Boomer, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
Clanton, D. C., Union Grove, N. C.
Day, R. F., Elkin, N. C.
Ford, Howard J., Sparta, N. C.
Green, Levi, Deep Gap, N. C.
Holland, C. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Johnson, W. O., Taylorsville, N. C.
Pardue, Loyd, Elkin, N. C.
Peeler, B. F., Taylorsville, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

Each church may send as many delegates as it wishes to the Baptist
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ROLL OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—A. J. Foster, S. H. Jones, G. H. Walker.
- Big Ivey—Victoria Walsh, A. T. Blackburn, W. A. Blackburn.
- Boiling Springs—Turner Huffman, J. P. Miller, Quincy Huffman.
- Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. L. Hemphill, Will Anderson.
- Edgewood—C. W. Fletcher, Clifford Moore, Carey Glass
- Elk—W. A. Proffit, S. F. Miller, F. W. McNeill.
- Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, Eugene Pardue, G. W. Miller, James Walker.
- Gordon—W. P. Carson, Mrs. W. P. Carson, Iredell Osborn, Jess Lowman.
- Goshen—H. A. Carlton, R. L. Proffit, Remus Church.
- Harmony—Mrs. W. E. Jones, Mrs. H. D. Caudill, Mrs. H. W. Mahaffey.
- Hinshaw Street—Shuby Jones, Claude J. Miller, I. S. Baity.
- Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplette, Harry Prestwood, C. C. Bishop.
- Liberty Grove—John A. Elliott, Earl Anderson, Frank Mahaffey.
- Little Rock—J. W. Andrews, W. M. Lackey, I. J. Broyhill.
- Moravian Falls—D. J. Pardue, Lawrence Critcher, Mrs. R. L. Scroggs.
- Mount Carmel—W. H. Houck, W. D. Church, Arnold Wilson.
- Mount Pleasant—A. M. McGee, E. C. Foster, W. E. Blackburn.
- Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, E. M. Triplette, G. F. Barnett.
- New Hope—G. E. Vannoy, T. A. Eller, R. I. McNeill.
- North Wilkesboro 1st—D. E. Elledge, E. E. Eller, Mrs. C. E. Jenkins.
- North Wilkesboro 2nd—J. N. White, W. I. Bumgarner.
- Oakwoods—Fred Blevins, Mrs. Pearl Blevins, Mrs. J. M. Canter.
- Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, Lafayette Deal, T. R. Foster.
- Pleasant Grove—W. T. Parsons, W. E. Parsons, Willie Church, Charlie Faw.
- Pleasant Home—A. G. Bumgarner, W. T. Snyder, W. V. Caudill.
- Shady Grove—D. R. Green, Willard Eller, Mrs. Earl Anderson.
- Stony Hill—C. S. McNeill, Zollie Parsons, W. M. Whittington.
- Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, Mrs. W. A. Jennings, R. C. Meadows, Mrs. R. C. Meadows.
- Welcome Home—C. J. Jones, M. W. Snyder, W. H. Hurley.
- Wilkesboro—J. F. Jordan, Dr. M. G. Edwards, L. Bumgarner.
- Zion Hill—J. E. German, W. J. Earp, Charlie German.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The Sixty-Sixth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Beaver Creek Baptist Church, September 19, 1939, at 9:30 A. M. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing hymn, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms," "Power In the Blood."

The devotional was conducted by Rev. J. A. McKaughan, who gave an inspirational discussion from the 12th chapter of Romans.

The Moderator called for the enrollment of messengers and twenty-five churches with their letters responded. Pastors present were ten. Visiting brothers: Rev. Howard J. Ford, Alleghany; Rev. C. C. Holland, Alexander; Rev. N. T. Jarvis, Brier Creek; Rev. W. R. Beach, Caldwell; Rev. M. A. Adams, Sandy Run; Rev. E. C. Hodges, Three Fork; R. F. Terrell, Raleigh Association; Rev. J. A. McKaughan, Pilot Mountain.

Welcome Home Baptist Church presented itself to become a member of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association. Under Article 4 of the Constitution a committee was appointed by the Moderator, composed of the following: Rev. Isaac Watts, Chairman, T. A. Eller, Arthur Bumgarner, Mansfield Huffman and Rev. Noah T. Jarvis. Rev. Isaac Watts, Chairman of the committee, reported favorable, and motion was made by W. A. Jennings, and seconded by A. J. Foster that Welcome Home Baptist Church be received into the Association, which carried unanimously.

The Moderator called for a motion which was made by Rev. Eugene Olive and seconded by W. A. Proffit, that the following programme as made out by the Executive Committee be adopted and the motion carried unanimously:

GENERAL THEME: "MAGNIFYING CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH"

TUESDAY

- 9:30 a. m.—Praise and Worship A. J. Foster
9:45 a. m.—Roll call of churches, recognition of visitors, appointment of committees by the Moderator
10:00 a. m.—Report of Moderator and Objectives Suggested for Next Year.
10:15 a. m.—Magnifying Christ in Our Reading:
 (1) Report on Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, and Mission Literature Mrs. C. E. Jenkins
 (2) Discussion by representatives and others
10:45 a. m.—Report on the Orphanage.....Johnson J. Hayes
 Discussion by Superintendent I. G. Greer, of Thomasville
11:15 a. m.—Hymn
11:20 a. m.—Annual Sermon by Howard J. Ford, or alternate, E. K. Wooten
12:00 Noon—Recess and Lunch
1:15 p. m.—Praise and Worship B. F. Peeler

- 1:30 p. m.—**Mission Opportunities at Home and Abroad:**
 (1) Report on State Missions C. C. Holland
 (2) Report on Home Missions N. T. Jarvis
 (3) Report on Foreign Missions Isaac Watts
 (4) Discussion Led by H. J. Ford
- 2:30 p. m.—The Challenge of the Cooperative Program.....J. C. Pipes
- 3:00 p. m.—Our Achievements in Contrast with Our Failures
 Eugene Olive
- 3:30 p. m.—Miscellaneous Business
- 3:40 p. m.—Adjournment

WEDNESDAY

- 9:30 a. m.—Praise and WorshipE. K. Wooten
- 9:45 a. m.—**Magnifying Christ in Our Teaching:**
 (1) In Our Sunday School Work D. E. Elledge
 (2) In Our Baptist Training Union Work
 Mrs. J. F. Jordan
 (3) In Our Woman's Missionary Union Work
 Mrs. G. T. Mitchell
 (4) In Our Vacation Bible School Work.....Miss Beth Jones
- 11:00 a. m.—**Magnifying Christ in Our Schools and Colleges:**
 (1) Report on Christian EducationJohn K. Blackburn
 (2) Address.....Dr. Olin T. Binkley, Wake Forest College
- 11:45 a. m.—Election of officers for next year
- 12:00 Noon—Recess and Lunch
- 1:15 p. m.—Praise and Worship J. E. Hayes
- 1:30 p. m.—**Temperance and Public Morals:**
 (1) Report and remarks F. C. Watts
 (2) Address Honorable Cale Burgess
- 2:00 p. m.—**Magnifying Christ in the Care of the Sick:**
 (1) Report on Baptist HospitalsA. W. Eller
 (2) Address J. A. McKaughan
- 2:40 p. m.—**Magnifying Christ in Providing for Aged Ministers:**
 (1) Report and Discussion of Aged Ministers Relief
 A. E. Watts
 (2) The Ministers' Retirement PlanEugene Olive
- 3:20 p. m.—Reports of Committees and Miscellaneous Business
- 3:30 p. m.—Final Adjournment
- (NOTE: A service on Tuesday night may be arranged at the pleasure of the Association and of the local church)

Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, a member of the Resolution Committee, read the following resolutions, which were voted on and carried unanimously:

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, our brethren in the organization of this Association in the year 1872 proclaimed three cardinal principals upon which the organization would function, viz: that it should be a temperance body; second, that it would foster a teaching program through the organized Sunday School; and third, that it would be a missionary body whose

efforts would be to proclaim the gospel both at home and unto the uttermost parts of the earth, and

Whereas, there has been in each of these fields of endeavor some progress made in the past 65 years, but mindful that in each of them there is still wide opportunity for further achievement in the Master's name, and

Whereas, there is developing among our people a state-wide spirit to eradicate the legalized liquor traffic and to substitute for it in all our churches a great sin-destroying, soul-saving, Christ-honoring, Holy-Ghost Revival. Therefore,

Be it resolved:

First, that this Association through its delegates assembled does reaffirm its stand against all forms of liquor traffic both legal and otherwise, and further, we assert that we shall not be disposed to vote for candidates for political office who are interested in or are in sympathy with the liquor traffic.

Second, that all our churches shall in the coming year make a great effort to have a larger number of the people attending the Sunday Schools regularly. Unquestionably we believe this can be done through some organized effort of a few devoted souls who may be found in every church.

Third, that every church in the Association will make a once a month offering to the Orphanage at Thomasville.

Fourth, that not a single church in the Association will be a zero church in the Cooperative Program at the next annual meeting of our body and that as far as possible each church will reach a goal consistent with its membership and economic ability.

Fifth, that our Association adopt in so far as possible the Resolution on Evangelism proposed by Rev. Roland Q. Leavell of the Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Ga., in that

(1) All of our churches be requested to plan and promote an intensive and extensive program for evangelism for the coming year.

(2) That there be planned a cooperative effort between the churches that an enlarged spirit of evangelism may be obtained.

(3) That Sunday, December 31, 1939, be recommended to the churches as a day of fervent prayer for lost souls and for a world wide revival, uniting in prayer with Baptists throughout the South, the nation, and all the nations represented in the Baptist World Alliance.

(4) That it be recommended to all the churches to seek to bring all the members to humility, repentance, faithfulness in preaching, attendance, soul-winning, and scriptural stewardship.

(5) That our people strive to win to Christ not less than one person for every ten church members.

(6) That it be recommended to the churches that their evangelistic programs be planned far in advance, on a perennial basis, with at least one major activity each month, such as the following: 1, religious census; 2, visitation program; 3, revival meeting; 4, instruction and training new members; 5, enlistment of inactive church members; 6,

vacation Bible School; 7, Sunday School decision day; 8, study course in soul winning; 9, an enlargement campaign; 10, associational evangelism; 11, soul winning plans at Christmas.

Sixth, that each church in the Association undertake to make up the minimum subscription list to the Biblical Recorder as set forth in the literature for "Cooperating Churches."

Seventh, that we express to the local press our appreciation for publicity given the meetings of this Association.

Eighth, that we extend our sincere appreciation to each speaker and every committee who have helped to make this splendid program possible.

To the Pastor and members of the Beaver Creek Church we express our thanks and gratitude and friendship for their courtesies and cooperation during the session of this Association.

D. E. ELLEDGE,
MRS. G. T. MITCHELL,
LAFAYETTE MATHERLY,
Committee.

MILLS HOME

The Mills Home is a perennial challenge to every Baptist in our Association. Generally speaking our people are interested in its welfare and there is evidence of this interest growing into more substantial report.

The Home continues to improve in its caring for the 600 or more children we have intrusted to it, and we owe a debt of gratitude to Superintendent and Mrs. I. G. Greer for the wonderful way in which they are directing the welfare of these children.

It is our conviction that every church in the Association should make a once a month offering to the orphanage and we earnestly urge the delegates to convey this message to their respective churches.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. HAYES, Committee.

MAGNIFYING CHRIST IN OUR READING

We magnify Christ most when we read, with open minds and receptive hearts, that supreme Book—the Bible. We are told to "Search the Scriptures," and we know the abiding things of life—faith, hope and love—are found in this Book. May we guide our lives by its teachings until we can truly say, "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path"—letting our light shine and thus magnifying Christ. One person persuaded to read the Bible may be the means of saving many. We get sweet assurance for our souls from this precious Book. Emerson said, "The reading of a book has often made the future of a man." How important for our young people to have worthwhile literature to read, so their ideals will be high, their impulses noble and their visions far reaching. A good book is a wise counsellor; it develops our souls and builds character capable of magnifying Christ. To be interested in any thing we must know about it.

May the pastors of this Association emphasize the reading of the Biblical Recorder. We need the information and inspiration we get

from this fine paper. I quote here what Matthew T. Yates wrote from China in 1886 to the Biblical Recorder about religious papers: "What a wonderful and secret power they wield for the unification of the churches and diffusion of knowledge. Why, sir, they are the great preachers of the land. If widely circulated they would do more good than all the missionaries of the Home Board. I wonder that pastors do not make more efforts to introduce these powerful auxiliaries into their congregations." What he said then is just as vital today. All of our Sunday Schools should have, and read that splendid paper, Charity and Children. You know, by having clubs of ten or more we can get the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children at a reduced price. May we grow in grace and spirituality by reading Christian literature.

Our mission literature, like a warm, friendly handclasp, tells us about our missionaries and their work. Our prayers are more earnest, our contributions more generous and our interest intensified by reading this literature. The mission study books are like sweet benedictions. Our souls are enriched, and our service, in His name, magnified by reading these books. May we adorn our lives with gems of thought and the jewels of truth gleaned from the Bible and Christian literature. Thus will Christ be glorified and magnified.

Good literature throughout the ages will ever abide,
Teaching us courage, faith and hope, whatever betide.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. E. JENKINS.

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION AT BEAVER CREEK

1939

The Beaver Creek Church was constituted in the year 1811 and according to the records of the late W. C. Meadows it joined the Yadkin Association instead of the Mountain District Association which had been in existence in this territory since 1799.

In 1836 the Lewis Fork Association was organized and soon thereafter Beaver Creek became a member of it and continued its membership there until 1859 when it and 25 other churches from the Lewis Fork, Lower Creek, and Taylorsville Associations met at Zion Hill Church, Boomer, N. C., and organized the United Association which was the forerunner of the Brushy Mountain, but not with name changed until 1871 when the remainder of the Lewis Fork joined the United and changed the name to Brushy Mountain.

The annual session of the Lewis Fork Association was held at Beaver Creek in 1858 and was the last session of any Association to be held there until the annual session of the Brushy Mountain in 1898 at which time J. L. Hemphill was moderator and V. McGhinnis was clerk. The Rev. A. T. Pardue preached the annual sermon.

This church again entertained the Association in 1918 with C. C. Wright as Moderator and R. L. Proffit as clerk. At that time there were 25 churches in the Association with a total membership of 3268. There are now 30 churches with 5168 members plus the increase of

this year. It will be noted by these figures that in the years since we last met here our increase has barely been 2% per year. This in our opinion is a number too small for us to feel in the least complimented. In that time we have sent no one to the mission field, and the number of young men entering the ministry has been comparatively small. Of those whom we recall may be mentioned, Paul Caudill, Eugene Eller, Avery Church, A. W. Eller, V. G. Eller, Glenn Huffman.

Reports indicate that during the past year a number of the churches have improved their offerings for the various objects of our work. Some however have fallen back. With a very few exceptions revivals have been held throughout the Association and in the majority of the churches fine results have been achieved.

Our expectations for the future may best be expressed by the preliminary report of the Resolutions Committee. At this time that committee may report.

COMMITTEES

Resolutions—D. E. Elledge, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Lafayette Mathery.

Nominations—F. G. Holman, Hayes Walker, W. A. Proffit.

Time, Place, Preacher—R. L. Proffit, H. I. Shoemaker, W. O. Barnett.

Order of Business (Standing)—Eugene Olive, the Moderator, the Clerk, Mrs. George Johnson, Fred Blevins.

To Investigate the Faith and Order of the Church, Welcome Home, now applying for membership in the Association—Rev. F. C. Watts, Arthur Bumgarner, Mansfield Huffman, W. P. Carson.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF

Within the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention there are hundreds of ministers who have spent the best of their years and are no longer able to earn a livelihood. Of this number about 650 preachers and about 600 widows of ministers are receiving small amounts, averaging about \$7.50 each per month, from the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Many of these are eighty and some ninety years of age. The average age of the men receiving this aid is about 75, and of the women 69.

Since last January 1st all of the approved applicants have been receiving this help. Although the amount paid to each is small, it is in most cases almost the sole source of income. There are several thousand ministers who are now 65 years old or more. These will not become beneficiaries of the Ministers' Retirement Plan unless they are still active in the pastorate, so the demands upon this fund for relief of the aged will continue to be heavy for years to come.

The primary source of the Board's income for use in this way is a small percentage of the Cooperative Program. Many churches are taking a fellowship offering once or more each year in connection with the observance of the Lord's Supper, and are sending that for Aged Ministers' Relief. This plan is warmly commended to the churches

of our Association, in addition to the plan of making regular offerings through the Cooperative Program. Let us try to be Christian in our treatment of the aged and dependent men of God who are no longer able to provide for their own physical needs.

Respectfully submitted

EUGENE OLIVE.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Baptist Hospital is located at Winston-Salem and was established in 1922. It received its first patient in 1923.

During the past 16 years this institution has rendered service to many people of our State.

Many of those who are cared for are financially unable to pay anything. During the year ending June 30, 1938, 4,152 patients were admitted; more than 1500 patients admitted could pay but little or nothing; more than 2000 patients were turned away for lack of room.

It is estimated that the proposed addition to the building at a cost of \$200,000 will double the number of beds without increasing the overhead expenses more than 15%. This is a most worthy undertaking and should claim our consideration and support.

The Baptist Hospital is indeed a Christian institution, administering not only to the needs of the body, but to the distressed mind and spirit as well. A most profound Christian spirit is manifest in the management, the doctors and the nurses.

We know of no work that more plainly exemplifies a true Missionary spirit than that of maintaining this institution, as it is a continuation of the program of Christ, who has taught us in Matthew 25, 35-40. the place that such care is to have in the lives of His followers.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. ELLER.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The liquor situation in all of its essential features is almost unbearably bad; surely our people will not so long tolerate such an evil turned loose.

Its use each year is mounting into the staggering figures of billions of gallons. This of course means that people are drinking more, and liquor does its worst when taken into the body by drinking. Therefore we humbly submit the following resolutions:

(I) That every church will preach, and practice Religion, and will not make popular the use of liquor by not having some corrective discipline. We cannot afford to let our churches become water-logged with drunkenness. The pastors and churches should by all means use all the power, and every method given them by the New Testament for setting up and maintaining a standard of church membership that will require sober, clean, and consecrated Christian living.

(II) We believe that salvation saves a man here, and hereafter, and that after all it is the only way to really make men sober. We earnestly urge every church to do, and be, their best to get boys and girls and men and women into the very Kingdom of God.

(III) We submit that there is but one law necessary to deal with the liquor situation, to outlaw it from beginning to end—Home, Church and Government.

Respectfully submitted,
FINLEY C. WATTS, Committee.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the undersigned Nominating Committee, recommend that the present Moderator, Bro. T. E. Story, and the present Clerk, Bro. J. F. Jordan, be elected for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,
F. G. HOLMAN,
G. H. WALKER,
W. A. PROFFIT, Committee.

IMPORTANCE OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

First you may ask—“What is the Vacation Bible School?” Then—“Why do we have one?” As promoted by the Sunday School Board, the Vacation Bible School is a division of the Sunday School. At some suitable time when the public schools are closed, the school meets from two to three hours daily from Monday through Friday, generally in the mornings. It usually continues two or three weeks, the longer the better.

The Vacation Bible School movement began in 1901. It took some years to acquaint Southern Baptists with the nature and the need of such a school, but since the growth of the school has been rapid. The goal set for 1940 is 4,000 schools with an enrollment of 400,000 pupils and faculty members.

The school should have four departments—Beginner, Primary, Junior and Intermediate. The pupils have no textbooks, nor are they required to study at home or in the schools, they are taught. The schools should be free to pupils; many churches are providing for these schools in the church budget. It is seldom necessary to pay teachers; most of them give their services. The Sunday School Board text books for Vacation Bible Schools have proved their worth as good textbooks for the teachers.

More time is needed in our churches for teaching religion to our boys and girls. The hour in the Sunday School, the hour in the B. Y. P. U., and the time in our W. M. U. Auxiliaries is not enough, even when fully utilized. The Vacation Bible School helps with its three hours daily, five days a week for two or three weeks.

Our girls and boys spend about twenty-five hours a week for nine months in the public schools where everything is taught but religion. They go ever more increasingly to the movies. They listen to radio programs several hours a week. They devour the comic strips and they read and look at pictures in magazines, papers and books. From all these sources they get little if any help spiritually.

When public schools are closed in the spring most boys and girls face three months of idleness. What a challenge they ought to be

to the pastors and churches! What an opportunity to help them! How tragic so many pastors and churches fail them.

Southern Baptists have an opportunity to enroll annually at least 50,000 boys and girls who attend no Sunday School, and 1,000,000 of their own Sunday School pupils. Each year through Vacation Bible School they can win tens of thousands to Christ and then baptize them into church membership. They can also help them learn much of the Bible, to pray, to worship, to sing and to give of self and substance. The Vacation Bible School, therefore, has definite and practical value for all our churches.

Those interested in further information concerning the Vacation Bible School may secure it from the Sunday School Board.

*Information taken from "The New What-Why-How for the Vacation Bible School," by Homer Grice.

Respectfully submitted,

BESS JONES.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

Magnifying Christ in our W. M. U. In defining the word "magnify," I find it means to praise, to extol, to increase the importance of. Very briefly, I want to mention some of the ways that the Woman's Missionary Union strives to cause the name of Christ to be more highly praised.

In our program of work, Prayer (both individual and united) is stressed. During the year, special seasons of prayer are observed for Home, State and Foreign Missions. A study of conditions on these fields is made and a special offering is made for the furtherance of His cause. This year, the Woman's Missionary Union of this Association gave \$1101.10 to missions and \$100.29 to other benevolent causes. Thru enlistment in our organizations our women and young people are drawn into closer relationship with the church and its program. We beg of all the pastors and laymen that you encourage and lend your support to this work. Our ranks have grown this year—nearly all groups having made at least a 10% gain in membership. We have gained in organizations, one W. M. S., two Sunbeam Bands, one R. A. and one G. A.

Study is another roadway that we travel in order that we magnify our Lord. I love to quote that verse of scripture given us by Paul, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of Truth." Missionary messengers of the Bible are given special emphasis in our Devotionals and Daily Readings. Through the W. M. U. literature we learn of the work that has been done on the mission fields and of the great need for not only the continuance but the increase of our efforts to bring God's Kingdom in

Fourteen Mission Study classes were held during the year. Misses Mary Currin and Frances Turner, State W. M. U. workers, spent several days in our midst, giving us valuable information and inspiration.

Through personal service the W. M. U. strives to win the lost and minister to the needy.

The teaching of stewardship of time and talents is one of the chief ways of magnifying Christ's name. Especially do we want the young people to become faithful stewards and by so doing, magnify Christ in their lives.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. T. MITCHELL.

REPORT ON B. T. U.

The object of the Baptist Training Union shall be the increased spirituality of the young Christians; their training in essential church activities; their education in scripture knowledge; their instruction in Baptist Doctrine and history; their enlistment in all forms of missionary endeavor through existing denominational organizations.

It is the training service of a Baptist church. It is a Baptist church at work in, for and among its young people. It is a Baptist church doing for its young members what the Seminary does for young preachers. In West Point, the United States Government trains young soldiers for service in the army, so, in the Baptist Training Union, a Baptist church trains its young members for service in the regular lines of church work.

In all the work of the Baptist Training Union the main idea is training, learning by doing, practicing in order to become efficient. The educational work of the Baptist Training Union gives instructions regarding service, for practice, to make perfect, must be intelligent practice. This idea is wrought into the motto: "We study that we may serve."

Some may ask the question, What relation does the B. T. U. bear to the church? The same relation that the preaching service bears to the church; the same that the prayer meeting bears to a church; the same that the Sunday School bears to a church. The preaching service is a church worshipping. The Sunday School is a church teaching the Bible. The B. T. U. is a church developing and training its young members in service. The same relation that a son or daughter bears to the family; they are, of course, part of the family. So is the B. T. U. in magnifying Christ in His great program in the last injunction of the great commission: "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." It is through the B. T. U. in this great program, that we are able to select our Sunday School teachers, Superintendents, and other church leaders.

Our goal for the next year should be to establish a B. T. U. in each one of the thirty churches in the Brushy Mountain Association.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. F. JORDAN.

MAGNIFYING CHRIST IN OUR TEACHING

The Sunday School offers the greatest opportunity for teaching the Bible of any other organization in the church. One reason for this is that the Sunday School officers and teachers comprise the largest

single group in the church. The opportunities are unlimited for direct, faithful and Christ like teaching, in all of our Baptist churches. No more do we think of the Sunday School as a separate organization, but as one that works, in close cooperation, with the church in its teaching program. The Sunday School that is properly organized, with enough officers, can greatly help the teachers in the teaching of the Bible in the church. With all the helps that we have access to, and the fine cooperation of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, with a great number of books that are available for study, on every phase of the work, we can make the Sunday School a real Bible teaching agency. I consider this one of the most important of all the true functions of the Sunday School.

Teachers and officers should be students, as well as those who are taught. Training classes should be held once or twice each year in every church, so that new teachers can be better prepared to do their work and that teachers who are already teaching will become more efficient. During these days when there is so much strife among the peoples of the earth, we should rededicate ourselves to the task of giving the gospel to others. The unsaved people right here in our midst offers a challenge that must not be neglected, or postponed, but must be met courageously. The Sunday School has a great opportunity to evangelize. It is hoped that every Sunday School will measure up to the responsibilities that are theirs. Pastors, superintendents and all officers should lend every encouragement, and cooperate fully with those who are responsible for the teaching in our Sunday Schools. Christ the Great Teacher should be our example. We can magnify His Name by doing His will here on earth.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

HOME MISSIONS

“Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.”

Our Lord gave no home mission program; His was a world program with a home basis, beginning from Jerusalem; beginning where we are, you and I. If we are true to Him and carry out His mission, we must not only witness at Jerusalem, our home city, and the people of our own race, but must cross barriers which in some degree separate us from many of the people of our own land. Such barriers as language, custom, race nationality and religion.

Our Lord was a world citizen with a world mission, “the uttermost parts of the earth,” was His objective, but the homeland was the point of approach. We must follow Christ’s method. We must evangelize our own people if we would push our conquest for Christ in lands afar. An evangelized homeland holds the key to the evangelization of the world.

The Home Mission Board has functioned 94 years in making missions real at home. During this period the Board has employed 44,000

missionaries and workers for one year or one missionary for 44,000 years. These missionaries have baptized 865,000 and have organized 8,600 churches.

The past year has been one of great achievements for home missions. The Lord has richly blessed our missionaries in every field. We now have 371 missionaries working in 756 stations. During the past year, 39 have been added to the mission force, 64 new mission stations have been opened and 28 chapels organized. The missionaries have distributed 29,226 Bibles, Testaments and portions of scriptures, with over 790,000 tracts, have preached 29,454 sermons; led over 5,250 to make profession of faith in Christ, and received into the fellowship with the church, 3,835.

The past year has been one of the best financially in many years for our Home Mission Board. Marked progress has been made in the payment of our debt. The Board received from all sources \$513,841. The Treasurer's report shows \$163,660 was paid on the principal of our debt.

We would commend to our people the magazine "Southern Baptist Home Missions" as a source of complete and authoritative information of the many phases of Home Mission activity. Its present circulation is above 52,000 and can be had for 25c a year.

N. T. JARVIS.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

In the past 94 years of missionary work done by Southern Baptists the need on foreign fields has never been greater, the opportunities more glorious and the obligations more binding than now. With only about one-fourth of the population of the world professing Christians, counting all denominations and about one-half of these are Catholics.

Our Lord not only sought to save the people of Palestine where His earthly life was spent but included the whole world in the missionary program, and said "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, and he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." Since foreign missions along with home missions is in the divine plan and is a positive command of the Lord: (1) Then who are to go? (2) How are they to go? (3) Where are they to go? (4) When are they to go? (1) All who appreciate the gospel message to us should pass it on to others. (2) All who believe the gospel of Christ to be the panacea for a world lost in sin and being destroyed by war and crime should do all in their power to help send the gospel to the ends of the earth. It is not a question as to whether God can save the heathen without our service, but what is God's command to us. There is nothing plainer taught in the word than that God saves men for service and the Church of Jesus Christ in the world is God's own ordained means of sending the gospel to all nations.

Our missionary spirit would be revived if we, like Isaiah of old, could get a vision. In Isaiah 6:1-8 he had a four fold vision (1) He got a vision of God; (2) a vision of self; (3) a vision of the world; (4) a vision of service. Then he heard the Lord saying, "Whom shall

I send, and who will go for us?" and he said, "Here am I; send me." We too, with such a vision, would be willing to send.

Respectfully submitted,

S. I. WATTS.

STATE MISSION REPORT

For a hundred years the objective of State Missions has been to win the people of North Carolina to Christ and then to the fellowship which the churches provide. During more recent years, notably during the past quarter of a century, the training and development of these who come into the churches has become an additional function of State Missions, so that from small beginnings the State Mission task now includes many varied activities. These we list and discuss briefly:

1. **Missionary Pastoral Assistance:** "To the poor the gospel is preached" in many needy and strategic places. Many of our strong churches are trophies of State Missions. Moreover, hundreds of churches formerly aided by the Board are now returning to the treasury for all purposes one hundred fold. The task is not finished, but merely begun.

2. **Teaching and Training:** In the early days attention was almost solely on evangelism. Now that our membership has grown so rapidly emphasis must be given to the training and development of the membership, without omitting evangelism. About 1900 State Missions began to assume a part of its enlarging task. Sunday School departments were established as a part of the general work. The workers connected with this department, as time would permit, went out to the churches in an effort to secure and train better teachers and to put into operation better methods of Sunday School administration. At a later period the B. Y. P. U.—known as the B. T. U.—was organized, emphasizing not so much the teaching but the training and development of the membership.

3. **Church Building:** All through the years, and even at the present time, churches in strategic centers are aided in building church houses.

4. **Indians:** The State Mission Board is responsible for giving the Gospel to the Indians in Robeson County. Rev. and Mrs. M. C. Lunsford have been working there for several years.

5. **Negroes:** The Baptist State Convention is now undertaking some cooperative work with the Negro State Convention. At one time it was necessary to provide white workers among the negroes. In more recent times, however, increased educational advantages have produced more competent leaders among them and their plan now is to cooperate with them rather than to provide workers. The white Baptists have at their doors a tremendous opportunity in giving sympathy and financial support to Christian Education among the negroes. Our Convention is aiding the negroes in helping them to keep on the field W. C. Somerville and D. C. Clanton. These are doing a notable work, the first as General Secretary and the second as Sunday School Secretary of the Negro State Convention.

6. **Work Among Students in the Colleges:** The increase in students in institutions, denominational and state, has been little short of marvelous in the past two decades. This means that during a large part of the year, young people from sixteen to twenty-five are removed from the home church. At present State Missions is undertaking to provide a few whole or part time student secretaries in our educational centers.

7. **Hospitals and Sanatoriums:** State Missions is seeking to minister to those who are sick in body and soul in the following institutions: Oteen Hospital; Western North Carolina Sanatorium at Black Mountain, the State Sanatorium and Samarcand near Aberdeen.

8. **General Missionaries:** M. O. Alexander and J. C. Pipes are doing a notable work in holding revivals, visiting general meetings and in answering all kinds of calls that come to them for assistance.

Another State Mission opportunity which we have not yet undertaken is a ministry to the prison population. Surely at the earliest opportunity this work should become a definite part of our State Mission program.

If State Missions fails, retreat and perhaps disaster will overtake us in our Foreign and Home Mission efforts. Let us, therefore, maintain an aggressive program of State Missions. In so doing we shall, through our testimony both as individuals and as churches, save ourselves and WIN the people of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. C. HOLLAND.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

What is the relationship of these two words? Often, I am afraid we repeat these words in speaking of our schools and colleges without having a clear understanding as to their vital relationship. In order for a person to acquire a Christian Education he must receive his knowledge and enlightenment through sources that are genuinely Christian. When a person has acquired a Christian Education he is able then to apply Christian principles to his daily living, thus helping to bring to pass a more abundant life between men. The cessation of egotism, cynicism, greed and strife among men and the setting up of a civilization governed by the principles set forth in Christ's teachings.

Our Baptist schools show commendable gains in enrollment in all ranks from academies to the seminaries: nearly 2,000 more students than in the preceeding year. Endowments show gains amounting to \$6,292,127.85, while values of school properties increased \$5,161,764.93. Facts like these show that several of our states are alert and active in their efforts to give our schools the support they need to render greater Christian service and to provide more adequate educational opportunity for our Baptist sons and daughters, under Christian environment.

Christian education formed the pattern for the national life of America. If that national life is to conform to the pattern set forth

by our Constitution which was inspired by Christian statesmen, it is the job of our Christian colleges to supply men of such calibre to carry on that our people may be governed by laws in keeping with the teachings of the great Teacher.

What may we as Baptists of North Carolina do to advance the cause of Christian education? (1) Practice the principles of Christianity in the home, the first seat of learning. (2) See to it that the public schools of our communities are taught by teachers of high integrity. (3) Patronize the denominational schools and colleges of North Carolina. (4) Make any financial contribution possible to our Baptist Schools. (5) Try to establish an endowment in one of these schools through your influence. (6) Pray daily for the cause of Christian Education.

Our Baptist Schools in North Carolina are: Wake Forest College, Meredith College, Mars Hill College, Campbell College, Wingate Junior College, Chowan College.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN K. BLACKBURN.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND SERMON

The next annual session of the Brushy Mountain Association will be held with New Hope Church on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1940.

Rev. E. V. Bumgarner will preach the introductory sermon, or his alternate, Finley Watts.

R. L. PROFFIT,
W. O. BARNETT,
H. I. SHOEMAKER, Committee.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Boiling Springs—B. F. Huffman.
- Edgewood—Frank Baity, Martin Dodson, W. R. Hendren,
Herman Moore.
- Goshen—Sidney Triplette, William Triplette.
- Lewis Fork—Amanda Shepherd, Bessie Frazier, Lillian
Church.
- Liberty Grove—Frank Pardue, C. R. Brown, Rev. J. S.
Elliott.
- Little Rock—Ray Livingston.
- Moravian Falls—Arthur H. Sloop.
- Mount Pleasant—Dode Adams, A. H. Church, H. C. Eller,
U. G. Foster, Hilda Eller, Delia Hamby.
- New Hope—Jane Pierce, Jane Minton, R. M. Finley, Ellen
Eller, Ellen Yates.
- North Wilkesboro 1st—M. G. Butner, Mrs. P. A. Lomax,
Julia Williams.
- North Wilkesboro 2nd—Tommie Hall, Mary Anderson.
- Pilgrim—Margaret Eller.
- Pleasant Home—Euleine Nichols, Bobby McNeill, Ida Mc-
Neill, Wiley McNeill.
- Walnut Grove—Jane Brock, Mattie Lowe, Alice Smith.
- Wilkesboro—Mrs. Bessie Ryan Bumgarner.
- Zion Hill—Mrs. Aner Earp, Mrs. Ellen Parsons.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership, at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private

duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the Kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on Order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending Aug., 1939

CHURCHES	Superintendents and Postoffices	Enrollment of Vacation Bible School—Wilkesboro, 24																
		Cradle Roll, under 3	Beginners, 3 to 5	Primaries, 6 to 8	Juniors, 9 to 12	Intermediates, 13 to 16	Young People, 17 to 24	Adults, 25 Years Up	Extension Department	Departmental Officers	Total Enrollment, Officers, Teachers & Pupils	Average Attendance	Baptisms from S. S.	Is the School Graded?	Is It Standard A1?	Normal Diplomas		
Beaver Creek	A. J. Foster, Boomer																	
Big Ivy	T. J. Walsh, Walsh	6		10	12													
Boiling Springs	J. A. Parsons, Purlear	25	15	18		25	30											
Cub Creek	J. L. Hemphill, Wilkesboro	5	12			12												
Edgewood	C. W. Fletcher, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	21	14	13	17	10	13											
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny	10	10	14	11	9												
Fishing Creek	C. E. Mayberry, North Wilkesboro	5	10	20	40	35	10	20										
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	5	28	41	8	29	25											
Goshen	John Higgins, Wilkesboro	14		9	16													
Hanshaw	H. D. Caudill, Millers Creek	15	6	10	5	14												
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Dancy, North Wilkesboro	30	20	20	30	30	45											
Lewis Fork	Novena Foster, Purlear	30	30	36	50													
Liberty Grove	Mrs. J. S. Elliott, Knottville	12	16	24	25	46	19											
Little Rock	R. J. Wallace, Boomer	3	5	17	11	18	42	18										
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls																	
Mount Carmel	Robert Wilson, Moravian Falls	18	14	28	15	32	46											
Mount Pleasant	J. C. McNeill, Congo	21		9	12	33	18											
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	15	6	10	15	25	70											
New Hope	C. C. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	30	31	44	11	69	100	141	35	16								
N. Wilkesboro 1st	D. E. Elledge, North Wilkesboro																	
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	John Anderson, North Wilkesboro																	
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	12	10		10													
Pilgrim	W. F. Shoemaker, Wilkesboro	15		30		35	35											
Pleasant Grove	J. C. Minton, Buck	45	25	22	36	35	35											
Pleasant Home	C. C. Church, Millers Creek	4	6	9		8	10											
Shady Grove	D. K. Green, Wilkesboro																	
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville	14	8	25	25	14	21											
Walnut Grove	V. E. Jennings, Pores Knob	26	24	26		30	31											
Welcome Home	H. R. Kendall, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	34	24	53	34	89	41											
Wilkesboro	Prof. T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	12		15		24	12											
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer																	

Enrollment of Vacation Bible School—Wilkesboro, 24

TABLE V—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association For Year Ending August, 1939.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES		House of Worship? Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Depr. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek.....	G. H. Walker, Boomer	.....	yes	1937	wood	400	1			\$2500.00		\$2600.00		
Big Ivy.....	Walter A. Blackburn, Walsh	.....	yes	1928	wood	200	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Boiling Springs.....	Turner Huffman, Purlear	.....	yes	1932	wood	350	1			1100.00		1200.00		
'Cub Creek.....	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1865	wood	300	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Edgewood.....	Della Bungarner, Wilkesboro.	.....	yes	1893	wood	700	2			1500.00		1500.00		1000.00
Elk.....	S. T. Miller, Denny	.....	yes	1926	wood	400	1			2000.00		2000.00		
Fishing Creek.....	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1928	wood	600	1			4100.00		4100.00		1000.00
Gordon.....	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1918	wood	500	1			500.00		500.00		
Goshen.....	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1916	wood	400	1			2500.00		2500.00		
Harmony.....	J. T. Mahafey, Cricket	.....	yes	1900	wood	400	5	4		3000.00		3500.00		1000.00
Hinshaw Street.....	Claude J. Miller, N. Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1927	wood	400	5	4		3000.00		3500.00		1000.00
Lewis Fork.....	James Triplett, Purlear	.....	yes	1909	wood	800	1	1		2500.00		2500.00		
Liberty Grove.....	John A. Elliott, Knottville	.....	yes	1886	wood	400	3	3		1000.00		1090.00		
Little Rock.....	C. W. Carlton, Boomer	.....	yes	1905	wood	400	8	8		2500.00		2500.00		
Moravian Falls.....	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	.....	yes	1888	wood	300	2	6		2500.00		2500.00		
Mount Carmel.....	W. F. Houck, Moravian Falls	.....	yes	1911	wood	600	1	1		2000.00		2000.00		
Mount Pleasant.....	A. M. McGee, Purlear	.....	yes	1909	wood	500	1	1		3500.00		3500.00		1000.00
Mount Zion.....	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	.....	yes	1924	wood	500	1			2000.00		2000.00		
New Hope.....	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	.....	yes	1937	brick	500	2	5		3500.00		4000.00		3000.00
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	J. E. Caudill, North Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1910	brick	600	15	312		60,000.00	10,000.00	70,000.00	2100.00	26,500.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.....	John Anderson, N. Wilkesboro.	.....	yes	1937	wood	400	1			2000.00		2000.00		
Oakwoods.....	W. C. Stroud, Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1919	wood	350	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Pilgrim.....	F. O. Foster, Congo	.....	yes	1839	wood	300	1			1800.00		1800.00		
Pleasant Grove.....	W. T. Parsons, Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1927	wood	300	1	1		1500.00		1500.00		
Pleasant Home.....	Mrs. A. L. Nichols, Wilkesboro.	.....	yes	1903	wood	600	1	1		2000.00		2000.00		
Shady Grove.....	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1880	wood	200	1			500.00		500.00		
Stony Hill.....	J. C. Baker, Parsonville	.....	yes	1922	wood	300	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Walnut Grove.....	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	.....	yes	1929	brick	400	5	5		7000.00		7000.00		
Welcome Home.....	W. H. Hurley, Cricket	.....	yes	1936	wood	350	1			2000.00		2000.00		
Wilkesboro.....	Linville Bumgarner, Wilkesboro	.....	yes	1902	brick	400	15	315		9000.00	4000.00	13,000.00	730.00	7500.00
Zion Hill.....	J. E. German Boomer	.....	yes	1912	wood	500	1			2000.00		2000.00		

TABLE VII—Gifts for Missions, Education, Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending Aug., 1939

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POSTOFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Missions Special to Associational	Missions Special to State	Missions Special to Home	Missions Special to Foreign	Special to Schools and Colleges	Seminaries Special to Theological	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Minis- ters' Relief	Other Special Gifts	(Local Work) Total For Local Purposes Given by Church and All Its Organizations	Grand Total For All Purposes—Both Local & Missions—Giv- en by Ch. and All Org.
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer												\$ 152.45	\$ 156.20
Big Ivey	W. A. Blackburn, Walsh												156.75	175.75
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear												238.10	235.10
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro												134.05	146.05
Edgewood	L. R. Miller, Wilkesboro, R. 2		\$7.00	\$2.00		2.00			27.00	2.65		6.00	298.51	344.71
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny												93.77	93.77
Fishing Creek	Pearl Jarvis, Wilkesboro, R. 2	\$ 7.25	\$2.00	2.00	10.00	8.00	\$1.00	.92	37.00	8.00	\$1.00	3.00	383.11	463.28
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	4.47		4.45					10.00	10.00		28.92	217.44	246.36
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	5.00							6.00	5.00			143.00	154.30
Harmony	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	26.00							8.00	5.00			243.26	282.26
Hinshaw Street	Clarence Hayes, N. Wilkesboro								36.48	12.50		10.60	856.17	915.75
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Purlear												349.94	349.94
Liberty Grove	John Elliott, Knottville								77.00				223.32	300.32
Little Rock	J. W. Anderson, Boomer			3.64			41.67		70.00	6.00			239.03	315.03
Moravian Falls	Mrs. R. L. Earp, Moravian Falls		14.75	9.75	6.00	6.00			63.75	3.88	27.00	15.00	768.15	914.18
Mount Carmel	Will Houck, Moravian Falls								44.15	9.00			277.86	344.77
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, Purlear	3.76							25.00	13.00			390.12	461.62
Mount Zion	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	30.00				3.50							4,879.20	7,075.01
New Hope	C. B. Lomax, N. Wilkesboro	1,314.06		11.51	83.50	214.86	50.00	8.00	360.65	47.87	105.36		182.00	193.50
N. Wilkesboro 1st	Isaac White, North Wilkesboro								8.00	3.50	1.00		79.71	79.71
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro												178.76	190.09
Oakwoods	F. O. Foster, Congo								5.63	5.70			118.88	125.98
Pilgrim	W. E. Parsons, Buck		1.00						1.50	3.00	1.50	7.10	449.12	529.12
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. A. L. Nichols, Wilkesboro		5.00	5.00		5.00			45.00	20.00			107.56	110.56
Pleasant Home	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro								3.00				172.05	179.81
Shady Grove	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville								5.00	2.76			1,230.90	1,430.90
Stony Hill	P. R. Lowe, Pores Knob	100.00							75.00	25.00			336.00	349.23
Walnut Grove	J. F. Lankford, N. Wilkesboro								6.00	7.23			1,356.08	1,940.20
Welcome Home	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	202.06	6.65	10.25	8.23		12.00	337.61	95.00	7.37			1,356.08	1,940.20
Wilkesboro	Mary Farnsworth, Boomer												336.00	349.23
Zion Hill	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro												336.00	349.23



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Eller, U. G., Purlear, N. C.
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Foster, A. J., Boomer, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Higgins, John, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Huffman, Glenn, Parsonville, N. C.
Miller, James, Moravian Falls, N. C.
Miller, Ralph, Cricket, N. C.
Miller, Ed. O., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
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Minton, J. C., Buck, N. C.
Nichols, James T., Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1.
Osborne, George, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
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Pool, James, Pores Knob, N. C.
Sebastian, G. W., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Walker, James, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
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Watson, Tommie, Tumbling Shoals, N. C.
Watts, Finley, C., Purlear, N. C.
Watts, Isaac, Boomer, N. C.
Wilcoxin, J. H., Summit, N. C.
Younger, L. T., New Hope, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

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Clanton, D. C., Union Grove, N. C.
Curry, G. W., Benham, N. C.
Day, R. F., Elkin, N. C.
Hodges, E. C., Hendrix, N. C.
Holland, C. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Johnson, Otto, Taylorsville, N. C.
Minton, Grady, Vilas, N. C.
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Big Ivey—Clyde Phillips, W. A. Blackburn, C. C. Beshears.
Boiling Springs—Turner Huffman, Ben Huffman, B. F. Whittington.
Cub Creek—T. C. Cain, J. M. Lankford, Will Anderson.
Edgewood—Della Bumgarner, Clifford Moore, Clarence Fletcher.
Elk—S. F. Miller, F. W. McNeill, Dana Triplette.
Fishing Creek—Miss Pearl Jarvis, Eugene Pardue, C. B. Mayberry,
Mrs. Jack McLain.
Gordon—Clate Brown, Joe Parsons, Grady Osborne.
Goshen—Jesse Walsh, R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton.
Harmony—J. T. Mahaffey, Clyde Revis, W. E. Jones.
Hinshaw Street—Paul Brewer, Claud Miller.
Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplette, Mrs. A. J. Proffit, Stewart Triplette.
Liberty Grove—
Little Rock—C. W. Carlton, N. C. Andrews, T. Y. Broyhill.
Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Lloyd Kirby.
Mount Carmel—Worth Church, Will Houck, Marcus Earp.
Mount Pleasant—W. M. Eller, Ed. Blackburn, H. I. Shoemaker.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, Vernon Triplette, Miss Mazie Walton.
New Hope—R. I. McNeill, A. S. Eller, R. M. Church.
North Wilkesboro 1st—D. E. Elledge, Mrs. R. T. McNiel, Mrs. R. P.
Casey.
North Wilkesboro 2nd—Jim Pierce, Isaac White.
Oakwoods—I. P. Anderson, W. A. Ellis, Mrs. Pearl Blevins.
Pilgrim—Lafayette Deal, M. F. Huffman, Charlie Shoemaker.
Pleasant Grove—W. T. Parsons, Willie Church, Melvin Bumgarner,
J. R. Parsons.
Pleasant Home—Minnie McNeill, W. T. Snyder, A. G. Bumgarner.
Purlear—D. C. Whittington, J. F. Hayes, W. H. Nichols, W. H. Eller.
Shady Grove—Mrs. D. A. Green, Marshall Church, Mrs. Minnie Eller.
Stony Hill—Zollie Parsons, J. B. Baker, M. E. Hamby.
Walnut Grove—R. C. Meadows, Annie Jennings, Madge Jennings,
Horace Frazier.
Welcome Home—John Kilby, Harry Kendall, P. V. Turner.
Wilkesboro—Johnson J. Hayes, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Mrs. Geo. Johnson.
Zion Hill—Earl German, W. J. Earp, G. B. Carlton.

MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Tuesday, September 17, 1940

The Sixty-Seventh Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Association convened with New Hope Baptist Church, September 17, 1940, at 9:30 A. M. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing, "I Need Thee Every Hour," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. Ager Hayes, who gave an inspirational discussion from the 12th chapter of Romans.

The Moderator called for the enrollment of messengers and twenty-four churches responded with letters. At this time Purlear Baptist Church with its letter and messengers presented themselves to join the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association. Under Article 4 of the Constitution, the Moderator appointed the following committee: Rev. A. B. Hayes, R. L. Church and Rev. Glenn Huffman, to inquire into the faith and practice of said church. After said committee examined the messengers of Purlear Baptist Church, they reported favorable and the Association voted to receive the church into the Association.

Recognition of visitors and pastors was called for. Pastors present: Rev. Glenn Huffman, Rev. A. W. Eller, Rev. C. C. Holland, Rev. J. T. Walsh, of Stone Mountain Association, Mr. J. Arch McMillan, of Liberty Association, Rev. Charlie Pool, Rev. G. W. Sebastian, Rev. P. C. Parks, of Brier Creek Association, Rev. Atwell Watts, of Alexander Association, Rev. Vernon Eller, Rev. Tom Shew.

Report of Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and Mission Literature by R. C. Meadows; motion made by R. L. Proffit and seconded by Judge Hayes, that it be adopted, which motion carried favorable. This report was followed by Mr. David R. Morgan, who gave an inspirational discussion on the Religious Periodicals.

2. Report on the Orphanage, by J. C. McNeill; motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted, which report carried and a very able discussion was given by J. Arch McMillan, editor of Charity and Children. After the discussion of Mr. McMillan, the audience stood and joined in singing a hymn and then the annual sermon was preached by Rev. Ernest Bumgarner. His text was taken from the 14th chapter of John, 6th verse, "I am the way," or "Sanctum of Sanctuaries" of Christ's earthly ministry. 1. Christ is God's way down to fallen man. 2. Christ is man's way back to God. 3. He is the only way, the safe way. After the annual sermon was preached the Association recessed for lunch.

At 1:15 P. M. the Association reassembled in the church and the congregation joined in singing "More Love to Thee." The devotional was conducted by Rev. J. C. Walsh; scripture reading was the 23rd Psalm. The Moderator again called for visiting brethren. Rev. M. A. Adams, Green River, Rev. W. H. Baucom, of Statesville, Rev. M. O. Alexander, State Worker, Rev. R. F. Day, Rev. J. T. Higgins, Rev. G. D. White, Brier Creek, Rev. Ralph Miller, Brushy Mountain, Rev. F. T. Watts and Rev. Isaac Watts, of the Brushy Mountain.

Reports were called for and read as follows: State Missions, 2. Home and Foreign Missions. Motion was made by Judge Hayes and seconded by A. E. Watts, that all three of the reports be adopted, which motion carried. Rev. C. C. Holland gave an inspirational discussion on all three of the reports.

The Cooperative Program was very ably discussed by Rev. M. O. Alexander, using John 15:5.

Report on Temperance and Public Morals, by Rev. S. I. Watts; motion was made by Rev. C. C. Holland and seconded by R. L. Proffit that the reports be adopted, which motion carried. This was followed by very able discussion from Rev. M. A. Adams and Judge Hayes, as to the effects of strong drink and the evils in it. There being no further business, the Association adjourned until tomorrow at 9:30 o'clock.

Wednesday, September 18, 1940

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 9:30 o'clock, and the audience joined in singing hymn, "Take the Name of Jesus," after which devotional was conducted by the Moderator, reading a part of the 19th chapter of John, and Rev. C. M. Caudill, Moderator of the Stone Mountain Association, led in prayer.

After devotional exercises the reports were called for as follows:

Report on B. T. U. Work, by Mrs. W. F. Jones; motion made and seconded that the report be adopted, which carried favorably. 2. Report on W. M. U. by Mrs. G. T. Mitchell; motion was made and carried favorably that the report be adopted. 3. Report on Vacation Bible School by Mrs. George Johnson; motion made and carried favorably that it be adopted.

At this time Rev. C. C. Holland made a motion that whatever reports were submitted be adopted, which motion was seconded and carried favorably.

Report on Christian Education by D. E. Elledge, which was followed by an address by Rev. James Hayes, on Christian Education.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Nominating Committee reported that T. E. Story and J. F. Jordan be re-elected as Moderator and Clerk for another year. Rev. F. C. Watts put the motion and it carried favorably.

The Association adjourned for lunch one hour and fifteen minutes.

At 1:15 P. M. the Association reassembled in the Church and the audience joined in singing "Saviour, More Than Life to Me." Devotional was conducted by the Moderator by reading the 100th Psalm and led in prayer by Arthur Eller. At this time C. C. Sidden, of Roaring River Association, was recognized.

1. Report of Baptist Hospital, by Rev. A. E. Watts; motion was made and carried favorable that it be adopted. Short talks were made by the following: Mrs. Cardwell, Mr. Eller, Rev. Ager Hayes, and Rev. James Hayes.

2. Report on Aged Ministers Relief, by R. L. Proffit, which report was adopted favorably. This was followed by a 15 minute discussion on the digest of church letters by the Clerk.

This was followed by the report of various committees on Resolutions, Time, and Place. That the next Association be held on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1941, with Pleasant Home Baptist Church.

There being no further business the Association adjourned by singing "God Be With You."

PROGRAM

General Theme: "The Steadfast Church In A Changing World"

TUESDAY

- 9:30 A. M.—Praise and Worship Rev. A. E. Eller
9:45 A. M.—Roll Call of Churches, Recognition of Visitors and appointment of committees by Moderator
10:00 A. M.—Our Theme By Moderator
10:15 A. M.—The Steadfast Church in Our Reading:
 (1) Report on Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and Mission Literature R. C. Meadows
 (2) Discussion David R. Morgan
10:45 A. M.—Report on the Orphanage J. C. McNeill
 Discussion Dr. I. G. Greer
11:15—Hymn
11:20 A. M.—Annual Sermon by Rev. Ernest Bumgarner or alternate, Rev. Finley C. Watts
12:00 Noon—Recess and Lunch
1:15 P. M.—Praise and Worship Rev. T. J. Walsh
1:30 P. M.—The Missionary Endeavor of the Steadfast Church:
 (1) Report of State Missions Mrs. R. T. McNiel
 (2) Report on Home Missions.....Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant
 (3) Report on Foreign Missions Rev. F. C. Watts
 (4) Discussion Led by Rev. C. C. Holland
2:30 P. M.—The Co-operative ProgramRev. M. C. Alexander
3:00 P. M.—Temperance and Public Morals:
 (1) Report Rev. Isaac Watts
 (2) Discussion Rev. M. A. Adams

WEDNESDAY

- 9:30 A. M.—Praise and Worship Rev. Ed. O. Miller
9:45 A. M.—The Steadfast Church in our Teaching Service:
 (1) Report on Sunday School Work J. F. Jordan
 (2) Report on Training Union WorkMrs. W. F. Jones
 (3) Report on Woman's Missionary Union Work
 Mrs. G. T. Mitchell
 (4) Report on Vacation Bible School
 Mrs. George Johnson
11:00 A. M.—Our Schools and Colleges:
 (1) Report on Christian Education.....D. E. Elledge
 (2) Address Rev. James M. Hayes

- 11:45 A. M.—Report of Nomination Committee
 12:00 Noon—Recess and Lunch
 1:15 P. M.—Praise and Worship Rev. R. F. Day
 1:30 P. M.—The Steadfast Church Caring for the Sick:
 (1) Report on Baptist Hospital Rev. A. E. Watts
 (2) Address by Representative
 2:10 P. M.—The Steadfast Church Providing for the Aged Ministers:
 Report and discussion by R. L. Proffit
 2:25 P. M.—Digest of Church Letters by Clerk..... J. F. Jordan
 2:40 P. M.—Reports of Committees and Miscellaneous Business
 3:00 P. M.—Final Adjournment

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

All our Christian Literature comes from the Book of Books—the Bible.

We are commanded to “Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life,” (John 5:39.) May we guide our lives by its teachings until we can truly say “Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.”

“The Biblical Recorder,” published every week by the Biblical Recorder Publishing Company, is the organ of the Baptist Convention for the first time in its 107 years history. The Biblical Recorder is now owned by North Carolina Baptists under the able editorship of Dr. John C. Slep. The paper is said by many to be the best Baptist paper anywhere in the South. I believe every Baptist family that sees and learns what it is will certainly want to get it every week. It has a wide circulation. The price is \$2.00 a year. A new subscription plan makes it available to members of our church at a rate of \$1.50 per year each—provided a small club of subscribers is secured.

God’s children have recognized the power of Christian Literature to lead the mind aright. The Baptists of North Carolina are among those thoughtful ones. The Baptist Book Store, Raleigh, North Carolina, owned jointly by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., and the North Carolina State Convention, handles Bibles, song books, and most any religious book needed.

“Charity and Children” published each week by the Trustees of the Mills Home, is the Orphanage organ of the Baptists of North Carolina. Its price is \$1.00 a year. In clubs of ten or more, 60c a year. Every Baptist Sunday School in the State should have a club of “Charity and Children.”

Our Missionary Literature tells us of our Missionaries—their work. Our contributions will be more generous and our prayers more earnest when we read this literature. Our Lord not only sought to save the people of Palestine when his earthly life was spent, but included the whole world in the mission program and said, “Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature and he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.”

Our missionary spirit would be revived if we like Isaiah of old

could get a vision. In Isaiah 6:1 to 8 he had a four fold vision of God, self, the world, and of service, and answered, "Here am I; send me."

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. MEADOWS.

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

Since 1884 the institution has stood as a challenge to every Baptist in the State. If our people could visualize the character and spirit of Brother John Haymes, Dr. Charles E. Taylor and others as they lay the plans for the foundation of the orphanage many of its problems would immediately be solved. If you would see the mighty work begun by these men go to the orphanage at Thomasville and note its beginning, its continued growth, see the hundreds of children for whom it cares, and take into account the many thousands scattered throughout the world, with a support and education made possible by the work inaugurated by these men and through the continued support of our churches and individuals; thousands of orphaned children rise up to call them blessed.

May we repeat a portion of the 1939 report submitted by Bro. J. J. Hayes? "It is our conviction that every church in the Association should make a once a month offering to the orphanage and we earnestly urge the delegates to convey this message to their respective churches."

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. McNEIL.

STATE MISSIONS

For the past century the objective of State Missions has been to win the people of North Carolina to Christ, then to the fellowship which the church provides.

Every privilege in life carries with it a particular responsibility. In our Christian experience, we are commissioned to "Go" and "Tell." North Carolina Baptists have, in part, gained a vision of their responsibility and the urgency of its fulfillment.

Our work is conducted under the leadership of Mr. M. A. Huggins, whose vision and untiring energies are surrendered to the task of bringing God's Kingdom into North Carolina.

Rev. M. O. Alexander and Rev. J. C. Pipes are general missionaries sent out by the State Mission Board to assist pastors in promoting evangelism.

At Samarcand, Rev. E. M. Harris heads the institution that ministers to delinquent girls. Rev. Wayne Williams ministers to the ex-soldiers at Oteen Hospital and Black Mountain Sanatorium.

Through Christian colleges at Mars Hill, Campbell, Meredith, Wake Forest and Chowan, rich potentialities in youth may be claimed for Christ and utilized in the Kingdom.

We are glad that the barrier of color among peoples has been ignored and that we have been privileged to work, at last, with the Negroes and Indians. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Lunsford are serving as missionaries the Indians of Robeson County. Our State Mission Board is helping the Negroes to carry on a constructive, Christian Coopera-

tive program which is bringing our black friends into channels of a life rich and abundant.

Our Board provides a circulating library, pastors' schools and conferences for underprivileged pastors that they may be able to render a richer and more fruitful service.

We are proud of our Baptist Hospital, which endeavors to help those who are diseased and sick. Because of inadequate equipment a new wing has been started and North Carolina Baptists must help in making its completion possible.

The Mills Home and the Kennedy Home are operated by our State Mission Board in an attempt to fulfill our Christian responsibility.

Surely, all of us seeing the vast needs of our State, ore compelled by the constraining love of Christ to arrest our complacent and indifferent spirits and do all in our power that His Kingdom will come NOW in North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. T. McNIEL.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is located in Atlanta, Ga., with Dr. J. B. Lawrence as the executive secretary. Southern Baptists seek through this Board to send the gospel story to those within our own borders who would have no other opportunity to hear it. Each year Woman's Missionary Union sets apart a week in March to study Home Mission needs, to pray, and to make a special offering.

Our Good Will Centers seek to reach 5,000,000 foreigners who live in the foreign sections of our large cities.

There are 800,000 Mexicans on this side of the border who will never hear the gospel except through the efforts of our Home Missionaries.

In Southern Louisiana alone 600,000 French speaking people live. Their only chance to hear the story of Christ is from our Home Missionaries.

Shall we give Christ to the 500,000 Italians who have passed into our Southland?

Do we realize that 90 per cent of the mountain people in Kentucky and Tennessee are unchurched and unchristian?

11,000,000 Negroes present a mission field in the very midst of us.

We have Indian tribes in Oklahoma, Florida, New Mexico, Arizona, Alabama and 3,000 in our own State. Only a few of these have heard the message of Christ.

People of every nationality on the globe have lived in our own Southland. What a wonderful opportunity we have to give Christ to the world, by carrying out the great commission of first beginning at home.

MADGE STURDIVANT.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Never before in all the 95 years of missionary effort of Southern Baptists has the opportunity been greater than now. Baptists are

faced with a challenge they have perhaps never faced in all their history.

We claim to believe that all men by nature are sinners, and that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation, and that all men are doomed to ruin without it. We claim to believe that "God so loved the world" he gave his son to redeem it. If it is ever saved it will be when God's own people get a vision of what God expects of them.

Baptists have grown amazingly since they have tried to translate to the world the plain command of the Man of Galilee, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The whole world is ripe for the gospel, and no people on earth have the privileges and opportunities that we have. Neglected privileges and wasted opportunities will register to the discredit of Baptists when the world is on fire.

God's accepted Gospel makes better men, better homes, better nations, in fact a better world to live in. Under God let's try to interpret the Lord's prayer to the world: "Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

FINLEY C. WATTS.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

Temperance means self-control. It means total abstinence from all things harmful and moderation in the use of things not harmful. Intemperance is detrimental to public morals and nothing on this earth would so influence the morals of this country as the crushing out of the greatest enemy to society, which is strong drink, and this means beer as well as sugar head and corn liquor.

Not only does strong drink corrupt morals but it carries the dagger of death wherever it goes. Well did the wise man write "Look not upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup; when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." If men could see the awful death and disaster that lies hidden in the sparkling cup many would be spared the awful shame and suffering and disgrace that blights so many lives. Think of the wrecks on either side of the stream of death, of the suicides, insanity, poverty, pauperism, destruction coming from alcohol; of little children undernourished, with tear dimmed eyes, crying to helpless, despairing mothers; of fathers, sons and daughters reeling, staggering and victims of the many associating evils that go with strong drink. Think of the countless numbers who have gone down to a premature grave and are lost through all eternity, all on account of this thing called alcohol. Intemperance cuts down youth in its vigor, manhood in its strength and age in its weakness. It breaks the father's heart, robs the children of bread and clothing, bereaves the mother's heart, extinguishes natural affection, destroys matrimonial love, blights parental hope and brings premature age in sorrow and dishonor to the grave.

Alcohol snaps wedding rings, destroys homes, corrupts society, crowds penitentiaries and furnishes victims for the electric chair. All

this and many more evils are caused by the awful curse of intemperance.

Surely every Christian should see to it that our very lives are such as to bear in no uncertain terms testimony against this evil.

Respectfully submitted,

S. I. WATTS.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The last recorded words of Jesus, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations," opened the way for Baptists to organize our Sunday Schools, with the responsibility of providing suitable helps for the study and teaching of God's Holy Word, to the end that man might be saved and made better.

Our central task in Sunday School teaching should be to publish the good tidings of our redeeming, risen, reigning and returning Savior and Lord. "In the fear of God and for His Glory" we would meet the basic Biblical needs of each and every one of our churches in the teaching and training work in Sunday School by supplying symmetrical Bible and training courses, sound and stimulating literature, and personal guidance by experienced and consecrated workers.

We are therefore, under the imperative to study deeply, see clearly, interpret faithfully, and apply fearlessly the Word of God to all our churches and all our country.

So we may help by tongue and pen, in print and in person, to build up our churches in faith and works, in numbers and spirituality, in equipment and efficiency until they approximately if not attain their maximum in the service of God.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN.

TRAINING UNION WORK

The Baptist Training Union is a most vital part of the Educational program of our Baptist churches. Its avowed purpose is to train in church membership and Christian service.

It does not rival but supplements the Sunday School, which is also a part of our educational program. While the very definite aim of the Sunday School is teaching, the Union trains for the carrying out of truths learned, fulfilling the purpose of all learning in giving expression to experience. Can any Christianity be real that refuses to actively obey the teaching of Christ? We may know it is written, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" but until we act upon that knowledge neither neighbor nor self is benefitted.

One great need of our churches today is for trained leadership. We are told our need for more church members is not so great as our need for better ones. Perhaps this condition can justly be laid at our own church doors for our failure to promote a Training Union for their development.

Trained teachers and leaders are not made in a day, neither do they become what they are by accident, but are the result of persistent effort, time and prayer on their own part and on the part of those who direct them.

In no greater way can we possibly promote the kingdom of God on earth than by our effort to train our entire church membership for intelligent, consecrated service.

The adult membership should be or must be first in the organization, both actively and influentially. State Training Union directors tell us that without an adult union we cannot hope for a successful union for our young people and children.

According to various pastors' reports, "Wherever you find a good Training Union you find a flourishing church." They make a plea for Training Unions to develop deacons, missionary leaders, Sunday School teachers and other workers. Let us remember that even a well informed and consecrated pastor can do no "mighty works" anywhere with his plans and programs however great without helpers who are in accord and sympathy with them.

One North Carolina pastor says: "The refusal of church members to assume any responsibility for carrying out the church program presents an astonishing situation. Such conditions will continue to exist if we fail to train them for Christian work."

It is apparent that present day forces of evil are making great inroads on the Sunday evening church hours. Along every highway glowing neon signs attract our young people. Attractive radio programs are producing many lazy Christians who are cancelling their influence for the side of right.

Any church to have a Training Union of merit must, I believe, have a pastor who believes in it, a director who in no less degree believes in it. Leaders of the same mind for every department.

Let's get wise and train ourselves, our young people and our children for better Christian living and service.

Submitted by

W. F. JONES.

W. M. U. REPORT — 1940

Upon reading the theme for this associational meeting I noticed the close similarity between it and the theme for our W. M. U. this year—which is: "Steadfast Purpose in a Changing World." Our watchword, "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord." I Cor. 15:58, has strengthened us in our efforts to be more steadfast in our work for the Master.

In October delegates from this Association attended the annual meeting of the Charlotte Division held in Gastonia. Up until this time this Association had been in the Charlotte Division. At this meeting the state was divided into 10 districts and we are now in the Wilkesboro Division which includes 13 associations. We are fortunate to have as our Divisional Superintendent, Mrs. Earl C. James, of Elkin, in January the W. M. S. of the Wilkesboro church was hostess to a group of the Divisional Officers, also our State President and Secretary, Mrs. J. Clyde Turner, who laid plans for the year's work. In May, our annual W. M. U. Meeting of the Brushy Mountain Association was held at Pleasant Home Baptist Church. Visitors who brought us inspiring and informational messages that day were Mrs. W. D.

Briggs, of Raleigh, Mrs. Earl C. James, of Elkin, Mr. C. C. Holland, Taylorsville, and Miss Frances Turner, Leaksville. Miss Turner, a training school graduate, was in our midst for two weeks working in four churches teaching W. M. U. method books, books on missions and organizing new societies. During the year there have been organized 6 new societies, all in rural churches, bringing our number to 20. Our total gifts this year amount to \$1,332.06, a gain of \$103.00 above the amount given last year. No report can be made of the love and effort and prayers that has gone into this year's work. If we are willing to serve, we soon discover that there are no unimportant tasks in W. M. U. work. As we enter another year of service for the Master may we be constrained to use our every task as an opportunity for real service.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. T. MITCHELL.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Sunday School Board created the Vacation Bible School Department in 1924. In 1928 there were 320 schools, and in 1938 there were 1,034 schools with an enrollment of 375,455. Today the Vacation Bible school is a generally accepted part of the educational program of the denomination. Southern Baptists have more than 24,000 churches, of which about two-thirds are rural. There are good reasons for believing that at least one-half of them can have a Vacation Bible school each summer if they really wish to. Approximately 25 million pupils of Vacation Bible school age are dismissed by the public schools of our country every spring, the vast majority of whom have little that is worth while to do until school reopens in the fall. Millions of them would gladly go to Vacation Bible school three hours daily, five days a week, for the length of the school if they were given the opportunity.

The church through the Vacation Bible school can help girls and boys to learn much of the Bible, to pray, to worship, to sing, to give of self and substance. It can interest them in the activities of the church and the denomination, give them constructive guidance in Christian conduct, and help them in the development of Christlike character.

The school should have four Departments: Beginner, Primary, Junior and Intermediate—but there can be fewer. Local conditions will determine the number. The teaching is done by departments rather than classes. The pupils are not required to study either in the school or at home. The only text books are in the hands of the teachers (except the Bible, each pupil takes their Bible.) However, the teacher must know and be prepared. There should be one textbook yearly for each department.

A Vacation Bible school is not expensive. It is seldom necessary to pay teachers, almost all of them give their services. In recent years Southern Baptist schools have spent an average of about two cents daily for each person enrolled.

What actually goes on in a Vacation Bible School? After reverently marching into the church, led by pupils bearing a Bible, a Christian flag, and a United States flag, the pastor conducts a brief devotional or worship service, then a habit or character story is told. A singing period follows during which the pupils, without books, memorize the words of a hymn, learn the tune and hear an interesting story about it. The joint period closes with the salutes and the pledges of allegiance to the Bible, the Christian flag and the United States flag. In their own departments the pupils sing, pray, quote and memorize Scripture passages, locate Bible books, chapters and verses, hear Bible, mission and character stories told, play, take notes, engage in spontaneous dramatization, do hand work, and engage in other activities that are both enjoyable and educational.

The Vacation Bible School offers unusual opportunities for winning boys and girls to Christ and to Christian living. One reason for successful evangelism in the school is that genuine Christian atmosphere where the religion of Christ is lived out wholesomely and happily.

If ours would be a Steadfast Church in a Changing World, surely we cannot afford to refuse our boys and girls the opportunity of attending a Vacation Bible school sometime during the summer months.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The words Christian Education have no doubt been misunderstood many times. If a person is to receive a Christian Education, then he must get his instruction and training through sources that are genuinely Christian. When such instruction is received then he is able to apply these principles to Christian living in his daily contacts with men and women; thus, helping them to live the more abundant life. When strife, hatred, greed and the desire to dictate are banished from the earth and the principles of the Great Teacher are taught and practiced, then will civilization live.

Our Baptist Schools show remarkable gains each year in enrollment, in endowments and in value of property. These things show us that our Baptist Schools are supported, thus enabling them to render this great service to our sons and daughters under Christian leadership. Our Baptist Schools are worthy of our most loyal support.

Through the influence of Christian leaders the pattern of our National life in America was formed. If our National life is to conform to this pattern set forth in our Constitution inspired by Christian leaders, it is then the job of our Christian Colleges to prepare men and women to carry on and govern our people in keeping with the principles of one who is known as the Great Teacher.

What can we as part of the half-million Baptists in North Carolina do to advance the cause of Christian Education?

1—Our home life should be governed by Christian principles.

2—Patronize our denominational schools and colleges in N. C.

3—See to it that the public schools of our communities are taught by men and women of strong Christian character.

4—Make what financial contributions possible to our Baptist Schools.

5—Use your influence to help establish an endowment in one of these schools.

6—Pray often for the cause of Christian Education and those who lead in the great work.

Our Baptist Schools in North Carolina are: Wake Forest College, Meredith College, Mars Hill College, Campbell College, Wingate College and Chowan College.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

THE BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

The Baptist Hospital, located in Winston-Salem, received its first patients May 28, 1923. Since that date more than 47,000 patients have been treated. 19,000 of these were too poor to pay. More than 14,000 were mothers who went home to more than 42,000 children. Almost 1,200 were ministers of the Gospel. During these years our hospital has rendered in free service \$1,900,000.00 to the sick of our State.

Last year, 4,099 patients were treated, 1,500 of which were charity cases. 3,000 patients were turned away for lack of room. 1,000 of these turned away were from Winston-Salem, who had money to pay their bill. This meant turning away \$70,000.00. These were turned away in order to keep true to the hospital's original purpose: "To take care of and treat those who cannot pay." If the hospital had closed its door to these charity cases, it could have run without an offering from the churches.

Soon the hospital will be able to care for 8,000 patients a year. What an opportunity for North Carolina Baptists to serve and bless the sick and suffering among us, both physically and spiritually.

Therefore we would urge that a Mother's Day offering be taken in every one of our churches for this worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. WATTS.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS RELIEF

The average of twenty-nine of thirty-one churches in the Brushy Mountain Association for pastors is one hundred and forty-four dollars, or twelve dollars per month. After deducting traveling expenses, charity, funerals, weddings and visiting the sick and bereaved we fear there would be no surplus to lay up for old age. Therefore it is reasonable to suppose that a majority of our pastors will be dependant financially in old age.

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist connection is paying about six hundred and fifty aged ministers and about six hundred of their widows an average of seven dollars and fifty cents per month, which is derived from a small percentage of the cooperative

program. The old ministers who have spent the best part of their lives serving churches and have no other income should receive at least twenty-five dollars per month in their old days. In order to make this possible the Annuity Board has adopted an insurance plan for ministers which we heartily recommend. By this plan the church will cooperate with the pastor; will enable the pastor to receive a monthly income for life after the old age retirement. This is obtained by the minister paying three per cent of his salary and the church paying three per cent of the salary they pay him into the Age Security Treasury. This action on the part of the church will solve the problem of dependency among ministers; it will insure more worthy support than has ever been given through the relief department and for those whose years of serving the Lord are largely behind them, it will prove an adequate support in their old age. Churches should remember that an Annuity Board for a retired minister is not to be thought of as their gift in order that he can have an easier life, but as their obligation to pay him the reasonable part given him for putting in his life work, mere support. The laborer is worthy of his hire. Let us try to be Christians in our treatment of the men of God, who are no longer able to provide for their own physical needs.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. PROFFIT.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the records of the Association for the current year show improvement in certain phases of our work, therefore be it resolved:

First, that we express our gratitude and thanks for this and every effort that would increase the Master's work.

Second, that each church resolve to give a once-a-month offering and a Thanksgiving offering to the Orphanage; the Baptist Hospital, an offering to the Co-operative Program at least once a year, and continue to emphasize evangelism, soul winning and scriptural stewardship.

Third, that we extend our sincere appreciation to each speaker and every committee who have helped to make this splendid program possible.

Fourth, that we express our thanks to the pastor and membership of New Hope Church for the privilege of associating with them in this series of meetings and for their kind hospitality and fellowship, the delicious food and every act so graciously administered which has made the Association so pleasant in every way.

Respectfully submitted,

WILL HURLEY,
MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON,
ZOLLIE PARSONS.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the undersigned Nominating Committee, recommend that the

present Moderator, T. E. Story, and the present Clerk, J. F. Jordan, be elected for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. CHURCH,
R. L. PROFFIT,
J. M. LANKFORD, Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The next annual session of the Brushy Mountain Association will be held with Pleasant Home Baptist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1941.

Rev. Finley C. Watts will preach the introductory sermon, or his alternate, Rev. Isaac Watts.

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. JONES,
LAFAYETTE DEAL,
O. B. BARNETTE, Committee.

COMMITTEES

Resolutions: Will Hurley, Mrs. George Johnson, Zollie Parsons.

Nominations: R. L. Proffit, R. L. Church and J. M. Lankford.

Time, Place and Preacher: W. E. Jones, Lafayette Deal and O. B. Barnette.

Order of Business: The Moderator, Clerk, Mrs. Carl Mayberry, Pastor of First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro, Fred Blevins.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

Beaver Creek—Mr. John McNeill.

Edgewood—Mrs. Martha Glass, Mrs. Mary Jane Transou.

Gordon—Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Steelman.

Lewis Fork—Mr. Lee Walsh, Deacon.

Little Rock—Mr. Jonas Pennell, Margaret Broyhill.

Mount Pleasant—Mrs. J. J. Marley, Mrs. A. G. Foster.

New Hope—Mrs. Ella V. Dockery.

North Wilkesboro 1st—Mrs. James Chambers, Deacon J. I.
Myers, Mrs. W. M. Eller, Mrs. Lorena Jones, Mrs.
Cody Moore.

North Wilkesboro 2nd—Lester Anderson.

Pilgrim—M. Rubin Nichols.

Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Olin Bumgarner, J. J. Parsons, El-
bert Cannon.

Pleasant Home—Mrs. T. J. McNeill.

Stony Hill—Miss Annie Parsons, Mrs. America Welch,
Mrs. Mary Woodruff.

Zion Hill—Mrs. Mabel Walsh.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private

duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE III—Baptist Training Unions of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association for Year Ending August 30, 1940

CHURCHES	DIRECTOR OF TRAINING UNION		Adult Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Adults Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	No. Daily Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers
Hinshaw Street...	None		1	1		1	132					30	30
Moravian Falls...	None		1	15							7		
Mt. Pleasant	Ruth McNeill		1				125				5	10	15
New Hope	Vivian Eller		1				130				10	20	15
N. Wilkesboro 1st	Paul Haigwood		1	1	1	3	10	10	17				37
Oakwoods			1				125						
Wilkesboro	J. F. Jordan		1		1	2	118		40	58			20

TABLE IV—W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts, Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, for Year Ending August 30, 1940.

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. W. M. S.	No. Y. W. A.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. R. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Org.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.	Grand Total for All Pur- poses Given by W. M. U. and all its organizations
Fishing Creek.....	Mrs. Jack McLain, Wilkesboro, R. 2	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	9	\$10.25	\$36.01	\$ 46.26					
Hinshaw Street.....	Mrs. A. M. Handy, N. Wilkesboro	1	1	1	1	1	1	45.65	915.89	1105.40	45.65	45.65					
N. Wilkesboro Ist.....	Mrs. R. T. McNiel, N. Wilkesboro	1	1	4	3	1	10	119.40	57	33	25	274	239				
Oakwoods.....	Mrs. Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro	2	1	1	1	1	4	22	16	15	35	88	25	20.00	12.00	32.00	
Pleasant Home.....	Mrs. Buren Yates, Wilkesboro	1	1	1	1	1	4	22	16	15	35	88	11.00	22.00	98.00		
Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	2	1	1	1	1	5	54	15	18	17	104	15.00	72.81	88.75		

TABLE V—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Year Ending August 30, 1910

CHURCHES	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?		When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
	Yes	No											
Beaver Creek	yes		1811	wood	400	1		\$2500.00			\$2600.00		
Big Ivey	yes		1928	wood	200	1		1000.00			1000.00		
Boiling Springs	yes		1932	wood	350	1		1100.00			1200.00		
Cub Creek	yes		1865	wood	500	1		1000.00			1000.00		
Edgewood	yes		1893	wood	700	2	3	2000.00			2000.00		\$ 1000.00
Elk	yes		1926	wood	350	1		1800.00			1800.00		
Fishing Creek	yes		1928	wood	600	1		4100.00			4100.00		2000.00
Gordon	yes		1918	wood	300	3	2	5000.00			5000.00		
Goshen	yes		1916	wood	500	1		1500.00			1500.00		
Harmony	yes		1900	wood	500	1		3500.00			3500.00		
Hinshaw Street	yes		1927	wood	400	5	4	3030.00			4000.00		1000.00
Lewis Fork	yes		1909	wood	400	1		2500.00			2500.00		
Liberty Grove	yes		1886	wood	400	3	4	1900.00			1090.00		13.50
Little Rock	yes		1905	wood	400	8	8	2500.00			2500.00		
Moravian Falls	yes		1888	wood	300	2		2500.00			2500.00		
Mount Carmel	yes		1911	wood	600	1		2000.00	\$ 2000.00		4000.00		1000.00
Mount Pleasant	yes		1875	wood	500	1	1	3500.00			3500.00		
Mount Zion	yes		1924	wood	500	1	1	2000.00			2000.00		
New Hope	yes		1937	wood	500	5	5	3500.00			4000.00		3000.00
N. Wilkesboro 1st	yes		1910	brick	600	15	12	60000.00	10,000.00		70,000.00		3075.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	yes		1937	wood	400	1		2000.00			2000.00		125.00
Oakwoods	yes		1919	wood	300	1		1800.00			1800.00		
Pilgrim	yes		1839	wood	300	1		1500.00			1500.00		
Pleasant Grove	yes		1880	wood	300	1		2000.00			2000.00		
Pleasant Home	yes		1903	wood	600	1		1700.00			1700.00		
Purlear	yes			wood	300	1		1800.00			1800.00		
Shady Grove	yes		1880	wood	300	1		1000.00			1000.00		
Stony Hill	yes		1922	wood	300	1		5000.00			5000.00		
Walnut Grove	yes		1929	brick	400	1		2500.00			2500.00		
Welcome Home	yes		1936	wood	350	1		9000.00			13,000.00		7500.00
Wilkesboro	yes		1902	brick	400	15	3	15	4000.00		4000.00		620.00

REGULAR TREASURERS
AND POST OFFICES

CHURCHES

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S., B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total For Local Purposes Given by Church and All Its Organizations
Beaver Creek	\$108.77		\$10.00	\$ 2.00		\$18.00	\$14.00	\$15.00	\$1.50	\$17.22	\$159.49
Big Ivy			80.00				10.00			5.70	122.70
Boiling Springs	61.91		10.00	11.00		1.50	14.79	24.21	1.50	10.25	135.16
Cub Creek	131.00	\$45.00									177.50
Edgewood	163.00		30.00	142.75		25.00	8.75		2.00	11.00	374.35
Elk	76.28		2.60			20.40			2.00		110.03
Fishing Creek	211.59		35.75	10.00		50.75	36.75		3.00		347.84
Gordon	110.17		8.60	209.25		41.04	40.95	19.00	2.00	25.40	456.41
Goshen	65.00						12.90		1.50	12.00	90.50
Harmony	232.27		32.00			9.75	19.50		1.25	21.00	315.77
Hinshaw Street	318.00		110.00			170.00	62.88	3.19			660.88
Lewis Fork	186.77		31.38			39.14					290.48
Liberty Grove	66.95		18.00	31.20		11.67	20.15	2.00	2.00		151.97
Little Rock	130.60	55.50	20.00	10.00		20.00	35.00	10.00		30.00	311.10
Moravian Falls	240.00		35.00			37.00	30.50		3.00	4.72	350.22
Mount Carmel	48.00		10.00	100.00		14.86	6.24		1.25		180.35
Mount Pleasant	587.06		24.00	39.30		72.38	45.93	9.87	3.00	18.00	799.54
Mount Zion	133.30		23.25	186.75		20.80	24.29	10.00	2.00	19.00	419.39
New Hope	258.10		43.50			57.10	48.53		3.00		404.23
N. Wilkesboro 1st	2025.00	120.00	186.05	10.58	\$205.50	658.27	377.70	22.00	12.00	168.19	4385.29
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	40.00	15.00		28.75	50.00	13.00	18.02	2.00			166.77
Oakwoods	80.35	53.35		30.00		8.80	30.00	2.00		114.00	318.50
Pilgrim	84.07	26.54				13.43	19.08				143.12
Pleasant Grove	114.12					46.63	21.97	9.47	2.00		194.19
Pleasant Home	234.60					45.00	43.50	20.00	3.00	26.00	509.50
Purlear	104.75		39.40	98.90		21.18	23.10	6.00	3.00		158.03
Shady Grove	75.00					9.00			.50		84.50
Stony Hill	70.00		17.50			5.00	12.64				105.14
Walnut Grove	300.00		50.00	130.00		40.18	42.75		3.00		535.93
Welcome Home	150.00		36.00	100.00		9.60	35.00				380.60
Wilkesboro	700.00		86.67	320.65		180.00	116.60	11.00	6.00	7.50	1567.15
Zion Hill	210.00				5.00	90.00	21.62	40.00			366.62



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Prof. T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Beshears, Lee, Parsonville, N. C.
Byrd, W. L., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Eller, Leroy, Moravian Falls, N. C.
Eller, A. W., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Eller, V. G., Purlear, N. C.
Foster, Alfred, Boomer, N. C.
Frost, G. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Guy, T. Sloan, Jr., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, Noah, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, A. B., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, T. M.
Hodges, E. C., Hendrix, N. C.
Huffman, Glenn, Parsonville, N. C.
Higgins, John, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Jarvis, Richard W., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Kincheloe, John W., Jr., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Miller, Ed. O., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Miller, Ralph, Cricket, N. C.
Miller, James A., Moravian Falls, N. C.
Minton, B. L., Congo, N. C.
Nichols, J. T., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Pearson, J. A., Purlear, N. C.
Pool, J. Charlie, Pores Knob, N. C.
Pruitt, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Walsh, T. J., Walsh, N. C.
Walker, James, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Watts, Issac, Boomer, N. C.
Watts, F. C., Purlear, N. C.
Watson, Tommie, Tumbling Shoals, N. C.
Wilcoxin, J. H., Summit, N. C.
Younger, L. T., New Hope, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
Day, R. F., Elkin, N. C.
Hamby, Grady, Balm, N. C.
Johnson, Otto, Taylorsville, N. C.
Minton, Grady, Vilas, N. C.
Peeler, B. F., Taylorsville, N. C.
Shew, Tom, Lenoir, N. C.
Shoe, E. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

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Big Ivey—Virginia Phillips, W. A. Blackburn, Chessie Vea Walsh.
Boiling Springs—Ben Whittington, Orr Huffman, Turner Huffman.
Cub Creek—J. L. Hemphill, J. Anderson, W. S. Anderson.
Edgewood—Della Bumgarner, Clifford Moore, J. W. Moore.
Elk—S. F. Miller, Mrs. S. F. Miller, F. W. McNeill.
Fishing Creek—G. Warner Miller, H. M. Anderson, J. W. Pardue, Mrs. Carl Miller.
Gordon—Willie Walker, Jones Parsons, W. P. Carson, Mrs. W. P. Carson.
Goshen—R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton, John Higgins.
Harmony—L. A. Minton, Harold Hartley, Clyde Beshears.
Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, Hobart Deal, A. H. Lovett.
Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplett, C. H. Jones, Mrs. A. J. Proffit.
Liberty Grove—J. A. Caudill, R. L. Church.
Little Rock—C. W. Carlton, R. J. Wallace, I. J. Broyhill.
Moravian Falls—R. A. Greer, Mrs. R. L. Scroggs, Mrs. J. C. Critcher.
Mount Carmel—Worth Church, W. H. Houck, W. A. Earp.
Mount Pleasant—J. C. Church, J. C. McNeill, H. I. Shoemaker.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, D. M. Triplett, Mrs. E. C. Hodges.
New Hope—Allie Hayes, Vernon Eller, Mrs. Dorothy Vannoy.
North Wilkesboro First—D. E. Elledge, C. B. Eller, Mrs. R. T. McNiel, Mrs. A. H. Casey.
North Wilkesboro Second—W. I. Bumgerner, John Anderson, John Porter.
Oakwoods—I. P. Anderson, Mrs. Pearl Blevins, Mrs. J. M. Canter.
Pilgrim—M. F. Huffman, Charles Shoemaker, B. L. Minton.
Pleasant Grove—Willie Church, Melvin Bumgarner, Frank Culler.
Pleasant Home—Minnie McNeill, W. V. Caudill, W. T. Snyder.
Purlear—C. C. Hayes, W. H. Eller, O. R. Miller.
Shady Grove—Earl Anderson, D. K. Green, Mrs. D. K. Green.
Stony Hill—G. S. McNeill, J. B. Baker, W. C. Laws.
Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings.
Welcome Home—Sherman Shumate, Bill Kink, W. H. Hurley.
Wilkesboro—R. L. Wellborn, Dr. M. G. Edwards, A. A. Sturdivant, Mrs. George Johnson, Mrs. J. F. Jordan, Mrs. R. L. Wellborn.
Zion Hill—W. J. Earp, A. F. Greer, Atwell German.

MINUTES OF THE ASSOCIATION

The Sixty-Eighth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Pleasant Home Baptist Church, September 23, 1941, at 10 o'clock A. M. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, T. E. Story. The Congregation joined in singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. Atwell Watts, who gave an inspirational discussion from the 26th Psalm. A glad welcome was extended by the pastor of the church to the Association. At this time the recognition of visitors and pastors was called for and they responded as follows: Rev. C. J. Peale, Alexander Association, J. C. Pipes, representative of the State Baptist Board, M. L. Lewis, E. C. Shoe, Taylorsville, Finley C. Watts, J. A. McMillan, Liberty Association, A. J. Eller, S. I. Watts, Atwell Watts, T. Sloan Guy, Jr., R. E. Rich, South Mountain Association, G. W. Sebastian, M. A. Adams, A. J. Hayes, Millard Caudill, L. T. Younger and B. L. Minton.

The Moderator called for the enrollment of messengers and 22 churches responded with their letters. Motion was made by D. E. Elledge and seconded that the Programme as submitted be adopted, which motion carried favorably, and was followed by a discussion from the Moderator on the theme of the Programme.

At this time reports were called for and I. P. Anderson read the Report on the Orphanage, and was followed by a discussion from Rev. Arch McMillan. Motion was made by C. C. Church and seconded by Frank Walsh, that the report be adopted and was carried favorably.

Report on Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and Mission Literature, by R. L. Proffit. Motion was made by Rev. Atwell Watts, and seconded by Tom Snider, that the report be adopted, which motion carried. The report was very ably discussed by R. L. Proffit. After this discussion the audience stood and joined in singing a hymn and then the annual sermon was preached by Rev. Finley C. Watts. His text was taken from the 55th chapter of Isaiah, 6th verse, "Seek ye the Lord." After the annual sermon the Association recessed for lunch.

At 1:30 the Association reassembled in the church and the congregation joined in singing "In the Cross," and "Holy, Holy." The devotional was conducted by Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr. Scripture read, the Epistle of James. After devotional special music was given by R. E. Rich, of South Mountain, "He Hideth My Soul."

Reports were called for and read as follows: State Missions, Rev. Isaac Watts; Home Missions, Mrs. Addie Jones, read by Miss McNeill; Foreign Missions, by Mrs. A. H. Casey; motion was made by D. E. Elledge and seconded by Frank Walsh, that the reports as read be adopted, which motion carried favorably. Rev. E. C. Shoe gave an able discussion on the reports and Bible emphasis, on missions. Baptist programme of missions, by Rev. J. C. Pipes, representative of the State Board, and Rev. M. L. Lewis, of Carolina Association, who gave

fine discussions on the reports. After discussions motion was made and seconded and carried that the reports be adopted.

Temperance and Public Morals, by D. E. Elledge, after which a motion was made and carried favorably that the report be adopted. Rev. M. A. Adams gave a fine inspirational discussion on the report and how strong drink destroys public morals if allowed to dominate.

Wednesday, September 24, 1941

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 10 o'clock, A. M., and the audience joined in singing hymn, "Break Thou the Bread of Life" and "Higher Ground." The devotional was conducted by Rev. A. W. Eller; scripture read, Revelation, 7th chapter and 9th verse.

Reports were called for and read as follows: Christian Education, by Allie Hayes. Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted which motion carried and was followed by a splendid discussion from Allie Hayes, and a very able discussion from Rev. J. F. Fletcher, of New River Association of Virginia, as to the effects of Christian education and what it means among our young people and how essential it is that they be trained in Christian learning.

Report on Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, by C. B. Eller. Motion was made and seconded and carried favorably that the report be adopted, which was followed by a fine discussion from Prof. C. B. Eller, and some striking figures given in comparison to the number attending Sunday School against the number of church members that attend Sunday School. At this time a motion was made by Rev. Atwell Watts, and seconded, that Prof. C. B. Eller be reelected Associational Sunday School Superintendent, which was carried favorably.

Report of W. M. U. by Mrs. R. T. McNiel. Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted, which carried. This was followed by a discussion from Mrs. McNiel, Mrs. Johnson and Miss Cora McNeill.

Report on Training Union was given by Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr. Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted which carried favorably and was followed by a discussion from Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr.

At this time the Nominating Committee: R. L. Church, Tom Snider and Harrold Hartley, made their report and recommended that the present Moderator and Clerk, T. E. Story, Moderator, and J. F. Jordan, Clerk, be reelected for the ensuing year. Motion was put by Rev. Atwell Watts and seconded that they be reelected again and carried favorably.

The address of the morning was made by Rev. Marshall Mott, taking as his text last three verses of the 15th chapter of II Corinthians. 25% of those in the church are active and 75% of this nation are heathen. We must accept the doctrine of the sovereignty of God. God must be omnipotent and omnipresent. Sincerity of obedience. After his address the Association adjourned one hour for lunch.

At 1:20 the Association reassembled in the church and the audience joined in singing "Just When I Need Him Most," after which the devotional was conducted by the Moderator, who took as a scripture lesson, "I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me."

Report on Baptist Hospital by Rev. George Sebastian. Motion was made, seconded and carried that the report be adopted. Discussion by Rev. G. W. Sebastian and Charles E. Parker

Report of Resolution Committee by Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr. Motion by Atwell Watts, that Rev. T. Sloan Guy, Jr., and Mrs. R. T. McNiel be elected as members of the Executive Committee, which motion carried.

Committee on Resolutions reported that next session of the Association be held with Zion Hill Baptist church and that Dr. J. W. Kincheloe, Jr., preach the annual sermon, which motion carried. The closing message was brought by Rev. Wilburn Hutchins. There being no further business the Association adjourned by singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

PROGRAMME

General Theme: "Following The Living Christ"

10:00 A. M. (Daylight saving time)

- Praise and Worship Rev. Atwell Watts
- 10:15—Roll call of churches, recognition of visitors and appointment of committees.
- 10:30—Our Theme, by the Moderator of the Association.
- 10:45—**Following the Living Christ In Our Reading:**
- (1) Report on Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, and Mission Literature R. L. Proffit
- (2) Discussion Speaker to be selected
- 11:15—Report on Orphanage Iredell P. Anderson
- (1) Discussion by Representative from Orphanage
- 11:45—Annual Sermon, by Rev. Finley C. Watts.
- 12:30—Noon—Recess and lunch.
- 1:30—Praise and worship by Rev. Glenn Huffman
- 1:45—**Following the Living Christ In Missions:**
- (1) Report of State Missions.....Rev. Isaac Watts
- (2) Report on Home Missions.....Mrs. Addie Jones
- (3) Report on Foreign MissionsMrs. A. H. Casey
- (4) Bible Ephasis on Missions..... Rev. E. C. Shoe
- 2:45—The Baptist Programme of Missions.....Rev. J. C. Pipes
- 3:10—Temperance and Public Morals.....Speaker to be selected
- (1) Report D. E. Elledge
- (2) DiscussionRev. M. A. Adams

Wednesday, September 24, 1941

10:00 A. M. (Daylight saving time)

Praise and Worship..... Rev. A. W. Eller

- 10:15—Following the Living Christ In Our Teaching Service:
- (1) Report on Sunday School and Vacation Bible School C. B. Eller
 - (2) Report on W. M. U. Mrs. R. T. McNiel
 - (3) Report on Training Union Rev. Sloan T. Guy, Jr.
- 11:15—Following the Living Christ Through Our Schools and Colleges:
- (1) Report on Christian Education Allie Hayes
 - (2) Address Speaker to be selected
- 12:00—Report of Nominating Committee
- 12:05—Recess and lunch
- 1:05—Praise and Worship Rev. Edgar Hayes
- 1:20—Following the Living Christ in Our Care for the Sick:
- (1) Report on Baptist Hospital..... Rev. George Sebastian
 - (2) Address by Hospital Representative.... Chas. E. Parker
- 2:15—Report of Committees and Miscellaneous Business.
- 2:30—Closing Message..... Wilburn Hutchins
- 3:00—Final adjournment.

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

Since 1884 the institution has stood as a challenge to every Baptist in the State. If our people could visualize the character and spirit of Brother John Haymes, Dr. Charles E. Taylor and others as they lay the plans for the foundation of the orphanage many of its problems would immediately be solved. If you would see the mighty work begun by these men go to the orphanage at Thomasville and note its beginning, its continued growth, see the hundreds of children for whom it cares, and take into account the many thousands scattered throughout the world, with a support and education made possible by the work inaugurated by these men and through the continued support of our churches and individuals; thousands of orphaned children rise up to call them blessed.

May we repeat a portion of the 1939 report submitted by Bro. J. J. Hayes, "It is our conviction that every church in the Association should make a once a month offering to the orphanage and we earnestly urge the delegates to convey this message to their respective churches."

Respectfully submitted,

I. P. ANDERSON.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

As a man thinketh in his heart so is he. We think mainly about what we read. Then to think righteously we should read good literature. Because the State cannot teach religion it devolves upon the home and the church to teach the great principles of the Bible and the gospel of Christ. As our bodies thrive on what we feed them so does our minds thrive on what we feed them. Reading makes a ready man but ready for what depends greatly upon the quality of the literature we read.

The future welfare of our people depends on the Christian culture of the homes of this generation. Therefore we most earnestly recom-

mend that we have in our homes the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and Home Missions and Commission, all great sources of information on the work of the kingdom and the state of the churches.

These publications are the product of our best Baptist thought and should have our support that they might enlarge our vision so that the work of the kingdom might go forward in a greater way.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. PROFFIT, for Committee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State Missions mean much in our general missionary program, because it is our home and consequently the base of our work.

Patriotism alone ought to make us want to make our state a better place in which to live, and a strong fortress for the kingdom of God. The fact that many in our state are not Christian should inspire us to give the gospel to our own people.

For the past several years the program of State Missions has been engaged in the work of evangelism, and training the membership of the churches through the B. T. U. State missions has also done a great work for the Indians and Negroes of our state.

State Missions does a great work among college students. State Missions also does a lot toward the healing of those of our number sick in body and soul through the Oteen Hospital, and other institutions located in the State.

J. C. Pipes and M. O. Alexander are doing some splendid Missionary work throughout our State.

If we fail at home doubtless disaster and failure would be the result of the whole program of Missions throughout the South.

Respectfully submitted,

S. I. WATTS.

HOME MISSIONS

Making and keeping our homeland Christian is the challenging task of the Home Mission Board. As Christians, we believe that only Christ for our country is the solution for our problems. Only the Great Physician can heal our hurt and restore sick souls.

The Home Mission Board is giving itself to the task of giving our Christ to our country. The Board believes that the heart and soul of missions is the making and baptizing of disciples. It is therefore majoring on preaching the gospel, which is the only power known among men that can transform the unbelieving into a childlike faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

Through Home Missions we are endeavoring to give the Gospel to the twenty-six language groups that are in our Southland. These include Indians, the deaf and neglected people in our cities, the foreigners, the Negroes in the congested sections and centers of our land, and in Cuba and Panama. The Jews and Mexicans are awakening as never before. These different groups are our responsibilities. They differ in racial characteristics, in social and religious heritage, in

traditions, in the mental and moral make up, but have hungry hearts and longing souls, that only Christ can satisfy.

Some of our greatest mission fields are now the Army, Navy, Marines, C. C. Camps and our defense plants. At least one half of America's young manhood will be engaged in defending our land. We may be assured if these young men become disillusioned about Christianity the results will be worse than defeat at the hands of any enemy.

If our civilization is to be saved the religious faith of our young manhood must be preserved. This directly effects our own boys, our own churches, our own homes. Therefore let us give of our means and of our prayers as never before.

The salvation of our country depends on the enthronement of Christ in the lives of our people. A saved homeland holds the key to a saved world.

The ninety-sixth annual report of the Home Mission Board reveals marked progress on every field. We have 391 missionaries on the Home Fields. 71 new mission stations have been established, but with all we have done and are doing millions will not hear the gospel and never know Christ. Could we be sufficiently interested, until we would read the magazine, Southern Baptist Home Missions, and the two new study books, "The Trail of Seed" and "Signs of the Times," published by the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga., we surely would awaken to our obligations, and help give the gospel to our own homeland.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ADDIE F. JONES.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

For ninety-six years Southern Baptists have endeavored to carry the Gospel to the people of the earth. In this long period of years it has been our endeavor to carry out the purpose and program of Christ's commission: "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

The following summary is a brief statement of our work in the different nations of the earth. The year 1940 marked the celebration of fifty years of Gospel triumph for our Baptist cause in Japan. In Africa, we have only fifty-two missionaries, which is very inadequate, and in Europe tragedy after tragedy has stalked the people in earthquake, hunger and diseases. Hungary has been blessed with a large amount of her territory returned and the most important happening in Italy is the transfer of Southern Baptist property to the Italian Brotherhood. The biggest loss to Rumania is the overrunning of Bessarabia by Russia, which handicapped the work greatly and the earthquakes brought a great loss in property and endangered the lives of missionaries, but their mission spirit kept the school going.

The death of Rev. N. J. Bengton in Spain was a great loss, but his widow carries on the mission work among the Spaniards. In Belgrade Yugoslavia, Dr. Everett Gill has acquired valuable property and

through John Allen Moore a Seminary has been opened. Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Owens have been driven from Haifa to Jerusalem, where they are carrying on the missionary work. The countries of South America, Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay and Chile, are white unto harvest and the work encouraging. In Brazil, there are over 40,000 Baptist and only 400 churches. Some of the missionaries are unable to return to China, and have taken up work in the Hawaiian Islands and have been doing great work there.

When this ghastly and cruel war now raging on three continents is over and the last gun fired and the last ship sunk and the last city bombed, then the starving people of a ruined world will begin the slow and arduous task of rebuilding their broken homes in a world of chaos and confusion. It is then when we need to send missionaries to all parts of the world with the great command, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. H. CASEY.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

Temperance and public morals are closely related to each other. Wherever you see temperance practiced you also see invariably good public morals. Temperance then properly defined means self control. It means total abstinence from all harmful things and moderate use of things not harmful. Intemperance is detrimental to society and destroys public morals.

We usually think of intemperance as the excessive use of strong drink. Its results are prevalent today throughout the land. Let us note some of the evils of it. Homes are broken up, divorces are sought, crimes are committed, men, women and children all are victims. The young are cut down in the vigor of youth, the middle aged in their strength and usefulness, the old in their weakness. What a tragedy that men and women do not think of these things before it is too late. In our observation we have seen brilliant minds destroyed and strong bodies go to premature graves.

The wise man tells us about drunkenness as follows: "Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way. Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh: For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rage."—Prov. 23:19-21.

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."—Prov. 20:1.

"Who hath woe? Who hath sorrow? Who hath wounds without cause? Who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself

aright. At last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder. Thine eyes shall behold strange things, and thine heart shall utter perverse things. Yea, thou shalt be as him that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or he that lieth upon the top of the mast.

"They have stricken me, shalt thou say, and I was not sick; they have beaten me, and I felt it not: When shall I awake? I will seek it yet again."—Prov. 23:29-35.

In these testing days Christians should act like Christians.

The challenge is great. Not for many years has the church of the living God been faced with the issue of temperance and public morals as it is right now. It is time now to take a stand on the side of right. Preachers should preach temperance, teachers should teach temperance and all Christians should practice it, now as never before.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

The reports of the different Sunday Schools in the Association show an increase of 9% in enrollment and an increase of 11% in average attendance over the previous year. The most encouraging report from the Sunday School work is the increased number of baptisms, which increased from 61 in 1940 to 111 for the past year, or an increase of 82%. This is evidence that some fine work is being done in the Sunday Schools and great good is being accomplished. More than one half of the churches report baptisms from their Sunday Schools.

A Sunday School Association has been organized in this Association and two meetings have been held this Summer. The attendance has not been large, but those attending have shown interest and a desire for the Association to continue with the support of all the Sunday Schools in the Association. Much can be accomplished by leaders from all the Sunday Schools meeting and studying together quarterly.

Two of the churches in the Association report Vacation Bible Schools held during the Summer with an enrollment of 129. Think what it would mean if each church in the Association would sponsor one of these fine training schools next Summer, and there could be enrolled 1500 to 2000 fine boys and girls.

It is our responsibility to give the youth of today more Christian training and when we have all done our part, we will see results that will be pleasing to us and to our Heavenly Father.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. ELLER.

REPORT OF BRUSHY MOUNTAIN W. M. U.

There is every evidence that the women of the Brushy Mountain Association W. M. U. kept the watchword for the year on their hearts and minds. "That thy way may be known upon earth, Thy salvation among all nations." Woman's Missionary Union has chosen

this watchword because it is especially fitted to meet the needs of today. How urgent it is that we make His way known. The theme for the programs this year is: "An Urgent Gospel, the World's Dire Need." We are seeking to make His way known through the six chief aims of W. M. U.—Prayer, Bible Study, Tithes and Offerings, Stewardship, Personal Service and Missionary Education for Young People. We pray personally for our missionaries by using the Day by Day Prayer Calendar. We urge that each home use the family altar as the beginning of all Christian endeavor. Study of all mission fields and their needs is continually done in groups. The Commission, Home Mission Magazine, World Comrade, Royal Service, Biblical Recorder and many others are used for programs and special study. The Young people are taught the importance of personal service, how to be good stewards of their money, time, talent and influence. How important it is that their young minds be turned into channels of justice, love and kindness, rather than hate, greed and murder. We shall need special training in the days ahead, extra supplies of faith, courage and endurance so that we may be prepared for additional service, heroic sacrifice and generous giving.

Last October this Association entertained the Wilkesboro Division which is composed of 13 Associations. An all day session was held with Mrs. Clyde Turner, Mrs. W. D. Briggs, Mrs. W. W. Lawton and others bringing heart warming messages. More than 200 attended.

Twenty-five girls and boys attended the House Party and Royal Ambassador Camp at Ridgecrest in June. A group of young women also attended the Y. W. A. camp. There they heard and were associated with some of the outstanding Christians of today. Let's make it possible for more to attend next year.

Last May we gave a linen shower to the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, consisting of 64 sheets, 59 pillow cases and more than 100 towels.

Realizing that our great denomination cannot go forward under the burdne of debt, the women of the South have pledged themselves to pay one million dollars toward a "Debtless Denomination by 1945." As a small part, we have 11 memberships in the Hundred Thousand Club. Total gifts for this year is \$1,253.05.

As Christians we are entrusted with the gospel. We are commissioned to give it to others. Some one has aptly said, we must either give it away or give it up! It is my earnest prayer that we will be faithful.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. T. McNIEL.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

At the close of the Associational year, there are indications of a rising interest in the Training Service of our churches. The presence and work of a group of consecrated young people, led by Miss Mabel Starnes, in our Association this summer contributed greatly to the

strengthening of existing organizations and laying the ground-work for new ones.

In five of our churches there is at least one Training Union, and in the cases of North Wilkesboro First, and Wilkesboro, there is a fully-graded Union of five separate groups. Moravian Falls, Pleasant Grove, and New Hope report one each.

To the end that the Master's work may be strengthened and promoted, it is the hope of the Associational Director that the number of Training Unions actively functioning may be doubled within the next year. It cannot be done without the active support of our churches in this Association.

T. SLOANE GUY, Jr.
Associational Director.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education in its true sense antedates, not only our church and the colleges of our great nation, but had its true origin in the temple at Jerusalem with Christ's discussion with the leaders and elders of that day. We may well suppose that with the happening of that event, though Christ, yet a child, had realized his mission to the world. This is disclosed by his answer to his mother's question, which was, "And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?"

Much has been said about this subject, but the story of Christian Education in our State is far incomplete. You have been told from year to year that we have a number of colleges that are supported by the Baptist in North Carolina. The largest of these is Wake Forest College, the oldest Baptist college for men in the United States, and is now the largest Baptist college for men in this country. This college has a faculty of more than seventy, and a student body of more than one thousand, and has a campus of which we may well be proud. It includes, together with the playgrounds four hundred acres of land, twelve buildings, and an endowment together with the buildings and ground, worth approximately three million dollars.

The progress of these colleges has been due largely to the support and leadership of men who have acquired a Christian Education, and by the sacrifice and loyalty of their alumni, and Baptist friends throughout the state.

Other colleges which belong to the North Carolina Baptists are Meredith, a Baptist school for girls, Mars Hill, and Campbell. We are told that Boiling Springs and Wingate are owned by the Association, and not by the Convention.

Wake Forest College was founded for the purpose of providing adequate training for the Baptist ministers in this state. Since the founding of this college in 1834, young men have gone out into the Christian ministry to become spiritual leaders in every section of this state, and nation, and throughout the world. It also has a number of teachers of religion in seminaries throughout the nation, and many foreign missionaries to its credit. In 1940 there were 116 ministerial

students in the college. During the same year there were 359 alumni who were pastors of Baptist churches in this state alone.

The central purpose of Wake Forest College is the training of Christian leaders who will render intelligent service to the kingdom of God. It is the distinctive function of the college, in accord with the purposes and spirit of the founders, to discover and to train young ministers and send out well equipped graduates who as doctors, teachers, lawyers, writers, and business men, will possess the highest qualities of Christian manhood and will occupy places of leadership in the world's life. This chief objective of the college was stated by President Kitchin in a recent letter to an alumnus. Dr. Kitchin said: "The Baptists of North Carolina have a right to expect their oldest college to exhibit in all phases of life the teaching of Christ and to instill these teachings and ideals in the minds of our students. Wake Forest is distinctly a Christian institution."

Thus Christian Education in North Carolina marches on.

Let us not suppose that these institution's, however illustrious, are sufficient to meet the crying need of the present age, but rather let us be aroused to a sense of duty, and as we go from the mountain tops to the shores of the sea, let us go as the master taught by his example; teaching not only in the schools and colleges, and in the church, but let us go teaching by the wayside in the homes, and by the sea, wherever men are found.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ALLIE HAYES.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Baptist Hospital is just now completing additions to its plant that increases its bed capacity from 108 to 300. This will enable the hospital to treat 10,000 patients each year. Of this number, we may expect 3,300 of them will be service patients; that is, not able to pay a hospital bill. 3,300 will be mothers who have waiting for their return home, 10,000 children. If the present rate is maintained, 200 will be preachers for whom no charge has been made for the last two years or more.

The hospital has a staff of 100 doctors: These are all specialists in the many fields of medicine and surgery.

The hospital runs a well-equipped standard Training School for Nurses. These are taken from as nearly every section of the State as possible. A class of about 50 will be taken each year, making a school of 150.

The Medical building of the Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College is now completed and the school opened the first of September of this year. While the Medical School and the Hospital will be closely related and mutually helpful in every department, they will remain separate institutions, controlled by separate Boards of Directors and supported from different sources.

Everything contributed to the hospital goes to the support of the hospital exclusively. The Mother's Day Offering by the churches is

used entirely for the service of patients not financially able to pay for treatment.

The spiritual side of the hospital's service is stressed always. The hospital has a full time pastor supplied by the generous donation of Mr. C. M. Scott, of High Point. This pastor, Rev. Charles E. Parker, in addition to his many activities with the patients and their families and friends, teaches a course in Bible in the Nurses Training School.

The various organizations of our women and young people are rendering a vast service to the hospital in supplying linens of all kinds—such as sheets, pillow cases, towels, washcloths, etc.

Our vastly enlarged program, of course, will require increased support.

REV. GEORGE SEBASTIAN

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the undersigned nominating committee, recommend that the present Moderator, T. E. Story, and the present Clerk, J. F. Jordan, be elected for the ensuing year.

R. L. CHURCH,
TOM SNIDER,
HAROLD HARTLEY, Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Zion Hill Baptist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1942.

Dr. John W. Kincheloe, Jr., will preach the introductory sermon. Rev. Alfred Foster, alternate.

Submitted by
H. M. ANDERSON,
W. O. BARNETT,
H. I. SHOMAKER, Committee.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Beaver Creek—Lloyd Eller, James Edmisten.
Big Ivey—Mrs. Lydia Green Blackburn.
Edgewood—Mrs. Minnie Parker, Deacon L. R. Miller, Farry Moore Johnson.
Elk—E. L. Hight, Larkin Walsh.
Goshen—Mrs. F. F. Bumgarner.
Hinshaw Street—Mrs. Flossie Lockhart.
Lewis Fork—Miss Genelia West, Annie May Worley, Rufus Church, Lottie Triplett, John Hutson.
Little Rock—S. M. Knight, James Cline.
Moravian Falls—Mrs. H. J. Steelman, Deacon Obie Davis.
Mount Pleasant—Mollie Minton, Tencie Stout.
North Wilkesboro 1st—L. B. Pierce, James F. Williams, J. C. Wallace.
Pilgrim—Carolyn Nichols, Lillie Adams.
Pleasant Grove—Bethania Nichols.
Pleasant Home—Eugene Lovette, Roby Vannoy
Stony Hill—Augustus Parsons, Van Spears.
Walnut Grove—J. H. Ashley, Barber Davis, Hettie Wallace, Sallie Jennings.
Welcome Home—Mr. Leonard Lankford.
Zion Hill—Mrs. G. A. Eller.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private

duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE I—Church Membership, Etc., Brushy Mountain Association, Year End. Aug. 30, 1941

CHURCHES	Is it in Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted	Pastors and Postoffices	Days of Meeting	GAINS			LOSSES			Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meet.	Reverals During Yr.	Obs. Lord's Supper			
					Members Reported	Baptisms	Letters	Restatements	Restorations	Letters					Exclusions	Deaths	
Beaver Creek	C	1811	B. F. Peeler, Taylorsville	2	144			2	1			2	141	1			
Big Ivey	C	1884	Glenn Huffman, Parsonsville	1	94								1	93	yes		
Boiling Springs	C	1932	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	1	77			2	1					80	no	1	
Cub Creek	C	1862	L. T. Younger, New Hope	4	69											1	
Edgewood	C	1893	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	4	41									4	156	no	1
Elk	C	1905	Ed. O. Miller, North Wilkesboro	2	41				2					40	no	1	
Fishing Creek	C	1822	Charles J. Poole, Pores Knob	2 & 4	235	22	2	1	5					255	no	1	
Gordon	C	1918	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	2 & 4	114	1	3							111	yes	1	
Goshen	C	1914	Isaac Watts, Boomer	4	75	12	2							1	88	no	1
Harmony	C	1900	R. F. Day, Clingman	1 & 3	66	3			6		2			2	63	yes	1
Hinshaw Street	T	1920	R. F. Day, Clingman	2 & 4	215	29	26	3	7	5	1			1	273	yes	1
Lew's Fork	C	1792	Grady Minton, Vilas	1	324	8			1					5	328	yes	1
Liberty Grove	C	1887	A. B. Hayes, Hays	4	183	3	1	1	2		33			153	no	1	
Little Rock	C	1866	Otto Johnson, Taylorsville	2 & 4	129				4					2	130	no	1
Moravian Falls	V	1888	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	3	46	5			1					1	50	no	no
Mount Carmel	C	1880	J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	1	46	5			1					2	322	no	1
Mount Pleasant	C	1875	Grady Hamby, Balm	2 & 4	319	15	2	1	10	3				1	166	no	1
Mount Zion	C	1849	E. C. Hodges, Hendrix	1	161	6											1
New Hope	C	1830	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. I.	2 & 4	272	18	1	1	4	1				287	yes	1	
N. Wilkesboro 1st.	T	1892	J. W. Kincheloe, Jr. N. Wilkesboro	1, 2, 3, 4	560	35	29	1	16					3	606	yes	1
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	T	1907	G. W. Curry, Benhan	2	70	8	1		2	2				75	yes	2	
Oakwoods	C	1917	F. C. Watts, Purlear	1	109				11					4	116	yes	1
Pilgrim	C	1859	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro	3	150	2	2	2	2					2	150	no	1
Pleasant Grove	C	1880	R. F. Day, Clingman	3	276				1					1	273	no	2
Pleasant Home	C	1880	A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	3	273	6	6		4					2	279	no	1
Purlear	C	1932	Finley C. Watts, Purlear	2	64	5	9		1					1	76	no	1
Shady Grove	C	1880	Glenn Huffman, Parsonville	2	25	3			2					1	25	no	1
Stony Hill	C	1845	Glenn Huffman, Parsonville	2	138	1			3					2	134	yes	1
Walnut Grove	C	1845	E. C. Shoe, Taylorsville	1 & 3	307				2					1	430	yes	1
Welcome Home	C	1936	Will Cook, Boomer	1	96	2	3		2					1	98	yes	1
Wilkesboro	T	1880	T. Sloane Guy, Jr., Wilkesboro	1, 2, 3, 4	260	6	7		9					1	264	yes	1
Zion Hill	C	1814	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	4	196	10	2							1	207	no	1

TABLE II—Sunday Schools of Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending August 30, 1941

CHURCHES	Superintendents and Postoffices	Cradle Roll, under 3	Beginners, 3 to 5	Primaries, 6 to 8	Juniors, 9 to 12	Intermediates, 13 to 16	Young People, 17 to 24	Adults, 25 Years Up	Extension Department	Gen. & Dept. Officers	Total Enrollment, Officers, Teachers & Pupils	Average Attendance	Baptisms From S. S.	Is the School Graded?	Is It Standard A1?	Teachers hold diplomas	Enrollm't Vac. School	Av. Att. Vac. School
Beaver Creek.....	A. J. Foster, Boomer.....	10	12	.....	8	10	15	20	10	.....	85	40	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Big Ivy.....	Miss Virginia Phillips, Walsh.....	5	.....	6	12	10	.....	5	.....	.....	48	38	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Boiling Springs.....	T. J. Cockerham, Purlear.....	15	12	14	.....	20	28	.....	7	.....	95	43	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Cub Creek.....	J. L. Hemphill, Buck.....	3	5	14	14	6	4	14	.....	.....	60	40	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Edgewood.....	Clarence Fletcher, N. Wilkesboro.....	28	12	9	9	8	13	.....	.....	.....	79	44	1	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Elk.....	W. A. Proffit, Denny.....	10	10	14	11	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	55	32	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek.....	C. B. Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro.....	5	12	20	36	34	36	.....	.....	.....	145	85	yes	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Gordon.....	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro.....	5	18	6	11	22	20	9	.....	.....	91	78	1	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Goshen.....	John Higgins, Wilkesboro.....	8	8	.....	10	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	25	12	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Harmony.....	R. L. Lankford, Cricket.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	55	40	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Hinshaw Street.....	C. H. Dancy, North Wilkesboro.....	16	8	26	6	21	22	.....	.....	.....	99	.....	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Lewis Fork.....	C. H. Jones, Purlear.....	15	15	25	30	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	145	80	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Liberty Grove.....	Mrs. D. C. Elliott, N. Wilkesboro.....	8	15	25	18	25	20	.....	.....	.....	61	29	3	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Little Rock.....	Roy Parsons, Boomer.....	10	12	16	18	40	25	.....	.....	.....	121	60	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Moravian Falls.....	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls.....	19	13	28	15	34	41	.....	.....	.....	60	40	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Mount Carmel.....	J. C. Church, North Wilkesboro.....	10	11	12	.....	47	.....	5	.....	.....	155	90	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant.....	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix.....	25	20	22	22	23	60	.....	.....	.....	90	62	4	no	no	.....	.....	.....
New Hope.....	C. C. Eller, North Wilkesboro.....	65	28	54	90	93	62	175	35	.....	180	130	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	D. E. Elledge, N. Wilkesboro.....	20	10	10	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	608	264	29	no	no	.....	.....	81
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.....	G. A. Frost, North Wilkesboro.....	16	20	.....	15	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	.....	yes	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Oakwoods.....	L. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81	48	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Pilgrim.....	Fred Shoemaker, Wilkesboro.....	18	15	15	40	30	.....	5	.....	.....	105	45	2	yes	no	.....	.....	48
Pleasant Grove.....	Rev. J. C. Minton, Buck.....	35	35	35	30	50	.....	5	.....	.....	94	75	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Home.....	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro.....	23	8	14	24	49	.....	12	.....	.....	193	120	3	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Purlear.....	J. F. Hayes, Purlear.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	60	35	3	yes	no	.....	.....
Shady Grove.....	Guy Eller, Wilkesboro.....	20	15	18	.....	20	.....	2	.....	.....	75	40	1	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Stony Hill.....	Lee Beshears, Parsonville.....	6	6	28	22	26	20	.....	.....	.....	8	114	86	yes	no	.....	.....	.....
Wainut Grove.....	Vaughn Jennings, Pores Knob.....	30	30	34	40	50	.....	7	.....	.....	191	90	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Welcome Home.....	H. R. Kendall, North Wilkesboro.....	37	34	41	43	80	45	.....	.....	.....	284	125	.....	no	no	.....	.....	10
Wilkesboro.....	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro.....	15	20	40	15	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	95	39	10	no	no	.....	.....	.....
Zion Hill.....	J. E. German, Boomer.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	no	no	.....	.....	.....

TABLE V—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Year Ending Aug. 30, 1941

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES		Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer		yes	1937	wood	400	1	—	—	\$3,000.00		\$3,100.00	\$ 96.00	
Big Ivy	W. A. Blackburn, Walsh		yes	1928	wood	200	1	—	—	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear		yes	1932	wood	350	1	—	—	1,500.00		1,500.00		
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro		yes	1865	wood	500	1	—	—	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Edgewood	Della Bumgarner, Wilkesboro		yes	1893	wood	350	3	2	—	2,000.00		2,000.00		\$1,000.00
Elk	S. F. Miller, Ferguson		yes	1926	wood	350	1	—	—	1,500.00		1,500.00		
Fishing C. eek	G. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro		yes	1928	wood	600	1	—	—	4,100.00		4,100.00		2,000.00
Gordon	Clate Brown, Cricket		yes	1918	wood	300	3	2	—	5,000.00		1,500.00	150.00	2,000.00
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro		yes	1916	wood	500	1	—	—	3,500.00		4,000.00		1,500.00
Harmony	A. T. Mahaffey, Cricket		yes	1927	wood	500	1	4	—	3,500.00		4,000.00		1,500.00
Hinshaw Street	A. M. Handy, N. Wilkesboro		yes	1909	wood	400	5	4	—	2,500.00		1,000.00		500.00
Lewis Fork	Olen Green, Purlear		yes	1887	wood	300	5	4	—	1,000.00		8,000.00	2,500.00	1,000.00
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro		yes	1941	brick	400	9	8	—	2,000.00		2,000.00		
Little Rock	C. W. Carlton, Boomer		yes	1888	wood	300	2	2	—	2,000.00		2,000.00		
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls		yes	1911	wood	700	1	—	—	3,500.00		3,500.00		
Mount Car mel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls		yes	1909	wood	500	1	2	—	2,000.00		2,000.00		
Mount Pleasant	H. L. Shomaker, Congo		yes	1924	wood	500	—	—	—	3,500.00		4,000.00		3,000.00
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix		yes	1937	brick	500	—	—	—	4,350.00		7,000.00		3,000.00
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro		yes	1910	brick	600	15	3	12	16,000.00	10,000.00	26,500.00		26,500.00
N. Wilkesboro 1st	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro		yes	1937	wood	400	1	—	—	2,000.00		2,000.00		125.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	W. I. Bumgarner, Cricket		yes	1919	wood	300	1	4	—	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Oakwoods	W. C. Stroud, Wilkesboro		yes	1839	wood	300	1	3	—	1,800.00		1,800.00		
Pilgrim	H. O. Horton, Congo		yes	1880	wood	400	1	—	—	1,500.00		2,000.00		
Pleasant Grove	W. M. Baker, North Wilkesboro		yes	1903	wood	600	1	—	—	2,000.00		2,000.00		
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro, R. 1		yes	—	wood	300	1	—	—	1,700.00		1,700.00		
Purlear	J. F. Hayes, Purlear		yes	—	wood	300	1	—	—	500.00		500.00		
Shady Grove	Carl Anderson, Wilkesboro		yes	1880	wood	300	1	—	—	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Stony Hill	G. S. McNeil, Parsonville		yes	1922	wood	300	1	—	—	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob		yes	1929	brick	400	5	—	—	5,000.00		5,000.00		
Welcome Home	W. H. Hurley, Wilkesboro		yes	1936	wood	300	1	—	—	2,300.00		2,300.00		
Wilkesboro	Mrs. C. Bumgarner, Wilkesboro		yes	1902	brick	400	15	3	15	10,000.00	4,000.00	14,000.00	460.00	7,500.00
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer		yes	1912	wood	500	1	—	—	2,500.00		2,500.00		

TABLE VI—Gifts For Local Church Work of Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending August 30, 1941

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. M. S. B. Y. P. U. & W. S. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) For Local Purposes and All Its Organizations
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	\$150.00		\$ 9.00	\$300.00	\$ 84.00		\$14.00		\$20.00		\$579.30
Big Ivy	Clyde Phillips, Walsh	75.00		26.42	4.31		\$ 5.60	6.00	\$10.00	1.20	5.00	97.20
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlar	76.29	\$12.75	75.00				16.68		1.60	2.00	150.05
Cub Creek	W. S. Anderson, Wilkesboro	163.00		32.50			29.74	22.91		2.00	7.00	239.00
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro	137.58		1.95	1.00		4.95	9.55		2.00		291.73
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny	95.33		43.00			53.15	44.23		3.00		114.77
Fishing Creek	G. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro	240.96					60.81	54.28	15.00	2.00	100.00	667.68
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	125.57	43.45		175.00	91.57	3.00	18.00		2.00	25.00	159.52
Goshen	105.66	5.86										
Harmony	Addie H. Jones, Cricket	268.47		74.00	315.56		15.00	20.00	15.00	2.00		710.03
Hinshaw Street	Chas. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	302.18		126.63			153.59	70.16		2.00	89.57	744.13
Levis Fork	Travis Eller, Purlar	272.90		49.00			33.75	42.50				391.21
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro	100.00		15.00	30.94	13.75	8.00	13.32		3.50		181.19
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	150.92		58.25	7000.00	4500.00	50.00	25.00	10.50			4794.67
Moravian Falls	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, M. Falls	318.64		30.80			30.84	28.96	2.78	2.00	32.65	446.17
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls	40.00		13.50						1.50		45.00
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, N. Wilkesboro	469.05	4.50		191.27		107.11	54.10	5.15	2.35	22.35	857.13
Mount Zion	S. M. Triplett, Hendrix	136.00		23.00	109.00		11.70	22.21		3.30	24.40	832.61
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	254.80		45.77	28.73		97.84	62.54		3.00		618.32
N. Wilkesboro 1st	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	1356.00	260.00	558.60	1305.38	1939.50	235.24	516.52		12.00	96.76	6980.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	W. I. Bumgarner, Cricket	30.70		25.00			28.38			2.00		111.08
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	96.20		35.00	100.00		9.60	25.00		2.00		265.80
Pilgrim	H. O. Horton, Congo	97.36		28.65	110.00		12.00	18.59		1.00	8.00	275.60
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesboro	98.17		28.65			17.60	12.50	6.00	2.00	8.00	172.92
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1	360.00		54.20			25.00	52.30		3.00	20.00	514.50
Purlar		129.00		55.00	165.00		12.00	36.00		2.00	34.00	557.00
Shady Grove		100.00		10.00	300.00		12.00	8.25		1.00		431.25
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonville	75.00		25.00			18.54	16.45		2.00		163.99
Walnut Grove		133.00					50.00	45.00		2.00		232.00
Welcome Home	J. F. Lankford, N. Wilkesboro	200.00		40.00	222.75		43.00	40.00			15.00	560.75
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	870.00		175.00	582.94	80.00	431.76	189.76	24.34	6.00	47.50	2518.85
Zion Hill		236.00		50.00	137.00		5.00	17.24	7.39	2.00	74.00	528.63

TABLE VII—Gifts For Missions, Education, Brushy Mtn. Association, Year Ending Aug. 30, 1941

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to Associa- tional Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Theological Seminaries	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief Club	Hundred Thousand and Foreign Relief	(Missions, etc.) Total for Church & all depts. by Church & All Org.	Grand Total for All Purposes—Both Local Work & Missions—Giv- en by Ch. & All Org.
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer							.50	41.50	10.00	\$1.00	\$5.00	92.00	480.34
Big Ivey	Clyde Phillips, Walsh	18.78						15.00	15.00				33.78	701.46
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	11.00											11.00	170.52
Cub Creek	W. S. Anderson, Wilkesboro												20.00	259.00
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro					\$2.00			25.15	7.50			38.65	330.38
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny													114.72
Fishing Creek	G. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro	\$ 9.00												480.34
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	11.00												701.46
Goshen		15.00												170.52
Harmony	Addie H. Jones, Cricket													170.52
Hinshaw Street	Chas. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro								20.70	8.00			43.70	753.78
Lewis Fork	Travis Eller, Purlear								69.57	26.00	16.36		111.93	856.06
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro								11.00				11.00	402.21
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	2.80	\$3.77						10.30	7.65			10.30	132.49
Moravian Falls	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, M. Falls								70.00				84.22	4878.89
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls								38.50	7.17			55.52	501.59
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, N. Wilkesboro	16.00							5.10				5.10	60.10
Mount Zion	S. M. Triplett, Hendrix								53.41	7.00	8.90		90.31	947.44
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	30.00							37.72	4.56			37.28	369.89
N. Wilkesboro 1st	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	1253.25							37.01	10.30			83.46	764.78
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	W. I. Bungarner, Cricket								33.195	30.77	20.50	35.61	1871.53	8851.53
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	2.00							10.72	5.94			16.66	127.74
Pilgrim	H. O. Horton, Congo								9.00				27.65	293.45
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesboro	20.00							5.00	8.85			15.60	291.20
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1	13.46							4.50	4.65			9.15	182.07
Purlear		13.46							10.00	29.50	8.00	76.20	247.70	852.20
Shady Grove	J. B. Baker, Parsonville												13.46	570.46
Stony Hill													2.50	433.60
Walnut Grove									5.04	5.15			10.19	174.18
Welcome Home	J. F. Lankford, N. Wilkesboro	50.00							105.00	25.00			180.00	410.80
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	212.52							10.75	20.00			30.75	590.75
Zion Hill									347.34	21.89	18.00		680.47	3199.23
									54.88	4.15			59.03	587.63



W. J. Jordan

MINUTES
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Zion Hill Baptist Church
September 22-23, 1942

T. E. STORY, Moderator
J. F. JORDAN, Clerk and Treasurer

Then next annual session of the Association will be held with Elk Baptist Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1943.

Rev. Howard J. Ford will preach the introductory sermon.

DIRECTORY FOR 1942 AND 1943

Prof. T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS DIRECTORY

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Eller, Leroy, Moravian Falls, N. C.
Eller, A. W., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Eller, V. G., Purlear, N. C.
Fletcher, J. F., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Foster, A. J., Boomer, N. C.
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Hayes, W. N., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, A. B., Hays, N. C.
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Huffman, Glenn, Parsonville, N. C.
Jones, S. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Jones, G. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Kincheloe, John W., Jr., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Minton, B. L., Buck, N. C.
Miller, James, Moravian Falls, N. C.
Osborne, George, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Parsons, J. A., Purlear, N. C.
Pruitt, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Payne, Wake, Boomer, N. C.
Poole, Charlie J., Pores Knob, N. C.
Sebastian, G. W., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Watts, Finley C., Purlear, N. C.
Watts, Isaac, Boomer, N. C.
Walker, James
Walsh, T. J. Walsh, N. C.
Wilcoxin, J. H. Summit, N. C.
Yates, Quincy, Cricket, N. C.
Younger, L. T., Purlear, N. C.

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Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
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Gwaltney, R. C., Hiddenite, N. C.
Johnson, Otto, Taylorsville, N. C.
Peeler, Frank, Taylorsville, N. C.
Shew, Tom, Lenoir, N. C.
Shoe, E. C., Taylorsville, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

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Sixty-Ninth Annual Session

OF THE

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Big Ivey—Clyde Phillips, H. H. Beshears, A. T. Blackburn.
Boiling Springs—Turner Huffman, J. R. Eller, J. C. Huffman.
Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, Will Anderson, Mrs. T. E. Cain.
Edgewood—John Moore, Clifford Moore, Clarence Fletcher.
Elk—Dana Triplette, Hill Allen, James Edminsten.
Fishing Creek—G. Warner Miller, R. C. Miller, Mrs. R. Holland, Oma McLain.
Gordon—Mrs. Iredell Osborne, W. P. Carson, Dentis Miller.
Goshen—R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton, John Higgins.
Harmony—Austin Minton, Hanner Minton, Harold Hartley.
Hinshaw Street—Charles Lenderman, Hobert Deal, Mrs. Hobert Deal, A. M. Handy.
Lewis Fork—C. H. Jones, J. R. Triplette, Mrs. A. J. Proffit.
Liberty Grove—F. C. Johnson, Tam Hutchins, George Smith.
Little Rock—Ray Parsons, N. C. Andrews, I. J. Broyhill.
Moravian Falls—R. F. Lowe, Leroy Eller, C. D. Brown.
Mount Carmel—W. H. Houck, Worth Church, M. D. Earp.
Mount Pleasant—E. C. Foster, Franklin McNeill, H. I. Shoemaker.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, Mrs. Rea Hodges, Mrs. Jake Triplette.
New Hope—C. C. Eller, R. M. Church, Allie Hayes.
New Hope, Caldwell—J. A. Barnett, Albert Suddreth, M. S. Phillips.
North Wilkesboro First—Mrs. R. T. McNeil, Mrs. A. H. Casey, Mrs. J. F. Fletcher.
North Wilkesboro Second—Will Bumgarner, John Anderson, J. M. Poteat, Edward Milam.
Oakwoods—Mrs. Pearl Blevins, Mrs. Dessie Stroud.
Pilgrim—Tam Shumaker, B. L. Minton, Charlie Shoemaker.
Pleasant Grove—Willie Church, Richard Parsons, Jr., Melvin Bumgarner.
Pleasant Home—Minnie McNeill, W. V. Caudill, W. T. Snyder.
Purlear—R. Don Nichols, Tom W. Hayes, J. T. Hayes.
Shady Grove—B. R. Green, Guy Eller, Mrs. Earl Anderson.
Stony Hill—G. S. McNeill, Reid Payne, B. M. Parsons.
Walnut Grove—R. C. Meadows, W. A. Jennings.
Welcome Home—Leonard Michael, J. F. Lankford, H. R. Kendall.
Wilkesboro—Mrs. George Kennedy, Mrs. Emma Bumgarner, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell.
Zion Hill—G. B. Carlton, W. J. Earp, W. D. Watts.

MINUTES

The Sixty-Ninth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Zion Hill Baptist Church, September 22, 1942, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing "Amazing Grace" and "Rock of Ages," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. Isaac Watts, who gave an inspirational discussion from the 4th chapter of John, after which the Association was led in prayer by Rev. Finley C. Watts. The Moderator read the suggested program that had been worked out by the Executive Committee, which was adopted by the Association.

After the adoption of the program there was a roll call of the churches of the Association and twenty-eight churches responded with their letters and messengers. After the roll call of churches there was a recognition of Pastors of the Association and all visiting brethren as follows: Revs. A. J. Foster, B. L. Minton, Leroy Eller, E. V. Bumgarner, George Sebastian, Finley C. Watts, Isaac Watts, E. C. Shoe, A. W. Eller, and visiting brethren as follows: Rev. Rogers C. Gwaltney, Alexander, Rev. M. A. Adams, Alexander, Rev. W. T. Whittington, Ashe, Rev. D. M. Branch, Raleigh, and Smith Hagaman, representative of the Baptist Hospital.

After the visiting brethren were recognized, reports were called for and read and discussed as follows:

1. The Church's Mission and the Present Crisis, by Mrs. George Johnson. Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted, which motion carried and was followed with an able discussion by Rev. D. M. Branch, discussing the different fields of mission work. The modern mission movement began 150 years ago with William Carey, of England.

2. The Ministry of the Local Church to Our Boys in the Military Service, by Rev. A. W. Eller. Motion was made and carried that the report be adopted, which was followed by an able discussion by Rev. A. W. Eller.

After this report the audience stood and joined in singing a song, and then the annual sermon was preached by Rev. A. J. Foster. His text was taken from the 3rd chapter of Collossians. After the annual sermon the Association recessed for lunch.

At 1:30 the Association reassembled in the church and the congregation joined in singing the following hymns: "Wonderful Words of Life" and "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder." The devotional was conducted by Rev. Rogers Gwaltney, I beseech you, brethren, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice unto God," with three thoughts: 1, body; 2, mind; 3, spirit.

At this time New Hope Baptist Church of Caldwell County presented themselves with delegates to join the Brushy Mountain Association. Under Article 4 of the Constitution, a committee of three was appointed by the Moderator, composed of Rev. A. W. Eller, Rev. E. C.

Shoe and R. L. Proffit, to make inquiry into the faith and practice of said church.

3. The report on Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children and Mission Literature, by Rev. G. W. Sebastian. After the report was read motion was made, seconded and carried that it be adopted, which was followed by an able discussion from Rev. Walter Whittington.

4. Report on Baptist Hospital and Orphanage, by D. E. Elledge. After reading this report motion was made and seconded that said report be adopted which carried favorably and was followed by a discussion from D. E. Elledge and Smith Hagaman of the Baptist Hospital and the Orphanage by Mr. C. C. McKoyn.

5. Temperance and Morals, by Mrs. J. F. Jordan, and read by Mrs. George Kennedy, after which a motion was made and carried favorably that the report be adopted. This was followed by an able discussion from Rev. M. A. Adams. After this discussion Rev. E. C. Shoe, chairman of the committee, reported on New Hope Church, of Caldwell, and recommended that the church be received in the Association, which motion carried favorably and Shober Phillips, Willie Bannette, and Albert Suddeth were received in the Association and given the right hand of fellowship and given seats.

There being no further business the audience stood and joined in singing a hymn and was dismissed in prayer by Rev. E. V. Bumgarner.

Wednesday, September 23, 1942

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 10:15 o'clock, A. M., and the audience joined in singing hymn, "Abide With Me." after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. E. C. Shoe, scripture read was Luke, 4th chapter. Again visiting ministers were called for and Revs. J. F. Fletcher and E. C. Hodges were present.

Reports were called for as follows:

Report on Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, read by T. E. Story, the Moderator. Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted, which motion carried favorably, and was followed by a brief discussion by the Moderator.

Report on W. M. U. work by Mrs. R. T. McNeill. Motion made and seconded and carried that the report be adopted and followed by an interesting discussion from Mrs. J. F. Fletcher.

Report on Training Union by Miss Mary Nichols. Motion made and carried favorably that the report be adopted and followed with a brief discussion from Rev. E. C. Shoe and Rev. J. F. Fletcher.

Report of Nominating Committee; recommended that T. E. Story and J. F. Jordan be reelected Moderator and Clerk for another year, which motion carried favorably.

At this time Revs. Ager Hayes, Glenn Huffman and Ed. Hayes were recognized as visiting preachers in the Association.

"How to Adjust Our Local Church Programs to Meet War Time Needs," by Rev. Glenn Huffman, who made an inspirational

talk and was followed by Rev. A. J. Hayes. After these discussions the Association adjourned for lunch.

After lunch the Association reassembled in the church and the audience joined in singing, "Come Thou Fount" and "How Firm A Foundation."

After singing the songs reports were called for as follows:

The Place of Music in Worship, by Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, which report was read and adopted and then led in prayer by Rev. Isaac Watts.

Report on Baptist Schools and Colleges, and a motion was made and seconded that the reports be adopted, which carried favorably.

Report on "Evangelism and the Present Crises" by Rev. E. C. Hodges, which motion carried favorably.

After the discussion of this report an interesting talk was made by the Rev. Charles Leonard, a returned missionary from China. After this address report of Resolution Committee, and motion made and seconded that the resolution be adopted which carried favorably. After this report the final message was brought by Rev. H. W. Baucom, of Statesville; his text was 12th chapter of Esther.

There being no further business the Association adjourned by singing, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

PROGRAM

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

10:00 A. M., War Time

Tuesday and Wednesday, September 22 and 23, 1942

Zion Hill Church, Boomer, N. C.

General Theme: "The Church and the Present Crisis"

10:00—What It Means To Worship Isaac Watts

10:15—Roll Call of Churches.

Recognition of Visitors.

Introduction of New Pastors.

Adoption of Program.

Appointment of Committees; Time, Place and Preacher; Nomination of Officers; Resolutions; Order of Business.

10:35—Our Theme.

10:45—**The Church's Missions and the Present Crisis:**

(1) Report on State, Home and Foreign Missions.

by Mrs. George Johnson

(2) The Missionary Outlook, by Rev. Douglas M. Branch

11:30—Music.

11:35—The Ministry of the Local Church to Our Boys

in the Military Serviceby Rev. A. W. Eller

11:50—Annual Sermonby Rev. A. J. Foster

12:30—Noon Hour—Recess and Lunch.

- 1:45—Means Available in Creating a Worship Atmosphere V. G. Eller
- 2:00—Baptist Literature:
: Report on Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, and Mission Literature.....Rev. Geo. Sebastain
Discussion.
- 2:30—Report on Hospital and Orphanage D. E. Elledge
Discussion.
- 3:00—Report on Temperance and Morals Mrs. J. F. Jordan
: Discussion Rev. M. A. Adams
- Wednesday, September 23, 1942**
- 10:00 A. M.—War Time:
: Hinderances in Creating a Worship Atmosphere
Rev. A. B. Hayes
- 10:15—Christian Education in the Local Church:
Sunday School and Vacation Bible SchoolT. E. Story
W. M. U. ReportMrs. R. T. McNiell
Training Union ReportMiss Mary Nichols
Discussion.
- 11:15—Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers
- 11:25—Music.
- 11:30—How to Adjust Our Local Church Programs to
Meet War Time Needs.....Rev. Glenn Huffman
- 12:10—Noon Hour, Recess and Lunch
- 1:30—The Place of Music in Worship Mrs. G. T. Mitchell
- 1:45—Baptist Schools and CollegesJ. H. Whicker, Sr.
Discussion.
- 2:15—Evangelism and the Present Crisis..... Rev. E. C. Hodges
- 2:35—Report of Committees and Miscellaneous Business
- 2:45—Closing Message Rev. H. W. Baucom
- 3:15—Adjournment

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Our State Missions is mission work within the State of North Carolina. Among the wide scope of our State Mission efforts are the following:

(a) Evangelism—There are in North Carolina perhaps a million people who do not recognize God and Christ at all. Hence the great need for evangelism.

(b) Establishing and supporting churches.

(c) The ministry of church development of teaching and training—Under this comes General Missionaries, Sunday Schools, Training Union, Student work and schools for pastors.

(d) Ministry to other races.

(e) Ministry to the sick.

(f) Ministry to the wayward.

What are the sources of support for such a varied ministry?

1. From the undesignated cooperative program.
2. From special offerings during the year, particularly the Wo-

mans Missionary Union in September and from Sunday Schools in October.

3. From the Baptist Sunday School Board to aid in our program of teaching and training.

4. From invested funds and profit from the Baptist Book Store.

Without doubt Baptists now face in the defense areas of eastern North Carolina the greatest opportunity which has presented itself in perhaps forty years. In this territory are thousands of soldiers, sailors, marines, air men, ship builders and construction workers. Already there are more North Carolina men in training than served in the other World War. However there are in these camps more men from outside the State than from within it. Of course North Carolina men are scattered around the globe and there are thousands of strangers within our gates. The Government is attempting to meet the need within the camps by providing chapels and chaplains. Our main problem is to concern ourselves about their welfare when they are on leave from camp.

If we are to meet in any adequate and effective way the situation which confronts us, we must increase our gifts to State Missions in order to meet these very vital problems.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

A very essential part of the business which our Heavenly Father has committed to us is the Evangelization and Christianization of our Homeland. In this undertaking the whole denomination with all of its organizations is involved. The personnel includes ministers, teachers, doctors, nurses, community workers, evangelists and workers of many other sorts. The enterprise includes churches, mission Sunday Schools, community centers, rescue missions, hospitals, schools, orphan homes and many other types of missionary activity.

It is the function of Home Missions not only to evangelize the lost in the Southland but to enlist the saved for world wide mission work. Through Home Missions we are to save America that America might save the world.

The Home Mission task is larger and more vitally related to the whole task of the denomination than it has ever been at any period of our history. There are many fields of labor challenging us and calling to the Home Board with their needs. Some of the fields in which we should work are: Evangelism, Missionary education and stewardship, city missions, missions to the mountain folk, the Jews the Negroes, the underprivileged in industrial centers, missions to Cuba, Panama and Central America.

The challenge of Home Missions is a call to new frontiers of work. It is a call to love for the lost, a call to the adjustment of racial relationships here at home, that test the Christlike spirit of our churches. It is a call to emulate the spirit of Christ who died for the whole human race, and has commissioned us to preach the Gospel to all nations both at home and abroad. If the Gospel fails here at home how can we hope for it to succeed in lands afar?

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." The Son of God always thought in terms that were world wide. To Him the earth was one great neighborhood. There were no seas, no national boundry lines, no distinction of race among the sons of men. There are no preferred nations in the atonement of Christ. He died for the Indian in Oklahoma as well as for the Chinese in China. The underprivileged in the slums of American cities are just as precious to Christ as the savages on the islands in the Pacific.

The task of the churches of Christ is world missions, but world missions do not begin in Foreign lands. World missions begin in the pulpit of the local churches and end at the uttermost parts of the earth. The missionary movement did not begin with Paul at Antioch, but with Jesus Christ, and if we would follow the teachings of Jesus we must do everything in our power to Evangelize and Christianize all the nations of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON.

THE MINISTRY OF THE LOCAL CHURCH TO OUR BOYS IN THE MILITARY SERVICE

Whereas our nation has become involved in the great struggle for liberty and freedom of the world, and to protect our liberty and freedom has been forced to call its young men into the armed forces of the world. It therefore becomes necessary that they be protected with the Spirit of God, as well as with the arms of our country to protect its freedom and liberty.

It therefore becomes necessary for many Chaplains to be called into the service, so that the teaching of God's word may be instilled into the hearts of our soldiers as well as the military training and discipline to meet the enemy with. It is vitally important that they keep trained in the spirit of God and armed with His sword so that they may be able to fight a spiritual battle just as well as a physical battle. Therefore it is vitally important to keep our local churches and chaplains in touch with our soldiers so that they may win the spiritual battle along with the physical battle.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. A. W. ELLER.

MEANS AVAILABLE IN CREATING A WORSHIP-ATMOSPHERE

One of the best means to create a worshipful atmosphere is to study God's word more and devote more of our time to praying for God's Kingdom and church work here on earth. Let the spirit of God shine in our hearts so that our light will shine bright unto the world and the world can see the light of God shining out of our hearts for His kingdom. Let us all be more devoted to the church, prayer meetings and

Sabbath Schools and lead the world along this road as much as possible. Then when this is done we will have created an atmosphere that will make the world set up and take notice to the worship of God's Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

V. G. ELLER.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The Biblical Recorder is a good paper for our Baptist people to read, the doctrines printed in its columns are safe and sound for our people to rely upon when needed. Charity and Children is a fine paper printed by our Baptist people at Thomasville, N. C. Its columns are filled with good doctrine for the orphan children and also for all our Baptist people to read.

The Home Mission is good for our Baptist to teach and preach missions. It is highly recommended by our best preachers and scholars.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. G. W. SEBASTIAN.

THE PLACE OF MUSIC IN WORSHIP

In thinking together on "The Place of Music in Worship," let us consider why we have music at all in our worship program. In Psalms 95:1-2 we read, "Oh, come, let us sing unto the Lord; Let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our Salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and make a joyful noise to him with psalms." Then again Paul said in Colossians 3:16, "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."

Music is the most eloquent language of praise and is perhaps the most effective of all stimulants to worship. It is a means and an expression of worship. Religion is so much a thing of the emotions that the emotional effect of music is an essential factor in the development of religion. Music is an innate part of our nature.

Every urge to worship has found expression in some form of music, whether it be the beating of the drum by primitive tribes or the harmonious blending of voices and instruments of Handel's Messiah. The right kind of music brings us into fellowship with God.

The great Quaker poet, J. G. Whittier, said: "A great hymn is the best use to which a poem can be put." Martin Luther said: "I am strongly persuaded that after theology there is no art that can be placed on the level with music; for, besides theology, music is the only art capable of affording peace and joy to the heart, like that induced by the study of the science of divinity."

Of great hymns, it has been said:

Such songs have power to quiet
The restless pulse of care—
And come like a benediction
That follows after prayer.

The Bible is filled with references to music. One book, the Psalms,

is a collection of 150 hymns. This is the great hymnal of the Bible, used by the ancient Hebrews, used by the early Christians, and still used by us today. We find in the Bible references to music teachers, composers, and to those who excelled in vocal and instrumental music. Music played a vital part in the development of Christianity. The Magnificat of Mary and the Nun Dimittis of Simeon were both early Christian hymns. In the upper room after the institution of the Lord's Supper, the Disciples sang a hymn before they went with Jesus out to the garden. The hymns of Paul and Silas resounded thro' the Phillipian jail before the earthquake came to deliver them. One of the closing pictures in Revelation is that of the great heavenly host singing praises unto God. Music truly has a vital place in Christianity. It is interesting to note that the development of the science of music has gone hand in hand with the spread of Christianity. Christianity is a singing religion. It has music as a central place in its life and worship from the very beginning.

Musical expression has been the result of the realization of the goodness and greatness of God. Carlyle says: "Music is a kind of inarticulate, unfathomable speech which leads us to the edge of the infinite, and impels us to gaze into it for a moment."

Church music affords one of the finest opportunities for guiding and enriching the experiences of worship. In fine hymns we have an ideal blending of words which appeal to the mind and music which appeals to the emotions. Henry Ward Beecher realized the value of hymns and urged the necessity of using hymns that are doctrinally sound. He said: "I hold that there is more sound instruction to be given a congregation by hymn singing than by almost any other. Indeed, if you were to analyze your religious emotions, I doubt whether you would not trace them back to hymns more than to the Bible itself."

There is great need in our churches for a program of music that will use and develop the talent of the whole congregation, not just the choir or quartette or soloist. All should be had to take part in the music program of the church services. This need is just as great in the homes. We need to train our youth at home to sing together and don't let all the leisure hours be spent in listening to the come what may radio programs.

Music used in the church service ought always to reflect the highest religious ideals. The truly great church music is often overlooked and unused because someone has the idea that it is too hard or that the congregation won't appreciate it. As a result cheap songs and anthems are substituted. In these there is little to make people conscious of God's presence and power to lead them to reverent worship. In a program of worship, music is a great factor in attracting people and giving them a means of united worship, prayer and praise. Many a burden has been lightened, many a weary heart encouraged by the notes of a great hymn. Thro' hymns the plan of salvation, the love of God and other Christian truths may be made clear. The use of hymns has educational values. There is no more effective way to make religious

teaching attractive than to set it to music. In singing, the people will enter personally into the proclamation of religious truth unembarrassed though they might be too timid to pray, testify or preach.

Let us use the very best of church music in our worship services and render it in the most acceptable way possible in order that our Lord and Master may be glorified.

MRS. G. T. MITCHELL.

REPORT ON MILLS HOME

This institution has been sending out boys and girls for more than fifty years into the world prepared to make a living for themselves. These boys and girls who have been deprived of father and mother are given fine Christian training under the leadership of devoted Christian leaders. This institution cares for about 600 children. Dr. I. G. Greer, the present superintendent, is doing a fine work. We should give him our earnest support in every way possible. The demands are increasing for more financial support as the years pass. We should see to it in our different churches that our once a month offerings are substantially increased, also when the Thanksgiving season comes we should make our offerings larger. This institution alone offers a great challenge to the Baptist of North Carolina. The leaders and the children there are counting on us. They must not be disappointed.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Baptist Hospital has been an institution for almost twenty years. Since its opening about 60,000 patients have been entered for treatment. About 27,000 have been entered for free service, or charity patients. Many people were turned away because the institution did not have enough capacity to take them in. So a new day dawned for the Hospital in 1940; the beds were increased from 100 to 300 beds. The very latest and most modern equipment together with a larger medical staff were also added. The Hospital and the Bowman Gray School of Medicine work hand in hand. They are governed by different Boards of Trustees, but the medical staff is at all times available for diagnosis and consultation. This service is without cost. About two thirds of the operating expenses of the Hospital is derived from patients who are able to pay. The Duke Endowment, Mothers-Day Offerings by the churches and Sunday Schools, and gifts from the W. M. U. pays the expenses of the charity patients. The Hospital has a floor space of two and one-half acres. Any patient passed by the examining office may be admitted regardless of denominational affiliation, social or financial standing. About 63 nurses are in training. This class, with 50 graduate nurses and the new classes started every September make a staff of about 150 each year.

The medical staff is composed of 12 internes and about 100 doctors.

The Hospital is Christian. The nursing staff conducts religious services each day in the Nurses' Home. Many ministers of various

denominations visit the Hospital frequently. In addition to this the Hospital has a full time pastor. This is made possible by a fine Christian man of High Point, N. C.

Last year the gifts doubled over the year before. The appeal for the continual support of this great Christian institution should reach out and when next Mothers' Day comes along, the gifts should even be more than last year. The institution and the patients are counting on us. We must not disappoint them.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

The question of temperance has been with us ever since John of Gishgal travelled up and down the river Jordan and sold strong drink in bottles made of wild animal skins. The Bible tells us in I Kings, 20th chapter, that Ahab surprised and defeated Benhadad, King of Syria, when he found him with thirty-two kings drinking themselves drunk on their pavilions." That was 2800 years ago. The Bible tells us in Daniel, 5th chapter, how Cyrus conquered Babylon on a night when Belshazzar and a thousand lords were having a big cocktail party. That was 2500 years ago.

Alexander the Great conquered the world and the booze and vice mowed him down at the age of 33. At first he was a temperate man, but as his victories piled up they turned his head and he became a drunken beast. Plutarch tells the sad story of his downfall through history. And so he died in his debauch, one of the geniuses of history. That was 2265 years ago. Rome was drowned in her booze vats 1500 years ago.

History tells us the Normans spent the night in prayer before they won the battle of Hastings while the Anglo-Saxons devoted the night to drunkenness and debauch. That was 875 years ago.

The battle of Waterloo was fought near Brussels in June, 1815, and brought to an end the career of the bloodiest butcher of his time. History tells us that Marshall Ney, retiring to his headquarters on the eve of the battle, fell into a deep and prolonged sleep, after imbibing his favorite Burgundy wine too freely and when he awoke he found himself apparantly unable to give orders or to reach any decision. That was 125 years ago.

It was Christmas eve, 1776, that our brave American patriots, led by George Washington, crossed the Delaware, and won the battle of Trenton when they suprised the Hessian soldiers, who were celebrating the season with drinking and feasting. That was 166 years ago.

In March, 1918, when the German forces were near enough to Paris to see the towers and that city seemed doomed, all at once the spear-head of the advance suddenly broke. Th French had left a great supply of alcoholic drink as the sure means of retarding the German advance. Two whole divisions were found drunk ready to be cut down by the allied troops. They were mowed down by the enemy machine guns. David Lloyd George, Prime Minister of Great Britain,

said, "We are fighting Germany, Austria and strong drink and the greatest of these is strong drink."

There are 437,000 places in the United States that sell strong drink and 420,000 of these are licensed to sell strong drink, or about two for every church and about five for every 13 schools. The United States spends three dollars for liquor for every two dollars it spends on education. How can America win a war with beer joints in our camps and strong drink sold all around them?

Throughout the centuries the record of alcohol has been one of indecency, adultery, destitution, misery, murder, loss of respect, loss of virtue and loss of happiness. It has been the enemy of good government, the destroyer of childhood, the wrecker of homes, the breaker of hearts, and the foe of religion. Let this crusade for God and humanity go forward until the liquor traffic be driven from our State and our nation.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. F. JORDAN

Read by MRS. GEORGE KENNEDY.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Teaching is an obligation of every institution known to one that expects to survive. The Church is an institution that has persisted down through the ages and its principles have loomed large as it has gone along in proportion to the ability and the diligence of those who have dared to teach the book of the church.

The Book of the Christian Church is our Bible. It is to us the book of books. Where it has been taught and studied there have been those who heard and were enlightened. It is the guide book to a satisfactory life here and expresses the hope for the life hereafter.

The Sunday School, an institution in operation in most Christian churches, has furnished during the past century the excellent opportunity for the teaching of the Bible. In the earlier years of this effort only the Bible was used but in more recent years the Bible plus many helps have brought to every member of the church and church community, whether learned or unlearned, whether young or old, the truths of the Bible as set forth by God's chosen men of the past. Our people have become familiar with these truths somewhat in proportion as we have been diligent in teaching the lessons of God's book.

In the year 1941 our Sunday Schools in the Brushy Mountain Association enrolled 3874 pupils and this is only a percentage of the number that could be brought in with the proper effort. It is also noted that the average attendance for the entire year was only 2204. This is not a great many more than one half of the enrollment. Our people need to know the Bible and the Sunday School seems to be our most practical way of teaching it to them in our present day life. The challenge comes to each of us to better our efforts that we may have a better result.

Vacation Bible Schools

In the still more recent years our Bible teaching effort has been considerably boosted by the work of the Vacation Bible School. Perhaps no phase of the Baptist work has brought greater returns for the effort put forth than has this plan. In our Association only a very few churches have availed themselves of the opportunity to do this work but in each instance the results have been most satisfactory. We urge all the churches to make plans for this new opportunity to most of them in their coming year's work.

J. H. WHICKER,
T. E. STORY.

W. M. U. REPORT OF BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

The watchword for Woman's Missionary Union for this year is: "Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth." There has never been a time when the need was so great for Christians who will do their utmost to send the light of the gospel into the dark places of the earth. This is the specific aim and purpose of Woman's Missionary Union. The test of any organization is the motive behind it. Woman's Missionary Union, which is such a vital and progressive force in Southern Baptist churches, will measure up fully to the highest and best test.

The theme for the programs this year is, "Think On These Things." A program is planned and presented each month on one or more of the virtues that Paul so earnestly recommends for our consideration. We are lead to "Think On These Things" through the six chief aims of Woman's Missionary Union—Prayer, Bible Study, Tithes and Offerings, Stewardship, Personal Service, and Missionary Education for Young People. We pray personally for our missionaries by using the day by day prayer calendar. Study of all mission fields and their needs is done continually in groups. The Commission, World Comrade, Royal Service, Biblical Recorder and many others, are used for programs and special study. The young people are taught the importance of personal service and how to be good stewards of their money, time, talents and influence. Young people are willing and anxious to be led into service for their Master. Let us offer them tasks that challenge every fibre of their strength and they will not fail if we are faithful in leadership.

Our Associational W. M. U. Meeting was held on May 1st in the Wilkesboro church. An all day session was held with Mrs. W. D. Briggs, Mrs. J. W. Hipps and Mrs. E. C. James bringing heart warming messages.

In the six churches in this Association which have W. M. U. work, there are 30 organizations with 537 members. Last year there were 490 enrolled in Mission Study Classes. \$146.42 has been given through the 100,000 club. Total amount of gifts for the year is \$1,291.41.

Recently Miss Myrtle Zentmyre, North Carolina Field worker, spoke to all Young People's Councillors of this Association, in a most helpful and inspiring manner. She emphasized the importance of leading

young people into the study of missions and the practice of sharing the gospel with all peoples.

Chas. A. Wells writes, "An immeasurable change has come over the world's appraisal of the missionary. Without design or promotion he has risen to unexpected heights of honor. Hardly a day goes by that a dispatch does not reach the press telling of his unselfish service in some war-torn corner of the world. No United States military commission in China will ever do half what he has done to hold the soul of China together. If our diplomats in the Far East had consulted the veteran missionaries oftener and the trade-barons less, we would have understood the Japanese problems better and we would have been much more likely to achieve a peaceful Pacific without bathing its shores in blood.

So the least we can do in the Brushy Mountain Association is to do as Wm. Carey said long ago, "Hold the ropes while the missionaries go down into the mines in search of lost souls.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. T. McNIEL.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." (Phil. 4:13). These words of Paul reveal the aim of our training program; namely, to discover every Christian's capacities, powers, and talents and to encourage the expansion, development, and usefulness of these possibilities, if he is to grow in character and strength. If we would convince others of Christ's way of life, we must have the self-confidence which may be gained through serving. A loyal member of the Training Union is regular in attendance, regular in daily Bible reading, systematic in giving, dependable, and willing to serve at all times.

The Junior Union of Wilkesboro Baptist Church has done outstanding work during the past year. Even though this union is the only one now active, we feel sure that their loyalty will be a challenge to the other members of the church and a fine B. T. U. will result.

North Wilkesboro First Baptist Church reports the addition of a Story Hour Union since the last Association, and has had no unions disbanded making a total of 6 active unions. Sept. 20, 1942, marked the beginning of a Training Union newspaper which is designed to keep the members posted on the activities of the various unions and to stimulate interest within the organization.

Such great work can be done in B. T. U. that we hope that all churches can report an organized B. T. U. by next Association.

Respectfully submitted, MARY NICHOLS.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your nominating committee, recommend the election of T. E. Story for Moderator for the ensuing year, and J. F. Jordan, Clerk for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR GERMAN, D. E. ELLEDGE, HAROLD HARTLEY.

HOW TO ADJUST OUR LOCAL CHURCH PROGRAMS TO MEET THE WAR TIME NEEDS

The church is the spiritual speaking body on earth of God's Kingdom. In order to meet our war time needs with the church it becomes necessary to adjust its programs to fit in with the army camps and training and drilling with the spirit of God as well as with the physical drilling that the soldiers have to do in the camps.

Therefore it becomes necessary to fit the spiritual training in with the physical training of the soldiers so that a spiritual victory can be won as well as a physical victory.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. GLENN HUFFMAN.

RESOLUTIONS

Brother Moderator and Brethren: Your committee on resolutions wishes to submit the following for your consideration and adoption:

1. We wish to express our appreciation to the committees and persons who have been responsible for the program we have had and enjoyed together. To all those persons who have read reports and have entered into the discussions and have made addresses on the various topics before the Association we express sincere thanks.

2. To the brethren and sisters of Zion Hill Church who have so generously and kindly received and welcomed this meeting in their church and have done all possible to make each one of us happy and comfortable while in their midst we humbly and sincerely render our thanks.

3. For the privilege of coming again to this spot for our annual meeting, where in the year 1859 twenty-six churches met and organized the body which later became the Brushy Mountain Association, our gratitude goes up to Almighty God.

4. To those young men from every church represented in this body who are now in the armed forces of our country waging battle against relentless foes who would deny us this privilege we this hour enjoy goes our grateful prayer for every manly effort on their part and for the fond hope of their safe return to loved ones.

5. In the matter of the sale and distribution throughout our land and even in our midst of beverage liquors we wish again in annual session to express our complete disapproval and disappointment in those whose business it is to suppress all such transactions, and who have in our opinion failed in their legal, civic and moral obligations to the public.

REX W. WEST,
R. L. PROFFIT,
MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON.

EVANGELISM AND THE PRESENT CRISIS

In my way of thinking, and harmonizing the Bible, there are a few scriptures that are a revelation to this subject.

Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and make disciples." He

didn't mean to evangelize like many of us do today, just to ask men to confess Christ. He meant to wield an influence over them that they might possess Christ. No man can say that Jesus is the Christ without the Holy Ghost. We need men today like Paul, Peter and Philip, who demand a heart touch of conviction and a heartfelt conversion. Men who will say, "If thou believest with thine heart thou canst join the church and be baptized." Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish. God said, "If my people will pray and repent of their sins, and turn from their ways and their doings, I will repent of the evils I have pronounced on my people." One of these is war. I realize that the outstanding reason of the present crisis is the sins of the people. Then why not get the churches to repent, and come back to God, and obtain power with God and with men. Since men are dying by the thousands unprepared to meet God let's come back to God and carry out the mission of Jesus according to Bible plans.

The Lord said, "Ask of me and I will give you the heathen for thine inheritance. If we had been giving our time, talent and means to Christianize the world, as the word teaches, we would not have been in the crisis we are in today. We have robbed God. If the Lord don't get that which belongs to Him, the devil will. It looks as if the Lord is allowing him to take a big toll today.

God said, "Inquire for the old path which is the good old way, and come back thereunto, and walk therein." Let's do what Jesus said do. "Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead and Christ will give thee light." Ye are the light of the world. May we all let our lights shine in these dark days, till all may see our good works and glorify our Father which is in heaven.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. E. C. HODGES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your Committee on Time and Place, respectfully report: The next session of the Association will be held with Elk Baptist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1943. Rev. Howard J. Ford will preach the introductory sermon.

Submitted by

REV. ISAAC WATTS,
FRANK WALSH,
HOMER CARLTON.

THE COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Moderator, the Clerk, Rev. John W. Kincheloe, Jr. Rev. Howard J. Ford, Rev. A. W. Eller.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES—RESOLUTION

Strange as it may seem, throughout the long years of our sponsoring Christian education and our various Christian schools and colleges, we have held to the idea that our young men and young women should not go to the same institutions of learning and their

association and acquaintance should be kept as far off as possible. This has been particularly true in our senior colleges. In accord with this idea we have spent unnecessary money to build these separate institutions, and are continuing to make them more expensive schools to attend, just to foster this outmoded idea.

At this particular time the question as to whether we should admit young women to attend Wake Forest College after they have reached junior and senior level is at issue. There are some of our brethren who are zealously opposing this idea, and we think most unwisely so. In support of this idea it has been said that the graduates from our junior colleges ought to go to Meredith College, and that under this arrangement they would likely not do so. In answer to this argument we learn that less than 10% of them now go to Meredith College, but that most of them go to State institutions. It is our belief that if we have found it not unwise for Junior College boys and girls to attend the same school that certainly Junior and Senior College students should have the same privilege.

Furthermore it is a known fact that in the main our young people marry those with whom they associated in college. Why not our Baptist girls marry Baptist boys?

Resolved therefore, that the Brushy Mountain Association goes on record endorsing this idea of letting our young women of Junior and Senior College level attend Wake Forest College.

J. H. WHICKER,

T. E. STORY.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

Beaver Creek—Mrs. George Bradley, Mrs. Amelia Math-
erly.

Fishing Creek—Deacon W. M. Mastin.

Goshen—Mrs. Charlie Walker, Mrs. Tom Gibbs.

Lewis Fork—Mrs. F. A. Keith, Mrs. Frank Foster, Mrs. R
L. Andrews, Mrs. L. L. Jones.

Liberty Grove—Royal McCarter, Mary Hix.

Moravian Falls—Deacon D. J. Pardue, M. F. Kirby.

North Wilkesboro 1st—John Tevepaugh, Mrs. John Teve-
paugh, Woodrow Absher, Mrs. R. C. Hendren.

Oakwoods—Mrs. George Stroud.

Pilgrim—Mrs. Zora Nichols.

Stony Hill—Mrs. Clara Triplette.

Walnut Grove—B. C. Price.

Zion Hill—Mr. Gaither Eller, Mr. Carl Eller, Mrs. Mar-
garet Hood, Miss Ida Clanton.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of

established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for Adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State

Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendments to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE III—Baptist Training Unions of Brushy Mountain Association for Year Ending September, 1942

CHURCH	DIRECTOR OF TRAINING UNION	Story Hours					
		Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions and Story Hours
Moravian Falls.....		1	1	1	1	1	6
N. Wilkesboro 1st	Mary Nichols, N. Wilkesboro	1	1	2	1	1	6
Wilkesboro.....	J. F. Jordan, Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	1	5

TABLE IV—W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts, Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending September, 1942

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. W. M. S.	No. of Y. W. A.'s	No. of G. A.'s	No. of R. A.'s	No. of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Org.	W. M. S. Members
		1	1	1	1	1	1	15
Beaver Creek.....	Mrs. Edward Foster, Boomer, R. 1..	1	1	1	1	1	1	15
Edgewood.....	Mrs. D. R. Wright, Wilkesboro, R. 2	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
Fishing Creek.....	Mrs. R. N. Holland, Wilkesb. R. 2	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
Hinshaw Street.....	Mrs. A. M. Handy, N. Wilkesboro..	1	1	1	1	1	1	15
N. Wilkesboro 1st	Mrs. A. H. Casey, N. Wilkesboro....	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
Oakwoods.....	Mrs. Rex Stroud, Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Pleasant Home.....	Mrs. C. O. Lovette, Wilkesboro, R. 1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. George Johnson, Wilkesboro..	1	1	1	1	1	1	4

TABLE V—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association for Year Ending September, 1942

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on all Church Property	Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	yes	1937	wood	400	1			\$3000.00		\$3100.00		
Big Ivey	Clyde Phillips, Walsh	yes	1928	wood	200	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	yes	1932	wood	350	1			1200.00		1500.00		
Cub Creek	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro	yes	1862	wood	500	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	yes	1893	wood	350	3			2000.00		2000.00		\$1000.00
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny	yes	1926	wood	350	1			1500.00		1500.00		2000.00
Fishing Creek	G. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1928	wood	600	1			4100.00		4100.00		2000.00
Gordon	Clate Brown, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1918	wood	300	6		5	6000.00		6000.00		
Goshen	Jesse Walsh, Wilkesboro	yes	1916	wood	500	1			1500.00		1500.00		
Hinshaw	Harold Hartley, Cricket	yes	1900	wood	500	1			2500.00		2500.00		1500.00
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1927	wood	400	5		6	3000.00		3000.00		
Lewis Fork	James Triplette, Purlear	yes	1909	wood	400	1			2500.00		2500.00		500.00
Liberty Grove	Tam S. Hutchins, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1887	wood	300	5		5	1000.00		11000.00	450.00	7000.00
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	yes	1941	* 300		9		8	9000.00		9000.00		
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	yes	1888	wood	300	2			2500.00		2500.00		
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls	yes	1911	wood	700	1			2000.00		2000.00		
Mount Pleasant	H. I. Shoemaker, Buck	yes	1909	wood	500	2			3500.00		3500.00		2000.00
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	yes	1924	wood	500	1			2000.00		2000.00		4000.00
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1937	brick	200	4			4000.00		4000.00		
N.Hope, Caldwell	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1910	brick	600	15		3	60000.00	10000.00	70000.00		26500.00
N. Wilkesboro 1st	W. I. Bungarner, Cricket	yes	1937	wood	400	1		12	2000.00		2000.00	125.00	
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	W. C. Stroud, Wilkesboro	yes	1937	wood	400	1	14		2000.00	1000.00	3000.00	1000.00	
Oakwoods	Fred Shoemaker, Wilkesboro	yes	1910	wood	300	1			1800.00		1800.00		
Pilgrim	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	400	1			1500.00		1500.00		
Pleasant Grove	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1903	wood	600	1			2000.00		2000.00		1000.00
Pleasant Home	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	yes		wood	300	1			1700.00		1700.00		
Shady Grove	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	250	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville	yes	1922	wood	300	1			1000.00		1000.00		
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	yes	1929	brick	400	5		4	2000.00		2000.00		
Welcome Home	W. H. Hurley, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1936	wood	300	1			2300.00		2300.00		1500.00
Wilkesboro	Charlie McNeill, Wilkesboro	yes	1902	brick	400	3		15	10000.00	4000.00	14000.00	340.00	7500.00
Zion Hill	J. E. German, Boomer	yes	1811	wood	500	1			1000.00		1000.00		

CHURCHES

REGULAR TREASURERS and
POST OFFICES

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS and POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for S. S. B. Y. P. U. & W. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total for Church and All Its Organizations.
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	\$120.00	\$ 7.00	\$142.84			\$34.71	\$51.82	\$2.25	\$2.00	\$ 4.00	360.62
Big Ivey	Clyde Phillips, Walsh	75.00					10.00	5.00	10.00	2.00	\$ 4.00	91.00
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	94.86		22.00			8.00	16.65	1.35	2.00	42.00	188.46
Cub Creek	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro	174.74		30.00			9.60	29.98	2.00	2.00	25.03	57.74
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro	223.00		32.00			15.82	11.55	2.00	2.00	321.61	143.60
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	99.58		14.65			66.28	40.96	2.40	2.00	8.80	383.61
Fishing Creek	C. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro	229.97		44.00			78.37	47.50	10.00	2.00	2.00	534.12
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	110.57	14.50	38.76	242.10		2.00	18.00		2.00	2.00	180.50
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	144.00	49.50				15.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	10.60	369.69
Harmony	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	288.59		75.00	255.00		131.01	67.87	11.00	3.00	137.23	989.47
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	310.36	10.00	60.00	20.00		15.42	46.58				497.52
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Purlear	345.52		45.00		2050.00	85.00	35.00	5.00			208.75
Liberty Grove	Tam S. Hutchins, N. Wilkesboro	123.75		36.31	128.12		35.47	33.24	15.36	2.00	12.23	2401.24
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	197.72	18.51				9.60	8.00			16.13	140.00
Moravian Falls	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, M. Falls	281.93	26.20	50.00	69.62		30.00	63.31	26.98	2.00	7.66	774.12
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls	36.00		32.00			15.20	22.21	15.00	2.00	9.00	240.41
Mount Pleasant	J. F. McNeill, Purlear	510.42		67.00			88.19	63.84		3.00		675.95
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplette, Hendrix	152.90		32.00				6.00				172.00
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro	453.92					822.29	591.92	4.35		12.00	5846.70
N.Hope, Caldwell	C. B. Lomax, N. Wilkesboro	130.00	240.00	394.05	212.09		10.24	32.85		2.00		85.79
N. Wilkesboro 1st	Edward Milam, N. Wilkesboro	30.00	10.70				9.60	30.00	2.00	2.00	114.00	438.10
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	141.00		51.50	90.00		92.27	21.90		2.00	1.00	274.23
Oakwoods	R. O. Foster, Buck	130.99		26.07			13.39	20.55	16.50	2.00	157.01	405.75
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, North Wilkesboro	178.30		18.85			75.00	55.00	65.00	5.00	20.20	755.70
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro R. 1	438.00		75.00	22.50		43.60	32.00	2.00		60.00	299.60
Purlear	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	109.00		53.00				10.00				237.50
Shady Grove	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	113.00		7.50	103.00	14.00	10.00	11.13	2.00		15.00	271.13
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville	87.00		15.00	146.12		39.00	45.00	8.00	3.00	15.00	710.00
Walnut Grove	Perry R. Lowe, Pores Knob	400.00		60.00	140.00		45.20	44.18		1.50		388.36
Welcome Home	J. F. Lankford, N. Wilkesboro	179.20		117.28			249.26	100.18		2.00	135.02	2739.87
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	1467.75	55.00	100.00	445.66	180.00	13.50	21.02		6.00		732.31
Zion Hill	E. T. German, Boomer	272.12	40.00	57.50	236.67							

North Wilkesboro First—Building Fund \$110.00; Bible in Schools, \$250.00.

TABLE VII—Gifts for Missions, Education, Benevolences, Brushy Mtn. Association, Year End. Sept., 1942

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS and POST OFFICES	Total to Co-operative Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Theological Seminaries	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Hundred Thousand Club	Other Objects	(Missions) Total given by Church & all Depts.		Grand Total for All Purposes—Both Local Work & Missions—Giv- en by Ch. & All Org.
												\$	2.50	
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer							\$29.00	\$16.50		\$8.70	\$59.20	\$419.82	
Big Ivy	Clyde Phillips, Walsh							2.80	2.50		3.00	7.50	98.50	
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear							3.50	3.50			7.00	195.46	
Cub Creek	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro							10.00	10.00			20.00	77.44	
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro							27.65	8.25			41.90	363.51	
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny		2.00		2.00			3.00				3.00	146.60	
Fishing Creek	G. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro	\$ 5.15	12.00		7.85	\$1.00	\$1.00	43.00	12.00	\$4.35	22.00	110.85	494.46	
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	20.00						10.00	10.00			40.00	574.12	
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	7.00							8.70			15.70	196.20	
Harmony	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	10.00						12.50	8.00			30.50	400.19	
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro							64.91	17.50			82.41	1071.88	
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Purlear							11.00				11.00	508.52	
Liberty Grove	Tam S. Hutchins, N. Wilkesboro							8.42	8.00			16.40	225.12	
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer				3.70				4.80		15.00	23.50	2424.74	
Moravian Falls	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, M. Falls		2.42					42.26	8.23			52.91	623.77	
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls								4.30			140.00	144.30	
Mount Pleasant	D. F. McNeill, Purlear		46.93		2.00			47.89	16.57			140.37	914.49	
Mount Zion	J. M. Triplette, Hendrix							32.72	4.59			37.28	277.68	
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro	30.00						46.50	12.54			89.04	764.99	
N.Hope, Caldwell	Albert Suddreth, Lenoir, R. 1								8.00			8.00	180.00	
N.Wilkesboro 1st	C. B. Lomax, N. Wilkesboro							451.45	22.75	86.17	79.30	2359.39	8206.09	
N.Wilkesboro 2nd	Edward Milam, N. Wilkesboro	1294.84	40.71	74.36	267.81	41.50		10.02	1.71			11.73	97.52	
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro				14.00			16.35	8.75			39.10	477.20	
Pilgrim	R. O. Foster, Buck							10.00	13.50			23.50	297.73	
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, North Wilkesboro.							9.41	5.16			14.57	420.32	
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1							22.43				326.27	1081.97	
Purlear	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	11.00	61.07	37.87	17.13	10.00		22.43	50.00	7.00	22.50	44.17	387.91	
Shady Grove	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	21.74						4.00	7.25			11.25	248.75	
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville							20.00	5.00			25.00	296.13	
Walnut Grove	Perry R. Lowe, Pores Knob							76.05	20.60			96.65	830.45	
Welcome Home	Mrs. J. F. Lankford N. W.boro	21.45						18.50	3.80			120.45	830.45	





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OF THE

SEVENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST

ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

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September 23, 1943

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Day, R. F., Elkin, N. C.
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Peeler, Frank, Taylorsville, N. C.
Shew, Tom, Lenoir, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.

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Big Ivey—W. M. McGuire, C. D. Phillips, A. T. Blackburn.
Boiling Springs—W. O. Huffman, B. L. Cardwell, J. C. Huffman.
Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. L. Hemphill, Will Anderson.
Edgewood—John Moore, Marshall Anderson, Mrs. Abe Jones.
Elk—S. F. Miller, W. A. Proffit, Dana Triplette.
Fishing Creek—Eugene Pardue, Mrs. Clifton Waddell, Mrs. R. B. Brooks, Mrs. R. N. Holland.
Gordon—Rev. Ralph A. Miller, Iredell Osborne, Mrs. Ralph Bare, Mrs. Garfield Cardwell.
Goshen—R. L. Proffit, H. A. Carlton, Rev. John W. Higgins.
Harmony—
Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, John Wells, George Alexander.
Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplette, Mrs. A. J. Proffit, James Triplette.
Liberty Grove—James Henderson, Kermit Absher, Mrs. Carrie Anderson.
Little Rock—Ray Parsons, Mrs. J. W. Andrews, I. J. Broyhill.
Moravian Falls—Leroy Eller, R. A. Greer, S. J. Steelman.
Mount Carmel—W. H. Houck, Frank Gentle, Mrs. Frank Gentle.
Mount Pleasant—J. C. McNeill, J. F. Walsh, A. M. McGee.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnette, Mrs. E. C. Hodges, Juary Walker.
New Hope—R. M. Church, J. Allie Hayes, Mrs. E. E. Hayes.
New Hope (Caldwell)—Claude Jones, Oscar Dobbins, Mrs. C. P. McGee.
North Wilkesboro First—D. E. Elledge, Edlyn Freerks.
North Wilkesboro Second—John M. Anderson, Johnny Porter, Isaac White.
Oakwoods—J. W. Hayes, Fred Blevins, I. P. Anderson.
Pilgrim—H. I. Shoemaker, F. O. Foster, Charlie Shoemaker.
Pleasant Grove—Albert Evans, Melvin Bumgarner, Thurmond Parsons.
Pleasant Home—Minnie McNeill, J. C. Whittington, W. V. Caudill, Monroe Faw.
Purlear—R. D. Nichols, Mrs. R. D. Nichols, J. F. Hayes.
Shady Grove—D. K. Green, Guy Eller, Mrs. D. K. Green.
Stony Hill—J. B. Baker, G. S. McNeill, C. O. Parsons.
Walnut Grove—R. C. Meadows.
Welcome Home—Gwyn Eller, Sherman Shumate, G. L. Michael.
Wilkesboro—Troy Foster, Charles C. McNeill, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Mrs. George Johnson, Mrs. A. C. Brinegar.
Zion Hill—G. B. Carlton, W. J. Earp, W. D. Watts.

MINUTES

The Seventieth Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Elk Baptist Church, September 22, 1943, at 9:30 o'clock, A. M., War Time. The Association was called to order by the Moderator T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing "Love Divine" and "More Love To Thee," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. A. J. Foster, who gave an inspirational discussion from the 5th chapter of 1st Thessalonians after which the Association was led in prayer by Rev. Isaac Watts. At this time the Moderator announced the program worked out by the Executive Committee, which was adopted by the Association.

After the adoption of the program it was followed up by the various reports and discussion on the different subjects as follows:

Report on W. M. U. Training by Mrs. George P. Johnson, which motion was made and carried favorably that it be adopted, and followed by a brief discussion by Mrs. Johnson. Report on Training Union was read by Edlyn Freerks, and motion by Rev. E. C. Hodges, and seconded that said report be adopted which carried favorably, and a brief discussion was given by Mr. Freerks. Report on Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, by D. E. Elledge, and after the reading of the report a motion was made and carried that the report be adopted, which carried and was followed by a discussion from Mr. D. E. Elledge.

At this time Mr. M. H. Kendall, of Mars Hill College, gave a brief discussion on Christian Education and invited all students that want the best training in Christian education to come to Mars Hill College. After his address, the audience stood and joined in singing "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," and then the different reports as follows:

Report on Wilkes Pastors' Conference, Rev. Isaac Watts. After the report was read and adopted it was followed by a discussion by Rev. Watts. Report on Hospitals and Orphanage by Rev. E. V. Bumgarner. After the report was seconded and adopted it was followed by an able discussion from J. A. McMillan and Smith Hagaman, of the Baptist Hospital.

At this time there was a roll call of the churches and 32 of them responded with letters and messengers present. There was also present 17 ministers: J. A. McMillan, Liberty Association, Rev. Miller, Fred Blevins, Iredell Osborne, Mount Carmel Pastor, W. S. Luck, Hinshaw Street Pastor; J. W. Kincheloe, new pastor present, and a number of other ministers who did not give their names to the clerk. At this time the following committees were appointed: Nomination of Officers: I. J. Broyhill, James C. McNeill and Rev. Glenn Huffman. Committee on Time, Place and Preaching, and Attendance: I. S. Baity, Gwyn Eller and Fred Blevins. Committee on Resolutions: Dr. Hannibal Duncan, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, and A. W. Eller. Committee on Order of Business: The Moderator, the Clerk, Pastor of North Wilkesboro First Baptist Church, Pastor of Wilkesboro Baptist Church, Rev. Isaac Watts.

After the appointment of the committees the audience stood and joined in singing Hymn No. 172, "Amazing Grace," after which the annual sermon was preached by Rev. Howard J. Ford, who read as a

scripture lesson Matthew 20:20-28, and his text was verses 27, 28. After the preaching of the annual sermon the audience stood again and joined in singing, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone," and was dismissed in prayer by Rev. J. A. McMillan for noon lunch.

At 1:15 the Association reassembled in the church and joined in singing Hymn 196, "Lead On, O King Eternal," and then devotional was conducted by Rev. E. C. Hodges, who took as a scripture lesson Romans 8:1-8 and II Timothy, 3:1-10. After the devotional a reading was given by Rev. Isaac Watts in memory of the late Rev. Finley C. Watts, who has recently passed on, and a motion was made and seconded and carried that it be printed in the minutes.

Report on Baptist Literature by Mrs. C. E. Jenkins, motion made and seconded that the report be adopted, which motion carried favorably.

The Church and Its Men in Military Service, by Rev. John Wells. Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted.

The Report on Temperance and Morals, by Rev. E. C. Shoe. A motion was made and seconded and carried favorably that the report be adopted, which was followed by an interesting discussion from Rev. Shoe. This was followed by an interesting discussion on "Baptist Missions in War Times," by Rev. J. C. Pipes, and was ably discussed by him, giving the progress that missions is making and paying off the Baptist debts.

At this time a history was read by W. A. Proffit, on the history of Elk Baptist Church, and motion was made and carried favorably that the report be printed in the minutes.

Report of Committee on Resolutions. Motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted, which motion carried favorably.

There being no further business the Association adjourned by singing, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and was dismissed by prayer.

PROGRAM

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ELK BAPTIST CHURCH

Wednesday, September 22, 1943

9:30 A. M. (War Time)

General Theme: "The Church In War Time"

9:30—Devotional Rev. A. J. Foster

9:45—Adoption of Program.

9:50—Local Christian Education

W. M. U. Report Mrs. George Johnson

Training Union Report Mr. Edlyn Freerks

Sunday School and Vacation Bible School Report

Mr. D. E. Elledge

10:30—Music.

10:35—Report on Wilkes Pastor's Conference..... Rev. Isaac Watts

10:50—Hospital and Orphanage Rev. E. V. Bumgarner

- 11:10—Roll Call of Churches By the Moderator
 Recognition of Visitors.
 Introduction of New Pastors.
 Appointment of Committees.
- 11:30—Music.
- 11:35—Annual Sermon Rev. Howard J. Ford
- 12:10—Noon Recess.
- 1:15—Devotional Rev. E. C. Hodges
- 1:25—Report on Baptist Literature Mrs. C. E. Jenkins
- 1:35—The Church and Its Men In Military Service....Rev. John Wells
- 1:50—Temperance and Morals Report Rev. E. C. Shoe
- 2:10—Baptist Missions In War Times.....Rev. J. C. Pipes
- 2:35—Reports of Committees.
 Election of Officers.
 Miscellaneous Business.
- 2:45—The Church In War TimeRev. John W. Kincheloe, Jr.
 Adjournment.

T. E. STORY, Moderator

J. F. JORDAN, Clerk

W. M. U. REPORT OF BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

Every Missionary Baptist Church should have a full graded W. M. U. Why? Because every Christian is obligated to carry out the Great Commission. Jesus said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." People will not go unless they know. Their eyes must be opened to the hopeless condition of the countless millions without Christ, who alone can save them.

The W. M. U. emphasizes in every grade the study of the Bible from the missionary point of view and specializes on mission study.

Few can go in person as missionaries, but W. M. U. opens the way for many to go by proxy: First, through the ministry of prayer, individual and united. Second, through stewardship of tithes and offerings. W. M. U. emphasizes the tithe as the minimum gift for a Christian and encourages the love gift over and above. Third, through the ministry of service to the poor and needy, the sick and afflicted, the unsaved and underprivileged, through directed community missions. Fourth, by enlisting more people to become interested in Christ's World Program. It also provides special missionary education for the young people of the church.

We were fortunate in having in our Association for one week in July four W. M. U. State workers, who brought inspiring messages to the different organizations in the churches which have organized mission work. In September, during State Mission Week, we were privileged to have Miss Bonnie Ray, a returned missionary to China, having spent twenty-five years there, who is now doing State work in the defense area of Wilmington, who spoke in two of our churches, in a most helpful and inspiring manner, to a number of our women from different churches.

Our Associational W. M. U. meeting was held at Fishing Creek church on May 28th, having an all day session with reports from the different churches. Mrs. Stamps, a returned missionary to China, was

the principal speaker, who brought a soul-stirring message, on her experiences and conditions in China.

The six churches reporting W. M. U. work this year reported twenty-four mission study classes with 208 attending. The young people reported seven classes with 72 attending. The Woman's Missionary Societies reported giving to all causes, \$1574.78, and the young people \$380.34, a total of \$1955.12 in gifts to missions.

After this war ends there will be more mission fields and greater opportunities for mission work than there has ever been in the history of the world, and it behooves all of us to do our utmost to prepare the hearts of the people to meet this challenge.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON.

TRAINING UNION REPORT

In any church where there is a progressive and energetic training union one is likely to find a strong, influential church and Sunday School. A training union in a church is not simply another Sunday School, but an invaluable supplement to one, for it is the educational organization of our denomination which trains its members to become more efficient Sunday School teachers, deacons, W. M. U. Leaders, or, at least, more loyal church laymen. The programs in our quarterlies are based on our Baptist doctrines, Christian devotion, Christian service, and missions. The training union is for all church members—children, young people, and adults. A former misconception that it is strictly a young peoples' organization is being largely overcome with the establishing of many active adult unions. In the training union everyone receives certain blessings not to be found elsewhere in the program of the church, no matter how complete it may be. Here an individual often learns to read his Bible regularly and systematically, to take part in a discussion on religious matters, to pray, to win other souls to Christ, and many other things concerning Christianity and the church.

In this Association there are now eleven active unions. Since this time last year two more have been organized in the Wilkesboro Church, making a total of three, and one at the Mount Pleasant Church. Naturally, all of us are glad to see a new union organized. We heartily commend these churches for expanding this phase of Christian education and the others which have maintained active unions. In the coming year let us hope that through fervent prayer and earnest endeavor this Association will continue its work along this line and thereby prepare able Christian leaders for the future.

Submitted by EDLYN FREERKS.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Part I

The Vacation Bible School has become a very definite part of regular denominational program. A regular department has been established with the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn. This department is under the capable leadership of Dr. Homer L. Grice and a number of

able associates. This part of our work is comparatively new, but it has had a very remarkable growth within the last few years. The number of schools each year show an increase over the year before. Many of these schools are held in our own State. Some of the churches in this Association have recently held some of these schools; this number should increase very materially within the next two or three years. The children in the churches where these schools have been held have been greatly helped. The Vacation Bible School is for the children from the Beginners Department through the Intermediates or ages from four years through sixteen years. This work is very important and should have our loyal support.

Bro. Pastor and Mr. Superintendent, please see to it that your church has a Vacation Bible School next year.

Part II

The Sunday School when properly functioning is the church at work. We think of the Sunday School as the teaching agency of the church, and rightly so. A good Sunday School must be well organized in all departments. The teachers have a great responsibility; they likewise have a wonderful opportunity of rendering a service that will live on when they have passed to their reward. How careful then the pastor and superintendent should be in the selection of teachers for their respective Sunday Schools.

The class period is the teacher's great opportunity. The time is precious and the class president should use only a few minutes for reports and the introduction of new members. It is here where the teacher can explain the great truths of the Bible and the pupil's whole outlook on life is changed. It is here where important decisions are made. The teacher's task then is a sacred one and they surely will receive their reward if they remain faithful servants to the end. May we ask God to help us to discover and train the very best men and women in our churches for teachers in our Sunday Schools.

May I submit some statistics at this time? The Brushy Mountain Association consists of 33 churches with a total membership of 5650, a Sunday School enrollment of 3800 with an average attendance of 2335. These figures reveal 67% of the church memberships are enrolled in the various Sunday Schools, and an average attendance of the enrollment of 61.5%.

Living within the bounds of this Association are about 22,000 people. A majority of whom are our own Baptist responsibility. If we say that 90% of the above number are our own Baptist responsibility, then about 28.5% of this number are enrolled in our churches. These figures surely should challenge us to go forth and win these lost men and women to Christ. May we from this day forward go back to our respective churches fully determined to reach more people, to teach more people, and win the lost.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

REPORT ON WILKES BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE

Th Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference was organized in the year 1939. At the first meeting of the organization only seven pastors

were present. For the past five months the average attendance was fifteen. The organization has grown not only in numbers but also in interest and enthusiasm. At one meeting held recently 22 pastors were present. In the morning session matters of general interest are discussed by the pastors present. Sometimes a sermon is preached by one of the group.

In the afternoon session there are two periods of Bible study led by Dr. John Kincheloe, Jr., and Rev. Howard J. Ford. The pastors consider this study the most interesting and helpful phase of the conference program.

The Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference meets at the Reins-Sturdivant chapel on the second Monday of each month. On last March we had a five day meeting assisted by able speakers from other associations and we hope to make this an annual event.

The fellowship of these meetings is good for us all, and the teaching periods by Bro. Ford and Dr. Kincheloe are very interesting and helpful to all who are privileged to attend. We invite other pastors of this and other Associations to join us in these meetings, also a cordial invitation is extended to the deacons and all who will to attend any and all of these meetings.

Respectfully,

S. I. WATTS.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

How far reaching, how significant the scope and influence of Christian Literature. A perfect definition of literature cannot be found in dictionaries—it covers so wide a realm of human interest. All worthy literature is an expression of life, a moulder of character, a counsellor of wisdom. Christian Literature is the valuable legacies great writers leave to mankind. When our hearts are attuned to the rare gems of thought, the wholesome charm of some helpful phrase, the delightful companionship as the writer pours out his soul and heart and thus enkindles a response in our own souls. Christian Literature is the magic gateway that enhances the pleasure of living. When we read some beautiful thought by a superior mind it encourages and uplifts our heart like a sweet toned melody. Through the best literature great men talk to us, give us their most precious thoughts and impart to the soul noble inspirations. To books we go for valid facts and valid statistics. If you want a mind that is keen, straight-thinking, well balanced, read good books. Read and refine your mind—feast your soul on ennobling thoughts—read and take your nourishment through your eyes “for books are as meats and viands are.”

Christian literature—instructive, uplifting and inspiring is one of the great blessings that will ever endure. These garlands of thoughts that enlighten the mind, warm the heart and develop the soul are as beatitudes in our lives. How thankful we are for the many Bibles and leaflets that have been given and sent to our soldiers in this global war; and for the help and comfort this literature has brought to their lives. The Bible is the guide book of life, there is a spaciousness about it that encircles the world. Our denominational papers are a reliable

source of instruction, interest, benefit, and a decisive factor in our home and church life. How handicapped the work of the Sunday School, Woman's Missionary Union and other church organizations would be without the aid and help of Christian literature from which we learn of the work and activities of missions throughout the world. Christian Literature equips us for efficient service—this literature is a veritable store house of information. Of course, in all our reading and study the Bible should always be given the pre-eminence. The Bible is the supreme masterpiece of all literature. As some one has said, "It is God's luminous cloud to guide us day by day. It is the Burning Bush where we get a vision of life's finest and best. It is the upper room where we realize the glory of life and the beauty of life to come. It is the soul's gulf stream of eternal life. It is the temple of Christianity." May our nation and other nations realize more fully that "the Bible is the rock on which our republic rests, and if American democracy is to remain the greatest hope of humanity it must continue abundantly in the faith of the Bible." May we all so live and so absorb the lessons in the Bible that we walk by faith and feel His sympathetic hand clasping ours in our darkest days; and holding fast until the light of His love shines before us!

MRS. C. E. JENKINS.

THE CHURCH AND ITS MEN IN THE MILITARY SERVICE

I—The Church

We shall first look at the duties of a church as the body of Christ. We do not desire to leave the impression that we do not favor the efforts made by the people of these United States to aid in the war prosecution, consequently hastening the end of the same. However the Church as a whole should not indulge in such things as "bond sales," "scrap collections" and "street dances," that money may be raised for the purpose of prosecuting the war. Such things as I have here mentioned will only bring reproach upon the church. Surely it is the most solemn duty of the church to keep its name above reproach. Then there is the duty of the church toward its men and they should be, if possible, kept in contact. A letter to some personal acquaintance will greatly raise morale. The church should have special seasons of prayer for every member, from its congregation. A program or bulletin sent to the men will serve as information as to what is going on at their church. Any church who has a minister who possesses the proper qualifications, should grant him a leave of absence, that he might enter the armed forces as a Chaplain. A recent appeal on the radio stated the urgent need for no less than 859 additional chaplains. The commentator quoted Maj. Gen. Wm. H. Arnold, as saying that the churches should release their ministers to the service, since it was apparent that the men in the armed forces were in grater need of their services, than were the civilians.

II—Men In Service

The Christian members of the services also have certain duties. They should uphold the name of Jesus. They should do this by living for Him, by praying for themselves and for others and by being a

shining example unto all the world. It is their duty to keep themselves in contact with their churches by writing to their pastors and to the members. They should pray for and support the church as much as is possible. There is the example of the soldier who before his induction into the army had made a pledge to his church, and did not have the opportunity of paying it before he had to go into the service. He wrote a letter to his pastor from North Africa and enclosed a check for the sum of his pledge, making his apology for the delay and expressing his desire for the advancement of the church. This then is one of the things that some of the men in service are doing. Others are holding religious services in their barracks and on the streets in towns. Last July, I saw on the public square of Fayetteville, a soldier engaged in holding a religious service. There are many men now in the service, who heretofore have rejected every opportunity to dedicate their heart and life to God, turning to Him, because the realization has finally come to them, that there is comfort and peace found in His loving care.

III—The Ministers or Chaplains

These men of God are doing a wonderful work in the services of our country. Some are holding as many as five services daily, often travelling afoot, to remote places. Some time ago I read of a Chaplain who visited a distant outpost and had to walk a distance of thirty miles, carrying magazines, song books and a portable organ, strapped to his back, so that he might bring a little spiritual comfort to those soldiers. Then there are those ministers who are facing the withering fire of the enemy, in the battle zones, along with the men who depend upon them for their spiritual advice. They go into battle, as well as everywhere, unarmed, but not unprotected, for they have with them the strong arm of Almighty God, who is able to hinder all shell fire and bullets from doing them any harm. They often risk their life in the effort to help some one else. There is the story of the Chaplain, who a short while ago was aboard ship and the ship being torpedoed and sunk, found himself in a small life boat, on the high seas, along with some others who had been on the ship. Other life boats had been launched and were in the same vicinity. In one or two of these boats, there were some men who were wounded unto death. The Chaplain took his Bible and placing it between his teeth, swam, in shark-infested waters, from boat to boat, doing the service of a minister. Some of these ministers have made the supreme sacrifice and few have received glory. Yes, the Church has duties to their men in the service, for they are doing many things, that we may continue our way of life.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. JOHN L. WELLS, JR.

TEMPERANCE AND MORALS

Who has a new word on the old subject of TEMPERANCE and MORALS? "Not I," says the minister; "Not I," says the lawyer; "Not I," says the doctor; "Not I," says the teacher—so say we all. In all walks of life we want a good and safe margin. Business wants a safe margin of profits, homes want a safe margin of security, schools want

a safe margin of endowment to guarantee their future, insurance companies, by law, must have a safe margin of assets—and so on. There is no such line of demarcation for **TEMPERANCE** and **MORALS**. The very first step from **temperance** and **morals** is **intemperance** and **immoral**. There is no margin here—the thing is either good or bad. Let's be done with **hashing** the **TRUTH**. The person who takes the first drink is **intemperate**, and the person who commits the first wrong act is **immoral**.

How we need to strengthen the moral forces of our day. Our homes, our churches, our schools, and our government are tottering under the moral slump. Our country is threatened with **delerium tremens**. Wisdom cries at the gate, justice weeps for her children, chastity walks a lonely highway and virtue is robbed of her valor! Yet, a voice is heard out of the past, "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Where are the "Josephs" and the "Daniels"? Where are the "Rachels" and the "Esthers"? We have "sold justice for bribes." Look at the highly paid **advertisements** of modern evils.

Alcoholic beverages, in any form, are dangerous—they are habit-forming and spirit-destroying drugs. Strong drink stains life in all phases—religious, civic, and domestic. By it statesmen are dethroned, citizens disgraced, legislatures corrupted, and homes destroyed. Drinking dishonors justice, destroys confidence, assassinates peace, and murders goodness. It slanders truth, changes men and women into devils, makes society the mother of fiends, and promises the future a moral "blackout." "Strong drink is raging."

Asylums are its monuments, almshouses its mercy seat, jails its detention wards, and the grave its best friend! Yes, strong drink is nerve for the gambler, courage for the accuser, tonic for the liar, and blood for the murderer. It is the best friend of the devil and the worst enemy of God and man. Oh, that men and women would turn from this "mockery," which "biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." This monster has marched across the pages of all histories, fired the first and last shots in many battles, dethroned kings and nations and people, yet, it has not produced a single hero to sing its praise. Let me read a drunkard's **WILL**:

"I leave and bequeath to society a ruined character, a wretched example, and a memory that will rot. I leave to my parents as much sorrow as they can, in their old and feeble state, bear. I leave to my brothers and sisters as much shame as I could heap upon them. To my wife I leave a broken heart, with a life of poverty and misery. To each of my children I leave poverty, ignorance, a low character, and the memory that their father died a drunkard and filled a drunkard's grave."

Following is a poem by Richard Lyle, member of New Orleans bar, had a brilliant mind, died a drunkard—without money, friends, character, or hope—died before he was thirty. Just before he died he wrote:

"I have been to the funeral of all my hopes,
And entombed them one by one;
Not a word was said, not a tear was shed,
When the mournful task was done.

Slowly and sadly I turned me round,
And sought my silent room;
And there alone by my cold hearth stone,
I wooed the midnight gloom.

And as the thickening night shades fell,
Lowering across my brow,
I wept o'er the days when manhood's rays
Were brighter far than now.

I wept aloud in anguish sore,
O'er the blight of prospects fair;
And demons laughed and eagerly quaffed
My tears like nectar rare.

The dying embers on the hearth
Gave out a flickering light;
And seemed to say—this is the way,
Thy life shall close in night.

Through hell's red hall an echo rang,
An echo loud and long;
As in the bowl I plunged my soul,
In the night of madness strong.

And there within the sparkling glass,
I knew the cause to lie;
This all men own from zone to zone,
Yet millions drink and die."
Respectfully submitted,

E. C. SHOE.

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

We are very happy to be able to give a good report on the BIBLICAL RECORDER this year. The circulation of the paper since August, 1942, has increased rapidly. The present circulation approximates 18,000, which means a net gain since last August of more than 7,000. For this increase we are profoundly grateful to God and to the pastors and leaders of North Carolina Baptists who have supported the paper enthusiastically and have done what they could to get it into the homes of the people. We want to express our appreciation to General Secretary M. A. Huggins and all the State workers for the great help which they have rendered.

The paper has also shown good progress financially. The State Convention very generously agreed to grant to the RECORDER a thousand dollars a month, but we are happy to report that we have had to call on the Convention for not more than fifty per cent of this amount, practically all of which has been used to pay for paper on

which the RECORDER is printed. We should like very much for the RECORDER to be entirely self supporting; but we are getting out such a high quality paper, and in many cases sending it to the people for less than cost, that it is rather difficult to do this. However, the important thing is to get out a good wholesome paper and to get it into the homes of our Baptist people.

The RECORDER has three simple subscription plans: \$2.00 a year for individual subscriptions; \$1.50 a year for clubs—a minimum of at least three subscriptions is required for every church reporting less than a hundred members, and five subscriptions for every church reporting more than a hundred members; \$1.20 a year for the budget or family plan—one subscription for each active, resident church family is required. We hope that pastors, superintendents, deacons, Training Union, and W. M. U. leaders will do what they can to encourage a good club in every Baptist church; or better still, to persuade the churches to inaugurate the budget plan.

Our aim is to make the BIBLICAL RECORDER both a good, wholesome, attractive weekly that will be of interest and help to the whole family circle and a solid, substantial denominational journal; and we feel, since it is the organ of our Baptist State Convention and because of the service it will render, that it ought to be in every North Carolina Baptist home. We hope our Baptist people will remember us constantly in prayer and let us hear from them if they have any material or suggestions for the good of the paper, or if we can be of any service to them. One of the great needs for our people is that they be informed, trained, and enlisted in the whole program of the church and the Kingdom of God; and we feel that the BIBLICAL RECORDER is of immense value in this great cause. We want to be a comrade and helper to every Baptist home and church in North Carolina and do what we can for the support of every cause dear to the hearts of our people. We would follow the injunction of Paul to Timothy: "Give diligence to present thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth."

L. L. CARPENTER,

Editor and Business Manager.

HISTORY OF ELK BAPTIST CHURCH

Elk Baptist Church was organized in the year 1843, near Halls Mills, on Elk Creek, in a small pole house built for church and school purposes.

Services were held there for a number of years, then the church built a new house of worship out of hewn logs one mile down the creek at the lower end of the Ferguson farm (now the W. A. Proffit farm.) Services were held there until 1890 when the church was moved one mile further down the creek on top of a ridge (nicknamed "Feather Hill") in a little boxed house built for church and school purposes. Services were held there until about 1896, when confusion came up and the church disintegrated, and there was no church organization for a period of ten years.

In the meantime a new school house was built on a ridge one half mile east known as "Bradley's Chapel." There in 1905, two young

preachers, viz: Revs. Dan Wheeler and Noah Hampton, from the head of Elk, came and reorganized the church. (The church records were lost, that is the reason the Association minutes showed the church was organized in 1905.)

Service was held there until 1926 when the present house was built at a cost of \$1500.00 for the house and grounds. So this Association held at our church in 1943 should celebrate the 100th anniversary of the organization of the Elk Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. PROFFIT.

Read to and adopted by the church in regular conference, Sept. 18, 1943.

REV. E. C. HODGES, Mod.,
S. F. MILLER, Church Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS

Brother Moderator and Brethren:

Your Committee on Resolutions wishes to submit the following for your consideration and adoption:

1. We wish to express our appreciation to all who have had a part on our program in this session of the Association. The reports and discussions have given considerable information and inspiration.

2. We extend the brethren and sisters of Elk Church our sincere thanks for their generous and kind reception.

3. We wish also to express the appreciation of this Association for the many young men from our various churches who are away in the service of our country, defending our privilege to meet here today. May we not fail daily to have them as the object of earnest prayer.

4. We commend the Biblical Recorder to all of our brethren and urge that every church obtain a club of subscribers.

5. We wish to commend the values of the Associational Sunday School Convention in its quarterly meetings and urge that every church participate in its meetings.

6. Our offerings for the past year to the orphanage, the hospital and other missionary endeavor show an increase for which we are thankful. May we urge our brethren of every church not to fail to continue to improve in this endeavor.

7. The wine, beer and whisky evil is ever with us. We feel, however, that we scored at least a moral victory when recently the County Commissioners and the Town Boards of North Wilkesboro and Wilkesboro voted to place a ban upon the sale of beer and wine from 11:30 Saturday evening to 8:00 Monday mornings.

Your committee recommends that our body favor the complete elimination of the sale of these beverage drinks in our County and State.

DR. H. G. DUNCAN,
MRS. G. T. MITCHELL,
REV. A. W. ELLER, Committee.

THE COMMITTEE ON ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Moderator, the Clerk, Rev. J. W. Kincheloe, Jr., Rev. Howard J. Ford, and Rev. Isaac Watts.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, your Committee on Time and Place, respectfully report: The next session of the Association will be held with Hinshaw Street Baptist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1944.

Rev. J. W. Kincheloe, Jr., will preach the introductory sermon.

Submitted by

I. S. BAITY,
FRED BLEVINS,
GWYN ELLER, Committee.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Nominations, recommend that our present Moderator and Clerk, Prof. T. E. Story and J. F. Jordan, be re-elected for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

I. J. BROYHILL,
J. C. McNEILL,
REV. GLENN HUFFMAN.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL AND ORPHANAGE

The Baptist Hospital has been an institution for almost twenty years. Since its opening about 60,000 patients have been entered for treatment and about 27,000 have been entered as free service, or charity work. Many people were turned away because the institution did not have beds available to accomodate the patients. In 1940 the beds were increased from 100 to 300, with the very latest and most modern equipment. The medical staff has been increased also and now it has the very best medical staff of any hospital in the country and is able to compete with the very best.

The Hospital and Bowman Gray Medical School work hand in hand and with the very finest co-operation in diagnosis and consultation in all the cases admitted to the hospital.

The Orphanage is composed of the Mills Home at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home at Kinston, and both institutions together have a large number of children in each institution. The Mills Home at Thomasville has a fine corps of instructors, with Dr. I. G. Greer as head of the Home, and all of the children receive the finest of training and none go out until they have finished a good high school course that gives them practical as well as mental training.

These two homes have done marvelous work in transforming the lives of homeless choildren that are left without father or mother or any home to go to into the best of citizenship. They all receive special training with the two institutions made a home as near as possible to all that live within its walls. So far as history shows from the records of these two institutions there has not been a single boy or girl that has gone out from the institution that has fallen in life—they have all made good. How many individual homes can claim this record? I fear that if a checkup were made that there would be several individual homes that could not measure up to this record.

Respectfully submitted,

E. V. BUMGARNER.



REV. FINLEY C. WATTS

Rev. Finley C. Watts, son of the late Manley C. and Alice Yates Watts, was born April 23, 1894, and departed this life July 27, 1943, being 49 years, 3 months and 4 days of age. He professed faith in Christ at the tender age of 13 years and joined New Hope Baptist Church where he remained a faithful and consistent member until death. He was ordained into the Christian ministry in 1917, and for the remaining 26 years of his life he was a faithful minister of the Gospel of Christ, having served churches in Wilkes, Watauga, Ashe, Avery and Alexander as pastor. At the time of his death he was pastor of the following churches: Bethel, in Alexander County, Willowdale in Watauga, Old Fields in Ashe, and Purlear in Wilkes. In addition to pastoral work he did extensive evangelistic work covering a number of counties in this state and also extending to other states.

As pastor he was a true shepherd and one that loved his people greatly. As an evangelist his excellent work will be fully known only in eternity. His friends were numbered by the thousands.

On December 29, 1921, he was joined in wedlock to Miss Effie Belvedere Blackburn. To this union were born five children: Dare, Clara Lee, Clay, Victor and Earl, all of who survive. He is also survived by his mother Mrs. Alice Yates Watts: two brothers, Mr. J. L. Watts and Mr. R. G. Watts, both of Taylorsville, N. C., and two sisters, Mrs. J. L. Vannoy and Mrs. E. E. Hayes, both of Purlear, besides a host of other relatives and friends.

A more devoted husband and father than he never graced a home. He has proven his loyalty by his faithful services to all who needed his help within his reach. He was an ornament to society inasmuch as he was greatly interested in civic life and was a staunch leader in his community in the things that go to make up real life. We pray Heaven's blessings upon the bereaved family.

S. I. WATTS.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Boiling Springs—Mrs. J. R. Eller.
- Cub Creek—Miss Lucy Holliday.
- Edgewood—Joe Foster, Hoyt Hendren.
- Elk—F. L. Dula.
- Fishing Creek—Mansfield Williams, Miss Delma Lee Bouchelle.
- Gordon—Mary Jane Osborne.
- Lewis Fork—Mrs. Ann Hamby, Mrs. Mollie Jones.
- Liberty Grove—Mrs. J. S. Elliott.
- Little Rock—Vance McGhinnis.
- Moravian Falls—R. L. Pearson, C. D. Harris, Lexo Earp, Hobson C. Pardue, William Howell.
- New Hope—Mrs. Anna Yates, Mary Whittington, Rev. F. C. Watts, L. D. Huffman.
- North Wilkesboro First—Deacon A. H. Casey.
- Oakwoods—R. A. Minton, Mrs. J. T. Jones.
- Pilgrim—Mr. J. Foster, Mrs. Marendia Davis.
- Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Sallie Bauguess.
- Pleasant Home—Mrs. Lizzie Watts, Mr. George Bumgarner, Mrs. Emma Kilby, Mrs. W. V. Caudill, Mrs. Ina Minton.
- Walnut Grove—Mrs. Josephine Bentley.
- Wilkesboro—J. T. Prevette.
- Zion Hill—Mrs. Mollie Walker, J. E. German.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of

established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committees

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer,
in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendment to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

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Big Ivey	Orpha Beshears, Walsh		20	17	15	25	6	83	48	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Boiling Springs	J. A. Parsons, Purlear		15	20	14	12	30	8	99	60	2	no	no	no	no	no	
Cub Creek	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro	5	9	22	20	11	6	14	8	92	44	no	no	no	no	no	
Edgewood	Clarence Fletcher, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3		15	15	25	25	4	10	80	55	4	no	no	no	no	no	
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	5	10	15	32	35	36	10	143	85	yes	no	no	no	no	no	
Fishing Creek	C. B. Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	4	12	9	10	14	18	20	8	87	82	13	no	no	no	no	
Gordon	Clate Brown, North Wilkesboro	8	20	20	15	16	6	59	30	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Goshen	John Higgins, Wilkesboro		18	20	20	23	4	61	42	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Harmony	R. L. Lankford, Cricket	20	10	30	18	12	50	15	140	101	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Dancy, North Wilkesboro	18	21	29	43	12	111	12	111	90	12	no	no	no	no	no	
Lewis Fork	James Triplette, Purlear	22	16	16	19	19	6	79	47	6	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Liberty Grove	Jas. Henderson, N. Wilkesboro, R. 2	8	11	16	24	19	18	10	96	70	8	yes	no	no	no	no	
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	8	10	27	19	26	24	10	114	70	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	6	6	6	8	8	5	40	20	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Mount Carmel	Will Houck, Moravian Falls	16	12	35	14	37	40	10	154	75	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, Purlear	18	17	10	50	7	95	64	2	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	25	20	20	20	18	50	10	153	105	no	no	no	no	no	no	
New Hope	C. C. Eller, N. Wilkesboro	10	15	15	20	20	5	60	42	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
N.Hope, Caldwell	M. S. Phillips, Lenoir, R. 1	60	33	41	69	77	61	143	24	6	514	38	yes	no	115	no	
N.Wilkesboro 1st	D. E. Elledge, North Wilkesboro																
N.Wilkesboro 2nd	John Porter, North Wilkesboro																
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	15	12	15	30	4	72	45	3	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Pilgrim	C. H. Shoemaker, Buck	30	18	27	37	5	118	43	4	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Pleasant Grove	Clarence Minton, N. Wilkesboro		17	19	30	29	5	95	95	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Pleasant Home	J. C. Whittington, Wilkesboro, R. 1	10	20	15	35	30	25	50	10	195	110	18	no	no	no	no	
Purlear	Wyn Nichols, Millers Creek	15	10	12	29	50	20	116	55	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Shady Grove	Guy Eller, Wilkesboro	6	5	4	10	35	35	35	35	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	
Stony Hill	G. S. McNeill, Parsonsville	20	12	10	20	12	10	20	4	62	43	no	no	no	no	no	
Walnut Grove	W. P. Hendren, Pores Knob, R. 1	11	7	29	18	20	21	7	106	62	16	yes	no	no	no	no	
Welcome Home	H. R. Kendall, North Wilkesboro	43	30	35	30	62	7	200	20	196	99	10	yes	no	10	65	
Wilkesboro	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	32	12	46	30	48	26	20	118	48	7	no	no	no	no	no	
Zion Hill	W. J. Earp, Boomer	8	10	10	16	22	28	18	6	118	48	no	no	no	no	no	

TABLE III—Baptist Training Unions of Brushy Mountain Association for Year Ending September, 1943

CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions & Story H.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Total Unions & Story H.	No. Daily Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers	No. General and Departmental Officers
	Moravian Falls.....	1	1	2	1	1	6	18	15	30	1	10	15	12	30	44	11
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	1	1	1	1	3	3	10	10	20	88	28	38	28	26	19	5
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	3	3	10	10	20	88	28	38	28	26	19	5

TABLE IV—W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts, Brushy Mountain Association for the Year Ending September, 1943.

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. U. S. AND POST OFFICES	No. W. M. S.	No. Y. W. A.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. R. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Org.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Enrolled Miss. Study Cl.	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.
Beaver Creek.....	Mrs. Lois Foster, Boomer.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	7	9	8	10	39	7	\$40.25	\$ 15.00
Edgewood.....	Miss Florence Miller, Wilkesboro..	1	1	1	1	1	4	12	14	9	8	10	39	7	38.35	.....
Fishing Creek.....	Mrs. Clifton Waddell, N. Wilkesboro	1	1	1	1	1	10	120	40	51	24	20	255	280	48.43	.....
N. Wilkesboro 1st.	Mrs. C. E. Jenkins, N. Wilkesboro..	1	1	4	3	1	4	16	11	17	7	20	51	9	.....	1555.71
Oakwoods.....	Mrs. Rex Stroud, Wilkesboro, R. 2.	1	1	1	1	1	4	25	7	15	25	25	72	72	.....	36.50
Pleasant Home	Mrs. C. O. Lovett, Wilkesboro, R. 1	1	1	1	1	1	5	55	17	24	17	113	113	51	.....	835.70
Wilkesboro.....	Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Wilkesboro.....	1	1	2	1	1	5	17	17	24	17	113	113	51	.....	241.12

TABLE VI—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, Year Ending September, 1943

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer	yes	1937	wood	400	1	—	—	\$3000.00	—	\$3000.00	—	—
Big Ivey	A. T. Blackburn, Walsh	yes	1928	wood	200	1	—	—	1000.00	—	1000.00	—	—
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	yes	1932	wood	350	1	—	—	1700.00	—	1700.00	—	—
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	yes	1862	wood	500	1	—	—	1000.00	—	1000.00	—	—
Edgewood	Della Bumgarner, Wilkesboro	yes	1893	wood	300	3	2	—	2000.00	—	2000.00	—	\$1000.00
Elk	S. F. Miller, Ferguson	yes	1926	wood	350	1	1	—	1500.00	—	1500.00	—	—
Fishing Creek	Eugene F. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2	yes	1928	wood	600	1	1	—	4100.00	—	4100.00	—	2000.00
Gordon	Clate Brown, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1918	wood	300	5	5	—	6000.00	—	6000.00	—	4000.00
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	yes	1916	wood	500	1	—	—	1500.00	—	1500.00	—	—
Harmony	Harold Hartley, Wilkesboro	yes	1907	wood	500	1	—	—	2500.00	—	2500.00	—	—
Hinshaw Street	Charles Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1909	wood	400	5	4	—	4000.00	—	4000.00	—	1500.00
Lewis Fork	James Triplette, Purlear	yes	1909	wood	400	1	—	—	2500.00	—	2500.00	—	—
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1881	wood	500	5	5	—	1000.00	—	1000.00	—	500.00
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	yes	1941	* wood	300	8	9	—	9000.00	—	10000.00	—	7000.00
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	yes	1888	wood	300	2	2	—	2500.00	—	2500.00	—	—
Mount Carmel	W. F. Houck, Moravian Falls	yes	1907	wood	500	1	1	—	2000.00	—	2000.00	—	—
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear	yes	1909	wood	500	1	1	—	5000.00	—	5000.00	—	—
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnette, Hendrix	yes	1924	wood	500	1	—	—	2000.00	—	2000.00	—	—
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro	yes	1937	brick	500	4	4	—	3000.00	—	4000.00	—	3000.00
N.Hope, Caldwell	Claude Jones, Lenoir, R. 1	yes	1940	wood	200	1	—	—	2500.00	—	2500.00	—	—
N. Wilkesboro 1st	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1910	brick	600	15	3	12	60000.00	10000.00	70000.00	—	26500.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	J. M. Anderson, N. Wilkesboro, R. 2	yes	1937	wood	400	1	—	—	2000.00	—	2000.00	—	\$125.00
Oakwoods	J. W. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	yes	1918	wood	350	4	—	—	1000.00	—	1400.00	—	—
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Buck	yes	1856	wood	300	1	—	—	1800.00	—	1800.00	—	—
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, North Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	400	1	—	—	1500.00	—	1500.00	—	—
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1903	wood	600	1	—	—	2000.00	—	2000.00	—	—
Purlear	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	yes	—	wood	300	1	—	—	1700.00	—	1800.00	—	1500.00
Shady Grove	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	300	1	—	—	500.00	—	500.00	—	—
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville	yes	1922	wood	300	1	—	—	1000.00	—	1000.00	—	—
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	yes	1929	brick	400	5	4	—	5000.00	—	5000.00	—	—
Welcome Home	Gwyn Eller, Cricket	yes	1936	wood	300	1	—	—	2300.00	—	2300.00	—	—
Wilkesboro	Charlie C. McNeill, Wilkesboro	yes	1902	brick	400	15	3	15	10000.00	4000.00	14000.00	—	7500.00
Zion Hill	Earl German, Boomer	yes	1912	wood	500	1	—	—	2500.00	—	2500.00	—	—

TABLE VIII—Gifts for Missions, Education, Benevolences, Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending September, 1943

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Cooperative Program	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Theo- logical Seminaries	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Hundred Thousand Club	Other Objects	(Missions) Total given for Church & all Depts.	Grand Total for All Purposes—Both Local Work & Missions—Giv- en by Ch. & All Org.
Beaver Creek	G. H. Walker, Boomer							\$33.00	\$26.40			\$5.00	\$435.42	\$ 499.82
Big Ivy	C. D. Phillips, Walsh											5.35	82.00	87.35
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear							2.15					286.61	288.76
Cub Creek	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro							10.00	10.00			5.00	292.40	317.40
Edgewood	Della Bumgarner Wilkesboro, R. 2	\$ 10.50	\$4.32	\$3.00	\$ 3.00			43.90	15.00			27.25	307.56	396.13
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny		35.00					29.72	16.86			27.25	307.56	396.13
Fishing Creek	Eugene F. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2							46.00	15.00			31.00	503.22	630.22
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	30.51						20.00	41.40				1120.82	1212.73
Goshen	J. L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	7.00					\$ 8.45	14.00	16.55	\$10.00			193.40	232.40
Harmony	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	48.00						10.00	4.00				72.00	479.54
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, North Wilkesboro				7.50			53.75	45.70				933.55	1040.50
Lewis Fork	W. D. Foster, Purlear													
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro													
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer		8.00					10.75	11.65			3.83	241.03	655.63
Moravian Falls	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Moravian Falls				9.05			43.38	8.60			44.01	1111.58	1173.59
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls								3.00				471.99	533.02
Mount Pleasant	J. F. McNeill, Purlear	55.00						63.72	7.10				987.16	1112.98
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplette, Hendrix							61.86	11.61				374.20	447.69
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	30.00	15.00		4.00			63.00	40.50		\$50.00		419.16	623.36
N.Hope, Caldwell	Albert Suddrith, Lenoir, R. 1							574.76	88.25			284.18	9920.60	293.43
N.Wilkesboro 1st.	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	1562.40	56.55	87.78	203.27	\$53.48		13.22	2.56			104.44	120.22	12738.52
N.Wilkesboro 2nd.	Isaac White, North Wilkesboro							9.80	7.75				337.56	388.11
Oakwoods	J. W. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	73.00						18.00	13.47				226.77	258.24
Pilgrim	Verna Laws, Buck							14.36	10.00				356.93	381.29
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesboro	15.00	56.00	60.00	50.00			200.00	60.00		3.00	1923.87	2307.87	304.94
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1								7.94				297.00	309.00
Purlear	J. F. Hayes, Purlear													
Shady Grove	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro													
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonsville		3.00					5.00	19.00				127.36	154.86
Walnut Grove	Miss Margaret Parlier, Pores Knob	15.00			15.00			10.00	5.00				703.88	893.88
Welcome Home	I. F. Bankford, North Wilkesboro							20.00	25.25				529.74	574.99



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- Beaver Creek—J. L. Payne, Mrs. Lizzie Walsh and C. C. Walker.
Big Ivey—Rev. T. J. Walsh, C. D. Phillips, W. M. McGuire and A. T. Blackburn
Boiling Springs—Turner Huffman, J. R. Eller and Orr Huffman.
Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, J. L. Hemphill, Mrs. Viola Combs and J. P. Anderson.
Edgewood—Miss Florence Miller, Miss Pansy Fletcher and J. W. Moore.
Elk—Ed Dula, Mrs. Vena Dula and Mrs. Minnie Dula.
Fishing Creek—Huber Pardue, H. M. Anderson, R. C. Miller, C. B. Mayberry and Mrs. R. M. Holland.
Gordon—Rev. Ralph Miller, Rev. Garfield Cardwell, Mrs. Ruby Miller, Mont Miller and Vergil Cardwell.
Goshen—Jesse L. Walsh, Rev. John Higgins and Frank Walsh.
Harmony—L. A. Minton, R. L. Lankford and W. H. Minton.
Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, C. H. Lenderman, Rev. S. A. Jones and Page Choate.
Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplette, C. H. Jones and G. M. Foster.
Liberty Grove—John Brinegar, Mrs. W. W. Anderson and Mrs. Nora Hutchinson.
Little Rock—Ray Parsons, Mrs. Ruby Smith and Mrs. Elzona Blackburn.
Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, Rufus Lowe and W. C. Hendren.
Mount Carmel—Fred Atkinson, Mrs. Frank Gentle and Mrs. J. A. Miller.
Mount Pleasant—J. C. McNeill, E. C. Foster and A. G. Church.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, D. M. Triplett and Mrs. Jake Triplett.
New Hope—R. J. Eller, Richard Vannoy and Clyde Church.
New Hope (Caldwell)—Claude Jones, Albert Suddreth and John W. Brown.
North Wilkesboro First—D. E. Elledge, Mrs. R. T. McNeil and Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant.
North Wilkesboro Second—Frank R. Hamm, John Anderson and Isaac White.
Oakwoods—J. W. Hayes, I. P. Anderson, Rev. Fred Blevins.
Pilgrim—Wiley Minton, Charles Shoemaker and F. O. Foster.
Pleasant Grove—Willie Church, Melvin Bumgarner, Finley Church and Albert Evans.
Pleasant Home—Cora McNeill, W. V. Caudill and Tom Snyder.
Purlear—R. Don Nichols, W. H. Eller, D. C. Whittington and C. C. Hayes.
Shady Grove—Earl Anderson, D. K. Green and Guy Eller.
Stony Hill—J. B. Baker, G. S. McNeill and Lee Beshears.
Walnut Grove—Mrs. J. G. Bentley, Mrs. R. C. Meadows, W. A. Jennings and R. C. Meadows.
Welcome Home—Frank Lankford, Gwyn Eller and Harry Kendall.
Wilkesboro—Fred Shoemaker, C. A. Lowe, Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Mrs. Charlie Howard and Mrs. Alvin Sturdivant.
Zion Hill—No messengers sent.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1944

The Seventy-First Annual Session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Hinshaw Street Baptist Church, September 19, 1944, at 10 o'clock, A. M. The Association was called to order by the Moderator, T. E. Story. The congregation joined in singing, "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. John Wells, who gave an inspirational talk from the 23rd chapter of Acts, and then the Association was led in prayer.

After the devotional exercise the Moderator called for the number of ministers present and they responded as follows: Rev. E. C. Shoe, Alexander Association; A. E. Watts, C. J. Poole, Ernest Bumgarner, Fred Blevins, Maurice Baker, D. C. Thompson, L. T. Younger, J. C. Canipe, Three Forks; Ralph Miller, W. S. Luck, Howard Ford, John Wells, Isaac Watts, R. H. Satterfield, Raleigh Association; A. W. Eller, George W. Sebastian, S. A. Jones, L. B. Minton, Glenn Huffman, A. J. Foster, Iredell Osborne, C. L. Johnson, George Osborne, making a total of twenty-four present in all.

The Moderator then read the Program, Subject: "The Church of Tomorrow," which was adopted by the Association. Then the following committees were appointed: 1—Committee on Time, Place and Preacher: W. O. Barnette, W. M. Houck, and I. S. Baity. 2—Committee on Nominating Officers: James McNeill, B. M. Pardue and Don Nichols. 3—Resolution Committee: Fred Shoemaker, Rev. E. C. Hodges, Rev. Isaac Watts. 4—Committee on Order of Business: The Moderator, the Clerk, Dr. David E. Browning, Rev. Howard Ford and Rev. Fred Blevins.

After the adoption of the program it was followed up by the various reports and discussions on the different subjects as follows:

First subject discussed, "Christian Education," by J. Allie Hayes, which was read and was followed with an interesting discussion by Rev. R. S. Satterfield on "Christian Education, the Keystone of Civilization." After the discussion the report was unanimously adopted.

Second Report on Pastors' Conference, by Rev. Fred Blevins and a short discussion by Rev. John Wells and the report was unanimously adopted by the Association.

After this report the annual sermon was preached by Rev. Charlie J. Poole, who took as his text the 2nd chapter of Ephesians, which brought a great spiritual message to the Association.

After hearing the annual sermon the audience stood and joined in singing and then was dismissed in prayer for the noon lunch.

At 1:15 the Association reassembled in the church and joined in singing "Amazing Grace," and the devotional was conducted by Rev. Glenn Huffman, who took as his scripture lesson the 4th chapter of Hebrews. After the devotional exercise the Association took up the program and the first report was given on State, Home and Foreign Missions, by Rev. A. W. Eller, and was followed with a very timely discussion by Rev. J. C. Canipe, of Boone, after which the report was unanimously adopted.

Report on Baptist Hospital by Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant. Motion was made, seconded and carried favorably that it be adopted, and was followed by an interesting discussion by Smith Hagaman, of the Baptist Hospital.

Report on Allied Church League, Incorporated, or Temperance, by Rev. W. L. Luck, who gave a very timely discussion on the report after which it was adopted.

Report on Orphanage by Dr. H. G. Duncan, who read a timely and interesting report to the Association and after its adoption a great message was brought to the Association by Dr. I. G. Greer, of the Orphanage.

This finishing the program of the day the Association adjourned in prayer until tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1944

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and the choir and audience joined in singing, "Sun of My Soul" and "Come, Thou Almighty King," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. Ralph Miller, who took as a scripture lesson John 4:31-34, after which the Association went into the discussion of the program as follows:

Report on Sunday Schools by D. E. Elledge and the Moderator. The report was favorably adopted.

Report on Daily Vacation Bible School, by Miss Lucy Thompson, and after an able discussion by Miss Thompson the report was favorably adopted.

Financial report of the Associational work, by Rev. Howard J. Ford, and after being very ably discussed by Rev. Ford, the report was favorably adopted.

Report on Baptist Training Union, by Miss Louise Wright, and discussed by Rev. Howard J. Ford and then favorably adopted.

At this time a motion was made by Rev. Howard J. Ford and seconded by Rev. E. C. Hodges, that the work of the Committee appointed by the Pastors' Conference, composed of Rev. Howard J. Ford, Rev. A. W. Eller and the Moderator, T. E. Story, be made permanent and the Committee be elected for another year, which motion carried favorably.

Report of Baptist Literature, by Mrs. R. T. McNiell, after which an able discussion was given by Rev. L. L. Carpenter, editor of the Biblical Recorder, and the report favorably adopted.

Report of Committees at this time: Time and Place, Election of Officers, and Resolution Committee, after which all of the reports were favorably adopted.

12:00 o'clock.

Report of Woman's Missionary Union, by Mrs. George P. Johnson. After a brief discussion by Mrs. Johnson the report was favorably adopted. M. H. Kendall, of Mars Hill College, gave an interesting discussion on the subject.

After this discussion the audience stood and joined in singing Hymn No. 181, "Wonderful Words of Life," and then the Association closed by being led in prayer by Rev. L. L. Carpenter.

PROGRAM
BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
HINSHAW STREET BAPTIST CHURCH
General Theme: "The Church of Tomorrow"

Tuesday, September 19, 1944

- 10:00—Devotional Rev. John Wells
- 10:15—Roll Call of Churches.
 Recognition of Visitors.
 Introduction of New Pastors.
 Adoption of Program.
 Appointment of Committees; the Time, Place and Preacher.
 Nomination of Officers; Resolutions; Order of Business.
- 10:35—Our Theme.
- 10:45—Christian Education:
 Report J. Allie Hayes
 Discussion R. H. Satterfield
- 11:15—Song.
- 11:20—Annual Sermon Rev. Charlie J. Poole
- 12:00—Noon Hour Recess. Lunch.
- 1:15—Devotional Rev. Glenn Huffman
- 1:30—State, Home and Foreign Missions A. W. Eller
 Discussion Rev. J. C. Canipe
- 2:00—Baptist Hospital:
 Report Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant
 Discussion Smith Hagaman
- 2:30—Song.
- 2:35—Allied Church League, Incorporated:
 Report Rev. W. L. Luck
 Discussion L. A. Martin, of Lexington
 Report on Orphanage Dr. H. G. Duncan
 Discussion Dr. I. G. Greer

Wednesday, September 20

- 10:00—Devotional Rev. Ralph Miller
- 10:15—Sunday School Report D. E. Elledge
- 10:30—Daily Vacation Bible School Miss Lucy Thompson
- 10:45—Financial Report of Associational Mission Work—
 Rev. Howard J. Ford
- 10:55—Training Union Report Miss Louise Wright
- 11:05—Report of Nominating Committees and Election of Officers.
- 11:15—Report of Baptist Literature Mrs. R. T. McNeil
 Discussion.
- 11:30—Inspirational Message on Evangelism——Rev. E. C. Hodges
- 12:10—Noon Hour Recess. Lunch.
- 1:15—Devotional Rev. G. A. Frost
- 1:30—Woman's Missionary Union Report.....Mrs. George Johnson
 Discussion.
- 1:50—Report of Committees and Miscellaneous Business.
 Adjournment.

T. E. STORY, Moderator
 J. F. JORDAN, Clerk

REPORT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Since the fundnation of the Church by Christ, the Church has been one of the outstanding organizations for the spread of Christian Education.

The Church is not only interested in education; but, in addition to its interest in education, has added to education, wisdom and knowledge which, through its work, has brought to the world an enlightenment far beyond the reach of education itself. For example: Germany has been educated, but her's has not been Christian education; and, to the contrary, has been an education that culminated in disaster and chaos.

Christian education leads to freedom, not only of speech and press but is the only means of life eternal; and, looking to this end, the founders of our American Institutions and Colleges of this State and Nation have organized their institutions in order that the future generations may grow, not only in knowledge but in spiritual wisdom. Therefore, Wake Forest College was founded in 1834, this being our outstanding educational institution sponsored by North Carolina Baptists. Other colleges belonging to North Carolina Baptists are: Chowan, Mars Hill, Campbell and Meredith. The last mentioned is now striving to expand and is at this time in the midst of a campaign to raise \$565,000 for new buildings and endowment purposes. Included in the new plans is a chapel building which will be a credit to the Baptist Convention and is comparable to the chapel building which is now nearing completion on the Wake Forest campus. Approximately \$150,000 has already been raised towards this goal and Wilkes County has contributed practically all of its allotted quota of \$2,000.00.

There are also two other Baptist institutions: Wingate and Boiling Springs, these two being owned by the Baptist Association and not by the Baptist Convention.

These Baptist Colleges have given special attention from the beginning to the training of Ministers, Missionaries and other Christian workers to the everlasting credit of North Carolina Baptists.

North Carolina Baptists, with others composing the Southern Baptist Convention, share the ownership and support three Seminaries and Training Schools in the South. All who have a part in the support of these institutions, through the cooperative program or otherwise, may pride themselves in their assistance in Christian Education.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ALLIE HAYES.

REPORT ON HOME, STATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

Our first responsibility is in the work of our own State. Never before has the need seemed greater. With the constantly changing population which has increased the size of our already congested towns and cities, especially in war production areas; and with the fervent war spirit loosing, in a measure, from our people their personal, moral and religious responsibilities, we must exert every effort toward the maintenance and development of the Lord's work here at home. Our State Convention has been actively engaged in building and supporting new churches in localities adjacent to our army camps.

Our state missionaries have been faithfully working in their capacity for the upbuilding and strengthening of our churches. This is our work, and to it we owe our full support. For we have only begun to do what we ought.

The Home Mission Board is entirely out of debt, having paid the last dollar May 12, of last year. This is a remarkable achievement and one in which we greatly rejoice. For many years the Home Board has labored under the serious handicap of heavy indebtedness, but thanks be unto God and to His people the way is cleared for advancement. We must now press forward. It is reported by the Board that between 1200 and 1400 Southern Baptist ordained ministers are now serving as chaplains in the armed forces. How can we do less than give of our means, time, and prayer for a complete victory in Christ.

Present conditions have made great changes in our foreign missionary enterprise. Many fields are closed to our workers. But under the competent leadership of Dr. Maddry the pace is not slackened. Hundreds of missionaries are still at work while hundreds of new ones are being trained in this country for service as soon as fields are reopened. The close of the war is expected to throw open the doors of hitherto forbidden lands, white unto harvest. It is our duty and privilege to be ready when the moment comes. The Foreign Mission Board has now been completely out of debt since March 12, of last year. We cannot rest our laurels, for the task is just begun. Give to it your unswerving loyalty and financial support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. ELLER.

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital, located in Winston-Salem, is rendering a great Christian service through the "ministry of healing."

The hospital was incorporated in 1922 and has grown steadily and rapidly each year from the beginning. Six years ago it became so overcrowded that patients had to be turned away, so a campaign was started for the enlargement of the plant. It was during this period that the Bowman Gray School of Medicine was added. This necessitated further enlargement, with a cost of about \$683,000.00. The hospital is now equipped with the most modern appliances known.

The hospital staff includes 75 doctors, 43 graduate nurses, and 105 student nurses.

During 1943, 7609 patients were received by the hospital; 2,724 received necessary treatment but were not admitted to the hospital; and 8,800 were received in the private clinics. These make a grand total of 21,133. Medical service and hospitalization were given to 2,336 patients at a cost of \$145,509.76. The Mother's Day offering, \$72,584.08; the Duke Endowment Fund, \$26,899.00; and the Woman's Missionary Union linen gift of \$2,598.70 help to make possible treatment for those who are unable to pay. From the Baptist Hospital Mother's Day Program, "the hospital last year—1943—very vitally touched the lives of no less than 38,000 members of the immediate families of the patients and not less than 380,000 friends and neigh-

bors of these sick. These patients have returned to their homes and communities bearing a message of blessing and good will, we hope."

"We earnestly solicit the sympathy, patience, good will, and prayers of all of our ministers and churches of our state, as we minister to these multitudes of sick in your name and in the name of the Great Physician."

The Baptist Hospital has some very urgent needs, which I name briefly:

1. A memorial chapel, where faculty, students, patients, and friends may worship.
2. An amplifying system to broadcast service to the patients in bed.
3. Reference books and maps for bible study in classwork.
4. An endowment.
5. An enlarged out-patient department.

Last year 25 churches in our Brushy Mountain Association contributed \$721.17 through the Mother's Day offering. We hope that not one church in the Brushy Mountain Association will fail to use this channel of ministering to the needs of the multitudes this year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. K. STURDIVANT.

PROMIBITION AND THE WAR

National Prohibition in America was no overnight affair. The first American Temperance Society was formed in Saratoga County, New York, in 1808. The first National Temperance Convention was held in Philadelphia in 1833. The National Prohibition Party was formed in 1869. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized in 1874. The American Anti-Saloon League was organized in 1893.

Maine was the first state to adopt State-Wide Prohibition in 1851. Other states joined the ranks, and by 1916 there were 23 dry states. Four more came in in 1917 and six more in 1918, making a total of 33 states under prohibition by State action before National Prohibition.

In May, 1917, Congress passed a law prohibiting the sale of alcoholic liquors to all men in military uniform.

On December 22, 1917, Congress submitted the 18th Amendment to the states for their ratification. Only 185,000 American soldiers were in Europe at that time.

The necessary two-thirds of the States ratified the Eighteenth Amendment in 1919, and it went into effect on January 16, 1920.

These are indisputable facts of history.

Arrests of girls under 21 years of age for drunkenness, vagrancy, disorderly conduct, prostitution and other sex crimes increased 89.5 per cent during the first six months of 1943 and 91.3 per cent the first six months of 1944.

Yet some people say prohibition made American women drink. God forbid. The time was, when it was considered a dishonor to even mention drink in the presence of the Christian, and all ministers were called upon to state their feelings, but modernism has crept in our pulpits and pews today until the average congregation seldom, if ever,

hears the preacher mention or condemn this awful of all monsters of sin.

National Prohibition was the natural result then of over a hundred years of Temperance education, organization, legislation and agitation by good men and women who were sick at the ravages of rum.

We repealed prohibition in 1933 and in 1943 America was at war. Do not misunderstand me to state that this directly caused the war, but how are we to get around the scripture teaching of "Be sure your sins will find you out." (Numbers 32:23).

In 11 years of re-legalized drink we know the results. Dry territory is ruthlessly drenched with Federal sanction.

Beer, wine and whisky consumption rises in an ever-increasing flood.

FBI records show that drinking drivers have increased every year since 1935 with nearly twice as many per 100,000 of our population in 1942 as in 1932, the last year of prohibition.

They show that arrests for drunkenness have increased every year with approximately two and one-half times as many per 100,000 of the population in 1942 as in 1932.

Over a million boys have been turned down from the armed services because of venereal disease, heart trouble or some cause coming from wild escapades in some liquor joint. Millions of other young men whose praying mothers, church attendance and Christian ideals kept them sober and healthy are bleeding and dying on the world battlefronts.

That's the contrast between the contribution of the church and the repeal of liquor industry in producing "Physically Fit" manhood to fight in this war. That's what this war is all about.

Calling the Christian who wants war time prohibition wild-eyed fanatics and blue-nosed reformers doesn't meet the issue. Our boys on the battle fronts need the weapons of war that beer and wine and whiskey "Whoopie Parties" cannot produce.

By God's help and keeping sober we won the last war. As Christians, let's do everything in our power to keep sober, do away with beer, wine and whiskey and win this war too. If we do this God will help us. "If God be for us who can be against us." (Romans 8:28).

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. S. LUCK.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

The Baptist Orphanage was founded in 1885 and is now composed of two homes—the Mills Home in Thomasville and the Kennedy Home near Kinston. The general superintendent is Dr. I. G. Greer and the treasurer is Mr. R. D. Covington. Miss Sarah E. Elmore is the superintendent of the Mills Home and Rev. W. C. Reed of the Kennedy Home.

Last year 698 children were cared for in the two homes, 23 in boarding homes and 60 in their own homes. The policy is to investigate carefully each child before receiving and placing it in the homes. Every effort is made to enable the child to make the proper adjustment.

The orphanage owns and operates its own farms, poultry yards, dairies, printing offices, and laundries. The operation of these gives the children training in a number of useful occupations. The farms furnish and abundance of fresh vegetables and fruits in season, and much canned goods for winter. From the dairies each child receives its quart of whole milk per day, and from the poultry yards its necessary number of fresh eggs. Besides publishing *Charity and Children*, a profitable commercial printing shop is maintained. The passing of over 10,000 pieces through the laundries each week keeps the children neat and tidy.

The religious and educational life of the children is carefully developed. Each home maintains its own church with well supervised AA graded Sunday School, B. T. U., W. M. U. and other religious organizations. Each home has its own school with an excellent corps of teachers and an attendance of almost 99 per cent. Good libraries are provided and reading is well supervised. Health and recreational facilities are provided so that well rounded out personalities are developed. The orphanage produces no criminals; instead groups of fine Christian boys and girls go out from these homes each year to fill useful places in a rapidly changing world.

The Baptist Orphanage derives its support mainly from the 2437 Baptist Sunday Schools in North Carolina. Unfortunately this support from the Sunday Schools in the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association is not all that is desired. The *Charity and Children* states that the orphanage received \$2,060.71 for the year of 1943; about 35 cents per church member. According to the figures furnished me by Mr. Covington, the orphanage received \$2,415.27 from this association for the year ending September 1, 1944; a little less than 41 cents per church member. On the basis of the Sunday School enrollment the orphanage received 63 cents per member.

Since the *Charity and Children* lists Bethany Church as belonging to this association, while the minutes include New Hope (Caldwell), which *Charity and Children* and Mr. Covington do not, I cannot be sure of my statistics. According to the *Charity and Children*, seven of the 33 churches of this association—Bethany, Big Ivey, Lewis Fork, Mount Carmel, Pleasant Grove, and Shady Grove—contributed nothing to the support of the orphanage for the year 1943. From the same source we find that 17 of these churches—Beaver Creek, Bethany, Big Ivey, Boiling Springs, Goshen, Lewis Fork, Liberty Grove, Little Rock, Mount Carmel, New Hope, Pilgrim, Pleasant Grove, Purlear, Shady Grove, Stony Hill, Walnut Grove and Welcome Home—did not pay a penny for the first six months of 1944. That means that 7 churches with a membership of around 560 contributed nothing toward the support of the orphanage for 1943, and 17 churches with some 2,400 members gave nothing for the first six months of 1944. From the available sources, I have constructed the following table which will give us a more comprehensive view of what the Sunday Schools of this association are doing for the orphanage.

CONTRIBUTION OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO THE SUPPORT OF THE ORPHANAGE FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 1, 1944

CHURCHES	Amount Contributed for 1944	Church Members	Sunday School Enrollment	Amount per Church Member	Amount per Sunday School Member	Times Sent In
Beaver Creek	\$ 41.70	166	98	\$.25	\$.42	3
Big Ivey	0	92	?	0	0	0
Boiling Springs	5.00	91	83	.05	.06	1
Cub Creek	39.00	75	52	.19	.39	4
Edgewood	28.35	150	92	.18	.30	9
Elk	14.30	80	80	.17	.17	9
Fishing Creek	60.00	265	143	.23	.42	13
Gordon	47.00	154	87	.30	.54	2
Goshen	11.00	96	59	.11	.19	1
Harmony	35.00	70	61	.50	.57	4
Hinshaw Street	133.33	301	140	.44	.95	5
Lewis Fork	0	370	111	0	0	0
Liberty Grove	0	163	79	0	0	0
Little Rock	16.00	209	96	.07	.16	1
Moravian Falls	44.06	135	114	.32	.38	9
Mount Carmel	0	46	40	0	0	0
Mount Pleasant	100.50	314	154	.32	.65	6
Mount Zion	88.01	163	95	.54	.93	13
New Hope	137.36	282	153	.49	.90	4
New Hope (Caldwell)	0	81	60	0	0	0
North Wilkesboro First	592.09	669	514	.89	1.13	11
North Wilkesboro Second	20.67	75	?	.27	?	2
Oakwoods	34.55	128	72	.27	.48	5
Pilgrim	10.00	151	118	.07	.08	1
Pleasant Grove	0	104	95	0	0	0
Pleasant Home	216.50	291	195	.74	1.11	13
Purlear	13.21	88	116	.15	.11	1
Shady Grove	0	30	35	0	0	0
Stony Hill	11.50	136	62	.08	.18	1
Walnut Grove	35.80	311	106	.11	.33	1
Welcome Home	21.50	100	200	.21	.11	1
Wilkesboro	512.37	335	196	1.52	2.61	18
Zion Hill	146.47	212	188	.69	1.24	10

As seen from the above table, 7 churches made no contribution to the orphanage for the year ending September 1, 1944. Based on church membership the contribution varied from 5 cents for Boiling Springs, 7 cents for Little Rock and Pilgrim, and 8 cents for Stony Hill; to 69 cents for Zion Hill, 74 cents for Pleasant Home, 89 cents for the first church of North Wilkesboro, and \$1.52 for Wilkesboro. According to the number enrolled in Sunday School, the contributions varied from 6 cents for Boiling Springs, 8 cents for Pilgrim, and 11 cents for Purlear and Welcome Home; to \$1.11 for Pleasant Home, \$1.13 for the first church of North Wilkesboro, \$1.24 for Zion Hill, and \$2.61 for Wilkesboro. It is certain that these contributions are not

in accord with community wealth. It would be preposterous to assume that the Baptist people of Zion Hill are over twenty times as wealthy as those of Boiling Springs, that those of Pleasant Home are ten times as wealthy as those of Purllear, or that those of Wilkesboro are twice as wealthy as those of the first church of North Wilkesboro. It also would be erroneous to assume that Lewis Fork with 370 members or Liberty Grove with 163 members are too poor to make any contributions.

From the figures supplied by Mr. Covington, we find that 6 churches made no contribution to the orphanage for the year ending September 1, 1944, 8 made one, 2 made two, 1 made three, 3 made four, and the remainder made five or more. The goal is to have every Sunday School take a collection once a month (preferably the first Sunday) and to send it in immediately to the treasurer, so as to enable him to meet all obligations promptly.

We need to remember that a child does not choose and, therefore, is not responsible for its parents, heredity, home or community environment. It comes into the world with a God-given right to develop properly. The value of the influence of a Christian home cannot be computed in dollars and cents. Christian parents fill the household so full of wealth of right living that the humility of ragged clothes and the pangs of frugal meals are forgotten. But when the home is broken by death or other circumstances, social agencies, like the orphanage, step in and endeavor to provide a real home-like atmosphere. Although they cannot fill the place of the guiding hand of a good father and the tender care of a devout mother, many of them make a good substitute. The more they approach the real home the more money it takes, and despite economies, expenses run high. The mother who prepares the meals and sits by the sick bed, neither receives nor expects a salary. Besides the actual items of food, clothing and shelter, the institution must meet these and other expenses. We cannot provide the home. Are we willing to help finance the best possible substitute?

Since the average contribution for the orphanage of each church member of this association is only about 4-5 of a cent per week and for each Sunday School member only about 1 1-5 cents per week, it appears that something should be done. It would seem that some method need be used to secure the attendance of the pastors of the churches of this association, deacons, church clerks, Sunday School superintendents and other religious workers, to carry the information and inspiration back to their groups, and somehow cause the members of many of our churches and Sunday Schools to become orphanage conscious. Around 800 children of the Baptist Orphanage are partially depending on us to supply the best possible substitute for their divine right of the care and guidance of a Christian father and mother. Will we fail them?

H. G. DUNCAN.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The church is now face to face with the greatest challenge in many generations, also the greatest opportunity for rendering a real service for God and humanity. At this time I would like to raise this question: What are the churches doing and what do they propose to do about teaching the multitudes around about us, and all over the world, and winning them to Christ. The church through its various groups must use every opportunity for teaching the Bible and evangelism among all groups in the church, and also the large groups who apparently are not interested at all. Let us now consider the Sunday School in its relation to Bible teaching and evangelism. The Sunday School organization is the largest of the various church groups, and therefore must take the lead in teaching the Bible, and evangelism.

Let us now consider some things that are necessary for a Sunday School to have to render efficient service.

First, as a Bible teaching agency, every Sunday School should have enough officers and teachers to properly handle the work of administration as well as that of teaching. No officer or teacher can render maximum service unless they are willing to accept responsibility and live consecrated lives. The teacher who is faithful in the task of teaching God's word and witnessing for Him can help make the Sunday School a real Bible teaching agency.

Second, the Sunday School as a soul winning agency.

Evangelism can very efficiently be carried on in the Sunday School. Here again the faithful teacher can render a real service by dealing personally with the members of the class and also by close cooperation with the pastor in giving the opportunity to publicly confess Christ. With cooperation throughout the entire organization from pastor, superintendent and other officers and the teachers the Sunday School can become a real soul winning agency.

The Southern Baptist Convention is launching a program to win one million souls during 1944-45. This gigantic task can be accomplished only by the combined effort of every Southern Baptist. This group of churches in the Brushy Mountain Association have our part of this great task. All around us and all over our territory are great numbers of people who do not attend any Sunday School anywhere. What are we going to do about it? Surely we will not fail to help carry out this most important task. Pastors, superintendents, officers and teachers, let us organize, plan, pray, preach and teach that we may be used of God to help win the multitudes to Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

D. E. ELLEDGE.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

During the months of May and June ten Vacation Bible Schools were held in Brushy Mountain Association. Eight of these were in churches where such a school had not been held before. In the order in which they were held, the following churches had schools: Welcome Home, Pilgrim, Gordon, North Wilkesboro First, Fishing Creek, Wilkesboro, Hinshaw Street, Cub Creek, Oakwoods and Edgewood. The total

enrollment was 418 with the offerings taken for the Cooperative Program and Chinese Relief totaling \$38.76. In the enrollment only those persons who attended for two or more days were counted. While the offerings are not a large amount, they represent practically all of those enrolled sharing together in Christ's program. The Associational missionary served as principal and teacher in these schools but they were made possible by forty-one people from the churches giving their time and best efforts in them.

The outbreak of infantile paralysis cancelled the plans of eleven other churches to have Bible Schools. Despite this we made a gain over the three schools held in 1943. However, the important thing is to plan for a corresponding increase in 1945 over 1944. The connected week of Bible study for the 4-16 year age group should mean much to each of our churches. The response of young people and adults this year has been a challenge. Surely every church in our association ought to make plans now for a Bible school in 1945.

For best results we ought to bring all those who work in the Bible school together and plan our work before we begin. When our people are turning so eagerly to the Bible, we must not fail to give ourselves to this phase of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY THOMPSON.

REPORT OF THE TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Temporary Executive Committee of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association was selected at a meeting of the Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference. Working in cooperation with the Associational Moderator, the committee was selected for the purpose of employing Associational Missionary, receive offerings from the churches, and make proper disbursement of the funds received.

On May 1, 1944, Miss Lucy Thompson began work as our Associational Missionary at a salary of one hundred dollars per month. The following churches have cooperated in this undertaking: Boiling Springs, Fishing Creek, Gordon, Hinshaw Street, Lewis Fork, Mt. Pleasant, New Hope (Caldwell) North Wilkesboro First, New Hope (Wilkes), North Wilkesboro Second, Oakwoods, Purlear, Pleasant Home, Pilgrim, Stony Hill, Wilkesboro, Welcome Home. This makes a total of seventeen churches taking part in this worthy effort.

It is understood by our cooperating churches that the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina pays one-half of Miss Thompson's salary. Since May 1, 1944, we have received from the Convention a total of two hundred and four dollars, (\$204.00). We have received from the churches a total of two hundred and twenty-eight dollars and five cents, (228.05). From both the Convention and the churches the Executive Committee has received the amount of four hundred and thirty-two dollars and five cents, (\$432.05). Of this amount four hundred dollars, (\$400.00) has been paid out in salary less the withholding tax on said salary. Six dollars and ninety cents (\$6.90) has been spent

for vacation Bible School text books. This leaves the sum of twenty-five dollars and fifteen cents (\$25.15) in the bank.

Your committee suggests that this progressive step be emphasized in all of our churches. Furthermore, we respectfully urge the pastors to check with their church treasurers and see that offerings for this work are forwarded immediately.

HOWARD J. FORD, Chm.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

The Training Union is primarily an organization for training in church membership. Its activity is to afford opportunity for expression. In the Sunday School we are taught; in the Training Union we are trained to work. It is the training ground for future leaders of our churches and denomination. Every church should sponsor and promote a Training Union.

Last year only three churches out of the thirty-three reported Training Unions. This year our goal should be to get organized in all thirty-three of the churches in the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association a Training Union. We should keep working until this goal is accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE WRIGHT.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.”

“Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life.”

A perfect definition of literature cannot be found in the dictionaries—it covers so wide a realm of human interest. All worthy literature is an expression of life. Through good literature great men speak to us, give us their most precious thoughts and impart to the soul noble inspirations. The source of this inspiration is found in the greatest of books—the Bible. By earnestly reading and prayerfully meditating on its truths, we learn the abiding things of life—faith, hope and love. The Bible is the supreme masterpiece of literature.

Christian literature—instructive, uplifting and inspiring, is one of the greatest blessings of the human race. It equips us for efficient service in the Lord's work.

We are interested only in the things we know about—so if we would be well posted on the work of our denomination every Baptist home should receive the Biblical Recorder every week, also the Charity and Children. The Commission, our foreign mission publication, keeps us informed of the progress, the needs and hopes of our missionaries in the far places of the world. Home Missions, a small monthly magazine, covers the home mission field with its instructive and inspiring news notes and reports. The Training Union and Sunday School literature is prepared for us by some of our greatest Christians. The Sunday School lessons for this year have been written by a native son, Dr. R. Paul Caudill. The various magazines and program helps used in Woman's Missionary Union are prepared and offered according to age groups.

Our interest will not exceed our knowledge, so may we magnify Christ by reading good literature. Our prayers will be more earnest, our contributions more generous and our souls enriched.

MRS. R. T. McNIEL.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union is a graded system of organization for women and young people in a Baptist Church, for the purpose of promoting world-wide missions. Its aims and ideals are based on the fundamental principles of Christian living—namely, Bible and mission study, prayer, enlistment and soul-winning, and Christian stewardship. These ideals should be so emphasized in the programs and activities of each organization as to stimulate every member to develop every phase of life in the light of the Great Commission. The W. M. U. is a vital part of the whole church's life and activity. It should co-operate with the church in its evangelistic and missionary work, should promote the cause of missions among the whole membership, should report regularly to the church; should give missionary education to the youth of the Church; and its members should make their contributions to missions and local church expenses through the church.

Missions is a program of giving the gospel at home and abroad. There is one task and one program; but its necessary parts are State, Home and Foreign Missions. The unseen power, without which there could be no successful operations, is prayer, for without God's spirit and His power working through these agencies there could be no successful program.

We were fortunate to have in our association for one week in October of last year, two returned missionaries to China—Miss Alda Grayson and Rev. Bun Olive, who spoke in a number of our churches, bringing most inspiring messages.

Our annual associational meeting was held at Oakwoods Church on May 26, having an all-day session, with around seventy-five attending. All of the churches having W. M. U. work were represented and one other church was represented. Miss Olive Lawton, a returned missionary to China, was guest speaker, who brought a soul-stirring message. We have one new W. M. S. organized last fall at Pilgrim.

The eight churches reporting W. M. U. work reported 36 mission study classes with 455 attending in the W. M. S. and the Young People reported 66 classes with 321 attending. The Woman's Missionary Societies reported contributions to all causes to the amount of \$1773.76 and the Young People reported \$381.73, making a total of \$2155.49 in gifts to missions.

Never have we been faced with such stupendous issues as today; truly there never has been such a time as this. The victory is being won—and at what a price—billions of dollars, lives of countless men and women, deep anguish of loved ones at home. Shall we be willing to pay an equal price for peace—Peace that will come only when men and women everywhere acknowledge Jesus Christ as Saviour, Lord and King? Our immediate task is to pray, and work and give, that

our men and women may find right conditions when they come home; that the stakes may be so strengthened that we can lengthen the cords to the furthestmost isle awaiting His law.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON.

REPORT ON WILKES BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE

The Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference was organized in 1939. The average attendance is sixteen.

Some few weeks ago we decided that it would be a good thing to select different kinds of good books for pastors to read. We now have a number on hand. Any pastor who would like to read any of them can get in touch with Rev. John Wells.

Very often our associational worker, Miss Thompson, meets with us and we can discuss our work together. The fellowship we have together is great. We meet at the Reins-Sturdivant chapel on Monday after the second Sunday in each month. All pastors and deacons are invited to come and be with us.

Respectfully submitted,
FRED A. BLEVINS.

HISTORY OF HINSHAW STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Hinshaw Street Baptist Church was organized March 27, 1927, by Rev. J. C. Pruitt, with 40 members in the home of Mr. C. H. Dancy. The present building was started immediately, in which the first service was held June 12, 1927. The building, a wooden frame structure, consists of an auditorium with a capacity of approximately 300 and five Sunday School rooms. This building became debt free and was dedicated in 1940, the dedication message being given by Judge J. J. Hayes.

Rev. J. C. Pruitt became the first pastor and was followed by a number of others whose names are as follows: L. B. Murray, J. E. Hayes, D. C. Clanton, W. N. Hayes, R. F. Day, and W. S. Luck, who is the present pastor. The church membership extends deep appreciation to those friends who were so cooperative in their donations toward the completion of the building.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. JOHN L. WELLS.

COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Your Committee on Time and Place, respectfully report: The next session of the Association will be held with Mount Carmel Baptist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1945.

Rev. Isaac Watts will preach the introductory sermon; alternate, Rev. Fred Blevins.

Submitted by
W. O. BARNETTE,
I. S. BAITY,
W. H. HOUCK.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Nominations, wish to submit the name of Brother T. E. Story and Brother J. F. Jordan, for re-nominating for Moderator and Clerk of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

BELVEL PARDUE,
DONALD NICHOLS,
J. C. McNEILL.

COMMITTEES

1. Time, Place and Preacher—Bro. W. O. Barnette, Bro. W. M. Houck, Bro. I. S. Baity.
2. Nominating Officers—James McNeil, B. M. Pardue, Bro. Don Nichols.
3. Resolutions—Fred Shoemaker, Rev. E. C. Hodges, Rev. Isaac Watts.
4. Order of Business—The Moderator, the Clerk, Dr. David E. Browning, Rev. H. J. Ford, Rev. Fred Blevins.

MOUNT PLEASANT CEMETERY REPORT

Made by Mrs. Taft Foster

Free labor furnished on improvement and upkeep of cemetery	\$100.00
Cash received from individuals	92.05
Materials donated	25.00
Cash received from Woman's Home Demonstration Club.....	50.00
Received from individuals on markers to be placed on un- marked graves	73.75
Total	<u>\$340.80</u>

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Beaver Creek—Pfc. Clay Hayes, Mrs T. C. West
- Edgewood—Mrs. Jennie C. Wright, Mr. Eli Barnette.
- Elk—Mr. Clyde McNeill, Mr. Clyde Allen.
- Fishing Creek—Mr. Edgar Mastin.
- Gordon—Mr. J. F. Osborne, Miss Mozelle Burnett.
- Harmony—Mrs. Walter Forester.
- Lewis Fork—Mrs. Myrtle Church, Pvt. Paul Haynes, Deacon Rachel West, Mrs. Carolyn Holman.
- Liberty Grove—Miss Belby Sue Anderson.
- Little Rock—Mrs. Nancy Hood, Mrs. Violet Dyson.
- Mount Carmel—Mr. William P. Hood, Mrs. Margaret Gentle.
- Mount Pleasant—Deacon W. M. Eller, Mr. Bob Hamby, Mr. Ben Proffit, Mrs. Emma Dockery, Mrs. Elizabeth Eller.
- Mount Zion—Mr. J. H. Triplette.
- North Wilkesboro First—Mrs. J. W. Jones, Mrs. E. M. Blackburn.
- North Wilkesboro Second—Mrs. Ellen Pruitt, Mrs. Clarence Crow.
- Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Alice Nichols.
- Pleasant Home—Mr. Eli Kilby.
- Purlear—Miss Jennie McNeill.
- Stony Hill—Mrs. Amanda Parsons, Miss Carrie Little Whittington.
- Walnut Grove—Mrs. Medis Davinson, Mrs. Bertha Wiles, Mr. J. L. Davis, Mr. Roy Brock.
- Wilkesboro—Mr. W. E. Harris, Mrs. George W. Whitworth.
- Zion Hill—Mrs. John Ferguson.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between

the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committee

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Clerk, and all pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendment to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE III—Baptist Training Unions of Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending Sept., 1944

CHURCHES	TRAINING DIRECTORS AND POST OFFICES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions & Story H.	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Total Enrolled Unions and Story Hours	No. Daily Bible Readers	No. Taking Study Course	Total Systematic Givers	Has Training Union been A-1 for One Quarter	Students in College from Your Church	Number General and Departmental Officers
N. Wilkesboro 1st.	Rufus B. Church, N. Wilkesboro.....	1	1	2	2	1	7	16	18	28	30	11	103	12	17	29	no	15	8
Wilkesboro.....	Louise Wright, Wilkesboro	1	.....	1	1	.....	3	10	.....	14	14	.....	38	1	4	15	no	13	3

TABLE IV—W. M. U. Organizations and Gifts, Brushy Mountain Association for the Year Ending September, 1944.

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. U. S. AND POST OFFICES										Total Enrolled in Mission Study	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.
	No. of W. M. S.	No. of Y. W. A.'s	No. of G. A.'s	No. of R. A.'s	No. of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Org.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members			
Edgewood.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	10	10	10	10	10	\$ 52.57	
Fishing Creek.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	14	14	12	8	36	\$37.13	
Hinshaw Street.....	1	1	1	1	1	30	30	30	11	11	11	79.58	
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	2	9	19.00	
Oakwoods.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	16	16	12	12	28	1728.66	
Pilgrim.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	29.35	
Pleasant Home.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	21	21	15	25	73	215.26	
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	2	1	1	6	53	15	26	7	19	255.13	

TABLE V—Men's Brotherhoods of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, September, 1944

NOTE—No church reports a Brotherhood organization. Information as to Churches, Location and When Constituted required in this table will be found in Table I.

TABLE VI—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Association for Year Ending September, 1944

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
Beaver Creek	J. L. Payne, Boomer	yes	1937	wood	400	1			\$4570.00		\$4570.00	
Big Ivy	A. T. Blackburn, Walsh	yes	1928	wood	200	1			1025.00		1025.00	
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	yes	1932	wood	300	1			1700.00		1700.00	
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	yes	1862	wood	500	1			1000.00		1000.00	
Edgewood	Della Bumgarner, Wilkesboro, R. 2	yes	1893	wood	300	3	2		2000.00		2000.00	
Elk	S. F. Miller, Ferguson	yes	1926	wood	350	1			1800.00		1800.00	
Fishing Creek	Hubert E. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2	yes	1928	wood	600	1			4100.00		4100.00	
Gordon	Walter R. Burgess, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1918	wood	300	5	5		6000.00		6000.00	\$4000.00
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	yes	1916	wood	500	1			1500.00		1500.00	
Harmony	L. A. Minton, Wilkesboro	yes	1900	wood	400	1			3000.00		3000.00	
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1927	wood	400	5	4	9	4000.00		4000.00	1500.00
Lewis Fork	James Triplette, Purlear	yes	1909	wood	400	1			3000.00		3000.00	3000.00
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1887	wood	300	5	5	8	1000.00		1000.00	500.00
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	yes	1941	brick	300	9	8	9	9000.00		11000.00	7000.00
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	yes	1888	wood	300	2	2	2	2500.00		2500.00	
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls	yes	1907	wood	500	1			2000.00		2000.00	
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear	yes	1909	wood	500	1			5000.00		5000.00	200.00
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnette, Hendrix	yes	1921	wood	500	1	1	1	2500.00		2500.00	
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro	yes	1937	brick	500	4	4	3	3000.00		4000.00	3000.00
N. Hope, Caldwell	Claude Jones, Lenoir, R. 1	yes	1941	wood	200	1			2500.00		2500.00	
N. Wilkesboro 1st.	J. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1910	brick	600	15	3	15	60000.00	10000.00	70000.00	26500.00
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Frank R. Hamm, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1918	wood	350	1			2000.00		2000.00	
Oakwoods	J. W. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	yes	1918	wood	350	1	4	4	1000.00		1000.00	
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Buck	yes	1856	wood	300	1			1800.00		1800.00	
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	400	1			1500.00		1500.00	
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1903	wood	600	1			2000.00		2000.00	
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1924	wood	400	1			1700.00		1700.00	1500.00
Shady Grove	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	300	1			1000.00		1000.00	
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonville	yes	1922	wood	300	1			1000.00		1000.00	
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	yes	1929	brick	400	5	5	5	5000.00		5000.00	1500.00
Welcome Home	Gwyn Eller, Cricket	yes	1936	wood	300	1			3000.00		3000.00	
Wilkesboro	Chas. McNeill, Wilkesboro	yes	1902	brick	400	15	15	10	10000.00	4000.00	14000.00	17000.00
Zion Hill	Earl German, Boomer	yes	1912	wood	500	1			2500.00		2500.00	

CHURCHES

REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Church Use, S. S. etc.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total for Local Purposes Given by Church and All Its Organizations.
Beaver Creek	J. L. Payne, Boomer	\$200.00		\$155.00	\$1570.00		\$47.00	\$4.50		2.00	4.46	\$2008.50
Big Ivy	C. D. Phillips, Walsh	75.00		38.60			10.00	11.00		3.00	12.50	93.46
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	116.07						26.76		2.00		200.93
Cub Creek	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro	221.75						24.00		2.00		247.75
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	159.88					9.60	20.91		2.00		191.39
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny	142.00		11.16	14.06		15.00	12.80		2.00	300.00	497.02
Fishing Creek	Eugene F. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2	332.32			215.00		70.00	47.87		3.00	58.13	723.32
Goshen	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	607.00		150.92	137.50		325.40	80.45	15.00	2.00	86.55	1404.82
Harmony	Jesse Walsh, Wilkesboro	140.00			38.00		2.00	12.00		2.00		194.00
Hinshaw Street	Mrs. W. E. Jones, Cricket	350.00		30.71			145.93	30.00	77.00	2.50	2.25	120.96
Lewis Fork	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	616.47		258.00			94.40	70.30	178.87	2.00	75.05	1341.63
Liberty Grove	W. D. Foster, Purlear	291.67					19.00	60.71		2.00	38.00	484.78
Little Rock	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro	110.00					80.00	53.15	40.00	3.25	40.00	589.62
Moravian Falls	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	314.72		21.00	37.50		33.60	50.49		2.00	4.50	430.99
Mount Carmel	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Moravian Falls	275.55		64.85			25.74	9.35		2.00	145.00	314.09
Mount Pleasant	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls	100.00		32.00			113.75	63.87		3.00		763.19
Mount Zion	J. F. McNeil, Purlear	582.87						29.61		2.00		266.31
New Hope	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	227.70	4.97				55.32	53.55	91.25	3.00	27.50	502.62
N. Hope, Caldwell	E. E. Hayes, Purlear	272.00		50.00			33.56	24.96		2.00	20.15	447.36
N. Wilkesboro 1st	Albert Sudreth, Lenoir, R. 1	304.15	12.50	638.75	1997.89		776.35	1054.54	178.68	12.00	\$207.50	9404.61
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Miss & Ben E. Eller, N. Wilkesboro	2685.00	336.65				29.41	23.12		2.25		291.57
Oakwoods	Isaac White, North Wilkesboro	45.96	9.92	55.40		125.00	9.60	15.91		3.00	5.00	274.21
Pilgrim	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	234.00	6.00	48.00	1.70		32.60	42.05	2.60	3.00		295.65
Pleasant Grove	Verna Laws, Buck	147.00		67.20			42.88	24.45	50.00	2.00	30.00	470.58
Pleasant Home	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro, R. 1	286.05					19.27	64.00	41.00	5.00	45.00	302.00
Purlear	Miss Minnie McNeil, Wilkesboro	611.14		45.00	*1071.00		15.00	45.00		2.00	2.50	254.11
Shady Grove	J. F. Hayes, Purlear	150.00		25.00	78.55		14.10	5.72		2.00	45.00	221.18
Stony Hill	Guy Eller, Wilkesboro	126.24			5.00		10.78	26.00		2.00	78.33	656.95
Walnut Grove	J. B. Baker, Parsonville	119.80	12.50				80.17	61.45	10.00	2.00	16.50	544.51
Welcome Home	Miss Margaret Parlier, Pores Knob	400.00	25.00	65.10			42.10	51.85	12.75	2.00	670.00	5044.32
Wilkesboro	Frank Lankford, Wilkesboro, R. 1	356.20		259.49	1099.43		305.15	296.17	50.00	6.00		442.16
Zion Hill	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	2358.08					12.60	49.56				
	Mary Ferguson, Pores Knob	378.00										

* Funds on hand † Library ... \$ 1617.25 Building Fund

TABLE VIII—Gifts for Missions, Education and All Benevolences, Brushy Mountain Association, for Year Ending Sept., 1944

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Cooperative Program	Special to Associa- tional Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Schools and Colleges	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Ministers' Retirement Fund	Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Other Objects	(Missions) Total given by Church & all Depts.	Grand Total for All Purposes—Both Local Work & Missions—Giv- en by Ch. & All Orgs.
Beaver Creek	J. L. Payne, Boomer			\$13.00	\$12.75	\$44.00	\$30.00				\$15.00	\$20.00	\$135.25	\$2142.75
Big Ivy	A. T. Blackburn, Walsh					10.00	12.00						22.00	222.93
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear					42.00	20.00						62.00	309.75
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro			\$ 5.00	10.00	22.40	20.58					9.58	94.80	286.19
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	\$ 17.24				6.24	10.77				50.00		67.01	654.03
Elk	W. A. Proffitt, Denny			66.45		53.00	15.00						134.45	856.77
Fishing Creek	Eubert E. Pardue, N. Wilkesboro, R.3	80.00		8.00		40.00	75.00						195.00	1599.82
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	9.00				10.00	8.00						35.00	229.00
Goshen	Jesse Walsh, Wilkesboro					40.00	10.00						50.00	220.96
Harmony	L. A. Minton, Wilkesboro	4.00		12.00		40.00	10.00						64.00	220.96
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	15.00				99.46	45.37						161.33	1506.92
Lewis Fork	James Triplette, Purlear												40.00	1053.57
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, Wilkesboro, R. 2						25.00							193.00
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer			14.20	11.50	15.75	10.00				5.60		57.05	646.67
Moravian Falls	Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Moravian Falls			5.03	7.56	61.30	34.36				12.64		120.89	551.88
Mount Carmel	W. H. Houck, Moravian Falls						12.28						12.28	326.37
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear	60.00				115.50	57.50						285.68	1149.17
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix					71.94	30.89					52.68	102.83	369.14
New Hope	E. E. Hayes, Purlear	35.00	\$12.00			93.68	24.50						165.18	667.80
N. Hope, Caldwell	Albert Suddreth, Lenoir, R. 1					8.74	10.00						20.15	38.89
N. Wilkesboro 1st	Miss & Ben E. Eller, N. Wilkesboro	1694.30	20.00	117.95	125.48	632.22	127.80					249.96	3199.54	12604.15
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Frank R. Hamm, N. Wilkesboro					19.58	10.00						37.58	329.15
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	14.80				19.55	5.00						39.35	313.56
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Buck	5.00				10.03	11.00						65.86	361.51
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesboro			3.15	25.77	20.00	20.00						40.00	510.58
Pleasant Home	Miss Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro	38.00	36.00	85.16	75.00	\$130.00	125.00						841.76	2683.15
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Wilkesboro, R. 1					20.00	15.00				51.60		100.00	402.00
Shady Grove	Guy Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1			14.00	5.75	11.50	21.25						9.00	263.11
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonville					178.80	50.00						52.50	273.68
Walnut Grove	Miss Margaret Parlier, Pores Knob	10.00		10.00	15.00	21.50	15.05				25.00		163.80	955.75
Welcome Home	Frank Lankford, Wilkesboro, R. 1					509.07	103.49						46.55	591.06
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	508.32	20.00	10.01	14.08	660.00	72.00				19.50		1995.37	7039.69
Zion Hill	Earl German, Boomer					135.47	55.75							

DIRECTORY FOR 1944 AND 1945

Prof. T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Adams, Jesse, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Beshears, Lee, Walsh, N. C.
Beshears, Clint, Summit, N. C.
Blevins, Fred, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Browning, Dr. David E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Call, Andrew, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Cardwell, Garfield, Buck, N. C.
Eller, A. W., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Eller, Leroy, Moravian Falls, N. C.
Eller, V. G., Purlear, N. C.
Faw, Ed., Millers Creek, N. C.
Fletcher, J. F., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Foster, A. J., Boomer, N. C.
Ford, Howard J., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Guy, T. Sloane, Yale University.
Hayes, J. N., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, A. B., Hays, N. C.
Hayes, W. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hodges, E. C., Hendrix, N. C.
Huey, Milo, North Wilkesboro, N. C., Rt. 2
Huffman, Glenn, Parsonville, N. C.
Higgins, John, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Jones, S. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Johnson, Lester, Hays, N. C.
Miller, Ralph, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Minton, B. L., Buck, N. C.
Minton Clarence, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Nichols, James T., Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1.
Osborne, George, Cricket, N. C.
Osborne, Iredell, Cricket, N. C.
Osborne, Gilbert, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Poole, Charlie J., Pores Knob, N. C.
Payne, W. F., Boomer, N. C.
Parsons, J. A., Purlear, N. C.
Pruitt, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Sebastian, G. W., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Smith, Graham, Cricket, N. C.
Watts, S. I., Boomer, N. C.
Walsh, T. J. Walsh, N. C.
Wilcoxin, J. H., Summit, N. C.
Wells, John L., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Walker, James.
Younger, L. T., New Hope, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
Day, R. F., Elkin, N. C.
Frost, G. A., Galax, Va.
Gwaltney, R. C., U. S. Army
Johnson, W. O., Taylorsville, N. C.
Luck, W. S., Winston-Salem, N. C.
Miller, James A., A. E. F.
Peeler, Frank, Taylorsville, N. C.
Phillips, M. S., Lenoir, N. C., R. 1.
Shew, Tom, Lenoir, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.



MINUTES
OF THE
SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL
SESSION
OF THE
BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

Mount Carmel Baptist Church

September 18 and 19, 1945

T. E. STORY, Moderator

J. F. JORDAN, Clerk & Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1946.

Dr. David E. Browning will preach the introductory sermon.



LIST OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—Vilas Walsh, Charlie Walsh, Mrs. Vilas Walsh.
Big Ivey—H. H. Beshears, C. D. Phillips, W. M. McGuire.
Boiling Springs—Turner Huffman, J. A. Parsons, Thomas Huffman.
Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, Herman Johnson, Dave Hall.
Edgewood—C. W. Fletcher, Mrs. Abe Jones, Pansy Fletcher.
Elk—S. F. Miller, Dana Triplett, W. H. McGuire, Ressie McGuire.
Fishing Creek—Hubert E. Pardue, Mrs. C. B. Mayberry, Mrs. R. N. Holland, Mrs. Oid Wiles.
Gordon—Mrs. Zollie Hamby, Ed Phillips, Mont Miller, Rev. Ralph A. Miller.
Goshen—Jesse L. Walsh, Rev. John Higgins, Remus Church.
Harmony—W. H. Minton, R. L. Lankford, L. A. Minton, Walter Jones.
Hinshaw Street—Hobert Deal, I. S. Baity, Mrs. George Alexander.
Lewis Fork—J. R. Triplette, Clint Miller, Mrs. A. J. Proffit.
Liberty Grove—Kermit Absher, Page Hutchison, F. C. Johnson.
Little Rock—Ray Parsons, Mrs. J. W. Andrews, Miss Nora McGee.
Moravian Falls—B. M. Pardue, F. G. Brewer, W. C. Hendren.
Mount Carmel—I. J. Lovett, Sr., Worth Church, Robert Wilson.
Mt. Pleasant—E. C. Foster, R. L. Walsh, A. G. Church.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, Ivy Walker, Mrs. J. W. Triplette.
New Hope—R. J. Eller, Richard Vannoy, Clyde Church.
New Hope (Caldwell)—Albert Sudderth, George H. Crofts, Guy Barlow.
North Wilkesboro—D. E. Elledge, Mrs. Tal Barnes, Mrs. D. E. Browning.
North Wilkesboro Second—Frank R. Hamm, Isaac White, Susie Johnson.
Oakwoods—Mrs. I. P. Anderson, W. A. Ellis, R. L. Jones.
Pilgrim—F. O. Foster, Charles Shoemaker, Gladys Shoemaker.
Pleasant Grove—Willie Church, Melvin Bumgarner, Albert Evans.
Pleasant Home—W. T. Snyder, A. G. Bumgarner, Minnie McNeill.
Purlear—R. Don Nichols, Mary Nichols, Joe T. Hayes.
Shady Grove—Earl Anderson, Everett Ferguson, Mrs. Everett Ferguson.
Stony Hill—J. B. Baker, G. S. McNeill, C. O. Parsons.
Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, R. C. Meadows, W. P. Hendren, Mrs. Eula Bentley.
Welcome Home—Gwyn Eller, Sherman Shumate, H. R. Kendall.
Wilkesboro—C. C. McNeill, Mrs. H. H. Dotson, Dr. T. G. Mitchell, Mrs. A. A. Sturdivant.
Zion Hill—L. J. Walsh, E. T. German, W. J. Earp.

MINUTES

The seventy-second annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Mount Carmel Baptist Church, September 18, 1945, at 10:00 o'clock, A. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, T. E. Story, The congregation joined in singing "Holy Spirit," and "Faithful Guide," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. Charlie J. Poole, who gave an inspirational talk from the 18th verse of the 26th chapter of Acts, after which the Association was led in prayer.

After the devotional exercise the Moderator took up the program for a short discussion of it and the adoption of it, after which a motion was made and seconded and the program was unanimously adopted by the Association. After the adoption of the program the Moderator called for ministers and pastors present and they responded as follows: Rev. M. H. Kendall, Mars Hill; Rev. J. A. McMillan, of Mills Home, Rev. R. M. Hauss, of Shelby, temperance representative.

At this time the report on Christian Education was called for and Dr. H. G. Duncan responded with an excellent report, and after the reading of it and adoption by the Association there was an excellent discussion by Dr. H. G. Duncan, and Rev. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College.

The report on Sunday Schools by W. F. Payne was read to the Association by the Moderator, and after its adoption by the Association there were excellent discussions on Sunday School work by Dr. H. G. Duncan and Rev. Howard J. Ford.

At this time a number of committees were appointed by the Moderator and read to the Association, which were all approved and adopted by the Association. After the nominating and electing of the committees the Moderator called for ministers and visitors and they responded as follows: Revs. W. L. Luck, Howard J. Ford, Charlie J. Poole, John Wells, David E. Browning, A. E. Watts, A. J. Foster, A. W. Eller, G. W. Sebastian, I. Osborne, L. T. Younger, G. E. Osborne, J. A. McMillan, W. A. Eichelberger, R. M. Hauss. After recognition of ministers and visitors the annual sermon was preached by Rev. Isaac Watts, who took his text from the 11th chapter of Genesis, verses 1-9, emphasis: 1, God looks with interest on His people; 2, He corrects us; 3, The great power of united efforts in getting His people united. After the annual sermon the Association was dismissed with prayer for the noon lunch.

At 1:15 the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing "More Than Life To Me," and the devotional was conducted by Rev. A. W. Eller, from a part of the 4th chapter of John. After the devotional visiting ministers were called for and answered as follows: Rev. E. W. McMurry, Yadkin Association; Tom Lawrence, Pilot Mountain Association; Rev. W. R. Griggs, present.

At this time the report was called for on State, Home and Foreign Missions by Rev. W. L. Luck, and after the adoption by the Asso-

The report was called for on the Baptist Hospital and a written report was read by Mrs. Robert Holland, after which it was adopted by the Association and followed with an interesting discussion by Rev. W. R. Griggs.

The report on Orphanage was given by Mrs. Andrew Casey, and after being seconded and voted on was adopted by the Association, and was followed by an able discussion by Rev. Arch McMillan, of the Mills Home.

After the discussion the report was made on Allied Church League by Rev. John Wells and after the report was adopted by the Association it was ably discussed by Rev. John Wells and Rev. R. M. Hauss. Rev. R. M. Hauss, of Shelby, N. C., representative of the Allied Temperance League of North Carolina, gave an interesting discussion and stated that in the month of May 457 drivers licenses were revoked and 362 out of this number were revoked for driving under the influence of liquor.

Report of Associational Mission Work, by Rev. Howard J. Ford, and after the adoption of the report by the Association Rev. Ford gave an interesting discussion of the report and the need of mission work in the Association.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1945

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and the choir ciation there was an interesting discussion on the subject by Dr. David E. Browning.

and audience joined in singing "How Firm a Foundation," and "Take the Name of Jesus With You," after which the devotional was conducted by Rev. Glenn Huffman, who took as a scripture lesson Rev. 2:8-15, and after leading in prayer the Association went into the discussion of the Program as follows:

Ministers were called for and reported present as follows: Rev. Ralph Miller, Noah Hayes, Dr. E. L. Spivey, J. C. Canipe, John Higgins and E. C. Hodges.

Report on Training Union, by Miss Lundy Hendren. After reading the report it was adopted by the Association.

Report on Baptist Literature, by Miss Florence Miller, and after the reading of the report it was adopted by the Association and an able discussion was given on the report by Dr. David E. Browning.

At this time a resolution was offered by Rev. Howard J. Ford for the changing of Article 10 of the Constitution as follows: "The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Sunday School Associational Leader, the Training Union Leader, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and all the pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator.

A quorum shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Associational Sunday School Leader, the Associational Training Union Director, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and four pastors of the Executive Committee." This was put before the

Association and discussed and after some discussion a vote was called for and was unanimously adopted by the Association that it take the place of Article 10 in the present Constitution.

At this time the Association recognized Rev. W. A. Eichelberger, a representative of the American Sunday School Union, and he made an interesting talk on the ten counties in this section of the State assigned to him to do Sunday School work in, and that there are 285 Sunday Schools in the 10 counties and 13 mission Sunday Schools, and he has organized 4 new Sunday Schools.

At this time the Co-operative Program was called for and was ably discussed by Dr. E. L. Spivey, of Charlotte, State representative to the Association. Two-fifths of the population of America belongs to the church and 90% of the leadership of America comes out of the church. The amount in North Carolina spent for drink will average \$20.00 per person.

The report of Nominating Committee and the election of officers. The committee reported that T. E. Story and J. F. Jordan be elected again as Moderator and Clerk for another year, and the next session of the Association be held with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church at the same time.

The Church and Pastoral Relationship, by Rev. J. C. Canipe. His report brought an interesting discussion to the Association in comparing the Rural and Urban churches and the growth of them.

After his able discussion on the rural and urban churches and the need of building up church spirit more the Association adjourned for noon lunch, with prayer by Rev. Glenn Huffman.

At 1:15, the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?" and the devotional was conducted by Rev. Ralph Miller, by reading a part of the 9th chapter of Matthew and leading in prayer.

The report on Woman's Missionary Union was called for and was made by Mrs. George P. Johnson, and after the adoption of it by the Association there was an excellent discussion on it by Rev. C. C. Holland.

After the discussion by Rev. C. C. Holland the report was called for on Associational Mission Work.

The report was read by Miss Madge Lewis, the Missionary worker in the Association, and an interesting discussion was given by her as to the needs for the mission work in the Association.

Report of Pastors' Conference, by Rev. Charlie J. Poole. After reading the report he gave an interesting discussion on the conference and the work it is trying to do in building up church work.

This was followed by the Report of Committees and miscellaneous business and then followed by a brief history of Mount Carmel Baptist Church by Mr. I. J. Lovette, Sr.

There being no further business the Association adjourned by singing a song and being led in prayer.

PROGRAM

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH

Eight Miles West of Wilkesboro, N. C., on Highway No. 18

General Theme: "The Church and the Post War Era"

Tuesday, September 18, 1945

- 10:00—Devotional Rev. Charlie Pool
10:15—Roll Call of Churches, Recognition of Visitors, Introduction of
New Pastors, Adoption of Program, Appointment of Com-
mittees; Time, Place and Preacher; Nomination of Officers;
Resolutions; Order of Business.
10:35—Our Theme.
10:45—Christian Education:
Report Dr. H. G. Duncan
Discussion Mr. M. H. Kendall
11:15—Song.
11:20—Sunday School Report W. F. Payne
Discussion.
11:35—Annual Sermon Rev. S. I. Watts
12:10—Noon Hour Recess.
1:25—Devotional Rev. A. W. Eller
1:40—State, Home and Foreign Missions:
Report Rev. W. L. Luck
Discussion Dr. David E. Browning
2:10—Baptist Hospital:
Report Mrs. R. N. Holland
Discussion Rev. W. R. Griggs
2:40—Song.
2:45—Allied Church League, Inc.:
Report Rev. John Wells
Discussion Rev. R. M. Hauss
3:15—Associational Mission Work:
Report Rev. Howard J. Ford
3:30—Adjournment.

Wednesday, September 19

- 10:00—Devotional Rev. Glenn Huffman
10:15—Report on Orphanage Mrs. Andrew Casey
Discussion Arch McMillan
10:15—Training Union Report Miss Lundy Hendren
11:00—Report of Baptist Literature Miss Florence Miller
11:10—Co-operative Program Dr. E. L. Spivey
11:30—Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers.
11:35—Song.
11:40—The Church and Pastoral Relationship Rev. J. C. Canipe
12:10—Noon Hour Recess. Lunch.
1:15—Devotional Rev. Ralph Miller
1:30—Woman's Missionary Union Mrs. George Johnson
Discussion Rev. C. C. Holland

2:10—Associational Mission Work:

Report and Discussion Miss Madge Lewis

Report on Pastors' Conference Rev. Charlie Poole

2:40—Report of Committees.

Miscellaneous Business.

History of Mount Carmel Church I. J. Lovette

3:00—Adjournment.

T. E. STORY, Moderator

J. F. JORDAN, Clerk

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian education, as I understand the term, includes Christian training in the home, in Sunday School and all phases of church work, in grade and high school, college and university, on the street or anywhere that instruction in Christian living may be given.

There is a theory and practice current today that children should not be punished or corrected, but rather permitted to decide what they wish to do and act accordingly. This theory is in conflict with the old basic principle that children must be taught what society expects them to do, and to act within specific realms of behavior. This is the fundamental doctrine which has come down to us from pre-literate groups and underlies our educational endeavors today. The moral and ethical truths have always occupied an important place in teaching and are basic for our modern day civilization.

I understand that I am to stress the denominational phase of Christian education. At the burial of Caesar Shakespeare had Mark Anthony say, "I come to bury Caesar, not to praise him." Well, I have come neither to bury nor praise our denominational schools, but rather to examine them. Having been a student in five Baptist schools (graduating from four) as well as a large private and a large state university, and having taught in Baptist, Presbyterian, and Methodist as well as several large state universities, I feel that I am in a fair position to give an unbiased view of our denominational schools. Furthermore, I feel that our denomination is old enough, large enough, and strong enough for us to forsake the propaganda stage and view objectively our denominational schools.

The early settlers in this country were mostly Protestant and had a background of the fierce agitation of the Reformation in Europe, where educational institutions were denominational and supported by religious groups. As a result the parochial idea of education was transplanted to this country and exists in our denominational schools and colleges. Most of our oldest universities, such as Harvard, Yale, Pennsylvania, Brown, Princeton, Colgate, Rochester, and Chicago, started as denominational schools. But today I do not know of a single outstanding Protestant university that is in reality a denominational school. There has been and continues to be a tendency to sluff off the denominational strings. Why?

The attitude of the parents of the boys and girls attending denominational colleges and universities has had much to do with de-

termining the policies, growth, and scholarship of these schools. Many of the conservative have and continue to oppose the teaching of science. They have heard that universities teach atheism and that man sprang from a monkey. Both statements are equally false. Nevertheless such parents, viewing everything in their own limited range, have crystallized their attitudes around these erroneous reports. Such parents fail to see that astronomy, geology, anthropology, biology, chemistry, physics, and the like reveal God in a more majestic light than their narrow range can comprehend. Science has made known to us a universe more wonderful and sublime than our forefathers ever dreamed of. There is no conflict between science and religion, nor between reason and faith. Neither truth nor reason can contradict itself. We are given intellects and are expected to use them in discovering the mysteries of the Infinite. Men's minds should be free and given the right to investigate whatever may be known. Any denomination that does not permit its young people to develop to their full capacity is guilty of woeful neglect and any denomination that does not utilize its strongest men and women is a decadent denomination. In theology as in science we must use reason and accept facts; to refuse to do so is to stultify ourselves.

In addition there has been and still is a group of parents who seem to regard the denominational schools as reformatories. Permitting their children to get out of control, they send them to the denominational schools, expecting the faculties somehow to perform miracles of reformation and return their sons and daughters to them as sweet, gentle, Christian young men and women. Such students are a bane to the administration which have to combat the attitudes of the parents, the reactions of the students, and the influence on other students.

On the one hand conservative parents have exerted so much pressure on denominational colleges that these have been unable to expand or to attain a standard set by the better state and private universities. On the other hand the reformatory group of parents have been responsible for the maintenance of compulsory chapel and compulsory church attendance, a fact which has caused many boys and girls to become indifferent, if not outright hostile, to the church.

Such tendencies and conditions have a definite reaction upon the faculties of our denominational schools. Although our denominational colleges have some outstanding men as teachers, there has been and continues to be a definite tendency for the better prepared and more capable professors to evade or shift out of denominational schools. As a result these schools are being more and more manned by old and poorly prepared aged men and by inexperienced and poorly prepared young men. Of course the better salary of the state schools is a strong drawing card, but restrictions on freedom of speech is often a deciding factor. On the other hand many of our state schools have become political machines, where a faculty member dare not criticise the powers that be.

These tendencies and conditions have had an influence upon the

students. So long as one is a student or graduate of but one school, he judges things by that school and usually remains definitely loyal. But when he has been a student in two or more, he can make comparisons and gain a better perspective. Many students have found it difficult to transfer from denominational to better private or state schools, often losing credits in the shift. Others have found it difficult, if not impossible, to enter the graduate schools of the larger universities. When I went to the University of Pennsylvania, I was glad that Wake Forest, although having a lower rating than I anticipated, was high enough to permit me to enter the graduate school without doing extra work. The students from Mercer and some other Southern Baptist Colleges had to do extra work before being permitted to enter. Those from Carson and Newman were permitted to take work for three years, but never allowed to become a member of the graduate school. In other words their A. B. degree from Carson and Newman College was worth little more than a diploma from Central High School in Philadelphia. On the other hand I was sadly disappointed when I discovered that the work offered in psychology at Wake Forest was not sufficient for me to take graduate work in that field, or even to take advanced undergraduate work, and that the courses in sociology and economics were woeful inefficient to prepare one for graduate courses. A knowledge of such facts is causing our denominational schools to lose many outstanding students.

I do not mean these defects, which I have pointed out, to be real criticisms, but things to be corrected. Considering the frailty and variability of mankind, the handicap of poor equipment, and the lack of finance, our denominational schools are doing a marvelous work. Wake Forest has long stood as the apex of our denominational colleges for men and Meredith for girls. Mars Hill and Campbell rank next as junior colleges. These four schools are partially supported by the Baptist State Convention. Then we have Wingate and Gardner-Webb junior colleges partially supported by local associations and endowment funds, rather than the state convention. According to the latest statistics which I have (North Carolina Baptist Annual, 1944) Wake Forest had 55 ministerial students; Gardner-Webb, 36; Wingate, 14; Mars Hill, 12; and Campbell, 6. At the same time there were 80 students from the state of North Carolina enrolled in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; 39 in the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; 17 in the Womans Union Training School; and 16 in the Baptist Bible Institute—a total of 275 young men and women from this state preparing themselves for definite Christian service. These alone are worth all our efforts, to say nothing of the other hundreds of young men and women going out to make the world a better place in which to live.

It is well for us to remember that the graduates of our denominational schools have and are now playing an important part in the development of North Carolina, the United States, and the remote parts of the world; that denominational schools are essential in training ministers, missionaries and other Christian workers, and in maintain-

ing denominational morale; and that education is essential for young men and women today. Having permitted children to be born, we should do all we can to prevent them from growing up with enfeebled bodies, darkened minds, calloused hearts, or perverted consciences. The greatest service we can render to human beings is to give them the right type of education—physical, intellectual, and religious. They must not only be taught how to do something but be taught to do it. If there are defects in our denominational schools the Baptist are responsible. Let us face the facts and make such changes as are necessary or needed.

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. DUNCAN.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School in each of our churches, when operated with any degree of effort and desire to achieve the results for which it is maintained becomes our most powerful force in the building of a strong church.

It is about the only place now where our children get any opportunity at all to receive training and instruction in Bible study. It is a noticeable fact that the great majority of our converts and new church members come from the Sunday School. It is by its very nature the phase of our church work that can be with proper direction and effort our most far reaching winner of people to Christ and to service in His Kingdom.

However, the poorness of the job we do in this Association is appalling. In the territory of our association there live about 20,000 people. In our 33 churches we have a church membership of 6,000 people. There are enrolled in our 33 Sunday Schools 3500 people and a good many of them are not church members. And a still more striking criticism to be made is that last year the average attendance per Sunday was only 2000.

The church membership of the other denominations in the territory of our association is about 2000 people. It is my opinion that the per centage of their Sunday School attendance is not much better if any than that of ours which is 60%. That being true, there would be in attendance at the Sunday Schools of the other denominations each Sunday about 1200 people. Thus you will see if my figures are anywhere near correct, of the 20,000 people in this section of the County, 8000 are church members and 4700 are enrolled in Sunday School and their average attendance would be 3200.

On one occasion after Jesus had performed a miracle, He asked as you will recall: "Were there not ten healed? Where are the nine?"

May I not ask, Where are the 15300 on every Sunday, and on the average Sunday, the 16800? They are not in Sunday School.

Wouldn't you like to help do something about it?

REV. W. F. PAYNE,
For the Committee.

STATE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

For many years the missionary endeavor of our Church has been carried on under the three headings: State Missions, Home Missions and Foreign Missions. Each of these is necessary for the particular work that it does and at the same time they are complimentary to each other and all play an important role in the whole extension plan of our Church.

The Baptist State Convention promotes the whole Missionary Program and the greater part of all the funds are collected through its agencies and sixty per cent of all that is collected through the Co-operative Program is retained in the State for the support of the following activities:

Associational Missionaries, Aid to Mission Pastors, Aid on Buildings and in the purchase of church lots, Teaching and Training as carried on in the Sunday School, Training Union Work, Student Union Divisions, Ministry to Other Races, Ministry to the Sick in State Institutions, Promotion of Schools and Conferences for Pastors, Support of the Allied Church League, Promotion of Religious Services about Military Camps, etc.

The Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Ga., serves a great place in our organization. It works with all the foreign people of our home country and endeavors to bring about a right relation between the different races. It is supporting the work of the Mission Churches and gives attention to Good-Will Centers, Kindergartens, etc. It has more than 100 missionaries working in Cuba and Central America. Its opportunity is now greater than ever before for a great service.

Our Foreign Mission Board of Richmond, Va., is this day confronted with its greatest opportunity. The Board has been out of debt for almost two years and has been making plans for a far reaching program to be launched in the coming days. Millions of people in war torn countries will now gladly listen to the message of Christ and it now becomes a challenge to every Baptist to have a large part in carrying His Message to these waiting peoples.

REV. W. S. LUCK,
For the Committee.

ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL—1945

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital was incorporated in 1922 and received its first patient May 28, 1923. Originally planned as a 100-bed institution, it was enlarged in 1942 to a capacity of 247 beds and 55 bassinets.

The underlying purpose of the Baptist Hospital has always been medical care for the poor. Since the day it received its first patient it has offered a high type of hospital care on a statewide basis. Its caliber of service was enhanced many times over when Wake Forest Medical School became a four-year school in 1941 and was located adjacent to the Baptist Hospital. When the Baptist Hospital became

a teaching hospital, its purpose became twofold—teaching and healing, the twin endeavors of Christ.

The Baptist Hospital operates one of the fullest approved schools of nursing in the South, and at the present time has an enrollment of about 150 young ladies receiving professional training under Christian auspices. The students are selected under very high standards. Those students come from all over North Carolina and represent the highest type of womanhood—mentally, physically and morally. While the most rigid scientific training is given the girls, the hospital takes great pride in the Christian and humane attitude it develops in these girls.

Of the 8,000 patients admitted as bed patients each year, slightly over 4,000 of these are service patients who pay no doctor's fee, and who pay but a slight portion of their hospital expenses. During 1944 approximately 3,000 of these service patients paid absolutely nothing toward their hospital bill. It is toward the expense of these patients that the money given on Mother's Day each year is used. In addition to the free bed patients the hospital, as stated above, gives diagnostic examinations to approximately 20,000 free patients who are not admitted to the hospital each year. The cost to the hospital of free service rendered during 1944 was \$198,648.92.

The hospital has developed into one of the top ranking hospitals of our nation in the caliber of its medical work. In developing its medical program care has been taken that the spiritual atmosphere of the hospital should develop to the same measure. Emphasis is given at every turn, in its educational program, in its employees, and with its patients to the spiritual needs of all coming in contact with the hospital. The religious program is under the direction of a full-time Chaplain and Student Secretary. This fine and fruitful service is made possible in part by the generosity of Mr. C. M. Scott of High Point, North Carolina, who contributes toward the cost of the program. Due to the close touch which the nature of sickness allows the Chaplain to have with the patients, we have had many conversions and rededications in the hospital.

North Carolina Baptists have developed in their hospital one of the greatest medical centers in our country, and at the same time one of the strongest influences for the cause of Christ that exists in any land. Its huge opportunities for serving as an agency of mercy, as a means of teaching, and as a means of spreading the influence of Christ are a challenge to the generous heart of our great denomination that its program will not be restricted for lack of finances. All of its activities are operated on the highest of standards, and hence it requires a tremendous budget. It is self-supporting with the exception of its charity work, and it is for this merciful side of its program that North Carolina Baptists this year are giving over \$100,000 through the Mother's Day program.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. N. HOLLAND.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Liquor Sales Increasing Step by Step—And its Sales is Increasing Debauchery Day by Day.

Let us look at some figures for the year 1944. Americans spent more than \$7,000,000,000 for alcoholic beverages in that year. In actual quantity they drank—

1—More liquor than in 1943.

2—More beer than in any previous year.

3—Slightly less wine than in 1943.

The 7 billion dollars is one billion dollars above the 1943 figure and 2 billion dollars above the 1942 figure. The 7 billion dollars also is about \$54 each for every man, woman and child in the United States.

The drinking situation shows that in 1944, 165 million barrels were consumed. Eighty million barrels of this was beer. These are national figures, and now may we look at the SHAME of our own state.

In 1944, of the 25 liquor selling counties, reported sales amounted to \$3,129,897.70. Some officials call it high honors, because that Durham County led in the whiskey parade last December.

For the month of June, 1945, the sales of liquor amounted to \$1,844,229.55. The liquor sales in July, 1945, for the 25 wet counties was \$2,047,344.20. This is an increase over June of 200,000.

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I have in my files a report from the Chief of Police in one of the smaller cities of our state which shows that from 85% to 90% of all cases brought to trial in the Mayor's Court, are contributed to alcoholic beverages. His further statement is that in the past two years, the classes of persons that have been brought to trial for this cause have changed from older men and negroes to the young men, boys and girls of teen age.

Women, girls and boys are frequent visitors to "bar rooms," "road houses" and "honky tonks," where there is no thought for morality. In fact, immorality is encouraged.

We have heard such stupid statements as this, made by someone who is in favor of liquor, "if they would just turn liquor loose, there would be less drunkenness and immorality." Oh, poor misguided soul, who has such thoughts. Liquor and all alcoholic beverages have contributed to more crime, disease and bankruptcy than any other thing under the sun.

May I give you some figures quoted by Judge E. Yates Webb. These figures are from the United States Census Bureau. During the 18th Amendment period, insanity, traceable to liquor, decreased 66% in the United States, crime decreased 54%, the death rate 20%, drunkenness, 70%, and savings bank depositors **INCREASED 400%**. Is it not then a sensible thing to abolish the cause that brings so much misery and trouble?

Another thing, out of the 457 drivers license revoked last May in North Carolina, 362 of them were revoked for drunken driving.

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Due to these circumstances, what is to be done?

First we need to humbly pray to God for leadership that we may successfully combat this evil. Then the church members, who are guilty, need to stop supporting the liquor industry. Yes, some are actually supporting it by drinking. Others are indifferent toward it, therefore are agreeing with its devastation, by not helping destroy it. However, there are a great many valiant efforts being made to destroy its influence, and to halt its traffic.

There is on file, in the Massachusetts Legislature, a recommendation, requiring all liquor drinkers to purchase a license. This is to raise \$3,000,000 to offset an estimated 61 million dollars that chronic alcoholics cost the state annually. The Commission also recommended:

1—Suspension of licenses to abusers.

2—Labeling every bottle with its ill effects.

3—Only one release yearly from police custody of persons arrested for drunkenness.

One liquor company of New York City was fined \$50,000, by Judge John W. Clancy, for violating OPA ceiling prices on liquor sales. One of the company officials was sentenced to 30 days imprisonment.

A number of city and county officials are outlawing the sale of alcoholic beverages.

There have been a number of bills presented in our State Legislature against liquor.

Governor Cherry sent his personal representative before the committee who had charge of the bill and insisted on its passage.

One newspaper has absolutely refused to print any advertisement for wine, beer or liquor.

One man bought an old church building and intended using it for a liquor store, but thank God, the Mayor and City Council refused to issue a license.

May we work and pray, and pray and work that this terrible evil may be abolished. God's Word says, "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken." Habbakkuk 2:15. As long as we permit liquor to flow, as a state, as a nation, as an individual, we stand guilty before God of putting the bottle to our neighbor's lips. Many soldiers have given their lives to preserve life and this thing is destroying it. May we hear their cry as it comes to us. "To you with failing hands, we throw the torch. Be yours to lift it high. If ye break faith with us who die, we shall not sleep."

May God have mercy upon us and help us stamp out this serpent that is devouring our people.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. JOHN L. WELLS.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

For the history of the founding of the Orphanage and its long and extensive service to the orphan youth of our State you will refer

to the report was made and recorded in the minutes of our 1944 session; which excellent report was prepared and read last session by Dr. H. G. Duncan.

Reference to the records will indicate that the institution is continuing to make progress; that our children there are well cared for, and that their health and happiness is a continued reminder that they are in good hands.

A further reference to the quarterly, semi-annual and annual financial reports indicates that our Baptist people are not unmindful of these fatherless children and want to have a part in developing them into good citizens.

The majority of the churches in our own Association have shared in this endeavor and a number of them have done well in the effort. There are however, still a few who have not caught the vision.

May in the coming year every church in the Association adopt some sort of a plan of giving help to our orphan children. The following is suggested:

1—Let every church take an offering at Thanksgiving and send it to the Orphanage.

2—A good number of the churches in the Association should take an offering each month of the year and send it to the Treasurer at Thomasville.

3—Every church could at least take an offering each quarter and send it to the Treasurer.

4—Every Sunday School should subscribe for a few copies of the Charity and Children.

For the Committee.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

“Thy Word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee.” Psalm 119:11.

Truly the power of words is unlimited and never before in the history of the world has the written Word had so much influence as today; for never before have so many people been able to read, and never before has literature, both good and bad, been so plentiful. Today, indeed, is “the pen more powerful than the sword.” How important is it that its power for evil be obscured and overshadowed by the magnetic force of its power for good.

The literature its people are reading should be one of the first concerns of every church. They are undoubtedly reading something, for the ever active mind is forever busy with whatever is within its environment, and it is of the utmost importance that wholesome, uplifting, inspiring literature and worthwhile information be made available and desirable to counteract the enormous amount of sordid, trashy literature sold at news stands. There is great need for literature that will feed the mind, body and spirit, and in our tragic world where there is so much of hate and false power to read about, the Church must impress more diligently than ever the value of love and cooperative power in individuals and in Nations.

The people of today face changes such as have never been encountered before. How necessary and important it is that their minds be guided into the right channels, for there are many schemes set afloat by those who would undermine the efforts of those who are working for the best interests of our country. The whole world is looking to America to be led into a better way of life. The Nation will be unable to meet the challenge and accept the responsibility unless it dilligently diverts the thoughts, aims and ideals of its people at this time. In no other way can that be done as effectively as through the promotion of reading Christian Literature for our Nation needs nothing else as much as it needs Christ.

Baptists of our State can help the Nation meet the challenge by placing added emphasis upon the reading of the denominational and missionary periodicals. The Baptist who reads "The Biblical Recorder" is inspired to a higher, broader, more missionary line of thought, is prouder of his denomination and more interested in its work and more in sympathy with its aims and doctrines. The readers of Charity and Children become more kindly in their attitude towards unfortunate children. It is necessary that every Baptist acquaint himself (or herself) with the excellent mission literature that they may better know the missionary needs of the world. The magazine "Home Missions" should be read intensively that the people may first know the needs at home. "The Commission" keeps one vitally in touch with the missionary work of the world, and through the graded Mission Literature for the W. M. U. organizations one is kept well informed regarding the activities in mission fields all over the world.

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth." 2 Tim. 2:15.

"Those who study are like rice, those who do not are like straw."
(A Chinese Proverb.)

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE E. MILLER.

W. M. U. REPORT

We face now, and in the future, the most challenging opportunity for Missionary Work that has ever been known in the history of the world. Surely we cannot sit idly by and see the countless millions in darkness and sin, without doing our utmost to give the Gospel to the furthestmost parts of the earth, as well as in the homeland.

At our Associational conference in February, we had around forty in attendance. Miss Mary Currin of Raleigh led the conference in a most helpful manner and Dr. David Browning, pastor of the First Church, North Wilkesboro, brought a challenging message.

Our annual meeting which was an all day session, was held at Pleasant Home on May 26, with a good representation of the churches and four pastors present. We were fortunate to have with us Miss Katherine Abee of the Raleigh office, who spoke in a most interesting manner on all phases of the work and Miss Bertha Smith, a missionary to China, on furlough, who brought a soul-stirring message.

In July we were privileged to have in the Association for one week, Miss Ione Kemp Knight, W. M. U. Field Worker, who spoke in a number of churches. As a result of her work several new societies were organized. Among those were Mount Pleasant W. M. S., and Welcome Home W. M. S. and Y. W. A. New Hope had organized a W. M. S. just prior to her coming and she was a great help to them in getting started in their work. We also have one new R. A. organized this year at Hinshaw Street Church.

The eight churches reporting this year, reported 33 mission study classes with 200 enrolled in W. M. S. The young people reported 8 classes and 128 enrolled. We have at present eleven Woman's Missionary Societies and twenty-five Young Peoples organizations.

My record shows that we have contributed this year to all causes as follows:

Woman's Missionary Societies	\$2,181.13
Young People's Organizations	328.86

Total Amount given by all organizations	\$2,509.99
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I have written 81 letters and 32 postals and made numerous telephone calls. Number meetings held, 4.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

The following report is a summary of work for two and one half months closing August 31, 1945:

Number of churches having Vacation Bible Schools, 11; number of study courses conducted by worker, 6; number of Bible Schools assisted, 6; number of visits to churches other than above, 10; number of worship hour services conducted, 11; number of Associational meetings attended, 2; number of contacts, conferences, visits, etc., 141; number of letters written, 76; number of cards, 32; number of bulletins sent out, 182; number of tracts distributed, 182; number of miles traveled, 3322. The worker has also participated in a Mission Emphasis week in another association and in the Southwide Sunday School clinic in Nashville.

Miss Mildred Kilby assisted the worker in two Vacation Bible Schools and conducted two in the Association.

Some of the plans for the coming year are:

1.—Sunday School group training schools in October, November, and December.

2.—Mission Emphasis Week—November 18-23, 1945.

3.—Sunday School revivals conducted by the State Sunday School forces in June. Definite date will be given later.

It is recommended that we of Brushy Mountain Association cooperate fully with plans and suggestions presented by the State and Southwide forces in all phases of church activities.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MADGE LEWIS,

Associational Missionary.

REPORT OF BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE

The Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference meets at the Reins-Sturdivant Chapel on Monday after the third Sunday of each month. The usual hours are beginning at 10 o'clock, holding forth until 12:00 and convening again at 1:00 or 1:30 and holding until 3 o'clock.

The program is devoted to discussion of the pastors' problems, preaching and teaching, all of which is very helpful, especially to young pastors such as myself.

Promoted through this conference is a school held 5 days in a week some time in March (The third week this year.)

Twenty-five preachers (most of them pastors) attended this school this year.

The regular conference meeting has an average attendance of 10 for this year. These conference meetings are rich in fellowship, inspiration and information, all of which is very important to any pastor and we heartily recommend it to any preacher who may not be attending.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. POOL.

HISTORY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH

Sometime in the spring or summer of the year 1880 the Baptist brethren of this surrounding territory assembled together on the top of Berry's mountain and built a Brush Arbor in which they held religious services for some time. This mountain is located about one mile south of the Yadkin River and about seven miles west of Wilkesboro, N. C. Out of the services held in this Brush Arbor, Mount Carmel Church grew with a supposed charter membership including the following:

Ben Ashley, T. B. Hester and wife, Nathan Hester, Richard Jarvis and wife, John Kilby and wife, Michem Pardue and wife, Hamilton Joines and wife, James Satterwhite, John A. Davis, Joe Davis, John Parsons, Edmund Joines, W. A. Laxton, Jones Roberson, Charles Critcher.

The brethren of both the river side and the south side of the mountain joined in this effort. During the latter part of the year 1880 or early the following year a log church was built on the site of the Brush Arbor. The dimensions of this church were perhaps 20x30 feet. It was built of hewed logs with split benches. It was covered with boards. It was pastored by the Rev. Ben W. Ashley. Tommy B. Hester was the first Church Clerk and he served in this capacity for many years. Soon after the erection of this building, the brethren who lived on the river side of the mountain withdrew and organized and built the Shady Grove Church, which building still stands near the Yadkin River.

In 1880 Rev. W. C. Meadows was pastor for a while. In Sept. 1882 Rev. Solomon D. Barnes was pastor. He seems to have served about one month. In Oct. 1882 the church called Ance Pardue as pastor for the ensuing year.

In 1884 the Rev. Solomon D. Barnes was again called and he ac-

cepted this time. About the year 1884 or early in 1865 through the influence of Brother Tommy Hester, the brethren moved the location of the church from Berry's Mountain south to its present site on what was known as the Burke Road leading from Wilkesboro to Lenoir, now known as No. 18 highway. Here they erected a frame building perhaps 20x30 feet in size. (This building served the people as a place of worship for many years or until the year 1910 when the present building was erected. It was in this old building in the year 1891 that the Brushy Mountain Association held its first annual session with this church on which occasion the late revered George W. Green preached an outstanding sermon.)

In April 1887, the Rev. A. T. Pardue was called to pastor the church. It is presumed that Brother Pardue served the church in this capacity until August, 1891, when the church again called Solomon D. Barnes, of Boomer, as their pastor.

In April, 1893, Brother T. B. Hester made his last minutes, having served from the organization of the church to that time.

In July, 1893, I. L. Ellis was elected clerk with J. B. Hester as assistant clerk on motion of church.

Some time in 1894 Rev. W. C. Meadows was called as pastor.

In November, 1894, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw was called as pastor. He seems to have served until about Sept. 1896.

Rev. S. D. Barnes was called and served from Sept. 1896 to August, 1897.

Rev. A. H. Geodin was called as pastor, August, 1897.

Rev. W. R. Beach was called as pastor December, 1898.

Mount Carmel Church seems to have organized its first Sunday School in April, 1899. I. L. Ellis was elected Sunday School Superintendent.

In April, 1901, the Sunday School was reorganized and Brother Rufus McNeill was appointed Superintendent.

It seems as if Rev. O. A. Keller was called as pastor about this time.

On the fourth Sunday in May, 1901, I. L. Ellis resigned as clerk and W. J. Robertson was elected clerk. W. J. Roberson was Superintendent of Sunday School and S. G. Stout, Assistant Superintendent.

In October, 1901, Rev. A. J. Pardue was called as pastor.

In October, 1902, the church began to show an interest in Missions and from then on it was a definite work of the church.

In September, 1904, Rev. J. G. Weatherman was called as pastor.

In October, 1905, T. E. Redmon was called as pastor. W. Z. Hester was elected Clerk in January, 1906.

Some time in the fall of 1908 Rev. T. E. Redmon was recalled as pastor.

In 1910 the present building was built. Rev. S. D. Barnes acted as Moderator and J. T. Rogers was elected clerk.

The Association again, in 1912, held its annual session with this church in the present building.

Some time after January, 1913, Rev. D. C. Clanton was elected to the pastorate.

There is no record of the history of the church from 1913 to 1922.

In August, 1922, Brother J. S. Isaacs was elected clerk of the church to succeed J. T. Rogers.

There is no minutes record available from Feb., 1923, to Sept. 18, 1927, at which date Rev. I. C. Woodruff was pastor and Janie McNeill was clerk.

In the latter part of the year 1928 Rev. Alford J. Foster was called as pastor.

In January, 1933, Rev. Isaac Watts was elected pastor. In March, 1933, Cecil C. Rogers was elected clerk.

In February, 1934, Rev. H. A. Bullis was called as pastor. E. W. Walker was elected clerk.

In March, 1935, Ernest Pearson was church clerk. In September, 1935, Mrs. Grace Lovette was elected clerk. In October, 1935, E. W. Walker served as clerk. He received assistance from W. H. Houck, who was elected as clerk pro tem on October 3, 1937.

In March, 1938, Brother E. W. Walker was set aside and ordained as a minister of the Gospel.

In 1937 Rev D. C. Clanton returned as pastor after an absence of several years. Rev. Clanton died in 1941 while he was still pastor of the church. He was succeeded by Rev. Ed. Hayes, who served several months and then resigned in favor of.....Pruitt. Brother Pruitt served about five months and he resigned in favor of.....Jones, who served out the remainder of the year and was re-elected as pastor for the following year.

James Arthur Miller was ordained by the church as minister Sept. 1939.

In August, 1943, Rev. Iredell Osborne was called as pastor. He served two years with W. H. Houck as clerk.

In 1944-45 Mount Carmel Church remodelled the church, painting inside and out, re-arranging the lights, underpinning the church, building new steps at the entrance, grading the yard and rocking driveway, at the cost of \$811.00, which amount was raised and cost paid in full. The size of this building is 38x56 feet.

In August, 1945, Rev. S. I. Watts was elected pastor. I. J. Lovette, Sr., clerk.

I. J. LOVETTE, SR.

COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Place: Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

Time: Same Time—Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September.

Preacher: Dr. David E. Browning. Alternate: Rev. A. W. Eller.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, your nominating committee, recommend the following for another year:

Moderator, T. E. Story; Vice-Moderator, Rev. C. J. Poole; Clerk & Treasurer, J. F. Jordan; Historian, Dr. H. G. Duncan; Chairman of Pomotion, Miss Madge Lewis.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. ELLER.

ORDER OF BUSINESS AND STANDING COMMITTEE

Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Associational Missionary, Dr. David E. Browning, Rev. Howard J. Ford, Rev. A. W. Eller.

REV. HOWARD J. FORD,

REV. JOHN WELLS,

DON NICHOLS, Committee.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the 72nd Session of the Brushy Mountain Association met with Mount Carmel Church, be it resolved:

First, That we express our sincere appreciation to the people of this church and community for their kind hospitality.

Second, That we extend our thanks to every one who had a part on our program and for the fine Christian messages that have been brought.

Third, That we express the appreciation of this Association to all service men and women of the various churches who helped bring peace once more to the world and we resolve to pray that such a sacrifice may never be asked of them again.

Fourth, That we commend Miss Madge Lewis, our Associational Missionary, for her work and suggest that any church which hasn't availed itself of her help will do so soon.

CHARLES J. POOLE,

MISS BERNICE GREER,

W. V. CAUDILL, Committee.

ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS

Cabinet Meeting—Tuesday after second Sunday in January, April, July and October. Cabinet is composed of the Moderator, Chairman of the Executive Committee, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational Training Union Director, Associational Superintendent of the Woman's Missionary Union, President of the Pastors' Conference, and the Missionary.

Executive Council—Tuesday after the fourth Sunday of January, April, July and October. The Council is composed of the Associational officers of the Sunday School, Training Union, and W. M. U., the Pastors, the Associational Officers and the Missionary.

Executive Committee—Tuesday after the fourth Sunday of January, April, July and October. This Committee is composed of the pastors of churches in the Association with representatives selected from the churches and the associational officers and the heads of the associational organizations. This Committee will meet in connection with the Council or immediately following or preceding its meeting.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Beaver Creek—Vestal West, Monroe Matherly, Mrs. Lily Ferguson.
- Big Ivey—Mrs. Clarinda Blackburn, Deaconess.
- Cub Creek—Mrs. John Joines.
- Edgewood—Lt. Archie Fletcher, Robert Baity.
- Elk—Mrs. Mattie McNeill Pearson.
- Fishing Creek—Joseph C. Harris, Deacon.
- Goshen—Mrs. Wiley Wells, Boyden Wells.
- Hinshaw Street—C. C. Sales, Mrs. Charlie Higgins, Mrs. George Moore.
- Lewis Fork—Grover C. Hamby, Mrs. Alice Wilson, Mrs. Mary CcNeill.
- Little Rock—Mrs. James E. Carlton.
- Mount Carmel—Mrs. Robert Wilson, Mrs. Mary Brookshire.
- Mount Pleasant—Mrs. Minnie Ferguson, Mrs. Mary Church, Mary McNeill.
- New Hope—Gordon Kilby, Raleigh Church, Mrs. Hannah Huffman, Mrs. Emma Church, R. J. McNeill, G. E. Vannoy, J. A. Elledge. Two first members killed in service of their country.
- New Hope Caldwell—Deacon John Barlow.
- North Wilkesboro First—R. N. Sanford, L. P. Phillips, C. G. Day, Mrs. A. J. Pendley, Mrs. Eva Forester, Miss Nettie Andrews.
- North Wilkesboro Second—John Anderson, Deacon, Sam Lovette, George Stone.
- Pilgrim—Charlie Smith.
- Pleasant Grove—Mrs. Minnie Nichols.
- Pleasant Home—James A. Whittington, Mrs. Lou Faw, A. L. Nichols, Mrs. C. C. Church.
- Purlear—Miss Margaret Eller.
- Walnut Grove—W. F. Lowe, E. P. Lowe.
- Welcome Home—J. F. Lankford.
- Wilkesboro—Mrs. Edith Foster Brown, Lee Hemphill, James Yates.
- Zion Hill—Hill Earp, Mrs. O. P. Steele, Mrs. R. P. Yates, Mrs. Tisha Triplett.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between

the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount, based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committee

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Sunday School Associational Leader, the Training Union Leader, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and all the pastors of churches within the Associational Superintendent, and all the pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator. A quorum shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Associational Sunday School Leader, the Associational Training Union Director, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and four pastors of the Executive Committee.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendment to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

TABLE VI—Church Property of Brushy Mountain Association for the Year Ending September, 1945

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES				Does Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rms.	Separate Class Rooms	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Amount of Insurance Carried
	CHURCHES		POST OFFICES													
Beaver Creek	J. L. Payne, Boomer	yes	1937	wood	500	1					\$6270.00		\$270.00	none		
Big Ivey	H. H. Beshears, Walsh	yes	1928	wood	200	1					1000.00		1000.00	none		
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	yes	1932	wood	350	1					1800.00		1800.00	none		
Cub Creek	I. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro	yes	1862	wood	500	1					1000.00		1000.00	none		
Edgewood	Oella Bungarner, Wilkesboro, R. 2	yes	1893	wood	300	3					2000.00		2000.00	none	\$1000.00	
Elk	S. F. Miller, Ferguson	yes	1926	wood	350	1					2000.00		2200.00	none	none	
Fishing Creek	Hubert E. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2	yes	1928	wood	600	1					4100.00		4100.00	none	2000.00	
Gordon	Walter R. Burgess, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1918	wood	300	5					6200.00		6200.00	none	4000.00	
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	yes	1916	wood	150	1					1500.00		1500.00	none	none	
Harmony	L. A. Minton, Wilkesboro	yes	1900	wood	400	1					2500.00		2500.00	none	none	
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1927	wood	400	5					4000.00		4000.00	none	1500.00	
Lewis Fork	James Triplette, Purlear	yes	1909	wood	400	1					3000.00		3000.00	none	3000.00	
Liberty Grove	Lam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1887	wood	300	2					1000.00		1000.00	none	500.00	
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	yes	1941	brick	300	9					13500.00		13500.00	none	7000.00	
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	yes	1888	wood	300	2					2500.00		2500.00	none	none	
Mount Carmel	L. J. Lovette, Sr., Moravian Falls	yes	1912	wood	500	1					3000.00		3000.00	none	none	
Mount Pleasant	E. C. Foster, Moravian Falls	yes	1876	wood	500	1					5500.00		5500.00	none	2000.00	
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnette, Hendrix	yes	1924	wood	500	1					2500.00		2500.00	none	none	
New Hope	J. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1937	brick	500	4					4500.00		4500.00	none	3000.00	
N. Hope, Caldwell	Mrs. Rena Jones, Lenoir, R. 1	yes	1941	wood	200	1					2500.00		2500.00	none	none	
N. Wilkesboro 1st	I. E. Caudill, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1910	brick	300	15					60000.00		70000.00	none	26500.00	
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Frank R. Hamm, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1936	wood	400	1					2000.00		2000.00	none	none	
Oakwoods	J. W. Hayes, N. Wilkesboro	yes	1918	wood	350	1					1000.00		1400.00	none	none	
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Buck	yes	1856	wood	300	1					1800.00		1800.00	none	none	
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, North Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	400	1					1500.00		1500.00	none	none	
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1903	wood	600	1					2000.00		2000.00	none	1500.00	
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Wilkesboro, R. 1	yes	1924	wood	400	1					1700.00		1700.00	none	none	
Shady Grove	Earl Anderson, Wilkesboro	yes	1880	wood	300	1					2000.00		2000.00	none	none	
Stony Hill	I. B. Baker, Parsonville	yes	1922	wood	300	1					1000.00		1000.00	none	none	
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	yes	1929	brick	400	5					4000.00		5000.00	none	none	
Welcome Home	Gwyn Eller, Cricket	yes	1936	wood	300	1					3000.00		3000.00	none	2000.00	
Wilkesboro	Charles C. McNeill, Wilkesboro	yes	1908	wood	300	1					1000.00		1000.00	none	none	

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary Paid This Year	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs Spent This Year	Church Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Church Use, S. S., Etc.	Help Given to Local Poor	Printing Minutes and Clerk of Association	Building Reserve Fund	Other Objects	(Local Work) Total for Church and All Its Organizations.
Beaver Creek	J. L. Payne, Boomer	\$225.00		\$154.00	\$1700.00		\$44.00	\$69.96	\$16.23	\$2.00	\$2000.00	\$102.57	\$4311.61
Big Ivy	C. D. Phillips, Walsh	100.00		10.00	35.00			9.00	5.00	3.00			162.00
Boiling Springs	Turner Hufman, Purlear	116.42	\$ 2.00	38.57			10.00	17.29		2.00			186.28
Cub Creek	Will Anderson, Wilkesboro	306.27	103.00				5.00	28.91		2.00	981.43	28.00	1350.61
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	248.35		60.00			10.40	12.00		2.00			332.75
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	204.78		67.42	191.00		10.44	25.66		2.00			501.30
Fishing Creek	Hubert E. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2	556.00	100.00				53.60	58.00		3.00	220.08	36.00	1026.68
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro	668.83		231.95			154.53	70.00	85.08	4.00	480.25	42.50	1694.64
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	272.20	10.50				22.86	12.90		2.00			362.06
Harmony		570.75		40.00	72.00		70.00	32.00	25.00	3.00		17.00	829.75
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	810.09		245.53			266.50	97.44	74.12	2.00	831.09	215.87	2562.58
Lewis Fork	Mrs. W. P. Davis, Purlear	460.00	213.00				115.44	55.46	84.70	2.00	935.00	60.36	2161.26
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro	152.32	60.87				15.00	13.93		2.85			244.97
Little Rock	J. W. Anderson, Boomer	314.72		91.00	2500.00		106.60	61.30		2.00		40.00	3113.22
Moravian Falls	Mrs. Cyrus Brown, Moravian Falls	417.72		83.30	100.00	\$20.00	44.60	70.59		2.00		39.90	758.11
Mount Carmel	L. J. Lovett, St. Moravian Falls	230.94		56.36	844.70		9.60	24.25	10.00	2.00		3.34	1198.19
Mount Pleasant	A. G. Church, Champion	714.00		105.00			85.10	59.53		3.00	332.00	332.17	1622.10
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	367.75		107.66			24.25	29.63	68.29	2.00	128.50		928.14
New Hope	E. E. Hayes, Purlear	400.00	112.00				63.00	76.17	28.64	3.00	625.00		1307.81
N. Hope, Caldwell	Geo. H. Croatts, Lenoir	304.15	20.00	84.54	366.38		18.00	26.10		2.00	33.20		821.17
N. Wilkesboro 1st	C. B. Lomax, North Wilkesboro	3200.00	1480.00	380.13	342.02		1048.14	937.80		12.00	7921.40	1728.01	17049.50
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Frank R. Hamm, North Wilkesboro	56.67	25.00	30.05				16.30		2.25	17.50	9.80	177.47
Oakwoods	L. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	262.00	176.00				26.90						466.60
Pilgrim	Marcille Deal, Wilkesboro	217.32		54.47	25.10		45.09	31.53		3.00			373.61
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesboro	400.00	80.11	67.80	20.00		85.34	45.38	10.50	2.00		10.25	721.38
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro	856.00		78.88	9.84		38.70	72.64	15.85	5.00	1218.00		2251.91
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Wilkesboro, R. 1	237.00					15.00			2.00			254.00
Shady Grove	Guy Eller, Wilkesboro	205.40		35.76	103.00		9.60			2.00	100.00	167.50	723.26
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonville	156.24		73.34			9.60	27.00		3.00		8.35	270.59
Walnut Grove	Margaret Parlier, Pores Knob	526.20		294.37	41.58		65.00	69.32		2.00		87.43	1035.92
Welcome Home	Sherman Shumate, N. Wilkesboro	410.93		68.30			41.39	50.60		2.00	998.00		1571.22
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	2368.00		177.50	119.87		554.82	286.97		6.00	650.00	1525.00	5688.26
Zion Hill	Mrs. Roy Cain, Boomer	622.34		100.00			20.35	45.16		2.00	198.57	57.00	1025.30

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Peeler, Frank, Taylorsville, N. C.
Phillips, M. S., Lenoir, N. C., R. 1
Shew, Tom, Lenoir, N. C.



MINUTES
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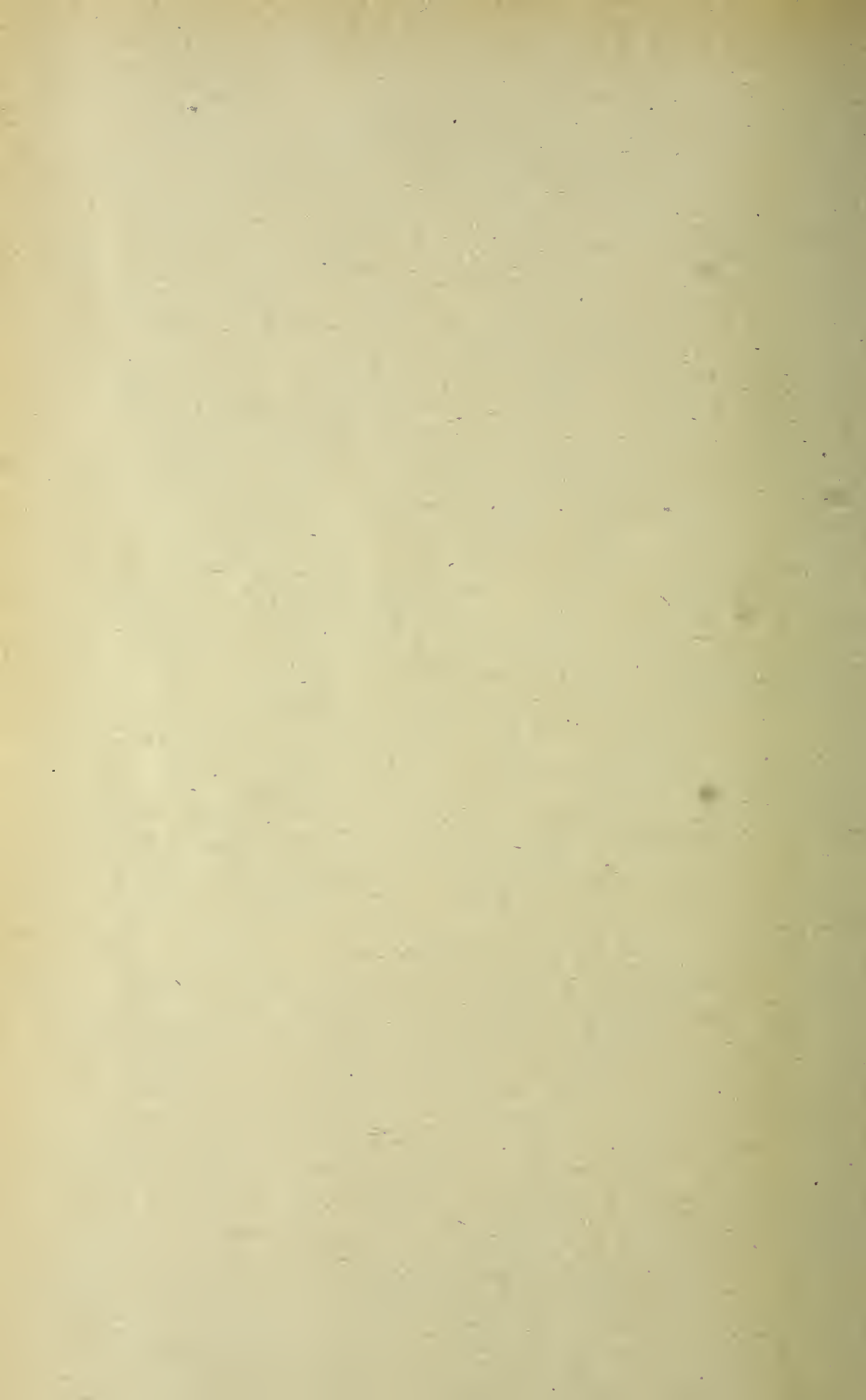
HELD WITH
Pleasant Grove Baptist Church

September 17 and 18, 1946

T. E. STORY, Moderator
J. F. JORDAN, Clerk & Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Boiling Springs Baptist Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1947.

Rev. Glenn Huffman will preach the introductory sermon. Alternate, Rev. W. S. Luck. Second day a Missionary sermon by Rev. Charlie J. Poole.



LIST OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—Parks Hayes, Wake Payne, John Payne.
Big Ivey—H. H. Beshears, C. D. Phillips, W. M. McGuire.
Boiling Springs—Turner Huffman, J. R. Eller, W. O. Huffman.
Cub Creek—J. M. Lankford, Herman I. Johnson, T. E. Cain.
Davis Memorial—Mrs. Annie L. Wood, Emmit Harris, Theodore Fairchilds.
Edgewood—Robert Edwards, Mrs. J. E. Winkler, Mrs. Asa Greene.
Elk—Dana Triplett, J. D. Edminsten, W. A. Proffit.
Fishing Creek—G. Warner Miller, Mrs. R. N. Holland, Mrs. R. B. Brooks.
Gordon—Ed Phillips, Zollie Hamby, Mrs. Addie Hamby, Garfield Cardwell, Mont Miller.
Goshen—Jesse L. Walsh, H. A. Carlton Sr., Charlie Wright Proffit.
Harmony—W. H. Minton, R. L. Lankford, H. D. Caudill.
Hinshaw Street—Hobert Deal, I. S. Baity, Rev. W. S. Luck.
Lewis Fork—James Triplett, Dock Walsh, Olin Green.
Liberty Grove—Page Hutchison, George Smith, Kermit Absher.
Little Rock—Ray Parsons, N. C. Andrews, I. J. Broyhill.
Moravian Falls—J. Earl Nichols, Irvin Eller, F. G. Brewer.
Mount Carmel—I. J. Lovette, Robert Wilson, Artie Lovette.
Mount Pleasant—Mrs. Alie Eller, Mrs. C. M. Brown, E. C. Foster, Mrs. Taft Foster, Mrs. Curtis Green.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnette, Fred Summerlin, Ivy Walker.
New Hope—Clyde Church, N. C. Church, R. J. Eller, Richard Vannoy, Hunter Church.
New Hope—Rev. M. S. Phillips, Guy Berson, Claude Jones.
North Wilkesboro First—Dr. David E. Browning, Mrs. David E. Browning, Mrs. R. T. McNiel, D. E. Elledge, Miss Lundy Hendren.
North Wilkesboro Second—Isaac White, Zera Adams, Mrs. Fannie Bentley, Mrs. A. R. Church.
Oakwoods—J. W. Hayes, I. P. Anderson, Mrs. Jim Canter.
Pilgrim—B. L. Minton, Mrs. Lizzie Shoemaker, Harold Foster.
Pleasant Grove—Willie Church, Albert Evans, W. A. Brown, Melvin Bumgarner.
Pleasant Home—W. L. Snyder, Mrs. Clate Bumgarner, Cora McNeill.
Purlear—C. C. Hayes, Joe T. Hayes, R. Don Nichols.
Shady Grove—Mrs. D. H. Green, Everett Ferguson, Hafford Baker.
Stony Hill—C. O. Parsons, J. B. Baker, G. S. McNeill.
Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, Mrs. Eula Bentley, Joel Bentley.
Welcome Home—Gwyn Eller, Monroe Snyder, Sherman Shumate, Mrs. Dick Thompson.
Wilkesboro—Charlie C. McNeill, C. A. Lowe, Mrs. O. K. Whittington.
Zion Hill—W. D. Watts, E. T. German, Mrs. E. T. German.

MINUTES

The seventy-third annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, September 17, 1946. Moderator T. E. Story, of Wilkesboro, N. C., called the Association to order and the transaction of business at 10 o'clock, A. M., and the opening hymn was, "There Is A Fountain." The opening prayer was led by Rev. Charles J. Poole, by reading 22nd verse of the 11th chapter of Matthew.

After the devotional exercise the Moderator took up the program for a short discussion of it and the adoption of it, after which a motion was made and seconded and the program was unanimously adopted by the Association.

After the adoption of the program, visitors were called for and the following responded: Ministers present—Rev. B. L. Minton, Rev. Byne Church, Rev. Iredell Osborne, Rev. Cardwell, Rev. Grant, Rev. Miller, Rev. W. S. Luck, Rev. W. N. Brookshire, Rev. Brown, Rev. John Wells, Rev. Latt Beshears, Rev. Isaac Watts, Rev. John Higgins, Rev. Phillips, Rev. W. A. Eichelberger, Rev. L. T. Younger, and the Brier Creek Association was represented by Rev. John Wells. Rev. Howard J. Ford, now from the Elkin Association.

At this time Davis Memorial Baptist Church presented themselves to join the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, and a committee was appointed as follows: Rev. John Wells, Rev. B. L. Minton and Howard I. Johnson, to make inquiry into their faith and belief as a Baptist church, and to make their report to the Association.

At this time reports were called for and responded as follows: Report on Sunday School Work, by J. F. Jordan; Report on Baptist Training Union, by Miss Lundy Hendren, and Report on Woman's Missionary Union were all read and after the reading of these reports there was a motion that they all be adopted, which motion carried favorably and all three of the reports were adopted, and followed by some interesting discussion. The Report on Pastors' Conference was called for and read by Rev. Charles J. Poole, and motion and seconded that the report be adopted.

At this time the committee on time and place was appointed and composed of the following: W. O. Barnette, Hanon Minton and Rev. Latt Beshears. Time, September 16 and 17, 1947; Place, Boiling Springs Baptist Church, and the minister to bring the annual sermon, Rev. Glenn Huffman, and on the second day a missionary sermon by Rev. Charlie J. Poole. After this report Rev. Howard J. Ford brought a stirring message to the Association on "Church and Pastoral Relationship" and used Acts 20:28; II Corinthians, 1:15, 16, and Psalm 15:14. After this message the audience joined in singing hymn, "Glory to His Name," and the annual sermon was preached by Dr. David E. Browning, who took his text from Luke 14:28,29,30. The

whole world is concerned over unfinished business, The church's founder, Jesus of Nazareth, who has just one story to tell. Jesus' story on the cross unfinished and only God can redeem our wickedness. After the sermon the audience joined in singing, "Nearer, My God, to Thee" and then dismissed in prayer for noon lunch.

At 1:15 the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing, "I Am Bound for the Promised Land." The devotional was conducted by Rev. John Wells, who took the 8th chapter of Acts. After the devotional was conducted the Moderator called for visiting ministers again, and Rev. J. C. Pipes and Rev. H. H. Crisp were present.

At this time the committee made their report on Davis Memorial Baptist Church, and the report was read and voted on, which carried favorably and the Davis Memorial Baptist Church was accepted into the Association.

Report on Education through Christian Literature by Miss Cora McNeill; motion was made and duly seconded and the report carried favorably and was followed by a discussion by Rev. W. A. Eichelberger. Christian Education in State and South, by Mrs. J. E. Spicer, and report on Missions by Miss Madge Lewis, and motion was made and seconded that both reports be adopted which carried favorably. Report on Home and Foreign Missions, by Rev. W. S. Luck, and report on Co-operative Program, by Rev. Latt Beshears, and a motion was made and seconded that both reports be adopted, which carried favorably, which was followed by an interesting discussion on both reports by Rev. J. C. Pipes, State Mission Worker. Report was given on Social Service and Civic Righteousness, which was seconded and carried favorably and an interesting discussion by Rev. E. W. Hauss: Liquor increased 110%; 1—Pass a law against it; 2—Educate in our homes, churches and schools against evil effects, also in Sunday Schools; 3—Pass a law, see it enforced and educate against it. 90% of crime comes from strong drink. Use religion on drinking, Christ comes into the life, tension is relieved.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1946

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and the audience joined in singing "How Firm A Foundation," after which the devotional was conducted by L. L. Carpenter, who took as his passage of scripture John 8:34; after the devotional the Association went into the discussion of the reports as follows:

Report on the Orphanage was read by Mrs. John Andrews, report on World Relief by Mrs. G. T. Mitchell and the report on Hospitals by Rev. Glenn Huffman. After these three reports were read there was a motion and duly seconded that all three of the reports be adopted, which carried favorably, and was followed by some interesting discussions by Dr. W. K. McGee, of Baptist Hospital, Rev. M. H. Kendall, of Mars Hill College.

Report at this time was had by the Nominating Committee and election of officers. Rev. S. I. Watts, Chairman of the committee, put

before the Association T. E. Story, Moderator, Rev. Charles J. Poole, Vice-Moderator, and J. F. Jordan Clerk of the Association for the ensuing year, which motion was seconded and carried favorably.

After the election of officers, Rev. W. N. Brookshire preached an interesting sermon to the Association, taking as his text the 41st and 42nd verses of the 1st chapter of John, and how Andrew became a soul winner after he found his Savior, and how we need evangelism in the local church. After the sermon the Association was adjourned in prayer for noon lunch.

At 1:15 the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and the devotional was conducted by Rev. W. S. Luck, who took as his scripture message Matthew 16:16.

At this time ministers were called for again, and Rev. R. A. Call, Rev. Wake Payne, Rev. Richard Young and Rev. A. J. Foster were ministers present.

Time, place and preacher: Boiling Springs Baptist Church, with Rev. Glenn Huffman preaching the annual sermon and Rev. W. S. Luck alternate. Second day, Missionary sermon by Rev. Charlie J. Poole.

The history of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church was read by Dr. H. G. Duncan, and following the reading of the history there was a motion to elect Dr. H. G. Duncan Historian of the Association for another year.

There being nothing further to come before the Association the audience stood and joined in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and was adjourned in prayer.

PROGRAM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1946

10:00—Devotional Rev. Charles Poole
10:10—Roll Call of Churches; Registration of Visitors; Introduction of New Pastors; Adoption of Program; Appointment of Committees; Time, Place and Preacher; Nomination of Officers; Resolutions; Order of Business.

I. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1. Christian Education in the Local Church

10:30— (1) Sunday School Report..... J. F. Jordan
(2) Baptist Training Union Report...Miss Lunda Hendren
(3) Woman's Missionary Union Report
Mrs. R. T. McNiel

10:45— Discussions

2. Pastoral Education in Association

11:00— (1) Conferences and Schools Report.....Rev. C. J. Poole
11:15— (2) Church and Pastoral Relationship
Rev. Howard J. Ford

11:35—Hymn

11:40—Annual Sermon Dr. David E. Browning

12:10—Noon Hour Recess

1:15—Devotional Rev. John Wells

3. Christian Education in State and South

1:25— Report Mrs. J. E. Spicer

1:30— Discussion Dr. Ralph McClain

4. Education Through Christian Literature

1:50— Report Miss Cora McNeil

1:55— Discussion Dr. L. L. Carpenter

II. MISSIONS

2:10— 1. Associational Report..... Miss Madge Lewis

2:15— 2. State Missions ReportRev. O. W. Edminsten

2:20— 3. Home & Foreign Mission Report.....Rev. W. S. Luck

2:25— 4. Cooperative Program Report.....Rev. Latt Beshears

2:30— Discussion Rev. J. Marvin Crow

2:55— Hymn

III. SOCIAL SERVICE AND CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS

3:00— Report

3:05— Discussion Rev. E. W. Hauss

3:30— Adjournment

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1946

10:00— Devotional

IV. BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS

10:10— 1. Orphanage Mrs. John Andrews

10:15— Discussion Representative from Orphanage

10:35— 2. World Relief Reports..... Mrs. G. T. Mitchell

10:40— Discussion

10:50— 3. Hospital Report Rev. Glenn Huffman

10:55— Discussion Dr. W. K. McGee

11:30— 4. Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers

11:35— Hymn

11:40— Sermon Rev. W. N. Brookshire

12:10— Noon Hour Recess

1:15— Devotional Rev. W. S. Luck

1:25— Report of Committees

1. Time, place and preacher

2. Resolutions

3. Order of business

The History of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church

Dr. H. G. Duncan

Miscellaneous

Adjournment

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The ministry of Jesus and that of the new Testament churches comprised two essential elements, teaching and preaching. The Sunday School is, therefore, the teaching service of the church. Its main object is teaching the Bible.

In the Brushy Mountain Association there are thirty-three churches, and in this territory there are approximately 22,000 people and out of this number according to figures in last year's minute, 3,844 were in Sunday School and 6,270 church members, making a total of 10,114 in all attending Sunday School and church. Where are the other 11,886 people?

Why not set a goal for next year, to have a Standard Sunday School in all thirty-three of the churches in the Association and to have at least one Vacation Bible School in all thirty-three of the churches, to teach and train, to instill truths and to call forth professions of faith and dedication.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN

REPORT ON BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Our Baptist Training Union Theme for 1946 is "Christ Above All."

The Baptist Training Union, as the name implies, is the training agency in our Baptist Churches. The more thorough our training as Christian soldiers the more earnestly we will strive to put Christ above all in our lives.

The Baptist Training Union work in our Association is not strong, but we feel we have made some progress during the past associational year. We have an active group of associational officers and a regular plan of meetings. Every quarter the Director attends the Cabinet Meeting, along with the heads of the other various organizations of our Associational work and all the Associational Baptist Training Union officers attend the Executive Committee Meeting of the Association. In these meetings general plans are made for all phases of our associational work. Then the month following these meetings there is a meeting of Training Union Leaders and Officers from all Training Union Organizations in the Association and the third month in each quarter a mass meeting, to which every Baptist church in the Association is invited to send a delegation. These meetings have been held regularly during the past year and fairly well attended.

Several of the associational officers have assisted the director and Miss Lewis, our Associational Missionary, in conducting study courses in churches where we did not have a Baptist Training Union organization. Such courses were held at Pleasant Home, Hinshaw Street, Moravian Falls and Fishing Creek Baptist Churches. As a result of these study courses Training Union organizations have been started at Pleasant Home and Hinshaw Street churches; Moravian Falls was re-organized and Fishing Creek expects to organize soon.

Only five churches in the association have Baptist Training Unions, but some others have indicated a desire to begin the work and we are hopeful that several new organizations will be begun and all existing Baptist Training Unions strengthened at the close of the week of September 29—October 4, when Mr. Harvey Gibson, our State Baptist Training Union Secretary, will bring a group of experienced State and Southwide workers to our Association to work with us for a week. Ten churches have already agreed to enter into this work and we trust that others will decide to enter yet.

Respectfully submitted,

LUNDA HENDREN.

Associational Baptist Training Union Officers

June 1946—June 1947

Director—Miss Lunda Hendren, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Associate Director—Dr. David E. Browning, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Mildred Campbell, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Chorister—Mrs. Clifton Miller, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Pianist—Mrs. Gillis Yates, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Departmental Leaders:

Adults—J. F. Jordan, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Young People—Mrs. Clate Bumgarner, Rt. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Intermediates—Mrs. Bernice Greer, Moravian Falls, N. C.

Junior—Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Story Hour—Mrs. Monroe Eller, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

REPORT OF W. M. U.

With so much being said and written these days concerning missionary opportunity, methods, and strategy, I wonder if we are thinking as much as we should on the personal presence and power of the Holy Spirit?

Missionary labors would be futile anywhere without the Holy Spirit. He convicts, regenerates, teaches and empowers. In every missionary undertaking, we must always seek His presence and power.

Using as a guide the five chief aims of Woman's Missionary Union—Prayer, Bible Study, Stewardship, Community Missions and Missionary Education of Young People, the Woman's Missionary Union in the Brushy Mountain Association has a small part in this great enterprise. However, we need a deeper conviction on the question of Stewardship. Stewardship not only of money, but of life, of opportunities, of friendships. The women and young people of the South have pledged themselves to give \$1,200,000.00, or about one-third of the three and one-half million, for World Relief. To date only a small amount has been given in this Association, but by the end of September an acceptable contribution will have been made.

The annual meeting of Woman's Missionary Union was held on May 23rd, at the Hinshaw Street Church. Mrs. John Macaster, field

representative, and Mrs. Maude Hamlet, of China, brought inspirational messages. A splendid program was presented in the afternoon by a group of counsellors of Young People, under the capable leadership of Mrs. G. G. Foster.

During the summer there were 17 young people attending Girls' Auxiliary and Royal Ambassador camp.

There are 26 young people's organizations and 11 woman's missionary societies with 272 women enrolled in mission study classes.

The amount given to all causes last year was \$2,396.44.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. T. McNIEL.

REPORT ON PASTORS' CONFERENCE

We feel that the Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference, composed of the pastors and preachers of the Brushy Mountain Association and adjoining associations of Wilkes County is progressing in many ways. The enrollment has mounted as high as 29 preachers, pastors and workers. The fellowship is becoming deeper and richer among those who attend. Each minister is being definitely helped with his problems, and by an exchange of ideas and we feel that there is a friendliness and spirit of co-operation being promoted here among the pastors of the association as never before, at least not in our day.

Our annual school was held again this year five days of the third week in March, being led by Dr. J. C. Canipe, Dr. J. R. Mosely and Dr. E. N. Johnson. The entire enrollment of this school was 42 preachers and pastors, representing some 52 churches in eleven associations.

We hope that even greater things can be accomplished in the future by other preachers, pastors and workers attending and taking part in this conference.

REV. C. J. POOL.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE STATE AND SOUTH

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

The past year has been marked by many achievements in all departments of our Southern Baptist Convention. We are growing in number, giving more to the Kingdom of God, and we are enjoying more unity and harmony. The report on the Baptist colleges and seminaries is most encouraging. The restrictions on building materials have stopped all building work except for dormitories and other housing facilities; however, all of our Baptist Schools plan to expand in size when these restrictions have been lifted.

The offerings made to the Co-operative Program by the Baptist churches of our state will increase funds for our Baptist Colleges. The total for 1946 to all the colleges from the Co-operative Program will

be \$300,000. No greater challenge can come to our Baptist Colleges than that of being able to provide a high standard of Christian education at the cost within the ability of an average student who wants to attend. Our ability to meet this challenge will depend on the way we, as North Carolina Baptist, support the Co-operative Program. The total amount sought in all campaigns of all these schools is nearly \$25,000,000. While this seems a large sum we should remember that should it be provided, the combined endowments of all Southern Baptist schools would still be less than the endowment for Harvard and Yale. But we as North Carolina Baptist are very grateful to the estate holders of the Smith Reynolds Estate at Winston-Salem for endowing our largest senior college, Wake Forest, with \$10,000,000, which comes as another challenge to our State to maintain a higher educational program. This is a day of big things in higher education. Baptists must not fall behind other denominations.

In addition to the improved financial aspects of our schools many of our best faculty members are returning from service to their country to resume their positions they formerly held.

Under normal conditions our colleges are pleased to have capacity enrollments, but now all of our colleges are embarrassed by not being able to meet the demand of the student who wants to enroll. Practically all of our colleges have been forced to turn away hundreds who have asked to be enrolled. Our soldiers are coming back and desiring to attend our colleges under the G. I. Bill of Rights, but they too are being turned away due to lack of adequate personnel and financial aspects of our colleges. Everyone recognizes that conditions are not normal, but we must expect increasing demands if we are to maintain colleges under Christian influences. The Baptist are awakened to their duties and opportunities in making possible Christian education in the colleges.

The students to be enrolled for 1946-47 school term are as follows: Wake Forest, 1400, 250 of these to be young women; Meredith College, 600; Mars Hill, 800; Campbell, 500; and Wingate, 300. Our seminaries and the Woman's Missionary Training School have the largest enrollment in their history. They are crowded to capacity, with 2300 enrolled.

Within the past fifty years Southern Baptist have moved up to a place of front rank in Christian life in America. We have nearly 6,000,000 members, more than 26,000 churches and a program directed by a large number of trained Christian leaders. We stand on the threshold of a new day, offering opportunities for conquest and service. To measure up to our opportunities we must have leaders. Leaders come only from our schools. What we do with and for our schools will determine our future.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. E. SPICER.

EDUCATION THROUGH CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

"Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge." Proverbs 22:12.

Speaking for the Baptists as a whole, we believe that so-called education without Christ first in our lives is dangerous to a people or a nation. All true education must come from the Giver of life. Being educated means a great deal more than the assimilation of facts.

The great Masterpiece of Christian Literature is the Bible. It has stood every test all down through the ages, hence it is not on trial.

By reading and studying the Bible we find the unfolding story of God's wonders in the earth and we are led from darkness into light.

The Bible contains history, prophecy, biography, poetry, and romance. Someone has wisely said "It contains the mind of God, the state of man, the way of salvation, and the doom of the sinner. Its precepts are holy, its history is true, its decisions are immutable.

It is the traveller's map, the soldier's armour, the pilot's staff. We should read it to be wise, believe it to be safe, and practice it to be holy. It is given us in life, it will be our pillow in death, it will be opened in judgment, it will be remembered forever."

Literature is so inclusive. We rarely think of the screen as belonging in this category, and yet what a great influence it has on the minds of our young people. If it were possible to have the reading matter and the movies censored as they should be, what a difference we should see in the rising generation.

Every home should have a supply of good books and magazines. Good reading matter develops strong minds, pure thoughts, and is daily food for character building. It will develop a spirit of unity among our people.

No one should be uninformed with the abundance of Christian Literature published by our Baptist denomination. There is a chance on every hand for the development and growth of the intellectual and the spiritual life.

Getting young people to read Christian Literature is a problem that confronts us, but if it is kept before them perhaps they will "first, endure, then pity, then embrace."

To be well informed concerning the work and progress of the Baptist denomination every home should get a copy each week of our Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children, with several other periodicals published by our denomination.

The circulation of the Biblical Recorder is increasing at a rapid rate, an increase of 5000 in the last twelve months, which shows that we are becoming more conscious of the value of this paper. The subscription plans are very easy, \$2.00 a year for single subscriptions and \$1.50 in clubs of three or more, or \$1.20 for the every family plan.

Charity and Children, published by the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, is a splendid little paper for adults and children. The

Sunday School Builder is a very interesting and helpful magazine. A copy should be in the hands of every Sunday School superintendent and teacher.

If we would put on a campaign for more Christian Literature in the homes of more people perhaps we would be lighting a candle, one that would never go out.

MISS CORA McNEILL.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

The Lord has been gracious to us during the past year. In the fall 27 churches cooperated in the Missions Emphasis week. Also in the fall six group Sunday School study courses were held with representatives from fifteen churches participating. In the spring two group Vacation Bible School conferences were conducted and one association-wide. Eighteen churches cooperated in the simultaneous association-wide Sunday School enlargement campaign in June. Fourteen churches held Vacation Bible Schools.

The associational officers of the Training Union, Sunday School, Woman's Missionary Union, together with the pastors and other workers in the churches made possible by their fine cooperation and assistance the foregoing report and the one following.

The following is a summary of work of the associational worker for the year September 1, 1945, to August 31, 1946:

No. churches visited, 33; No. visits to churches, 105; No. visits in homes, 158; No. study courses taught: Training Union, 4; Sunday School, 10; W. M. U., 1, total 15; No. V. B. S. assisted in as a faculty member, 4; No. Conferences led, 8; No. worship hours led, 9; No. prayer meeting talks, 7; No. talks other than above, 22; S. S. classes taught, 3; assisted in one S. S. enlargement campaign and one Training Union enlargement campaign; No. associational meetings attended, 29; No. regional or divisional meetings attended, 5; No. State meetings attended, 8; attended Southwide Better Bible Teaching Clinic and Ridgecrest; No. contacts over 358; No. Bulletins sent out, 1005; No. letters, 222; No. cards, 581; No. tracts, 605. Assisted in the organization of two Training Unions; assisted in the Divisional R. A. and G. A. camps; assisted Mr. Gilliam of the Stone Mountain Association to present Sunday School work and missions to nine churches; miles travelled, 13,394; travelling expenses, \$655.79; promotional expense, for paper, envelopes, stamps, stencils etc., \$91.76.

Some plans for the coming year are:

1. Training Union Emphasis Week—September 29-October 4.
2. Sunday School study courses in as many churches as possible this fall.
3. Group and association-wide Vacation Bible School conferences in the spring.
4. A Vacation Bible School in every church.

It is recommended that the Brushy Mountain Association co-operate

fully with plans and suggestions presented by the State and Southwide forces in all phases of church activities.

Respectfully suggested,

S. MADGE LEWIS,

Associational Worker.

REPORT ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

We, of the Missionary Baptist Faith, in a small measure, realize the importance of extending the Gospel of Christ to every possible place. We have made some progress but there is yet a great deal to be done. It is the purpose of this report to show some of the things that have been accomplished and to further show the possibilities that lie ahead.

The command has been given but not fully executed. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." These are the words of Jesus. Could we have any greater reason for our missionary work?

New workers have been added to the Home Mission Board. In addition to these workers, the Home Mission Board has inaugurated a new gospel broadcast which began the first Sunday in January and thus began a weekly broadcast over twenty stations.

In 1945 the Home Mission Board receipts showed an increase over the 1944 receipts, of 25%, or about \$293,000.00. This increase, together with the fact that the Home debt is out of the way made possible a healthy expansion of the work of Home Missions.

In 1945 there were held in the Southern Baptist Convention, a total of 10,222 Vacation Bible Schools, an increase from the year 1935 of over 9,000 schools. Out of these schools in 1945, there were more than 23,500 professions of faith.

Of the 46,000,000 people in the Southland, 25,000,000 are unchurched and more than 20,000,000 are passed the age of accountability. The Home Mission Board is endeavoring to increase emphasis on evangelism and now need 81 new workers and \$900,000 for building and equipment to bring its present work up to standard.

As to Foreign Missions here are some facts:

For every one that goes abroad 10,000 stay at home. For every Christian the world has 3 pagans. Out of 63 nations in the world we serve 19. Baptist churches at home outnumber those abroad 9 to 1. For 1 teacher abroad, we have 64 at home. We spend \$28.00 on us to \$1.00 for Foreign Missions.

As to the distribution of Missionaries of Southern Baptists and Urgent Needs, we work in 7 countries of Latin America, having 225 Missionaries, needing 43 more. In Europe, the work in 5 countries is done by 11 Missionaries and the need is for 15 more. In the Middle East 6 Missionaries work in 3 countries and we need 12 more. In Africa, work is only in Nigeria with 78 Missionaries, 35 more needed.

In Asia, work is in 3 countries. China has 179, need 75 more. Japan has 10, need 15. Hawaii has 27, need 18.

Roughly speaking there are 3 Roman or Greek Catholics for each member of an evangelical church. Of all called Christians there are 37 of other faiths or each Baptist.

We must hear the command of Jesus, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Respectfully submitted,

REV. W. S. LUCK.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

"The Cooperative Program works because of what it is, and what it includes."

The Cooperative Program was adopted in 1926 out of necessity, to enlist all Southern Baptist people in the systematic support of all the work of the denomination. It is our understanding of the great program Christ gave to his church, (Matt. 28:19-20 THE REVISED STANDARD VERSION) "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." With all the churches giving to the Cooperative Program, they are giving to all the cooperative work of our denomination. The money goes into the treasury of the State Convention. Here it is divided into two branches. One branch includes, State Missions, Hospital, and Colleges. The other branch goes into treasury of the Southern Convention, and it is divided here into Foreign Missions, Home Missions, Seminaries, Hospital, and Aged Ministers' Relief. Then if this is true the Cooperative Program is a world wide program. "It lays the claim of Christ upon all his forces. It seeks to reach all our churches and all our people in the support of all our work." There is no reason why the Cooperative Program should not be supported by all Missionary Baptists. I think we can truthfully say that the reason it is not supported by some of our people is because they are not Missionary Baptists. We live in a world of growing need. Meager offerings of bygone yesterdays will not touch the surface of a world going headlong into destruction. So I challenge you as a people who is supposed to LOVE GOD to open our hearts, minds, and pocket-books to the greatest cause and work ever given to man. Let us remember that we give **through** the Cooperative Program and not **to** it. There is no greater plan maintained by Baptist believers to reach every unbeliever with the new testament message of redemption. To pray thy kingdom come and not give is mockery.

Respectfully submitted,

LATT BESHEARS.

SOCIAL SERVICE AND CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS

We definitely believe that: "Righteousness exalteth a Nation but sin is a reproach to any people."

Today we face as never before the evil spirit of lawlessness and the powers of sin as they sweep over the whole world.

We believe that the Christian people in America have a task in warning the people of evil conditions and pointing them in the right way. Paul declared that we are ambassadors for Christ and thus we are commissioned by our Lord to make protest against unrighteousness.

The forces of impurity and unrighteousness hold sway in many high places. The tragedy is that many times impurity, in every form, has been set in high places of the city and the chief places of the State. We are shocked by the "facts against fiction" which reveal the sway of unrighteousness.

Consider the expenditures for alcoholic beverages in our country. The United States Department of Commerce has released these astounding figures: In 1944 more than seven billion dollars were spent on alcoholic beverages. That is an average of fifty-four dollars for every man, woman and child in this country. The liquor industry spends one hundred million dollars a year on advertising.

Criminal offenses have jumped ten per cent over the 1944 period according to F. B. I. reports. The crisis of color is still a national problem.

In this national and world crisis it is important to have a sober nation. Real patriotism and love for one's country cannot be built on the philosophy of "let us eat, drink and be merry."

Since there is a rising tide of drink, crime, divorce and lawlessness, we urge that our Government, Local, State and National, take those steps to curb social evils, and that professing Christian citizens of the community refrain from getting involved in the traffic of alcoholic beverages in any way, and deal with their fellowmen on the basis of respect for the worth of individual personality, as Jesus taught.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

Since 1884 the Baptist Orphanage has stood as a challenge to every Baptist in the State of North Carolina. If every one could visualize the wonderful work the orphanage is doing and the need of our support its financial problem would be solved.

Have your church adopt some definite plan of contribution. We believe that every church in this association should make an offering once a month, but if there are those who feel they can not take an offering once a month, I am sure they can take an offering every quarter or every fifth Sunday. Although your offering may be small encourage it to be larger and send it on in, because it takes pennies

to make dollars. We also want to stress the Thanksgiving offering. This can be of money, clothing, canned foods, etc.

Every Sunday School should subscribe to a few copies of *Charity and Children* as this will educate the people on the value of the work being done by the orphanage.

We find up until June, 1946, there are 6 churches in our Association that have made no contribution in any way. Although this gives us a vast majority we should strive to have every church giving regularly to this worthy cause.

Let us earnestly support the orphanage in every way possible. Those children are depending upon the support of every Baptist.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN ANDREWS.

WORLD RELIEF

When the Southern Baptist Convention held its annual meeting of this year, it voted to raise at least three and one-half million dollars for World Relief and Rehabilitation. All churches of this Convention were asked to set as a goal for this cause one-fifth of the amount given to missions and benevolent causes for the associational year ending in 1945.

The following figures came from the last issue of the *Biblical Recorder* on World Relief:

"On August 15 Southern Baptists had received \$2,089,334 on their World Relief goal of \$3,500,000. This represents 59.7 per cent of the goal. However, 68.4 per cent of the time allotted to this appeal has been used. The campaign closes October 1.

"Florida reached its goal the first week in August. Since August 15, Arizona, Texas, and New Mexico have gone over their goals.

"Unless every church presents this appeal to its members and responds generously, Southern Baptists will fail in this effort. It is anticipated that September will be the best month of the appeal and that the \$3,500,000 goal will be reached.

"North Carolina had received \$155,554, or 39.3 per cent of its goal, on August 15."

According to M. A. Huggins, General Secretary and Treasurer of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention, 800,000,000 people are said to be starving, 200 times the population of North Carolina. Fifteen cents a day, \$4.50 a month, will save a life; 3,600 it is reported die every hour. As of August 31 about 1,000 churches have responded, leaving about 1,700 that have not answered the call for help. To which group does your church belong.

It is unthinkable that North Carolina Baptists will not reach their goal of \$400,000. But there are only two more Sundays in September,

and we have a long way to go yet. Let every church and every individual have a part in this offering!

As Christians in a hungry world, we can share not only money but food, clothing, and books. In the preface to a booklet entitled, "Help! Crisis in Asia and Europe," Dr. M. T. Rankin, Executive Secretary, Foreign Mission Board, says that by coming to the aid of a famine stricken, war torn world that we may promote world peace. Peace is based on good will. Hungry people have no good will for a nation with plenty if that nation withholds its goods from those who are in want. They will have little use for any message that we have if we do not first share our food and money with them.

We can help Christian missions. The souls of men are as hungry as their bodies. We have the spiritual and personal help which people need and want, and it will be dangerous for us and the world if we let this opportunity slip away from us.

Living in the midst of abundance and plenty we are prone to become less sensitive to the needs of others. By helping this great cause, we can save ourselves from such a situation. To withhold our means may cause our compassion for human suffering to shrivel and die. As we expand our sympathies, we expand our capacity to give.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. T. MITCHELL.

HOSPITAL REPORT

The Baptist Hospital was established by our denomination for the purpose of providing hospital facilities for the sick of our State who are not financially able to pay for treatment. It was the purpose of our Baptist Brethren that this should be rendered as a great Christian Service by the entire denomination. The Hospital in cooperation with the Medical School has a staff of doctors and trained nurses capable of treating almost any condition of physical ill. Notwithstanding the recent expansion of the Hospital facilities, it is constantly overcrowded which makes it impossible to render prompt and the much needed service to all who apply.

The urgent and outstanding need of our Baptist Hospital now is the construction of the New South Wing which will provide 140 new beds so badly needed to care for those who are more seriously ill.

All of the churches except three of the Brushy Mountain Association during the past year contributed to the maintenance of the Hospital through the Mother's Day Offering or otherwise the amount of \$1,113.99.

REV. J. G. HUFFMAN.

A SHORT HISTORY OF PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

For two reasons it has been a rather difficult task to write this sketch. 1. The first minutes of this church were burned when Mr. J. G. Parsons, then church clerk, lost his home by fire. As a result of this

misfortune we have no church minutes until 1907. This first book of minutes undoubtedly contained information regarding the land, buildings, preambles of belief, organization, pastors, officers, and growth during its early years. For this information we have had to interview some of the older members. 2. Often the church minutes and the **Minutes of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association** disagree. For example the church minutes report 99 professions in 1926, while the Minutes of the Association report none.

It appears that some time prior to 1880 there was a brush arbor here where meetings were occasionally held. In that year a small group of Christians, probably not more than nine, members of Pilgrim Baptist Church, decided they wanted a church located nearer their homes. As a result Pleasant Grove Baptist Church (sometimes called Buck's Arbor) was organized in 1880. Mr. John Bumgarner gave a small plot of land, around one-half an acre. On this a small rough building was constructed. Some years later a frame building was constructed. Some years later a frame building, weatherboarded and ceiled, was erected.

The first pastor of this church was the Reverend Joseph Davis. According to my informants, he was followed by Wesley Church, James Nichols, and L. B. Murray. But according to the **Minutes of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association** the Reverend A. T. Pardue was pastor in 1893. How long any of these early pastors served, I do not know. The first church clerk is said to have been Mr. H. B. Church. He was followed by H. M. Bumgarner and G. C. Bishop. Since we have **Minutes of the Brushy Mountain Association** for the years of 1881, 1893, 1898, 1901, and 1907 only, we have no way of checking this early history. Neither do we know when this church became a member of the **Brushy Mountain Baptist Association**. It is listed as a member in 1893, not listed in 1898 nor in 1901, and listed again in 1907. The Association met here in 1922.

According to the minutes of this Association for 1907, this church then had 107 members, 43 of whom had been added by baptism that year. Rev. L. B. Murray was pastor, G. C. Bishop clerk, and J. C. Bishop superintendent of the Sunday School. In that year the church paid \$57.00 for pastor's salary, \$35.00 for building and repairs, \$2.00 for incidentals, \$3.00 for Sunday School, \$2.00 for the orphanage, and \$0.75 for minutes—a total of \$99.75. This was a little less than \$0.93 cents per member and appears small, yet only 7 of the 22 churches of this Association at that date did better.

In November 1907 Rev. L. B. Murray became pastor of this church. He served for nine years, or until September, 1916. Rev. I. C. Woodruff was elected pastor and served four years, or until September, 1920. At this time Mr. Murray began his second pastorage, which lasted for two years, or until August, 1922. On this date Rev. Melvin Michael began a three years pastorate, or until August, 1925. Mr. Murray now began his third period of service, which lasted for one year, or until July, 1926. At this time Mr. Michael began his second pastorate, which

continued for two years, or until July, 1928. On this date Mr. Woodruff began his second period of service, which lasted for three years, or until July, 1931. Rev. J. E. Hayes now became pastor and continued for ten years, or until August, 1941. Rev. R. F. Day was now elected pastor and served for four years, or until December, 1945. At this time the present pastor—Rev. Iredell Osborne—began his duties as shepherd of this flock. Thus it appears that beginning in 1907 this church has had six pastors, Mr. Murray serving twelve years; Woodruff, seven years; Michael, five years; Hayes, ten years; Day, four years; and Osborne, one year.

During this same time or from 1907, this church has had four clerks. Mr. A. P. Minton from 1907-1910; J. G. Parsons from 1910-1926, 1929-1934, or for twenty-one years; W. T. Parsons for seven years, or from 1934-1941; and the present clerk—V. M. Baker—from 1926-1928, and 1941 until the present.

The physical side of this church evidently has not been neglected. We have already mentioned the early buildings. In 1919 the church building was lengthened by twelve feet. In March, 1938, it was decided to erect a new church. Undoubtedly the members of this church are people of action; in July, or four months later we find the church building was completed, and in June, 1939, or eleven months later, dedicated. In 1940 electric lights were installed, and in 1946 the church was repaired and painted, and rest rooms built.

The interest in music is evinced by the purchase of an organ, then a piano, and the holding of a four weeks singing school in 1941. For the teaching of this school Mr. Mastin received \$100.00. About four years ago a new piano was purchased; this summer another four weeks singing school was held.

This church appears to be rather strict in discipline and to have put forth a real effort to keep itself true to Baptist principles. We find deacons being instructed in their duties and committees being appointed to look after slack members. We find members excluded for non-attendance of services, contempt to the church, drinking, cursing, disorderly conduct, leaving the Baptist faith, heresy, and the like. The years 1936-1938 saw a considerable number excluded for drinking. From 1923-1938 were very active years for the Holiness church nearby. As a result we find a rather large number of members of Pleasant Grove being excluded for leaving the Baptist faith. I take it they joined the Holiness. It is commonly said that no one is ever turned out of the church any more, but as late as 1941, we find one being excluded from this church for disorderly conduct.

Pleasant Grove Church has witnessed some remarkable revivals. In 1910, as a result of a ten-day revival, 45 were baptized and 69 added to the church. A revival in 1913 saw 32 additions. A two-weeks revival in 1926 resulted in 99 professions and 18 restorations. According to the minutes, there were out-of-state people at this revival from West Virginia, Tennessee, and Ohio. A peculiar thing happened as a result of this revival, and so far as I know, sets a precedent in Baptist

polity. A man of mixed blood made a profession and was baptized, but was not permitted to unite with the church. He was given a certificate stating that he had made a profession and had been baptized.

This church has made its contribution to the ministry. In 1910 William McNeil was licensed to preach. In 1913 T. V. Church was ordained as a minister. In 1934 Clarence Minton was licensed to preach and three years later was ordained as a minister.

Financial contributions for religious work show a fluctuating increase. For example, the pastor's salary was \$57.00 for the year of 1907, \$85.00 for 1927, \$89.39 for 1933, \$114.12 for 1940, and \$400.00 or 1945. Apparently the pastor is given certain collections rather than a stated salary. As a result there is a wide variation. The total amount contributed for all church purposes is reported as \$99.75 in 1907, \$157.71 in 1927, \$732.12 in 1937, \$381.29 in 1943, and \$721.38 in 1945. Here again is a wide fluctuation, revealing no consistent plan of contributing. Throughout the years the church has made contributions to most of the objects listed in the minutes of this Association, but here again no definite or stated policy is revealed.

In regard to membership this church appears to have gained rapidly for certain years and likewise to have declined for others. How much of this fluctuation is due to a lack of a uniform policy of reporting and how much to typographical errors, I cannot say. According to reports, it had 39 members in 1893, 111 in 1909, 187 in 1915, 294 (the highest) in 1918, 200 in 1923, 181 in 1927, 289 in 1935, 273 in 1941, 104 in 1943, and 148 in 1945. It seems strange for a church to lose 169 members in two years.

There is a wide discrepancy in the church membership and the Sunday School enrollment. For example, the church had a membership of 243 in 1931, but only 51 enrolled in Sunday School with an average attendance of only 40. In 1941, with a membership of 273, it had only 94 enrolled in Sunday School and an average attendance of 75. Thus there appears to be a woeful neglect of the Sunday School. If 93% of our church members come through the Sunday School; if only one out of every 25 make a profession after reaching 25 years of age; and if 98% of those dropping out of our churches have never been regular attendants of Sunday School, the importance of the Sunday School is apparent. It is through the Sunday School that we get our ministers, deacons, Sunday School superintendents and teachers. It is in the Sunday School where people are trained to be Christians, taught the Bible, get practice in singing, public speaking, and public prayer. To neglect this phase of church work is to cut off the feeder roots for future growth.

This church has maintained some of the old characteristics of a country church. It still has a business meeting every month, and it continues with Saturday meetings. In the latter, however, there has been some change. For many years it was on Saturday afternoon, but in 1941 the meetings were changed to Sunday night. This proving unsatisfactory, the time of meeting was changed to Saturday night.

Another characteristic is when the church has a revival not all of the money is given to the visiting minister. I think in every case the pastor has received more money than the visiting minister.

It appears to the writer that Pleasant Grove Baptist Church has made considerable progress, has demonstrated a capacity for work, and maintained fundamental requirements of Baptist polity. I recommend greater emphasis on the Sunday School and a more systematic financial policy.

DR. H. G. DUNCAN.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, our meeting in the 73rd annual session of the Brushy Mountain Association at Pleasant Grove Church, September 17 and 18, 1946, marks the end of another year's work among our 33 churches of the Association; and

Whereas, we readily observe the manifold blessings that have been showered upon us by the hands of the Lord Almighty in the abundance of temporal comforts and His continued Grace;

We would first of all bow in humble submission and confession of sin and ask His forgiveness and offer Him the gratitude of our hearts.

Secondly, we would commend the brethren of all the churches for every good that has been accomplished in each church. A number of the churches have during the year lengthened their cords and strengthened their stakes; we are all blessed because of their additional efforts and accomplishments.

Thirdly, the work of Miss Madge Lewis, our Associational Missionary, has gone forward very satisfactorily. Under her direction and supervision an Associational Sunday School Enlargement campaign was conducted in the majority of the churches of the Association with most satisfactory results. Mission Study Classes, Vacation Bible Schools and other Kingdom work have likewise been under her direction with good results. For her earnest and untiring efforts we wish to express appreciation.

The Committee wishes furthermore to express keen appreciation to the churches that have made it possible to employ Miss Lewis' services. Almost two-thirds of the churches have joined in this undertaking, some of them contributing monthly and rather liberally to make possible these services.

Fourth; we would give thanks for the return from the armed forces of our country the greater majority of our young men and women to civilian life again. Our prayer now would be that we might enlist them in our great church program of service and uplift to all men everywhere.

Fifth; We would approve of the opportunity to share in the program of our Convention to extend relief to the suffering peoples of

this world. We commend those churches that have already contributed to these funds and express the hope that every church will do so.

Sixth; We would again commit our churches and the Association to a positive stand against the sale and use of intoxicating beverages. It continues to be the most uncontrolled evil in our midst, although parading under the misnomer, Legalistic Control. We would urge our membership not to drink, neither buy nor sell that others would have it to drink.

Seventh; We express appreciation to all who have made our program possible, for the excellent reports and inspiring addresses; for the kind hospitality of the good people of the Pleasant Grove Church.

F. G. BREWER,

N. C. CHURCH,

C. W. PROFFIT,

Resolutions Committee.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

Beaver Creek—Mrs. Alice Brookshire.

Cub Creek—Mrs. J. B. Hall.

Edgewood—J. C. Johnson.

Fishing Creek—Carl P. Miller, Mrs. J. W. Pardue.

Harmony—A. B. McNeill.

Hinshaw Street—James Dockery.

Lewis Fork—J. S. Triplett.

Liberty Grove—John A. Elliott, Mrs. Ellen Grimes, R. L.
Church, Deacon.

Little Rock—Mrs. Nelia Parsons.

Mount Pleasant—J. W. West.

New Hope—C. F. Canter, Mrs. Alice Watts.

North Wilkesboro First—Mrs. M. L. Gilreath, Dr. E. M.
Hutchens, C. E. Jenkins, J. C. McNeill, Paul W.
Harvel, Sr., Rev. J. F. Fletcher, Rufus Shipwash.

North Wilkesboro Second—John Paton, Deacon.

Oakwoods—John James.

Pilgrim—M. F. Huffman, Mrs. Etta Foster, Mrs. Ida
Nichols, Mrs. Callie Nichols.

Pleasant Grove—William T. Crabb.

Pleasant Home—H. C. Kilby, Vickery Adams, Mrs. Marie
Welborn.

Walnut Grove—Mrs. Lou Lane.

Wilkesboro—Mrs. R. H. Johnson, J. S. Reins.

Zion Hill—Mrs. Nelia Laxton.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of

established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committee

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Sunday School Associational Leader, the Training Union Leader, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and all the pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator. A quorum shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Associational Sunday School Leader, the Associational Training Union Director, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and four pastors of the Executive Committee.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nominations; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the

date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendment to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES

CHURCHES

CHURCHES	ADRESSES	Cradle Roll, 3 & Under	Beginners, 4-5	Primaries, 6-8	Juniors, 9-12	Intermediates, 13-16	Young People, 17-24	Adults, 25 years Up	Extension Department	Genl & Dept. Officers	Total Enrollment, Officers, Teachers, Pupils	Average Attendance	Havel 6mm Projector?	Vacation Bible School?	What was enrollment?	Average Attendance
Beaver Creek	W. A. Payne, Boomer	8	12	15	30	12	20	25	10		127	55	no	yes	54	44
Big Ivey	T. J. Walsh, Parsonville		3	5	4	6	5	5			23	23	no			
Boiling Springs	J. A. Parsons, Purlear	15	17	16	13	17	25	42			145	35	no			
Cub Creek	Herman I. Johnson, N. Wilkesboro	3	11	7	19	13	10	51	22	2	136	65	no	no		
Davis Memorial	Theodore Fairchilds, Purlear, R. 1										40	35	no			
Edgewood	C. G. Glass, Wilkesboro, R. 2	14	11	16	19	19	14	11	23		127	44	no	yes	42	33
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny		10	10	15	15	15	15			50		no			
Fishing Creek	Carl Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	1	25	30	24	22	24	35		2	167	85	no	yes	42	36
Gordon	W. P. Carson, North Wilkesboro	5	15	25	37	35	60	18	6		177	146	no			
Goshen	Homer Carlton, Jr., Boomer	12			8						44	40	no			
Harmony	Jake Caudill, Millers Creek		15	10	15	10	25	18	1		75	40	no	no		
Hinshaw Street	Lester Gambill, North Wilkesboro	18	18	45	20	48	35	35			184	140	no	yes	85	66
Levis Fork	James Triplett, Purlear	20	27	30	30	51					128	75	no	yes	23	19
Liberty Grove	Jim Henderson, N. Wilkesboro, R. 2	12		18	13			21		2	66	44	no			
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	12	22	24	29	29	36	60			152	80	no	yes	58	50
Moravian Falls	J. Earl Nichols, Moravian Falls	7	12	30	18	13	60				140	75	no	no		
Mount Carmel	W. G. Lowe, Moravian Falls		12		24		23				59	32	no			
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear, R. 1	8	20	9	20	27	12	30		4	126	74	no	yes	100	81
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnette, Mount Zion	25	20	35	30	60				2	95	63	yes			
New Hope	Clyde Church, Purlear	17	17	17	28	37					190	124	no	yes	59	52
N. Hope, Caldwell	M. S. Phillips, Lenoir, R. 1										97	45	no	no		
N. Wilkesboro 1st	D. E. Elledge, North Wilkesboro	40	45	74	68	41	96	222	20	6	606	274	yes	no		
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Jesse Adams, North Wilkesboro										40					
Oakwoods	Edell Anderson, Wilkesboro	11	16	13	17	16	17	16	4		110	39	yes		15	
Pilgrim	B. L. Minton, Buck	12		5	10	16	22				65	35				
Pleasant Grove	J. L. Parsons, Wilkesboro, R. 1	13	13	13	13	21	27			6	100	100				
Pleasant Home	Clate Bumgarner, Wilkesboro, R. 1	9	10	22	35	35	22	75			208	125				
Purlear	D. C. Whittington, Purlear	18	6	10	25	27	54				140	61				
Shady Grove	Mrs. D. K. Green, Wilkesboro	6	8		12		20				46					
Stony Hill	C. M. Hamby, Parsonville	35		21	16		37			2	111	46	no	no		
Walnut Grove	J. M. Blevins, Wilkesboro, R. 2	15	18	15	28	37	28			7	141	99	no	no		
Welcome Home	H. R. Kendall, North Wilkesboro	28	16	20	40	50				6	154	81	no	yes	80	49
Wilkesboro	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	11	32	23	48	22	11	127	12		286	124	no	yes	65	58
Zion Hill	C. H. German, Boomer	21	16	22	35	29	23				146	85	yes	yes	55	42

TABLE VII—Gifts for Missions, Education, Orphanages, Etc., Brushy Mtn. Association, Year Ending Aug., 1946

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND ADDRESSES	Gifts to Cooperative Program or United Budget	Designated to Asso-national Missions	Designated to State Missions	Designated to Home Missions	Designated to Foreign Missions	Designated to Schools, Colleges & Seminaries	Orphanages (Cash & Estimated Value of Mide, Clothing, etc.)	Designated to Hospitals	Designated to Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Relief and Annuity, Other Objects	Total for All Missions	Grand Total of All Contributions For All Purposes
Beaver Creek	John Payne, Boomer	\$ 4.00						\$136.99	\$16.71	\$125.29	\$60.40	\$339.39	\$1434.88
Big Ivey	A. H. Beshears, Parsonville		19.60		11.60			10.18	10.18	6.00		20.18	158.28
Boiling Springs	Turner Hufman, Purlear			9.00	6.25			10.00	12.00	16.00		33.20	497.60
Cub Creek	J. M. Lankford, Wilkesboro							69.83	26.00	23.00		134.08	2009.81
Davis Memorial	Mrs. Annie L. Wood, Purlear, R. 1				5.15	5.15	8.00	72.05	17.75	5.75		5.75	2059.14
Edgewood	Miss Della Bungarner, Wilkesboro	60.45						26.69		23.75		197.45	851.54
Elk	S. F. Miller, Ferguson											26.69	355.97
Fishing Creek	G. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro	18.00	24.00	33.00	12.50	38.00		82.50	28.00	92.75		328.75	1193.56
Gordon	Walter R. Burgess, N. Wilkesboro	180.00		6.00	60.00			120.00	147.75	63.70		571.45	2833.18
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	6.00						13.00	25.00	10.00		60.00	456.85
Harmony	L. A. Minton, Wilkesboro, R. 1		33.30					20.00	28.00			81.30	812.85
Hinshaw Street	C. H. Lenderman, N. Wilkesboro	16.93			48.00			170.00	69.00	38.82		342.75	5372.25
Lewis Fork	James Triplett, Purlear	2.60	36.00					31.00	31.00	57.00		157.60	3759.41
Liberty Grove	Tam Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1							16.00	20.00			36.00	593.90
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	8.53	71.00		13.12	13.12		178.00	20.00			304.17	1324.57
Moravian Falls	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	28.16	32.00	25.56	34.82	31.72		102.36	12.31	25.25		292.18	1202.47
Mount Carmel	L. S. Lovette, Moravian Falls												
Mount Pleasant	C. M. Brown, Purlear	50.00	40.35		65.00			85.00	80.54	93.05		413.55	6185.61
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnette, Hendrix		18.00		4.83	5.00		83.08	23.18	46.06		170.15	893.65
New Hope	R. J. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	65.66	35.00	16.64	30.05	18.00		94.01	36.35	28.50		343.14	2181.60
N. Hope, Caldwell	Claude Jones, Lenoir, R. 1			11.92	11.92			13.86	10.00	11.75		59.45	452.52
N. Wilkesboro 1st	J. E. Caudill, North Wilkesboro	3199.89	163.32	85.55	131.78	434.29		663.22	111.50	382.66	45.55	5217.76	46668.44
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Frank R. Hamm, North Wilkesboro							44.32	6.13	6.00		56.45	797.95
Oakwoods	J. W. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	19.25						17.00	8.00	15.25	13.00	72.50	492.57
Pilgrim	F. O. Foster, Buck	45.21	35.85	7.00	5.00	10.00		61.89	15.05			180.00	779.89
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, Congo rd, N. W'boro		13.47					69.65	69.65	8.00	36.00	196.77	1533.24
Pleasant Home	Miss Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro	50.00	62.50	65.00	25.00	30.00		200.00	90.00	68.00	104.74	695.24	4512.68
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Wilkesboro, R. 1	27.50	17.17						21.77	19.75		86.19	590.19
Shady Grove	Miss Lapatie Green, Wilkesboro							12.00	13.00			25.00	228.00
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonville			7.00	5.00	5.00		17.50	24.52	20.00		79.12	672.81
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob, R. 1		15.00	26.25				319.58	70.00	36.00		430.83	1240.81
Welcome Home	Gwyn Eller, Cricket	36.00		1.00	45.00	4.00		16.80	25.35	3.00		137.79	1178.77
Wilkesboro	Charlie McNeill, Wilkesboro	799.54	120.00	10.16	26.35	99.83	970.40	1507.24	140.00	3.00		3926.50	44788.57

DIRECTORY FOR 1946 AND 1947

T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS DIRECTORY

Resident Pastors

Adams, Jesse, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Beshears, Latt, Champion, N. C.

Blevins, Fred, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Brown, Clate, North Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1

Browning David E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Brookshire, W. N., Wilkesboro, N. C.

Byers, Era, Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1

Call, Andrew, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Crisp, Henry H., Purlear, N. C.

Church, Bine, Purlear, N. C.

Eller, A. W., Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1

Eller, Leroy, Moravian Falls, N. C.

Eller, V. G., Purlear, N. C.

Franklin, Troy, Hays, N. C.

Foster, A. J., Boomer, N. C.

Hayes, W. N., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Higgins, John, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Hodges, E. C., Hendrix, N. C.

Heith, F. A., Purlear, N. C.

Huffman, Glenn, North Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1.

Jones, S. A., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Luck, W. S., North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Miller, James A., Moravian Falls, N. C.

Minton, B. L., Buck, N. C.

Minton, Arvil, Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1
Minton, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Nichols, James T., Wilkesboro, N. C., R. 1
Osborne, Iredell, Cricket, N. C.
Osborne, Gilbert, Cricket, N. C.
Osborne, George, Cricket, N. C.
Pruitt, A. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Pruitt, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Pruitt, Albert, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Poole, Charles J., Oakwoods, N. C.
Payne, W. A., Boomer, N. C.
Sebastian, G. W., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Walsh, T. J., Parsonville, N. C.
Watts, S. I., Boomer, N. C.
Wells, John S., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Welborn, C. S., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Wilcoxin, J. H., Summit, N. C.
Younger, L. T., New Hope, N. C.

Non-Resident Pastors

Ashley, A. C., Warrentonville, N. C.
Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.
Edminston, D. M., Boone, N. C.
Gwaltney, R. C., Statesville, N. C.
Holder, Thomas, Greensboro, N. C.
Miller, Ed. O., Mooresville, N. C.
Miller, Grant R., Kings Creek, N. C.
Peeler, B. F., Taylorsville, N. C.
Phillips, Carl, Dott, W. Va.
Phillips, M. S., Lenoir, N. C., R. 1
Shew, Tom, Lenoir, N. C.

MINUTES
OF THE
SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
SESSION
OF THE
**BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

HELD WITH
Boiling Springs Baptist Church
September 23 and 24, 1947

T. E. STORY, Moderator
J. F. JORDAN, Clerk & Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Little Rock Baptist Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1948.

Dr. John T. Wayland will preach the introductory sermon. Alternate, Rev. A. W. Eller. Second day a Missionary sermon by Rev. John Wells. Alternate, Rev. W. N. Brookshire.

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From J. F. JORDAN, CLERK, WILKESBORO, N. C.



LIST OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—C. E. Johnson, L. C. Matherly, V. T. Walsh.
Big Ivey—H. H. Beshears, Rev. T. J. Walsh, Clyde Philips.
Boiling Springs—Laura Huffman, W. O. Huffman, Norris Huffman.
Cub Creek—Woodrow Key, Herman Johnson, Claude Roop, Mrs. Tom Cain.
Davis Memorial—Emma Ferguson, Ida Harris, Emit Harris, Theodore Fairchilds, Annie Mae Harris.
Edgewood—Clifford Moore, Clarence Fletcher, Valeria Glass.
Elk—R. F. Walsh, James H. Edminsten, Dora Triplett, William Dula.
Fishing Creek—Mrs. Oma McLain, Mrs. C. P. Miller, J. W. Pardue, Mrs. M. R. Billings.
Gordon—Ed Phillips, Zollie Hamby, Mrs. Zollie Hamby.
Goshen—F. F. Bumgarner, Remus Church, Rev. John Higgins.
Harmony—L. A. Minton, Harold Hartley, W. H. Minton, Clyde Reavis, Isom Phillips.
Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, T. H. Deal, Mrs. W. E. Snow, Mrs. Wayne Vannoy.
Lewis Fork—G. M. Foster, C. H. Jones, Olin Green.
Liberty Grove—Kermit Absher, Jim Henderson, F. C. Johnson, George Smith, Page Hutchison.
Little Rock—Nora McGree, Lloyd Broyhill, Ray Parsons.
Moravian Falls—R. A. Greer, Mrs. J. C. Critcher, Mrs. A. H. Sloop.
Mount Carmel—I. J. Lovett, Robert Wilson, Worth Church, Charlie Sullivan, Odell Watts.
Mount Pleasant—Curtis Green, R. L. Walsh, Taft Foster, P. O. Church, J. C. McNeill, Rev. Latt Beshears.
Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, E. M. Triplett, Mrs. E. C. Hodges, Ivey Walker.
New Hope—Wayne Church, R. N. Vannoy, Mrs. Roby Eller.
New Hope, Caldwell—Guy Barlow, George Crofts, Oscar Dobbins.
North Wilkesboro 1st—Dr. John T. Wayland, D. E. Elledge, Miss Lunda Henden, Mrs. R. T. McNiell.
North Wilkesboro 2nd—Mrs. A. B. Church, Rev. Ralph Miller, Mrs. Ruth Johnson, Isaac White, Mrs. Fannie Hetion.
Oakwoods—I. P. Anderson, Frank Walker, Mrs. Roy Anderson, Walter Stroud.
Pilgrim—Miss Marcile Deal, Mrs. H. I. Shoemaker, Mrs. J. W. Minton.
Pleasant Grove—Thurmond Parsons, W. T. Church, Joe L. Parsons.
Pleasant Home—J. C. Whittington, Minnie McNeill, W. V. Caudill.
Purlear—Joe F. Hayes, Don Nichols, Milas Laws.
Shady Grove—Everett Ferguson, Hafford Baker.
Stony Hill—
Walnut Grove—W. A. Jennings, D. S. Broyhill, Joe J. Bentley.
Welcome Home—John Kilby, Rev. George Osborne, Leonard Michael.
Wilkesboro—Fred Shoemaker, C. C. McNeill, Clark Mayberry.
Zion Hill—Miss Jewel Green, Mrs. E. T. German, W. J. Earp.

MINUTES

The seventy-fourth annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Boiling Springs Baptist church, September 23, 1947. Moderator T. E. Story, of Wilkesboro, N. C., called the Association to order for the transaction of business at 10 o'clock, A. M., and the opening hymn sung was, "Have Thine Own Way." The devotional exercise was conducted by Rev. E. C. Hodges, by reading Isaiah 55:1-9.

After the devotional exercise the Moderator took up the program for a short discussion and the adoption of it, after which a motion was made by A. W. Eller, and seconded by E. C. Hodges, and carried favorably that the program be adopted.

At this time Rev. Grant R. Miller, Jr., pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Caldwell county, asked for a letter of dismissal from the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association to join the Caldwell Association. There was a motion to his request and seconded and voted on and carried favorably that they be granted a letter of dismissal and the Clerk was instructed to write the letter of dismissal.

At this time visitors and ministers were called for and responded as follows: Ministers present, Revs. Charlie J. Poole, L. T. Younger, W. S. Luck, J. T. Higgins, John Wells, Ralph Miller, E. C. Hodges, A. W. Eller, Dr. John T. Wayland, M. S. Phillips, Glenn Huffman, W. N. Brookshire, Grant R. Miller, Jr., Iredell Osborne, J. O. Walton, R. M. Hauss, W. N. Hayes, W. A. Eichelberger, J. A. Parsons, Latt Beshears, Avery Church, Grady H. Hamby, W. K. McGree, G. W. Sebastian making a total of 25 ministers in all.

After visitors and ministers were called for a nominating committee was appointed as follows: Rev. W. N. Brookshire, Hubert Canter, and N. C. Church, and were put before the Association for election. A motion was made and seconded that they be elected, which carried favorably.

After the electing of the nominating committee, the report on Sunday School was called for, which was read by J. F. Jordan, and after this report the report was called for on Baptist Training Union, which was read by Miss Lunda Hendren, and the report on Woman's Missionary Union was read by Mrs. G. G. Foster, after which a motion was made and seconded that all of the reports be adopted, which motion carried favorably.

The report on Pastoral education in the Association conference and schools by Rev. A. W. Eller. A motion was made, seconded and carried favorably that the report be adopted, and was followed by a discussion by Rev. W. N. Brookshire.

At this time the report on Church and Pastoral relationship was called for and was given by Rev. Avery M. Church, and after the motion and seconded and adoption of the report, an able discussion was given by him. "A church is a body of immersed team workers bringing in to the church. It is the body of Christ. Pastor is a leader,

overseer. Sunday School superintendent and teachers are under the pastor. Pray the pastor in and pray him out."

After this report and discussion the audience joined in singing, "Amazing Grace" and then the annual sermon was preached by Rev. Glenn Huffman; and he took for his text a passage of scripture from St. John. After the sermon the association was dismissed in prayer for noon hour lunch.

At 1:15, the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing Hymn 107, "Lead On, O King Eternal," and the devotional was conducted by Rev. John T. Wayland taking II Corinthians 5:14-17 as his passage of scripture. After the devotional the report on "Christian Education in State and South" by Miss Mildred Kilby, and read by Miss Canter, after which a motion was made and carried favorably that the report be adopted, and followed by an able discussion by Mr. Claude F. Gaddy, and M. H. Kendall, of Mars Hill. Present conditions of the world must be placed at the feet of the educators of our country and it is the business of our Christian colleges to integrate to Christian education. Think with the mind of Christ. Christianity is personal.

Report on Education Through Christian Literature, by James Triplett, and a motion made and carried favorably that the report be adopted. Report on Missions in the Association by Miss Madge Lewis, which motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted and carried favorably. Missions in the State, by Mrs. R. T. McNeil, motion and seconded report be adopted which carried favorably. Missions in the Home and Foreign fields, by Rev. John Wells, motion and seconded report be adopted and carried favorably.

Report on Social Service and Civic Righteousness, by J. Allie Hayes, motion made and seconded that the report be adopted and carried favorably. This report was ably discussed by Rev. R. M. Hauss. Two forces in our land—1, churches; 2, Federal Government.

In America, 70,000,000 drink; 40,000,000 above 21 drink liquor; 60,000,000 work and drink; 2 out of every 3 drink. Drink will destroy personality. Liquor works 10 times harder than churches. When Christ comes into the life, tension is relieved.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1947

The Association was called to order by the Moderator and the audience joined in singing Hymn 236, "Trust and Obey." Then the devotional was conducted by Rev. A. W. Eller, who took as his passage of scripture Jeremiah 23. After the devotional exercise the reports were called for as follows:

Report on the Orphanage, by Charles W. Proffit; after the report was read a motion and seconded and carried favorably that it be adopted. This report was followed by an interesting discussion from Rev. J. O. Walton, of Thomasville, on the Orphanage. Approximately 620 children being cared for in the two homes, at Thomasville and

Kennedy home and under Mother's Aid program. Trying to do one great work making a Christian of every one of the 620 children. They come from every conceivable condition of life or society—the facilities are crowded.

The report of World Relief by Rev. W. S. Luck; motion made, seconded and carried favorably the report be adopted. Report on Baptist Hospital, by Miss Nora McGee. A motion and seconded report be adopted which carried favorably.

This was followed by an interesting discussion by Dr. W. K. McGee. There is three grades of Baptist: 1, Good Baptist always present; 2, Hog Baptist, who stay till dinner is over, then leave with a stomach full; 3, Buzzard Baptist, not seen till some one dies, then comes flopping around and then not seen any more till another funeral. There are 250 patients in the hospital now, 25,000 people came this year, with 8,000 bed patients a year. Preaching, teaching Christ, and healing is the mission of the Hospital. It costs \$11.00 to take care of a patient all day. This includes best service by nurses, laboratory tests and enabling best medicine to be given.

Report of Nominating Committee, by Rev. W. N. Brookshire, and recommended for Moderator T. E. Story; Vice-Moderator, Charles J. Poole; Clerk, J. F. Jordan. A motion was made and seconded that all three be elected for the ensuing year, which carried favorably. After this the audience stood and joined in singing Hymn 173, "Take Time to be Holy," then a sermon was preached by Rev. Charles J. Poole, who took for a text I Kings, chapter 18, illustrated by the Prophet Elijah calling the people from the worship of Baal back to God. After the sermon the Association was adjourned in prayer for noon lunch.

At 1:15 the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing Hymn 263, "Yield Not to Temptation," and "Marching to Zion;" then the devotional was conducted by the Moderator, who took as a passage of scripture, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

At this time the committee on time and place and preacher made their report: Time, Tuesday and Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in September; place, Little Rock Baptist Church; preacher, Dr. John T. Wayland; alternate Rev. A. W. Eller; second day Rev. John Wells, alternate Rev. W. N. Brookshire.

At this time Ray Parsons, chairman of committee on resolutions, made the report and a motion was made and seconded and carried favorably that the report be adopted. After this time the committee on the "Order of Business" was appointed from the floor as follows: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Miss Madge Lewis, Dr. John T. Wayland, Rev. W. N. Brookshire and Rev. Glenn Huffman.

Report on Co-operative Program, by Rev. W. N. Brookshire, after which a motion was made and seconded that it be adopted and carried favorably. At this time the history of Boiling Springs Baptist Church was read by Dr. H. G. Duncan, and a motion and seconded that it be adopted, which carried favorably. After the adoption of the history of

Boiling Springs Baptist Church, a history of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association was read by Dr. H. G. Duncan. A motion was made by Rev. Charlie J. Pool, that the report of history be adopted and after which several interesting discussions were made Rev. Poole decided to withdraw his motion and a motion by Dr. John T. Wayland was made that it be referred to the Executive Committee, and if completed in time, to be printed in the minutes this year and if not then go over till next year, as Dr. Duncan discovered some new dates and history after the convening of the association. This motion was seconded and carried favorably.

Just before the adjourning of the association Mr. M. A. Huggins, State Baptist secretary, arrived and made a short speech on the co-operative program and missions. He told of his experiences briefly in Copenhagen, and the Baptist World Alliance, meeting there. He described the poverty stricken condition of Europe and the need for food and help to keep the people alive. He further suggested in his talk the club plan for the Biblical Recorder, and that all the churches of the association adopt the club plan of getting the Biblical Recorder. That in a club of 10 or more in each church they could get the Biblical Recorder for \$1.20 per year.

There being nothing further to come before the association after his speech the association joined in singing Hymn, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and the session was adjourned in prayer.

PROGRAM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1947

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| 10:00 | Devotional | Rev. E. C. Hodges |
| 10:10 | Roll Call of Churches; Recognition of Visitors; Introduction of New Pastors; Adoption of Program; Appointment of Committees; Time, Place and Preacher; Nomination of Officers; Resolutions; Order of Business. | |
| | I. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION | |
| | 1. Christian Education in the Local Churches | |
| 10:30 | (1) Sunday School Report | J. F. Jordan |
| | (2) Baptist Training Union Report.... | Miss Lunda Hendren |
| | (3) Woman's Missionary Union Report.... | Mrs. G. G. Foster |
| 10:45 | Discussions | |
| | 2. Pastoral Education in Association | |
| 11:00 | (1) Conferences and Schools Report..... | Rev. A. W. Eller |
| 11:15 | (2) Church and Pastoral Relationship.... | Rev. Avery Church |
| 11:35 | Hymn | |
| 11:40 | Annual Sermon | Rev. J. G. Huffman |
| 12:10 | Noon Hour Recess—Dinner on Grounds | |
| 1:15 | Devotional | Dr. John T. Wayland |

3. Christian Education in State and South

- 1:25 Report Miss Mildred Kilby
1:30 Discussion M. H. Kendall

4. Education Through Christian Literature

- 1:50 Report James Triplett
1:55 Discussion Dr. L. L. Carpenter

II. MISSIONS

- 2:10 In the Association—Report Miss Madge Lewis
2:15 In the State—Report Mrs. R. T. McNeil
2:20 In the Home and Foreign Fields—Report.....Rev. John Wells
2:25 Cooperative Program Report..... Rev. W. N. Brookshire
2:30 Discussion M. A. Huggins
2:55 Hymn

III. SOCIAL SERVICE AND CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS

- 3:00 Report J. Allie Hayes
3:05 Discussion M. A. Hauss
3:30 adjournment

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1947

- 10:00 Devotional Rev. L. T. Younger

IV. BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS

- 10:10 1. Orphanage Report Charles W. Proffit
10:15 Discussion Representative from Orphanage
10:35 2. World Relief Report Rev. W. S. Luck
10:40 Discussion
10:50 3. Hospital Report Miss Nora McGee
10:55 Discussion Dr. W. K. McGee
11:20 Report of Nominating Committee and the Election of Officers
11:30 Hymn
11:35 Sermon Rev. Charles J. Pool
12:05 Noon Hour Recess—Dinner on Grounds
1:15 Devotional Rev. Clate Brown
1:25 Report of Committees
 1. Time, place and preacher
 2. Resolutions
 3. Order of Business
1:35 History of the Boiling Springs Baptist Church and Brushy
 Mountain Baptist Association..... Dr. H. G. Duncan
Miscellaneous
Adjournment

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

The ministry of Jesus and that of the New Testament churches comprised two essential elements, teaching and preaching. The Sunday School is, therefore, the teaching service of the church.

The value of the Sunday School as recognized by one of our leaders, Dr. E. Y. Mullins, is, "The Sunday School must more and more prove a factor of power in the pastors work. Already in many churches the Sunday School is the chief and almost only hope for church growth. But whether in the family church, or the church among the masses of the great city, or country church, the Sunday School will remain the most hopeful field of evangelistic endeavor. If the writer may be permitted to bear witness to a personal experience, he would say that all things considered, the most fruitful year in fifteen of his pastoral efforts was most intimately connected with the Sunday School."

Another one of our great leaders said: "The Sunday School is one phase of church activity perhaps the most effective of all, for it deals with the inestimably important work of teaching the Scriptures to the people."

The school becomes as an agency what the church makes it. As a force for the study and teaching the word of God; as a force for the evangelizing and bringing lost sinners to the Savior; as a force for instruction and education in the mightiest things claiming the attention of men; as a force for mission operation in the worldwide sense; as a force for making Christian character in men and women; and for opening the door of usefulness on a large scale. In all these things so essential in the life and mission of the church, the Sunday School holds rank among its very first and chosen agencies.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN.

REPORT ON BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Last year we had 5 churches having Training Union organizations and we now have 12.

The high spot latter part of last year was our Associational Training Union Revival under direction of Mr. T. Harvey Gibson, our State Training Union Secretary. He and 9 other state and southwide workers worked in eight of our churches the week of September 29—October 4, 1946. There was 484 enrolled in the various classes and 197 awards requested.

Our Training Union Theme for 1947 is "The Book of Books" and the major activity has been the enlisting of Daily Bible Readers and the promotion of a Bible Emphasis Week April 4-11. A number of churches cooperated by having study courses that week, using the Bible series of study course books. All churches having a Training Union organization have had a study course during 1947, except one which was recently organized and a study course was taught by as-

sociational officers in one church which has not yet organized. This makes a total of 12 churches having study courses.

There has been a fine spirit of cooperation among the associational officers and increased interest in Training Union work in many of the churches of the association.

Training Union Officers

August 1947 - August 1948

Director—Miss Lunda Hendren, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Associate Director—Mrs. Tam Hutchinson, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Marie Eller, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Chorister—Mrs. G. T. Mitchell, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Pianist—Miss Patsy Hawkins, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Pastor Advisor—Rev. Charlie Poole, Oakwoods, N. C.
Adult Leader—Dr. John T. Wayland, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Young People's Leader—Mrs. Troy Church, Purlear, N. C.
Intermediate Leader—
Junior Leader—Miss Annie Laurie Canter, Purlear, N. C.
Story Hour Leader—Mrs. Fred Shoemaker, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Group Directors

Mrs. Roby Eller, Rt. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Turner Huffman, Purlear, N. C.
Miss Nora McGhee, Boomer, N. C.
Miss Pauline Absher, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Mrs. W. N. Brookshire, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

LUNDA HENDREN.

W. M. U. REPORT

The associational year has found the members of the W. M. U. organizations grateful for their glorious privilege of "being labourers together with God." As auxiliary to the churches of the Brushy Mountain Association we respectfully bring a brief account of our stewardship for the past year.

We have 38 organizations in 12 churches. Our financial records show that during the period September 1946 through June 1947 there has been a grand total of \$3,678.12 in gifts. Of this amount \$2,416.50 was given through the churches to the Cooperative Program. To Relief and Rehabilitation the gifts amounted to \$122.13. And for other special offerings to State, Home and Foreign Missions Orphanage and Hospital there was a total of \$1,139.52.

There has been the constant endeavor to stress missionary study and reading for there is the realization that informed people are interested people and we should know about the world which He hath set in our hearts.

Community missions—witnessing for Jesus in our own communities—is indeed the very heart of our interests. In this phase of the work the effort is made to lead each woman and young person into active service in bringing the Gospel to those nearest us.

During the year special emphasis has been placed on the stewardship teachings of Jesus with the plan to make October the climax of the effort. Here we need the help and participation of pastors and other leaders in presenting to the church at least one Stewardship Program during that month.

This past year we have been proud to have had two of our fine young women at the Southern Baptist Missionary Union Training School, Miss Mildred Kilby of Purlear and Miss Hazel Wood of North Wilkesboro. We pray God's blessing and leadership in their continued training and service.

The work of Miss Madge Lewis, our Associational Missionary, has done lasting good in strengthening the work and in enlisting support for the service W. M. U. offers. In addition to her regular duties she has served as Associational and Divisional Young Peoples' Leader.

At the annual meeting with the New Hope Woman's Missionary Society we were encouraged and inspired by the reports from the organizations and the inspirational and informative messages. It was our privilege to have, in addition to our own Associational Missionary, Miss Ruth Provence, N. C. W. M. U. Executive Secretary, Miss Vivian Newell, Missionary to Africa, and Miss Lysbeth Cox.

In looking forward to another year we pray for the active interest and support of the pastors and laymen as we pledge to our churches our full and happy cooperation to labor together to make His way known to all the earth.

MRS. GILBERT FOSTER, Superintendent.

REPORT ON WILKES BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR OF 1947

The time and place of the meetings: The meetings convened with the Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Chapel each Monday following every third Sunday.

The object of the meetings are for Bible study, fellowship, and to better fit ourselves as ministers for preaching and pastoral work in the furthering of God's kingdom.

The average attendance for the year has been twelve. Much information and inspiration has been gained. The fellowship has been of such that would not have been found elsewhere.

It was a great pleasure to have in our midst Rev. W. R. Wagoner, interim pastor of the First Baptist Church through June, July and August, of which we have these resolutions of appreciation as follow.

The number on roll for the annual school was 37. The average attendance was 25. Our ministers on program who taught us consisted of Revs. E. C. Shoe and E. C. Bumgarner of Taylorsville, N. C.,

J. C. Pipes of Asheville, R. 1, N. C., W. G. Bond of Boone, N. C., and W. N. Brookshire, of Wilkesboro, N. C.

The school of its kind was one of the best in the history of the school.

The ministers who attend the conference are sound, eager to learn, and good pastors.

We sincerely regret to know the illness of our Bro. S. I. Watts, who has been totally disabled for service through all this year, and prayerfully wish for him a speedy recovery.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. A. W. ELLER.

RESOLUTION

Whereas Bro. W. R. Wagoner, interim pastor of the First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro so graciously and faithfully gave of his time and efforts to aid and assist the Wilkes County Baptist Pastors' Conference, and to further the cause of Christ in North Wilkesboro and in Wilkes County during the three months of his stay.

And whereas Brother Wagoner through his beautiful and gracious personality gained a place in the hearts of all who knew him, and

Whereas he in his untiring efforts to contact and assist in every possible way brought honor to the Christian ministry,

We of the Wilkes County Baptist Pastors' Conference do resolve to place within the minutes of our Conference and to maintain in our hearts this Resolution of Appreciation to a humble servant of our God.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE STATE AND SOUTH

Jesus Commissioned his disciples to go, to make disciples, to baptize them, to teach and train them so that they might go and make more disciples. Jesus was a great teacher. He trained this little group of disciples whom he sent out to be teachers. Christianity is an intelligent religion, and while its appeal is to the heart, it is always to the heart through the head. Those who go forth to be Christ's representatives, as pastors and missionaries, should have the best possible preparation.

Luther Rice, one of our first two American Baptist foreign missionaries, established a school in the homeland and often referred to Christian education as the "seed corn of the kingdom." The great majority of our preachers and missionaries, and many of our greatest Baptist laymen and women are the products of our Baptist schools.

Surely all of our South should stand for Christian education. Its State Baptist schools and the seminaries and training schools should be known and loved by every boy and girl, man and woman, on its rolls. A larger percentage of our young people should be encouraged to attend these Baptist institutions of learning, and gifts of money should be sent regularly for their support. We shall do well to re-

member the sober words of Dr. George W. Truett when he said, "Wisdom shall have fled from us if we ever abandon our Baptist schools."

The reports on our Baptist Colleges and seminaries are the best this year that have ever been known in history. We are grateful that more space has been provided for teaching and new dormitories for more students to enter.

The offerings sent to the Co-operative Program by the Baptist churches of our State through June of this year were \$871,170.56. A portion of these funds will increase our Baptist colleges. Is not this a greater challenge for our churches to help more to promote Christian education.

Another challenge to our State for a better educational program is our Wake Forest College which is to be moved to Winston-Salem. The day is now here for great things through higher education. Can we as Baptist fall behind in this great program?

Yet, all of our colleges are embarrassed to have to turn away students who want to enroll. One student out of every three who applied for admission at Mars Hill College for this fall was forced to turn away. Every Baptist should recognize these conditions and demand an increase to maintain all our colleges under Christian influences.

In North Carolina we have four Junior Colleges: Campbell, Gardner Webb, Mars Hill, and Wingate; and two four-year schools, Wake Forest and Meredith.

Our weapons are invincible, intangible, but mighty, like all our resources.

There are too many poverty-stricken Christians. The riches of all creation are ours if we call upon, believe in, and rejoice over the mighty, the unseen, the eternal things that are ours. May God open our eyes to see the well in the wilderness, the Lamb which God has provided, and the unrecognized Lord and Savior, the one who constantly walks by our side.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS MILDRED KILBY.

CHURCH AND PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP

Our subject deals with the church, the pastor, and the relation of each to the other.

I. FIRST, THE LOCAL CHURCH.

(1) We recall the definition of a Baptist Church as given by the Negro preacher, Dr. T. O. Fuller: "A body of immersed believers in Christ, called out from the world by the preaching of the Gospel, associated under covenant and organized to do team work in the redemption of the world." By this definition we observe that the members of a Baptist Church are believers in Christ who have been immersed and who are organized to do team work in bringing people into the will of God. The church is a body, an organization, an insti-

tution. As a body or organization it is both divine and human. The Church is the instrument of Jesus for continuing his saving work in the world. Christ has redeemed the believers in the church and they are His people. This organization is also human; it is composed of saved human beings who are organized to do their Master's will. As an organization or institution the members should use all the intelligence and business sense that they use in any secular business or institution.

(2) As a democratic organization the method is co-operation. A Baptist Church is a little democracy. Now, in order for any democracy to function effectively, a nation or a Baptist Church, the leaders who are elected must be properly respected and followed: Titus 3:1 reads, "Put them in mind to be in subjection to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready unto every good work." And in a democracy the principle is co-operation. Observe 1 Corinthians 3:9, "We are labourers together with God." Only as members are working together can they properly expect the help of God.

II. THE PASTOR OF A BAPTIST CHURCH.

(1) The man. He is one of those immersed believers in Christ who is banded together with the other members of some local church to do team work for their Lord. He has felt deep in his hart that the Lord wants him to give all his time, influence and heart to his Lord's service in preaching and teaching. Usually at his request, occasionally at the church's suggestion, this member who has definitely felt the call of God as a preacher is ordained by his church.

(2) As a Pastor. Before he is called to a church he is like a young woman who awaits a gentleman's hand for marriage. The church should take the lead in making the proposal to him for its pastor. Usually this is done by a committee or board of deacons in a church who has prayed for direction, made full investigation, and arrived at the decision that this certain ordained preacher is the man needed by the church for pastor. In the contact this preacher is felt out to see if he would consider a call. The preacher should earnestly pray for divine leadership in this choice. The committee or board of deacons presents its recommendation to the church. The church usually votes favorably to the recommendation of a faithful, prayerful committee, and the preacher usually accepts such a call.

III. THE RELATIONSHIP OF CHURCH AND PASTOR.

(1) The pastor is the chosen leader of the church which has called him as pastor. Unless the church felt that he was capable of being its leader and called him with that understanding as pastor, the church has done itself and the preacher an injustice. The very definition of the word and the Bible meaning of the word "pastor" is a spiritual shepherd or overseer. Paul stated to the pastors in and around Ephesus, "Take heed unto yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit hath made you overseers," Acts 20:28. Much jealousy

and haranguing will be avoided when the church works together with its pastor as the under shepherd of the Lord.

(2) The relationship of the pastor and his church should further be that of confidence, love, and striving together in a mighty program for the Lord. Neither the pastor nor the church should be handicapped with the custom of an annual call. As for the pastor, it sometimes takes months before he can acquaint himself with and become so acquainted by the congregation as to do effective planning and preaching. As for the church, it is far easier to lose a good pastor than it is to find one. Mutually, therefore, for the pastor and the church, the call should be indefinite. If the church or any member desires a new pastor pray for the present pastor to be called to a better church.

In conclusion, let us think of the beautiful fruits of a co-operating, praying, working church and pastor. The lost are brought to Jesus, the hungry are fed, the sick are ministered unto, the orphan is loved, the message is winged across the seas. In the church the members are helped to grow like Jesus, joined in holy wedlock, comforted in sorrow as the church and pastor work together and work with God.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. AVERY M. CHURCH.

EDUCATION THROUGH CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

Give instruction to a wise man and he will be yet wiser; teach a just man and he will increase in learning. Proverbs 9:9.

The civilized world of today is continually seeking instruction, probing into the mysteries of nature, poring over scientific research, some to the upbuilding of civilization, some to the destruction of nations.

We read for reason of better preparing ourselves for some particular thing, or enlightenment on some subject which interests us.

Christian literature is designed to encourage Bible study, to lead to personal faith in Christ, to cultivate Christian Character; it also develops faithful workers and skilled leaders in our churches.

The Bible is the textbook of all Christian literature, and therein we find the plan of salvation which leads to eternal life. Christian literature seeks to interpret its message for all our world.

For our instruction on Baptist activities there are a number of publications.

The Biblical Recorder is a wonderful source of information of our denominational activities; it has a circulation of around 45,000, a gain of about 7,000 over last year.

Charity and Children is an interesting publication for young and old. It has news and articles of interest about the Baptist orphanage, and a children's corner that is the children's first thought each week.

The Baptist Sunday School Board publishes some sixty periodicals. They have a combined circulation of 28,986,851, with a new one this

year, Home Life, which can be had in with the Sunday School literature for about 30 cents per quarter.

To summarize, the purpose of our literature is to present Christ in breadth, radiance, magnetism, and majesty of His divine personality; to lead our people to know the truth, practice the truth, propagate the truth; and to meet the needs of the people in the churches, all the needs so far as literature is concerned; so that together we may work for the fulfillment of Christ's kingdom on the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES TRIPLETT.

REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

A brief summary of my work for the year from September 1, 1946, to August 31, 1947, as follows: Visited 34 churches; made 86 visits to churches; taught 13 study courses; assisted the State Training Union, Sunday school, and W. M. U. departments for one week each; assisted in the divisional junior Royal Ambassador and Girls' Auxiliary camp; attended one week's conference at Ridgecrest; assisted in the promotion of the simultaneous Training Union campaign in the fall with 8 churches cooperating and the spring simultaneous study courses; assisted in the promotion of the associational Vacation Bible school clinic and participated in two associational clinics; participated in 4 of the 19 Vacation Bible schools in the association and assisted 6 others; conducted 13 services in the churches; attended 25 associational meetings, 13 state meetings, and 3 divisional; wrote 329 letters and 430 cards; sent out 1455 bulletins; visited 198 homes; had 190 conferences; made numerous calls and contacts in the interest of the work; assisted in the Sunday school team visitation early in 1947, 21 churches cooperated; travelled 8624 miles.

Miss Edith Jones, summer worker, assisted in 2 Vacation Bible schools and conducted 3 others in our association.

The fine cooperation of the associational officers, pastors, church leaders and others who made the work possible is deeply appreciated. May the coming year show more progress for the Master than this and may we grow in His service from year to year.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MADGE LEWIS,

Associational Missionary.

STATE MISSION REPORT

A survey of our state reveals that economically, socially, industrially and educationally, it has advanced rapidly in the past two decades.

This rapid development has brought many advantages, but they are coupled with a great many adjustments that have been difficult. We

Baptists of the state must rediscover our responsibilities and accept them in the name of Christ.

Dr. J. B. Gambrell, renowned Baptist of other days, once spoke of the "Magnificent Sweep of the State Mission Cause." Fitting words they are for our State Mission Program strengthens every phase of our work carried on by our denomination. The actual work is carried on within the bounds of North Carolina, but its influence touches all phases of denominational activity. Our General Secretary, Mr. M. A. Huggins, leads in the program of work to enlist and teach more than 600,000 Baptists in North Carolina. Earl L. Bradley, J. C. Pipes and E. L. Spivey assist in various sections of the state in this program.

The Biblical Recorder is an effective agency in promoting State Missions.

A significant development in our work is the desire to have associational missionaries. The work promoted by these missionaries results in better trained leadership for local churches and enlarged support for all objects of the Convention. The General Board pays from 1/3 to 1/2 of the salaries of these missionaries, the remainder being paid by churches in the Association. Forty-one are employed in this field of service. Miss Madge Lewis is serving very efficiently in this Association. The State Board paid \$940.00 on her salary last year.

A significant program of Christian education is carried on under the auspices of State Missions.

The Sunday School Department with its Secretary, Mr. L. L. Morgan and his associates, endeavors to help every Sunday School become well organized, properly equipped with consecrated, well-trained teachers and officers. It seeks to improve Bible teaching and enrich lives through the practice of the Christian way of life. The primary purpose of all the program is evangelization. Vacation Bible Schools, Training Unions, Baptist Student Union work, plays a large part in this educational program. These organizations in our local churches have benefitted greatly from the help of college students and others sent out by our State Board.

Miss Edith Jones, a student at Boiling Springs, spent eight weeks in Brushy Mountain Association this summer, doing V. B. S. work. She received \$160.00 in payment from the State Board.

A fairly recent development in the educational field is the Department of Visual Education, Radio and Publicity. Visual aids are proving a valuable asset to many churches in the state.

Pastoral assistance and development of church building programs are also being promoted.

North Carolina Baptists are now developing two state assemblies, one at Fruitland in the west and Fort Fisher in the east. Already at Fruitland a ten weeks program has been held. During the winter Fruitland is used for a two-term Pastor's School. Last winter, the initial session, 134 pastors attended.

Our State Mission Board also promotes work among the patients at Black Mountain Sanatorium, Samarcaud (a correction school for girls)

and other similar institutions. Also the two predominating racial groups in our state—the Indians and Negroes. \$2,400.00 is appropriated annually to help pay salaries for several Negro state workers.

While North Carolina is far from being a Christian state, through cooperative effort, our State Mission Program is designed to make Christ regnant in North Carolina and from this base to help make Him King to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. T. McNIEL.

REPORT ON HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board has in time past, done a great job in the field of missions, but now its face is pointed toward the future. To better appreciate the activities, we may look at the vast field and work that is the responsibility of Southern Baptists, that we may see what has been and what needs to be done. Notice first:

The Field

The Field of the Home Mission Board is a widely extended one, reaching from the Atlantic seaboard to the shores of the great Pacific. This vast territory, together with Cuba, the Canal Zone, Panama and Costa Rica, comprising a population of about 50 millions of people is indeed a great field.

In this field of service there are about 30 million unchurched people, of which 25 millions are in our own country. This figure is more than twice the number of our armed forces, at the height of the war. This number of people will fill the state of Mississippi ten times; Georgia, six times; Alabama, eight times; Florida, eleven times; Texas, three times; and New Mexico, twenty times.

In this group of unchurched people in our homeland, there are 1,750,000 Mexicans; 600,000 French speaking Americans; 650,000 Italians; 250,000 Indians; 600,000 Jews; 11,000,000 Negroes; and in Panama, Cuba, and Costa Rica, at least 6,000,000, all who stand in need of the Gospel of Christ.

In the light of these stupendous figures, is it not great enough incentive, to cause Southern Baptist to rise up, band together and crusade for Christ?

There have been great things done to meet these conditions and we shall now briefly examine:

The Work

The annual report of the Home Mission Board for the year 1946 shows that, through the ministry of 750 full time missionaries and 200 summer workers from colleges and seminaries, who only worked 10 weeks in the various fields, there were added to the churches 44,873 new members. Of this number, 27,474 were reported as conversions.

With the addition of 87 new missionaries last year the total is now

920. These workers delivered 94,145 sermons, made 222,281 religious visits, and did personal work with 166,701 individuals. The missionaries distributed 19,855 Bibles and Gospels and 2,014,885 pages of tracts. At the same time more than 73,000 books were placed in the hands of the people. There were held 7,317 revivals, 12,841 mission classes were taught, 361 missions were opened, 131 new churches were organized, 36 kindergartens maintained, and 1,815 vacation Bible schools were conducted.

Even though these figures show great progress, we can readily see that, "the fields are white unto harvest," and there is yet a great work to be done.

As we further consider the responsibility of Southern Baptists we now look to the fields of FOREIGN MISSIONS.

As we consider the need for missions in all fields, it might be helpful to us if we knew something of the dire circumstances of the multitudes of the world.

We might first ask ourselves the question, "Are we Missionary?" Let us take some figures and see if this be true. Southern Baptists are 6,000,000 strong and have only 600 missionaries. Northern Baptists have 1½ million people and have 550 missionaries. Just a little calculating makes us see that we aren't **too** missionary. It takes 10,000 Southern Baptists to send **one** missionary. With the great needs of the world before us, surely we can and will do better than this.

In Nigeria there are 12,000,000 Moslems, and they are intensely missionary. Wherever he goes, the Moslem trader seeks to make converts for his religion. CAN WE AFFORD TO DO ANY LESS?

The pitiful cry for food is coming daily to us from starving people in Europe. It is depressing news indeed, to learn that more than 600,000,000 people the world over have been on the verge of starvation, or death through the lack of clothing and heat.

The Germans of Berlin are destitute. A population of more than 3,000,000 are cramped for living quarters. Tuberculosis is running rampant. In a space of five months, 5,200 new cases were reported, making about 80,000 people slowly dying from this dreadful disease. Morals are loose resulting in 25,000 cases of venereal disease. Winter will add further tragedy because of lack of clothing and food. Last winter 1,544 froze to death in bed, where they had gone to try and find warmth, and 16,000 suffered serious frostbite.

The war destroyed 9 Baptist churches in Berlin and Brandenburg and damaged six beyond repair. Outside of Berlin 122 Baptist churches were destroyed and the number of orphans cannot be counted.

Not only in Europe but the world over, there is a crying need for the ministry of the Gospel of Christ.

In China it is impossible to even think of medical attention for any appreciable number of the ailing, for there is only **one** doctor for every 40,000 people.

There are far too few telling the story of Christ to every nation, allowing thousands to die without any knowledge of the Lord and

Saviour. We account for this lack of missionaries and all types of aid to the destitute through the failure on our part to give ourselves and our means to the cause of Christ. If Southern Baptists would pay their tithe, at least 25 people who have volunteered for missionary work, would not have to be refused that privilege.

Because you gave to World Emergency Relief, the Southern Baptist Convention sent in April 1946, \$10,000 to Baptists of Hungary; \$13,000 to Italy; \$10,000 to Roumania; \$1,000 to Yugoslavia; \$10,000 to England; \$10,000 to Burma and India; \$2,000 to Denmark for packages for Hungary and Poland; \$50,000 to China; \$20,000 to American Bible Society for Bibles for Japan and Europe; \$30,000 to the Church Committee for Relief in Asia; \$25,000 to the American Friends Service Committee; \$24,000 to the Evangelical Aid Committee; and \$25,000 to the Church Committee on Overseas Relief.

Even though Southern Baptists are to be commended for this action, it is far short of what could be done, if we would follow the example of the little church of Macedonia, whom Paul said, "first gave themselves unto the Lord and then ministered unto him."

Jesus said, "Go." If we cannot go in person, then at least, let us look into our Bible and see if we can find any service for our means.

Someone has estimated the average income of Southern Baptists as \$813 per capita. If this be true, Southern Baptists, which number 6,079,305, could do great things by giving God the tithe. The tithe per capita, being \$81.30, would make available for the great work that is ours \$494,247,496.50. Think what could be done with this amount!

Millions are begging for the Bread of Life and for a drink from the Everlasting Fountain. Jesus said if we gave a drink, if we gave food, if we visited, that we were doing so unto him.

Is it not then, in the light of these things, a challenge to us to do our best for One who gave his all for us? And ample cause for us to pray:

"Oh that in me the Sacred Fire
Might now begin to glow,
Burn up the dross of base desires
And make the mountains flow.

Oh that it from heaven now would fall
And all my sins consume;
Come, Holy Ghost, for thee I call,
Burning Desire, come."

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN L. WELLS.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program grew out of a movement on the part of Southern Baptists known as the 75 million campaign which came in

1919. Before this time only a few churches sent in money regularly to the Convention. Most of the money that was sent in came from special offerings taken at different times during the year. When the 75 million campaign came on the money received from this effort was divided on a percentage basis. Thus all the objects supported by Southern Baptists were benefitted. Following the campaign we had for some time what we called the Unified Program. This was changed into the Cooperative Program in 1926, the fundamental principle being the same, just a difference in name.

The Cooperative Program is not an end within itself, it is the means to an end. That is to say, we do not give to the Cooperative Program, we give through the Cooperative Program. It is a channel through which we support every phase of the Baptist Mission Program, except associational missions and the Orphanage. Churches are being encouraged to contribute through the Cooperative Program and thus get away from taking special offerings, except for the designations called for in the regular calendar. These special days in the calendar are:

- Home and Foreign Mission Day—In March
- Hospital—Mothers Day in May
- Christian Education Day—Fourth Sunday of June
- State Missions—Fourth Sunday of October
- Orphanage—Thanksgiving Day

At the past annual meeting of the Baptist State Convention, it was decided to divide Cooperative Program receipts on a 50-50 basis as between the objects of the State Convention and the objects of the Southern Convention. This means that one-half of all the dollars given will remain in North Carolina, and one-half will be sent to the Southern Baptist Convention to be divided among the objects which it supports. When money is sent in to the Convention office marked "Cooperative Program" it is divided on a percentage basis. That percentage basis for the year 1947 is as follows:

For Objects of the State Convention		Per cent
State Missions		13
Hospital		7
Christian Education		30
		50
For Objects of the Southern Convention		Per Cent
Foreign Missions		23
Home Missions		9
Seminaries		8.5
W. M. U. Training School .....		.5
Relief and Annuity Board		7.5
Radio Committee .....		.95
Baptist Brotherhood .....		.5
Southern Baptist Hospital .....		.05
		50
Total		100%

We rejoice that there is a growing feeling on the part of our churches in the Brushy Mountain Association that the Cooperative Program is the best channel through which we can give money to support all our work. The associational minutes for 1946 showed a favorable increase over 1945. In 1945 there were 12 churches giving through the Cooperative Program. These churches gave \$4,417.57. In 1946 there were 18 churches giving through the Cooperative Program. The amount given was \$4,617.72. We believe that 1947 will show even a larger increase both in the number of churches participating and in the amount given. May our prayers be to this end.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. BROOKSHIRE.

SOCIAL SERVICE AND CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS

Social Service and Civic Righteousness, in the writer's opinion, demands and requires an active rather than a passive individual attitude. We as a Community, State, and Nation have stumbled and fallen into the the pit because of our inability to actively assume our individual responsibility for social service and for lack of a high sense of moral idealism. A race of people or a nation cannot rise higher than the sum total of the standard of righteousness of the group, and the social service to the people never exceeds a standard over and above that which a nation or nationality of people is willing to pay for, either by contribution or service, both of which are supplied by a willing and active individualism rather than the passive, wishful, individual.

The leader of the church and political subdivision of the nation, as well as the nation itself, cannot produce a higher standard of morals or render a greater social service than that which represents the sum total of the morals and responsibility of each individual that makes up the particular unit. Therefore, our standard of morals is raised or lowered by the individual effort of those that comprise the citizenship of any country.

The crisis of the world is met by a responsive and active individualism, rather than by the passive or wishful thinker.

The alleged rise in the tide of crime, divorce and lawlessness is likewise measured by individuals that passively or actively engage in those things that tend to tear down and to lower the morals of the people.

Obscene literature, immoral shows, and a general laxity of morals, along with strong drinks has in the writer's opinion, become the besetting sin of the present day.

The evil can be overcome only by an active and collective individualism, and if each individual will conscientiously do his part, he will render a social service which will raise the civic righteousness and exalt the nation.

J. ALLIE HAYES.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

Practically all the Baptists in North Carolina have contributed in one way or another to our Baptist Orphanage and therefore own stock in the institution yet it is surprising how few of them are concerned about the finished products that the institution puts out.

Business men who have invested money into other enterprises or who are considering buying stock in a business study carefully and regularly the reports of these concerns and can nearly always decide whether they can safely invest their money in these businesses. A large majority of the Baptists in this state, and other states as well, I suppose, when contributing to the Orphanage, do so with more or less reluctance and, seemingly, think their money or whatever they gave gone forever and give very little thought to the amount of good that they have done.

The greatest fault with most of our church members concerning the Baptist Orphanage is their failure to read the reports sent out about it and therefore know nothing of what their contributions have done. *Charity and Children* is the official organ of the Orphanage and gives regular reports of what the churches in the various associations are contributing as well as listing individual contributions. I don't know what the present subscription number is but I am sure it could and should be raised over one hundred per cent. Most all of the churches subscribe to *Charity and Children* in clubs but the amount of subscribers in each club should be increased. This increase would give training in the newspaper field to more of the boys and girls of the Orphanage and would prepare them for employment when they leave the Orphanage. Let each church encourage their members to read *Charity and Children* and there will be more interest among the members toward their Orphanage.

Last year the Orphanage cared for seven hundred children; sixty of these were cared for in boarding homes and fifty by Mothers Aid. Case work service was made available to 1107 children. This was made possible through loyalty of the Baptist denomination and other friends who month by month and at Thanksgiving time give to the support of these children in keeping with the will of the master. Year after year we are more conscious that the method of supporting the Orphanage through once a month and Thanksgiving offerings is a wise Christian policy. In addition to cash offerings the Orphanage can at all times use canned goods and other commodities needed for the daily support of a large family.

Once more let us pledge our support to this institution that is dedicated to the one task of making strong, clean, Christian men and women out of boys and girls under its care.

Respectfully submitted.

C. W. PROFFIT.

REPORT ON WORLD RELIEF

Familiar to all of us who pause to look, listen, and think along the way of life today, is the crying need throughout the world. The seething turmoil of confusion and unrest, nation-wide and world-wide, is a challenge that falls first to the door of our church. It comes to every individual in our land.

Because Southern Baptists are always concerned about all the world's needs, we have already the instruments for carrying out every part of Christ's commission. Therefore, we do not so much need special organizations, as we do special effort on the part of the pastors, people, Sunday Schools, and missionary societies to reach the goals of 1947. Beyond question, if our people are informed, our forces organized, and the appeal is made to the last church in our Convention, the greatly enlarged goal for 1947 can be reached.

Desperate widespread human need and the deeply sensed Christian obligation to meet the need, brought about an integration of Protestant Christian relief efforts in America. Since 1944, forty-one major denominations have been cooperating in the material relief in Asia, through the "Church Committee for Relief in Asia."

Now, through the merging of the "Church Committee for Relief in Asia", and the "Church Committee on Overseas Relief and Reconstruction," into one organization, under the title "Church World Service," a channel is open for our cooperative Christian material aid to reach the needy areas of both Asia and Europe. Eight United Church Service Centers have been opened in American cities to receive the material gathered by the churches. The newest center is in St. Louis, Mo. There is a close consultation and cooperation between both Northern and Southern Baptists and World Alliance Relief committees.

No part of the world is changing more rapidly than Africa. During World War II, the allied forces gained first hand acquaintance with the possibilities in that continent, many of which hitherto had been largely unknown. Transportation facilities have been multiplied and there are comparatively few inaccessible communities. Students from Africa are enrolling in the leading colleges and universities of Britain and America. Approximately 1,600 qualified African students are taking university and technical training. Nowhere in the world is there greater need for Christian education in training the leaders of a people, than on this continent. Dropping Christian religion out of education would be the greatest tragedy that could happen to Africa. If the Christian Mission forces will accept this challenge and come to grips with these tremendous tasks in the Power and Spirit of our Lord and Savior, we shall witness greater triumphs of the Gospel in this field.

One of the most significant announcements that has come to us in recent months from Japan, is the report of the organization of the Japan Baptist Convention. This report states that 16 Baptist Churches and three schools joined in the constitution of the Convention.

Beyond question the need for world relief, both physical and spiritual, is one of tremendous proportions. We may thank our God that Southern Baptists have, in a small measure at least, become conscious of this great need. There have been many valient efforts made to alleviate this suffering.

The W. M. U. Conference at Ridgecrest, raised the sum of \$1,705 for this purpose and it is to be administered through the Foreign Mission Board.

The entire Southern Baptist Convention and other Christian Denominations are meeting the needs of the world through the solicitation of bundles, containing clothing and other necessities, and administering this relief through various organizations.

God calls, an impoverished world begs, doors are open today that may be closed tomorrow. All of this should compel Southern Baptists to hear again the words of Jesus,

“For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison and ye came unto me.” Matt. 25:35-36. Respectfully submitted,

W. S. LUCK.

HOSPITAL REPORT

A mother from one of our Baptist churches was hurried to our Baptist Hospital. Local doctors had done their best and said she could not live unless she got other help right away. She had been sick for a year and had just spent six weeks in another hospital. She had been able to have her five months old baby with her only two weeks since he was born. Her stay in our Hospital was long and expensive, costing over \$1,200.00 though she was a service patient and there was no charge for all the work of the doctors. But there she was cared for by highly skilled physicians using the latest drugs and the best known methods of medical care.

Her family is almost without means and able to meet only a portion of this large bill. The churches of this association, through our Mother's Day offerings, helped to provide for her hospital care. Because we gave on Mother's Day she was given a chance and recently went back home to care for her baby.

What we did for this mother, we are doing in larger or smaller measure for thousands of others throughout North Carolina who are sick and have little money. The past twelve months have been the most crowded year our Baptist Hospital has ever known. Its ministry has gone to more people than ever before.

North Carolina Baptists have voted to enlarge our Hospital. Interested friends have said we are ready to help Baptists do this. Now we are looking forward to a much larger and more modern plant on the beautiful hundred-acre Gray estate in Winston-Salem where this ministry of healing in the name of Christ can be multiplied.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS NORA McGEE.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, our meeting in the 74th annual session of the Brushy Mountain Association at Boiling Springs Church, September 23 and 24, 1947, marks the end of another year's work among our 34 churches of the association; and

Whereas, we are able to say again as we have so often in the past that our cup runs over with manifold blessings both temporal and Spiritual which have come to us from a mighty and yet a gracious loving Father; we would in all humility say,

First, we would humbly bow in submission and confession, thanking God for his goodness unto us and asking his forgiveness for our many sins of the past year, both of omission and of commission.

Second, we would thank God for every improvement and every step of progress that has been made in the various churches, and we share our commendation to the brethren of those churches for their diligence and earnest efforts to do God's will in their respective places, in trying to improve their work.

Third, we commend the work of Miss Madge Lewis, our Associational Missionary which has now become an important part of the program of most of the churches of the Association. We urge that every church avail itself of her services and that all make some sort of regular contribution to continue her service to the churches. The committee wishes especially to express appreciation and thanks to those churches which have made contributions throughout the year, which together with a supplement from the State Convention have enabled our Executive Committee to employ Miss Lewis.

Fourth, we commend to our people and our churches the idea which is now much before our Baptist people that every Baptist give a tithe of his income during the last three months of this calendar year to his church or to the promotion of Christ's cause.

Fifth, we believe, as we survey the hunger and the suffering of the world that we would not be good Christians, not even good Baptists, if we do not from time to time share of our bounties to relieve that suffering, and we urge that our Baptist leaders shall keep the churches informed of any united plans that may be promulgated for world relief through our denomination.

Sixth, we continue to assert our interest in the matter of Temperance. As we observe on every hand, locally and throughout our entire country, the fearful increase in the use of wines, beers and other intoxicating liquors, we are forced to the conclusion that church people have been asleep at the switch. Legalistic Control has not lessened the use of liquor, but has allowed it to dress up and occupy the best business corners of the towns and to become the big business of each community.

Seventh, the Committee wishes to express the appreciation of the Association to the fine people of Boiling Springs church and community for the fine hospitality shown and the delectable food furnished and for

every thought and effort made to give our body a happy stay while in their midst.

And too, we would express appreciation to the Program Committee for the excellent program arranged, and for the informing reports and for the challenging speeches and addresses and the uplifting and inspiring sermons to which we have listened.

W. S. LUCK,
RAY PARSONS,
FLORENCE E. MILLER,
Committee.

A SHORT HISTORY OF BOILING SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

The Boiling Springs Baptist Church is comparatively young, and the minutes are brief. It appears that the Rev. J. A. Parsons started a Sunday afternoon Sunday School in a school building, and after some three years, or on July 10, 1932, this church was organized.

At the organization the Rev. J. E. Hayes was elected chairman and Deacon B. F. Huffman was chosen clerk. The Revs. G. W. Sebastian, B. L. Minton, and J. A. Parsons were present. There were eighteen charter members, most of whom seem to have come from Pilgrim and Mount Pleasant churches. Two—the Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Sebastian—were from the First Baptist Church of North Wilkesboro. They, however, asked for their letters three months later. At the organization the church covenant was drawn up and adopted, and the church was pronounced a missionary Baptist church, orthodox, and according to New Testament standards. The Rev. G. W. Sebastian was elected pastor and B. F. Huffman was chosen clerk. The Rev. J. A. Parsons, J. P. Eller, B. S. Cardwell, and B. T. Huffman were chosen as trustees.

This church has had four pastors. The Rev. G. W. Sebastian served from the beginning until March 24, 1935, and again from August 9, 1942 until September 1, 1946. The Rev. J. E. Hayes was pastor from April 10, 1935 until September 2, 1941. The Rev. Glenn Huffman served from September 2, 1941 until August 9, 1942. The present pastor—the Rev. A. W. Eller—was elected September 1, 1946. Mr. B. F. Huffman was clerk and treasurer from the beginning until November 6, 1938. The present clerk—Turner Huffman—has served since that date.

Apparently the congregation met in and later purchased an abandoned school house. Some remodeling and enlarging of the building has been done, but the minutes tell us nothing about the building. A building committee was appointed March 12, 1933, but there is no record of what it did. We are told that the building was wired in 1940, and a piano was purchased in 1945.

From a financial standpoint the church seems to be rather poor. The monthly collections have generally been small, but there appears to have been a steady improvement. In 1946 this church paid its pastor \$122.39 and thus ranked third from the bottom of churches in

this association. It has contributed rather liberally to associational, home, and foreign missions, the orphanage, hospital, and to the Red Cross. In 1946 it contributed \$497.60 to all purposes, and thereby ranked seventh from the bottom for churches in this association.

The church membership had increased to 102 in 1946. There were 145 enrolled in Sunday School with an average attendance of 35.. Apparently the church has tried to improve the spiritual life of its members. Several times committees were appointed to look after disorderly members. Some of these were restored and several withdrew by their own request. Revivals have been held each year and some of these resulted in several additions to the church by baptism. For example, seven were received by baptism in 1944, eight in 1945, and ten in 1946. On September 2, 1945, Thomas Holder was licensed to preach, and on August 4, 1946, he was ordained as a minister.

On the whole, this church appears to be going along as well as the average of this association.

DR. H. G. DUNCAN.

CALL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On the morning of December 22, 1947, pursuant to a call of the Moderator of the Brushy Mountain Association, the Executive Committee met in the Reins-Sturdivant chapel in North Wilkesboro, N. C., to consider the matter of publishing a short history of the Baptist in in this territory written by Dr. H. G. Duncan, in the next issue of the minutes of the Brushy Mountain Association.

Those present at the meeting were the officers of the Association, the pastors of the Association and fourteen lay members from different churches of the Association.

The Moderator and Clerk of the Association produced information showing that the publication of the minutes is costing more than had been previously understood and that the publishing of the 16 additional pages of history will necessitate the raising of approximately \$100.00 more minute funds. Following a discussion of the matter a motion was made and was seconded and carried, asking each of the churches in the Association to send to the Clerk of the Association immediately an amount of money equal to the sum sent to the Association for minute funds and if any churches wish to have more copies of the minutes on account of the included history than asked for in their letters to include an additional twenty-five cents for each additional minute wanted.

T. E. STORY, Moderator

J. F. JORDAN, Clerk.

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Boiling Springs—Mrs. Lizzie Cardwell, Deaconess.
- Davis Memorial—Mrs. Laura Harris.
- Edgewood—Grover Transou.
- Fishing Creek—George Holland, Deacon, Randolph Williams, U. A. Miller, George W. Miller.
- Goshen—Frank Walsh, Deacon.
- Harmony—Mrs. Mae McLean Patterson, Bill Nichols.
- Hinshaw Street—Miss Louise Billings, Mrs. R. S. McHone, James Johnson.
- Lewis Fork—Mrs. A. M. Triplett.
- Liberty Grove—Mrs. Nellie Church.
- New Hope—Mrs. Jane McNeill, Mrs. Kate Church, Missouri Vannoy.
- North Wilkesboro First—Mrs. C. S. Hudson, N. H. Waugh, C. C. Kilby, R. C. Barnette, T. S. Barnes, Mrs. Gorman Johnson.
- Pilgrim—H. I. Shoemaker, Deacon.
- Pleasant Home—Henry Kilby, James Porter, Fidell Lovett.
- Purlear—Mrs. Barbara Huffman.
- Walnut Grove—Mrs. Hattie Brock, Floyd Parlier, Mrs. Almedia Brock, Mrs. Jane Davis.
- Welcome Home—J. W. Snider.
- Wilkesboro—Mrs. O. F. Blevins, Mrs. C. C. Foster, John Henry Johnson, J. W. Nichols, R. L. Welborn.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of

established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committee

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Sunday School Associational Leader, the Training Union Leader, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and all the pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator. A quorum shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Associational Sunday School Leader, the Associational Training Union Director, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and four pastors of the Executive Committee.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nomination; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendment to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.



TABLE 1—Church Membership, Etc., of Brushy Mountain Baptist Association for the Year Ending September, 1911

CHURCHES	Located in Village, Town or County	Year Organized	Pastors and Addresses	Dates of Meeting	GAINS			LOSSES			TOTAL			SPECIAL INFORMATION					
					Baptisms	By Letter	Other Additions	By Letter	By Death	Other Losses	Present Resident Membership	Non-Resident Membership	Grand Total Present Membership	Are Weekly Prayer Meetings Held?	No. Revival Meetings	Spent on Building or Remodeling Last Year	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Total Debt on Church Property
Beaver Creek	C.	1779	John Wells, North Wilkesboro	2 & 3				8				136	25	161	no	\$5000.00	\$14000.00	\$1815.00	
Big Ivy	C.		Ed. O. Miller, Moravian Falls	1 & 3	2		5					15	50	65	no		1000.00		
Boiling Springs	C.	1932	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	2 & 4	2		1					85	24	109	no		1800.00		
Cub Creek	C.		L. T. Younger, New Hope	2 & 4	3		1					52	9	61	yes	1204.98	5000.00		
Davis Memorial	C.	1944	S. I. Watts, Boomer	3				1				74	80	154	no		2500.00		
Edgewood	C.		A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	3				3									2200.00		
Elk	C.		E. C. Hodges, Hendrix	3				3									10000.00	3000.00	
Fishing Creek	C.	1822	Charles J. Poole, Oakwoods	2 & 4	4			5									10000.00		
Gordon	V.	1918	Clate Brown, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	2 & 4	4		2	1	12			133	72	205	yes		1500.00		
Goshen	C.	1914	Clate Brown, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	2 & 4	1		10		1			78	70	148	no		3000.00		
Harmony	C.	1900	A. C. Ashley, Warrensville	2 & 4	2		13		2			75	25	100	yes		1500.00		
Hinshaw Street	T.	1927	W. A. Luck, Wilkesboro, R. 1	2 & 4	3		10		4			2	296	296	yes	4748.20	8000.00	None	
Lewis Fork	C.	1792	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	1 & 3	4		5		4			257	198	455	no	3112.58	10000.00		
Liberty Grove	C.		Ray Franklin, Hays	2 & 4	5		3		1			377	377	no		2000.00			
Little Rock	C.	1866	A. W. Eller, Purlear	2 & 4	4		3		3			110	25	205	no		13500.00	None	
Moravian Falls	V.	1887	R. C. Gwaltney, St atesville	2 & 4	6		5		1			119	31	150	yes		2500.00	None	
Mount Carmel	C.	1880	Ed. O. Miller, Boomer	2 & 4	5		5		5			43	7	50	yes		3500.00	None	
Mount Pleasant	C.	1775		1,2,3,4	2		2		10			200	100	300	yes		15000.00	None	
Mount Zion	C.	1849	E. C. Hodges, Hendrix	1	1			7				101	66	167	no		4500.00	None	
New Hope	C.	1830	S. I. Watts, Boomer	4	2		2		3			282	282	no			2500.00	None	
N. Hope, Caldwell	C.		Grant Miller, Jr., Kings Creek	1 & 3	7		1		3			91	91	yes	62.50	8550.00	None		
N. Wilkesboro 1st	T.	1892	John T. Wayland, N. Wilkesboro	1,2,3,4	12		28		18			582	142	724	yes	2052.87	78550.00	None	
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	T.		Ralph Miller, North Wilkesboro, R. 1	2 & 4	9		4		6			72	72	no	100.00	3000.00	None		
Oakwoods	C.	1914	Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro	2 & 4	15		9		7			185	3	188	yes	49.15	2900.00	None	
Pilgrim	C.	1859	Iredell Osborne, North Wilkesboro	3	2		2		1			147	147	no			2000.00	None	
Pleasant Grove	C.	1880	Atis Cook, Hickory	3	2		3		8			154	154	no			12000.00		
Pleasant Home	C.	1880	W. S. Luck, Wilkesboro	1 & 3	16			8	3			293	20	313	no		1700.00		
Purlear	C.	1924	Glenn Huffman, N. Wilkesboro	1	7		6		1			100	18	118	yes		2000.00		
Shady Grove	C.		Gilbert Osborne, N. Wilkesboro	2	5			5				38	4	41	no	95.00	1000.00	None	
Stony Hill	C.	1845	Grady Hamby, Granite Falls	2	4		6		12			96	45	141	no	255.00	5000.00	None	
Walnut Grove	C.	1845	John Walls, North Wilkesboro	2 & 4	3		1		4			265	100	365	no		3000.00	None	
Welcome Home	C.	1936	Richard Day, Elkin	1 & 3	4		1		1			147	147	no			21000.00	None	
Wilkesboro	T.	1880	W. N. Brookshire, Wilkesboro	1,2,3,4	8		13		7			1252	100	352	yes	319.63	6000.00	None	
Zion Hill	C.	1813	E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	1	4			3				123	95	218	no		2500.00	None	

TABLE II—Sunday Schools Brushy Mountain Association Year Ending Sept. 1947

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	General Enrollment Inclusive of Pupils										Average Attendance			
		Cradle Roll (3 & Under)	Nursery (3 & Under)	Beginners 4-5	Primaries 6-8	Intermediates 9-12	Young People 13-16	Adults 17-24	Extension Department	Total Enrollment Inclusive of Officers, Teachers & Pupils	Average Attendance		Enrollment Vacation Bible School		
Beaver Creek	Lester Z. Walsh, Boomer			10	12	10	15	22	20			89	60	57	53
Big Ivey	Trula McGuire, Parsonville				8		8		14			30	10	25	15
Boiling Springs	J. A. Parsons, Purlear	18		12	12	11	15	18	29			8	115	60	
Cub Creek	Herman I. Johnson, N. Wilkesboro	3		11	7	19	13	10	51	22		2	136	48	38
Davis Memorial	Theodore Fairchilds, Purlear		6	6	8	10	7	10	10				57	45	33
Edgewood	Marshall Anderson, Wilkesboro, R. 2	19		17	19	21	15	12	18	11			132	50	44
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny				12	16	36		12				76	50	
Fishing Creek	C. B. Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro R. 3	6		6	20	20	32	28	30	40		2	184	97	40
Gordon	W. P. Carson, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	4		9	4	11	19	22	25				94	30	
Goshen	H. A. Carlton, Sr., Boomer	4		6	8	5	6	10	15	6			60	30	
Harmony	R. L. Lankford, Cricket			20	15	15			40				90	40	
Hinshaw Street	Everette Elledge, N. Wilkesboro			15	25	20	25	20	30	35		2	170	129	77
Levis Fork	James Triplett, Purlear			16	33		28		60				137	82	
Liberty Grove	Kermit Absher, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1			15		27	15		21			3	81	54	
Little Rock	R. J. Wallace, Boomer	8		11	24	20	15	18	28				124	80	71
Moravian Falls	J. E. Nichols, Moravian Falls			12	10	15	12	13	67			2	131	62	43
Mount Carmel	Worth Church, N. Wilkesboro	2		6	10	8	8	10	20			2	66	33	
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear	10		25	15	25	30	25	55			6	191	115	75
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnette, Hendrix			19		14	11		49			2	95	61	
New Hope	Clyde Church, Wilkesboro, R. 1			25	20	30	40	20	70				205	123	77
N. Hope, Caldwell	Guy Barlow, Lenoir, R. 1			7	6	10		18	20				61	37	40
N. Wilkesboro 1st	D. E. Elledge, North Wilkesboro	15	26	47	36	66	45	75	240			6	593	286	153
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Jesse Adams, North Wilkesboro			18	10	6	14		11				59	45	
Oakwoods	I. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro			21	15	20	14	25	35				135	50	
Pilgrim	Earl Adams, Wilkesboro, R. 1			16		10	11	23	30			1	91	52	
Pleasant Grove	Joe L. Parsons, Wilkesboro, R. 1			23	20	26	26	26	35				130	93	
Pleasant Home	Clate Bumgarner, Wilkesboro, R. 1	10		13	24	36	36	25	80				224	126	69
Purlear	D. C. Whittington, Purlear			20	14	15	18	26	52				145	65	45
Shady Grove	Mrs. D. K. Green, Wilkesboro	2		1	1	5	8		12				29	25	35
Stony Hill	G. S. McNeill, Parsonville			21		12	11	13	39			5	101	48	
Walnut Grove	J. M. Blevins, Wilkesboro, R. 2	8		10	10	15	31	41	25			9	149	98	41
Welcome Home	H. R. Kendall, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1			22	25	24	32		45			7	155	85	
Wilkesboro	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	12		25	31	40	30	21	85	25		3	272	121	106
Zion Hill	W. J. Earp, Boomer			29	16	23	35	29	23				155	89	59

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS
AND ADDRESSES

CHURCHES

CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Unions and Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	General & Dept. Officers	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	Average Attendance
Boiling Springs.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	26	20	17	17	...	...	80	44
Fishing Creek.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	15	13	13	13	3	3	50	30
Hinshaw Street.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	15	6	12	33	5	5	41	25
Little Rock.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	20	10	9	10	16	16	65	45
Moravian Falls.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	18	10	28	28	18	18	58	18
New Hope.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	21	18	12	12	50	3	53	32
N.Hope, Caldwell.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	21	18	12	12	4	4	63	35
N.Wilkesboro 1st.....	2	1	2	2	1	8	50	13	27	23	17	17	134	70
Pleasant Home.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	18	18	18	18	40	22	40	22
Purlear.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	18	15	15	12	6	6	60	47
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	1	5	13	7	18	21	11	2	72	43
Zion Hill.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	20	15	10	10	45	10	45	35

TABLE IV—Woman's Missionary Union, Brushy Mountain Association, Year Ending Sept., 1947

CHURCHES	Number of W. M. S.	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Org.	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W.M.U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.
Boiling Springs.....	1	1	1	1	4	10	15	10	12	22	59	10	\$ 67.00	\$ 73.00	
Fishing Creek.....	1	1	1	1	1	3	40	18	18	34	94	94	372.04	43.29	
Hinshaw Street.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	21	21	21	38	59	59	117.60	...	
Mount Pleasant.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	17	16	37	25	245	385	3031.77	1674.14
New Hope.....	1	1	1	1	1	7	150	10	12	12	54	17	28.78	61.76	
N.Wilkesboro 1st.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	6	6	18	30.80	50.00	...	...
Oakwoods.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	17	25	12	45	99	5.00	392.99	
Pilgrim.....	1	1	1	1	1	4	50	10	22	6	103	59	1229.50	123.05	
Pleasant Home.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...
Welcome Home.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...
Wilkesboro.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	...

TABLE VI—Gifts for Local Work of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association for the Year Ending September, 1947

CHURCHES	TREASURERS and ADDRESSES	Pastor's Salary	Incidentals—Janitor, Fuel, Water, Repairs, Insurance, etc.	Assistant Pastor, Educational Director, Choir Leader, etc.	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Paid on Church Debt	Literature—Quarterlies, Church Paper, Song Books, etc.	Help for Local Poor	Minutes and Clerk of Association	Building Fund (Amount Given Association)	Local Missions	Other Objects	Total Given For Local Church Work
Beaver Creek	Lester v. Walsh, Boomer	\$650.00	\$212.01	\$75.00		\$600.00	\$78.00	\$175.00	\$4.00	\$2649.54		\$ 44.00	\$4487.55
Big Ivy	Jyde Phillips, Parsonville	309.36	89.25	14.55	57.00		50.75	12.00	2.50	1377.21		111.15	1767.68
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	518.40	76.15		85.00		60.04		3.00	414.05	7.65		1157.64
Cub Creek	W. S. Anderson, Wilkesboro	166.53	163.04	27.00	50.54	51.00	84.35		4.00	1204.98		7.00	1658.44
Davis Memorial	Mrs. Emma Ferguson, Purlear, R. 1	308.92	9.60		60.00		65.76		4.05				448.33
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	239.71	10.60		55.86		27.65		4.00			4.76	342.58
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	692.54	98.85		101.00	200.00	106.14	25.00	4.00	3500.00		12.00	4739.53
Fishing Creek	Hubert E. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2	700.25	197.64	103.70	138.95		100.00	192.80	4.00		25.00	1129.51	2591.85
Goshen	C. W. Proffit, Wilkesboro, R. 1	173.00	29.60	65.00			50.24		4.00			47.27	409.57
Harmony	L. A. Minton, Wilkesboro	525.00	87.00	188.33	105.31		86.50	10.00	3.00	540.00		60.43	1605.57
Hinshaw Street	A. M. Handy, North Wilkesboro	801.03	331.45	16.41	354.26	4748.20	117.10	71.23	5.00	2798.20		35.00	9267.88
Lewis Fork	Mrs. W. P. Davis, Purlear	600.00	37.40	50.61	288.00		90.89	37.33	3.00			61.61	1168.84
Liberty Grove	Page Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	366.18	67.40		46.42		47.40		4.00			15.18	546.58
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	846.70	257.13	100.00	100.00		173.01	33.11	3.50	2188.68		69.35	3761.17
Moravian Falls	Mrs. Cyrus Brown, Moravian Falls	1126.12	67.40		100.00		32.67		4.00				366.71
Mount Carmel	I. J. Lovette, Sr., Moravian Falls	244.04	18.00		68.00		179.87	111.00	4.00	1100.00	117.60		3278.16
Mount Pleasant	A. G. Church, Champion	1300.00	395.56	150.00	800.00		40.39	55.55	4.00			10.00	505.13
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplett, Hendrix	322.97	15.00	142.35	56.92		99.00	44.83	4.00				921.36
New Hope	E. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro	392.75	238.00		80.23		70.00	14.00	4.00			71.98	449.61
N. Hope, Caldwell	George Crotts, Lenoir, R. 1	106.15	80.50	22.75									
N. Wilkesboro 1st	C. B. Lomax North Wilkesboro	3687.56	2104.90	1800.00	320.00	1606.28			12.00	17753.56		1624.58	28908.88
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Mrs. A. B. Church, N. Wilkesboro	221.00	388.37										609.37
Oakwoods	J. P. Anderson, Wilkesboro	150.00	22.00		164.00		52.00	30.00	4.00		28.78		450.78
Pilgrim	Marcile Deal, Wilkesboro, R. 1	213.79	68.87		45.00		71.39	43.12	4.00	239.58		136.62	830.37
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, N. Wilkesb., Congo rd.	279.01	96.01	118.77			82.62	27.61	4.00		8.00		850.62
Pleasant Home	Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro, R. 1	1043.12	44.60		117.75		155.04	84.95	5.00	5150.00		242.60	850.62
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Wilkesboro, R. 1	361.00	61.60		101.00		75.00		3.00	5624.51		92.95	6853.41
Shady Grove	Guy Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	200.00	34.10	9.00			18.60		4.00		5.00		6133.36
Stony Hill	J. B. Baker, Parsonville	188.04	133.00		63.00		18.60	178.58	4.00			39.60	328.70
Walnut Grove	Vaughn Jennings, Pores Knob	906.00	550.95	120.00	108.00		60.00		4.00				1796.95
Welcome Home	Sherman Shumate, N. Wilkesboro	378.23	43.50	139.78	120.00		216.00	64.00	4.00	246.10		442.18	1374.04
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud Wilkesboro	2758.00	1120.40	467.42	467.42	450.39			6.00	7868.28		2572.36	15242.85
Zion Hill	Miss Merle Watts, Boomer	640.00	25.10	116.00			90.56	37.00	4.00	1800.00		18.34	2731.00

DIRECTORY FOR 1947 AND 1948

T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

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Brown, Clate, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Blevins, Fred, Oakwoods, N. C.
Brookshire, W. N., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Cope, C. M., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Crisp, Henry H., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Church, Bine, Purlear, N. C.
Cardwell, Garfield, R. 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Eller, Vernon, Purlear, N. C.
Eller, Leroy, Moravian Falls, N. C.
Eller, A. W., Purlear, N. C.
Foster, A. J., Boomer, N. C.
Faw, Ed. R. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Franklin, Roy, Hays, N. C.
Hayes, W. N., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Higgins, John, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hodges, E. C., Hendrix, N. C.
Huffman, Glenn, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Luck, W. S., R. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
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Minton, J. C., Cricket, N. C.
Nichols, James T., Purlear, N. C.
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Osborne, George, Cricket, N. C.
Payne, W. F., Boomer, N. C.
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Poole, Charles J., Oakwoods, N. C.
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Pruitt, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Sebastain, G. W., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Smith, Graham, Cricket, N. C.
Watts, S. I., Boomer, N. C.
Wellborn, C. S., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Walsh, T. J., Parsonville, N. C.
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Wells, John, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
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Edminsten, E. M., Boone, N. C.
Gwaltney, R. C., Statesville, N. C.
Hamby, Grady, Granite Falls, N. C.
Holder, Thomas, Greensboro, N. C.
Miller, Grant R., Jr., Kings Creek, N. C.
Phillips, M. S., R. 1, Lenoir, N. C.
Shew, Tom, Lenoir, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.
Younger, L. T., New Hope, N. C.



A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Background

Since the Brushy Mountain Baptist association did not come into being as did Melchizedek of old, it is necessary to go back, as best we may, and trace the events leading to its formation. This is no easy task, as material is scrappy, and not always authentic.

It has generally been held that the first Baptist settlers in North Carolina came from Virginia, but some now believe that the Baptist in Virginia came from North Carolina.¹ It appears that at least part of the Baptist of the Upper Yadkin valley came from New Jersey. The persecution in the North, especially in New England, except Rhode Island, drove the Baptist South. It seems quite probable that many settled in this region between the years of 1749 and 1775. According to records, Benjamin Miller was sent from New Jersey to preach to the Baptist of Upper Yadkin as early as 1775. Williams says the "oldest church on the Upper Yadkin is the Yadkin church [near Patterson], often known as the Yadkin, being organized in 1760."²

The first church to be established in what is now the bounds of this association appears to have been the Mulberry Fields Baptist Church. This church was evidently a branch of Shallow Fords Baptist Meeting House in Surry county and was established sometime before 1770,³ some 177 years ago. It was located about 100 yards south of the present court house in Wilkesboro—the county seat of Wilkes county.

In 1770 or 1771 General Lenoir moved from Halifax county and established a home near what is now Wilkesboro. Regarding conditions here at that time, he wrote: "Surry was frontier country in 1775, including Wilkes, Ashe, and Burke, and extended to the Mississippi River. It was thinly inhabited being an entire wilderness.

"Then the Mulberry Fields Meeting House was the only place of worship in said county. It was built by the Baptist and very large congregations of different persuasions of people attended these meetings.

". . . . They appeared very orderly and devout at meetings, and going to their homes you would find them living well and they would treat you with great hospitality, giving you plenty of pork, beef, bear meat, venison; also milk, butter, cheese, and honey."⁴

Whether the Mulberry Fields Meeting House was the oldest church in Surry county, which included a large area of western North Carolina

¹Compare Riley, "History of the Baptist in the Southern States East of the Mississippi."

²Williams, Rev. C. B., "A History of the Baptist in North Carolina," 1901, p. 19.

³Compare Paschal, G. W. "History of North Carolina Baptist," Vol. I, 1930, p. 299.

⁴Fletcher, J. F., "A History of Ashe County, North Carolina, and New River, Virginia, Baptist Associations," 1935 pp. 8-9.

and part of Tennessee, as Lenoir claims, or the Upper Yadkin church, as Williams states, we cannot say. In 1770 Rowan county included a vast portion of western North Carolina and a considerable strip of Tennessee to the Mississippi River. In that year Surry was cut off from Rowan and thus included the remainder of this large territory. In 1777 Burke was formed from Rowan and in the same year Wilkes was formed from Surry. Wilkes now included what later came to be several counties of North Carolina and a strip of Tennessee. In 1788 Iredell was established from Rowan, and in 1799 Ashe was created from Wilkes. Caldwell was formed in 1841 from Burke and Wilkes, and Alexander was created from Iredell, Caldwell and Wilkes in 1846. In 1849 Watauga was constructed from Ashe, Caldwell, Wilkes and Yancey. Yadkin was formed from Surry in 1850, and Alleghany from Ashe in 1859. This formation of new counties and the resultant transfer of territories make the tracing of religious development, establishment of new churches, and founding of new associations a difficult task.

The Mulberry Fields Meeting House seems to have been organized as a Separate Baptist—a branch of the Shallow Fords Baptist church. Evidently the Mulberry Fields church disintegrated, as we find it re-organized in 1772 by the Particular Baptist of Dutchman's Creek church in Davie county as a branch of that church. Five years later, or in 1777, we find it being constituted as an independent church. Fletcher¹ states that Mulberry Fields church was formed from Dutchman's Creek church, but the opposite appears to be true. Any way Dutchman's Creek church was admitted to the Yadkin Baptist association during its meetings held with the Brier Creek church in 1791. These divisions among the Baptist appear to have been more or less arbitrary at that time. The Particular Baptist came to be known as Primitive or "Hardshell," and the Separatist as General or Missionary Baptist.²

Hitherto the Lewis Fork church has been listed as being the oldest church in the Brushy Mountain Baptist association, but it appears that Beaver Creek is older. According to Williams:³ "in 1779 Kings Creek Church, in Caldwell, and Beaver Creek, in Wilkes were organized. A few years later Brier Creek, in Wilkes, was constituted. It had many 'arms', and from it grew Lewis Fork, in Wilkes, and Old Fields Church, in Ashe County." If Beaver Creek was organized in 1779 and Lewis Fork in 1792, then Beaver Creek is thirteen years older. Fletcher¹ tells us Beaver Creek was one of the churches forming the Yadkin association in 1790, and W. N. Eller states that Lewis Fork grew out of Brier Creek in 1792. I have a copy of the minutes

¹Op. Cit.

²Compare Paschal, Op. Cit. Newman, A. H., "A Manual of Church History," Vol. II; McGlothlin, W. J., "A Guide to the Study of Church History;" Fletcher, Op. Cit.

³Op. Cit., p. 19.

⁴Op. Cit.

of the first session of the Yadkin Baptist association, held with Eaton's Meeting House in Rowan county in 1790, and Beaver Creek is listed as a member.

The first association covering this section of North Carolina was the Strawberry Baptist Association in Virginia, organized in 1776. In 1790 fourteen churches—thirteen in North Carolina and one in Virginia—withdrew and formed the Yadkin Baptist association. These churches in North Carolina were scattered over what is now Wilkes, Ashe, Iredell, Burke, Surry and Rowan counties. The Yadkin association appears to have grown rapidly and within ten years gave ten churches to form the Mountain District Baptist association. As this association never contained any of the churches now in the Brushy Mountain Baptist association, and in 1838 declared itself to be anti-missionary, it is of little more than historical interest to us.

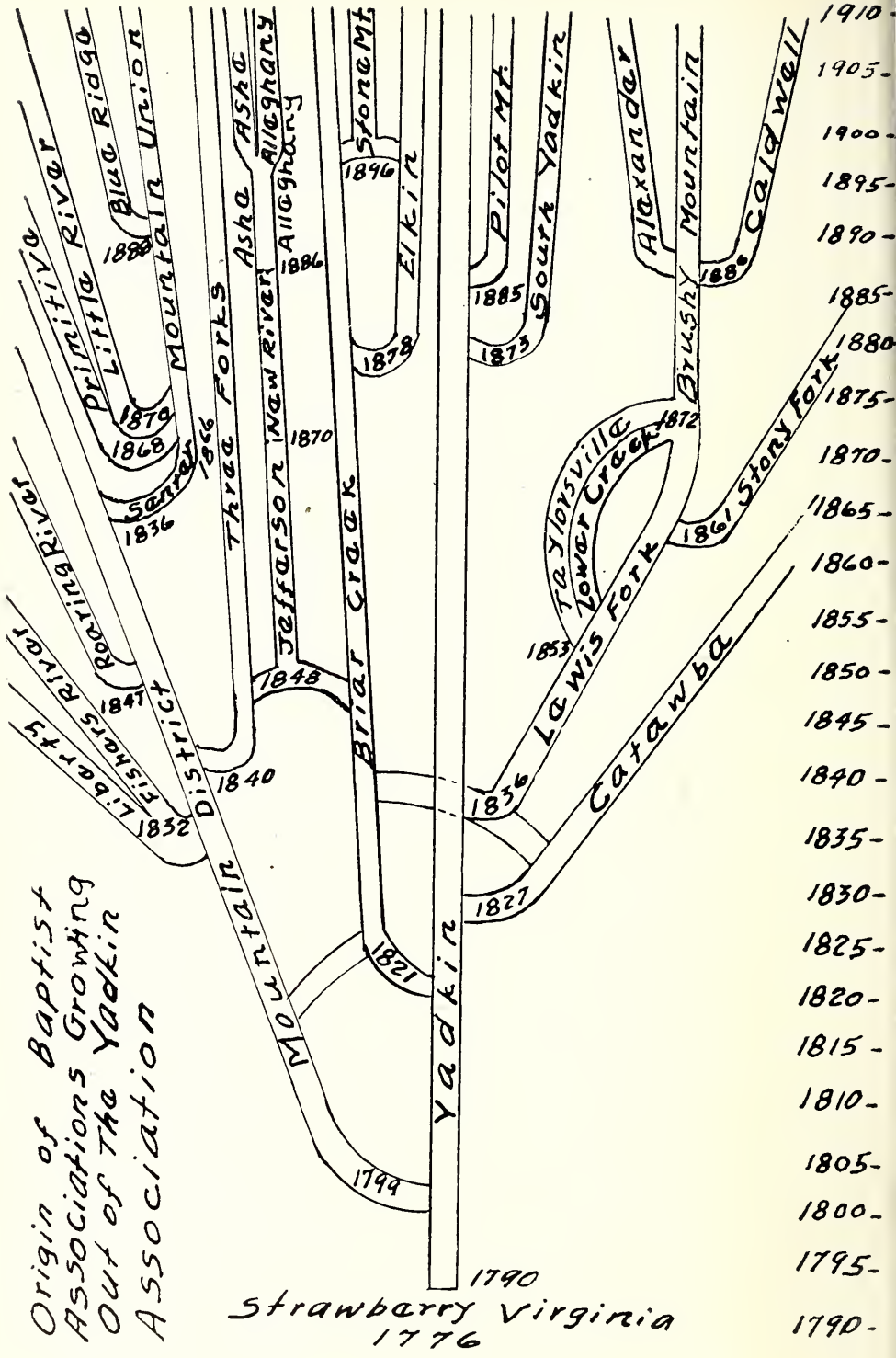
As the years have gone by, directly or indirectly, some thirty-one Baptist (Missionary and Primitive) associations have grown out of and now cover the territory formerly included within the Yadkin Baptist association. Some of these, however, namely, United Senter, and Ashe-Alleghany, existed for a short duration. The following is an attempt to list these associations and the years formed: Mountain District (Primitive), 1799; Brier Creek, 1821; Catawba, 1827; Liberty (Primitive), 1832; Fisher's River (Primitive) 1832?; Lewis Fork, 1836; Three Forks, 1840; Roaring River (Primitive), 1846; Jefferson, 1848; Taylorsville, 1851; Lower Creek, 1854; United, 1860; Stony Fork, 1861; Senter (Primitive), 1863; Mountain Union, 1866; Primitive (Primitive), 1868; Brushy Mountain, 1872; South Yadkin, 1873; New River, 1878; Elkin, 1878; Little River, 1880; Caldwell, 1884; Pilot Mountain, 1885; Ashe-Alleghany, 1886; Alexander, 1887; Blue Ridge, 1888; Stone Mountain, 1896; Ashe, 1898; Alleghany, 1898; Surry, 1903.

The chart on the following page is an attempt to visualize the origin and growth of these associations. I am not sure that it is complete or accurate.

The Lewis Fork Baptist Association

Since the Lewis Fork Baptist association was the immediate forerunner of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association, it is most important for this study. It has been stated that the Mountain District association was formed out of ten churches from the Yadkin association in 1799 and later became the progenitor of most of the Primitive or "Hardshell" Baptist associations in this section. In 1821 the Brier Creek association was formed from churches of the Yadkin and Mountain District associations. In 1827 the Catawba association came into existence. Then in 1836 the Lewis Fork Baptist association was formed from churches of the Yadkin, Brier Creek, and Catawba associations. According to the original minutes, representatives from seven churches—Kings Creek, Zion Hill, Yadkin, New Hope, Beaver Creek, Lower Creek, and Lewis Fork churches—met at Lewis Fork

Origin of Baptist
Associations Growing
Out of the Yadkin
Association



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- 1790-

Meeting House, Friday, September 30, 1836, and continued through Sunday, October 2. Smith Ferguson was elected moderator and John Carlton clerk. The organization was completed, committees appointed, "Systems" (causes for the organization and rules for procedure), and "Abstract of Principles" were adopted. The seven churches had a total membership of 513, and the collection amounted to \$12.51 $\frac{1}{4}$.

It is interesting to note that four of these churches—Beaver Creek, Lewis Fork, New Hope, and Zion Hill—are located in Wilkes county, and within the present bounds of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association. Forty-six years later they became the nucleus of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association, and one hundred and eleven years later were still members of this association. Lower Creek was located in what was then Burke County, later Caldwell, and Kings Creek and Yadkin were in what was then Wilkes, later Caldwell.

At this meeting was begun the practice of sending delegates and correspondence to the near-by associations. A practice was also established of having four sermons in succession on Sundays, usually the last day of the association. Sunday—with the four sermons—however, seems not to have been regarded as an integral part of the association. Work, even church associational work, was disdained on Sunday.

The second annual meeting of the association was held with Beaver Creek meeting house, September 29 to October 1, 1837. During this meeting four churches—New Salem (Wilkes), Union (Caldwell), Little River (Wilkes, Alexander), and Antioch (Burke, Caldwell, Alexander) joined the association. The third meeting was with Lower Creek. At this time three more churches—Reddies River (Wilkes), Dover (Caldwell, Alexander), and Macedonia (Iredell, Alexander)—joined. During the fourth meeting, held with Antioch Church, Elk Creek (Wilkes) was received. At the fifth meeting, held with Zion Hill, Abington (Caldwell) joined. The sixth meeting was held with New Hope, the seventh with Yadkin, and the eighth with Union. At the seventh meeting, Sardis (Caldwell) and Stony Fork (Wilkes, Watauga) united, and at the eighth meeting, Rocky Springs (Caldwell) joined. A letter stated that the New Salem Church had been dissolved.

The ninth meeting was held with Little River, October 4-6, 1844. Lewis Fork had some difficulty with both the Mountain District and the Brier Creek associations and dropped correspondence with them. Two queries came up for discussion: 1st, Should a church change from one association, where it is, and join another? 2nd, Is foot-washing an ordinance, and if so, when should it be complied with? The association advised against the first and in regard to the second, decided that those who wished could practice foot-washing, and those who did not could omit it.

Bethany (Caldwell) joined during the tenth meeting, held with Reddies River. The association refused to renew correspondence with either the Mountain District or the Brier Creek associations. During the eleventh meeting, held with Kings Creek, a negative reply was

given to the query: "Is it right for a preacher in good standing in the church to publish appointments for another that is preaching in disorder?" At this time the association, which now consisted of twenty churches, was divided into four groups. Apparently this was something like the Methodist Quarterly Conference. At least they held stated meetings at the churches of each group. A controversy had arisen in the Abington church, apparently over missions, and thirteen of the members (one a Negro) were given letters to join any church in the Mountain District association. The other nine were considered as constituting the true church. At the next meeting, however, these thirteen were restored.

The twelfth annual meeting of the association was held with the Dover church (formerly Caldwell, now Alexander), October 1-3, 1847. During the thirteenth meeting, held with Lewis Fork, Walnut Grove (Wilkes) and Mount Gilead (Alexander) joined, making twenty-two churches in the association. At this meeting the Rocky Springs church was dismissed. The fourteenth meeting was held with Elk church. At this time Mount Zion (Wilkes) and Liberty (Caldwell) joined. Twenty-one ordained and twelve licensed ministers were listed as members of the churches of the association. At the fifteenth meeting, held with Sardis church, German Hill (Caldwell) joined. Evidently the use of liquor now began to trouble the churches, as Sardis raised the question: Is it expedient to fellowship a brother public speaker, (minister) who makes it a practice of treating publicly on liquor? The association advised against this practice. The Lower Creek church was disciplined for having a pastor who held beliefs contrary to the Baptists. The church dismissed its pastor and was restored to fellowship. During the sixteenth meeting, held with Macedonia, Buffalo Cove (Caldwell) joined. Evidently the attitude toward liquor was not very strong as during this meeting the association decided that membership in the Sons of Temperance was sufficient grounds to exclude a member from the church. Pleasant Hill (Alexander) and Hollow Springs (Wilkes) joined the association during the seventeenth meeting, held with Beaver Creek church.

At the eighteenth meeting, held with Liberty church, September 30-October 2, 1853, Yellow Hill (Wilkes) joined. During this meeting the question arose as to what to do with the Abington church because it had no male members. A committee was appointed to see what could be done, but we are not informed as to the results. Letters of dismissal were granted to German Hill, Yadkin, Buffalo Cove, Kings Creek, Dover, Union, Sardis, Liberty, Antioch, Elk, Bethany, Hollow Springs, and Lower Creek churches to form a new association. All these churches, except Elk and Hollow Springs, were in Caldwell, and all, except Bethany, are listed in the minutes of the second session of the Lower Creek Baptist association, October, 1855. The Macedonia church wanted to know what to do with a person who had been baptized by a Baptist minister, but had no church letter. The association did not know. In reply to some criticism, the association declared that Old

and New Testaments were sufficient rules and practices for Baptist churches and that its "Abstract of Principles" did not violate these rules. The liquor question again arose. It was decided that members of churches should not make, vend, or use liquor for any other than medical or mechanical use. Church members were advised not to visit barrooms or other places where liquor was sold.

The next year the association asserbled with the New Hope church. This was the first meeting after the division and the nineteenth of the association. It now had but twelve churches—New Hope, Reddies River, Zion Hill, Walnut Grove, Mount Zion, Lewis Fork, Beaver Creek and Yellow Hill, in Wilkes, Little River, Pleasant Hill, and Macedonia in Alexander, and Stony Fork, in Watauga. During this meeting the association recommended the Taylorsville Baptist Institute. The twentieth meeting was held with Little River church. At this meeting a resolution was passed requiring every ordained minister in the association to visit each church in the association during the year and make a report at the next meeting upon the spiritual condition of each church. Stony Fork was the place of the twenty-first meeting. The reports on the spiritual conditions of the churches were not very satisfactory. Each church was requested to raise its contributions. At this meeting the first collection for the Baptist Bible Board of Nashville, Tennessee, was taken. It amounted to \$15.70. The twenty-second meeting was held with Zion Hill. Three Forks, a newly constituted church (Alexander), joined. The association advised churches not to have called meetings to exclude members at unusual times when a majority of the members would not be there. It also advised churches to leave members alone, who came from a distance and were not recommended. It declared that church letters of dismissal were not valid after twelve months. The association apparently had moved a long ways from its close association with the Primitive Baptist of its early days, as we find it rocommending the support of home and foreign missions; the establishment of Sunday Schools in each church, beginning the first Sunday in April and continuing until the middle of October; the founding of a Baptist Female College in Western North Carolina; and the reading of the "Biblical Recorder," the "Carolina Baptist," the "Iron Wheel," and "Theodosia Ernest."

The twenty-third meeting was held with Mount Zion church. Reddies River was granted a letter of dismissal. The Lewis Fork and Taylorsville associations patched up their differences, which had existed for several years over temperance. The Senter association dropped correspondence with the Lewis Fork association because of the missionary activities of the latter. Here we have the first mention of a missionary sermon, which was followed by a collection, amounting to \$12.10. The twenty-fourth or fifth meeting after the reorganization, was held with Beaver Creek church, September 29-October 1, 1859. Pilgrim, a newly organized church, joined. Stony Fork and Yellow Hill churches were granted letters of dismissal. It was at this

time that the Taylorsville and Lower Creek associations proposed that the Lewis Fork association join with them in forming a new association. Delegates were appointed and a convention was held at Zion Hill, November 11-12, 1859. Delegates from eleven churches in the Lewis Fork, eleven in the Taylorsville, and four in the Lower Creek associations assembled. "Abstract of Principles," a "Constitution," "Rules of Decorum," and "Resolutions" were drawn up, and the United Baptist association came into existence, but I have no evidence that the Lewis Fork association ever united with the new organization. Since the minutes for the years 1860-1864 inclusive were cut out of the book of original minutes, and I have been unable to locate printed copies for four of these years, I do not know what happened. Although the association had from 300 to 800 copies of the minutes printed each year and distributed to its own churches and to other associations with which it maintained correspondence, and although I have written to every individual, college, university and library where I thought there might be a chance of locating copies of these minutes, I have been able to find but one copy. This is for the year 1863 in the Baptist Historical Collection at Wake Forest College. It is certain from the minutes which I have that the Lewis Fork association continued as an independent body. In the minutes which I have of the United Baptist association, for the years of 1863, 1868, 1870, and 1871, only one church—New Hope—which formerly belonged to the Lewis Fork association is listed. It is interesting to note that Cub Creek church, which was organized in 1864, was a member of the United Baptist rather than the Lewis Fork association.

Mrs. E. T. Crittenden of the Baptist Historical Collection of the Wake Forest College library has been good enough to copy the printed minutes of the Lewis Fork association for the year of 1863 for me. This meeting was held with Zion Hill, Antioch, Macedonia, and Pleasant Hill rejoined the association. The establishment and maintenance of Sunday Schools in all the churches, the promotion of education, the support of Baptist schools, and the reading of the "Biblical Recorder" by every Baptist were recommended. The churches of the association were divided into two districts. The six churches—Little River, Three Forks of Little River, Pleasant Hill, Macedonia, Antioch, and Union—south of the Brushy Mountains, composed the first district. Those churches north of said mountain—Zion Hill, Beaver Creek, Mount Zion, Walnut Grove, Lewis Fork, and German Hill constituted the second district. The association declared itself to be a missionary and temperance body and advised all members of its churches to observe strict Gospel temperance. Home and foreign missions were stressed. Friday before the 3rd Saturday in November next, was set to be observed throughout the association as a day of prayer and fasting. New and detailed rules of decorum were adopted.

The next minutes I have state that it is the third meeting after the reorganization. That would make it the twenty-ninth annual meeting, which was held with Mount Zion church, September 29-October 1, 1865.

At this time we find South Union (Iredell) and Mount Olive (Alexander) reported, but we do not know when they joined. Neither do we know when Three Forks of Little River, which is listed in 1863, joined. Pilgrim, which joined in 1859, is listed now, but not in 1863. New Hope, which had been in the association since the beginning, was not listed in 1863 nor 1865. The moderator announced that the money which had been handed him to pay a missionary to the army, had been taken from him by the Yankees. Considerable trouble was evinced with the United Baptist association over the "Thirteen Articles" of their association, which Lewis Fork considered anti-republic and universally violated. At this time we have the first and only report of disorder. The collection amounted to \$16.10 in species and \$6.00 in old states money.

During the thirtieth meeting, held with Macedonia church, Charity (Alexander) and Fishing Creek (Wilkes), joined. Because of a difference between Fishing Creek church and the Brier Creek association, the delegates from the Brier Creek association asked for their letter and withdrew. By the next year, however, the two associations were again in harmony. According to the minutes of the United Baptist association for 1863, Fishing Creek church was given clemency for one year by that association "to purge herself of Liquor Dealer's Manufactures, &c. "The thirty-first meeting was held with the German Hill church. Meadow Hill (Wilkes) joined, and Kings Creek and Sardis, which had been away for thirteen years, rejoined the association. At this time the association answered yes to the query: "Is it right to receive a man into the church whose wife, besides being guilty of fornication, has left him, and he has married another."

During the thirty-second meeting, held with Antioch church, Gum Springs (Iredell) a Negro church, joined. During this meeting three questions came up: 1st, Is it according to Gospel order to retain members in the church who are able, but refuse to pay their proportion of the expenses of the church? The association advised that these be encouraged to pay, but did not believe they should be excluded. 2nd, Should Baptist churches give their members letters to join pedit-Baptist churches? The answer was no. 3rd, It was decided to be according to Gospel order to receive members from Primitive Baptist churches by letter. The association agreed to reestablish friendly relations with the United Baptist association, provided the latter acknowledged its error in advising New Hope church to receive members excluded from Fishing Creek and advised those members to return to Fishing Creek and make satisfactory adjustment. Reports on Sunday Schools, home and foreign missions, and periodicals were made. The thirty-third meeting was held with Beaver Creek. At this time Yergan Creek, a new Negro church, asked to join. Upon request of Zion Hill, the act of the year before in receiving Gum Springs was rescinded, and Gum Springs and Yergan Creek were advised to form an association of their own. Fishing Creek was granted a letter of dismissal. The association decided that it was not according to Gospel order for

a member to leave his church without a letter to join another, and that he should be dealt with as any other offender. The practice of receiving members by application was discouraged. South Union church was advised to dissolve.

The thirty-fourth meeting, or eighth after reorganization, was held with Mount Olive church, October 14-16, 1870. Piny Grove (Caldwell) joined. A controversy with the Roaring River association developed over missions. December 25 was designated as a day of thanksgiving. The next meeting was held with Pilgrim church, but the report is not included in the minutes which I have, and just what happened between 1870 and 1872—when the Brushy Mountain Baptist association was organized—I do not know. The Rev. W. C. Meadows states that during the meeting at Pilgrim the Rev. James McNeil proposed that the Lewis Fork and United Baptist associations unite. Delegates were appointed to the United Baptist which met with Three Forks church in November, 1871, and the result was the organization of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association the next year. According to the minutes of the Baptist Convention held with Three Forks church, November, 1871, twenty-one churches were represented. The name Brushy Mountain Baptist association was selected and an elaborate "Constitution" was adopted. The next meeting, the first for the Brushy Mountain Baptist association, was to be held with Sulphur Springs church, beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1872.

In table I, I have given the churches, counties in which they were located when the association convened, the year each joined, and the years each church attended the association. It will be noticed that certain churches located in Wilkes county disappeared from the table. Some were dissolved, some dismissed, and others simply vanished. Other churches, as Cub Creek, and Stony Hill, never joined the Lewis Fork association. In table II, I have given the churches where the association was held, the moderators, clerks, preachers of the introductory sermons, texts, and other statistics which I thought might be important. None of these, however, are complete. Because of lack of data, it is impossible to make a satisfactory study.

Summary and Conclusions

One cannot study the early religious history of this section without having great admiration for these founders and builders. They were reverent, devout, earnest, and considered their church affairs as important and worthy of their best efforts. Before the Lewis Fork association was founded, delegates and others traveled long distances, even as far as Salisbury, to attend meetings. When one remembers that travel was on foot or horseback along mere trails, and through dense forests and wilderness, he can imagine the tasks that confronted them. Yet it was very seldom that delegates were not there to represent their churches. The Lewis Fork association comprised an area now included in whole or part of six counties, yet the delegates were almost always present.

The association started its meetings with an introductory sermon, and almost always had four sermons on Sunday. There is frequent mention made of the large crowds in attendance, the eagerness with which the people heard the Gospel preached, and the good accomplished. It is interesting to note that ministers were called elders, lay members, brothers, and churches, meeting houses.

Money seems not to have been the troublesome problem it is in our churches of today. For the whole association the collection ranged from \$9.83, when there were twelve churches and a membership of 983, to \$31.10¹/₄, when there were 26 churches with a membership of 1558. Money in those days, however, amounted to something, and the \$3.00 which the clerk received for his services, was quite a sum. One notes a gradual increase in emphasis on the financial side.

At first there was little if any distinction between Missionary and Primitive Baptists, but gradually the distinctions became more pronounced, and relations between the two groups became more strained. With the Lewis Fork association there was a gradual growth in missionary activities, emphasis on Sunday Schools, desire for education, and connections with the state and other boards of the Baptist of the South. There was also a definite growth in the opposition to liquor, immorality, and any kind of conduct which was considered detrimental to true Christian living. The interest in church doctrines and practices appears to have been rather spasmodic, nevertheless, fundamental. Many problems of doctrine and discipline were threshed out in the associational meetings, and when the Lewis Fork association ended, it was not far different from the early years of the Brushy Mountain Valley association.

In this report I have tried to preserve the essentials reported in the original minutes of the Lewis Fork association. Some of these are somewhat with variance with those given by Revs. J. F. Fletcher and W. C. Meadows, and others. Due to a lack of material, it is not all I wished it to be, but I feel it will give a fair background for the integral history of the Brushy Mountain Baptist association, which is to follow.

DR. H. G. DUNCAN.

LEWIS FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—TABLE II

Year	WHERE HELD	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER AND TEXT	Number Baptisms Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Deaths	Excluded	Number of Churches	Members	Collection
1836	Lewis Fork	Smith Ferguson	John Carlton	Philip Powell—1st John 2:5						7	513	\$12.51
1837	Beaver Creek	Smith Ferguson	John Carlton	Benjamin Beach—1st Peter 2:5	9 22	1	60 14	6 11	662	12 15	662	12.15
1838	Lower Creek	Benjamin Beach	John Carlton	Wm. Church—II Cor. 2:20	8 27	1	33 8	6 14	735	19 78	735	19.78
1839	Antioch	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	Joseph Harrison—Acts 20:28	30 13	3	38 9	18 15	728	23 80	728	23.80
1840	Zion Hill	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	Philip Powell—Heb. 13:1	58 31	3	37 9	11 16	775	23 77	775	23.77
1841	New Hope	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	James Vannoy—Matt. 10:25	19 25	1	16 8	12 15	719	19 33	719	19.33
1842	Yadkin	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	C. Livingston—Isaiah 40:31	14 15		20 7	12 18	799	20 67	799	20.67
1843	Union	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	Smith Ferguson—John 19:12	24 14	3	27 13	17 18	775	17 91	775	17.91
1844	Little River	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	W. D. Holder—Jeremiah 21:22	33 20	3	25 7	8 17	747	19 05	747	19.05
1845	Reddies River	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	Wm. Church—Acts 20:28	42 30	4	51 18	11 18	754	19 46	754	19.46
1846	Kings Creek	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	W. B. Brown—Psalm 46:4	21 27	4	45 6	7 18	775	22 01	775	22.01
1847	Dover	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	Wm. Goforth—Psalm 8:4	45 13	17	32 19	12 19	1253	24 49	1253	24.49
1848	Lewis Fork	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	Smith Ferguson—Isaiah 40:31	375 63	19	106 15	23 20	1657	29 63	1657	29.63
1849	Elk Creek	Smith Ferguson	R. S. Steele	B. H. Moody—Mark 16:15-16	165 42	10	97 13	28 22	1770	30 86	1770	30.86
1850	Sardis	William Church	R. S. Steele	R. S. Steele—Daniel 2:44	119 44	8	112 14	29 23	1786	29 66	1786	29.66
1851	Macedonia	J. G. Bryan	Burton Bradley	J. H. West—Romans 10:10	82 31	17	99 10	141 24	1660	29 37	1660	29.37
1852	Beaver Creek	J. G. Bryan	Burton Bradley	James McNeil—Psalm 84:11	88 40	10	117 11	90 26	1558	31 16	1558	31.16
1853	Liberty	J. G. Bryan	Burton Bradley	Burlon Bradley—Heb. 12:28	147 45	11	70 9	50 25	1606	27 33	1606	27.33
* 1854	New Hope	J. G. Bryan	Peter Eller	Jacob Crouch—Thes. 5:20-21	67 27	2	31 12	10 12	983	19 53	983	19.53
1855	Little River	J. G. Bryan	Peter Eller	J. H. Brown—1st Tim. 2:8	30 19	4	30 14	16 11	978	15 73	978	15.73
1856	Stony Fork	J. G. Bryan	Peter Eller	J. G. Bryan—Matt. 28:19-20	60 12	3	24 7	8 12	1019	17 70	1019	17.70
1857	Zion Hill	J. G. Bryan	Peter Eller	Wm. Pool—John 21:21	97 39	6	86 14	21 13	1082	24 83	1082	24.83
1858	Mount Zion	J. G. Bryan	Peter Eller	A. W. Vannoy—Mark 9:30	110 29	13	42 14	24 12	1062	22 22	1062	22.22
1859	Beaver Creek	J. G. Bryan	Peter Eller	Linville Land—Heb. 13:1	109 26	6	107 6	26 13	1031	20 11	1031	20.11
1860												
1861												
1862												
† 1863	Zion Hill	J. G. Bryan	David Downs	John G. Bryan—Heb. 12:28	89 19	13	15 27	10 12	985	41 11	985	41.11
1864												
1865	Mount Zion	William Pool	T. C. Land	P. Tritt—John 3:16	108 20	10	40 18	16 15	1348	16 9	1348	16.9
1866	Macedonia	William Pool	D. Downs	J. Kerley—1st Cor. 3:11	94 33	5	102 15	33 17	1305	18 6	1305	18.6
1867	German Hill	William Pool	T. C. Land	L. P. Smith—II Tim. 4:2	165 57	16	67 15	26 20	1336	24 0	1336	24.0
1868	Antioch	William Pool	T. C. Land	Hiram West—Luke 24:26	75 12	3	73 14	38 21	1546	22 8	1546	22.8
1869	Beaver Creek	William Pool	T. C. Land	W. A. Pool—Matt. 7:21	44 29	12	51 10	24 19	1210	19 0	1210	19.0
1870	Mount Olive	William Pool	D. Downs	J. B. Pool—John 16:33	126 21	12	44 22	30 17	1507	22 1	1507	22.1
1871	Pilgrim											

* First session after the Division.

† First session after the Reorganization.



MINUTES
OF THE
SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL
SESSION
OF THE
Brushy Mountain Baptist
Association

HELD WITH
Little Rock Baptist Church
September 21 and 22, 1948

T. E. STORY, Moderator

J. F. JORDAN, Clerk & Treasurer

The next annual session of the Association will be held with Gordon Baptist Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1949.

Rev. W. N. Brookshire will preach the introductory sermon. Alternate, Rev. W. S. Luck. Second day a Missionary sermon by Rev. Clate Brown; alternate, Rev. W. N. Hayes.



LIST OF MESSENGERS

- Beaver Creek—L. C. Matherly, L. F. Walsh, Mrs. J. G. Shepherd, Mrs. V. T. Walsh, G. C. Hayes.
- Big Ivey—Rev. J. T. Walsh, H. H. Beshears, Odell Beshears, Clyde Phillips.
- Boiling Springs—Turner Huffman, W. O. Huffman, Fred Eller.
- Cub Creek—Edd Smithey, Herman Johnson, Woodrow Key.
- Davis Memorial—Mrs. Annie Mae Harris, Charlie Walker, Mrs. Ole Harris.
- Edgewood—Della Bumgarner, Pansy Fletcher, Florence Miller, Marshall Anderson, Sr., Marshall Anderson, Jr.
- Elk—Dana Triplett, W. A. Proffit, R. F. Walsh, James H. Edminsten.
- Fishing Creek—Mrs. G. R. Miller, Mrs. R. B. Brooks, Mrs. Oid Wiles, J. W. Pardue.
- Gordon—W. P. Carson, Jesse Nichols, Mrs. W. P. Carson.
- Goshen—C. W. Proffit, H. A. Carlton, Jesse Cardwell.
- Harmony—W. H. Minton, L. A. Minton, Clyde Reavis, James Faw.
- Hinshaw Street—I. S. Baity, Mrs. Julius Brock, Mrs. T. H. Deal.
- Lewis Fork—James Triplett, Dale McNeill, Conard Jones.
- Liberty Grove—J. W. Smith, P. M. Hutchison, C. C. Caudill.
- Little Rock—T. W. Parsons, P. V. Land, I. J. Broyhill.
- Moravian Falls—Mrs. J. G. Bentley, Mrs. J. C. Critcher.
- Mount Carmel—Worth Church, R. O. Wilson, I. J. Lovett, Sr.
- Mount Pleasant—Lennis Triplett, Royal Baker, Curtis Green.
- Mount Zion—W. O. Barnett, Barney Johnson, D. M. Triplett.
- New Hope—R. O. Goodwin, N. C. Church, Clyde Church, Clinton Eller.
- North Wilkesboro 1st—Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant, Mrs. T. S. Barnes, Mrs. J. G. Chipman, Lunda Hendren, D. E. Elledge.
- North Wilkesboro 2nd—Isaac White, Mrs. A. B. Church, Lula Mae Church, M. M. Glass.
- Oakwoods—Mrs. M. C. Jones, Mrs. Walter Stroud, Mrs. Pearl Blevins, Frank Walker.
- Pilgrim—Mrs. H. I. Shoemaker, Mrs. Sloan Deal, Sloan Deal.
- Pleasant Grove—Albert Evans, Richard Parsons, Melvin Bumgarner.
- Pleasant Home—W. V. Caudill, W. T. Snyder, Minnie McNeill.
- Purlear—R. Don Nichols, Tom W. Hayes, Mary Nichols, Bon Hayes, W. E. McNeill.
- Shady Grove—Halford Baker, Everett Ferguson.
- Stony Hill—Alton Parsons, J. B. Baker, W. J. Powell.
- Walnut Grove—D. S. Broyhill, Vaughn Jennings, Mrs. Eula Bentley, Ruby Lowe, Mrs. Annie Jennings.
- Welcome Home—Gwyn Eller, Bill Link, Sherman Shumate.
- Wilkesboro—A. A. Sturdivant, George Johnson, H. H. Dotson, George Kennedy, Presley Myers.
- Zion Hill—E. T. German, G. B. Carlton, Rev. S. I. Watts.

MINUTES

The seventy-fifth annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association convened with Little Rock Baptist church, September 21, 1948. Moderator T. E. Story, of Wilkesboro, N. C., called the Association to order for the transaction of business at 10 o'clock A. M., and the opening song was "Nearer, My God." The devotional exercise was conducted by Rev. W. H. Caldwell, by reading St. Luke 9:51.

After the devotional exercise the Moderator called the roll of the churches and there were 31 churches present, which constituted a quorum. After the roll call of churches the Moderator took up the program and discussed it and it was adopted by W. G. Brewer making the motion and seconded by Dr. J. T. Wayland and motion unanimously carried that the program be adopted. At this time ministers and visitors were called for and they responded as follows: Dr. J. T. Wayland, Rev. Glenn Huffman, Rev. W. H. Caldwell, Rev. Hamby, Rev. W. S. Luck, Rev. W. A. Eichelberger, Rev. J. T. Higgins, Rev. C. S. Welborn, Rev. M. A. Hauss. After the ministers and visitors were called for, committees were appointed as follows: Time and Place—Ray Parsons, Tom Hayes and I. S. Baity; Resolutions Committee—Gordon Brewer, Lafayette Matherly and Mrs. Fred Blevins; Nominating Committee—W. A. Proffit, W. O. Barnette and Don Nichols. Report on Christian Education—1. Sunday School, by J. F. Jordan; 2. Baptist Training Union, Miss Lunda Hendren; 3. Woman's Missionary Union, Mrs. J. G. Chipman. Motion by Rev. Glenn Huffman and seconded that all of the reports be adopted, which carried favorably, and discussion as follows: Rev. C. J. Poole, Rev. W. S. Luck, Miss Hendren and Mrs. Jenkins. Report on Pastors' Conference by Rev. W. N. Brookshire, and a motion made and seconded that the report be adopted, which carried favorably. Hymn No. 50 was sung and the annual sermon was preached by Dr. John T. Wayland; Text, Romans, 8:28. After the annual sermon the Association was dismissed in prayer by Rev. S. I. Watts for the noon hour lunch.

At 1 o'clock P. M. the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing "Amazing Grace" and the devotional was conducted by Rev. Grady Hamby, I Corinthians, 13th chapter. After the devotional J. Hampton Rich was recognized for 7 minutes and presented the Moderator with a gavel, made from a walnut tree on the Daniel Boone trail. Report on Church and Pastoral Relationship, by Rev. E. C. Shoe, of Taylorsville. Report on Christian Education and the South, Miss Peggy Nichols. After the adoption of the report it was followed by an interesting discussion by Rev. Eugene Olive of Wake Forest. Report on Christian Literature, by Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant. After the reading of the report a motion was made and seconded that it be adopted which carried favorably. Report on Social Service and Civic Righteousness by Rev. Charlie J. Poole. After the report was read, a motion was made and seconded that the report be adopted, which motion carried favorably, and was followed by an interesting discussion by Rev. M. A.

Hauss. This was followed by the report on American Bible Society, by Mrs. Hubert Canter. After the reading of the report there was a motion made and seconded that it be adopted which carried favorably.

History of Little Rock church, by Dr. H. G. Duncan. After the reading of the report there was a motion made and seconded that it be adopted, which motion carried favorably.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1948

The Association was called to order by the Moderator at 10 o'clock A. M. and the audience joined in singing hymn, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus." Then the devotional was conducted by Rev. C. S. Welborn, who took as his passage of scripture Romans 1. After the devotional exercise, Mr. J. D. Fraley, of Thomasville Orphanage, Rev. Ben C. Fisher, L. L. Carpenter and M. K. Kendall were recognized as visitors. After this the reports were called for as follows: Benevolent Institutions. 1. Report on Orphanage, by Rev. A. W. Eller. After the reading of the report there was a motion made and seconded that the report be adopted, which carried favorably and was followed by an interesting discussion by J. D. Fraley, orphanage representative. 3. Report on Hospitals by Rev. S. I. Watts; motion made and seconded that the report be adopted which carried favorably and followed by an interesting discussion by Dr. W. K. McGee of the Hospital. 2. Report on World Relief, by Miss Nora McGee. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted and carried favorably. This was ably discussed by Rev. G. W. Bullard, of Raleigh. Report of Nominating Committee, that T. E. Story be elected Moderator and Charlie J. Poole Vice-Moderator and J. F. Jordan Clerk, and Dr. H. G. Duncan was elected Historian. This was followed by a hymn and then the Missionary sermon by Rev. John W. Wells, who took as a text Ezekiel 47:1-12. After the sermon the Association was adjourned in prayer for noon lunch.

At 1:15 the audience reassembled in the church and joined in singing hymn 194, "Wonderful Words of Life." The devotional was conducted by Rev. J. R. Layl of Alexander Association who took as his scripture basis, Romans 12 for a discussion. After the devotional Rev. L. L. Carpenter brought an interesting discussion of the Biblical Recorder, which has a circulation of 44,445 in Baptist homes and over 100,000 readers

Report on Associational Missions and Cooperative Report by Miss Madge Lewis, and read by the Moderator. There was a motion and seconded that the report be adopted, which carried favorably. This report was followed by an able discussion by Rev. G. W. Bullard, of Raleigh, as to the mission work in the various associations in the state. After Rev. Bullard's discussion Dr. H. G. Duncan read a history of the Association and after the reading of the history there was a motion made and seconded that the report on history of the Association be

adopted which carried favorably. The report of the committee on Time and Place was read, that the next Association be held with Gordon Baptist church and meet Tuesday and Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in September, which report was adopted and carried favorably. The report from the committee on Resolutions was read and a motion made and seconded that the report be adopted, which carried favorably.

There being no further business to come before the Association the audience stood and joined in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and the Association adjourned by being led in prayer by Dr. W. K. McGee.

PROGRAM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1948

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| 10:00 | Devotional | Rev. C. M. Caldwell |
| 10:10 | Roll Call of Churches; Recognition of Visitors; Introduction of New Pastors; Adoption of Program; Appointment of Committees; (1) Time, Place and Preacher; (2) Nomination of Officers; (3) Resolutions; (4) Order of Business. | |
| | I. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION | |
| 10:30 | 1. In the Churches of the Association: | |
| | (1) Sunday School Report | J. F. Jordan |
| | (2) Baptist Training Union Report | Miss Lunda Hendren |
| | (3) Woman's Missionary Union Report..... | Mrs. J. A. Chipman |
| 10:45 | Discussion | |
| 11:00 | 2. Pastor's Education in Association: | |
| | (1) Report of Pastoral Conferences, etc. | |
| | | Rev. W. N. Brookshire |
| 11:10 | (2) Church and Pastoral Relationship..... | Rev. E. C. Shoe |
| 11:30 | Hymn | |
| 11:35 | Annual Sermon | Dr. John T. Wayland |
| 12:00 | Noon—Dinner on the Grounds | |
| 1:00 | Devotional | Rev. Grady Hamby |
| 1:10 | Christian Education Continued | |
| | 3. Christian Education in State and South: | |
| | Report | Miss Peggy Nichols |
| 1:15 | Discussion | Mr. Claude F. Gaddy |
| | 4. Education Through Christian Literature: | |
| 1:35 | Report | Mrs. W. K. Sturdivant |
| | Discussion follows tomorrow by Dr. L. L. Carpenter | |
| | II. SOCIAL SERVICE AND CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS | |
| 1:45 | Report | Rev. Charlie Poole |
| 1:55 | Discussion | Rev. Homer L. Good |
| 2:20 | Report—American Bible Society | Mrs. Hubert Canter |
| | Discussion | |
| 2:35 | History of Little Rock Church..... | Dr. H. G. Duncan |

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10:00	Devotional	Rev. C. S. Welborn
III. BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS		
10:10	1. Orphanage Report	Rev. A. W. Eller
	Discussion	Dr. Zeno Wall
10:35	2. World Relief Report	Miss Nora McGee
	Discussion	Rev. G. W. Bullard
11:00	3. Hospital Report	Rev. S. I. Watts
	Discussion	Dr. W. K. McGee
11:25	Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers	
11:35	Hymn	
11:40	Missionary Sermon	Rev. John Wells
12:10	Noon—Dinner on the Grounds	
1:15	Devotional	Rev. Gilbert Osborne
1:25	Discussion Christian Literature	Dr. L. L. Carpenter
IV. MISSIONS		
1:45	1. Associational Missions Report	
	2. Cooperative Report	Mrs. Tal Barnes
2:00	Discussion	Mr. M. A. Huggins
2:30	Reports of Committees	
2:40	Miscellaneous Business	

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday Schools in Baptist churches today, "live and move and have their being" in the churches. They are in the churches, of the churches, and for the churches. This has not always been the case. In the beginning the Sunday School was a separate, independent body without any connection whatever with the churches. The churches were slow to see the need for Sunday Schools and for a long time hesitated to give them a place among the regular church activities. The Sunday School had to make a long, laborious and tiresome climb in order to secure its place as a church activity, and even now, in many churches, it is merely tolerated, and only in a few is it properly evaluated and allowed to function to its fullest capacity.

More and more the Sunday School is coming to be recognized as the church's supreme and soul-winning medium and opportunity. Here we have an organized program for finding lost people and bringing them under the influence of revealed truth. This gives to the teacher an intimate contact with the ones outside the kingdom of God. But the supreme factor in this stewardship grows out of the fact that the truth of the Word is the means used by the Spirit to produce conviction of sin and faith in the Savior. The Word indicts the conscience. It points out the way to salvation. It rebukes the proud and sinful heart. It makes Christ real and kindles the spark of faith.

We must teach to give people a working knowledge of the Scriptures. The Sunday School teacher with the Bible as his working tool is the steward of the souls of unsaved people and the watchman held accountable by God for warning them.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. JORDAN.

REPORT ON BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

At the very outset of our Training Union report for this associational year we wish to lament the loss of Miss Madge Lewis as our associational missionary. She was a booster as well as a worker for the training union in our association, along with the other phases of our denominational work. As an example of her efforts she and other associational Training Union officers assisted with study courses in six different churches during year.

Our growth this year has not been as much as we would like to report, but we can say that the work is still growing.

Last year we reported 12 Training Union organizations, one of which, New Hope in Caldwell, was automatically lost when that church withdrew from our association to become a part of Caldwell Association. One was lost by discontinuing their meeting during the winter months and never getting started again in spring. To the 10 we had left we have added four new ones, namely: Welcome Home, Oakwoods, Lewis Fork and Edgewood, making 14 churches at present with Training Union organizations. 12 of these have had a study course this year. 247 requests for awards have been reported to director and not all reports are in.

Our Baptist doctrines have been stressed in our Training Union this year and most of the books used in the study courses were doctrinal books.

There has been a fine spirit of cooperation among the officers this year and all meetings have been held as scheduled. Our largest meeting of the year was our First Quarter Mass Meeting held in New Hope church with 105 people in attendance. Our associational organization lacked only a portion of one point reaching the Standard of Excellence set up by our Sunday School Board.

In our quarterly Mass Meeting early this month new officers for the next associational year were elected and installed in an impressive service led by Dr. John T. Wayland. We submit this list of officers and ask that it be included in minutes as a part of our report.

Officers for Associational Year 1948-1949

Director—Miss Lunda Hendren, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Associate Director—Mrs. Tam Hutchinson, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Peggy Nichols, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Chorister—Carl Church, Purlear, N. C.

Pianist—Miss Patsy Hawkins, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Pastor Advisor—Rev. Charles Poole, Oakwoods, N. C.

Departmental Leaders:

Adult—Dr. John T. Wayland, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Young People—Miss Lottie McNeil, Purlear, N. C.

Intermediates—Mrs. Bernice P. Greer, Moravian Falls, N. C.

Junior—Miss Anna Laura Canter, Purlear, N. C.

Story Hour—Mrs. Monroe Eller, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Group Directors:

Wayne Church, Purlear, N. C.

Miss Nora McGee, Boomer, N. C.

Miss Pauline Absher, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Miss Carole Glass, R. F. D., Wilkesboro, N. C.

Miss Jessie Foster, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

LUNDA HENDREN, Director.

W. M. U. REPORT

The women and young people of the Woman's Missionary Union organizations have joined others all over the Southland in commemorating the Sixtieth Anniversary of its organization.

As the Children of Israel journeyed toward the Land of Promise they were caused by their leaders to pause often to praise God and remember what great things God had wrought for and through them. So we with praise, thanksgiving, and consecration have looked into the lives, work, and challenge of leaders who have gone before "For God." We have emphasized Family Worship, Bible Reading, and the opportunities within our homeland, "And Home." Because our Lord's Commission extended to "the uttermost part of the world" we have renewed our purpose to include "every creature" who needs our Savior's redemptive plan. "And Every Land."

Our Annual Meeting was held with the Mt. Pleasant women in June. All reports showed gratifying interest and increases. The total gifts for the year 1947 \$2048.64.

It was a privilege indeed to have Miss Ruth Provence, W. M. U. Executive Secretary, and Miss Kimiko Kaneshiro, Japanese-Hawaiian student with us in our meeting and in several of the churches for messages of inspiration and help.

We set our hearts toward a future of service pledging to you and to our Heavenly Father that we shall do our utmost to be faithful stewards of the rich heritage and manifold blessings that are ours. We shall pray and serve and give in order that "at the name of Jesus every knee should bow."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. A. CHIPMAN, Supt.

REPORT ON WILKES BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE

The Wilkes Baptist Pastors' Conference is an organization for the Baptist Ministers of Wilkes county. According to the report in the minutes of the association for 1943, this conference was organized in 1939 with seven pastors present. Since that time the conference has continued to function.

During the past year the regular monthly meetings of this organization have been held on Monday after the third Sunday at Reins-Sturdivant Chapel. At these meetings there has been an average attendance of nine for the year.

The benefit of these meetings to the ministers may be judged from the type of program planned for each meeting. The program includes a period of devotion, the transaction of business, a discussion of some practical topic, a homilistical study, and an inspirational message. Many times during the year visiting speakers have appeared on the program.

In addition to the regular monthly meetings a five-day school for the ministers was held at Wilkesboro Baptist Church the week of March 15. The visiting teachers for this school were Rev. J. C. Pipes and Rev. N. B. Phillips of Asheville, Dr. W. K. McGee and Rev. Richard Young of Winston-Salem, and Rev. E. C. Shoe of Taylorsville. This annual school is well attended and has proven most helpful to all ministers who come.

For several weeks during the winter months a smaller group of the ministers met each week on Monday morning for a period of study. The fellowship and an exchange of ideas in these meetings were also helpful.

It is our hope that greater things can be accomplished in the future by this organization as more of the Baptist ministers in Wilkes county attend and take part in the conference.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. BROOKSHIRE.

REPORT ON CHURCH AND PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP

There should always be a spiritual relationship between the church and pastor. Mt. 12:50, "For whosoever will do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother." The pastor should not be a boss or bossed. He is the shepherd of the flock, and his duty is to feed with spiritual food. There should always be a spiritual relationship between the pastor and the church.

He is the divine head of the church and the spiritual leader of the church. He is the overseer or steward of the flock. He should always feed with spiritual food, and lead the flock where there is green pastures.

The relationship between church and pastor should always be kept on business basis with the spiritual kingdom. I Cor. 14:40, "Let all

things be done decently and in order." The church should support him on scriptural basis and provide for him. Prayer puts the church in order and in a spiritual position to co-operate with the pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. E. C. SHOE.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is not thought of as a new thing in our Baptist Denomination. During the past years great improvements have been made in this state toward the training of our children and adults. Intellectual training is not Christian education. Milton told Hartlib that one should study Greek, for example, in order that he might get at the truth which the Greeks had to offer.

In the seventy-eighth Psalm we find these words: "We will not hide them from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the Lord, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done. For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children: That the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born, who should arise and declare them to their children: That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments."

Our Christian Education must begin in the homes, when the children are but small, and be continued as they grow into adulthood in the school and Sunday School. Our Baptists are very well organized and accomplish a great deal in the training of children. The young people of today have a great challenge in our Christian colleges. North Carolina has four Baptist Junior Colleges: Campbell, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, and Wingate, and two Baptist Senior Colleges: Meredith and Wake Forest. Campbell College has recently added the W. S. Britt dormitory for young men, the Herbert B. Taylor athletic field, two buildings from the Federal Works Administration, one of which is an infirmary, and the full equipment for a school laundry. Of its 600 students, 22 were ministerial students last year. \$47,000 was appropriated to this college last year.

Gardner-Webb has built a new young men's dormitory, modern in every respect, and an athletic field, and has plans for other buildings. 54 of its 400 students are ministerial students, with appropriations amounting to \$42,000. Gardner-Webb has recently been admitted to the educational system of the Baptist State Convention and is easily meeting the Standard requirements.

Mars Hill College has recently completed a large dormitory for young women, with a dining hall and library under construction. 53 of its 1000 students are studying for the ministry. Appropriations equal \$65,000.

The Alumni Building, fireproof and very modern, is the newest dormitory for boys at Wingate. 29 of Wingate's 350 students are ministerial. Appropriations are \$27,000. The Efrid Memorial Library, 8,000 volumes, will meet the long-felt need of the school.

Meredith is our Baptist Senior College for 600 young women. A new auditorium and Music Building have been designed. Their dormitory space is adequate. \$86,000 was contributed from the Co-operative Program.

Of Wake Forest's 2000 students 119 are ministerial. Their appropriation is \$118,000. \$1,500,000 is the appropriation toward the new Wake Forest at Winston-Saem.

The Chowan College property has not been used for several years.

In these six colleges Baptists have investments in endowment and plant funds totaling approximately \$12,000,000 not counting the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation supporting the program of the new Wake Forest. The annual operating budgets total approximately \$2,500,000. The total appropriations for these colleges is \$384,000.

In addition to the students, both men and women, who are training for full time Christian leadership, there are the remaining nine-tenths who are trained to become Christian leaders not only in varied capacities important in the local church, but in the many professions into which they go. As never before our modern society needs the influence of these Christian men and women in the everyday activities of life. Mr. Robert Jackson, Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, is credited with the following statement: "It is one of the paradoxes of our time that modern society needs to fear . . . only the educated man. The primitive peoples of the earth constitute no menace. The most serious crimes against civilization can be committed only by educated and technically competent peoples." Granting the truthfulness of this statement, and realizing that we are living in an age of education, we must recognize that Christian education constitutes our first wall of defense against the evils of our world.

Christian education has no source of support other than that to be found in Christian people, and we shall have a Christian civilization to the extent that Christian people are willing to provide it. These colleges offer us the opportunity for investing our lives and our money in the building of a Christian world. How much do we love them and how much do we believe in them? They need us and we cannot get along without them.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS PEGGY NICHOLS.

EDUCATION THROUGH CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

One of the greatest channels of blessing and opportunity for growth and development of Christians in the Baptist denomination is through Christian literature.

Let us mention briefly some of the regular publications of our denomination.

The Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tennessee, publishes the graded Sunday School lessons, *The Teacher* for any age group, and the *Sunday School Builder*. Any Sunday School teacher may obtain special aids in a varied type of materials, suited to any age group from this same publishing house. Besides these regular and special materials there are unlimited sources of knowledge in books in our state Baptist book stores in Raleigh and Charlotte.

The literature for the Baptist Training Union is planned and written by outstanding Christian scholars. Those who take part in the program and training of church membership will expand in Christian knowledge and wisdom.

The monthly publications of Woman's Missionary Union are: *Royal Service*, for adults; *The Window*, for young women; *Ambassador Life*, for boys, and *World Comrade* for girls and younger children. These print news and plans of missionary activities. Also *The Commission* is an attractive magazine that carries news and views of our foreign fields. *The Christian Herald*, a magazine for all denominations, gives much information about Christian activities in all parts of the world. How much do we believe in missions, enough to inform ourselves about our own denominational mission enterprises at home and abroad?

The *Biblical Recorder* measures up to the qualifications of a good state paper as laid down by a well known South Carolina editor: a voice with God's leadership, a promotional agency for every Baptist enterprise, a medium of expression, a source of personal news and a stabilizing influence. The present circulation is about 44,000. The Wilkesboro Baptist church in this Association includes *The Recorder* in its budget. Do we place the proper valuation upon our State paper?

The report of the *Biblical Recorder* reminds us that when the Baptist State Convention of N. C. was organized in 1830 it had as its purpose, according to the constitution, the promotion of missions, education, social service, and the distribution of the Bible and sound religious literature.

Let us as Christians face the facts that confront us today concerning the printed page. Never in all the history of the world has reading material been so abundant. If our forefathers who held a book as a precious object to treasure could have even imagined that some day books could be so plentiful! Today every corner stand has on display, available to all, the present day editions. Upon close examination many of these publications are covered with highly emotional, unnatural, crime promoting stories. We would be amazed and stirred to action if we should learn that our children were receiving poison from some soda fountain. Yet, we are too often unaware that the minds of our youth are slowly receiving quantities of poison from the printed page. "Knowledge may be gained from books but the love of knowledge is transmitted by personal contact." All of the food that is needed

to make a well balanced diet may be produced but unless the individual consumes that food it will do him no good. This same fact applies to literature, though we have store houses full of character building literature, unless we put it to use, we may be mentally and spiritually poverty stricken.

Shall we resolve as parents, teachers and Christian leaders in the Brushy Mountain Association to grasp this great source of opportunity through Christian literature to broaden and deepen our spiritual knowledge for the kingdom of God.

MADGE LINNEY STURDIVANT.

SOCIAL SERVICE AND CIVIC RIGHTEOUSNESS

The service we render to the society of our day is wholly dependent upon what we are, and assuredly we can join with the great apostle Paul as we hear him say, "By the grace of God I am what I am."

If we would become servants of humanity and thereby serve Christ we must appropriate enough of the grace of God to become characters of a higher type than the drunkard, thief or idle wanderer possessed by the debauching and devastating habits so common to our day.

If indeed we shall allow God through His grace to make us citizens worth while we shall provide in turn vast opportunities for others to make of themselves characters of value.

We shall provide these opportunities by taking our respective places as Christian citizens of our country and in so doing we shall uphold the cause of Christ in our church life, our social life and our political life.

We therefore deem it the highest of wisdom to make this choice and thereby provide not only better things for ourselves but also greater opportunities for others.

Respectfully submitted,

C. J. POOL.

REPORT OF AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The regular work of the American Bible Society includes the translation of the scriptures into the various languages of the world, and then follow up the various translations to the different races of the world and see that they are supplied with the scriptures in their languages.

It provides the scriptures on foreign fields at less than cost because the income level of the people is so low that they can pay only a fraction of the cost of printing the books. In cases of special need, at home and abroad, the scriptures are given without charge.

Southern Baptists recognize the American Bible Society as an essential part of their own program of world-wide missions. Resolu-

tions have been adopted by State Conventions and the Southern Baptist Convention, commending the work of the Society and requesting the churches to contribute to its support. The Society is grateful for substantial gifts from Baptist churches throughout the South.

MRS. HUBERT CANTER.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

The Baptist Orphanage is a home for unfortunate children, instituted by the Baptist Christian people, made available for only a small percent of our underprivileged children, in these days when there is such a crying demand for homeless children

Last year 608 children were cared for in both of our Homes, 83 children in foster homes, and 80 children were given motherly aid, making a total of 771 helped directly. The case workers helped with the plans for 749 other children, thus serving 1520 in one year.

Last year 1107 children were cared for, an increase of 513. The spiritual environment as well as the physical is of such that all Homes should have more attention.

The writer of this report would have this word as an experience: I have three cousins that graduated from our Mills Home institution several years ago because they were left orphans when their parents died; as small children they were placed in the Orphans Home. Such impression of training and teaching was given them that when they went out for themselves they went out honest, truthful and industrious young people: two boys, James Eller of Goldsboro, N. C., in the Automobile business, William Eller of Havre De Grace, Maryland, a railroad man; Fannie, who married Scott Lothredge of High Point, N. C., a railroad man; she died some few years ago.

I feel we owe our prayers, time and means to such an institution.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. A. W. ELLER.

REPORT OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST RELIEF CENTER

Since October 15, 1947, the Relief Committee of the Foreign Mission Board has operated a distinctly Southern Baptist Relief Center in New Orleans, under the direction of Rev. Clovis A. Brantley. Prior to this time, the relief efforts of Southern Baptists in the giving, processing, shipping and distribution of good used clothing and non-perishable food were carried on through the agency known as Church World Service. However, on the above date, feeling that Southern Baptists could better serve needy humanity through their own distinctly Baptist channels, the Relief Committee set in operation our own program.

In the first six months of our operation on this basis, Southern Baptists have contributed over one million pounds of food and clothing through this Center. Countless thousands of the world's destitute

have been helped in Christ's name as these gifts have gone to them carrying copies of portions of the scriptures in the language of the people helped. Only the ages to come will reveal the missionary impact of this work of mercy.

Surely, in this period that is still critical in many parts of Europe and Asia, we as Southern Baptists will not fail our Lord. Surely, we will not close our hearts against these who suffer such misery as we have never known; but, on the contrary, we will open our hearts to them and minister to them out of our abundance that we may give proof of our possession of the love of God in our hearts.

This fall, during the months of September and October, a clarion-call is being given to Southern Baptists to respond once again in a united effort to gather food and clothing for the needy in war-torn lands. Let each association organize for action; let each church organize for action. Then, let us throw ourselves into this work with our best energies and do the worthy thing for Christ's honor and glory. One pound per Baptist is a mighty small request. But if this request turns into glorious response, we will then receive better than six millions of pounds of relief supplies. May God help us to do it is our prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS NORA McGEE.

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Our North Carolina Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem ministers to the sick from all parts of our state. It is our Good Samaritan, in the name of the Great Physician, to those who suffer and do not have sufficient money to pay the large cost of the best medical care.

From among those of limited means 26,000 visits were made to the Out-Patient Department for examination, diagnosis and treatment last year. There will be 35,000 visits this year. This is one of the most important services of our Hospital and it is being enlarged as rapidly as possible.

Of this large number coming to the Out-Patient Department, there is room for only about one-fourth of them to be treated in the Hospital as bed patients. Money is now being raised from interested friends and businesses to build a new enlarged hospital. This will be located on a beautiful 100 acre tract in Winston-Salem which has been given for this purpose. It is hoped that the money needed for the enlargement will come speedily so that space may be provided for many sick people for whom there is not room now.

As the services of our Hospital have grown, the Mother's Day offerings from our churches likewise have grown. Those offerings are all used to help pay the cost of caring for those who receive this ministry and do not have the money to pay the total cost themselves. In order to provide such help for as many as possible, our Hospital adds to the

Mother's Day offerings all the funds it can get for this purpose from the welfare agencies of the state and counties, the Duke Endowment, contributions from individuals, and any other available sources. The calls for help are far beyond the means of our Hospital to supply, however. We hope the Mother's Day offerings will continue to grow in our churches in order that our Hospital may provide more service for more people.

Our Baptist Hospital and Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College provide training for young women and young men who are called into the fields of nursing and medicine. With all the facilities available in a great hospital and medical school such as we have, there is offered a quality of training which is not generally available. A number of those now in training there are preparing for medical mission work. We urge fine young men and women from our Baptist churches who are interested in these important fields of service to consider going there for their training.

Our Baptist Hospital maintains a Department of Religion. This provides a chaplain service for the patients, especially for those with particular spiritual needs. It provides a religious program among the students, seeking to help establish Christian faith and promote spiritual growth. It offers courses in pastoral counselling for pastors and ministerial students designed to prepare the pastor better to minister to his people in their personal needs and problems. This department serves as a link between our hospital and our churches and people when we have needs and problems in relation to the hospital.

North Carolina Baptists have developed an outstanding medical center. It is for its ministry to those with little money that we appeal to the churches of our Association to give generously on Mother's Day.

S. I. WATTS.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program was adopted so all Southern Baptists could systematically support all the work of the denomination. We are encouraged to contribute through this and thus get away from taking special offerings except those designated in the regular calendar. These are:

Home and Foreign Mission Day—In March.

Hospital—Mother's Day in May.

Christian Education Day—Fourth Sunday in June.

State Missions—Fourth Sunday of October.

Orphanage—Thanksgiving Day.

There is a growing interest in the Cooperative Program in the Association. In 1946 the churches gave \$4,617.72 and in 1947 \$12,714.58. This is a large increase, but we must not overlook the fact that many of our people still do not understand it and therefore do not support it. Some churches never contribute through it, while others support it

only half-heartedly. Pastors and leaders are under the constant responsibility of informing themselves and other people regarding the program.

There is no better plan for Baptists to finance the program of our churches and I recommend we give it our constant support.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. TAL S. BARNES.

REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

A brief summary of the work of the missionary from September 1, 1947, to August 10, 1948, is as follows: Made 78 visits to 26 churches; conducted 14 study courses; assisted the state Training Union department in an enlargement campaign in Johnston association; attended parts of two conferences at Ridgecrest; assisted in the promotion of the Vacation Bible School clinic for the association and participated in the clinic of another association; assisted in the promotion of the Better Bible Teaching clinic in October—15 churches were represented with an average attendance of 108; assisted in promoting the associational deacons' meeting; assisted in the organization of 2 Training Unions; participated in 5 Vacation Bible Schools; attended 23 associational meetings; attended 13 state and divisional meetings; taught 15 Sunday School classes; made special visits to 9 W. M. S.'s and 7 T. U.'s; conducted 11 prayer meeting services; led 7 devotional periods; conducted 31 worship services; held 163 conferences; wrote 389 letters, 588 cards; 435 pieces of special promotional material; distributed 125 calendars of activities and 996 bulletins; made numerous telephone calls and personal contacts; traveled 9657.5 miles.

Miss Lita Mauldin, the summer worker, assisted in 4 Vacation Bible Schools. Dean Minton and Patsy Hawkins also assisted in summer work in the association.

The privilege of working with the churches of the Brushy Mountain Association was a joy. May the Lord bless each member of each church as great work is undertaken for the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

S. MADGE LEWIS,

Associational Missionary.

(Resignation effective August 10, 1948)

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that we the delegates and members of the Brushy Mountain Association in Annual Meeting assembled at Little Rock Church this September 21 and 22, 1948:

1st. That we acknowledge and express our thanks to Almighty God for His manifold blessings of the past year, for our temporal needs so bountifully provided and for His unlimited grace extended to each of us.

2nd. That we express our sincere appreciation and thanks to the ministers, the Sunday School teachers and officers and other lay members of our Association for their devotion, their work and their financial support of the Kingdom work in their respective churches and in the larger areas where service has been rendered.

3rd. That we express our appreciation for the work done by our Associational Missionary, Miss S. Madge Lewis, who has served for some years in this position and until August 10, 1948, when she resigned to go to California for further study and work.

4th. That we are appreciative and sincerely thankful for the greatly enlarged opportunity that will be offered to our people in this entire territory by the bringing of Wake Forest College to Winston-Salem and we urge all of our churches and our entire brotherhood to share according to their ability in the campaign now being conducted to raise funds to erect buildings on this new campus.

5th. That we pray to God that the rulers and the leaders of our nation may have such insight and sympathetic understanding of the strained relationships now existing between many of the nations that a harmonious and lasting peace may be worked out to the best interest of all the peoples of the earth.

6th. That it is our sincere desire that all our people renew and double their efforts to combat the evils of intoxicating beverages. Crime has greatly increased and more homes are broken up and it is our guided opinion that alcoholic beverages is the greater cause of it.

7th. That appreciation is expressed to the members of the Program Committee for the arrangement of the two days programs and to those who have prepared and read the reports and to all who have spoken on the subjects that have come before the Association.

8th. That we each and all express sincere appreciation to the members of the Little Rock Church for the kind hospitality that has been expressed and shown by every one throughout the sessions of the Association, for the fine dinners that have been served, for the flowers and all other expressions of kindness that have been shown.

F. G. BREWER, Committee.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF LITTLE ROCK BAPTIST CHURCH

A historian is a victim of circumstances. He must write according to the available material at hand. This handicap will become more and more evident as this paper is presented.

On February 3, 1866, a group of members of the Hollow Springs Baptist Church assembled in a convention with a view toward organizing a new church in that vicinity. Elder G. W. Livingston was chosen chairman and Reuben Knight clerk. Elders Hiram West, Edmond Tilly, and G. W. Livingston were selected to constitute a presbytery. A constitution, abstract of principles, and rules of decorum were drawn up, read and adopted. After letters of nine people from

Hollow Springs were read, the candidates examined and "found orthodox in faith," the new church—named Meadow Hill—was established. The doors of the church were opened and ten joined by experience and one by recommendation. Hiram West was chosen moderator and G. W. Livingston clerk. G. W. Livingston and Hiram West were called as pastors for one year.

The new church stated: "We agree to unite ourselves together as a Baptist church of Christ upon the principles of the Old and New Testaments, believing these principles are sufficient to govern the Church of Christ without the institutions and resolutions or traditions of men." Their reasons for withdrawing from the Hollow Springs Church and forming the Meadow Hill Church were stated as follows: "First, that it is well known that a majority was not allowed to rule only as it pleased individuals which is not according to Baptist discipline. Second, while we were abundantly blest with a revival of religion, we were opposed and abruptly set at naught by heads of said church, and after finding a number of converts that were unwilling to join said church on account of disorderly members, we thought it right in the sight of God to make a home for them. Third, it is not only known to us, but to surrounding churches and to the world that said church holds members that indulge in the use of ardent spirits to excess and in profane language, cursing and profaning God's holy name, Sabbath breaking, fighting and other evils repeatedly, which things are contrary to the Word of God or to any Baptist church."

From the above it would appear that the break with the mother church was complete and permanent. But in May 1871 we find Meadow Hill meeting with Hollow Springs to find out the attitude of the latter toward reconciliation and union. Apparently the two churches agreed to unite, but when Meadow Hill proposed the name of Goshen for the united church, Hollow Springs objected. Another meeting was called to settle the difference, but Hollow Springs refused to attend. In March, 1886, we find Meadow Hill, now known as Little Rock, trying again to unite with Hollow Springs. For several months Little Rock delayed calling a pastor, hoping to perfect a union with the mother church, but Hollow Springs refused to send representatives to the meeting previously agreed to, and Little Rock resolved to have no more to do with Hollow Springs.

It is evident that the two churches had grown farther and farther apart, and that any further effort toward reconciliation and union was futile. Although there is nothing said about it in the minutes, Hollow Springs was definitely Primitive Baptist while Little Rock had become more and more Missionary Baptist. Beginning September, 1867, Little Rock sent delegates to the Lewis Fork Association so long as it existed. She was represented at the Baptist Convention at Three Forks Church in 1871, but did not join the Brushy Mountain Association until 1877. In March, 1876, she refused the request to join Dover, Mount Shuron

and Hollow Springs in forming a new association which would have been of the Primitive Baptist type.

We may assume that the members of the newly organized Meadow Hill Church, which changed its name to Little Rock sometime between December, 1873, and September, 1874, did not have a church in which to meet at first, but met in private homes. We find that in March, 1866, they decided to build a church on top of Meadow Hill, and in April, 1867, they arranged to get plank to floor the church. The minutes for May, 1871, speak of the Meadow Hill meeting house. In January of the next year, the congregation voted to move the church to Iron Mountain Hill, and in October, 1873, set a time to move the church. We may assume that the church had been built and that it was not a very elaborate affair. I am told that the late Vance McGhinnis hauled the logs when the church was moved. In October, 1881, we find the church trying to raise money to recover and ceil the building. In August, 1885, a building committee was appointed to raise money and secure title to a tract of land, and in October of the next year another committee was appointed to build a church. We are not informed whether or not this one was built. In September, 1910, the congregation voted to build a pool for baptismal purposes, and in March of the next year voted to put locks on the door and windows of the church. In October, 1924, a committee was appointed to build Sunday School rooms, and in December, 1943, bought an acre of land for \$25.00. We are in this beautiful brick church, constructed in 1941, modern and well equipped, valued the fourth highest of any church in the Association, yet, so far as the minutes are concerned, it does not exist. According to the minutes of the Brushy Mountain Association, the church property of Little Rock was valued at \$800.00 in 1909, the fifth highest of any church in the association. By 1921 it had jumped to \$2500.00, the highest of any church reported. In 1930 some \$800.00 was spent on repairs and in 1931 the value was given as \$4000.00, the third highest of any church reporting. More money was spent for repairs and the value rose to \$4500.00 by 1935. By 1941 a brick church had been built, valued at \$8000.00, and by 1945 the value was given as \$13,500.00. In June 13, 1948, it was voted to build an arch over the road leading to the church where it leaves the highway.

It has been stated that when the Meadow Hill church was organized two ministers—G. W. Livingston and Hiram West—were called as pastors. The next year the order was reversed and West and Livingston were called. From February, 1867, until March, 1870, West served alone as pastor. At the latter date Linville Land was chosen as pastor, but in June West was called to serve with Land. In March, 1871, West and Edmond Tilley were selected as pastors. West alone was called in March, 1872, and again for the next year. There are no minutes from March to September, 1873. At the latter date we find Ambers Knight pastor, and in December, Daniel Welborn, who served almost four years, or until July, 1877. The next September Wm. F. Knight was chosen

pastor and in November David Knight was chosen to serve with him. In January, 1880, Milton McNeill and S. D. Barnes were called as pastors. The next year McNeill served alone. In February, 1882, Daniel Welborn was selected, but he declined and McNeill was elected. In June, 1883, W. C. Meadows was called and served some two years, or until March, 1885. At that time Anson Pardieu (probably A. T. Pardue) was called but resigned eight months later.

Due to the pending union with Hollow Springs, the calling of a pastor was delayed until July, 1886, when H. C. Marley was selected. He served until September, 1888, when S. D. Barnes became pastor. Barnes served until April, 1890, when C. C. Pool was chosen and served until January, 1891. In May, 1891, S. D. Barnes and G. B. Walker were called to serve until the Association met. In September, 1892, J. F. Eller was called and served three years. In February, 1896, J. F. Bumgarner and S. D. Barnes were designated as pastors. Barnes seems not to have served, and J. F. Bumgarner became W. J. Bumgarner in September, 1896, and remained so until July, 1897. In August a pastor was called but we are not informed who he was. No one appears to have served. In March, 1898, Richard Jarvis became pastor and served until April, 1900, when W. R. Beach was called and served one year. In March, 1901, A. M. Pennell began his year of service. At the end of that time G. Z. Bumgarner began a five years' service, which lasted until March, 1907. At that time Lee Fox was called but declined and in August, 1907, E. D. Crist accepted the pastorate and was present for two Sundays. In March, 1908, G. Z. Bumgarner was again chosen pastor. We do not know how long he served. There are no minutes from November, 1908, until October, 1909, when J. B. Reid was called. Reid served until April, 1912. The next August G. Z. Bumgarner was again elected pastor. He served until his tragic death, February 2, 1919. The next month J. W. Watts was selected as pastor. In March, 1920, J. W. Watts and T. E. Payne were chosen pastors and served for two years, or until March, 1922, when J. W. Watts was called as pastor and Isaac Watts was elected to preach every fourth Sunday. In March, 1924, J. W. Watts, A. E. Watts and Isaac Watts were called as pastors. In December J. W. Watts resigned and A. E. Watts appears to have continued and was elected again in December, 1925, for another year. Apparently A. E. Watts served until December, 1927, when S. I. Watts was called. His service covered about five years, or until November, 1932, when E. V. Bumgarner began a two year period of service. In November, 1934, B. F. Peeler was called and probably served that year. There are no minutes from April, 1937, until March, 1938. At that time we find Woodrow Brookshire as pastor. In August, 1938, Otto Johnson was elected to serve jointly with Brookshire. Brookshire's name ceases to appear in the minutes and Otto Johnson (assuming that Otto Johnson and W. O. Johnson are the same person) continued as pastor for about seven years, or until December, 1945, when Grant Miller was elected to complete the associational year. In August Mr. Miller was called

to serve an indefinite time. In November, 1947, A. W. Eller, the present pastor, was called.

Elder G. W. Livingston served as clerk for the first six months of this church's early history. From July, 1866, until December, 1873, a period of seven years, Livingston Carlton was clerk. For the next six months there are no minutes and I suppose no clerk. Wm. M. Andrews' name appears for July and September, 1874, and he might have been clerk. From Novembr, 1874, until November, 1875, J. M. Livingston seems to have been clerk. From the above date until April, 1879, R. C. Swanson served as clerk. There was no regular clerk until September, 1880, when S. S. Walker was elected and served eight years, or until August, 1888. There was no regular clerk until July, 1889, when W. C. Andrews was elected. Andrews served about six years or until September, 1895, when F. G. Carlton was chosen. Carlton served about six years or until February, 1901, when J. W. Livingston was appointed and continued to serve for ten years. In August, 1911, N. C. Andrews was selected and served for ten years. In May, 1921, S. M. Knight was elected and continued for nine years, or until June, 1930. At that date Wilson M. Lackey began a five year period of service, or until June, 1935, when C. W. Carlton was elected. Carlton served for over seven years or until August, 1942, when the present clerk—Ray Parsons—was elected.

The minutes tell us very little about the finances of this church. A treasurer was appointed in October, 1867, but we hear no more about a treasurer for 68 years, or until June, 1935, when L. L. Carlton resigned and J. W. Andrews was elected. The missionary spirit early manifested itself and this fact doubtless widened the breach between this and the parent church, Hollow Springs. In 1868 and each of the succeeding two years the congregation agreed to raise something for the support of the Gospel. In 1881 a collection was taken for foreign missions. Three years later the collection for home and foreign missions amounted to \$3.25, and four years later the collection for foregin missions was \$1.56. I suppose a pledging system was in use, as in December, 1902, we find that 91 cents was collected on pledges. In August, 1908, the collection for home missions amounted to 25 cents and for the orphanage 50 cents. In 1919, \$13.75 was raised for home missions, foreign missions, the orphanage, and minute fund. In August, 1935, there were pledged \$5.00 for the co-operative program and \$10.00 for the orphanage. The minutes do not indicate how much the pastor was paid. We may assume that preaching was free and that the ministers "drank water out of their own wells." We are informed that in March, 1870, the church agreed to pay the pastor something for the preceding year. In November, 1934, it pledged to pay the pastor \$100.00 for the year, and in April, 1944, gave its pastor \$22.75.

When we turn to the minutes of the Brushy Mountain Association, we find that the church contributed 50 cents in 1870; 56 cents for home missions and 55 cents for foreign missions in 1888. It gave \$18.30 in

1897 and ranked eighth of the nineteen churches; \$4.70 in 1907, \$4.30 in 1909, the lowest of any reporting. It gave \$92.15 in 1913, \$180.20 in 1924, and \$259.21 in 1933, sixth highest. This church paid its pastor \$7.00 in 1881, the lowest of any church reporting; \$20.00, again the lowest of any church reporting, in 1908; \$66.00 in 1911, the seventh highest; \$100.00 in 1921; \$181.00 in 1929; \$197.72 in 1942; \$314.72 in 1944; and \$463.75 in 1946, ranking fifteenth from the top and nineteenth from the bottom, but sixth from the bottom of the churches reporting two Sunday services per month. At the same time it contributed to practically all the objects listed in the minutes of the Association, making a grand total of \$2343.94. In 1947 it contributed \$1828.13 to all causes and thus ranked fifteenth.

On April 18, 1947, the church adopted a budget program to run through August, 1949. According to this plan the church is to pay \$125.10 per month. It is to be divided as follows: \$66.60 for pastor's salary; \$10.00 for sexton; \$8.00 for literature; \$5.00 each for co-operative program, orphanage, Baptist Hospital, fuel, associational missionary worker and cemetery; \$4.00 each for lights and insurance; \$2.00 for incidentals; and \$.50 for minute fund. This budget amounts to \$1501.20 per year.

Apparently this church started out having preaching and a business session on Saturday and preaching on Sunday once per month. I have mentioned that in 1922 a minister was elected to preach every fourth Sunday in addition to the regular preaching service. In 1935 it was voted to have preaching service two Sundays per month, an arrangement that apparently continues to the present. The church membership seems to have grown very slowly for many years, with spasmodic increases and decreases. According to the minutes of the Brushy Mountain Association, after a gain of 41 by baptism and 8 by letter, the membership was 62 in 1867. It dropped to 33 in 1869, 25 in 1880; rose to 63 in 1897; declined to 38 in 1912 (smallest of any church reporting); increased to 75 in 1913; 117 in 1922; 172 in 1935; 202 in 1942; 205 in 1947. Revival meetings appear to have been held each year. It was during one of these revivals, 1880, that the late Vance McGhinnis, who served this church in various capacities and was for twenty-three years clerk of the Brushy Mountain Association, was converted and baptised. A successful revival was reported for August, 1934, when 28 joined by experience, 2 by letter, and 3 were restored.

The minutes give us little information in regard to Sunday School. We are informed that in April, 1893, delegates were appointed to a Sunday School Association. In March, 1918, the church voted "to try to organize and run a Sunday School," and in February, 1930, a treasurer for the Sunday School was elected. According to the minutes of the Brushy Mountain Association, 34 were enrolled in Sunday School in 1880; 30 in 1888; 76 in 1895; 43 in 1924; 91 in 1927; 158, with an average attendance of 100, in 1930; 205 in 1934; 124, with an average attendance of 80, in 1947.

The history of this church seems to show that it has become more lax in discipline and more missionary in activity. At first the "Rules of Decorum" were read at every business meeting, but after several years were read occasionally, and are not mentioned after May, 1916. At first and for many years later no business meeting was held until it was ascertained that all members present were in harmony. For many years most of the business meetings were spent in disciplining and excluding wavering members. One prominent member was charged with drinking, playing the violin, picking the banjo, and playing cards. He denied the first three charges, but admitted playing cards, but said he did not gamble. He was restored. Many were excluded for drinking, cursing, unsavory language, fornication, adultery, bastardy, non-church attendance, unfriendliness, heresy, joining the Adventist Methodists, Primitive Baptists, and the like. In 1869 a woman was excluded for rioting. In February, 1916, a member was excluded for non-profession of faith, and in July, 1919, another for indifference. In July, 1867, a rule was passed that any one not attending two meetings in succession was to be disciplined, and in May, 1888, another rule was passed that any one not attending church for three months was to be disciplined. These non-attendance rules resulted in a number of exclusions. In 1895 we find four excluded for non-attendance, but a few years later the church voted to write to those who had moved away to inquire if they desired letters or wished to remain with Little Rock. The church appears to have had considerable trouble with those to whom it had granted letters. A number did not unite with any other church, so in September, 1870, those with letters were notified to attend services, and in January, 1872, one with a letter was excluded. In April, 1884, the validity of a letter was limited to three months. In June, 1875, one was excluded for not being baptised.

This church was granted license to preach to S. D. Barnes in April, 1881, W. M. Pratt in October, 1914, and to Ray Parsons in November, 1944. S. D. Barnes was ordained to the ministry in July, 1882.

There are some interesting sidelights in the history of Little Rock Church which probably should be mentioned here. The Meadow Hill Church had two Negro members, one was received by letter in 1866, and the other by experience in 1867. The church seems to have dropped some of its early practices, because as late as June, 1880, we find it setting a time for footwashing. It is interesting to note that S. D. Barnes was called and served as co-pastor more than a year before he was granted license to preach. Also the next year after he was ordained he brought in an allegation against himself and asked the church to deal with him as it saw fit. He was restored. It appears to have been a custom or rule in this church to write to the church in which the newly called pastor held membership and to request permission for him to serve them. I find no record of this, however, after 1871. The terminology for receiving and excluding members has been baffling and remains a puzzle. We find them received by letter, ex-

perience, faith and baptism. They were excluded from the church by letter, having name struck off, withdrawing fellowship and by request.

The minutes of the church do not do it justice. At first they were good but gradually grew poorer and poorer, until 1890 they became uninformative and almost non-existent. For example, from September, 1891, until September, 1894—three years—there are only 10 records and 24 absences; and from April, 1897, until April, 1900—three years—24 absences. Undoubtedly meetings were held as we find the names of new pastors and delegates attending the Association; facts which indicate church meetings. Again we find delegates were appointed to the Association but their names not given, and members taken into the church but their names not listed. For the last few years the minutes are much better.

On the whole, the church is outstanding and is in a very prosperous condition.

DR. H. G. DUNCAN.

CALL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

At the call of the Moderator, the Executive Committee met at Reins-Sturdivant Chapel on the evening of November 9, 1948, with the following persons present: T. E. Story, Chas. J. Poole, J. F. Jordan, Miss Lunda Hendren, Mrs. G. G. Foster, Dr. John T. Wayland, Rev. W. N. Brookshire, Rev. A. W. Eller, Rev. John Wells, W. K. Sturdivant, Mrs. R. T. McNeil, Mrs. Elmer Lowe, and Miss Peggy Nichols.

The Moderator stated that the the purpose of the meeting was to consider the calling of an Associational Missionary and the name of Rev. J. Earl Pearson, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dobson, N C., was presented as a possibility for this work. A number of the brethren present being acquainted with Mr. Pearson stated their views of him most favorably and after considerable discussion of his qualities for the work and of our means of raising the proper funds with which to pay him a motion was made and seconded that we extend him our call to come and work with us at an early date. The motion carried unanimously. The Moderator was asked to convey the action of the meeting to Brother Pearson.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

T. E. STORY, Moderator
J. F. JORDAN, Clerk

LIST OF OUR DEAD

- Davis Memorial—Mr. Lee Harris.
- Edgewood—Mrs. J. W. Moore, Mrs. Evelyn Johnson Wingler.
- Elk—Mrs. Birdie M. Triplett.
- Gordon—Mr. Conley Milam.
- Goshen—Mrs. Frank Walsh.
- Harmony—Mrs. Maudie Miller, Mr. Walter Jones.
- Hinshaw Street—Mrs. A. E. Chambers, Mrs. J. W. Church,
Mr. A. O. Deal.
- Lewis Fork—Mr. R. F. Church.
- Liberty Grove—Mr. I. N. Haynes.
- Little Rock—Mr. James Dyson, Mrs. Edna Pope.
- Moravian Falls—Deacon Rufus C. Lowe, Deacon W. G.
Lowe.
- Mount Pleasant—Mr. David Huffman.
- Mt. Zion—Mr. John Walker, Mrs. L. W. Triplett.
- New Hope—Mrs. Julia Nichols.
- North Wilkesboro First—Mrs. C. G. Horton, Mrs. J. A.
Brown, Mrs. W. J. Allen, Mrs. J. A. Buchanan, Mr.
Tom J. Canter, Mrs. J. C. McNeill.
- North Wilkesboro Second—Mrs. W. H. Moore.
- Oakwoods—Mr. Perry Putman.
- Pilgrim—Lafayette Deal, Mrs. Pinkney.
- Pleasant Home—Mr. S. M. Reavis, Mrs. Elbert McGlam-
mery.
- Stony Hill—Deacon Gaither Spears.
- Walnut Grove—Mrs. Delia Broyhill, Mr. Allie T. Tread-
away.
- Welcome Home—Mrs. J. F. Lankford.
- Wilkesboro—Mrs. Margaret Tedder.
- Zion Hill—Mrs. F. M. Walsh, Mrs. Lawrence Eller.

CONSTITUTION

Name

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association of Wilkes County, North Carolina.

Objects

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to consider and promote measures for increasing the harmony, the intelligence, and the spiritual life of the churches, and for developing and directing their energies and their contributions in the advancement of Christ's kingdom throughout the earth, always in harmony with the teachings of the New Testament. This Association shall be an auxiliary to the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in all its missionary, educational and benevolent work.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall be composed of Missionary Baptist Churches desiring to affiliate with it, and each affiliating church may be represented in the annual meetings of the Association by three messengers chosen by the church, by its pastor and by other ordained ministers in its membership and living within the bounds of the Association.

Article 4. Any church desiring to become a member of this Association shall present, through messengers chosen for that purpose, its request for membership at any annual session of this body. The Moderator shall then appoint a committee to inquire into the faith and practice of said church, said committee to report to the Association its findings. If the Association then votes to receive the church the Moderator shall extend the hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Article 5. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive years, either by letter or by messengers, shall be stricken from the roll of churches, unless satisfactory reasons for such failure are given.

Article 6. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church in its membership which shall be found to be disorderly in faith and practice, but not until charges are brought against it by some other church and carefully considered by the Association.

Organization

Article 7. The officers of the Association shall consist of a Moderator, a Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by ballot on the second day of the session before noon recess adjournment, by a majority of the messengers voting, and shall begin their term of office upon final adjournment of the session at which elected and shall continue in office until the close of the next annual session.

Article 8. The Moderator shall preside at all meetings, preserve order, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer according to the principles of established parliamentary usage; he shall also, as far as his private duties may permit, visit and communicate with the churches between the sessions of the Association to encourage and assist them in their work for the kingdom.

Article 9. The Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Association; shall read the same for approval before the close of each annual session; shall superintend their printing and distribution to the churches; shall send one copy each to the General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Statistical Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., and to their denominational agencies or institutions requesting them; shall preserve a file of all the Associational records and have it present at each annual session; shall provide at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the Association letters for the use of the churches in making their reports to the Association; shall suggest to each church the amount based on its membership and contributions to other objects, needed for the printing and distribution of the Minutes; and as Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Association as directed by the Association, making an itemized statement at each annual session.

Committee

Article 10. The Executive-Promotion Committee shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Sunday School Associational Leader, the Training Union Leader, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and all the pastors of churches within the Association, together with one member from each church elected annually by the Association upon nomination of a committee appointed by the Moderator. A quorum shall consist of the Moderator, the Vice-Moderator, the Clerk, the Associational Sunday School Leader, the Associational Training Union Director, the W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, and four pastors of the Executive Committee.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Executive-Promotion Committee to cooperate with the Baptist State Convention and with the churches of the Association in the promotion of any plans which may seem wise for the extension of Christ's Kingdom, and they shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into successful operation any plans adopted by the Association. This committee shall meet at the call of the moderator or its chairman.

Article 12. A Committee on Nomination; a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher; a Committee on Resolutions; and a Committee on Order of Business shall be appointed by the Moderator on the first day of each annual session. All except the last named committee shall

make their reports to the Association before final adjournment, while the Committee on Order of Business shall prepare the program for the next annual meeting of the Association at least one month before the date of meeting, and present the same to the Association for adoption or alteration at its opening session.

General

Article 13. Not more than three messengers to the Baptist State Convention nor less than two shall be elected annually by the Association upon nomination of the Committee on Nominations.

Article 14. All questions of order not herein provided for shall be decided according to some standard works on Parliamentary practice.

Article 15. Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any annual session upon vote of two-thirds of the members present.

BY-LAWS

1. The Association shall convene annually on.....
.....and continue two days or longer, in the judgment of the Committee on Order of Business and subject to the approval of the Association.

2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, conducted by whomsoever the Committee on Order of Business may designate.

3. A majority of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business except in the matter of making changes in the Constitution.

4. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator, shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration, and avoid the use of unnecessary personalities.

5. The members shall observe towards the officers and towards one another such courtesies as are becoming to Christians.

6. Amendment to the By-Laws may be made by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Association.

Revised and adopted Oct. 17, 1936.

DIRECTORY FOR 1948 AND 1949

T. E. Story, Moderator, Wilkesboro, N. C.

J. F. Jordan, Clerk and Treasurer, Wilkesboro, N. C.

PASTORS' DIRECTORY

Brookshire, W. N., Wilkesboro, N. C.

Brown, Clate, R. 2, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Blevins, Fred, Wilkesboro, N. C.

Bumgarner, E. V., Taylorsville, N. C.

Caldwell, W. H., Sparta, N. C.
Day, Richard, Elkin, N. C.
Eller, A. W., R. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Gwaltney, R. C., Statesville, N. C.
Higgins, T. J., Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hayes, J. E., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Hodges, E. C., Hendrix, N. C.
Huffman, Glenn, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Luck, W. S., R. 1, Wilkesboro, N. C.
Miller, Ed. O., Boomer, N. C.
Osborne, Iredell, Cricket, N. C.
Osborne, Gilbert, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Pool, Charlie J., Oakwoods, N. C.
Pruitt, J. C., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Smith, H. H., Deep Gap, N. C.
Watts, A. E., Taylorsville, N. C.
Welborn, C. S., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Wayland, John T., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Wells, John, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

**Ordained Ministers who are not pastors, but live in the
Association**

Cardwell, Garfield, R., 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Cope, C. M.
Church, Bine, Purlear, N. C.
Eller, Leroy, Moravian Falls, N. C.
Eller, V. G., Purlear, N. C.
Faw, Ed., Millers Creek, N. C.
Foster, A. J., Boomer, N. C.
Holder, Thomas
Miller, Ralph A., R. 1, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Minton, Dean, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Minton, B. L., Buck, N. C.
Nichols, James T., Purlear, N. C.
Osborne, George, Cricket, N. C.
Parsons, J. A., Purlear, N. C.
Payne, Wake, Boomer, N. C.
Sebastain, George W., North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Smith, Graham, Cricket, N. C.
Walsh, T. J., Parsonville, N. C.
Watts, S. I., (Retired) Boomer, N. C.
Wilcoxon, J. H., Summit, N. C.

**TREASURER'S REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATIONAL
MISSION FUND**

Disbursements

Boiling Springs	\$ 8.74
Edgewood	36.00
Elk	8.00
Gordon	25.00
Harmony	15.00
Hinshaw Street	48.00
Lewis Fork	22.00
Little Rock	50.00
Moravian Falls	22.00
Mount Pleasant	65.00
Mt. Zion	24.00
New Hope	36.00
North Wilkesboro 1st.....	166.65
Oakwoods	16.00
Pleasant Home	55.00
Pilgrim	24.00
Wilkesboro	152.50
Welcome Home	25.00
Zion Hill	30.00

\$ 828.89

State Board

805.00

\$1633.89

Balance on hand now...\$ 100.78

Miss Madge Lewis	\$1514.00
C. H. Robertson, Tax.....	66.90
	\$1580.90

Balance Sept. 30, '47.....\$ 47.79

Collected, Churches..... 828.89

State Mission Board..... 805.00

\$1681.68

Sept. 21, '48, Balance...\$ 100.73

**T. E. STORY, Treasurer
for Associational Funds.**



TABLE A—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP Brushy Mountain Association Year Ending Aug. 1948

CHURCHES	Located in Village, Town or County	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES		GAINS		LOSSES			TOTAL			Special Info.		
						Baptisms	Letter and Other	Loss by Death	Total Res. Members	Non-Resident Members	Grand Total	Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	No. Tithers	State Paper In Budget	Church Library
Beaver Creek.....	C.	1779	1	3	John L. Wells, North Wilkesboro	4	7	10	118	28	146	1	1	no	yes	
Big Ivey.....	C.	1889	1		H. H. Smith, Deep Gap.....	2		20	25	45	1	10	no	no	no	
Boiling Springs.....	C.	1932	1	3	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	10	7	5	90	21	121	1		no	no	
Cub Creek.....	C.	1862	2	4	Gilbert Osborne, N. Wilkesboro.	6	6	10	102			1		yes		
Davis Memorial.....	C.	1944	3		T. J. Higgins, Wilkesboro	5	5	3	62	17	79	1				
Edgewood.....	C.	1893	2		A. E. Watts, Taylorsville	5	1	2	77	80	157	1	3	no	no	
Elk.....	C.	1905	3		E. C. Hodges, Hendrix	1	1	2	286	80		1		no	no	
Fishing Creek.....	C.	1822	2	4	Charles J. Pool, Oakwoods	28	9	1	19	162	234	2		no	no	
Gordon.....	V.	1918	2	4	Clate Brown Wilkesboro, R. 2	1	1	6	82	62	145			yes	no	
Goshen.....	C.	1900	2	3	Clate Brown, Wilkesboro, R. 2	1	2	8	75	25	100			yes	no	
Harmony.....	C.	1902	2	4	Iredell Osborne, Cricket	6	2	3	16	200	80	1		no	no	
Hinshaw Street.....	T.	1927	2	4		1	1	7	247	198	445			no	no	
Lewis Fork.....	C.	1792	1	3	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	5	1	6	11	118	173	1		no	no	
Liberty Grove.....	C.	1886	2	4	C. S. Welborn, North Wilkesboro	1	1	1	6	173		1		no	no	
Little Rock.....	C.	1866	2	4	A. W. Eller, Wilkesboro, R. 1	12	7	2	11	118	95	213	1		yes	
Moravian Falls.....	V.	1887	2	4	R. C. Gwaltney, Statesville.	4	4	2	6	121	27	148	3		no	
Mount Carmel.....	C.	1880	2	4	Ed. O. Miller, Boomer	5	5	6	6	53				no	no	
Mount Pleasant.....	C.	1775	2	4	W. H. Caldwell, Sparta	14	2	1	7	308		1		no	no	
Mount Zion.....	C.	1879	1		E. C. Hodges, Hendrix	2	2	2	99	66	165	1		no	yes	
New Hope.....	C.	1830	1	3	Charlie Pool, Oakwoods	10	37	6	35	596	140	736	1	194	no	yes
N. Wilkesboro 1st.....	T.	1892	1,2,3,4	John T. Wayland, N. Wilkesboro.	10	37	6	35	596	140	736	1	194	no	yes	
N. Wilkesboro 2nd.....	T.	1892	2	4	J. C. Pruitt, North Wilkesboro.	12	2	2	72	14	86	2		no	no	
Oakwoods.....	C.	1914	2	4	Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro, R. 2	1	9	1	3	190	190	1	12	no	no	
Pilgrim.....	C.	1889	3		Roger C. Gwaltney, Statesville.	5	4	2	6	60	88	148	1	2		
Pleasant Grove.....	C.	1880	1		J. E. Hayes, North Wilkesboro.	11	2	1	8	156	3	159	2		no	
Pleasant Home.....	C.	1880	1	3	W. S. Luck, Wilkesboro, R. 1	12	8	2	8	301	16	317	1	8	no	no
Purlear.....	C.	1924	1		Glenn Huffman, North Wilkesboro	4	4	1	103	18	121	1				
Shady Grove.....	C.		2		Gilbert Osborne, N. Wilkesboro.	2	1	1	3	44		2		no	no	
Stony Hill.....	V.	1845	2		J. G. Huffman, N. Wilkesboro.	1	1	1	3	136		2		no	no	
Walnut Grove.....	C.	1846	2	4	John Wells, North Wilkesboro.	11	2	2	8	265	100	368	1		no	
Welcome Home.....	C.	1936	1	3	Richard Day, Elkin	2	1	4	137	6	143	1	3	no	no	
Wilkesboro.....	T.	1880	1,2,3,4	W. N. Brookshire, Wilkesboro.	4	4	1	17	250	93	343	2	15	yes	yes	
Zion Hill.....	C.	1813	1		E. V. Bumgarner, Taylorsville	2	2	2	122	94	216			no	no	

TABLE B—THE SUNDAY SCHOOL Brushy Mtn. Association Year-Ending Aug. 1948

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES										Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Dept.	Officers Not Counted	Classes and Depts.	Grand Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Average Attendance		
	20	10	15	18	22	20																					
Beaver Creek	Lester Z. Walsh, Boomer	20	10	15	18	22	20																105	60	64	57	
Big Ivy	T. J. Walsh, Parsonsville	3	5	5	4	4	10																31	20			
Boiling Springs	J. A. Parsons, Purlear	12	13	14	22	20	26																115	40			
Cub Creek	Woodrow W. Key, Wilkesboro	8	11	20	12	11	40																106	52			
Davis Memorial	A. T. Fairchilds, Purlear	4	12	12	13	10	10																47	30			
Edgewood	C. W. Fletcher, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	15	15	24	14	14	26	17															148	51			
Elk	Jim E. Edmiston, Ferguson	11	16	35	13	13	13																75	40			
Fishing Creek	C. B. Mayberry, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	6	28	25	35	14	25	30															2	165	80	91	70
Gordon	W. P. Carsons, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	9	13	20	16	23	23																87	70			
Goshen	H. A. Carlton, Boomer	13	18	20	15	25	25																65	25			
Harmony	R. L. Lankford, Cricket	10	10	15	20	20	20																5	90	45		
Hinshaw Street	E. I. Elledge, North Wilkesboro	25	32	24	32	14	104																231	103	73		
Liberty Fork	James Triplet, Purlear	25	30	40	75	80	75																170	86	100		
Liberty Grove	Kermit Absher, North Wilkesboro	26	29	18	17	27	27																6	123	46		
Little Rock	Ray Parsons, Boomer	10	15	20	16	15	32																124	77	76	69	
Moravian Falls	J. Earl Nichols, Moravian Falls	10	11	14	15	13	72																8	143	61	53	48
Mount Carmel	Worth Church, North Wilkesboro	8	12	16	10	10	10																125	35			
Mount Pleasant	A. M. McGee, Purlear	15	5	25	7	32	37																125	88	74	57	
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnette, Hendrix	12	14	10	34	34	34																70	43			
New Hope	Clyde Church, Wilkesboro, R. 1	20	15	25	30	10	75																9	184	95	54	46
N. Wilkesboro 1st	D. E. Elledge, North Wilkesboro	15	39	37	83	71	54	46	277	15													4	641	290	207	158
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Jesse Adams, North Wilkesboro		13	14	11	11	12																61	39			
Oakwoods	Frank Walker, Oakwoods	20	15	20	14	25	35																130	48	25	15	
Pilgrim	Earl Adams, Wilkesboro, R. 1	22	11	6	17	28	28																84	48			
Pleasant Grove	Joe L. Parsons, Wilkesboro	17	16	22	24	36	36																7	122	79		
Pleasant Home	Clate Bumgarner, Wilkesboro, R. 1	6	15	20	40	30	30	112															253	138	75	71	
Purlear	D. C. Whittington, Purlear	14	6	15	21	20	44																120	60	34	32	
Shady Grove	Mrs. D. K. Green, Wilkesboro	4	8	12	10	15	15																53	35			
Stony Hill	G. S. McNeill, Parsonsville	25	18	15	12	38	38																6	114	45		
Walnut Grove	Joel J. Bentley, Pores Knob	5	7	10	15	30	12	60															9	146	83		
Welcome Home	John Kilby, North Wilkesboro, R. 1	30	20	20	35	45	45																7	157	80		
Wilkesboro	T. E. Story, Wilkesboro	25	31	43	28	19	110	18															2	276	127	102	70
Zion Hill	W. J. Earp, Boomer	15	15	12	30	25	25																147	85	69	55	

TABLE F—GIFTS FOR LOCAL WORK OF CHURCH BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING August, 1948

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Pastor's Salary	Janitor, Fuel, Repairs Insurance, etc.	Ass. Pastor, Educational Director, Choir Leader	Revival Expense and Pastoral Supply	Paid on Church Debt	Literature, Quarterlies Church Paper, Song Books	Local Beneficences	Building Fund (given Associational Year)	Local Missions	Other Objects	Total Given for Local Church Work
Beaver Creek	Lester Z. Walsh, Boomer	\$480.00	\$427.36		238.00	1350.00	68.58	\$21.00		\$103.00	\$125.00	\$2785.94
Big Ivey	Odell Beshears, Parsonsville	100.00					20.00					120.00
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear	213.12	49.50		57.42		51.53	8.00				379.57
Cub Creek	Mrs. T. E. Cain, Wilkesboro	485.11	23.90			265.11	69.20				131.68	975.00
Davis Memorial	Mrs. P. J. Ferguson, Purlear	48.90	60.00		100.00		30.80	15.95				245.65
Edgewood	Clifford Moore, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	379.78	9.60		75.00		134.69				67.61	666.68
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Ferguson	241.20	20.36		57.80	1100.00	38.50		272.58	5.00		835.44
Fishing Creek	Hubert E. Pardue, Wilkesboro, R. 2	557.66	200.75		196.40		102.65	284.17			509.46	2447.15
Gordon	W. P. Carsons, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	706.00	266.12				102.65		11.00			2049.23
Goshen	C. W. Proffit, Wilkesboro	159.88	28.95	25.71			35.54			46.65		261.08
Harmony	L. A. Minton, Wilkesboro, R. 1	360.00	30.00		47.34	18.65	46.30	60.00	16.00		239.50	864.44
Hinshaw Street	A. M. Handy, N. Wilkesboro	866.30	651.36	71.17	150.08	250.00	221.82		1552.64			3763.37
Lewis Fork	Mrs. W. P. Davis, Purlear	720.00	90.00		373.46		88.61	49.29		26.50	9.95	1331.31
Liberty Grove	P. M. Hutchison, N. Wilkesboro, R. 1	347.63	23.75		71.71		72.72			41.28	36.04	578.35
Little Rock	J. W. Andrews, Boomer	616.32	643.86		218.00		215.66	100.00	4288.70		110.35	1945.47
Moravian Falls	Mrs. Cyrus Brown, Moravian Falls	1119.00	48.00				100.14	31.11			69.60	5656.55
Mount Carmel	I. J. Lovette, Sr., Moravian Falls	182.28										182.28
Mount Pleasant	A. G. Church, Champion	1050.00	1031.58	116.60	150.00		102.65	6.00	650.00	11.00		3106.83
Mount Zion	D. M. Triplette, Hendrix	291.50	23.00		67.00		31.30	130.75				512.25
New Hope	Clinton Eller, N. Wilkesboro	420.00	162.71				205.67	15.00	80.13			873.51
N. Wilkesboro 1st	C. B. Lomax, N. Wilkesboro	4500.00	3266.79	3349.29	587.91		2042.45		14646.57		125.00	28518.01
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Miss Lula Mae Church, N. Wilk'boro	120.00	166.09			67.96			270.00		36.69	700.50
Oakwoods	Archie Anderson, Oakwoods	180.00	34.30		178.80		105.93	20.00			25.16	543.89
Pilgrim	Miss Marcie Deal, Wilkesboro	312.17	75.80		147.00		74.44	166.94		69.18		845.53
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, Congo Rd., N. Wilk'boro	351.19	80.95		30.00		38.90	50.00	10.00	10.00	61.00	682.04
Pleasant Home	Miss Minnie McNeil, Wilkesb., R. 1	1127.81	97.60		97.00	3761.20	164.69		795.89	65.00	41.00	6172.00
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Purlear	380.00	30.00		118.81		104.28		375.49		12.40	999.17
Shady Grove	Guy Eller, Wilkesboro	200.00	34.00		68.74		25.80					327.54
Stony Hill	Mrs. J. B. Baker, Parsonsville	230.60	43.00		150.00		28.50	71.60				523.70
Walnut Grove	Vaughn Jennings, Pores Knob	995.00	715.00	25.00	125.00		25.00		500.00			2585.00
Welcome Home	Sherman Shumate, N. Wilk'oro, R. 1	637.84	55.26	24.09	69.60		62.12	25.00	466.98			1340.89
Wilkesboro	W. A. Stroud, Wilkesboro	2856.00	1093.09		229.47		459.66	44.71	3447.82			4836.15
Zion Hill	Miss Merle Watts, Boomer	532.15	30.00				62.00		100.00			634.15

TABLE G—Gifts For All Missions, Education, Orphanages, etc., Brushy Mtn. Association Year Ending Aug. 1948

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Co-operative Program or Unified Budget	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Schools, Colleges and Seminars	Orphanage, Total Gifts,	Destinated to Hospitals	Relief and Annuity;	Other Objects	Total Gifts for Missions	Grand Total Gifts for All Purposes
Beaver Creek	Earl Hayes, Boomer	5.00	8.73	27.50				17.00	27.00			6.70	10.00
Big Ivy	Odell Beshears, Parsonsville	8.00						73.80	10.60				84.40
Boiling Springs	Turner Huffman, Purlear							7.75	15.00			32.34	48.29
Cub Creek	Woodrow W. Key, Wilkesboro, R. 2	9.59						101.25	26.50			282.25	948.93
Davis Memorial	Mrs Annie Mae Harris, Purlear	57.75	36.00	22.00	9.20	5.90		36.83	15.57			55.90	891.34
Edgewood	Miss Della Bungamer, Wilkesboro	6.00	7.50					92.50	29.00			265.19	2706.60
Elk	R. F. Walsh, Denny	15.00	24.00	30.00	33.00	37.00		108.00	107.00			265.19	2314.42
Fishing Creek	G. Warner Miller, N. Wilkesboro, R. 3	50.19						81.12	25.00			112.02	323.15
Gordon	Walter R. Burgess, N. Wilkesboro	5.95						15.00	8.00			40.00	970.95
Goshen	Jesse L. Walsh, Wilkesboro	16.51	15.00					34.96	44.00			217.81	3981.18
Hinshaw Street	L. A. Minton, Wilkesboro, R. 1	15.25						33.00	35.00			127.00	1458.31
Lewis Fork	A. M. Handy, North Wilkesboro	25.00	34.00	40.10	48.00			25.00	25.00			120.16	698.51
Liberty Grove	Ralph D. McNeill, Purlear	20.16						60.00	21.79			204.29	2149.76
Little Rock	Tam S. Hutchinson, N. Wilkesboro	15.00	60.00	25.00	12.00	10.50		100.41	19.35			269.68	5926.23
Moravian Falls	Ray Parsons, Boomer	51.18	24.00	17.63	22.07	35.04		20.00				20.00	20.00
Mount Carmel	B. M. Pardue, Moravian Falls	22.50	81.94	68.00	39.84	5.00		50.00	40.00			22.50	286.78
Mount Pleasant	Curtis Greene, Purlear				4.00	4.50		74.39	21.87			57.24	188.87
Mount Zion	W. O. Barnett, Hendrix	75.00	36.00	23.75	25.70	37.00		135.00	13.75			45.60	391.80
New Hope	R. C. Goodwin, Crick	3618.50	400.00		654.47			651.07	317.25			5641.29	34159.30
N. Wilkesboro 1st	J. E. Caudill, North Wilkesboro							60.20	19.62			104.82	648.71
N. Wilkesboro 2nd	Mrs. A. B. Church, N. Wilkesboro												
Oakwoods	Frank Walker, Wilkesboro, R. 2	9.00	16.00					26.54	31.00			196.14	1041.67
Pilgrim	Sloan Deal, Wilkesboro, R. 1	30.00	24.00	19.44	35.16	30.00		30.00	30.00			70.00	752.04
Pleasant Grove	V. M. Baker, Congo rd., N. Wilkesb.							205.00	75.00			536.00	6708.00
Pleasant Home	Miss Minnie McNeill, Wilkesboro,	93.00	15.00	50.00	33.00	35.00		36.42	27.00			63.42	1062.59
Purlear	Tom W. Hayes, Wilkesboro, R. 1												
Shady Grove	Miss Ozell Faw, Wilkesboro, R. 1												
Stony Hill	C. O. Parsons, Parsonsville	10.00		10.00		7.65		12.67	20.34			56.66	580.36
Walnut Grove	W. A. Jennings, Pores Knob	14.00		20.00	37.00	29.50		219.00	62.00			142.41	377.50
Welcome Home	Gwyn Eller, Crick	10.00						23.30	25.76			79.45	384.82
Wilkesboro	Charlie C. McNeill, Wilkesboro	858.00	152.50	16.25	40.00	21.52		580.99	118.50			137.00	14504.66
Zion Hill	E. T. German, Boomer				36.00	200.64		190.75	26.95				274.31

Note—Wilkesboro Pledged to Cooperative Program for Coming Year, \$800.00; to Associational Missions for Coming Year, \$180.00.

THE FIRST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF THE HISTORY OF THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

As was previously stated,¹ the last meeting of the Lewis Fork Baptist Association was held at Pilgrim Baptist Church, 1871. During the Baptist Convention convened at Three Forks Church, (Alexander County) November 24-25, 1871, the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association was organized. At this Convention the following twenty-one churches were represented either by delegates or letters: Antioch, Beaver Creek, Center, Concord, Cub Creek, King Creek, Lewis Fork, Little River, Lower Creek, Macedonia, Meadow Hill, Mount Olive, Mount Zion, Pilgrim, Piney Grove, Pleasant Hill, Sulphur Springs, Taylorsville, Three Forks, Union, and Zion Hill. Elders Wm. Pool and G. D. Sherrill were elected moderator and clerk respectively of the Convention. After considerable discussion it was decided to call the new Association the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association. Subject to the approval of the Association, after organization, it was agreed to adopt the constitution and by-laws of the Lewis Fork Association.

The first annual session of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association assembled at Sulphur Springs Church (Alexander County) August 15-17, 1872. Elder Wm. Pool, president of the Convention, called the assembly to order. After an introductory sermon Elder I. N. Heynes, letters from twenty-seven churches were received and read. This group included all the churches which met in the Convention except Meadow Hill, and the following which were not in the Convention: Bethel, Buffalo, Charity, Dudley Shoals, New Hope, Oak Forest, and Walnut Grove. Elder R. S. Steele was elected moderator and G. D. Sherrill clerk. After substituting "exercise lordship" for "lord it" in the Lewis Fork constitution, the former constitution and by-laws, which are as follows, were adopted:

"CONSTITUTION"

"1st. This Association shall be known as the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association, and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches; each church being entitled to three delegates.

"2nd. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom upon earth.

"3rd. The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church, a letter, certifying their appointments, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof.

"4th. The Association just formed shall choose, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall continue in office for one year, and until others are chosen. The last two offices may be held by the same individual.

"5th. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each session; to decide questions

¹See "Minutes of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association," 1947, p. 50.

of order, subject to an appeal of the house by any member; and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

"6th. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceedings of each session of the Association; to transcribe them into a book kept for this purpose, and perform other duty assigned to him by the Association.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all the funds coming into his hands and to report the same at the order of the Association.

"8th. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five members, besides the Moderator and Clerk.

"9th. All letters of grievances or queries, together with all letters from corresponding Associations requiring any attention thereon, shall be submitted to the Committee of Arrangements, and reported back to the Association.

"10th. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage, but shall only be considered an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulation of the churches.

"11th. When an offense may have been committed by one church against another, or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the Association (after due labors have been had between the offending and offended churches, or an individual church, as the case may be) to take the matter into consideration and advise upon it.

"12th. The Association shall not maintain permanent fellowship toward any of her churches which neglect to institute and preserve Gospel order among their members, nor toward any of her churches and ministers that treat her constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence, such as promote Gospel principles and order.

"13th. It shall be the province of this Association to invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

"14th. The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constitution,) be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the Association, except in extraordinary cases.

"15th. Each church having an ordained or a licensed minister shall report the same to the Association in order that they may appear as such on the face of the minutes.

"16th. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of her proceedings; and it shall be the duty of the churches to enable her to do so.

"17th. The Association shall have a fund, created and sustained by voluntary contribution from the churches, which shall be held by the Treasurer, and subject to the disposition of a majority of the Association present at any annual session.

"18th. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time

and place, as the body may, from time to time, designate.

"19th. By appointment of the Association, there may be an introductory, a Missionary, and a Denominational sermon preached at each annual session.

"20th. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, two-thirds of the members present concurring."

"BY-LAWS"

"1st. At each assembling of the Association for the transaction of business, the Moderator shall invite members to order, then the Association shall be opened by praise and prayer.

"2nd. When the Moderator takes his chair, each member shall take his seat, and the minutes of the preceding day shall be read.

"3rd. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, rising from his seat for that purpose; and, on points of order, no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the house.

"4th. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting.

"5th. All Committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, unless otherwise ordered by the body.

"6th. He shall have a general direction of the house; he shall have a right to name any member to perform the duties of the chair.

"7th. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Association, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address the Moderator, and confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personality.—And when two or more rise at the same time, the Moderator is to name who is to speak first. No member shall speak oftener than twice on the same question, without leave of the Association.

"8th. While the Moderator is putting any question or addressing the Association, no person shall speak, stand up, walk out or across the house; nor when a member is speaking entertain private discourse, stand up or pass between him and the chair.

"9th. After a motion is stated by the Moderator or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Association, but may be withdrawn before a decision or amendment.

"10th. All papers addressed to the Association shall be presented by the Moderator.

"11th. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave.

"12th. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Association, the Moderator shall, or any member may, call him to order; in which case, the member so called to order, shall sit down.

"13th. In all elections, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided.

"14th. These Rules of Decorum may be altered or amended by a majority concurring."

Delegates were received from the Brier Creek and Catawba River Associations, and delegates were appointed to the Brier Creek, Catawba River, Yadkin, and Oak Forest Associations and to the State Convention. Reports were given on temperance, church extension, Sabbath schools, missions, education, and the districting of the Association. The committee on Sabbath schools recommended that if men could not be found to do the work the sisters were to organize and conduct Sabbath schools. The report on education recommended Wake Forest College as an institution of learning, which then had 90 students, 15 per cent of whom were ministers; and the "Biblical Recorder," "Home and Foreign Journal," and "Kind Words" as Baptist literature.

The Association was divided into two divisions. The first included the churches south of the Brushy Mountains and the second those churches north of said Mountains. An associational missionary—R. H. Moody was employed at a salary of \$350.00 per year for three-fourths of his time. The twenty-seven churches which composed the Association reported 40 baptisms during the year, 35 received by letter, 18 restored, 75 dismissed by letter, 35 excluded, 24 deaths, and a total membership of 2,151. Only 10 churches reported any baptisms and only 4 any restorations.

As Taylorsville and Concord did not report, only twenty-six churches were represented at the second annual meeting held at New Hope. In these minutes the pastors' salaries are given, but most of the churches reported none and the largest was \$50.00 per year by Pleasant Hill. Considerable stress was placed on Sabbath schools, but only eight churches reported such schools. At this time the work of the Sunday school consisted chiefly of memorizing and repeating verses of Scripture. Considerable difficulty was being experienced in financing the Baptist Institute at Taylorsville, consequently the Association voted to sell it. It was agreed to pay the clerk of the Association \$6.00 for his services.

During the third annual session held at Three Forks of Little River, a strong plea was made for Sabbath schools. Only thirteen of the twenty-eight churches reported Sabbath schools. These had an enrollment of only 493 while the church membership was 1999. At this time a query from Macedonia wished to know if it was right to receive members from a church which did not have enough members to hold a conference. The Association advised caution in receiving members by application. Three Forks wished to know what to do with a man who had been a minister for twenty-five years, had been found guilty of adultery, had voluntarily surrendered his credentials, and had been tried as a layman and expelled. He was later restored to membership and called to be pastor of one or two churches. Should the church restore to him his credentials? The Association said "No."

The fourth session was held at Buffalo Church (Ashe County),

October, 1875, but we have been unable to get minutes of these meetings.¹

As Center had been dissolved and Concord was not reported, only twenty-seven churches were represented at the fifth session, held at Oak Forest. Education was stressed at this session and the Association recommended the school at Sulphur Springs, under the leadership of Geo. W. Green.

The sixth session was held at Union (Caldwell,) October 18-20, 1877. Little Rock, Poplar Springs, and Dover Churches joined the Association. A query from Zion Hill wished to know: Is it right to hold a member of the church in fellowship who will not pay his debts? The Association ruled that "a member who can and will not pay his just debts should be excluded." Mount Pleasant again raised the troublesome question of receiving members by application. Again the Association advised caution. Beaver Creek brought in three doctrinal and theological questions: (1) Should those believing and advocating the Adventist doctrine be excluded? (2) Who are the elect and when are they elected? (3) Does the fear of punishment lead sinners to repentance? The Association answered yes to the first question. To the second it said "Jesus Christ and all that believe in him unto salvation." And to the third it refused to commit itself.

Lewis Fork was the place of meeting of the seventh annual session, where thirty churches were represented. The temperance issue was stressed and the Association ruled that no church member should make, sell or use as a beverage ardent spirits. The Association disposed of three queries from Three Forks, two from Cub Creek, and two from Dover—all of minor importance. The committee on obituaries reported the deaths of two of the outstanding ministers in the Lewis Fork and Brushy Mountain Associations—Smith Ferguson and Aaron Johnson. Elder Ferguson died in his eighty-fifth year. He had been a minister for about fifty-five years and his name is prominent in the early Baptist history of this section. Elder Johnson was ordained in his forty-sixth year and faithfully served churches for some twenty-five years.

During the eighth session, held at Antioch church, the Association was divided into two missionary groups with committees appointed to promote missionary activities in each district.

The ninth session was held at Bethel Church (Ashe), August 19-21, 1880. At this time Wilkesboro, Pleasant Home, and Love Lady churches joined the Association, bringing the total to thirty-four churches. New Hope wished to know if it was according to Baptist usage to give a letter of dismission to a member who lived near his church, unless he gave a reason for wishing to join elsewhere. The answer was "No." Union Church was probably having trouble with a minister as she wanted to know if a minister had any special claim of care of his own

¹The statistics for this year were supplied by Mrs. E. T. Crittenden of the Baptist Historical Society at Wake Forest College Library.

church. And if a church had a right to call another minister as a pastor when it had a minister as a member. The Association stated that churches called whom they pleased as pastors. Union desired to know if female members had a right to vote in calling a pastor and other church matters. The Association ruled that the church was free to decide who could vote. A rather lengthy obituary is given of Elder James McNeil.

Cub Creek was the place of meeting of the tenth session. At this time Mount Carmel joined the Association, and Oak Forest withdrew to join the Brier Creek Association. Four queries of minor importance were answered by the Association.

The eleventh session was held at Macedonia Church (Alexander). At this time Sunday School mass meeting, held on Sunday morning before the regular preaching service, was originated. The committee on obituaries reported the deaths of J. B. Powell and Linville Land, two faithful ministers of that day.

Kings Creek was the place of meeting of the twelfth session. The committee reported considerable progress in Sunday School work. The committee on education specifically recommended Moravian Falls Academy under the leadership of Geo. W. Green. Zion Hill wished to know how long a church should bear with a member who was able to go to other public gatherings, but not able to attend church. The Association ruled that he should be admonished, and if he persisted, excluded. The death of Wm. Pool, a prominent minister in the Association, was reported. For a number of years he was moderator of the Lewis Fork Association, and was very influential in shaping the early history of this Association.

The thirteenth session was held at Three Forks. This is the second time the Association met at this church. Twenty-five white and one colored ministers are listed as members of the Association. This colored minister—Henry Powell—is also listed in the minutes for the next year, but we are not told what connection he had with the Association. Lebanon Church joined the Association. The report on temperance stated that "thirty-four or five years ago a Baptist in this vicinity durst not be a 'Son of Temperance,' 'Free Mason,' 'Odd Fellow,' or 'Knight of Honor.' Now all these are looked upon as hand-maidens in the great reformation, in wresting heart-broken widows and beggard orphans of the drunkard from poverty and distress, making the widow's heart rejoice, and preparing the orphan for usefulness in society." A query from Sardis wanted to know what a church should do with a member who became a fornicator and after it became known, married his partner in crime. The Association said: "Withdraw fellowship." The obituary contained the name of R. S. Steele, who had been a church member for forty-five years and a minister for thirty-six. He served as clerk of the Lewis Fork Association for twelve years, and as moderator of the Brushy Mountain Association for the first seven years.

During the fourteenth annual session, held at Zion Hill, August

20-23, 1885, Piny Grove, Lower Creek, Sardis, Love Lady, and Union Churches withdrew to form a new association. At this time the constitution was changed, requiring the clerk to keep copies of the printed minutes and have them bound together every ten years. The clerk's salary was raised from six to eight dollars. The obituary contained the names of Daniel Welborn and Peter Tritt, both ministers for forty-one years.

The fifteenth session was held at Sulphur Springs. This is the second time the Association met at this church. A query from Mount Carmel and another from Zion Hill; both of minor importance, were answered by the Association.

During the sixteenth session, held at Wilkesboro Church, Moravian Falls joined the Association, and Kings Creek withdrew to join the Caldwell Association.

The seventeenth session, which contains the poorest minutes of the entire twenty-five years, was held at Walnut Grove. The emphasis on prohibition was becoming stronger and stronger, and at this time the Association recommended that all church members be total abstainers from the manufacture, sale, and use of all intoxicating liquor. S. J. Ginnings, who served for many years thereafter, was elected treasurer of the Association. A motion to dissolve the Association and form a new one failed to carry.

Mount Pleasant was the place of meeting of the eighteenth session of the Association. Stony Hill, South Fork, and Pleasant Grove churches joined the Association. The Brushy Mountain Sunday School Association, which was organized at New Hope Church the preceding April, gave a report. H. J. Steelman was elected moderator and R. D. Carroll clerk. The next meeting was to be held at Wilkesboro but there is no report and the organization apparently accomplished little. The compensation for the clerk of the Association was reduced to five dollars. It was at this time that a mistake came into the numbering of the minutes of the Association which has continued until the present. Somehow the minutes stated it was the sixteenth annual session when it was really the eighteenth. Thus the Association is two years older than stated on the minutes. Consequently this is the seventy-seventh annual session instead of the seventy-fifth.

The nineteenth session was held at Little Rock, August 21-23, 1890. It was reported that there were 400 families within the bounds of the Brushy Mountain Association without any kind of religious literature in their homes. At this time there was a movement to form an association of the churches in Wilkes County, but nothing happened.

During the twentieth session, held at Mt. Carmel, Shady Grove, formerly of the Elkin Association, joined. Strong opposition to liquor was manifested, and the Association was urged to withdraw fellowship from any church whose members "either use, make, or sell, or in any way have anything to do with liquor as a beverage." It was at this time that the Association bade good-by to Geo. W. Green, who had

preached and served as head of Moravian Falls Academy for thirteen years, and before that as head of the Baptist school at Sulphur Springs. He was soon to sail for the mission field in China.

The twenty-first session was held at Moravian Falls, and the twenty-second at Pleasant Home. During the latter session, North Wilkesboro joined the Association. The report on state missions stated that not one-half of the people of North Carolina belonged to any denomination. A query from New Hope wished to know what a church should do with a member deacon "who runs a government distillery and a public grocery and deals out ardent spirits to his neighbors and makes them drunk." The answer was to admonish him and if he persisted, exclude him.

The new church of North Wilkesboro was the place of meeting of the twenty-third session. At this time Edgewood Church joined the Association. The committee on temperance recommended that at the next session each church of the Association report all its members who at any time in the next Associational year, engaged in the manufacture, sale, or use of spirituous liquor as a beverage, and state what action the church took in each case. The minutes of the next session do not reveal any results from this vigorous report.

During the twenty-fourth session, held at New Hope, South Fork withdrew from the Association.

The twenty-fifth session was held at Mount Zion Church, August 20-23, 1896.

In Table I we have given the churches which composed the Brushy Mountain Association during the first twenty-five years. Within this period forty-five churches were members at one time or another. It will be noticed that it started with twenty-seven churches and ended with twenty. The largest number for any one year was thirty-six in 1884, and the smallest was fourteen in 1888. In the beginning the Association covered most of four counties—Wilkes, Alexander, Caldwell, and Ashe—and ended with part of Wilkes. Within the first five years Center was dissolved and Concord was very weak and irregularly represented. In 1885 five churches in Caldwell withdrew to form a new association. The next year Dudley Shoals in Caldwell and the three churches in Ashe withdrew. The next year—1887—Kings Creek, the last church in Caldwell, and the remaining twelve churches in Alexander withdrew. Thus the Association was left with fourteen churches, all in Wilkes. During the next six years, however, it picked up six churches, all in Wilkes.

In Table II we have given the time of meeting, churches where the Association was held, the moderators, clerks, preachers of the introductory sermons and text, numbers received by baptism, by letters, and restored; numbers lost by letters, exclusions and deaths. The number of ministers, licentiates, churches, total membership, collection, numbers enrolled in Sunday Schools, and the speakers at Sunday School rallies. It will be noticed that twenty of the sessions were held in

TABLE I

CHURCHES	COUNTIES	1872	1873	1874	1875	1876	1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896
Beaver Creek	Wilkes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lewis Fork	Wilkes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
New Hope	Wilkes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Pilgrim	Wilkes	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Zion Hill	Wilkes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cub Creek	Wilkes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Walnut Grove	Wilkes	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Zion	Wilkes	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
Oak Forest	Wilkes	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Antioch	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Bethel	Ashe	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Buffalo	Ashe	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Center	Alexander	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Concord	Alexander	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charity	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Dudley Shoals	Caldwell	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Kings Creek	Caldwell	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Little River	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Lower Creek	Caldwell	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Mount Olive	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Macedonia	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Piny Grove	Caldwell	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Pleasant Hill	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0

TABLE I—Continued

CHURCHES	COUNTIES	1872	1873	1874	1875	1876	1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896
Sulphur Springs	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taylorville	Alexander	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Three Forks	Alexander	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Union	Caldwell	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sardis	Caldwell	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount Pleasant	Wilkes		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dover	Alexander			1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little Rock	Wilkes			1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Poplar Springs	Alexander			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Home	Wilkes							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Love Lady	Caldwell							1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wilkesboro	Wilkes							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mount Carmel	Wilkes							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Friendship	Ashe							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lebanon	Alexander											1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Moravian Falls	Wilkes											1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Stony Hill	Wilkes																			1	1	1	1	1	1	
South Fork	Wilkes																			1	0	1	1	0	1	
Pleasant Grove	Wilkes																			1	1	0	1	1	0	
Shady Grove	Wilkes																			1	1	1	1	1	1	
North Wilkesboro	Wilkes																							1	1	
Edgewood	Wilkes																								1	
Number of Churches Represented		27	26	24	25	27	30	30	29	28	32	33	31	35	34	29	27	13	17	16	16	16	17	19	18	20

August, one in September, one in September-October, and four in October. Two different sessions were held at Sulphur Springs and Three Forks. Fourteen of the sessions were held at churches in Wilkes, six in Alexander, three in Caldwell, and two in Ashe. R. S. Steele was moderator for seven years, Isaac Oxford and I. T. Privette for one year each, and R. A. Spainhour for sixteen years. G. D. Sherrill, W. P. Laws, and J. L. Hemphill were clerks for one year each, J. P. Pool served for ten years, W. E. White for five years, and Vance McGhinnis for seven years,

The largest number of baptisms reported for any one year was 253 in 1887, when the total church membership was 2699; and the smallest number was 17 in 1890, when the membership was 1172. The Association began in 1872 with 27 churches and a church membership of 2151, and ended the twenty-five year period with 20 churches with a membership of 1480. Thus the average number of members per church decreased during this period. The statistics on total collections are so poor that they are of little value. From what statistics we have it would appear that the total collections increased from \$33.60 in 1873 to \$1255.51 in 1896, or an increase from about 1½ cents per member to about 85 cents. In 1873 the largest pastor's salary per year was \$50.00 with most of the churches reporting no salary. In 1885 the highest salary was \$150 by Sulphur Springs, and the lowest was \$25.00 by Wilkesboro. By 1896 Moravian Falls was paying its pastor \$200.00 per year and Pilgrim was paying \$6.00 per year. Ten churches did not pay their pastors anything, at least nothing is reported.

In 1873 twenty-two churches reported preaching service on Saturday and three on Sunday. We may suppose that those which had preaching on Saturday also had it on Sunday, but they may not. By 1882 all the churches were reporting preaching on Sunday and two—Sulphur Springs and Cub Creek—had preaching two Sundays per month. In 1896 none of the churches reported service for two Sundays per month. In the years of the early history of this Association the people held very conservative ideas regarding work on Sunday. It was not until 1884 that the sermons on Sunday following the close of business session on Saturday, was considered part of the Association and thus reported. The Association, following the custom of Lewis Fork, began having three and sometimes four sermons on Sunday, the last day of the Association, but there was a decrease in interest, and during the last three years of this period only one sermon each Sunday was reported. Preaching during the regular period of the Association continued to be stressed, and generally there were two or three sermons each day and sometimes one or two at night.

The statistics for Sunday Schools are poor, but according to such as we have there were eight with an enrollment of 396 at the beginning of this period and 11 with an enrollment of 546 at the end. The highest number was 19 with an enrollment of 1198 in 1884, when there were 36 churches in the Association with a membership of 3215. Throughout

the period there was considerable emphasis placed on the importance of the Sunday School. Beginning in 1882, Sunday School mass meetings were scheduled on Sunday morning of the last day of the Association. These meetings were held before the regular preaching services began. Usually there were three or more speakers, but interest seems to have been decreasing by the close of this period.

We have seen that the Brushy Mountain Baptist Association began when the Lewis Fork Baptist Association ended, with practically the same organization and leadership. Most of these men were very devout and enthusiastic but limited in education. Gradually better trained men were added and we find the names of such leaders as Geo. W. Green, W. R. Gwaltney, W. E. White, L. P. Gwaltney, J. F. Spainhour, I. W. Thomas, R. L. Patten, M. L. Kesler, and W. R. Bradshaw. Furthermore the Association was visited and aided by three presidents of Wake Forest College—Drs. W. M. Wingate, E. C Taylor, and W. L. Poteat; by professors of Wake Forest College, as Drs. W. B. Royal, B. F. Sledd, and John Mitchell; and by such board members as Drs. C. Durham and Archibald Johnson. As a result there was more stress on education and the establishment of Baptist schools, which were located at Sulphur Springs, Taylorsville, Moravian Falls, and Traphill, and stronger support of Wake Forest and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The support of Baptist literature, as the "Biblical Recorder," "Kind Words," "Foreign Journal," and "Charity and Children" was strongly urged. The Association became more missionary in spirit and collections for home, state, and foreign missions increased. On the whole the Association appears to have made considerable advancement during the first twenty-five years of its history.

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TIME SINCE THE ASSOCIATION HAS MET WITH

Church	Years	Church	Years
Cub Creek	47	Lewis Fork	13
Shady Grove	45	Oakwoods	12
Wilkesboro	38	Liberty Grove	11
Edgewood	31	Mount Pleasant	10
North Wilkesboro	27	Beaver Creek	9
Harmony	24	New Hope	8
Walnut Grove	23	Pleasant Home	7
Second North Wilkesboro	22	Zion Hill	6
Goshen	21	Elk	5
Stony Hill	19	Hinshaw	4
Fishing Creek	17	Mount Carmel	3
Pilgrim	16	Pleasant Grove	2
Mount Zion	15	Boiling Springs	1
Moravian Falls	14	Little Rock	0

The association has never met with Big Ivey (1884), 64 years old; Gordon (1918), 30 years old; Purlear (1932), 16 years old; Welcome Home (1936), 12 years old; and Davis Memorial (1945) 3 years old.

WHERE THE ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN HELD

1 1872	Sulphur Springs (Alex.)	40 1911	Mount Pleasant 2
2 1873	New Hope	41 1912	Mount Carmel 2
3 1874	Three Forks (Alexander)	42 1913	Pleasant Home 2
4 1875	Buffalo (Ashe)	43 1914	Lewis Fork 3
5 1876	Oak Forest	44 1915	Mount Zion 2
6 1877	Union (Caldwell)	45 1916	Moravian Falls 2
7 1878	Lewis Fork	46 1917	Edgewood 2
8 1879	Antioch (Alexander)	47 1918	Beaver Creek 2
9 1880	Bethel (Ashe)	48 1919	Zion Hill 3
10 1881	Cub Creek	49 1920	Ronda
11 1882	Macedonia (Alexander)	50 1921	North Wilkesboro 3
12 1883	Kings Creek (Caldwell)	51 1922	Pleasant Grove
13 1884	Three Forks 2	52 1923	Oakwoods
14 1885	Zion Hill	53 1924	Harmony 2
15 1886	Sulphur Springs 2	54 1925	Walnut Grove 3
16 1887	Wilkesboro	55 1926	2nd N. Wilkesboro
17 1888	Walnut Grove	56 1927	Goshen
18 1889	Mount Pleasant	57 1928	Mount Pleasant 3
19 1890	Little Rock	58 1929	Stony Hill 2
20 1891	Mount Carmel	59 1930	Little Rock 3
21 1892	Moravian Falls	60 1931	Fishing Creek
22 1893	Pleasant Home	61 1932	Pilgrim
23 1894	North Wilkesboro	62 1933	Mount Zion 3
24 1895	New Hope 2	63 1934	Moravian Falls 3
25 1896	Mount Zion	64 1935	Lewis Fork 4
26 1897	Edgewood	65 1936	Oakwoods 2
27 1898	Beaver Creek	66 1937	Liberty Grove
28 1899	Lewis Fork 2	67 1938	Mount Pleasant 4
29 1900	Zion Hill 2	68 1939	Beaver Creek 3
30 1901	Cub Creek 2	69 1940	New Hope 4
31 1902	Wilkesboro 2	70 1941	Pleasant Home 3
32 1903	Shady Grove	71 1942	Zion Hill 4
33 1904	Stony Hill	72 1943	Elk
34 1905	Walnut Grove 2	73 1944	Hinshaw
35 1906	Harmony	74 1945	Mount Carmel 3
36 1907	North Wilkesboro 2	75 1946	Pleasant Grove 2
37 1908	New Hope 3	76 1947	Boiling Springs
38 1909	Little Rock 2	77 1948	Little Rock 4
39 1910	Wilkesboro 3		

Thus the association has met four times at Lewis Fork, Little Rock, Mount Pleasant, New Hope, and Zion Hill; three times at Beaver Creek, Mount Carmel, Mount Zion, North Wilkesboro 1st, Pleasant Grove, Walnut Grove, and Wilkesboro; two times at Cub Creek, Edgewood, Harmony, Oakwoods, Pleasant Grove, and Stony Hill; one time at Boiling Springs, Elk, Fishing Creek, Goshen, Hinshaw, Liberty Grove, North Wilkesboro 2nd, Pilgrim, and Shady Grove; and not at all at Big Ivey, Davis Memorial, Gordon, Purlear, and Welcome Home.

TIME	WHERE HELD	MODERATOR	CLERK	PREACHER AND
Aug. 15-17, 1872.....	Sulphur Springs.....	R. S. Steele.....	G. D. Sherrill.....	I. N. Haynes.....
Aug. 14-16, 1873.....	New Hope.....	R. S. Steele.....	James B. Pool.....	Dr. W. M. Wingate, Mat
Aug. 13-15, 1874.....	3 Forks of Little River.....	R. S. Steele.....	James B. Pool.....	Isaac Oxford, Luke 16
Sept. 30-Oct. 2, 1875	Buffalo.....	R. S. Steele.....	James B. Pool.....	James McNeil, James
Sept. 28-30, 1876.....	Oak Forest.....	R. S. Steele.....	James B. Pool.....	C. C. Pool, II Kings 2:
Oct. 18-20, 1877.....	Union.....	R. S. Steele.....	James B. Pool.....	W. A. Pool, John 1:16
Oct. 17-19, 1878.....	Lewis Fork.....	R. S. Steele.....	James B. Pool.....	Wm. Pool, John 14:12
Aug. 21-23, 1879.....	Antioch.....	Isaac Oxford.....	James B. Pool.....	Geo. W. Green, Judges
Aug. 19-21, 1880.....	Bethel.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	James B. Pool.....	J. B. Pool, I John 4:
Aug. 25-27, 1881.....	Cub Creek.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	James B. Pool.....	Milton McNeill, Rom. 8
Aug. 24-26, 1882.....	Macedonia.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	James B. Pool.....	W. J. Fulford, II Thes
Aug. 23-25, 1883.....	Kings Creek.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	W. E. White.....	W. A. Pool, Phil. 2:14
Aug. 21-24, 1884.....	3 Forks of Little River.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	W. E. White.....	I. W. Thomas, Num. 1
Aug. 20-23, 1885.....	Zion Hill.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	W. E. White.....	Dr. Wm. Royal, Acts 2
Aug. 19-22, 1886.....	Sulphur Springs.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	W. E. White.....	W. A. Pool, Rom. 8:31
Aug. 25-26, 1887.....	Wilkesboro.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	W. E. White.....	Dr. C. E. Taylor, Gal
Aug. 23-26, 1888.....	Walnut Grove.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	W. P. Laws.....	W. R. Gwaltney, Mark
Oct. 24-27, 1889.....	Mount Pleasant.....	I. T. Prevette.....	J. L. Hemphill.....	W. R. Gwaltney, Judge
Aug. 21-24, 1890.....	Little Rock.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	Vance McGhinnis.....	W. L. Wright, Rev. 22
Aug. 20-23, 1891.....	Mount Carmel.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	Vance McGhinnis.....	W. W. White, I Cor. 1
Aug. 25-28, 1892.....	Moravian Falls.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	Vance McGhinnis.....	I. T. Privette, Acts 20
Aug. 24-27, 1893.....	Pleasant Home.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	Vance McGhinnis.....	A. T. Pardue, Luke 12
Aug. 23-26, 1894.....	North Wilkesboro.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	Vance McGhinnis.....	W. R. Bradshaw, Isa.
Aug. 22-25, 1895.....	New Hope.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	Vance McGhinnis.....	A. T. Pardue.....
Aug. 20-23, 1896.....	Mount Zion.....	R. A. Spainhour.....	Vance McGhinnis.....	J. C. Blalock, Psalms

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