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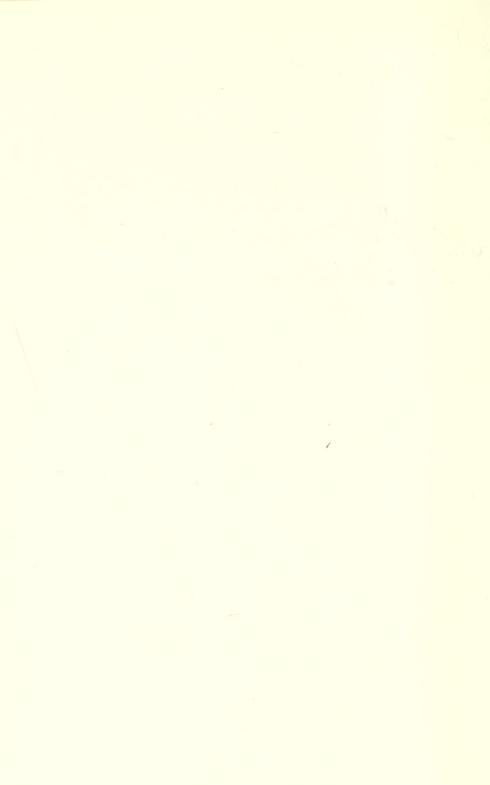
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The Next Session, Wednesday October 26, 1977 WHITE PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

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ASSOCIATION OFFICERS Moderator: Rev. Stuart White Vice Moderator: Rev. Buster Treadway Clerk: Robert L. St.Clair Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Louise Millsaps Training Union Director: David Martin WMU Director: Mrs. Jim Gilreath Vacation Bible School Director: Mrs. Bruno Santorum Sunday School Representative: Rev. Elbert Goble Hospital Representative: Rev. Robert Barnette Children's Home Representative: Rev. Guy Rogers Home for the Aging Representative: Lester Fox

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

Program Committee:

Rev. Buster Treadway, chairman; Carl Childers, Robert L. St.Clair, Bill Baity, and Charlie Matheson.

Quarterly Conference:

Rev. Paul Crater, chairman; Rev. Elbert Goble, Bud Barnette, Ned Pennell, Rev. Homer Baity.

Time, Place, Preacher:

Rev. Robert Barnette, chairman; Parks Keever, and Phil Branton.

Nominating Committee:

Rev. Guy Rogers, chairman; Charles Marlowe, Charles Kerley, Paul Fox, Rev. Paul Crater, and Don Fletcher.

Resolutions Committee:

Wade Gryder, chairman; Jerry Benfield, and Quez Childers.

Planning Committee:

Rev. Stuart White, chairman; Rev. Paul Crater, and Glenn Keever.

Evangelism:

Rev. Larry Robins

LIST OF MESSENGERS

<u>BETHEL</u>: Johnny Campbell, Arnold Johnson, Frank Campbell

CONCORD:

- DOVER: Ray Holsclaw, Willard White, Clarence Dillard
- FAIRVIEW: James McLain, R. H. Mason, Jr., Phil Branton
- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Cleave Welborn, Bill Baity, Mrs. Bill Baity, Rev. Paul Levan, Jerry Benfield, Leonard Dishmond
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Oliva Foster, Mrs. Ruth Moose, Mrs. Lee Anderson
- MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Edith Bentley, J. V. White, Waitsel Wike
- MT. NEBO: Buster Treadway, Evelyn Treadway, Renn Burgess
- PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Bruno Santorum, Lee Sherrill, Harry Hager

ROCKY FACE:

- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Roy Fox, Parks Keever, R.Z. Hendren
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Glenn Mayberry, Hilda Younger, James Privette
- <u>WAYFOUND</u>: Roby Mecimore, Hessie Kerley, Christine Brotherton
- WHITE PLAINS: Rev. J.A. Isenhour, Elbert Goble, Clay Teague

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CONSTITUTION

Name

ARTICLE I

This Union of Churches shall be known as the Rocky Face Baptist Association.

Purpose

ARTICLE II

The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men. It shall strive, as far as possible to aid in the development of the churches which constitute its membership. Each church shall be free to support such mission work as it feels led; however, every church is urged to comply with the teaching of the scriptures concerning missions.

Membership

ARTICLE III

The membership of this Association shall be comprised of Missionary Baptist Churches and sponsored missions.

Churches or missions desiring affiliation with this Association, upon proper notice to the Association Executive Committee, shall be taken under the watchcare of the Association for one year; thence into membership.

All affiliated churches and missions shall be expected to cooperate in all associational programs of work. Each church or mission may be represented at the Annual Meeting of the Association by at least three (3) messengers elected by the churc from its active membership. Messengers shall t limited to a basis of 1-50 members after the basic three messengers (basic three messengers to equal the first 150 membership)

Affiliation

ARTICLE IV

This Association shall be affiliated with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and in turn with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Meeting

ARTICLE V

This Association shall hold an annual meeting the last Wednesday and Thursday in October of each year, the Thursday session to be a night session. Quarterly conferences shall be held in the first Sunday afternoon of each quarter. The Executive Committee may call other meetings if deemed necessary.

Officers

ARTICLE VI

The officers of the Association shall be: (1) A Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Historian, Superintendent of Sunday Schools, Vacation Bible School Superintendent, Training Union Director, and W.M.U. President.

(2) The above officers are to be elected on the first day of the Annual Session and shall take charge at the close of the Session. Officers may be re-elected to successive terms if agreeable with both Association and officers. (3) All officers shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

(4) An Executive Committee shall be constituted of the following:

- a. The pastor of each church or mission affiliated with the Association.
- b. One layman elected by each church from its active membership.
- c. Any other General Associational officer not herein under covered.
- d. The committee shall elect chairman from its own group.

Powers

ARTICLE VII

The powers of this body shall be kept in strict conformity with New Testament principles. (1) The Association cannot obligate or

bind any church in any matter.

(2) The Association shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage.

(3) It shall act only as an advisory council in all matters. Then only when called upon by the churches.

(4) Any church of the Association may appeal to the Association through the Executive Committee for advice.

(5) 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 Executive Committee of the Association.

(6) The officers of the Association shall be expected to promote within the Association the duties of their office. It shall be their responsibility to contact, encourage and promote the work among the churches. (7) The Association shall have no power over the Ordination of Ministers or the organization of new churches, unless help is requested by interested parties.

(8) All matters to be considered at the Annual Session shall be presented to the Executive Committee at least 90 days prior to the Annual Session.

(9) All decisions shall be reached by majority vote of messengers present at the session.

(10) Each messenger to exercise his voting priviledge must register with the clerk and wear his registration tag. An alternate voting in the place of a messenger must do likewise.

Committees

ARTICLE VIII

The Nominating Committee shall at the beginning of each Annual Session present to the body a slate of the following committees and/or officers.

(1) A slate of General Officers listed herein under.

(2) Program Committee-Annual Session-5 members (Vice Moderator, Clerk, one Pastor and two Laymen).

(3) Time, Place, Preacher - 3 members (any church wishing to invite the Association for the next Annual Session, shall do so by filing a written invitation with the clerk one month before the immediate session).

(4) A new Committee on Nominations - 5 members.

(5) Resolutions - 3 members.

(6) The report of the Nomination Committee shall be printed in sufficient number for distribution at the Annual Session. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to contact each person that is placed before the body for elections, to secure their assent.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

All meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE II

The enrolled messengers present will constitute a quorum to transact business in the name of the Association.

Duties of Officers

ARTICLE III

(1) Moderator - preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint any committees as deemed necessary and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer.

The book of Parliamentary Procedures by Keerfoot shall be the basis of ruling order.

He shall, so far as his private duties permit, communicate with the churches promoting the work of the Kingdom.

(2) Vice Moderator - preside in the absence or at the invitation of the Moderator. Perform all other duties common to moderator at this instruction.

(3) Clerk - keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution of the same. One month following the Annual Association Meeting the clerk shall forward to the printer all material then in his possession for the printing of the minutes. The minutes are to be printed whether or not all church letters have been received at that time.

He shall be paid \$50.00 annually for his services.

(4) Treasurer - it shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive and distribute all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

All money paid into the Association treasury shall be acceptable by check only. The treasurer shall be paid \$1.25 per hour

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The treasurer shall act as the secretary of the Association.

(5) Historian - it shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the church with whom the day session is held.

(6) Sunday School Superintendent, Vacation Bible School Superintendent, Training Union Director, and W.M.U. President - it shall be their duty to promote their respective work among the churches and at the associational level.

Duties of Committees

ARTICLE IV

(1) Program: (Annual Session) It shall be the duty of the Program Committee to prepare and publish at lease 60 days prior to Annual Session the program agenda. A verbal commitment must be received from all participants on the program. In event a speaker cannot fill his commitment, it shall be his responsibility to notify the committee, in advance of the session, except in extreme emergencies.

(Quarterly Conference) - To prepare an appropriate, informative and inspirational program. The committee shall use its own discretion as to program material.

(2) Time, Place, and Preacher - It shall be the duty of the committee to select the place of the next Annual Session, to fix the time, name of the preacher and alternate to preach the Annual Sermon. (See No. 3, Article VIII of Constitution).

(3) Nominations - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to nominate the officers of the association as well as standing committee members. This committee shall report to the Executive Committee at least 60 days prior to the Annual Session.

(4) Resolutions - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Resolutions to prepare and purpose to the Association resolutions of appreciation to the host church, and consider any other matters referred to it by the moderator.

ARTICLE V

The expenses of the Association shall be provided for by the churches. Each church in the Association shall be expected to share in this provision of funds.

All money coming into the Association shall be directed to the treasurer.

For the sake of clarity the clerk shall advise each church at least 30 days prior to the Annual Session concerning the cost per copy of Associational Minutes.

ARTICLE VI

Any motion for Associational or Executive Committee consideration must be presented in writing, at the time it is presented verbally, for consideration by the body or committee.

ARTICLE VII

It shall be the responsibility of the clerk to insert at the proper place in the printed minutes any new motion concerning constitution, By-laws or Policy that may be adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

The Constitution and By-Laws may be changed or ammended or revised at any regular session if a majority of the messengers concur, provided the notice under Article VII of the Constitution has been given.

PASTORS

- BETHEL: Robert Barnette, Rt. 5, Taylorsville <u>CONCORD</u>: Herman Johnson, Rt. 2, Taylorsville <u>DOVER</u>:
- FAIRVIEW: Larry Robbins, Rt. 1, Box 202B, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636

FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Homer Baity, Rt. 1, Hiddenite

GAY'S CHAPEL: Bill Creason, Cooleemee, N.C. 27014

MT. HEBRON: Stuart White, Rt. 5, Box 192-A Taylorsville, N.C. 28681

MT. NEBO: Buster Treadway, Box 167, Hiddenite PLEASANT GROVE:

ROCKY FACE: Jerry W. Chatham, Rt.2, Hiddenite

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Paul Crater, Rt. 2, Hiddenite

TAYLOR SPRINGS: J.C. Gwaltney, Rt. 9, Box 317-A Statesville, N.C. 28677

WAYFOUND: Clarence M. Allen, Rt. 2, Hiddenite WHITE PLAINS: Guy Rogers, Box 34, Taylorsville

CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS

<u>BETHEL</u>: Christy Bentley, Rt. 5, Taylorsville

CONCORD:

- DOVER: Clarence Dillard, Rt. 2, Lenoir, N.C.
- FAIRVIEW: James Gilreath, Rt. 1, Hiddenite, N.C.
- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Rev. Paul Levan, Rt. 10, Statesville, N.C. 28677
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Allen Starrett, 335 Fieldstone Circle, Statesville, N.C. 28677
- MT. HEBRON: Robert L. St.Clair, Rt. 4, Box 34, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681
- MT. NEBO: Harlas Southers, Rt. 2, Hiddenite, N.C.
- PLEASANT GROVE: Maynard Johnson, Rt. 8, Box 524 Statesville, N.C. 28677

ROCKY FACE:

- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Edd Walker, Rt. 2, Hiddenite
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Hal York, Olin, N.C.
- WAYFOUND: Roby Mecimore, Rt. 3, Taylorsville
- WHITE PLAINS: Grady Brown, Rt.3, Taylorsville

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

PLEASANT GROVE: David Martin, Rt. 8, Box 365A, Statesville, N.C. 28677

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS

BETHEL: Paul Fox, Rt. 5, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681
<u>CONCORD</u> : Lester Fox, Rt. 3, Taylorsville, N.C.
DOVER: Tommy Jolley, Rt. 2, Lenoir, N.C.
FAIRVIEW: Carl Childers, Rt. 1, Hiddenite, N.C.
FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Jerry Benfield, Rt. 10, Statesville, N.C. 28677
GAY'S CHAPEL: Dennis Mason, Rt. 1, Box 288 Cleveland, N.C. 27013
MT. HEBRON: Gaither Wike, Rt. 5, Taylorsville
MT. NEBO: Larry Burgess, Box 11, Hiddenite, N.C.
PLEASANT GROVE: J. F. Bunton, Rt. 8, Statesville
ROCKY FACE:
SULPHUR SPRINGS: Roy Durmire, Rt. 2, Hiddenite
TAYLOR SPRINGS: Dennis Williams, Rt. 5, Statesville
WAYFOUND: Conley Mecimore, Rt.2, Hiddenite
WHITE PLAINS: Charles Kerley, Rt.2, Hiddenite

CHURCH CLERKS

BETHEL: Johnny Campbell, Rt. 5, Taylorsville

CONCORD: Larry D. Fox, Rt. 3, Box 347, Tay1.

DOVER:

- FAIRVIEW: James N. McLain, Rt. 2, Box 166, Statesville, N.C. 28677
- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Bill Baity, 732 Pine Circle, Statesville, N.C. 28677
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Charles Tomlin, Rt. 1, Box 39 Statesville, N.C. 28677
- MT. HEBRON: Royde Kerley, Rt. 5, Taylorsville
- MT. NEBO: W. Dwight Payne, Rt. 2, Hiddenite
- PLEASANT GROVE: Bruno Santorum, Rt. 2, Box 141, Statesville, N.C. 28677
- ROCKY FACE: Johnny Elder, Rt. 5, Taylorsville
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Winnie Fox, Rt. 2, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Edward Welborn, Rt. 4, Box 355 Statesville, N.C. 28677

WAYFOUND: Christine Brotherton, Rt. 2, Hiddenite

WHITE PLAINS: Elbert Goble, Box 822, Taylorsville

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CHURCH TREASURERS

BETHEL: Carolyn Johnson, Rt. 1, Hiddenite, N.C. CONCORD: Maybelle Grant, Stony Point, N.C. 28678 DOVER: Elese Pennell, Rt. 2, Taylorsville, N.C. FAIRVIEW: David Ford, Rt.1, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636 FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Bill Baity, 732 Pine Circle Statesville, N.C. 28677 GAY'S CHAPEL: Robert L. Baity, Rt.9, Box 128 Statesville, N.C. 28677 MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Clara Wike, Rt. 5, Taylorsville MT. NEBO: Mrs. Karen Fox, Rt. 1, Hiddenite, N.C. PLEASANT GROVE: W. Jerry Hill, Rt.11, Statesville ROCKY FACE: Jack Mitchell, Rt. 5, Taylorsville SULPHUR SPRINGS: Ray Bowles, Rt.1, Hiddenite Edward Welborn, Rt. 4, Box 355 TAYLOR SPRINGS: Statesville, N.C. 28677 Albert Moats, Rt. 5, Box 28A, WAYFOUND: Taylorsville, N.C. 28681

WHITE PLAINS: Eileen Kerley, Rt. 2, Box 331, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636

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MUSIC DIRECTORS

Frank Campbell, Rt.5, Taylorsville ETHEL: DNCORD: OVER: Ned Pennell, Rt. 2, Taylorsville AIRVIEW: Carl Childers, Rt. 1, Hiddenite RIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Larry Baity, Rt. 1, Hiddenite AY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Ray Anderson, Rt. 7, Statesville, N.C. 28677 T. HEBRON: Larry Petrea, Spring Avenue Taylorsville, N.C. 28681 T. NEBO: Margaret Southers, Rt.2, Hiddenite LEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Boyd Childers, Hiddenite OCKY FACE: ULPHUR SPRINGS: Fred Stocks, Rt.2, Hiddenite AYLOR SPRINGS: Barbara Privette, Rt. 1, Union Grove. N.C. AYFOUND: Martha Mecimore, Rt.3, Taylorsville HITE PLAINS: Fess Blankenship, Rt. 3, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681

CHURCH ORGANISTS

- BETHEL: Arnold Johnson, Rt.1, Hiddenite, N.C.
- CONCORD: Doris Matheson, Rt.3, Taylorsville, N.C.
- DOVER:
- FAIRVIEW: Miss Terry McLain, Rt. 2, Box 166, Statesville, N.C. 28677

FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Jerry Benfield, Rt.10. Statesville, N.C. 28677

- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Bill Creason, General Delivery Cooleemee, N.C. 27014
- MT. HEBRON: Miss Karen St.Clair, Rt. 4, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681
- MT. NEBO: Melissa Moose, Rt.2, Hiddenite, N.C.
- PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Mark Baker, Rt.2, Stony Point, N.C. 28678
- ROCKY FACE: Mrs. Chris Mitchell, Rt.3, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Thelma Dagenhart, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Hilda Younger, Rt.1, Union Grove
- WAYFOUND: Hessie Kerley, Rt.2, Hiddenite, N.C.
- WHITE PLAINS: Mrs. Patti Carrigan, Rt.3, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681

DIRECTORS OF LIBRARY SERVICES

- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. James Gibson, Rt. 1, Statesville, N.C. 28677
- PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Bruno Santorum, Rt. 2, Box 141, Statesville, N.C. 28677

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTORS

- FAIRVIEW: Mrs. James McLain, Rt. 2, Box 166 Statesville, N.C. 28677
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. James Stroud, Rt. 1 Statesville, N. C. 28677
- MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Jeanette J. St.Clair, Rt. 4, Box 34, Taylorsville, N.C.
- MT. NEBO: Mrs. Evelyn Treadway, Box 167, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Yvonne Lackey, Winter Haven, Taylorsville, N.C.

PROCEEDINGS TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Twenty-Seventh Annual Session of the Rocky Face Baptist Association convened on October 26, 1976, at the Mt. Hebron Baptist Church with Rev. Robert Barnette, moderator, presiding.

- 9:45 Mr. Frank Campbell of the Bethel Baptist church, led the congregation in singing "Amazing Grace."
- 9:50 Scripture reading from Titus 2:11 and the prayer was led by James McLain.
- 9:55 Organization for the Association was presented by moderator, Robert Barnette.
- 10:00 Stuart White, host pastor, welcomed everyone to the Mt. Hebron Baptist Church for the Association Meeting. Robert St. Clair, Association Clerk, gave the Roll Call of Churches. Visitors and new pastors were recognized.
- 10:15 Robert St.Clair also gave the Treasurers Report, due to the absence of the Assoc. Treasurer, Mrs. Louise Millsaps. Officers and committees for the coming year were adopted.
- 10:30 Homes for the Aged report was given by Mr. Lester Fox.

A Vacation Bible School Report from Mrs. Bruno Santorum was voted on and approved.

A Representative of the Baptist Foundation Earnest Bustle, Director of Missions in the Mt. area, gave a report from the Foundation. The report was voted on and approved.

10:45 Jerry Lambert, Area Missionary, gave a report on the World Missions Conference and made a motion that a conference be held in September of 1977.

Walter Harrington of the Alexander Baptist Association was recognized as a special guest.

Mr. Campbell led the congregation in singing "The Old Rugged Cross."

11:15 Annual Message by Buster Treadway His theme was "Put Off, Put On, Put In." He said to put off anger, malice, wrath, blasphemy, filthy communication, etc. and to put on the new man, be renewed each day and read the word of God. Put onkindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering, forgiveness, charity and love. Put in love, the word of God, etc.

The congregation sang "At the Cross."

12:00 Adjourned for lunch.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

1:15 The hymn, "Love Lifted Me" was led by Mr. Campbell

> Scripture and prayer was given by Jim Gilreath. Scripture was taken from Romans 12:1-9

- 1:25 Guy Rogers gave a report from the Baptist Childrens Home. The report was adopted and approved.
- 1:30 A report from the Baptist Hospital was given by Mrs. Ruby Greenlow. The report was adopted and approved.
- 2:00 A recommendation was made to make an Associational officer change. Paul Crater will serve on the Quarterly Conference Committee and the Planning Committee.
- 2:15 A motion was made and voted on to have Representatives from different areas at one of our quarterly conference.

A motion was made and it was voted on to double the salaries of the clerk and treasurer of the association.

2:20 The Sunday School Report was given by Robert St.Clair in the absence of Elber Goble, Sunday School Representative. It was adopted and approved.

Mrs. Jim Gilreath gave the WMU Report which was adopted and approved.

The Training Union Report was given by David Martin. It was adopted and approved.

The Resolution Report given by Robert Barnette was adopted and approved. 2:25 The congregation sang, "When We All Get to Heaven."

> Larry Robbins gave the afternoon message. His theme was the Purpose of the church-to bring God Glory. He said that the "Gates of Hell shall not prevail against the church."

> Following the singing of the hymn, "Trust and Obey" Stuart White led in the benediction.

Thursday Night_Session

7:30 Hymn: "Work For the Night is Coming"

Scripture and prayer was given by Larry Petrea. Scripture was taken from Psalm 138.

Robert St.Clair, Clerk, gave a roll call of churches.

Robert Barnette gave a report from the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee. Stuart White will deliver the next annual message with Homer Baity as the alternate. The place will be White Plains.

A motion was made to have the Annual Session all day on Wednesday, October 26, 1977, and not have a Thursday night session. It was voted on and approved.

Stuart White of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church delivered a message on Missions.

The meeting closed with the singing of "Amazing Grace.

TREASURER'S REPORT

October, 1975

Balance on hand	\$ 918.66
Receipts	610.90
Total	\$1529.56

Expenses:

350 Minute Books	\$	416.00
Program and Treasury Reports		20.80
Postage and Stamps		15.98
Speaker at 1975 Assoc. Conference		25.00
Rocky Face Asso. Bible School Clir	<u>ic</u>	89.07

Salaries:

	Clerk Secretary and Treasurer	\$ 50.00 15.00
Total	Expenses	\$ 631.85

Balance on hand, October, 1976 \$ 897.71

Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Louise Millsaps Secretary and Treasurer

N.C. Baptist Foundation, Inc. Report

In a tract that came across the Foundation desk during the past year was a note about the will of the famous financier J. Pierpoint Morgan. It is reported to have contained 10,000 words and incorporated 37 different articles of instruction, all of which were necessary because a vast fortune has to be properly dispersed. What Morgan valued most, however, was indicated by the opening statement of that legal document. It read, "I commit my soul to the hands of my Savior, full of confidence that, having redeemed it and washed it with His most precious blood, He will present it faultless before the throne of my Heavenly Father. I entreat my children to defend, at all hazard ... the blessed doctrine of complete atonement for sin through the blood of Jesus Christ once offered and through that alone."

What a testimony! This wealthy man recognized that of everything he owned, his most valued "possession" was the priceless gift of salvation. Paul, in II Corinthians 12:4, says "I seek not yours but you." As we think of Christian stewardship, we are accustomed to thinking first about giving or raising money. Christian stewardship is not primarily a means for raising money, but a plan for making the right kind of men.

During the 1975-1976 fiscal year, the North Carolina Baptist Foundation has continued to be used as a channel for Baptists of our state to provide a tangible support for missions in a perpetual way for the years to come. Through a will of a person who has received financial assistance years ago from our Baptist Hospital, a \$29,950 trust was established with the Baptist Foundation to provide, income for the hospital's needy patients. The income of the investment for one year will repay what the hospital provided in financial assistance to this person.

Wills still account for a major portion of the assets of the Foundation, but presently the annuity trust accounts comprise \$480,270.73 of the total value of the Foundation assets.

Respectfully submitted by:

Edwin S. Coates Executive Secretary Baptist Foundation, Inc.

N.C. BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

Your North Carolina Baptist Homes have, in the past year, completed 25 years of growth and development. These have been good years, filled with the abundant blessings and goodness of the Lord. He has brought us from one Home, in March of 1951, to five Homes and an excellent Nursing Facility, from one resident to 230 residents and patients. Hundreds have been ministered to during these years, many lives have been blessed, and families have been helped immeasurably.

The past year has been of special excitement and enthusiasm as we entered into the Fund-Raising Effort to raise \$1,000,000 for the construction of the Western N.C. Baptist Home in Asheville, In September, 1975, Brother Ralph Cannon, beloved pastor, and Trustee of the Homes was called by the Trustees to serve as Director of Development and Denominational Relations and has been leading the fund raising program for the Western N.C. Baptist Home in a remarkable way. He reports that the response from our Baptist pastors and people in Western N.C. has been most encouraging, and that there is every indication that we will reach the goal. We are grateful not only to those in Western N.C., but throughout the state, for the happy and successful response that we have experienced thus far as we move toward making this additional Home available for our older people in one of the most beautiful spots in the world.

When completed, the Western N.C. Home, in Asheville, will accomodate 50 people, and will bring the total capacity of our Baptist Homes and the Nursing Care Unit to 280. We now operate 5 other homes, and a Nursing Care Unit--Resthaven, the Hayes Home, the Nursing Care Unit, in Winston-Salem; the Albemarle Home in Albemarle; the Hamilton Home, in Hamilton, N.C., the Yanceyville Home, in Yanceyville.

In these Homes the best of care is given, the compassion and love of Christ shared and underscored. The love gifts of N.C. Baptists make this Christian care and concern possible through two very vital sources -- The Cooperative Program, and the Special Offering for the Homes, received on the third Sunday of February each year. Through these sources more than 35% of the Homes! total income is provided, and the majority of the residents who cannot pay the full cost of care are supplemented. We are grateful for these lifesustaining gifts and thank every N.C. Baptist who makes them possible! Gifts this year, through these sources, are greater than ever before, and if we are to meet the overwhelming needs of older people in our midst, we must double and triple our efforts, both in numbers ministered to, and in support of them.

Clost at hand is another venture in the development of the Homes which we're excited--the building of apartments on the site of the Hayes Home property in Winston-Salem. The first of these units is to be completed by the fall of 1977. Those interested in this phase of the ministry of Baptist Homes may contact Bill Poole, Executive Director of the Homes for information.

Great things are in store for us in our Homes for the Aging as we look to the future, and we covet the earnest prayer and continual support of every North Carolina Baptist as we move ahead in this challenging ministry to older people in our midst.

Respectfully submitted

William A. Poole Executive Director

Carroll Simmons Business Manager

ROCKY	FACE	BAPTIST	ASSO	CIATION

CONTRIBUTIONS	TO THE HOME FOR	THE AGING
CHURCH	<u>1975</u>	1976
Bethel	\$144.00	\$ 72.00
Concord		
Dover		
Fairview	\$583.00	\$481.00
Friendly Chapel		
Gay's Chapel		
Mt. Hebron	\$100.00	
Mt. Nebo	\$ 50.00	\$100.00
Pleasant Grove		
Rocky Face		
Sulphur Springs		
Taylor Springs	\$146.45	
Wayfound		
White Plains	\$518.00	\$648.00
Totals	\$1,541.45	\$1,301.00

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

"Christian stewardship" is a phrase frequently heard in staff meetings at Baptist Hospital. The hospital's leadership holds to a philosophy of administration based on stewardship and tries to pass this on to all employees. A continuing effort is made to help each employee, whatever his particular job, to realize that he is part of a team involved in a Christian ministry of healing. The difference this makes in the whole atmosphere of the hospital is evident to patients and visitors.

This sense of stewardship demands a continual updating and upgrading of medical procedures to assure patients the highest quality care. One of the most significant recent developments is the creation of a department of Family Medicine. This department provides primary health care for a limited number of families, that is, the kind of all-round, ongoing health care normally provided by a medicine for physicians who will enter this field of practice. This will help to balance the trend of recent years toward increased specialization in the practice of medicine.

Many of the physicians training in family medicine are receiving part of their clinical experience in small towns and rural communities under the auspices of the Area Health Education Centers (AHEC), created by the State legislature. It is believed and hoped that some of them will choose to remain in these areas for their permanent practice.

Improvement of physical facilities is another expression of the hospital's sense of stewardship. In recent months renovation of the west and south wings of the hospital has been completed; construction has begun on a 4-level parking deck in front of Reynolds Tower which will provide approximately 800 parking spaces for visitors; and construction has begun on a new building to house the new department of Family Medicine. The Pastoral Care Department continues to make its contributions toward the fulfillment of our stewardship. A chaplain is assigned to each area of the hospital and is responsible for providing a pastoral ministry to patients, staff and visitors in that area. There are capacity enrollments in all phases of the Clinical Pastoral Education programs. A third satellite has opened in Morganton during the past year.

Mother's Day gifts for the fiscal year ending June 30 were \$405,946.52 compared to a total of \$390,000 for the preceding fiscal year.

MOTHER'S DAY OFFERINGS

CHURCH	1975	1976
Bethel	117.00	
Concord	156.42	\$ 299.00
Dover	50.00	
Fairview	100.00	100.00
Friendly Chapel		
Gay's Chapel	75.00	75.00
Mt. Hebron	1,192.00	1,094.00
Mt. Nebo	100.00	.100.00
Pleasant Grove		30.00
Rocky Face		
Sulphur Springs	8.00	1.00
Taylor Springs	112.50	67.00
Wayfound		
White Plains	58.00	70.00
TOTALS	\$1,968.92	\$1,836.00

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

As our nation enters its third century, we are reminded that its future is in its children. We have no greater national need than strength of character and wholeness of persons in our citizens. Yet, too many children, through family tragedy or breakdown or weakness, are deprived of the growing experiences so essential to wholeness of life.

The purpose of the Baptist Children's Homes of N.C. is to help make up this loss through a Christian ministry of quality child care. Emergency Care is offered the child who needs immediate short-term care to provide time for a more permanent plan. Group Care is offered the child who needs the multiple relationships which a group of his peers and a staff of Christian professionals can provide.

Foster Care is offered the preschooler and the older child who needs the closer relationships of a family setting. Maternity Care is offered the unwed mother and her child. Preschool care and education are offered a select group of younger children. Consultation in child development and family life education is offered to churches concerened for families and children in their communities. Varied planning and counselling services are offered to families in stress.

In each of these services, the focus is on the whole family; the motivation is Christian love; the aim is wholeness and health for the persons served.

To make these varied services available to families and children, a statewide network of facilities and programs has emerged. Indian Beach, Kinston, Pembroke, Fayetteville, Raleigh, Burlington, Wallburg, Thomasville, Charlotte, Forest City, Asheville, Waynesville -- each site is a base of operations from which families in need can secure assistance. Furthermore, the staff is prepared to call on the additional resources of religious, educational, medical, psychological, recreational, and social service personnel in the communities to help persons grow to their full potential.

No greater investment can be made in the future of God's Kingdom or in the future of America than to invest in children. Your support of missions through the Cooperative Program is the lifeline of the Baptist Children's Homes. Your special gift at Thanksgiving further guarantees the continuance of Christian child care. The staff and children of the Baptist Children's Homes pledge ourselves to make the most of the opportunity your investment provides.

Respectfully submitted

Guy E. Rogers

CONTRIBUTIONS TO BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

CHURCH	1975	<u>1976</u>
Bethel Concord Dover Fairview Friendly Chapel	\$ 246.00 156.42 108.00 504.00	\$ 222.00 299.00 122.20 512.00
Gay's Chapel Mt. Hebron Mt. Nebo Pleasant Grove Rocky Face	75.00 1,410.00 55.00 1,277.00	75.00 988.00 100.00 1,471.00
Sulphur Springs Taylor Springs Wayfound White Plains	119.00 105.10 606.00	105.00 110.00 691.00
TOTALS	\$4,661.52	\$4,695.20

WMU REPORT

In Matthew 25:31-40, Jesus commends His followers for helping those who have real physical needs in this life with these words; "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethern, ye have done it unto me."

Therefore, those of us who belong to the WMU have our Lords approval as we meet to grow spiritually through our programs and as our projects are aimed at helping our Missionaries and those around us with special needs.

Three churches in the Rocky Face Association have five WMU Organizations with 70 members and the ladies of the Mt. Hebron Church are now in the process of organizing.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Jim Gilreath

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

There are many ways to reach people in the name of Christ, but the best way yet is through Sunday School in our churches.

In Proverbs 22:6, we find these instructions, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it." Jesus in the Great Commission instructs his desciples to "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and 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 until the ends of the world."

Let us encourage our people to attend Sunday School and invite all people, young and old, that they might learn more about our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Enrollment - 1,397 Average attendance - 99

Respectfully submitted,

Elbert Goble

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

The progress made in Vacation Bible School work this year is very gratifying to me, and I hope it is to all of you. We had six people to go to the State VBS Clinic at Wingate, and I think each of them got a lot out of it, and did a good job in conducting our Associational Clinic. And the Associational Clinic is a story in itself. For the first time in ten years our Association held one--and we had not just one, but two. The second clinic was a music workshop, and a sharing of ideas for activities and crafts. We had a total of 10 churches represented in these two clinics, and a total of 97 VBS workers.

I feel that this was a very worthwhile endeavor, and would sincerely hope that it resulted in better prepared teachers. Working with others in the Association, and sharing ideas and experiences has been a real blessing and inspiration to me. As we plan for next year I would like to challenge each Pastor, Sunday School Director, and VBS Director to try to reach more children through VBS than ever before; and to do all that they can do to improve the quality of teaching in VBS.

We had 12 churches holding their Bible Schools. These 12 churches reported a total of 977 enrolled. Offering for Missions was \$542.00 - 7 churches reporting. Professions of faith totaled 1, with four rededications. Total Prospects not in any Sunday School who were discovered through VBS, 93. And there were 17 now enrolled in Sunday School who were Prospects discovered through last year's VBS. The possibilities for evangelism in the area of our Association would seem to be without limits, and VBS is an excellent way to reach the children and through the children, the parents.

> Mrs. Bruno Santorum Associational VBS Director

TRAINING UNION REPORT

- FACT: Three of four churches in the Southern Baptist Convention have church training programs. What about the other one?
- QUESTION: Can a church be the church God wants it to be without a training program?
- PREMISE: To make a difference....TRAIN. It's the Christlike thing to do.

OBJECTIVE: A Training Program in Every Church

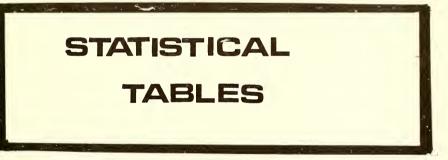
We still have only one church reporting a Training Union Program. We would love to see others organizing a growing training program for their churches. Although, we at Pleasant Grove, have not realized the progress we would have liked, God has been gracious and given us our faithful few. Praise God for them!

Our young people are participating well and seem to be learning from their experiences. Mark Baker, our assistant director, has promoted some very good programs and skits for the young people. They have done a fantastic job of putting these on.

If any of the other churches of this Association are interested in starting a Training Union, I, as your Association Training Union Director, will be glad to assist in any way I can. Also, to assist churches with new training programs, the Sunday School Board will furnish without charge, literature for the first quarter of operation.

> David L. Martin Association Training Union Director

IN MEMORIAM The following members of our churches have died since our last Association Meeting. May the Lord bless their memory to our good and His glory. BETHEL: Pairlee C. Walker Mrs. Minnie Land, Mr. Rufus Teeters DOVER: MT. HEBRON: Mr. Clark Carson, Mr. Clarence Davidson. Mrs. Essie Clanton. Mr. Vermon Wike, and Mr. Obje St.Clair MT. NEBO: Mrs. Rena Price PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. C. S. Grant, Mr. J. Allen Johnson ROCKY FACE: Mrs. Chat Jolly Mrs. June Sharpe, Mrs. SULPHUR SPRINGS: Maude Sharpe TAYLOR SPRINGS: Deacon Gale Redmond, Mrs. Maggie Shumaker WAYFOUND: Steve Allen, Onie Hoke WHITE PLAINS: Mrs. Ollie Mayberry e



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Mt. Hebron	Robert.L. St.Clair, Rt. 4, Taylorsville					
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HISTORY OF MT. HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH

Mt. Hebron Church is situated in the northern part of Alexander County five miles from Taylorsville on the Taylorsville and Wilkesboro State Highways.

The church is the result of Missionary work one by Christians many years before the church was organized. Mrs. Philo Stephenson spent her best days working among her neighbors and in her section organizing Sunday Schools and having preaching. Later a mission point was selected and the church was organized.

A presbytery consisting of Elder L.P. Gwaltney, V.J. Bumgarner, and J. W. Watts, met on September 24th, 1915 at the mission point for the purpose of organizing a church. Elder W.J. Bumgarner was made chairman and E.V. Bumgarner vas secretary of the presbytery.

The name Mt. Hebron was unanimously chosen or the church. J.P. Crouch was elected first church clerk and Rev. E.V. Bumgarner was elected supply pastor and served until 1918.

The following pastors have served the church since 1918; Rev. C.F. Friday, Rev. J.M. McAlpine, Rev. D.C. Clanton, Rev. C.F. Friday, Rev. W.J. Sumgarner, J.A. Isenhour, Otto Johnson, Loyd Barnes, Wade Rogers, Mack McCurdy, Clyde Lewallen, Buddy Mathis, Ernest Bumgarner, Homer Baity, Wade Giller, Grady Blakely, Lester Carson, and Stuart White, present pastor.

The first church was a white frame building. In 1956 additional rooms were added. In 1964 we pews were purchased and floor furnace added. In 1967 the church was bricked and other additions adde. Later a new well was bored and two bathooms added. A new organ was purchased by the routh of the church. The church sanctuary was later repainted and the floors carpeted. Air conditioning was also installed.

The teens of the church were responsible for erecting a sign for the front of the church. Members of the Young Married Sunday School Class was responsible for building steps leading to the cemetery.

Just this past year, the church completed the building of a new parsonage.

Church membership is 269 with 136 enrolled in the Sunday School.

Deacons of the church include Billy Bentley, Max Bentley, Raeford Davidson, Chal Deal, Keith Kerley, Robert St.Clair, and Gaither Wike.

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(Portions of the above history were taken from "A History of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church" written by C.C. Deal in 1930.) - NOTES

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ROCKY FACE

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



Held with WHITE PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH on Wednesday, October 26, 1977

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Moderator.....White Vice Moderator.....Rev. Buster Treadway Clerk.....Treadway Secretary-Treasurer....Jeanette St.Clair

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The Next Session, Wednesday October 25, 1978 TAYLOR SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

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ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Moderator:

'Rev. Stuart White

Vice Moderator:

Rev. Buster Treadway

Clerk:

Robert L. St.Clair

Secretary-Treasurer:

Mrs. Jeanette J. St.Clair

<u>Training Union Director</u>: David Martin

WMU Director:

Mrs. H.C. Cook

Vacation Bible School Director: Mrs. Bruno Santorum

Sunday School Representative: Carl Childers

Hospital Representative: Rev. Robert Barnette

Children's Home Representative: Rev. Guy Rogers

Home for the Aging Representative: Dennis Williams

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

Program Committee:

Rev. Buster Treadway, Chairman; Robert L. St.Clair; Bill Baity; Rev. Neil George; Glenn Keever

Quarterly Conference:

Rev. Elbert Goble, Chairman; Rev. Stuart White; Rev. Clarence Dillard; Gaither Wike; James Gilreath

Time, Place, Preacher:

Rev. Herman Johnson, Chairman; Parks Keever; Rev. Homer Baity

Nominating Committee:

Rev. Guy Rogers, Chairman; Charles Marlowe; Rev. Paul Crater; Clay Teague; Don Fletcher

Resolutions Committee:

Bud Sutherland, Chairman; Rev. Nicky Treadway; Rev. Robert Barnette

Evangelism:

Rev. Jack Pugh, Chairman; Rev. Larry Robbins; Rev. Bill Creason LIST OF MESSENGERS

- BETHEL: Johnny Campbell, Frank Campbell, Blaine Reid
- CONCORD: Everette Sherrill, Lee Fox, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Gant, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fox
- DOVER: Ray Holsclaw, Willard White, Clarence Dillard
- FAIRVIEW: James McLain, James Gilreath, Vera Mayberry
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- MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Edith Bentley, J.V. White Mrs. Helen White, Clara Wike
- MT. NEBO: Buster Treadway, Evelyn Treadway Darius Stikeleather
- PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Bruno Santorum, Lee Sherrill, L.S. Johnson

ROCKY FACE:

- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Parks Keever, R.Z. Hendren, Herman Sherrill
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Glenn Mayberry, Dennis Williams, Hal York
- WAYFOUND: Hessie Kerley, Elaine George, Christine Brotherton
- WHITE PLAINS: Rev. J.A. Isenhour, Elbert Goble, Mavis Adams

CONSTITUTION

Name

ARTICLE I

This Union of Churches shall be known as the Rocky Face Baptist Association.

Purpose

ARTICLE II

The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men. It shall strive, as far as possible to aid in the development of the churches which constitute its membership. Each church shall be free to support such mission work as it feels led; however, every church is urged to comply with the teaching of the scriptures concerning missions.

Membership

ARTICLE III

The membership of this Association shall be comprised of Missionary Baptist Churches and sponsored missions.

Churches or missions desiring affiliation with this Association, upon proper notice to the Association Executive Committee, shall be taken under the watchcare of the Association for one year; thence into membership.

All affiliated churches and missions shall be expected to cooperate in all associational programs of work.

Each church or mission may be represented at the Annual Meeting of the Association by at least three (3) messengers elected by the churc from its active membership. Messengers shall k limited to a basis of 1-50 members after the basic three messengers (basic three messengers to equal the first 150 membership)

Affiliation

ARTICLE IV

This Association shall be affiliated with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and in turn with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Meeting

ARTICLE V

This Association shall hold an annual meeting the last Wednesday in October of each year. Quarterly conferences shall be held on the first Sunday afternoon of each quarter. The Executive Committee may call other meetings if deemed necessary.

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ARTICLE VI

The officers of the Association shall be: (1) A Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Hidtorian, Director of Sunday Schools, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President.

(2) The above officers are to be elected on the first day of the Annual Session and shall take charge at the close of the Session. Officers may be re-elected to successive terms if agreeable with both Association and officers. (3) All officers shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

(4) An Executive Committee shall be constituted of the following:

- a. The pastor of each church or mission affiliated with the Association.
- b. One layman elected by each church from its active membership.
- c. Any other General Associational officer not herein under covered.
- d. The committee shall elect chairman from its own group.

Powers

ARTICLE VII

The powers of this body shall be kept in strict conformity with New Testament principles.

(1) The Association cannot obligate or bind any church in any matter.

(2) The Association shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage.

(3) It shall act only as an advisory council in all matters. Then only when called upon by the churches.

(4) Any church of the Association may appeal to the Association through the Executive Committee for advice.

(5) 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 Executive Committee of the Association.

(6) The officers of the Association shall be expected to promote within the Association the duties of their office. It shall be their responsibility to contact, encourage and promote the work among the churches. (7) The Association shall have no power over the Ordination of Ministers or the organization of new churches, unless help is requested by interested parties.

(8) All matters to be considered at the Annual Session shall be presented to the Executive Committee at least 90 days prior to the Annual Session.

(9) All decisions shall be reached by majority vote of messengers present at the session.

(10) Each messenger to exercise his voting priviledge must register with the clerk and wear his registration tag. An alternate voting in the place of a messenger must do likewise.

Committees

ARTICLE VIII

The Nominating Committee shall at the beginning of each Annual Session present to the body a slate of the following committees and/or officers.

(1) A slate of General Officers listed herein under.

(2) Program Committee-Annual Session-5 members (Vice Moderator, Clerk, one Pastor and two Laymen).

(3) Time, Place, Preacher - 3 members (any church wishing to invite the Association for the next Annual Session, shall do so by filing a written invitation with the clerk one month before the immediate session).

(4) A new Committee on Nominations - 5 members.

(5) Resolutions - 3 members.

(6) The report of the Nomination Committee shall be printed in sufficient number for distribution at the Annual Session. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to Contact each person that is placed before the body for elections, to secure their assent.

(7) Evangelism Committee - 3 members

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

All meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE II

The enrolled messengers present will constitute a quorum to transact business in the name of the Association.

Duties of Officers

ARTICLE III

(1) Moderator - preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint any committees as deemed necessary and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer.

The book of Parliamentary Procedures by Keerfoot shall be the basis of ruling order.

He shall, so far as his private duties permit, communicate with the churches promoting the work of the Kingdom.

(2) Vice Moderator - preside in the absence or at the invitation of the Moderator. Perform all other duties common to moderator at this instruction.

(3) Clerk - keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution of the same. One month following the Annual Association Meeting the clerk shall forward to the printer all material then in his possession for the printing of the minutes. The minutes are to be printed whether or not all church letters have been received at that time.

He shall be paid \$100.00 annually for his services.

(4) Treasurer - it shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive and distribute all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

All money paid into the Association treasury shall be acceptable by check only.

The treasurer shall be paid \$2.50 per hour for the number of hours actually spent discharging the work for the Association.

The treasurer shall act as the secretary of the Association.

(5) Historian - it shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the church with whom the day session is held.

(6) Sunday School Director, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President -- it shall be their duty to promote their respective work among the churches and at the associational level.

Duties of Committees

ARTICLE IV

(1) Program: (Annual Session) It shall be the duty of the Program Committee to prepare and publish at lease 60 days prior to Annual Session the program agenda. A verbal commitment must be received from all participants on the program. In event a speaker cannot fill his commitment, it shall be his responsibility to notify the committee, in advance of the session, except in extreme emerg-

(Quarterly Conference) - To prepare an appropriate, informative and inspirational program. The committee shall use its own discretion as to program material.

(2) Time, Place, and Preacher - It shall be the duty of the committee to select the place of the next Annual Session, to fix the time, name of the preacher and alternate to preach the Annual Sermon. (See No. 3, Article VIII of Constitution).

(3) Nominations - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to nominate the officers of the association as well as standing committee members. This committee shall report to the Executive Committee at least 60 days prior to the Annual Session.

(4) Resolutions - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Resolutions to prepare and purpose to the Association resolutions of appreciation to the host church, and consider any other matters referred to it by the moderator.

(5) Evangelism - To plan and promote evangelistic work in the association and to report at annual session.

ARTICLE V

The expenses of the Association shall be provided for by the churches. Each church in the Association shall be expected to share in this provision of funds.

All money coming into the Association shall be directed to the treasurer.

For the sake of clarity the clerk shall advise each church at least 30 days prior to the Annual Session concerning the cost per copy of Associational Minutes.

ARTICLE VI

Any motion for Associational or Executive Committee consideration must be presented in writing, at the time it is presented verbally, for consideration by the body or committee.

ARTICLE VII

It shall be the responsibility of the clerk to insert at the proper place in the printed minutes any new motion concerning the Constitution, By-Laws, or Folicy that may be adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

The Constitution and By-Laws may be changed or ammended or revised at any regular session if a majority of the messengers concur, provided the notice under Article VII of the Constitution has been given.

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PROCEEDINGS TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Twenty-eighth Annual Session of the Rocky Face Baptist Association convened on October 26, 1977, at the White Plains Baptist Church, with Rev. Stuart White, Moderator, presiding.

- 9:30 Mr. Fess Blankenship led in singing Hymn 377, "Work for the Night is Coming."
- 9:35 Scripture (Acts 3:1-12) and Prayer by Johnny Campbell
- 9:40 Organization for the Association was presented by moderator, Stuart White.
- 10:00 Elbert Goble welcomed everyone to the White Plains Church for the meeting. Adoption of the program was voted on and passed.

Robert St.Clair, Clerk, gave the Roll Call of churches

The moderator recognized all pastors and visitors including representatives from Gardner Webb College and Baptist Hospital. New pastors recognized were Herman Johnson of Concord and Neil George of Wayfound.

Officers and Committees for the coming year were adopted.

The treasurers report was given by Robert St.Clair. It was approved.

An item of business was the proposed changes of the Constitution and By-Laws. A motion was made that the changes be made. It was voted on and passed. ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

10:15	Ed Price of Dover led in prayer
	Lester Fox gave a report on the Home for the Aged.
10:20	A report was given by a representative of Gardner Webb College, Robert Abrams.
10:30	Vice moderator assumes duties of moderator
	A Vacation Bible School report was given by Mrs. Bruno Santorum. The report was voted on and approved.
10:40	A representative from the Baptist Foundation gave a report.
10:45	Clyde Morris gave a report from The Baptist Childrens Home. The report was voted on and approved.
11:00	The Sunday School report was given by Elbert Goble. It was voted on and approved.
11:05	Mrs. Jim Gilreath gave a report from the WMU which was approved.
11:15	Mrs. Bill Baity was in charge of the Memorial Service and Herman Johnson led in the Memorial prayer.
11:20	Fess Blankenship led in singing "Revive Us Again"
11:25	Stuart White gave the annual message Scripture was taken from Matthew 16: 13-18 - Church's Foundation was the theme of the message.
12:00	Adjourned for lunch. Elbert Goble led in Prayer of Thanks.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15 Fess Blankenship led the congregation in singing "Standing on the Promises" and "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms."

> Scripture and Prayer was given by Edd Price.

- 1:30 Calvin Knight, Baptist Hospital Representative gave a report.
- 1:45 Jack Pugh gave a report from the Evangelism Committee.
- 2:00 Jim Lambert, Associational Missionary, spoke to the group about what an Association is.
- 2:10 A report from the Resolution Commitee was given and adopted.
- 2:15 Parks Keever gave a report from the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee. He reported that the next session would be on Wednesday, October 25, 1978, at 9:45 at the Taylor Springs Baptist Church. Rev. Paul Crater will preach the annual sermon and Rev. Herman Johnson will be the alternate.

Blankenship led in singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer."

- 2:25 Rev. Cleve Wilkie, Secretary of the Baptist State Convention delivered the afternoon message.
 - "Amazing Grace" was sung by the congregation and Homer Baity led in the closing prayer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

October, 1976	1 1 1
Balance on Hand Receipts	\$ 897.71 617.40
Total	\$1515.11
Expenses:	
350 Minute Books Postage, stamps & printing Rocky Face Asso. VBS Clinic	\$ 416.00 51.82 90.82
Salaries:	
Clerk Secretary & Treasurer	100.00 30.00
Total Expenses	\$ 688.64
Balance on hand October, 1977	\$ 826.47
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Respectfully Submitted,

Mrs. Louise Millsaps Secretary & Treasurer As almost everyone who reads a newspaper or watches television is well aware, thee has been a great deal of discussion in recent months about hospital costs. The major portion of this discussion centers around the fact that the cost of medical care has escalated more than the cost of other items in the Consumer Price Index; that medical care now accounts for more than 8% of the Gross National Product, and a vague generalization that something must be done about the situation.

This is obviously a complex issue and one which would require an exhaustive analysis in order to explore its many aspects in even a cursory manner. In the limited space available; I would propose to briefly touch upon only one facet of this question--the Carter Administration's proposed cap on hospital revenue.

Although I am personally supportive of an intelligent program to control hospital costs, and furthermore, believe that it is in our longrange national interest to formulate such a program, I believe the Carter Administration's proposal is the worst possible mechanism to effectuate both a long and short term solution to the problem...

Certainly, we need to address ourselves to the question of rising medical care costs and the corollary question of hour much of our natural resources we want to expend in this area. We should not, however, allow our national political leadership to foist a solution on us that will almost certainly cause more problems than it will solve.

> by John E. Lynch Hospital Director

MOTHER'S DAY OFFERINGS

<u>CHURCH</u> -	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Bethel-		
Concord	\$ 299.00	\$624.43
Dover		
Fairview	100.00	100.00
Friendly Chapel		
Gay's Chapel	75.00	100.00
Mt. Hebron	1192.00	8,36,00
Mt. Nebo	100.00	100.00
Pleasant Grove	30.00	25.00
Rocky Face		1. A.
Sulphur Springs	1.00	65.00.
Taylor Springs	67.00	193.50
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White Plains	70.00	76.00
Totals	\$1836.00	\$2119.93

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CONTRIBUTIONS	TO THE HOME	FCR THE AGING
CHURCH	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Bethel	\$ 72.00	\$ 75.00
Concord		\$ 82.00
Dover		
Fairview	\$481,00	\$508.00
Friendly Chapel		
Gay's Chapel		\$ 47.00
Mt. Hebron		\$ <mark>∂ 38₊</mark> 00 -
Mt. Nebo	\$100.00	\$100.00
Pleasant Grove		\$ 13.00
Rocky Face		
Sulphur Springs		
Taylor Springs		
Wayfound		
White Plains	\$648.00	\$69 <mark>8.</mark> 00
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Totals	\$1301.00	\$1561.00

1977 BIBLICAL RECORDER ASSOCIATION REPORT

What is perhaps the greatest challenge faced in all the history of Southern Baptists is before our people for the remaining 23 years of the 20th century. It has been called "Bold dissions Thrust," and the success of the venture is yet to be determined. There is no doubt concerning the importance or the motivation for the undertaking, but there is uncertainty as to thether the motivating message will be successully communicated to some 13 million Southern aptists, and to our more than 34,000 churches. Tithout adequate communication channels, the program cannot succeed.

The heart of the program is to evangelize and ongregationalize the world's population, and he thrust is confronting all human beings verywhere with the gospel, and affording them he opportunity of knowing and trusting Christ s Saviour, and then leading them to understandng of His Lordship.

The program is so big and the challenge so reat, that every Baptist must be involved to ake it successful. Not since Jesus presented is disciples the goal of going into all the orld has such boldness been demonstrated.

The most difficult problems faced in our hurches are related to communications. When eople are uninformed, poorly informed, or mismformed, they get into trouble. When they know hat is taking place in their local congregation and in the denomination, interest is generated and cooperation results. Openness is therefore mportant, and the purpose of the BIBLICAL RE-RDER is to keep Baptist church members informed poncerning involvement in their denomination, and in the Christian world.

In light of developments presently underway our denomination, it is important that every optist church member in N.C. receive the BLICAL RECURDER weekly. Already more than 1100 urches in our state are providing through their budgets for the RECORDER to go to all resident families. The Southern Baptist Convention has adopted a circulation goal of eight million for state papers by 1980. The SBC believe that every Baptist family ought to be receiving its state Baptist paper. RECORDER circulation approaches 120,000 but should be increased in the immediate future to 150,000.

The RECORDER doesn't cost; it pays! Your church will be a healthier congregation if you provide the RECORDER for your resident families. It is the most widely read piece of literature received by N.C. Baptists. No investment pays greater dividends.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Marse Grant, Editor BIBLICAL RECORDER Drastic changes in the life styles of our day are requiring multiple ministries in order to meet the needs of families and children. The Baptist Children's Homes provide qualified leadership for planning, caring, and nurturing in response to these needs. The ultimate goal of our working together is to provide opportunities for growth, development, and creative citizenship for children, youth, and families who, without us, would not have these privileges.

The American family today is in trouble, but its situation is not hopeless. The Christian faith has many resources which can be brought to bear in the areas of witness, education, caring, and service. Positive contributions can be made to strengthen the home as more effective ways are discovered, by this agency, to minister with pastors, churches, and other agencies which have a concern for the well-being of the family. To this challenge our trustees and staff are committed.

It shall be our continuing purpose to keep this ministry dynamic, to value all human life to respons with flexibility to the needs of those for whom we accept responsibility. We challenge our many informed, enthusiastic, supportive and committed relationship to the Children's Homes' mission to children and families.

> W.R. Wagoner President

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BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT

Baptists of N.C. provide a ministry of love and care to children, young people and their families. The care of children is missions, reaching out with a helping hand, in evangelism, love and affection, education and restoration, enabling families to function again.

A statewide network of facilities and programs are available with varied services. Campuses at Mills Home, Thomasville; Kennedy Home, Kinston; Odum Home, Pembroke; and Broyhill Home, Waynesville; a state wide program of Foster Home Care which is a vital service to children needing special help; Emergency Shelters provide a readv resource for children who need help immediately: The Maternity Home in Asheville has proven to be a much needed and well received service and is recognized for its quality of care and Christian concern; Social Work and Family Resource Centers work with families in providing services to children and their families; and the Child Development Center at Mills Home provides a demonstration program for churches who are interested in establishing services for preschool age children in nursery school education, day care and kindergarten.

The members of the staff extendan invitation to pastors and members of our churches to visit on any of the campuses to see, observe and to feel in person what it is like to live in a children's home to be able to appreciate our child care ministry.

It is our purpose to keep this an active ministry and to meet the needs of those whom we service.

Respectfully submitted

Guy E. Rogers

CONTRIBUTIONS	TO BAPTIST CHILDRE	EN'S	HOMES
CHURCH	<u>1976</u>		<u>1977</u>
Bethel	\$ 222.00	\$	80.00
Concord	299.00		607.94
Dover	122.20		148.75
Fairview	512.00		320.00
Friendly Chapel			
Gay's Chapel	75.00		300.00
Mt. Hebron	988.00	1	,192.00
Mt. Nebo	100.00		100.00
Pleasant Grove	1,471.00	1	,973.00
Rocky Face			
Sulphur Springs	105.00		81.00
Taylor Springs	110.00		229.00
Wayfound			
White Plains	691.00		637.00
TOTALS	\$4,695.20	\$5	,668.69

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

The 1977 Vacation Bible School work began at the Annual Associational meeting a year ago-when I began talking to people about going to the State Clinic. In March, six workers, in addition to myself, attended the clinic at Ridgecrest. This was one worker more than had gone before. The Clinic was shortened to one day and night this year so we were kept busy every minute; and some teachers even gave "home work!"

Our own Associational Clinic was a big succes if numbers count. We had almost 50% increase in attendance over 1976. I would hope that this also resulted in better Bible teaching and more good Bible learning for the pupils.

I have reports from 12 churches, and hope that most of the other churches also held VBS. Those churches reporting had 867 enrolled and a total of \$803.00 given to missions.

Speaking of money--do you realize what a bargain VBS is? In 1976, in N.C., it cost an estimated \$1.86 per pupil. With inflation what it is that was probably \$2.00 in 1977. But where else can you get so much for so little?

VBS is a great evangelistic opportunity for all of our churches. Each year we have a chance through VBS to reach many people who are not enrolled in Sunday School. Land year in N.C., over 40,000 prospects for Sunday School were discovered and reported in VBS. There were over 3000 professions of faith. All too few of these were in Rocky Face Association. But we have another chance coming up in just a few months.

Southern Baptists are committed to an all-out effort to give everyone in America the opportuniby 1980, to hear about and accept Christ as Savie VBS can be one of our best ways of getting this done. If we could get really enthusiastic about this--you know that enthusiasm means "possessed by God." So if we could get really possessed by

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God, we could reach hundreds of people in Rocky Face Association alone, without going very far from our church doors.

1978 is coming up. As your VBS Director, I challenge you to send a good team to the State Clinic for training. Pray for them as they go! Select the VBS Direc or and teachers in your individual churches early in the year, and get them to the Associational Clinic. Then pray for your Vacation Bible School, and see if we can have the best year we have ever had!

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Bruno Santorum

WMU REPORT

Five churches in the Rocky Face Association have six WMU Organizations with 110 members. This is an increase of two more churches participating with an increase of 40 members since the last church year.

In Matthew 9:37 and 38 Jesus tells his disciples, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

Those of us who are members of the WMU have a great responsibility and opportunity to witness for the Lord that souls may be saved. We not only help with spiritual needs on a local basis but we also help our foreign missionaries financially. God needs more local and foreign missionaries and our aim is to seek His will in Dur lives and be willing to serve wherever He leads.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. James Gilreath 35

SUNDAY SCHULL REPORT

There are many ways to reach people in the name of Christ, but the best way yet is through Sunday School, here we can reach all ages at the same time.

In Proverbs 22:6, we find these instructions, "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Every church in this Association has an urgent message to go tell, and that is that Jesus died on the cross for a lost and dying world, and we have been instructed by Christ to go into all the world and preach and teach the gospel. He said, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in that my house may be filled.

Let us encourage our people to attend Sunday School that we might all know more about our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

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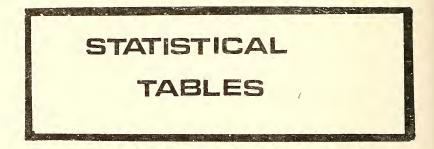
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Elbert Goble

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IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have passed away since our last Association Meeting. May the Lord bless their memory to our good and His glory. BETHEL: Christy Bentley, deacon, Mrs. Mae Childers, Mr. Roy Bowles CONCORD: Miss Cdie Douglas, Mrs. Cma Warren, Mr. Ernest Fox DCVER: Mrs. Luna White Pennell, Mr. Troy Downs, Mrs. Jeanette White Jolly FAIRVIEW: Mrs. Lillian C. Sprinkle. Nr. W.Baxter Hendren, deacon FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mr. Grover Cleveland (Cleve) Welborn, Mr. Coley Roby Johnson GAY'S CHAPEL: Mr. Robert Smith. Mr. Derwood Johnson MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Nannie Kerley, Mr. Lillard Daniels PLEASANT GROVE: Mr. William Goforth, Mr. William Henry Boggs, Deacon RCCKY FACE: Mr. Darrell Wike TAYLOR SPRINGS: Mrs. Julie Dishmond Mr. Gus Williams Mr. Clyde Wilcox



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IN MEMORIAM



Rev. Guy Rogers

Rev. Guy Rogers was ordained at Little River Baptist Church in 1962. He was pastor of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church in the Alexander Association from 1962 to 1967.

He was pastor of Rocky Hill Baptist Church in the Brier Creek Association from 1967 to 1973. He became pastor of the White Plains Baptist Church in the Rocky Face Association in 1973 and served until his death on December 25, 1977.

He was a member of the General Board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina as a representative of the Rocky Face Association.



WHITE PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH HISTORY

Before White Plains Baptist Church was stablished, the nearest Baptist churches were aylorsville First, Sulphur Springs, Macedonia, and Mt. Nebo. Because of the distance, many in the community were not attending services anychere.

Mrs. Emma Adams became concerned about her ooys and others in the community and was afraid hat they were going to be lost. Mrs. Adams met r. C.F. Friday in the road one Sunday Morning s he was on his way to Mt. Nebo Church and iscussed the matter which was on her heart. hey decided to try to organize a Sunday School nd Mr. Friday agreed to conduct the service.

Mrs. Emma Adams, her boys and Mrs. Arthur dams, Mrs. Fate Campbell and son, John, and rs. W.C. Kerley began raking and cleaning the rounds to make ready for the service. Seats ere logs and rough planks placed between the rees in the grove. The grove was the property f T.F. Adams and was later deeded to the church. unday School was first held in June, 1912.

The first revival was held in the grove on he third Sunday in September, 1912. There were 9 conversions with 20 being baptized.

White Plains Baptist Church was organized on aturday, November 9, 1912 in the grove. A resbytery composed of Elders L.P. Gwaltney, W. Poole, and J.W. Watts, and Deacons J.E. Matham, J.W. Pharr, and B.F. Patterson met and cganized by electing J.W. Watts chairman and L. Teague as clerk. Thirty-four people came prward, bearing letters. After a satisfactory camination on the fundamental doctrines of the ble, Brother L.P. Gwaltney read a church ovenant, to which all the members gave their te of adoption. Deacons were Fielding Adams, C.C. Mayberry, Jay Robinette, H.A. Pressley and J.D. Blankenshi

After the church was organized, services were held in the Glade Creek School House by Rev. J.W. Watts. Services were held in the new church building on April 12, 1913. In August, 1914, a revival was held and it was recorded that a baptizing was held with over 2,000 people attending.

Pastors Berving were J.W. Watts, George Bumgarner, E.V. Bumgarner, Elbert Payne, A.W. Wilcox, S.I. Watts, J.C. Gwaltney, Wade Rogers, R.C. Loyd, Mack McCurdy, Arthur Jenkins, Charlie Poole, James Hartness, and Guy Rogers.

Ministers orgained since the organization of the church are: C.F. Friday, J.A. Abernathy, Albert Icenhour, Robert Rary, Allie Walker, Elbert Goble.

The original church building was remodeled in 1945, adding Sunday School rooms. In 1957, it was decided to build a new church and by the summer of 1958 it was completed. The first services were held on August 9, 1958 with Rev. E.V. Bumgarner as the guest minister. A parsonage was built during 1967. New Sunday School rooms were added and a Fellowship Hall in 1970.

Deacons presently serving are Jennis Millsaps, chr., Paul Stikeleather, Wade Gryder, Tom Yow, Charles Kerley, Grady Brown, Lynn Icenhour, Fess Blankenship, Clay Teague, and Dale Patterson.





Minutes of the 29th Annual Session ¹⁹⁷⁸ **Rocky Face Baptist Association**



Held with TAYLOR SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Wednesday, October 26, 1978

MINUTES OF THE

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of the

ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with

TAYLOR SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

on

Wednesday, October 26, 1978

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Moderator	Rev. Jack Pugh
Vice Moderator	•••••Charles Kerley
Clerk	Robert St.Clair
Secretary-Treasurer	Jeanette St.Clair
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WMU Director:

Mrs. Jim Gilreath

Vacation Bible School Director: Mrs. Bruno Santorum

Sunday School Representative: Carl Childers

Hospital Representative: Rev. Neil George

Children's Home Representative: Rev. Jack Pugh

Home for the Aging Representative: Dennis Williams

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

Program Committee:

Robert L. St.Clair; Rev. Neil George; Glenn Keever; James McLain

Quarterly Conference:

Rev. Elbert Goble, Chairman; Don Fletcher

Time, Place, Preacher:

Rev. Homer Baity, chairman: Parks Keever; Charles Kerley

Nominating Committee:

Rev. Elbert Goble, Chairman; Larry Burgess; Don Fletcher; Lynn Icenhour; Rev. Homer Baity

Resolutions Committee:

Rev. Nicky Treadway, chairman; Jennis Millsaps; Parks Keever

Evangelism:

Rev. Jack Pugh, chairman; Rev. Larry Robbins; Rev. Bill Creason

LIST OF MESSENGERS

- BETHEL: Blake Daniels, Arnold Johnson, Ceph Childers
- CONCORD: Sally S. Poole, Hattie Sherrill, Doris Matheson, Espie Childers, Nora Willey
- DOVER: Edwin Price, Ann Pennell, Cecil Pennell, Willie Pennell, Clarence Dillard
- FAIRVIEW: James McLain, Vera Mayberry, Edd McLain,
- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mr. & Mrs. Billy J. Baity, Carl Hayes, Jerry Benfield, Paul Levan, Lloyd D. Jarvis
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Charles Tomlin, Rev. Bill Creason, Mrs. Allen Starrette
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- 1T. NEBC: Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hillard, Rev. and Mrs. Denny Dyson, Mrs. Darius Stikeleather
- LEASANT GROVE: Lon Johnson, Lee Sherrill, Harry Hager
- OCKY FACE: Rev. Nickey Treadway, Miller Walker
- ULPHUR SPRINGS: Parks Keever, Mrs. Lois Cook, Roy Fox, Mrs. Parks Keever, Martha Crater, R.Z. Hendren, Bud Sutherland, Herman Sherrill
- AYLOR SPRINGS: James Privette, Hilda Younger, Richard Jordan, Barbara Privette, Fern Jordan, Hal York
- AYFOUND: Charles Duncan, Mr. & Mrs. Roby Mecimore
- HITE PLAINS: J.A. Isenhour, Elbert Goble, Clay Teague

CONSTITUTION

Name

ARTICLE I

This Union of Churches shall be known as the Rocky Face Baptist Association.

Purpose

ARTICLE II

The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men. It shall strive, as far as possible to aid in the development of the churches which constitute its membership. Each church shall be free to support such mission work as it feels led; however, every church is urged to comply with the teaching of the scriptures concerning missions.

Membership

ARTICLE III

The membership of this Association shall be comprised of Missionary Baptist Churches and sponsored missions.

Churches or missions desiring affiliation with this Association, upon proper notice to the Association Executive Committee, shall be taken under the watchcare of the Association for one year; thence into membership.

All affiliated churches and missions shall be expected to cooperate in all associational programs of work. Each church or mission may be represented at the Annual Meeting of the Association by at least three (3) messengers elected by the churc from its active membership. Messengers shall k limited to a basis of 1-50 members after the basic three messengers (basic three messengers to equal the first 150 membership)

Affiliation

ARTICLE IV

This Association shall be affiliated with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and in turn with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Meeting

ARTICLE V

This Association shall hold an annual meeting the last Wednesday in October of each year. Quarterly conferences shall be held on the first Sunday afternoon of each quarter. The Executive Committee may call other meetings if deemed necessary.

<u>Officers</u>

ARTICLE VI

The officers of the Association shall be: (1) A Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Hidtorian, Director of Sunday Schools, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President.

(2) The above officers are to be elected on the first day of the Annual Session and shall take charge at the close of the Session. Officers may be re-elected to successive terms if agreeable with both Association and officers. (3) All officers shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

(4) An Executive Committee shall be constituted of the following:

- a. The pastor of each church or mission affiliated with the Association.
- b. One layman elected by each church from its active membership.
- c. Any other General Associational officer not herein under covered.
- d. The committee shall elect chairman from its own group.

Powers

ARTICLE VII

The powers of this body shall be kept in strict conformity with New Testament principles.

(1) The Association cannot obligate or bind any church in any matter.

(2) The Association shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage.

(3) It shall act only as an advisory council in all matters. Then only when called upon by the churches.

(4) Any church of the Association may appeal to the Association through the Executive Committee for advice,

(5) 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 Executive Committee of the Association.

(6) The officers of the Association shall be expected to promote within the Association the duties of their office. It shall be their responsibility to contact, encourage and promote the work among the churches. (7) The Association shall have no power over the Ordination of Ministers or the organization of new churches, unless help is requested by interested parties.

(8) All matters to be considered at the Annual Session shall be presented to the Executive Committee at least 90 days prior to the Annual Session.

(9) All decisions shall be reached by majority vote of messengers present at the session.

(10) Each messenger to exercise his voting priviledge must register with the clerk and wear his registration tag. An alternate voting in the place of a messenger must do likewise.

Committees

ARTICLE VIII

The Nominating Committee shall at the beginning of each Annual Session present to the body a slate of the following committees and/or officers.

(1) A slate of General Officers listed herein under.

(2) Program Committee-Annual Session-5 members (Vice Moderator, Clerk, one Pastor and two Laymen).

(3) Time, Place, Preacher - 3 members (any church wishing to invite the Association for the next Annual Session, shall do so by filing a written invitation with the clerk one month before the immediate session).

(4) A new Committee on Nominations - 5 members.

(5) Resolutions - 3 members.

(6) The report of the Nomination Committee shall be printed in sufficient number for distribution at the Annual Session. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to contact each person that is placed before the body for elections, to secure their assent.

(7) Evangelism Committee - 3 members

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

All meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE II

The enrolled messengers present will constitute a quorum to transact business in the name of the Association.

Duties of Officers

ARTICLE III

(1) Moderator - preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint any committees as deemed necessary and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer.

The book of Parliamentary Procedures by Keerfoot shall be the basis of ruling order.

He shall, so far as his private duties permit, communicate with the churches promoting the work of the Kingdom.

(2) Vice Moderator - preside in the absence or at the invitation of the Moderator. Perform all other duties common to moderator at this instruction.

(3) Clerk - keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution of the same. One month following the Annual Association Meeting the clerk shall forward to the printer all material then in his possession for the printing of the minutes. The minutes are to be printed whether or not all church letters have been received at that time.

He shall be paid \$100.00 annually for his services.

(4) Treasurer - it shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive and distribute all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

All money paid into the Association treasury shall be acceptable by check only.

The treasurer shall be paid \$2.50 per hour for the number of hours actually spent discharging the work for the Association.

The treasurer shall act as the secretary of the Association.

(5) Historian - it shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the church with whom the day session is held.

(6) Sunday School Director, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President -- it shall be their duty to promote their respective work among the churches and at the associational level.

Duties of Committees

ARTICLE IV

(1) Program: (Annual Session) It shall be the duty of the Program Committee to prepare and publish at lease 60 days prior to Annual Session the program agenda. A verbal commitment must be received from all participants on the program. In event a speaker cannot fill his commitment, it shall be his responsibility to notify the committee, in advance of the session, except in extreme emergencies.

(Quarterly Conference) - To prepare an appropriate, informative and inspirational program. The committee shall use its own discretion as to program material.

(2) Time, Place, and Preacher - It shall be the duty of the committee to select the place of the next Annual Session, to fix the time, name of the preacher and alternate to preach the Annual Sermon. (See No. 3, Article VIII of Constitution).

(3) Nominations - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to nominate the officers of the association as well as standing committee members. This committee shall report to the Executive Committee at least 60 days prior to the Annual Session.

(4) Resolutions - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Resolutions to prepare and purpose to the Association resolutions of appreciation to the host church, and consider any other matters referred to it by the moderator.

(5) Evangelism - To plan and promote evangelistic work in the association and to report at annual session.

ARTICLE V

The expenses of the Association shall be provided for by the churches. Each church in the Association shall be expected to share in this provision of funds.

All money coming into the Association shall be directed to the treasurer.

For the sake of clarity the clerk shall advise each church at least 30 days prior to the Annual Session concerning the cost per copy of Associational Minutes.

ARTICLE VI

Any motion for Associational or Executive Committee consideration must be presented in writing, at the time it is presented verbally, for consideration by the body or committee.

ARTICLE VII

It shall be the responsibility of the clerk to insert at the proper place in the printed minutes any new motion concerning the Constitution, By-Laws, or Policy that may be adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

The Constitution and By-Laws may be changed or ammended or revised at any regular session if a majority of the messengers concur, provided the notice under Article VII of the Constitution has been given.

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PROCEEDINGS TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Twenty-ninth Annual Session of the Rocky Face Baptist Association convened on October 26, 1978, at the Taylor Springs Baptist Church with Rev. Stuart White, Moderator, presiding.

- 9:30 Barbara Privette led the congregation in the opening hymn.
- 9:35 Neil George read the scripture from I Cor. 13 and led in the opening prayer.
- 9:40 Stuart White called the 29th Annual session to order and led in the organization of the program.

Rev. J.C. Gwaltney, host pastor, gave the welcome and announcements.

Roll Call of churches was given by Robert St.Clair, Clerk.

Visitors and new members were recognized.

The Treasurers Report was given by Jeanette St.Clair, Treasurer. Report was adopted as read.

- 10:15 Nicky Teadway led in prayer.
- 10:20 Dennis Williams gave the Home for the Aged report which was adopted.
- 10:25 A report from the Christian Action League was on the Program but no representative was present.
- 10:30 Vacation Bible School Report was given by Mrs. Bruno Santorum. The reported was adopted.

- 10:35 Annuity Retirement report was given by Sam O'Neal of the State Convention who urged each church to give at least 10% of the pastor's salary to the Annuity Board.
- 11:00 The Children's Home Report was given by Thurston Bowman
- 11:20 The Evangelism Report was given by Jack Pugh. Voted on and adopted.
- 11:30 Mrs. Bill Baity and Robert Barnette were in charge of a Memorial Service for those deceased during the past year.
- 11:35 Barbara Privette led in the singing of "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms."
- 11:40 Rev. Paul Crater, pastor of the Sulphur Springs Baptist Church, delivered the annual morning message. His scripture was taken from Matthew 9. His message was on "Bold Missions."
- 12:00 Adjournment for lunch. Prayer of Thanks was given by Rev. Edwin Price.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15 Barbara Privette led in singing, "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus."

> Parks Keever was in charge of the Scripture and Prayer for the afternoon Session. He read from Romans 15:1-17.

- 1:30 Maurice Cooper gave a report on Church Training.
- 1:40 Baptist Hospital Report was given by Neil George who introduced Mr. Calvin Knight, a hospital representative.
- 1:50 A report was given by the Biblical Recorder by Woodrow Hill.
- 2:00 Robert St.Clair gave the Sunday School Report in the absence of Carl Childers. Voted and adopted.
- 2:10 WMU Report was given by Mrs. Lois Cook, Associational WMU Director. Voted on and adopted.
- 2:15 Time, Place, and Preacher report was given by H.I. Johnson. The 30th Session will be held at Mt. Nebo Baptist Church. Rev. Jack Pugh will deliver the annual message with Rev. Homer Baity as alternate.
- 2:20 The Resolution Committee read a report expression appreciation to the Taylor Springs Church for meeting there.

Two items of business voted on included giving our speaker \$50 instead of \$25, and to increase the price of minute books.

2:30 John S. McGee, a Southern Baptist Foreign Missionary, delivered the afternoon message on Missions.

TREASURER'S REPORT

October, 1977

Balance on Hand	\$ 826.47
Receipts	697.90
Total	\$1524.37

Expenses:

Associational Missions Speaker	25.00
Pastors & Wives Christmas Party	40.00
Memorial to Guy Rogers	15.00
Association VBS Materials	57.05
Assoc. VBS Clinic Expenses	64.36
400 Minute Books	170,00
Postage, stamps, printing	75.00

Salaries:

Clerk Secretary-Treasurer	100.00 30.00			
Total Expenses	\$ 826.41			
Balance on hand, Oct. 1978	\$ 697.96			

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette J. St.Clair Secretary-Tresurer

MOTHER'S DAY OFFERINGS

CHURCH	<u>1977</u>	<u>1978</u>
BETHEL		\$277.00
CONCORD	\$624,43	403.00
DOVER		
FAIRVIEW	100.00	
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
GAY'S CHAPEL	100.00	100.00
MT. HEBRON	836.00	1258.00
MT. NEBO	100.00	100.00
PLEASANT GROVE	25.00	31.00
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS	65,00	36,00
TAYLOR SPRINGS	193.50	155.00
WAYFOUND		
WHITE PLAINS	76.00	48.00
Totals	\$1836.00	\$2407.00

CHURCH	1977	1978
BETHEL	\$ 80,00	\$ 121.00
CONCORD	607.94	338.00
DOVER	148.75	144.11
FAIRVIEW	320.00	200.00
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
GAY'S CHAPEL	300.00	181.00
MT. HEBRON	1,192.00	1,462.00
MT. NEBO	100.00	100.00
PLEASANT GROVE	1,973.00	2,287.00
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS	81.00	10.00
TAYLOR SPRINGS	229.00	142.00
WAYFOUND		
WHITE PLAINS	637.00	698.76
Totals	\$5,668.00	\$5,683.87

CONTRIBUTIONS	ТО	THE HOME	FOR	THE	AGING
CHURCH		<u>1977</u>		-	<u>1978</u>
BETHEL	\$	75.00		\$	211.00
CONCORD		82.00			23.00
DOVER					
FAIRVIEW		508.00			200.00
FRIENDLY CHAPEL					
GAY'S CHAPEL		47.00			
MT. HEBRON		38.00			
MT. NEBO		100.00			100.00
PLEASANT GROVE		13.00			
ROCKY FACE					
SULPHUR SPRINGS					
TAYLOR SPRINGS					90.50
WAYFOUND					
WHITE PLAINS	-	698.00			700.05
Totals	\$	1561.00		\$.	1324.55

HOMES FOR AGING REPORT

Stop! Look! and Listen! This warning sign at our railroad crossings is a lifesaver and should be observed strictly by all who drive, walk, or run. It is good for us to "stop, look, and listen," as we get a clearer picture of the various ministries and work of the institutions and agencies of our Baptist State Convention. This is the special opportunity that messengers to our 80 Baptist Associations have each year, as well as messengers to our Baptist State Convention. Periodically, there is vital and up-to-date news of our respective ministries in our Biblical Recorder and in Charity & Children.

Since becoming Director of Development & Denominational Relations for our Baptist Homes for the Aging, around 3 years ago, Ralph Cannon has offered, on many occasions, a dollar bill if anyone in the group could name our current five Baptist Homes for the Aging and the sixth home under construction in Asheville. One person, in all this time has taken his dollar away from him.

N.C. Baptists have the following Baptist Homes for the Aging:

- 1. Resthaven in Winston-Salem
- 2. The Hayes Home and the Nursing Care Unit in Winston-Salem
- 3. The Albemarle Home in Albemarle
- 4. The Hamilton Home in Hamilton
- 5. The Yanceyville Home in Yanceyville
- 6. The Western North Carolina Baptist Home in Asheville.

This means accommodations for 300 people in our 6 Baptist Homes. Homes for the Aging have received support from more than 3400 Baptist Church through the Cooperative Program and the Special Offering.

Will you join us in our prayers and in our plans for those aging persons who look to us for help!

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

Think about it for a minute. What if there were no BIBLICAL RECORDER? What means of communication would keep our Baptist people together in the state? What if we had to depend entirely on the secular news media?

These are questions that should not be taken lightly. Thanks to the wisdom and foresight of Baptists back in 1833, the BIBLICAL RECORDER has been on the scene for 145 years serving N.C. Baptists.

One of the most important jobs of the BIBLICAL RECORDER is to keep members of our churches informed about what's going on in our denomination, not only here in N.C. but around the world. When people know, they respond more quickly and in a more cooperative and generous manner.

More than 1,100 churches provide their families with the RECORDER through the church budget at a cost of only 6¢ a week. Everyone benefits when the RECORDER goes into every home.

The price of the RECORDER remains reasonable, despite increases in postage, paper, and printing. If your church plans to put the RECORDER in the budget, it should do so this year and thus save money because a price increase is likely.

With the dripping wet news media in N.C., our people must depend on the RECORDER for information about such matters as liquor by the drink. This is only one reason for every church to have a good RECORDER club or put it in the budget.

Submitted by J. Marse Grant, Editor BIBLICAL RECORDER

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

Baptists of N.C. support and operate, through elected trustees, six colleges and one university: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wingate and Wake Forest University. The histories of these colleges and the Baptist State Convention have intersected and intertwined since 1834. While not all of the colleges were begun by the Convention per se, all were begun by Baptists, with strong convictions about the need for Christian higher education. The 7 colleges have been in operation for a total of 729 years. Currently facutly and staff number 1,441. During the 1977-78 academic year, the full-time enrollment of the colleges was 13,000. The total enrollment, including summer school and special students, was more than 19,000.

Baptist colleges serve Christ and Baptist people best when they are truest to their primary mission, Christian education. Christian education is education under Christian auspices for Christian ends. Christian education is Christianity operating in the field of enlightenment. A Christian college is a college founded and maintained and conducted by Christian people in the service of the Kingdom of God.

N.C. Baptist colleges continue to be grateful for generous financial support through the Cooperative Program. The colleges reaffirm their support and partnership in missions with the churches, and offer the services of faculty, students and other campus resources to make the Bold Missions emphasis of Southern Baptists a vital and successful ministry.

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

1977 was one of contrasts for the Annuity Board. While the Board grew markedly in new retirement and insurance accounts, investment earnings suffered due to poor stock market performance.

Key statistics in 1977 included: 1. A permanent 8.33 percent increase in most annuitants' checks. The increase was retroactive to January 1.

2. A total of \$19,085,316 paid in retirement and protection benefits. Insurance benefits through church, agency and seminarian programs exceeded \$12 million.

3. The enrollment of 545 new churches in the basic retirement plan. New pastors and church employees in Plan A numbered 2,169, and 3,000 members upgraded their program.

In North Carolina as of March 31, 1978, 3,387 staff members of 2,257 churches and associations are participating in the Southern Baptist Retirement Program.

In the Rocky Face Association, 7 churches and 7 staff members are participating in the retirement program.

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CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE REPORT

The N.C. Christian Action League has had a very active year. Following a vote which defeated the Liquor-By-The-Drink Bill on June 7 (61-56) in the House of Representatives, one Representative, Mr. Jack Pugh of Asheboro, who had voted against the Bill asked for a chance to reconsider on the following day. Then under heavy pressure from the lobbyists other Representatives were not present for the vote and the bill carried (57-56). This was sent back to the Senate where they approved the amendments and local option on LBD became lawful. We feel that this is very deplorable because the people of our State spoke loudly and plainly on this matter at the polls in 1973. We do not believe that they have changed their minds.

Now the attention has been shifted from the Halls of the General Assembly to the local areas across the State. There are 43 counties and almost 100 cities and towns with ABC systems. This means that we could be facing this many "Brush Fire" elections in the near future.

We would express our sincere appreciation to the Baptists of N.C. for their moral and financial support of the N.C. Christian Action League in the past. We are depending upon you who have strong convictions against the increased distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages in N.C. and against obscenity and pornography to continue to support the League this year by planning this in your annual budget and receiving a special offering for these purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

D.P. McFarland, Executive Director I have enjoyed serving as the chairman of the evangelism committee during this year and I have been both challenged and frustrated by the experience. It has been a challenging experience in that the opportunities for the advancement of the Kingdom of God have been emphasized to me and ample helps for the local church and the association have been offered. It has been frustrating in that the interest in functioning as an association beyond simply meeting for annual session has been unbelievably low.

On the positive side, We have been challenged by the State convention leadership to make a bold effort in every church to double our baptisms by the year 1982 or sooner. We are offered without cost to us the notebook - <u>Bold Evangelism Through The Local Church</u> - to help us with plans to develop an ongoing program of evangelism. For each pastor who did not attend the pastors' conference in October I have your notebook for you. The name of your church is on the cover. Please take one and use it as the Lord directs you. Also for \$1.00 pastors may receive another workbook called, <u>Revival</u> <u>Preparation Seminar</u>. See me if you are interested.

In February of this year the 32nd Statewide Evangelism Conference was conducted at the War Memorial Auditorium in Greensboro. We were challenged by enthusiastic speakers to make a bold thrust to involve our church members in evangelism. The next statewide evangelism conference will be held at Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium in Fayetteville on February 5-6, 1979. I would urge all pastors to go and take as many of their lay people as they can. Four summer youth evangelism teams preached in one week youth revivals and lirected youth witness training in many churches across the state. One of these teams ed youth revivals in nine churches in Maryand in a joint Bold mission effort. Genuine lecisions for Christ were made by many youth.

Over 900 youth and adults attended the argest youth Ministry Week during July 3-8 at the North Carolina Baptist Assembly. All persons participated in specific witness raining sessions. The emphasis also included ocational and recreation.

About 12,500 youth, pastors, and adult eaders were in attendance at the 8th Stateide Youth Evangelism Night, August 18, at reensboro. Bill Hogue, Director, Evangelism ection, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, was the reacher; Richard and Judy Bradford, Albuquerue, New Mexico, were the soloists, and other outh shared on the program.

Sixty eight associations have particiated in one week Lay Evangelism Schools in ecent years with 15,000 youth and adults eceiving lay witness training from 1,245 hurches. Consistent witnessing to nonhristians is essential and Rocky Face Assocation could well consider being the sixty inth association to have such a training ession.

We have begun a pastors' conference this ear which meets on the second Tuesday of each onth at one of our churches. Brother Paul rater is president and Brother Clarence waltney is vice-president in charge of the rogram. I would urge all pastors to become hvolved in this conference for in reality he Evangelism committee has no method of peration except through the cooperation of he pastors.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Pugh

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

There are many ways to reach people in the name of Christ, but the best way is through Sunday School at our local churches.

The main purpose of our Sunday School is to teach the Bible and have a school that is inspiring, interesting and educational. In some instances the only Bible reading and teaching our children have is through our Sunday School. If we fail to reach them in early life, their interest in accepting Christ as their personal saviour is greatly reduced.

In Proverbs 22:6, The wise one of old said, "Train up a child in the way he should go: And when he is old, he will not depart from it." Jesus in the great commission instructs his disciples to "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and 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 alway, even until the end of the world."

Let us strive to make this year a successful one in terms of our Sunday School endeavors, with visions anew of what can be accomplished under the leadership and direction of the Holy Spirit. May your work and purpose be to strengthen and enrich the lives of all people.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Childers

14 of 14 churches reporting 1365 Total attendance 1085 average attendance

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

This has been a good year in Vacation Bible School. We had eight people to go to the State Clinic at Caraway which covered the necessary classes very well. We had an attendance of about 77 at our two Associational Clinics, which is down some from last year. But we had deaths in 3 of our churches at the time of the clinic which affected our attendance some.

I received reports from 8 churches. Thank you!! But I still am looking for 100% reporting. I urge you pastors to see that your VBS Director sends in a report on VBS next year. This information is important to many people for many reasons. A report form is included in the package of material you get each year.

From the reports we had 8 churches holding Vacation Bible Schools, with a total enrollment of 738. Seven churches reported total gifts for Missions of \$805.00.

Professions of faith made during VBS totaled 17, and I am sure there were others that weren't reported.

Could I one more time stress reports? Figures on Attendance, Professions of Faith, and Mission Gifts, if high, are an encouragement to us. When they are low, they are an incentive to work harder and do a better job next year.

We must reach our children if the church is to continue and prosper. Today more than ever we need to reach them young before the pressures and temptations of the world begin to draw them. VBS is one of the best ways to reach those outside the church. VBS possibly accounts for at least one-fifth of the professions of faith made in Rocky Face Association during the year. In 1979, let's all work hard and work together, and see what we can accomplish. Jesus said, "Greater works than these shall ye do---". Do we dare claim this promise?

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Bruno Santorum Vacation Bible School Director Rocky Face Association

WMU REPORT

We have five churches in our association that have WMU organizations, with a total enrollment of 138. Also, one Girls in Action is being organized in one of the churches.

We need to pray for God to give us a vision and a burden of the work that needs to be done.

In Romans 10:14-15 we read, "How then shall they call on Him 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? As it is written, how beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things."

We, as God's servants must work while we have the time and the opportunity.

> Respectfully submitted, Lois Cook

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER REPORT

The thirtieth session of the Rocky Face aptist Association will be held the last ednesday in October 1979 with Mt. Nebo aptist Church.

The annual message will be brought y Rev. Jack Pugh and the alternate preacher ill be Rev. Homer Baity.

Respectfully submitted,

H. I. Johnson, Chairman Parks Keever Rev. Homer Baity

RESOLUTION REPORT

Be it resolved that we, the Rocky Face Baptist Association, express our grateful appreciation to the Taylor Springs Baptist Church for the use of their church building for this annual associational meeting and for the bounteous meal that was prepared for us.

Respectfully submitted,

The Resolution Committee

IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have passed away since our last Association Meeting. May the Lord bless their memory to our good and His glory.

CONCORD: Mrs. Ora Matheson Mrs. Roxey Gant

DOVER: Mr. Byrd Pennell, Mr. Hugh White Mrs. Patsy Lee Haas

GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Maude C. Edwards

MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Lillie Bentley Mr. Boston Hubbard Miss Sandra Clanton Mrs. Minnie Fincannon

MT. NEBO: Mr. Renn Burgess, Deacon PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Pearl B. Beckha

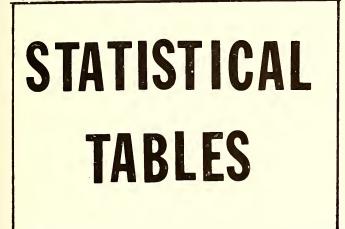
PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Pearl B. Beckham Mrs. Ocie Bowles Moose Mr. F. Herchel Grant

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mr. Jay Lackey Mr. Thomas R. Smith TAYLOR SPRINGS: Mrs. Carrie Dishmond Mr. Blum Williams Mrs. Maie Holland

Mrs. Prudie Kilby

WAYFOUND: Mrs. Christine Brotherton, former church clerk

WHITE PLAINS: Rev. Guy Rogers, Pastor Woodrow Adams Arthur Levan Arthur Mitchell Mrs. Charlie Matheson



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23	30	12	32	40	TOTAL WMU ONGOING ENROLMENT	

PLEASANT GROVE	CHURCH TRAINING REPORT CHURCH
23	CHILDREN ENROLMENT (6-11 years or grades 1-6)
6	YOUTH ENROLMENT (12-17 years or grades 7 - 12)
13	YOUNG ADULTS (18-29 years or HS graduate to 29 years)
23	ADULT ENROLMENT (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)
7	SENIOR ADULT ENROLMENT (60 and over or retirement and over)
	GENERAL OFFICERS ENROLMENT
08	TOTAL TRAINING UNION ONGOING ENROLMENT
33	AVERAGE WEEKLY CHURCH TRAINING ATTENDANCE

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HISTORY OF TAYLOR SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

In Iredell County North Carolina, July 10, 1852, a meeting was held at Taylor Springs. After a sermon delivered by Z.B.Adams, a presbytery was organized electing Z.B. Adams as chairman and R.S. Steele, secretary. Prayer by J.J. Watts received a church constitution prepared for the occasion.

A call for members was made and the following were received as charter members of the church under the constitution: Elder J.B. Green, John R. Rowe, G.W. Rowe, A.R. Shenualt, A.L. Williams, M.C. Howell, Sarah Campbell, Jane Williams, Arena George, Jane Green, Rhody M. Mize, Mary J. Redmond, Sarah Hardin, and Martha Eads.

After these members were examined on their faith and being found orthodox and sound in faith and believing that they are competent of keeping house, proceeded to constitute a church of Baptist faith with all its privileges. Prayer by Elder Z.B. Adams appointed as deacon A.L. Williams who was examined and regularly set apart by prayer by R.S. Steele. Charge by Elder Z.B. Adams. Brother C.W. Howell was clerk, Elder Z.B. Adams was pastor. This church shall be called--Baptist Church of Christ at Taylor Springs.

Elder Z.B. Adams served as pastor. He was followed by S.P. Smith in 1858; Green Brown in 1863; E.N. Gwin in 1868; Y. Jordan, 1880; E.N. Gwin, 1893; J.G. Weatherman, 1894; J.P. Gwaltney, 1898; L.M. Current, 1900; J.W. Bryant, 1906; 1910 R.N. Garnes; 1915 W.T. Comer; 1925 J.W. Rash; 1929 G.D. White; 1963 Perry Link; 1966 James Millsaps; 1969 J.A. Isenhour; 1971 Harold McAlpin; 1973 Gary Morrison; 1975 J.C. Gwaltney, present pastor. The following men have acted as church clerks: C.W. Howell, 1852; in 1853, W.H. George; 1873, H.C. Redmond; 1876, M.E. Williams; 1879, A.M. Barker; 1880, J.P. Williams; 1886, L.S.T. Barker; 1903, H.T. Williams; 1918, Alta Younger; 1920, L.T. Younger; 1939 Almedia Welborn; 1941, Kenneth Redmond; 1948, John C. Younger; 1963, E.L. Welborn, present clerk.

Chairman of deacons is Hal York; Superintendent of Sunday School is Dennis Williams; Secretary, Sylvia Williams. The ministers that have gone from this church are A.N. Barker, T.H. Williams, D.C. Thompson, L.T. Younger and R.C. Redmond.

There have been four church buildings on or near the one now standing. First, there was a log building which was sold around 1880, and a frame building was started. A tree fell and destroyed it in 1892. In 1896 or 1897 the church was rebuilt. In 1922 that church building was sold and a larger one built above the road. (The other one was below the road.) That building was burned in 1935, and the building we now worship in was built at that time.

Sunday School rooms were added in 1947 and in 1952. The church was completely renovated in 1957. In 1970 a sewage system and rest rooms were added. A new heating system and air-conditioning was completed in 1978.

Our current membership is 258.

By Edward L. Welborn Clerk Taylor Springs Bapt. Ch.



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Minutes of the 30th Annual Session

1979 Rocky Face Baptist Association



HELD WITH <u>MT. NEBO BAPTIST CHURCH</u> Wednesday, October 31, 1979

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MINUTES OF THE

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of the

ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with

MT. NEBO BAPTIST CHURCH

on

Wednesday, October 31, 1979

Moderator.....Rev. Jack Pugh Vice Moderator....Charles Kerley Clerk....Robert St.Clair Secretary-Treasurer....Jeanette St.CLair

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The Next Session, Wednesday October 29, 1980 PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

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ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

Program Committee:

Paul Crator, Chairman, Robert L. St.Clair Glenn Keever Charles Kerley Robert Barnette

Quarterly Conference:

Allen Mullins, Chairman Larry Robbins James McLain

Time, Place and Preacher:

Homer Baity, Chairman Charles Marlowe Elbert Goble

Nominating Committee:

Neil George, Chairman Larry Burgess Bill Baity Jerry Durmire Jennis Millsaps

Resolutions Committee:

Elbert Goble, Chairman Parks Keever

Evangelism:

Jack Pugh, Chairman Dennis Dyson Randy Bumgarner

LIST OF MESSENGERS

- BETHEL: Blake Daniels, Arnold Johnson Fred Fox
- CONCORD: Quez Childers, Espie Childers, Nora Willy, Judy Mullins
- COVER: Russell Pennell, Ray Holsclaw, Edd Mooney, Ted Pennell
- FAIRVIEW: Edd McLain, Phil Branton, James McLain
- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Bill Baity, Rev. Paul Levan, Jerry Benfield, Carl Hayes, Rev. Lloyd Jarvis
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Bill Rowe, Mrs. Allen Starrette, Dennis Mason
- MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Alva Adams, Mrs. Lillian Childers, Mrs. Ruby Clanton
- MT. NEBO: Rev. Dennis Dyson, Mrs. Dennis Dyson
- PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Glenn Hill, D. L. Sherrill, L. S. Johnson
- ROCKY FACE: Miller Walker, Joe Jolly
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Parks Keever, Mrs. Parks Keever, Mrs. Martha Crater
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: James Privette, Dennis Williams, Hilda Younger
- WAYFOUND: Roby Mecimore, Charles Duncan, Elaine George
- WHITE PLAINS: Rev. J. A. Icenhour, Rev. Elbert Goble, Clay Teague

CONSTITUTION

Name

ARTICLE I

This Union of Churches shall be known as the Rocky Face Baptist Association.

Purpose

ARTICLE II

The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men. It shall strive, as far as possible to aid in the development of the churches which constitute its membership. Each church shall be free to support such mission work as it feels led; however, every church is urged to comply with the teaching of the scriptures concerning missions.

Membership

ARTICLE III

The membership of this Association shall be comprised of Missionary Baptist Churches and sponsored missions.

Churches or missions desiring affiliation with this Association, upon proper notice to the Association Executive Committee, shall be taken under the watchcare of the Association for one year; thence into membership.

All affiliated churches and missions shall be expected to cooperate in all associational programs of work.

ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Each church or mission may be represented at the Annual Meeting of the Association by at least three (3) messengers elected by the churc from its active membership. Messengers shall k limited to a basis of 1-50 members after the basic three messengers (basic three messengers to equal the first 150 membership)

Affiliation

ARTICLE IV

This Association shall be affiliated with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and in turn with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Meeting

ARTICLE V

This Association shall hold an annual meeting the last Wednesday in October of each year. Quarterly conferences shall be held on the first Sunday afternoon of each quarter. The Executive Committee may call other meetings if deemed necessary.

<u>Cfficers</u>

ARTICLE VI

The officers of the Association shall be: (1) A Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Hidtorian, Director of Sunday Schools, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President.

(2) The above officers are to be elected on the first day of the Annual Session and shall take charge at the close of the Session. Officers may be re-elected to successive terms if agreeable with both Association and officers.

ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

(3) All officers shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

(4) An Executive Committee shall be constituted of the following:

- a. The pastor of each church or mission affiliated with the Association.
- b. One layman elected by each church from its active membership.
- c. Any other General Associational officer not herein under covered.
- d. The committee shall elect chairman from its own group.

Powers

ARTICLE VII

The powers of this body shall be kept in strict conformity with New Testament principles.

(1) The Association cannot obligate orbind any church in any matter.(2) The Association shall have no coercive

 (2) The Association shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage.
 (3) It shall act only as an advisory

council in all matters. Then only when called upon by the churches.

(4) Any church of the Association may appeal to the Association through the Executive Committee for advice.

(5) 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 Executive Committee of the Association.

(6) The officers of the Association shall be expected to promote within the Association the duties of their office. It shall be their responsibility to contact, encourage and promote the work among the churches.

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(7) The Association shall have no power over the Ordination of Ministers or the organization of new churches, unless help is requested by interested parties.

(8) All matters to be considered at the Annual Session shall be presented to the Executive Committee at least 90 days prior to the Annual Session.

(9) All decisions shall be reached by majority vote of messengers present at the session.

(10) Each messenger to exercise his voting priviledge must register with the clerk and wear his registration tag. An alternate voting in the place of a messenger must do likewise.

Committees

ARTICLE VIII

The Nominating Committee shall at the beginning of each Annual Session present to the body a slate of the following committees and/or officers.

(1) A slate of General Officers listed herein under.

(2) Program Committee-Annual Session-5 members (Vice Moderator, Clerk, one Pastor and two Laymen).

(3) Time, Place, Preacher - 3 members (any church wishing to invite the Association for the next Annual Session, shall do so by filing a written invitation with the clerk one month before the immediate session).

(4) A new Committee on Nominations - 5 members.

(5) Resolutions - 3 members.

(6) The report of the Nomination Committee shall be printed in sufficient number for distribution at the Annual Session. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations.to contact each person that is placed before the body for elections, to secure their assent.

(7) Evangelism Committee - 3 members

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

All meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE II

The enrolled messengers present will constitute a quorum to transact business in the name of the Association.

Duties of Officers

ARTICLE III

(1) Moderator - preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint any committees as deemed necessary and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer.

The book of Parliamentary Procedures by Keerfoot shall be the basis of ruling order. He shall, so far as his private duties

permit, communicate with the churches promoting the work of the Kingdom.

(2) Vice Moderator - preside in the absence or at the invitation of the Moderator. Perform all other duties common to moderator at this instruction.

(3) Clerk - keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution of the same. One month following the Annual Association Meeting the clerk shall forward to the printer all material then in his possession for the printing of the minutes. The minutes are to be printed whether or not all church letters have been received at that time.

He shall be paid \$100.00 annually for his services.

(4) Treasurer - it shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive and distribute all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

All money paid into the Association treasury shall be acceptable by check only.

The treasurer shall be paid \$2.50 per hour for the number of hours actually spent discharging the work for the Association.

The treasurer shall act as the secretary of the Association.

(5) Historian - it shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the church with whom the day session is held.

(6) Sunday School Director, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President -- it shall be their duty to promote their respective work among the churches and at the associational level.

Duties of Committees

ARTICLE IV

(1) Program: (Annual Session) It shall be the duty of the Program Committee to prepare and publish at lease 60 days prior to Annual Session the program agenda. A verbal commitment must be received from all participants on the program. In event a speaker cannot fill his commitment, it shall be his responsibility to notify the committee, in advance of the session, except in extreme emergencies.

(Quarterly Conference) - To prepare an appropriate, informative and inspirational program. The committee shall use its own discretion as to program material.

(2) Time, Place, and Preacher - It shall be the duty of the committee to select the place of the next Annual Session, to fix the time, name of the preacher and alternate to preach the Annual Sermon. (See No. 3, Article VIII of Constitution).

(3) Nominations - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to nominate the officers of the association as well as standing committee members. This committee shall report to the Executive Committee at least 60 days prior to the Annual Session.

(4) Resolutions - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Resolutions to prepare and purpose to the Association resolutions of appreciation to the host church, and consider any other matters referred to it by the moderator.

(5) Evangelism - To plan and promote evangelistic work in the association and to report at annual session.

ARTICLE V

The expenses of the Association shall be provided for by the churches. Each church in the Association shall be expected to share in this provision of funds.

All money coming into the Association shall be directed to the treasurer.

For the sake of clarity the clerk shall advise each church at least 30 days prior to the Annual Session concerning the cost per copy of Associational Minutes.

ARTICLE VI

Any motion for Associational or Executive Committee consideration must be presented in writing, at the time it is presented verbally, for consideration by the body or committee.

ARTICLE VII

It shall be the responsibility of the clerk to insert at the proper place in the printed minutes any new motion concerning the Constitution, By-Laws, or Folicy that may be adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

The Constitution and By-Laws may be changed or ammended or revised at any regular session if a majority of the messengers concur, provided the notice under Article VII of the Constitution has been given.

Pastors

BETHEL: Robert Barnette, Rt. 1, Box 118, Hiddenite

CONCORD: Allen Mullins, Rt.3, Box 257-B Taylorsville, N.C. 28681

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FAIRVIEW: Larry Robbins, Rt.1, Box 202B, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636

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- MT. NEBO: Dennis L. Dyson, Rt.4, Box 369-B Taylorsville, N.C. 28681
- PLEASANT GROVE: Jack Pugh, Rt.2, Box 161 Stony Point, N.C. 28678

ROCKY FACE:

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Paul Crater, Rt.2, Hiddenite

TAYLOR SPRINGS: J.C. Gwaltney, Rt.9, Box 317-A Statesville, N.C. 28677

WAYFOUND: Neil George, Rt.2, Box 426, Hiddenite

WHITE PLAINS: Dean Dillard, Rt.1, Box 391, North Wilkesboro, N.C.

Chairmen of Deagons

BETHEL: Frank Campbell, Rt.5, Taylorsville CONCORD: DOVER: Clarence Dillard, Rt.2, Box 418 Lenoir, N.C. 28645 FAIRVIEW: James Gilreath, Rt. 1, Hiddenite FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Jerry Benfield, Rt.10 Box 118 Statesville, N.C. 28677 GAY'S CHAPEL: Lee Anderson, Rt.1, Box 387 Statesville, N.C. 28677 MT. HEBRON: Robert L. St.Clair, Rt. 4, Box 34 Taylorsville, N.C. 28681 MT. NEBO: Harlas Southers, Rt.2, Hiddenite PLEASANT GROVE: Robert Branton, Rt.2, Hiddenite ROCKY FACE: Miller Walker, Rt.5, Taylorsville SULPHUR SPRINGS: Don Fletcher, Rt.1, Hiddenite TAYLOR SPRINGS: Hal York, Rt.1, Olin, N.C. WAYFOUND: Roby Mecimore, Rt.3, Taylorsville WHITE PLAINS: Dale Patterson, Rt.2, Hiddenite

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

PLEASANT GROVE: Steve Marlowe, Rt.8, Box 166-C Statesville, N.C. 28677

Sunday School Directors

BETHEL: Ray Johnson, Rt.5, Taylorsville CONCORD: Joe Mullins, Rt.3, Box 257-B Taylorsville DOVER: Tommy Jolly, Rt. 2, Lenoir, N.C. FAIRVIEW: James McLain, Rt.2, Box 166, Statesville, N.C. 28677 FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Billy J. Baity, Sr. 732 Pine Circle, Statesville GAY'S CHAPEL: Dennis Mason, Rt.1, Cleveland, 27013 MT. HEBRON: Gaither Wike, Rt. 5, Taylorsville MT. NEBO: Larry Burgess, Box 11, Hiddenite PLEASANT GROVE: J.F. Bunton, Rt.8, Statesville ROCKY FACE: Miller Walker, Rt.5, Taylorsville SULPHUR SPRINGS: Roy Durmire, Rt.2, Hiddenite TAYLOR SPRINGS: Dennis Williams, Rt.5, Box 194 Statesville, NC. 28677 WAYFOUND: Esco Hubbard, Rt. 4, Taylorsville WHITE PLAINS: Charles Kerley, Rt.2, Hiddenite

Church Clerks

BETHEL: Allen Fox, Rt. 5, Box 29, Taylorsville CONCORD: Maxine West, 204, Dillon Drive Statesville, N.C. 28677 DOVER: Mrs. Betty Rector, Rt. 2, Taylorsville FAIRVIEW: Edd McLain, Rt.1, Hiddenite FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Bill Baity, 732 W. Pine Circle, Statesville, N.C. 28677 GAY'S CHAPEL: Charles Tomlin, Rt.12, Statesville, N.C. 28677 MT. HEBRON: Royde Kerley, Rt.5, Taylorsville MT. NEBO: W. Dwight Payne, Rt.2, Box 427 Hiddenite, N.C. 28636 PLEASANT GROVE: J.H. Hager, Rt.2, Box 117 Statesville, N.C. 28677 ROCKY FACE: Johnny Elder, Rt.5, Taylorsville SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Kay Durmire, Box 4 Hiddenite, N.C. 28636 TAYLOR SPRINGS: D. C. Younger, Rt.1, Union Grove WAYFOUND: Mrs. Albert Moats, Rt.5, Box 28-A Taylorsville, N.C. 28681 WHITE PLAINS: Elbert Goble, Rt.5, Taylorsville

Church Treasurers

BETHEL: Margaret Johnson, Rt.5, Taylorsville

CONCORD: Maybelle Grant, Rt.1, Box 59, Stony Point, N.C. 28678

DOVER: Elese Pennell, Rt.2, Taylorsville

FAIRVIEW: David Ford, Rt.1, Hiddenite

- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Bill Faity, 732 Pine Circle, Statesville, N.C. 28677
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Robert L. Baity, 3421 E. Broad St. Statesville, N.C. 28677

MT. HEBRON: Mrs. Clara Wike, Rt.5, Taylorsville

MT. NEBO: Mrs. Karen Fox, Rt.1, Hiddenite

PLEASANT GROVE: Louise Santorum, Rt. 11 Statesville, N.C. 28677

ROCKY FACE: Jerry Wike, Rt.3, Taylorsville

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Ray Bowles, Rt. 1, Hiddenite

TAYLOR SPRINGS: Edward Welborn, Rt.4, Box 355 Statesville, N.C. 28677

WAYFOUND: Albert Moats, Rt.5, Taylorsville WHITE PLAINS: Eileen Kerley, Rt.2, Hiddenite

Music Directors

BETHEL: Frank Campbell, Rt.5, Taylorsville CONCORD: Tony West, 204 Dillon St., Statesville DOVER: Ned Pennell, Rt.2, Taylorsville FAIRVIEW: Carl Childers, Rt.1, Hiddenite FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Billy J. Baity, 732 Pine Circle, Statesville, N.C. GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Libby Creason, Box 592 Cooleemee, N.C. MT. HEBRON: Waitsel Wike, Rt. 4, Taylorsville MT. NEBO: Margaret Southers, Rt.2, Hiddenite PLEASANT GROVE: M.B. Childers, Rt.2, Statesville, N.C. 28677 ROCKY FACE: Mrs. Patsy Little, Rt.3, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681 SULPHUR SPRINGS: Fred Stocks, Rt. 2, Hiddenite TAYLOR SPRINGS: Barbara Prevette, Rt.1, Union Grove, N.C. WAYFOUND: Wade Patterson, Rt. 1, Hiddenite WHITE PLAINS: Ronnie Yow, Rt.3, Taylorsville

Church Organists

- BETHEL: Arnold Johnson, Rt.1, Hiddenite
- CONCORD: Judy Mullins, Rt.3, Taylorsville
- DOVER: Kim Pennell, Rt.2, Taylorsville
- FAIRVIEW: Miss Terry McLain, Rt.2, Box 166 Statesville, N.C. 28677
- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Mrs. Jerry Benfield, Rt. 10 Statesville, N.C. 28677
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Sara Swicegood, Rt.1, Box 173 Statesville, N.C. 28677
- MT. HEBRON: Miss Karen St.Clair, Rt.4, Taylorsville, N.C. 28681
- MT. NEBO: Mrs. Melissa Moose, Rt.2, Hiddenite
- PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. Parks Levan, Rt. 2, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636
- ROCKY FACE: Mrs. Kim Stine, Rt. 4, Taylorsville
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Thelma Dagenhart, 546 3rd St., Taylorsville
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Hilda Younger, Rt.1, Union Grove
- WAYFOUND: Hessie Kerley, Rt.2, Hiddenite
- WHITE PLAINS: Mrs. Patti Carrigan, Rt.3 Taylorsville, N.C. 28681

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SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Winnie Fox, Rt. 2, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636

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- Woman's Missionary Union Directors
- FAIRVIEW: Mrs. James McLain, Rt.2, Box 166 Statesville, N.C. 28677
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Rosa Tomlin, Rt.1, Box 5, Statesville, N.C. 28677
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- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Betty Julian Stony Point, N.C. 28678
- WHITE PLAINS: Mrs. Emo Elder Taylorsville, N.C. 28681

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PROCEEDINGS

<u>30TH ANNUAL SESSION</u> ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The 30th Annual Session of the Rocky Face Baptist Association convened on October 31, 1979, at the Mt. Nebo Baptist Church with Rev. Jack Pugh, Moderator, presiding.

- 9:30 Margaret Southers led in singing the opening hymn, "Jesus, Jesus, Precious Jesus."
- 9:35 Rev. Neil George read the scripture from Nehemiah 2 and led in the opening prayer.
- 9:40 Rev. Jack Pugh called the 30th annual session to order and led in the organization of the program.

Rev. Denny Dyson, host pastor, gave the welcome and made announcements.

In the absence of the clerk, Robert L. St.Clair, Jeanette J. St.Clair gave the roll call of churches.

Visitors and new members were recognized by Rev. Pugh.

The Treasurers Report was given by Jeanette J. St.Clair, Associational Treasurer. The report was adopted as read.

- 10:15 Rev. J.C. Gwaltney, pastor from Taylor Springs, led in prayer.
- 10:20 Dennis Williams recognized a representative from the Homes for the Aged who gave a report which was approved and adopted.

- 10:30 Mrs. Bruno Santorum gave a Vacation Bible School Report, reporting that 100% of the churches in the Association had a VBS during the year. The report was adopted.
- 10:45 The Annuity Board report was given by Representative, Cecil Fox, who commended the association for their efforts in this area. The report was adopted.
- 11:00 The Children's Home Report was given by CH Representative, Rexford Campbell. The report was adopted.
- 11:20 Rev. Jack Pugh gave the evangelism report which was approved.
- 11:25 Area Missionary Jim Lambert introduced Ken Varner, missionary to Tiawan, who spoke for about 5 minutes.
- 11:30 Rev. Jim McCoy gave a report from Wingate College.
- 11:35 Rev. Paul Crater led in a brief Memorial Service for those deceased during the year and led in the Memoriam prayer.
- 11:40 Margaret Southers led in singing "Amazing Grace."
- 11:45 Rev. Jack Pugh delievered the morning message with scripture taken from I Timothy.
- 12:00 Adjournment for lunch Rev. Jim Lambert gave the Prayer of Thanks.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15 Margaret Southers led in singing the opening hymn for the afternoon session, "Bringing in the Sheaves."

Rev. Homer Baity was in charge of the scripture from St.John and led in prayer.

Mrs. Santorum announced the VBS Clinic in Wilkesboro on March 23.

Rev. J.C. Gwaltney mentioned the Baptist State Convention on Nov. 12,13, & 14. He also urged pastors to attend the pastors conferences.

1:30 Rev. Neil George introduced Calvin Knight who gave a report on the Baptist Hospital. Rev. Pugh read a list of the Association Officers and Committees. A motion was made to accept these as read, it was seconded, voted on and approved.

> Rev. Coy Privette gave reports from The Christian Action League and also from the Biblical Recorder.

Bob Abrams reported from Gardner Webb College.

Rev. Stokes gave a report from Wake Forest University.

Phil Branton gave the Sunday School report in the absence of Carl Childers, Sunday School Representative.

Mrs. Jim Gilreath gave a report from the WMU.

Edith Walker, referring to Heb. 6:10, gave a report on Church Training Rev. Homer Baity gave a report from the time, place and preacher committee stating that the next session would be held at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Allen Mullins as speaker.

A report from the resolutions committee was given by Parks Keever.

2:30 Rev. Pugh introduced the speaker for the afternoon session as the "Prince of Preachers." Rev. Alex Booth delivered the afternoon message using scripture from Phillippians 2. He talked about Mission Support, Mission Action, and Mission Achievement. He stated that, even though money is an important part of missions, it is not the major thing -- Prayer is the major thing in Missions.

TREASURER'S REPORT

October, 1978	
Balance on Hand Receipts	\$ 697.96 608.15
Total	\$1306.11
Expenses:	
Associational Missions Speaker Associational VBS materials Associational VBS refreshments 400 Minute Books Postage, mailing, & printing	50.00 126.87 14.50 520.00 50.00
Salaries	
Clerk	100.00
Secretary-Treasurer	50.00
Total expenses	\$ 911.37
Balance on hand, October, 1979	\$ 394.74
Respectfully submitted	9

Jeanette J. St.Clair Secretary-Treasurer

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HOME FOR THE AGING

CHURCH	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
BETHEL	\$211.00	\$158.00
CONCORD	23.00	
DOVER		
FAIRVIEW	200.00	200.00
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
GAY'S CHAPEL		
MT. HEBRON		
MT. NEBO	100.00	120.00
PLEASANT GROVE		
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS		
TAYLOR SPRINGS	90.50	90.50
WAYFOUND		
WHITE PLAINS	700.05	632.00
Totals	\$1324.55	\$1110.00

MOTHER'S DAY OFFERINGS

CHURCH	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
BETHEL	\$277.00	\$257.00
CONCORD	403.00	320.00
DOVER		
FAIRVIEW		
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
GAY'S CHAPEL	100.00	100.00
MT. HEBRON	1258.00	1252.00
MT. NEBO	100.00	120.00
PLEASANT GROVE	31.00	
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS	36.00	
TAYLOR SPRINGS	155.00	173.00
WAYFOUND		
WHITE PLAINS	48.00	
Totals	\$2407.00	\$2242.00

CONTRIBUTIONS TO BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

CHURCH	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>
BETHEL	\$ 121.00	\$ 218.00
CONCORD	338.00	372,00
DOVER	144.11	143.50
FAIRVIEW	200.00	200.00
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
GAY'S CHAPEL	181.00	300,00
MT. HEBRON	1462.00	1972.00
MT. NEBO	100.00	120.00
PLEASANT GROVE	2287.00	4701.00
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS	10.00	48,00
TAYLOR SPRINGS	142.00	110.00
WAYFOUND		
WHITE PLAINS	698.76	703.00
Totals	\$5683.87	\$8887.50

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We have been assigned by Christ to go into all the world and preach and teach the gospel.

He said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations," and "Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in that my house may be filled." Sunday School is one of the ways we can reach people for Jesus Christ.

The teacher should spend much time preparing the lesson as Paul urges in II Timothy 2:15, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Let us invite and encourage people to attend Sunday School this coming year more than ever before; let us work and pray that God will help us reach those people who are not attending church and Sunday School.

> Report from 12 of 14 churches reporting: Attendance - 1180 Average attendance - 98 per church

> > Respectfully submitted

Carl Childers Sunday School Representative

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT - 1979

With 11 churches reporting we had a total enrollment in VBS of 1001. Average daily attendance for the churches reporting indicated that there were 786 attending VBS in Rocky Face Association on any given day. Missions offerings totaled \$1090.00 with \$405.00 being given through the Cooperative Program. We had 100% of our churches holding VBS this year.

There were only two professions of faith reported but I feel that there may have been others; and certainly some professions made in the days to come in our churches will be a result of a seed planted in VBS. 61 children attended VBS who are not attending Sunday School anywhere. When you count their parents and other possible family members you are talking about a ready-made mission field in Iredel1 and Alexander Counties with a minimum of 200 people in it.

We had 9 people to go to the State VBS Clinic for training; and offered eight different classes at our own Clinic which was well attended. This year for the first time we had a class for those who would teach adults in VBS. In an effort to get started earlier, we offered supper at the clinic. This time of fellowship was enjoyed by those who attended, and we appreciate the work of the ladies at White Plains who coordinated it.

I believe we can and will continue to improve our VBS. With so many activities competing for our time, it is very important that our children have this time of concentrated Bible Study and other wholesome activities during their vacation time when they can be more rested, relaxed, and receptive to learning. So, I challenge you to go forward and make an even greater effort in 1980. Let's pray together and work together and see if we can't reach and teach more people than we ever have before.

Respectfully submitted,

31 Mrs. Bruno Santorum Associational VBS Director

WMU REPORT

I am glad to report an increase in WMU work this year. Seven churches have 13 WMU organizations -- this includes nine Baptist Women's groups, one Acteens organization, two Girls in Action and one Missions Friends organizations, with a total enrollment of 185.

We rejoice that about 45 more ladies and young girls are involved in mission work with these additional two churches participating.

Hear what Hebrews 6:10 tells us concerning those that minister to others in word and deed: "For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister."

I encourage more ladies to get busy serving our Lord through WMU in your churches, being encouraged in everything we do in His name because our seemingly small efforts can become big miracles in God's hands.

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta Gilreath Associational WMU Director

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We of the Resolutions Committee herewith resolve to express our thanks and appreciation to Mt. Nebo Baptist Church for the warm Hospitality to the 30th annual session of the Rocky Fact Baptist Association.

We further resolve to express our thanks and appreciation for the bounteous meal we all enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted,

The Resolution Committee Rocky Fact Bapt. Association

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

A dream is only a dream until someone makes it come true. Bold Mission Thrust began as a dream for Southern Baptists in 1976-77 -a bold dream of greater mission support and church growth. Many people are committed to making this dream a reality. In order for Bold Mission Thrust to succeed, many more people must adopt this commitment.

Do we have the will and commitment to persist in achieving what we have voted as Bold Mission Thrust goals? Can we learn to live with our commitments?

for people in order to bring about a new "turn around" in attitudes and records in church growth and church member development.

The dream is bold. The people are excited. The mission unmistakably stands before us.

EVARGELISM REPORT

Baptists in search of unsaved and unchurched persons, are joining together in a Statewide Evangelistic Crusade scheduled for 1982. It is expected that the effort will include Simultaneous Revivals with dates and other activities to be announced soon. The Joint Evangelistic Crusade Committee, composed of both white and black Baptists, is chaired by Mark Corts of Winston-Salem, and co-chaired by C.W. Ward of Raleigh. The committee requests prayer support of the churches for this effort to reach every person in North Carolina with the gospel of Christ by the end of 1982.

The 33rd Statewide Evangelism Conference was held at the Cumberland County Memorial Auditorium, Fayetteville, N.C. during Feb. 5-6 1979. Over 2,500 pastors and lay persons were challenged by evangelistic preachers to involve church members more in direct witnessing for Christ to the unsaved.

Many churches from different associations across the state have already participated in Bold Evangelism Clinics, using the notebook-<u>Bold Evangelism Through the Local Church</u> with the emphasis related to on-going programs of evangelism in the local church. Other associations need to plan a Bold Evangelism Clinic. Every church in all our associations are encouraged to double baptisms by 1982, or sooner.

Pastors and lay persons participated in an important seminar on <u>Growing An Evangelistic</u> <u>Church</u> during March 26-29 at Caraway Conference Center. The seminar was cosponsored by the Division of Evangelism and several of the staff of the Evangelism Section of the Home Mission Board. In-depth training sessions placed an emphasis on long-range planning to develop an evangelistic local church.

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The Division of Evangelism now has the TELLset and training cartridges to train small groups in direct witnessing. There will be a renewed emphasis on Lay Evangelism Schools with the use of new materials and TELL witness training.

* Decisions for Christ are being made by youth and adults as a result of the Youth Revivals led by four Summer Youth Evangelism Teams in one-week efforts among 36 churches across our state.

Churches and associations are now involved in Bold Revival Planning Clinics, using the <u>Revival Planbook for the Local Church</u>, <u>Counseling Guide</u>, and the <u>Follow-Up Manual</u> for New Christians. The Revival Planbook can help pastors and church leaders to plan for a more effective revival effort.

The 34th Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held in Greensboro during February 4-5, 1980.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Pugh Evangelism Chairman In its 146th year of serving N.C. Baptists, the <u>Recorder</u>, like old man river, keeps rolling along. It faced the same problems as everyone did in the past year--price increases in every phase of its operations. The cost of postage continues to go up at a rate of more than 30 per cent a year. This means the <u>Recorder</u> costs four times as much to mail as it did 5 years ago.

Paper and printing also have gone up, but despite these increases, the <u>Recorder</u> still is about the most reasonable publication available. By keeping the staff small small and cutting corners wherever possible, the <u>Recorder</u> can still go into every home in a church for only $7\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ a week. In today's inflationary world, where else can a person receive so much for so little money? You would pay twice that much for postage on a first class letter.

This has been a newsworthy year and the <u>Recorder</u> has tried to keep you informed. Wake Forest University and its relationship to the Baptist State Convention continues to be in the news and you can depend on the <u>Recorder</u> to strive for fairness and responsible coverage. Action will be taken at the State Convention in November on a proposal that has been worked out by a special committee.

Even though the <u>Recorder</u> takes pride in its coverage of denominational news, it devotes more space to the local church than any other state paper in the SBC. It believes in the local church as the foundation stone of what we are trying to do together as Southern Baptists.

The editor is completing 20 years and is still striving to make the <u>Recorder</u> better each week. Your support of the <u>Recorder</u> will not only mean much to it but will make you a stronger and better informed Christian. If you and your church do not receive the <u>Recorder</u>, please take steps to see that this is done.

Submitted by

J. Marse Grant, Editor Biblical Recorder

BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

"Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." (1 Cor. 4:2)

Since January 1, 1979, the Foundation staff with the assistance from Rev. James McQuere, retired Director of Missions of South Fork Assoc. an intensive effort has been made through conferences to familiarize as many pastors as possible of the helpful services of the Baptist State Convention through the NC Baptist Foundation. It's available to assist Baptists with estate planning, regardless of the size of the estate. Many of the gifts to support the Christian ministries through the denomination have been directed through the Foundation as trustee. These services are available from the trained staff and their professional support employed for this purpose without cost to individual participants. Where an individual desires to be a part of sharing the gospel beyond his or her lifetime, the establishment of a trust with the Foundation provides a tangible participation in such activities.

A personal and private appointment with a Foundation staff member can be arranged either through your pastor, association Director of Missions or by writing or calling the Foundation Office.

> The address is: P.O. Box 26508 Raleigh, N.C. 27611

CHRISTIAN ACTION LEAGUE REPORT

The League is pleased to make this report, grateful for the support and happy to mention some decisions which affect the social climate of our state and the moral fiber of our people.

The Supreme Court of N.C. has ruled the antipornography bill constitutional. Better known as the Lake Bill, it is ready to be enforced by sheriffs, police cheifs and district attorneys.

The Court of Appeals will hand down a ruling soon on the challenge to the liquor-bythe drink legislation passed by the 1978 session of the Assembly. A brief has been filed and the next step is to present arguments before the court. Our attorney feels that we have a good chance of winning, but the only thing to do now is wait. The League has discovered that law suits are time-consuming and expensive. We need your prayers and your financial support in this matter...

A decision by the members of the Senate of N.C. killed a bill which would have relaxed the penalties for the possession of up to four ounces on marijuana. We rejoice in this victory.

On May 1 of this year, Bro. Coy Privette became the full-time Associate Executive Director of the League. Continue to pray for the Directors, the officers, the trustees and expand the support which you are giving the League.

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION REPORT

When N.C. Baptists call the college/ university roll, there are seven reasons to be grateful and proud: Campbell, Chowan, Gardner-Webb, Mars Hill, Meredith, Wake Forest and Wingate. These are 7 of 53 colleges and universities supported and nurtured by state conventions within the SBC. . . .

Fifteen percent of all Baptist college enrollments are located in this state. . . .

The Council joins in encouraging the churches to elect responsible and informed messengers to the Convention. Decisions made concerning the continuation of the Wake Forest/ Convention relationship will affect the life and work of the Convention and Wake Forest for many years to come.

We thank you for supporting the colleges. We call upon the churches to pray for all of our Baptist work, including the colleges. We look toward the crucial decisions in the fall with confidence in North Carolina Baptists, who have been supporting Christian Higher education for almost 150 years.

HOMES FOR AGING REPORT

This has been a year of great significance and celebration in the life of N.C. Baptist Homes for the Aging! We would give praise and thanksgiving to God especially, and to our Baptist pastors and churches throughout NC for the victories that we have experienced!

Of outstanding importance has been the completion, dedication, and occupancy of our new Western NC Baptist Home in Asheville. This lovely new Home, accomodating 50 residents, was dedicated to the glory of God April 29, 1979...

The new apartment complex in Winston-Salem accommodating 16, has been completed and all apartments have either been filled or assigned.300 persons can be served in our Baptist Homes...located in...Winston-Salem...Albemarle ...Hamilton...Yanceyville...and Asheville...

Ministry to an older person is a ministry as unto Christ Himself. We trust that you will keep this vital ministry close to your heart and in your prayers, and that your gifts will enable us not only to minister to those in our care, but encourage us to expand this desperately needed ministry in our Convention.

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION REPORT

The past 12 months have brought little relief from the endless assault of immorality on our society. Ten million people have died of hunger in spite of important new anti-hunger initiatives. Alcoholism has repeated its annual destruction of countless lives. The senseless arms race has continued to escalate as nations have embraced ever more heinous ways of annihilating one another. Insatiable human greed has produced another round of skyrocketing inflation and another chapter in the energy crunch.

Television has continued to beam it often dehumanizing and trivial view of life right into our homes. In recognition of the clear teaching of the Bible that Christians are to be on guard against the forces of evil, Southern Baptists have assigned the Christian Life Commission the vitally important task of helping the churches to resist this assault. The Christian Life Commission has sought to fulfill this task effectively this year in a variety of ways....

The Commission and staff are especially grateful to God for the opportunities to serve Him. With His continued help and Southern Baptists' continued support, we will strengthen our efforts in the year ahead to serve our Lord Jesus Christ.

WHITE PLAINS	WAYFOUND	TAYLOR SPRINGS	SULPHUR SPRINGS	ROCKY FACE	PLE SANT GROVE	MT. VEBO	MT. HEBRON	GAY'S CHAPEL	FRIENDLY CHAPEL	FA TA VIEW	DOVER	CONCORD	BETHEL	PASTORS REPORT CHURCHES
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17		T	18	8	23	12	6	10	ហ	36	13	4	T	PRESCHOOL ENROLMENT (5 years & under - not in school)
11	11	15	24	9	19	15	34	ω	16	23	13	ω	11	CHILDREN ENROLMENT (6-11 years or grades 1 - 6)
26	10	10	12	6	29	11	19	ω	15	28	ω	10	12	YOUTH ENROLMENT (12-17 years or grades 7-12)
47	29	11	40	2	22	4	22	25	40	62	26	7	8	YOUNG ADULTS (18-29 years or HS graduate to 29 years
36		17	28	10	34	41	41	16	21	38	6	6	25	ADULT ENROLMENT (30-59 years or 30 years to retirement)
10		4	30	2	25		ω	24	7	31	17	ഗ	9	SENIOR ADULTS (60 & over or retirement and over)
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147	50	64	156	38 8	156	8 3	136	91	68	219	83	38	75	TOTAL ONGOING SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLMENT
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	38	25	34	41	TOTAL WMU ONGOING ENROLMENT		

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		18	35		12	20	18	22	-1	25		16	16	ADULT ENROLMENT (18 and over)
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														ENROLMENT OF MISSIONS OF CHURCH
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IN MEMORIAM

The following members of our churches have passed away since our last Association Meeting. May the Lord bless their memory to our good and His glory.

- CONCORD: Mrs. Carrie Gryder Mr. Ed Warren Mrs. Chattie Rector
- FAIRVIEW: Mrs. Mattie Meadows Ms. Teresa Ann Marlowe
- GAY'S CHAPEL: Mrs. Ruth Moose Mr. Sam Swicegood Mrs. Sam Swicegood Mrs. Nola Baity
- PLEASANT GROVE: Mrs. E. R. Teague Mr. Wayne Baker
- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mrs. Creona Sharpe
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Mrs. Elizabeth Dishmond

HISTORY OF MT. NEBO BAPTIST CHURCH

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church was organized Jan. 12, 1907 at Liberty School House. A Presbytery composed of Elders L.P. Gwaltney, R. Lee Davis, and Brethern H. Christopher, Tison Burgess and T.P. Lackey organized by electing L.P. Gwaltney as Moderator and R. Lee Davis as Secretary.

Upon the Moderator's call for letters, 17 from Sulphur Springs and 4 from Macedonia presented their letters. After examination of these, the Presbytery declared those constituting Mt.Nebo Baptist Church to be orthodox. Upon the adopting of the covenant, they were declared a legally constituted Baptist Church.

Elder J.N. Binkley was called as Pastor. G. Lee Steele was clerk. Those serving as pastors include: C.F. Friday, Rev. Caudal, George Bumgarner, Rom Stevenson, J.W. Watts, Elbert Payne, Bub Bumgarner, Bub Linney, Frank Peeler, Otto Johnson, Lee A. James, R.C. Lloyd, Wade Rogers, W.A. Heafner, C.W. Bunton, Warren Hemric, Buster Treadway, and Denny Dyson, present pastor.

In 1940, the church was rebuilt. In 1952, four Sunday School rooms were built. Recent additions to the church include new walkways at the front, new carpet for the sanctuary and padded pews.



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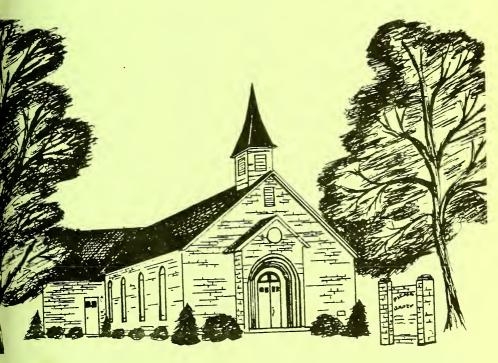
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Annual Session 1980 Rocky Face Baptist Association



Held with PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH Wednesday, October 29, 1980



MINUTES OF THE

30TH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

ROCKY FACE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with

PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

on

Wednesday, October 29, 1980

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Moderator.....Rev. Paul Crater Vice Moderator.....Rev. Neil George Clerk.....Robert St.Clair Secretary-Treasurer....Jeanette St.Clair

> The Next Session, Wednesday October 28, 1981

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

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ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Moderator:

Rev. Paul Crater

Vice Moderator:

Rev. Neil George

Clerk:

Robert L. St.Clair

Secretary-Treasurer:

Jeanette J. St.Clair

Training Union Director: Mrs. Phil Walker

Mrs. Phil Walke

WMU Director:

Mrs. Emo Elder

Vacation Bible School Director: Mrs. Bruno Santorum

Sunday School Representative: Charles Kerley

Hospital Representative: Rev, Randy Bumgarner

Children's Home Representative: Rev. Dennis Dyson

Home for the Aging Representative: Rev. Robert Barnette

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

Program Committee:

Robert L. St.Clair; Rev. Neil George; Chr. Rev. Ronald Brookshire, Edd Walker, Lynn Icenhour

Quarterly Conference:

Rev. Dennis Dyson, Chairman Jennis Millsaps

Time, Place, Preacher:

Rev. Homer Baity, chairman: Parks Keever; Miller Walker

Nominating Committee:

Rev. Perry Link, Chairman, Phil Branton, Michael High, Michael Mecimore, Lynn Moose

Resolutions Committee:

Rev. Elbert Goble, Chairman Larry Burgess

Evangelism:

Rev. Jack Pugh, chairman;

LIST OF MESSENGERS

- BETHEL: Tinker Daniels, Ceph Childers, Frank Campbell, Crowson Kerley, Ruby Childers
- CONCORD: Rev. Allen Mullins, Judy Mullins, Quez Childers, Espie Childers, Nora Willey, Maybelle Grant
- DOVER: Ray Holsclaw, Glen White, Ted Pennell, Pansy White, Ann Pennell.
- FAIRVIEW: Edd McLain, William Goodson, H. Mason, James Gilreath, Kay Ford, Maggie Cook
- FRIENDLY CHAPEL: Nancy Benfield, Jerry Benfield, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Levan
- MT. HEBRON: Gaither Wike, Edith Bentley, Hilda Link, Doris St.Clair, Mima Jean Marshall, Max Bentley
- MT. NEBO: Hilda Dyson, Rev. Dennis Dyson, Frances Keller, Letha Blankenship, Pauline Allen, Darius Stikeleather
- PLEASANT GROVE: Boyd Childers, L. S. Johnson Robert Branton, Glenn Hill, Louise Santorum, Nola Childers

ROCKY FACE:

- SULPHUR SPRINGS: Martha Carter, Thelma Dagenhart, Ernest Pace, Rachel Brown, Parks Keever, Herman Sherrill
- TAYLOR SPRINGS: Glenn Mayberry, Hilda Younger, Barbara Privette, Jane Williams, Hal York
- WAYFOUND: Roby Mecimore, Michael Mecimore, Jerry Lackey, Elaine George, Wanda Mecimore, Doris Duncan
- WHITE PLAINS: Clay Teague, Bill Mayberry, Elbert Goble

CONSTITUTION

Name

ARTICLE I

This Union of Churches shall be known as the Rocky Face Baptist Association.

Purpose

ARTICLE II

The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men. It shall strive, as far as possible to aid in the development of the churches which constitute its membership. Each church shall be free to support such mission work as it feels led; however, every church is urged to comply with the teaching of the scriptures concerning missions.

Membership

ARTICLE III

The membership of this Association shall be comprised of Missionary Baptist Churches and sponsored missions.

Churches or missions desiring affiliation with this Association, upon proper notice to the Association Executive Committee, shall be taken under the watchcare of the Association for one year; thence into membership.

All affiliated churches and missions shall be expected to cooperate in all association associational programs of work. Each church or mission may be represented at the Annual Meeting of the Association by at least three (3) messengers elected by the church from its active membership. Messengers shall be limited to a basis of 1-50 members after the basic three messengers (basic three messengers to equal the first 150 membership.)

Affiliation

ARTICLE IV

This Association shall be affiliated with the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and in turn with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Meeting

ARTICLE V

This Association shall hold an annual meeting the last Wednesday in October of each year. Quarterly conferences shall be held on the first Sunday afternoon of each quarter. The Executive Committee may call other meetings if deemed necessary.

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ARTICLE VI

The officers of the Association shall be: (1) A Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, Hidtorian, Director of Sunday Schools, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President.

(2) The above officers are to be elected on the first day of the Annual Session and shall take charge at the close of the Session. Officers may be re-elected to successive terms if agreeable with both Association and officers. (3) All officers shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee.

(4) An Executive Committee shall be constituted of the following:

- a. The pastor of each church or mission affiliated with the Association.
- b. One layman elected by each church from its active membership.
- c. Any other General Associational officer not herein under covered.
- d. The committee shall elect chairman from its own group.

Powers

ARTICLE VII

The powers of this body shall be kept in strict conformity with New Testament principles.

(1) The Association cannot obligate or bind any church in any matter.

(2) The Association shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage.

(3) It shall act only as an advisory council in all matters. Then only when called upon by the churches.

(4) Any church of the Association may appeal to the Association through the Executive Committee for advice.

(5) 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 Executive Committee of the Association.

(6) The officers of the Association shall be expected to promote within the Association the duties of their office. It shall be their responsibility to contact, encourage and promote the work among the churches. (7) The Association shall have no power over the Ordination of Ministers or the organization of new churches, unless help is requested by interested parties.

(8) All matters to be considered at the Annual Session shall be presented to the Executive Committee at least 90 days prior to the Annual Session.

(9) All decisions shall be reached by majority vote of messengers present at the session.

(10) Each messenger to exercise his voting priviledge must register with the clerk and wear his registration tag. An alternate voting in the place of a messenger must do likewise.

Committees

ARTICLE VIII

The Nominating Committee shall at the beginning of each Annual Session present to the body a slate of the following committees and/or officers.

(1) A slate of General Officers listed herein under.

(2) Program Committee-Annual Session-5 members (Vice Moderator, Clerk, one Pastor and two Laymen).

(3) Time, Place, Preacher - 3 members (any church wishing to invite the Association for the next Annual Session, shall do so by filing a written invitation with the clerk one month before the immediate session).

(4) A new Committee on Nominations - 5 members.

(5) Resolutions - 3 members,

(6) The report of the Nomination Committee shall be printed in sufficient number for distribution at the Annual Session. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to contact each person that is placed before the body for elections, to secure their assent.

(7) Evangelism Committee - 3 members

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

All meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE II

The enrolled messengers present will constitute a quorum to transact business in the name of the Association.

Duties of Officers

ARTICLE III

(1) Moderator - preside at the meeting, preserve order, appoint any committees as deemed necessary and exercise all other duties of a presiding officer.

The book of Parliamentary Procedures by Keerfoot shall be the basis of ruling order.

He shall, so far as his private duties permit, communicate with the churches promoting the work of the Kingdom.

(2) Vice Moderator - preside in the absence or at the invitation of the Moderator. Perform all other duties common to moderator at this instruction.

(3) Clerk - keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the body and superintend the printing and distribution of the same. One month following the Annual Association Meeting the clerk shall forward to the printer all material then in his possession for the printing of the minutes. The minutes are to be printed whether or not all church letters have been received at that time.

He shall be paid \$100.00 annually for his services.

(4) Treasurer - it shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive and distribute all funds connected with the work of the Association as directed by the body, and to make an annual statement of the same.

All money paid into the Association treasury shall be acceptable by check only.

The treasurer shall be paid \$2.50 per hour for the number of hours actually spent discharging the work for the Association.

The treasurer shall act as the secretary of the Association.

(5) Historian - it shall be the duty of the Historian to prepare for publication in the minutes a historical sketch of the church with whom the day session is held.

(6) Sunday School Director, Vacation Bible School Director, Training Union Director, and WMU President -- it shall be their duty to promote their respective work among the churches and at the associational level.

Duties of Committees

ARTICLE IV

(1) Program: (Annual Session) It shall be the duty of the Program Committee to prepare and publish at lease 60 days prior to Annual Session the program agenda. A verbal commitment must be received from all participants on the program. In event a speaker cannot fill his commitment, it shall be his responsibility to notify the committee, in advance of the session, except in extreme emergencies.

(Quarterly Conference) - To prepare an appropriate, informative and inspirational program. The committee shall use its own discretion as to program material.

(2) Time, Place, and Preacher - It shall be the duty of the committee to select the place of the next Annual Session, to fix the time, name of the preacher and alternate to preach the Annual Sermon. (See No. 3, Article VIII of Constitution).

(3) Nominations - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to nominate the officers of the association as well as standing committee members. This committee shall report to the Executive Committee at least 60 days prior to the Annual Session.

(4) Resolutions - It shall be the duty of the Committee on Resolutions to prepare and purpose to the Association resolutions of appreciation to the host church, and consider any other matters referred to it by the moderator.

(5) Evangelism - To plan and promote evangelistic work in the association and to report at annual session.

ARTICLE V

The expenses of the Association shall be provided for by the churches. Each church in the Association shall be expected to share in this provision of funds.

All money coming into the Association shall be directed to the treasurer.

For the sake of clarity the clerk shall advise each church at least 30 days prior to the Annual Session concerning the cost per copy of Associational Minutes.

ARTICLE VI

Any motion for Associational or Executive Committee consideration must be presented in writing, at the time it is presented verbally, for consideration by the body or committee.

ARTICLE VII

It shall be the responsibility of the clerk to insert at the proper place in the printed minutes any new motion concerning the Constitution, By-Laws, or Folicy that may be adopted.

ARTICLE VIII

The Constitution and By-Laws may be changed or ammended or revised at any regular session if a majority of the messengers concur, provided the notice under Article VII of the Constitution has been given.

PASTORS

BETHEL: Robert Barnette, Rt.1, Box 118 Hiddenite

CONCORD: Allen Mullins, Rt. 3, Taylorsville

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SULPHUR SPRINGS: Paul Crater, Rt.2, Hiddenite

TAYLOR SPRINGS: J.C. Gwaltney, Rt.9, Box 317-A Statesville, N.C. 28681

WAYFOUND: Neil George, Rt. 2, Hiddenite, N.C.

WHITE PLAINS: Harold Baker, Rt. 2, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636

CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS

BETHEL: Frank Campbell, Rt,5, Taylorsville CONCORD: DOVER: Clarence Dillard, Rt,2, Lenoir FAIRVIEW: James Gilreath, Rt,1, Hiddenite

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MT. NEBO: Harlas Southers, Rt, 2, Hiddenite

PLEASANT GROVE: Charles McHargue, Rt. 3, Statesville, N.C. 28677

ROCKY FACE: Miller Walker, Rt. 5 Taylorsville, N.C. 28681 SULPHUR SPRINGS: Jerry Durmire, P.C. Box 4 Hiddenite, N.C. 28636 TAYLOR SPRINGS: Hal York, Rt. 1, Clin, N.C. WAYFOUND: Roby Mecimore, Rt.3, Taylorsville WHITE PLAINS: Dale Patterson, Rt. 2 Box 364-A, Hiddenite, N.C. 28636

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PROCEEDINGS

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

The Thirty-first Annual Session of the Rocky Face Baptist Association convened on October 29, 1980 at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church with Rev. Paul Crator, Moderator, presiding.

- 9:30 Hymn "Standing on the Promises" was led by M.B. Childers.
- 9:35 Rev. Perry Link led in prayer and read from I Thessalonians 1:1-10
- 9:30 Rev. Crator called the 29th Annual session to order and led in the organization of the program.

Rev. Jack Pugh, host pastor, gave the welcome and announcements.

Roll call of churches was given by Robert L. St.Clair, clerk.

Visitors and new pastors were recognized.

Treasurers Report was given by Jeanette J. St.Clair, treasurer. Report was adopted as read.

- 9:45 A list of officers was read by Rev. Crater. A motion was made and seconded that all officers be accepted as read.
- 10:00 Rev. Crator led in prayer.
- 10:05 A Home for the Aged report was given by Rev. Robert Barnette. Motion made and seconded that report be adopted.
- 10:10 Christian Action League report was given by Rev. Neil George.
- 10:15 A Vacation Bible School Report was given by Mrs. Bruno Santorum.
- 10:20 Annuity Retirement Report was given by representative Hugh L. Borders. He was introduced by Rev. Allen Mullins.
- 10:30 The Childrens Home Report was given by representative, Donna Lail. She was introduced by Rev. Dennis Dyson.

- 11:00 The Evangelism was given by Rev. Jack Pugh. The report was adopted.
- 11:05 Rev. J. C. Gwaltney gave the "In Memoriam" report. He read Rev. 7:9-14 and the group sang "Faith of Our Fathers."
- 11:25 Rev. Allen Mullins, pastor of Concord Bapti: delivered the morning message. His scriptu was taken from Nehemiah 2:11-20 and his message was entitled "Reality that Makes Stronger Christians." He said, "Are we concerned? Are we Committed? Are we cooperative?"
- 11:50 Adjournment for lunch.

Prayer of thanks was given by Hugh Borders.

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:15 Hymn, "Glory to His Name" was led by M. B. Childers.
- 1:25 Rev. Randy Bumgarner led in prayer and read scriptures from Romans 8:1-11.
- 1:30 Baptist Hospital Report was given by Rev. Neil George and Calvin Knight, Hospital Representative.
- 1:40 Sunday School Report was read by Robert St.Clair

Mrs. Phil Walker gave the Church Training Report.

Time, Place & Preacher report was given by Rev. Homer Baity. The next session to be held at Fairview Baptist Church with Rev. Perry Link bringing the annual message.

The Resolution Report from Elbert Goble, chairman was read by Robert St.Clair

1:45 The afternoon message on missions was delivered by Rev. Paul CratGr. He read from Matthew 13:24-27, 36-43. His sermon was entitled "The Master and Missions."

TREASURER'S REPORT

October, 1979	
Balance on Hand Receipts	\$ 394.74 642.40
Total	\$1037.14
Expenses:	
Associational Missions Speaker Associational VBS Materials Associational VBS Work & Clinic Mileage to State VBS Clinic 450 Minute Books Postage, mailing, and printing	\$ 50.00 63.60 62.69 12.00 550.00 35.00
Salaries:	
Clerk	\$ 100.00
Secretary-Treasurer) 264,29	50.00
Total Expenses $12, 00$ 138.29	\$ 923.29
Balance on hand, October, 1980	\$ 113.85

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Jeanette J. St.Clair Secretary-Treasurer

CONTRIBUTIONS	TO THE HOME FO	OR THE AGING
CHURCH	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>
BETHEL	\$158.00	\$153.00
CONCORD		
DOVER		
FAIRVIEW	200.00	200.00
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
GAY'S CHAPEL		
MT. HEBRON		
MT. NEBO	120.00	120.00
PLEASANT GROVE		
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS		
TAYLOR SPRINGS	90.50	
WAYFOUND		
WHITE PLAINS	632.00	642.00
Totals	\$1200.50	\$1115.00

BAPTIST HOSPITAL OFFERINGS

CHURCH	1979	1980
BETHEL	\$257.00	\$192 . 00
CONCORD	320.00	286.00
DOVER		
FAIRVIEW		
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
MT. HEBRON	1252.00	2468.00
MT. NEBO	120.00	120.00
PLEASANT GROVE		
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS		
TAYLOR SPRINGS	173.00	190.00
WAYFOUND		190.00
WHITE PLAINS		
Totals	\$2242.00	\$3256.00

CONTRIBUTIONS TO BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

CHURCH	1979	1980
BETHEL	218.00	_{\$} 177.00
CONCORD	382.OQ	286.00
DOVER	143.50	90.00
FAIRVIEW	200.00	200.00
FRIENDLY CHAPEL		
MT. HEBRON	1972.00	277.00
MT. NEBO	120.00	120.00
PLEASANT GROVE	4701.00	2588.00
ROCKY FACE		
SULPHUR SPRINGS	48.00	
TAYLOR SPRINGS	110.00	133.00
WAYFOUND		
WHITE PLAINS	703.00	642.00
Totals	\$8587.50	\$4513.00

BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Churches across the state which are affiliated with the Baptist State Convention are now emphasiz the North Carolina Missions Offering. Started in 1979, this offering consolidated six separate special offerings for various ministries within th state. These include the Baptist colleges and universities, the Baptist Children's Homes, Baptis Homes for the Aging, Baptist Hospital and several special minstries in the area of state missions.

The offering goal for 1980 is \$2,500,000. This includes all gifts received during the special offering period, and all church gifts designated for these various ministries throughout the year. Baptist Hospital receives 15 percent of these gift which will be \$375,000 if the goal is reached.

Baptist Hospital is very dependent on these gifts to provide hospital care for persons who are unable to pay their own way. A large percentage of our patients do not have adequate hospital insurance or other personal resources, and many of them do not qualify for assistance through various government agencies. Their only hope for receiving the hospital care they need is through the Baptist Benevolent Fund, provided by the churc through the North Carolina Missions Offering.

Those who receive assistance through this fund are very grateful, and many of them write to express appreciation. One lady, whose husband was notified recently that his bill had been paid through the fund, wrote: "There are no words to say what I feel, but I thank you from the bottom o my heart. My husband has not been able to go back to work, and I was about ready to give up. I praye that God would give me strength to hold on, and your letter helped me see that my prayers have been heard."

> Calvin Knight, Director Church & Community Relations

The Southern Baptist Retirement Program is a cooperative program" of protection provided by the church and the State Convention.

It consists of two sections: Retirement and otection.

The Retirement Section is provided by the nurch. The Protection Section is paid by the tate Convention.

Any person serving in a salaried position of Southern Baptist Church cooperating with a tate Convention of Southern Baptist churches by be enrolled by the church in the Retirement action.

There is no maximum amount of contribution. ne Annuity Board recommends the church pay, as minimum, an amount equal to 10% of the mployee's total compensation.

The church may pay on a larger or lesser asis, but less than 10% will not provide dequate retirement benefits.

The plan meets the requirements for a 403(b) ax deferred annuity. The employee may let he church tax defer addition income by a egally binding salary reduction agreement.

It is a flexible program designed to meet he retirement planning needs of career ersonnel of Southern Baptist churches. It uilds on annuity value to provide benefits or the member and/or beneficiary through the nnuity Board in event of disability, death r retirement.

The program offers: a choice of funds, igh earnings, and flexible benefits.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

It is most encouraging that all 13 churches in Rocky Face Association held Vacation Bible Schools in 1980. I can't believe there is anything more important than reaching our children and young people for Bible teaching and Christi fellowship. As an example of what can be done i we work at it: one church in our Association ha less than a half dozen teenagers and children i church and had given up on VBS just a few years ago. This year that same church had 46 children and young people, and 15 adults enrolled in VBS and during this year reached and enrolled in Sunday School all 6 prospects discovered throug last year's VBS.

We had a total VBS enrollment for the 13 churches of 1043. We increased our average attendance, with one church having 96% of their enrollment there every day. Someone must be doing a good job of making it interesting and worthwhile to keep them coming back like that!

Our total Missions Offerings in VBS was \$1163 with \$403 being given through the Cooperative Program. The Mission emphasis in VBS is laying a foundation for responsible stewardship in the future.

We had a team attending the State Clinic and had 75 teachers and workers at our Associationa. Clinic. For the first time we asked those attend ing to evaluate the Clinic; most seemed to fine it very helpful. We would like to see more participation in our clinic as we think it is especially helpful to new and inexperienced workers and the "old hands" can be very helpful in passi on their ideas to the rest of us, as well as perhaps picking up a new idea themselves.

We have proved we can improve, and I believe we will continue to go forward. The world is working overtime 7 days a week to reach our young people and we simply cannot let up on our efforts. We reached 83 pupils through VBS who were not enrolled in any Sunday School--a mission field right under our noses.

We must make a covenant with each other that we will pray together, work together, and together try to do even more in 1981 to reach our young people for the Lord.

> Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Bruno Santorum VBS Director

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RESOLUTION REPORT

We hereby resolve to give thanks to our God for another year in which we have had to serve him in this 31st year of the Rocky Face Assoc.

Thanks to all who have planned the program and who have carried it to the conclusion, we are deeply indebted to you.

Thank you Pleasant Grove Baptist Church for your hospitality, the delightful fellowship, and the delicious food our hearts are grateful to you.

Let us all go from this place a more dedicated Christian, dedicated to pray more, give more, and to work harder to spread the gospel at home and abroad.

We continue to encourage Christians to do more for the Lord and pray that we will have some part in stamping out sin in the year 1981.

> Respectfully submitted, Elbert Goble, Chairman Parks Keever Larry Burgess

EVANGELISM REPORT

All Baptists are urged to participate in the jc Statewide Evangelistic Crusade in 1982. The theme will be "Here is Hope." Interpretation Meetings wil be scheduled across the state to share suggested plans and basic thrusts for the 1982 Joint Crusade effort, which is co-sponsored by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the General Baptis State Convention. The Simultaneous Revival dates fo the three areas of our state are: Coastal - March 1 28; Piedmont - April 4-18; and Mountain - April 25-May 9, 1982. Every church is encouraged to plan a revival meeting during one of these suggested dates Let us pray daily that every unsaved person in N.C. will have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Christ by the end of 1982.

"Bold Witnessing Churches" was the theme of the 34th Statewide Evangelism Conference, Feb. 4-5, 198 at First Baptist Church and War Memorial Auditoriur Greensboro. Eight practical Evangelism Conferences, were held during the first afternoon session. About 2,400 pastors and lay persons heard inspirational speakers.

Recently the Executive Committee of the Genera: Board approved the department name change from Department of Youth and Renewal Evangelism to Department. His department work now includes various phases of witnessing training for youth and adults.

Fifty-four associations have now involved their churches in a Bold Evangelism Clinic, encouraging church leaders to plan specific, on-going programs of evangelism in the local church, with the use of the notebook, <u>Bold Evangelism through the Local</u> <u>Church</u>. Associations are asked to plan a Bold Evangelism Clinic this fall or next spring. Every church is urged to enlist a Local Church Task Force on Evangelism to involve more members in direct witnessing to unsaved persons. New materials on Lay Evangelism Schools prepared by the Evangelism Section of the Home Mission Board are now available for use by our churches. The Lay Evangelism School is a one-week effort to train youth and adults to become more effective witnesses for Christ to the lost.

Evangelism Clinics for bi-vocational pastors are now being held across the state to assist pastors of rural-small churches, and churches with no baptisms in practical ways of evangelism planning to involve members in witnessing.

Thousands of youth were involved in the 10th Statewide Youth Evangelism Conference at Greensboro Coliseum on Friday, Aug. 15, 1980. A Discipleship Seminar was held during the afternoon session at Immanuel Church. We thank God for the hundreds of youth who have made various decisions for Christ during this ten year period.

The 35th Statewide Evangelism Conference will be held in Asheville during February 2-3,1981.

> JACK PUGH Evangelism Chairman

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

There are many ways to reach people in the name of Christ, but the best way is through Sunday School at our local churches.

The main purpose of our Sunday School is to teach the Bible and have a school that is inspiring, interesting and educational. In some instances the only Bible reading and teaching our children have is through our Sunday School. If we fail to reach them in early life, their interest in accepting Christ as their personal saviour is greatly reduced.

In Proverbs 22:6, The wise one of old said, "Train up a child in the way he should go: And when he is old, he will not depart from it." Jesus in the great commission instructs his disciples to "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and 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 alway, even until the end of the world."

Let us strive to make this year a successful one in terms of our Sunday School endeavors, with visions anew of what can be accomplished under the leadership and direction of the Holy Spirit. May your work and purpose be to strengthen and enrich the lives of all people.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Childers

13 of 13 churches reporting 1181 Total attendance 921 Average attendance

CHURCH TRAINING

We have one church reporting 60 people enrolled in Church Training. These are enrolled in a Training Union but I am sure there must have been some other types of Church Training. Do any of you have any to report?

In October of this year we began a year's study on the basics of discipleship in Bible-centered personal growth studies. These should be helpful to any Christian or any church.

There are many types of church training, ranging from personal home studies, full church short time study groups, new Christian studies, on to a full fledged Training Union. Each of these should be reported.

Pleasant Grove has just set their goals for the year and they include Bible Drill Teams for our children and youth. We would like to challenge all the other churches to do the same for their young people and to meet with us in the fall for an Associational Bible Drill.

> Edith R. Walker Associational Church Training Director

CHURCH SIGN DEDICATED

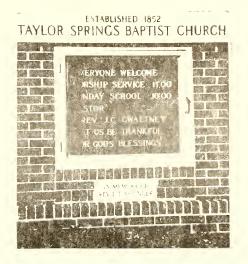
On Sunday, September 28, 1980, a new church sign was dedicated at Taylor Springs Baptist Church. The sign was erected in memory of the Reverend L. T. Younger, a life-long member of the church.

Rev. Younger was born in the Taylor Springs Community in 1889 to J. W. and Louphelia Williams Younger. Being reared in a Christian home, he spent his early years listening to such noted ministers as the Gwaltneys, Linneys and Pooles. He held these men in high esteem throughout his entire life.

He was interested in and devoted to the Lord's work even as a young man, serving as Sunday School Superintendent and Church Clerk for many years at Taylor Springs. He yielded his life to the call of the "Master" and was ordained into the Baptist ministry on September 28, 1928. During his ministry which spanned almost a half century, he served as pastor of churches in Iredell, Alexander, and Wilker Counties as follows: Pleasant View, 10 years; Hams Grove, 9 years; Rocky Hill, 18 years; Gay's Chapel, 5 years; Bethel, 5 years; Bethany, 7 years; Dennyvi. 5 years; Cub Creek, 7 years; Cranberry, 18 years; and Shady Grove, 18 years. He was active in many revive conducted many funerals and officiated in many weddings.

On April 7, 1916 L. T. Younger was married to the former Era Redmond and to this union was born six children. His home was a home where God's name was honored and His Book read. He devoted much time to Bible Study and prayer.

Failing health caused Rev. Younger to relinquis his last pastorate at the age of 78. He departed this life on September 27, 1974 and his body was laid to rest in the cemetery of Taylor Springs,



TAYLOR SPRINGS CHURCH DEDICATES NEW CHURCH SIGN DURING PAST YEAR - Members of the Taylor Springs Baptist Church erected a new church sign and dedicated it to the memory of the Rev. L. T. Younger who was a life-long member of the church.

IN MEMORIAM

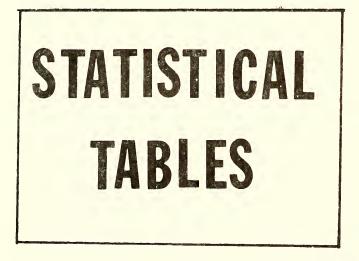
The following members of our churches have passed away since our last Association Meeting. May the Lord bless their memory to our good and His glory. BETHEL: Mr. Parks Treadway CONCORD: Mr. Newton Martin (deacon) Mrs. Ola Martin Mr. William Grant Mrs. Chattie Rector Mr. Paul Clary DOVER: Mr. John Edmonds Mr. Rayford White Mr. J. Arthur Pennell Mr. Lindsay Pennell FAIRVIEW: Mr. Harvey C. Fox MT. HEBRON: Mr. Lewis St.Clair Mrs. Harriet Deal Mr. Ed Looper Mr. Virgil Wike Mrs. Nina Milstead Mrs. Bertha Kerley Mr. Lonnie Carson MT. NEBO: Mr. Don Elder Mr. Elbert Christopher PLEASANT GROVE: Rev. M. A. McCurdy SULPHUR SPRINGS: Mr. Claude Lackey Mr. Glenn Hendren Mr. Clyde Cass TAYLOR SPRINGS: Mrs. Vergie Bowles Mr. Boyce Williams WAYFOUND: Mr. R. B. Pennell WHITE PLAINS: Mr. Floyd Adams Mrs. Ruby Adams Mrs. Eula Icenhour

The following poem by Helen Steiner Rice, is dedicated to the memory of our deceased loved ones.

EACH SPRING, GOD RENEWS HIS PROMISE

Long, long ago in a land far away, There came the dawn of the first Easter Day. And each year we see that promise reborn That God gave the world on that first Easter Morn. For in each waking flower and each singing bird, The promise of Easter is witnessed and heard. And spring is God's Way of speaking to men And renewing the promise of Easter again. For death is a season that man must pass through And, just like the flowers, God wakens him, too. So why should we grieve when our loved ones die, For we'll meet them again in a "cloudless sky." For Easter is more than a beautiful story, It's the promise of life and eternal glory.

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WHILF PLAINS	WAYFOUND	TAYLOR SPRINGS	SULPHUR SPRINGS	ROCK FACE	PLEASANT GROVE	MT. NEBO	MT. HEBRON	FRIENDLY CHAPEL	FAIRVIEW	DOVER	CONCORD	BETHEL	PASTORS REPORT CHURCHES
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	1	108	105		47		14	21	60	1. Carlos	50	101	PRESENT NON- RESIDENT MEMBERS
269	109	250	262	125	242	118	275	77	303	224	188	170	GRAND TOTAL PRESENT MEMBERS
60,000	45000		45000		25,000						60,000		VALUE OF PASTOR'S HOME IF OWNED BY CHURCH
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WHITE PLAINS	WAYFOUND	TAYLOR SPRINGS	RINGS	Ω	\geq	- 1	MT. HEBRON	FRIENDLY CHAPEL	FAIRVIEW	DOVER	CONCORD	RETHEL,	CHURCH CLERKS REPORT	
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6	12	10	25	6	19	11	18	18	21	14	7	13	CHILDREN ENROLMENT (6-11 years or grades 1 - 6)
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WHITE PLAINS	SULPHUR SPRINGS	MT. HEBRON	FAIRVIEW	WMU REPORT CHURCHES	
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Ţ	μ	1	1	BAPTIST WOMEN (30 and over)	NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS
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12	17	25	17	BAPTIST WOMEN (30 and over)	ENROLMENT
12	31	25	44	TOTAL WMU ONGOING ENROLMENT	

PLEASANT GROVE	CHURCH TRAINING REPORT CHURCH
	CHILDREN ENROLMENT (6-11 years or grades 1-6)
13	YOUTH ENROLMENT (12-17 years or grades 7 - 12) YOUNG ADULTS
	YOUNG ADULTS (18-29 years or HS graduate to 29 years)
34	ADULT ENROLMENT (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)
	SENIOR ADULT ENROLMENT (60 and over or retirement and over)
2	GENERAL OFFICERS ENROLMENT
60	TOTAL TRAINING UNION ONGOING ENROLMENT
26	AVERAGE WEEKLY CHURCH TRAINING ATTENDANCE

WHITE PLAINS	TAYLOR SPRINGS	SULPHUR SPRINGS	ROCKY FACE	PLEASANT GROVE	MT. NEBO	MT. HEBRON	FRIENDLY CHAPEL	FAIRVIEW	DOVER	CONCORD	BETHEL	MUSIC DIRECTORS REPORT CHURCH
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	18	32		20	20	28	19	ω		10	15	ADULT ENROLMENT (18 and over)
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HISTORY OF PLEASANT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

On December 1, 1900, a Presbytery composed of Iders J. P. Gwaltney, E. N. Gwyn, and A.H. oodin, with Brethern N.G. Sloan and others rom Damascus Baptist Church met at Rocky ranch Schoolhouse to organize a new church to be known as Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. here were twenty one charter members, repreenting five families. These were the R. L. evan, the J. J. Levan, the F.M. Teague, the . W. Grant, and the E. S. Millsaps families.

The church seems to have been the outgrowth f two main factors: (1) Some families who elt existing churches were too far away; and 2) the interest in establishing a Baptist hurch in the community as a result of a evival held by Brother J. P. Gwaltney in a rush arbor on the old Adams place near the arris Bridge on the Stony Point Road.

Elder J. P. Gwaltney was called to serve s the first pastor; and E. S. Millsaps was lected clerk. The first preaching service as held on the following Sunday at nearby t. Pisgah Methodist Church. Other pastors ho have served the church are: Elder R. L. avis, Rev. T. E. Redman, Rev. J. M. Brinkley, ev. T. H. Williams, Rev. L. E. Barnes, Rev. rady White (who served the longest term of wenty-five and a half years), Rev. M. A. cCurdy, Rev. Charles Cook, Rev. Charles nderson, and the present pastor, Rev. Jack ugh.

In the beginning, services were held one eekend a month, usually the second Sunday, ith a church conference and preaching on aturday afternoon and then preaching again n Sunday. Services were often cancelled because of high water, bad roads or sickness.

In 1960 the church voted to go to a full time ministry and called Rev. Charles Cook as its first full time pastor.

In September 1904, the first church house was completed on ground given by Brother E.S. Millsaps. The first service held in it was the beginning of Revival services, a week long series of twice daily services, traditionally beginning with homecoming and dinner on the grounds. That building was used until 1950, when the present building was completed. In 1959 an addition was added to the back of the church to provide more Sunday School rooms

In 1962 a parsonage was built on an acre of land donated by Frederick Childers. All of the building down through the years has been done by church members and their friends.

Ministers ordained by this church are: Wayne Levan, Paul Levan, and Kenneth Childers.





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