

The Duke Memorial Board of Christian Education met Wednesday, August 3, 1949 with the following members present: Miss Johnson, Mr. Allen, Mr. Forrester, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Whitford, Mr. Mansfield, Mr. Wilson, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Lee, Mr. Umberger, and Mrs. Stone.

Prof. Wilson reported that ten Boy Scouts have gone to camp for a week. On August 14th a group of approximately 20 is to go to the mountains. Sam Holton and Henry Watkins are directing this trip.

Mrs. Lee reported that Mrs. Jordan is to do the visitation for the nursery home department. It was suggested that other women in the church should help in this work. One idea was to have church-mothers from various classes responsible for designated sections of the city.

The baseball team is doing well. The players have been here for each game, and the sportsmanship has been excellent. The team will probably play in the championship games. The Young Adult Fellowship is planning a social in their honor.

The Young Adult Fellowship is planning a retreat for early fall. Between now and October 1st they are planning a worship service to last for the entire Sunday morning period.

For the Intermediates Mr. Allen reported that the teachers have stood by the department well, but that the attendance among the children is low because of the summer slump.

Mr. Mansfield told of the activities of Youth Week. There was an average attendance of 30 each night. Dr. Walton was the speaker, and his talks were excellent. The theme of the week was "Jesus, faith -- our way". A banquet was held on Friday

night. The entire week was highly successful.

The July 31st fifth Sunday general assembly of the church school was successful, and Mr. Whitford said that plans were under way to continue this schedule.

According to Mr. Whitford, the general assembly for the summer has been a little better than usual, but the Juniors, Intermediates, and Youth are feeling the summer slump most of all.

It was suggested that the Board keep in mind plans for getting the attendance up in the fall. Ideas and suggestions will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mrs. Lee's department is planning a picnic for children and parents at the church in early September.

Mrs. Jordan and Miss Johnson were unable to attend the Junluska leadership school and Miss Johnson reported that she and Mr. Whitford had been able to obtain substitutes. Mrs. Erwin will go as an official delegate from the children's division. At the suggestion of Mrs. Cranford, Mrs. Erwin is to become superintendent of the Junior Department in the fall. Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Wyndham will also attend the leadership school. They plan to work with the evening group of the Intermediates in the fall.

A long discussion ensued on Mrs. Hutchins' Sunday school class. It was suggested that she needs help because she is getting older and her group is growing. Space has now become a problem. After considering this question, the Board agreed to think about it and wait until a later meeting to take any definite action.

Week after next there will be a young people's conference at the Wrightsville Youth Center. Linwood Blackburn and fifteen of his Indian students from Pembroke college will be there. Miss Johnson and about five of our young people are also planning to go.

Religious education week will be held from September 25--October 2. The Board voted to set up a workers' conference during that week. This is to be put on the agenda for the next meeting and a committee appointed to plan for this conference. It was suggested that this committee be the Superintendent of the Church School as chairman with the superintendents of the various divisions as members.

The next meeting will be August 31.

Adjournment.

Mary Canada Stone
Secretary