

MINUTES
OF THE
Ninth Annual Session
OF THE
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE ASSOCIATION
of Original Free Will Baptist Churches
1951

HELD WITH
Lockhart Church
Lockhart, S. C.
NOVEMBER 15 - 16, 1951



The next Session to be held with New Prospect Original Free Will Baptist Church near Hyman, South Carolina in the Eastern Conference, November 13, 14, 1952. Rev. A. F. Lawter, to preach the Introductory Sermon.

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ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Officers of S. C. State Association

PRESIDENT	Rev. L. A. Holliday, Manning, S. C.
VICE-PRESIDENT	Rev. P. J. Shehan, Whitney, S. C.
SECRETARY-TREASURER.....	Rev. Sheldon Bullard, Darlington, S. C.

Executive Board

REV. M. H. MELLETTE, Turbeville, S. C.....	1952
REV. T. A. WILLIAMS, Hemingway, S. C.....	1953
MR. F. A. SAWYER, Box 144, Arcadia, S. C.....	1954
REV. J. A. HUCKS, Conway, S. C.....	1955
REV. M. S. TODD, Lake City, S. C.....	1956

Board of Trustees

REV. P. J. SHEHAN	1952
MR. C. V. WARD	1953
MR. J. G. WILLIAMS	1954
MR. JULIUS VAUSE	1955
MR. J. E. THIGPEN	1956

Field Secretaries

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	Rev. M. H. Mellette
DIRECTOR OF HOME MISSIONS.....	Rev. Sheldon Bullard
DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.....	Rev. L. A. Holliday

PROCEEDINGS OF THE NINTH ANNUAL SESSION of the South Carolina State Association of the Original Free Will Baptist Held with Lockhart Church, Lockhart, S. C., Nov. 15-16, 1951.

MORNING SESSION

1. The South Carolina State Association of the Original Free Will Baptist met with Lockhart Church, Lockhart, S. C. in its ninth session on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 15, 16, 1951 at 10:00 o'clock. The President, Rev. L. A. Holliday called the meeting to order and the opening song was "Are You Washed" after which Rev. W. L. Jernigan led in prayer.

The Devotional and Welcome address was by the host Pastor, the Reverend A. F. Lawter. His talk was based on Gal. 6:14 where Paul said "God forbid that I should Glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world."

The Response was given by Rev. Edison Kirby of Lake City who is Pastor of the Sumter Church.

Following the Welcome and Response the appointment of committees was then made as follows:

1. Finance Committee—Dewey Jones, Jamie Young, H. J. Taylor.
2. Christian Education—Rev. M. H. Mellette, secretary.
3. Home Missions—Rev. Sheldon Bullard, director.
4. Foreign Missions—Rev. L. A. Holliday, director.
5. Resolutions—Rev. Fred Powers, Rev. Julous Vause, Rev. E. C. Rash.
6. Committee on Sunday School Literature—Rev. O. M. Hilburn, Rev. H. W. Richburg, Rev. W. L. Jernigan.
7. Temperance—Rev. M. H. Mellette, J. S. Lynch, W. L. Swett.
8. Free Will Baptist League—Rev. P. J. Ketteman, Rev. Arthur Williams, and Rev. Carl Shook.
9. Obituary—Rev. J. B. Oliver, Rev. Fred Powers and Rev. L. S. Gray.

At this time there was a motion made that the State Association adopt the National Treatise of the National Association of the Original Free Will Baptist as our Articles of Faith and Practices. This motion was carried, which involved a change in the Church Covenant to conform with that in the National Treatise, which Covenant may be found toward the back of these minutes.

Following the above the President brought his annual message. The Service was opened by singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" with Rev. Fred Powers as director and Rev. Carlisle Hanna at the piano.

The President's Text was from Matt. 25:13 "Watch Therefore for Ye know neither the Day nor the hour wherein the Son of Man cometh."

Rev. Holliday brought a most timely message, in which he pointed out that, we are not to fear the coming of the Lord, but rather we are to look forward to it with happy expectation, because the greatest incentive to the Christian is the coming of Christ.

He also pointed out that we should not be ashamed that we are small, notwithstanding the fact that there is consolation in great numbers. "Yet," said he, "I believe that God has a special place for Free Will Baptist in world Evangelism in these last days.

Brother Holliday pointed out that "as long as we stay humble, as long as we follow Christ He will continue to Bless us. The Challenge is so great to Free

Will Baptist that we cannot afford to be divided, however Satan's greatest attack is upon the Church, we've seen the effects of His work as Deacon's and Ministers have yielded and been led by the forces of Satan.

He also pointed out the 'Virgins' were waiting and watching and as a Church we should be ready for the task, to do this our greatest need is consecration—or putting the Church First.

The work of the Ministry is a work of Sacrifice, Let us be Obedient, and Let us Go Forward.

We then recessed for five minutes.

We re-assembled for the Associational Message which was brought by Rev. Paul J. Ketteman of Pamplico, S. C. who brought a very timely message on Customs; and was enjoyed by all.

We then recessed for lunch, which was spread by the Ladies of the Church.

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

At 1:30 we re-assembled for the evening session, the devotional was conducted by Rev. B. L. Shook who used as his Tx. Matt. 10:32.

Next the Roll of Ministers of the S. C. Conference was called for, those answering were as follows: Reverends Luther Sanders, Paul J. Ketteman, C. E. Lambert, Fred Powers, J. B. Oliver, O. M. Hilburn, E. P. Kirby, M. H. Mellette, J. B. Vause, H. W. Richburg, W. L. Jernigan, Edison Kirby, A. L. Fryer, Seldon Bullard.

The Letter from the S. C. Conference was then called for and is as follows:

To the State Association of Original Free Will Baptist of South Carolina convening with Lockhart Church in Lockhart, S. C.

Greetings:

As Secretary of the South Carolina Conference, it is a pleasure to make the following report of our Church work, Conference year 1950-1951.

We have had one new Church organized and one reinstated in our body.

We have had a total gain of 72 members.

We have Ordained six Preachers and also Licensed six.

The Spiritual atmosphere is fair, a goodly number of our Churches are employing full time Pastors, and nearly all of our Churches are remodeling and expanding their building facilities.

We have supported the cause of Missions, both Home and Foreign and our Educational Institutions and liberally contributed to the Orphan Home at Turbeville.

M. H. MELLETTTE,
Secretary, South Carolina Conference

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Following are the Church Reports and Contributions from the South Carolina Conference that reported:

MANNING	\$ 5.00
HAVEN	\$ 5.00

CAMP BRANCH—

Hanna Fund	\$ 10.00
Christian Education	5.00
Baggette-Poston Memorial Fund	5.00
Associational Expenses	6.50

Total ----- \$ 26.50

GILEAD—

Hannah Fund	\$ 5.00
Home Missions	5.00
Christian Education	5.00
Associational Expenses	1.50

Total ----- \$ 16.50

SALEM—

Foreign Missions	\$ 10.00
Christian Education	10.00
Superannuation	10.00
Associational Expenses	2.00

Total ----- \$ 32.00

BETHANY—

Foreign Missions	\$ 10.00
Home Missions	5.00
Orphanage	10.00
Christian Education	10.00
Superannuation	5.00
Baggette-Memorial Fund	5.00
Associational Expenses	5.00

Total ----- \$ 50.00

BULAH—

Hanna Fund	\$ 40.00
Christian Education	40.00
Baggette-Poston Memorial Fund	15.00
Associational Expenses	5.00

Total ----- \$ 100.00

BAY BRANCH—

Foreign Missions	\$ 5.00
Associational Expenses	5.00

Total ----- \$ 10.00

DARLINGTON

----- \$ 10.00

LEBANON

----- \$ 5.00

NEW TOWN

----- \$ 10.00

SAND HILL

----- \$ 10.00

HIGH HILL

----- \$ 10.00

SUMTER

----- \$ 5.00

MT. ELEM

----- \$ 25.00

EASTERN CONFERENCE AND CHURCHES

To the Original Free Will Baptist State Association:

Greetings:

We, the Eastern Conference submit the following report: It is very encouraging to note that all our Churches are becoming more and more Mission minded, both Home and Foreign, although two of our Churches failed to complete their report on Foreign Missions:

The following will show in part what has been done:

WILLIAMS-HILL—Total Number of Members, 89—	
Paid to Foreign Missions	\$ 200.00
Orphanage	325.36
To Pastors	638.25
BLACK RIVER—Total Members, 48—	
Foreign Missions	\$ 138.80
Home Missions	213.52
Orphanage	112.75
Pastor	300.06
NEW PROSPECT—Membership, 187—	
Orphanage	\$ 325.07
Pastor	662.37
ST. JOHN—Membership, 63—	
Orphanage	\$ 49.60
Pastor	217.88
Total Members of all our Churches—387	
Total Paid to Missions (reported).....	\$ 548.32
Total Paid to Orphanage.....	812.78
Total Paid to Pastors.....	1818.56

Grand Total Paid to all Purposes Combined.....\$2,179.66

We are sending Brother W. F. Scott and Tom M. Miller to represent us in your honorable body, also Williams Hill Church is sending \$10.00 for Associational Expenses, and the Eastern Conference sends \$10.00 for Associational Expenses, \$10.00 for Foreign Missions. Total \$30.00

REV. T. A. WILLIAMS, Moderator
J. M. WILLIAMS, Clerk and Treasurer

NEW PROSPECT CHURCH—	
Foreign Missions	\$ 5.00
Home Missions	5.00
Orphanage	5.00
Associational Expenses	5.00
Total	\$ 20.00

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CENTRAL ASSOCIATION AND CHURCHES

To the State Association of the Original Free Will Baptist of South Carolina. We the Central Association of the Original Free Will Baptist of South

Carolina send our beloved brother Leverne Hanna and Brother Author Lyerly, Jr. as delegates whom we pray to you to set in your godly deliberations.

Our body has only one Union known as the Central Union. We have nine (9) Churches belonging to our body with a total value of \$50,300.00.

We paid Pastors a Grand Total of.....	\$1889.75
We paid for Evangelist.....	839.68
Building and Repairs.....	1668.43
Paid for Home and Foreign Missions.....	207.05
Paid Orphanage	245.15
We sent as Education Funds	30.00
Budget Funds	10.00

Done by the order of the body of the Central Association on November 10, 1951

REV. J. A. HUCKS, Moderator
M. C. TODD, Clerk, Rt. 3, Lake City, S. C.

OAK GROVE—	
Budget Funds	\$ 5.00
LITTLE STAR—	
Budget Funds	5.00
LITTLE BETHEL CHURCH—	
Budget Funds	5.00

Ministers from the Central Association listed were Rev. Carlisle Hanna and Rev. H. E. Powell.

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BEAVER CREEK ASSOCIATION AND CHURCHES

We the Beaver Creek Association have 13 Churches. We have Womans Auxiliaries in 8 churches. We have FWB Leagues in 6 Churches.

Members Taken in.....	463
By Dismissal and Erasure.....	187
Total Gain	276

Total Property Value.....	\$127,000.00
Money Taken in.....	45,237.69
Total in Treasure at Present.....	8,130.11
Money Paid Out	2,272.58

JOHNIE BULLMAN, Associational Clerk
Branch Street, Spartanburg, S. C.

LOCKHART	\$ 5.00
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It was then moved and carried that the President appoint a Committee to draft Letter Form suitable for reports to this body also in keeping with reports to be sent to National Association of Free Will Baptist. This Committee was as follows: Rev. Seldon Bullard, Darlington, S. C.; Rev. Paul J. Kettelman, Pamplico, S. C. Sufficient copies to be sent to each Conference Clerk.

At this time we had a very timely Sermon on Young People's work by the Reverend W. L. Jernigan. His Text was selected from Matt. 18:1-3.

Rev. Jernigan stressed the need of giving our Youth the best training through the various auxiliaries of the Church, in order that they may be better prepared for the work that confronts them in the future.

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VARIOUS REPORTS CALLED FOR

Christian Education, Rev. M. H. Mellette. National Association Report was made by Rev. Seldon Bullard. Womans Auxiliary Report was by Mrs. O. M. Hilburn. Foreign Mission Report by Rev. L. A. Holliday.

At this time, Rev. Carlisle Hanna brought a message on his needs if he is to go to India, it was brought out that it would take \$3,000 for equipment and passport plus the underwriting of his salary, and at this time there is only about \$300 on this amount in the Treasury.

Moved and carried that all Funds received through this Association or that may come during the year be earmarked for the Hannah Fund until his needs have been met.

(Note: Since this Association met this amount of \$3,000.00 has been raised—Clerk).

Motion made and carried that we go on record as underwriting the expenses and salary of Carlisle Hanna for his equipment and also his salary and the Clerk was instructed to notify Rev. Raymond Riggs of same.

At this time we adjourned until Friday at 9:30 a. m.

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FRIDAY MORNING—9:30

The Devotionals was led by Rev. J. B. Oliver with Rev. Fred Powers leading the congregational singing of "Tell It To Jesus." Rev. Oliver spoke to us from Luke 16:1-3. His text was "Give an account of thy stewardship. Prayer was led by Rev. Edison Kirby.

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Temperance Report

At this time Rev. M. H. Mellette brought the Temperance Report, in which he pointed out the evils of strong drink, and insisted that our Church folk remember these evils when they go to the poles to vote, and to vote down the man who is in favor of a continuation of this evil.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND LITERATURE

We, your Committee on Sunday School Literature wish to submit the following report:

We recommend that our Sunday School continue to use the literature as edited by our Free Will Baptist Press in Ayden, N. C.

We further recommend that this Association send a delegate of not more than two to confer with the Ayden Press with respect to a more simplified literature.

REVEREND O. M. HILBURN
REVEREND W. L. JERNIGAN
REVEREND H. W. RICHBURG

FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE REPORT

We, your committee on Free Will Baptist League Work, submit for your consideration the following recommendations:

Recommendation No. 1—We recommend a Free Will Baptist League for every Church in the State.

Recommendation No. 2—That ALL PASTORS of our Churches be required to support, endorse, and encourage the work of the League.

Recommendation No. 3—That any Pastor who refuses or rejects the work of the League without showing just and proper reason should be subject to disciplinary action by his quarterly meeting or conference.

Recommendation No. 4—That all encouragement be given the Local Leaders to cooperate with the Nationwide League Conference and the National League Board.

REVEREND T. A. WILLIAMS
REVEREND C. F. SHOOK
REVEREND P. J. KETTEMAN

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RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Article No. 1—Whereas, We, the Free Will Baptist of the State of South Carolina assembled in session at Lockhart, S. C., Nov. 16, 1951 wish to go on record, protesting the appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican in Rome, believing in the fundamentals of the National Constitution, which clearly states that Church and State shall ever be kept separated.

Whereby, we recommend that a copy of this resolution be wired to the President of the United States by the President of this Association.

REVEREND FRED POWERS
REVEREND J. B. VAUSE
REVEREND E. R. RASH

Article No. 2—Whereas we hereby recommend that paragraph No. 3 on page 35 of the Revised National Treatise of the Faith and Practices of the Original Free Will Baptist be read before this body without any discussion.

Article No. 3—Whereas, we feel the need of proper identification for the Ordained Ministers of our State—Be it therefore resolved that the Clerk of this State Association be Authorized to draw up and have printed a card of Identification to be issued by the Clerk of the Local Conferences to the Ordained Ministers of that Conference or Association.

Be it also resolved that any person who cannot show this card shall not be recognized by the Churches of our State as an Ordained Minister of our State Association.

REVEREND FRED POWERS
REVEREND J. B. VAUSE
REVEREND E. R. RASH

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At this time we called off for a Sermon brought by Rev. Henry Melvin of the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tenn. which Message was enjoyed by all who heard it.

Adjourned for Lunch which was furnished by the Ladies of the Church and enjoyed by everyone.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

After lunch we assembled back for the evening session at 1:30.

The Devotions was conducted by Rev. C. E. Lambert of Darlington, who brought a very timely message, which was enjoyed by all.

The first business was taken up. Home Mission report by Seldon Bullard. After the Home Mission Report, it was decided that all Home Mission money be divided between local and national work.

Report on Bible College

By Rev. Henry Melvin, Business Manager

Brother Melvin brought a good report on the college, pointing out that the growth had been 650 percent in nine years, also that in 1951 it had made 37 percent growth over 1950.

He also pointed out that the facilities at the School was not adequate for much growth in the future, there is a great need of purchasing or building Dormitories to accomodate several hundred students, as of present we cannot care for all of the present student body in the present buildings, as a result, we have several living outside the Dormitories.

The College is one of the greatest needs in our work, and more and more people are realizing this important fact every day. Rev. Melvin called upon everyone to support the College whole-heartedly.

Orphanage Report

The Orphanage Report was made verbally by the Superintendent, which was very good.

Brother Baggetts Financial Report did not get in, in time to be heard.

Superannuation Report and Adoption of Constitution and By-Laws

The Report of Superannuation was made by Rev. Paul J. Keteman, Sec.-Trea.

The By-Laws and Constitution as recommended by the National Board of Superannuation for States and Districts was adopted. (A copy of same may be had for the asking).

Appointment of Delegates to the National Association in July, 1951 in Shantee, Oklahoma

Those appointed to represent us was as follows: Mr. Leverne Hanna, Mr. Jessie Williams, Mr. R. C. Baggett, and Mr. H. J. Taylor. Mrs. Seldon Bullard, Mrs. Paul Ketteman, Mrs. Oscar Donham, Mrs. W. Babcock and Mrs. A. F. Lawter.

Motion carried that the State Association try to follow each Conference or Association in Rotation if possible.

Election of Officers

Motion made and carried that all officers be retained for two more years.

Additional Officers for Board of Superannuation

Rev. J. H. Haucks and Rev. Paul Shehan.

Motion made to draw upon the Treasurer to pay Clerk, and National Dues; also for Printing Minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

We your Financial Committee beg to make the following report:

We find in the Treasury for:

Baggette-Poston Memorial Fund	\$ 418.00
Received at this Association	50.00

Total	\$ 468.00
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Home Mission Fund	\$ 353.20
Received at this Association	50.00

Total	\$ 403.20
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Received for Associational Expenses	\$ 170.00
Brought Forward from last year	21.07

Total in Treasury for Associational Expense	\$ 191.07
(Received and Paid out by Treasurer)	

Orphanage	\$ 15.00
Superannuation	40.00
Foreign Missions	170.00
Christian Education	125.00

After a Rising Vote of Thanks was given to the Host Church for their hospitality a motion was made and carried to adjourn to meet with New Prospect Church in the Eastern Conference next year at the appointed time. We closed by singing "Bless Be The Tie."

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God, by faith in Christ, and adopted the Word of God as our rule of faith and practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this solemn covenant.

We promise by His grace to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearances of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeavor to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences; public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church. of its poor, and all its benevolent work.

We agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "keep the unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able to promote the success of the church and of the Gospel.

We will everywhere hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society; constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, the support of the Missions, the success of Sunday schools, and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the World. And may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF
THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE ASSOCIATION OF ORIGINAL
FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONVENTION**

Preamble: We, the officials, ministers and delegates of this the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists, while in session at Una Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina, November 13-14, 1946, do accept and adopt the foregoing constitution and by-laws.

Article One. This body shall be known henceforth as the South Carolina State Association of Original Free Will Baptists.

Article Two. It shall be the purpose of this organization to cooperate with the National Association in its efforts to elicit combine, and direct the energies of the Free Will Baptist Church, for the promotion of Home and Foreign Missions, Christian Education, Sunday School, Free Will Baptist League and Womans Auxiliary Work, and for the extension of the kingdom of God in general.

Article Three:

Section One. This Association shall consist of delegates duly appointed or elected by the church or organizations to represent, and ordain and license Free Will Baptists Ministers, who are of good repute in the Original Free Will Baptist Church, and who reside in South Carolina, or hold membership in, or pastor a church in South Carolina.

Section Two. Each Association or Conference, may represent in this Association on the basis of two delegates for each Association and Conference of one thousand members or less, and one additional delegate for each additional thousand members or fractions thereof.

Section Three. Any local church that desires to may send an additional delegate, provided said church sends a contribution for Association expenses of not less than \$5.00.

Article Four. This Association shall have an Executive committee of five, composed of ordained ministers and lay members in good standing in the Association, one to be appointed by the Moderator each year for a five year term, to act officially in the event any case may arise in this Association, when, and only when it is deemed necessary or expedient for the best interest of the cause of the church in general.

Article Five. The officers of this Association shall be a president, first, second and third vice-president, a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary, and a treasurer and a reading clerk. Said reading clerk to take the place of the recording secretary in his absence.

Section Two. These officers are to be elected by the Association to serve a term of two years.

Article Six. All officers of this Association, all members of its committees and boards, all its secretaries, missionaries, and agents appointed by the Association or by any of its boards, shall be members of regular Free Will Baptist Organizations in South Carolina cooperating with this Association.

Article Seven. All missionaries, teachers and Christian workers approved, appointed, or supported by this Association must be fundamental in their views of the Bible and its teachings, and in harmony with the doctrines of the Original Free Will Baptist church. They must also give evidence of genuine Christian piety, for fervent zeal in the service of Christ, and of ability to do the work for which they are considered.

Article Eight. This Association shall hold its meeting annually on Thursday and Friday of the week between the second and third Sundays in November, beginning at 10:00 a. m., unless, or until, some change of the time of the year shall be thought best.

Article Nine. Articles may be altered or amended at any regular session of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present providing the change is recommended at least one day before the vote is taken.

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BY-LAWS OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. A portion of the Scripture shall be read and prayer offered at the beginning of each morning and afternoon session of the Association, and prayer shall be offered at the close of each session.

This is to be done by the President, or someone appointed by him.

2. The President or Vice-President shall call the Association to order at the hour designated by the program committee.

When neither the President or the Vice-President is present, the Recording Secretary shall call the Association to order and a President Pro-Tem shall be elected by the body, who shall preside for that session of the Association.

3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to enroll the delegates of the Association who shall present themselves with proper evidence of their right to seats therein, and those enrolled by the Secretary shall compose the Association.

4. Each organization represented in the Association shall send into the Association as large a contribution as they can from time to time. This money to be used to meet the expenses of the Association and to promote the work it undertakes.

5. On the first day of the Association meeting the President shall appoint a Resolution Committee to consist of three members, all resolutions not connected with the reports of boards and committees shall be referred to this committee, which shall report on all resolutions referred to it, with or without recommendation.

6. The officers of the Association, the departmental Secretaries, the Executive Committee, and all boards shall be elected by the Association. All other committees may be either appointed by the President or elected by the body.

In the election of officers, boards, or committees, the votes may be by ballot if preferred, or by any other method agreed upon by the body.

7. In the event of a standing Executive Committee, the members shall be elected for a term of five years except the first four elected, who shall serve a period of one, two, three and four years respectively.

8. The duties of the Executive Committee shall be as follows: 1. To act for the Association in matters that demand its consideration between the regular annual sessions of the Association. 2. To have oversight of arrangements for meetings of the Association with the authority to change, if necessary, the time and place of meeting. 3. To fill vacancies in the Association that may be caused by death, resignation, etc., between the regular sessions of the Assn.

9. It shall be required of all members of the Association to remain throughout the entire session, unless they are excused by a majority vote of the body.

10. Anyone desiring to speak shall rise and address the President, and shall wait until he is recognized before speaking further. 1. The President shall not allow discussions that are unchristian in spirit and that tend to create envy and strife among the brethren, and anyone resenting the ruling of the President in such matters shall be liable to censure of body.

12. No one shall be allowed to speak more than 15 minutes or more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

13. It shall be the duty of the President to have his annual message so prepared and arranged that it can be handed to the Secretary for publication in the minutes of each session of the Association.

14. The officers of this Association, except that of the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee, shall be for a term of two years.

15. These By-Laws may be altered at any regular session of the Association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, providing the change is recommended at least one day before the vote is taken.

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PROGRAM FOR 1952 SESSION

Thursday and Friday—November 13-14, 1952

10:00 a. m. Devotional by Local Church.
 10:15 a. m. Welcome Address by Local Pastor.
 10:25 a. m. Response, by-----Rev. J. A. Hucka
 10:35 a. m. President's Message.
 10:50 a. m. Recess
 11:00 a. m. Introductory Sermon, by-----Rev. A. F. Lawter
 12:00 Noon.

Afternoon

1:30 p. m. Devotional, by-----Rev. T. A. Williams
 1:40 p. m. Enrollment and seating of delegates and ministers.
 2:10 p. m. Welcoming of Visitors.
 2:20 p. m. Sermon "Victory Through Youth," by-----Rev. Clifton Styron
 2:55 p. m. Report of Orphanage Work by Superintendent.
 3:05 p. m. Recess.
 3:10 p. m. Report of Bible College, by-----Dr. L. C. Johnson
 3:25 p. m. Presentation of Womans Auxiliary, by-----Mrs. Lester Wise
 3:40 p. m. Report of Foreign Missions, by Director.
 3:55 p. m. Report on Christian Education, by-----Rev. M. H. Mellette
 4:10 p. m. Report of National Association, by-----Bro Jessie Williams
 4:20 p. m. Announcements.
 4:25 p. m. Congregational Hymn.
 4:30 p. m. Recess.
 7:30 p. m. Devotional by Local Church.
 8:00 p. m. Sermon, by-----Rev. O. M. Hilburn

Friday Morning

9:00 a. m. Devotions, by-----Rev. L. S. Gray
 9:15 a. m. Charge to Delegates and Ministers by President.
 9:20 a. m. Unfinished Business.
 9:50 a. m. Resolutions.
 10:00 a. m. Short Talks by Visitors.
 10:15 a. m. Report of Home Missions by Director.
 10:30 a. m. Special Music, by-----Louis Holliday, Jr.
 10:40 a. m. Roundtable discussion on Denominational Headquarters for S. C. by Rev. Paul Ketteinan.
 11:00 a. m. Recess.
 11:10 a. m. Sermon, by-----Dr. L. C. Johnson
 12:00 a. m. Recess for Lunch.

Afternoon

1:30 p. m. Devotions, by-----Bro. Clarence Baggette
 1:10 p. m. Report of Finance Committee.
 1:20 p. m. Invitation for Next Session.
 1:25 p. m. General Business.
 Adjournment.

**MINUTES of the STATE WOMANS' AUXILIARY CONVENTION
 OF FREE WILL BAPTIST, WHICH MET WITH LOCKHART CHURCH,
 Lockhart, S. C., October 13, 1951**

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. L. A. Holliday. We began by singing "When We All Get to Heaven." Prayer was offered by Mrs. Minten Hyman, devotions by Mrs. Taylor. welcome by Mrs. Gray. Our Ministers and Visitors were then recognized.

The president gave a short talk on the progress of our work, and the minutes of the last session were read.

The finance committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. Norwood Turner, Mrs. Henry Russell and Mrs. Boyd Shook.

The roll was then called.

Auxiliaries represented from the Beaver Creek Association were as follows: Arcadia, Clover, Lockhart, Saxton Ave., and Valley Falls.

Reports of the work done in the Beaver Creek association by the Auxiliaries were as follows: Membership, 138, a gain this year of 50. Total Receipts, \$1,634.38. Balance in Treasury, \$434.36.

Auxiliaries represented from the S. C. Conference were as follows: Bethany, Darlington, Mt. Elem, Haven, Horse Branch.

Report of work done in this District was as follows: Active Membership, 379. New Members, 32. Amount of Money raised during year, \$4,589.54. Paid out \$3,246.15. Balance in Treasury \$701.62.

After the roll call, special music was rendered by Lockhart Church.

Short talks were then given by several of the visiting Ministers concerning our work.

The Convention message was brought by Mrs. Dillard Cody, which was very inspiring. After the message we all stood and sang "Love Lifted Me" and adjourned for lunch.

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Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was begun with Mrs. Charlie Weatherford of Darlington bringing the devotional message.

The Orphanage report was given by Mrs. Olive Vause, amount given by the Womans Auxiliary during the year was \$1,689.80 and by the Go-Tells Auxiliaries \$17.24.

At this time a playlet was given by the Lockhart Go-Tells entitled "Seek and Ye Shall Find."

The vice-presidents and the field workers gave their reports:

Report of Finance Committee—
 In Treasury ----- \$ 116.70
 Received at this Convention----- 17.90

\$ 134.60

The Executive Committee met and decided to make the following appropriations—

Home Missions ----- \$ 25.00
 Foreign Missions ----- 25.00
 Christian Education ----- 25.00
 Orphanage ----- 25.00

Total Paid Out----- \$ 100.00

Balance in Treasury----- \$ 34.60

Rev. L. A. Holliday gave some timely information concerning our Foreign Mission Work.

It was moved and carried that Mrs. R. D. Taylor be named as field worker for our Candidates to the Foreign Missions Fields in India, Rev. and Mrs. Carlisle Hanna.

An Offering was then received to help in this work of \$24.12.

Mrs. Taylor was also to receive for her services \$7.00 per service, plus her gas and oil expenses.

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At this time we elected officers to serve for the next three years as follows:

PRESIDENT	-----	Mrs. L. A. Holliday
SECRETARY	-----	Mrs. Seldon Bullard
TREASURER	-----	Mrs. Dewey Jones
FIELD WORKER	-----	Mrs. Paul Ketteman
1st VICE-PRESIDENT	-----	Miss Geneva Sawyer
2nd VICE-PRESIDENT	-----	Mrs. Lester Wise
3rd VICE-PRESIDENT	-----	Mrs. Dillard Cody
4th VICE-PRESIDENT	-----	Mrs. Luther Sanders
5th VICE-PRESIDENT	-----	Mrs. Henry Russell
6th VICE-PRESIDENT	-----	Mrs. A. F. Lawter

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A Rising Vote of thanks was given Lockhart Church for their kind hospitality shown us during the sitting of this Convention.

A Motion made and carried that we adjourn to meet with St. John Church in the Eastern Conference Saturday before the second Sunday in Oct., 1952.