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*Walter Jernigan, Moderator*

*Rufus Coffey, Clerk*

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## DIRECTORY OF STATE ASSOCIATION

### STATE OFFICERS:

President .....	Rev. W. L. Jernigan, Timmons-ville, S. C.
First Vice-President .....	Rev. A. F. Lawter, Lockhart, S. C.
Second Vice-President .....	Rev. J. A. Hucks, Conway, S. C.
Corresponding Secretary .....	Rev. H. L. Player, Darlington, S. C.
Recording Secretary .....	Rev. Rufus Coffey, Florence, S. C.
Treasurer .....	Joe Lynch, Rt. 1, Box 38, Scranton, S. C.

### FIELD DIRECTORS:

Home Missions .....	Rev. Fred Powers
Foreign Missions .....	Rev. L. A. Holliday
Superannuation .....	Rev. Clarence Lambert
Christian Education .....	Rev. W. B. Rogers
Sunday Schools .....	Rev. Carroll Alexander
Promotional Secretary .....	Rev. Reedy Saverance

### EXECUTIVE BOARD:

Rev. A. F. Lawter, Lockhart, S. C. ....	1959
Mr. C. V. Ward, Johnsonville, S. C. ....	1960
Rev. Lonnie Brown, Conway, S. C. ....	1961
Rev. Fred Powers, Timmons-ville, S. C. ....	1962
Mr. T. A. Williams, Hemmingway, S. C. ....	1963

### STATE ASSOCIATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Mr. T. A. Williams, Hemmingway, S. C. ....	1959
Rev. Julius Vause, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1960
Rev. Edison Kirby, Lake City, S. C. ....	1961
Rev. A. F. Lawter, Lockhart, S. C. ....	1962
Mr. Marion C. Todd, Johnsonville, S. C. ....	1963

### HOME MISSION ADVISORY BOARD:

Mr. S. J. Jones, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1959
Rev. Floyd Ard, Johnsonville, S. C. ....	1960
Mr. Marion C. Todd, Johnsonville, S. C. ....	1961
Rev. A. F. Lawter, Lockhart, S. C. ....	1962
Rev. Bob M. Rogers, Darlington, S. C. ....	1963

### BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Rev. Carl Shook, Lancaster, S. C. ....	1959
Mr. Clarence Bazen, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1960
Rev. Rufus Coffey, Florence, S. C. ....	1961
Mr. Tracy Williams, Hemmingway, S. C. ....	1962
Mr. Arris Powell, Johnsonville, S. C. ....	1963

### SUPERANNUATION BOARD:

Rev. Hoyt Powell, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1959
Rev. J. A. Hucks, Conway, S. C. ....	1960
Rev. Edison Kirby, Lake City, S. C. ....	1961
Rev. David Philbeck, Clover, S. C. ....	1962

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD:

Rev. Hoyt Powell, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1959
Mr. Louis Bass Hannah, Johnsonville, S. C. ....	1960
Rev. Fred Powers, Timmons-ville, S. C. ....	1961
Rev. William Sealy, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1962

### PUBLIC MORALS COMMITTEE:

Rev. Clarence Lambert, Darlington, S. C. ....	1959
Rev. Carl Shook, Lancaster, S. C. ....	1960
Rev. Julius Vause, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1961
Rev. E. C. Rash, Lockhart, S. C. ....	1962
Rev. I. J. Blackwelder, Turbeville, S. C. ....	1963

### CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Rev. William Sealy, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1959
Rev. Julius Vause, Pamplico, S. C. ....	1960
Mr. Laverne Hanna, Lake City, S. C. ....	1961

### CHILDREN'S HOME BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

S. C. Conference .....	1 year, Rev. Julius Vause Mr. V. P. Coker
Eastern Conference .....	2 years, Rev. Hoyt Powell Mr. Walker Miles
Central Conference .....	3 years, Mr. C. V. Ward Mr. Weldon Poston
Beaver Creek Ass. ....	4 years, Rev. Carl Shook Rev. A. E. Lawter
Children's Home Superintendent .....	Rev. H. W. Richburg

### PUBLICITY COMMITTEE FOR 1958-59:

Mr. Tracy Williams, Hemmingway, S. C.
Rev. Carroll Alexander, Johnsonville, S. C.
Rev. Julius Vause, Pamplico, S. C.
Rev. William Morris, Timmons-ville, S. C.

### PROGRAM COMMITTEE FOR 1959:

Rev. Carrol Alexander,
Rev. Rufus Coffey
Rev. I. J. Blackwelder

## PROCEEDINGS OF STATE ASSOCIATION

With the singing of "Standing on the Promises" the Sixteenth Annual South Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptists opened at the Tabernacle Church, Cowards, S. C., Nov. 18, 1958. Dr. L. C. Johnson led in prayer. Rev. Kenneth Faison conducted the Devotional service. He gave some brief remarks from the Master Sermon, Matt. 5:1-12.

The Moderator, Rev. Walter Jernigan, called the association to order, and made some pertinent remarks relative to the proper procedure for conducting the Association. Some humorous advice that he offered was "Stand up, speak up, shut up and sit down." Also he suggested that we "keep our heads cool, heart right, mind alert, and feet on the ground."

A warm welcome was extended to the association by Rev. I. J. Blackwelder. Rev. David Philbeck followed with a hearty response.

Rev. Walter Jernigan delivered the Moderator's Message on the subject "Taking our Possessions from Numbers 13:30. (cf Appen. I)

The visitors were recognized as follows: Dr. L. C. Johnson, Rev. M. L. Johnson, Rev. Galen Dunbar, and Rev. Homer Willis. MSA\* to give these brethren a voice and all privileges except that of voting.

\*Note: (MSA—Motion, Seconded, and Adopted)

MSA that moderator appoint Committee on Committees. There were named as follows: Rev. I. J. Blackwelder, Rev. Carroll Alexander, Rev. Ed Gaskin. Rev. Reedy Saverance led the association in the singing of choruses. MSA that the finance committee be appointed by the Moderator. They were as follows: Mr. Joe Lynch, Mr. Culley Vause, Mr. Lee Hall. The District Associations reported and the churches of each respective association. The conference recessed for ten minutes.

The conference reassembled with the singing of a hymn and the committee on committees reported. MSA that the following brethren serve on the various committees for this session:

Resolutions Committee: Rev. Julius Vause, Rev. L. P. Brown, Rev. A. F. Lawter.

Grievance Committee: Rev. Fred Powers, Rev. Bob Rogers, Mr. LaVerne Hanna.

Program Committee: Rev. Carrol Alexander, Rev. Rufus Coffey, Rev. I. J. Blackwelder.

Nominating Committee: Rev. W. B. Rogers, Rev. Edison Kirby, Mr. Ed C. Gaskins.

Respectfully submitted: I. J. Blackwelder, Carroll Alexander, Ed C. Gaskins

Rev. M. L. Baxley from the Pee Dee Conference, N. C., was recognized as a visitor, and asked to lead in prayer.

Rev. M. L. Johnson, who is associated with the Mt. Olive Junior College, brought the morning message on the subject, "The Opportunity of Today's Challenge" taken from Matt. 28:16-20. He challenged us to consider our opportunities and responsibilities, not only in the light of Jesus' command but by His example.

The State Promotional Secretary, Rev. Reedy Saverance, gave his annual report. MSA to accept this report and it's recommendations. (cf. Appen. II). The moderator called for a show of hands of those who would send a special contribution of at least \$10 to finance the proposed recommendations.

The report of the State Educational Director, Rev. Billy Morris, was given and adopted, by proper motion. (cf. Appen. III) The moderator suggested that an offering be taken to be divided equally between the F. W. B. Bible College and Mt. Olive Junior College. The offering amounted to \$43.00.

The conference recessed for a delicious dinner provided by the host church.

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The conference reassembled with the singing of "Trust and Obey." Rev. William Mishler led in prayer. After reading I Tim. 1:1-15, Rev. W. B. Rogers brought a short devotional message from I Tim. 1:15.

A report of Mt. Olive Junior College was given by Rev. M. L. Johnson. Basing his remarks upon a printed report which was distributed, he presented the various phases of the school program.

Other visitors who came in were recognized and given a seat and voice among us. Rev. William Mishler, Rev. Bobby Poole, and Rev. Randy Cox.

After the singing of a hymn, Dr. L. C. Johnson, President of the F. W. B. Bible College, presented the work of the Bible College after clearly outlining the aims, objectives and philosophy of the Bible College.

Rev. Reedy Saverance led in the singing of a hymn and the report of the Children's Home at Turbeville was given by the Supt., Rev. Hardy Rich-

burg. MSA to accept this report and include it in the minutes. (cf. Appen. IV)

The Superannuation report was given by Rev. Clarence Lambert. MSA to accept this report. (cf. Appen. V)

Rev. Julius Vause gave the report of the Public Morals Committee. MSA to accept this report. (cf. Appen. VI) Motion to adjourn until 9:30 Friday morning, November 14th.

### THURSDAY NIGHT

The host pastor, Rev. L. A. Holliday, led the congregation in singing and after prayer by Rev. Bob Rogers, the service was turned over to Rev. Homer Willis, Director of Home Mission Department of the National Association. He gave some introductory remarks and then showed film of several of the fields where the Home Mission work is being carried on. He emphasized the importance of each home missionary and the need of standing behind them. At the close of the service, an offering was taken in the amount of \$21.50 for Home Missions. The service closed in prayer.

### FRIDAY MORNING

The conference convened with the singing of two hymns. Rev. L. A. Holliday led in prayer, and Rev. Alfred Cates read from Gen. 11:1-9 and commented briefly.

Visiting brethren were recognized and given a seat, voice and every privilege except that of voting. They included Rev. Raymond Riggs, Rev. Carlisle Hanna, Rev. Lonnie Graves, and Rev. Eddie Corn.

The minutes of the Thursday session were read. MSA to accept them.

An announcement was made concerning the illness of Rev. K. V. Shutes' son. MSA to have special prayer and send a telegram to the family expressing our concern.

The late churches reported.

The State League Report was given by Rev. Bob Rogers. MSA to accept this report. (cf. Appen. VII)

The report of the State Sunday School Board was submitted by Rev. Carroll Alexander. MSA that the report be accepted. (cf. Appen. VIII)

MSA that the Credentials Committee be responsible for the enrolling of delegates to the state association.

The Woman's Auxiliary Report was given by Mrs. Rufus Coffey. MSA to receive this report. (cf. Appen. XII)

The delegates to the National Association were nominated. MSA that the following represent at the National: Mr. Carl Jordan, Mr. LaVerne Hanna, Mr. Waitus Fulton, Mr. Harold Lloyd, Mrs. A. F. Lawter.

Mr. Louis Bass Hanna was appointed on the Nominating Committee to replace Rev. Ed Gaskins, who was absent.

The Resolutions Committee reported. After discussing the report, it was accepted by a majority vote. (cf. Appen. IX)

The President of Mt. Olive Junior College, Rev. Burkette Raper, was recognized and given an opportunity to speak in behalf of the institution which he represents. Rev. Mr. Raper and Rev. Joe Fort, Editor of the Free Will Baptist, were given a seat, voice, and all privileges except that of voting.

The conference recessed before the Mission Service. The service was conducted by Rev. L. A. Holliday, State Foreign Missions Director. Rev. Mr. Holliday reported of the progress of Foreign Missions in the state. We have

exceeded our quota of giving by \$1,022.90 to date. He then introduced Rev. Raymond Riggs, National Director of Foreign Missions. He called upon the association to pause for a special prayer in behalf of our missionaries. Miss Eula Mae Martin was introduced and gave her testimony. It was announced that she would be leaving for Brazil as a registered nurse shortly after Jan. 1, 1959. Rev. Carlisle Hanna, our missionary to India, was introduced and after presenting some urgent needs of the field, he brought a short message from Psalm 115:12. Brother Riggs gave a successful formula for meeting the challenge of today. He emphasized Paul's testimony in the following reference, as the formula: I Tim. 1:15, Gal. 2:20, Phil. 3:13, 14 and I Cor. 9:22. An offering in the amount of \$56 was taken for Miss Eula Mae Martin's account.

The matter of support for Rev. Carlisle Hanna was presented. MSA that the state association underwrite \$75 monthly support for Rev. Carlisle Hanna. MSA that Brother Riggs be instructed to apply the first \$75 received each month from this state to Brother Hanna's account. The conference then recessed for a delicious turkey dinner prepared by the host church.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The meeting was opened with singing and Rev. Billy Morris led in prayer. Rev. M. H. Mellette conducted a Memorial Service. After reading Rev. 14:13, Rev. A. J. Parker of Hemingway, S. C. was commemorated. Rev. W. L. Jernigan closed the service with prayer.

Several special prayer requests were made and after the singing of Amazing Grace, Rev. Julius Vause led in prayer.

The State Home Mission Report was given by Rev. Fred Powers. MSA to accept this report. (cf. Appen. X)

The Finance Committee reported. MSA to receive it. Also the Treasurer's report was given. MSA to adopt. (cf. Appen. XI) Churches are requested to send an extra contribution to the state treasurer.

The Grievance Committee reported verbally that all was happy and harmonious. MSA to accept this joyous report.

The 1959 State Association was invited to the Beaver Creek Association by the High Point Church in Lancaster. MSA to accept this invitation.

The Nominating Committee reported and MSA to accept the report. (cf. Directory)

MSA to delete item 2 of the duties of the state promotional secretary. Rev. W. B. Rogers was elected Christian Education Director of the state by motion.

Rev. William Mishler spoke in behalf of the National Sunday School Board and its activities in providing literature for the denomination. Rev. Joe Fort spoke in behalf of the Ayden Press and expressed the intentions of the press to continue to supply literature to those desiring to order from them.

MSA to stand in appreciation for the hospitality extended by the host church and the services of Miss Mary Lou Hicks and Miss Edna Young.

An announcement was made that the Spiritual Life Conference will be held in Feb. at the New Prospect Church in the Hanna Community out from Lake City on Hwy. 278.

MSA that as the conference adjourned that a standing vote of apprecia-

tion be expressed to the Moderator and other officers and committees for the services rendered.

## STATISTICAL REPORT BEAVER CREEK CONFERENCE

### Membership:

Membership at the beginning of year .....	1,375
Total increase this year .....	275
Present membership .....	1,508

### Ministers:

Ordained .....	28
Licensed .....	11

### Finances:

Total receipts for the year .....	\$ 39,848.62
Expenditures for the year:	
Childrens Home .....	\$ 739.22
Foreign Missions .....	115.76
Home Missions .....	375.70
Pastors .....	24,406.26
Revivals .....	1,389.12
Building & Repair .....	5,499.63
Total .....	\$ 32,525.69

### Property

Total number of churches .....	17
Value of Church Property .....	\$159,075.00

MODERATOR: Rev. Paul Shehan, Arcadia, S. C.

CLERK: Mrs. A. F. Lawter, Lockhart, S. C.

## THE EASTERN CONFERENCE

### Membership:

Membership at the beginning of year .....	395
Total increase this year .....	11
Present membership .....	406

### Ministers:

Total .....	10
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### Finances:

Balance brought forward .....	\$ 1,142.75
Total receipts for the year .....	9,724.38
Grand Total .....	\$11,531.74
Expenditures for the year .....	9,435.08
Balance in all treasuries .....	2,086.66

### Property:

Number of churches .....	5
Value of Church Properties .....	\$41,900.00

MODERATOR: Rev. T. A. Williams, Rt. 2, Hemingway, S. C.

CLERK: J. M. Williams, Rt. 2, Hemingway, S. C.

## THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE

<b>Membership:</b>	
Membership at beginning of year .....	544
Total increase this year .....	11
Present membership .....	555
<b>Ministers:</b>	
Ordained .....	13
Licensed .....	1
<b>Finances:</b>	
Balance brought forward .....	\$ 2,879.47
Total receipts for the year .....	19,982.64
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Grand Total .....	\$22,862.11
Expenditures for the year .....	20,413.37
Balance .....	\$2,448.74

<b>Property:</b>	
Number of churches (1—full-time, 8—half-time)	
Value of church property .....	\$76,000.00
Value of parsonages .....	5,000.00
<b>Services:</b>	
9 Sunday Schools, 3 Leagues, 3 Auxiliaries, 6 Prayer meetings.	
MODERATOR: Rev. J. A. Hucks, Rt. 3, Box 334, Conway, S. C.	
CLERK: F. E. Powell, Rt. 2, Johnsonville, S. C.	

## SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

<b>Membership:</b>	
Membership at beginning of year .....	2615
Total increase this year .....	277
Present membership .....	2817
<b>Finances:</b>	
Balance brought forward .....	\$ 20,629.45
Total receipts for the year .....	256,276.09
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Grand total .....	\$276,905.54
<b>Expenditures for the year:</b>	
Children's Home .....	\$ 6,198.11
Christian Education .....	2,913.55
Charity .....	1,597.75
Foreign Missions .....	5,321.06
Home Missions .....	1,193.66
Superannuation .....	415.72
Revivals .....	3,305.70
Pastor's Salaries .....	51,820.15
Building and repairs .....	18,584.25
Operating Expenses .....	21,933.21
Convention Fees .....	1,263.43
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Total .....	-\$114,546.59(?)
Balance .....	6,476.67

### Property:

Number of churches:	
(17, full time, 5 half time.)	
Value of churches .....	\$409,600.00
Number of parsonages .....	8
Value of parsonages .....	83,000.00
Rev. Edison Kirby, Clerk	
Lake City, S. C.	
Rev. Fred Powers, Moderator	
Timmonsville, S. C.	

# APPENDICES

## APPENDIX I

### TAKING OUR POSSESSIONS

NUMBERS 13:30

"And Caleb stilled the people, before Moses, and said, let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it."

From the beginning of time until this good hour, in every great undertaking there has been opposition. We only have to look on the pages of holy writ to find that this is true. This was the case in the building of the ark, the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem, the preaching of the gospel by the early church, and this case under our observation is no exception to the rule.

However it is encouraging to note that those faithful servants of God never tired under the strain, but kept incessantly plodding on conquering, and to conquer. We would do well as we look upon the fields that are already white unto harvest, and resolutely face the task that is ours to do, to remember those faithful ones that have gone before us, they succeeded, and we will too. Let's hear faithful Caleb say it as God would have us to say it. "Let us go up at once, and possess it for we are well able to overcome it."

First, we note that the task is ours "let us" many time we have to face and accept responsibility single handed. Such was the case with Joshua and Caleb, ten said it couldn't be done, two said it could be done, what do you say? Can we succeed in the field of education? If your answer is yes and I sincerely hope it is, I will make this observation. We must work together, and why do I say so? The Bible says in Mark 3:25, "And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand." As you know we have two colleges at present, namely The Bible College at Nashville, Tennessee, and Mount Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, North Carolina; also The Piedmont Institute, Cramerton, North Carolina. All of these institutions are worthy of our support, and prayers, so lets be congenial, kind, considerate, and cooperative thus accomplishing in the field of education that we will be justly proud of. Thence our boys and girls can be prepared in our own institutions for their life's work, whether it be the ministry, missions, law, medicine, banking, merchandising, farming, engineering, bookkeeping, nursing, etc. We have every reason to believe that the Lord would be pleased for

our laymen to be educated as well as our Ministers and Missionaries, and truly our Ministers and Missionaries must be prepared if they are to do the job most effectively.

Second, "Go up" the path of the Christian is an upward one. Someone has said the world owes a lot of its progress to those that were not satisfied to let well enough alone. How true. And the Lord's orders to us are march on to victory. Joshua and Caleb could have said with the other ten, why not remain here? We can't take that land. But they were not satisfied to let what some would call well enough do. We have observed in our own respective denomination those that would in the face of severe opposition say we must keep going fellows, we have a job to do. Thank God for faithful soldiers like that.

Third, "At once" There is no time to loose, brethren. It's imperative that the job be done now. We all have observed in our day the exciting sinfulness of sin, and its constant march.

Many conditions are existing now, and not being thought of as any harm whatsoever, that would have made us blush indeed in our boyhood days. This being true we are sometimes inclined to ask ourselves what have we been doing? Have we been as diligent as we should? If not may we ask His forgiveness with the promise to do better from this day on. You will note that Jesus said in Luke 16:8b that, "the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." And we are all aware of the fact that the people of the business, and entertainment world don't let any grass grow under their feet, neither should we.

Fourth, "And possess it." Its the will of the Lord that we take possession of our own. There is no use of timidity. However we are to use tact, but make no mistake about it, take our own. It belongs to us for God has designated it so. Has not Jesus told us to make disciples of all nations?

Fifth, "We are well able to overcome it." Hear Jesus say it, "All power in Heaven, and earth is given unto me." Then hear the great apostle Paul say, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." Hence we have "nothing to fear, but fear itself and we read in the word that "Perfect love casteth out all fear." Therefore how many churches should we pledge ourselves to organize and build during the ensuing year? One a month, or two possibly more. How much should we do for our schools, missions, superannuation, childrens homes, etc.

May the Lord help us to get our forces together, and march up the mountain with so much determination and vigor, until every giant will take to his heels, and trot down on the other side, thus giving way for our complete possession. Then we will raise the banner of King Immanuel, and shout the praises of our Lord and Saviour.

W. L. Jernigan, Moderator

## APPENDIX II

### REPORT OF STATE PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY

Your Promotional Secretary wishes to make the following report:

Brought forward from last year .....	\$ 12.78
Total Received .....	\$183.94
Total before Expenses .....	\$196.72

Expenses:	
Postage .....	\$55.43
Supplies .....	80.68
Bank Chg. ....	.50
Travel .....	20.00
Secretarial Exp. ....	10.00

Total Expenses .....	\$166.61
Balance in Bank, November 13, 1958 .....	\$ 30.11

During the past 12 months the Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. We have had the privilege of attending the Central Conference, the 2nd District Quarterly Meetings of the S. C. Conferescce the 1st District and the Beaver Creek Ministers Conference. In each meeting we were privileged to present the cause of Christ and to encourage support of all phases of the work.

Three thousand two hundred and sixteen copies of The Post have been mailed to the pastors and church leaders of our state. Also, copies have been mailed to our Missionaries and to Headquarters building in Nashville, Tenn. However, if The Post is to continue to be mimeographed and mailed to you and your church leaders it will be necessary for the State Association to purchase a mimeograph machine. The State Association voted last year to buy this machine, but sufficient funds have not been given. We trust that The Post is meeting a need in the spiritual life of you leaders, and that you will go back to your church and receive a special offering toward the purchase of this much needed equipment.

As your Promotional Secretary we wish to thank each of you pastors and clerks for co-operating in maintaining a usable mailing list. It has been a pleasure to serve you these past two years.

We wish to renew two of the recommendations adopted last year:

1. The State Association send a letter of appreciation to the First Free Will Baptist Church is Florence, for the use of their mimeograph machine in mimeographing The Post for the past year.
2. A mimeograph machine and a standard typewriter be purchased for the purpose of doing the work of the promotional office.

Respectfully submitted: Reedy Saverance, Timmons ville

## APPENDIX III

### REPORT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR

To the South Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptists, November 13, 1958:

During the past twelve months (November 1, 1957 through October 31, 1958) gifts from our state to the Free Will Baptist Bible College have amounted to \$2,874.93. Of this amount, \$2,159.19 was given to the general fund and \$715.74 to the building fund. While not any church nor individual has given extremely large gifts this year, we are very grateful to those who have given consistently during the year.

The board has granted two loans this year in the amount of \$250 and \$200 respectively. These loans were drawn from the Poston-Baggett Loan Fund.

We urge our people to support our Bible College during the 1959 church year; and we are especially anxious for all churches to send as offering to

be included in the College's Victory Celebration December 17-18, 1958.

Respectfully submitted,  
Billy Morris

## APPENDIX IV

### DIGEST REPORT OF CHILDRENS HOME

We have sold in this conference year, 70 Hogs at an average of \$39.43 totaling, \$2,760.24.

The nearest figure that we can arrive at in corn consumption is 900 bushels at \$1.50 per bushel. This would total \$1,350.00  
We used a Supplement with this corn to the amount of \$762.21  
Combining cost of corn and supplement, we have a figure of \$2,112.21  
Subtracting this from our gross sales, we have a balance of \$648.03  
We built a parlor for Hogs at a cost of \$521.10  
This subtracted from the balance, \$648.03, leaves us only \$126.93  
ALTHOUGH:

In this same expense we raised 14 hogs which were used for Home Consumption at \$39.43 for a total of \$39.30  
Which means an overall profit of \$1,073.25  
Or 51 per cent, with parlor included.

### Other Commodities, and Expenses

Cotton Sales	\$ 631.38
Tobacco	4,873.84
Two Calves	147.20
Miscellaneous Commodities	501.70
Making a Total of Other Commodities of	\$6,153.12
This added to the gross sales of Hogs gives a Total of	\$8,913.36
The expenses of operating the farm are listed as:	
Farmers Salary	\$1,200.00
Expenses of Raising Hogs	2,112.21
Other Miscellaneous Expenses	712.96
Cost of Fertilizer for Farm	731.22
Total of All Farm Expenses	\$4,756.39
Total Expenses Subtracted from Gross Sales leaves	4,156.97

Which is the profit received from the Farm this conference year.

If you look at your annual report, you notice we only added to our bank account \$796.27 this year.

We bought a Tractor at	\$1,100.00
We also bought a Station Wagon for	\$1,339.00
Built a Pig Parlor for	521.10

At the present time we have on the farm 15 sows, 63 weaner pigs, 16 shoats weighing around 100 pounds.

Also nine milch cows. Six with calves by their sides.

### SOME INFORMATION ON OUR FINANCES

Out of the total of \$20,557.73 — \$8,913.36 came from the farm, or 44 per cent. Our churches and other sources accounted for only \$11,644.37.

In the last three years	1956	1957	1958
S. C. Conference gave	\$6,026.94	\$6,153.21	\$5,494.37
Beaver Creek Assn. gave	1,659.67	1,036.17	859.00

Central Assn. gave	572.14	477.91	471.73
Eastern Association gave	1,113.03	1,026.76	1,054.14
Our Receipts for this year			\$20,557.73
Disbursements			19,761.46

Balance increase in all funds	\$ 796.27
Balance brought forward from last year	6,844.94

	\$ 7,641.21
In General Fund	\$ 4,983.35
In Building Fund	1,595.46
In Farm Fund	934.44
In Ladies Auxiliary Clothes Fund	127.96

## APPENDIX V

### "STATE SUPERANNUATION REPORT" 1957-58

We sincerely urge all of the conferences, associations, quarterly meeting, churches, and individuals in South Carolina to support State Superannuation since we are now in position, and have already started to help some of our aged preachers, and there are others that will be applying for Superannuation aid in the near future. Therefore, we need the support of everyone that these old preachers may not have to suffer in their last days on earth.

Financial Report as of November 8, 1958:

#### RECEIPTS:

Cash on Hand Nov. 14, 1957		\$1,129.29
Central Union	\$19.00	
Eastern Union	30.00	
1st S. C. Quarterly Conference	10.00	
2nd S. C. Quarterly Conference	54.49	
Bethany Womans Aux.	22.50	
South-Side Church (ear marked pastors insur.)	53.67	
1st Church Florence	53.32	
Manning Church	52.31	
Mt. Elon Church	67.90	
Beulah Church	63.29	
Liberty Church	44.00	
High Hill Church	50.00	
Oates Church	21.00	
Lebnon Church	4.00	
Total receipts for year	\$ 546.28	
Grand total for year		\$1,675.56

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

To Rev. K. V. Shutes pro. Sect. of Nat'l. Board, for insurance on South-Side Church's pastor, (as ear marked for same)	\$ 5367
K. V. Shutes National Board 25 per cent of receipts	123.11
Expenses for telephone calls, car expense, etc.	24.00
Rev. J. B. Oliver (State Superannuation Aid)	180.00
Total pd. out	380.78
Balance in treasure in Citizens Bank in Darlington as of Nov. 8, 1958	\$1,294.78

Respectfully submitted

Rev. Clarence E. Lambert, State Director

## APPENDIX VI

### REPORT OF PUBLIC MORALS COMMITTEE

We, your committee on the Public Morals make the following report.

The Christian Ministry, which has for its purpose Men's spiritual improvement and salvation of soul. Therefore, we should be governed by virtuous conduct at all times.

To do justly, tender justice with mercy and walk honorably with thy God.

"But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of the ministry." II Tim. 4:5.

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

Signed: J. B. Vause, Fred Powers, Clarence Lambert

## APPENDIX VII

### REPORT OF STATE LEAGUE CONVENTION

From every quarter of our denomination there comes the universal cry for leaders. There are many who possess great potentialities and want to advance; the fields are white unto harvest but the "leaders" are few. "Where will the help come from, you ask?" The answer is Free Will Baptist League. The "laborers" are few because the "leaders" are few; and the "leaders" are few because the "leagues" and "leaguers" are few.

The purpose in FWBL is to train leaders for all phases of our church work from the local church to the National Association. There are several means employed by our State League Convention with hopes of attaining the objective.

First, there are the weekly meetings of the league in the local churches. A program is given each Sunday night by the boys and girls of the church. This program is not only Scriptural and informative and a spiritual blessing but is also great experience in actual speaking in public. Buried in many young lives are talents which need to be discovered and developed. The answer is FWBL.

Another means employed in the district league convention. The leaguers of the district get together for fellowship, competition, and to learn new ideas. This phase of the work has greatly suffered in some districts due to many churches not having leagues and other leagues being poorly attended. Do you have a league? If not you will still be crying for leaders in your church for another generation. You need leaders and your youth need the chance to learn now.

Another important means of attaining our goal is the State League Convention which meets yearly. We have 30 leagues in the state and approximately 1800 leaguers. At our state convention this year there were 18 leagues represented by approximately 200 people. The Efficiency Banner went to High Hill and Beulah churches for one-half year each. The theme was "Call for Crusaders" and a stirring message was given by Rev. Bobby Jackson urging leaguers to retreat from the world and to advance for Jesus.

One of our most important and most fruitful means of attaining our goal is the youth camp sponsored each summer by the State League Convention. This year a total of 223 attended during the two weeks session. Needed and informative classes were taught in Bible, Missions, and etiquette. Approximately \$50 was taken in two offerings for Foreign Missions. Wholesome recreation was enjoyed by everyone and services were conducted each

night. Evangelistic services were conducted the second week by Rev. Jack Paramore. During the second week 15 stepped out to follow Jesus in salvation and 50 dedicated their lives to "the will of God." We urge all churches to send your youth to camp. We believe that our camp is exercising a powerful influence over the youth of our state for the glory and service of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We urge all churches to maintain a strong league and to support enthusiastically all phases of the State and National League work. If you are interested in organizing a league contact Rev. Carroll Alexander, Johnsonville, S. C.

Signed: Bob Rogers

## APPENDIX VIII

### SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

We, your Sunday School board submit the following report:

1. Realizing that our state Sunday School work is no stronger than the local Sunday School, we urge all churches to exercise extreme care in the election of all Sunday School leaders as to faithfulness to duty, burden to teach, and spiritual qualifications.

2. Realizing the need for more hours of fundamental Bible teaching for our children, we recommend that all pastors and Sunday School leaders lead their churches in at least one week of well-planned and well-prepared daily vacation Bible school each summer.

3. Realizing the fact that many children and young people are slipping through our fingers into the adulthood of a hardened heart and a Christless eternity, we earnestly urge all pastors and Sunday School leaders, especially teachers, to launch a prayerful and Spirit-led program of Sunday School evangelism.

4. We recommend that all pastors observe needs and conduct necessary study courses to better qualify Sunday School teachers for their work.

5. We recommend that the State Sunday School Field Director and the State Sunday School Board plan and execute a State Sunday School Convention for the improvement and strengthening of our Sunday Schools in more faithfully teaching the Word of God.

Respectfully submitted:

Carroll A. Alexander

## APPENDIX IX

### REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We the Resolutions Committee make the following report:

WHEREAS there is a need for Christian colleges in which Free Will Baptist students may obtain their education; and

WHEREAS there are two Free Will Baptist colleges available for the youth of our churches in South Carolina, namely Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tennessee, and Mount Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, North Carolina; therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the South Carolina Association of Free Will Baptists reaffirm its endorsement of Free Will Baptist Bible College, and furthermore be it

RESOLVED that the Association also endorse Mount Olive Junior College; and be it also

RESOLVED that we commend both of these colleges to our churches for their support, and that we urge our students to attend one of these colleges.

RESOLUTION that item three of the regulations governing "The Poston-Baggett Memorial Loan Fund" be amended to read: "The assistance is available to any qualified person enteringg Free Will Baptist Bible College or Mount Olive Junior College for any phase of full-time Christian Service."

That item six (6) be amended to read:

"All loans approved shall be paid directly to Free Will Baptist Bible College or Mount Olive Junior College in accord with the college chosen by the student."

Whereas, we recommend that our denomination in our state use our ministry for our revivals.

J. B. Vause  
A. F. Lawter  
L. P. Brown

### APPENDIX X

#### REPORT OF STATE HOME MISSION BOARD

The Beaver Creek Conference has reported one new church organized during the past Conference year in their district. This is the only new church reported organized in the state for this Conference year.

The Home Mission Board makes the following recommendations:

(1) All funds received by the State Home Mission treasure be divided as follows:

(a) Twenty-five percent be sent direct to the National Home Mission treasurer.

(b) Sventy-five percent be retained in the state Home Mission treasure for the support of the state home mission program.

(2) Each Conference comprising Free Will Baptist of the state of South Carolina explore every possibility in their respective district for a new Free Will Baptist church and report findings to the State Home Mission board with such recommendations as is needed for the Home Mission Board to assist in the organization of a new church.

(3) That each Conference make a special effort to organize at least one new church in it's district during the Conference year.

(4) That each church, making up the Free Will Baptist denomination of this state, write in its budget an allocation for the support of the Home Mission program.

#### Treasurer's Report

Balance: (Guaranty Bank & Trust Company, Florence, S. C.) .....	\$1,706.59
TOTAL RECEIVED FROM ALL SOURCES .....	1,056.79
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$2,763.38</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	
Supplies .....	\$ 24.78
Telephone .....	6.94
Paid to National Home Mission Treasurer .....	109.29
Auditor for last year's books .....	6.50

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS .....	\$147.51	\$ 147.51
BALANCE (Guaranty Bank & Trust Company) .....		2,615.87

Signed: Fred Powers

### APPENDIX XI FINANCIAL REPORT

The committee on Finance makes the following report:

Regular budget contributions .....	\$ 362.50
Special offering for the colleges .....	43.00
Home Mission offering .....	21.50
Foreign Mission offering (Miss Martin) .....	56.00

Total .....

Signed: Joe Lynch, J. C. Vause, W. L. Hall

The Treasurer's Report is as follows:

Balance Brought Forward .....	\$ 356.88
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Disbursements:

Foreign Missions .....	\$ 46.69
Flowers .....	5.00
Bible College .....	19.50
Mt. Olive College .....	19.50
National Association .....	50.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 140.69</b>

Balance in Treasury .....	\$ 216.19
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(Note: Minutes & Clerk for 1957 not paid)

The Poston-Baggette Loan Fund Report:

Balance Brought Forward .....	\$ 956.35
Receipt .....	58.47

Total .....

Disbursements:

Alvin Davis (1-25-58) .....	\$250.00
Maybelle Boseman (10-24-58) .....	200.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 450.00</b>

Balance on hand .....	\$ 564.82
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Signed: Joe Lynch, Treasurer

### APPENDIX XII

#### REPORT OF STATE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CONVENTION

Number of auxiliaries reporting .....	26
Enrollment at beginning of Convention Year .....	545
Present enrollment .....	593
Average attendance .....	369
Number of Youth Auxiliaries: .....	G.T.A. 15, Y.P.A. 18, B.A. 3
Total membership: .....	G.T.A. 183, Y.P.A. 223, B.A. 52
Number Mission Declamation Contest held: .....	7
Number D.V.B.S. assisted in: .....	19
Number active church libraries .....	3
Number Bible College students assisted .....	21

Number Study Courses held .....	54
Number of Daily Bible readers .....	177
Number of Family Altars .....	112
Number of weeks of Prayer conducted .....	46
Total amount of Self-Denial offerings from Weeks of Prayer .....	\$427.47
Number of souls won .....	35
Amount raised for National project (mission station in Africa) .....	\$1,069.68
S. C. was the first state to raise her quota and went over the quota by .....	\$269.68
Co-Laborer Offerings .....	\$215.87
Memorial Student Loan Fund .....	\$25.00
Y.P.A. National Project (bicycles for missionaries) .....	\$111.66
(the highest amount raised from any state)	
G.T.A. National Project (visual aids for missionaries) .....	\$37.81
(the second highest of any state)	
Special offerings through other channels .....	\$1,120.58

This past year the second woman's auxiliary camp was held with 39 women attending. We feel that this camp contributes much to the individual life, and to the local auxiliary. A concentrated study is conducted of the different phases of the work, and also outstanding missionary services are of great value.

A new endeavor in the state is the state auxiliary paper "The Informer," which is to be published quarterly and sent to each member in the state.

Mrs. Eunice Edwards, the W.N.A.C. Executive Secretary, visited our state this year and went into every district with workshops.

Other firsts were: State Youth Fellowship Day; A Spring Youth Banquet, to offset the popular Junior-Senior Prom.

Miss Priscilla Denham of the Bay Branch Church, Timmons ville, was the National Essay winner on the subject "The Worth of a Family Altar."

Miss Maybelline Eaddy of the West Side Church, Johnsonville, was the second place winner of the National G.T.A. Declamation Contest on Missions.

We praise God for that which has been accomplished, for truly "Great things hath He done." The purpose of the Woman's Auxiliary is to help the churches teach and support missions. Missions is our goal and our aim. It is our purpose for existing. We strive to keep this as the center of our work, for we believe when missions is foremost, God will most surely bless. We are "Laborers together with God" as we seek to send the gospel to those who have never heard. We covet your prayers, interest and support as we endeavor to go forward in this phase of our church work.

Mrs. Rufus Coffey, Pres.

Mrs. Bob Rogers, Rec. Sec.

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

**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 co-operate 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 leagues, Superannuation, and Woman's 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 licensed Free Will Baptist 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 Annual Association and Quarterly Conference may represent in this Association on the basis of two delegates for each Association or Quarterly Conference of one thousand members or less, and one delegate for each additional thousand members or fractions thereof.

**Section Three.** Any local church that desires may send an additional delegate, and each church shall send a contribution of \$10.00 or more.

**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 elected by this body 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.

These officers shall 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 the 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.

## 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 nor 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 committee 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.

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 on 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 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 Association.

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.

11. The President shall not allow discussions that are un-Christian 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 the 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.