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ANNUAL SESSION
of the
French Broad
Association
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Free Will Baptists

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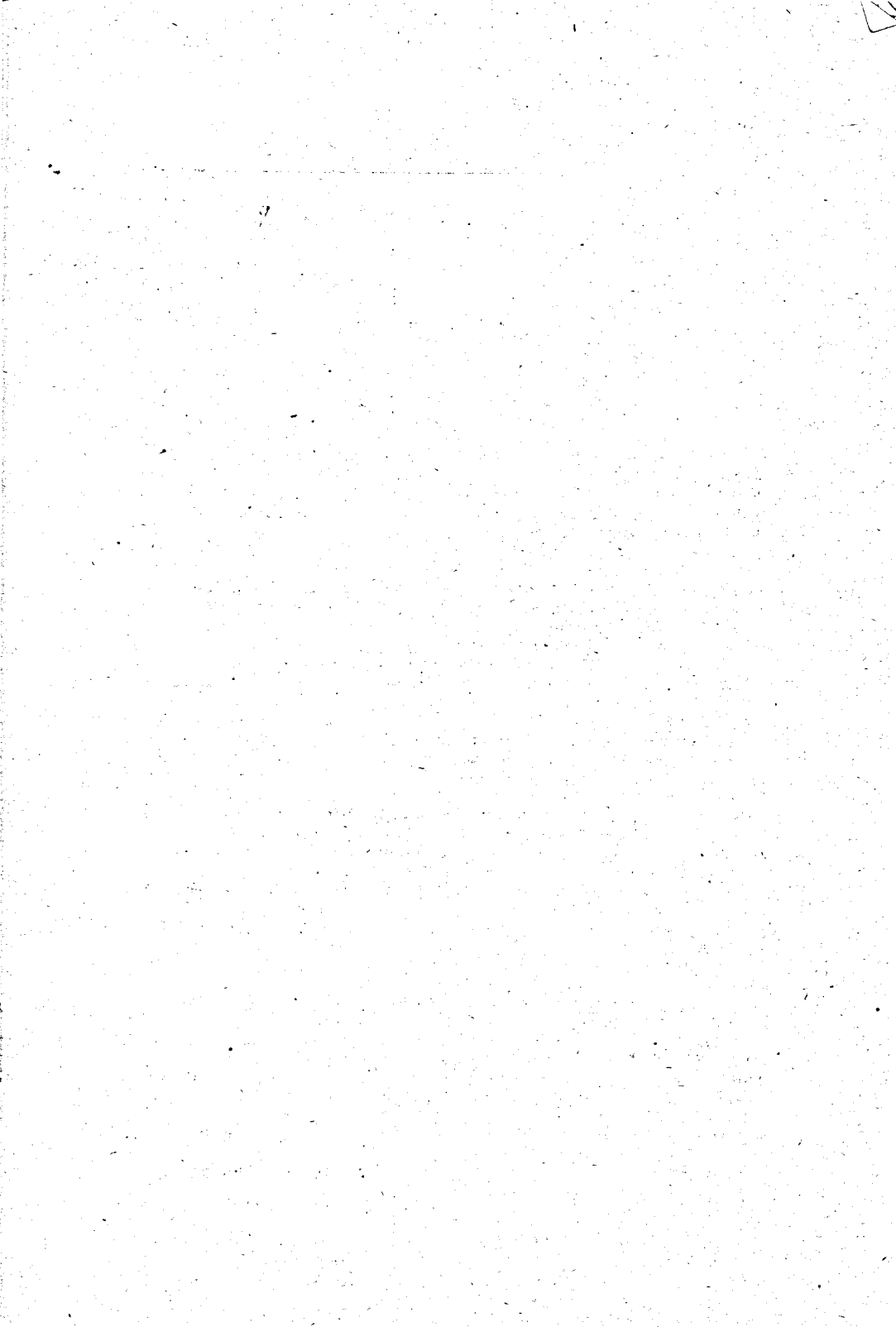
Held With Mountain View Church
Near Leicester, N. C.

August 23, 24 and 25, 1945

The next session of the French Broad Free Will Baptist Association will be held with Homer's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church near Black Mountain, N. C., beginning Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1946. Rev. Ervin Sluder will preach the Introductory Sermon at 11:00 A. M.

Rev. B. E. Guthrie, Moderator, Walnut, N. C.
Mrs. R. H. Reese, Clerk, 27 Hollywood St., Asheville, N. C.





PROCEEDINGS

Commencing Thursday, August 23, 1945, at 10:00 A. M. Opening song, "I Am Resolved". Prayer by Rev. J. B. Brigman. Scripture reading by Rev. Ralph Mumpower. Lesson read, St. John 16th Chapter. Special prayer of thanksgiving by Rev. W. L. Howell.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Rev. B. E. Guthrie was elected Moderator and Mrs. R. H. Reese was elected Clerk.

ELECTION OF READING CLERKS

Mrs. McMahon and Miss Josephine Mumpower.

VISITING MINISTERS WELCOMED

Rev. N. H. Griffin, Rev. Grady Shepherd, Rev. J. P. Mason, Baptist Association; Rev. Cecil J. Higgins, Jack's Creek Association; Rev. H. H. Snyder, Beaver Creek Association; Rev. W. H. Calvert, Rev. L. S. Gray, Rev. O. M. Hilburn, Piedmont Association; Rev. M. L. Bowman, Union Association; Rev. M. N. Godwin; Rev. Zeb Early.

Met again at 11:00 o'clock. Song, "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes". Address of welcome by the pastor, Rev. Ervin Sluder. Song, "At The Cross" Song by Brother Joe Horner. Prayer by Rev. N. H. Griffin. Sermon by Rev. Alva Ellis. Lesson read, St. Luke 15-17. A good message by the speaker.

Met Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Bobby Harris. Scripture reading by Wayne Smith.

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES

SHOAL HILL: Lyda Brown, Ethel Brown, Howard Payne, Dorothy Payne, Mollie Henderson and Ruth Henderson.

MARSHALL: Fred Bowman, Jerry Ramsey, Edd Sams, Mrs. Fred Bowman, Inez Reese, Nora Nix, Fleet Nix, Sally Ramsey and Jason Maynor.

SWANNANOVA: Mrs. C. L. McMahon, Mrs. J. M. Watkins, Mrs. Marie Lee, Mrs. A. L. Wilson, Wayman McMahon, Walter Wilson and Elzie McMahon.

HOMER'S CHAPEL: Rev. G. E. Cody.

RED HILL: J. B. McDevitt, Mrs. Ronald Fisher, Mrs. Queen Ramsey, Fred Rigsby, Jeter Ramsey and Talmadge Blankenship.

HORNEY HEIGHTS: J. E. Self, Joe Randall, Mrs. Bynum Lance, Mrs. Fred Ellis, Mrs. John Rickman and Mrs. Alva Ellis.

CEDAR HILL: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Spivey, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dover, Mrs. Edna Ballard, Mrs. Grace Cook and Mrs. Ida Conner.

BARNARDSVILLE: D. H. Harris, Walter Hyatt, T. L. Cole and Mrs. Docie Hogan.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: C. A. Riddle, D. C. Mundy and Elizabeth Massey.

SHADY GROVE: Jonah Bullman and Jack Bullman.

MT. ZION: Johnny Revis, Mrs. Faye Revis and Mrs. Anna Collins.

WALNUT: Mrs. James Rice and Mrs. B. E. Guthrie.

AVERY'S CREEK: Wayne Lisenbee, Arthur Satterfield and Floyd Metcalf.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Mack Fender and Mrs. Mary Peek.

ASHEVILLE: J. F. Jamerson, Mrs. Carl Dockery and Mrs. C. W. Moss.

PAINT FORK: A. W. Mundy and Cal White.

UNION VALLEY: Mr. J. R. Swan and Rev. Pearson Bradley.

HAZEL GREEN: Mr. R. H. Spivey, Mrs. R. H. Spivey, Mrs. Willie Warren and Mr. Frank Lunsford.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Will Radcliffe, Roland Sluder, Lois Sluder, Mrs. Usyless

Brown, Mrs. L. A. Tipton and Herman Rogers.

RAY'S CHAPEL: Mr. Will Rice, Mr. Steve Ballew, Mr. Floyd Ray and Mr. Jessie Rice.

LAUREL FORK: Vance Conner, Henry Davis and R. W. Ponder.

OLD FORT: Lola Thomas, Elar Pressley and Elmer Conner.

HYATT'S CREEK: Rev. Sam Chandler and Rev. W. L. Queen.

MT. BETHEL: Wiltz Silvers, Harriet Silvers, Earl Ponder and Lottie Shepherd.

UNION CHAPEL: W. A. Ward, W. F. Banks and J. W. Fortner.

BURGIN'S CHAPEL: Mr. J. G. Harris, T. L. Guffey, Mrs. Connie Guffey and D. L. Massey.

Voted to accept the Canton Church into full fellowship in the French Broad Association.

A move and second was made to take the Burgin's Chapel Church under the watchcare of the association for one year.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

ARRANGEMENTS: Pastor and delegates of the Mountain View Church.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK: Mrs. Loy Ballard, Mrs. Marie Lee, Mrs. Alva Ellis.

LADIES AID: Mrs. Edna Ballard, Mrs. A. L. Wilson and Mrs. Bertie Spivey.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Rev. Wayne Smith and Rev. W. L. Howell.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS: Miss Frances Radford and Miss Josephine Mumpower.

PASTOR'S SUPPORT: Mr. C. L. McMahon.

EDUCATION: Rev. W. L. Moretz and Mrs. Loy Ballard.

PERIODICALS: Mrs. J. B. McDevitt and Mrs. Ronald Fisher.

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE: A standing resolution written by Rev. Henry Ballard.

CLD MINISTERS BOARD: A standing committee: J. B. McDevitt, A. S. Reeves, Clinton Hawkins, Jeter Ramsey and Jerry Ramsey.

DEEPER DEVOTION: A standing resolution written by Rev. W. W. Ballard.

OBITUARIES: Mrs. Lee Bryan and Mrs. Wilson.

RESOLUTIONS: A standing committee: Rev. J. A. Martin and Rev. B. E. Guthrie.

FINANCE: Mr. Jerry Ramsey and Mr. J. B. McDevitt.

TEMPERANCE: Rev. J. A. Martin and Rev. W. L. Moretz.

ORPHANAGE: Mrs. Loy Ballard, Plato Worley and Rev. Alva Ellis.

SESSIONS: First delegate from each church.

Moved to adjourn until Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Song by choir, "I Know I Have Religion". Song by Catherine Gentry, "I Am Building A Home". A special offering was taken for the orphanage. The amount was \$70.21. Prayer by Rev. Cecil J. Higgins. A special song by Brother Joe Horner, "Memories of Mother". Sermon by Rev. M. L. Bowman. Lesson read, Acts 2nd Chapter. A soul stirring message by the speaker. Closed with a handshake and great rejoicing among the Christians.

FRIDAY MORNING SERVICE

Opening song, "Kneel at the Cross". Prayer by Brother Wheeler. Scripture reading by Brother Burleson, Romans 12th chapter.

FRIDAY MORNING 11 O'CLOCK SERVICE

Opening song, "I'm In The Gloryland Way". Prayer by Rev. Ebb Wheeler. Scripture reading, Luke 15:1-2. Sermon by Rev. Carl Wright of Mayo, S. C. A good message by the speaker.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 2:30 O'CLOCK

Opening song, "Tempted and Tried". Scripture reading, Romans 8:28. Prayer by Rev. Ralph Mumpower.

RETIRED MINISTERS' PENSION FUND

Rev. W. L. Howell, Rev. J. B. Brigman and Rev. W. L. Moretz were appointed as committee for Old Minister's Fund. Voted to send 25 percent of public offering each year at the Association to the State Old Ministers' Pension Board.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

TEMPERANCE: A move and second was made to adopt last year's resolution.

Rev. J. A. Martin and Rev. W. L. Moretz, Committee

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK: We, your committee on Young People's Work, wish to urge that every church organize a Free Will Baptist League for their youth, because the league is a training service of the church. Upon it's achievements rests the church of tomorrow.

We further recommend that each church conduct a Dally Vacation Bible School and a Young People's Revival using our young Bible College students or other young people.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Mrs. Marie Lee, Mrs. Alva Ellis, Committee

LADIES AID: Let us be like Mary Magdalene telling the story of Jesus, Matthew 28. Like Dorcas of old, full of good works and almsdeed, Acts 9:36. Consecrated ladies working for our Master every day is the most help spiritually and financially than any other organization of the church. We advise every church to organize a Ladies Aid.

Mrs. Edna Ballard, Mrs. A. L. Wilson and Mrs. Bertie Spivey, Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOLS: We, your committee on Sunday schools, do see the need of teachers being spirit-filled men and women. And do take a greater interest in our children, and to open and close their classes with prayer. We ask all to do their best to stand by their Sunday school. We ask the fathers and mothers to cooperate with their children and that the adult classes elect their teachers only.

Rev. L. Howell and Rev. Wayne Smith, Committee

HOME MISSIONS: "I say unto you, lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest". John 4:35.

The field of preaching, personal work and child evangelism is ready for reaping.

We have a mission as individuals of the church. It isn't our choice, but God's command to care for the orphans. The orphanage at Middlesex is our orphanage. We bought it—they are our children. We must care for them by frequent gifts.

We find that the Free Will Baptist denomination has at the present time foreign mission responsibilities in Cuba and India. These missions are being operated under the supervision of our National Foreign Mission Board with the cooperation of the various State Missions Boards, and our women's organizations.

We suggest that offerings be taken in all our churches once each month through the Sunday school or church service. These offerings may be sent to our State Missions treasurer, Rev. R. C. Wiggs, Ayden, N. C. We especially urge that the month of April, which is special missions month for our state, be devoted to the interest of our missionary program, by special efforts being put forth during that month to raise money for this cause.

We urge that prayer be made constantly for our missionaries, and for the success of the Gospel they carry to the heathen.

Then saith He unto His disciples, "the harvest truly is plenteous, but

the laborers are few".

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." Matthew 9:38.

Miss Frances Radford and Miss Josephine Mumpower, Committee

PASTOR'S SUPPORT: We, your committee on Pastor's Support, submit the following: "Give and it shall be given" Christians must realize that they are not giving to man but to God and His glory. "Even so saith the Lord that they which preach the gospel shall of the gospel live", 1st Cor. 9:14. What other way has the Lord to provide for the gospel to be preached than through His people? "And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house. And of all that thou shall give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee". Genesis 29:22. Bring all your tenth into the storehouse, which is the church, and the Lord will pour you out a blessing, there shall not be room enough to contain.

Wayman McMahan and D. C. Chastine, Committee

EDUCATION: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2nd Timothy 2:15. In the following the will of God in our Christian lives and work, it is essential that we adhere to the foregoing command as given to Timothy by Paul, the best educated minister of his age.

The Bible College at Nashville, Tenn., offers spiritual aid to those studying for the ministry and other phases of Christian work. Seeing the evident need of a better educated ministry and laity, we your committee, recommend that we support this institution with our money and prayers. Our national Board of Education asks the denomination for \$100,000 this year for our school. North Carolina is asked to raise \$20,000 of this amount. We recommend that each church raise its part of this amount.

We further recommend that we join hands with the Free Will Baptists of N. C. in the purchase and support through gifts, prayers and attendance of our assembly ground at Black Mountain, N. C.

Rev. W. L. Moretz and Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Committee

SABBATH OBSERVANCE: We your committee on Sabbath Observance, resolve that all of our members and especially our ministers totally abstain from breaking the Sabbath Day and keep it Holy. The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath. Mark 2:27.

Rev. Ervin Sluder, J. R. Swan, Rev. Cecil J. Higgins, Committee

PERIODICALS: The reading of good literature that will leave a good impression on the minds of the young people, and older ones, too, should be encouraged. The Bible, which is the only book that will stand, should be read and studied and obeyed. We should love it. Then the desire to read literature that would leave an evil impression would be of no pleasure to us. If all Christians would leave off reading things that are of no value to them, their minds would be purer. Then the burden of prayer would be on their mind and heart and God would answer them. Would that our young people today would do this and keep their minds on better things. Evil reading leads to evil thoughts and the spirit of prayer is shut out and that person becomes unfruitful.

Mrs. Ronald Fisher and Mrs. J. B. McDevitt, Committee

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE: We protest against parents giving permits for licenses to children under lawful age. We also protest against marriages of persons who are unfit to care for a family. There is only one Biblical cause for a divorce. We will not allow our ministers to officiate at the marriage of any divorced persons unless they are satisfied that the ones to be

married are justified in their separation.

Written by Rev. J. Henry Ballard, deceased

DEEPER DEVOTION: Spirituality is the life and power of religion of Jesus Christ. The vocation of religion is devotion to God. Devotion is shown by consecration to God. Therefore, we urge our preachers to deeper spirituality. The Holy Spirit in His office work does a complete work. If we are submissive, we must be annointed by the Holy One. So to undertake to preach without this power is to be disobedient and our preaching will prove fatal and disastrous, Luke 24:49. We believe it would be better to remain silent although the congregation should be disappointed, than to undertake to preach when the Holy Spirit does not speak in us. We know that the Holy Spirit, a full gospel, is Holy and salvation from sin. He testifies of Christ and brings His teachings to our remembrance and guides us into all truth.

A standing resolution written by Rev. W. W. Ballard, deceased

RESOLUTIONS: Because of various doctrines going out in the world which are confusing our churches and dividing our people, we deem it necessary to appoint a standing committee of at least five for the purpose of investigating the fellowship and doctrine of any church seeking entrance into our association. Also to investigate the character and doctrine of any minister seeking to enter our conference.

Rev. J. A. Martin and Rev. B. E. Guthrie, Committee

*** ORPHANAGE:** We your Orphanage committee, ask every church to cooperate in the commodity drive and that every pastor appoint a committee to gather the supplies and see that they get to the designated point nearest their church on Wednesday, November 14, as the orphanage truck will pick them up on November 15. Points chosen for supply depots are Marshall, Newbridge and Swannanoa.

We further advise that Brother Plato Worley has been chosen by the Board of Trustees as your association representative.

We urge that you continue your setting apart one Sunday's offering during the month for the orphanage.

We urge that every family subscribe to the orphanage paper "The Young People's Friend".

Pledges paid at this session of the Association are: Cedar Hill, \$55.00; Swannanoa, \$76.20; Burgin's Chapel, \$5.00; Hazel Green, \$15.00; Shady Grove, \$5.00; Union Valley, \$14.00; Mt. Zion, \$10.00; Horney Heights, \$10.00; Avery's Creek, \$11.50; East Black Mountain, \$26.14; Union Chapel, \$5.00; Paint Fork, \$23.15; Marshall, \$16.00; French Broad Association, \$70.21; Steve DeBlon, \$5.00; J. W. Rice, \$3.00. Total, \$350.30.

Mrs. L. E. Ballard, Rev. Alva Ellis, Plato Worley, Committee

FINANCE: Minute fund	\$126.00
Voted to pay clerk	15.00
Voted to pay historian	10.00
Balance for minutes	\$101.00

Mrs. R. H. Reese, Clerk

OLD MINISTERS FUND:

Balance August 1, 1945	\$685.84
Collections	148.12

TOTAL	833.96
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J. E. McDevitt, Treasurer

SESSIONS: The next session of the French Broad Association of Free

Will Baptists will be held with the Homers Chapel Free Will Baptist church near Black Mountain, N. C., beginning Thursday before the third Sunday, 1946. Rev. Ervin Sluder will preach the Introductory sermon at 11 a. m.

COMMITTEE: Rev. W. L. Howell, Rev. G. M. Reynolds and Rev. Alva Ellis were appointed as a committee to investigate Marshall church.

DISTRICT MEETING OF THE LADIES AIDS

Mrs. L. E. Ballard presided.

Election Of Officers

Mrs. B. E. Guthrie was elected president; Mrs. L. C. McMahon, vice-president; Mrs. Dockery, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. J. M. Watkins, 3rd vice-president; Mrs. Massey, 4th vice-president; Mrs. Archie Lee, 5th vice-president; Mrs. Alva Ellis, 6th vice-president; Mrs. Sitton, secretary; Mrs. Harrison, treasurer; Mrs. R. C. Mumpower, field representative.

LADIES AID REPORT

HYATTS CREEK: President, Mrs. Sam Chandler. Address, Waynesville, Route 1, Box 68AA. Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Gunter. Address, Waynesville, Route 1, Box 53. No. of members, 7; meets every week; money taken in, \$105.80; money paid out on church, \$79.60.

WALNUT: President, Mrs. Lottie Reeves. Address, Walnut, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. B. E. Guthrie. Address, Walnut, N. C. No. of members, 7; meets every two weeks; money taken in, \$106.49; money paid out, \$98.45.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: President, Elizabeth Massey. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. Secretary, Mel Mundy. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of members, 5; meets every two weeks; money taken in, \$8.35.

HOMER'S CHAPEL: President, Mrs. Pansy Mundy. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Stone. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of members, 17; gained this year, 5; meets every Sunday; money taken in \$152.59; money paid out, \$125.58.

FREE WILL BAPTIST LEAGUE

AVERY'S CREEK: President, Wayne Lisenbee. Address, Arden, N. C. Secretary, Lorenzo Lance. Address, Arden, N. C. No. of members, 20; No. of groups, 2; meets every Sunday night; we take weekly offering; kind of literature used, Free Will Baptist; we have a Junior League; leader, Mrs. Wayne Lisenbee. Address, Arden, N. C.

HYATT'S CREEK: President, Jessie A. Dotson. Address, Waynesville, N. C., Route 1, Box 53. Secretary, Betty Page. Address, Waynesville, N. C., Route 1, Box 53. No. of members, 28; No. of groups, 2; meets every Sunday night; we take weekly offering; kind of literature used, Free Will Baptist; we have a Junior League; leader, Jessie Dotson. Address, Waynesville, N. C., Route 1, Box 53.

OBITUARIES

MARSHALL: Sister Eliza Chandley, one of our oldest and most beloved members, was called to her reward last June at the age of 37. She stayed with us a long time and, oh, how we miss her. But she has gone to be with Jesus and the ones she loved, but our loss is her eternal gain.

Written by a friend

BARNARDSVILLE. Mr. Martin Rice lived at Barnardsville, N. C., and was a member of the Barnardsville church at Barnardsville. He was also a deacon of the church for thirty years or more. Mr. Rice died about three months ago and is greatly missed by the church, community and family, but our loss is his eternal gain.

Written by a brother in Christ

SHOAL HILL: Mrs. Sinda Wilson departed this life April 16, 1945, leaving four children, 28 grandchildren, 4 sisters and 3 brothers and a host of

friends to mourn her loss. She was a faithful member of Shoal Hill Free Will Baptist Church for 25 years. She was 77 years of age. Although we miss her very much, we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

Written by a daughter, Mrs. Lida Brown

Miss Malissie Brown departed this life Oct. 29, 1944. She was 48 years and 12 days old. She professed faith in Christ at the age of 13, and was one of the first members to join the Free Will Baptist church at Shoal Hill. She lived a faithful Christian life, and left behind her a good testimony and a wonderful hope of heaven. We feel our loss is heaven's gain.

Written by a friend

UNION VALLEY: Mrs. Lucious Hyatt, age 48, of Weaverville, Route 1, was called to her home on high in December, 1944. She was a member of Union Valley church. She loved her church her home and her God. She left her husband, four children and many friends. She has gone to that city where there is no sorrow or pain.

Written by her sister in Christ, Esta L. Hyatt

MT. ZION: William M. West departed this life April 28, 1945. He was 69 years old and had been a member of the Mt. Zion church for many years. He leaves 1 daughter, 5 sons, and many friends who miss him very much.

Written by his daughter, Mrs. R. H. Reese

LAUREL FORK: Rev. Thomas J. Anders departed this life April 22, 1945, at the age of 67. He was converted at 16 and lived a Christian life for 51 years. He is survived by the widow, 7 children, 23 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

ASHEVILLE: Brother Frank Ramsey, a deacon of our church since 1919. He came to us from the Marshall church. He leaves five children and many grandchildren to mourn his passing, but their loss is his eternal gain for he has gone to his reward.

Sister Martha Jamerson joined our church in 1925. She was loved by all who knew her, especially by the little children. She taught the primary children for many years and to them and to most all the young people she was Grandma Jamerson. She played the piano for many years and her time was freely given in the service of her Lord. Each day her light did shine along the way and her smile was the greeting she gave to all the world. She leaves a husband, four children, and a host of friends to mourn her passing, but heaven will be a brighter place because she is there.

Written by Mrs. C. W. Moss

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

MARSHALL: Superintendent, Fred Bowman. Address, Marshall, N. C. Secretary, Blanche Worley. Address, Marshall, N. C. No. of classes, 7; No. of pupils, 75; No. of teachers, 7; kind of literature used, Union; expenses, \$194.76.

MT. BETHEL: Superintendent, Wiltz Silvers. Address, Weaverville, N. C., Route 1. Secretary, Eleanor Sharp. Address, Weaverville, N. C., Route 1. No. of classes, 5; No. of pupils, 60; No. of teachers, 5; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$116.83.

UNION CHAPEL: Superintendent, W. F. Banks. Address, Weaverville, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Madge Ward. Address, Weaverville, N. C. No. of classes 3; No. of pupils, 30; No. of teachers, 3; kind of literature used, David C. Cook; expenses, \$5.00.

BURGIN'S CHAPEL: Superintendent, Mr. Homer Deheart. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Josie Pittman. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of classes, 3; No. of pupils, 25; No. of teachers, 3; kind of literature used, Bible and cards; expenses, \$12.00.

MT. ZION: Superintendent, Johnny Revis. Address, Alexander, N. C., Route 2. Secretary, Mrs. Helen Kent, Address, Alexander, N. C. No. of classes, 3; No. of pupils, 24; No. of teachers, 3; kind of literature used F. W. B.; expenses, \$7.64.

SHADY GROVE: Superintendent, Jackie Bullman. Address, Walnut, N. C. Secretary, Mamie Lee Chandler. Address, Walnut, N. C. No. of classes; 3; No. of pupils, 30; No. of teachers, 3; kind of literature used, Bible.

BARNARDSVILLE: Superintendent, Garson Burleson. Address, Barnardsville, N. C. Secretary, Docia Hogan. No. of classes, 3; No. of pupils, 45; No. of teachers, 3; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$20.00.

HORNEY HEIGHTS: Superintendent, Victor Murdock. Address, 105 Carrier St., West Asheville. Secretary, Pauline Murdock. Address, 105 Carrier St., West Asheville. No. of classes, 8; No. of pupils, 67; No. of teachers, 8; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$322.40.

RED HILL: Superintendent, Fred Rigsby. Address, Marshall, N. C., Route 3. Secretary, Inez Ramsey. Address, Marshall, N. C., Route 3. No. of classes, 6; No. of pupils, 75; No. of teachers, 6; kind of literature used, F. W. B. and Bible; expenses, \$40.00.

SHOAL HILL: Superintendent, Hubert Payne. Address, Marshall, N. C. Secretary, Etta M. Payne. Address, Marshall, N. C., Route 1. No. of classes, 4; No. of pupils, 35; No. of teachers, 4; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$55.75.

CEDAR HILL: Superintendent, Mr. Noble Brown. Address, Asheville, Route 3. Secretary, Clara Merrill Rice. Address, Asheville, Route 3. No. of Route 3. Secretary, Inez Ramsey. Address, Marshall, N. C., Route 3. No. of B.; expenses, \$30.03.

EVERY'S CREEK: Superintendent, Paul Alexander. Address, Arden, N. C. Secretary, Lorenzo Lance. Address, Arden, N. C. No. of classes, 5; No. of pupils, 35; No. of teachers, 5; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$30.22.

HYATT'S CREEK: Superintendent, W. L. Queen. Address, Hazelwood, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Sam Chandler. Address, Waynesville, Route 1, Box 62AA. No. of classes, 4; No. of teachers, 4; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$58.97.

WALNUT: Superintendent, Mrs. Lina Stines. Address, Walnut, N. C. Secretary, Dorothy Lee Reeves. Address, Walnut, N. C. No. of classes, 5; No. of pupils, 35; No. of teachers, 5; kind of literature used, F. W. B. expenses, \$50.00.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Superintendent, D. C. Mundy. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. Secretary, Alma D. Hart. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of classes, 3; No. of pupils, 42; No. of teachers, 3; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$114.33.

HOMER'S CHAPEL: Superintendent, W. A. Stone. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. Secretary, Mary Gregory. Address, Black Mountain, N. C. No. of classes, 6; No. of pupils, 90; No. of teachers, 6; kind of literature used, F. W. B.

OLD FORT: Superintendent, Lola Thomas. Address, Old Fort. Secretary, Elmer Carver. Address, Old Fort. No. of classes, 3; No. of pupils, 25; No. of teachers, 3; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$4.00.

LAUREL FORK: Superintendent, J. H. Naves. Address, Marshall. Secretary, Miss Martha Whaley. Address, Marshall. No. of classes, 4; No. of pupils, 48; No. of teachers, 4; kind of literature used, Union; expenses, \$35.00.

RAY'S CHAPEL: Superintendent, Mr. Jessie Rice. Address, Weaverville, N. C. Secretary, Mary Edmonds. Address, Weaverville. No. of classes, 4; No. of pupils, 35; No. of teachers, 4; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses,

\$153.42.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Superintendent, Vernon Radcliffe. Address, Alexander, N. C. Secretary, Essie Sluder. Address, Alexander, N. C. No. of classes, 5; No. of pupils, 70; No. of teachers, 5; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$155.00.

UNION VALLEY: Superintendent, Mrs. Buria Ballard. Address, Weaverville, N. C. Secretary, Miss Elnore Ballard. Address, Weaverville, N. C. No. of classes, 4; No. of pupils, 36; No. of teachers, 4; kind of literature used, Union; expenses, \$29.50.

HAZEL GREEN: Superintendent, Harrison Elkins. Address, Route 3, West Asheville; No. of classes, 4; No. of pupils, 40; No. of teachers, 4; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$71.30.

ASHEVILLE: Superintendent, W. C. Lance. Address, Asheville. Secretary, Miss Lucille Lance. Address, Asheville; No. of classes, 6; No. of pupils, 40; No. of teachers, 6; kind of literature used, F. W. B. and Bible; expenses, \$80.39.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Superintendent, Claude Proffitt. Address, Flag Pond, Tenn., Route 1. Secretary, June Fender. Address, Flag Pond, Tenn., Route 1; No. of classes, 4; No. of pupils, 40; No. of teachers, 4; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$16.00.

SWANNANOA: Superintendent, Emory Whitaker. Address, Swannanoa, N. C. Secretary, Geneva McMahon. Address, Swannanoa, N. C. No. of teachers, 7; kind of literature used, F. W. B.; expenses, \$159.02.

CHURCH LETTERS

HORNEY HEIGHTS: Increase during the year, 14; by experience and baptism, 11; by letter and statement, 3; total increase this year, 14; present membership, 81; decrease during the year, 3; by letter, 3; total decrease this year, 3; last year's membership, 67; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. D. W. Fowler; pastor, Rev. Alva Ellis; address, Box 6267, West Asheville, N. C.; clerk, Pauline Murdock; address, 105 Carrier St., West Asheville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals, 2; held by Rev. J. R. Davidson and Rev. Paul Ketterman; pastor's salary, \$1315.24; orphanage, \$70.64; other purposes, \$2,164.20; minute fund, \$6.00; balance in treasury, \$1,167.22; value of church property \$10,000.

UNION CHAPEL: Present membership, 68; last year's membership, 68; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. M. D. Roberts; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. W. A. Ward; pastor, Rev. M. D. Roberts; address, Weaverville, N. C.; clerk, F. E. Courtney; address, Weaverville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, twice a month; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. M. D. Roberts and Rev. J. E. Bailey; pastors salary, \$31.39; minute fund, \$1.21; value of church property, \$900; value of other property, \$30.00.

MT. BETHEL: Increase during the year, 31; by experience and baptism, 25; by letter and statement, 6; total increase this year, 31; present membership, 127; decrease during the year, 1; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 1; last year's membership, 96; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are Rev. C. Y. Elkins; pastor, Rev. Arthur Edmonds; address, Weaverville, Box 34; clerk, Wiltz Silvers; address, Weaverville, N. C., Route 1; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals, 2; held by Rev. Mr. Mason and Rev. C. Y. Elkins, Rev. Arthur Edmonds and Rev. Ralph Head; pastor's salary, \$400.54; home missions, \$40.00; orphanage, \$35.00; Old Ministers fund, \$15.00; other purposes, \$1,100; minute fund, \$5.00; value of church property, \$4,000.

MT. ZION: Present membership, 119; decrease during the year, 1; by death, 1; total decrease this year 1; last year's membership, 120; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. James Collins, Rev. Robert

Reese; pastor, Rev. Lloyd Chandler; address, Barnard, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. R. H. Reese; address, 27 Hollywood St., Asheville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, second; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. Lloyd Chandler; pastor's salary, \$94.70; orphanage, \$10.00; other purposes, \$3.25; minute fund, \$3.00; value of church property, \$1,500.

RED HILL: Present membership, 132; decrease during the year 2; by letter, 1; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 2; last year's membership, 134; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. J. L. Ledford; Rev. Mallie Rice, Rev. G. W. Briggs; pastor, Rev. Ervin Sluder; address, Leicester, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. J. B. McDevitt; address, Marshall, N. C., Route 3; Sundays we have preaching, first; pastor's salary, \$165.29; home missions, \$303.83; orphanage, \$205.25; old ministers fund, \$5.00; other purposes, \$35.00; minute fund, \$3.00; value of church property, \$1,000.

SHADY GROVE: Increase during the year, 11; by experience and baptism, 11; total increase this year, 11; present membership, 47; decrease during the year, 1; by letter 1; total decrease this year 1; last year's membership, 57; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Scottie Bullman; pastor, Rev. Scottie Bullman; address, Walnut, N. C.; clerk, Lattie Barnett; address, Marshall, Route 3, Box 89; Sundays we have preaching, second; orphanage, \$5.00; minute fund, \$2.50; value of church property, \$1,000.

SHOAL HILL: Present membership, 64; decrease during the year, 4; by letter, 1; by death, 3; total decrease this year, 4; last year's membership, 68; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are Rev. Walter Wilson; pastor, Rev. J. B. Brigmon; address, Asheville, Route 4; clerk, Ruth Henderson; address, Marshall, Route 1; Sundays we have preaching, fourth; pastor's salary, \$160.80; old ministers fund, \$5.00; minute fund, \$1.50; value of church property, \$1,000.

BARNARDSVILLE: Increase during the year, 5; by experience and baptism, 3; by letter and statement, 2; total increase this year, 5; present membership, 60; decrease during this year, 1; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 1; last year's membership, 55; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Jim Compton; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Garson Burleson; pastor, Rev. Mallie Rice; address, Marshall, Route 3; clerk, Roy Munday; address, Barnardsville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, first and third; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. Mallie Rice, Rev. Paul Sheehan and Rev. Garson Burleson; pastor's salary, \$76.10; home missions, \$5.00, orphanage, \$7.31; minute fund, \$3.60; for revival work, \$41.50; value of church property, \$2,000.

AVERYS CREEK: Increase during the year, 10; by experience and baptism, 8; by letter and statement, 2; total increase this year, 10; present membership, 75; decrease during the year, 1; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 1; last year's membership, 65; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Jack Hutchins, Rev. Henry Roberts; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Bayless McDonald; pastor, Rev. Jack Hutchins; address, Swannanoa, N. C.; clerk, Wayne Lisenbee; address, Arden, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. G. M. Reynolds; pastor's salary, \$516.40; home missions, \$15.00; orphanage, \$42.13; other purposes, \$266.49; minute fund, \$3.00; value of church property, \$2,500.

CEDAR HILL: Increase during the year, 3; by experience and baptism, 2; by re-toration, 1; total increase this year, 3; present membership, 90; decrease during the year, 1; by letter, 1; total decrease 1; last year's membership, 87; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are Rev. A. P. Rich; pastor, Rev. Clyde Reese; address, Asheville, N. C., Route 3; clerk, Edna Ballard; address, Asheville, Route 3; Sundays we have preaching, every; pastor's salary, \$638.99; home missions, \$87.30; orphanage, \$147.02; other purposes, \$353.40;

minute fund, \$7.00; value of church property, \$2,000.

MARSHALL: Increase during the year, 4; by experience and baptism, 3; by letter and statement, 1; total increase this year, 4; present membership, 141; decrease during the year, 6; by letter, 5; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 6; last year's membership, 143; pastor, Rev. Paul Sheehan; address, Caroleen, N. C.; clerk, Inez Reese; address, Marshall, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, first and third; No. of revivals, 2; held by Rev. Paul Sheehan and Rev. A. B. Lowery; pastor's salary, \$549.00; home missions, \$45.00; orphanage, \$61.00; other purposes, \$221.65; minute fund, \$11.50; value of church property, \$2,000.

LAURELTON CHAPEL: Present membership, 133; decrease during the year, 2; by death, 2; total decrease this year, 2; last year's membership, 135; pastor, Rev. J. B. Brigmon; address, Asheville, N. C., Route 4; clerk, Mack Fender; address, Flag Pond, Tenn., Route 1; Sundays we have preaching, third; pastor's salary, \$223.57; orphanage, \$46.00; other purposes, \$107.65; minute fund, \$2.50; value of church property, \$2,000.

ASHEVILLE: Present membership, 136; decrease during the year, 4; by erasure, 2; by death, 2; total decrease this year, 4; last year's membership, 140; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. H. L. Vaughn, Rev. A. L. Davis, Rev. J. W. Banks, Rev. Cecil Kent and Rev. Clyde Reese; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Bill Bradley; pastor, Rev. A. B. Lowery; address, Black Mountain, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Pearl Moss; address, Lake View Terrace, Asheville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. William Huntley; pastor's salary, \$525.86; home missions, \$110.00; orphanage, \$72; paid other ministers, \$95.73; other purposes, \$161; minute fund, \$5.00; paid on church building, \$1,180; value of church property, \$5,000.

SWANNANOA: Increase during the year, 16; by experience and baptism, 10; by letter and statement, 6; total increase this year, 16; present membership, 189; decrease during the year, 11; by letter, 7; by erasure, 2; by death, 2; total decrease this year, 11; last year's membership, 184; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. W. L. Moretz, Rev. W. L. Howell, Rev. Elmer King, Rev. A. B. Lowery; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Gurney McKinney, Rev. Charles Hollifield; pastor, Rev. W. L. Howell; address, West Asheville, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. C. L. McMahan; address, Swannanoa, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals held, 2; held by Rev. Jim Reynolds, Rev. L. B. Meadows; pastor's salary, \$2,511.23; home missions, \$270.95; foreign missions, \$15.45; orphanage, \$388.33; Christian education, \$94.11; other purposes, \$748.34; minute fund, \$15.00; value of church property, \$5,000.

EAST BLACK MOUNTAIN: Increase during the year, 2; by experience and baptism, 2; total increase this year, 2; present membership, 26; decrease during the year, 1; by expulsion and erasure, 1; total decrease this year, 1; last year's membership, 19; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. H. H. McFalls; pastor, Rev. J. C. Frank; address, Spartanburg, S. C.; clerk, Hattie Mundy; address, Black Mountain, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. Carl Wright, Rev. J. C. Frank; pastor's salary, \$553.68; home missions, \$6.00; orphanage, \$25.00; old ministers fund, \$5.00; for revival work, \$150; other purposes, \$51.61; minute fund, \$5.00; value of church property, \$3,500.

HYATTS CREEK: Increase during the year, 2; by experience and baptism, 1; by letter and statement, 1; total increase this year, 2; present membership, 53; last year's membership, 51; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Sam Chandler, Rev. W. L. Queen; pastor, Rev. W. L. Queen; address, Hazelwood, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. W. L. Quéen; address, Hazelwood, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, first and fourth; No. of revivals

3; held by Rev. W. L. Queen, Rev. Sam Chandler, Rev. Boyd Ellis, Rev. J. H. Cochran, Rev. Herman Gentry, Rev. Clarence Wheeler, Rev. H. H. McFalls, and Rev. T. E. Wheeler; pastor's salary, \$36.42; old ministers fund, \$7.00; other purposes, \$98.64; minute fund, \$1.00; value of church property, \$1,200.

WALNUT: Increase during the year, 6; by experience and baptism, 4; by letter and statement, 2; total increase this year, 6; present membership, 42; decrease during the year, 1; by letter, 1; total decrease, 1; last year's membership, 37; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are Rev. B. E. Guthrie, Rev. H. Lunsford, Rev. Bob Freeman, Rev. W. Capps, Rev. Lloyd Chandler; pastor, Rev. B. E. Guthrie; address, Walnut, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Lina Stines; address, Walnut, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, third; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. W. L. Howell, Rev. B. E. Guthrie; pastor's salary, \$190.-13; home missions, \$243.45; orphanage, \$63.35; other purposes, \$45.75; minute fund, \$4.35; value of church property, \$1,000.

HOMERS CHAPEL: Increase during the year, 44; by experience and baptism, 14; by letter and statement, 30; present membership, 124; decrease during the year, 8; by letter, 7; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 8; last year's membership, 88; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. G. E. Cody, Rev. G. M. Reynolds; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Nelson, Masters, Hubert Hale, libe.ated; pastors, Rev. G. M. Reynolds; address, Black Mountain, N. C.; clerk, Myrtle Crow; address, Black Mountain, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. Jack Hutchins, Rev. G. M. Reynolds; pastor's salary, \$930.24; orphanage, \$25.00; old ministers fund, \$10.00; other purposes, \$1,536; minute fund, \$5.00; value of church property, \$3,000.

OLD FORT: Increase during the year, 4; by letter and statement, 1; total increase, 1; present membership, 25; decrease during the year, 5; by death 1; total decrease, 5; last year's membership, 30; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Bill Manley; pastor, Rev. Bill Manley; address, Old Fort, N. C.; clerk, Bertha Williams; address, Old Fort, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, second; No. of revivals, 3; held by Rev. Bill Manley, Rev. Herman Gentry; pastor's salary, \$60.00; minute fund, \$2.00; value of church property, \$600.

LAUREL FORK: Increase during the year, 3; by experience and baptism, 2; by letter and statement, 1; total increase, 3; present membership, 35; decrease during the year, 1; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 1; last year's membership, 32; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Thomas Marler, Rev. J. B. Brigmon; pastor, Rev. J. B. Brigmon; address, Asheville, Route 4; clerk, J. H. Naves; address, Marshall, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, second; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. J. B. Brigmon, Rev. Kimsey Ball; pastor's salary, \$154.80; home missions, \$25.00; foreign missions, \$20.00; orphanage, \$35.00; old ministers fund, \$5.00; other purposes, \$25.00; minute fund, \$2.80; value of church property, \$1,500.

RAY'S CHAPEL: Increase during the year, 5; by experience and baptism 5; total increase this year, 5; present membership, 60; last year's membership, 55; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. John Roberts, Rev. Grover Bailey, Rev. J. A. Edmonds; pastor, Rev. J. A. Edmonds; address, Weaverville, N. C.; clerk, Mrs Sue Ray; address, Weaverville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, every; No. of revivals, 3; held by Rev. Fred Pegg, Rev. Creed Ray, Rev. Ralph Head; pastor's salary, \$110.53; orphanage, \$35.00; credit for canning, \$43.00; old ministers fund, \$5.00; minute fund, \$2.00; value of church property, \$1,000.

MOUNTAIN VIEW: Increase during the year, 9; by experience and baptism, 8; by letter and statement, 1; total increase this year, 9; present membership, 218; decrease during the year, 1; by death, 1; total decrease during the year, 1; last year's membership, 210; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are Rev. J. A. Martin, Rev. Ervin Sluder; pastor, Rev. Ervin Sluder; address, Leicester, N. C.; clerk, E. W. Sluder; address, Alexander, N.

C.: Sundays we have preaching, fourth; No. of revivals, 2; held by Rev. Nehemiah Griffin, Rev. Ervin Sluder, Rev. Mitchell Embler, Rev. Mr. Calvert, Rev. Mr. Clayton; pastor's salary, \$175.00; home missions, \$50.00; orphanage, \$98.00; other purposes, \$25.00; minute fund, \$6.00; value of church property, \$5,000.

UNION VALLEY: Present membership, 85; decrease during the year, 3; by letter, 1; by death, 2; total decrease this year, 3; last year's membership, 88; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. Pearson Bradley; pastor, Rev. B. E. Guthrie; address, Walnut, N. C.; clerk, Esta L. Hyatt; address, Weaverville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, second and fourth; pastor's salary, \$227.71; orphanage, \$20.00; minute fund, \$2.75; repair work on church, \$204.00; value of church property, \$500.

PAINT FORK: Present membership, 99; decrease during the year, 4; by letter, 1; by expulsion and erasure, 2; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 4; last year's membership, 103; pastor, Rev. Ervin Sluder; address, Leicester, N. C.; clerk, D. A. Mundy; address, Barnardsville, N. C.; Sundays we have preaching, second; pastor's salary, \$40.00; orphanage, \$23.15; minute fund, \$2.00; value of church property, \$700.

HAZEL GREEN: Increase during the year, 3; by experience and baptism, 1; by letter and statement, 2; total increase this year, 3; present membership, 50; decrease during the year, 1; by death, 1; total decrease this year, 1; last year's membership, 50; ordained ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. W. O. Adcock, Rev. W. H. Taylor; pastor, Rev. J. W. Banks; address, West Asheville, N. C.; clerk, R. H. Spivey; address, West Asheville, Route 3; Sundays we have preaching, every; pastor's salary, \$24.64; home missions, \$30.00; orphanages, \$15.00; minute fund, \$3.25; value of church property, \$100.0.

BURGIN'S CHAPEL: Increase during the year, 15; by experience and baptism, 9; by letter and statement, 15; total increase this year, 15; present membership, 24; last year's membership, 9; licensed ministers who hold membership with us are, Rev. G. Y. Burgin, Rev. J. G. Harris, liberated; pastor, Rev. G. Y. Burgin; address, Black Mountain, N. C.; clerk, Mrs. Josie Pittman; address, Black Mountain, N. C., Route 1; Sundays we have preaching, first and third; No. of revivals, 1; held by Rev. G. M. Reynolds; Rev. Ray Heatherly; pastor's salary, \$32.00; foreign missions, \$5.00; orphanage, \$5.00; old ministers fund, \$5.00; minute fund, \$1.50; for revival work, \$58.11; value of church property, \$900.

TOTAL

Total churches reporting	26
Total membership of churches	2,307
Total amount raised by churches during the year	\$21,714.90

PLEDGES FOR OLD MINISTERS FUND

Rev. W. L. Moretz, \$1.00 pd.; Mrs. Howard Payne, \$1.00 pd.; Mountain View, \$10.00; Horney Heights, \$30.00; Swannanoa, \$30.00; East Black Mountain, \$15.00; Red Hill, \$10.00 pd.; Cedar Hill, \$10.00; J. N. Watkins, \$10.00; Rev. W. L. Howell, \$5.00; Lowes Chapel, \$10.00; Union Valley, \$5.00; Walnut, \$5.00; Henry Davis, \$5.00; J. M. Embler, \$5.00; Rev. H. G. Gentry, \$5.00; Laurel Fork, \$10.00; Rev. R. C. Mumpower, \$5.00; Canton, \$20.00; Barnardsville, \$10.00; Burgin's Chapel, \$10.00; Mt. Bethel, \$15.00; Homers Chapel, \$15.00; Shoal Hill, \$5.00; Laurelton Chapel, \$5.00; Rev. J. B. Brigmon, \$5.00; Rays Chapel, \$10.00; Mrs. Bryan, \$5.00 pd.; Rev. J. P. Mason, \$5.00 pd.; J. W. Rice, \$5.00

FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Opening song, "Life's Evening Sun". Prayer by Rev. R. S. Woodson. Scripture reading, Nehemiah 13th chapter. A real good sermon by Sister Frances Radford, which was enjoyed by all.

SATURDAY MORNING SERVICE

Opening song, "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes". Scripture reading, 1st

Cor. 13, by Rev. G. E. Cody. Prayer by Rev. H. H. McFalls.

Voted to pay clerk \$15.00 and historian \$10.00. A vote of thanks was given to the moderator and clerk for their services.

Rev. J. A. Martin was elected field evangelist for the French Broad Association for another year. Thanks were extended to the people of Mt. View church for their hospitality in caring for the association. Moved to adjourn until Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1946, to meet with the Homers Chapel church near Black Mountain.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE

The conference elected Rev. B. E. Guthrie as moderator and Mrs. R. H. Reese as clerk.

ORDAINING COUNCIL

Revs. R. C. Mumpower, B. E. Guthrie, J. A. Martin, Lindsey Howell and Ervin Sluder.

ORDAINED THIS CONFERENCE

Rev. Wayne Smith, Rev. W. J. Burleson and Rev. W. A. Ward.

The charge was given by Rev. Ervin Sluder. Rev. W. L. Howell rendered the ordination prayer.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Revs. J. A. Martin, B. E. Guthrie, Mollie Rice, Lloyd Chandler; Bob Freeman, H. E. Lunsford, M. D. Roberts, Scottie Bullman, J. A. Collins, J. B. Brigmon, G. W. Briggs, Ervin Sluder, W. L. Howell, W. E. Capps, W. L. Moretz, R. H. Reese, Sam Chandler, Walter Wilson, Pearson Bradley, T. A. Wheeler, W. L. Queen, Elmer King, R. C. Mumpower, Hardy Vaughn, Herman Gentry, W. O. Adcock, J. W. Banks, Clyde Reese, Grover Bailey, G. M. Reynolds, R. C. Wheeler, Alva Ellis, J. A. Edmonds, John Roberts, G. E. Cody, J. M. Compton, Wayne Smith, W. J. Burleson, W. A. Ward and R. S. Woodson.

Total ordained ministers _____ 40

LICENSED AT THIS CONFERENCE

Zeb Early, Grady Harris and M. Z. Banks.

LICENTIATES

William Bradley, William Manley, H. H. McFall, Robert Jones, Charlie Hollifield, Bayless McDonald, Nelson Massey, B. W. Harris, G. Y. Burgin, Zeb Early, Grady Harris and M. Z. Banks.

Total licentiates _____ 12

Moved and seconded to receive Rev. G. M. Reynolds into full fellowship with this conference.

It has become the duty of the ordaining council to ask the clerk to notify B. M. Wheeler to send in his credentials.

MINISTERS REPORT

REV. ALVA ELLIS: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 28; No. of sermons preached, 71; No. of members received, 14; No. baptized, 11; No. of homes visited, 223; No. of sick visits made, 110; No. of homes prayed in, 149; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 1; No. of marriage ceremonies performed, 1; No. of funerals conducted, 4; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 2; amount received for pastoral services, \$1,315.24; amount received for all other services, \$171.00; total amount received during the year, \$1,486.24; total amount raised for the cause, \$1,300; amount given personally to the cause, \$426; No. of miles traveled, 5,000; expenses, \$165.00; address, Oakwood Road, West Asheville, N. C.

REV. B. E. GUTHRIE: No. of churches pastored, 2; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 16; No. of sermons preached, 44; No. of members received, 6; No. baptized, 5; No. of homes visited, 27; No. of sick visits made, 21; No. of homes prayed in, 17; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 4; No. of marriage ceremonies performed, 1; No. of funerals conducted, 4; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 13; amount received for pastoral services, \$418.84; amount received for all other services, \$34.85; amount raised for the cause, \$204.70; amount given personally to the cause, \$22.00; No. of miles traveled, 1,553; expenses, \$41.50; prayer meetings conducted, 11; address, Walnut, N. C.

REV. J. B. BRIGMON: No. of churches pastored, 3; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 17; No. of sermons preached, 120; No. of members received, 15; No. baptized, 15; No. of homes visited, 65; No. of sick visits made, 72; No. of homes prayed in, 70; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 30; No. of marriage ceremonies performed, 9; No. of funerals conducted, 21; amount received for pastoral services, \$507.92; amount received for revival services, \$51.00; amount received for all other services, \$72.00; total amount received during the year, \$640.92; total amount raised for the cause, \$135.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$61.80; No. of miles traveled, 800; address, Asheville, N. C. Route 4.

REV. W. L. HOWELL: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 8; conversions, 249; No. of sermons preached, 397; No. of members received, 19; No. baptized, 53; No. of homes visited, 225; No. of sick visits made, 135; No. of homes prayed in, 300; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 20; No. of marriage ceremonies performed, 2; No. of funerals conducted, 16; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 12; amount received for pastoral services, \$2,511.28; amount received for revival services, \$761.50; amount received for all other services, \$271; total amount received during the year, \$4,697.78; total amount raised for the cause, \$3,586.26; amount given personally to the cause, \$260; No. of miles traveled, 15,000; address, 107 Hazelmill Road, West Asheville, N. C.

REV. J. A. MARTIN, Field Evangelist for French Broad Association: No. of sermons preached, 60; No. of professions witnessed, 32; No. of funerals conducted, 13; No. of hospital visits, 15; No. of sanatorium visits, 4; No. of churches visited and preached in, 18; No. of homes visited and prayed in, 120; No. of revivals helped in, 2; No. of miles traveled, 2,100; amount received from all churches visited, \$347.51; amount received for funerals and other work and private gifts, \$198.96; total received for the year, \$546.47; all the churches with their dear pastors, were very good to me and treated me nice. Most all the churches were getting along splendidly, with good pastors. I wish to tender my thanks to all the churches and their dear pastors for their kindness and liberalities to me. May God bless you all. Your Brother in Christ, J. A. Martin, Marshall, N. C., Route 1.

REV. MALLIE RICE: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 12; No. of sermons preached 40; No. of members received, 5; No. baptized, 4; No. of homes visited, 42; No. of sick visits made, 20; No. of homes prayed in, 15; No. of marriage ceremonies performed, 1; No. of funerals conducted, 11; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 25; amount received for pastoral services, \$75.00; amount received for revival work, \$25.00; amount received for all other services, \$20.00; total amount received during the year, \$120.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$5.00; No. of miles traveled, 900; expenses, \$35.00; address, Marshall, N. C., Route 3.

REV. R. C. MUMPOWER: No. of churches pastored, 2; No. of revivals conducted, 3; conversions, 4; No. of sermons preached, 87; No. of members received 2; No. of homes visited, 15; No. of sick visits made, 5; No. of homes prayed in, 22; amount received for pastoral services, \$227.89; amount received for revival services, \$93.38; amount received for all other services, \$105.71;

total amount received during the year, \$426.88; No. of miles traveled, 2,600; expenses, \$55.00; address, Black Mountain, N. C., Route 1.

REV. W. L. MORETZ: No. of churches pastored, 3; No. of revivals conducted, 4; conversions, 69; No. of sermons preached, 157; No. of members received, 36; No. baptized, 23; No. of homes visited, 115; No. of sick visits made, 74; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 5; No. of marriage ceremonies performed, 3; No. of funerals conducted, 9; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 11; amount received for pastoral services, \$840.00; amount received for revival services, \$160.00; amount received for all other services, \$71.00; total amount received during the year, \$1,071.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$159.00; No. of subscriptions taken for the Free Will Baptist, 25; No. of miles traveled, 16,150; address, Swannanoa, N. C.

REV. CLYDE REESE: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 2; conversions, 20; No. of sermons preached, 108; No. of members received, 7; No. baptized, 5; No. of homes visited, 20; No. of sick visits made, 15; No. of homes prayed in, 20; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 2; No. of funerals conducted, 2; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 26; amount received for pastoral services, \$638.99; amount received for revival services, \$52.39; amount received for all other services, \$54.55; total amount received during the year, \$745.95; total amount raised for the cause, \$79.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$143.07; No. of miles traveled, 500; expenses, \$25.00; No. of prayer meetings conducted, 18; address, Asheville, N. C. Route 3.

REV. H. E. LUNS福德: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 10; No. of sermons preached, 100; No. of members received, 1; No. baptized, 6; No. of homes visited, 25; No. of sick visits made, 10; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 25; No. of funerals conducted, 6; amount received for pastoral services, \$244.34; amount received for revival services, \$30.30; amount received for all other services, \$74.45; total amount received during the year, \$349.09; total amount raised for the cause, \$48.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$15.00; No. of miles traveled, 800; expenses, \$25.00; address, Barnard, N. C.

REV. SAM CHANDLER: No. of revivals conducted, 3; conversions, 50; No. of sermons preached, 68; No. of homes visited, 25; No. of sick visits made, 10; No. of homes prayed in, 25; amount received for revival services, \$38.00; amount received from all other services, \$16.00; total amount received during the year, \$54.75; amount given personally to the cause, \$10.00; No. of miles traveled, 1,000; expenses, \$10.00; address, Waynesville, N. C., Route 1, Box 68AA.

REV. H. L. VAUGHN: No. of sermons preached, 58; No. of souls saved, 12; No. of homes visited, 59; amount received for services, \$122.87; amount given personally to the cause, \$146.25; address, 105 HazelmiM Road, West Asheville, N. C.

REV. SCOTTIE BULLMAN: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 12; No. of sermons preached, 23; No. of members received, 9; No. baptized, 12; No. of homes visited, 15; No. of sick visits made, 8; No. of homes prayed in, 8; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 65; No. of funerals conducted, 5; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 9; amount received for pastoral services, \$2.25; amount received for revival services, \$6.00; amount received for all other services, \$8.00; total amount received during the year, \$16.00; total amount raised for the cause, \$5.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$16.00; No. of miles traveled, 250; expenses, \$15; address, Walnut, N. C.

REV. J. A. ROBERTS: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 3; conversions, 30; No. of sermons preached, 150; No. of members received, 11; No. baptized, 7; No. of homes visited, 60; No. of sick visits made,

60; No. of homes prayed in, 110; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 30; No. of funerals conducted, 2; No. of Sunday school classes taught 8; amount received for pastoral services, \$90.00; amount received for revival services, \$67.00; amount received for all other services \$15.00; total amount received for the year, \$172.00; total amount raised for the cause, \$40.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$60.00; No. of miles traveled, 800; expenses, \$25.00; organized Sweeten Creek Free Will Baptist church; funds raised, \$775.00; address, 216 Westwood Place, West Asheville, N. C.

REV. M. D. ROBERTS: No. of churches pastored, 2; conversions, 1; No. of sermons preached, 25; No. of homes visited, 10; No. of sick visits made, 5; No. of homes prayed in, 10; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 12; amount received for pastoral services, \$32.00; amount received for all other services, \$45.00; total amount received during the year, \$77.00; No. of miles traveled, 200; expenses, \$5.00; address, Weaverville, N. C.

REV. ELMER KING: No. of sermons preached, 7; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 10; No. of prayer meetings held, 6; No. of sick visits, 20; No. of homes prayed in, 14; No. of miles traveled, 400; expenses, \$5.00;

REV. G. M. REYNOLDS: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of sermons preached, 102; No. of revivals conducted, 5; No. of professions, 166; No. of members received, 44; No. baptized, 25; No. of homes visited, 135; No. of funerals conducted, 4; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 7; money received for church, \$1,536.48; money given, \$165.59; No. of miles traveled, 2626; money received, \$930.24; expenses, \$181.74; address, Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. LLOYD CHANDLER: No. of churches pastored, 2; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 22; No. of sermons preached, 90; No. of homes visited, 50; No. of sick visits made, 15; No. of homes prayed in, 40; No. of special sermon and lectures delivered, 10; No. of funerals conducted, 1; amount received for pastoral services, \$93.92; amount received for revival services, \$15.00; total amount received for the year, \$1,892; amount given personally to cause, \$10.00; No. of miles traveled, 500; expenses, \$25.00; address, Barnard, N. C.

REV. GROVER BAILEY: No. of revivals conducted, 4; conversions, 40; No. of sermons preached, 50; No. of members received, 16; No. baptized, 24; No. of homes visited, 6; No. of sick visits made, 15; No. of home prayed in, 30; amount received for revival services, \$27.32; total amount received during the year, \$27.32; total amount raised for the cause, \$7.75; amount given personally to the cause, \$11.32; No. of miles traveled, 700; expenses, \$28.00; address, Hicksville, Long Island, New York.

REV. HERMON GENTRY: No. of sermons preached, 90; No. of revivals conducted, 3; professions, 34; No. of miles traveled, 2,000; expenses, \$80.00; No. of funerals conducted, 4; address, Newport, Tenn., Route 2.

REV. J. A. EDMONDS: No. of churches pastored, 2; No. of revivals conducted, 2; conversions, 4; No. of sermons, 19; No. of homes visited, 25; No. of sick visits made, 15; No. of homes prayed in, 25; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 5; amount received for pastoral services, \$266.12; amount received for revival services, \$39.00; amount received for all other purposes, \$57.00; total amount received during the year, \$323.12; amount given personally to the cause, \$50.40; No. of miles traveled, 1,200; expenses, \$118.50; address, Box 34, Weaverville, N. C.

REV. R. H. REESE: No. of sermons preached, 28; No. of homes visited, 15; No. of sick visits made, 6; No. of homes prayed in, 16; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 18; No. of prayer meetings conducted, 16; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 4; total amount received during the year, \$55.72; total amount raised for the cause, \$80.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$35.00; No. of miles traveled, 680; expenses, \$15.00; address, 27 Holly-wood St., Asheville, N. C.

REV. W. L. QUEEN: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 3; conversions, 20; No. of sermons preached, 45; No. of members received,

2; No. baptized, 2; No. of homes visited, 18; No. of sick visits made, 16; No. of homes prayed in, 16; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 4; No. of funerals conducted, 2; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 1; amount received for pastoral services, \$36.42; amount received for all other services, \$36.01; total amount received during the year, \$72.43; amount given personally to the cause, \$25.00; No. of subscriptions taken for the Free Will Baptist, 1; address, Hazelwood, N. C.

REV. G. E. CODY: No. of sermons preached, 45; No. of miles traveled, 1,800; expenses, \$12.00; No. of homes visited, 15; No. of prayer meetings conducted, 8; professions, 25; baptized, 6; money given, \$35.00; money received, \$31.00; No. of sick visits, 8; No. of homes prayed in, 18; address, Black Mountain, N. C., Route 1.

REV. W. O. ADCOCK: Conversions, 3; No. of sermons preached, 12; No. of sick visits made, 5; No. of homes prayed in, 3; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 12; No. of funerals conducted, 3; amount given personally to the cause, \$20.00; No. of miles traveled, 300; address, 502 Westwood Place, West Asheville, N. C.

REV. WALTER WILSON: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 1; conversions, 8; No. of sermons preached, 80; No. baptized, 5; No. of homes visited, 75; No. of sick visits made, 30; No. of homes prayed in, 40; No. of funerals conducted, 3; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 12; amount received for pastoral services, \$59.00; amount received for revival services, \$5.00; total amount received during the year, \$64.00; total amount received for the cause, \$96.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$30.00; No. of miles traveled, 150; expenses, 4.00; address, Marshall, N. C., Route 1, Box 224.

REV. JAMES COLLINS: I have not been able to do very much. I have preached several sermons and done much preaching to the people whom I have come in contact with outside of the church. I have received about \$60.00 from my friends for which I am very thankful. I hope to be able to do more this coming year. Address, Alexander, N. C., Route 2.

REV. PEARSON BRADLEY: No. of revivals helped in, 1; conversions, 20; baptized, 7; No. of homes visited, 8; No. of sick visits made, 6; No. of homes prayed in, 7; No. of Sundayschool classes taught, 4; No. of sermons preached, 15; amount received for revival services, \$5.00; amount received for other services, \$2.00; total amount received during the year, \$7.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$9.00; total amount raised for the cause, \$40.00; address, Weaverville, N. C., Route 1, Box 386A.

REV. BOB FREEMAN: Conversions 4; No. of sermons preached, 40; No. of homes visited, 15; No. of sick visits made, 10; No. of homes prayed in, 7; No. of funerals conducted, 4; amount received for all other services, \$26.00; total amount received during the year, \$26.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$4.00; No. of miles traveled, 400; expenses, \$7.00; address, Walnut, N. C.

REV. J. W. BANKS: No. of churches pastored, 1; Conversions, 6; No. of sermons preached, 35; No. of members received, 3; No. baptized, 2; No. of homes visited, 10; No. of sick visits made, 2; No. of homes prayed in, 5; No. of funerals conducted, 1; amount received for pastoral services, \$24.63; total amount received during the year, \$30.63; amount given personally to the cause, \$20.00; No. of miles traveled, 400; expenses, \$10.00; address, 2 Noble St. West Asheville, N. C.

REV. CHARLIE HOLLIFIELD: No. of sermons preached, 4; No. baptized 7; No. of sick visits made, 26; No. of funerals conducted, 1; amount given personally to the cause, \$107.00; No. of miles traveled, 300; expenses, \$10.00; address, Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. C. R. WHEELER: No. of revivals conducted, 2; helped in, 1; No.

of sermons preached, 50; baptized, 5; received for revival services, \$75.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$10.00; address, Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. WILLIAM MANLEY: No. of revivals conducted, 3; conversions, 11; No. of sermons preached, 37; No. of sick visits made, 4; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 28; total amount received during the year, \$47.62; amount given personally to the cause, \$26.57; address, Old Fort, N. C.

REV. G. Y. BURGIN: No. of churches pastored, 1; No. of revivals conducted, 3; conversions, 16; No. of sermons preached, 30; No. of members received, 15; No. baptized, 6; No. of homes visited, 30; No. of sick visits made, 7; No. of homes prayed in, 7; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 11; No. of funerals conducted, 1; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 20; amount received for pastoral services, \$32.00; total amount received during the year, \$32.00; total amount raised for the cause, \$250.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$350.00; No. of miles traveled, 600; expenses \$18.00; address, Black Mountain, N. C., Route 1.

REV. W. H. BRADLEY: No. of sermons preached, 15; No. of homes visited, 15; No. of sick visits made, 3; No. of homes prayed in, 10; total amount received during the year, \$2.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$1.75; address, 1001 W. Central Ave., Orlando, Fla.

REV. W. A. WARD: No. of revivals conducted, 2; conversions, 24; No. of sermons preached, 28; No. baptized, 11; No. of homes visited, 20; No. of sick visits made, 26; No. of homes prayed in, 10; No. of special sermons and lectures delivered, 28; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 40; amount received for revival services, \$17.98; amount received for all other purposes, \$3.00; total amount received during the year, \$20.98; total amount raised for the cause, \$5.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$6.25; No. of miles traveled, 700; expenses, \$9.10; address, Weaverville, N. C., Route 1.

REV. NELSON MASSEY: No. of revivals helped in, 5; conversions, 25; No. of sermons preached, 26; No. baptized, 15; No. of homes visited, 75; No. of sick visits made, 11; No. of homes prayed in 18; No. of funerals conducted, 2; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 3; amount received for revival services, \$11.40; total amount received during the year, \$11.40; amount given personally to the cause, \$84.60; No. of miles traveled, 575; expenses, \$22.75; prayer meetings conducted, 5; address, Black Mountain, N. C.

REV. W. G. BURLISON: No. of revivals conducted, 2; conversions, 11; No. of sermons preached, 50; No. of homes visited, 25; No. of sick visits made, 10; No. of homes prayed in, 15; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 28; amount received for revival services, \$5.00; amount received for all other services, \$25.00; total amount received during the year, \$30.00; total amount raised for the cause, \$25.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$15.00; No. of miles traveled, 175; address, Barnardville, N. C.

REV. T. A. WHEELER: No. of revivals conducted, 1; professions, 33; No. of homes prayed in, 9; No. of sermons preached, 27; No. of Sunday school classes taught, 5; amount given personally to the cause, \$29.40; money received, \$74.21; address, Canton, N. C., Route 2.

REV. H. H. McFALLS: No. of sermons preached, 48; No. of prayer meetings conducted, 20; amount received, \$25.00; amount given personally to the cause, \$30.00; No. of miles traveled, 300; address, Ridgecrest, N. C., Box 173.

We feel that this has been a real good association in every way.

REV. B. E. GUTHRIE, Moderator

MRS. R. H. REESE, Clerk

SATURDAY NIGHT SERVICE

Opening song, "The Sweet By And By". Prayer by Rev. Sam Chandler.

Scripture reading, Luke 9:23. Sermon by Rev. Lindsey Howell. A good sermon by the speaker. Much rejoicing among Christians, with one conversion.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

Opening song, "Anywhere Is Home". Prayer by Rev. W. L. Queen. Scripture reading, Matthew 16:13. Sermon by Rev. B. E. Guthrie. A real good message by the speaker and enjoyed very much by all. A communion and feet-washing service was observed, with great rejoicing among the Christians and one conversion.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that this association be empowered to have jurisdiction over all churches in this body, and shall have the power to settle disputes that may come before it. Any church that may have a dispute that cannot be settled peaceably in said church, the dissatisfied party shall have a right to appeal to the association, and abide by the decision of the same.

CONSTITUTION, MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. This body shall be known as the Ministers' Conference of the French Broad Free Will Baptist Association.

2. This Conference is formed under and by the authority of the French Broad Association and shall be composed of licensed and ordained ministers.

3. It shall have entire jurisdiction over the ministry in said Association, issuing license, prescribing qualifications for the ministry, conducting examinations and ordaining ministers, working for the most harmonious and effective ministry.

4. The officers of this Conference shall be a Moderator and Secretary-Treasurer, who shall be elected annually and perform the duties usually performed by such officers.

5. This Conference shall have power to make such by-laws and other regulations as may be necessary for the performance of its duties.

6. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a vote of two-thirds.

BY-LAWS MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

1. The regular meeting of this Conference shall be held annually in connection with the meeting of the Association.

2. Each member shall report at regular meeting either in person or by letter.

3. Five members shall constitute a quorum at all regular or legal meetings.

4. The Moderator may call a special session at any time on request of three members.

5. At each meeting there shall be elected an Ordaining Council, whose duty shall be to examine candidates, grant licenses, conduct ordinations, etc., and report at each regular meeting.

6. Licentiates shall pursue a definite course of study under the direction of the Ordaining Council.

7. Necessary expenses of this organization shall be met by voluntary contributions or by assessment of its members.

8. No member shall serve as pastor of a church which does not enforce discipline, care for their pastor and contribute to other benevolent enterprises according to their ability.

9. No member shall meddle with the work of another or injure his reputation for usefulness, but watch over each other and thus promote harmony and love among the membership.

10. Each member, not excused from age or infirmities, is expected to do something to advance the cause of Christ and make a full report at each regular meeting.

11. Membership in the body shall be proof of good standing in the ministry.

12. These by-laws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds at any regular meeting.

CHURCH COVENANT

1. Having given ourselves to the Lord, through Jesus Christ, we agree to accept the Free Will Baptist articles of faith, we give ourselves to each other by the help of God. 2. We solemnly covenant before God that we will carefully observe, rebuke and admonish those having gone astray, and watch over each other's reputation, use our influence to the upbuilding of the church, commands implied in a profession of faith, and in the spirit of kindness and for the advancement of the cause of Christ, endeavoring to seek the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of Peace, and to confess our faiths to one another, and to strengthen those who are weak. 3. We promise by the help of God, that we will faithfully practice family and secret prayer, and strive to cultivate the doctrine of God's revealed Word in the minds of those under our care. 4. We also agree to use our influence for the support to the Gospel and contribute liberally to aid the ministry according to our several abilities. Also we agree to be liberal with those who are afflicted and needy, and especially to those of the household of faith. 5. We also agree to attend the monthly meetings regularly, if not Providentially hindered, and to submit to all ordinances applied in a profession of faith. 6. We also agree to abstain from all sinful and vain amusements. 7. We also agree to abstain from all intoxicating liquors, not to use it as a beverage, nor aid or assist in the manufacture of such, nor furnish it to others. We also agree to encourage home and foreign missions, education, Sabbath schools, good morals and everything that is for the glory of God, and to the welfare of men, and may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless until the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, that we may be happily admitted into the Kingdom of God, where we can ascribe honor unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

CONSTITUTION

1. The Association shall be composed of delegates chosen and sent from each church.

2. The delegates chosen and sent shall be recommended by letter from the church to which they belong and shall include the minister and some of the most able members belonging to the church.

3. The Association, when met and formed, shall elect a chairman and secretary.

4. The rules of decorum shall be read immediately after the Association is formed.

5. This Association will encourage a sound ministry, such as present Christ as an all sufficient Savior, having salvation possible to every human being on the terms of the Gospel which is freely offered to all.

6. Any minister in good standing, whether a delegate or not, may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberations and his name enrolled in our minutes.

7. The Association may appoint such committees as may be necessary for the expediting of business and every committee appointed to attend to any

particular business shall report their proceedings in writing to the Association while in session and all reports made by the committees may be adopted by the body.

8. Any church can become a member of the Association by making application by letter or by delegates and adopting our Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.

9. The Association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to be represented by letter or delegate.

10. The Association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. There shall be no conversation by the members, one with another so as to interrupt business while in session.

3. Every member speaking shall first rise and address the moderator.

4. No member shall interrupt a member while speaking.

5. We shall admit no other title while in session but that of 'Brother'.

6. Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.

7. No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject.

8. Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to unless withdrawn by the person who made it.

9. No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the moderator.

10. On all motions made where the vote of the body is taken, a majority shall prevail.

11. The moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any other member, provided the chair is filled.

12. Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the moderator.

13. Not less than nine members shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **GOD:** We believe that there is only one true and living God who is personally the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal and harmonious in every divine perfection. There is one God and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus who gave Himself a ransom for all to be testified in due time. 1st Tim. 2:5.

2. **THE HOLY SCRIPTURE:** We believe that God is the author of the Holy Bible, and its teachings constitute the only infallible doctrine for the government of His church. All scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction and instruction in righteousness.

3. **ORIGINAL APOSTACY:** We believe that Adam was created holy but by voluntary transgression fell into depravity and consequently involved his posterity in sin. "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was pleasant to the eyes and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took the fruit thereof and did eat and gave to her husband with her and he did eat." Gen. 3:6.

4. **FREE GRACE:** We believe the grace of God comprehends all spiritual blessings, that the gospel is the power of God unto salvation, that the Holy Spirit not only reproves the world of sin but is the means whereby sinners are converted and made wise unto salvation. "For there is no difference between Jews and Greeks for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call

upon Him." Rom. 10:12.

5. CHRISTIAN FAITH: We believe that Christian faith is the belief in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and redeemer of the world and in the divinity of the Holy Scripture, that faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life and he that believeth not on the Son shall not see life but the wrath of God abideth on him." John 3:36.

6. REPENTANCE: We believe that repentance is sorrow for sin and the kind of sorrow which produces Godly repentance must be preceded by effectual conviction of sin: "Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance; for ye were made sorry after a godly manner that ye might receive damage by us in nothing, for Godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation, not to be repented of but the sorrow of the world worketh death." 2nd Cor. 7:9-10.

7. FREE AGENCY: We believe that the human will is free and that men have ability to accept or reject the conditions of salvation as they are revealed in the Holy Scriptures. "He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" Micah 6:8.

8. PERSEVERANCE: We do not believe, under Gospel dispensation, any soul is elected to eternal life unconditionally, but that those who by faith persevere to the end will be saved, that it is possible for men who have been converted to make shipwreck of their faith and turn again to sin and finally be lost. "And Jesus said unto him: "No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God'." Luke 9:62.

9. GOOD WORKS: We believe that good works are the results of faith and not necessity, that those who have faith will do works of righteousness while those who have not faith cannot do anything pleasing or acceptable to God. "Every tree that bringeth not forth fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire, wherefore by their fruit ye shall know them." Matt. 7:19-20.

10. CHRISTIAN BAPTISM: We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; that baptism cannot be scripturally administered without faith in the subject who receives it. "Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death that like Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father even so we should walk in the newness of life." Rom. 6:4.

11. THE LORD'S SUPPER: We believe the supper was instituted by our Savior as a commemorative ordinance, that it was instituted for Christians and that all Christians should unite in sacred services regardless of name or denomination. "But let a man examine himself and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup for he that eateth and drinketh unworthily eateth and drinketh damnation unto himself not discerning the Lord's body." 1 Cor. 11:28-29.

12. FEET WASHING: We believe that washing the saint's feet was a command of our Savior and that His followers ought to practice the same. We urge the pastors of all our churches to encourage the practical obedience of this command, especially among the members of our churches. "If I then your Lord and Master have washed your feet ye also ought to wash one another's feet." St. John 13:14.

13. THE GOSPEL: We believe it to be the duty of all churches to support the gospel. "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the Gospel should live by the Gospel." 1 Cor. 9:14.

