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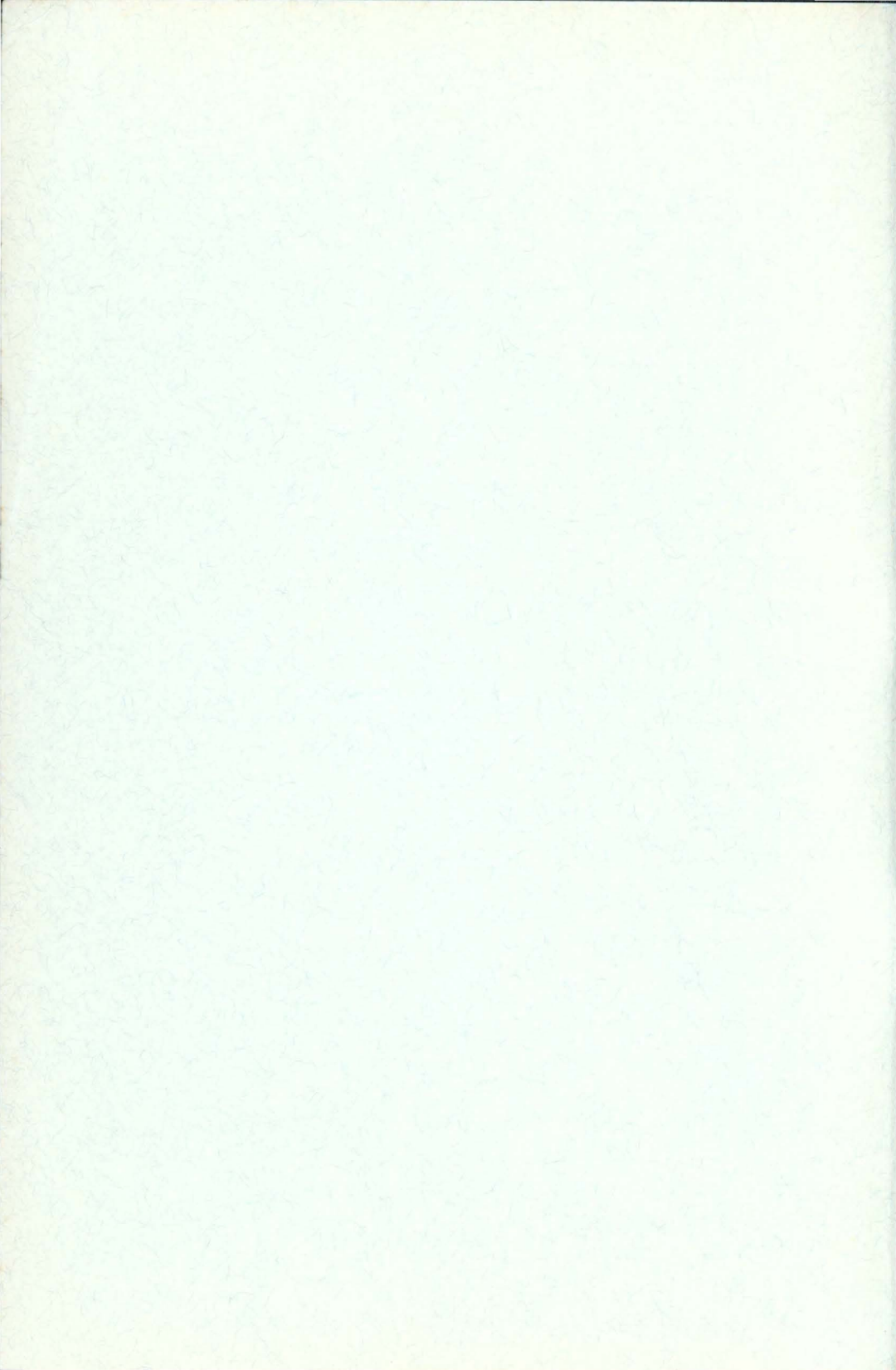
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Rev. J. C. Griffin, 1960

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Rev. J. W. Alford, Rev. C. J. Harris, Mr. Hardy Talton, 1962

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Mrs. Wayne Smith—Swannanoa  
Mrs. Bynum Lance—Blue Ridge  
Association

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J. D. Ballance—First Raleigh  
Mrs. J. R. Davidson—Goldsboro

J. Vernon Barbour—Powhatan  
Fred Parker—Prospect  
A. F. Ballance—Shady Grove

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Marvin Taylor—Faith  
Sidney Mills—Grace  
Howard Holt—Hugo  
Nathan Eason—Hope  
Hugh Hill—Hull Road

J. A. Fulford—King's Cross Roads  
Mrs. H. L. Spivey—Maury  
F. McCoy Tripp—Reedy Branch  
Larry N. Robbins—Rocky Mount  
Mrs. Adam Scott—Saratoga  
Luther Spain—Washington

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Doris Wood—Bethlehem  
Led B. Williams—Beulaville  
Calvin R. Mercer—Cabin  
Mrs. C. H. Heath—Core Creek  
L. W. Hobbs—Folkstone  
James Bland—Jacksonville  
Mrs. David W. Hansley—Kinston  
Mr. Fred Hunter—Mt. Zion  
Roger Wilson—Palmetto Chapel

Fred Hagan—Ruth's Chapel  
A. D. Benson—Sarecta  
Arthur Kennedy—Sandy Plain  
C. M. Whaley—Whaley's Chapel  
W. A. Wood—Winter Green  
Rom W. Mallard—Eastern  
Conference  
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Mrs. Sadie B. Peedin—Pine Level

R. K. Boyette—Rain's Cross Roads  
Oliver W. Smith—Stoney Creek  
Mr. Russell Lamm—White Oak  
Hill



# PROCEEDINGS

The forty-fifth annual session of the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptist Churches was held with Cramerton Free Will Baptist Church, Cramerton, North Carolina on September 11, 12, 1957. The assembly was called to order by the secretary.

The Rev. Henry Melvin conducted the morning devotional at 10:00 a. m. The congregation sang "All Hail the Power." Brother Melvin then led a responsive reading of Psalm 23. Brother Melvin and Brother Damon Dodd sang "The Lord Is My Shepherd." Prayer by Brother Melvin. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace."

It was moved and carried that we adopt the program as arranged by the executive committee with the exception of the morning schedule for Wednesday morning which was to be arranged at the discretion of the president.

The president introduced Mr. W. P. Biggerstaff, representative of the Allied Church League, who spoke to us briefly concerning the work of the Allied Church League in dealing with the problem of beverage alcohol in our state. He urged the full support of Christian people in the fight against beverage alcohol by legislative and educational means.

## APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

*Resolutions*—R. B. Crawford, Bobby Jackson, Gene Outland.

*Temperance*—S. A. Smith, D. W. Hansley, Walter Carter.

*Memorial*—Walter Reynolds, Ralph Staten, Henry Melvin.

*Nominating*—Wilbert Everton, J. A. Evans, J. O. Fort, R. J. Reynolds, Rom Mallard.

The president brought his message in which he pointed out the need for the spirit of Christian service as we enter this forty-fifth annual session of our convention.

Mr. J. D. Barbee, vice-president, Burlington Mills, division of Gaston County, brought the welcome address.

The president expressed appreciation for the welcome.

## REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE TO THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION

September 11, 1957

We, your committee on credentials, do hereby submit the following partial report:

1. We recommend that all officers, members of standing bodies, committees or commissions and all ordained ministers belonging to churches affiliated with the convention be seated with all rights and privileges of the convention.

2. That one delegate from each church in good standing in a con-

ference or association that has before represented in the state convention be seated.

3. One delegate from each union meeting, conference, or association that has before represented in the convention for every thousand members or a fraction thereof, be seated in this convention.

4. That those who consider that they are included in the above report and have properly registered, may vote on this report.

5. That the committee will make a more complete report as early as it is convenient.

6. However, if there is any doubt about the membership of any one; we recommend that it be referred to the credentials committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Your Committee

After a recess of ten minutes the congregation reassembled.

The congregation sang "Blessed Assurance" and "At the Cross." Mrs. J. C. Moye sang, "Search Me, O God." The Rev. Ralph Staten preached the introductory sermon. He read from Chapter 2 of Acts as a basis for his message and spoke to us to the subject, "A Church That Amazes People." Mrs. J. C. Moye then sang "I Won't Have to Cross Jordan Alone."

#### REPORT OF MOUNT OLIVE JUNIOR COLLEGE

to the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptist Churches

September 11, 12, 1957

#### Greetings:

Mount Olive Junior College is happy to present this report to the Free Will Baptist people of North Carolina who own and operate the college. During the past year we have made steady progress in every area of our college work, and we look forward to many more years of continued growth. Mount Olive Junior College is a sound and Christian educational institution for which all of our people are justly thankful.

#### Opportunity

It is safe to say that today there are at least 500 Free Will Baptist students in college in North Carolina alone, and that by 1970 there will be 1,000 of our sons and daughters in college. Add to this number the Free Will Baptist students in other states who are enrolled in state and denominational supported colleges and you begin to get a picture of the "open door" before us.

These students in college today are our teachers, doctors, nurses, ministers, engineers and business men of tomorrow, for tomorrow's leaders are in today's colleges. If Free Will Baptists will provide the best educational facilities possible for our youth, we can save our sons and daughters for service in our own church. If we leave the burden of educating our youth to others, we may expect those who educate our young people to receive their services.

Education is expensive not only to the student but also to the people who sponsor colleges. The Council for Financial Aid to Education reports that in state supported colleges students pay on the average 18%, which is less and one-fifth the total cost of their education and the taxpayer is responsible for 78%. In the church supported colleges the student pays 55% of the cost of his education and the balance is the responsibility of the college and its sponsoring body.

In short these figures mean that Mount Olive Junior College needs \$500 per student per year over and above what the student pays. It costs a denomination to maintain a college, but it costs far more to lose our sons and daughters. When we lose our youth, we have lost our hope for progress and effective Christian service.

### Growth

#### Students:

The college opened this week with an enrollment of eighty-seven regular students. The following figures show our growth.

Year	Enrollment
September, 1954	22
September, 1955	40
September, 1956	61
September, 1957	87

Our enrollment is thus almost four times what it was three years ago.

#### Library:

Today we have 4,000 approved and catalogued volumes in our library. The library alone is worth the entire purchase price of \$25,000 for Mount Olive Junior College four years ago. The Board of Directors have named our library The J. C. Moye Library in appreciation of Mr. Moye's endowment for the library in the amount of \$12,500.

We look forward to the establishment of a collection of historical records of the Free Will Baptist denomination in our library.

#### Curriculum:

The program of study at Mount Olive Junior College is designed to meet the requirements for the first two years of study basic to most professions, including teaching, the Christian ministry, missions, business, law, medicine, industry and related vocations. The college also offers both a one and two-year program in secretarial studies.

This year for the first time the college will have full-time instructors in science, mathematics, music, Bible and foreign language.

It should be pointed out that from the beginning of the college Bible has been a requirement for graduation in every program of study.

#### Laboratory:

Through a generous gift in the amount of \$2,500 from Dr. C. C. Henderson of Mount Olive, the college has added much equipment to its laboratory and this fall for the first time will offer chemistry.

## Finance

Mount Olive Junior College has the following endowment funds:  
*Endowments:*

I. F. Witherington Memorial Fund.....	\$ 4,000
(\$6,000 More Pledged)	
C. C. Henderson Endowment Fund.....	5,000
J. C. Moye Trust Fund.....	6,000
(\$6,500 More Pledged)	
First Union Meeting, Western Conference.....	1,100
Other Smaller Endowment Funds.....	908
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Total Endowments.....	\$17,008

### *Insurance:*

The following insurance policies are payable to the college: \$1,000 policy by S. A. Smith (policy matures in 1966), and \$1,000 policy by W. Burkette Raper (Policy matures in 1971).

### *Student Loan Funds:*

William Cecil Raper Loan Fund.....	\$200
Bruce Herring Loan Fund.....	250
Verdie Davenport Loan Fund.....	150
N. C. Ministers' Educational Loan Fund.....	194
Memorial Educational Loan Fund.....	35
Bishop F. Jones Loan Fund.....	100
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Total Loan Funds.....	\$929

These endowments, insurance policies, and loan funds are ideal opportunities for lasting investments in honor or memory of friends or relatives.

### *Scholarships:*

The Business and Professional Woman's Club of Mount Olive awards a scholarship each year to the Mount Olive Junior College student selected by the faculty as the student making the most progress in one year.

The Carolina Patriots Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, awards an annual scholarship to the first-year student with the highest academic average.

A tuition scholarship in the amount of \$250 is awarded any Free Will Baptist student attending Mount Olive Junior College who graduates as the valedictorian or salutatorian of his high school class.

## *Accreditation*

Because we have heard much about "accredited colleges" recently, we have enclosed with this report the North Carolina requirements for junior college accreditation. The value of accreditation is that credits earned in an accredited college are generally accepted by other colleges.

So far as we know, Mount Olive Junior College, has met all formal requirements for initial approval by the North Carolina College Conference,

but a final statement on this matter cannot be made until after the meeting of the College Conference in November.

Since last September, the college has been approved by the Veteran's Administration.

We are, however, obliged to have a dormitory for girls ready at the earliest possible date. Every effort must be put forth to reach this objective. We have retained the services of an architect but we have not had adequate funds to proceed with definite building plans.

We now have resident students in five different homes in Mount Olive in addition to our regular dormitory space.

#### Recommendations

The following recommendations have been approved by the Board of Directors in regular session and are passed to this convention for adoption.

1. That the college be authorized to continue to conduct whatever financial campaigns necessary for the operation and growth of the college;

2. That the Board of Directors of the college be increased from nine to eighteen members with three new members to be added every other year beginning in 1958 until the total of eighteen is reached, and that the other states be given official representation on the Board of Directors, such representation to be determined by the North Carolina State Convention (Admndments to the Charter and Constitution authorizing these changes to be presented for approval in 1958);

3. That the attached budget be approved;

4. That the attached financial report be approved.

#### Conclusion

Let us join together in prayer and dedication for the building of a program of Christian higher education for the preparation of our sons and daughters for Christian life and service. If we will provide our best for our youth, we can in return expect their best. If we lose our youth, we have lost our hope for denominational service.

The future belongs to those who prepare for it. May God help us!

W. Burkette Raper, *President*

#### PROPOSED BUDGET MOUNT OLIVE JUNIOR COLLEGE July 1, 1957 — June 30, 1958

##### Operation

Social Security	\$ 1,500
Travel	2,500
Office Supplies	2,000
Printing and Promotion	3,000
Household Supplies	1,000
Utilities (Fuel, Lights, Telephone)	4,000

School Supplies	1,000	
Taxes, License, Fees	225	
Rent	4,000	
Library	6,000	
Scholarships (Academic)	2,500	
Scholarships (Work)	5,000	
Laboratory	3,000	
Academic Salaries	42,500	
Administration	15,000	
Staff	7,000	
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Total Operation		\$100,225
<i>Non-Operating</i>		
Repairs	\$ 1,500	
Insurance	1,500	
Interest	2,000	
Debt Retirement	13,000	
Total Non-Operating		18,000
<i>Capital Outlay</i>		
Purchase of Real Estate	\$ 8,000	
Improvement	2,500	
Equipment	5,000	
Professional Fees (Legal, Audit)	400	
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Total Capital Outlay		15,900
<i>Contingency Fund</i>		
Total Contingency Fund		5,875
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Total General Budget		\$140,000

Note: To reach our goal, we need \$3 during this fiscal year from each Free Will Baptist in North Carolina. If we will give our youth our best, then we can expect them to give us their best.

*Expansion and Development:* All we can raise. \$300,000 is needed for our dormitory.

### TREASURER'S REPORT MOUNT OLIVE JUNIOR COLLEGE

September 1, 1956 — June 30, 1957

Balance on Hand, Bank of Mout Olive, September 1, 1956 \$ 4,213.00

#### RECEIPTS

Received From:	
Eastern Conference District	\$10,423.76
Central Conference District	9,076.27
Western Conference District	7,360.27
Cape Fear Conference District	2,434.06

Albemarle Conference District	490.00
French Broad Conference District	14.29
Pee Dee Conference District	29.23
Piedmont Conference District	28.00
Blue Ridge Conference District	131.34
State-Wide Bodies	1,326.15
Free Will Baptists in Other States	200.50
<b>Total from Free Will Baptists</b>	<b>\$31,513.87</b>
From Friends of:	
Mount Olive and Community	\$11,745.13
Goldsboro and Community	6,725.83
Other Communities	764.00
<b>Total from Friends</b>	<b>19,234.96</b>
<b>Total Gifts</b>	<b>\$50,748.83</b>
Other Income:	
Student Acocunts	\$31,118.82
Bookstore Income	4,495.44
Lunchroom, (In Addition to Regular Student Board)	2,062.64
Mimeograph Service	35.52
Refunds	388.54
Endowment Income	521.11
Miscellaneous Income	1,247.89
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>39,869.96</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$90,618.79</b>
<b>Total to Account For</b>	<b>\$94,831.79</b>

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	\$39,675.98
Social Security Tax	784.39
Travel	1,328.50
Office Supplies and Expense	1,340.44
Printing and Promotion	768.64
Bookstore Purchases	4,361.64
Food	8,030.75
Household and Kitchen Supplies	663.55
Utilities, Coal, Water, Lights, Telephone, etc.	2,622.66
School Supplies	544.93
Tax, Licenses, Fees	128.13
Rent, Students	1,678.25

Library (Books)	3,768.88	
Refunds	219.50	
Scholarship	3,890.00	
Student Government	64.00	
Annual Fund	686.99	
Miscellaneous	748.99	
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Total Operating Cost		\$71,306.50
Non-Operating Maintenance Cost:		
Repairs	\$ 372.96	
Insurance	655.03	
Interest on Loan	425.00	
Other Expenses	402.05	
Principal on Loan	2,050.00	
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Total		\$ 3,905.04
Capital Outlay:		
Purchase Real Estate	\$ 8,767.20	
Improvement	4,298.26	
Equipment	5,093.81	
Architect	500.00	
Legal Fee	147.25	
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Total		\$18,806.52
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Total Capital Outlay and Maintenance		22,711.56
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Total Disbursements		\$94,018.06
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Balance, Bank of Mount Olive, July 1, 1957		\$ 813.73

M. L. Johnson, Treasurer

#### NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE CONFERENCE

The principles for accrediting junior colleges are as follows:

In defining standards for the junior colleges the committee had in mind an institution covering the first two years of college work.

1. The requirement for admission shall be the satisfactory completion of a four-year course in a secondary school approved by a recognized agency or the equivalent of such a course as shown by examination. The major portion of the secondary school course accepted for admission should be definitely correlated with the curriculum to which the student is admitted.



2. Requirements for graduation must be based on the satisfactory completion of thirty year hours, or sixty semester hours of work corresponding in grade to that given in the freshman and sophomore years of colleges or universities. In addition to the above quantitative requirements each institution should adopt other qualitative standards suited to its individual conditions.

3. Members of the teaching staff in regular charge of classes must have a baccalaureate degree and not less than one year of graduate work in a recognized graduate school. In the enforcement of this standard consideration will be given to teachers of long standing and effective service.

4. A schedule of sixteen credit hours a week is recommended for teachers with eighteen credit hours as a maximum.

5. The curriculum should provide for breadth of study and should have justifiable relation to the resources of the institution, but there should be a minimum of five departments, each in charge of a teacher giving at least half of his time to collegiate instruction in his department. This number of departments, and the size of the faculty should be increased with the developments of varied curricula and growth of the student body.

6. The limit of the number of students in a recitation or laboratory class in junior college should be thirty-five.

7. The college work should be the essential part of the curriculum. No junior college should be accredited until its registration in the college work has reached approximately fifty students.

8. The material equipment and upkeep of a junior college, its buildings, land, laboratories, apparatus and libraries should be judged by their efficiency in relation to the educational program.

(a) The laboratory shall be adequate for all the experiments called for by the courses offered in the science (about \$2,000 worth of apparatus for each science offered) and these facilities shall be kept up by means of an annual appropriation in keeping with the curriculum. The laboratory equipment for a science in which twelve or more semester hours is offered should be worth at least \$2,500.

A junior college should have a live, well distributed, professionally administered library of at least 4,000 volumes exclusive of public documents, bearing specifically upon the subjects taught.

The librarian should be a full-time library employee holding a degree in library science and should have faculty rank. There should be an annual expenditure of an average of two dollars and fifty cents per student for books, periodicals and binding with a minimum expenditure of \$500 annually for new books.

9. The minimum annual operating income for the two years of junior college work should be \$10,000 of which not less than \$5,000 should be derived from stable sources, other than students, preferably permanent endowments. Increase in faculty, student body and scope of instruction should

be accompanied by increases of income from such stable sources. The financial status of each junior college should be judged in relation to its educational program.

10. No junior college shall be accredited that does not have a minimum salary of at least \$2,800 for departmental heads for nine months' term with no teachers receiving less than \$2,500 for the same period.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES  
MOUNT OLIVE JUNIOR COLLEGE  
1957-58

Mount Olive Junior College considers the development of a sound Christian philosophy of life and Christian character to be an integral part of its educational objective. Someone has wisely said, "The heart of education is the education of the heart."

Although the college wishes that Christian experience and growth are dependent upon the attitude and will of the individual, every effort is made to cultivate the spiritual life of each student. The following religious activities are designed to integrate our Christian experience with our academic learning.

1. *Chapel Services*: These services are held throughout the school year on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:00 a.m. in the college auditorium and are intended to be a contribution to the spiritual life of students and faculty. Attendance is required.

2. *Sunday School and Church*: Sunday school is held each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship is conducted the first and third Sundays of each month. Resident students on campus for the week end are required to attend these services. On Sundays when worship services are not held at the college, students are expected to attend a worshop service at the church of their choice.

3. *Free Will Baptist Fellowship Hour (League)*: A fellowship hour consisting of the evening meal and a youth program is held each Sunday evening at 5:30 in the college cafeteria. Resident students on campus for the week end are expected to attend.

4. *Dormitory Devotions*: Dormitory devotions are held each evening as arranged by the students.

5. *Missionary Prayer Band*: This organization is composed of interested students who meet at 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to study and pray for the cause of world-wide Christian missions.

6. *Spiritual Emphasis Week*: During each school year a Spiritual Emphasis Week is held for the purpose of leading each student to make or renew his personal commitment to Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour.

Visitors are always welcome to any of these services.

The college chaplain is available at all times to aid any student with any spiritual question or problem he may have.

Michael Pelt, Chaplain

It was moved and carried that the report of Mount Olive Junior College be adopted.

An offering was received for Mount Olive Junior College in the amount of \$80.10. The offertory prayer was led by the president of the convention.

### LUNCH

The congregation reassembled after lunch and a devotional period was conducted by the Rev. Norman Adams. The congregation sang "The Saviour's Love" and "The Solid Rock." Brother Adams read Ephesians 5:13-16 and spoke to us on the theme "Awake Thou and Redeem the Time."

### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention met in Ayden, North Carolina, November 20, 1956. The meeting was called to order by the president. R. B. Crawford led in prayer. Members present were Bruce Barrow, Lloyd Vernon, R. B. Crawford, D. W. Alexander, Herman Hersey and Michael Pelt.

It was moved and carried that we have 1,000 envelopes and sheets of official stationery printed for use by the executive committee of the state convention.

It was moved and carried that the state convention continue the 7-point program and that letters be sent each quarter to the churches to remind them to support the program.

The Rev. S. A. Smith offered his resignation as a member of the board of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home. It was moved and carried that the executive committee accept his resignation. A word of appreciation was offered for his services in the above capacity.

The president gave a brief report of his activities in the promotional department.

It was moved and carried that the president and secretary continue the work of the promotional department for this conventional year.

It was moved and carried that the president represent the state convention at the next meeting of the General Assembly of North Carolina in order to voice the opinion of our people on the question of a state-wide liquor referendum.

It was moved and carried that the promotional department negotiate with the Executive Committee of the National Association to work out a coordinated financial program between the National Association and the state convention in accordance with the 7-point program.

It was moved and carried that the historical commission be asked to investigate the possibility of erecting a monument on or near the site of the first Free Will Baptist church in North Carolina.

It was moved and carried that the Rev. D. W. Alexander serve as a temporary member of the board of the Children's Home until the executive

committee can study the matter of selecting a more permanent member of the board of the Children's Home.

It was moved and carried to adjourn.

Benediction by Rev. Lloyd Vernon.

N. Bruce Barrow, *President*

Michael Pelt, *Secretary*

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The Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptists met in Ayden, North Carolina, April 25, 1957.

The meeting was called to order by the president. The Rev. Herman Hersey led us in prayer.

Those present at the meeting were N. Bruce Barrow, Michael Pelt, Herman Hersey, D. W. Alexander, R. B. Crawford, W. B. Raper, proxy for Rom Mallard. Raymond Sasser was a visitor, representing the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Sunday School Convention.

Mr. Sasser was asked to present any recommendation from the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Sunday School Convention concerning the work of the Promotional Department of the North Carolina State Convention.

The president appointed a committee to study a proposal for the office of promotional secretary to be presented at the 1957 session of the state convention. Members of the committee were N. Bruce Barrow, Michael Pelt and Herman Hersey.

The president offered his resignation as a member of the state mission board to be effective June 1. It was moved and carried that his resignation be accepted. R. H. Jackson was elected to succeed him as a member of the mission board.

The president appointed a committee to plan the program for the 1957 session of the state convention. Appointed on this committee to serve with the president were R. B. Crawford and Michael Pelt.

It was moved and carried that an offering be received at the state convention for the Children's Home at Middlesex and that an additional one be received for Mount Olive Junior College.

It was moved and carried that the North Carolina Alumni of the Bible College be in charge of the program on Wednesday night at the 1957 session of the state convention.

It was moved and carried that the promotional secretary be empowered to appoint delegates to the National Association that are not otherwise provided for by the various conferences of North Carolina.

It was moved and carried that executive committee adjourn.

Benediction by Rev. R. B. Crawford.

N. Bruce Barrow, *President*

Michael Pelt, *Secretary*

The Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention of Free Will Baptists met on September 6, 1957, at Mount Olive Junior College, Mount Olive, North Carolina. Members present were Bruce Barrow, Michael Pelt, Lloyd Vernon, Herman Hersey, Robert Crawford, Willis Wilson, proxy for D. W. Alexander, and Rom Mallard.

The meeting was called to order by the president. Robert Crawford led the group in prayer.

The group discussed the work of the promotional department and the need for a promotional office. By motion the executive committee adopted the recommendations of the special committee appointed by the president to study the work of the promotional department.

Mrs. J. C. Moye was elected to serve as a member of the board of the Children's Home to fill the vacancy of S. A. Smith.

It was moved and carried that the executive committee adjourn.

Benediction by the Rev. N. Bruce Barrow.

N. Bruce Barrow, President

Michael Pelt, Secretary

It was moved and carried that the report of the Executive Committee of the North Carolina State Convention be adopted.

It was moved and carried that the following recommendations be adopted by the North Carolina State Convention:

We recommend that the North Carolina State Convention, on its first day's session, appoint a special committee to draft resolutions to clarify the position of the North Carolina State Convention with regard to the following:

- (1) The Cooperative Program of the National Association.
- (2) The activities of the National Executive Department toward centralization of denominational authority.
- (3) The National Sunday School Board with reference to Sunday school literature.
- (4) The National Association's attitude toward affiliation with other bodies.

Serving on this committee: R. H. Jackson, Mrs. Felton Watson, C. H. Overman, W. B. Raper and Mrs. J. C. Moye.

It was moved and carried that the unfinished business concerning the promotional department, which was tabled at the last session held at Beaver Dam Church be removed from the table. (See 1956 minutes, Page 27.)

A substitute motion was made and carried that the recommendations of the executive committee be considered along with the matter which was removed from the table for consideration.

It was moved and carried that the special report of the executive committee regarding the work of the promotional department be adopted by the state convention.

This report is as follows:

The committee appointed by the president to study the work of the promotional department and report back to the executive committee met at Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina, on May 1, 1957.

Members present were N. Bruce Barrow, Herman Hersey and Michael Pelt.

The committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That the president of the state convention by virtue of his office be the promotional director.

2. That the word "centralizing" in the duties of the promotional director, as listed in Section 5 of Article III in the Bylaws, be changed to read "coordinating."

3. That Article I, Section I of the Bylaws be changed to read as follows:

The work of this convention shall be departmentalized, with an affiliated state organization or a board of control over each department. Each affiliated state organization and board shall be governed by rules and regulations that prescribe cooperation with the state convention. It shall be the duty of the convention to solicit the cooperation of the conferences and associations in promoting the work of the departments and state organizations.

#### THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERANNUATION FOR THE YEAR 1956-57

We, your board of superannuation, submit the following report and recommendations:

##### 1. DEATHS:

With sincere regret we report the death, during the past year, of the following ministers who were on our list: Reverends M. A. Woodard, Malley Rice, David E. McDonald.

##### 2. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Balance on Hand, September 1, 1956 \$1,901.64  
Receipts for the Year:

###### Received From:

Albemarle Conference District	\$ 361.10
Cape Fear Conference District	499.48
Central Conference District	1,236.75
Eastern Conference District	1,587.58
French Broad Conference District	442.75
Pee Dee Conference District	5.00
Piedmont Conference District	55.00
Western Conference District	1,316.05
N. C. State Auxiliary Convention	387.13
<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>\$5,890.84</b>

Refund of Check Written after Death of Payee	7.50
Receipts for Ministers' Retirement Fund	96.00
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Total Receipts for the Year	5,994.34
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Total to Account For	\$7,895.98
<b>Disbursements:</b>	
Paid to Superannuated Ministers	\$2,980.50
Paid to Widows	1,390.00
Office Expense, Equipment and Treasurer's Bond	272.39
Chairman-Treasurer's Salary	300.00
Chairman-Treasurer's Mileage	16.00
Paid to National Board	534.36
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Total Disbursements	5,500.25
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Balance in Bank and on Hand August 31, 1957	\$2,395.73
Retirement Fund Balance	384.01
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General Fund Balance	\$2,011.72

3. **GEORGE P. BEST MEMORIAL FUND:**

The amount of this fund is \$6,459.55.

4. **RESERVE FUND:**

The amount of this fund is \$2,500.19.

5. **PENSION CHECKS:**

There are now 23 ministers receiving regular monthly pension checks, and 25 widows receiving regular quarterly pension checks.

6. **PROTECTIVE INSURANCE:**

We continue to recommend that all our ministers who can qualify, take advantage of the \$2,000.00 protective insurance available through the National Board of Superannuation.

7. **MINISTERIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM:**

We invite those ministers and churches who are interested in the Ministerial Retirement System, to contact us for information.

8. **BUDGET FOR 1957-1958:**

We ask for a total budget during the next year of \$10,000.00 based upon 25c per member of the churches of this state.

9. **PLEASE SEND ALL SUPERANNUATION FUNDS TO:**

Wilbert Everton, Route 2, Snow Hill, North Carolina.

Submitted by the Board of Superannuation  
 Wilbert Everton, Chairman-Treasurer

M. V. Avery

Owen Thomas

C. W. Maness

Mrs. Walter Rhodes

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted by the state convention.

## REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA STATE LEAGUE CONVENTION

The North Carolina State League Convention of the Original Free Will Baptists met in its 30th annual session at Saint Mary's Church, New Bern, North Carolina, May 3-5, 1957. The theme of the convention was: "For Him, My All." The Scripture was 1 Corinthians 29:5—"Who then is willing to consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?"

We would like to report that this meeting of the convention was the most successful of any that we have attended. Great emphasis was placed on a good spiritual program, with several of the National League Convention personalities appearing on the program. Results of this type of program were seen on Friday evening when nine young people made decisions for Christ, and on Saturday evening when 32 young people came to the altar to dedicate themselves to the Lord's will. We trust that the next session of the convention will be even greater than the one this year.

The league reports showed a total of 40 leagues reporting (this does not include the reports that were handed in late, and were not included in the digest report), with 1,066 leaguers enrolled. There was a total of 140 new members added to the enrollment during the past year. There was a contribution to the convention of \$236.89, with a total registration of about 400. This was the largest attendance during recent years.

Awards this year go to:

- Primary—Hull Road
- Junior—Spring Branch
- Intermediate—Sound Side
- Senior—Sound Side
- Adult—Ruth's Chapel

The convention has launched a drive to raise \$500.00 for Cragmont. The plan was to secure one half dollar from each leaguer. So far only \$203.75 has been received.

The convention also sponsored a youth encampment at Cragmont this past summer, with a very successful week. Our plans are to continue with the encampment each year.

May we be allowed to request the following:

1. That our ministers pledge their support to the work of the league convention, and also the work of the leagues in their various pastorates.
2. That each delegate go back and encourage his league to support the 1958 league convention, and also seek to help raise the \$500.00 for Cragmont.
3. That all reports for the 1958 session be in at the beginning of the session.

Our league work has been weak during the past years, but we trust



that in the coming years it will grow and prosper for the glory of our Saviour, and for the training of our youth.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. H. Overman, *President*

It was moved and carried that this report from the league convention be adopted.

The Rev. Homer Willis, promotional secretary of the National Home Mission Board made a few comments concerning the work of his department.

REPORT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST  
SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION-INSTITUTE  
TO THE FORTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE STATE CONVENTION  
OF CHURCHES, OF THE ORIGINAL FREE WILL BAPTISTS OF  
NORTH CAROLINA

Convening at Cramerton Church, Sept. 11, 12, 1957

GREETINGS, in the blessed name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ:

Our convention met in its 18th annual session, Thursday, March 28, 1957, at Little Creek Church, in Greene County. The theme for the program was "Keep on Going."

Throughout the day, all reports by the officers and directors were encouraging. They reflected the history of not only the past year, but also the record of the past seventeen years, in which our heavenly Father has remarkably blessed the Sunday schools of our state, and our efforts to combine our efforts into a great forward movement of teacher and officer training.

A complete report of our 18th session is reflected in the minutes which have been printed and distributed. The minutes give credit where credit is due to the seventy-four Sunday schools and four district conventions who were represented at the convention. The minutes also give credit to the seventy-five schools who had faith in the convention program, by supporting it financially during the year, by mailing 10% of their offerings to our treasurer, Mr. Milton Wiggs, Smithfield, North Carolina.

I wish each of you could have attended our executive board meeting last week, and heard our field secretary, Rev. L. E. Ballard, give his report. You would have been thrilled as we were and would have breathed a prayer of thanksgiving for the faithful schools who support this great program. You would have joined us, as we breathed a prayer for divine guidance for us as we attempt to "Keep on Going." The theme of our convention is 2 Timothy 2:15, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We have not found a single teacher or officer who has come to the point that they do not need more training, therefore this great program must continue, to the glory of God.

In order that you might get a glimpse of the scope of this great work, the following is a brief summary of our field secretary's report:

**FIELD CONTACT WORK**—162 of the 345 schools in the state have been visited during the past four years, including meetings with officers and teachers, study courses, etc. 11 Area Institutes have been held in the past year. This is a study course for groups of Sunday schools, and they have been held from the coast to the mountains, with about 450 officers and teachers in attendance. Visits and contacts have been made to all new churches, and he has worked in cooperation with the mission boards in the establishment of new schools.

**MAIL SERVICE**—A monthly news-sheet for our Sunday schools, *The Sunday School Reporter*, has been written, published and mailed for over four years. Over 115,000 pieces of printed bulletins, teacher helps, and Sunday school reporters have been distributed from the field office since the United Program was established. For the past two years, at least three copies of *The Sunday School Reporter* have been mailed to each Sunday school in the state, for whom we have a mailing address of the superintendent or other officer or teacher. About 20 personal letters are written each month, answering requests for information and advice.

**CRAGMONT YOUTH CONFERENCES**—Twelve conferences have been held, beginning with two each summer since 1953, with three during the past two years. 818 young people have attended these 12 conferences. Each one received instruction in the Bible, in Sunday school and Free Will Baptist league work, and the majority were given instruction in personal evangelism, with group and personal counselling as a special part of the program. As an example of the importance of this great work, last summer, in the June and August conferences, 1,975 students were registered, with over 75 applications declined for lack of room. Out of this group, there were 48 decisions for Christ, 118 rededications, and 27 decisions for Christian service. They left in the spirit of Peter, James and John, who left the Mount of Transfiguration to return to their homes in the valley of Christian service. Give them something to do, and send us some more next year. We are trying to follow Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go: . . ." Our church of tomorrow will need trained leaders as never before. Financially, these conferences are self supporting. The staff give their services, and if there is sufficient money on hand, they are given a small gift of \$10 or \$12. Over 90% of the fees paid are used for room and board and transportation.

As the call of the Lord came to Samuel, and he answered and kept his covenant with the Lord, your officers and directors of your State Sunday School Convention-Institute are endeavoring to answer the call and need for a training program, so we might have better trained officers and teachers. We approach our duties in the spirit of the Apostle Paul, when he wrote in his epistle to the Philippians (Chapter 3, Verses 13, 14), "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." We feel the responsibility of our positions, and soli-

cit your cooperation and prayers. Our field secretary is on a half-time basis now, we believe you want him to be on full-time basis that this great work might continue to grow to the glory of God. We urge you to go home and encourage your school to support the State Sunday School Convention with 10% of your offerings.

Humbly presented in His service,  
Rev. Raymond T. Sasser, *President*

It was moved and carried that this report from the North Carolina State Sunday School Convention-Institute be adopted.

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

1957 Founder's Day Observance.

50 Year's Auxiliary Work in North Carolina.

50 Year's "Labourer's together with God" (1 Corinthians 3:9).

### Greetings:

The annual session of the North Carolina Free Will Baptist Woman's Auxiliary Convention convened with Shady Grove Church in Sampson County on May 23, 1957. A Founder's Day theme was used throughout the convention, marking fifty years of auxiliary work in North Carolina.

A goal of \$1,000.00 was set as a Founder's Day offering, this to be given to Cragmont Assembly.

Presentation of life memberships to worthy persons in auxiliary work has also become available during this year upon payment of a \$25.00 fee. This also was to be applied on Founder's Day goal. The convention is happy to report that we exceeded this goal in the amount of \$195.40, making the total offering \$1,195.40.

We feel that our progress has been accomplished through prayer. The auxiliary convention has what is known as "The Intercessory Prayer Band," with 217 members. These members have covenanted to pray daily and for specific things, which includes every phase of our denominational work. Also each group has two missionaries on their list whose names are called daily in prayer.

The auxiliary convention sponsored a declamation contest for our young people again this year. The two winning contestants were sent to the National Convention in Birmingham, Alabama, where our G. T. A. contestant, Suzanne Mallard, from the Eastern Conference won first place.

The auxiliary convention in conjunction with Mount Olive Junior College sponsored a daily vacation Bible school clinic in March of this year. Classes were taught to approximately four hundred who would be directing and teaching in Bible schools during the summer.

### Financial Report

Co-Laborer Band  
Cragmont Repairs

\$ 905.06

472.71



Furniture and Fixtures	6,276.35
Total Depreciable Properties	<u>\$26,770.83</u>
Accumulated Depreciation	7,638.60
Net Depreciable Properties	<u>19,132.23</u>
Land	2,819.76
Organization Expense	518.00
Total Assets	<u><u>\$23,741.18</u></u>

#### LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

<i>Current Liabilities:</i>	
Note Payable—Bank	\$ 3,000.00
<i>Net Worth:</i>	
Balance—January 1, 1956	\$20,276.22
Add:	
Excess of Income Over Expenses—Exhibit "B"	464.96
Balance—December 31, 1956	<u>20,741.18</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Worth	<u><u>\$23,741.18</u></u>

#### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1956

##### EXHIBIT "B"

<i>Income:</i>	
Contributions and Income From Guests	\$ 9,960.39
<i>Expenses:</i>	
Salaries And Wages	\$2,361.78
Food for Guests	1,779.27
Depreciation—Schedule 1	1,652.36
Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings	1,005.89
Travel Expense and Board Members' Expense	601.38
Insurance	468.75
Printing and Office Supplies	393.27
Electricity	282.56
Fuel and Gas for Cooking	234.49
Laundry	222.28
Interest Paid—Swannanoa Bank and Trust Company	180.00
Telephone and Telegraph	169.42
Audit Fee	75.00

Cost of Building Plans	31.10
Fire Protection	17.50
Unclassified Expense	15.53
Dues and Subscriptions	4.85
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Total Expenses	9,495.43
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Excess of Income over Expenses—Exhibit "A"	\$ 464.96
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SCHEDULE OF DEPRECIATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
DECEMBER 31, 1956

EXHIBIT "B"—SCHEDULE 1

Description	Rate	Cost	Accumulated		
			Reserve 12-31-56	Accumulated Reserve 12-31-56	
Buildings	5%	\$ 7,000.00	\$1,400.00	\$ 350.00	\$1,750.00
Improvement to Buildings	5%	7,861.36	1,572.28	393.07	1,965.35
Tabernacle	5%	5,633.12	563.32	281.66	844.98
Furniture and Fixtures	10%	6,276.35	2,450.64	627.63	3,078.27
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Balance 12-31-56		\$26,770.83	\$5,986.24	\$1,652.36	\$7,638.60

It was moved and carried that this report of Cragmont Assembly be adopted.

It was moved and carried that the North Carolina State Convention establish an educational loan fund at Mount Olive Junior College for the purpose of making educational loans to worthy and needy Free Will Baptist students attending the college:

1. That the name of this fund be the "North Carolina State Education Loan Fund";
2. That the administration of this fund be delegated to the board of directors of the college;
3. That the state convention make an annual appropriation to this fund, the amount to be determined each year by the state convention.

It was moved and carried that the body adjourn until the evening service at 7:00 p. m.

Wednesday Evening

The evening service was under the direction of the North Carolina Chapter of the Alumni Association of the Free Will Baptist Bible College in Nashville, Tennessee. An offering was received for the Bible College in the amount of \$35.50. Dr. L. C. Johnson, president of the Bible College, spoke at this service.

### Thursday Morning

The second day of this session began with the congregation singing "Glory to His Name," followed with prayer. The 46th Psalm was read. The congregation sang "Blessed Assurance."

It was moved and carried that the motion which was tabled last year that the Constitution and Bylaws be amended to provide for one member from each board or organization to serve on the executive committee be taken from the table. (See Page 27 of 1956 minutes.)

A motion was made and carried to amend the original motion by striking out the word "member" and adding the words "president or chairman."

It was moved and carried that the original motion as amended be tabled for one year.

### THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your board of Christian education, wish to make the following report:

Brother Michael Pelt, a member of the board, was selected to write the pamphlet outlining a program for Christian education in the local church. Brother Pelt proposes to have this pamphlet ready some time during the year 1958.

Since the last session of the convention the Bible Institute in the Piedmont Conference has been organized and operated for one year. We recommend this institution to pastors and Christian workers in the Piedmont section.

The board of Christian education has held one meeting during the year. We had an expense account of \$40.20 for the year. We also include the expense for last year which was \$42.60, making a total expense for two years of \$82.80.

We recommend that each church some time during the next conventional year conduct a training course for Sunday school teachers and Christian workers.

We further recommend that each church holding such institutes use the following prescribed courses:

General:

*Christian Education and the Local Church* by James DeForest Murch.

*The Sunday School in Action* by Clarence H. Benson.

*An Introduction to Child Study* by Clarence H. Benson.

*Improving Your Teaching* by Frank M. McKibben.

For Teachers of Adults:

*Teaching Adults* by Edith Tiller Osteayer.

For Teachers of Young People:

*Teaching Young People* by George L. Cutton.

For Teachers of Seniors:  
*Teaching Seniors* by Kenneth L. Cober and Esther Stricker.

For Teachers of Intermediates:  
*Teaching Intermediates* by Lucile Desjardins.

For Teachers of Juniors:  
*Teaching Juniors* by Florence E. Norton.

For Teachers of Primaries:  
*Teaching Primary Children* by Florence B. Lee.

For Teachers of Beginners:  
*Teaching Beginners* by Elizabeth McE. Shields.

For Teachers of Kindergarten Children:  
*Teaching Kindergarten Children* by Elizabeth Gardner.

For Nursery Teachers:  
*Guiding Children in the Nursery Class* by Jessie B. Carlson.

These books may be obtained at moderate cost from the Free Will Baptist Press in Ayden, North Carolina.

Board of Christian Education,  
David W. Hansley, *Chairman*

It was moved and carried that the report of the board of Christian education be adopted.

#### REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

We, your memorial committee, do hereby submit the following report, including these recommendations:

1. That each Conference or Associational moderator or representative speak with reference to their deceased:

<i>Conference or Association</i>	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Deceased</i>
Albemarle	Ralph Osborne	None
Blue Ridge	Milton Hollifield	
Cape Fear	J. R. Davidson	None
Central	Henry Melvin	M. A. Woodard
Eastern	D. W. Hansley	None
French Broad	Ervin Sluder	Mallie Rice
Pee Dee	Carey Cheshire	J. D. Cains
Piedmont	Walter Carter	David E. McDonald
Rockfish		None
Western	J. A. Evans	None

2. In memorial to our deceased brothers, we ask this convention to stand together for one minute in silent prayer.

3. We further ask that Rev. Henry Melvin conclude this memorializing with prayer and Scripture reading.

Respectfully submitted,  
Memorial Committee



It was moved and carried that this report of the memorial committee be adopted.

### REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We, your temperance committee, wish to submit the following report:

1. That we endorse the work and continued efforts of the Allied Church League to secure a state-wide referendum on the question of alcoholic beverage.

2. That the convention continue the two representatives from the convention to the Allied Church League sessions.

3. That the convention underwrite the expenses of the two representatives to these sessions and all other expenses connected with their work.

4. Last year we allocated \$200.00 to the Allied Church League to secure our membership as a representative denomination. Therefore, we recommend that not less than the same amount be allocated this year.

5. That we urge each local church to follow a policy of teaching the evils of alcoholic beverages by re-emphasizing our denominational stand with regards to the use of alcoholic beverages, as contained in our church covenant.

6. That this convention go on record as opposing the advertising of alcoholic beverage in any place or manner that undertakes to induce the use of same.

7. That this convention protest, to the radio and television commissions and companys, the broadcasting of programs using alcoholic beverages in its programs and the advertising of the same.

8. That we ask our people to act and live according to the Bible, "To be temperate in all things."

Your committee,  
David W. Hansley  
S. A. Smith

It was moved and carried that this report of the temperance committee be adopted.

### THE REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

We, your resolutions committee, submit the following resolutions for adoption:

1. That this convention express appreciation to the Cramerton Free Will Baptist Church for the entertainment received during this session, and to local newspapers, *The Gastonia Gazette* and *Belmont Banner*, and to the radio station W. C. G. C. for time and space given in advertising and presenting the state convention program;

2. That we express our thanks and sincere appreciation to friends who have contributed to institutions of our state convention.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. B. Crawford  
Bobby Jackson  
Billy Gene Outland

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

### CONTINUED REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

We find the following number of ordained ministers have registered for the convention:

Albemarle Conference	2
Blue Ridge Association	2
Cape Fear Conference	6
Central Conference	24
Eastern Conference	20
French Broad Association	0
Pee Dee Association	2
Piedmont Association	18
Rockfish Association	1
Western Conference	15
Total	97

We recommend that these be seated.

We find the following number of delegates registered for this convention:

Albemarle Conference	0
Blue Ridge Association	6
Cape Fear Conference	6
Central Conference	9
Eastern Conference	21
French Broad Association	1
Pee Dee Association	3
Piedmont Association	8
Rockfish Association	0
Western Conference	9
Total	63

We recommend that these be seated.

We are happy to recognize Rev. W. P. Biggerstaff of the Allied Church League.

We have checked all cards thoroughly and find no irregularities. We recommend that the convention continue to recognize all ministers and delegates who have properly registered.

Visiting ministers: Damon C. Dodd, Florida; Sherman Branch, South Carolina; Ronald Creech, South Carolina; Billy Morris, South Carolina; L. C. Johnson, Tennessee.

Respectfully submitted,  
Credentials Committee,  
D. L. Whaley  
J. C. Griffin  
Gene Outlaw

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

### REPORT OF THE STATE MISSION BOARD

During the past year the board has held six meetings and tried to consider all the matters that came before us. We have approved aid for 11 different points, and allocated \$5,577.34. We are continuing to help as means are available.

Our receipts for the year were a total of \$28,851.32.

Our expenditures were for:

Foreign Missions	\$19,361.62
National Home Missions	1,506.75
State Home Missions	5,577.34
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Total	\$26,445.71
Promotional Activities	2,022.89
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Grand Total	\$28,468.60
Balance in Bank, August 31, 1957	\$ 1,546.76
Assets, Notes Receivable	\$ 3,822.87
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We suggest the following budget:

Foreign Missions	\$30,000.00
National Home Missions	5,000.00
State Home Missions	25,000.00
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	\$60,000.00

We propose that one half undesignated funds be set aside for Alaskan missions, and the other one half for state missions.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Evans, *Chairman*

J. W. Alford, *Secretary-Treasurer*

It was moved and carried that this report of the state mission board be adopted.

### REPORT OF EAST CAROLINA FREE WILL BAPTIST STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND

Balance on Hand, September 1, 1956	\$624.59
Received from September 1956—August, 1957	82.00
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Sub-Total	\$706.59
Paid Out from September 1956—August 1957	73.97
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Balance on Hand, September 1, 1957	\$632.62

Mrs. J. C. Boyd, *Treasurer*  
1406 W. Ragsdale Road  
Greenville, North Carolina  
R. B. Crawford, *Chairman of Committee*

It was moved and carried that this report be adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S  
HOME, MIDDLESEX, NORTH CAROLINA

SEPTEMBER 1, 1957

THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE  
FREE WILL BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME  
TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*Greetings*

God has blessed the Free Will Baptist people this year, granting them the happy privilege to use a part of that with which He has blessed them in the support of the children of the Children's Home. The generous gifts from churches, individuals and other sources have made it possible to operate debt free. For these blessings from God and your generosity, we are grateful.

*Counseling*

The children have been counseled from time to time with the purpose in mind of helping them meet and solve the many problems of life.

*Church Program*

The Rev. J. O. Fort has been our pastor this year, and he has been a great help and inspiration to us. To Mr. Fort we are very thankful. We have Sunday school and league services each Sunday, preaching each first and third Sunday and vesper services on Thursday evening of each week.

*Farm Superintendent*

The farm was operated again this year by Children's Home personnel and children, with Mr. H. E. Mixon again serving as farm superintendent. Along with Mr. Nixon, Mr. J. C. Lucas and the children have done splendid work with the farm. However, the dry weather has been severe this year and the crops were not as good as they previously have been.

*Alumni Report*

The alumni association has been active this year. Mrs. Odell Jones Thompson is president and Charles Harrell, secretary.

*Improvements*

On our campus we have a few new improvements since last year, which include two new buildings. The new laundry building, with space for laundry equipment, boiler room, ironing room, and sewing room has been completed with an approximate cost of \$18,000.00. Also during this year a new superintendent's home has been erected on our campus with an approximate cost of about \$13,000.00.

### Health Program

The health of the children has been good this year. During the month of August Dr. Edwards of the State Health Program spent one week treating the children's teeth. For this we are very appreciative.

#### Support and Future Improvements

We want to thank you for your support this past year and urge you to continue your support in the future so that we can take care of the children and make necessary improvements. We pray that God in His love and mercy will guide and bless our efforts as we enter this fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. Smith, Superintendent and Treas.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

August 31, 1957

#### ASSETS

Cash on Checking with People's Bank and Trust Company, Middlesex,  
North Carolina:

Superintendent's Account	\$ 4,815.31
Capital Account	254.14

Total in Checking Account \$ 5,069.45

Cash on Savings with People's Bank and Trust Company:

College Students' Account	\$ 606.66
Hawkins Educational Fund	275.46
Dining Room Table and Chairs Fund	461.85
Superintendent's Account	10,358.73

Total on Savings \$11,702.70

Total on Deposit in Bank \$16,772.15

#### NOTES, BONDS AND PETTY CASH

McLeod Educational Loan Fund	\$ 810.00
McLawnhorn Educational Loan Fund	700.00
Petty Cash	100.00

Total Notes, Bonds and Petty Cash \$ 1,610.00

Total Assets \$18,382.15

S. A. Smith, Treasurer

### STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

September 1, 1956, through August 31, 1957

Cash on Hand September 1, 1956	\$31,064.35
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## RECEIPTS

Religious Organizations	\$55,998.19
Duke Endowment	7,512.36
Parents and Relatives	2,457.76
Friends	5,630.47
Refunds	1,339.49
Young People's Friend	21.50
Field Representative and Concert Class	10,930.72
Farm Cash Sales	15,286.32
Coupons	251.94
Material and Junk Sold	1,649.20
Interest on Savings	200.70
Annuity Bond Sales	200.00
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Total Receipts for Year	\$101,478.72
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Total for Which to Account	\$132,543.07
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## DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	\$19,771.48
Office Supplies	926.23
Telephone and Telegraph	650.46
Insurance	1,703.18
Conference Expense	1,255.18
Financing and Publicity	2,128.09
Administrative Travel	1,046.95
Food	14,447.53
Clothing	6,366.15
Laundry	1,085.36
Hounsehold Supplies	1,746.14
Recreation	627.22
Travel Relating to Care of Children	590.09
Health	390.87
Education	1,111.02
Fuel, Lights, Water, etc.	6,987.87
Plant Replacement and Repair	7,407.59
Farm Supplies	7,226.69
Farm Insurance	180.95
Farm Replacement and Repair	1,513.70
Replacement of Livestock	2,690.06
Miscellaneous Farm Supplies	200.00
Extra Institutional Travel	15.00
New Buildings	28,898.74
New Equipment, Furniture, Fixtures, Well	6,490.01
Annuity Bond Interest Payments	303.00

Fefunds and Adjustments	11.36
Total Disbursements for the Year	\$115,770.92
Cash on Hand August 31, 1957	16,772.15
Total Accounted For	\$132,543.07

#### DONATED COMMODITIES

Food	\$1,504.50
Clothing	42.25
Farm and Household Supplies	1,170.15
Total Donated Commodities	\$2,716.90

Mr. President:

We have come a long hard and rocky road since the first children were admitted to the home in the year 1920. We have had many hard trials to overcome, but God has always given us the strength and courage to carry on.

Today we have a home that is one of the best to be found in our state. Come to see us and see our children and the happy smiles they wear. Meet our superintendent and his wife and all the personnel that make up the workers. Dine with us and see what delicious food our children have to make them the men and women of tomorrow. Visit our cottages and you will be well pleased with the clean and beautiful way they are kept. Then drive down and see our farm. You will be amazed to see what has been done to those red clay hills. See our beautiful herd of cattle and fine hogs. If you are a fisherman stop by at our beautiful Eva Hinnant Lake and catch a nice string of those tasty fish. Drive back to the campus and see our new home for the superintendent. Then you will be a better person if you go in and see our beautiful Memorial Chapel. These are only a few of the bright places you will find at our home, which has admitted since the doors opened, 478 children.

The capacity of our home for many years now has been 75. We have on our waiting list 40 children who are pleading with us to please give them a place to call home. The big question we would like to leave with this state convention today is: Shall we go on and be satisfied with just the 75 and turn a deaf ear to those 40 who have been pleading for a place to call *home sweet home*? May God help you today to make the decision.

H. M. Mallard, *Chairman*

It was moved and carried that we adopt this report and that we extend a rising vote of thanks to the superintendent, the board of the Children's Home, and the staff of this institution for the commendable work they have done during the past year.

After an intermission of ten minutes the congregation reassembled and

sang "Glory to His Name." The Rev. R. B. Crawford led the congregation in prayer after which the congregation sang "Trust and Obey" under the direction of the Rev. C. H. Overman. A quartet sang, "Wonderful, Wonderful Jesus." Then the congregation sang "The Way of the Cross Leads Home." The vice-president introduced the speaker of the hour, the Rev. Daniel Rivers, pastor of Marsh Swamp Church in Wilson County, who read from Chapter 47 of Ezekiel. The subject of his message was "Going Deeper with God." After the message the congregation sang "Have Thine Own Way, Lord."

The vice-president recognized Mr. H. M. Mallard, who introduced the superintendent of the Children's Home, the Rev. S. A. Smith. Brother Smith made several remarks concerning the Children's Home after which Mrs. J. C. Moye sang "My Mother's Prayer." An offering was received for the Children's Home in the amount of \$97.36.

Offertory and benediction by the Rev. James Earl Raper.

## LUNCH

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The president called the convention to order and read from the first chapter of James. The secretary led the congregation in prayer.

### TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1957

Balance Brought Forward		\$1,392.17
RECEIPTS		
Receipts from 1956 Session		1,743.10
Offering for Orphanage		101.00
Offering for Christian Education (Colleges)		140.00
Received for Promotional Work		731.29
Total Receipts		<u>\$4,107.56</u>

### EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR

Public Offering for Children's Home	\$ 101.00
Public Offering for Mount Olive Junior College	70.00
Public Offering for National Bible College	70.00
Mount Olive Junior College	1,000.00
Minutes and Postage	361.03
Secretary's Expense	181.16
Allied Church League	208.00
Travel Expense to Allied Church League	22.20
National Association Fee	65.00
Promotional Work	566.39
Historical Commission	29.94
F. W. B. Press for Envelopes and Church Report Blanks	72.42
Executive Board Meeting	130.69
Treasurer's Fee	25.00



Total Expenses for Year \$2,902.83

Balance in Bank, September 1, 1957 \$1,204.73

Rom W. Mallard

N. C. State Convention Treasurer

It was moved and carried that the report of the treasurer of the state convention be adopted.

### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Report of the special committee appointed by the president to draft resolutions to clarify the position of the North Carolina State Convention with regard to the following:

1. That whereas the Cooperative Program of support of the National Association ignores the programs of the individual states and gives reason for participating churches to close their doors to the different denominational enterprises, therefore be it resolved that we ask the churches of North Carolina to support the enterprises of the National Association by sending their contributions to the appointed state treasurers.

2. That whereas the executive department of the National Association was originally designed as a service agency and not as a policy making office, therefore be it resolved that we register our opposition to the encroachment of the executive department upon the activities and duties of the various boards of the National Association and that we urge the boards of the association to function in direct responsibility to the association without the necessity of having their work approved or supervised by the executive department.

3. That whereas the expansion program of the National Sunday School Board is in conflict with the program and services of the Free Will Baptist Press, therefore, be it resolved that this convention express its confidence in the literature program of the Free Will Baptist Press and that we support the Free Will Baptist Press in discontinuance of its payment of 7½% of gross receipts on Sunday school literature to the National Sunday School Board and that we express opposition to those items of the proposed expansion program of the National Sunday School Board that deals with literature.

4. That whereas the policy of the Free Will Baptist Church is based on congregational government, therefore be it resolved that we affirm our position that any merger, union or official affiliation of our denomination with any other denomination must first be referred to the individual churches of our denomination for ratification.

R. H. Jackson, *Chairman*

The above recommendations were considered item by item.

It was moved and carried that Items 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively be adopted by the North Carolina State Convention.

## THE REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We, the nominating committee, submit the following nominations to fill vacancies in state convention positions:

- Board of Trustees—Rev. F. B. Cherry (1960)
- Children's Home—Dr. M. Hinnant (1960); Robert Spencer (1960)  
Rev. M. L. Baxley (1960)
- Superannuation Board—Rev. Charles W. Maness (1962)
- Christian Education Board—Rev. C. H. Overman (1962)
- Cragmont Stock—Fountain Taylor (1960)
- Free Will Baptist Press Stock—Rev. Hubert Burress (1958)
- Church Finance Association Stock—Rev. C. J. Harris (1958)
- Missions—Rev. J. W. Alford (1962)
- Historical Commission—Rev. J. C. Griffin (1960)
- Mount Olive College Board—Rev. J. W. Alford (1963); Rev. C. J. Harris (1963); Hardy Talton (1960)

Respectfully submitted,  
Nominating Committee

It was moved and carried that this report be carried, that each of the nominees be elected by acclamation, and that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the retiring members of boards and representatives of stock

It was moved and carried that we allocate \$750.00 to the North Carolina State Convention Loan Fund.

It was moved and carried that the state convention pay the cost of time on radio during this session of the North Carolina State Convention.

The state convention voted to hold its 1958 session at the Free Will Baptist Children's Home in Middlesex, North Carolina.

It was moved and carried that this session of the state convention adjourn.

The congregation sang, "I Surrender All," followed by the benediction.

# CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

## North Carolina State Convention

### Original Free Will Baptists

#### PREAMBLE

We, the Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina, assembled in order to advance, promote and increase the cause of Jesus Christ, do establish and ordain this constitution and these bylaws.

## Constitution

#### ARTICLE I

Section 1: This assembly shall be known as the North Carolina State Convention of Original Free Will Baptists.

Section 2: This convention shall hold an annual session commencing on Wednesday after the second Sunday in September of each year. The place of such meetings to be determined by the convention or the executive committee. Special sessions may be called by the executive committee in the event of the existence of needs of sufficient urgency.

#### ARTICLE II

Section 1: The officers of this convention shall be a president, vice-president, recording secretary, assistant recording secretary, promotional director and treasurer.

Section 2: The convention shall be composed of the general officers, members of standing boards, committees or commissions and all ordained ministers who belong to churches that are affiliated with the convention; one delegate from each church in good standing; one delegate from each union meeting, conference or association in good standing for every one thousand members or a fraction thereof.

## Bylaws

#### ARTICLE I

Section 1: The work of this convention shall be departmentalized, with a board of control over each department. Each board shall be governed by rules set forth by the convention. It shall be the duty of the convention to solicit the cooperation of the conferences and associations in promoting the work of these departments.

Section 2: All members of the convention shall have a right of voice and vote on any issue before the body, providing they have been properly recognized by the presiding officer. They shall serve the convention in any capacity when called upon by the proper authority. Before membership in the convention is established, all ministers and delegates must be properly registered.

ARTICLE II  
OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND THE MANNER  
OF THEIR ELECTION

Section 1: *President*: The president shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. He shall not be elected to succeed himself.

Section 2: *Vice-President*: The vice-president shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 3: *Recording Secretary*: The recording secretary shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 4: *Assistant Recording Secretary*: The assistant recording secretary shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 5: *Promotional Director*: The promotional director shall be elected for a term of one (1) year under such contract as may be agreed upon by himself and the convention or its executive committee. In case of a vacancy in this office between sessions of the convention the executive committee shall fill the vacancy until the next session.

Section 6: *Treasurer*: The treasurer shall be elected for a term of two (2) years.

Section 7: *Children's Home Board*: The board of trustees of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home, Middlesex, shall be composed of nine (9) members with the terms of three members expiring each year; the vacancies to be filled by the convention.

Section 8: *Board of Superannuation*: The board of superannuation shall be composed of five (5) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 9: *Board of Missions*: The board of missions shall be composed of five (5) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 10: *Board of Christian Education*: The board of Christian education shall be composed of five (5) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 11: *Board of Trustees*: The board of trustees shall be composed of three (3) members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 12: *Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock*: The stock held by this convention in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall be represented by three members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 13: *Representatives of Free Will Baptist Press Stock*: The stock held by this convention in the Free Will Baptist Press shall be represented by one member elected annually by the convention.

Section 14: *Representatives of Church Finance Association Stock*: The stock held by this convention in the Church Finance Association, Inc., shall be represented by one member elected annually by the convention.

Section 15: *Historical Commission*: The historical commission shall be composed of three members with the term of one member expiring each year; the vacancy to be filled by the convention.

Section 16: *Executive Committee*: The executive committee shall be composed of the president, vice-president, recording secretary, treasurer and three members elected by the convention for a term of two years.

Section 17: *Board of Directors of Mount Olive College*: The board of directors of Mount Olive College shall be composed of nine (9) members, with the term of office of three (3) members expiring biennially; the vacancies to be filled by the convention.

### ARTICLE III

#### Duties and Responsibilities

Section 1: *President*: It shall be the duty of the president to preside over each session, preserve order, govern the body according to establish parliamentary usage and appoint all temporary committees. He shall have power to declare any office of the convention vacant, temporarily, subject to the approval of the convention or the executive committee. He shall have authority to call meetings of the executive committee, when such is needful, and preside over said meetings.

The president shall be ex-officio member of all boards, standing committees and commissions of the convention.

Section 2: *Vice-President*: The duties of the vice-president shall be the duties of the president when that officer is not present.

Section 3: *Recording Secretary*: The recording secretary shall keep an accurate record of the transactions of the convention and preserve the same, keep all valuable documents and surrender the same to his successors in office.

Section 4: *Assistant Recording Secretary*: The duties of the assistant recording secretary shall be the duties of the recording secretary when that officer is not present and to assist the recording secretary when called upon.

Section 5: *Promotional Director*: The promotional director shall maintain an office for the purpose of centralizing the work of the convention. He shall prepare statistical tables necessary to keep the convention informed as to the growth and progress of the denomination. He shall work with the convention, the executive committee, all boards, committees and commissions of the convention in placing the work of the denomination before the various bodies of the state for their information and support; also perform any other promotional duties as directed by the convention or the executive committee.

When designated by a board, committee or commission the promotional director shall receive and (or) pay out any money controlled by said board, committee or commission as directed by them.

The promotional director shall be ex-officio member of all boards, standing committees and commissions of the convention.

Section 6: *Treasurer*: The treasurer shall hold all money belonging to

the convention. He shall pay all bills ordered by the convention or the executive committee; other bills paid must be approved by the president and recording secretary. He shall give an annual report to the convention; also make reports to the executive committee when called for.

Section 7: *Children's Home Board*: The children's home board shall be responsible for the management and control of the Free Will Baptist Children's Home at Middlesex. It shall give an annual report to the convention setting forth its progress, needs and achievements.

Section 8: *Board of Superannuation*: It shall be the purpose of this board to organize and unify all superannuation work throughout this state convention. They shall seek to provide for our aged, retired and infirm ministers in some form of a superannuation program; also seek to offer to our active ministers some program whereby they may help to provide for their future security and retirement.

Section 9: *Board of Missions*: The board of missions shall regulate and supervise all mission work under the control of this convention. It shall cooperate with the mission program of the national association. It shall endeavor to raise money for missions and build sentiment favorable to missions.

Section 10: *Board of Christian Education*: The board of Christian education shall keep our people informed as to our educational needs; endeavor to promote the cause of, receive funds for and stimulate interest among our people in the cause of Christian education. It shall be their duty to cooperate with the educational institutions of our denomination and use all funds for the best interest of Christian education as directed by this convention and the donors of funds for education.

Section 11: *Board of Trustees*: The board of trustees shall hold title to all property belonging to this convention. It shall have power to convey such property when authorized by the convention.

Section 12: *Representatives of Cragmont Assembly Stock*: The representatives of the stock held by this convention, in Cragmont Assembly, Inc., shall work jointly with representatives of other auxiliaries holding stock in said institution.

Section 13: *Representatives of Free Will Baptist Press Stock*: The representatives of the stock held by this convention in the Free Will Baptist Press shall meet annually, or as often as called upon, with the stockholders of the press at Ayden, N. C., to transact any business that may come before them.

Section 14: *Representatives of Church Finance Association Stock*: The representative of the membership stock held by this convention in the Church Finance Association, Inc., shall meet annually, or as often as called upon, with the stockholders of the corporation for the purpose of transacting any business that may come before them.

Section 15: *Historical Commission*: The historical commission shall make research, compile same and record historical events of the denomina-

tion to date; these documents become the property of the convention and shall be held by the recording secretary.

Section 16: *Executive Committee*: The work of the executive committee shall be that of the convention when the convention is not in session. It shall call as many sessions as necessary between the annual sessions of the convention to transact business. It shall have the authority to suspend any officer of the convention when such officer proves a failure in duties, non-Christian or detrimental to the cause of Christ and appoint another to fill the vacancy; also fill vacancies by any other cause.

The executive committee shall supervise the work of the promotional department between the annual sessions of the convention as most practicable to our state work and in keeping with the expressed will of the annual session of the convention.

A report of all transactions of this committee shall be made to the convention in annual session.

Section 17: *Board of Directors of Mount Olive College*: The board of directors of Mount Olive College shall be responsible for the management and operation of Mount Olive College under the certificate of incorporation granted by the state of North Carolina and the directives of this convention. It shall propose any necessary amendments or revisions of said certificate of incorporation, which amendments or revisions shall be approved by this convention before being put into force. It shall make an annual report to the convention, setting forth its progress, needs and achievements. It shall have power to organize at will and to create such bylaws as may be deemed essential for its government and for the control, administration and promotion of the college, consistent with the provisions of its certificate of incorporation and the constitution and regulation of this state convention.

#### AMENDMENTS

This constitution and these bylaws shall not be changed or altered except by a two-thirds vote of members present in a regular session. All amendments shall lie on the table not less than six hours prior to adoption and shall, during that time, be read not less than twice in open convention.

Churches	To Convention	No. Members	Value of Property	Members Received	Members Lost	Pastor's Salary	Total Used Locally	Cragmont	Missions	Children's Home	Education	Promotional	Church Finance	Superannuation	Total U. P. Funds	Raised by Churches	Raised by Sunday School	Raised by Auxiliary	Raised by Leagues	County
<i>Albemarle Conference</i>																				
Belhaven	\$ 5.00	47	\$ 5,000	5	1	\$1,200	\$ 1,725	\$ 25	\$ 50	\$ 132	\$ 22	\$ 2	\$	\$ 5	\$ 236	\$ 1,784	\$ 368	\$ 283		Beaufort
Fellowship	2.00	28		12	1	1,766	2,205		70	30	53				183	2,037				Beaufort
Free Union	10.00	400	8,000	0	15	2,400	5,516		31	275					306					Beaufort
Gum Neck	10.00	200	10,000	5	4	600	1,680	5	20	150	5	5	5	5	195	1,690	145	15		Tyrrell
Hickory Chapel	10.00	206	25,000	3	7	3,640	5,387	35	25	180	75			35	350	5,737				Hertford
Malachi's Chapel	10.00	346	17,000	9	3	420	1,825			510				20	530					Tyrrell
Mt. Zion	5.00	61	4,000	2	2	581	1,060	4	14	102	28			24	172	738	401			Washington
Plymouth		86	20,000	28	4	1,920	5,131		67	10	55				132	5,062		331		Washington
Sidney	10.00	102	15,000	3	5	1,200	2,085	10	160	150	150	24	5	48	597	2,607	250	55		Beaufort
Sound Side	10.00	128		10	3	1,079	2,169													Tyrrell
Trinity	10.00	88	15,000	2	2	1,440	2,260	25	190	275	106			120	717					Beaufort
<i>Blue Ridge Association</i>																				
Canton	2.00	306	85,000	35	3	5,940	49,617	10	400	150	50	10		25	655					Haywood
Caroleen	5.00	166	61,500	10	10	3,280	6,010	18	65	57	57			15	156	6,002		164		Rutherford
Horne Heights	5.00	140	42,000	14	4	3,120	5,328	36	120	90	16			20	282	3,690	520	1,456	44	Buncombe
Marion	5.00	230	80,000	39	6	4,680	10,935		963	24					987	10,539	170	200	25	McDowell
Mount Calvary	2.00	58	3,200	8	1	358	674	5	94	25	8				135	584	135			McDowell
Swannanoa	5.00	395	77,000	34	12	3,995	41,059	128	485	207	614		160	289	1,886	41,291	1,730	459		Buncombe
<i>Cape Fear Conference</i>																				
Bethel	12.50	259	20,000	5	6	1,540	4,373	41	65	211	196	16	15	34	580	3,049	1,550	394		Johnston
Corinth	10.00	89		1	1	900		20	5	171	10	10	10	10	216	1,507	356	180		Sampson
Goldsboro		275	90,000	27	5	3,900	9,184		521	95	368	25		106	1,116	10,312				Wayne
Hopewell	10.00	265	30,000	14	17	3,380	19,414	55	142	323	114	89	60	110	896	19,736	434	168		Johnston
Johnson's Union	10.00	312	10,000	9	3	1,440		10	30	100	99			25	2,086		397	256		Johnston
Lanwood Chapel	5.00	78		2		600	1,705			34				5						Johnston
Lee's Chapel	10.00	229	23,000	1	1	1,560			70	280	100									Sampson
Oak Grove	10.00	126	8,000	2	4	600	2,876	16	39	201	170	3			429	2,609	412	185	100	Sampson
Pleasant Grove	10.00	76	5,000	5	3	780	2,470		15	150	32			10	207	2,039	458	166	21	Harnett
Powhatan	5.00	241	10,000	11	7	1,320	2,589		25	148	50			60	283	2,596	196	80		Johnston
Prospect	10.00	310	29,000	20	7	1,200	5,179	56	91	460	173		12	11	805	2,288	3,075	629	180	Harnett
Raleigh	10.00	146	25,000	21	7	3,744			600	240	430			120		11,000				Wake
Riverside	5.00	142	10,000	5	3	600	1,366			145					145		1,366	185		Johnston
Shady Grove	10.00	306	50,000	2	4	1,430	8,055	30	175	440	7	2		42	696	7,238	1,250	193		Sampson
Smithfield	20.00	350	80,000	50	5	4,160		25	300	150				25	600	15,000		500	100	Johnston
Smyrna	5.00	47	4,950			360			36	31						674		45		Johnston







St. John's Chapel	10.00	175	25,000			3,640		82	85	120		14	291	4,666		1,068	140	Carteret	
St. Mary's	25.00	607	175,000	51	27	4,720	12,362	67	650	574	1,024	242	122	2,681	20,298	5,499	637	348	Craven
Trent	5.00	100	10,000			1,200				50	50								Pamlico
Union Chapel	10.00	482	42,378	13	5	1,680	10,283		75	578	192		50	895	10,524	619			Beaufort
Vanceboro	5.00	37	7,500	10		360				24				385	1,211	150	50		Craven
Verona	5.00	77		13	2	579	1,440		57	60	2			647	2,207		91	96	Onslow
Warden's Grove	15.00	125	10,000	6	1	1,440	3,058	40	304	490	373	10	45	767	4,019	222	80		Pamlico
Warsaw	5.00	39	20,000	3	1	480	837		29			2	752	783	721		118	5	Duplin
Welcome Home	5.00	53	7,000	8		720			22	49			10						Carteret
Whaley's Chapel	5.00	233	23,000	1	1	1,200	2,218	10	45	165	172	20	42	455	2,135	295	99	132	Jones
White Hill	10.00	203	5,000	7	2	1,200	3,431		21	58	54		35	168	3,422	166	12		Beaufort
White Oak Grove	20.00	116	5,000	5	2	960			34	159	27	24							Lenoir
Wintergreen	10.00	251	35,000	9	7	1,440	7,731	20	25	170	92			307	6,759	480	799		Craven
Woodington	10.00	30	1,500	1		240	320			40	55		25	120					Lenoir
<i>French Broad Association</i>																			
East Black Mountain	3.00	152				3,370													
<i>Pee Dee Association</i>																			
Beaver Dam	24.00	372	40,000	13	10	1,027	1,053			90					1,496	1,920			
Bethel	5.00	27	1,000	8															
Mission Valley	5.00	51	4,000	9	2	69													
Oak Grove	5.00	72	13,000	2	6	790	1,751			117	10								
White Oak	10.00	137	22,500	7	3	1,110	2,875			62				62	1,008	2,030			Bladen
<i>Piedmont Association</i>																			
Cramerton	15.00	230	130,000	29	10	5,200	12,793	45	1,015	201		210	60	1,531	26,329	2,101	501	77	Gaston
Ben Avenue	5.00	79	30,000	12	66	3,370				84	76	25							Cabarrus
East Belmont	5.00	88	6,500	29	13	2,600				75	25	25							Gaston
Goshen	10.00	164	76,000	21	4	4,740				729	125	387							Gaston
Mable Avenue	5.00	114	20,000	4	4	2,725	4,114												Rowan
Mt. Zion	10.00	143	40,000			3,477	7,780		42	31				74					Cabarrus
<i>Rockfish Association</i>																			
Hickory Grove	10.00	50	5,000	3	4	6,450				100									Cumberland
<i>Western Conference</i>																			
Black Jack Grove	5.00	38	5,000	3		410			22	68	5		8		695	755			Wayne
Branch Chapel	10.00	294	10,000	19	29	1,002	3,590	10	20	282	20	10	25	377					Johnston
Calvary	5.00	92	40,000	11	5	1,570	4,615			704	50			754					Durham
Calvary	5.00	40	3,000	3	1	405	844			8	5			13	557	300			Wilson
Edgemont	20.00	891	113,000	67	13	5,200	14,267		8,832	738	1,355		250	11,175					Durham
Elwood Lane	10.00	211	60,000	12	4	3,770	8,511			114	111		25	490	8,820	696	237	99	Cabarrus
Everett's Chapel	5.00	128	5,000	7	4	2,041	3,398			65	180	5	30	281	2,868	596	115		Johnston
Flood's Chapel	5.00	64	20,000	2		480		4		77	21	4	4	4	1,585	404			Nash
Free Union	10.00	83				720													Nash
Friendship	10.00	189	25,000	3	2	1,200	4,640	44	75	498	108	41	4	23	795	4,779	696	439	Wayne
Fremont	10.00	116	20,000	5	1	1,200	2,468	10	25	25	13			73	2,117	424	93		Wayne
Holly Springs	10.00	234	30,750	7	7	600	6,097	14	18	150	36		10	10	238	6,117	557	219	Johnston
Kenly	15.00	199	36,000	27	6	1,320	4,184	11	182	259	205			21	679				Johnston
King's Chapel	10.00	102	6,000	16	10	422	1,500			45	45	15		15	120	1,220	400		Durham
Little Rock	15.00	269	50,000	2	2	1,740	4,113	10	59	240	355			59	713				Wilson
Marsh Swamp	15.00	344	58,000	15	7	3,900	5,590	44	158	687	354	52	44	68	1,410	7,255	925	358	Wilson
Micro	25.00	150	50,000	4	4	1,980	4,016	52	137	374	239	57	12	40	841	448	330	121	Johnston
Mt. Zion	10.00	170	15,000	3		600	2,861	10	25	122	122	6	6	25	317	2,716	134	327	Nash

Mt. Zion	10.00	150	10,000	25	5	720			15	100					900	225	300	Wilson		
New Sandy Hill	5.00	120	4,000	6	2	420	1,095	9	11	247	35	4	7	6	321	922	490	122	Wilson	
Oak Grove	3.00	40	500	3		200	318								318			Wilson		
Orphanage Memorial Chapel	5.00	58		9	5				30	15	60			15	120				Nash	
Pine Level	15.00	345	57,000	29	5	1,560	2,915	40	20	180	29			28		5,007	900	186	Johnston	
Piney Grove	10.00	270	1,500	8	1	1,200	3,650	15	24	199	18			40	296				Johnston	
Pleasant Grove	10.00	232	25,000	10	5	618	3,181	33	75	597	530	23	10	22	1,291	2,079	1,647	786	Wayne	
Pleasant Plain	20.00	250	15,000	2	7	1,200	3,275	40	273	577	224	99	25	84	1,324	3,196	623	418	162	Johnston
Rain's Cross Roads	15.00	276		8	10	1,440	2,937	50	100	400	150	50	35	75	1,260				Johnston	
Rock Spring	5.00	97		11	6	548	1,421	3	10	66	32	3	3	3	120	831	217	61	Nash	
Rosebud	5.00			3	2	740		7	10	100	20	7	4	4	152	1,184	269	75	Wilson	
Saints' Delight	10.00	266	30,000	24	6	2,832	5,751		187	100	50			50	387		7,000		Franklin	
Selma	10.00	147		2	3	1,500	12,766	25	48	105	42	10	25	25	281				Johnston	
Shady Grove		234	43,000	13	7	3,380	7,374	10	1,397	388	60				1,756				Durham	
Sherron Acres		300	125,000	16		4,550	6,860		428	125					553				Durham	
Spring Hill	5.00	50	10,000	3	1	480			12	87	5			7		892	285	52	Wayne	
St. Mary's	10.00	225	50,000	18	4	1,700	6,287	80	389	306	38	28	9	52	905	5,908	1,003	495	Wilson	
Stancil's Chapel	10.00	153	15,000	8	3	780	2,647	10	89	257	57	29	10	10	463	2,382	417	407	Johnston	
Stoney Creek	15.00	158	18,000	14	1	1,200	3,600	30	124	236	190	5		82	718	2,268	1,182	865	Wayne	
Stony Hill	5.00	88	7,500	2	4	720	1,033			47					673				Nash	
Tippett's Chapel	5.00	117	15,000	17	6	955	2,204			122	15	46		8	192	1,640	624	131	Wake	
Union Chapel	5.00	50	2,500		4	172	412		13	13	2	10	3		41	454			Nash	
White Oak Hill	10.00	225	25,000	24	3	1,145	2,503	4	159	169	87	4	4	7	435	2,573	286	46	55	Nash
Wilson	10.00		125,000	30	14	3,680	7,614		27	100	65				192	7,614	1,928	137	Wilson	
First Union District	10.00	4,280		234				156	125	450	150		25	200	1,986					







