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Associational Directory

OFFICERS EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. Roy Rikard \_\_\_\_\_ Woodlawn Ave., Cramerton, N. C. Rev. Johnnie E. Floyd, Jr. \_- Gen. Del. Belmont, Belmont, N. C. Rev. Oscar Gray, Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Box 209, Rt. 2, Dallas, N. C. Rev. Sherman Branch \_\_\_\_\_ Box 756, Stanley, N. C. Harvey Hilderbran, Treasurer \_\_\_\_908 N. Drive, Mt. Holly, N. C. Rev. Vernon Church \_\_\_\_ 1702 Greensbora St., Lexington, N. C. (term expires 1965) Rev. Benny Turner \_\_\_\_\_ 613 Ben St., Kannapolis, N. C.

(term expires 1966)

## ORDAINING COUNCIL

- Rev. Ralph Willis \_\_\_\_\_ 110 Apricot St., Belmont, N. C. (term expires 1967)
- Rev. J. T. Bailey \_\_\_\_ 1424 Old Lilesville Rd., Wadesbora, N. C. (term expires 1967)
- Rev. J. W. Wooten \_\_\_\_\_ Box 5, Catawba Heights, N. C. (term expires 1965) Rev. Loyd Gray \_\_\_\_\_ Box 782, Lowell, N. C. (term expires 1965)
- Rev. Henry G. Russell \_\_\_\_\_ Rt. 1, Box 257, Belmont, N. C. (term expires 1966)
- Rev. Jesse Benoist \_\_\_\_\_ Gen. Del., East Rockingham, N. C. (term expires 1966)

#### ASSOCIATIONAL BOARDS

(term expires beside name)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Rev. Roy Rikard (1965); Rev. Johnnie Floyd, Jr. (1966); Rev. Raymond Ross (1967).

- MISSION: Rev. J. T. Bailey (1965); Rev. R. L. Clark (1966); Rev. Frank McQuade (1967).
- SUNDAY SCHOOL: C. M. Kirkland (1965); Rev. A. W. Newell (1966); Rev. Richard Watson (1967).
- LEAGUE: Rev. Oscar Sullivan (1965); Rev. Richard Pethel (1966) Rev. Billy Allen (1967).
- PIEDMONT HEADQUARTERS: Frank Fish (1965); Ray Rowell (1966); Rev. Homer Savage (1967); Rev. J. T. Bailey (1968); Rev. Robert Hager (1969).

- SUPERANNUATION: Rev. Robert Hagler (1965); Rev. Oran Nunn (1966).
- FINANCE: Rev. Ralph Willis (1965); Rev. Travis Huffman (1966); Rev. J. C. Almond (1967).
- RESOLUTIONS: Rev. Jesse Benoist (1965); Georgia Calvert (1966); Rev. Earnest Stamey (1967).
- TRUSTEES: Rev. Frank McQuade, Rev. William Calvert, and Rev. Paul Brown (terms indefinate).
- PUBLICATION: J. C. Almond (1965); Tom Bell (1966).
- MASTERS MEN: Rev. Charles Maness (1965); Rev. Clarence Balew (1966).
- NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Clarance Ballew, Jesse Banoist, Benny Turner, and Floyd Carver.

# CHURCH DELEGATES

- BEN AVE.: Kannapolis, N. C.: Mr. Ray Rowell, Mrs. Wilma Key, Mrs. Bernice Hunsucker
- BOGER CITY: Boger City, N. C.: None Listed
- CATAWBA: Catawba Heights, Belmont, N. C.:Bernice Franklin, Harold Cood, Elva Reno
- CENTER GROVE: Waxhaw, N. C.: Oscar Sullivan, Jr., Gladys Sullivan, Wade Simpson, Margie Simpson, Lonnie Harris
- CRAMERTON: Cramerton, N. C.: Mrs. Robert Parrish
- EAST BELMONT: Belmont, N. C.:Conley Sparks, Lily Langley, Ella Whitworth
- ERVIN MEMCRIAL: Springwood, McAdenvillie, N. C.: Mr. and Mrs. David Laws
- FIRST CHURCH: Dallas, N. C.: None (reported late)
- FIRST CHURCH: Gastonia, N. C.: Floyd Whitaker, Dock Ramsey, Betty Beavers, J. B. Bouldin
- FIRST CHURCH: Hamlet, N. C.: Loyd Smith, Dian Benoist
- FIFTH AVE.: Gastonia, N. C.: Charles Rowland, Pat Huge
- GOSHEN: North Belmont, N. C.: H. W. Skidmore, Novella Propst, Lue Parrot, Cornelia Calvert, Ruth Floyd
- GLENWOOD: Rockingham, N. C.: None Listed
- HEMAN: Charlotte, N. C.: Mrs. Donald Sharpe, Mrs. Loma Walker
- INDEPENDENCE SQUARE: Kannapolis, N. C.: Carl Lord, Carrie Smith, Pauline Barbee
- LOWELL: Lowell, N. C.: Mrs. L. D. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Fore

- MAPLE STREET: Rockingham, N. C.: Bill Sanford, Mary Lou Nunn, Buddy Hill
- MABLE AVE.: Kannapolis, N. C.: Mrs. W. F. Cox, Elsie Boger, Lorene Cobb
- MT. CARMEL: Lexinvton, N. C.: None Listed
- MT. PLEASANT: Lexinvton, N. C.: Mr. and Mrs. Clay Hildreth
- MT. CALVARY: Rockingham, N. C.: None Listed
- MT. HOLLY: Mt. Holly, N. C.: Sandra Hartsell, Ruth Deese
- MTN. VIEW: Dallas, N. C.: Poley Payne, J. C. Weathers, Inez-Savage, Irene Weathers, Billy Pruitt
- NEAR THE CROSS: Kannopolis, N. C.: Donald Ross, Eugene Hunter
- NEW HOPE: Rockingham, N. C.: Jerry Smith, Jimmy Bailey, Robert Bowman
- PECAN GROVE: Gastonia, N. C.: Linda Ramsey, Leon Franklin, Robert Thompson, Thomas Sherill
- PLEASANT HILL: Maiden, N. C.: John Lutz, Ivey Lutz, Ralph Stewart, Grady Williams
- RACHELS: Hamlet, N. C.: Rev. J. D. Liles, Rev. R. L. Clark
- SANDY FORD: Mt. Holly, N. C.: Eugene King, Bryant Caldwell, Fay Galloway
- SOUTH POINT: Belmont, N. C.: Zola Gibson, Thomas Gibson, Paul Pressly
- TALON MEMORIAL: Claude Kirkland, George Stone, Bill McElduff

The following were visitors to The twenty-first annual session of the Piedmont Association.

Rev. R. P. Sawer Rev. Carl Shook Rev. Paul Reid Reddin Hill Mrs. J. R. Hailey, Jr. Rev. Eugene Wadell Clay Hildreth Mandy Gray Lola Welch Delphia Stroud Rozelle Foster Annie Wooten Jimmy Bailey Gail Sutton Carrol Carr Marion Buford

The clerk would like to mention at this time that due to the fact that most of the visitors registered with the delegates, thus making it almost impossible to give an accurate list of all that were visitors.

#### DELEGATES TO ASSOCIATION

Rav Rowell Wilma Key Bernice Hunsucker Bernice Franklin Oscar Sullivan, Jr. **Gladys** Sullivan Wade Simpson Margie Simpson Lonnie Harris Mrs. Robert Parris **Connie Sparks** Lily Langley Ella Whitworth Mr. and Mrs. David Laws Floyd Whitaker Dock Ramsey **Betty Beavers** J. B. Bouldin Loyd Smith Dian Benoist Charles Rowland Pat Huges H. W. Skidmore Novella Propts Lue Parrott Cornelia Calvert Ruth Floyd Mrs. Donald Sharpe Mrs. Loma Walker Carl Lord Carrie Smith Pauline Barbee Mrs.L. D. Gray Mr. Earnest Fore Mrs. Earnest Fore Bill Sanford Marv Lue Nunn **Buddy Hill** Mrs. W. F. Cox

Elsie Boger Lorene Cobb Mr. Clay Hildreth Mrs. Clay Hildreth Sandra Hartsell Ruth Deese Poley Payne J. C. Weathers Inez Savage **Irene Weathers** Billy Pruitt Donald Ross **Eugene Hunter** Jerry Smith Jimmy Bailey Rovert Bowman Linda Ramsey Leon Franklin Robert Thompson Thomas Sherril Jerry Wyatt Henry Gibson Rov Gibson David Cambell, Jr. John Lutz Ivey Lutz Ralph Stewart Grady Williams J. D. Liles R. L. Clark Eugene King **Bryant Caldwell** Fav Gallowav Zola Gibson Paul Pressley Claude Kirkland George Stone Bill McElduff

# MINISTERS ATTENDING ASSOCIATION

Rev. Daniel O'Kelly
Rev. Ralph Willis
Rev. Jay Barbee
Rev. Sherman Branch
Rev. Walter Russell
Rev. Jesse Cannon
Rev. L. D. Gray
Rev. J. D. Liles
Rev. W. J. Key
Rev. Oscar Sullivan, Jr.
Rev. John Newton
Rev. Charles Maness
Rev. L. C. Rankin
Rev. Earnest King
Rev. Homer Savage
Rev. Owen Ganey
Rev. Paul Brown
Rev. Earl Bittle
Rev. Roy Rikard
Rev. J. T. Bailey
Rev. Travis Huffman
Rev. Vess Galloway
Rev. Jesse Benoist
Rev. Paul Claton
Rev. Edgar Prevatte
Rev. Oscar Gray
Rev. Jerry Wyatt
Rev. Bobby Weathers
Rev. Guy Foster
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# ASSOCIATIONAL CHURCHES AND PASTORS

(Those making reports first)

# CHURCH—ADDRESS

PASTOR

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Bethlehem—Kannapolis, N. C.	_ Joseph Hailey. Jr.
Ben Ave.—Kannapolis, N. C.	Benny Turner
Catawha—Catawha Heights, N. C.	J. W. Wooten
Center Grove—Waxhaw, N. C. Cramerton—Cramerton, N. C. East Belmont—Belmont, N. C.	_ Oscar Sullivan, Jr.
Cramerton—Cramerton, N. C.	Roy Rikard
East Belmont—Belmont, N. C.	M. T. Sparks
First—Gastonia, N. C.	William Calvert
First—Hamlet, N. C	Jesse Benoist
First—Hamlet, N. C Ervin Men.—McAdenvillie, N. C	Richard Watson
Goshen—Belmont, N. C.	Johnnie Floyd Jr
Glenwood—Rockingham, N. C.	Paul Brown
Heman_Charlotte N C	
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Lowell N C	L D Gray
Mable Ave	Von Cobh
Maple St Bookingham N C	Eronk McOunce
Maple St.—Rockingham, N. C Mt. Calvary—Rockingham, N. C	Charles Manage
Mt. Carvary—Rockingham, N. C.	Dehert Herler
Mt. Carmel—Lexington, N. C.	Robert Hagler
Mt. Holly—Mt. Holly, N. C. Mtn. View—Spencer Mtn., N. C. New Hore—Rockingham, N. C.	Guy Foster
Mtn. View—Spencer Mtn., N. C.	Homer Savage
New Hope—Rockingnam. N. C.	J. T. Balley
Pecan Grove-Gastonia, N. C.	Oscar Gray
Pleasant Hill—Maiden, N. C Sandy Ford—Mt. Holly, N. C South Point—Belmont, N. C	Earl Bittle
Sandy Ford—Mt. Holly, N. C.	Vess Galloway
South Point—Belmont, N. C.	H. G. Russell
Talon Mem.—Stanley, N. C.	Sherman Branch
Near The Cross—Kannapolis, N. C Dallas—Dallas, N. C	Raymond Ross
Dallas—Dallas, N. C.	Jerry Wyatt
Mt. Pleasant—Lexington, N. C.	Clarance Ballew
Rachael—Hamlet, N. C.	J. D. Liles
Rachael—Hamlet, N. C Boger City—Boger City, N. C	L. C. Rankin
West Fifth St.—Gastonia, N. C.	Billy Allen
(not reporting by letter)	-
Pineville—Pinevillie, N. C.	G. T. Baker
Bethlehem—Patrick, S. C.	
Near Calvary—Lexington, N. C.	W. W. Howard
Westside-Charlotte, N. C.	Maxie Coleman
First—Cherryville. N. C.	
United—Concord, N. C.	
Kings Mountain—Kings Mountain, N. C.	
Valley Viek—Concord, N. C.	
Georgetown—Kernersvillie, N. C.	
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#### MINISTERS NAMES AND ADDRESSES (Reporting by Letter)

- 1. Billy Allen, 210 S. Holland St., Dallas, N. C.
- 2. J. C. Almond, Bryant St., Belmont, N. C.
- 3. Von Cobb, 1009 Mable Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.
- 4. Johnnie Floyd, Jr., Gen. Del., Belmont, N. C.
- 5. Clarance Ballew, Rt. 9, Box 357T, Lexington, N. C.
- 6. William Calvert, 402 E. Fifth St., Gastonia, N. C.
- 7. Raymond Ross, Rt. 2, Box 325, Kannapolis, N. C.
- 8. Vernon Church, Lexington, N. C.
- 9. Orian Nunn, Rt. 3, Box 373, Rockingham, N. C.
- 10. James Reagan, 132 Pinewood St., Belmont, N. C.
- 11. Walter Whittington, 710 Rainbow St., Lexington, N. C.
- 12. A. W. Newell, Charlotte, N. C.
- 13. Robert Hagler, 107 Arrington Dr., Lexington, N. C.
- 14. Drevler Benton, 109 S. Rose Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.
- 15. Frank McQuage Box 965, Rockingham, N. C.
- 16. Oscar Gray, Rt. 2, Box 209, Dallas, N. C.
- 17. Raymond Rice, Gastonia, N. C.
- 18. Robert Deese, 128 Tomberlin Rd., Mt. Holly, N. C.
- 19. J. W. Wooten, Cherry St., Catawba Heights, N. C
- 20. Benny Turner, Ben St., (633) Kannapolis, N. C.
- 21. Joseph Hailey, Jr., 719 Pleasant Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.
- 22. R. R. Pethel, Jr., Rt. 4, Box 266, Kannapolis, N. C.
- 23. Ted Gibson, Belmont, N. C.
- 24. Richard Watson, 75 Wilkinson St., Belmont, N. C.
- 25. C. C. Newton, 105 La Tosia Villia, Sarasota, Fla.
- 26. M. T. Sparks, 907 Edgemont Ave., Belmont, N. C.
- 27. Earnest Stamey, 218 Ewing Dr., Belmont, N. C.
- 28. H. G. Russell, Rt. 1, Box 257, Belmont, N. C.
- 29. Harold Goforth, Rt. 4, Box 684, Kannapolis, N. C.
- 30. Daniel O'Kelly, 911 West B. St., Kannapolis, N. C.
- 31. Ralph Willis, 110 Apricot St., Belmont, N. C.
- 32. Jay Barbee, Rt. 4, Box 675, Kannapolis, N. C.
- 33. Sherman Branch, Box 756, Stanley, N. C.
- 34. Walter Russell, 7 S. Second St., Belmont, N. C.
- 35. Jess Cannon, 949 McDaw Dr., Darlington, S. C.
- 36. L. D. Gray, Box 782, Lowell, N. C.
- (37) J. D. Liles, Box 321, Hamlet, N. C.
- 38. W. J. Key, 1606 Vinson St., Kannapolis, N. C.

- 39. Cscar Sullivan, Jr., 51 S. Ave., Lancaster, S. C.
- 40. John Newton, 440 17th St., Cramerton, N. C.
- 41. Charles Maness, 123 W. Martin St., Wadesbora, N. C.
- 42. L. C. Rankin, 1205 Rhyne-Oakland Rd., Gastonia, N. C.
- 43. Earnest King, Rt. 1, Mt. Holly, N. C.
- 44. Homer Savage, Box 404, Lowell, N. C.
- 45. Owen Ganey, 705 S. Andrews Ave., Goldsbora, N. C.
- 46. Jerry Wyatt, 2306 E. Rhyne St., Ranlo, N. C.
- 47. Vess Galloway, Jr., 203 Park Ave., Mt. Holly, N. C.
- 48. Travis Huffman, 2112 Wilkinson Blvd., Gastonia, N. C.
- 49. J. T. Bailey, 1424 Old Lilesvillie Rd., Wadesbora, N. C.
- 50. Roy Rikard, 426 Woodlawn Ext., Cramerton, N. C.
- 51. Earl Bittle, Marlow St., Kannapolis, N. C.
- 52. Paul Brown, Rt. 2, Rockingham, N. C.
- 53. Guy Foster, Noles Dr., Mt. Holly, N. C.
- 54. Bobby Weathers, Belmont, N. C.
- 55. Henry Gibson, Welch St., Gastonia, N. C.

#### RULES OF DECORUM

1. The clerk, assistant clerk, or senior minister in years may call the meeting to order and shall have charge until the moderator assumes his place.

2. This association shall be opened and closed with suitable devotions providing a quorum of nine members are present.

3. This body shall decide all questions by majority of the members present.

4. There shall be no conversation by members, one with another, so as to interupt bussiness while in session.

5. Every person wishing to speak, shall first rise and address the moderator and be recognized before speaking.

6. No person shall interupt another while he is speaking.

7. All motions made and second shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off any time by a majority of the members present.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without special leave from the body, and personal reflections shall be availed.

9. No member shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes on the same subject, unless body gives permission.

10. No member shall absent himself from the body without the permission of the moderator.

11. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.

12. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the minutes unless so ordered at the time.

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

14. By a two-thirds vote any decision of the moderator may be overruled.

15. Visiting brethern shall be entitled to a seat to discuss subjects, but not to vote.

16. No motion shall be discussed without a second.

17. Unlawful absence from body denies a party voting priviledges.

18. Members breaking any of these rules, moderator admonishes.

19. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the association.

#### THE CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This association shall be called the peidmont association of (original) Free Will Baptist.

Article 2. This association shall be composed of delegates elected annually by the Free Will Baptist Church cooperating with this association, all active ordained deacons of said churches and all ministers who are members of this association.

Article 3. The officers of this association shall be a moderator, vice-moderator, recording clerk, reading clerk, treasurer and promotional secretary.

Article 4. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, and one additional delegate for every fifty members over one hundred

Article 5. The churches cooperating with this association send by the hands of their delegates, a full account of all work done by them during the year and all statistics and information as will be interesting and helpful.

Article 6. This association shall meet once a year at such place, and time, as agreed upon by the preceeding session or Executive Board.

Article 7. The executive board shall consist of three members elected by the association, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years. The associational officers are members ex-officia of the executive board. The executive board shall have interim authority. Article 8. Ministers in good standing in our sister association may be invited to a seat and take part in the deliberations and his name enrolled in our minutes.

Article 9. The association may withdraw from any church that becomes disorderly or refuses to represent by letter or person.

Article 10. This association shall encourage a sound ministry such as presents Christ as an all sufficient Saviour, having salvation possible to every human being on the terms of the gospel which is freely offered to all.

Article 11. This association assumes no higher authority than an advisory council.

Article 12. This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the association by a two-third vote of the delegates attending, providing that a notice of such change shall have been at any regular annual session of said meeting after permanent organization.

# RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION

1. Associational officers are to be elected by the ballot system.

2. The clerk is to be elected at the beginning of the session. (both)

3. The moderator, vice-moderator, treasurer, promotional secretary are to be elected at the close of the session.

4. Ordaining council is to be elected by the association, the number of this council is to be six members elected in two year terms rotating; two for two years; two for three year terms; and two for one year terms. The council shall elect their own chairman and secretary and shall have authority to ordain, investigate ministers, subject to the approval of the association in regular session or special session. They shall keep a record of their work and their secretary shall send a record of that to the clerk of the association not later than one week before the annual association convenes. The expense of the council is to be paid from a fund of \$125.00 set aside by the association for this purpose, and each church who calls council is requested to receive a free will offering and send same to the treasurer of the association for this purpose. The council shall receive from the treasure expenses of six (6) cents per mile, per car, plus meals.

5. The executive board shall have charge of the promotional work, and educational work of the association and shall have the authority to act for the association in it's business between sessions. The board shall report it's work annually to the association and it's work is subject to the approval of the association. The expense of the board shall be paid in the same manner as the ordaining council.

6. The piedmont association is affiliated with the N. C. association of Free Will Baptist's and the National Association of Free Will Baptist. The treatise of the faith and practices of the National Association is to be used.

7. The piedmon association believes and practices "CON-GREGATIONAL" church government and assumes no higher authority than in that capacity. The highest authority that the association has over the churches within her fellowship is the power to withdraw fellowship from a church.

8. The association approves and urges our churches to support our denominational programs of our State and National Association.

9. The association approves and urges the indefinite pastoral call.

10. The chairman of each board and committee is treasurer of it's funds (exceptions: associational treasurer is treasurer of the executive board).

11. A member in good standing in the association may serve on as many boards and committees as he or she is elected (exception: no member may serve on the executive board and the ordaining council at the same time.)

12. Each church shall send thirty (30c) cents per member with their report to the annual association or have someone to stand good for this amount in order that their delegates may be seated. This money is to be used for the printing of the minutes and associational expense.

13. A nominating committee will be appointed at the close of each annual session to serve for the year. Their duty will be to present nominations for all officers, boards and committees necessary to carry on the work of the association. The body shall have the right to nominate from the floor, when this committee gives it's report.

14. Each church shall record the following information on church letters (in addition to required information): The names and the addresses of every minister belonging to their church, and whether or not, each minister is a consistant tither. The clerk of the association is to take special note of this information and to include the same in the minutes. The clerk shall make a list of the non-tithers and report thesame to the ordaining council.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESS-ION OF THE PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST WITH FELLOWSHIP WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Friday Morning, July 31, 1964

The fellowship meeting of the piedmont association was opened with congregational singing "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" directed by Rev. M. T. Sparks.

Morning devotions were brought by the Rev. J. R. Hailey, Jr. using Psalms 37 as the basis of the devotion and then led us in prayer.

Welcome remarks were given by the moderator Rev. Frank McQuage, The clerk Rev. Ralph Willis filled the clerks post.

The welcome address to the ministers, delegates, and visitors was given by the host pastor of the church Rev. Guy Foster. Mr. Foster has just taken over the dutys as pastor of the Mt. Holly Church, we wish him all of God's speed in his new pastorial dutys

Response of the welcome was given by Rev. Sherman Branch pastor of Talon Memorial Free Will Baptist Church in Stanley, N. C.

The congregation was then led in song "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes" by Rev. M. T. Sparks. Special songs were then sang by Sister Mae Cox, The Hildreth family and Rev. Sherman Branch. We were also blessed by God through many Testimony's.

Motion properly sustained that the program drawn by the Executive Board be followed as closely as possible.

The moderator then introduced the Rev. Roy Rikard to bring the morning message. Bro. Rikard spoke on the subject; "Let us rise up and build" taking his text from Neh. 1:1, 2:17-18, the message was a stirring one and God blessed all those that were present.

We were then dismissed in prayer for the lunch period.

#### FRIDAY P. M.

The Women's Auxiliary had charge of the afternoon session with Sister Georgia Calvert in charge. There was a very inspiring program given by the ladies, and God certainly did bless through testimonies of all that was present.

We of the Piedmont Association can be proud of the Women's Auxiliary they have proven themselves to be a great asset to all of our churches. Ladies may I as clerk of the association take this opportunity to say for all the Pastors and ministers and the delegates of this great association that we appreciate you and the great work that you are doing, may God ever bless you and all of your work. (Rev. Oscar L. Gray, Clerk)

#### FRIDAY EVENING

The youth were in charge under the direction of Rev. Robert Hagler. After congregational singing special numbers were rendered by THE GASTON COUNTY YOUTH FOR CHRIST CHOIR under the direction of Bro. Bill Sawer of Gastonia.

Then the YOUNG PEOPLES CHOIR from the Maple St. church of Rockingham rendered several numbers under the direction of their pastor Rev. Frank McQuage.

Then the YOUTH CHOIR from the Mt. Carmel church of Lexington rendered several numbers, also Bro. Haglers children sang a special number.

Sister Mae Cox sang several special numbers which blessed all that were present. The Hildbreth family also sang several numbers which proved a great blessing.

The message was brought by Rev. Jesse Benoist who delivered a very stirring message to the youth of all the association. At the close of the message many of the young came and rededicated their lives to the Lord. The hearts of all present were made glad and happy over the great success of the youth meeting, may the Lord continue to bless through our youth. This brought us to the close of a very great day of blessing, one that will be remembered for many years. We were then dismissed in prayer.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE BUSINESS SESSION OF THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION SATURDAY MORNING

The business session of the Twenty-First Annual Session of this association opend with congregationl singing "Glory To His Name" and "When We All Get To Heaven" directed by bro. Sparks.

The business session of the association was called to order by the clerk, Bro. Ralph Willis.

Devotions for the morning was given by Bro. A. W. Newell reading from Acts 5:32. Prayer was offered by Bro. Branch.

Our moderator, Rev. Frank McQuage made the opening remarks of the session.

First item of business was the election of a clerk. Rev. Oscar Grav was elected by acclamation.

Rev. Von Cobb was elected assistant clerk by acclamation.

The roll call of ministers was made with fifty-five ministers registering with the clerk.

Partial report of the Credential Committee was then given. Bro. R. P. Sawer was received as a visitor.

Rev. Guy Foster the host pastor, not yet a member of the association was received as a visitor and given a seat in the associational session with a voice to vote and to participate.

Bro. Ralph Willis gave the report of the Executive Board.

M S that this report be adopted item by item. carried.

M'S to postpone the acceptance of new churches at this time. carried.

M|S that the moderator be recognized before anyone has a voice. carried.

The rules of decorum was then read by the assistant moderator, Bro. Branch.

M S that the Executive Board be given a vote of confidence, carried.

M|S that we take from the table and vote on the four churches previously discussed. carried.

M S that we take these four churches into the association. carried.

M|S that the Bethel Free Will Baptist Church be taken into the association, this church is located in South Gastonia, motion carried.

M|S that the church that entertains the association be responsible for news coverage in the local papers and radio stations. Including a picture of the keynote speaker and local pastor, along with the time and place of the associational meeting. carried.

M|S to adjourn for lunch. carried.

# SATURDAY EVENING

Afternoon services were opened with congregation singing "Leaning On Jesus" and "Amazing Grace" directed by Bro. Sparks.

Bro. Deese Hunsucker gave the devotion reading from John 4:35-35.

Sister Mae Cox sang several songs for us, which proved to be a real blessing.

Bro. Paul Brown led our hearts in prayer.

M|S that the ordaining council report be presented. carried.

M|S that the ordaining council's report be adopted. carried.

### **REVISION COMMITTEE**

On qualifications for ministers coming for license and ordination was submitted by Bro. Johnnie Floyd, Jr. who then moved that the association adopt pages one and two before going to page three of this report, This motion was met with a second and carried, page three was then given by Bro. Floyd and was adopted item by item. Item no. 8 (eight) was ammended to read, "how many sermons to preach per year. Twenty (20) if licensed, thirty (30) if ordained, and teaching is considered also to account for the number of messages. This must be done in order to keep License, or ordination credentials. approved.

M|S That item no. ten (10) be ammended to read "Each minister taking this examination shall present his written answers back to the ordaining council prior to being licensed or ordained or accepted." "A period of three months shall be allowed to complete the examination." approved.

M|S That we give this board a rising vote of thanks. carried.

M|S That the association allocate funds to have work of the Revision Committee printed nto a small book and distributed among the churches and ministers and pastors. carried.

M|S That the committee have the responsibility of getting this book printed, carried.

M|S That the Superannuation Board give it's report. carried. M|SThat this report be adopted. carried.

M|S That we receive the report of the Piedmont Headquarters Board. carried.

M|S That this report be adopted. carried.

M|S That we receive the Credintal Committee's report. carried.

M|S That we adopt the report. carried.

M|S That each church send 30c per member with church letter next year. carried.

M|S That clerk be paid \$65.00 for years work. carried.

M|S That treasurer be paid \$25.00 for years work. carried.

M|S That moderato be paid \$25.00 for years work. carried.

 $M|\mathrm{S}$  That vice-moderator be paid \$15.00 for years work. carried.

M|S That Executive Board be paid 6c per mile, per car, but this is not to exceed \$125.00. carried.

M|S That the money in the Piedmont Headquarters fund be given to The Board Of Care For The Children And The Aged, the amount in this fund is \$420.39. carried.

M|S That this association make up the difference in money that we may send a check for \$1,000.00 to the board for the care for the children and the aged, carried.

M|S That we receive the treasurer's report. carried.

MIS That we adopt this report. carried.

M|S That we receive the report of the Board Of Christian Education. carried.

M|S That we adopt this report. carried.

Report of the executive board was given M|S approved that we adopt this report. (see reort with all other report's)

M|S That we send sisters Betty Brown and Mae Cox as delegates to The North Carolina Association to represent The Piedmont Association. carried.

M|S That the moderator be given the authority to appoint alternate delegates should these delegates be not able to go. carried.

M S That we receive the Nominating Boards report. carried.

M|S That we adopt this report item by item. carried. (See report's)

M|S That the next annual meeting be held at the East Belmont Church. carried.

M|S That the quarterly fellowship meetings be held (1) Mable Ave. Church, Kannapolis N. C. on Nov. 7, 1964. (2) Cramerton Church, Cramerton, N. C., Feb. 6, 1965 and (3) Cedar Grove Church. Waxaw, N. C. on May 1, 1965. carried.

M|S That we give the host rastor a vote of confidence. carried. M|S That this Twenty-First annual session of The Piedmont Association be adjourned. Carried.

We were then dismissed in prayer.

# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OCTOBER 11, 1963

The Executive Board of the Piedmont Association met at the Maple St. Free Will Baptist Church, Rockingham, N. C. for the purpose of transacting bussiness. All members were present.

Bro. Benny Turner opened the meeting with prayer. After prayer Bro. McQuage, the moderator made his remarks. The following bussiness was transacted.

M S approved that the treasurer pay the bill due Central Office Supply Co., Kannapolis, N. C. for supplies secured by the Promotional secretary for promotional work.

M|S approved to pay for the printing of the programs of the fellowship meeting of the November 2, 1963 meeting.

MIS approved that Pine St. Church. Mooresville, N. C. and South Ridge Church, Kannapolis, N. C. be removed from our roll as they are no longer churches.

M|S approved that we remove the Loftis Church, Landis. N. C. from our roll as they have notified us that they had voted to withdraw fellowship from The Piedmont Association.

M|S approved that we accept the Boger City Free Will Baptist Church into our fellowship as they had petioned for such action. Rev. L. C. Rankin is the pastor. The Executive Board then traveled to the Hopewell Free Will Baptist Church, Hamlet, N. C. to conclude their meeting as this church had petitioned the Association for membership.

The meeting at the Hopewell Church was opened in congregational singing "When We All Get To Heaven" directed by the pastor, Rev. Orain Nunn. Bro. McQuage led in prayer. Reading of the rules of the National Association Treatise of accepting a church into our fellowship was made by Bro. McQuage our moderator of the Piedmont association. Presentation of the Bible as the infallible and only rule of doctrine was made by Rev. Benny Turner, board member, reading of the church government was read by Bro. Sherman Branch, Vice-Moderator of the Association.

The church voted to accept the covenant and to become a member of the association if accepted after examination of doctrine and belief.

The Executive Board voted to receive the Hopewell Church of Hamlet, N. C. into the fellowship of the Piedmont Association and fellowship of our churches. The prayer of consecration was led by Bro. W. J. Key, board member.

The right hand of fellowship was then extended to the church by the members of the board.

The Hopewell church reported 14 members on roll and a board of 5 deacons Rev. Orian Nunn, Rt. 3, Box 273, Rockingham, N. C., Pastor, Mrs. Mildred Jacobs, Rt. 2, Box 211, Hamlet, N. C., Clerk.

The Executive Board then adjourned and enjoyed a fine supper at the Holiday Inn Resturant, Rockingham, N. C. with the compliments of the Hopewell Free Will Baptist Church and their pastor.

#### NOVEMBER 8, 1963

The Executive Board met at the Catawba church, Catawba Heights, N. C. with all members present. The following bussiness was taken care of,

M|S approved that the association send \$200.00 to help defray the expense of the State Association.

M|S approved that the churches of the association observe Nov. 17 as N. C. Association Sunday.

The board then drafted the program and adopted it for the fellowship meeting for Feb. 1, 1964.

The board was then adjourned and dismissed in prayer.

#### **FEBRUARY 1, 1964**

The Executive Board met with the Erwin Memorial Free Will Baptist Mission in McAdenvillie, N. C. for the purpose of acceptit into the fellowship of the churches of the Piedmont Association

The service began with two songs, Bro. Benny Turner led in prayer, and Bro. Branch presided in the absence of the Moderator, Bro. McQuage.

The following was explained to the church or Mission (1) Free Will Baptist Doctrine (2) Free Will Baptist Government (3) Free Will Baptist Covenant (4) Work of the Piedmont Association.

The meeting was then opened for questions by the Executive Board to the church, and the church to the Executive Board.

M|S approved by unanimous vote of the congregation to adopt the name, Erwin Memorial Free Will Baptist Church".

The Executive Board then retired from the service and met in the church yard, and voted to accept the Erwin Memorial Free Will Baptist Church into full fellowship of the Piedmont Association.

Pastor Rev. Richard Watson, Belmont, N. C.; Treasurer-Mrs. Margaret Lunsford, Rt. 2, Box 274, Gastonia, N. C.; Clerk-Mrs. Doris Greene, Gen. Del., McAdenvillie, N. C.; Bro. J. W. Wooten dismissed in prayer.

#### MAY 2, 1964

The Executive Board met in a called meeting at the Sandy Ford Church, Mt. Holly, N. C. after the quarterly meeting, present were Bros. McQuage, Willis, and Church. Absent were Bros. Hilderbran, Turner, and Key.

Bro. Branch led us in prayer to open the meeting. M S approved that we meet at the Bessmer City Free Will Baptist Church May 17, 1964 at their request for the purpose of examining them before taking them into the fellowship of the Piedmont Association.

regret that he was not able to attend our fellowship meeting due to his illness, and to wish him a speedy recovery.

M|S approved to meet May 29, 1964 with Bro. Vernon Church for our Executive meeting, to plan our associational program, and to take care of any bussiness that might be necessary.

|M|S approved that the clerk of the association write a letter and mail to the North Georgia Association, stating that the Executive Board of this association has approved such a letter of commendation and will forward one from association after the annual meeting July 31 and Aug. 1, 1964.

Building and Repair \$450.90, Literature \$88.95, Miscellaneous \$1,631.45, Home Missions \$95.60, Total Local and Outside Expenditures \$4,094.69, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$15.90.

NEAR THE CROSS, Kannapolis, N. C., Rev. Raymond Ross, Pastor, Kannapolis, N. C., Mrs. Carolyn Barber, Clerk, Rt. 1, Box 55, Kannapolis, N. C., Church Membership 51, Members Received 8, By Baptism 3, By Letter 3, Statement of Faith 2, Sunday School Enrolment 55, Total Offerings Received \$2,903.99, Pastors Salary \$860.00, Evangelistic Work \$50.00, Building and Repair \$1,300.00, Literature \$72.00, Advertising \$128.00, Total Local Expenditures \$2,410.00, Value of Church Property \$20,000 Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$15.30.

RACHELS, Near Hamlet, N. C., Rev. J. D. Liles, Pastor, Box 321, Hamlet, N. C., Daisy Liles, Clerk, Address the same, Church Membership 7, Sunday School Enrolment 25, Pastors Salary \$93.34, Evangelistic Work \$10.00, Home Missions \$9.65, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$5.00.

SANDY FORD, Mt. Holly, N. C., Rev. Vess Galloway, Jr., Pastor, 203 Park Ave., Mt. Holly, N. C., Church Membership 57, Members Received 6, By Baptism 5, By Letter 1, Members Dismissed 23, Excluded 23, Total Offerings Received \$3,467.88, Pastors Salary \$1.040.00, Evangelistic Work \$50.00, Building and Repair \$749.66, Literature \$205.84, Miscellaneous \$1362.03, Other \$10.00, Total Local Expenditures \$3.417.53, Home Missions \$15.00, Education \$25.00, Orphange \$15.00, Total outside Expenditures \$55.00, Value of Church Property \$5,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$17.10.

TALON MEMORIAL, Stanley, N. C., Rev. Sherman Branch, Pastor, Box 756, Stanley. N. C., Evelyn Sanders, Clerk, Rt. 2, Dallas, N. C., Church Membership 80, Members Received 40, By Baptism 20, By Letter 10, Statement of Faith 10, Members Dismissed 1, by letter 1, Womans Auxiliary Membership 25, Total Offerings Received \$7,896.03, General Offerings \$7,6661.03 Building Fund \$235.00, Pastors Salary \$2,199.71. Evangelistic Work \$255.00, Building and Repair \$707.95, Literature \$409.33, Other \$3,846.87, Total Local Expenditure \$7.418.86, Foreign Missions \$60.33, Home Missions \$108.00. Education \$61.00. Associational projects \$25.00, State and National Projects \$90.00 Total outside Expenditures \$344.33. Value of Church Property \$30,000.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$7,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$25.00.

SOUTH POINT. Belmont, N. C., Rev. H. G. Russell, Pastor. Rt. 1, Box 257, Belmont, N. C., Zelda Lanham, Clerk, Gen. Del., McAdenvillie, N. C., Church Membership 102, Members Received 31, By Baptism 11, By Letter 2, Statement of Faith 18, Members

Dismissed 39, By Letter 5, Excluded 34, Sunday School Enrolment 135, Total Offerings Received \$13,834.03, Pastors Salary \$5,200.00, Evangelistic Work \$300.00, Building and Repair \$10,079.40, Literature \$202.18, Advertising (radio, etc) \$558.00, Miscellaneous \$2,649.60, Other \$400.00, Total local Expenditures \$19,389.18, Foreign Missions \$48.39, Total Outside Expenditures \$48.39, Value of Church Property \$38,500.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$15,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$30.00.

GLENWOOD, Rockingham, N. C., Rev. Paul Brown, Pastor, Rt. 2, Rockingham, N. C., A. B. Brown, Clerk, Rt. 2, Box 353, Rockingham, N. C., Church Membership 45, Sunday School Enrolment 85, League Enrolment 45, Womans Auxiliary Membership 13, Pastors Salary \$2,600.00, Foreign Missions \$105.00, Home Missions \$112.00, Orphanage \$50.00, Value of Church Property \$15,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$5.00.

GOSHEN, Belmont, N. C., Rev. J. E. Floyd, Jr., Pastor Gen. Del. N. Belmont, N. C., Carl Bryan, Clerk, 414 Cherry St., Belmont, N. C., Church Membership 199, Members Received 21, By Baptism 7, By Letter 8, Statement of Faith 6, Members dismissed 7, Sunday School Enrolment 219, League Enrolment 87, Womens Auxiliary Membership 30, Total Offerings Received \$17 611.07, General Offerings \$15,670.68, Building Fund \$1940.39, Pastors Salary \$5720.00, Evangelistic Work \$292.88, Building and Repair \$3,850.47, Literature \$506.05. Miscellaneous \$1,273.09. Other \$2,445.49, Total Local Expenditures \$14,087.98. Foreign Missions \$371.00. Home Missions \$950.95, Education \$85.00. Love Offerings \$199.89, Superannuation \$54.00, Associational Projects \$120.31, Other \$108.06, Total Outside Expenditures \$1 889.21, Value of Church Property \$77 000.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$10,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$10.00.

FIRST, Hamlet, N. C., Rev. Jesse Benoist, Pastor, Gen. Del. E. Rockingham, N. C., Helen Thomas, Clerk, C-1 Charlotte Court, Hamlet, N. C., Church Membership 25, Members Received 25. By Baptism 3, Statement of Faith 22. Total Offerings Received \$936.20, Pastors Salary \$240.00, Miscellaneous \$57.50, Total Local Expenditures \$297.50, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$7.50, Sunday School Enrolment 52.

FIRST, Gastonia, N. C., Rev. William Calvert, Pastor, 402 E. 5th St., Gastonia, N. C., Mrs. W. T. Cobb. Clerk, 2805 Lowell Rd., Gastonia, N. C., Church Membership 160. Members Received 65, Sunday School Enrolment 235, League Enrolment 90, Womens Auxiliary Membership 18, Total Offerings Received \$17.233.65, General Offerings \$12.136.65, Building Fund \$5,097.00, Pastors Salary \$4,420.00, Evangelistic Work \$215.00, Advertising \$11.00, Total Local Expenditures \$4,646.00, Foreign Missions \$500.00, Home Missions \$325.00, Education \$170.00, State and National Projects \$55.00, Total Outside Expenditures \$1,050.00, Value of Church Property \$35,000.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$10,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$48.00.

FIRST, Dallas, N. C., Rev. Jerry Wyatt, Pastor 2306 E. Rhyne St., Ranlo, N. C., Mr. Danny Phillips, Clerk, 1332 W. Franklin Ave., Gastonia, N. C., Church Membership 31, Sunday School Enrolment 35, Total Offerings Received \$896.45, Pastors Salary \$454.00, Evangelistic Work \$90.00, Building and Repair \$371.47, Advertising \$50.00, Miscelleaneous \$157.52, Total Local Expenditures \$1,170.51, Value of Church Property \$5,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$9.30.

ERWIN MEMORIAL, McAdinvillie, N. C., Rev. Richard Watson, Pastor, 75 Wilkinson St., Belmont, N. C., Mrs. Doris Greene, Clerk, Gen. Del. McAdenville, N. C., Church Membership 50, Members Received 20, By Baptism 4, By Letter 11, Statement of Faith 5, Members Dismissed 5, Excluded 5, Sunday School Enrolment 55, Total Offerings Received \$1,473.56, General Offerings \$241.07, Building Fund \$52.00, Pastors Salary \$565.00, Evangelistic Work \$75.00, Building and Repairs \$76.28, Literature \$44.13, Advertising-Radio, etc. \$105.48, Miscellaneous \$111.44, Needy Families \$40.50, Rent on Building \$175.00, Total Local Expenditures \$1,192.83, Foreign Missions \$20.17, Total

Outside Expenditures \$20.17, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$15.00. EAST BELMONT, Belmont, N. C., Rev. M. T. Sparks, Pastor, 907 Edgemont Ave., Belmont, N. C., Mrs. Elizabeth Sparks, Clerk

907 Edgemont Ave., Belmont, N. C., Mrs. Elizabeth Sparks, Clerk 907 Edgemont Ave., Belmont, N. C., Church Membership 55, Members Received 8, By Baptism 2, By Letter 6, Members Dismissed 13, Excluded 13, Sunday School Enrolment 98, Womens Auxiliary Membership 15, Total Offerings Received \$6,702.96, General Offerings \$5,930.48, Building Fund \$772.48, Pastors Salary \$1,560.00, Evangelistic Work \$32.00, Building and Repair \$1,276.48, Literature \$93.46, Miscellaneous \$1,820.00, Other \$1,002.69, Total Local Expenditures \$5,784.63, Foreign Missions \$35.00, Home Missions \$103.60, Associational Projects \$25.00, Total Outside Expenditures \$163.60, Value of Church Property \$35,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$16.50.

CRAMERTON, Cramerton, N. C., Rev. Roy Rikard, Pastor, 426 Woodlawn Ave. Axt., Cramerton, N. C., Mrs. Robert Parris, Clerk. Rt. 2, Box 333, Gastonia, N. C., Church Membership 210, Members Received 12, By Baptism 8, By Letter 2, Statement of Faith 2. Members Dismissed 8, By Letter 6, Excluded 1, Deceased 1, Sunday School Enrolment 369, League Enrolment 65, M|S approved that we adjourn, Bro. Willis dismissed us in prayer.

The Executive Board recommends the following:

Every church of the association is expected to represent to the association by letter or delegates annually, if any church fails to report for two years in succession, then after the Executive Board investigates these churches and upon the recomendation of the Executive Board, the association shall withdraw fellowship from them at the associations discretion.

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

Rev. Frank McQuage, Moderator

Rev. Sherman Branch, V-Moderator

Rev. Ralph Willis, Clerk

Rev. Benny Turner, Member

Rev. Vernon Church, Member

Rev. W. J. Key, Member

Harvey Hilderbran, Treasurer

#### **REPORT OF THE ORDAINING COUNCIL**

#### AUGUST 22, 1963

The Ordaining Council met at the Satawba Free Will Baptist Church on Aug. 22, 1963 for the purpose of electing officers for this years term. The council enjoyed the presents of the Holy Spirit as we went to prayer asking God for His Leadership. Members of the council present Bros. H. G. Russell, Oscar Gray, Jessie Benoist, J. W. Wooten, L. D. Gray, and Bro. Clarance Ballew was absent.

Bro. H. G. Russell was elected chairman of the council, Bro. Jessie was elected assistant chairman and Bro. J. W. Wooten was elected clerk.

Bro. Walter Russell came before the council from the South Point Church for ordination. M|S approved that he be ordained at the night service at Waxhaw,N. C.

## TUESDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 22, 1963

The Ordaining Council met with the Cedar Grove Free Will Baptist Church in Waxhaw, N. C. for the purpose of ordaining their pastor Bro. Oscar Sullivan, Jr. and Bro. Walter Russell from the South Point Church. Bro. Oscar Gray brought the message from I Tim. 3:1 "Desiring a good work", everyone enjoyed the wonderful spirit together, an offering was received of \$9.83.

#### NOVEMBER 2, 1963

The Ordaining Council met at the Pecan Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C. with the Piedmont Fellowship Meeting.

Members of the council present, Bros. Ballew, O. Gray, Russell, Wooten, L. D. Gray and Bro. William Calvert sat proxie for Bro. Beonist.

Bro. Raymond Ross came before the board from the South Point Church for the purpose of ordination. The Council examined him. M S approved that Bro. Rrice be deferred to such a time that he become more familar with the Scriptures and be more qualified with the work of the Ministry.

The council also received a letter from the Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Maiden, N. C. requesting we ordain their pastor, Rev. Von Cobb, the council examined Bro. Cobb and plans were made to ordain him on Nov. 13, 1963 at the Frist Free Will Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C.

# NOVEMBER 13, 1963

The Ordaining Council met on November 13, 1963 at the First Free Will Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C. for the purpose of ordaining Bro. Von Cobb. All members of the council were present except Bro. L. D. Gray and Bro. Calvert set Proxie for him, and Bro. Ballew was absent.

Service was called to order by the pastor, the congregation sang and Bro. Jerry Wyatt led us in prayer. An offering was received. services were then given to the chairman of the council Bro. H. G. Russell, Bro. Calvert brought a wonderful message from God's word "The Preaching That God Bids" everyone enjoyed the fellowship.

#### FEBRUARY 1, 1964

The Ordaining Council met at the Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church, Maiden, N. C. with the Piedmont Fellowship meeting. Bro. Russell called the council to order, all members were present except Bro. L. D. Gray, and Bro. Clarance Ballew and Bro. Vernon Church sat proxie for him.

Rev. Jcserh Hailey, Jr. pastor of the Bethlehem Church, Kannapolis, N. C. came before the council desiring to exchange papers with the Piedmont Association, the council approved requesting a letter of commendation from his former Association.

Bro. Ted Gibson came before the council from the South Point Church for the purpose of church license, M/S approved that his church grant licensed.

Bro. Bud Reagon came before the council from the South Point Church for the purpose of church license, M|S approved that this church grant license. Bro. Jonnie Dockery came before the council for the purpose of church license from the South Point Church, M|S approved that this church grant his licenses.

Bro. J. C. Almond came before the council from the W. 5th St. Church of Gastonia, N. C. for the purpose of ordination, M|S approved the request.

<sup> $\hat{B}$ </sup>Bro. Otis McŚwain came before the council from the W. 5th St. Church, Gastonia, N. C. for the purpose of church license, Moved by Bro. O. Gray and seconded by Bro. Benoist that Bro. McSwain be defered back to his church for the purpose of proving himself, M|S approved by the council.

#### **FEBRUARY 15, 1964**

The Ordaining Council met with the west Fifth Church, Gastonia, N. C. on Saturdady Night, February 15, 1964 for the purpose of ordaining Bro. J. C. Almond, Bro. Jerry Wyatt met with us from the Pecan Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C. for the same purpose. Services were called to order by the pastor, and we had congregational singing, prayer was offered by Bro. Benoist. Everyone enjoyed the fellowship, Bro. Billy Allen brought the message, the subject was "Who Is God's Preacher?"

# MARCH 7, 1964

The Ordaining Council met Saturday Night, March 7, 1964 at the Hopewell Church, Hamlet, N. C. for the purpose of examining Bro. Eddie Edwards as their pastor, The council examined Bro. Edwards, and did not approve, because Bro. Edwards has two (2) living wifes.

Bro. Richard Watson also met with the council from the Erwin Memorial Free Will Baptist Church, for the purpose or ordination since he has been called to pastor the church. The council approved to do so as soon as we can receive a letter of commendation from the Blue Ridge Association, where he is a member at this time.

#### MAY 2, 1964

The Ordaining Council met at the Sandy Ford Free Will Baptist Church with the Piedmont Fellowship Meeting May 2, 1964. All council members were present.

The council was called to order by the chairman, Bro. Russell, prayer was offered by Bros. of the council. Bro. Henry Gibson came before the council from the Pecan Grove Free Will Baptist Church, Gastonia, N. C. for the purpose of church license, M|S approved that his church grant license.

Bro. Vess Galloway came before the council from the Sandy Ford Church, for the purpose of church license, M|S approved that his church grant license.

#### MAY 26, 1964

The Ordaining Council met with the Erwin Memorial Church, Mt. Holly, N. C., for the purpose of ordaining their pastor Bro. Richard Watson.

Members of the council present, Bros. Russell, Ballew, Beonist, Bro. King sat proxie for Bro. Wooten and Bro. Savage sat proxie for Bro. Gray.

The council approved of the ordination and Bro. Ballew brought the messave and the council laid hands on Bro. Watson for the prayer of ordination. Bro. Savage led the prayer.

> Respectfully Submitted: H. G. Russell, Chairman J. W. Wooten, Sec. L. D. Gray, Member Clarance Ballew, Member O. L. Gray, Member Jessie Benoist, Member

# SUPERANNUATION BOARD

We your committee on Superannuation, recommend that we obey the Lord's command in Rev. 3:2. "Be watchful and strengthen the things that remain, that are ready to die." We can strengthen our aged ministers with our support of Superannuation.

> Respectfully Submitted: M. T. Sparks, Chairman Robert Hahler, Member

#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Piedmont Institute operated in 1963-64 with 65 students enrolled, the school held it's first commencement exercises at the close of the school term with eight graduating, four of these graduates being pastors.

We also recommend the Free Will Baptist College at Nashville, Tenn. for all High School Graduates, and all others that feel the call to preparation.

> Respectfully Submitted: J. W. Wooten, Chairman Roy Rikard, Member J. Floyd, Jr., Member

#### PIEDMONT HEADQUARTERS BOARD

No money received, no money spent. Balance in treasurer at this time is in the amount of \$420.39.

Respectfully Submitted : Homer Savage, Chairman Harvey Hilderbran, Member

# FINANCE BOARD

We your Finance Board reccomend the following:

1. That each church send 30c next year with church letters to

- the annual association. (30c per member)
- 2. That clerk be paid \$65.00 for years work.
- That treasure be paid \$25.00 for years work.
  That moderator be paid \$25.00 for years work.
- 5. That vice-moderator be paid \$15.00 for years work.

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

- R. H. Hilderbran, Chairman
- T. H. Huffman, Member
- R. L. Willis, Member

#### TREASURERS REPORT

1.	In treasurer last association\$	503.36
2.	Received last association	711.83
3.	Received since association	85.44
4.	Total received	1300.63
5.	Total expenditures	89g.32
6.	Balance in treasure	$40\bar{5}.31$

#### ASSOCIATIONAL EXPENSE

1. Traveling expense for Executive Board	100.00
2. Traveling expense for Ordaining Council	75.54
3. Rev. Billy Allen for Clerk work	81.80
4. Rev. Frank McQuage, Moderator	25.00
5. R. H. Hilderbran, Treasurer	25.00
6. North Carolina State Association	269.10
7. Free Will Baptist Witness	31.82
8. Counts Printing and Office Supply (1963 minutes)	240.82
9. Association promotional work	46.24
10. Total paid out during year	895.32

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

R. H. Hilderbran. Treasurer

#### **REVISION COMMITTEE**

Chmn. Rev. Johnnie E. Floyd, Jr. submitted the Report with Recommendations for changes to be made in Ministers Examinations and Rules and By-Laws.

Recommendations were adopted as amended and authorization for printing was given by the Piedmont Association of Original Free Will Baptists of North Carolina at it's Annual Meeting at Mount Holly, N. C., August 1, 1964.

Note: Ministers Examination and Rules and By-Laws.

#### MINISTERS REPORT

JOHNNIE E. FLOYD, JR., Pastor of Goshen Free Will Baptist Church

Sermons Preached-166, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-4, Professions-211, No. Baptized-1, Additions to Church-21, Funerals Preached-3, Miles Traveled-16,500, Amount Received-\$5720.00.

DREXLER BENTON: Card not filled out.

- VON A. COBB, Mable Ave. Free Will Baptist Church Sermons Preached-175, Churches Pastored-2, Revivals Held-0, Professions Witnessed-25, Additions to Church-15, Funerals Preached-2, Miles Traveled-1500, Amount Received-\$1,130.00.
- ROBERT HAGLER, Pastor Mt. Carmel Sermons Preached-200, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-9, Professions Witnessed 170, No. Baptized-37, Additions to Church-59, Funerals Preached-5, Miles Traveled-30,000, Amount Received-\$4,000.00.
- WALTER WHITTINGTON.

Sermons Preached-10, Professions Witnessed-16, Miles Traveled-187, Amount Received-\$38.00.

JAMES REGAN,

Sermons Preached-10, Churches Pastored-0, Revivals Held-0, Professions Witnessed not known, Miles Traveled not known.

ORIAN S. NUNN,

Sermons Preached-35, Churches Pastored-1, No. Baptized-14, Additions to Church-14. Funerals Preached-1, Miles Traveled-500, Amount Received-\$275.00.

VERNON CHURCH,

Sermons Preached-54, Professions Witnessed-21. Funerals Preached-1, Miles Traveled-8,000, Amount Received-\$45.00.

- WILLIAM H. CALVERT, Pastor First Church, Gastonia Sermons Preached-150, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-3, Professions Witnessed-110, No. Baptized-50, Additions to Church-75, Funerals Preached-12, Miles Traveled-20,000, Amount Received-\$4,600.00.
- CLARANCE BALLEW, Pastor Mt. Pleasant Church, Lexington Sermons Preached-125. Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-3, Professions Witnessed-75, No. Baptized-12, Additions to Church-15, Funerals Preached-5, Amount Received-\$3,640.00.
- HAROLD GOFORTH, Pastor Independance Sq. Church, Sermons Preached-115, Churches Pastored-1. Professions Witnessed-25, Additions to Church-7. Funerals Preached-2, Miles Traveled-2,000, Amount Received-\$980.00.
- H. G. RUSSELL, Pastor South Point Church, Sermons Preached-185, Churches Pastored-1, Professions wit-

nessed-173, No. Baptiped-11, Additions to Church-31, Funerals Preached-7.

EARNEST STAMEY, Sermons Preached-35, Professions Witnessed-8.

- M. T. SPARKS, Pastor East Belmont Church Sermons Preached-120, Churches Pastored-1, Professions Witnessed-8, Additions to Church-8, Funerals Preached-3, Miles Traveled-1,500.
- C. C. NEWTON,

Sermons Preached-17, Professions Witnessed-10.

RICHARD WATSON, Pastor Erwin Memorial Church,

Sermons Preached-89, Churches Pastored-1, Professions Witnessed-43, Additions to Church-20, Miles Traveled-12,000, Amount Received-\$565.00.

TED GIBSON,

Sermons Preached-15, Professions Witnessed-3.

HENRY GIBSON,

Sermons Preached-20, Professions Witnessed-5.

ROY PETHEL, JR.,

Sermons Preached-26, Revivals Held-1, Professions Witnessed-8, Amount Received-\$25.00.

JOSEPH HAILEY, JR., Pastor Bethlehem Church,

Sermons Preached-150, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-1, Professions Witnessed-54, No. Baptiped-8, Additions to Church

20, Funreals Preached-2, Miles Traveled-10,000, Amount received-\$2,220.00.

BOBBY WEATHERS,

Sermons Preached-12, Professions Witnessed-1, No. Baptized 5.

BENNY TURNER, Pastor Ben Ave. Church,

Sermons Preached-160, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-1, Professions Witnessed-30, No. Baptized-5, Additions to Church 10, Funerals Preached-5, Miles Traveld-25,000, Amount Received-\$4,075.00.

J. W. WOOTEN, Pastor Catawba Church,

Sermons Preached 144, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-2, Professions Witnessed-46, No. Baptized-20, Additions to Church-17, Funerals Preached-2, Miles Traveled-30,000, Amount Received-\$3,885.00.

ROBERT DEESE,

Sermons Preached-73, Churches Pastored-1, Professions witnessed-12, No. Baptized-5, Additions to Church-6, Miles Traveled-500, Amount Received-\$400.00.

#### RAYMOND RICE,

Sermons Preached-5, Professions Witnessed-5.

FRANK McQUAGE, Pastor Maple St. Church, Rockingham, Card not filled out.

DANIEL O'KELLY,

Sermons Preached-8, Professions Witnessed-1, Miles Traveled-570, Amount Received-None.

RALPH WILLIS,

Sermons Preached-72, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-1, Professions Witnessed-22, No. Baptized-3, Funerals Preached-2,

Miles Traveled-5,000, Amount Received-\$50.00.

#### JAY BARBEE,

Sermons Preached-8, Professions Witnessed-4, Miles Traveled-500.

SHERMAN BRANCH, Pastor Talon Memorial Church, Sermons Preached-135, Churches Pastored-1, Professions witnessed-30, No Baptized-13, Additions to Church-40, Funerals Preached-2, Miles Traveled-25,000, Amount Received-\$3,500,00

WALTER RUSSELL, Pastor Mt. Carmel Church, Sharon, S. C. Sermons Preached-100, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-2, Professions Witnessed-78, No. Baptized-12, Funerals Preached-2, Additions to Church-60.

RAYMOND ROSS, Pastor Near The Cross, Sermons Preached-156, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-2, Professions Wittnessed-40, Additions to Church-12, No. Baptized-8, Miles Traveled-5,000, Amount Received-\$860.00.

JESS CANNON, Card not filled out.

OWEN GANEY,

Sermons Preached-250, Revivals Held-20, Professions Witnessed-300, Miles Traveled-20,000, Amount Received-\$2300.00.

L. D. GRAY, Pastor Lowell Church, Sermons Preached-100. Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-1, Professions Witnessed-35, No. Baptized-20. Additions to Church-48, Funerals Preached-14, Amount Received-\$4600.00.

J. D. LILES, Card not filled out.

JOHN NEWTON.

Sermons Preached-124, Churches Pastored-1, Professions Witnessed-32, No. Baptized-11. Additions to Church-4, Funerals Preached-6, Miles Traveled-15,000, Amount Received-\$2400.00

L. C. RANKIN, Pastor Boger City Church, Sermons Preached-150, Churches Pastored-1. Revivals Held-2. Professions Witnessed-16. No. Baptized-15, Additions to Church16, Miles Traveled-24,000.

W. J. KEY,

Sermons Preached-30, Professions Witnessed-6.

OSCAR SULLIVAN, JR., Pastor Waxhaw Church, Sermons Preached-50, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-1. Professions Witnessed-36, Additions to Church-10, Miles Traveled-3,000, Amount Received-\$7.80.

EARNEST KING.

Sermons Preached-150, Churches Pastored-1, Professions witnessed-20, No. Baptized-10, Additions to Church-10, Funerals Preached-1, Miles Traveled-30, Amount Received-\$1400.00. HOMER SAVAGE, Pastor Mtn. View Church,

Sermons Preached-125, Churches Pastored-1, Professions witnessed-44, No. Baptized-26, Additions to Church-26, Funerals Preached-3, Amount Received-\$900.00.

OSCAR GRAY, Pastor Pecan Grove Church, Sermons Preached 122, Churches Pastored-1, Revivals Held-3, Professions Witnessed-80, No. Baptized-34. Additions to Church-37, Funerals Preached-7, Miles Traveled-40,000, Amount Received-\$1707.83.

PAUL BROWN. Card not filled out.

VESS GALLOWAY, JR., Card not filled out

EARL BITTLE,

Sermons Preached-23, Churches Pastored-1, Professions witnessed-9. Miles Traveled-582, Amount Received-\$45.67.

ROY RIKARD, Pastor Cramerton Church, Card not filled out.

JERRY WYATT, Pastor Dallase Church,

Sermons Preached-58. Revivals Held-1, Professions Witnessed 32, Baptized-7, Miles Traveled-1,800, Amount Received-\$45.00. TRAVIS HUFFMAN, Card not filled out.

CHARLES MANESS, Card not filled out.

J. T. BAILEY, Card not filled out.

BILLY ALLEN, (See Church Report)

GUY FOSTER, Pastor of the Mt. Holly Church, just taken over the pastorial duties of this church.

J. C. ALMOND, Card not filled out.

#### STATISTICS OF CHURCHES

HEMAN, Charlotte, N. C., Rev. A. W. Newell, Pastor, 4113 Rutgers Ave., Charlotte, N. C., Mrs. Grace Outlaw, Clerk, 920 Parkwood Ave., Charlotte, N. C., Church Membership 109, Active 59, inactive 50, Members Received 23, By Baptism 17, By Letter 1, By Statement of Faith 5, Members Dismissed 9, By Letter 9, Deceased 2, Sunday School Enrolment 61, Total Offerings Received \$18386.91, General Offerings \$5792.10, Building Fund \$12.594.81, Pastors Salary \$3.975.00, Evangelist Work \$28.85, Building and Repair \$11.962.07, Literature \$116.78, Advertising \$10.30, Miscellaneous \$895.97, other Savings Funds \$1,125.00, Church Bonds, \$500.00, Total Local Outside Expenditures \$86.33,

Value of Church Property \$50,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$32.70.

INDEPENDANCE SQUARE, Kannapolis, N. C., Rev. Harold Goforth, Pastor, Rt. 4, Box 684, Kannapolis, N. C., Mrs. Pauline Barbee, Clerk, Rt. 4, Box 675, Kannapolis, N. C., Church Membership 47, Members Received 7, By Baptism 2, By Letter 3, By Statement of Faith 2, Sunday School Enrolment 50, Womens Auxiliary 9, Total Offerings Received \$1,362.30, Building Fund \$135.00, Pastors Salary \$986.00, Building and Repair \$20.00, Literature \$60.00, Miscellaneous \$229.31, Total Local Expenditures \$1295.31, Value of Church Property \$12,000.00, Amount Sent with letter for General Fund \$14.10.

LOWELL, Rev. L. D. Gray, Pastor, Box 782, Lowell, N. C., Mrs. Mabel Parton, Clerk, 64 4th St., Cramerton, N. C., Church Membership 120, Members Received 48, By Baptism 20, By Letter 5, By Statement of Faith 23, Members Dismissed 6, By Letter 6, Deceased 4, Sunday School Enrolment 186, League Enrolment 40, Womens Auxiliary Membership 13, Masters Men 7, Total Offerings Received \$9,746.58, Building Fund \$213.00, Pastors Salary \$4,530.00, Evangelistic Work \$279.69, Building and Repair \$338.22, Literature \$352.31, Miscellaneous \$727.85, Other \$1,800.00, Foreign Missions \$105.00, Home Missions \$10.00, Total Local and Outside Expenditures \$9,216.40, Value of Church Property \$90,000.00, Value of Parsonage \$8,000.00, Amount sent with letter for general fund \$36.00

MABLE AVE., Kannapolis, N. C., Rev. Von Cobb, Pastor, 1009 Mable Ave., Kannapolis, N. C., Mrs. Elsie Boger, Clerk, 2107 Lane St., Kannapolis, N. C., Church Membership 75. Members Received 24, By Letter 10, By Baptism 14, Sunday School Enrolment 82, Womens Auxiliary Membership 13, Total Offerings Received \$3,118.93, Building Fund \$422.00, Pastors Salary \$1,130.00, Evangelistic Work \$104.75, Building and Repair \$117.17, Literature \$114.70. Miscellaneous \$587.10, Other \$222.11 Ttotal Local Expenditures \$2,275.83, Value of Church Property \$15,000.00, Value of parsonage property \$11,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$22.50.

MAPLE STREET. Rockingham, N. C., Rev. Frank McQuage, Pastor, Box 965, Rockingham, N. C., Mrs. Blondie Brigman, Clerk. 1115 Airport Rd., Rockingham, N. C., Church Membership 150, Members Received 40, By Baptism 25, By Statement of Faith 15, Members Dismissed 40, By Letter 4. Excluded 36, Sunday School Enrolment 365, League Enrolment 95, Womens Auxiliary Enrolment 25, Total Offerings Received \$13.000.00, Pastors Salary \$5460.00. Evangelist Work \$300.00. Building and Repairs \$2,000.00. Literature \$500.00, Advertising \$25.00, Foreign Missions \$300.00, Home Missions \$250.00, Total Local and Outside Expenditures \$8,835.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$44.70.

MT. CARMEL, Lexington, N. C., Rev. Robert Hagler, Pastor, 107 Arrington Dr., Lexington, N. C., Mrs. Mildred Green, Clerk, 746 2nd Rainbow St., Lexington, N. C., Church Membership 131, Members Received 59, By Baptism 37, By Letter 7, By Statement of Faith 15, Members Dismissed 3, By Letter 1, Excluded 1, Deceased 1, Sunday School Enrolment 214, Total Offerings Rectived \$9,211.05, General Offerings \$7,367.65, Building Fund \$855.00, Pastors Salary \$3,500.00, Evangelistic work \$347.00, Building and Repair \$795.00, Literature \$176.00, Advertising (Radio Programs, etc.) \$988.40, Other \$1,524.00, Foreign Missions \$50.00, Home Missions \$100.00, State Projects \$50.00, Total Local and Outside Expenditures \$7,530.40, Value of Church Property \$40,000.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$10,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$39.30.

MT. PLEASANT, Lexington, N. C., Rev. Clarence Ballew, Pastor, Rt. 9, Box 357-B, Lexingtons, N. C., Mr. James Panter, Clerk, 101 Buena-Vista Dr., Lexington, N. C., Church Membership 59, Members Received 14, By Baptism 7, By Letter 2, By Statement of Faith 5, Members Dismissed 10, By Letter 2, Excluded 8, Deceased 1, Sunday School Enrolment 116. Total Offerings Received \$2,649.24, General Offerings \$2,472.68, Biulding Fund \$176.56, Pastors Salary \$1,540.00, Evangelistic Work \$75.00, Literature \$71.95, Miscellaneous \$540.26, Total Local Expenditures \$2227.21, Value of Church Property \$5,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$20.65.

MT. HOLLY, Mt. Holly, N. C., Rev. Guy Foster Pastor, Noles Dr., Mt Holly, N. C., Mr. Harvey Hilderbran, Clerk, 908 North Dr., Mt. Holly, N. C., Church Membership 70, Members Received 21, By Baptism 8, By Letter 3, Statement of Faith 10. Members Dismissed 29, By Letter 3, Excluded 23. Deceased 3, Sunday School Enrolment 103, League Enrolment 55, Womens Auxiliary Membership 9, Total Offerings Received \$11,173.71, Building Fund \$1,000.00, Pastors Salary \$4 480.00, Evangelistic Work \$290.00, Building and Repair \$4.000.00, Literature \$444.57, Miscellaneous \$571.03, Other \$420.00, Total Expenditures \$10,076.40, Foreign Missions \$282.81, Home Mimmions \$75.00, Associational Projects \$64.02. State and National Projects \$20.00 Total Outside Expenditures \$441.83, Value of Church Property \$40,000.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$12,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$21.00.

MTN. VIEW, Dallas, N. C., Rt. 2., Rev. Homer Savage, Pastor, Rt. 2, Dallas, N. C., Mrs. Irene Weathers. Clerk, Box 33, Belmont, N. C., Church Membership 71, Members Received 26, By Letter None, By Baptism 26, Members Dismissed 1, By Letter 1, Sunday School enrolment 69, Pastors Salary \$900.00, Evangelistic Work \$75.00, Literature \$100.00, Foreign Missions \$25.00, Education \$25.00, Total Local and Outside Expenditures \$1125.00 Amount sent with letter for general Fund \$21.30.

PECAN GROVE. Gastonia, N. C., Rev. Oscar Gray, Pastor, Box 209, Rt. 2, Dallas, N. C., Mrs. Lettie Leatherwood, Clerk, 115 Welch St., Gastonia, N. C., Church Membership 79, Members Received 79, By Baptism 34, By Letter 29, By Statement of Faith 16, Members Dismissed 20, Excluded 20, Deceased 2, Sunday School Enrolment 120, Womens Auxiliary Membership 17, Masters Men Enrolment 15, Total Offerings Received \$6,081.46, Pastors Salary \$1,707.83, Evangelistic Work \$200.00, Building and Repairs \$1,400.00, Literature \$110.00, Miscellaneous \$3.015.13, Total Local Expenditures \$6,432.95, Foreign Missions \$15.93, Education \$75.00, Associational Projects \$30.60, Total outside Expenditures \$121.53, Value of Church Property \$20,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$23.70.

PLEASANT HILL, Maiden, N. C., Rev. Earl Bittle, Pastor, 718 N. Main Ave., Maiden, N. C., Mr. Ralph Stewart, Clerk, Box 22, Catawba, N. C., Church Membership 26, Members Received 2, By Letter 2, Members Excluded 8, Sunday School Enrolment 30, Total Offerings Received \$1.592.87, Building Fund \$39.32. Pastors Salary \$318.50, Evangelistic Work \$115.00. Literature \$30.00 Miscellaneous \$1,100.00, Total Local Expenditures \$1.588.50, Value of Church Property \$11,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$8.00.

MT. CALVERY, Rockingham, N. C., Rev. Charles Maness, Pastor, Box 95, Wadesboro, N. C., Miss Dorthy Smith, Clerk, Gen. Del., East Rockinghom, N. C., Church Membership 70, Members Received 4, By Letter 3, Statement of Faith 1, Deceased 1, Sunday School Enrolment 75, Womens Auxiliary Membership 15, Total Offerings Received \$2,572.96, Building Fund \$61.84, Pastors Salary \$1,330.00, Evangelistic Work \$75.00, Building and Repair \$250.00, Literature \$59.24, Miscellaneous \$170.63, Orphanage \$12.00, Total Local and Outside Expenditures \$1.896.87. Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$20.00, Value of Church Property \$5,000.00.

NEW HOPE, Rockingham, N. C., Rev. J. T. Bailey, Pastor, 1424 Old Lilesville Rd., Wadesboro, N. C., Mr. Lacy Thompson, 507 W. Washington Ext., Rockingham, N. C., Church Membership 53, Members Received 11, By Baptism 7, By Letter 2, Statement of Faith 2, Members Dismissed 1, By Letter 1, Excluded 41, Deceased 2, Sunday School Enrolment 89, Womans Auxiliary Membership 20, Total Offerings Received \$3,643.69, Building Fund \$334.00, Pastors Salary \$1,716.05, Evangelistic Work \$111.64, Womens Auxiliary 39, Total Offerings Received \$21,464.26, Pastors Salary \$5,200.00, Evangelistic Work \$280.00, Building and Repair \$1,108.00, Literature \$145.00, Miscellaneous \$1,113.00, Other \$9,008.26, Total local Expenditures \$16.854.24, Foreign Missions \$1,,680.00, Home Missions \$1,680.00, Education \$700.00, Orphanage \$375.00, Superannuation \$60.00, State and National Projects \$120.00, Total Outside Expenditures \$4,610.00, Value of Church Property \$138,000.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$20,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$63.00.

CENTER GROVE, Waxhaw, N. C., Rev. Oscar Sullivan, Jr., Pastor, 51 S. Ave., Lancaster, S. C., Margie Simpson, Clerk, 811 Cane Ave., Pinevillie, N. C., Church Membership 49, Members Received 14, Members Dismissed 21, Sunday School Enrolment 53, Total Offerings Received \$4,441.17, Building Fund \$31.03, Pastors Salary \$760.00, Literature \$52.00, Building and Repair \$47.00, Other \$45.18, Total Local Expenditures \$894.18, Miscellaneous \$1,589.60, Value of Church Property \$10,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$15.00.

CATAWBA, Belmont, N. C., Rev. J. W. Wooten, Pastor, Box 5, Catawba Heights, Belmont, N. C., Wanda Kirkland, Clerk, Box 441, Belmont, N. C., Church Membership 85, Members Received 17, By Baptism 2, By Letter 2, Statement of Faith 13, Members Dismissed 56, By Letter 8, Excluded 48, Sunday School Enrolment 120, Total Offering Received \$8,019.48, Pastors Salary \$3,660.00, Evangelistic Work \$260:76, Building and Repair \$465. 37, Literature \$154.31, Advertising Radio-etc. \$756.50, Miscelleaneous \$1,032.84. Other \$1,620.00, Total local Expenditures \$7,683.62, Foreign Missions \$60.00, Home Missions \$393.00, Education \$39.50, Associational Projects \$36.77, State and national Projects \$50.00, Total Outside Expenditures \$579.27, Value of Church and Parsonage Property \$20,000.00. Amount sent with Letter for General Fund \$25.50.

BOGER CITY, Boger City, N. C., Rev. L. C. Rankin, Pastor, 1205 Rhyne-Oakland Rd., Gastonia, N. C., Mrs. Peggy Duncan, Clerk, Rt. 2, Lincolnton, N. C., Church Membership 45, Members Received 16, By Baptism 15, By Letter 1, Members Dismissed 2, By Letter 2, Sunday School Enrolment 45, Womens Auxiliary Membership 11, Total Offerings Received \$1,980.02. Building Fund \$300.00, Pastors Salary \$880.00, Evangelistic Work \$85.00, Building and Repair \$1.053.49, Literature \$75.00, Miscelleanous \$74.00, Total Local Expenditures \$2,467.49, Foreign Missions \$60.00, Total Outside Expenditures \$60.00, Value of Church Property \$7,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$15.00. BEN AVE., Gannapolis, N. C., Rev. Benny Turner 613 Ben St., Kannapolis, N. C., Mrs. Bernice Hunsucker, Clerk, 620 Miller St., Kannoplis, N. C., Church Membership 82, Members Received 4, By Baptism 2, By Letter 2, Members Dismissed 8, By Letter 3, Excluded 4, Deceased 1, Sunday School Enrolment 110, Womens Auxiliary Membership 15, Pastors Salary \$4,075.00, Evangelistic Work \$208.84, Building and Repair \$15,481.91, Literature \$715.70, Advertising \$103.30. Other \$3,528.76, Total local Expenditures \$24,113.51, Value of Church Property \$40,000.00, Value of Parsonage Property \$10,000.00, Amount sent with letter for General Fund \$24.60.

WEST FIFTH AVE., Gastonia, N. C., Rev. Billy Allen, Pastor, 210 S. Holland St., Dallas, N. C., Mrs. Levader Green, Clerk, 2123 W. Sixth St., Gastonia, N. C., Church Membership 79, Members Received 15, By Baptism 10, By Letter 5, Dismissed by Letter 5, Sunday School Enrolment 125, Total Offerings Received \$7,000.00, Total local and outside Expenses \$5,205.00, Pastors Salary \$4680.00, Literature \$150.00, Revivals \$150.00, Charity \$100.00, Denominational Enterprises, Missions, etc. \$125.00, Value of Church Property \$6,500.00.

Rev. Allen's ministers report will appear here due to fileing his report late. Sermons Preached 160, Churches Pastored 1, Revivals held 3, Professions Witnessed 100, Number Baptized 10, Additions to Church 15, Funerals Preached 5, Miles Traveled 30,000, Amount Received \$5,000.00.

