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## ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

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Rev. R. P. Sawyer ..... Rt. 7, Box 577, Salisbury, N. C.  
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Rev. J. W. Leviner ..... 936 7th St., Statesville, N. C.

## ASSOCIATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ROLL

### ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. David Coley .....	219 Dingler Ave., Mooresville, N. C.
Rev. Mack F. Crisp .....	739 2nd Rainbow St., Lexington, N. C.
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Rev. L. M. Hooper .....	Rt. 4, Box 236, Kannapolis, N. C.
Rev. J. C. Huneycutt .....	307 Ingram St., Thomasville, N. C.
Rev. William Johnson .....	Rt. 1, Wadesboro, N. C.
Rev. J. P. Langley .....	205 Church St., Lexington, N. C.
Rev. J. W. Leviner .....	936 7th St., Statesville, N. C.
Rev. I. W. Plyler .....	Rt. 1, Mooresville, N. C.
Rev. R. P. Sawyer .....	Rt. 7, Box 577, Salisbury, N. C.
Rev. Russell Stewart .....	P. O. Box 22, Catawba, N. C.
Rev. Dewey W. Tilley .....	917 N. Walnut Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.
Rev. H. E. Tucker .....	612 Leonard Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.
Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff .....	Rt. 1, Box 87, Harmony, N. C.

### LICENSED MINISTERS

NONE

### CHURCHES

Church	Pastor
Arrington Heights .....	Rev. J. P. Langley
Catawba .....	Rev. Russel Stewart
Gospel .....	Rev. William Johnson
Harmony .....	Rev. L. M. Hooper
Mt. Zion .....	Rev. J. C. Huneycutt
Oak Grove (Not a member church, but co-operating) .....	Rev. S. A. Graybeal
Shiloh (Not a member church, but co-operating) .....	Rev. J. W. Leviner
Yadkin Valley .....	Rev. H. E. Tucker

### CHURCH CLERKS

Arrington Heights .....	Mrs. Plas Owens, C. C. 12, Lexington, N. C.
Catawba .....	Mrs. Russel Stewart, Box 22, Catawba, N. C.
Gospel .....	Clerk's name and address unknown
Harmony .....	Mrs. L. C. Leary, 302 Poplar Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.
Mt. Zion .....	Nathan Nobles, 918 Mendenhall St., Thomasville, N. C.
Oak Grove .....	Clerk's name and address not known
Shiloh .....	Meda B. Leviner, 936 7th St., Statesville, N. C.
Yadkin Valley .....	Mrs. Elmer Gilliland, Rt. 1, Troutman, N. C.

## CHURCH COVEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## **RULES OF THE DECORUM**

- (1) The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- (2) There shall be no conversation by the members one with another so as to interrupt business while in session.
- (3) Every member wishing to speak shall first rise and address the Moderator.
- (4) No member shall interrupt a member while speaking.
- (5) We shall admit no other title while in session but that of Brother and Sister.
- (6) Every member speaking shall attend to the subject under consideration.
- (7) No member shall speak more than twice on any one subject.
- (8) Every motion made and seconded shall be attended to, unless withdrawn by the person who made it.
- (9) No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the Moderator.
- (10) On all motions made, where the vote of the body is taken, a majority shall prevail.
- (11) The Moderator shall have the same privilege to speak as any other member provided the chair is filled.
- (12) Any member transgressing the above rules shall be admonished by the Moderator.
- (13) Not less than nine members shall constitute a quorum.

## **YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTISTS CONSTITUTION**

- (1) This association shall be composed of delegates elected by each church and sent to the Association to represent the church.
- (2) Each delegate selected by the church must be recommended by a letter from the church of which they belong. This shall include the minister pastoring the church.
- (3) Each church is required to select the best qualified members of the body to represent the church and carry on business.
- (4) The Association, when assembled, shall first elect a Moderator and Clerk.
- (5) The rules of the decorum must be read immediately after the Association is assembled.
- (6) The Association will encourage a sound ministry, such as presents Christ as an all sufficient Saviour; that the plan of salvation, presented by Christ, is strictly and definitely Grace, and, as presented by the gospel, will save all human beings who accept it.
- (7) Any minister, in good standing with his church, or Association, may be invited to a seat in our Council and may take part in the deliberations, and his name enrolled in our minutes.
- (8) It is the duty of the Association to appoint, or elect, committees to take care of special business, etc. Each committee report must be in writing, and turned in to the Clerk for reading before the assembly.
- (9) All queries regularly presented to the Association by any Church shall be attended to.
- (10) Any church wishing to become a member of this Association may do so by making application by letter and represented by the delegates of said church. The church must adopt our Articles of Faith and Church Covenant.
- (11) The Association may withdraw from any church who walks disorderly or violates any rule made and passed on by the body.

- (12) It is to be understood that the Association assumes no higher authority than that of an Advisory Council.
- (13) Any church wishing a letter of dismissal from this Association may do so on the grounds of a two-thirds (⅔) majority of the members of said church.
- (14) Any minister found casting his influence against any church or, in any way, marring the character unjustly of another minister, or working in any way to secure the church of a fellow minister, will be dealt with by the Association.
- (15) This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by two-thirds (⅔) votes of the delegates attending, providing that a notice of such change shall have been given during the first sitting of said meeting after permanent organization.
- (16) The Ordination Council shall function as such only at minister's conferences and Associational conferences.

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- (1) The Ordination Council shall act as an Advisory Council. (Association of 1953)
- (2) The Minister's Conference shall have authority to elect the Ordination Council. (Association of 1954)
- (3) All Ministers, licensed and ordained, shall have a seat, voice and vote at all Minister's Conferences, but will not have a vote at Associations unless he presents a letter of recommendation from the church to which he belongs. (As amended at Association of 1957).
- (4) Any minister failing to send a report to this Association shall subject his name to be placed on the Nominal Roll of Ministers, (Association of 1956.)

## **RULES GOVERNING ORDINATION COUNCIL**

- (1) No minister may be granted license or certificate of ordination unless he presents a letter of recommendation from the church to which he belongs. Also, this church must be a member of this Association.
- (2) No licensed minister may be ordained under one (1) year from date of issuance of Associational license unless he is called to be full-time pastor of a church.
- (3) No licensed minister, even though called to be assistant pastor, may be ordained under one (1) year from date of issuance of Associational license.
- (4) All Ministers being admitted to this Association must promise to relinquish the credentials they hold from this Association if, and when, he joins another Association, or when he is adjudged by the Minister's Conference to be disqualified to preach the gospel.
- (5) All Ministers entering this Association from another Free Will Baptist Association must present a letter of recommendation from the Association he is leaving. Also he must surrender the credentials he holds from the Association he is leaving.
- (6) The Ordination Council shall license qualified women to preach but it shall not have authority to ordain them.
- (7) This Council shall not issue credentials to brethren who have two (2) living companions, even though divorced.
- (8) This council must not use partiality in the issuance of credentials.
- (9) These rules must be read to each minister asking for entrance into this Association.



## FRIDAY MORNING (AUGUST 30) SESSION

### ANNUAL MINISTERS' CONFERENCE

The annual Ministers' Conference of the Yadkin Valley Association of (Original) Free Will Baptists opened its annual session on August 30, 1957 at Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church in Lexington, North Carolina. Services began promptly at 10:00 a. m. William D. House led the audience in the singing of a song entitled "When We All Get To Heaven", after which Rev. J. P. Langley, pastor of the local church, called upon Rev. S. A. Graybeal of Kannapolis, to lead us to the throne of grace in prayer. The local pastor read the twenty-fourth Psalm and extended a cordial welcome to the Conference. Since the Ministers' Conference was supposed to have met on Saturday, August 24 but failed to do so it was decided that the Ministers' Conference should have a brief period in which it could carry out any business it might have and elect its officers for the ensuing year. At this time Rev. Langley turned the services over to Rev. R. P. Sawyer, moderator of the Ministers' Conference.

The house was called to order by the Moderator and nominations for the office of Moderator were accepted. This office was filled by re-electing the moderator who was presently in office, Rev. R. P. Sawyer. The offices were filled as follows Moderator, Rev. R. P. Sawyer; Vice-Moderator, Rev. J. W. Leviner; Clerk and Treasurer, Rev. J. P. Langley.

Those elected to serve on the Ordination Council are as follows: Rev. R. P. Sawyer, Rev. L. M. Hooper, Rev. S. A. Graybeal, Rev. J. W. Leviner, and Rev. J. P. Langley.

The next quarterly Ministers' Conference will meet with Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church in Statesville, N. C. on the first Saturday in December.

The Moderator gave a short talk by stressing the importance of boosting our Ministers' Conference. Points mentioned included that of getting out and organizing new churches, and the attendance of each minister at every Ministers' Conference.

Since the time was so short in which the Ministers' Conference as well as the Association would have to convene, the Moderator of the Ministers' Conference turned the adjourned house over to the Moderator of the Association, Rev. L. M. Hooper.

### (ASSOCIATION)

The Moderator, Rev. L. M. Hooper, set the house in order and called for the election of Associational officers for the coming year. These offices were filled as follows: Moderator, Rev. L. M. Hooper; Vice-Moderator, Rev. S. A. Graybeal; Clerk, Rev. J. P. Langley; Assistance clerk and Treasurer, William D. House.

Delegates present were the following: L. C. Leary, Mrs. L. C. Leary, Mrs. R. P. Sawyer, Mrs. L. M. Hooper, Plas Owens, Jack Langley, Jr., William D. House, and J. D. Stancil. Ministers present were as follows: Reverends L. M. Hooper, R. P. Sawyer, S. A. Graybeal, J. W. Leviner, and J. P. Langley. Churches represented were Arrington Heights, Harmony, and the church-

es pastored by Rev. J. W. Leviner, Rev. S. A. Graybeal, and the Rev. R. P. Sawyer, the names of which were not known since they are not in the Association.

J. D. Stancil was elected to the Board of Trustees to replace Rev. G. W. Liner. At the request of the house the Moderator appointed the following committees: Finance, Missions, Sunday School, Ladies' Auxiliary, Orphanage, and Ministers' Report. These committees were filled as follows:

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

L. C. Leary, Jack Langley, Jr., Rev. J. W. Leviner.

#### **MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

Mrs. L. C. Leary, Mrs. R. P. Sawyer, William D. House.

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

J. D. Stancil, Jack Langley Jr., Rev. J. W. Leviner.

#### **LADIES AUXILIARY**

Mrs. L. C. Leary, Mrs. L. M. Hooper, William D. House.

#### **ORPHANAGE COMMITTEE**

Plas Owens, Rev. R. P. Sawyer, L. C. Leary.

#### **MINISTERS' REPORT**

Mrs. L. M. Hooper, Mrs. L. C. Leary, Mrs. R. P. Sawyer.

These committees were instructed to meet and draft recommendations and bring their reports in writing to the Saturday Morning session.

Since time was running out preaching service was suspended and testimonies were conducted instead. The following gave interesting testimonies: Plas Owens, Jack Langley, Jr., and Rev. J. W. Leviner. Some of the Pastors gave accounts of the growth of their churches.

House adjourns for lunch to meet back at 1:15 P. M. Dismissed by Jack Langley, Jr.

### **FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**

Service was opened again at 1:15 with the audience singing a song entitled "I Would Not Be Denied". The Moderator then called on Rev. H. E. Tucker to lead the audience in prayer. (Rev. Tucker was not present when the names of those present were recorded in the morning session but came in shortly after).

The Moderator at this time appointed the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee since it was by-passed in the morning. The names of those appointed to this committee are recorded in the regular place along with the other committees.

The Moderator also recommended that the Ladies' Auxiliary organize into a Conference organization.

The Association voted for the clerk to have Auxiliary Report blanks printed which would itemize each purpose for which money is contributed. Also have Church, Sunday School, and Ministers' Report blanks printed.

At the time of the appointing of the various committees the Singing Committee was omitted since it was understood the Singing Convention took care of the business usually attended to by this committee. After finding however, that the Singing Convention did not set a time or place for the Convention to meet, the Moderator appointed the following to serve on the Singing Convention Committee: Rev. J. W. Leviner, Rev. H. E. Tucker, Jack Langley, Jr., Mrs. L. M. Hooper, and Mrs. L. C. Leary. An interesting discussion concerning the activities of the Singing Convention was carried on which ended with the suggestion that all churches call off their morning services (both Sunday School and Worship Hour) and meet at the appointed church for the Singing Convention at 10:00 A. M. on the day recommended by the Singing Convention Committee. On this day each person attending would be invited to bring along a lunch which could be spread along with all others attending and enjoy the occasion together. This was not a recommendation, just a suggestion. The recommendation must come from the Singing Convention Committee, their report will be found in the "Reports of Committees."

Conference adjourns to meet again Saturday morning at 10:00 A. M. Dismissed by Rev. J. W. Leviner.

## **SATURDAY MORNING (AUGUST 31) SESSION**

Saturday Morning at 10:00 conference again convened with the singing of a song entitled, "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms", after which Mrs. R. P. Sawyer, led the audience in prayer. The Moderator, Rev. L. M. Hooper read a scripture which was taken from St. Matthew the twenty-third chapter.

The House was declared in order by the Moderator and a committee was appointed on "Rules and Regulations". This committee to consist of Plas Owens, L. C. Leary, and J. D. Stancil. House recessed for thirty-five minutes in order for the various committees to get together and draft their reports which must be read before the Association adjourns.

House is called back to order by the Moderator who called for the reports of the various committees to be read at this time. These reports were read and passed as follows:

### **RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

We, your committee on Rules and Regulations do hereby recommend the following: That Rule 3 be changed so as to read as follows—"All Ministers, licensed and ordained shall have a seat, voice, and vote at all Minister's Conferences, but will not have a vote at Association unless he presents a letter of recommendation from the church to which he belongs.

**J. D. STANCIL, PLAS OWENS, L. C. LEARY**

## MINISTER'S REPORT COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your committee on Minister's Reports do hereby recommend that each minister attend the quarterly Minister's Conferences if at all possible. That they attend the annual Associations and bring to this Association a complete report of his work during the past year. This report to contain the following information: His name, address, number of churches pastored (if any), number of sermons preached, number of revivals, conducted, number of professions, number of members received into church, number baptized, number of funerals conducted, number of couples united in Matrimony, number of homes visited, number of Sunday School lessons taught, amount of money received in religious work, amount of money given for religious work, number of visits to hospitals, and the approximate number of miles traveled in religious work. Failure to send in this report will automatically cause delinquent minister's name to be placed on the Nominal Roll of Ministers. We also recommend that pastors of churches call Free Will Baptist ministers, or ministers in harmony with Free Will Baptist doctrine, to conduct their revivals.

MRS. L. M. HOOPER, MRS. L. C. LEARY, J. D. STANCIL

## SINGING CONVENTION COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The Singing Committee recommends the following:

(1) That we have two (2) Singing Conventions each year.

(2) The first one to be held on the first Sunday in May—this one to be held at Shiloh Free Will Baptist church, in Statesville, of which Rev. J. W. Leviner is pastor. The second one to be held on the first Sunday in August—this one to be held at the church of which Rev. S. A. Graybeal is pastor. (The name of this church was not included in this report).

(3) That all churches in this Association call off their services on these two dates and attend these conventions, bringing picnic lunches with them which will be spread on tables provided.

REV. J. W. LEVINER, JACK LANGLEY, JR., MRS. L. M. HOOPER, MRS. L. C. LEARY, REV. H. E. TUCKER

## MISSION COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Missions Committee do recommend that each church give to both Home and Foreign Missions, and that each pastor urge his church to that effect. We also recommend that each church send five dollars (\$5.00) to the treasurer of this Association, to be designated by the sender to which mission department this money is intended.

MRS. L. C. LEARY, MRS. L. M. HOOPER, J. D. STANCIL

## SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your Sunday School Committee do recommend that:

(1) Each Sunday School send five dollars (\$5.00) or more the first Sunday in each month to the Free Will Baptist Children's Home at Middlesex, N. C.

- (2) Use Free Will Baptist literature.
- (3) Sunday School Officers and Teachers be members of the church.
- (4) Officers and Teachers hold regular meetings among themselves.

J. D. STANCIL, JACK LANGLEY, JR., REV. J. W. LEVINER

### LADIES' AUXILIARY COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee do hereby recommend that each church organize a Ladies' Auxiliary in their church; that these auxiliaries send a report to this Association each year for publication in the Minutes; that each auxiliary send ten cents (\$.10) per member along with their report; that the various auxiliaries organize and elect a president and vice-president of our combined auxiliaries, these officers to go to churches and be of any assistance possible to local auxiliaries.

MRS. L. C. LEARY, WM. D. HOUSE, MRS. L. M. COOPER

### EVANGELISM COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your committee on Evangelism do recommend that this Association appoint an evangelist for the purpose of organizing new churches; that this evangelist have the authority to place a pastor over any church which he may organize, and that this evangelist be responsible for the conduct and deportment of the church and pastor.

REV. R. P. SAWYER, REV. J. C. HUNEYCUTT, REV. S. A. GRAYBEAL

### ORPHANAGE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your committee on orphanage support, do hereby recommend that each church send the offering of each first Sunday in the month to the Free Will Baptist Children's Home at Middlesex, N. C. Also, we recommend that each church collect coupons from soap, flour, tea, coffee, etc. and send them to the Home also.

J. P. GRAHAM, PLAS OWENS, L. C. LEARY

### FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Finance Committee do hereby recommend the following:

- (1) That each church, Sunday School, and Ladies' Auxiliary send ten cents (\$.10) per member to this Association to help finance its program.
- (2) That each minister send two dollars (\$2.00) to this Association to help finance its program.
- (3) That the Association pay the clerk of the Association ten dollars (\$10.00) per year for his services.
- (4) That when a church calls the Advisory Council to their church, said church must pay the traveling expenses of the members of this council.

JACK LANGLEY, JR., REV. J. W. LEVINER, L. C. LEARY

A committee was appointed on Evangelism. Their report will be found along with the other reports, and, since their recommendation called for an evangelist to be appointed over this work, Rev. R. P. Sawyer was assigned to this work by the Association. Anyone desiring his services may contact him thus: Rev. R. P. Sawyer, Phone UL 7-5564, Salisbury, N. C.

The Association voted that Mrs. L. C. Leary be the president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, and that Mrs. L. M. Hooper be the vice-president.

The following singing groups took part in the first Singing Convention which was held at Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church in Lexington on the first Sunday in May 1957:

1. Ben Ave. Free Will Baptist Church in Kannapolis, C. E. Bradburn.
2. Shiloh Free Will Baptist church in Statesville, Hager Trio, Leviner Trio, The Puckett Family consisting of G. T. Puckett, Bill Puckett, Riley Puckett, Betty Puckett, Bobby Puckett, and Jerry Puckett.
3. Harmony Free Will Baptist church in Kannapolis, C. E. Bauknight and Mrs. Mary Bauknight and Emmogene Holloway.
4. Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist church in Lexington; Jack Jr., Roland, and Rebecca Langley.

The second Singing Convention which was held at Harmony Free Will Baptist church in Kannapolis on the first Sunday in August had the following representation:

1. Catawba Free Will Baptist church, of Catawba: Catawba Free Will Baptist Trio.
2. Harmony Free Will Baptist Church in Kannapolis: L. M. Hooper, C. E. Bauknight, and Emmogene Holloway.
3. Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church in Lexington: J. P. Langley, Mrs. Helen Langley, Jack Jr., Roland, and Rebecca Langley.
4. Ben Ave. Free Will Baptist Church in Kannapolis: Deese Hunsucker and his quartet, and The Hobbs Trio.

The following are the officers of the Singing Convention: President, Wm. D. House; Vice-President, C. E. Bauknight; Secretary-Treasurer, Jack Langley, Jr.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

Mt. Zion: Superintendent, Nathan Nobles, 918 Mendenhall St., Thomasville, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. J. C. Huneycutt, 307 Ingram St., Thomasville, N. C.; No. on roll 34; Average Attendance 30; Money in treasury at the beginning of year \$5.20; Received during year \$52.45; Total \$56.65; Paid out during year \$46.72; Balance in treasury \$10.93.

## SUNDAY SHOOL REPORTS

Arrington Heights: Superintendent, Willie Starr, 11 Hill St., Lexington, N. C.; Secretary, Mrs. Annie Roberts, 758 2nd Rainbow St., Lexington, N. C.; No. on roll 208; Average Attendance 143; Unified Budget.

Shiloh: Superintendent Name and address not given. Secretary, Darlyn Clark, Monroe St., Statesville, N. C. No. on roll 130; Average Attendance 95. No financial report given.

Catawba: Superintendent, Name and address not given. Secretary, Miss Jessie Faye Elmore, Star Route, Catawba, N. C. On roll 18; Average Attendance 13; Money in treasury at beginning of year \$594.57. Received during year

\$767.44. Total \$1361.47; Paid out during year \$201.90; Balance in treasury \$1159.57.

Harmony: Superintendent, J. P. Graham, Rt. 8, Box 1100A, Concord, N. C.; Secretary, Done Stancel, Kanapolis, N. C.; On roll 56; Average Attendance 54; Unified Budget.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY REPORTS

Arrington Heights: No. on roll 26; Amount in treasury at beginning of year \$21.78; Received during year \$54.68; Total \$76.46. Paid out during year \$49.64. Balance on hand \$26.82.

Harmony: No. on roll 12; Amount in treasury at beginning of year \$191.39; Received during year \$421.53; Total \$706.90. Contributed to Orphanage \$25.00; for benevolence \$20.00; Balance on hand \$283.14.

*Harmony* Shiloh: Young Ladies Auxiliary Organized June 28, 1957; Membership 10; Total in treasury \$36.50. President, Mrs. Wynna Stancel; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Pearl Graham.

### THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Money in treasury at the close of the 1956 Association .....	\$113.00	
Paid for publication of Minutes (1956) .....	105.00	
Balance .....		\$ 8.00
<b>Receipts at 1957 Association:</b>		
Catawba F. W. B. Church .....	\$ 10.00	
Arrington Heights F.W.B. Church .....	10.00	
Arrington Heights F.W.B. Sunday School .....	10.00	
Arrington Heights F.W.B. Ladies' Auxiliary .....	10.00	
Harmony F.W.B. Church .....	10.00	
Harmony F.W.B. Sunday School .....	10.00	
Harmony F.W.B. Ladies' Auxiliary .....	10.00	
Yadkin Valley F.W.B. Church .....	2.00	
Rev. J. W. Leviner .....	4.00	
Rev. J. P. Langley .....	4.00	
Rev. R. P. Sawyer .....	4.00	
Rev. H. E. Tucker .....	4.00	
Rev. L. M. Hooper .....	4.00	
Rev. W. B. Eller .....	4.00	
Rev. Harvey G. Fritts .....	4.00	
Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff .....	4.00	
Rev. S. A. Graybeal .....	4.00	
Rev. J. C. Huneycutt .....	3.00	
Total Receipts at 1957 Association .....	\$111.00	
Grand Total .....	\$119.00	

The next Annual Association will convene with Harmony Free Will Baptist Church in Kannapolis, N. C., on Friday before the second Sunday in September. Each delegate and minister is reminded to take notice that the next Annual Association will begin on Friday before the SECOND Sunday in September, since our Association usually meets on Friday before the First Sunday.

The Ordination Council had no report to make at this Association since no License or Ordination Certificates were issued.

Adjournment, Dismissed.

REV. J. P. LANGLEY, Clerk

NAME Ordained Ministers	CHURCH PASTORED	Sermons Preached	Reverals Held	Professions	Members Received	Number Baptized	Funerals Conducted	Homes Visited	Hospital Visits	Weddings Performed	S. S. Lessons Taught	Money Given	Money Received	Approximate Miles Traveled	Expenses
Crisp, Mack F.		27	1	6	1	17	11	13	\$	58	\$	24	2,350	\$	38
Eller, W. B		50	1	12	3	15	15	1	25	160	19,000	70			
Fritts, Harvey G.	Catawba (5 Mo.)	69	2	50	2	152	30	13	283	232	12,000	335			
Graybeal, S. A.	Oak Grove	60	1	12	13	1	30	35	15	125	50	18,000	50		
Huneycutt, J. C.	Mt. Zion	170	1	4	1	20	14	40							
Langley, J. P.	Arrington Heights	72	1	3	2	6	15	25	43	335	800	4,000	250		
Leviner, J. W.	Shiloh	130	2	48	40	21	215	40	15	85	450	3,500	240		
Plyler, I. W.		25	2	14	12	*	50	*	50	*	1,000	*			
Sawyer, R. P.		35	1	2	1	1	1	1	15	50		25			
Stewart, Russel	Catawba (7 Mo.)	96	1	1	3	1	10	8	48	100	3,000	300			
Tucker, H. E.	Yadkin Valley	40	2	1	30	*	75	*	1,200	75					
Woodruff, Arthur G.		5	1	1	98		103		1,200	36					
Hooper, L. M.	Harmony	130	2	20	3	25	1	25	70	872	10,000	75			
TOTAL		909	12	172	56	45	18	72	178	1,277	\$	1,309	\$2,588	75,250	\$1,495

\*Indicates correct figures unknown

Nominal Members: Coley, David; Elwood, Ralph; Helms, W. F.; Johnson, William; Tilley, Dewey W.



NAME OF CHURCH	Rec'd by Letter	By Baptism	By Statement	Total Received	Dismissed by Letter	By Erosure	By Death	Total Dismissed	Loss	Gain	Present Membership	Paid Pastor	Other Salaries	Paid for Evangelistic Purposes	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Contributions to Orphanage	Contribution to Charitable Purposes	General Fund (Minutes, etc.)	Building and Repair	Indebtedness	Miscellaneous Purposes	Value of Church Property
	ARRINGTON HEIGHTS	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	55	\$ 780	\$120	\$191	\$	\$225	\$372	\$20	\$	\$300	\$1131	\$
CATAWBA	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	7	784			10	10	10	10	10	10				282
HARMONY	1	3	2	5	4	1	56	782	260	95	30	35	20	608								25	7,000
MT. ZION	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10				21									
SHILOH	20	14	6	40	1	1	39	112	60						1	5	4					250	850
YADKIN VALLEY	10	10	1	4	6	14																	
	30	17	11	58	4	4	113	146	254	\$2406	\$380	\$317	\$5	\$266	\$407	\$55	\$958	\$570	\$1171	\$21,132			



