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*Rev. J. M. Pierce elected Moderator  
Assoc. of 1961. Address Bogen City  
N.C.*

**ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS**

(Addresses will be found in Associational Membership Roll)

- Moderator 1960 → Rev. S. A. Graybeal
- Vice-Moderator \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. W. C. Eggers
- Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. J. P. Langley
- Assistant Clerk and Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ William D. House

(Treasurer's Address—532 E. Center St., Lexington, N. C.)

*We don't have the 1961 minutes as  
of yet.*

**MINISTER'S CONFERENCE OFFICERS**

(Addresses will be found in Associational Membership Roll)

- Moderator \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. S. A. Graybeal
- Vice-Moderator \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. Harvey Fritts
- Clerk and Treasurer \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. J. P. Langley

**LADIES' AUXILIARY OFFICERS**

- President \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell
- Vice-President \_\_\_\_\_ Mrs. Clifford Ross

**TRUSTEES**

- Rev. J. P. Langley      Rev. Harvey Fritts      Rev. Ramond Mason

**ORDINATION COUNCIL**

- Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. W. C. Eggers
- Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Rev. George Goodman
- To Complete Council:
  - Rev. Harvey Fritts
  - Rev. J. W. Leviner
  - Rev. L. B. Cochran

*Clerk, Rev. Mack F. Crisp Moderator 1966*

*Address*

**ASSOCIATIONAL MEMBERSHIP ROLL**

**Ordained Ministers**

Name	Address	Telephone
Rev. L. B. Cochran, Rt. 2, Box 303, Kannapolis, N. C.	_____	WE 2-0384
Rev. David Coley, 219 Dingler Ave., Mooresville, N. C.	_____	NO 3-1192
Rev. Mack F. Crisp, 739 2nd Rainbow St., Lexington, N. C. <i>Moder.</i>	_____	CH 3-1246
Rev. W. C. Eggers, P. O. Box 272, Maiden, N. C.	_____	HA 8-8378
Rev. W. B. Eller, Robbinsville, N. C.	_____	
Rev. Ralph Elwood, 607 Martin Circle, Kannapolis, N. C.	_____	
Rev. Harvey Fritts, Rt. 5, Lexington, N. C.	_____	
Rev. George Goodman, Rt. 2, Box 167, China Grove, N. C.	_____	UL 7-7509
Rev. S. A. Graybeal, 709 Deaton St., Kannapolis, N. C.	_____	WE 2-5095 - 70
Rev. W. F. Helms, Rt. 2, Matthews, N. C.	_____	
Rev. J. C. Huneycutt, 307 Ingram St., Thomasville, N. C.	_____	3-3315
Rev. William Johnson, Rt. 1, Wadesboro, N. C.	_____	
Rev. J. P. Langley, 205 Hames St., Lexington, N. C.	_____	CH 6-2557
Rev. J. W. Leviner, Rt. 2, Box 172, Mooresville, N. C.	_____	
Rev. James Long, Rt. 2, Box 444, Concord, N. C.	_____	
Rev. Willis Lovingood, Box 922, Fisher Ferry, Rd., Thomasville, N. C.	_____	
Rev. Ramond Mason, Rt. 2, China Grove, N. C.	_____	UL 7-2582
Rev. Glenn Parker, Rt. 1, Wingate, N. C.	_____	
Rev. Roy R. Pethell, Rt. 3, Box 550, Kannapolis, N. C.	_____	WE 3-5371
Rev. I. W. Plyler, Rt. 1, Troutman, N. C.	_____	
Rev. R. P. Sawyer, Address Unknown	_____	
Rev. Russell Stewart, Catawba, N. C.	_____	CH 1-2749
Rev. Dewey W. Tilley, 917 N. Walnut Ave., Kannapolis, N. C.	_____	
Rev. Johnny Tripplette, 810 Welborn St., Thomasville, N. C.	_____	20208
Rev. Paul Warner, 70 Second St., Wadesboro, N. C.	_____	
Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff, 1920 <sup>Rayon St., Statesville, N. C. 1922</sup>	_____	

*Our pastor at Shiloh*

*Rev. L. M. Pierce, Boger City, near*

**Licensed Ministers**

- Rev. Arthur Harold Johnson, Rt. 1, Wadesboro, N. C. \_\_\_\_\_
- Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell, 639 Boger Ave., Mooresville, N. C. \_\_\_\_\_

**CHURCHES**

Church	Clerk	Address
Arrington Heights	Mrs. Plas Owens	Arrington Drive, Lexington, N. C.
Catawba	(Clerk's Name and address unknown)	Catawba, N. C.
Gospel	Mrs. Jim McManus	Rt. 1, Oakboro, N. C.
Lake Road View	Ora Belle Payne	Fisher Ferry Road, Thomasville, N. C.
Mt. Zion	(Name and address of clerk unknown)	High Point, N. C.
Oak Grove	Mrs. Shirley Ross	China Grove, N. C.
Pleasant Hill	Mrs. John F. Lutz	Rt. 1, Maiden, N. C.
Shiloh	John C. West	Rt. 1, Box 311-A, Statesville, N. C.

*Boger city, 3 mi. East of Lincolnton near State Hwy. 10150*

## CHURCH COVENANT

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 effort 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 church is required to select the best qualified members of the body to represent the church and carry on business.
- (3) The Association, when assembled, shall first elect a Moderator and Clerk.
- (4) The rules of the decorum must be read immediately after the Association is assembled.
- (5) 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.
- (6) 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.
- (7) 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.
- (8) All queries regularly presented to the Association by any Church shall be attended to.

- (9) 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.
- (10) The Association may withdraw from any church who walks disorderly or violates any rule made and passed on by the body.
- (11) It is to be understood that the Association assumes no higher authority than that of an Advisory Council.
- (12) Any church wishing a letter of dismissal from this Association may do so on the grounds of a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority of the members of said church.
- ~~(13)~~ 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.
- (14) This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Association by two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) 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.
- (15) The Ordination Council shall function as such only at minister's conferences and Associational conferences.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. The Bible. The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and are our infallible rule of faith and practice.
2. God. There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe; and in the Scriptures as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are supremely to love, adore, and obey.
3. Christ. Christ is God manifest in the flesh; in His Divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified, and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.
4. The Holy Spirit. The Scriptures assign to the Holy Spirit all the attributes of God.
5. The Government of God. God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and laws of nature. He also performs special acts, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of men requires.
6. The Sinfulness of Man. Man was created innocent, but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity therefore, inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability, sin and become guilty before God.
7. The Work of Christ. The Son of God by His incarnation, life, sufferings, death, and resurrection effected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free, and is the ground of salvation by faith.
8. The terms of Salvation. The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to



love and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith, the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the dominion of sin, and becomes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

9. Election. God determined from the beginning to save all who would comply with the conditions of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.
10. Freedom of the Will. The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the Spirit, or to resist them and perish.
11. Salvation Free. God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and take of the water of life freely.
12. Perseverance. All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.
13. Gospel Ordinances. Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Super, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet Washing, an ordinance teaching humility of universal obligation, and to be ministered to all true believers.
14. Tithing. God commanded tithes and offerings in the Old Testament; Jesus Christ endorsed it in the Gospel (Matt. 23:23), and the apostle Paul said, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him" (I Cor. 16:2a).
15. The Christian Sabbath. The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from secular employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works, and activities, and for personal communion with God.
16. Resurrection, Judgment and Final Retribution. The Scriptures teach the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation; then the wicked will "go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

- (1) The Ordination Council shall act as an Advisory Council (Association of 1953).
- (2) The Ministers' 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 Ministers' Conferences, and, along with all delegates, at Associational Conferences. (Amended thus Association of 1953).
- (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).
- (5) The Ministers' Conference shall have authority to accept churches under their watch-care during the inactive season of the Association. (Association of 1958).
- (6) Worship service shall be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 7:30 p. m. on Friday during the Association. (Association of 1958).

## 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 Ministers' 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 credential 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.

# ANNUAL MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1960

The annual Ministers' Conference of the YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF (Original) FREE WILL BAPTIST convened Saturday, September 3, 1960, at Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church in Lexington, N. C. at 10:00 A. M. Services began with the singing of a song entitled, "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder." Rev. J. P. Langley, Pastor of the local church extended a cordial welcome to the conference and called for a session of consolidated prayers. The pastor then turned the services over to the moderator of the Association, due to the fact that the moderator and vice-moderator of the Ministers' Conference were both absent.

The moderator declared the house in order for business. Letters of recommendation for Minister's License and Ordination Certificates were referred to the Ordination Council.

Another committee for checking on the possibilities of purchasing a Camp Ground site was elected. This committee is made up of the following: Rev. William Johnson, Rev. W. C. Eggers, and Rev. Paul Warner. This committee is requested to bring their report to the next Ministers' Conference.

The Moderator called for the nomination of candidates for the officials of the Ministers' Conference. These officials were elected:

Moderator ..... Rev. S. A. Graybeal  
Vice-Moderator ..... Rev. Harvey G. Fritts  
Clerk and Treasurer ..... Rev. J. P. Langley

## ORDINATION COUNCIL

Chairman ..... Rev. W. C. Eggers  
Clerk ..... Rev. George Goodman  
To Complete Council ..... Rev. Harvey G. Fritts  
Rev. J. W. Leviner  
Rev. L. B. Cochran

Body adjourned for the eleven o'clock hour of worship, at which time Rev. S. M. Ellington, a visiting minister, brought an interesting message on "The Simplicity of the Gospel". His scripture was taken from I Corinthians second chapter.

At the close of the message, the body reconvened and the Ordination Council recommended the following for ordination: Rev. Ramond Mason, Rev. Paul Warner, and Rev. Glenn Parker. The body approved this recommendation and conducted an Ordination Service at which time these ministers were ordained by the laying on of hands.

An offering in the amount of ten dollars (\$10.00) was taken and given to the clerk for his services.

The body adjourned with the understanding that the next Ministers' Conference would meet on the first Saturday in December 1960, at Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Maiden, N. C.

Dismissed by Rev. William Johnson.

# ANNUAL ASSOCIATION

## FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The eighth annual session of the YADKIN VALLEY ASSOCIATION OF (Original) FREE WILL BAPTISTS convened September 9, 1960 at 10:00 a. m. with Arrington Heights Free Will Baptist Church in Lexington, N. C.

Services were opened with the singing of a song entitled, "Never Alone". Rev. George Goodman led the audience in prayer, after which, Rev. J. P. Langley, pastor of the local church extended a welcome to the Association. Rev. Mack F. Crisp, pastor of Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church in High Point, N. C. read the opening devotions, after which the pastor turned the services over to the Moderator. In the absence of the Moderator, the Vice-moderator, Rev. W. C. Eggers, moderated the Association.

The house was declared in order for business and nominations for officers of the Association for the ensuing year were accepted. These officers were elected as follows:

Moderator .....	Rev. S. A. Graybeal
Vice-Moderator .....	Rev. W. C. Eggers
Clerk .....	Rev. J. P. Langley
Assistant Clerk and Treasurer .....	William D. House

Rev. Ramond Mason was elected to the Board of Trustees to replace Rev. R. P. Sawyer.

The various committees were elected by the body at this time. These committees will be composed of the following:

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Rev. Harvey Fritts, Rev. George Goodman, Rev. J. P. Langley.

### MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Rev. Ramond Mason, Rev. W. C. Eggers, William D. House.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Rev. J. P. Langley, Rev. Harvey Fritts, Rev. J. C. Huneycutt.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Plas Owens, Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell, William D. House.

### CHILDREN'S HOME COMMITTEE

Mrs. L. B. Cochran, Rev. George Goodman, Clifford Ross.

### MINISTERS' REPORT COMMITTEE

Mrs. W. C. Eggers, Rev. Mack F. Crisp, Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff.

### SINGING CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Rev. Ramond Mason, Mrs. Clifford Ross, Mrs. Plas Owens.

### EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

Rev. George Goodman, Mrs. Jennie Leonard, John F. Lutz.

(Note: Rev. L. B. Cochran and Robert West were previously elected to this committee but were not present when time to make the report came, and therefore the body had to replace them.)

The Association voted in this first sitting of the session to strike out Article 2 from the Constitution.

It was recommended that each minister consider himself a committee on the encouragement of delinquent ministers.

Officers of the Associational Ladies' Auxiliary were elected as follows:

President ..... Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell  
Vice-President ..... Mrs. Clifford Ross

Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church of High Point was admitted to the Association and extended the right hand of fellowship. Rev. Mack F. Crisp is pastor of this church. Lake Road View Church of Thomasville was admitted to the Association during the conference year by authority vested in the Ministers' Conference. Rev. Willis Lovingood is pastor of this church.

Body moves to adjourn for the eleven o'clock hour of worship. Rev. Harvey Fritts was appointed to fill the pulpit at this hour. Dismissed by Rev. J. P. Langley.

At the hour of worship, Rev. Fritts brought a message from Nehemiah 4: 4-6. His topic being, "Having a Mind To Work". The message was enjoyed by all.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The body again convened for business by singing a song entitled, "There's Power In The Blood". Rev. Willis Lovingood led the audience in prayer, after which the moderator declared the house in order once more for business. The reports of the committees were called for at this time and the Children's Home Committee and the Finance Committee gave their reports. Since other committee members were not prepared to give their reports at this time, the moderator called for testimonials and many wonderful testimonies were enjoyed. The two aforementioned committees' reports will be found along with other reports on the proper page.

Conference adjourns to meet back the next day at 10:00 o'clock A. M. Dismissed by Rev. J. P. Langley.

## SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

On Saturday morning at 10:00 o'clock the Association again convened. A song entitled, "My Saviour's Love." Rev. George Goodman led the conference to the throne of grace in prayer. The Vice-Moderator, Rev. W. C. Eggers, in the absence of the moderator, declared the house in order for business. Attention was called to the fact that many of the committees had not had a chance to draft their reports, prompting the moderator to call for a fifteen minute recess, in order to give these committees time to write their reports.

After this recess the moderator called for these reports to be read. Following are the reports of the various committees:

### FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, the Finance Committee, do hereby recommend the following:

- (1) That each church send twenty-five cents (\$.25) per member, annually, to this Association.
- (2) That each Sunday School send ten cents (\$.10) per member, to this Association.
- (3) That each Ladies' Auxiliary send five dollars (\$5.00) annually, to this Association.
- (4) That each minister send four dollars (\$4.00) annually, to this Association.
- (5) That the Association pay the clerk ten dollars (\$10.00) per year for his services.
- (6) If the Advisory Council is called to a church, said church shall pay the traveling expenses of the members of this council.

REV. HARVEY FRITTS  
 REV. GEORGE GOODMAN  
 REV. J. P. LANGLEY

#### **MISSIONS COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

We, the Missions Committee, do hereby recommend that each church give to both Home and Foreign Missions, and that each pastor encourage his church in this matter. We also recommend that each church send five dollars (\$5.00) to the treasurer of the Association for missions and the church sending the money specify whether the money is for Home or Foreign Missions. (Larger churches may send in larger amounts).

REV. RAMOND MASON  
 REV. W. C. EGGERS  
 WILLIAM D. HOUSE

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

We, your Sunday School Committee do recommend that each Sunday School send at least two dollars (\$2.00) to the Free Will Baptist Children's Home in Middlesex, on the first Sunday in each month; the Sunday Schools use Free Will Baptist Literature; the officers and teachers of the Sunday Schools be members of the church; and that the officers and teachers hold regular meetings among themselves.

REV. J. P. LANGLEY  
 REV. HARVEY FRITTS  
 REV. J. C. HUNEYCUTT

#### **LADIES' AUXILIARY COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

We, the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee, do hereby recommend: that each church organize a Ladies' Auxiliary in their church.

That each Auxiliary send a report to the Association each year for publication in the Minutes.

That each Auxiliary send five dollars (\$5.00) annually to the Association, to help finance the program of the Association. (If unable to send this amount, then send whatever possible).

That the various Auxiliaries meet at the Association and elect a president and vice-president of the combined Auxiliaries, and that these officers go to the churches and organize or assist local Auxiliaries.

REV. (MRS) OMIE PENNELL  
MRS. PLAS OWENS  
WILLIAM D. HOUSE

#### **CHILDREN'S HOME COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

We, your committee on Childrens Home, do hereby recommend that each church send ten dollars (\$10.00) on the first Sunday in each month to the Children's Home in Middlesex, N. C.; take a special offering on Sunday before Thanksgiving for the Children's Home; and collect coupons from soups, flours, coffees, teas, etc. and send these to the Home.

REV. GEORGE GOODMAN  
MRS. LOUISE COCHRAN  
CLIFFORD ROSS

#### **MINISTERS' REPORT COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

We, your Committee on Ministers' Reports, do hereby recommend that each minister attend the quarterly Ministers' Conference if at all possible; attend the annual Associations and bring to these Associations a complete report of their work during the past year, this report to contain the following information: Minister's name, address, telephone number, name of church he 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, number of visits to hospitals, amount of money received in religious work, amount of money given for religious work, and the approximate number of miles traveled in religious work.

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.

REV. W. C. EGGERS  
MRS. W. C. EGGERS  
REV. MACK F. CRISP

#### **SINGING CONVENTION COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

We, your Singing Convention Committee, do hereby recommend the following:

- (1) That all churches in the Association call off their Sunday morning worship services on the dates mentioned below and attend the Singing Conventions, bringing a picnic lunch to be spread on tables provided by the host church; lunch to be spread not later than 1:00 P. M.

- (2) That each group of singers participating in these conventions be recorded in the Minutes of the annual Association.
- (3) That the Singing Conventions be held on the first Sunday in May and the first Sunday in August and that the Conventions will meet.

REV. RAMOND MASON  
MRS. PLAS OWENS  
MRS. SHIRLEY ROSS

### EVANGELISM COMMITTEE'S REPORT

We, your Committee on Evangelism, do hereby recommend the following:

- (1) That this Association appoint an evangelist for the purpose of organizing new churches;
- (2) That this evangelist have the authority to place a pastor over any church which he may organize and be responsible for the conduct and deportment of both church and pastor;
- (3) That the appointed evangelist have authority to take over churches which have gone down and place a pastor over these churches.

MRS. JENNIE LEONARD  
REV. G. W. GOODMAN  
JOHN F. LUTZ

Rev. Harvey Fritts was elected to the office of Associational Evangelist.

The body voted that the treasurer place one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) in the bank on a checking account and the balance in a savings account.

Mention was made of the probability of one of our ministers having more than one companion in direct violation of our "Rules Governing Ordination Council". This matter was referred to the Ordination Council for investigation.

The body voted that the First Singing Convention meet with Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church, in Maiden, N. C. on the date recommended by the Singing Convention Committee, which is the first Sunday in May, 1961, and the Second Singing Convention meet with Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church in China Grove, N. C. This date, which was recommended by the Singing Convention Committee, will be the First Sunday in August, 1961.

The next annual Association will meet with Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Maiden, N. C. on Friday, before the second Sunday in September, 1961. PLEASE BEAR IN MIND THAT THE ANNUAL MINISTER'S CONFERENCE WILL MEET ON SATURDAY, ONE WEEK BEFORE THE ASSOCIATION BEGINS.

Body moves to adjourn and observe the eleven o'clock hour of worship.

At this hour Rev. Mack F. Crisp, pastor of Mt. Zion Free Will Baptist Church in High Point, N. C. brought a wonderful message from Isaiah 61: 1-3 using as a subject, "My Responsibility".

Association was dismissed by Brother John Lutz.



## SCHEDULE

First Minister's Conference will be held at Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Maiden, N. C. on the first Saturday in December, 1960.

Second and third Minister's Conferences: Dates will be the first Saturday in March and the first Saturday in June, 1961. Places for these two Conferences will be announced at the previous Conferences.

Annual, or fourth, Minister's Conference will be held with Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church in Maiden, N. C. on Saturday, one week before the Association.

The First Singing Convention will meet with Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church, in Maiden, N. C. on the first Sunday in May, 1961.

The Second Singing Convention will meet with Oak Grove Free Will Baptist Church in China Grove, N. C. on the first Sunday in August, 1961.

### Following is the Treasurer's Report:

Balance on hand at the close of 1959 Association .....	\$ 160.50
Paid out for printing of 1959 Minutes .....	109.70
Balance on hand .....	50.80

### Received at 1960 Association:

Rev. Mack F. Crisp .....	\$ 4.00
Rev. W. C. Eggers .....	4.00
Rev. Harvey Fritts .....	4.00
Rev. S. A. Graybeal .....	4.00
Rev. George Goodman .....	4.00
Rev. William Johnson .....	4.00
Rev. J. P. Langley .....	4.00
Rev. I. W. Plyley .....	4.00
Rev. Arthur G. Woodruff .....	4.00
Rev. L. B. Cochran .....	4.00
Rev. Glenn Parker .....	4.00
Rev. (Mrs.) Omie Pennell .....	4.00
Rev. Johnny Tripplett .....	4.00
Rev. Paul Warner .....	4.00
Rev. Arthur Harold Johnson .....	4.00
Rev. Ramond Mason .....	4.00
Rev. Willis F. Lovingood .....	4.00
Total received from Ministers .....	\$ 68.00
Arrington Heights Church .....	\$ 10.00
Arrington Heights Sunday School .....	10.00
Arrington Ladies' Auxiliary .....	5.00
Gospel Church .....	4.00
Gospel Sunday School .....	3.50
Oak Grove Church .....	11.50
Oak Grove Sunday School .....	8.50
Oak Grove Ladies' Auxiliary .....	5.00
Pleasant Hill Church .....	5.00
Pleasant Hill Sunday School .....	3.40
Shiloh Church .....	24.50
Shiloh Sunday School .....	3.70

Lake Road View Church .....	4.90
Lake Road View Sunday School .....	9.00
Total received from churches, Sunday Schools, and Auxiliaries .....	\$ 108.00
Total amount in treasury .....	226.80
Disbursements:	
Balance on hand before paying for 1960 Minutes .....	\$ 216.00

## SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORTS

Arrington Heights: Superintendent, Willie Starr, Hill St., Lexington, N. C. Secretary, Miss Tryphenia Gibbs, Rt. 5, Lexington, N. C. No. on roll 185. Average No. on roll for year 168. Average attendance for year 132. No. Present last Sunday 135. Unified Budget.

Gospel: Superintendent, Other Johnson, Rt. 2, Wadesboro, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Jim McManus, R.F.D. 1. No. on roll 35. Average No. on roll for year 30. Present last Sunday 35. Average no. present for year 30. Unified Budget.

Lake Road View: Superintendent, Early Gwynn, Rt. 2, Lexington, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Ruth Lovingood, 922 Fisher Ferry Rd., Thomasville, N. C. No. on roll at present 45. Average no. on roll for year 46. No. present last Sunday 45. Average no. present for year 46. Unified Budget.

Oak Grove: Superintendent, Ervin J. Broome, 313 Elwood St., Kannapolis, N. C. Secretary, Louise Cochran, Concord, N. C. No. on roll at present 84. Average no. on roll for year 80. No. present last Sunday 50. Average no. present for year 75. Unified Budget.

Pleasant Hill: Superintendent, John F. Lutz, Rt. 1, Maiden, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. John F. Lutz, Rt. 1, Maiden, N. C. No. on roll at present 40. Average no. on roll for year 40. No. present last Sunday 23. Average no. present for year 31. Money in treasury at beginning of year \$24.78. Money received during year \$578.76. Total \$603.54. Paid out during year: For insurance \$26.61. For lights \$9.25. Payments on church \$500.00. Sunday School books \$29.95. Fuel \$24.26. Balance in treasury \$16.52.

Shiloh: Superintendent, Robert C. West, Rt. 1, Box 311-A, Statesville, N. C. Secretary, Mrs. Edward Burke, 936 7th St., Statesville, N. C. No. on roll at present 37. Average no. on roll for year 45. No. present last Sunday 24. Average no. present for year 33. Unified Budget.

## LADIES' AUXILIARY REPORTS

Only one Ladies' Auxiliary sent in a report, it follows.

Oak Grove: President, Mrs. S. A. Graybeal, 709 Dea'on St., Kannapolis, N. C. Vice-President, Mrs. Elsie Bolin, Short St., Kannapolis, N. C. on roll 20. No. on roll at last meeting 9. Average no. on roll for year 11. Money in treasury at beginning of year \$27.00. Money received during year \$32.28. Paid out during year for the following purposes: Flowers, food, gifts, and to the church, \$31.28. Balance in treasury \$28.00.

## NOMINAL ROLL OF MINISTERS

Rev. W. B. Eller  
Rev. J. W. Leviner  
Rev. R. P. Sawyer  
Rev. Ralph Elwood  
Rev. James Long

Rev. Russell Stewart  
Rev. W. F. Helms  
Rev. Roy R. Pethell  
Rev. Dewey W. Tilley

Following are the groups which took part in the Singing Conventions.

### SHILOH FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, STATESVILLE, N. C.

May 1, 1960

Mrs. L. R. Wilcox and daughter, Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church, Statesville, N. C.

Charles Woodruff, Rt. 3, Box 155-A, Statesville, N. C.

The Calloway Trio, Mooresville, N. C.

Oak Grove Quartet; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Cochran, Helen Cochran, Lily Ross, Kent Ross, Rt. 2, Kannapolis, N. C.

Cole Family and Friend; Guss Cole, Miss Ramell Cole, August Cole, Patsy Cole, Miss Jo Ann Kemp.

Leviner Quartet; Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Leviner, Carolyn Alley, and Bobby West, Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church, Statesville, N. C.

### OAK GROVE FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH, CHINA GROVE, N. C.

August 7, 1960

Gospel Singers; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Hunsucker, Rt. 4, Box 4118, Kannapolis, N. C.

Mrs. Todd; United Church, Concord, N. C.

Cole Children; Miss Ramell Cole, Miss August Cole, and Miss Patsy Cole, Rt. 2, Kannapolis, N. C.

Near the Cross Trio; James Gurley, Jimmie Tiner, Ramond Ross, Rt. 2, Kannapolis, N. C.

Eva and Jo Ann Ross, Cedar Grove Church, Rt. 2, Kannapolis, N. C.

Oak Grove Quartet; Mrs. Lily Ross, Mrs. Loyd Cochran, Miss Helen Cochran, Robert West; Shiloh Free Will Baptist Church, Rt. 1, Statesville, N. C.

Senior Choir from Faith Baptist Church, Concord, N. C., Mrs. Flonnie Borgess, Lowe St., Concord, N. C.

Junior Choir from Faith Baptist Church, Concord, N. C., Jerry Hines, 43 Circle Drive, Concord, N. C.

## CHURCH REPORTS

NAME OF CHURCH	Rec'd by Letter													Value of Church Property									
	By Baptism	By Statement	Total Rec'd	Dismissed by Letter	By Erasure	By Death	Total Dismissed	Loss	Gain	Present Membership	Paid Pastor	Other Salaries	Paid For Evangelistic Purposes		Missions	Contributions to Children's Home	Contributions to Charitable Purposes	General Fund (Minutes, etc.)	Building and Repairs	Indebtedness	Miscellaneous Purposes		
Arrington Heights				8	11	11	10			44	\$1040	\$286	\$75	\$130	\$200	\$470	\$30	\$	\$	\$1603	\$7,000		
Gospel			1	1	1				2	16	95					9					3,000		
Lake Road View			116	19	35	5	5	30	36	73						16	14	560			2,000		
Mt. Zion																							
Oak Grove			8	10	18	2	9	11	7	46	80		50		60	75	12	202	43		6,000		
Pleasant Hill			1	4	5	1	10	11	6	24						30	8			3447	6,000		
Shiloh						1	26	127	27	18	252		20			33	28	786	2894	460	10,000		
<b>TOTALS</b>			1125	34	60	16	46	2	54	43	39	184	\$1540	\$286	\$145	\$130	\$260	\$633	\$92	\$1548	\$6384	\$2063	\$25,000

## MINISTERS' REPORTS

NAME	CHURCH PASTORED (if Any)	Sermons Preached	Revolvs 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
Lloyd B. Cochran		8	1					5	10			\$ 25	\$	2,000	\$ 75
David Coley								15	2					2,000	25
Mack F. Crisp	Mt. Zion	84	2	9	13	7	4	83	65	3,200	125				
W. C. Eggers	Pleasant Hill	140	2	6	5	3	25	10	3	45	55	35	1,100	85	
Harvey Fritts	Church St. Mission	78	4	8	1	2	58	36	1	17	391	480	30,000	270	
George W. Goodman		60	7					30	40	1	6	200	35	2,000	300
S. A. Graybeal	Oak Grove	60	1	14	18	8	1	25	30	2	25	75	800	1,500	200
J. P. Langley	Arrington Heights	115	1	7	5	50	15	5	48	300	1200	3,000	250		
Willis Lovingood	Lake Road View	58	1	23	4	17	28	23	5	234	73	2,000	300		
Raymond Mason		10						25	10	15	30	5	1,500		
J. C. Huneycutt		60	7	3	30	15	10							800	25
Arthur H. Johnson		5						7	1	10					
William Johnson	Gospel	150	7	2	25	5	5	150	100	2,000	200				
Glenn Parker		50			10	4	20	20	1	500	100				
Mrs. Omie Pennell	Shiloh	14	2		126	5	29	103	27	952	27				
I. W. Plyler		23	1		10	3	20								
Johnny Tripplette		20	3		50	30	12	40	10	5,000	175				
Paul Warner		26	1	2		30	8	18	75	32	7,000	212			
Arthur G. Woodruff		7			13		104	32	500						
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>976</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>1985</b>	<b>\$2895</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>\$2269</b>

