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The 22nd Annual Session of the Middle Florida Association was held with Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Lafayette County, Florida, October 10th and 11th, 1921. A. D.

A service of song and prayer was held. The former moderator called the body to order and the election of a clerk, pro tem., was in order.

Upon motion made and carried, Brother Cail W. Burnett was elected.

Upon motion, the reading of the church letters was taken up and the Moderator appointed Brothers G. I. English and J. B. Byrd to collect and read the same. The following messengers were enrolled:

Athena: Tom Whitfield, Alma Howell.

Antioch: Lester Morgan, H. F. Fryer, Leon Dees.

Beulah: S. K. Driggers, J. A. Johnson.

Brewer Lake: J. J. Whitfield, W. N. Baas, C. Fowler, Fred Parker.

Bethel: J. H. Platt, J. A. Singletary.

Central: J. R. Mullis, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Montgomery.

Elizabeth: J. E. Lewis, A. P. Hartsfield, Miss Letitia Hamrick, Miss Nellie Mae Hamrick.

Greenville: G. F. Andrews, G. I. English, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Byrd.

Hopewell: Not represented.

Harmony: S. H. Andrews.

Lamont: Not represented.

Lee: Tom Hicks.

Live Oak: J. S. Rinson, G. W. Albritton.

Macedonia: J. T. Woodard, F. B. Williams.

Madison: W. R. Lambert, W. L. Tooke, S. B. Cole.

Mayo: R. R. Ware, Mrs. M. B. Trammell, J. J. Dees, Mrs. N. L. White.

Midway: Dixie Thomas, J. T. Jones.

Moseley Hall: D. J. Hancock, Edw. Sapp.

Mt. Gilead: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vann, Miss Thelma Anair, J. L. Watts.

Mt. Mariah: Not represented.

New Hope: Not represented.

New Hopewell: Mrs. W. C. Loper, Miss Susie Humphrey.

New Macedonia: J. F. Andrews, Miss Carrie Andrews.

New Prospect: Not represented.

Oak Grove: Not represented.

Oakland: S. K. Wilson.

Perry: Dr. A. F. O. Kelley, G. C. Jackson.

Pinetta: E. W. Kinsey, F. J. Blair.

Pine Grove: Brother Bennett.

Pisgah: P. P. Poppell.

Pleasant Grove, Fay County: Joe Brown, H. B. Ezell, S. C. Buchanan.

Pleasant Grove, Lay County: R. E. McMullen, Dosisa McMullen, J. C. Williams.

Riverside: W. C. Windervalle, Walter Allen, A. N. Mills, Jessie Fryer.

San Pedro: F. E. Carrin.

Simons: D. E. Bailey, H. E. Bailey.

Salem: Not represented.

Triumph: Not represented.

It was moved and carried that the messengers enroll and those to be enrolled to constitute the working body of the Association.

The names of Brother Carl N. Burnett and S. B. Cole were put before the Body as Clerk and Moderator, and they were respectively elected.

The Moderator read the tentative program for the Association, and the same was adopted.

It was moved and carried that Brother Bennett be recognized as the messenger from Pine Grove Church, as their letter had not arrived.

Mrs. Peelman was recognized as a visitor from the office at Jacksonville.

Brother Brittain was also recognized as a visitor from the office, and it was moved and carried that he preach the introductory sermon instead of Brother Farnell.

At 11:00 o'clock, Brother Brittain preached, and, after announcements by the Moderator, the meeting adjourned until 2:00 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional services by the Moderator.

Letters collected and messengers enrolled.

Call for representatives.

Mrs. Peelman spoke of the Needs of Orphanage.

Report of Committees called for.

Report of the Executive Committee was read, and after discussion by W. R. Lambert and J. H. Poteet, same was adopted.

Report on State Missions was read by Rev. A. M. Parker.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Dr. A. F. O'Kelly.

After discussion by Rev. A. M. Parker, Dr. O'Kelly, and W. R. Lambert, reports on State and Foreign Missions were adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

WOMAN'S WORK: Mrs. W. B. Davis, Mrs. J. R. Byrd, Mrs. R. R. Ware, Miss Susie Humphrey and Miss Lettitia Hamrick.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT: Fred Parker, F. J. Blair, Leon Dees, H. E. Bailey.

DECEASED MINISTERS: A. M. Parker, J. T. Jones, G. F. English.

EDUCATION: J. M. Connor, G. C. Jackson, J. T. Woodard.

NOMINATIONS: A. N. Woodard, E. M. Kinsey, D. E. Bailey, F. E. Carrin.

ORPHANAGE: J. T. Farnell, J. C. Williams, Tom Hicks.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: C. E. Leggett, J. J. Dees, R. E. Wadsworth, S. H. Andrews.

PERIODICALS: R. R. Ware, G. F. Andrews, D. J. Hancock and J. H. Poteet.

STATE MISSIONS: W. A. Cate, A. M. Parker, Elzie Lewis, E. M. Kinsey, W. R. Lambert.

HOME MISSIONS: A. D. Townsend, S. K. Wilson, S. H. Andrews, S. G. Ward.

FOREIGN MISSIONS: J. O. Culpepper, A. F. O'Kelly, C. Fowler.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: F. B. Williams, C. L. Leggett, W. L. Tooke.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Miss Susie Humphrey, and after discussion by Mrs. Peelman, was adopted.

A request was received from Deer Palace Church, asking for membership in the Association. The Moderator appointed the following committee to investigate their articles of faith and Church Covenant: J. H. Poteet, W. R. Lambert, A. F. O'Kelly.

A motion was made and carried that the Clerk be instructed to have the Associational Minutes published within sixty days from adjournment of the Association.

It was moved and carried that this body adjourn until 9:30 o'clock, Wednesday a.m.

SECOND DAY

The Minutes of the previous day were read by the Clerk, and adopted. It was moved and carried that Miss Susie Humphrey and Mrs. W. C. Loper be recognized as messengers from New Hopeful Church; also, Brothers A. M. Parker and J. L. Odum from San Pedro Church.

Report of treasurer was read and adopted. It was moved and carried that the treasurer pay S. B. Cole \$1.00 for postage on Associational Church letters.

Report on Orphanage was read by Brother Farnell, and after discussion by Brother Farnell and Mrs. Peelman, was adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional services were held. Moderator called the meeting to order. Report on Sunday Schools was read by Brother C. L. Leggett, and after discussion by him, same was adopted.

The report on Periodicals was read by Brother R. R. Ware, and after discussion by Brothers Ware, C. Fowler, J. H. Poteet and W. R. Lambert, same was adopted.

Report on Home Missions was read by Brother Townsend. After discussion by him, the report was adopted.

It was moved and carried that the Association decide on the next place of meeting, and it was decided to vote by rising to feet. The following churches had extended an invitation to the Association to meet with them: Greenville, Brewer Lake, Macedonia. After a ballot, Greenville received the next Association.

A motion was made and seconded that the next Association be held on Friday before the third Sunday in October, but upon vote, same was defeated.

At eleven o'clock, Brother O'Kelly preached the Missionary Sermon. After the sermon, the body adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional services were held, conducted by Brother S. G. Ward. The Moderator called the body to order.

Report on Ministerial Support was read by Brother Fred Parker and discussed by him, G. F. Andrews and A. D. Townsend and the report was adopted as read.

Report on deceased ministers was read by Brother A. M. Parker and adopted.

Report on education was read by G. C. Jackson and adopted.

Report on Committee on Nominations was read by A. N. Woodard and adopted.

Report of Finance Committee was read by C. L. Leggett and adopted.

The Committee on the application of Deer Palace Church reported as follows: We, your committee, to whom was referred the application of Deer Palace Baptist Church for membership in this body, recommend that the application be deferred because no Articles of Faith or Church Covenant accompanied the letter.

J. H. Poteet.
A. J. O'Kelly.
W. R. Lambert.

A motion was made and carried that the Association drop Pine Bluff Church from their list of churches.

Motion was made and carried that the Fifth Sunday Meetings be devoted to a Sunday School Convention, one to a Ministers and Deacons Meeting and two to Union Meetings.

Motion was made and carried that the Clerk be paid the usual amount for his services.

The Moderator appointed Chairman of Standing Committees as follows:

75 Million Campaign, Rev. A. F. O'Kelly.
Orphanage, Rev. J. H. Poteet.
Sunday Schools, Rev. G. C. Jackson.
Periodicals, Rev. A. N. Woodard.
Ministerial Support, J. O. Johnson.
Christian Education, W. B. Davis.
Deceased Ministers, Rev. S. G. Ward.
Nominations, Rev. J. T. Farnell.
Woman's Work, Mrs. C. L. Leggett.
B. Y. P. U. W. L. Weaver.
Layman's Movement, G. F. Andrews.
Temperance, Rev. A. M. Parker.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to Pleasant Grove Church for the entertainment of the Association.

On motion, the Association stood adjourned to meet or convene with Greenville Baptist Church on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1922, at 10:00 o'clock. The Clerk read the Minutes of the Association signed by the Moderator, and Brother J. T. Farnell led the closing prayer.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION MINUTES.

The Women's Missionary Union of the Middle Florida Association held their Annual Meeting at Pleasant Grove Church in Lafayette County.

The following program was rendered:
Song: "How firm a foundation."

Scripture Lesson: 4th Chapter Phillipians, by Mrs. J. O. Culpepper.

Prayer by Mrs. C. L. Leggett.

After which, the ladies of the different Societies told what they had done and what they were doing in this work. Mrs. Peelman gave an interesting talk on "Woman's Work," and how it should be carried out. We are always glad to have Mrs. Peelman with us for we always know she has something good in store for the ladies of the W. M. U.

There being no other business, the meeting entered

ARTICLES OF FAITH

into conference for the purpose of electing new officers.

First on motion.

Mrs. J. O. Culpepper was nominated as President.

Second on motion.

Mrs. C. L. Leggett as Vice-President.

Third on motion.

Miss Susie Humphrey was re-elected Recording Secretary and Treasurer of the Union.

Fourth, was the nomination of Superintendants.

Mrs. N. L. White, of Lafayette County; Mrs. S. H. Peacock, Sr., of Taylor County; Mrs. Eddie Bunting, of Madison County, and Miss Letitia Hamrick, of Jefferson County.

Fifth, it was decided that the W. M. U. have a grand rally day at New Hopeful Church, Madison County, the date to be set later for the meeting.

The meeting closed with a song: "Blest be the tie that binds," by the Society, and a prayer for the advancement of our work by Mrs. H. C. Peelman.

Miss Susie Humphrey.

Recording Secretary.

Article 1. We believe in only one true and living God, and there are three in the God-head, the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

Article 3. We believe the doctrine of particular and eternal election.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 5. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is, by nature, by his own free will and ability.

Article 6. We believe that we are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

Article 7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

Article 8. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

Article 9. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are the only ordinances of Jesus Christ; that nothing is Baptism except immersion, and that believers are the only subjects of this ordinance, and that none except baptized believers are entitled to partake of the Lord's Supper.

Article 10. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

Article 11. We believe the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Article 12. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances only such as are regularly called and have come under the imposition of hands of the Presbytery.

CONSTITUTION OF THE MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASS'N.

Article 1. This Association shall be known by the name of the Middle Florida Baptist Association. The object of this Association shall be to conduct the work of missions, colportage, Sunday school enterprises and other work that will tend to the spread of the Gospel.

Article 2. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the respective churches in its union in the proportion of two members for each church of fifty members or less, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members over fifty, and all ordained ministers of this Association in good standing. No church, however, shall have over four delegates.

Article 3. The letters sent by the churches at each session of the Association shall designate their respective members in full fellowship, those baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated and dead since last session.

Article 4. Believing it to be proper, on account of the diversity of opinion among men as to the import of the Scriptures contained in the Old and New Testaments, to declare our belief and understanding thereof, we therefore append our belief in twelve articles, and present them with our minutes to the Baptist denomination.

Article 5. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the votes of the members present, who shall hold their office until the next session of the body, and until their successors are elected. The Moderator shall preside at the meetings of the Association. The Clerk shall record the proceedings thereof and prepare them for the press.

Article 6. The Association thus organized shall be no power to the Lord over God's heritage nor infringe upon the eternal rights of any church.

Article 7. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to this union on application by letter and delegates, and if, upon examination, found to be orthodox shall be received by the Association and the hand of fellowship extended to the delegates by the Moderator.

Article 8. The Association shall furnish the minutes of their proceedings in proportion to the funds set up for that purpose by the churches.

Article 9. Any amendment or alteration of this constitution may be made by the votes of two-thirds of the members present at any two successive meetings of the Association. All questions coming before the Association shall be decided by a majority vote of the delegates present.

Article 10. The Association shall have power:

First. To provide for the general union of the churches.

Second. To give the churches advice in matters of difficulty.

Third. To inquire into the cause of any church failing to be represented at the meeting of the Association.

Fourth. To withdraw all connection with any church or churches in the union that shall violate the rules of this Association, or shall deviate from the orthodox principles of the revealed Word of God.

Fifth. To appropriate the money contributed and sent up to the Association, as specified by the churches, and when not specified it shall be appropriated to promote the best interest of the Master's cause.

Sixth. To adjourn to any future time and place they may deem most convenient to the churches in the union.

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to make the following report:-

We recommend for the Executive Committee, J. R. Mullis, G. F. Andrews, C. W. Burnett, F. S. Jackson and A. D. Townsend.

For member of the State Board of Missions, S. B. Cole.

For delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, A. F. O'Kelley, alternate J. H. Poteet.

For delegates to the State Convention, S. B. Cole, S. G. Ward, R. J. Carroll, J. H. Poteet and G. F. Andrews.

Place of next association to be with Greenville Baptist Church on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1922.

To preach introductory sermon, A. M. Parker.

To preach the Missionary sermon, A. F. O'Kelley.

Respectfully submitted,

A. N. Woodard

F. E. Corvin

E. W. Kinsey

D. E. Bailey

ASSOCIATIONAL REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is the only great inter-State missionary organization of Southern Baptists. Its work is largely cooperative in connection with various State Mission agencies. It thus forms a bond of union and has probably been the greatest force among Southern Baptists for the unification of our denomination.

Through this agency Southern Baptists in the largest way make it possible for the strong to help the weak. The principle work of the Board is, therefore, in the weaker States of the Mississippi Valley and the Western States of our territory. Yet the changes in our industrial and business life, and in the cities and country-side of the older States are so great that increasing attention must be given to the needs of the older sections.

The problem in the cities of the South is growing acute in many places like Birmingham, St. Louis, New Orleans and Memphis. The Home Mission Board is helping to solve this problem and to meet the demands as rapidly as funds will justify.

Evangelistic campaigns by the Evangelistic Department of the Home Mission Board are proving a mighty factor in the cities.

An opposite problem is presented in the changing conditions of

country life, where we must go with greater forces of men, and money. In the country lies the greatest numerical strength of Baptists and yet there is found our greatest weakness in point of efficiency.

Through the missionary and enlistment forces of the Home Mission Board much is being done to conserve our vast host of country Baptists and to enlist them in our denominational work.

The Board has just closed the most remarkable year of its history, both in the amount of funds received and in the results accomplished, as shown in the Board's report to the Southern Baptist Convention in Chattanooga in May.

At an annual meeting of the Board in June 1920, the work was laid out on a basis of 100 per cent greater than any previous year. The calls were so numerous and compelling, fields so white unto harvest, and the spirit of the brotherhood so optimistic in view of our great success in the 75 Million Campaign, that the Board, by the urgent advice of the various State Mission Secretaries, was emboldened to project its work on a new and vastly enlarged scale.

At that time cotton was forty cents a pound. The prices dropped so suddenly and drastically that during half the year cotton was only about ten cents. This brought a serious financial situation with the Board. Heavy obligations had been assumed which could not be cast off. The Board retrenched where it was possible, but in spite of this had to report a debt of \$727,622.00. Consequently for the new year they have had to retrench very materially in order to take care of the indebtedness as well as the current expense.

The Board needs immediate help in order to maintain its credit at the banks, to meet the current expense, and lessen the burdensome debt.

Let us conclude this report with a brief statement of results of the year's work which are truly inspiring:

In the EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT there were 15,567 baptisms, 22,689 additions to the churches. Since the Department of Evangelism was organized in 1907 there have been baptized 124,103 converts, with a total of additions to the churches of 169,102 members; and 17,611 volunteers for the ministry and mission work. A great record, indeed.

Among the FOREIGNERS, INDIANS and NEGROES there were 25,532 baptisms, additions 50,307. We had eighty enlistment workers who rendered 5,336 weeks of service; in our SANATORIUM for the sufferers of the great White Plague there were 298 patients treated and we have a property worth \$400,000.00 in the work among the

SOLDIERS and SEAMEN there were 3,331 professions of faith and at our Seamen's Institute, Jacksonville, Florida, the boys from the seas wrote home 6,049 letters; in thirty-seven MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS 6,183 conversions and we have property valued at \$1,688,000; in CHURCH EXTENSION the Board aided 824 churches with loans or gifts and there were 1,084 others asking aid which could not be helped; in the PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT the Board distributed 5,641,000 tracts and sent forth thousands of copies of various books.

The above sets forth briefly some of the inspiring accomplishments of our Home Mission Board and attests the efficiency of this great agency in helping to make the South Christian and Baptist and through it to bring the same blessing to the whole world.

We recommend that earnest prayer be offered constantly for our great Home Mission work and that the churches immediately come to the help of the Board with contributions in order that the glorious work may be carried forward and the Board may soon be relieved from its burdensome debt.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. Townsend
S. R. Willson,
S. H. Andrews,
S. G. Ward.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

Your Committee feels that our ministers are not supported as liberally as they should be. Our churches should feel the obligation resting on them to increase their pastors' salaries so that they would not be so embarrassed.

We, your committee, earnestly recommend that we as Missionary Baptists contribute more liberally in the future to our pastors than we have in the past for we feel that our pastors have a hard time preaching the Gospel.

It is hard to understand how Missionary Baptists can proclaim to the world that they accept the New Testament as a rule of faith and practice and condemn all other religious bodies for not doing the same, and at the same time refuse to make a scriptural support to their pastor according to 1st Cor. 9-14; Gal. 6-6 and many others that can be found in the Bible. We also find that some churches promised their pastor a salary and did not come up to it.

We earnestly recommend that we come up to our obligations along this line and we hope by the help of God that we get more

Missionary spirit in us and when we do we will take better care of our pastors.

F. P. Parker, Chairman.
F. J. Blair.
L. H. Bailey, Jr.

REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS

Your Committee begs to make the following report:

We are very thankful that God in His wisdom and love, has seen fit to spare each one of the preachers in this Association to labor with Him another full year.

Let us pray God to spare them many more years and to help them to more fully consecrate their lives in loyalty and service to His word.

Very respectfully,
A. M. Parker.
G. I. English.
J. T. Jones.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

F. B. Williams, in account with the Middle Florida Baptist Association.

DR.		
October 13th, 1920.	Received at the Association,	\$140.00
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October 13th, 1920.	Paid Theodore Leslie for Clerk Fee,	\$26.00
October 14th, 1920.	Paid S. B. Rogers, Missions,	27.50
February 22nd, 1921.	Paid to the Baptist Witness for printing the Minutes of the Middle Florida Association,	61.00
February 22nd, 1921.	Paid Theodore Leslie postage on Minutes	1.49
	Total amount paid out	\$115.99
October 3rd, 1921.	Balance on hand,	\$25.01

F. B. Williams,
Treasurer

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We, the Executive Committee of the Middle Florida Baptist Association, submit the following report:

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Since the putting on of the enlistment man, the greater part of our work has been in co-operation with him.

A number of successful meetings have been held during the year and the interest in religious things seems better than in former years.

The fifth Sunday meetings have been held this year with marked interest. They have been a blessing in all churches affiliating, and we earnestly request that during the next year all churches send messengers.

We are hopeful that a number of institutes may be held during the next year, for the better training of our leaders, both preachers and laymen. We feel that this is a very important matter and should have the hearty support of the whole association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. Miller, Chairman.

G. F. Andrews.

Carl W. Burnette.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday school is the teaching service of the church. Admitting this to be true, to which we all agree, it does seem to us to be unnecessary to urge that any Baptist church conduct and maintain a Sunday school, as it is the church's plain duty to conduct and maintain the teaching service of the church, and any church failing to do so, is failing to carry out our Lord's commands to teach and evangelize the world. We note with pleasure that a great number of our churches are maintaining good Sunday schools and we commend them for it, but there are yet some churches that have no Sunday schools.

Your Committee recommends that each church having no Sunday school establish and maintain the teaching service of the church at once.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. Leggett.

S. H. Andrews.

R. A. Wadsworth.

J. J. Dees.

STATE MISSIONS

The Mission work of the Baptist churches of Florida is carried on within the State by the State Board of Missions. The Board presents its work through the following departments:

1. Pastoral aid and church building by which churches are aided in building meeting houses and maintaining pastoral service.
2. Enlistment and evangelism, for which a number of field workers are enrolled.
3. The Woman's Work under a corps of capable workers.
4. The publication of the Florida Baptist Witness:

We believe that all of these agencies are ordained of God, and therefore should have our hearty support and co-operation as loyal Baptists.

Word comes to this body that the "Witness" is in desperate financial straits, and we recommend that we do our best to avoid our State Board the embarrassment of a considerable deficit, and that we do all in our power to increase the circulation of the same, and that we keep our subscriptions paid up promptly.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. Parker.

J. E. Lewis.

E. W. Kinsey.

W. R. Lambert.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

There are two fundamental appeals to Christians to engage in world wide missionary work: 1. The command of the Lord. 2. The needs of the world.

1. The Lordship of Christ is supreme in Christian life and service. The Christian not only believes in Christ as Saviour. He also acknowledges Him as Lord and Master. If He is in reality our Lord, we must obey His commands. His will must be your will, my will. "Why call ye me Lord, and do not the things which I say?" said Jesus.

Our Lord commissioned His disciples to be His witness in all the world. It is interesting to note that in our 75 Million Campaign we are simply adopting the program of Jesus. We did not have to make a program. We have one already given us by our Lord. And the things we are seeking to do are exactly the things which Jesus did and taught.

The question of whether we shall engage in World Missions is ultimately a question of loyalty to Christ our Lord. The question for us then, is not whether we believe in Foreign Missions, but do we believe in Jesus Christ and accept His program of service?

2. The other appeal is the world's need of the gospel. Jesus said: "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white

already to harvest." The heart of the call that carried Paul from Asia to Europe was the appeal of need. "Come over into Macedonia and help us." It was a cry of need, a call for help.

Both these appeals are still binding. Let us willingly respond to this two-fold call from heaven and earth, saying, "Here am I, Lord, send me," use me.

A. F. O'Kelley.
C. Fowler.
J. T. Jones.

REPORT ON W. M. U. WORK.

Probably there has been no greater church work than that of the W. M. U.

And the purpose of our work is to win women and children for Christ, and also to teach them the beautiful spirit of giving.

This, in training women and children, our Woman's Missionary Union is laying siege to the very creative center, not only of our nation but of the nations of the world.

We have a contribution to make to the denomination and that which helps one phase of our work helps all.

And it seems that our task of organizing women and children has just begun, and may we have a generated spirit for winning slackers and also enlisting the unenlisted.

Therefore, not only must we win but we must train our women in Christian Stewardship; first, by carrying out our monthly programs as given in the Royal Service and Home and Foreign Fields, for these cover the Convention fields of Missionary labor. Second, Mission Study Classes. We cannot progress unless there is widespread, systematic and adequate culture in missionary enterprises. Third, Prayer. The use of the prayer calendar which brings to the mind and heart, missionaries and the objects of prayer and also the observance of special prayer. Fourth, Personal service, which is social service plus Christ and means Christ like living and Christ like giving of self and gifts.

Therefore, it is not only a joy to the true followers of Christ to honor the Lord with their gifts, thus in a real sense it brings us together as true laborers with God.

Number of organizations in W. M. U. work, 430; number of

Sunbeams, 192; R. A. 24; G. A. 44; Y. W. A. 62 Financial record, cash, total, \$61,472.96; cash in box, total, \$64,522.96.

Susie Humphrey.
Mrs. J. B. Bird.
Letitia Hamrick.
Mrs. R. R. Ware.

Committee

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Your Committee on Orphanage would report as follows:

Our orphanage is located at Arcadia, Florida. This is a beautiful location in southern Florida, as well as a noted city for our orphanage to be planted in, as the city did so much for it by donating sixty acres of land for its support, that our orphanage may be taught agriculture as well as book keeping and such other useful branches of book study to equip them for future life of usefulness to enable them to make an honest living; and brethren, we ought all to stand to its support and help our beloved brother, J. E. Trice, with many others who help him to take care of our dear little orphans to teach them to become so much needed useful citizens. At present we learn that there are 118. Now brethren, as we ought to be so much interested in these dear little children that we should do all that lies in our power to make them better than we have been and more useful workers for God's Kingdom.

Your committee,

J. T. Farnell
T. M. Hicks
J. C. Williams

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Middle Florida Association; Greetings.

Your committee on Christian Education begs to submit that Florida Baptists are blessed with one of the best educational institutions in the southland. John B. Stetson University takes rank with the leading institutions in this country.

We are due to this school our prayers, our boys and girls and our money.

It is now no longer necessary for our young men and women to leave the state for specialized training in higher education.

We take it that all the knowledge received in school is not necessarily Christian. We submit for your consideration that the term as usually applied is a misnomer. The term "Christian" means

Christ-like, hence Christian education would necessarily be obtained through a study of His Word.

In as much as a great majority of our young people will never enter the pales of our higher institutions, we suggest that greater emphasis be placed on the home life (not to the distraction of the schools), in the Christian education by a more diligent study of God's Holy Word, in the family circle, by reading the state paper, Baptist Witness, a well selected library and this accompanied by good music.

As to education in our schools we believe it is a wise provision that the state excludes sectarian and atesistic teachings from the system, but it is the duty of the citizenship to see to it that men and women of Christian character are employed to fill the places of such commanding influence.

Prayerfully and cordially submitted,

J. M. Conner.
J. T. Woodard.
G. C. Jackson

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

In time past it has been necessary for Southern Baptists to depend to some extent upon the publications of other denominations and of our Northern Baptist brethren to carry on our work. However, it is not necessary for us to do this any longer.

The Sunday School Board of our Southern Baptist Convention under the supervision of Dr. I. J. Van Ness, Secretary, is abundantly able to supply all our ordinary needs of literature for the Sunday schools, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U's. and church membership,

By patronizing our own publishing house in Nashville, we not only secure high grade publications, orthodox as to the doctrines of our denomination, but we are helping to finance our denominational work as all profits from the publishing house are used to further the work of the denomination.

We urge that the Snday schools make use of the "Child's Gem," "Kind Words", and "Baptist Boys and Girls," all published by our Sunday School Board.

All Missionary Baptists should keep in touch with the missionary activities of our denomination, by reading "Home and Foreign field", the missionary journal of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Our women will find inspiration in reading the "Royal Service" published by the Women's Missionary Union.

But the most important of all, perhaps, we urge our people to subscribe to and read our own state paper, "The Florida Baptist

Witness," as a means of keeping informed concerning our denominational work in Florida, believing that with information will come inspiration.

Last, we would recommend that all our membership have and use plenty of good literature in the homes. Hundreds of magazines and books are published today that should not find their way into christian homes. We, as Baptists and Christians, should select the literature that make up our home libraries. Of course the Bible should be the first selection, but we should furnish the young people with wholesome literature to read instead of allowing some one else to furnish them something they should not read.

Respectfully submitted,

R. W. Ware, Chairman.
G. F. Andrews
D. J. Hancock

OUR HONORED DEAD

- Bro. S. L. Philips.
- Sister Daisy Mae Brown.
- Sister Ossie Thomas.
- Sister Lou Walker.
- Sister Sarah Sparks.
- Bro. S. R. Rogers.
- Sister Florence Seals.
- Sister Ruth Turnage.
- Sister M. J. Rickerson.
- Sister Ola Quick.
- Sister Lella Ragans.
- Sister N. E. Davis.
- Sister J. Rowe.
- Sister Emily Driggers.
- Sister Leona Pert.
- Sister Ellen Johnson
- Sister Malissa Pickles.
- Brother Sam Odorn.
- Brother James Mazingo.
- Brother Ephson Bass.
- Brother J. E. Highsmith.
- Brother J. W. Fox.
- Brother George E. Blair.
- Brother Thomas Morgan.
- Brother Shellie Aman.
- Brother John F. Leggett, (Deacon.)
- Sister Mamie E. Jackson.
- Brother Buchanan Edenfield.

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REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

	Minutes	Assoc Clerk	Home	Missions	Associational Missions
Aucilla					
Antioch	2.00	10			
Athens	2.00	10	55		
Beulah	2.75	10			
Brewer Lake	5.00	10			
Central	5.25	10			
Elizabeth	4.00	10			
Greenville	5.00	10			
Hopewell	3.00	10			
Harmony	1.50	10			
Lamont	5.00	10			
Lee	3.00	10			
Live Oak	2.00	10			
Madison	5.00	10			
Macedonia	2.30	10			
Mayo	2.00	10			
Midway	5.25	10			
Moseley Hall	1.70	10			
Mt. Gilead	3.00	10			
Mt. Mariah					
New Hopeful	2.00	10			
New Macedonia	3.75	10			
New Prospect					
Oak Grove	2.00	10			
Oakland	3.00	10			
Perry	7.50	10			
Pine Grove	3.65	10			
Pinetta	2.00	10			
Pisgah	3.00	10			
Pleasant Grove, Tay Co.	2.32	10			
Pleasant Grove, Tay Co.	4.11	10			
Riverside	3.00	10			
San Pedro	2.00	10			
Simans	5.00	10			
Total	103.08		2.55		4.48

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. Leggett, F. B. Williams.

W. L. Tooke.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS

A. F. O'Kelly, Perry, Florida.
G. C. Jackson, Perry, Florida.
A. M. Parker, Perry, Florida.
J. L. Odom, Perry, Florida.
M. J. Fryer, Mayo, Florida.
J. M. Connor, Pinetta, Florida.
T. J. Bennett, Madison, Florida.
S. C. Warren, Madison, Florida.
J. E. Varin, Shady Grove, Florida.
W. M. Tampling, Dawling Park, Florida.
J. F. Russell, Mayo, Florida.
A. N. Woodard, Lee, Florida.
S. G. Ward, Lee, Florida.
S. B. Cole, Madison, Florida.
W. R. Lambert, Madison, Florida.
W. C. Taylor, Valdosta, Georgia.
J. L. Rutherford, Lee, Florida.
W. S. Kelly, Madison, Florida.
J. H. Poteet, Greenville, Florida.
S. W. Scott, Greenville, Florida.
J. T. Montgomery, Aucilla, Florida.
J. A. Singletary, Dawling Park, Florida.
J. T. Farnell, Day, Florida.
E. O. Floyd, Day, Florida.
M. J. Fowler, Day, Florida.

LICENSED MINISTERS

W. H. Cowart, Perry, Florida.
J. C. Williams, Shady Grove, Florida.
N. H. Gadskin, Perry, Florida.
J. R. Watkins, Madison, Florida.
W. L. Blanton, Shady Grove, Florida.

NUMERICAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor's Name and P. O. Address.	Clerk's Name and P. O. Address	INCREASE					DECREASE					Value Church Propy.	Pastor's Home	Total			
			Baptism	Letter	Statement	Retirement	Tot	Death	Total	Net Increase	Net Decrease	Present Membership				Day of Meeting.		
Aucilla	A. N. Woodard, Lee, Fla.	H. F. Fryer, Jasper, Fla.	10	2	1	1	11	1	3	11	118	1st.	500.00		500.00			
Antioch	J. L. Odom, Fenholoway, Fla.	W. J. Howard, Athena, Fla.	1				1		1	61			600.00		600.00			
Athens	W. M. Tampling, Dowling Park, Fla.	J. A. Johnson, Lee, Fla.	1				10	1	15	58	3rd.	500.00		550.00				
Beulah	S. G. Ward, Lee, Fla.	J. J. Whitfield, Day, Fla.	3	3	1	7	7	8	1	140	1st.	1,000.00		1,000.00				
Brewer Lake	J. F. Farnell, Day, Fla.	Clara Platt, Dowling Park, Fla.	3	3		7	7	8	1	56		128.00		128.00				
Bethel	J. Dicks, Lake City, Fla.	W. A. Dutton, Aucilla, Fla.	33	8		41	31	11	30	128	2nd.	1,500.00		1,500.00				
Central	C. Fowler, Day, Fla.	A. P. Hartsfield, Aucilla, Fla.	13	4		17	5	11	3	105	3rd.	1,500.00		1,500.00				
Elizabeth	J. H. Poteet, Greenville, Fla.	J. Vickers, Greenville, Fla.	19	16	3	38	12	34	8	191	Each	14,863.51	2,000.00	16,863.51				
Greenville	S. B. Cole, Madison, Fla.	L. L. Touchstone, Madison, Fla.	1	1		2	1	13	3	18	3rd.	1,100.00		1,100.00				
Hopewell	J. M. Connor, Pinetta, Fla.	N. W. Campbell, Lamont, Fla.	5	2		7	6	1	23	18	3rd.	775.00		775.00				
Harmony	J. F. McCann, Boston, Ga.	D. R. Walker, Lamont, Fla.	1	3		4	9	6	1	13	1st.	1,500.00		1,500.00				
Lamont	J. L. Odom, Perry, Fla.	T. M. Hicks, Lee, Fla.	1	3		4	9	5	6	86	2nd.	1,250.00		1,250.00				
Lee	W. M. Tampling, Dowling Park, Fla.	E. H. Smith, Madison, Fla.	1	3		4	9	5	6	37	4th.	125.00		125.00				
Live Oak	S. B. Coe, Madison, Fla.	J. J. Conway, Madison, Fla.	20	18		38	18	1	65	182	Each	5,000.00	3,000.00	8,000.00				
Madison	A. N. Woodard, Lee, Fla.	C. W. Burnette, Madison, Fla.	1	5		6	5	4	6	182	4th.	650.00		650.00				
Macedonia	J. F. Russell, Fla.	Marvin Langston, Mayo, Fla.	1	6		7	8	8	9	107	1st & 3rd	3,000.00		3,000.00				
Mayo	W. M. Tampling, Dowling Park, Fla.	D. F. Hancock, Shady Grove, Fla.	1	1		2	2	2	2	117	2nd.	750.00		750.00				
Midway	J. L. Odom, Perry, Fla.	A. J. Arnan, Shady Grove, Fla.	3	8		11	4	1	11	52	1st.	1,200.00		1,200.00				
Moseley Hall	J. L. Odom, Perry, Fla.	A. J. Arnan, Shady Grove, Fla.	1	1		2	1	1	1	55	1st.	900.00		900.00				
Mt. Gilead	A. M. Parker, Perry, Fla.	W. L. Humphrey, Madison, Fla.	17	2		19	4	1	16	68	2nd.	800.00		800.00				
Mt. Mariah	J. L. Odom, Perry, Fla.	J. E. Davis, Greenville, Fla.	9	1		10	1	1	9	68	1st.	725.00		725.00				
New Hopeful	A. N. Woodard, Lee, Fla.	E. M. Johnson, Pinetta, Fla.	4	1		5	5	1	6	2	181	2nd.	600.00		600.00			
New Macedonia	J. H. Poteet, Greenville, Fla.	W. D. Wilson, Loughridge, Fla.	4	1	1	6	6	6	6	35	1st.	300.00		300.00				
New Prospect	A. F. O'Kelly, Perry, Fla.	E. F. Strickland, Perry, Fla.	52	9		61	17	2	19	42	Each	8,000.00	2,500.00	8,500.00				
Oak Grove	S. B. Cole, Madison, Fla.	S. C. Warren, Madison, Fla.	1	2		3	3	1	4	1	41	1st.	700.00		700.00			
Pine Grove	A. M. Parker, Perry, Fla.	E. M. Kinsey, Pinetta, Fla.	7	7		14	14	6	1	6	42	4th.	600.00		600.00			
Pinetta	A. M. Parker, Perry, Fla.	A. C. Parker, Perry, Fla.	1	1		2	2	6	1	8	1st.	90.00		90.00				
Plagah	J. L. Odom, Perry, Fla.	W. O. Lyons, Dawling Park, Fla.	2	1	1	3	5	1	2	7	3rd.	1,500.00		1,500.00				
Pleasant Grove, Lay Co.	W. S. Kelly, Madison, Fla.	J. A. Tedder, Shady Grove, Fla.	1	1	1	2	5	1	1	4	2nd.	300.00		300.00				
Pleasant Grove, Tay Co.	S. G. Ward, Lee, Fla.	Jesse Fryer, Mayo, Fla.	5	3		8	3	1	4	113	2nd.	1,000.00		1,000.00				
River Side	A. M. Parker, Perry, Fla.	C. M. Parker, Perry, Fla.	1	1		2	2	1	3	89	3rd.	800.00		800.00				
San Pedro	J. N. Connor, Pinetta, Fla.	H. M. Vickers, Ebb, Fla.	7	6		13	1	1	12	44	4th.	1,000.00		1,000.00				
Salem																		
Sirmons																		
Triumph																		
TOTALS			223	103	1	8	335	163	64	105	28	360	130	150	2805	50,554.00		58,054.00

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Church Building	Building Pastorium	Repair and Impr'v'ts. To Building	Furnishings	Visiting Ministers	Orphanage	Poor	Minutes and Clerk	Incidentals	Boxes	Chinese Relief	Home Missions	Amount now on hand.	Aged Ministers	Other Items	Foreign Missions	Total
Aucilla	62.00					13.00			2.00									77.00
Antioch	80.00								2.00									84.55
Athens	64.76					15.18			2.75				2.55					82.69
Beulah	100.00					10.00			5.00					6.53				121.53
Brewer Lake	38.46					3.19	.80		2.00						1.00			45.45
Bethel	250.00			25.00		50.00			5.25	14.00				6.03		12.00		362.28
Central	131.00					29.61			4.00									164.61
Elizabeth	1,800.00	4,139.83		20.27	939.10		240.22		10.00	43.71				359.45				7,552.68
Greenville	150.00			100.00		2.80		3.60	3.00									253.40
Hopewell	151.75					36.00			1.50									196.50
Harmony	240.00					47.00			5.00	10.00		5.00				4.80		312.56
Lamont	120.00					35.00			3.00					7.50				165.50
Lee	29.50								2.00									31.50
Live Oak	1,765.00			21.50				18.75	5.00	128.62						568.81		2,475.68
Madison	150.00			19.00		19.25		4.00	2.30									194.55
Macedonia	356.20								1.50									357.70
Mayo	37.85			6.00		4.15			5.25									53.25
Midway	68.22								1.75	3.00								73.87
Moseley Hall	118.00					31.25							7.83					157.08
Mt. Gilead	150.00				10.00				2.00									162.00
Mt. Mariah	126.30					36.46		20.00	3.75									186.51
New Hopewell	150.00				12.50				2.00									164.50
New Macedonia	225.00			14.25		19.00			3.00									263.75
New Prospect	2,018.50			440.00		180.00			7.50	192.00						400.00	2.50	3,236.00
Oak Grove	93.75					11.60			3.65									109.00
Oak Land	150.00					16.50			2.00	10.00				3.89				182.39
Perry	116.00						3.00						5.10					124.10
Pine Grove	75.00					16.40			3.50									94.90
Pinetta	150.00					13.00			4.11									17.11
Pisgah	116.00					1.35			3.00									107.09
Pleasant Grove, Lay Co.	116.85			1.80		31.50			2.00	7.80			3.45					159.95
Pleasant Grove, Tay Co.	240.00								5.00	4.00								249.00
River Side	100.00																	
San Pedro	116.85																	
Salem	240.00																	
Sirmons	240.00																	
Triumph	240.00																	
Total	9,072.14	4,139.83		647.92	968.60	622.24	244.02	46.35	104.81	414.79		5.00	18.93	383.40	1.00	953.61	2.50	17,824.67

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT AND ADDRESS	Officers and teachers		Expenses	Repair and Improvement	Cash on hand	Campaign	Boxes Value	Orphanage	Incidentals	Furnishings	Pastor's Salary	Church Building Fund	Total
		No. of Pupils	No. of Teachers											
Antioch	E. H. Morgan, Ellaville, Fla.	80	8											
Brewer Lake	A. M. Hairs, Day, Fla.	52	14.44											14.44
Central	J. T. Montgomery, Aucilla, Fla.	49	16.48											16.48
Elizabeth	J. E. Lewis, Aucilla, Fla.	60	16.45											16.45
Greenville	J. T. Prince, Greenville, Fla.	110	96.89		56.18			240.22						393.29
Hopewell	S. Newbern, Madison, Fla.	41	10.96											10.96
Harmony	W. L. Hunton, Lamont, Fla.													
Lamont	E. J. Carroll, Lamont, Fla.													
Lee	D. M. Hamrick, Lee, Fla.	30	10.75											10.75
Madison	J. O. Johnson, Madison, Fla.	20	175	135.00	39.59		8.00		31.94	96.50	35.00	1,100.90		1,311.03
Macedonia	J. T. Woodard, Madison, Fla.		51	8.35										8.35
Mayo	R. R. Ware, Mayo, Fla.	134	36.05	4.65	4.94			10.37	30.15					86.16
New Hopeful	W. C. Loper, Madison, Fla.	24	8.82											8.82
Oak Grove	W. L. Ranew, Pinetta, Fla.	26												
Perry	W. L. Weaver, Perry, Fla.	21	237	227.60			78.60		156.40					462.60
Pinetta	E. M. Kinsey, Pinetta, Fla.	30	11.31		10.00				2.00	20.90				44.21
Pleasant Grove, Lay. Co.	H. L. Winderweede, Mayo, Fla.	35												
Pleasant Grove, Fay Co.	J. A. Tedder, Shady Grove, Fla.													
San Pedro	F. E. Carrin, Perry, Fla.	44	8.70											8.70
Sirmons	D. E. Bailey, Ebb, Fla.	50												
Total		154	1188	601.80	4.65	110.67	78.60	8.00	259.50	320.49	117.40	35.00	1,190.90	2,391.74

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CHURCHES	PRESIDENT AND P. O. ADDRESS	No. of Organization		Special Objects	Church Building	Repairs and Improvements	Cash on Hand	Furnishing	75 Million Campaign	Poor	Incidentals	Boxes	Near East Relief	China	Visiting Minister	Total
		No. Enrolled	No. of Organizations													
Central	Miss Nellie Thomas, Aucilla, Fla.	1														
Greenville	Mrs. C. L. Leggett, Greenville, Fla.	1			455.90	20.37	23.79									500.12
Lamont	Mrs. R. J. Carroll, Lamont, Fla.							21.40								21.40
Madison	Mrs. S. A. Smith, Madison, Fla.	2	83	27.25	312.50	41.74	51.73		347.75	87.80	36.80	10.00	11.50	15.75		942.89
Mayo	Mrs. R. R. Ware, Mayo, Fla.	1	6							11.80						11.80
Perry	Mrs. S. H. Peacock, Sr., Perry, Fla.					20.00				39.00	111.00					170.00
Pinetta	Mrs. J. M. Connor, Pinetta, Fla.	1	7						44.00	5.00	80.00			12.16	5.00	136.16
Total	Total	6	96	27.25	768.46	82.11	75.52	21.40	391.75	138.10	152.80	40.00	11.50	27.91	5.00	1,741.80
Madison	Mrs. H. M. Sutton, Madison, Fla.				20.00	6.00	12.00			1.77		90.00				3,483.60

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