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'ARTICLES OF FAITH

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

Article 2. We believe that the Holy Scripture, composed of both Old and New Testament, are the Word of God, and the only rule of and practice of God's people.

Article 3. We believe the doctrine of Sovereign, particular and rnal election.

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

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

Article 6. We believe that we are justified in the sight of God, by the imputed righteousness of Christ, which is the consequence faith in Christ.

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

Article 8. We believe that the saints are preserved by grace and evere in grace and will never finally fall away.

Article 9. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are only ordinances of a New Testament church, that immersion is the Scriptural Baptism, and believers are the only Scriptural subjects. Baptism, and none but baptised believers who are members of Miscary Baptist churches in good standing are entitled to partake of the is Supper.

Article 10. We believe in the resurrection of both the righteous and wicked dead, and that both will be judged according to the deeds in the body.

Article 11. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be clasting and the joy of the righteousness will be eternal.

Article 12. We believe that no minister has a right to administer "linances except such as are Divinely called, having been ordained tayer and the imposition of the hands of a presbytery duly authorize a Missionary Baptist church.

CONSTITUTION OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

- Article 1. The name of this organization shall be "THE MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION."
- Article 2. The Association shall be composed of messengers duly elected by Missionary Baptist churches, who shall present letters certifying to their election, or the Chairman of any standing Committees which shall be appointed by the Moderator.
- Article 3. Each church having fifty members or less shall be entitled to two messengers. Churches having more than fifty members shall be entitled to one additional messenger for every twenty-five members or major fraction thereof. In no case shall any one church be entitled to more than five messengers.
- Article 4. The objects of this Association shall be the promotion of fellowship among the churches, and the fostering of Missionary, Educational and Benevolent enterprises, in harmony with the Florida Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.
- Article 5. The Association shall meet annually at such time and place as may be selected by the body. If it should become necessary, the Executive Committee of the Association may change the time, or place of meeting or both.
- Article 6. Any church, in harmony with this Association as to doctrine and practice, may be admitted into the union upon the presentation of a petitionary letter accompanied by satisfactory information.
- Article 7. Any church wishing a letter of dismission shall make application therefor by letter.
- Article 8. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, who shall act as Moderator in the absence of the Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by the suffrage of the members present, and shall hold office until their successors are elected.
- Article 9. The Association shall have an Executive Committee composed of six members duly elected by the body, together with the officers of the Association as ex-officio members. This Committee shall foster all the interests of the Association, when the body is not in session. The Committee shall have authority to appoint or recommend to the State Board Missionaries, or Colporters, and to make appropriation to weak churches or destitutions, and to give such advice to the churches as may seem wise and necessary, and the Assistant Moderator shall be Ex-Officio Chairman of the Executive Committee.
- Article 10. The Articles of Faith of this Association shall be the same as those which are adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention when in session at Memphis, Tennessee, in May, 1925, and shall be the basis of fellowship and co-operation.
- Article 11. The Association shall recognize and respect the rights and independence of every church co-operating.
- Article 12. This Constitution may be changed or amended at any annual meeting of the body when two-thirds of the members present deem it expedient.

THE MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION RULES OF DECORUM

- I. The Moderator shall preserve order in the Association, which is be opened and closed by prayer. He shall decide all questions reler and propriety.
- 2. All members of the body shall respect the authority of the ': ierator, but any member shall have the right to appeal to the body :: his decision.
- 3. The Moderator shall have the same right of speaking as any ther member of the body provided he appoints some member to fill the mair; but he shall not vote except when there is a tie, then he may be the deciding vote.
- 4. Not more than one member shall speak at a time. Any member -iring to speak shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator, if when recognized by the Chair may speak to the subject, but not re than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.
- 5. No member shall leave the body while in session without per:ssion of the Chair.
- 6. All motions in order must be disposed of by the body, unless ...:hdrawn by the one who made the motion.
- 7. When a question is taken up, after allowing time for deliberation, he Moderator shall take the vote of the body and then announce the recision. If a division is called for the Moderator shall take the vote calling on the members to rise and stand until they are counted. After the count is made on both sides the Moderator shall announce the result.
- S. The Clerk shall enroll the names of the messengers, and keep regular record of all the business of the Association. He shall have the Minutes printed and distributed to each church, according to the mount of money sent up.
- 9. The Treasurer shall receive and manage the funds of the Assolation, taking receipts of all disbursements thereof, and present an anual report of all funds received and disbursed, for insertion in the minres of the Association.
- 10. This decorum may be altered or amended by two-thirds vote : the members present at any annual session of the Association.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Twenty-ninth Session of the Middle Florida Baptist Association met with the First Baptist Church of Perry, Florida, at 10 o'clock, October 23, 1928.

Devotional services led by Rev. M. J. Howell, using the 23rd Psalm.

Brother Claude Pepper gave an address of welcome in behalf of the City of Perry and the First Baptist Church.

This was responded to in behalf of the Association by Rev. A. T. Camp, pastor of the Greenville Baptist Church.

The body was called to order by the Moderator for the transaction of business,

The following messengers were enrolled:

Athena-Rev. M. J. Howell and Mrs. B. H. McCall.

Antioch-M, Smith and H. E. Fryer.

Aucilla-R. H. DeVane and Geo. T. Bishop.

Beulah-A. G. Bell, A. D. Donaldson.

Brewer Lake-Thomas Bell, F. B. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Brumbly.

Central-Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dutton.

Dowling Park-

Elizabeth-Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Sheppard, Lizzie Standley, Mrs. S. D. Lucas.

Friendship-W. C. Woodall, Lanier Johnson.

Greenville—B. Bragdon, J. R. Laney, Z. M. McLeod, John H. Andrews, G. F. Andrews.

Hopewell-B. F. and G. W. Kelly.

Harmony-Ancil Bailey, G. P. Andrews.

Lamont-Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Carroll, C. J. Reams, Mrs. R. A. Davis.

Lee-Dr. B. W. Hamrick, Mrs. B. Rowe, Mrs. J. H. Lyons.

Midway-W. M. Terry, M. J. Hicks, Lewis Hale, Mrs. W. M. Terry.

Mayo-R. R. Ware, Mrs. R. W. Ware, Mrs. White, Emery Land.

Mt. Olive-E. H. Smith and T. H. Pinson.

Moseley Hall-S. H. Andrews, Mrs. A. E. Sanders and Albert Pace.

Macedonia-G. I. Tindall, Henderson, M. C. Woodard, A. N. Woodard, F. B. Williams.

Madison-V. H. Priest, B. Willoughby, W. L. Tooke, J. F. McCall, J. E. Hardee.

Mt. Gilead-W. E. Vann, J. W. Watts.

New Hopeful-Mrs. W. L. Humphrey, C. W. Johnson.

New Home-Walter Shaw.

New Prospect-

New Macedonia-J. F. Andrews, O. T. Davis, Mrs. J. F. Andrews.

Oakland---

Pleasant Grove (Taylor County)—Acy McLeod, Rosa McLeod, J. C. Williams, Docia McMullen.

. Pleasant Grove (LaFayette County)—T. A. Ezell, H. B. Ezell, A. D. Townsend, Mrs. Abbie Folsom.

Pine Grove-J. F. D. Hughey, A. M. Warren.

Perry-Dr. T. O. Reese, T. N. Jones, W. B. Davis, Mrs. W. B. Davis, Mrs. J. O. Culpepper.

Pisgah---

Pinetta-Mrs. A. M. Parker, Miss Mamie Downing, J. A. Jordan, E. W. Kinsey.

Riverside-A. W. Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Mills.

Sirmans-B. L. Bailey, A. M. Rowe, Mrs. A. W. Rowe, Mrs. R. C. Reams.

San Pedro-Nola Padgett, Mattie Padgett, Shellie Baxter, C. H. Hunter.

Motion made and carried that officers be elected by acclamation and the following were elected:

Judge W. B. Davis, Moderator, Bro. T. N. Jones, Assistant Moderator. Carl W. Burnett, Clerk.

F. B. Williams, Treasurer.

The following visitor was recognized: Rev. J. K. Hutchins of the Florida Association.

The Moderator appointed A. M. Warren and Charlton Hunter to aid the Treasurer.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to act on the application of Sundown Church for membership in this Association. Rev. A. T. Camp, Rev. A. M. Parker and A. D. Townsend.

The following committee on digest of letters, was appointed: B. Eragdon, F. P. Parker and M. J. Fowler.

Rev. W. J. Ray, pastor of Madison Church, delivered the Introductory Sermon at 11 o'clock.

The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator:

State Missions—Rev. W. J. Ray, Chairman; R. J. Carroll, R. H. Devane.

Home Missions-J. P. Woods, Chairman; A. D. Townsend, Nola Padgett.

Foreign Missions-R. R. Ware, Chairman; Mrs. B. H. McCall, M. J. Hicks.

Orphange-W. A. Dutton, Chairman; I. W. Sheppard, B. F. Kelly.

Education-C. V. McLain, Chairman; J. F. McCall, C. W. Johnson.

Nominations—O. A. Henderson, Chairman; W. M. Terry, Ancil Bailey.

Periodicals—E. W. Kinsey, Chairman; M. C. Woodard, Jim Laney. Temperance—F. P. Parker, Chairman; W. L. Tooke, Rufus Sapp.

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Sunday Schools-V. H. Priest, Chairman; A. M. Warren, G. I. Tindall.

Ministerial Support-W. M. Bishop, Chairman; Geo. Kelly, G. F. Andrews.

Laymen's Movement—W. L. Weaver, Chairman; J. E. Hardee, E. H. Smith.

Deceased Ministers-J. R. Vann, Chairman; B. L. Bailey; J. F. Andrews.

Relief and Annuity-A. M. Parker, Chairman; B. Willoughby, Acey McLeod.

Woman's Missionary Union-Mrs. A. V. Rhoden, Chairman; Miss Mamie Downing, Mrs. W. L. Humphrey, Mrs. Abbie Folsom.

Mrs. Peelman of the State Board was recognized.

Motion made and carried that the Moderator appoint a committee to report on Associational Missions and the following committee was appointed:

T. N. Jones, Chairman; Rev. A. M. Parker.

Motion made and carried to adjourn until 1:30 o'clock.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional led by Rev. A. V. Reese, the Associational Missionary.

Report on Sunday Schools read by V. H. Priest. Spoken to by Geo. D. Bishop, G. I. Tindall, the Moderator, Rev. A. V. Reese, Rev. W. J. Ray, Rev. A. T. Camp, J. F. McCall, Jim Laney, V. H. Priest, Rev. A. M. Parker, Rev. A. N. Woodard and A. D. Townsend. Report adopted.

Report on Temperance read by F. P. Parker. Spoken to by F. P. Parker, T. N. Jones, W. L. Weaver. Report adopted.

Report on Periodicals read by E. W. Kinsey. Spoken to by Rev. T. O. Reese, and adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief and Annuity read by Rev. A. M. Parker. Spoken to by him and adopted.

The Moderator appointed R. J. Carroll, W. A. Dutton and Jim Laney as a committee on Time and Place for the meeting of the next Session of the Association.

Report on Deceased Ministers read by B. L. Bailey and adopted.

Report on Education read by C. V. McLain. Spoken to by C. V. McLain and Col. J. F. McCall. Adopted.

Report on Nominations read by O. A. Henderson, and on motion made and carried, the report was referred back to the committee as there were not enough delegates to the State Convention in the report.

Motion made and carried to adjourn until 9:30 tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Devotional Services led by Rev. A. T. Camp, pastor of Greenville Baptist Church.

Motion made that the committee on Digest of Letters act as Budget Committee also.

This motion was withdrawn and the Moderator appointed the following as a Budget Committee: J. F. McCall, A. D. Townsend and B. I., Bailey.

Bro. Jno. Bell, of Samson, Alabama, was recognized.

Report on Orphanage read by W. A. Dutton. Spoken to by M. J. Fowler, A. N. Woodard, Rev. A. T. Camp, R. J. Carroll, F. P. Parker A. D. Townsend. Report adopted.

An offering was taken at this time for the Children's Home at Arcadia, amounting to \$62.11.

Dr. Brittain, Editor Johnson of the Witness, and Deacon Chas. A. Powers were recognized.

Motion made and carried that the Clerk read the report on State Missions.

The report on Home Mission read by J. P. Woods.

Report on Foreign Missions read by M. J. Hicks.

The Moderator appointed another Committee on Ministerial Support as follows: T. A. Ezell, G. F. Andrews, Rev. A. T. Camp.

Motion made and carried that Dr. Brittain be given the privilege of discussing the State, Home and Foreign Mission reports.

Motion made and carried that these reports be adopted.

At this time Bro. Johnson, Editor of the Baptist Witness, was given an opportunity to speak in behalf of our paper.

Motion made and carried that the resolution adopted yesterday in regard to the 18th Amendment be furnished to Bro. Johnson and printed in the Witness.

Motion made and carried to adjourn until 1:30 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Motion made and carried that the Moderator appoint a committee to revise Article 2 of the Constitution of this Association.

Committee: G. F. Andrews, A. M. Parker, T. O. Reese, Jim Laney, B. L. Bailey.

Motion made and carried that Clerk be paid same amount as before. Report on Nominations read by O. A. Henderson, and adopted.

Report of Woman's Missionary Union read by Mrs. Rhoden. Spoken to by Mrs. Rhoden and Mrs. Love, Divisional Secretary. Report adopted.

Report of Executive Committee read by T. N. Jones. Spoken to by T. N. Jones, A. D. Townsend, Rev. A. M. Parker Rev. A. M. Rowe and others. Report adopted.

Motion made and carried that Clerk read the report on Laymen's Movement. This report was spoken to by T. N. Jones, and adopted.

Report on Ministerial Support read by J. F. McCall. Spoken to by J. F. McCall, G. F. Andrews, T. O. Reese, A. N. Woodard, A. V. Reese and others. Report adopted.

The Committee on Application of Sundown Church for membership in this Association asked that the church be admitted to our body and upon motion made and carried this was done.

Treasurer's report read and adopted.

The committee on Time and Place reported that the next Association would meet with Madison Baptist Church at the usual time and their report was adopted.

Motion made and carried to omit reading of minutes.

Motion made and carried to extend to Perry Baptist Church our sincere thanks and appreciation for the splendid manner in which they have entertained the Association.

Motion made and carried to adjourn, and Bro. Johnson, Editor of the Witness, led the closing prayer.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg to report as follows:

Executive Comittee:

T. N. Jones, M. J. Fowler, Ardis Warren, A. M. Parker, G. F. Andrews, J. F. McCall, Fred Parker.

Introductory Sermon-A. T. Camp. Alternate A. M. Parker.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention-W. J. Ray. Alternate, T. O. Reese.

State Convention—Acie McLeod, A. D. Townsend, J. F. McCall, A. T. Camp, M. C. Woodard, Mrs. J. O. Culpepper, A. M. Parker, W. L. Weaver, T. O. Reese, E. W. Kinsey, George D. Bishop, M. J. Fowler, R. J. Carroll, V. H. Priest, Ben Bragdon, Mrs. N. L. White, R. R. Ware, Albert Pace.

Member State Board Missions-W. J. Ray.

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. HENDERSON, W. M. TERRY, ANCIL BAILEY.

Committee.

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

Your committee is confronted with a most embarrassing and awkward situation. Turning to the Scriptures we find such statements as:

"Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel."—We are certain that the call to the Ministry has come, clear and unmistakable, to many of our brethren. On the other hand, we find that the material demands upon a minister are just as urgent and exacting as upon our laymen.

We hear God saving, "The workman is worthy of his meat."

According to God's plan, His church and cause is to be supported by the free will offerings of Christian people.

Are we measuring up to our obligations and privileges in this respect?

A .more liberal support of God's ministers is most earnestly urged.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. ANDREWS, J. F. McCALL.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Middle Florida Baptist Association, at the last session, October, 1927, authorized the Executive Committee to employ an evangelist for full time. They immediately went to looking up a suitable man and after careful and prayerful consideration they offered the place to Evangelist A. V. Reese, of North Carolina. They were not in a position to offer a definite salary, but the stronger churches and pastors pledged their hearty support and co-operation and to stand by the evangelist and the smaller churches, and if possible, make the work self-supporting.

At the request of the Executive Committee the Baptist State Mission Board appropriated \$300.00, to the salary of the evangelist in this Association.

The churches and pastors, regardless of the time of the year, weather conditions, or other previous plans, opened up their churches for revival meetings. The revival fires soon kindled up and were fanned into a flame and swept over the entire Association. Every church and almost each individual has felt the effect of these revivals. It has been a modern Pentecost; God has given some wonderful victories.

This year's record so far as additions, enlistment and offerings, surpasses any yet in the history of the Association.

Following is a brief summary of the wonderful results of this remarkable awakening from December 1st to October 23rd:
Sermons preached506
Additions by baptisms261
Additions by letter 75
Total336
New tithers270
Deacons ordained22
Sunday Schools organized 4
Woman's Missionary Societies 3
B. Y. P. U. organized 4 Total contributions 51,973.00
The Gospel has been preached in simplicity and power, so that both old and young could understand.

Baptist polity, doctrines and teaching have been emphasized. There are hundreds of our people that understand more fully why they are Baptists and will live more consecrated lives because of that fact.

We have tried to get all our smaller and weaker churches self-supporting without asking aid of the State Mission Board.

Your committee recommends that we make it the policy of this Association to go to the aid of small and weaker churches and make a special effort to get them self-supporting, without asking aid from the board if possible.

We also recommend that the new committee carry out our agreement with Bro. A. V. Reese, whose year will not be out till December 1st, 1928.

Respectfully submitted.

T. N. JONES,
ARDIS WARNER
A. M. PARKER,
FRANK ANDREWS,
F. C. McCALL

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We, *your Committee on Periodicals, beg to report and make recommendations as follows: First of all we realize and believe that "Reading maketh a full man,"—boy or girl. And that there are few, if any, other things that one does that influence him (or them) any more than what they read. Then let us take the word "full" in the above quotation and get the meaning of it. We understand it to mean not being capable of receiving any more. Therefore if our minds are full of all kinds of trashy literature we have no room for any other kind. Then it behooves us to see to it that nothing but the very best of literature is placed in the reach of our children, and all of our constituents.

First: We would recommend the book of all books, the Bible, which is the inestimable gift of God to man. This should be the first book to pick up in the morning and the last one to lay down at night.

Second: We would recommend the Baptist Witness to our brethren, and trust that the time is not far away when it will always be in every Baptist home, for there is no better way to be a well informed Baptist than to take the state denominational paper.

Third: We find our Printing presses and book stores are better equipped and better able to take care of the needs in the way of books and literature than ever before. To those who are seeking such we would refer to them.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. KINSEY, Chairman, J. R. LANEY, M. C. WOODARD.

REPORT ON LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT

During the twenty-two years since this work was organized great good has been accomplished, and many laymen have been enlisted in active Kingdom work.

"My people are Destroyed for Lack of Knowledge," (Hos. 4:6) exclaimed the Prophet of old. The same applies today with all of the force that it did, in the days of Hosea, and more. Where there is a lack of knowledge, there is no vision, and without vision the Kingdom of God on earth is not hastened.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement seeks to have the men of the clurch informed, and thus to inspire them to greater efforts in Kingdom work.

During the past year, The Florida Baptist Mission Board has engaged the services of a splendid layman, Brother W. G. Upchurch, to work actively in enlisting and organizing the Baptist men of the state for more earnest and effective work.

Your committee understands that as a result of the work of Brother Upchurch, the men of several of the churches in this Association, are organizing for study classes and for more effectively doing the work of the church. We wish to commend these men and to urge that the men of even the smallest churches so organize.

The possibilities of our men organized and functioning can hardly be visualized. May God speed the day when this is true.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. WEAVER, Chairman. J. E. HARDEE, E. H. SMITH.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

Your committee reports as follows:

Our ministerial and relief work is carried on through the relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Dallas, Texas. The board has just closed its first ten years of service. During this decade \$1,136,476.48 has been distributed to several thousand beneficiaries. More than \$1,000,000.00 of the above sum has been distributed through the relief department. Many of the relief beneficiaries have heen called to their Heavenly home, but at present, we have on rall 1053

ministers and widows, besides there are more than 150 orphan children being indirectly aided.

The total sum paid to the Board's beneficiaries last year was \$118,520.47. This is entirely too small an amount to afford Southern Baptists an occasion for self congratulation. Every Baptist should pray and work to increase the offerings for our great and languishing causes. The applications for aid from the relief department have multiplied while the receipts have steadily declined. The only supplementary money the Board has to draw upon in addition to the gifts from the churches, is the interest earned on \$543,000.00 endowment and reserves, which amounted last year to only \$28,758.21. Southern Baptists are now seeking to increase the relief fund to \$1,000,000.00 plus, through the William Lunsford Memorial Fund of \$1,000,000.00, one-half of which is for relief work. An increase in the regular collections in our churches would greatly aid in caring for our veterans.

The Annuity department is supported in three ways: First, by regular payments of ministers and missionaries who hold certificates of membership; second, by the interest earnings on the Annuity endowment and reserves; and, thirdly, the maximum annuity of \$500.00 paid through the co-operative program to members who pass their sixty-eighth birthday, or who have become totally and permanently disabled. The benefits paid last year totaled \$31,274.21. The present assets of this department total \$2,202,647.98. Ministers not over fifty-eight years old and in good health are eligible. Every minister who is eligible should avail himself of this inexpensive protection.

Southern Baptists are looking forward to the time when the greater annuity plan will be operative. This plan will provide a better way for our ministers, widows and orphans to be cared for. Our ministers are asked to pay two and one-half per cent of their salaries, and the churches eight per cent. We hope this may be done by 1930 or 1931. Full information can be had by applying to Dr. Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary, at Dallas, Texas,

Let us pray and labor to make the Relief and Annuity Board a greater blessing in the years to come.

Respectfully submitted,
A. M. PARKER,
ASA McLEOD,
BROADUS WILLOUGHBY

Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Your committee on Temperance would report as follows:

The general term, temperance, means the proper use, and not the abuse, of all things. All things have been given us to enjoy. When we become a slave to anything and by its use abuse the privilege we have, we have then become intemperate in its use. There are some intemperate in their language, some in their eating and some in their resting.

We are especially interested in, and the intent of this committee, is to express our views with reference to the use of intoxicating liquors.

Our churches have, through the years, taken a strong stand against the evils of intemperance. We have been in the fore-front in all efforts to abolish the saloon with its attendant evils. From our pulpits and in our homes we have preached against, and prayed about, and taught our people the sin and the folly of indulging in the cup that cheers,

Our hearts were made glad when the eighteenth amendment to the Constitution was passed, being ratified by every state in the Union except two.

We believe there are several ways, and that it will take several means, to enforce the prohibition law. One is to support our officers which we elect, and whose duty it is to enforce the law; also we believe one of the biggest helps to put prohibition in effect is to teach people the sin and wrong there is, and is brought about from taking strong drinks.

We believe if the church people of the United States would absolutely abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors, and would talk to those who use it, explaining to them the danger in the use of it, that it would not be many years before the time would come when we could enforce the prohibition law, as it takes the majority of people favoring a law before it can be successfully enforced.

We also believe that a great work, which we should do, would be to teach the rising generation the great danger existing in the use of strong drinks. We do not believe we should only teach our own children, but we should teach others as well, and if the church people of the United States would do this it would only be a short time before we could get the prohibition law enforced in a successful manner.

We find that in about ninety per cent of the murder cases in our country today liquor was connected in some way. We believe if the prohibition law was enforced, and liquor was put out of the way, we would eliminate from sixty to seventy-five per cent of the crimes which are being committed at this time. There would be many children with their fathers and mothers who are not there, also there would be many fathers and mothers with their children today who are not able to be there on account of this great evil. There would be many happy home where as it is there are many wrecked homes, and more wrecked homes on account of this great evil than any other in existence.

In conclusion brethren and sisters of the Middle Florida Baptist Association, should any of you use liquor in any manner we wish to ask that you discontinue same completely, and use your best influence with all others with whom you come in contact to get them to abstain from the use of it, and we believe you will soon see the benefit of this practice. We believe if we could each influence one person to discontinue the use of liquor, and so convince them that they would endeavor to convince others, it would be one of the happiest thoughts in our future lives, and too, this, in our opinion, is the only way we can begin this undertaking as we cannot hope to convince a multitude at one time. Should each of us convince one person before the next meeting of the Middle Florida Baptist Association there would be a great change in the present attitude toward prohibition.

Respectfully submitted,

F. P. PARKER, W. L. TOOKE

The following amendment to above report was adopted:

Resolved: That it is the sense of the Middle Florida Baptist Association that the 18th Amendment of the Federal Constitution should be upheld and that all laws for the enforcement of the same be respected by every member of this body.

A. T. CAMP.

The first direct mention of the Woman's Missionary Union in Florida was in the minutes of the State Convention held at Ocala in 1881, and the report was read by Reverend N. A. Bailey, who emphasized the importance of "Our Sisters" organizing societies for the purpose of colccting Missions. He further recommended that the State Board appoint a Sister as Secretary and Mrs. N. A. Bailey was elected; two of the societies reported; Micanopy, \$10.00 and Peniel, \$5.00. If there were any others in the state it was not known. The next convention was held in Lake City and the first report of W. M. U. in the state was 36 societies and \$295.65 for missions. Mrs. Bailey served as Secretary until her death in 1886. Her last report was 182 societies and \$1,295.38 for missions.

The next Secretary, Miss Jennie L. Spalding, served 18 years. Her last report in 1911 was given at DeLand and showed 263 W. M. Societies, 195 Y. W. A's; 11 R. A.; 44 Sunbeams; Cash \$5,465.45.

The next Secretary elected was our beloved Mrs. Peelman, whom we had with us at this meeting. We may see from our reports how the work has grown.

Coming now to our own Middle Florida Baptist: In 1926, with about 10 or 12 women present, we met under the trees at Macedonia. At that time we had four societies in the Middle Florida Association. At this Association, just two years later we met in 1928 with 125 present, 12 societies reported and 11 Young People's organizations with two societies A-1. By the use of one map we may see at a glance how many organizations we have in each church.

Every instinct of the Union's unbroken loyalty rises to urge and plead for a glorious completion of the task. Higher than the Union's loyalty is the Saviour's Command, and for His dear sake we must not fail.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. C. RHODEN, MISS MAMIE DORMAN MRS. F. L. FOLSOM.

Committee.

REPORT FLORIDA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME ARCADIA, FLORIDA

Our obligation to our Children's Home at Arcadia is just as great as the needs of the work. This Association is a part of our State Baptist Organization fostering and supporting our Children's Home at Arcadia in which we are caring for our own Orphan boys and girls, therefore, our part in the support of this work is measured by our ability to contribute to its support.

Our present family consist of 178 boys and girls, all well and happy. We are providing for their daily needs, religious training and preparation for future support and success. By continued watchfulness, our family of children enjoy a superior degree of health, considering the large number of children and the varied environment from which they came to us.

The Board of Trustees and management of the Home have carried this year an unusual financial burden on account of the hard times. We recognized the obligation to give these children a just and worthy support and training which we are doing, regardless of the difficulty

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of raising the necessary amount required to meet the needs of the work. We were burdened with the \$10,000.00 debt left on the home last year, as no provision was made by the Convention to relieve the Home of this. This indebtedness was a result of not receiving our full percent from the Unified Program.

The Convention Program this year gove the Home only 5% of the Unified Program objective of \$250,000.00 and allowed the Board of Trustees to go afield for the balance needed for the current support of the Home. A report to the Board of Trustees, meeting at the Home on the 2nd of October, revealed the fact that we had received \$4,445.66 for the ten months of this Conventional year when we should have received \$10,410.00, leaving a deficit of \$5,064.84 due the Home from the Unified Program to the first of October. This report revealed the fact that the Home was \$16,161.16 in debt on current support, including the \$10,000.00 of last year.

In view of the pressing needs of the Home because of the above mentioned conditions, we, your committee, urge the churches, Sunday schools, and all societies to join with the Board in raising the \$25,000.00 in November, as a Thanksgiving Offering asked for by the Board in their needs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. DUTTON,

T. M. SHEPPARD,

B. F. KELLEY.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MINISTERS

We, your Committee on Deceased Ministers, beg to report to the Middle Florida Baptist Association that we have kept a check on the different ministers in this Association and that we know of no minister who has passed to his reward during the last past twelve months.

This is highly complimentary and we congratulate ourselves upon the ministers in our Association enjoying the good health that they have been enjoying during the last year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. VANN, Chairman.

B. L. BAILEY.

Committee.

REPORT ON EDUCATION

TO THE BRETHREN AND SISTERS OF THE MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, PERRY, FLORIDA.

GREETINGS:

We, as Baptists, are interested in education; and more especially in our denominational educational programs; first, because our schools increase the influence and numbers of the denomination; second, because they are a source of our ministers and missionaries; and third, because they all stress the training of laymen for definite denominational service.

Denominational education spreads the denomination's influence and numbers. Every Baptist college or school is a center from which the professors and ministerial students go out on Sunday to serve neighboring churches. Moreover, when students are sent to colleges of another denomination from Baptist homes they are in danger of being lost to their denomination. For example, William Jennings Bryan was a volunteer for the Baptist ministry and was preparing to attend William-Jewell College, our Baptist institution in Missouri, when he was persuaded to attend a Presbyterian College because of its lower expense.

When William Jennings Bryan became a Presbyterian and gave up the Baptist ministry, we lost another Spurgeon. Baptist parents, therefore, should, where possible, send their children to Baptist colleges.

- 2. Baptist colleges are the source of Baptist ministers. One large and excellent state university for seven years did not have a single student to enter the ministry; while, at the same time, a neighboring Baptist college had twenty-four (24) per cent of its students going into the Baptist ministry or mission work. At one single exercise this Baptist college had fifty (50) young people volunteer for definite religious service. An investigation of a certain denomination showed that 1,701 of 1,821 ministers had come from denominational colleges. We have received some strong ministers from non-Baptist colleges and universities; but, if we were dependent upon them alone, our Baptist ministry would suffer a decided decrease.
- 3. Our Baptist schools and colleges are the source from which we expect to receive trained laymen to work in our churches as deacons, Sunday School teachers, and church officers. From them we likewise expect the good women whose lives will count in Woman's Missionary Society activities. All of our denominational schools and colleges give courses in denominational doctrines, policies, and methods. Consequently, students who come from our Baptist institutions can be trained to enter the work of their local churches, and be of greater assistance to their pastors.

Our colleges and schools, therefore, merit our patronage, our money, and our prayers. We should send our sons and daughters to our own institutions wherever possible, and should do our best to persuade our friends to do the same. Our colleges and schools should be liberally supported by the gifts of the wealthy among us, for it is no longer possible for a college to grow and develop without adequate endowment. We should put behind our colleges our prayers that they may resist successfully the materialistic teachings of this age, that they may hold the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints, that they may be served by God-fearing, able and consecrated teachers, and that their presidents may render an ever enlarging service to the Kingdom work.

Respectfully submitted,

- C. V. McLAIN, Chairman Committee.
- J. F. McCALL,
- C. W. JOHNSON.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday School is an organization maintained for the purpose of giving instruction in religion and for the study of God's word. It is held on Sunday usually, immediately preceding the regular preaching services.

In 1781 Robert Raikes organized several Sunday Schools in Gloucester, England, for the poorer class of people. At first teachers were paid for their service, but the value of the organization became apparent and brought forward many volunteer teachers, a plan that is in vogue at present in all Sunday Schools.

The Sunday Schools in our Association have made quite a bit of progress during the past year, several new ones having been organized and some of the older schools re-organized and graded according to the plans laid down by our Sunday School Board at Nashville.

Our Sunday Schools need teachers and leaders that fear God-leaders that are willing to learn—and leaders who believe that people are lost and know that the business of the Sunday School is to get them saved.

We find that most of the Sunday Schools in our Association are reaching less than half of their possibilities. We need to get a vision of larger and better Sunday Schools.

"Where there is no vision the people perish. But he that keepeth the law happy is he." Proverbs 29:18.

Respectfully submitted.

VAN H. PRIEST, G. I. TINDALL, ARDIS WARREN.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

We, your Committee on Home Missions, beg to submit the following report:

Our Home Mission field, as we all know, embraces the seventeen states of the Southern Baptist Convention and, in addition, the canal zone and the western part of Cuba, a territory of approximately 1,020,000 square miles, with a population of nearly 43,000,000. Our mission work in this vast field is carried on through our Home Mission Board with head-quarters at Atlanta, Georgia, and with Arch C. Cree as its Executive Secretary.

The Home Mission Board made its last annual report to the Convention in Chattanooga last May; and, notwithstanding a serious falling off in receipts during the last few years and, as a consequence, necessary retrenchment in the work of the Board, the report showed the year's work to have been most encouraging. The faithful sowing of former years brought a glorious harvest of souls won to Christ.

The work of the Board is done through the following departments: Cooperative Missions, Independent and Direct Missions, Evangelistic Missions, Mountain Mission Schools, the Department for Cuba and the Canal Zone, the Department for Church Extension, and the Tuberculosis Sanatorium at El Paso, Texas. The Executive Secretary has general supervision of all this work and is especially in charge of Cooperative Missions.

Let us notice briefly now these different departments of the work:

Cooperative Missions is that work done jointly, by the Home Mission Board and the various State Mission Boards. It has been the one great unifying feature of our mission work and has meant much to the unity of Southern Baptists.

In the Department of Independent and Direct Missions, which is under the sole direction and support of the Home Mission Board, work is done among Foreigners, Indians, Negroes, Deaf Mutes, and Soldiers and Seamen. Rev. J. W. Beagle is Superintendent of this Department and the work has been wonderfully successful during the past year. Much of the work done in this Department is altruistic as well as religious, and, when we remember that there are within the boundaries of our Home Mission Field 5½ Millions of Foreigners, 4 million unsaved negroes, 3,500,000 Mountaineers, 162,000 Indians and 40,000 Deaf Mutes, we see what a great field for service there is.

The Department of Evangelism as a soul-winning agency has a record unsurpassed. From the annual reports of the Board it is learned that in the last ten years 89,300 converts were baptized and 111,015 added to the churches through the labors of our Evangelists. No department of our Home Mission Work is, we think, quite as important as this Department of Evangelism.

The work in our Mountain Schools, under the direction of Rev. J. W. O'Hara, has also been wonderfully successful. We have had, during the ten year period referred to above, 4,165 converts in our Moun-

tainSchools, 4,146 graduates and influences have been set in motion that will not cease until our Lord comes again.

Our work in Cuba, with Rev. M. N. McCall as Superintendent, has been greatly blessed and is growing steadily stronger. Ten years ago our Cuban Convention had 57 delegates and their total offerings were \$4,065.21, with a membership of 1,919; in 1927 there were 108 delegates at the Convention and their offerings for the year were \$21,223.00, and the membership has increased to 2,737. The native churches in Cuba, during the ten years, contributed something over \$125,000.00. The spirit of Evangelism is reported strong.

The Home Board, through its Department of Church Extension, with Rev. A. J. Barton as Superintendent, has done much in helping churches to erect houses of worship, for this purpose making loans at a reasonable rate of interest and extending over a period of years. On request, the Board will send information on the different phases of this Church Extension work.

A summary of the Board's work for the past ten years shows the following results: Baptisms 344,966; Additions to churches 556,957; prayer meetings conducted 175,088; churches constituted 1,905; Sunday Schools organized 6,128; houses bult 4,184.

The Home Mission task was never greater and our opportunities never so inviting. The calls are many, and the future, if we are loyal to the Master, has great things in store for Southern Baptists through our great Home Mission Agency. The challenge is tremendous, but our lost and the enlistment and development of the saved. May God lead forces and resources are well-nigh immeasurable, and, under the blessings of God, must be brought, under contribution, to the salvation of the us in this great task of making America Christian, and, through America, saving the world for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

NOLA PADGETT,
A. D. TOWNSEND,
J. P. WOODS.

Committee on Home Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Notwithstanding that we have had a year of unusual conditions financially, conditions that forced retrenchment in all lines of mission work, and that seriously affected local conditions in certain sections of the state, still we have much to rejoice over when we sum up the blessed results that have attended our efforts under the grace of our loving Father.

During the last ten years our State Mission work has shown a steady growth. During that period of time we have employed 793 missionary workers, who reported 10,866 baptisms, and our books show that we expended in that same period for the evangelization of Florida and the strengthening of our churches, the magnificent sum of \$566,584.39. As this represents on an average of 25 per cent of our total receipts, it can be readily seen that Florida Baptists have not been unmindful of our Master's Kingdom. As a matter of fact and interest, during the ten year period our people have given for all missions through your Board \$2,520,257.69.

However, we cannot live on our past laurels. It is a sad fact that mission receipts have steadily declined the past two years, and we should weigh conditions carefully and diagnose the case seriously to determine the true cause of this decline, and prayerfully endeavor to recover the

ground we have lost. This is a matter for study, both as individuals and churches. We cannot afford to continue to go backwards in our mission work.

In our last report to the State Convention the following items concerning our State Mission work are of vital interest—

Our Board assisted in the support of 90 missionary pastors, who labored at 110 different points.

These missionary rastors reported 1585 baptisms, 1311 received into their fields by letter and 161 by restoration. They were working on mission fields but reported \$7,656.98 collected for missions and \$32,722.50 raised for church buildings. The Board spent on this work, \$25,490.03.

Through our Student Loan Fund, we assisted 22 students in our Seminaries and Training Schools who are preparing definitely for ministerial or mission work.

We are assisting Stetson University in raising its Endowment, and this last year gave for that purpose \$8,621.39. We are glad to note that our people are more and more sending their boys and girls to Stetson, our Baptist College.

The Convention set aside \$5,000.00 for the Baptist Witness in order to assist the paper in keeping our work before the people. It has proven a good investment, for our people appreciate the information they get from that source and which they could obtain from no other.

The Board contributed to the W. M. U. Department \$8,482.19, and to the Sunday School Department \$7,994.13, and to the B. Y. P. U. Department \$8,078.11. We thank God for the splendid work done in each of these Departments.

We assisted the Children's Home in Arcadia all through the year with funds from the Program receipts which amounted to \$20,691.34. There passed through the Mission Office, as special gifts for the Home, \$4,477.78, and the Superintendent reported other gifts which totaled \$11,450.74. This gives a total of \$36,619.86 contributed to the Home for the year.

Florida Baptists gave to Home Missions last year \$22,285.29, and to Foreign Missions \$60,015.04.

We gave to Southwide Educational Institutions \$12,759.66. Friends in the state sent to the Louisville Seminary as special gifts direct \$8,782.15.

We sent the New Orleans Hospital \$1,551.85, and gave to aged ministers or widows, \$7,025.58, and put in our Student Workers at Tallahassee and Gainesville \$2,087.17.

We are sad to note the decline in receipts this year as reported by our Secretary and trust our people will give themselves to prayer, asking for the leadership of the Holy Spirit, to the end that we may not rob God in withholding our tithes and offerings. We beg our people to support more liberally the Cooperative Program from which State Missions gets its income.

W. J. RAY, Chairman,

R. J. CARROLL,

R. H. DEVANE.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS 1928

The outstanding event in the history of the Foreign Mission Board during the last year was the death of Dr. James Franklin Love, its devoted Corresponding Secretary. He passed to his reward on May 3, 1928.

He gave fourteen years to the service of the Board. Through his prolific ren and public addresses he sounded in the ears of Southern Baptists a clarion call to worldwide evangelization. By his wise counsel in conference on the fields in the Orient, South America, Europe and the Near East, he brought reassurance and renewed devotion to the missionaries. His unwavering faithfulness to gospel truths increased loyalty to them wherever he went. His zeal for the spread of the gospel was so unflagging that he pressed on without stint of time and physical strength until he lay exhausted and prone in death. We are bereft over the loss of our beloved brother and mighty leader. Indeed "there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel."

THE DEBT

The Board has been long depressed by debt, but during the last year substantial progress has been made towards reducing this great encumbrance. The debt on January 1, 1928, was \$1,145,729.00. By May 1st it was reduced to \$1,065,791.18. This shows a reduction during the reriod mentioned of \$79,938.56. The Board has a definite plan for the reduction of the debt which is as follows:

- 1. Ten per cent. will be taken monthly from the receipts of the Co-operative Program and applied to the debt.
- 2. Certain properties in the home and in the foreign lands belonging to the Board which cannot now be developed for the work of the Board will be sold.
- 3. Special gifts by friends for the reduction of the debt. Already substantial sums have been received for this purpose. The appropriations for the present year have been made at such a low figure that the debt will not be further increased.

Thus it appears that the Board has developed a plan which will ultimately free it from debt.

ENCOURAGING PHASES OF THE WORK ABROAD

From all lands come inspiring news of gospel triumphs. A year ago the situation in China was chaotic and ominous. While the situation has not cleared altogether, reports from various sections of China indicate that opposition to Christian work is diminishing and anti-foreign and anti-Christian sentiments have abated wonderfully. One of the most cheering things is that the native Christians have stood the grilling test well, and have been true in the most gratifying way. In many, many cases the Chinese pastors have displayed heroic and effective leadership. The churches on the average have demonstrated their faithfulness and have shown remarkable ability to take care of themselves. Many missionaries have returned to interior stations. The Board has twenty-eight main stations where missionaries reside. Missionaries have returned and are living in twenty-four of these. Occasional visits are being made by missionaries to the other four. Not all of the missionaries have returned full-force to every station, but the fact that so many have returned is very encouraging.

One of the most heartening things of the year occurred in Roumania. On February 1, 1928, the Roumanian Government granted Baptists full liberty of teaching, and treatment on equal footing with all Roumanian citizens. The infamous persecution of our brethren in Roumania has been one of the great scandals of modern times. The shame of it spread throughout the world. The widely flung Baptist brotherhood was aroused, and in turn it made its indignation felt. The signatures of protesting Baptists poured in from all corners of the earth. It was unnecessary to count the number of signatures that reached the office of our Baptist Commissioner for Europe. The number may be imagined by the fact

that if the sheets of foolscap paper on which these signatures were written were placed end to end, they would stretch a mile and a quarter. might also be added that in many cases the signatures are those of officials of representative bodies and express decision taken on behalf of very large groups.

Our Mission in Africa has grown remarkably during the last few years. It now ranks third in the number of members of our churches. Last year it stood third in the number of baptisms. The two phases of the situation that command our interest especially are: the great movement toward Christianity bordering on the nature of a mass movement in certain sections of the country, and the inspiring way in which our native Baptist churches are putting forth efforts to evangelize their own people. We have seldom faced opportunities of greater promise of widespread response to the gospel, nor have we seen in any of our native churches a finer, more zealous, more effective missionary spirit than shown by the great churches. The whole of our Baptist brotherhood in Nigeria is co-operating beautifully in the Nigerian Baptist Convention, which is a very worthy and effective body.

We would call attention to the tremendous evangelizing opportunity presented in the Latin American lands to the south of us. The remarkable ripeness of these fields is illustrated by the marvelous response to the messages of Dr. John R. Sampey, who has made two preaching tours in Brazil. In spite of the fact that he had to speak through an interpreter, very large numbers accepted Christ as their Saviour. That a revival is on in Brazil is manifested further by the fact that 2,925 baptisms were reported in that country last year.

The Latins not only respond to the gospel readily, but they support it well. The Church Building Loan Board in our South Brazil Mission has helped 33 churches erect their buildings, and is now aiding 53 more. Our Board has never spent \$50,000.00 to better advantage than when it gave this sum to the South Brazil Church Building Loan Board. There are 81 churches in the State of Rio, 72 of which are self-supporting.

THE STORY IN FIGURES

There are connected with our work abroad 1,275 churches, 675 of which (more than half) are self-supporting, and 959 of which own their own houses of worship. Their grand total of membership reaches 146,072. They gave last year an average of \$3.30 per member.

That the constituency is much larger than the membership is shown by several facts. There are more than twice as many out-stations (2,861) as there are churches. in these, multitudes hear the gospel. There were in our 1,538 Sunday schools 75,118 scholars, and in our 587 regular schools there were 26,244 students. Our missionary physicians treated 48,464 ratients. These great numbers who are brought into contact with the gospel through the means here described, constitute a vast and sympathetic audience to the evangel of our gospel message.

There were 12,542 baptisms last year. Undoubtedly the number actually baptized was larger than this, but on account of disturbed conditions in several fields it was not possible to gather full reports. Even so, the number reported baptized was 457 more than the number reported the previous year.

For all these evidences of Divine blessing upon our work, we thank God and take courage.

R. R. WARE, Chairman M. J. HICKS.

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Central—Rev. J. T. Montgomery	
Greenville—Rev. A. T. Camp	
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Mt. Gilead—Rev. J. E. Vann	
Macedonia—Rev. A. N. Woodard	
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Mayo—Rev. Gus Padgett	
New Home—Rev. W. A. Barrow	
Pinetta—Rev. A. M. Parker	
Perry—Rev. T. O. Reese, D.D.	
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Pleasant Grove Pinetta Perry Pine Grove **Pleasant Grove Rivarside San Pedro Sirmans	City Country	1918 1979 1908 1888	Rev. Gus Padgett, Mayo, Fla. Rev. A. M. Parker, Pinetta, Fla. Rev. T. O. Resse, Perry, Fla. Rev. W. J. Ray, Madison, Fla. Rev. M. J. Howell, Carbur, Fla. Rev. Gus Padgett, Mayo, Fla. Rev. M. J. Fowler, Day, Fla. Rev. A. M. Rowe, Ebb, Fla. TOTAL	Third Sunday Every Sunday Pirst Sunday Second Sunday Second Sunday Pirst Sunday Third Sunday	128 1 1 13 636 18 27 3 636 18 27 3 65 6 18 27 3 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	5 29 2 1 2 1 4 2 4 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	128 No 100 Yes 558 Yes 46 No 53 Yes 98 No 106 No 80 Xes	2 3 2 4 1 4 1 4 1 2 1 1	8 2 ver 5 2 3 6

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION STATE OF FLORIDA YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 20, 1928

				SUNDA	Y SC	H001	. ENF	ROLL	MEN	T			SPE	CIAL	INFO	RMA	TION
CHURCHES	ls It a Village, Town Gity or Country Church?	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Officers and Teachers	3-5 Years . Primaries	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Total Enrollment	What is Your Average Attendance?	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.
Aucilla Brewer Lake Central Elizabeth	Country	G. T. Bishop, Aucilla, Fla	8 8 8	5 6	5 10	11	9	7	İ		48 84 40	75 28		No No No		2	60.45
Greenville	Town Country Town	J. R. Laney, Greenville, Fla	12 5 6	9 1 4 5 12 1	1 15 6 7 4 10 0 16	23 10	l i	20 12 12 15			87 97 57 51 66	75	Yes	No No No No No	6	11 17	8.56 286.76
Midway Macedonia Madison Moseley Hall	Country City	G. L. Thomas, Lee, Fla	5 10 44 5	3 11 1	7 20 6 20	25 6 42	17 33	17 38	28		52 69 258	45 85 116	No No Yes	No No	25	3 11 69	20.20 591.5
Mayo Mt. Olive Jew Hopeful	City Country	R. R. Ware, Mayo, Fla	5 5 8	10 1 12 12			18 24 9	15 20			84 82 87 78	60 20 60	Yes No No	No No No No	2		41.5
Pleasant Grove inetta erry ine Grove	Town City	E. W. Kinsey, Pinetta, Fla	5 7 27	6 41 7	7 11 5 75	13 50	3 47	4 81	•	34	51 890	30 224	No Yes	No No No	3 9	15 14	21.28 166.81
*Pleasant Grove liversidean Pedro		F. A. Goodman, Shady Grove, Fla. Theodore Fryer, Mayo, Fla. Nola Padgett, Perry, Fla	6 7 8	9 1	11 0 11 13		20 24	28			40 50 80	28 28	No No	No No No No		7 12	14.0
Sirmans		J. R. Vann, Ebb, FlaTOTAL	7 213 1	15 89 15	8 16	21		14 278	281	 84	81			,	45	i '	 \$1.210.85

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CHURCH PROPERTY OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Pine Grove S. C. Warren, Madison, Fla Yes Wood 300 1 No No 500.00 500.00			YE	AR E	NDIN	G OCT	ΓŌ	BER 2	3, 192	28				
Aucilla	CHURCHES		es Your Ch	Was it Built	P		75	All Departn lay School	All Sunday S	of Church Grounds	alue of Pastor's	ine all	fness on Property	
Macedonia M. C. Woodard, Lee, Fla. Yes 1928 Wood 350 6 Yes Yes 7,800.00 <td>Aucilla Antioch Brewer Lake Bculah Central Elizabeth Friendship Greenville Harmony Hop_well Lee I amont Midway</td> <td>Mrs. J. L. Bishop, Aucilla, Fla. T. H. Hurst. Jasper, Fla. Thomas A. Bell, Day, Fla. H. L. Stokes, Lee, Fla. Miss Nell Thomas, Aucilla, Fla. A. P. Hartsfield, Aucilla, Fla. Miss Ola Roberts, Perry, Fla. T. P. McLeod, Greenville, Fla. W. J. Spradley, Lamont, Fla. Miss Allee Kelly, Madison, Fla. 2dd Rutherford, Madison, Fla. D. R. Walker, Ebb, Fla. I. H. Phillips, Lee, Fla.</td> <td>Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes</td> <td>1888 1907 1922 1920 1848 1905 1908</td> <td>Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Brick Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood</td> <td> 200 250 300 200 200 200 125 250 400 200</td> <td>1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1</td> <td>No No No No No No Yes Yes Yes No</td> <td>No No No No No No No No No No No No No N</td> <td>550.00 500.00 900.00 900.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 15,097.78 1,000.00 600.00 1,250.00 1,000.00</td> <td></td> <td>550.00 500.00 900.00 900.00 900.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 17.597.78 1,000.00 600.00 1,250.00 1,000.00 850.00</td> <td></td> <td>\$</td>	Aucilla Antioch Brewer Lake Bculah Central Elizabeth Friendship Greenville Harmony Hop_well Lee I amont Midway	Mrs. J. L. Bishop, Aucilla, Fla. T. H. Hurst. Jasper, Fla. Thomas A. Bell, Day, Fla. H. L. Stokes, Lee, Fla. Miss Nell Thomas, Aucilla, Fla. A. P. Hartsfield, Aucilla, Fla. Miss Ola Roberts, Perry, Fla. T. P. McLeod, Greenville, Fla. W. J. Spradley, Lamont, Fla. Miss Allee Kelly, Madison, Fla. 2dd Rutherford, Madison, Fla. D. R. Walker, Ebb, Fla. I. H. Phillips, Lee, Fla.	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	1888 1907 1922 1920 1848 1905 1908	Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Brick Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood	200 250 300 200 200 200 125 250 400 200	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	No No No No No No Yes Yes Yes No	No No No No No No No No No No No No No N	550.00 500.00 900.00 900.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 15,097.78 1,000.00 600.00 1,250.00 1,000.00		550.00 500.00 900.00 900.00 900.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 17.597.78 1,000.00 600.00 1,250.00 1,000.00 850.00		\$
**Pleasant Grove J. A. Tedder, Shady Grove, Fla	Macedonia Madison Moseley Hall Mayo Mt. Olive New Home New Hopeful New Macedonia *Pleasant Grove Pinetta Perry Pine Grove **Pleasant Grove	M. C. Woodard, Lee, Fla. J. F. McCall, Madison, Fla. Rufus Sapp, Ebb, Fla. Miss Irene Buchanan, Mayo. Fla. J. H. Hillips, Madison, Fla. J. H. Devane, Madison, Fla. J. H. Evell, Mayo, Fla. J. H. Ezell, Mayo, Fla. E. W. Kinsey, Pinettä, Fla. E. F. Strickland, Perry, Fla. S. C. Warren, Madison, Fla. J. A. Tedder, Shady Grove, Fla.	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	1898 1887 1908 1927 1928 1900 	Wood Briek Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Brick Wood Wood	350 400 200 300 150 200 300 250 600 300	17 13 11 11 11 128 11 11	Yes No Yes No Yes Yes Yes No Yes No	Yes No No No Yes No Yes No No No Yes No No	7,800.00 80,000.00 1,200.00 5,000.00 900.00 800.00 1,800.00 1,000.00 800.00 60,000.00 500.00	350.00	7,800.00 36,000.00 1,200.00 5.000.00 900.00 675.00 1,800.00 675.00 1,000.00 1,150.00 65,000.00 500.00	22.00	22,000.00

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CIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

				FOR SUPP	ORT OF I	LOCAL C	HURCH V	VORK		
CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Relpand Supply	Building and Repairs	locidestals	Literature for Sanday School and B. Y. P. U and W. M. S.	Help Gives to Lotal Forr	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Total Fer Support Local Church Work
	Bertie Exell, Carbur, Fia.	\$ 75.00 75.00 42.61	31.60	•	٠	10.00	•	2.20 2.00	•	75.0 118.7
	E. H. Morgan, Ellaville, Fla	309.00	25.00 65.05		12.00			5.00		70.20 382.0
Beulah	S. K. Driggars, Lee, Fla	60.00	10.86				1	2.50		73.3
ientral	J. T. Montgomery, Aucilla, Fla	250.00	\$5.00		54.40 20.80	13.00		5.00		387.4
Priordehin	J. R. Lewis, Actilla, Fla. Lulu Cannon, Perry, Pla.	215.00	122.50		20.50	26,11		5.00	150.08	538.9
	W. C. Prince, Greenville, Fla.	1.641.00	203.26	32.74	66.46	61.42		10.00	200.50	2.116.3
Harmony		75.00						1.50	- 14-10-	76.51
lopewell	B. P. Kelly, Madison, Fis	147.50				1		1.00		148.50
ee	B. C. Rutherford, Madison, Fis C. J. Reams, Lamont, Fis	300.00 150.00	126.78	7.68	24.50 15.08	14.00		3.00		899.00 303.8
Midway	M J Ficks Lee Fis	257.00	9.50	10.00	1.00		18.25	5.05		297.8
Mt. Gilead	M. J. Hicke, Lee, Fig	201.00	1					2.00		
				6,500.00	384.50	23.00		5.45	13.50	7,250.6
Madison	W. P. Knight, Madison, Fla	2,500.00	661.50	17,831.24	654.57	316.44	184.74	10.00	2,280.41	
Monetey Mall	Russell Andrews, Ebb, Fig	1,206.00	10.00					2.08	11.50	162.0 1.281.5
V. Olive	Agnes Bridges, Madison, Fla	50.00		68.60	23.00	45.00		3.00	11.50	1,281.6
Yew Home	Luin Bass, Madison, Fla	50.00	10.20	44.40		i I		4.25		14.4
		220.00	149.02	118.18	8.46	40.00	18.01	6.00		653.7
vew Masedonia	R. B. Warren, Greenville, Fla	127,25	16,40	4.80			49.00	2.00		284.9
Pleasant Grove	H. I. Winderweedle, Mayo. Fla	185.00				1		3.00		188.0
metta	B. W. Kinsey, Pinetts, Fls	340.00	61.68	2,085.00	89.17	86.61	12.06	10.00	1.052.91	581.8 5.071.5
ing Chave	D. S. Register, Perry, Fig. S. C. Warren, Madison, Fig.	100.00	25.10	2.086.00	714.47	388.03	173.56	2.00	40.00	178.1
		78,00	22.20		7.02			5.00	40.94	107.2
liverside	A. U. Mille, Maye, Pla.	121.90			1.02	1		5.00		126.9
an Pedro	C. H. Bunter, Perry, Pla.	200.00	68.26	1	i	28.00		1.75		291.0
demans	J. R. Vann, Ebb, Fla	129.15	90.00					2.80		221.6
	TOTAL	\$11,914.61	\$2,872.82	\$26,658.56	\$1,978.87	\$932.58	\$1,002.54	\$112.06	\$8,708.81	\$47,449.T

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GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, ETC., MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 23, 1928

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Churches	Gifts to the Gooperative Program	State Missions	Schools and Colleges	Grphanges	Total All Missions Education and Benevolence	Grand Total for Church Expense Missions and B	Pledged to Cooperative Program Next Year
Athens		\$	\$	30.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 105.00	18
Aucille	10.71 10.00			6.75	10.71	129,41 87.01	10.00
Brewer lake	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,				10.12	182.96	50.00
Beolah	! 50_00!				50.00	78.86 487.40	1
Central Elizabeth	29.34		l	2.75	32,09	571.00 11	21.60
Friendship]		50.00	1
Greenville		812.54	Ì)	312.54		1
Harmony	į Į	:	l	l		76.50] 148.50	1
Lec						198.00	1
Lamont	75.00]	ļ	30.32	363.68	1
Midway	25.59		ļ	ļ	26.59		1
Mt. Gilead	65.44		!	86.17	102.81	2.00[7,358.24]	60,00
Madison	1,000.000		!	40.27	1.000.00		1,000.00
Moneley Hall	-,				-,	162.06	_,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Mayo]	27.60	J	28.95	51.55		
Mt. Olive	4.07				407	116.00	+ - 4
New Home New Hopeful	12,36		l	ì	4.07 12.85	18.52 666.03[26	10.00 25.00
New Macedonia	*2.00	!		}	12.00	284.96	00.00
*Pleasant Grove	l í	·		1		138.00	
Pinetta	75.75		۱	21.26	07.00		100.00
Perty	925.47	i	20.00	141.81	1,149.78	8,221,41	1,200.00
Pine Grove	Z.1.14		I	14.09	41,22	219.82 107.22	
Riverside	l ł	1	,	1	I	126,90	
Sen Pedra,	60.00				50.00	318.51	26.00
Sirmans	10.00				10.00	281.65	
Total	<u> </u>	¥844.42	¥50.00	¥278.27	\$3,077.68	\$62,494.88	\$2,491.60

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B. Y. P. U.'s OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 23, 1928

YEAR ENDING O	CI	UB.	EK	Z	5,	1926	<u> </u>	_				
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CHURCHES -	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	cd	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Systematic Givers in All Unions	Total Number Daily	
Elizabeth	1			1		26			26			
Greenville	1	1	1	8			l i	l l		ļ		
Midway	1			1		28			28			
Madison	1 (1	1	3	_		1	' 1				
Mayo	1	_l	_	1	1	35			35		25	
Perry	1	1	1	3	3	36		16	69	59	58	
San Pedro	1	1		2		31	13		44	30	10	•
Sirmans	1	ا	ايا	L	ل	85		امرا	35	امو	98	
Total	8	4	3	119	4	191	80	110	287	89		

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WOMAN'S WORK OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 23, 1928

CHURCHES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y. W. A.'s.	of G.	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	W.W	e de la companya de l		G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam		To'tl Enrolled in Mis.	Loca Work	Gifts to Missions and Benevolences.	Total Gifts All Purposes.
ElizabethGreenville	1 2		1		1	1 4	6					1	14		4.73	4.73 637.70
Lee Lamont Macedonia	1 1				,	1 1 2	11 10 6				20	11 10 26			5.00	5.00
Madison Mayo	4	1	1	1	i	8	12	ĺ	1			-		2,435.78	437.52	2,873.30
New Hopeful Pinetta	1				1	2	13				20	33	į	37.95	41.10	79.05
Perry	1	1	1	1	1	2 5 2	70	20 10	20	12	28 26	150		1,959.05 87.45		2,579.53 37.45
San Pedro	16	3	3	2	5	ī	12		20	i		1	84		\$1,108.83	
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