

MINUTES  
OF THE  
TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE  
MIDDLE FLORIDA

**Baptist Association**

HELD WITH  
LEE BAPTIST CHURCH,  
MADISON COUNTY, FLORIDA.

OCTOBER 14th and 15th, 1919.

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OFFICERS

Rev. S. B. Cole, Moderator.....Madison, Fla.  
Theo. Leslie, Secretary.....Madison, Fla.  
F. B. Williams, Treasurer.....Lee, Fla.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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J. R. Mullis,  
W. L. Weaver  
J. Vickers  
G. F. Andrews.

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The Twentieth Annual Session of Middle Florida Baptist Association will convene with Elizabeth Baptist Church, Jefferson County, on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1920, at 10:00 o'clock.

## MINUTES.

After devotional services, led by the Moderator, the Twentieth Session of the Middle Florida Association was declared open for the transaction of business.

Motion of Brother Barry to dispense with reading of Church Letters was lost, after which the Moderator appointed Brothers English and Scruggs to take up and read letters.

The following Messengers were enrolled:

Antioch—S. M. Morgan, D. M. Dees.  
 Aucilla—J. H. Whiddon.  
 Athena—Not represented.  
 Beulah—B. C. Webb, W. J. Shellhouse, H. B. Driggers.  
 Brewer Lake—L. D. Dees, J. D. Smith, J. W. Fielding.  
 Bethel—B. J. Head.  
 Central—W. M. Scruggs, J. R. Mullis, Jessie Walker.  
 Cabbage Grove—Not represented.  
 Elizabeth—Staten Howell, J. P. Lewis.  
 Greenville—J. T. Prince, A. Reams.  
 Hope Well—L. F. Rutherford.  
 Harmony—Represented by Letter.  
 Lamont—G. F. Andrews.  
 Lee—W. N. Webb, J. W. Barker, L. C. Purvis, Clarence Lamb.  
 Live Oak—J. S. Pinson.  
 Luther—Not represented.  
 Macedonia—T. I. Tyndall, F. B. Williams.  
 Madison—W. L. Tooke, J. E. Windham, W. P. Knight, Theo. Leslie.  
 Midway—D. E. Thomas, M. J. Hicks.  
 Mayo—R. R. Ware, Mrs. M. T. White, Mrs. E. L. Scarborough, Mrs. Eddie Winburn.  
 Mosley Hall—J. R. Oquin, Howard Leslie.  
 Mount Gilead—Rev. J. E. Vann and J. J. Aman.  
 Mount Mariah—A. H. Hicks, Willis Johnson.  
 New Hope—Not represented.  
 New Hopeful—Mrs. W. C. Loper, Miss Susie Humphrey, Council Burnett, W. L. Humphrey.  
 New Macedonia—J. C. Dukes, Mrs. J. C. Dukes.  
 New Prospect—J. E. Tuten.  
 Oakland—Not represented.

Oak Grove—Harry McLeod, Lewis Hammock, Tom Hollingsworth.

Perry—By Letter.

Pine Grove—By Letter.

Pine Bluff—By Letter.

Pleasant Hill—Not represented.

Pinetta—F. J. Blair, E. W. Kinsey.

Pleasant Grove, LaFayette—H. B. Ezell, Mrs. H. B. Ezell, J. H. Smith, Mrs. J. H. Smith.

Pleasant Grove, Taylor County—S. W. Tedder.

Pisgah—A. J. Parker, J. T. Aman.

Riverside—Jessie Frier, C. N. Frier, A. W. Wilder.

San Pedro—Jno. Corrin.

Sirmans—L. H. Hally, Jr.

Salem—Not represented.

Tryumph—Not represented.

#### Tuesday Morning, October 14, 1919.

On motion it was ordered that the delegates enrolled and those that might hereafter be enrolled constitute the working body of this Association.

On motion Rev. S. B. Cole of Madison was elected Moderator and Theodore Leslie, Clerk.

Tentative Program was read and adopted.

The following committees were appointed:

Finance: W. M. Scruggs, A. M. Warren, J. E. Windham, F. B. Williams.

Sunday Schools: A. N. Woodard, Harry McLeod, R. R. Ware, D. E. Thomas, S. W. Tedder.

Education: J. T. Montgomery, B. J. Head, A. M. Parker, F. J. Blair.

Introductory Sermon Preached by Rev. S. B. Cole.  
 Adjourned for Dinner.

#### Afternoon Session.

Association convened at 1:30 p. m. Devotional Services conducted by Rev. A. M. Parker.

Report of Executive Committee, was read and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools, read and adopted.

Report on Education, was read and adopted.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

That we ask each church in the Middle Florida Association to urge her pastor to attend the Pastors School next year, and that the church will help to bear the expenses of the trip.

The following committees were announced:

Home Missions: D. F. Barry, A. W. Wilder, L. D. Dees, Lewis Hammock, W. L. Tooke.

Foreign Missions: A. E. Caulkins, W. M. Scruggs, W. N. Webb, H. B. Ezell, J. C. Dukes, D. C. Thomas.

Temperance: A. M. Parker, M. J. Hicks, R. R. Ware, J. E. Tuten, J. W. Fielding, Jessie Walker.

State Missions: W. L. Weaver, J. T. Farnell, S. M. Morgan, Jno. W. Day, J. R. O'Quin.

Association adjourned until 7:30 p. m.

Evening service was conducted by Brother W. W. Willian in the interest of the 75 Million Campaign.

### Wednesday Morning, October 15, 1919.

Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Devotional Services conducted by Rev. M. J. Fowler.

Reading of the Minutes was dispensed with.

On motion it was decided that if Rev. A. E. Caulkins did not arrive the Missionary Sermon be dispensed with and that the regular order of business be continued so that the Association might adjourn with the afternoon session.

The following committees were appointed:

Orphanage: W. A. Cate, Willis Johnson, Clarence Lamb, Staten Howell.

Nominations: J. E. Hardee, Jessie Dukes, W. N. Webb.

Periodicals: W. B. Davis, W. M. Tampling, Tom Hollingsworth, A. Reams, S. G. Ward.

State of Churches: R. F. Hacker, A. M. Parker, B. C. Webb, A. Reams.

Ministerial Support: C. L. Leggett, C. E. McClelland, F. J. Blair, L. A. Seals.

Deceased Ministers: J. T. Farnell, Jno. Corrin, M. J. Fowler.

Aged Ministers: G. F. Andrews, J. S. Pinson, W. S. Kelly, J. H. Whiddon.

Woman's Work: Mrs. J. O. Culpepper, Rev. D. F. Barry, Mrs. Eddie Bunting.

Report on State Missions was read and adopted.

Report on Home Missions was read and adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions was read and adopted.

Report on Temperance was read and adopted.

Report on Periodicals was read and adopted.

Report on Orphanage was read and adopted.

Report on Nominations was read and after some changes was adopted.

Request of Mayo Church to vote by proxy on place of meeting was denied.

On motion it was decided to hold next meeting with Elizabeth Church.

Association adjourned for Dinner.

### Afternoon Session.

Devotional Services conducted by Rev. J. T. Farnell.

Report on State of Churches read and adopted.

Report on Aged Ministers read and adopted.

Moderator being called away, Rev. J. T. Farnell was made Moderator pro-tem.

On motion Brother Bennett was ordered to return money collected for church at Cabbage Grove provided he knew from whom it was collected. If not to send it to the Orphanage.

Report on Deceased Ministers read and adopted.

Report on Woman's Work read and adopted.

The Pisgah Baptist Church applied to Association for admission and was accepted.

The following Resolution was adopted: That this Association pay railroad expenses of one promising young preacher to attend the Baptist Assembly in De Land, and that this man be selected by the Executive Committee.

Treasurers report read and adopted.

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

Resolution of thanks was extended to the Lee Baptist Church for the splendid entertainment and hospitality which was given this body.

The Association ordered that the Clerk be paid \$25.00 for his services.

Association then adjourned to meet with Elizabeth Church, four miles North of Aucilla, Tuesday after the second Sunday of October 1920 at ten a. m.

S. B. COLE, Moderator.

THEODORE LESLIE, Clerk.

and go over the top and take the world for Christ and extend His Kingdom to earths remotest bounds.

Respectfully submitted,

A. N. WOODARD,  
S. W. TEDDER,  
D. E. THOMAS,  
HARRY McLEOD,  
R. R. WARE.

Committee.

### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

One of the most outstanding facts of our day is the increased interest in Christian Education. The great war has taught us the imperative necessity of the right kind of education. A great authority on German Education has declared that if there had been a score of Christian Colleges the war would not have occurred.

The perpetuity of Christian civilization, the spread of Christianity, the leadership of our denomination and the welfare of our own boys and girls demand that increased emphasis be placed upon Christian Education. This is the only type of education that makes for efficiency plus character.

Our Southern Baptists are awake to the gravity of the situation. We have schools and colleges scattered through the South. These have done and are still doing a great and good work, but they have been handicapped for lack of funds and system. Several years ago the Southern Baptist Convention established an Education Commission, which has done good work along the lines of enlightenment and enlistment.

At the Convention last May a great forward step was taken. A campaign was launched to raise Seventy-Five Million Dollars in five years. Christian Education is to receive 20 millions of this amount. Every dollar of it is needed, and every Baptist should do his dead level best to make the campaign a glorious success. The reports are most encouraging.

At the same meeting of the Convention an Education Board was established and located in Birmingham,

ham, Ala. Dr. J. E. Dillard is Acting Corresponding Secretary.

The Board maintains an office, which is a clearing house on Baptist Education. Here is gathered the literature from all the schools, reports of all similar boards and commissions, questionnaires, revealing the exact status of institutions of learning and such an assemblage of materials as enables one to become conversent with conditions in the educational world.

The Board will make surveys of the educational conditions existing in the various States, the needs of the various schools, whether more schools are needed, whether certain courses of studies should be added or dropped, whether schools should attempt junior or senior college work and in general will help to standardize, co-ordinate and correlate our schools.

The Board will consider and make recommendations on such problems as how to improve rural schools, how to relate State and denominational schools; the relations to be sustained between academies, colleges, universities and seminaries; how to relate our schools more closely to the churches, etc.

The Board will assist the various States in their educational campaigns for funds and students; provide or prepare a suitable educational literature; seek to care for the Baptist boys and girls in State and private institutions; will conduct a perennial campaign for students; will seek to enlist students of promise in special Christian service; will establish a Teachers' Bureau; solicit funds for education and in general use every legitimate means to increase the interests of our people in Christian Education.

Call upon this Board for Literature, information and help. Brethren, work and pray, seek to enlist our young people in our schools, give your money and your efforts to the cause of Christian Education.

Our State is co-operating with the Education Board in its work, and our schools in this State will be greatly helped by the success of the great campaign, which is now under way.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. MONTGOMERY,  
A. M. PARKER,  
F. J. BLAIR,  
B. J. HEAD,

Committee.

### REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee on State Missions reports as follows:

The work of our State Board is one of great worth at this time; the needs of the Gospel to be preached in ever nook and corner of Florida. We have so many kinds of doctrines that are being preached that are not orthodox, poisoning the children and even grown up peoples minds. The only way this can be reached is in and through the State Board of Missions. Her broad fields of need of sound gospel has not covered the great territory yet. There are new industries springing up every day more or less; these are the days we should do our best for missions to send the Gospel of our Blessed Lord and Savior's message to the lost ones of our noble State. If the Baptists will wake up now to their great duty and reap the great blessings that our Blessed God has in store for us it is much easier to do the work now than to wait longer. As we work let us pray, that our Heavenly Father will bless our labor. Let us lay the foundation for the future generations to build upon. Our State Board of Missions is the only agency we have to develop our Home State. To do this, we must put God called men and women in the field as missionaries to carry the good news of grace and joy to the lost ones of our great State. We should make greater efforts to build church houses where they are needed and support God called young men to equip them for the spread of the doctrines of our Blessed Lord's word; and don't forget our dear old preachers, that have worn out themselves in ministerial work; also let us not forget to pray for and work with our beloved State Secretary in his great work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. FARNELL.

### REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The influence of America in shaping world-ideals today is unequalled by any other nation. Sound missionary policy requires that we shall really make America Christian. Baptists of the South have in

the Home Mission Board an agency of marked efficiency through which they are bringing to bear their combined efforts to that end.

A great work of soul-winning still confronts us in the South, where about 20,000,000 persons make no profession of religion, though the South is better evangelized than any other section of the country. Our Home Missionaries lead those of all other denominations in the work of soul-winning. 40,000 converts were added to the churches last year through their labors. We rejoice that during the present year the Board's strong evangelistic service is being enlarged still more.

The reproach of 3,000 unhoused Baptist churches in the South is being removed by direct gifts and by the Million Dollar Loan Fund of our Board. A great service is being rendered through our large system of mission schools to the belated people in mountain districts of the South.

One of the greatest tasks before Southern Baptists is the nurturing of many of our churches, through adequate preaching services and pastoral work, whose members are second to none in their sound Americanism and evangelical faith, but who have not been adequately taught in the life of faith. Our Home Board, after six years of effort in this new field, is substantially enlarging the Enlistment work.

In the fields of Indians, Foreigners, and Negroes, the Board is enlarging its service to meet enlarging opportunities. In its co-operative work with State Boards, especially in the relatively younger States, it is doing the largest work in its history. In Cuba and Panama the Board's work shows a healthy growth, a full return in spiritual fruits for the money we have given to it.

Adjusting itself to the enlarged effort made possible by the \$75,000,000 Campaign, the Board is expending \$1,500,000 this year, much of it in needy strategic places it was not before possible to enter.

We heartily commend our Board for the vigorous and able stand of Dr. B. D. Gray, its Corresponding Secretary, and his associates, to safeguard the fundamental principles of religious liberty and justice, when these were threatened by forces which used the occasion of the war to betray our American freedom of

faith. The service of our Secretary and our Board in this emergency was invaluable.

These days of reconstruction are a time of severe testing to the character and Christian faith of our people. With our whole heart we rejoice that the Southern Baptist Convention has in the \$75,000,000-Campaign provided \$12,000,000 to be used by our Home Board in evangelizing and christianizing the South. Let us raise it!

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. BARRY,  
A. W. WILDER,  
L. A. HAMMOCK,  
Committee.

#### REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Any just appreciation of the Foreign Mission Board's work and responsibilities, and any effort to provide adequate resources for this work must be based upon a knowledge and just consideration of the extensive fields which the Board is cultivating, the conditions on these fields, the variety of work that is being conducted, and the necessities of the work which we have allowed to accumulate through the years.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is charged with propagating the gospel in Japan, China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Chile, etc. Such numerous and extensive mission fields put this work out of comparison with anything else we are doing.

On these fields there are vaster numbers of human beings than the human mind can grasp. The population in these lands mounts into the hundreds of millions, some of them white, some black, some yellow, but all of them the object of God's love.

But we shall not properly appraise Foreign Missions if we overlook the fact that it includes the evangelization of the lost, the education of the ignorant, the training of the saved, the healing of the sick, the housing of feeble mission churches. Indeed, all that we

are doing at home through state mission boards, home mission boards, education boards, orphanages, sanitarium and the rest we are doing through the Foreign Mission Board. No adequate provision can be made for a work so extensive, so varied and comprehensive if we put Foreign Missions on a parity with any single Christian enterprise which we are conducting at home.

There is another fact, and a great fact it is, which must be taken into consideration if we are to meet our obligations to this great work at this time. The War immeasurably enlarged our international Christian duty. The heroic efforts and sacrifices which we made to set the world free from the extraordinary restraints of autocracy creates for us a new and larger duty to promote everywhere the internal constraints of the gospel of Christ. The unrestrained freedom of unregenerated human nature inevitably menaces the world. The extraordinary world situation which we have created with our guns lays upon us the most serious responsibility to send the gospel into all nations.

The Convention at Atlanta in May recognized the new obligations which this extraordinary world situation laid upon Southern Baptists and authorized the Board to undertake reconstruction work in Europe, to hasten with the Gospel into disturbed and endangered Russia, and to set up the banner of Christ in Persia, Syria and in Galilee, from whence the blessings of Christ's life and death have flowed down through centuries to us, and to which we are under peculiar obligations. In the new work thus designated for the Foreign Mission Board its task and its needs have been well-nigh doubled. Let churches and individual givers lay to heart these facts in making future contributions to this work.

It is fitting to say that as poorly as we have supported this great world enterprise, the blessings of heaven have been upon it. Some of the results of the work last year were 5,635 converts baptized, forty-one churches organized, two churches assuming self-support, 61,588 patients treated, and 129,298 treatments administered.

The world fields are ripe unto the harvest, but much of the bending grain will be lost if we do not quickly thrust in the sickle. The world has never seen the

universal human mind so expectant, so ready to make great decisions, and therefore such need for quick and decisive action by those who would turn that mind to the right things and lead the world by the highway of the cross back to God. Foreign Mission duty was never so imperious as just now.

While the 75 Million Campaign has been presented to the body in another report your committee on Foreign Missions would add its endorsement of this movement and its admonition to the churches of the Association that there be no failure to give this Campaign the most unqualified, faithful and enthusiastic support. The success of the Campaign will help everything that we are doing and its failure would hurt everything. We have set for ourselves a task worthy of a great people and shall prove ourselves worthy of our inheritance if we accomplish it. The eyes of our Lord and of the world are upon us and we must succeed in this great thing to which we have laid our hands.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. SCRUGGS,  
W. N. WEBB,  
D. E. THOMAS,  
H. B. EZELL,  
J. C. DUKES,

Committee.

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#### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance reports as follows:

That God has commanded that all men should be temperate in all things. We now call attention to his blessed word, "Wine is a mocker strong drinks is raging, whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Prov. 20-1. "At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stineth like an adder." Prov. 23-32.

This refers direct to alcoholic beverages. For this great cause, the Anti-Saloon League was organized in Speer library, at Oberlin, on May 24th, 1893, by Dr. Howard H. Russell, founder.

It is now the father of the National Prohibition League, and we have now forty-five States which have ratified the national prohibition amendment. Fifteen of these States ratified from January 1919 until October 1919.

This leaves three States that have not ratified yet.

Brethren, let us take courage for final victory is near at hand. The aggregate vote in the Senate was 1289 for ratification and only 213 against. The aggregate vote in the Houses was 3737 for ratification and only 934 against it.

These figures show that 85 per cent of the State Senators and 80 per cent of the State Representatives in the forty-five States that ratified voted for Constitutional Prohibition.

Out of three thousand five hundred saloons in New York, six hundred have closed their doors. The other two thousand nine hundred are trying to keep open for sale of beer, but the trade is very light due to the less consumption of alcohol. The decrease of crime in Chicago has amounted to nearly 50 per cent.

As your committee sees the matter, the main point at issue today is law enforcement. We prayerfully recommend that all Christians unite and use their best efforts to have the laws enforced to suppress the illegal sale of alcoholic beverages.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. PARKER, Committee.

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#### REPORT ON PERIODICALS OR RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Periodicals or Religious Literature, beg leave to submit the following Report. First, the Bible, the Book of all Books; then, Secondly, other good religious books, the Little Baptist, the Pilgrims Progress, the life of Christ, the life of Paul, the Baptists History, the Normal Manual, and other religious books, we will not mention; also our Denominational Papers: The Baptist Witness, The Home and Foreign Fields, and Tracts on various subjects, and

we are so glad to see new subscriptions every week for *The Witness*. The committee feels sorrow, because so many Baptists do not take these papers and inform themselves on: what the Baptists are doing. Every home needs that paper and also an equipment of these good books. We believe those helps would make us better Christians, better workers, stronger Baptists, greater soldiers and truly will help us to be broader missionaries. Pray, tell me, how do we expect to be prepared to meet the great issue of the Day, without being informed ourselves.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. TAMPLING,  
TOM HOLLINGSWORTH,  
S. G. WARD,

Committee.

#### REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

For a number of years the Baptists of Florida have maintained an Institution at Arcadia for the care of the orphan children. During most of the time the orphanage has been crowded to the limit. This is the condition now. While great good has been done, and is now being done, it must be borne in mind that the management cannot create any new wealth. They can only use such means as are placed in their hands. If the work is limited and falls short of all that ought to be done, we have no one but ourselves to blame for it.

It is with fond anticipation that we look forward to the completion of the Seventy-Five Million Fund. One hundred thousand dollars of the fund will be used in caring for the orphans of Florida for the next five years. With this amount far better provisions can be made than has ever been made, and it is hoped that not a single orphan will be turned away from our doors.

Let every Baptist in Florida "go the limit and then some" in the effort to "put over" this Seventy-Five

Million Fund, and until this fund is available, let us contribute liberally to the orphanage fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. H. CATE, Chairman,  
CLARENCE LAMB,  
B. S. HOWELL,

Committee.

#### REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your Committee on Nominations recommends

1. For Executive Committee: W. L. Weaver, J. R. Mullis, J. E. Hardee, G. F. Andrews, Jacob Vickers.
2. For members of State Board of Missions: S. B. Cole:
3. For Treasurer: F. B. Williams.
4. For Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention: Rev. A. E. Caulkins, Alternate G. F. Andrews.
5. Delegates to State Convention: S. B. Cole, D. F. Barry, A. E. Caulkins, Theo. Leslie, W. L. Weaver, G. F. Andrews, A. N. Woodard, T. J. Bennett, A. H. Townsend, R. R. Ware, A. M. Parker.
6. To preach introductory sermon: R. F. Hacker.
7. To preach the Missionary sermon: A. M. Parker.

Respectfully submitted,

W. N. WEBB,  
JESSIE DUKES,  
J. E. HARDEE,

Committee.

#### REPORT ON STATUS OF CHURCHES.

The Churches of the Middle Florida Association are in a very abnormal condition, yet, but they are in some better shape, than they were one year ago. There have been very few additions to the churches during this year. By this we feel that the various churches have not been doing their whole duty in regard to the upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom in their midst.

We urge that each delegate go from this session of

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 the association to bring forth better results than ever before.

Brethren, God has open to us a door of opportunity, to perfect His work. Shall we grasp this opportunity or shall we let it close.

Respectfully submitted,  
 A. M. PARKER,

**REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS.**

Your committee on Aged Ministers reports as follows:

We feel that the ministers who have now grown old in the service of God in the State of Florida are deserving of the highest praise for laboring under great difficulties, and enduring hardships as good soldiers of Christ. They laid the foundation on which our present prosperity is built. We reverence them for their faith. Emulate their dauntless courage and commend their godly lives to the younger generation.

Our support of these worthy men has been poor.

We would impress their worthiness on the heart and conscience of every Baptist in Florida and ask that you make your offerings larger for them in the future.

We, your committee, are glad to report that the 75 Million Campaign has wisely provided for them. Therefore we heartily recommend it.

Respectfully submitted,  
 C. E. McCLELLAN,  
 C. L. LEGETTE,  
 F. J. BLAIR,  
 CLARENCE SEALS.  
 Committee.

**REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS.**

We the committee beg leave to report on Deceased Ministers.

Dear Brethren, we have something to thank God for this year. We find God has blessed us noticeably by sparing all of our beloved ministers of God in our

association, and our church. Sing, praise God from whom all blessings flow; we need their advice and feel that they are a force for good in our midst.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. FARNELL,  
 M. J. FOWLER,  
 JOHN CORRIN,  
 Committee.

**REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.**

We are glad that we have a woman's work in our churches, and that our good women do their duty. If it wasn't for our good women we wouldn't be what we are today. As a people we therefore recommend that we as a church give them a more heartily support, than we have been doing heretofore. They are the most loyal people to the Master on earth. God bless them in their work.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. BARRY,  
 Mrs. EDDIE BONTING,  
 Committee.

**REPORT ON W. M. U. WORK.**

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Middle Florida Association held their Annual Meeting at Lee on October 15th, 1919, at the home of Mrs. Frank Webb.

The following program was rendered:

Song, "When Millions come pouring in." Scripture lesson: The 6th chapter of John, by Mrs. R. F. Bunting. Prayer, led by Mrs. Will. Loper.

A Paper on the 75 Million Campaign, by Mrs. R. F. Bunting.

A four Minutes speech on the needs of the Campaign by Mrs. W. A. Cate.

After the program was finished the meeting was opened for business.

Eight delegates were enrolled and four societies were reported:

First, on motion Mrs. D. F. Barry was nominated as the associational president.

Second, on motion Mrs. A. E. Calkins and Mrs. J. B. Bird were nominated as vice-presidents.

Third, on motion Miss Susie Humphrey was nominated as the Recording Secretary of the association.

Fourth, on motion a move was made and a second, that we carry out a program at each fifth Sunday meeting.

The Union accepted the report and the above named officers were elected for the ensuing year.

Miss SUSIE HUMPHREY,

Recording Secretary.

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

F. B. WILLIAMS, in Account with the Middle Florida Baptist Association.

1918.	Dr.	
December 7.	Received of Theodore Leslie.....	\$124.43
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December 7.	Paid Theodore Leslie, Clerk fee..	\$20.00
December 17.	Paid S. B. Rogers for Missions....	37.49
1919.		
October 11.	Paid The Talor Co. Herald for Printing Association Minutes.....	\$40.00
	Total amount paid out.....	\$97.49
	Balance on hand October 12, 1919.....	\$26.94

F. B. WILLIAMS, Treasurer.

### CHURCH LETTER

of Mount Gilead Church to the Middle Florida Baptist Association.

Greetings.

We send the following brethren to sit with you in council as Delegates:

Revs. J. E. Vann and A. J. Aman, Alternates J. R. Vann and J. W. Watts.

Statistics: Ordained Preachers who hold membership with us: J. E. Vann, P. O. Shady Grove, Florida, R. No. 1.

Licensed preachers: none.

Church organized: September 29, 1850.

Our preaching day: third Sunday.

We send now to the Association:

State Missions.....	\$4.00
Home .....	2.00
Foreign .....	2.00
Aged Ministers .....	2.00
Orphanage .....	3.80
Columbia College.....	
Minutes .....	1.50
Clerk .....	

Total.....\$15.30

This letter approved within conference this 20th day of September 1919.

A. N. WOODARD, Moderator;  
A. J. AMAN, Church Clerk;  
Shady Grove, Fla., R. No. 1.

Pastor for last year: A. N. Woodard, Lee, Fla., R. No. 2.

Pastor for this year: Rev. J. E. Vann, Shady Grove, Fla., R. No. 1.

Membership last year: 55. Dismissed, this year, by death 2, by erasure 0, by letter 2; total decrease 4.

Received this year: by statement 0, by letter 0, by baptism 2; total increase 2.

Total membership this year: 53.

Sunday School: none.—W. M. U.: none.

The church has contributed to the following objects during the year:

Pastor's Salary.....	\$98.75
State Missions .....	14.21
Home Missions .....	2.12
Foreign Missions.....	2.00
Orphanage .....	2.50

For Home Charity.....	10.00
Visiting Ministers.....	30.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$159.58</b>

### ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Barry, D. E.....	Madison, Fla.
Bennett, T. J.....	Madison, Fla.
Cole, S. B.....	Madison, Fla.
Caulkins, A. E.....	Perry, Fla.
Conner, F. H.....	Spray, Fla.
Farnell, T. J.....	Day, Fla.
Fowler, M. J.....	Day, Fla.
Floyd, E. O.....	Dowling Park, Fla.
Hacker, R. F.....	Ebb, Fla.
Jackson, G. C.....	Perry, Fla.
Kelly, W. S.....	Madison, Fla.
McLelland, C. E.....	Boyd, Fla.
Montgomery, J. T.....	Aucilla, Fla.
Odum, J. L.....	Perry, Fla.
Parker, A. M.....	Perry, Fla.
Rutherford, J. L.....	Lee, Fla.
Poteet, J. H.....	Greenville, Fla.
Singleterry, J. A.....	Dowling Park, Fla.
Tamplin, W. M.....	Dowling Park, Fla.
Townsend, A. H.....	Day, Fla.
Vann, J. E.....	Shady Grove, Fla.
Woodard, A. N.....	Lee, Fla.
Warren, S. C.....	Madison, Fla.
Ward, S. G.....	Lee, Fla.

### LICENSED MINISTERS.

Driggers, E. C.....	Greenville, Fla.
Dees, L. F.....	Jasper, Fla.
Erier, M. J.....	Mayo, Fla.
Godwin, W. H.....	Benotis, Fla.
Williams, J. C.....	Shady Grove, Fla.
West, N. W., Sr.....	Day, Fla.

### CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

State Missions.....	W. M. Scruggs.
Home Missions.....	A. M. Parker.
Foreign Missions.....	D. F. Barry.
Orphanage.....	G. F. Andrews.
Sunday Schools.....	J. T. Prince.
Periodicals.....	A. Reams.
Ministerial Support.....	J. R. Poteet.
Deceased Ministers.....	A. N. Woodard.
Education.....	S. G. Ward.
Nominations.....	A. M. Warren.
Woman's Work.....	Miss Susie Humphrey.

## OUR HONORED DEAD

Sister C. M. Callicott.  
 Sister T. L. James.  
 Brother Julius Letthworth.  
 Brother C. H. Broome.  
 Brother Jno. Mathis.  
 Sister Bertha M. Gurthrie.  
 Sister J. P. Morgan.  
 Brother Jno. S. Brown.  
 Sister Dora Anderson.  
 Brother T. H. Dice, Deacon.  
 Sister Eva Littleton.  
 Brother W. M. Parker.  
 Brother James F. Jackson.  
 Brother Frank Barrs.  
 Sister Ladora Anderson.  
 Brother L. C. Strickland.  
 Brother W. T. Carmikie.  
 Sister Selma Williams.  
 Sister Belle Windeweidle.  
 Sister Bertie Pickles.  
 Brother J. L. Bass.  
 Brother W. E. Standly.  
 Brother C. W. Hamrick.  
 Brother Buck Dixon.  
 Sister Lucy Peterson.  
 Sister H. M. Peek.  
 Sister Emma Spradley.  
 Sister J. H. Armstrong.  
 Sister M. A. Henderson.  
 Brother J. C. Rutherford.  
 Brother Lat. Winn.  
 Brother George Bass, Deacon.  
 Brother G. P. Payne.  
 Brother J. G. Jackson.  
 Brother T. E. Averett.  
 Brother Dock McClamma.  
 Brother Dock Wilson.  
 Sister Rachel Ellington.  
 Sister Jennie McClamma.

## REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of Churches	Superintendent and P. O. Address	Officers and Teachers	No. of Pupils	Expenses	Missions and Benevolence	TOTAL
Aucilla.....	J. C. Webb, Aucilla.	4	12			
Beulah.....	T. Bishop, Aucilla.	5	56	6.07		6.07
Brewer Lake.....	B. Barrs, Day.	5	70			
Central.....	F. T. Montgomery, Aucilla.	5	38			
Elizabeth.....	Mrs. Lillie Walker, Aucilla.	5	36			
Greenville.....	J. T. Prince, Greenville.	11	106	59.06	59.12	118.18
Hopewell.....	B. F. Kelly, Madison.	6	59			
Lamont.....	G. F. Anderson, Lamont.	5	25			
Lee.....	G. C. Purvis, Lee.	8	63			
Madison.....	Theodore Leslie, Madison.	12	118	55.00	114.82	169.82
Macedonia.....	J. T. Woodard, Madison.	7	83			
Mayo.....	R. R. Ware, Mayo.	7	68	38.24	41.60	79.84
Mosley Hall.....	J. R. O'Quin, Shady Grove.					
New Hopeful.....	A. J. Lefer, Madison.	6	41			
New Macedonia.....	S. H. Andrews, Ebb.	5	37			
Perry.....	W. L. Weaver, Perry.	17	200	151.57	111.85	263.42
Pinetta.....	E. W. Kinsey, Pinetta.	7	40	7.10		7.10
Riverside.....	M. J. Friser, Mayo.					
San Pedro.....	F. E. Carrin, Perry.	5	39	7.09		7.09
Total.....		122	1081	324.13	327.30	651.52

W. M. U. STATISTICS.

Name of Churches	Names and P. O. Address of President	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Columbia College	Aged Ministers	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Chipley Memorial	Training School	Local Work	Personal Service	TOTAL
Madison.....	Mrs. S. Alex. Smith, Madison.....	120.55	33.51	37.81	88.00	6.60	33.83	4.32	10.92	6.60	72.60	16.80	436.52
Mayo.....	Mrs. R. Ware, Mayo.....	16.60	8.15	3.95	0.33	4.59	17.25		0.15				51.17
Greenville.....	Mrs. C. L. Leggette, Greenville.....	7.00	1.47	1.48	20.00				9.00		31.00		69.95
Pinetta.....	Mrs. E. W. Kinsey, Pinetta.....	4.80	6.35	7.70			31.60				87.00		137.45
Perry.....	Mrs. A. C. Kirby, Perry.....	22.40	14.88	10.88		1.28	3.84	2.56	2.56	5.12		12.07	105.59
Total.....		171.33	69.36	61.72	108.33	12.47	86.52	6.88	22.63	11.87	190.60	58.87	800.68

NAME OF CHURCHES	Pastors Salary	Training School	Chapley Memorial	Rep. and Impr. to Building	Furnishings	Wiring	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Columbia College	Seminary	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers	Poor	Minutes and Clerk	Incidentals	Boxes	S. S. Expenses	Orphanage	Other Items	Home Board Bldg. Fund	Value of Church	Value of Pastorium	TOTAL	
Aucilla.....	100.00					1.50	7.50									5.00				2.00			250.00		123.00	
Antioch.....	90.25					2.29	7.20		3.05	3.05						11.25				11.85	5.65		500.75		151.59	
Athens.....				9.50	55.00	23.06	1.00		1.00					1.00		2.00			6.07	4.05	3.43		555.00		212.11	
Beulah.....	106.00			8.81		59.73		1.00	0.88	0.87					17.65	4.33				7.18			800.00		154.26	
Brewer Lake.....	54.81					9.75		1.00								1.50				7.77			117.50		33.08	
Bethel.....	20.06				10.98	43.40		26.61	5.52	3.80	143.30	60.16	0.25	0.60		7.00	53.45		59.06	93.00	29.35		1,200.00		438.05	
Central.....	150.00															5.00	3.00		12.33	33.50						
Cabbage Grove.....																										
Elizabeth.....	150.00				1.60	34.40		6.84	4.50	15.26	67.50					3.50							1,500.00	2,000.00	293.16	
Greenville.....	364.00				6.12	149.40		51.27	91.48	12.50	67.50														983.73	
Hopewell.....	150.00							4.35																		171.38
Harmony.....	55.40			6.00		27.35			92.35		8.70					2.50			5.76	2.95			600.00		111.65	
Lamont.....	250.00			15.00		40.40				1.86	40.00					5.00	5.00		15.00	14.35			650.00		476.90	
Lee.....	150.00					40.40		2.00	3.01		4.61					5.00			23.62	8.15			750.00		238.25	
Live Oak.....																										
Madison.....	1,425.00	6.60	10.92	7.95			30.00	305.95	64.47	68.50	258.04	6.68	2.36	6.60	16.80	5.00	159.18	22.25	55.00	141.69	57.50	9.45	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,659.94	
Macedonia.....	150.00							16.40			37.75					3.30	32.26			6.36			500.00		251.07	
Mayo.....	263.65	60.30						33.00	20.75	16.95	0.33					3.00	1.50		38.24	34.25			2,000.00		416.56	
Midway.....	56.00				70.00	3.60								4.59									720.00		129.60	
Mosley Hall.....	128.00					22.00					6.00												1,200.00		156.00	
Mount Gilead.....																										
Mount Mariah.....	23.00																									
New Hope.....																					1.50		250.00		26.56	
New Hopeful.....	150.00																									
New Macedonia.....	56.00							37.97															450.00		187.97	
New Prospect.....	8.85														20.00	6.51				5.00			700.00		87.51	
Oak Grove.....	150.00														1.55								500.00		10.40	
Oakland.....						31.50		5.00	2.50	2.50	50.00		5.00	5.00		5.00						800.00		256.50		
Perry.....	1,016.15	5.47	2.56	1.25				132.84	121.48	51.40	140.68	2.47	5.38	4.80	42.18	5.00	178.42		151.57	35.52	126.71	12.62	10,000.00	4,000.00	2,036.19	
Pine Grove.....	119.35	60.50						40.00	15.00	16.00	38.00	60.50	1.00	2.00		5.00	9.00			20.00		3.00	700.00		269.35	
Pine Bluff.....	25.00					1.00	1.00									1.00							275.00		29.00	
Pinetta.....	102.00						1.00																200.00		270.46	
Pleasant Hill.....				15.50		42.51		22.04	6.35	8.06	10.00								7.10	33.90	18.60					
Pleasant Grove, Lafayette County.....	108.60					35.00			3.45	3.55													600.00		154.20	
Pleasant Grove, Taylor County.....																							300.00		2.00	
Riverside.....	75.00																						800.00		89.75	
San Pedro.....	103.31					35.40		7.95		8.03	19.00			1.00					7.09	1.00	10.00		600.00		202.76	
Salem.....																										
Sirmans.....	100.00					89.00	2.50																1,500.00		194.00	
Tryumph.....																2.50										
Pisgah.....	47.30					2.00																				
Totals.....	5,747.79	12.87	18.48	64.01	143.70	735.04	49.20	1,694.22	435.81	218.15	891.41	129.81	13.99	29.09	98.07	99.60	499.95	22.25	380.84	487.05	251.24	25.07	134,118.25	8,500.00	10,925.42	

## NUMERICAL REPORT, 1919.

Name of Churches	Pastor and Post Office Address	Clerk and P. O. Address	Church Organized	Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Total	By Letter	Ex. or Erasure	Death	Increased		Decreased		
											Total	Membership this year	Net Decrease	Net Increase	
Aucilla	J. L. Sullivan, Monticello	J. H. Whiddon, Aucilla, Fla.													
Antioch	A. N. Woodard, Lee	E. H. Morgan, Ellaville, Fla.	1901		1	1	2	2							
Athena															
Beulah	S. G. Ward, Lee	W. J. Shellhouse, Lee, Fla.	1902	5	6		11	8	2	2	12	94	1		
Brewer Lake	S. G. Ward, Lee	C. C. Dees, Day, Fla.	1882	5	4	1	10	7	1	4	12	156	2		
Bethel	J. T. Farnell, Day	Henry Singleterry, Dowling Park, Fla.		1	2		3	4	2	2	8	62	5		
Central	G. W. S. Ware, Worthington	W. A. Dutton, Aucilla, Fla.				3	3	5			5	91	2		
Cabbage Grove															
Elizabeth	G. W. S. Ware, Worthington	A. P. Hartfield, Aucilla, Fla.		1	1	1	3	3	1	2	6	106	3		
Greenville	J. H. Poteet, Greenville	J. Vickers, Greenville, Fla.		14	12	1	27	19	2	29	150	2			
Hopewell	R. F. Hacker, Ebb	B. F. Kelly, Madison, Fla.	1877	6	5	3	14	4		5	9	116			5
Harmony	C. E. Glover, Boston, Ga.	N. W. Campbell, Lamont, Fla.	1849				1	1	1	1	3	57	3		
Lamont	A. W. Smith, Norman Park, Ga.	G. F. Andrews, Lamont, Fla.		2	1		3	2		3	54				
Lee	D. F. Barry, Madison	T. M. Hicks, Lee, Fla.		1	5	1	7	4			102				3
Live Oak															
Madison	S. E. Cole, Madison	J. J. Conway, Madison, Fla.			14		12			1	13	233			1
Macedonia	S. G. Ward, Lee	G. I. Tindall, Madison, Fla.	1865	15	4	1	20	1	3	4	168				16
Mayo	D. F. Barry, Madison	Annie Winburn, Mayo, Fla.	1890		1		2	1	1	1	5	104	4		
Midway	W. M. Tampling, Dowling Park, Fla.	T. T. Hicks, Dowling Park, Fla.	1856	11	3	5	19	6	2	1	2	111			10
Mosley Hall	A. M. Parker, Perry	Howard Leslie, Madison, Fla.	1904				1			2	3	77	3		
Mount Gilead															
Mount Mariah	W. M. Tampling, Dowling Park	J. H. Williams, Dowling Park, Fla.	1884	2			2	1	7	2	10	53	8		
New Hope															
New Hopeful	A. M. Parker, Perry	W. L. Humphrey, Madison, Fla.	1900	5	1		6	2	1	2	5	41			1
New Macedonia		Paul M. Bishop, Greenville, Fla.	1873	9	1	1	11					43			11
New Prospect	C. E. McClelland, Boyd	G. F. Bass, Madison, Fla.	1876	1			1	1		1		40			
Oak Grove		A. A. Wethington, Pinetta, Fla.	1879	18	8		26	9			9	160			17
Oakland															
Perry	A. E. Calkins, Perry				7		7	15	100	1	116	169	109		
Pine Grove	S. E. Cole, Madison	S. C. Warren, Madison, Fla.			7		2					49			2
Pine Bluff		W. D. Cone, Spray, Fla.	1904									12			
Pinetta	D. F. Barry, Madison	E. W. Kinsey, Pinetta, Fla.	1918	12	9		21					42			21
Pisgah	A. M. Parker, Perry	J. G. Aman, Perry, Fla.		4	3		7	2			2	40			5
Pleasant Hill															
Pleasant Grove, Lafayette County		W. O. Lyons, Dowling Park, Fla.						3	8		11	95	11		
Pleasant Grove, Taylor County	J. E. Yann, Shady Grove	J. W. Tedder, Shady Grove, Fla.	1879				2		1	3	58				3
Riverside	W. J. Fowler, Day, Fla.	J. W. Carmichael, Dowling Park, Fla.	1903	12	8	3	23	8	2	3	13	126			10
San Pedro	A. M. Parker, Perry, Fla.	F. E. Carren, Perry, Fla.	1884	5	1		6	4		2	6	106			
Salem															
Sirmans															
Tryumph		J. M. Cambell, Ebb, Fla.	1909		2		2	3			3				1
Total				129	105	18	237	135	137	39	306	2848	162	102	