

MIDDLE FLORIDA  
MISSIONARY  
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FLORIDA

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FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

Held With

MIDWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 8th and 9th, 1947

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Next session of the Association

will convene with

Madison Baptist Church, Oct. 13-14, 1948

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## ARTICLES OF FAITH

## CONSTITUTION

of

## THE MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Article 1. The name of this organization shall be "THE MIDDLE FLORIDA MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION."

Article 2. The Association shall be composed of messengers duly elected by the Churches affiliated with this body who shall present letters certifying to their election, or other satisfactory evidence thereof, and all ordained pastors who are members of or pastors of any of said churches.

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.

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 for a letter of dismission shall make application therefor by letter.

Article 8. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, and 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. This Association shall have an Executive Committee composed of six laymen and the Pastors of each Church belonging to this Association, the Associational Sunday School Superintendent, the Associational B. T. U. Director, the Associational Woman's Missionary Union President, the Associational Brotherhood President, together with the officers as Ex-officio members. This committee shall foster all the interest 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 colporteurs, 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 Moderator shall be 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 cooperation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Article 12. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except such as are Divinely called, having been ordained by prayer and the imposition of the hands of a presbytery duly authorized by a Missionary Baptist Church.

Article 11. The Association shall recognize and respect the rights and independence of every church cooperating.

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

1. The Moderator shall preserve order in the Association, which shall be opened and closed by prayer. He shall decide all questions of order and propriety.

2. All members of the body shall respect the authority of the Moderator, but any member shall have the right to appeal to the body from his decision.

3. The Moderator shall have the same right of speaking as any other member of the body provided he appoints some member to fill the chair; but he shall not vote except when there is a tie, when he may cast the deciding vote.

4. No more than one member shall speak at a time. Any member desiring to speak shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator and when recognized by the chair may speak to the subject, but not more than twice on the same subject without permission of the body.

5. No member shall leave the body while in session without permission of the chair.

6. All motions in order must be disposed of by the body, unless withdrawn by the one who made the motion.

7. When a question is taken up, after allowing time for deliberation, the Moderator shall take the vote of the body and then announce the decision. If a division is called for the Moderator shall take the vote by 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.

8. The Clerk shall enroll the names of the Messengers, and keep a regular record of all the business of the Association. He shall have the Minutes printed and distributed to each church, according to the amount of money sent up.

9. The Treasurer shall receive and manage the funds of the Association, taking receipts of all disbursements thereof, and present an annual report of all funds received and disbursed, for insertion in the Minutes of the Association.

10 This decorum may be altered or amended by two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual session of the Association.

ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY

Rev. J. R. Collins, Moderator ----- Madison, Florida  
 Rev. Alva Horton, Assistant Moderator ----- Perry, Florida  
 Carl W. Burnett, Clerk ----- Madison, Florida  
 O. A. Henderson, Treasurer ----- Lee, Florida

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

T. P. McLeod, Jr. ----- Greenville, Florida  
 J. F. McCall ----- Perry, Florida  
 E. B. Wilson ----- Madison, Florida  
 Norman Howard ----- Lee, Florida  
 A. L. Herndon ----- Aucilla, Florida  
 Lamar Stokes ----- Lee, Florida

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN—1948

Sunday Schools, Rev. R. E. Merrell ----- Greenville, Florida  
 B. T. U., Rev. John Caylor, Jr. ----- Madison, Florida  
 Evangelism, Rev. Alva Horton ----- Perry, Florida  
 Children's Home, W. C. Winderweedle ----- Day, Florida  
 Missions, Rev. Paul Hendry ----- Greenville, Florida  
 Cooperative Program and Tithing, Rev. Dewey Mann Perry, Florida  
 Ministerial Support, Brotherhood and  
 Music, Rev. R. C. Rittenhouse ----- Madison, Florida  
 Christian Education and Periodicals,  
 E. B. Browning ----- Madison, Florida  
 Relief and Annuity, Rev. E. A. Milton ----- Live Oak, Florida  
 Temperance, C. T. Hall ----- Foley, Florida  
 Our Beloved Dead, Rev. M. B. Archibald ----- Mayo, Florida  
 W. M. U., Mrs. R. E. Merrell ----- Greenville, Florida  
 Nominations, W. R. Rice ----- Foley, Florida

SERMONS

Associational, Rev. Alva Horton ----- Perry, Florida  
 Alternate, Rev. L. C. Hicks ----- Lee, Florida  
 Missionary, Rev. Carl Webb ----- Lee, Florida  
 Alternate, Rev. Paul Hendry ----- Greenville, Florida

CHILDREN'S HOME PRODUCE COMMITTEE

G. F. Andrews ----- Greenville, Florida  
 J. Vickers ----- Madison, Florida  
 E. H. Smith ----- Madison, Florida  
 J. F. D. Hughey ----- Madison, Florida  
 Carl W. Burnett ----- Madison, Florida

PROGRAM COMMITTEE FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

Moderator, Associational Sunday School Supt., and Pastor of  
 Host Church.

NEXT SESSION

Madison Baptist Church Oct. 13-14, 1948

## ASSOCIATION SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS

Supt., Rev. R. E. Merrell	Greenville, Florida
Supt. Training, Rev. Dewey Mann	Perry, Florida
Supt. Evangelism, Rev. Alva Horton	Perry, Florida
Supt. Vacation Bible Schools, Mrs. T. M. Raines	Madison, Florida
Supt. Missions, C. T. Hall	Foley, Florida
Supt. Greenville Dist., A. L. Herndon	Aucilla, Florida
Supt. Madison Dist.,	
Supt. Perry Dist., Judge Dan Partin	Perry, Florida
Supt. Mayo Dist.,	
Supt. Nursery	
Supt. Cradle Roll, Mrs. Ethel Lewis	Aucilla, Florida
Supt. Beginners, Mrs. A. D. Reams	Greenville, Florida
Supt. Primaries, Mrs. Albert McLeod	Madison, Florida
Supt. Juniors, Mrs. Oliver Scruggs	Aucilla, Florida
Supt. Intermediates	
Supt. Young People, Rev. R. C. Rittenhouse	Madison, Florida
Supt. Adults	
Supt. Extension, Mrs. S. A. Touchton	Foley, Florida

## ASSOCIATION B. T. U. OFFICERS

Director, Rev. John Caylor, Jr.	Madison, Florida
Adult Leader, C. R. Brooke	Madison, Florida
Young People's Leader, W. G. Rutherford	Madison, Florida
Intermediate Leader, Rev. Paul Hendry	Foley, Florida
Junior Leader, Mrs. Gracie Ezell	Perry, Florida
Story Hour Leader, Mrs. Alva Horton	Perry, Florida
Pianist, Miss Louella Merrell	Greenville, Florida
Pastor Advisor, Rev. C. W. Persons	Perry, Florida
Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Ruth Elkins	Perry, Florida

## ASSOCIATION W. M. U. OFFICERS

President, Mrs. R. E. Merrell	Greenville, Florida
Vice-President, Mrs. R. B. Bryan	Madison, Florida
Sec. and Treas., Mrs. B. H. Stanley	Greenville, Florida
Young Peoples Leader, Mrs. T. M. Raines	Madison, Florida
Community Mission Chairman,	
Stewardship Chairman, Mrs. C. T. Hall	Foley, Florida
Margaret Fund Chairman, Mrs. Frank Rutherford	Lee, Florida
Mission Study Chairman, Mrs. Clarence Alston	Perry, Florida
Training School Chairman, Mrs. Cater Burns	Madison, Florida
Publicity Chairman, Mrs. W. J. Hines	Perry, Florida
Children's Home Chairman, Mrs. Leon Land	Mayo, Florida

## ASSOCIATION BROTHERHOOD OFFICERS

President, E. B. Browning	Madison, Florida
Program Vice-Pres., T. P. McLeod, Jr.	Greenville, Florida
Sec. & Treas., Blanton	Perry, Florida

## MUSIC DIRECTORS

Athena—Billie Joe Ricketson	Athena, Florida
Burton—T. R. Guilford	Perry, Florida
Foley—C. T. Hall	Foley, Florida
Friendship, Maedell Murphy	Perry, Florida
Hopewell—Dozier Sapp	Madison, Florida
Macedonia—Carl W. Burnett	Madison, Florida
Madison—A. W. Willaford	Valdosta, Georgia
Mayo—Mrs. Magdeline Land	Mayo, Florida
New Home, Tay—S. H. Hendry	Perry, Florida
Perry—Mrs. S. S. Lee	Perry, Florida

## PIANIST OR ORGANIST

Athena—Mrs. E. G. Whitfield	Carbur, Florida
Aucilla—Mrs. Lala Bishop	Aucilla, Florida
Burton—Mrs. Nellie Williams	Perry, Florida
Foley—Miss Iris Simons	Foley, Florida
Friendship—Miss Lou Ella Shaw	Perry, Florida
Greenville—Mrs. S. B. Algeo	Greenville, Florida
Hopewell—Mrs. Dozier Sapp	Madison, Florida
Lamont—Miss Gladys Reams	Lamont, Florida
Macedonia—Mrs. M. C. Woodard	Lee, Florida
Madison—Miss Juanita Jones	Madison, Florida
Mayo—Mrs. Sarah Cook	Mayo, Florida
Midway—Mrs. C. A. Webb	Madison, Florida
Moseley Hall—Mrs. Julia Bailey	Greenville, Florida
Mt. Olive—Mrs. Walden Phillips	Madison, Florida
New Home, Tay—Mrs. Lovie Burch	Perry, Florida
New Hopeful—Mrs. Carl Webb	Lee, Florida
Perry—Mrs. T. M. Warren	Perry, Florida
Pleasant Grove, Tay—Mrs. Almea Tedder	Shady Grove, Florida

## LIBRARIANS

Athena—Mrs. E. G. Whitfield	Carbur, Florida
Greenville—Miss Luella Merrell	Greenville, Florida
Member State Mission Board, E. B. Browning	Madison, Florida
Fla. Baptist Bible Inst. Rep., Rev. E. A. Milton	Live Oak, Florida
Children's Home Christmas Offering Leader, Rev. R. E. Merrell	Greenville, Florida
Music Director for Assoc., Rev. R. C. Rittenhouse	Madison, Florida

## ORDAINED MINISTERS OTHER THAN PASTORS

Rev. A. H. Townsend, S. Burton Church	Perry, Florida
Rev. J. T. Montgomery, R. Central Church	Aucilla, Florida
Rev. M. J. Donaldson, R. Central Church	Aucilla, Florida
Rev. W. D. Keis, R. Greenville Church	Greenville, Florida
Rev. J. L. Odom, R. Mt. Olive Church	Madison, Florida

## OUR BELOVED DEAD

## Beulah

Mr. Arthur G. Bell  
Deacon J. F. Stokes

## Brewer Lake

Deacon C. Fowler

## Burton

Mr. W. H. Godwin

## Elizabeth

Mr. Hardy Kinsey

## Foley

Mrs. H. F. Parker

## Greenville

Mrs. J. B. Porter

## Lamont

Mrs. W. L. Holland

## Macedonia

Mrs. Bell Bass

## Madison

Mrs. Mamye Dorman  
Mr. C. L. Quarles

## Mayo

Mr. E. D. Dampier  
Mr. John M. Hurst  
Mrs. Laura Jones  
Mrs. Alice Oglesby  
Mrs. Martha Mims

## Midway

Mr. D. L. Hicks

## Mt. Gilead

Deacon C. S. Wimberly  
Mrs. I. G. Aman  
Mrs. Laura Hamilton

## Mt. Olive

Mrs. Rosa Harris

## New Home—Tay.

Mrs. Carrie Whiddon

## New Hopeful

Mr. T. J. Harrell

## New Macedonia

Mrs. Donia Slaughter

## Perry

Mrs. Margaret Peeler

## Pinetta

Mrs. Mattie Blair

## Pleasant Grove—Lay.

Mr. Kenneth Leroy Wood

## Pleasant Grove—Tay.

Deacon T. L. Goodman

## Riverside

Mr. T. H. Frier  
Mr. J. J. Shuemake

## MESSENGERS ENROLLED

## Antioch—

Athena—Rev. C. W. Persons, Mrs. A. J. Ezell, and Mrs. W. H. Ricketson.

Aucilla—M. W. Bishop and wife.

Beulah—E. Turlington and Frank Stokes.

Brewer Lake—W. C. Winderweedle and wife, Mrs. Fannie Barrs, Mrs. Lola Plymel, Mrs. O. J. Rawls and Miss Peggy Dees.

Burton—A. C. Parker and wife, Mrs. C. D. Stinson, Mrs. Nellie Williams and Mrs. D. R. Leggett.

Central—W. A. Dutton and wife, Oliver Scruggs and wife and Miss Ethel Bishop.

Cherry Lake—Mrs. Roy F. Millirons, Mrs. J. W. Cason and Mrs. D. W. Surles.

Elizabeth—Arthur Herndon, Ethel Lewis, Arthur Wilder and Chas. Wimberly.

Foley—W. R. Rice, Mrs. C. P. Wilson, Mrs. C. T. Hall, Mrs. S. B. Henton, Mrs. S. A. Touchton and Mrs. Albert Cochran.

Friendship—Mrs. Lessie Stripling, Mrs. Gloria Poppell and Mrs. Myrtis Roberts.

Greenville—J. R. Laney, G. F. Andrews, S. P. Hendry and wife, and Mrs. R. E. Merrill.

Hopewell—Johnie McClamma, Mrs. Jewel Walker and Mrs. H. J. Brown.

Lamont—Mrs. Ada Mills, Mrs. Ruth Campbell and Mrs. G. W. McDaniel.

Lee—W. T. Kent, S. A. Kinsey, H. J. Brown and Eddie Rutherford.

Macedonia—Carl W. Burnett, G. I. Tindall and wife, I. F. Day and Broward Tindall.

Madison—Rev. John Caylor, Jr., and wife, J. Vickers, Henry Messer and E. B. Browning.

Mayo—H. L. Winderweedle, Guy M. McClain and wife, Mrs. Irene Garden and Mrs. J. S. Parker.

Midway—M. J. Hicks and wife, Gus Phillips and wife, Tom Howard and John Hale.

Moseley Hall—Sam Andrews, Jim Cruce and Leroy Cruce.

Mt. Gilead—W. G. Vann and wife, J. E. Aman and wife, Harold Schimburg and wife.

Mt. Olive—G. W. Albritton, D. C. McLeod and T. H. Pinson.

New Home, Mad.—Jim Shaw, Eddie Bass, Albert Tuten and Mrs. Mary Jane Tuten.

New Home, Tay.—S. H. Hendry and wife, Mrs. M. S. Linton, Mrs. W. O. Williams, Mrs. Lizzie Edwards, J. Lewis Burch and wife.

New Hopeful—Mrs. W. A. Rutherford, Mrs. Crawford Pridgeon, Mrs. Floyd Vinzant, John Wilson and wife.

New Macedonia—By letter.

Oakland—No Letter.

Perry—Mrs. A. B. Lewis, W. B. Martin, B. L. Prince, Mrs. W. J. Hines, Miss Sue Bunting, W. E. Inman.

**Pinetta**—Mrs. Cecil Jackson, Lamar DeLoach and wife, Mrs. Lora Everett and J. W. Downing.

**Pine Grove**—L. F. Kelly and wife, Frank Davis and wife.

**Pisgah**—Mrs. Patricia Johnson, W. A. McLeod and wife.

**Pleasant Grove, Lay**—Luther Thomas and wife, J. R. Brumley, Sr. and wife, Wilson Wilder, Mrs. W. E. Cates.

**Pleasant Grove, Tay**—S. W. Tedder and wife, L. H. Rowell and wife.

**Riverside**—R. G. Snipes and wife, H. J. Frier and wife.

**San Pedro**—S. C. Sanford and wife, Mrs. Mattie Parker, Mrs. Monroe Wright, Mrs. Amanda Lynn.

**Sirmans**—Kelly Bailey, Homer Bailey, Norris.

**St. John's**—Clarence Bailey, Bailey Wynn, Marcus Day, Mrs. Addie Steinhatchee—W. W. Mills and wife, Mrs. Lizzie Stephens.

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

of the

### MIDDLE FLA. MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

#### FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

Held With

#### MIDWAY CHURCH

OCT. 8-9, 1947

#### Wednesday Morning Session

1. Song Service led by Rev. R. C. Rittenhouse.
2. Call to order by Moderator, T. P. McLeod, Jr.
3. Devotional, led by Rev. Paul Hendry.
4. Motion made and carried that Messengers from the Churches, the Executive Committee and the Officers of the Association constitute the working unit for this session.
5. The printed program with such changes as will be necessary was adopted as the order of business.
6. Address of welcome by Rev. Carl Webb.
7. Response by G. Frank Andrews.
8. Motion made and carried that Moderator appoint a committee to plan an Associational Assembly.  
Committee: Revs. John Caylor, Dewey Mann, R. E. Merrill and R. C. Rittenhouse.
9. Report on Education, Periodicals and Temperance read by Rev. D. B. McConnell and on motion to adopt was spoken to by him, and Dr. Solomon, and adopted.
10. Motion made and carried that reports on Radio Commission and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary be included in minutes of the Association.
11. The following visitors were recognized: Rev. Tampling of Suwannee Association, E. M. Wheeler, Stony Fork, N. C. Association; Mrs. W. T. Colson, N. West Florida Association.
12. The Moderator appointed the following Committee on Digest of Letters: E. B. Browning, Rev. Willie Ranew and Rev. C. W. Persons.

13. The Moderator appointed Rev. Alva Horton and J. Vickers on the Committee on Nominations.

14. Rev. John Caylor, Rev. Dewey Mann and E. B. Browning spoke at this time on Tithing and presented the matter in a very clear way.

15. The Moderator recognized Rev. T. W. Branch, a former member and Pastor.

16. Associational Sermon by Rev. R. E. Merrill, Pastor Greenville Baptist Church, using as a text First Cor., 3-9.

17. Rev. B. M. Montgomery, Pastor Madison Methodist Church, was recognized.

18. Motion made and carried that Rev. Montgomery be given the privilege of the floor for 10 minutes.

#### Wednesday Afternoon Session

19. Devotional led by Rev. J. R. Collins.

20. The following new Pastors were recognized: Revs. R. C. Rittenhouse, Dewey Mann, John Caylor, Carl Webb, E. A. Milton, Chatman Hicks and Paul Hendley.

21. Motion made and carried that St. Johns Missionary Baptist Church be admitted as member of Association and their messengers be recognized.

22. Report on Relief and Annuity read by Rev. Willie Ranew and adopted.

23. Report on Fla. Baptist Children's Home read by G. F. Andrews and on motion to adopt was spoken to by the Home's Supt., Bro. T. M. Johns, and adopted.

24. Report on Sunday Schools read by Rev. R. E. Merrill and adopted.

25. Report on Ministerial Support and Brotherhood read by E. B. Browning and, on motion to adopt, was spoken to by him and adopted.

26. Report of Executive Committee read by Rev. J. R. Collins and adopted.

27. Report of Budget Committee read by J. Vickers. Motion made and carried to strike out the \$350.00 for Associational Bulletin. Motion made and carried to put item of \$100.00 in budget to promote the proposed Middle Florida Assembly, then motion was made and carried to adopt report as amended.

28. Dr. Leon M. Gambrell was introduced and spoke briefly in behalf of the Florida Baptist Institute.

#### Thursday Morning Session

29. Devotional led by Rev. M. J. Fowler.

30. Motion made and carried that Antioch Church be reinstated and that their Messengers be recognized.

31. The following visitors were recognized: Bro. Fred T. Barnett, Rev. D. O. Alderman, Bro. Cliff Walker, Bro. Boatright and wife, Bro. McElvoy and wife, Moderator of Suwannee Association, Rev. J. C. Wright, former pastor at Foley.

32. Mrs. M. D. Minter, Mrs. R. E. Merrill and Mrs. Thurston Rains spoke on W. M. U. work and motion made and carried that Clerk insert the W. M. U. report in minutes when Mrs. Bryan sends it in.

33. Bro. Fred T. Barnett was given 20 minutes to discuss the program of The Drys in Florida.

34. Rev. Dewey Mann, Pastor at Perry, spoke on Christian Education.

35. Bro. Cliff Walker spoke on Missions, Evangelism and Stewardship.

36. Missionary Sermon by Rev. W. B. Horton, using as a text Mark, 5-19.

Thursday Afternoon Session

37. Devotional led by Rev. Alva Horton, Pastor New Home Church, Perry, Fla.

38. Report of B. T. U. work read by Rev. M. J. Hicks, Jr., and on motion to adopt was spoken to by Revs. W. B. Horton and E. A. Milton, and adopted.

39. Motion made and carried that Rev. Paul Hendley, Pastor at Foley, make report on Evangelism for the Minutes.

40. Report on Stetson University read by Rev. Dewey Mann, and adopted.

41. Report on Deceased Ministers read by Rev. J. R. Collins and adopted.

42. Rev. D. O. Alderman at this period spoke on Evangelism.

43. Rev. Cliff Walker spoke on the Cooperative Program and Stewardship.

44. Motion made and carried that Rev. Paul Hendley make reports on Missions and Cooperative Program.

45. Motion made and carried that suggested reports of Southern Baptist Hospital, American Bible Society and Baptist Book Store be printed in Minutes.

46. Report of Committee on Digest of Letters read by Rev. M. B. Archibald and adopted.

47. Treasurer's Report read by O. A. Henderson and adopted.

48. Motion made and carried to pay Clerk \$75.00 and Treasurer \$20.00.

49. Nominations report read by J. Vickers and adopted.

50. A vote of thanks was extended to Midway Church for their hospitality, fellowship and entertainment of the Association.

51. An expression of appreciation was given to the retiring Moderator for his services during the three years he had so ably served. Also Rev. R. C. Rittenhouse as Song Leader for this session.

52. The following officers were unanimously elected:

Rev. J. R. Collins, Moderator; Rev. Alva Horton, Assistant Moderator; O. A. Henderson, Treasurer, and Carl W. Burnett, Clerk.

53. There being no further business the Association adjourned to meet with Madison Baptist Church Oct. 13-14, 1948.

REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS

Your Committee on Deceased Ministers is happy to report that we have lost no Ministers during this Associational Year.

Respectfully,  
JOHN R. COLLINS

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 47th ANNUAL SESSION  
MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Oct. 9, 1946 Cash Balance	\$ 35.55
Oct. 9, 1946 Cash Receipt	442.27
Dec. 1946, to Oct. 1947 Cash Receipts	859.10
Total Cash Receipts	\$1336.92

Bills Paid

Rev. D. O. Alderman, Bal. on room rent for 1946	\$ 38.10
Room Rent for 1947	100.00
T. P. McLeod	10.00
Treasurer	20.00
Enterprise, printing programs	23.37
Rev. R. E. Merrill, printing Associational paper	258.50
Clerk's fee	60.00
Printing Minutes	185.00
Total bills paid	\$ 694.97
Cash Balance	\$ 641.95

Respectfully submitted,  
O. A. HENDERSON, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The executive committee of the Middle Florida Baptist Association say with pride, that our Association is now on a sound financial basis, since the adoption of our budget. We as brethren in Christ can go forward with more hope of doing things for Christ in a better way, we realizing the great responsibility to carry on the work of our Lord.

We extend our thanks to all the churches for their cooperation and fine spirit. We want to express our thanks and appreciation to Bro. T. P. McLeod, Jr., our Moderator, for the fine way he has led our people to carry on this great work among the churches in this Association. We look forward to great things in kingdom work next year.

Your executive committee being a very important body in our Association, we wish to tell you of some of our work, our paper has gotten off to a good start and a great source of information for all of our churches.

Your committee has asked that all of our churches take part in world missions and have a part in this great cause. We have also recommended financial help from the board to some of the churches in our Association.

Bro. Rittenhouse, our able Song Leader, having done such a good job, we recommend to this body that he carry on this work for another year.

Expressing our appreciation for the coming in of the St. John's Baptist Church and recommend this body accept them as one of our member churches. As an Association we are proud of the cooperation given by all the churches, and may God Bless you in all your undertakings that we may go forward in the biggest business on earth, Enlisting the Lost for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
E. L. PATRICK.

The following are the Churches.

Churches	Salary	3 Per Cent	Quotas
Athena	\$1040.00	"	31.20
Aucilla	160.00	"	4.80
Beulah	240.00	"	7.20
Brewer Lake	800.00	"	24.00
Burton	1625.00	"	48.75
Central	710.00	"	21.30
Cherry Lake	600.0	"	18.00
Elizabeth	480.00	"	14.40
Foley	2372.70	"	71.18
Friendship	405.00	"	12.15
Greenville	2400.00	"	72.00
Hopewell	525.00	"	15.75
Lamont	260.00	"	7.80
Lee	635.00	"	19.05
Macedonia	852.00	"	25.56
Madison	3250.00	"	97.50
Mayo	2400.00	"	72.00
Midway	1040.00	"	31.20
Moseley Hall	298.00	"	8.94
Mt. Gilead	55.00	"	1.65
Mt. Olive	255.00	"	7.65
New Home (M)	98.00	"	2.94
New Home (T)	2600.00	"	78.00
New Hopeful	499.96	"	15.00
New Macedonia	165.90	"	4.97
Oakland			
Perry	3600.00	"	108.00
Pinetta	900.00	"	27.00
Pine Grove	495.00	"	14.85
Pisgah	336.00	"	10.08
Pleasant Grove (L)	400.00	"	12.00
Pleasant Grove (T)	144.00	"	4.32
Riverside	300.00	"	9.00
San Pedro	730.00	"	21.90
Sirmans	94.70	"	2.84
Steinbatchee	180.00	"	5.40
St. Johns	396.00	"	11.88
Totals			

"So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof; for the people had a mind to work."--Nehemiah 4:6.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST HOSPITAL

For the Year 1945

F. S. Groner, Administrator

As we review the record of service rendered during the year we are reminded of Matthew's statement concerning the ministry of Jesus: "Great multitudes came unto Him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and He healed them: insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel."

Of course, never is it possible to tabulate the entire work of a hospital; for much of its service is moral and spiritual. However, figures which may be tabulated tell a story of achievement in service of which we may well feel gratitude. We admitted 25,269 patients during the year, and gave them 139,985 days of service. Eight hundred and ninety-four persons were given 9,862 days of free service, at a cost to the Hospital of \$58,058.98. There were 2,663 births, and 3,175 emergency room cases which were not hospitalized. Forty-two young women were graduated from the School of Nursing and 17 doctors completed their fifth year of medical training. Operating income was \$1,317,475.84; gifts, etc., amounted to \$14,423.55, thus giving a total gross income of \$1,332,413.17. We paid all operating expenses including the free work; and closed the year with a substantial cash balance.

The report of the auditor filed herewith will indicate we paid during the year on Farnsworth Hall \$59,110.57, for the incinerator building and equipment \$26,908.57, for new equipment \$25,303.78; and that the total addition to our surplus during the year was \$118,260.29 after deducting \$49,762.42 for depreciation.

We gave free service to missionaries of the Home and Foreign Boards, and 54 young women from the Baptist Emergency Home were likewise given free service.

A gift of \$25,000 was made to the Foreign Mission Board with which to establish a hospital in the African field in Nigeria.

J. F. McCALL.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

This has been a good year in our Sunday School work. We now have 38 Churches in our Association. Of that number there are 29 reporting a Sunday School organization. In comparison of last year's records with this we note that in the 1946 minutes there were 31 Churches reporting Sunday Schools. There were 2508 enrolled in these Sunday Schools with an average attendance of 145.8. This year's record shows we have approximately 2750 enrolled with an average attendance of approximately 1580. Our Training Teacher Awards fell down from 139 in 1946 to 123. We only had eight Churches which held a training Teacher Study Course with two other Churches having one and two who took some private study course work.

However, there is one phase of our Sunday School work which



we are proud of the progress. That is we more than doubled the number of Churches which had Vacation Bible Schools. Last year we had four. This year we had ten. This is not as many as ought to be. We hope to double that next year. Enrolled 759; average attendance 608.

Respectfully submitted,  
R. E. MERRELL.

**REPORT ON MISSIONS**

The following is the standing of our associations in regard to the support of Quels Missions through the Cooperative program. Think of it, twenty-eight associations with every church giving something for World Missions! Think of it, four districts with 529 churches supporting Missions! The one-hundred per cent associations are:

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. Suwannee           | 15. Harmony      |
| 2. Wewiwa             | 16. Miami        |
| 3. Indian River       | 17. Florida      |
| 4. Palm Lake          | 18. Jacksonville |
| 5. Middle Florida     | 19. St. Johns    |
| 6. Peace River        | 20. Beulah       |
| 8. Black Creek        | 22. Alachua      |
| 9. New River          | 23. Lake County  |
| 10. Northwest Coast   | 24. Marion       |
| 11. Northeast Florida | 25. Pasco        |
| 12. Southwest Florida | 26. Seminole     |
| 13. Santa Fe River    | 27. Okaloosa     |

Added to the four districts are two city areas, Jacksonville and Miami, with every church supporting Missions.

The standing of the other associations are as follows.

Lacking two churches: Pinellas—Buffalo Avenue, Ahava

Lacking four Churches: Pensacola—Poplar Dell, Ray's Chapel, Molinok Pine Barren.

Lacking five Churches: Graves—El Bethrel, Limestone, Cluster Springs, Pine Chapel, Red Bay. Tampa Bay—Palm River, River View, Grant Park, New Hope, El Betherl.

Lacking six Churches: Holmes—Mt. Zion No. 1, Pleasant Grove No. 2, Pleasant Oak, Shady rove, West Pittman, Westville.

Lacking ten Churches: Chipola—Lovedale, Ephesus, Dellwood, New Home, Pilgrim's Rest, Poplar Springs, Friendship, Hickory Level, Mill Springs, White Pond. West Florida—Macedonia, New Orange, New Prospect, Oaky Ridge, Clarksville, Compass Lake, Frink, Live Oak, Unity, Orange Hill.

**Some Comparative Figures For A Five-Year Period**

Years	Churches in State	Cooperative Program	Churches Not Giving	Amount Handled
1943	829	\$264,311.38	243	\$ 532,834.56
1944	826	346,059.39	202	739,023.50
1945	833	442,143.11	177	945,864.60
1946	858	390,960.71	162	1,019,022.64
1947	853	616,074.17	41	1,131,265.09

Who is responsible for this growth? Pastors, good leaders within the churches, Moderators, State Mission Board Members, and our field force!

Respectfully submitted,  
PAUL HENDLEY.

**REPORT OF DISTRICT FIELD WORKER**

Never in Florida's history have we had such cooperation and such an overwhelming response from our churches, pastors, and field force. Twenty-eight associations, with every church making an offering through the Cooperative Program to World Missions. Four Districts with 529 churches and two City areas, Jacksonville and Miami, with every church supporting MISSIONS. ONLY 41 churches out of 853 failed to make a contribution this year. For this fine spirit of cooperation, we thank God and commend our pastors, good leaders within the churches, Moderators, State Mission Board members, and loyal church members.

Again, the accomplishments as shown in the report for district two are the fruits of your splendid cooperation:

Days spent on field	365
Miles traveled	22,882
Churches visited	163
Mission Points Visited	7
Other services visited	163
Homes visited	308
Sermons preached	190
Addresses	34
Soul winning conferences	162
Professions of Faith	21
Baptisms	5
Other additions	12
Letters written	961
Remittances to Cooperative Program	\$633.73
State Missions	85.00
Associational Missions	12.50
Other Collections	37.00
Tracts given	5,700
Bibles	14
Subscriptions to Witness	139
Regular prayer meetings started	3
Schools of Missions arranged	1
Helped churches find pastors	15
Committee meetings	24
Group or Associational meetings	57
Evangelistic meetings	1
Arranged for	13
Stewardship meetings	4
Arranged for	7
Financial programs planned	3
Helped to plan	13
Bus or car routes arranged	2
Ordination services	5
Helped to plan	6
Churches supplied	10

Census, helped to plan	2
Systematic visitation program	4
V. B. S. arranged for	17
Community surveys	5
Helped to plan	6
Study Courses taught	4
Helped to arrange	74
Individual conferences	582
Tithers enlisted	103
Training Unions organized	3
New Churches organized	3
Church building improvement	34
Mission preaching points established	2
Dead churches revitalized	2
Rededications	137
Volunteers for life service	1

Respectfully submitted,

D. O. ALDERMAN.

**REPORT ON RELIEF AND ANNUITY**

**New Executive Secretary**

On January 15, 1947, Dr. Thomas J. Watts, executive secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board for the past nineteen years, retired and Dr. Walter R. Alexander, associate executive secretary, was elevated to this important position.

**Officers of the Board**

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Board was held in Dallas on March 26, and the following officers were elected: Dr. Wallace Bassett, president; Dr. W. Marshall Craig, chairman of the executive committee; Mr. George J. Mason, recording secretary; Dr. Walter R. Alexander, executive secretary; Dr. R. S. Jones, associate secretary; Mr. Orville Groner, treasurer—investments.

Nineteen hundred forty-six was one of the most prosperous years the Board had ever known. Many new members were enrolled in the several plans through which the Board serves our Southern Baptist constituency. A total of 2,541 new certificates were issued during the past year.

**Widows Supplemental Annuity Plan**

Six other states qualified for participation in the Widows Supplemental Annuity Plan as of January 1, 1947, bringing the total number of states now participating in this plan to twelve. It is expected that this plan will be operating in all the states and the District of Columbia at an early date.

**Relief**

The high cost of living has made it necessary to heed the requests of hundreds of those on the relief roll for increased amounts. Many others should receive raises and will receive them when Southern Baptists make it possible. More than sixteen hundred look to the relief department for their livelihood. Even small amounts received by these who served before there was any Relief and Annuity Board means the difference between dire want and more or less comfort.

The calendar of denominational activities of the Southern Baptist Convention requests an offering from the churches throughout our Southern Baptist Convention during the month of April. We would urge all of our churches to take an offering for the relief department of this Board some time during the year that these old heroes of the cross may not suffer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. RANNEY.

The Associational Budget for the Middle Florida Baptist Association includes the following things and the amounts allowed for each as set opposite the items to be supported.

Minutes, Clerk and Treasurer	\$ 325.00
Rent (Associational Superintendent or Missionary)	100.00
Training Union	25.00
Brotherhood	25.00
Sunday School	25.00
W. M. U.	50.00
Moderator's Fund, Printing, Etc.	40.00
Miscellaneous Fund	25.00
New Hems not in last year's Budget:	
Expense—Publicity Proposed Assembly	100.00
Total for all causes	\$ 715.00

**REPORT ON PERIODICALS, TEMPERANCE, AND EDUCATION**

The first book to be considered in literature is the Holy Bible, God's divine will toward men.

Next every Baptist needs to be better informed in our denominational program. The best way to get this information is through denominational periodicals. One of our best, if not the best, source of information is through our denominational paper "The Baptist Witness," of which Dr. E. D. Solomon is the editor. The "Witness" should be in every Baptist home in Florida.

**TEMPERANCE**

If not the worst, one of the world's worst enemies, is the liquor traffic. We need to combine all of our forces and to pray God to help us to destroy such a deadly evil that is wrecking and destroying the life and character of our men, and women, boys, and girls.

**EDUCATION**

One of the greatest blessings, privileges we have is that of educating the youth of our nation. May we rise to this great task with all the energy there is, within our being, and pray God to help us to accomplish this great task, that our coming-on generations may be the best and most useful citizens possible.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. McCONNELL.

## REPORT ON FLORIDA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Our Children's Home continues to put forth every effort to assist the unfortunate children of the state. It has not been able to assist more than a mere fraction of the children who have applied for help in the past year. The number of half-orphans is increasing rapidly. Divorce and desertion are wrecking thousands of homes in our state. The need for help among children who have one or both parents living has exceeded that of any year in the last fifteen. Desertion leads the field in causes of dependency and divorce is second. Desertion is a parent of divorce. It precedes a great number of divorces and is one of the chief evils of our home life today. We deplore the rapid disintegration of so many of our homes. It creates numerous problems in our church and community life and brings untold damage and suffering and hardship to thousands of innocent children.

The management of the Home tries to help as many of these children as possible, but there are more than they can possibly assist. They plan to employ a social worker within the next associational year and possibly another one later. It will be the duty of these workers to investigate the cases asking help of the Home and to use every means at their command to assist those who apply for assistance.

They have started construction of the new Home in Lakeland. Three new buildings are being erected with a fourth to be started within a couple of weeks. Baptists of Florida own 51 acres of land in the city of Lakeland and approximately 80 acres adjoining which lies outside the city limits. They have room for pasture and truck farm and about thirty acres for a building site. The property borders the Lake Hunter Drive. The city owns the narrow strip of ground between the street and the lake but it is understood that the children can use the lake for fishing and boating.

When the dormitories are finished, we shall have one of the most modern and up-to-date institutions in the entire South, if not in the nation. Each building for intermediates and seniors will be two stories high and will house twenty children, two children in a room. The dormitories for the juniors will accommodate twenty children, four children in a room, and the nursery will house sixteen children with four to a room. Each building will have its own dining room. They are following the cottage plan throughout.

The finances of the institution have held up remarkably well. The gifts have been sufficient to meet the expense for this year.

Our children attend church, Sunday School, and Training Union at the First Baptist Church in Arcadia. We recognize that our efforts would have been in vain and Baptist money spent for charity only if we neglected the religious training of our children. Their health, happiness, and success in life many times depends on their relationship to God. The greatest benefits that any child can have is the knowledge of God and an environment in which kind ideals and Christian living can develop and grow stronger through the years.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. ANDREWS.

## REPORT ON THE NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Our Seminary in New Orleans started the present session with a new name and a new president. The three years of Dr. Duke K. McCall's presidency were marked by far-reaching progress in every line. Dr. Roland Q. Leavell assumed the presidency on July 1, 1946. The name of the institution was changed at the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami from the Baptist Bible Institute to the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

The change of name in no way indicates a change of policy on the part of the school nor change in the nature of the student body. During the past session there were 338 students enrolled, of whom 135 were college graduates, 47 others had done some college work, and 156 were without college training. One distinctive feature of this Seminary is, and will remain to be, that students without college training who can keep up with the classroom work may enter and be trained for ministerial and missionary service.

The present session opened with a record breaking attendance. The faculty is at its maximum strength. The beautiful new men's dormitory with a capacity for 96 students has been completed, although the gifts from Southern Baptists have not been sufficient to pay for it. Some memorial rooms are yet available for those giving \$1,000, and gifts of \$200 for furnishing rooms are sought. These will come, and no debt will remain. The administration expresses deep gratitude for all generous gifts. Twenty new family apartment units have been made available by the F. P. H. A. for married ex-service men. Scores and scores of ministers are applying for admission who cannot be admitted on account of lack of housing facilities.

Our school maintains three departments, the Seminary Department for ministers, the missions and religious education department, and the department of sacred music. These are not separate schools, but the work is intermeshed so as to give every student a sympathetic knowledge of all fields. The spirit of evangelism is diffused throughout all classes. The Bible is the basic, fundamental study in every department. The extension department is growing in usefulness, although correspondence courses are not encouraged as a substitute for resident work, and credit for extension courses cannot count toward a degree.

Every dollar invested in New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary does two dollars' worth of Kingdom work. It does full value in ministerial and missionary training and also does a dollar's worth of missionary work. Every student must take part regularly in some practical activity, such as preaching in churches, street preaching, work among Negroes and Catholics, deputation missions in a fleet of buses, visitation in homes, teaching in mission schools, group work in jails and rescue missions, kindergarten and slum work, distribution of Bibles and tracts, and scores of other evangelistic activities. Every student must make written reports weekly, and they cannot pass their classroom work if reports on practical activities are omitted for three consecutive weeks. Thus the student body is a mighty mission force in a needy mission field.

A printing press and a night school giving Seminary training to Negro preachers are two great Kingdom assets of the New Orleans Seminary.

A survey committee of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention reported the property of our Seminary as being worth \$558,626 and endowment amounting to only \$456.12. That committee voiced our need for at least \$2,000,000 endowment. Our immediate need is more housing space for students and more scholarships of \$200 each for individual students, for which they will render services to the institution or in missionary evangelism on needy fields nearby.

HAZEL WOODARD.

### REPORT ON STETSON UNIVERSITY

Stetson has entered upon its greatest year, with an enrollment that will reach approximately 2,300. Enrollment of last year, not including summer school, was 1648. There were 963 veterans, 755 Baptists, 83 ministerial students, and 106 preparing for special Christian service. We have on the campus the sons and daughters of more pastors and Christian leaders than ever before.

Stetson University is growing by leaps and bounds, and immediate action is imperative. We must have buildings and equipment. Florida Baptists will meet the challenge of this hour. We have raised about \$450,000 in cash and \$200,000 in substantial pledges.

To complete the million dollars pledged by the convention, we must first vigorously present Stetson to our churches; secondly, we must put Stetson in our church budget for next year. In the third place where the church budget plan is not used, it is suggested that a special offering be taken. With more than 850 churches working at this task, we could easily raise 75,000 to 125,000 dollars annually for endowment and for urgently needed building.

The convention last year adopted the recommendation that Stetson University be included in our church budget.

We call upon our churches, our associational leaders, and our State Mission Board to get solidly behind this undertaking, and the harvest of souls, trained preachers and leaders for the home and foreign fields justify all our efforts. We can't share this fellowship without participation.

First, we recommend that each association appoint a member to the State Committee on Christian Education.

Second, that we encourage our people to remember Stetson in their wills.

We regret very much the retiring of Dr. Allen from the Presidency of Stetson University. Dr. Allen is a great man and has led Stetson in a fine way and has made out of it a great Christian institution. We express to Dr. Allen our gratitude for his fine Christian and unselfish leadership. We pray that God will bless him and speedily restore him his health.

Respectfully signed,  
DEWEY MANN

### AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

#### The World Must Have the Bible

1. Jesus Christ is the one hope of men and nations . . . and The Bible is the one primary source of knowledge of Christ.
2. In every missionary advance the Bible goes forward first.
3. The Bible itself is a missionary. It can go where the human missionary cannot go, stay when he must leave, and keep on working in a man's heart.

#### Giving the Bible to the world is a missionary task.

1. Every man must have the Bible in his own native language if the message of Christ is to speak effectively to his heart.
2. Someone must translate the Bible into his language, print it, and send it to him wherever he lives. Since most people in the world are too poor to pay the cost of books, someone must also give to help those who can pay only part of the cost and many who cannot pay at all.
3. The American Bible Society, supported by gifts, serves as that "someone". As a missionary organization, it aids in Bible translation, publishes the Scriptures without note or comment, and distributes them, without profit and usually below cost, for use in mission work throughout the world.

During 1946 the American Bible Society—

—distributed at home and abroad over 11 million volumes of Scriptures;

—sent to Japan more than 1-3 million Gospels and more than 1-3 million of the 2½ million New Testaments requested by Japanese Christian leaders;

—shipped to Germany over 1 million Scripture volumes and 205 tons of materials for a self-help plan by which the German people and the German Bible Societies will do the actual printing of at least 1 million full Bibles.

#### Southern Baptists can lead in providing ENOUGH Bibles for world needs NOW!

1. Hungry-hearted multitudes, especially in liberated countries, Germany and Japan, are eager for the Word of God. But it is a race against time. Their eagerness may not last indefinitely and opposing forces are actively at work.
2. The Bible is rationed throughout the world, as it has always been rationed in mission lands, because the supply is limited by gifts available.
3. In 1946, Southern Baptists gave \$130,550 to the American Bible Society; total church gifts were \$1,119,845. Increased gifts from Southern Baptists will help to provide enough Bibles now and will multiply their value by inspiring others to give more. Please send gifts to the Baptist state headquarters office, marked "for the American Bible Society".
4. A worldwide missionary advance, through increased Scripture distribution, waits! . . . Waits only for needed funds!

CARL W. BURNETT.

## REPORT OF THE RADIO COMMISSION, S. B. C.

The youngest agency of the Southern Baptist Convention is The Radio Commission, S. F. Lowe, Director, with headquarters at 427½ Moreland Avenue N. E., Atlanta, Georgia.

Since 1941 the Radio Commission has broadcast the Baptist Hour for at least three months every year, with two three-months periods in 1946. The Baptist Hour programs in April, May and June 1947 were evangelistic and designed to promote all that Southern Baptists are doing in the field of evangelism. These programs also supported Dr. C. E. Matthews, Secretary of Evangelism, The Home Mission Board, in launching his program to enlist one million Baptists to pray daily for a spiritual awakening.

The Radio Commission has launched two new services during the past year. First, a special transcribed program is being provided for use in Government hospitals. It is a daily devotional designed to meet the spiritual needs of sick service men. Forty-seven hospitals are using them and others are asking for them. The Commission is seeking to meet this growing opportunity.

Second, the Radio Commission is launching a transcription service to local churches through which plan a good two-speed record player that can play both phonograph and radio records and which retails for \$150.00 is offered to churches for \$100.00. The radio records are made available to churches in packages of four records per package on a rental basis of \$4.00 per package which includes cost of express, packing, processing and programming. Churches are already using these records in B. T. U., Sunday school, prayer meeting, in church after Sunday school on days other than "preaching day," and in hospitals and other institutions in the community. This promises to be one of the best services of the Commission.

The record library of the Commission is available for use over local radio stations. Hundreds of stations broadcast some of these programs during the current year, with 93 stations airing a series of programs on the Christian home during Christian Home Week of this year. These records are available free for broadcast over local radio stations, though there is a modest rental when the records are used in the local churches.

The Commission cooperates with other agencies in the Convention in broadcasting desired by the agencies. During the current year in response to the Y. W. A. Dept. of Woman's Missionary Union, the Commission arranged for the broadcasting of the series entitled "All Aboard For Adventure," over 27 stations. Currently it is cooperating with the Home Mission Board in airing the Good News Hour over 67 stations, and with the Executive Committee, S. B. C., in broadcasting "THE PROV-ME HOUR" over approximately 150 stations, and with the Baptist Brotherhood in arranging for the broadcasting of a special program over 100 stations on Layman's Day, October 12.

During the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis the Commission broadcast two television programs.

The forecast of able radio leadership is that by 1950 television will be broadcast on a national scale. What will Southern Baptists enable their Radio Commission to do about preparing to use this new and most effective medium of mass communication?

The FM Station is the new type of station which will make it possible for Baptist institutions and local groups to own and operate stations for the glory of the Lord.

Radio—this modern method of communicating the gospel to the masses of people in this critical period of world history offers Baptists an unprecedented challenge. What will be their response?

M. J. HICKS, SR.

## BAPTIST BOOK STORE

Through the expanding program of Florida Baptists, the Baptist Book Store, 218 West Church Street, Jacksonville, Florida, has steadily kept pace with the needs and requirements of the various churches. Growth in any one department naturally affects any other department. In this we feel that the Book Store has rendered a very definite service.

The reason for establishing book stores throughout the entire bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention is that churches may be served more promptly and efficiently than when it must be ordered from another denominational house or even from outside the state limits. All church supplies can be secured through your own state book store, or they will render the service in locating it for you.

During the year much progress has been made in the advancement of Church Libraries. Realizing that "a man is himself plus the books he reads" and that "information is often the source of inspiration", we know that libraries have a very definite part in the firmly rooting of an entire constituency. We would recommend the serious consideration of a library for every church. Special terms are available and every effort is made to present a reading program to all members.

It has been said that one picture is worth 10,000 words. The Visual Aids Department has been established, carefully equipped, and efficiently managed. Anything from wall maps, blackboards, opaque projectors, slides and film machines can be obtained. We are also the agent for renting any film that you might wish to show in your church.

A very new service has been added in the securing of Carillon Bells and Chimes for churches. These are ideal witnesses throughout the land, calling the people to worship. They are also the means for producing living memorials.

First and foremost it is the purpose and plan of the Baptist Book Stores that we render an efficient service. This is your denominational book store. We would urge that you give us an opportunity to prove our worth and we know that we will give you a very prompt delivery on any orders that reach us.

M. C. WOODARD.

### REPORT ON THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM AND TITHING

Southern Baptists in recent years have had three major financial objectives: (1) to get rid of the old debts upon our boards and institutions, (2) to promote the Co-operative Program for the equitable support of all our work, and (3) to enlist tithers to provide a permanent, dependable, systematic support for all our causes, local, state and worldwide.

Thanks to God and our people, we became "Debt-free in '43," we now hope we can remain debt free and carry on but owe no man anything save love.

Our co-operative program continues to grow in favor. All our state organizations and agencies approve of it, and 75 percent of our churches contributed through it in 1946.

But our Co-operative Program receipts are not sufficient to meet the imperative immediate needs of our causes. All our institutions are full and running over. Our colleges and seminaries turned away hundreds last year for lack of room. Then the property of our Foreign Mission Board calls for \$5,000,000 to put it back as it was before the war. Other millions are needed to care for pathetic calls and unprecedented opportunities.

To help meet these enlarged needs a special tithing campaign has been launched. All our conventions and agencies are co-operating in its promotion. Each state has adopted a tithing goal for 1947. Our state tithing goal is 50,000.

#### Recommendations

We urgently and prayerfully recommend:

1. That every church enter full-length and full-strength into the special tithing effort seeking; (1) to enlist at least one-fourth of its members as tithers, and (2) to get all its members to bring their whole tithe into the Lord's house for at least three months, October, November, and December.
2. That October 5, or nearest convenient Sunday, be observed as Tithers' Enlistment Day in all departments and at all services of our churches.
3. That where possible all or a major part of the tithing receipts in October, November, and December be given to the Co-operative Program causes to help meet the dire needs of our denominational agencies.
4. That the Every-Member Canvass be put on faithfully in every church and that every effort be made to maintain and enlarge the number of tithers.
5. That the plans and suggestions of our state organization and the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention be used in seeking to enroll

A MILLION SOUTHERN BAPTIST TITHERS FOR CHRIST

PAUL HENDRY

### ASSOCIATIONAL B. T. U. REPORT

The Training Union work of our Association has been largely a local church matter this year. The resignation of the first-elected director and the appointment of a new director naturally did not help the Associational work any. Even though we were not able to contact the churches as we would have liked to, there has been some local accomplishments worthy of our observation. 16 churches now have Training Union work. 9 of the churches held Training Union Study Courses.

With the election of a new director and new officers, may we look forward to a more fruitful year of service. We urge the co-operation of each B. T. U. with your new director. May each church realize the need of a Scriptural training program.

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. HICKS, JR.

### MIDDLE FLORIDA W. M. U. REPORT

The four Middle Florida W. M. U. Rallies which were held during the year were well attended and a good spirit of devotion to duty prevailed at each.

First at Pinetta in January when Miss Elizabeth Provence, State Worker, and Mrs. George Davis of South Carolina W. M. U., conducted a W. M. U. Methods Clinic.

Theme for the April meeting at Lee was Stewardship and Evangelism. The devotional by Miss Holderman, and a talk by Rev. Dewey Mann of Perry Baptist Church, were most inspiring.

Young peoples meeting in July, Madison, was an outstanding event with the largest attendance, and presided over by Mrs. Glen J. Hicks, Young Peoples Leader.

Mrs. M. D. Minter, Associational Secretary, presided at the annual meeting in Sept. held at Foley. Guest missionary speaker for the day was Miss Thurman of Nigeria.

One new Society was organized during the year at Hopewell which is doing excellent work.

Respectfully submitted,

PEARL BRYAN (MRS. R. B.)

Associational President.

TABLE II—SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1947

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT											V. B. S.		
		Cradle Roll—Home Ministry (3 Years and Under)	Nursery—Attending Sunday (3 Years and Under)	Beginners 4-5	Primaries 6-8	Juniors 9-12	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 Years and Up	Extension Department	General and Departmental Officers not Parrolled in Sunday School Classes	Total Enrollment—Main School and Mission including all Officers, Teach., and Pupils	Average Attendance	Enrollment Vacation Bible School	What Was the Average Attendance?
Athens	W. M. Howell, Perry, Fla.	9	6	10	11	12	20				68	44	32	27	
Beulah	H. L. Stokes, Lec, Fla.	7	9	13	14	4	19				66	37			
Brewer Lake	Albertus Morgan, Day, Fla.	13	14	20	21	28	46				144	65			
Burton	..... Perry, Fla.	13	17	21	17	17	13				81	46			
Central	J. C. Waldron, Aucilla, Fla.	12	5	11	10	4	24				74	46	38	31	
Cherry Lake	Dorman Surles, Madison, Fla.	10	11	12	19	16	28				61	22			
Elizabeth	Arthur Herndon, Aucilla, Fla.	11	11	18	19	16	39				123	72	40	36	
Foley	C. M. Parker, Foley, Fla.	10	10	32	45	43	68		10		224	128	87	67	
Friendship	Glencie Cruce, Perry, Fla.	7	9	10	9	10	16				61	42			
Greenville	T. P. McLeod, Jr., Greenville, Fla.	13	11	12	28	34	18		14		210	102	83	69	
Hopewell	Clarence Kelly, Madison, Fla.										40	40			
Lamont	Mrs. Ruth Campbell, Lamont, Fla.										53	28	50	40	
Lec	W. E. Barry, Lec, Fla.										60	28			
Macedonia	O. A. Henderson, Lec, Fla.										72	45			
Madison	L. R. Woodard, Madison, Fla.	15	20	33	62	55	51				293	152	114	97	
Mayo	Guy McClain, Mayo, Fla.										87	50	35	26	
Midway	Kermit Thomas, Lec, Fla.										100	54			
Mosley Hall	S. R. Sapp, Greenville, Fla.	6	5	6	8	8					57	35			
Mt. Gilead	W. G. Yann, Shady Grove, Fla.										2	25			
Mt. Olive	Walden H. Phillips, Madison, Fla.										33	22			
New Home (Madison)	Lucion Floyd, Madison, Fla.										42	25			
New Home (Taylor)	J. Lewis Burch, Perry, Fla.	13	14	14	16	18	14				136	70	100	74	
New Hopeful	Albert McLeod, Madison, Fla.										31	20			
Oakland	.....														
Perry	C. A. Langford, Perry, Fla.	28	30	41	71	48					311	172			
Pinetta	Lamar Deloch, Pinetta, Fla.										69	40	55	55	
Pine Grove	N. C. Gibson, Madison, Fla.	6									34	29			
Pisgah	A. D. McLeod, Perry, Fla.										30	30			
San Pedro	Howard Corrin, Madison, Fla.										50	31			
Steinhatchee	E. F. Buebler, Steinhatchee, Fla.	2									40				
St. Johns	Clarence Bailey, Lovett, Fla.										56			29	
TOTALS		40	70	276	312	479	418	247	740	24	68	2,635	1,436	634	551

TABLE I—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1947

CHURCHES	Location: O-C-V-T	Year Organized	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Dates of Meeting	GAINS			LOSSES			TOTAL			SPECIAL INFORMATION				
					Baptisms	By Letter	Other Additions	By Letter	By Death	Other Losses	Present Res dent Membership	Non-resident Membership	Grand Total present Membership	Are Weekly Prayer Meetings Held?	Number of Revival Meetings Held	Spent on Building or Renodelling Last Year	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property
Athens	O	1897	C. W. Person, Perry, Fla.	Each	6		1	2			48		69	Yes	2		2,000.00	
Aucilla	OCC	1853	R. C. Rittenhouse, Madison, Fla.	4						21	24	45	No			1,500.00		
Beulah	OCC	1902	R. L. Williams, Lec, Fla.	1&3	2	2		2		52		52	No		141.50	1,500.00		
Brewer Lake	OCC	1884	John R. Collins, Madison, Fla.	Each	5	4		1		100	90	190	Yes	1		1,000.00		
Burton	OCC	1930	W. G. DeShazo, Perry, Fla.	Each	5	14				202		202	Yes	2		2,235.50		
Central	OCC	1907	R. C. Rittenhouse, Madison, Fla.	1&3	4	7		5		61	62	123	No	1		500.00		
Cherry Lake	OCC	1937	M. J. Hicks, Jr., Lec, Fla.	2&4	5	3		1		63		63	Yes	1		1,250.00		
Elizabeth	OCC	1831	.....	2&4	5	4		5		166	39	205	No	1	561.44	4,000.00		
Foley	OCC	1930	Paul Hendley, Foley, Fla.	Each	17	7		17	1	152	150	305	Yes	2		3,000.00		
Friendship	OCC	1920	F. A. Parker, Perry, Fla.	2&4	9	5		5		70	5	75	Yes	1	9.54	1,500.00		
Greenville	OCC	1857	R. E. Merrill, Greenville, Fla.	Each	7	9		17	1	180	81	261	Yes	2	600.00	2,500.00	17,597.00	
Hopewell	OCC	1904	W. B. Horton, Lec, Fla.	1&3	6			1				130			2,000.00	4,000.00		
Lamont	OCC	1890	R. C. Rittenhouse, Madison, Fla.	2		3		3		49	33	82	Yes	1		5,000.00		
Lec	OCC	1905	D. P. Hendry, Greenville, Fla.	1&3		3		1		76	38	114	No	1	72.00	2,000.00		
Macedonia	OCC	1863	E. A. Milton, Live Oak, Fla.	2&4	4	21		23	1	147	70	217	Yes	1		10,000.00		
Madison	OCC	1839	John Caylor, Jr., Madison, Fla.	Each	5	17		17	2	630		630	Yes	1	7,500.00	37,500.00		
Mayo	OCC	1908	M. B. Archibald, Mayo, Fla.	Each	3	4		1	4	130	100	230				5,000.00		
Midway	OCC	1856	W. B. Horton, Lec, Fla.	2&4	13	6		2		175	56	231	Yes	2	1,132.71	3,341.00		
Mosley Hall	OCC	1900	T. A. Goodman, Shady Grove, Fla.	1&3	3			3		65	25	90	No			1,000.00		
Mt. Gilead	OCC	1850	C. J. Lewis, Shady Grove, Fla.	1&3	1			3		40		40	No			600.00		
New Home (Madison)	OCC	1898	L. C. Hicks, Jr., Lec, Fla.	1&3		4		1		61	16	77	Yes	1	53.30	900.00		
New Home (Taylor)	OCC	1923	C. J. Lewis, Shady Grove, Fla.	2				1		57	17	74	No			2,000.00		
New Hopeful	OCC	1877	Carl Webb, Lec, Fla.	Each	10	16		2	25	1		210	Yes	1	2,500.00	7,500.00		
New Macedonia	OCC	1877	Carl Webb, Lec, Fla.	2&3	1			1		28	6	34	Yes	1	150.00	3,000.00		
Oakland	OCC	1880	J. W. Johnson, Perry, Fla.	2&4				4	1			58	No	1		600.00		
Perry	OCC	1878	Dewey Mann, Perry, Fla.	Each	15	51		19	1	479	182	661	Yes	2	5,000.00	8,000.00	108,000.00	
Pinetta	OCC	1918	M. J. Hicks, Lec, Fla.	1&3				6	1	114	76	190	Yes			1,500.00		
Pine Grove	OCC	1860	M. J. Fowler, Day, Fla.	1&3		6		5				109	Yes	1		1,500.00		
Pisgah	OCC	1918	F. A. Parker, Perry, Fla.	1&3		2				43	10	53	Yes	1	331.60	1,500.00		
Pleasant Grove (Lay.)	OCC	1900	R. W. Henry, Branford, Fla.	1&3	1	1		3	1	113	25	138	No	1	147.55	2,647.55		
Pleasant Grove (Tay.)	OCC	1879	J. W. Johnson, Perry, Fla.	1&3	1	1		1	1	36	26	62	Yes	1	235.00	1,000.00		
Riverside	OCC	1904	Carl Webb, Lec, Fla.	2&4				1	1	50	83	133	No	1		2,000.00		
San Pedro	OCC	1888	R. L. Williams, Madison, Fla.	2&4	1			13	2			154	Yes	3		2,000.00		
Steinhatchee	OCC	1909	C. J. Lewis, Shady Grove, Fla.	4				1		20		20	No	1		1,000.00		
St. Johns	OCC	1930	Vernon Morgan, Athens, Fla.	1&3	3	1				17		17	No	1		2,500.00		
TOTALS			M. J. Fowler, Day, Fla.	2&4	9	7		8				50	Yes	1	2,500.00	6,000.00	1,264.36	

TABLE IV—W. M. U. AND GIFTS, MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1947

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. U. AND ADDRESSES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.
Brewer Lake.....	Mrs. Deloris Townsend, Mayo, Fla.	1					1	20					20		\$ 58.15	\$ 31.00
Burton.....	Mrs. D. B. Leggett, Perry, Fla.	1					1	19							4.35	95.00
Central.....	Mrs. W. S. Horn, Aucilla, Fla.	1					1	15								34.12
Cherry Lake.....	Mrs. A. E. Aiken, Madison, Fla.	1					1	15							10.00	16.00
Foley.....	Mrs. A. Cothran, Foley, Fla.	1	1	1		1	5	22	6	10		10	48		28.17	285.47
Greenville.....	Mrs. Mildred Slaughter, Greenville, Fla.	1					1	30							82.20	150.90
Hopewell.....	Jewel Walker, Madison, Fla.	1					1	30							99.44	5.00
Lee.....	Mrs. Ollie Stroud, Lee, Fla.	1					1	1								33.75
Madison.....	Mrs. C. W. Cantey, Madison, Fla.	1					1	140						90	121.37	932.15
Mayo.....	Mrs. Ola Winburn, Mayo, Fla.	1					1	15							75.00	51.75
Midway.....	Ida Thomas, Lee, Fla.	1					1	9							15.00	85.86
New Home (Taylor).....	Mrs. D. L. Folsom, Perry, Fla.	1	2	1	1	1	5	18		12	4	5		16		
Oakland.....																
Perry.....	Mrs. W. M. Beatty, Perry, Fla.	1	1	2	2	1	7	128	18	28	24	12	210	162	134.00	1,022.85
Pinetta.....	Mrs. Johnnie Hollingsworth, Pinetta, Fla.	1					1	12						6	6.28	87.46
Pine Grove.....	Mrs. R. C. Burnett, Madison, Fla.	1					1	23								141.15
Pleasant Grove (Laf.).....	Mrs. M. M. Jones, Mayo, Fla.	1					1	17							2.50	11.50
TOTALS.....		16	2	5	3	3	30	497	24	40	28	27	278	287	\$636.46	\$2,983.06

TABLE III—TRAINING UNION OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1947

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions and Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Total Number General and Departmental Officers not Enrolled in Unions and Story Hours	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance Per Sunday	Was Youth Week Observed?	Was Christian Home Week Observed?
Athens.....	Bryant Morgan, Perry, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	5	22	11	7	5	10		55	26		
Brewer Lake.....		1	1	1	1	1	4	20		15	10	20	1	66	40		
Central.....		1	1	1	1	1	4	19		13	6	10	5	52	34		
Cherry Lake.....	Mrs. R. A. Jones, Madison, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	4	8		11	4	3		36	18		
Elizabeth.....	Mrs. Lillie Walker, Aucilla, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	5	26	14	15	17	16	7	95		Yes	
Foley.....	Mrs. S. A. Touchton, Foley, Fla.	1	1	1	2	2	7	29	11	17	28	17	5	107	60		
Friendship.....	Hubert Murphy, Perry, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	3	15		19	10			40	30		
Greenville.....	G. L. Hutto, Greenville, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	3	15		19	10			44	35		
Hopewell.....	Clarence Kelly, Madison, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	3	12		8	8			52	30		
Lamont.....	Mrs. A. W. Reams, Lamont, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	3	10	10	36	24	8		28	20		
Madison.....	Wilbur Rutherford, Madison, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	5	15		15	6	8		98	40		
Mayo.....	Mrs. Rubye J. Breare, Mayo, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	4	12		6	5	8	4	35	7	Yes	
New Home (Taylor).....	Y. L. Folsom, Perry, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	7	12	11	7		52			
New Hopeful.....	John Wilson, Madison, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	17						20	15		
Perry.....	Mrs. Ruth Elkins, Perry, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	5	12	12	28	38	18	9	112	62		
Pinetta.....	Mrs. Acil Jackson, Pinetta, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	4	18	13		8	12	5	56	25		
St. Johns.....	Mrs. Archie Norris, Lovett, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	2							38			
TOTALS.....		15	9	11	14	12	61	235	86	178	174	129	34	976	442		



TABLE VI—GIFTS FOR LOCAL WORK OF CHURCH, MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1947

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Pastor's Salary Paid for Year	Incidentals—Janitor, Fuel, Water, Repairs, Insurance, etc.	Assistant Pastor, Educational Director, Choir Leader, etc.	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Paid on Church Debt out of Current Funds	Literatures—Quartaries, Church Paper, Song Books, etc.	Help for Local Fund	Building Fund (Amount given last year)	Local Missions	Other Objects	Total Given for Local Church Work
Athena	R. H. Ezell, Perry, Fla.	1,040.00	75.45	10.00	165.00	50	98.84	33.25	1,000.00	50	99.22	2,421.76
Aucilla	Mrs. N. W. Bishop, Aucilla, Fla.	160.00			60.00						30.28	250.28
Beulah	Johnie Thomas, Lee, Fla.	240.00	141.50		80.00		25.29				10.00	496.75
Brewer Lake	W. C. Winderweide, Day, Fla.	800.00	18.00		130.16		215.47	10.00	891.83	10.00	28.50	2,162.11
Burton	W. J. Porter, Perry, Fla.	1,625.00	104.37	10.00	170.00		118.33	35.50				2,063.16
Central	Oliver Scruggs, Aucilla, Fla.	710.00	184.92	70.00	209.50		208.73				65.20	1,528.14
Cherry Lake	J. W. Cason, Madison, Fla.	600.00	37.05		41.51	92.20	135.80		72.80			799.58
Elizabeth	Norman Hartsfield, Aucilla, Fla.	480.00	929.59	93.10	136.00		183.29		566.44			2,388.42
Foley	W. R. Rice, Foley, Fla.	2,372.70	350.38		457.31		577.09		200.00	28.17	250.29	4,235.94
Friendship	Geo. D. Hendry, Perry, Fla.	240.00			165.00		96.49	165.32				766.81
Greenville	Z. M. McLeod, Greenville, Fla.	2,400.00	1,250.42		394.00		312.16				609.15	4,965.73
Hopewell	Bill Lamb, Madison, Fla.	525.00							26.00		125.00	676.00
Lamont	Mrs. Alma Ruth Campbell, Lamont, Fla.	260.00	17.40		218.25		64.46				226.25	785.36
Lee	S. A. Kinsey, Lee, Fla.	635.00	87.00	48.28	105.50		61.80					940.58
Macedonia	O. A. Henderson, Lee, Fla.	852.00	111.20		265.00		82.07				218.43	1,528.70
Madison	L. R. Woodard, Madison, Fla.	3,250.00	2,862.92	815.97	760.85		398.64	133.39	3,707.30		70.00	11,999.07
Mayo	Mrs. Irene Gordon, Mayo, Fla.	2,400.00	364.73				305.21	124.53	267.54		136.90	3,598.93
Midway	Miss Willie Phillips, Lee, Fla.	1,040.00	9.44	110.00	250.00		206.46	114.06	1,132.71		198.47	3,061.14
Mosley Hall	Mrs. A. W. Sapp, Greenville, Fla.	298.00	45.35		75.00		38.80				10.00	467.15
Mt. Gilead	J. W. Eakins, Lamont, Fla.	55.00			74.74							129.74
Mt. Olive	Walden Phillips, Madison, Fla.	255.00	118.55		97.19		32.59	61.00				600.33
New Home (Madison)	J. Eddie Bass, Madison, Fla.	98.00	5.00		40.00		32.91		1,800.00			1,975.91
New Home (Taylor)	J. M. Hale, Perry, Fla.	2,600.00	127.68	300.00	187.49		133.49	89.75	8,719.67		266.32	12,424.40
New Hopeful	Mrs. J. R. Wilson, Madison, Fla.	499.96	161.09	23.55	53.16		23.17			259.63	71.30	1,098.69
New Macedonia	T. W. Hurring, Greenville, Fla.	165.90	12.00		43.00				100.00			320.90
Perry	W. J. Hura, Perry, Fla.	3,600.00	5,694.28	9.42	872.97		858.63	29.47	910.65		4,014.41	15,980.41
Pinetta	W. G. Downing, Pinetta, Fla.	900.00	286.16				99.72	6.40		25.00		1,326.70
Pine Grove	Mrs. Frank Davis, Madison, Fla.	495.00	17.40	40.50	57.00		25.77		382.57		41.89	1,065.17
Pisgah	W. D. Powell, Perry, Fla.	356.00			78.00		39.55	26.50				480.05
Pleasant Grove (Laf.)	M. M. Jones, Mayo, Fla.	400.00	147.55	40.00	104.18		12.00					703.74
Pleasant Grove (Tay.)	Ernest Tedder, Shady Grove, Fla.	144.00	235.00		54.43							432.34
Riverside	Clifton Shiver, Perry, Fla.	300.00	21.65	32.00	86.60		37.04				19.80	507.59
San Pedro	Clifton Cruce, Perry, Fla.	730.00	1.60	35.00	130.00		87.27	40.00		30.00		1,056.87
Simmons	Mrs. Carrie Stokes, Greenville, Fla.	94.70	14.40		56.00			7.00				172.10
Steinhatchee	E. F. Buehler, Steinhatchee, Fla.	180.00			50.00		24.92					254.92
St. Johns	Clarence Thigpen, Greenville, Fla.	396.00			93.50							489.50
TOTALS		\$31,177.26	\$13,432.12	\$1,637.82	\$5,758.35	\$92.20	\$4,536.90	\$876.17	\$19,777.51	\$352.80	\$6,491.41	\$84,155.97

TABLE V—MEN'S BROTHERHOODS, MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1947

CHURCHES	DIRECTORS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	BROTHERHOOD				SPECIAL INFORMATION						
		Does Church Have a Brotherhood Organization?	Present Enrollment	How Many Brotherhood Meetings Were Held Last Year?	Amount Pledged to Co-operative Program or Unified Budget Coming Year	Amount Pledged to Associational Missions Coming Year	Number of Tithers in Church	Number Members Subscr. Bag to Every Member Canvass	Total All Building and Remodeling Funds on Hand at End of Year	Is State Paper in Church Budget?	Does Church Have Library?	
Athena	E. G. Whitfield, Carbur, Fla.	Yes	12	2	150.00	5	31.20	25	25	1,172.92	Yes	Yes
Aucilla		Yes					4.80				No	No
Beulah		Yes			30.00		7.20	1		245.45	No	No
Brewer Lake	M. L. Smith, Day, Fla., Chm. of Deacons	Yes			1,878.00		120.00	24		1,400.00	No	No
Burton		Yes					48.75	15			No	No
Central		Yes			200.00		21.30				No	No
Cherry Lake		Yes					18.00			783.00	No	No
Elizabeth		Yes					14.40	23		191.31	No	No
Foley	S. A. Touchton, Perry, Fla.	Yes	33	12	340.00		84.00	20		1,762.50	No	No
Friendship		Yes					12.15	9		618.92	No	No
Greenville	Lamar Andrews, Greenville, Fla.	Yes					72.00	48		4,910.60	Yes	Yes
Hopewell		Yes			4,957.36		15.75			26.00	No	No
Lamont		Yes					78.63	5		68.56	No	No
Lee		Yes					11.28				No	No
Macedonia	O. A. Henderson, Lee, Fla., Chm. of Deacons	Yes			200.00		25.55	30		888.01	Yes	No
Madison	E. M. May, Madison, Fla.	Yes	50	10			118.30			14,892.32	No	No
Mayo	Feiton Rohitzach, Mayo, Fla., Chm. of Deacons	Yes					72.00	12		1,440.76	Yes	Yes
Midway		Yes			410.66		31.20	24			No	No
Mosley Hall		Yes			36.40		8.94			300.19	No	No
Mt. Gilead	D. C. McLeod, Madison, Fla., Chm. of Deacons	Yes					1.63				No	No
Mt. Olive		Yes					7.65	1		202.87	No	No
New Home (Madison)		Yes			19.88		2.94			85.00	No	No
New Home (Taylor)		Yes	18	11			78.00	29		10,021.38	Yes	No
New Hopeful	Albert McLeod, Madison, Fla., Chm. of Deacons	Yes			15.00		15.00	7		23.25	No	No
New Macedonia		Yes					4.97				No	No
Oakland	No Letter	No									No	No
Perry	Dr. W. H. Peacock, Perry, Fla.	Yes	35	12	1,500.00		108.00	141	400	910.65	Yes	Yes
Pinetta	J. W. Downing, Pinetta, Fla., Chm. of Deacons	Yes					27.00				No	No
Pine Grove		Yes			240.00		14.85	12			No	No
Pisgah		Yes					10.08				No	No
Pleasant Grove (Lafayette)		Yes					12.00	2		145.89	Yes	No
Pleasant Grove (Taylor)		Yes					4.32	2			No	No
Riverside		Yes			20.00		9.00	8			No	No
San Pedro		Yes					21.90	6	153		Yes	No
Simmons	L. H. Bailey, Simmons, Fla., Chm. of Deacons	Yes					2.84				No	No
St. Johns		Yes					5.40			330.87	Yes	No
TOTALS							768.84					

TABLE VII—GIFTS FOR MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND ALL BENEVOLENCES OF MIDDLE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, YEAR ENDING OCT. 1, 1947

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Gifts to Co-operative Program or Unified Budget	Designated to Associational Missions	Designated to State Missions	Designated to Home Missions	Designated to Foreign Missions	Designated to Schools, Colleges and Seminaries	Orphanages (Cash and Conservative Estimated Value of Merchandise, Clothing, etc.)	Designated to Hospitals	Designated to Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Relief and Annuity, Other Objects	Total for All Missions	Grand Total of All Contributions for All Purposes
Athena	Edna Ezell, Perry, Fla.	\$ 150.00		\$ 50.00				\$ 60.00				\$ 260.00	\$ 2,681.76
Aucilla	Mrs. M. W. Bishop, Aucilla, Fla.	50.00	8.33		20.00							78.33	328.61
Boulab	Fred Holder, Lee, Fla.	30.00	8.40					55.00				93.40	590.15
Brewer Lake	H. W. Weaver, Mayo, Fla.	50.00	17.50	7.00	7.21			31.80				144.51	2,305.62
Burton	J. W. Strickland, Perry, Fla.	120.00	42.00					60.00			43.20	265.20	2,328.36
Central	Blanche Clark, Aucilla, Fla.	125.85	21.00		17.12	17.00		42.37				223.34	1,751.48
Cherr Lake	Mrs. Caleb Smith, Madison, Fla.	96.00	5.00								20.25	121.25	1,751.48
Elizabeth	K. B. Traft, Aucilla, Fla.	109.15	16.80		6.10	6.10	9.32	68.75			14.40	230.62	2,619.04
Foley	C. P. Wilson, Foley, Fla.	837.64	84.00	8.15	15.52	23.90	6.00	276.24		35.00	146.90	1,433.35	5,669.29
Friendship	Geo. D. Hendry, Perry, Fla.	24.00	8.40		15.50							47.96	814.77
Greenville	T. P. McLeod, Jr., Greenville, Fla.	600.00	73.50	117.48	63.33	249.33	163.25	302.00			83.66	1,652.55	6,618.28
Hopewell	Dozier Sapp, Madison, Fla.	34.00										34.00	710.00
Lamont	David R. Walker, Lamont, Fla.	55.00	10.50					52.57				118.07	904.43
Lee	T. J. Allen, Lee, Fla.	120.65					50.00	16.95				187.60	1,128.18
Macedonia	M. C. Woodard, Lee, Fla.	200.00	29.82				150.00	100.00				479.82	2,008.52
Madison	Jake Vickers, Madison, Fla.	1,183.08	118.30	120.13	115.69	271.57		504.89		20.55	185.48	2,519.67	14,518.76
Mayo	Miss Louise Hurst, Mayo, Fla.	400.00	32.40	10.00	11.75	30.00					67.34	519.09	4,150.42
Midway	N. G. Howard, Lee, Fla.	453.58	25.20				100.00					578.78	3,639.92
Mosley Hall	Sidney Moon, Greenville, Fla.	30.00			10.00	20.00	15.00	20.00			10.00	105.00	872.34
Mt. Olive	W. G. Vann, Shady Grove, Fla.												129.74
Mt. Olive	W. H. Phillips, Madison, Fla.	10.00	4.75	10.40	8.00	7.87	10.00					55.05	655.38
New Home (Madison)	Mrs. J. Eddie Bass, Madison, Fla.	8.51	4.17								4.05	12.68	1,988.59
New Home (Taylor)	S. H. Hendry, Perry, Fla.	427.73	100.14		12.74	16.63	60.00	124.63				741.87	13,166.27
New Hopeful	Mrs. A. L. McLeod, Madison, Fla.	15.00	6.83	11.00			6.50					32.50	1,131.19
New Macedonia	Lee Barclay, Greenville, Fla.		2.35									2.35	323.35
Oakland	No Letter												
Perry	Mrs. Essie Mae Cogburn, Perry, Fla.	1,555.77	94.50	52.32	155.20	230.35		211.74			113.28	2,413.15	18,393.56
Pinetta	J. W. Downing, Pinetta, Fla.	42.98	31.50	4.00	40.00			31.02				149.50	1,476.20
Pine Grove	Frank Davis, Madison, Fla.	240.00	14.00		10.50	13.00		51.67				346.92	1,553.24
Pisgah	H. L. Lundy, Perry, Fla.	20.00	5.00				10.00					35.00	515.05
Pleasant Grove (Laf.)	Mrs. Lillie Mae Jackson, Mayo, Fla.	89.27	7.00									96.27	800.01
Pleasant Grove (Tay.)	Ernest Tedder, Shady Grove, Fla.		2.03									2.06	434.40
Riverside	D. F. Allen, Mayo, Fla.	20.00	10.50							3.13		33.63	541.22
San Pedro	Olivier Cruce, Perry, Fla.	306.87	17.00		4.76		58.42	75.27	25.00		13.18	503.12	1,599.99
Sirrans	Kelly Bailey, Greenville, Fla.	12.45	3.35					5.00				20.80	192.90
Steinhatchee	E. F. Buebier, Steinhatchee, Fla.	5.50	5.00					12.20				22.70	277.62
St. Johns	Marcus Day, Lovett, Fla.	50.00	13.80									63.80	539.50
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$ 7,469.05</b>	<b>\$822.98</b>	<b>\$390.48</b>	<b>\$513.42</b>	<b>\$885.75</b>	<b>\$638.49</b>	<b>\$ 2,102.30</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>	<b>\$ 58.68</b>	<b>\$719.79</b>	<b>\$13,623.94</b>	<b>\$98,219.92</b>