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TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Tuesday morning after the First Sunday in October, 1921, at
 10 a.m., with the Bushnell Baptist Church, Bushnell, Florida

ORDAINED MINISTERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

CALVIN, C. H.	Brooksville
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RICE, J. L.	Floral City
RUSSELL, J. F.
ROGERS, J. C.	Bushnell
SPICER, T. W.	Leesburg
TRAYLOR, M. L.	Sumterville
WADE, W. S.	Bushnell

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be denominated the Alachua Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 2. It shall be composed of such churches as hold the doctrines of human depravity, the atonement of Christ, election to eternal life, regeneration and perseverance of the saints, baptism by immersion of the person in water, administered to none but professional believers, and the Lord's Supper intended for those only who have been regularly admitted into the visible church.

ARTICLE 3. We take the only living and true God, in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, to be one God.

ARTICLE 4. We take the scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the only rule of faith and practice, both in the concerns of religion and general affairs of life, and particularly for transacting the affairs of our church.

ARTICLE 5. We take the Church of Christ to be a congregation of faithful persons, who lie in fellowship, and have given themselves to the Lord and to one another in cordial agreement to observe holy discipline, in conformity with the requirements of the Scriptures.

ARTICLE 6. We take Jesus Christ to be the Great Head of the church, and the only one given; the government under Him is with the body, and is the privilege of each individual member; that spiritual discipline, with an eye single to the glory of God, must greatly conduce to the final prosperity and union of the churches.

ARTICLE 7. In view of the increase of fraternal love, knowledge, usefulness and efficiency which must accrue from an association of churches in cordial union upon the principles of the Gospel, we have sought to be thus united, that by individual and collective action we may best subserve the great objects of the Redeemer's kingdom. And the concurrence of two-thirds will dissolve the connection.

ARTICLE 8. This association shall have the power to withdraw its connection from any church which shall act contrary to the teaching of the Holy Scriptures.

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ARTICLE 9. New churches wishing to be admitted into this body shall petition by letters and messengers, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, shall be admitted by receiving the right hand of fellowship of the moderator.

ARTICLE 10. Each church shall be entitled to two messengers, and one additional for each twenty-five members, or fractional part thereof, in excess of fifty.

ARTICLE 11. Every query sent to the association by any church in its union shall be read and put to vote by the moderator, whether it shall be debated, and if there shall be a majority in favor, it shall be taken up and debated, but if not, it shall be withdrawn; provided, always, that those be first considered which affect the union of the churches.

ARTICLE 12. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the observation of the association, unless withdrawn by the mover.

ARTICLE 13. Every member who speaks shall rise from his seat and address the moderator, and shall not be interrupted while he is speaking unless he depart from the subject.

ARTICLE 14. No person shall speak more than three times upon one subject, without permission of the body. The constitution of this body may be altered or amended by the concurrence of two-thirds of its members.

ARTICLE 15. No member shall absent himself from the association without leave of the moderator.

ARTICLE 16. It shall be the first business of this association to provide for the general union of the churches; second, to provide for the destitution of the churches and districts by missionary aid; third, to keep up a correspondence with other associations of like faith and order, that a chain of communication may be preserved among the churches; fourthly, to give the churches the best advice they can in matters of difficulty, and if communication should be broken between any of the sister churches, to inquire into the cause, and use the best means to remove the difficulty; but if the breach cannot be healed, to withdraw from such church or churches as walk disorderly, until they may be reclaimed; and, fifthly, to regulate all matters pertaining to its business, to provide for printing the minutes, and appoint the time and place of the next meeting.

BY-LAWS

1. The officers of this body shall be a moderator, clerk, corresponding secretary and treasurer.

2. The moderator, clerk, treasurer and corresponding secretary shall be chosen by ballot at each session of the association, and remain in office until their successors are elected.

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3. It shall be the duty of the moderator to preside over the meetings of the association, and the duty of the clerk to keep the record of the proceedings and prepare a minute for the press.

4. It shall be the duty of the corresponding secretary to conduct the correspondence of the association, and make a report of the same at each regular meeting of the body. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to keep all the funds of the association, subject to the orders of the executive committee.

5. There shall be an executive committee consisting of the officers of the association with two members appointed by the association at each meeting of this association, whose duty it shall be to supervise and conduct all matters pertaining to this association during the year.

6. Churches wishing to dissolve connection with this body must submit their reasons during its session.

7. It shall be required of the executive committee to hold a meeting for business at each session of the association, before its adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY—Morning Session

Bushnell, Florida, October 5th, 1920.

1. The Alachua Baptist Association met with the Bushnell Church in its Seventy-third Annual Session at 10:00 a.m., Oct. 5. Devotional exercises were conducted by S. P. Mahoney.

2. The moderator, S. P. Mahoney, stated that the time for organization had arrived and on motion it was ordered that the roll of messengers be made up and that such messengers constitute the association. The following enrollment was secured:

Brooksville—C. H. Calvin, J. C. Kazee, Mrs. R. C. Hice, Miss Mary Snow, W. A. Thompson.

Bushnell—Mrs. S. M. Wall, A. T. Coleman.

Center Hill—Rev and Mrs. R. Strickland, A. B. Jones.

Charter Oak—G. M. McCardell, J. A. Scoggin.

Coleman—Mrs. Noles, Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Curington, Mrs. J. P. Smith.

Eden—E. W. Snow.

Eden Field—J. M. Duncan, J. F. Trewell,

Fruitland Park—W. P. Ebbs.

Hebron—O. P. Sharp, H. M. Fitzgerald.

Lady Lake—C. C. Myers, Rev. and Mrs. Speares, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Mathews.

Leesburg—S. P. Mahoney, Geo. J. King, F. P. Webster, Mrs. W. K. Abbott, Mrs. F. C. Hester, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Williams.

Marsh Bend—Mrs. J. R. Marsh.

Oxford—Mrs. Clara Nichols, Mrs. Lulu Morris.

Pedro—

Sardis—W. J. Nichols, Mrs. W. H. Swearingen, Mrs. W. R. Nichols.

Sumterville—Mrs. Ed. Mann, Mrs. W. C. McLeod.

Wahoo—R. H. Bennett, Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Wadse.

Webster—Mrs. W. M. Branch.

Whitney—Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Burnett, G. B. Joiner.

Wildwood—J. E. Mills, L. M. Gunn, Miss Zelia Gresham,

Mrs. C. Curington, Mrs. Fore, S. D. Martin.

Floral City—Ira L. Rice, D. A. Tooke.

Summerfield—R. L. Clyburn, Miss Lilla Brown, Miss Kathleen Clyburn, Miss Thelma Harrelson.

3. The association organized by the election of the following officers:

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Moderator—S. P. Mahoney, Leesburg.

Clerk—S. D. Martin, Wildwood.

Treasurer—J. H. Williams, Leesburg.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Bushnell.

4. The moderator appointed the following committees to report at this session.

Digest of Letters—G. B. Joiner, W. P. Ebbs, Mrs. Clara Nichols.

Finance—J. H. Williams, Geo. J. King, J. A. Scroggin.

Nominations—Mrs. Clara Nichols, C. W. Burnett, A. P. Sharp

5. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. S. P. Mahoney, after which the benediction was said and the association recessed until 2:00 o'clock.

FIRST DAY—Afternoon Session.

6. The association was called to order at 2:00 p.m. and the devotional exercises were conducted by W. J. Peters, C. W. Burnett led in prayer.

7. The report on periodicals was read by S. P. Mahoney as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

5. As Baptists we hold a leading position in connection with the question of religious publications. We are living in an advanced age. An age which demands an educated, thinking mind. The soldiers who had education received official positions according to their educational ability. The world has an open door for the educated young man or woman. On the other hand the world demands an educated ministry and seeing that such is the case we who propose to be Christians and Baptists, must show to the world such an intelligence as to attract them our way. With all our wonderful publishing plant at Nashville, Tenn., with all our different periodicals published for our Sunday Schools, and B.Y.P.U. work, and our great publications for our extensive missionary work, and our splendid denominational papers, especially our own Florida Baptist Witness, it seems to me there is no room for any Baptist at least to plead ignorance.

We would urge our committee that every Baptist home have not only our State paper, but also our Home and Foreign Field publication and Royal Service. We would also recommend that our churches and Sunday Schools, and B.Y.P.U. and all other organizations connected with our churches secure their supplies from our Publication Society at Nashville, Tenn.

Respectfully submitted,

S. P. MAHONEY,

GEO. J. KING.

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The report was adopted.

8. The report on temperance was read by C. H. Calvin, as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on temperance are glad to report that as a result of the consistent and prayerful fight which we have been waging against this terrific and deadly enemy, have seen it pass thru the ordeal of death, and now we recommend that we continue in the right direction, as fearless as ever until all blind tigers are prayed out of their places of hiding. We further recommend that all Baptists will do their very best to put down this belittling influence among our young people.

C. H. CALVIN.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF B. M. A. A.

9. The saddest feature of ministerial life and work is the days when by reason of age or infirmity, a man's usefulness is over. The pastor usually works on a small salary, and must also out of his meager salary set a good example in giving before others. To accumulate anything is well nigh impossible.

If Baptists who appreciate the work and sacrifices of their ministers, do not provide a support for old, worn out and broken down men, who will provide that support.

We have a movement already inaugurated to this end, so that a man may, by the payment of an annual premium provide a small income for old age, or in case of disability. A meager sum is also provided, to be offered as a free gift to those that are deserving. However, the amount available for this purpose is far from being commensurate with the need.

Let us prepare larger sums to be expended in this laudable enterprise, and our Father in Heaven smile upon us and the children of ministers will rise and bless us in the years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. SNOW,

J. C. KAZEE,

W. E. WILLIAMS.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

10. Your committee has to report that the death angel has visited fourteen of our members since the last meeting of our

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association. And we would recommend that a page be given our minutes to record their names.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. ROGERS,

Mrs. W. M. BRANCH.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

11. We, the Baptists of Florida, have an institution in Arcadia, The Florida Baptist Orphanage. Shall we support it? Yes, why support it? (1) Because it will give our state good citizens. (2) It is an asset direct to we Baptists, our future growth will be greatly helped by such an institution. (3) Our Bible doctrine is taught these orphans and will tell in future generations. (4) We who love the Lord and our Baptist faith and practice will give to all agencies that will grow and make strong that which we love.

So far as I know the orphanage is out of debt and doing work. There has been added a department of work to help children that cannot be taken in the home, and are in need of fatherly protection. We suggest that when we get home we do our utmost to collect every dollar that our church subscribed to the Seventy-five Million Campaign. Solicit each member that has joined the church since our subscriptions were taken. And with all subscriptions collected our Orphanage will be well cared for.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. GUNN.

The report was discussed by J. C. Kazee and C.W. Burnett and then was adopted.

After prayer the association adjourned until 8:00 p.m.

FIRST DAY—Night Session.

12. Rev. A. L. Blizzard conducted the devotional exercises.
13. W. W. Williams addressed the association on Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. work.
14. After benediction adjournment was taken until next morning at 9:00 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—Forenoon Session

15. Devotional exercises were conducted by C. H. Cavil.
16. Verbal reports of condition of each church were made by the messengers.
17. The report on Sunday School was read by W. S. Wade:

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REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Preaching the word and teaching the word are the two greatest missions of the Baptist forces in Florida. Without debate the preaching of the word holds the supreme place. But teaching the word is a mighty factor in evangelizing and training. No other organization or church force has yet been brought forward to do this work so well as the Sunday School.

Lying at the very foundation of the efficiency of the church is the Bible teacher. No church can do its full work, carry out the full program of Jesus Christ without the teaching ministry.

The Sunday School affords greater opportunities for specific teaching of the Gospel than any department of the church. In the Sunday School we meet face to face and come in heart touch with many who are lost and need to know the way of salvation. We also meet many who are only babes in Christ and are hungering after the bread of life.

No reason can be given in favor of the children attending Sunday School and studying the Bible that does not include the adults. Yet we see so many of our people of mature age denying themselves of the opportunities presented in the Sunday School. If correct views were observed, every Sabbath would find more people meditating and studying the word of God.

Let us remember the Great Commission, "Go and Teach, and urge that every church endeavor to enlist every member of the church in some department of the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. WADE,

Mrs. R. NICHOLS.

The report was discussed by J. C. Kazee, Geo. J. King, R. Strickland and S. P. Mahoney and was adopted.

18. The report on B.Y.P.U. work was read by Mrs. R. C. Hice as follows:

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U. WORK

The work of our young people is of vast importance, because the young people of today will be the leaders of the church of tomorrow. This being true, they should have the best possible preparation for such an important position, and one of the best methods of preparation is for them to feast upon the word and exercise themselves spiritually that they may gain both wisdom and strength for the task before them. Ample provision is made for this in our B.Y.P.U. work.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. R. C. RICE,

J. C. KAZEE,

Miss MARY SNOW,

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The report was discussed by S. P. Mahoney and C. W. Burnett, and adopted.

19. The Laymen's report was read by S. D. Martin, as follows:

LAYMEN'S REPORT

We, your committee on Laymen's work, submit the following as our report:

OUR CONDITION—We seem to be very much like the seed that fell by the wayside. We lack nutriment—more depth of earth, cultivation and development! We are basking in the sunlight of God's love, without passing it on to others.

THE CAUSE—Our men seem to be satisfied to fold their hands and wait, wait, wait for the Lord of the harvest to do our work thru some other agency. Is not the trouble indifference and carelessness with failure on our part to help bear each others burdens?

THE REMEDY—Brethren shall we awake and cultivate a closer relationship with our Lord, and his shepherds, get into real fellowship with the ministry, our general state work and the missionaries on the foreign fields? The layman should lead prayer meetings, conduct Sunday morning service occasionally for our pasors, visit the sick, help bury the dead and console the bereaved, then we will understand how the great heart of our Lord bleeds when we are silent. Furthermore, how the pastor is helped and encouraged when we thus hold up his hands. Such a one will open wide his purse and give as the Lord has prospered him, and he will marvel at the fact that God gives us the roses, in order that we may lose sight of the thorns.

Sincerely,

S. D. MARTIN,

A. L. BLIZARD.

Committee.

The report was discussed by A. L. Blizard and adopted by the association.

After prayer the association adjourned until 2:00 p.m.

SECOND DAY—Afternoon Session

Devotional exercises were conducted by A. L. Blizard.

The report on foreign missions was read by S. P. Mahoney, as follows:

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REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

20. As a denomination there is a great responsibility resting upon us, seeing we have led the world in religious liberty, evangelism and in opening up the mission doors to all the world.

We sometimes hear the question asked, "Is christianity keeping pace with the progress of the world?" Brethren, it is not a question as to whether christianity is keeping up with the world, or not, but are we as christians carrying out our Master's command to "Go and preach the Gospel to every creature." We must center our eyes not upon the world, but upon our adorable Lord.

That civilization is marching onward we all know to be true. That science is making wonderful progress we need have no doubt about. That the population of the world is increasing is also a fact too well known to be stated. We are living in a faster age than those of fifty or sixty years ago. We know more, can do more and see more than they could fifty or sixty years ago. The world is smaller to us. Some fifty years ago they used the sickle and the scythe, but we have substituted machinery, a team of horses and a seat where the driver sits superintending his work. When the Savannah, a three-hundred-ton vessel first crossed the Atlantic propelled by steam, the world looked upon it as being marvelous, altho it took many weeks to cross. Now we cross on vessels over nine hundred feet long, and we can also cross in a few days. We now travel under water, upon water and over water.

Arid deserts out west, as well as other countries have been made to blossom like the rose thru the great reclamation schemes which the thinking mind of man has wrought.

During the last fifty years many nations that were closed to the traveller, are now open, and are opening to every modern accommodation. Yes, we are living in a progressive age, in the greatest period in all the world's history, for with all the modern facilities for travelling, we have the greatest opportunity the world has every offered. It took Stanley nine hundred and ninety days to cross Africa, a distance of about sixty-four hundred mile, you can now travel from Cairo to the Cape, a distance of sixty-four hundred miles in eleven days.

China, about twenty-five years ago had no railroads. Now she has nearly five thousand and thousands more projected. About twenty-five years ago China had no postoffices. Now she has around five thousand, and is building them every day.

Now then let me answer the question, "Is Christianity Keeping Pace with the Progress of the World?" Yes, because Christianity has made possible the progress of the world. The for-

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eign missionary is the John the Baptist crying, as a voice in the wilderness, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

In 1800, seven years after Carey landed in India, there were only seven protestant missionary societies, 170 male missionaries and about fifty thousand converted heathen. In 1900 there were about, 15,500 missionaries, 73,000 native workers and about 1,500,000 converts, with about 4,440,000 enrolled christian adherents. In one year no less than 1,785 Sunday Schools were established in India. As Southern Baptists we have missions in China, India, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Japan, Argentina, Chile, and Szech-Slovakia, which is our youngest mission.

The first modern Foreign Mission Board was the English Baptist board, which was organized in 1792. Its first missionary was William Carey, who was called the Baptist consecrated cobbler. This same man, with his associates published over 212,000 volumes of the Bible in about forty different languages.

The first American foreign missionary was Anoniran Judson, who was sent out by the Congregational board. While reading his bible during the voyage, he became convinced that the bible way of baptism is by immersion, and upon landing in India he was baptised and offered himself to the American Baptist board as their missionary, which offer they accepted. This resulted in the organization of the first American Baptist Mission Board in 1813. All American Baptists supported this organization until 1845 when the Southern Baptist convention was formed. The Baptists lead the world in missions. Southern Baptists lead in church membership of the United States. God has wonderfully blessed us as a denomination. Our influence was felt in Washington during convention. It has been felt since in checking the inter-church movement. A splendid exhibition has been given to the world of Southern Baptist democracy when, without a Pope, Bishop or Priest, we raised over 75 million dollars in one day, sending our critics to cover.

And last, but not least, we have proven to the world that we, as Southern Baptists, cannot only raise money for our Master's cause, but we can also raise a hundred missionaries to go out on the same boat, carrying the same book, from which to preach the same gospel to every creature, baptising them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded, and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

It seems to be an established fact that the church that is a foreign mission church is a live church, active, growing, spiritual. Baptists are the great promoters of foreign missions.

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The world is indebted to the Baptists for whatever advancement has been made among the heathen nations, either morally commercially or spiritually. As Baptists we must continue to hold the front line trenches in the foreign mission field. As Southern Baptists, we are now putting on a very extensive forward movement in connection with our foreign mission work. In order to understand the situation better, and to formulate proper conception of the needs of our foreign mission fields, and the world's need in general, Dr. Lone, secretary of our great Foreign Mission Board, toured the world. We now have our great leaders of our educational institutions making tours of the world to find out the need of these countries also.

We strongly recommend that we, as members of our churches subscribe for our various Foreign Mission Journals, and state papers, so that we may be able to know what moves are being made, and that we may pray and give liberally for our foreign mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

S. P. MAHONEY.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

21. The associational year just closing includes the last days of the \$75,000,000 campaign with the glorious victory of "Victory Week." The Atlanta convention had launched this campaign and with faith in its successful outcome, the home board had in their June meeting planned this work for the year on the basis of one fifth of the \$12,000,000 allotted to them for the five year period. Imperative calls made it necessary to bring the year's work up to \$15,000,000, which is fifty per cent greater than the previous year. That year we rejoiced over reaching the million mark, an advance of over forty-five per cent.

The following is from the seventy-fifth annual report of the Home Board at Washington:

THREE PERIODS	AMOUNT RAISED	Commissioned Missionaries	Stations	Baptisms	Churches Organized
1845-1903	3,520,000	10,584	38,793	82,742	3,649
1909-1913	3,584,000	10,407	27,498	187,299	3,068
1913-1920	5,337,000	10,770	25,094	255,200	1,347

The first period covers fifty-eight years; the second ten and the third, seven.

The second period of ten years is almost the same as the first period of fifty-eight years, except for the baptisms, which

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are more than double the number baptised during the fifty-eight year period. During the seven year period, three-quarters as much money was raised as during the entire fifty-eight year of the board's history prior to that time, and the number of baptisms were 94.5 per cent the number baptised during that long period. This statement was also made: "Yearly for a number of years, the missionaries of the Board have baptised from four to six times as many converts as those of any other home mission board in America, or the world."

Our tasks are greater now than ever before. The Board has fifty evangelists and singers and must add to the number in order to meet the demand; the aim is 100 evangelists and 100,000 converts yearly. The enlistment work of the Board should be appreciated by our churches equally or as much as the evangelistic work. We should not be satisfied until all the members of all the churches are coming up to the help of the Lord.

The work among the negroes is being greatly helped by giving special help to the training of the Negro ministry. There is hope of a large school for that purpose being established at Nashville, Tenn. The work among the Indians will be enlarged by starting a work among the Florida Seminoles. The work among the foreigner should appeal strongly to each one, not only for their own sakes, nor that they may become more desirable citizens, though these reasons should be sufficient, but that they may go back to their home country as living witnesses for Christ.

The Board's activities in church building should not be overlooked, nor their sanatorium for tuberculosis at El Paso, Texas. Lastly, we would call attention to the fact that pledges will never develop this great work, and we should urge every church to collect their campaign pledges that all departments of the work may develop.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. BURNETT.

The report was discussed by J. C. Kazee and then adopted.

22. Report on State Missions was read by J. C. Kazee.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

State Missions should have a large share in both the thinking and contributions of every Baptist in our state. We need perpetuate a strong Baptist influence here. When so many people come from so many places. The best way to do this is to keep every church in the state at work, and help each one to become more efficient in its service. We also need to establish more

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churches and build more houses of worship.

Our State Board is ready to do all in its power to promote our cause in our state, and is only limited by the workers at its disposal. We are always in need of more strong men and more money. A proper support of our educational work will help us to secure the men and a great consecration of our means will bring the money into the Lord's hands and make it available for use in his works.

Let us encourage our Florida boys to prepare for special work for the Lord, and persuade men to give more of their means for the Master's work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. KAZEE.

The report was adopted.

24. Suggested report on Christian education.

Education has a larger place than ever in the life of the world. Men have come to realize that education fits a person to occupy a larger place of usefulness while it also develops character. The state is engaged in the business of general education thru the public school system, normal schools and state universities. A tax is levied upon its citizens to support these schools. No one complains at such taxes. The state seeks to produce the kind of education that will enable its citizens to fulfill the duties of civil citizenship. Whether one has had the privilege of going to school, every person—the exception is rare—now believes in schools.

The christian school goes a step farther than the state school and plans to have its graduates fitted not only to perform the same duties of a good citizen, but also to perform such duties as a christian. It is a good school, plus the christian outlook upon life.

Southern Baptists are beginning to realize in a large way their need to have their sons and daughters educated in schools under Baptist control and true to the Baptist idea of life and religion. The schools of one generation make the type of that and citizens of the next generation.

Christian education begins with the fact that men are in need of regeneration as the first step in the process of making true character. Then there should follow such education as will enable the student not only to make a living, but to make a life. Our Baptist schools are planned to carry out such a conception of education. They are intended to produce Baptists leaders who will not only occupy honorable places in the world, but will be loyal members of Baptist churches.

Southern Baptists have created an Education Board, located at Birmingham, Ala., with Dr. W. C. James, Corresponding Sec

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retary. The 75 million campaign designated about 20 million dollars for the schools in the different states and for southwide schools. The Education Board will help in every possible way to develop our schools and to get our people to have the right idea of christian education.

Each state will give for its own schools according to its own plans and in such amounts as it thinks best. Reports from various states show that already plans for improvement call for more than a million dollars. The coming season will have the record attendance for students. A greater day has dawned.

We call upon parents to give careful attention to the selection of the right school for their boys and girls. Pastors have an unusual opportunity in influencing their young people in the interest of christian education.

M. L. SPEARS.

25. J. C. Kazee made a motion that our Fifth Sunday meetings be continued thruout the year and that the executive committe be authorized to provide programs and secure places for the meetings during the associational year.

The motion was carried.

W. M. U. REPORT

The W. M. U. of the Alachua Association met with the Bushnell Baptist church, October 5th and 6th, 1920. The congregation sang "Higher Ground" as an opening song. Mrs. Nowles led the devotional exercises, reading John 15. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Spears, after which the song, "God Will Take Care of You" was sung. The president made helpful comments on scripture. Mrs. F. Burnham made the welcome address, to which Mrs. Milan responded. Good reports of societies followed. Splendid report from our President. She also proclaimed the standard of excellence.

Report on nominations read and adopted. Those nominated were as follows:

President	Mrs CLARA NICHOLS
Vice-President	Mrs. LEE GARETT
Secretary	Miss ZELIA GRESHAM
Treasurer	Mrs. BURNHAM
Delegate to State Convention	Mrs. C. NICHOLS
Delegate to S. B. C.	Mrs. CHERRY

After words of appreciation from our President she urged cooperation of members that greater work may be done another year.

Report on resolutions was read and adopted. Congregation sang "Jesus Calls Us," after which Mrs. Wall led the discussion

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on the 75 million campaign.

Mrs. Abbot spoke of our need for equipment for hospitals in foreign lands and what we can do to meet them. President suggested that we take up Red Cross work where we left off during the war and make bandages, etc., and send to hospitals. She also told of the Seaman's Institute in Jacksonville, where lectures were held for seamen who come in from time to time. Mission study course was helpfully discussed by Mrs. Cherry.

Paper—"Our W. M. U. Training School"—by Mrs. Hayes.

Minutes of last association read and approved.

After song by congregation, Mrs. Burnett closed the session with prayer.

(Signed.)

ZELIA GRESHAM, Sec.

The report was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1920

Balance last report	\$86.43
Paid clerk service and postage	\$16.21
Paid Moderator, telephone messages, programs, etc.	4.80
Paid for printing minutes	55.50
Paid for programs this session	4.85
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Balance	\$ 5.07
Receipts this session, minutes and clerk	82.75
Home missions	5.00
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Balance on hand	\$92.82

J. H. WILLIAMS, Treas.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Received for Minutes and Clerk	\$82.75
Recived for Home Missions	5.00
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Total amount	\$87.75

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. WILLIAMS,
GEO. J. KING,
J. A. SCROGGIE.

The report was adopted.

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26. Upon motion the treasurer was ordered to pay incidental expenses of the association.

27. Moved and carried that the clerk be paid fifteen dollars for compiling minutes for printer.

28. Rev. S. P. Mahoney suggested resolution of thanks:

Resolved, That we, as an association, extend to the people of Bushnell our thanks for their kind hospitality shown us during our stay with them.

Adopted unanimously.

29. The committee on nominations reported as follows:

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We recommend the following:

Next meeting of the association to be held with the Coleman church, beginning Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1921, at 10:00 a.m.

The introductory sermon to be preached by J. C. Kazee.

Members of executive board, J. H. Hughes, S. D. Martin, J. H. Williams, S. P. Mahoney, C. W. Burnett.

Member of State Board, S. P. Mahoney.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, C. W. Burnett.

Delegates to State Convention, J. C. Kazee, S. D. Martin, S. P. Mahoney, J. H. Williams, C. W. Burnett, W. P. Ebbs.

Chairmen of standing committees:

State Missions, S. P. Mahoney; Home Missions, R. Strickland; Foreign Missions, J. C. Kazee; Sunday Schools, C. W. Burnett; Education, Dr. Cherry; Temperance, J. C. Rogers; B.Y.P.U., Linter; Obituaries, Geo. King; Laymen Movement, J. H. Hughes; Periodicals, W. S. Wade; Woman's Work, Mrs. C. Nichols.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. NICHOLS

C. W. BURNETT,

A. W. SHARP.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF OUR W.M.U. SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Sisters of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Alachua Association:

Greetings:

This has been a year of great victories in the work of the Kingdom. Oh, yes, there has been some defeats, and some heart aches over failures, but we should only make of these stepping stones to still greater victories.

The first great victory we want to notice was that of October 23rd, "Calling Out the Called" day when more than five thousand of our noble young men and fine young women consecrated their

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lives to some special service for the Master. Dr. Scarborough says that was by far the greatest victory won during our great 75 million campaign.

The next to notice was in November, "Stewardship Month," when, thru the preaching, teaching and literature sown broad cast all over our Southland, hundreds were led to recognize their stewardship to God and many joined tithers' bands, thus making the next victory more sure and easier of attainment.

When God's people learn to pay what they owe Him, the problem of "paying the pastor" and "evangelizing the world" will have been solved.

Then came victory week, when Southern Baptists quitted themselves like men and went nobly, some millions of dollars over the top in their campaign for money and pledges, for the carrying on of their great work for our Lord and Master.

Again, we have heard and read of the great hosts of people, from every quarter, who are being led to a saving knowledge of our Blessed Saviour. Surely we should rejoice and sing praises unto our God.

And then came the great Victory convention, when the Baptist host went up nearly ten thousand strong, to the "City Beautiful," there to report to each other the great things that God had done for them, and thru them, and pledged themselves to go still onward and upward and undertake still greater thing for Him.

Thru the sweet thoughtfulness and untiring efforts of Mrs. O'Dell, of Oxford and Miss Brownie Johnson, of Wildwood, it was made possible for your unworthy servant to attend this great convention.

Dear Sisters, one and all, please accept my sincere thanks for your gift to me of the greatest pleasure of my life. It would be impossible to express to you in words the real and would be impossible to express to you in words the real and humble gratitude which I feel toward you for this kindly and beautiful deed. May God's richest blessings rest upon each of you. I wish it were possible for me to impart to you the great store of information and inspiration which it was my great pleasure to receive. The sessions were spiritual, interesting and instructive. I would like to tell you something of these wonderful things, but time forbids.

It was our great pleasure to have, in the bounds of our association, in April, Brother F. J. Fowler, the first Florida man to go out as a foreign missionary. He brought to us a wonderful report of his some seventeen years work in Argentina. At this time, too, Dr. Brittain and Mrs. Peelman spent some days in our association, holding a missionary institute, teaching several

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books and making addresses. Later in the summer, Miss Blanche Ditmar, from the W.M.U. training school, spent over two weeks with us/ teaching classes in the Sunday School and B.Y.P.U. manuals and mission study books, at Oxford. Wildwood, Bushnell, Webster and Whitney, while Brother Diamond, from the Seminary taught a fine class at Wahoo.

We are very grateful to our state workers for these opportunities and we plead with all of you who failed to take advantage of these opportunities this summer, that you will be ready for them when they pass this way again next summer.

It is with real pleasure that we can report nine mission study classes this year. This is bound to mean a deeper interest in the work. To be interested we must be informed, and where is a better place to gain information than the study class.

At the great convention in Washington, when our great secretary, Miss Mallory, was handing out the honors to the states, such as a loving cup and banners, some states receiving two and some none, our own fair state received, to my mind, the greatest honor, that of receiving the most seals for mission study. This work will be far-reaching and bear fruit for the Master in the years to come. Our association was the first in the state, I believe, to receive an official seal, the recipient being Mrs. S. P. Mahoney, of Leesburg.

We are glad to report two new societies; Center Hill with twenty-one members and Whitney with ten members.

We had one society on the honor roll at our last state convention, but I see by our reports at this time, that we will have none this year; for which I am really sorry. May we all go home determined to get on the honor roll next year. Let us not strive for this with a selfish motive, but that thru our efforts God may be honored and glorified.

We find, according to the pledges made in the 75 million campaign, that the total amount of our apportionment for this year is \$1,681.80

Total amount paid	1,746.12
Personal service	131.00
Local church work	112.05
Other purposes	99.78
Making a grand total of	\$2,088.96
No. of subscribers to Baptist Witness	131
No. of subscribers to Royal Service	34
No. of subscribers to Home and Foreign Fields	15
No. of societies	7

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No. of members	130
No. of Sunbeam bands	2
No. of members	33
No. of mission study classes	9
Certificates received	7
Seals received	45
Traveled 230 miles	
Letters and cards written	50
Letters and cards received	32
Pages of literature mailed	1,000
Received for expenses	\$5.51
Spent for railroad fare	8.50
Car hire	1.00
Telegram and telephone	1.00
Stationary and postage	1.50
Received for Washington trip	67.08
Actual expenses	65.00

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. CLARA NICHOLS, W.M.U. Supt.

30. Report of Digest of Letters.

No. Pastorless churches	4
No. Sunday Schools	17
No. B.Y.P.U's	7
No. W.M.U's	7
No. Churches	22
Increase in membership	225

No. churches taking part in 75 million campaign	11
Amount subscribed on campaign	\$31,455.25
Amount paid to date	13,082.47

Your committee is not able to render a complet and accurate report on all churches as they have not all reported in full.

Respectfully submitted,

G. B. JOINER
W. P. EBBS,
Mrs. C. NICHOLS.

The report was adopted.

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NAME OF CHURCH	Pastor	Pastor's Post Office Address	Clerk	Clerk's Post Office Address
Brooksville	J. C. Kazee, Brooksville	J. A. Franklin, Brooksville	J. A. Franklin, Brooksville	Brooksville
Bushnell	W. J. Peters, Bushnell	H. D. Hunt, Bushnell	H. D. Hunt, Bushnell	Bushnell
Center Hill	R. Strickland, Center Hill	R. A. Jones, Center Hill	R. A. Jones, Center Hill	Center Hill
Charter Oak	George Brant, Electra	H. L. Redding, Summerfield	H. L. Redding, Summerfield	Summerfield
Coleman	G. A. Martin	T. V. Curington, Coleman	T. V. Curington, Coleman	Coleman
Corinth				
Eden				
Edenfield	J. W. McClammy, Bunnell	F. J. Trowel, Bushnell	F. J. Trowel, Bushnell	Bushnell
Floral City	J. F. Rorex, Inverness	Ira L. Rice, Floral City	Ira L. Rice, Floral City	Floral City
Fruitland Park	S. P. Mahoney, Leesburg	W. P. Ebbs, Fruitland Park	W. P. Ebbs, Fruitland Park	Fruitland Park
Hebron				
Lady Lake	J. H. Martin, Island Grove	R. D. Mathew, Leesburg	R. D. Mathew, Leesburg	Leesburg
Leesburg	S. P. Mahoney, Leesburg	T. B. Williams, Leesburg	T. B. Williams, Leesburg	Leesburg
Marsh Bend	W. S. Wade, Bushnell	W. J. Albritton, Wildwood	W. J. Albritton, Wildwood	Wildwood
Oxford		J. C. Hall, Oxford	J. C. Hall, Oxford	Oxford
Pedro	W. L. Martin, Summerfield	J. C. Perry, Summerfield	J. C. Perry, Summerfield	Summerfield
Sardis	L. M. Chitty, Plant City	R. N. Baker, Wildwood	R. N. Baker, Wildwood	Wildwood
Sumterville	P. W. Corr, Zephyr Hills	H. H. Boswell, Sumterville	H. H. Boswell, Sumterville	Sumterville
Wahoo	G. A. Martin	L. J. Norman, Bushnell	L. J. Norman, Bushnell	Bushnell
Webster	R. Strickland, Center Hill	J. T. Stevenson, Webster	J. T. Stevenson, Webster	Webster
Whitney	C. W. Burnett, Trilby	G. B. Joiner, Whitney	G. B. Joiner, Whitney	Whitney
Wildwood		J. H. Mott, Wildwood	J. H. Mott, Wildwood	Wildwood

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NUMERICAL TABLE, 1920

NAME OF CHURCH	Year Church Organized	Year's Increase				Year's Decrease				Membership This Year	Net Decrease	Net Increase
		By Baptism	By Letter or Statement	By Restoration	Total Increase	By Letter	By Expulsion or Erasure	By Death	Total Decrease			
Brooksville	1862	6	14	1	21	12	0	2	14	314		7
Bushnell	1886		2		2	12			10	38	10	
Center Hill	1903	1	5		6	6	1		7	255	1	
Charter Oak	1902	8	3		11	2	1	1	4	56		7
Coleman	1904	13	5		18	6			6	57		12
Corinth	1917									21		
Eden	1845									53		
Edenfield	1917	1			1					25		
Floral City	1888	4	4		8	14	1	15	50	11		
Fruitland Park	1916								18			
Hebron	1891	10	1		11	1	25	26	57	15		
Lady Lake	1882	6	5	1	12	3		2	6	32		6
Leesburg	1896	4	23	2	29	7		3	10	227		19
Marsh Bend	1876	1			1					18		1
Oxford	1884									207		
Pedro	1914	17	4	21				2	2	103		19
Sardis	1891	10	8	1	19	2			2	89		19
Sumterville	1878	1			1					23		1
Wahoo	1903	16	5	1	22	4		3	7	129		15
Webster	1891	21	14	1	36	5		2	7	157		29
Whitney	1883	7	2	1	10	1			1	56		9
Wildwood	1882	6	2		8	3			3	154		5
Summerfield			2						2	73		
		132	99	29	116	64	41	16	122	2212	37	149

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REPORT OR 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN

NAME OF CHURCH	PLEDG ES	CREDITS	PAID	Due 2d yr
Brooksville	\$10,643.00	\$ 106.33	\$2,192.85	\$2318.02
Bushnell	905.00	155.15	212.30	149.70
Center Hill	1,500.00	32.25	101.43	466.32
Charter Oak		3.00	4.64	
Coleman	301.00	22.00		98.40
Eden			55.00	
Edenfield			2.75	
Floral City	500.00		25.00	175.00
Fruitland Park	512.00		47.00	157.80
Hebron	304.00		13.00	108.60
Lady Lake	405.00	14.97	57.60	89.43
Leesburg	8,705.00	1,252.46	1,458.07	771.47
Oxford	2,942.00	247.43	325.60	603.77
Sardis		12.60		
Sumterville	770.00	7.00	35.00	266.00
Spring Lake			2.00	
Oak Grove		16.89		
Wahoo	35.00			14.00
Webster	943.00	175.14	76.00	126.06
Whitney	1,240.00	438.82	312.75	
Wildwood	3,079.25	302.75	252.60	675.35

Number of Pupils	Number of Teachers	Scholars Baptised	Name of Sunday School Superintendent	Superintendent's Post Office Address	Sabbath Preaching
164	16		Emerson, T. H.	Brooksville	Full
57	8		Hughes, J. H.	Bushnell	First and third Sunday
200	8		Whitton, H. E.	Center Hill	First and third Sunday
51	5		Redding, H. L.	Sumterville	Fourth Sunday
42	5		Crabtree, S. H.	Coleman	Third Sunday
30	4		Barnhill, J. L.	Bellevue	
60	6		Morgan, J. A.	Brooksville	Second Sunday
			Scroggin, J. A.	Charter Oak	
50	10		Tooke, D. A.	Floral City	First, third and Fifth Sunday
30	6		Ebbes, W. P.	Fruitland Park	Third Sunday
40	5		Sharp, A. P.	Brooksville, R.F.D. No. 1	First Sunday
15	5		Herbert, Gwylm	Lady Lake	Second Sunday
176	13		Williams, J. H.	Leesburg	Full
110	7		Proctor, G. D.	Pedro	Fourth Sunday
116	16		Caruthers, T. P.	Oxford	Second and Fourth Sunday
35	1		Hays, G. D.	Wahoo	Third Sunday
47	10		Nichols, W. R.	Wildwood, R.F.D. No. 1	First Sunday
			No School		Second Sunday
28	7		Woodward, J. R.	Bushnell, R.F.D. No. 1	First Sunday
60	10		Coker, F. R.	Webster	Second Sunday
42	8		Walker, L. Haines	Whitney	First and third Sunday
80	9		Mott, J. H.	Wildwood	
1342	147	98			

FINAL EXHIBIT OF ALACHUA ASSOCIATION

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NAME OF CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	New Property and Repairs	Furnishings	Incidentals	Visiting Ministers	Sunday School and others	Poor	Minutes	TOTAL
Brooksville	\$1,198.00	\$275.00	\$ 27.30	\$376.80	\$170.00	\$153.65		\$10.00	\$2,047.00
Bushnell	360.00	25.00		18.00		35.00		5.00	443.00
Center Hill	750.00			140.00			* 78.94		968.94
Charter Oak	60.00		5.00			11.75		2.00	78.75
Coleman	257.50			20.00	59.40	35.97		2.00	374.87
Corinth									
Eden									
Edenfield									
Floral City	150.00							2.00	152.00
Fruitland Park	75.00	21.50				20.00		1.00	117.00
Hebron	78.61			3.07	33.28				114.96
Lady Lake	130.50			15.95					145.95
Leesburg	1,500.00	56.00	307.45	92.11		135.02		10.00	2,012.47
Marsh Bend	60.00								60.00
Oxford									
Pedro	237.65				21.90			1.50	391.55
Sardis	203.50	48.00	75.50			36.00	130.50		453.25
Sumterville									
Wahoo	256.75		112.75		30.27	20.00			379.77
Webster	500.00							5.00	500.00
Whitney	291.00			31.57		48.40	37.50	4.00	308.47
Wildwood		51.00		16.90	154.00	119.65	147.53	10.00	899.08
Summerfield	300.00				125.00				125.00
Totals	\$6,408.11	\$476.50	\$528.00	\$714.40	\$593.85	\$615.42	\$483.72	\$52.50	\$9,750.37