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**ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY
OFFICERS**

E. R. Simmons, Moderator Gainesville, Fla.
 E. B. Perry, Clerk Hawthorne, Fla., R. F. D. No. 2
 E. E. Stokes, Treasurer Campville, Fla.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. L. Proctor Alachua, Fla.
 H. H. Simmons Archer, Fla.
 J. W. Craber Campville, Fla.
 B. F. Minton Hawthorne, Fla.
 J. A. Bayless Melrose, Fla.
 Wm. Hawkins Gainesville, Fla.
 Mrs. W. B. Alexander Hampton, Fla.
 S. F. Hardee Hague, Fla.
 R. J. Osteen High Springs, Fla.
 J. O. Whitcomb Hawthorne, Fla.
 C. R. Abstein Island Grove, Fla.
 O. C. Gay Lacrosse, Fla.
 H. L. Fowler Lake Butler, Fla.
 J. W. English Micanopy, Fla.
 B. A. Barrington Hawthorne, Fla.
 H. E. Ridenour Rt. No. 5, Gainesville, Fla.
 R. B. Warren Dukes, Fla.
 C. L. Pridgen Waldo, Fla.

List of Committees to Report at Next Meeting

Spiritual Conditions of Churches—Rev. J. M. Lewis,
 Waldo.

Sunday Schools—Rev. Grady Herndon, Alachua.

B. Y. P. U.—J. A. Bayless, Melrose.

W. M. U.—Mrs. J. F. Moon, Gainesville.

Nominations—J. T. Price, High Springs.

Obituaries—L. Price, Hawthorne.

Publications—Rev. T. D. Denman, McIntosh.

Christian Education—Dr. C. L. Pridgen, Waldo.

Evangelistic Brotherhood—W. S. Westmoreland, High Springs.

Stewardship—Wm. Hawkins, Gainesville.

Temperance—Dr. Chas. F. Touchton, Gainesville.

Baptist Children's Home—Mrs. C. A. Williams, Alachua.

State Missions—Rev. R. D. Bevis, Micanopy.

Home Missions—Rev. Meade, Alachua.

Foreign Missions—Rev. T. V. McCaul, Gainesville.

Resolutions—Rev. E. A. McDowell.

Introductory Sermon—Rev. Walker, High Springs.

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION AUXILIARIES

Annual Sunday School Convention

President—Grady Herndon Alachua, Fla.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Ruth Roberts Worthington, Fla.

B. Y. P. U. Federation

President—Maxie Collins, Jr. Gainesville, Fla.

Secretary—Miss Ruth Roberts Worthington, Fla.

Evangelistic Brotherhood

President—Walter Crown Gainesville, Fla.

Secretary-Treasurer—J. H. Blackman Gainesville, Fla.

W. M. U.

President—Mrs. J. F. Moon Gainesville, Fla.

Vice President—Mrs. T. V. McCaul Gainesville, Fla.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. E. R. Simmons Gainesville, Fla.

R. W. Walker of High Springs appointed to preach the annual sermon at the next session.

Ordained Ministers

Name	Work	Address
Bevis, R. D.—Pastor (Micanopy)		Chiefland, Fla.
Bugg, R. W.—Member		High Springs, Fla.
Cleveland, J. F.—Member		Johnson, Fla.
Collins, Maxie C. Jr.—Asst. Pastor		Gainesville, Fla.
Corr, J. W.—Member		Alachua, Fla.

Denman, T. D.—Pastor (Melrose)	McIntosh, Fla.
Dicks, Jno.—Pastor	Lake City, Fla.
Hayman, J. N.—Member	Orange Heights, Fla.
Hemingway, L. G.—Pastor (Orange Heights)	Starke, Fla.
Herndon, G.—Pastor (Hague, Lacrosse)	Alachua, Fla.
Hinson, W. A. Sr.—Member	Hawthorne, Fla.
Lewis, J. M.—Pastor	Waldo, Fla.
Matchett, C. J.—Pastor (Ochwilla)	Edgar, Fla.
McCaul, T. V.—Pastor	Gainesville, Fla.
McDowell, E. A.—Pastor	Lake Butler, Fla.
McMichen, W. A.—Member	Waldo, Fla.
Norris, J. L.—Pastor (Hampton, Island Grove)	Lacrosse, Fla.
Proctor, A. L.—Member	Alachua, Fla.
Proctor, S. S.—Member	Lake Butler, Fla.
Ridenour, H. E.—Member	Gainesville, Fla. Rt. 5
Smith, J. M.—Pastor (Campville, Waldo)	Waldo, Fla.
Taylor, F. M.—Member	Hampton, Fla.
Thomas, F. H.—Member	Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.
Walker, R. D.—Pastor	High Springs, Fla.
Ware, G. W. S.—Member	Worthington, Fla.
West, A. B.—Member	High Springs, Fla.

Licensed Ministers

Driggers, Chas.	Gainesville, Fla.
Harvey, Walter	Gainesville, Fla.

Church Clerks

Alachua—E. C. Pearson	Alachua, Fla.
Archer—Carl W. Moore	Archer, Fla.
Campville—J. H. Parker	Campville, Fla.
Eden—B. F. Minton	Hawthorne, Fla.
Eliam—Mrs. H. F. Preston	Melrose, Fla.
Gainesville—L. B. Rivers	Gainesville, Fla.
Hampton—E. J. King	Hampton, Fla.
Hague	
Hawthorne—W. B. Adkins	Hawthorne, Fla.
High Springs	

Island Grove—C. R. Abstein	Island Grove, Fla.
Lacrosse—Mrs. A. G. Cason	Lacrosse, Fla.
Lake Butler—F. M. Riherd	Lake Butler, Fla.
Micanopy—Mrs. Rubie T. Jones	Micanopy, Fla.
Ochwilla—B. A. Barrington, Jr.	Hawthorne, Fla. R. F. D. 2
Orange Heights—H. E. Ridenour, Jr.	Gainesville, R. F. D. 5
Sardis—C. A. Scaff	Dukes, Fla.
Waldo—I. W. Wesley	Waldo, Fla.

Sunday School Superintendents

Alachua—C. A. Williams	Alachua, Fla.
Archer—Carl W. Moore	Archer, Fla.
Campville—E. E. Stokes	Campville, Fla.
Eden—W. A. Jones	Campville, Fla.
Eliam—E. B. Perry	Hawthorne, Fla.
Gainesville—E. R. Simmons	Gainesville, Fla.
Hague—No report.	
Hampton—O. L. Harrison	Hampton, Fla.
Hawthorne—J. O. Whitcomb	Hawthorne, Fla.
High Springs—B. J. Meadows	High Springs, Fla.
Island Grove—H. C. Martin	Island Grove, Fla.
Lacrosse	
Micanopy—D. E. Jones	Micanopy, Fla.
Ochwilla—W. G. Merriman	Hawthorne, Fla. R. F. D. 2
Orange Heights—H. E. Ridenour, Jr.	Gainesville, Fla. Rt. 5
Sardis—J. T. Seegar	Dukes, Fla.
Waldo—I. W. Wesley	Waldo, Fla.

B. Y. P. U. Presidents

Alachua—Not given.	
Archer—Miss Juanita Wiles	Archer, Fla.
Campville—Roy Parker	Campville, Fla.
Eden—No Union.	
Eliam—Miss Alice Watkins	Putnam Hall, Fla.
Gainesville—Walter Harvey	Gainesville, Fla.
Hampton—No Union.	
Hague—No report.	

Hawthorne—Eunice Tompkins	Hawthorne, Fla.
High Springs—Miss Joe Guy (Director)	High Springs, Fla.
Island Grove—Miss Clara Sykes	Island Grove, Fla.
Lacrosse—Miss Oveda Conerly	Brooker, Fla.
Lake Butler—Mrs. O. N. Knighton	Lake Butler, Fla.
Micanopy—No Union.	
Ochwilla—No Union.	
Orange Heights—No Union.	
Sardis—Miss Ruth Roberts	Worthington, Fla.
Waldo—Miss Edna Anderson	Waldo, Fla.

W. M. U. Presidents

Alachua—Not Given.	
Archer—Mrs. H. H. Simmons	Archer, Fla.
Campville—No Organization.	
Eden—No Organization.	
Eliam—Mrs. S. W. Coward	Melrose, Fla.
Gainesville—Mrs. J. F. Moon	Gainesville, Fla.
Hague	
Hampton—Mrs. A. A. Durden	Hampton, Fla.
Hawthorne—Mrs. F. J. Hammond	Hawthorne, Fla.
High Springs—Not given.	
Island Grove—Mrs. J. H. Martin	Island Grove, Fla.
Lacrosse—Mrs. W. A. May	Lacrosse, Fla.
Lake Butler—Mrs. E. A. McDowell	Lake Butler, Fla.
Micanopy—Mrs. J. E. Thrasher	Micanopy, Fla.
Ochwilla—Mrs. Ida Barrington	Hawthorne, Fla.
Orange Heights—No Organization.	
Sardis—Mrs. R. B. Warren	Dukes, Fla.
Waldo—Mrs. L. B. Alexander	Waldo, Fla.

Y. W. A. Counselors

Archer—Mrs. O. F. Cummings	Archer, Fla.
Gainesville—Mrs. Margaret Groce	Gainesville, Fla.
Hawthorne—Mrs. M. T. Hazen	Hawthorne, Fla.

G. A. Leaders

Archer—Mrs. Ruby Raines	Archer, Fla.
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Gainesville—Mrs. C. F. Brookings Gainesville, Fla.
 Hawthorne—Mrs. J. R. Tidwell Hawthorne, Fla.

R. A. Leaders

Gainesville—Mrs. Chas. Driggers Gainesville, Fla.
 Hawthorne—Mrs. G. B. Tompkins Hawthorne, Fla.

Sunbeam Leaders

Archer—Mrs. C. E. McElroy Archer, Fla.
 Gainesville—Miss Lillian Foulks Gainesville, Fla.
 Hawthorne—Mrs. A. L. Johnson Hawthorne, Fla.
 Lake Butler—Miss Nettie Mae Fowler Lake Butler, Fla.

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be called the Santa Fe River Baptist Association.

2. This Association shall be composed of Messengers of Baptist Churches of this Association, maintaining the Gospel discipline. Such messengers to be elected by their respective churches. Also all pastors of churches in the Association shall be members by virtue of their office. In case any of the messengers, or their alternates so elected, fail to attend, Association at its own discretion can seat any other members of that church as Messengers until the pro rata share of messengers of that church has been supplied.

3. The object of this Association shall be the reunion of the churches, the promotion of the true Gospel, and the dissemination of Bible Truth.

4. This Association shall meet annually, on the first day of which meeting it shall elect, by ballot, a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer.

5. Any Baptist Church newly organized may become a member of this Association by letter petitioning for membership and giving information concerning organization and presbytery, and by whom organized. Any church coming from another Association may become a member of this Association by presenting petitionary letter, accompanied by a letter of dismissal from the Association from whence it comes.

6. This Association admits the right of any of the churches comprising it to withdraw by application for a letter without assigning any reason for so doing. At the same time, this Association claims the right to withdraw from any church which departs from the principles of this compact by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice.

7. This Association shall be deemed an advisory council, and shall treat the Churches composing it as independent bodies in all matters of self-government, and shall at no time interfere with their rights.

8. This Association shall have an Executive Committee to be composed of one member from each church in the Association, the officers of the Association being ex-officio members. These members, aside from the ex-officio members, shall be elected annually by the churches and their names inserted in the Church letter sent to this Association. The Executive Committee shall elect its own chairman and secretary, and shall have the oversight of the Association work in the period between the annual meetings, and shall have power to fill vacancies on failure of Churches to appoint.

9. The Association mission work shall be under the control and supervision of the Executive Committee and all Missionaries shall make quarterly reports to them when called upon to do so.

10. All churches shall be entitled to two Messengers for the first fifty-five members, and one additional Messenger for each twenty-five additional members after the first and for the major fraction thereof. All pastors of churches of this Association shall be members of this Association by virtue of their office.

11. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all funds of the Association, but only by order of the Association or Executive Committee.

12. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the Messengers present.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

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

Art. 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the inspired Words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the doctrine of the original sin.

Art. 4. We believe that man is elected to salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and is justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

Art. 5. We believe in man's inability to save himself from the fallen state from which he is, either by nature or by his own free will.

Art. 6. We believe that the man must repent to God alone for the sins he has committed.

Art. 7. We believe in the doctrine of regeneration by the Holy Spirit.

Art. 8. We believe that sanctification is the progressive work of the Holy Spirit, according to the will of God, whereby we are made partakers of His Holiness, through continued use of the appointed means, the Word of God, self-examination, self denial, watchfulness, prayer, and the practice of all Godly exercises and prayer.

Art. 9. We believe that all saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

Art. 10. We believe that a Gospel Church is a company of Christ's baptized believers, associated by covenant in the faith and fellowship of the Gospel; observing the ordinances of Christ; governed by His laws and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them by His Word; that only spiritual officers are bishops or pastors and deacons, whose qualifications, claims and duties are defined in the epistles to Timothy and Titus.

Art. 11. We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion in water of a believer in Christ, by one duly qualified

to administer the ordinance.

Art. 12. We believe that the Lord's supper is a provision of bread and wine, representing Christ's body and blood, partaken of by the members of the church assembled for that purpose, and that the Scriptural qualifications for partaking of same are regeneration, baptism, fellowship, unity and doctrine.

Art. 13. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances only such as are called, and have come under the imposition of hands of the presbytery.

Art. 14. We believe in the general resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment.

Art. 15. We believe in the punishment of the wicked everlasting, and the joys of the righteous eternal.

Art. 16. We believe the first day of the week is the Lord's Day, is a memorial of Christ's resurrection, and should be kept holy, by the observance of all means of grace, both private and public, and by abstaining from all secular labor, except works of mercy and necessity.

Art. 17. We believe in the second coming of Christ and that when He comes He will raise the dead from their graves and judge the world righteously, appointing to the wicked endless sorrow, and to the righteous endless joy.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been as we trust brought by Divine Grace to embrace the Lord, Jesus Christ, and to give ourselves wholly unto Him, we do solemnly and joyfully covenant with each other to walk together in Him with brotherly love to His glory as our common Lord. We do, therefore, in His strength engage that we will exercise a Christian care and watchfulness over each other and faithfully warn, exhort and admonish each other as occasions may require. That we will not forsake the assembly of ourselves together. But will uphold the worship of God and the ordinances of His house. That we will not omit closet and family religion at home nor, neglect the great duty of religiously training our children and

those under our call for the service of Christ and the enjoyment of Heaven. That as we are the light of the world and the salt of the earth, we will seek Divine aid to enable us to deny ungodliness and every wordly lust, and to walk circumspectly in the world that we may win the souls of men; that we will cheerfully contribute of our property according as God has prospered us for the maintenance of a faithful evangelical ministry among us for the support of the poor and to the spread of the Gospel over the earth. That we will in all conditions, even till death, strive to live to the glory of Him, who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Association called to order at 10:00 a. m.
2. Reading Letters and Enrolling Delegates.
3. Election of Officers.
4. Introductory Sermon.
5. Inviting Visiting Brethren to Seats.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Call for reports of Standing Committees.
 - a—Divine Service.
 - b—Temperance.
 - c—Education.
 - d—State Missions.
 - e—Home Missions.
 - f—Foreign Missions.
 - g—Publications.
 - h—Nominations.
 - i—Spiritual Condition of Churches.
 - j—Orphanage.
 - k—Deceased Ministers and Deacons.
 - l—Sunday Schools.
 - m—B. Y. P. U.
 - n—W. M. U.
 - o—Finance.
 - p—Resolutions.
 - q—Tithing.

8. Miscellaneous Business.

9. Adjournment.

LIST OF MESSENGERS

Alachua—C. W. Stephens, H. H. Hobbs, Mrs. C. A. Williams, A. L. Proctor, Mrs. Clara Futch Stephens, Miss Lelia Goode.

Archer—J. P. Simmons, Carl W. Moore, Mrs. L. P. Mills, Mrs. Pattie Mills, Mrs. Carl W. Moore.

Campville—G. A. Wiggins, Mrs. Ella Johnson.

Eden—Mr. Addison.

Eliam—Rev. and Mrs. T. D. Denman, L. Price, Mrs. L. Price, E. B. Perry.

Gainesville—E. R. Simmons, Mrs. E. R. Simmons, J. M. Tison, Mrs. J. M. Tison, Wm. Hawkins, Mrs. Wm. Hawkins, W. M. Bullard, Mrs. W. M. Bullard, P. H. Winston, Mrs. P. H. Winston, Mrs. J. W. Norman, Mrs. J. P. Vagts, Mrs. F. H. Emerson, Mrs. Margaret Groce, S. W. Williams, Mrs. S. W. Williams, M. C. Collins, Jr., Mrs. M. C. Collins, Jr., Mrs. J. E. Waugh, Mrs. J. F. Moon, Miss Louise Horton, R. E. Lee, J. R. Thomas, Mrs. G. H. Blackman, Mrs. J. W. Carter, Dr. T. R. Lee, Mrs. T. R. Lee, Mrs. D. R. Cox.

Hague—G. Herndon.

Hampton—F. M. Taylor, Mrs. Roper, Mrs. Ada Alexander, Mrs. O. L. Harrison, Mrs. J. I. Tucker.

Hawthorne—J. B. Webb, Mrs. J. B. Webb, W. B. Adkins, Mrs. T. J. Hammond, Mrs. F. W. Tyson, Mrs. S. E. Perryman.

High Springs—J. T. Price, Mrs. J. T. Price, G. W. McCall, Mrs. J. D. Logan, Mrs. R. M. Lamb, Miss Lucile Osteen.

Island Grove—L. B. Pinner, Mrs. L. B. Pinner, S. C. Hayman, Mrs. M. C. Carlton.

Lacrosse—Carlos Boyles, T. R. Parker, Mrs. O. C. Gay.

Lake Butler—E. A. McDowell, Mrs. E. A. McDowell, Mrs. Doris Edwards, H. L. Fowler, Mrs. H. L. Fowler, Mrs. Strickland.

Micanopy—D. E. Jones, Mrs. R. T. Jones, Miss Martie Chamberlin.

Ochwilla—B. A. Barrington, J. F. Cleveland.

Orange Height—Not represented.

Sardis—S. W. DuBose, W. R. DuBose, H. C. Peebles, Miss Ruth Roberts.

Waldo—J. F. DeSha, Mrs. J. F. DeSha, Mrs. G. M. DeSha, G. M. DeSha, Miss Eltha Hicks, C. L. Pridgen, J. M. Lewis.

To Our Honored Dead

This page is dedicated to the memory of our comrades who have been called to their final reward since October, 1927.

ALACHUA—Mrs. J. J. McKinney.

ARCHER—Mr. H. J. Jones, Mr. Moses Bennett, Mrs. W. P. Bennett.

CAMPVILLE—Mrs. Margaret Kirkland.

ELIAM—Mrs. Murla B. Perry.

GAINESVILLE—Mrs. H. L. Davis, Mrs. Mary E. Finch, Dr. A. A. Murphree, Mr. W. W. Hollingsworth, Mr. D. J. Sweat, Mrs. Ben Mixen, Mrs. J. F. Davis, Mr. Jas. H. Parrish.

HAMPTON—Mr. W. A. Slade, Mrs. Mattie Williams, Mrs. G. V. Knight, Miss Mary Jane Reddish.

HIGH SPRINGS—Mrs. Annie Priest, Mr. M. B. Gilbert.

HAWTHORNE—Mr. R. H. Ward, Mr. W. L. Silcox, Mr. L. J. Stokes, Mr. D. M. Bryan, Mrs. Fannie Stokes, Mrs. Josephine Adkins.

LAKE BUTLER—Mr. C. B. Hewitt, Mrs. Cassie Croft.

CRANGE HEIGHTS—Mr. John Cowart, Mrs. Ashban.

SARDIS—Mrs. L. G. DuBose, Mr. J. I. DuBose.

WALDO—Mrs. E. N. Gunter.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
of the
SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION
of the
SANTA FE RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Held With The
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, HIGH SPRINGS, FLORIDA
FIRST DAY

Tuesday, October 30th, 1928, 10:00 A. M.

1. The Seventy-Second Annual Session of the Santa Fe River Baptist Association convened with the First Baptist Church, of High Springs, Florida, Tuesday, October 30th, 1928, at 10:00 a. m.
2. The Moderator, E. R. Simmons called the Association to order.
3. Devotional service was conducted by T. D. Denman of Melrose.
4. R. D. Walker pastor of the High Springs church gave the address of welcome. Response by A. L. Proctor of Alachua.
5. Petitionary Letters were called for but none were presented.
6. Visitors were recognized as follows: Rev. S. S. Proctor from the New River Association, and Mr. Upchurch representative of laymens work.
7. A solo rendered by Rev. Maxie Collins, Jr., was greatly enjoyed.
8. The Association entered into the election of officers with the following results:
9. On motion of E. A. McDowell the Clerk was instructed to cast the ballot for E. R. Simmons as Moderator.
10. On motion of E. A. McDowell, T. V. McCaul was instructed to cast the ballot for E. B. Perry as Clerk.
11. On motion of H. C. Peepleś, E. A. McDowell was instructed to cast the ballot for E. E. Stokes as Treasurer.
12. On motion duly made and carried the chair was in-

structed to appoint a committee of three on Digest of Church Letters.

13. The chair appointed the following committee: T. V. McCaul, chairman; G. W. McCall and E. A. McDowell.

14. The annual sermon was preached by J. M. Lewis of Waldo, using as a theme a "Journey from birth to the end of life." Text 2 Kings 2:1-15.

15. A motion that the printed programs as presented by the Moderator be adopted as the order of business with the understanding that such changes as might be necessary should be made, prevailed.

16. Recessed for dinner.

Afternoon Session

17. The Association re-assembled at 1:45 p. m., and the devotional service was in charge of Jno. Dicks of Lake City.

18. The report on the Baptist Orphanage at Arcadia, was next on the program and was presented and read by Mrs. J. B. Webb. Discussed by Mrs. Webb, S. S. Proctor and Jno. Dicks.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON FLORIDA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

There is something lacking in the physical constitution of a man or woman who does not love children, and whose heart does not go out in sympathy and love for them, and especially for those who have been left without father, mother and home by the hand of death. The children in our Florida Baptist Children's Home in Arcadia, Florida, belong to the Baptist of Florida, and is the only home supported by the State Convention for orphaned children.

We, as Baptists are under just as much obligation to care for them, both physically and spiritually, as the individual parents have the children born to them in their home. We have now in our home 180 children ranging in ages from infancy to 18 years old. The feeding alone of this number including the eighteen helpers and teachers, amounts to quite a sum. The cost is 10 cents a meal per capita. Then with the salaries for the helpers, clothing and other current expenses demands an income of around \$3.000 a month.

Many societies over the state furnish clothing for some of the children, and a goodly supply of food donations are made, but even with these the financial problem is one which demands the full co-operation of every church in the state.

There are 80 acres in the Home property in Arcadia. The citizens of Arcadia and DeSoto county are paying for 240 acres to give to the Home, which is located about 6 miles north of Arcadia on the highway. There are nine buildings, seven of them two-story. Six of these buildings are dormitory buildings with chapel, dining room, laundry, office, printing office, sewing room and girls parlor on the lower floor. The other three are the superintendent's home, school building and bath building.

All children old enough have regular duties each day. Duties are changed every two weeks, so that the children receive instruction in all parts of the home work. All children of school age are in school and have the privilege of going through the eleventh grade in the Home and finishing the twelfth grade in the county high school. So we see they have equal privileges with other children along the educational line.

The spiritual side of their natures is not neglected. With few exceptions the children who are old enough to understand, are Christians and members of the First Baptist church in Arcadia. The older children alternate in conducting a fifteen minute service in the large dining room each morning before breakfast. They have Sunday School in the chapel each Sunday morning, and preaching service each Sunday evening, attending the eleven o'clock preaching service at the First Baptist church. They have senior, intermediate and junior B. Y. P. U. each Friday evening.

We have a very efficient and capable superintendent in Bro. J. E. Trice, who has at all times the best interests of the children and Home on his heart. For the past year the Convention has allowed the Home five per cent of all money sent through the state office at Jacksonville, to the Unified Program. The management of the Home was given liberty to go afield to raise funds to supplement this amount for the support of the Home. Some Sunday Schools give one Sunday's collection each month to the support of the Home, but the amount received has not met the needs.

We would recommend that each Sunday School in this Association give one Sunday's collection each month, and that each church make a liberal offering beside, to help in this worthy cause.

We would also recommend that each and every Baptist remember the Home and its needs in their prayers, and then "put wings to their prayers" that the work of the Home may be carried on in a way that the finger of scorn may not be pointed at us, and

we be told that "ye did it not unto me."

MRS. J. B. WEBB.

19. J. L. Norris of New River Association and L. G. Hemingway were recognized.

20. The Report on Christian Stewardship was read by J. W. Parrish, who opened the discussion.

21. On motion of T. V. McCaul, the time for the discussion of this report was extended fifteen (15) minutes for the benefit of Bro. Upchurch, who followed, I. N. Parrish.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

The subject of Christian Stewardship is vital and of primary importance, not only to this Santa Fe River Baptist Association but to each of the Churches composing and constituting this Association; and also to each and every individual member of every Baptist church, whether of this Association or not; but also to each and every individual who has yielded allegiance to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Redeemer whether they follow us or belong to some other of Christ's folds. Because Christian Stewardship as it is now used has come to mean the genuine, true, faithful, loyal followers of Christ, by all those who have studied the meaning of this comparatively modern phraseology. And there are many among us, who walk orderly, as good, and in many cases, fruitful and exemplary Christian lives; and yet they do not fully understand its significance; nor have they ever tasted the sweet pleasures of the Divine favors and blessings which God so freely bestows upon the faithful ones who yield themselves completely to His service and endeavor to follow Him closely in all of His commandments and in all of His appointed ways.

While the words Christian Steward or Stewardship are modern you must not get the idea that this is some new thing and therefore has no vital importance or significance to you; for it refers to fundamentals that Abraham (The father of the faithful) yielded to and complied with five hundred years before the Jewish nation was established in that land which God gave to Abraham as a reward for his faithfulness and promised to his seed after him forever if they would remain faithful to Jehovah.

What then is a Steward and Christian Stewardship? A Steward is defined to be (1) A person entrusted with the management of estates or affairs not his own. (2) A person put in

charge of the domestic affairs of an establishment; specifically on shipboard, a petty officer in charge of the service of provisions and passengers rooms.

As it relates to Christ and His Kingdom then it is every one who has taken up his cross to follow Him.

The Apostle Paul says in I Corinthians Chapter VI and the 19th and 20th verses: "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, which is in you, which ye have of God; and ye are not your own? For ye are brought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's."

Then, when all who profess to follow Jesus shall recognize this true relationship, and shall faithfully administer the trust and honor and obey Him in all things, we may hope to see His Kingdom established.

In our beloved Association we are sure there are many loving disciples who are making noble sacrifices and giving freely of time, talents and loving faithful service, and tithes and offerings and because of these we ought to thank God for the measure of peace and prosperity that many of our Churches enjoy.

But if we could enlist each member and individual follower to come up to the full measure of Stewardship in tithes and offerings and loving and devoted service of time and talents, how great would be our rejoicing, for, "God would then open the windows of Heaven and pour us out such a blessing that there would not be room enough to contain."

Respectfully submitted,

I. N. PARRISH, Chairman.

22. A motion to so change the order of business as to allow W. A. Hobson to speak on Christian Education in place of the regular item on the program prevailed.

23. The Treasurer's report was read by E. E. Stokes and adopted without discussion.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from churches for printing minutes	\$73.87	
Cost of Printing and transportaion of 1927		
Minutes	\$73.87	73.87

Signed: *E. E. STOKES, Treasurer*

24. On motion of T. V. McCaul the body proceeded after the hour of adjournment with the report on Publications presented by E. A. McDowell. Discussion by E. A. McDowell and J. B. Webb.

Report adopted.

25. Recessed until 7:30 p. m. with prayer by W. A. Hobson.

Night Session

26. Session opened by singing "Revive Us Again" led by Bro. Archie Thompson. A. B. West led in prayer.

27. The Report on the activities of the Evangelistic Brotherhood was read by E. R. Simmons in the absence of H. C. Peeples who was to bring in the report. Time for the discussion of this report was given to hearing testimonies of the members who all testified of the joy found in service and the great benefit derived from the Brotherhood. Report adopted.

REPORT OF EVANGELISTIC BROTHERHOOD

The Evangelistic Brotherhood of this Association has done some good work during the past year.

The Brethren have conducted or assisted in conducting 131 services using approximately 550 team workers. These men have carried the Gospel message to approximately 10,000 people resulting in 88 conversions or re-consecrations.

They have also started and helped several Sunday Schools and Prayer meetings sufficiently to keep them going.

Arrangements are being perfected by the Brotherhood of Gainesville whereby a mission will be built in North Gainesville to take care of the services in that fast growing community. The lot has already been donated by the Wilson-Parrish Realty Co., and work will start on the building in the near future. May we magnify the work.

We thank Brethren G. H. Blackman of Gainesville and Everette Hewitt of Sardis for data for this report.

Respectfully submitted

H. C. PEEPLES, Chairman.

28. The audience was delighted with a duet rendered by Bro. Archie Thompson and daughter, Miss Margaret.

29. The B. Y. P. U. Report was read by Miss Ruth Roberts. Discussion by Miss Roberts and R. D. Walker. Verbal reports of the various B. Y. P. U.s was called for and the following churches were represented: Alachua, Archer, Campville, Eliam, Gainesville, High Springs, Lacrosse, and Sardis. Report adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON B. Y. P. U. WORK

• 12 churches report 24 B. Y. P. U.'s with a membership of approximately 500. 75 percent of these are systematic contributors to the church; 60 per cent are daily Bible readers. Nine Unions have held one study course each, with 180 awards granted. Four of the B. Y. P. U.'s of this Association have been A-1 for the past year. Tithers reported seventy-five.

Two Associational B. Y. P. U. meetings have been held during the year. Rev. R. D. Walker of High Springs served as president for the past term; Mr. Maxine Collins of Gainesville has been elected for the ensuing term. The meetings have been well attended with much enthusiasm and interest manifested in the work. The Associational B. Y. P. U. stands ready to help and develop B. Y. P. U. work in the Association. Meetings will be held quarterly at various points in the Association.

We have 18 churches in our Association with a total membership of 3034. As stated above only 12 churches have B. Y. P. U.'s with a membership of 500. You see the great need of real B. Y. P. U. work in our Association.

Because of this vast field of much needed B. Y. P. U. work, the committee desires to recommend the following:

1. That the churches co-operate with the B. Y. P. U. work in enlisting every possibility for membership.
2. That the pastors of our Association be present at the quarterly meetings of the Associational B. Y. P. U.
3. That this Association shall pay a special B. Y. P. U. worker, whom the Associational B. Y. P. U. president shall secure to teach and train the officers from three to four days of the various unions in the Association; this worker shall visit the churches having no B. Y. P. U., encouraging the work and giving inspirational addresses on B. Y. P. U. work.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH ROBERTS, Chairman.

30. Duet rendered by Bro. Thompson and daughter.
31. Dismission with prayer by H. L. Chapin.

Second Day—Morning Session, 9:30.

32. Association called to order by the Moderator. Devotional conducted by J. B. Webb.
33. Mrs. J. F. Moon brought in the report on the W. M. U.

Visitors were recognized as follows: Dr. C. M. Brittain, State Mission Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Peelman, State W. M. U.

Secretary, and P. L. Johnson, Editor of the Witness. Discussion of the W. M. U. Report followed by Mrs. Moon and Mrs. Peelman.

Report adopted.

THE W. M. U. REPORT OF THE SANTA FE ASSOCIATION

To our co-workers of Santa Fe Association we bring the following report for the year 1927-28.

Attended all 5th Sunday meetings with a W. M. U. message, visited 14 churches.

	1927	1928	Increase
No. Organizations	31	45	14
No. Members	368	607	239
No. Tithers	107	136	29
No. Study Courses	12	36	24
No. Awards	106	110	14
No. Periodicals	365	553	188
No. Boxes Sent.			

Children's Home 10, Training School 1, Missionary 1, Margaret Fund 1, Total 13. Value of boxes \$48.45.

	1928	1927
Amount paid on apportionment W. M. S.	\$3430.55	
Young People	129.86	
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	\$3560.41	2551.27
Local and other objects	2528.70	3358.60
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Total	\$6089.11	5909.87
An increase over 1927		179.24
An increase in missions		1009.14
Decrease in local		829.90
Total increase		\$179.24

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. F. MOON, Chairman.

34. The Report on Home Missions was read by J. B. Webb. Discussed by J. B. Webb and S. S. Proctor.
- Report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention made its eighty-third annual report of the Convention in

Chattanooga last May. Notwithstanding serious falling off in receipts for several years past and necessary retrenchment in the work of the board, the year's work was most encouraging. The faithful sowing of former years brought a glorious harvest of souls won to Christ.

The Board's work is done through the Departments of Co-operative Missions, Independent and Direct Missions, Evangelist Mountain Mission Schools, Cuba and Panama, Church extension, and the Tuberculosis Sanatorium, El Paso, Texas. The Executive Secretary has general supervision of all the work and specially in charge of the Co-operative Missions.

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

In the Department of Independent and Direct Missions, which is under the sole direction and support of the Home Mission Board, work is done among the foreigners, Indians, negroes, deaf mutes, soldiers and seamen, with Rev. J. W. Beagle, superintendent. The work has been wonderfully blessed during the past year. The same can be said of our Mountain Mission Schools under the direction of Rev. J. W. O'Hara, superintendent, and of the work in Cuba with Rev. M. N. McCall, superintendent, which has been greatly blessed and is growing steadily stronger. The Department of Evangelism as a soul-winning agency has a record unsurpassed. Through the church extension department, Rev. A. J. Barton, superintendent, the home Mission Board makes loans to churches towards the erection of houses of worship at reasonable rate of interest and time. On request, the Board will send free literature, sure as tracts and leaflets, on different phases of the work.

Record of Ten Years

From the annual report of the Board it is learned that in the last ten years 89,300 converts were baptized and 111,015 added to the churches through the labors of our evangelists. We have had during that time 4,165 converts in our mountain schools, 4,146 graduates, and influences have been set in motion which will not cease until our Lord comes.

Ten years ago our Cuban Convention had 57 delegates and their total offerings were \$4,065.21, with membership, 1,919; in 1927 there were 108 delegates at the convention and their offerings for the year were \$21,225.00, and the membership increased to 2,737. The native churches in Cuba during the ten years contributed something over \$125,000. The spirit of evan-

gelism is reported strong.

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

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

Committee,

J. B. WEBB, Chairman.

35. T. D. Denman read the Foreign Mission Report. The time for discussion was given to Drs. McCaul and Brittain, who followed as speakers.

36. The Missionary sermon was preached by T. V. McCaul using as a text Matt. 28:19-20, Acts 1:8.

37. C. M. Brittain addressed the body on the subject of State Missions.

Foreign Mission report adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

In submitting this report your committee would mention first, one of the most outstanding occurrences in connection with the Foreign Mission Board of the past year, viz, the going home to his Heavenly reward of our dearly beloved, and venerated corresponding secretary, Dr. J. F. Love, which summons came on May 3rd, 1928, after several weeks of suffering.

This mighty man of God, whose very heart and life were centered in the work into which he had been called, by the body of Baptists of the Southland, gave fourteen years of faithful and devoted service.

Worldwide Evangelism was a theme upon which he wrote much and in public addresses he never ceased to bring to the people the importance and advantages of this great work. One in writing, has this to say regarding him: "By his wise counsel in conference on the fields in the Orient, South America, Europe, and the Near East, he brought, reassurance and renewed devotion to

the Missionaries. His zeal for the gospel was so unflagging that he pressed on without stint of time and physical strength until he lay exhausted and prone in death. Indeed, "There is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel."

We feel that a wise choice has been made in the appointment of Dr. T. Bronson Ray, to fill the vacancy; he is a man of God, fully acquainted with the work of the Board, and we know that under his wise guidance the work will go on. May all Southern Baptists stand loyally back of him!

While there have been some discouraging features in connection with this work, among which is the debt, and the necessitated retention in this country of missionaries whose furloughs had ended; the inability to send those who had already completed preparation for this work; and the negative replies to calls for needed assistance and equipment by those now upon the various fields. Yet some cheering features have lent encouragement; through a system of readjustment and painstaking economy the debt was reduced nearly \$80,000 during the short period Jan. 1, to May 1, 1928.

Through the generosity of interested friends, we are glad to report that Dr. Stamps and family are back on their field in China; Brother Fowler and family are again at work in South America. Several others have gone back and a very few new ones have been sent.

From all lands our missionaries report much progress; the awfully disturbed condition of China last year, is a great deal clearer and more promising, and work being resumed in places where the missionary had been driven out.

On Feb. 1, 1928, the Roumanian government granted Baptists full religious liberty of teaching, and treatment on equal footing with all Roumanian citizens.

Our work in Africa has grown and now ranks third in the numbers of our churches.

In all Latin lands south of us wonderful evangelizing opportunities are presented. This was illustrated by the wonderful response to the message of Dr. John R. Sampey, who made two evangelistic tours in Brazil. That this is true may be seen in the fact that 3,000 baptisms were reported on that field last year.

Our hearts rejoice when we learn that 12,542 baptisms were reported on all fields in which our missionaries were working last year.

So brethren, we have much to be thankful for, and would suggest a more prayerful spirit among the churches; a greater knowledge of the work of our Foreign Mission Board; more mis-

sion study classes organized; and greater effort in our giving to this noble work.

Respectfully submitted,
T. D. DENMAN, *Chairman.*

38. P. L. Johnson spoke for a moment in the interest of the Baptist Witness.

39. Recessed for dinner with prayer.

Afternoon Session

40. Association re-assembled at 1:45 p. m. L. Sheffield conducted the devotional.

41. On motion regularly made and carried G. Herndon was elected president of annual S. S. Convention with Miss Ruth Roberts as Secretary-Treasurer.

42. The Report on Sunday Schools was read and discussed by G. Herndon.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Your committee begs to report that of the eighteen churches in this Association, sixteen have Sunday Schools. Two of these Gainesville and Waldo are Standard and several others lack only one or two points. Attendance reports are something less than 50 per cent of the enrollment in many of these. We therefore recommend that a steady, consistent effort, on the part of both teacher and pupil in personal work to remedy this condition. Let us make each individual responsible for someone else.

Baptisms reported are forty-eight. Let us bear in mind that the Sunday School is the Evangelistic agency of the church and let us strive to have them carry out our Lord's command, "Go ye and disciple all."

We urge our Sunday Schools to if possible, to give the offering of one Sunday each month to the support of the Baptist Orphanage at Arcadia. This report would not be complete without an account of the Annual Sunday School Convention. This meeting was entertained ably by the Sardis Church in a two day session.

While the meeting was mainly inspirational, some timely practical addresses were made. Pastor Dicks of Sardis, delivered an especially fine address on "the reaching of the home by the Sunday School." Dr. McCaul gave the real keynote of the meeting in a ringing evangelistic sermon. We therefore urge our churches to

send their teachers to the next meeting which will be held at Waldo..

Your committee wishes to recommend an increased emphasis on teacher training, especially in the smaller churches. We would call attention to what we conceive to be a real opportunity on the part of the larger churches, namely, extension work in training classes in the weaker churches.

Committee,

G. HERNDON, *Chairman*

43. Dr. C. L. Pridgen read the report on Temperance. Discussed by R. D. Walker and S. S. Proctor.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

A woman living in Zanesville, Ohio, recently published the following recipe in the newspapers: Take one regular, natural born fool, add two or three drinks of bootleg liquor and mix the two in a high powered motor car. After the fool is thoroughly soaked, place his foot on the gas and release the brake. Remove the fool from the wreckage, place in black satin-lined box and garnish with flowers.

As a surgeon, I have seen this recipe tried a number of times and it has always proved a success. The motor cars are growing in number day by day, and although there is a marked decrease in liquor under the 18th Amendment it is still necessary for God's people to be on the alert concerning Temperance, if we care to protect these natural born fools as well as our *own skins*.

You may not agree with me on first thought, my friends, but it seems to me that I see a fundamental law not usually recognized, that is: That in a sense the *minority rules*. Let the baby develop colic or diphtheria and see what happens to the majority of the family the rest of that livelong night. Break that minor part of your anatomy known as the ankle and though your brain and body may function actively, you cannot walk. The whole body is subservient to the broken ankle. Put out your eyes and though you may reason logically and expostulate vociferously, the whole body must grope its way uncertainly, if at all. While this appeals to me as a doctor, yet as a Christian it seems to me to be true of spiritual things.

We, the great majority, have written the Eighteenth Amendment into the Constitution of our great and glorious nation. It is the law. Yet there are a minority who are slaves to a desire for intoxication. Who break the law, who corrupt officials and who are ever trying to undo that which it has taken one hundred years

to accomplish. So we must stop our other Christian activities and minister to those weaker brethren and prevent them from doing harm to their bodies and their souls. There are things we might have and do in our new liberty through Christ Jesus, but these we must lay aside and fight for fear they shall cause our weaker brethren to fall.

And so your committee, on account of this minority, comes again to bring to your attention a matter that is supposed to be already settled. For ten years now, we have had prohibition written into our Constitution, and it is well to inquire how our experiment has prospered. Has it been for good or for evil to our country and to our spiritually weaker brethren? In answer, I desire to quote to you from two men of great learning and extensive observation. Irving Fisher, professor of economics in Yale University finds "That workers of all kinds since the advent of prohibition, are 10 percent more productive than ever before." This means that by the exercise of prohibition that there has been added to our annual national income, \$3,000,000,000. Now add to that \$2,700,000,000 saved, that would have been spent for liquor, and we have the stupendous sum of \$6,000,000,000 saved to our country by prohibition, without counting any savings in the cost of jails, almshouses, asylums, etc., or any economic savings from reducing the death rate. The real wages of workmen have been increased under prohibition 28 percent above the level maintained for more than a quarter of a century. Profits have risen enormously and the prosperity of our country is amazing the whole world." Personal savings, says Prof. Fisher, as shown by savings banks, life insurance and building and loan associations, have increased very largely under prohibition. Prof Fisher concludes by saying that "Even if prohibition enforcement cost us \$1,000,000,000 a year, it would be well worth while purely as an economic investment."

Now listen, my friends, to a word from Warren S. Stone, Grand Chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. He says "It has been proved that the enormous number of saloons that have ceased to exist have been replaced by groceries, restaurants, shoe stores, clothing establishments, banks, etc. employing far more workers than the saloons did, and the value of land has nowhere fallen, but usually has risen. School teachers everywhere reports that children come to school better dressed and better fed than before prohibition. Charity organizations report less work to do. Hospitals report a marked decrease in the diseases caused by drinking liquor. Jails have been closed up in all parts of the country." He concludes by saying "I wish those who expect modifica-

tion of prohibition could go with me as I travel over this broad land and see houses being erected, accounts opened in savings banks families together out in parks, children well fed with shoes to wear, and warm clothing going to school. I wish they could see with me prosperity, happiness, and sunshine where formerly there was squalor and misery." All this, he says is the result of prohibition. "We are not going back to the old condition of things with their misery, want and poverty—NEVER AGAIN. "PROHIBITION HAS COME TO STAY."

Is that last statement true, my friends, are we doing our duty as Christians to make it true? We hear the demand for State Local Option and regulating the saloon by law, on every hand. Just as well try and regulate by law a polecat in the Florida Everglades as a saloon. The only way to regulate saloons is the way we regulate rattlesnakes—by hitting them on the head with a club.

Many of you remember as I do the old days of saloons regulated by law, when men's lives were daily placed in danger and women dared not walk the streets. Are these days to return?

One year ago, there stood in the position I now occupy, a man of brilliant mind, a learned scholar, a Christian gentleman, a devout Baptist, my departed friend, Dr. A. A. Murphree, bringing to you his great message on temperance and his timely warning. With prophetic vision his great mind pierced the future and brought you warning and admonition. May I quote a few of his words? "The fight is still going on, the enemy is astute and his methods insidious. It is daily more apparent that the Christian Churches face the imminence of a battle for the preservation of the prohibition laws. The only proper attitude of Christians towards the liquor traffic is one of unqualified opposition."

His prediction was right, my friends, the time has come, we are face to face with the enemy. Recently a candidate for the highest office in our nation, repudiated his great party's platform and declared in no uncertain terms that he favored a change in the Eighteenth Amendment, so that each state might have local option if it so desired. This man will in all probability have the appointment of a majority of our Supreme Federal Court Judges that now are in favor of prohibition by a majority of only one. He appointed to head this great party a life-long Republican, who gave as his reason for leaving his party temporarily and accepting this great position, "That he might do a bit of constructive work to help rid the country of that damnable farce of prohibition." The issue, therefore is clear cut, the battle is on. The only question now is what are we Christians going to

do about it. I am glad to report that the signs of the times are most encouraging. Reports from all kinds of Christian bodies indicate that they will stand true to Christ's ideals rather than to party and not give by their votes sanction to the tearing down of our Constitution and prostitution of Christian ideals.

Our Baptist Witness has fought a good fight and taken its place as an unplacable foe to this enemy of Christian virtue.

Almost all our Associations have taken action against this candidate ringing true with Christian love for our Country and our weaker brethren. This Association one year ago, unanimously adopting Dr. Murphree's resolutions, pledged itself, listen—"To persistently advocate total abstinence and strict law observance; active and faithful co-operation with officers in enforcing Prohibition; to organize a committee of citizens with co-operation with officers of the law, its specific task—to oppose for public office any candidate whose record for law observance and law enforcement does not stand out clear and above suspicion."

It seems to me that this Association has already taken action and is definitely pledged to oppose the candidacy of alcohol Smith who with Raskob stands out clear and determined to set aside one hundred years of our patient endeavor and tear down our constitution providing prohibition. We recommend, therefore, that as a Christian body, you go forth to this battle equipped like men and women of God or take steps NOW, rescinding your unanimous pledge of a year ago, to oppose any candidate who did not stand for observance and enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. PRIDGEN, M. D., Chairman

44. The Report on the Spiritual condition of the Churches was given by T. V. McCaul, who discussed same bringing out the fact that the reports from the various churches did not indicate a very healthy spiritual condition because of the following figures:

Average per capita given to Missions this year \$2.60.

Average per capita given to Missions last year \$4.90.

Average per capita given for all causes this year \$16.06.

Average per capita given for all causes last year \$17.75.

Of the seventeen churches reporting, seven have no prayer meeting. The rest of this report appears in summary table.

Other discussion followed by E. A. McDowell and T. D.

Denman.

Report adopted.

45. The Report on Obituaries was read by W. R. DuBose. Report adopted.

This report appears on page dedicated to memory of our dead.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Hawthorne, Fla., October 26, 1928.

The Seventy-Second Annual Convention,

Of the Santa Fe River Baptist Association,
High Springs, Florida.

Dear Brethren:

Your Committee on Nominations submits the following report:

For representative to the State Board of Missions, Rev. T. V. McCaul, Gainesville, Fla.

For Delegates to the State Convention

H. M. Lindsey	Archer
J. N. Hayman	Orange Heights
Mrs. L. B. Alexander	Waldo
Dr. C. L. Pridgen	Waldo
Rev. T. D. Denman	Melrose
C. A. Williams	Alachua
B. W. Cato	Alachua
Mrs. F. J. Hammond	Hawthorne
J. O. Whitcomb	Hawthorne
Mrs. J. H. Scarborough	Lake Butler
Rev. E. A. McDowell	Lake Butler
Mrs. F. R. May	Lacrosse
W. M. Hawkins	Gainesville
S. F. Hardee	Hague
E. R. Simmons	Gainesville
Mrs. J. F. Moon	Gainesville
Mrs. H. C. Peeples	Sardis
J. W. Craber	Campville
W. G. Merriman	Ochwilla
R. G. Osteen	High Springs
Mrs. L. B. McCall	High Springs
B. F. Matthews	Micanopy
Mrs. J. J. Jones	Micanopy
Rev. F. M. Taylor	Hampton
C. T. Lawhorn	Hampton

C. L. Ergle Island Grove
Rev. John Dicks Lake City
For Southern Baptist Convention—Rev. J. M. Lewis and
Rev. H. E. Ridenour.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. JOHNSON, Committee.

46. E. R. Simmons and S. S. Proctor spoke briefly of Dr. A. A. Murphree, deceased, recounting his loyalty, love and faithfulness to our Associational work and to his local church.

47. The Moderator called for invitations to entertain the Association in 1929.

48. W. R. DuBose extended an invitation from Sardis Church, which, on motion duly made and carried, was accepted.

49. On motion of T. V. McCaul, the Association gave a rising vote of thanks to the church and the people of High Springs for their splendid hospitality in entertaining the Association.

50. A motion that the Clerk be instructed to have the reports on State Missions and Christian Education printed in the Minutes prevailed. E. A. McDowell of Lake Butler, was to prepare these and mail to the Clerk for publication.

51. On motion properly made and carried the Clerk was authorized to shorten lengthy reports in a manner that would be consistent with our finance.

52. On motion the body adjourned. R. D. Walker led the closing prayer.

E. R. SIMMONS, Moderator.

E. B. PERRY, Clerk.

MINUTES OF THE W. M. U. OF SANTA FE RIVER ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the W. M. U. of Santa Fe River Association was held at Hawthorne Baptist Church, October 9th, 1928.

Meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. F. Moon. Devotional was conducted by Mrs. Margaret Gross of Gainesville. She chose for her subject, "Prayer". Rev. E. A. McDowell of Lake Butler, offered prayer.

Greetings were given by Mrs. F. J. Hammond of Hawthorne and was responded to by Mrs. I. W. Wesley of Waldo.

Our state workers were then welcomed, Mrs. H. C. Peelman, State Secretary and Mrs. N. B. O'Kelly our Divisional President, from other Associations, Mrs. W. J. Epperson of Starke.

The message from our President was on visions, and was a very inspiring talk.

Special music by Rev. and Mrs. Denman, Melrose.

Digest of Letters was given by secretary and societies were recognized at this time. A-1 and Standard A-1 societies were recognized.

Mrs. H. C. Peelman at this time made an inspirational address, followed by prayer by Rev. Denman.

Committees were appointed; collection taken which was \$10.34. Announcements and dismissal for lunch.

Afternoon

Afternoon session opened by singing our W. M. U. song, "The Kingdom is Coming," followed by prayer by Mrs. H. C. Peelman.

Reports were then read from District Superintendent Stewardship Chairman, Personal Service Chairman, Margaret Fund Chairman, Mission Study Chairman and Training School Chairman.

President called for reports from committees appointed.

Resolutions, Whereas, the people of Hawthorne have shown their hospitality to us during the annual meeting of the

W. M. U. of the Santa Fe River Association. Be it resolved that we tender our thanks and appreciation to them for the day of entertainment and feast of good things that we have each enjoyed. As we go to our homes, we shall be ever mindful of our watchword, Enlarge, Spare Not., Lengthen, Strengthen.

MRS. I. W. WESLEY, Chairman
MRS. DENMAN
MRS. J. H. EMERSON.

Obituaries

We pause in deliberations to do honor to the memory of our members who have passed to their reward since we last met. It is with great sorrow that we have to report the loss of the following members:

Mrs. L. G. DuBose, Sardis.
Mrs. Annie Priest, High Springs.
Mrs. Mattie Williams, Hampton.
Mrs. Murla Perry, Ochwilla.
Mrs. L. G. Stokes, Ochwilla.
Mrs. Jno. Croft, Lake Butler.
Mrs. Calvin Perry, Melrose.
Mrs. Ben Mixson, Gainesville.
Mrs. H. L. Davis, Gainesville.
Mrs. Mary Finch, Gainesville.
Mrs. J. F. Davis, Gainesville.

MRS. J. E. MAINES.

Time and Place—Mrs. S. W. Coward reported the next annual meeting to be held with Melrose Church the second Tuesday after the 1st Sunday in October, 1929. On motion reports were adopted as read.

Nominating Committee, Mrs. A. L. Stevens recommended the following officers for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. J. F. Moon, Gainesville.

Vice President—Mrs. T. V. McCaul, Gainesville.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. E. R. Simmons, Gainesville.

Young People's Leader—Mrs. R. D. Walker, High Springs.

Stewardship Chairman—Mrs. I. W. Wesley, Waldo.

Mission Study Chairman—Mrs. J. E. Maines, Lake Butler..

Personal Service Chairman—Mrs. H. F. Preston, Melrose.

Margaret Fund Chairman—Mrs. J. R. Emerson, Gainesville.

Training School Chairman—Mrs. E. A. McDowell, Lake Butler.

Publicity Chairman—Miss Johnnie Eliason, Hampton.

Supt. Dist. No. 1—Mrs. A. C. Strickland, Lake Butler.

Supt. Dist. No. 2—Mrs. F. W. Tison, Hawthorne.

Supt. Dist. No. 3—Mrs. Hardin, Alachua.

Two Members at Large—Mrs. J. E. Thrasher, Jr., Micanopy, Mrs. F. J. Hammond, Hawthorne.

It was moved and carried that we make Mrs. H. C. Peelman and Mrs. N. B. O'Kelly honorary members of the Santa Fe River Association.

The Young People's hour was in charge of Miss Ruth Roberts, of Worthington, who put on a play "Count Me IN."

Moved and carried that we have our executive meeting every quarter on the second Friday at Gainesville, the first one to be held at our general association on the second day at the noon hour.

A recommendation was then read by our president asking each society to pay 10 cents per member into our divisional treasurer to help defray the expenses of our Divisional President and Divisional Young People's Leader.

Consecration Service by Mrs. R. D. Walker, of High Springs. Prayer of dismissal by Rev. J. B. Webb.

MRS. J. F. MOON, President.

MRS. J. F. VAGTS, Secretary.

Chuches—When Constituted, Days of Meeting

Churches	When Constituted	City (C), Town (T), Village (V), or Country Church (O)	Regular Days of meetings
1 Alachua	1897	T	All
2 Archer	1920	T	1-3
3 Campville	1892	V	4th
4 Eden	1903	O	1st
5 Eliam	1859	V	2-4
6 Gainesville	1870	C	All
7 Hague	1912	V	
8 Hampton	1891	T	2-4
9 Hawthorne	1852	T	All
10 High Springs	1885	T	All
11 Island Grove	1891	V	4th
12 Lacrosse	1882	V	3rd
13 Lake Butler	1869	T	1-3
14 Micanopy	1852	T	2-4
15 Ochwilla	1873	O	2nd
16 Orange Heights	1913	V	2nd
17 Sardis	1877	O	4th
18 Waldo	1884	T	1-3

George Mack - Dean of ...

Summary Table. Statistics of Santa Fe River Baptist Association State of Florida for Year Ending October 30th, 1928.

CHURCHES	Baptisms	Total Membership	Revival Meetings Held During Year	Observances of Lord's Supper During Year	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper	Number of Schools	Total Enrolled	Total Number B. Y. P. U.'s	Total Enrolled in B. Y. P. U.'s	Total Women's and Children's Org.	Total Women's Contributions All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	All Other Local Church Expenses <i>including Pastor's salary according to Annual</i>	Gifts to Cooperative Program	"Specials" or Designated Gifts to Missions, etc.	No. Tithers?	Is Church on Budget?	Value of Church Houses and Grounds	Value Pastors Home	Total Value all Church Property
Atchua	2	165	1	4	15	1	176	30	2	266.45	1,500.00	2,191.71	434.39	613.24				20,000.00	2500	23,500.00
Archer		167					171				1,200.00	1,771.83	154.43	174.43				4,000.00		4,000.00
Campville		31					32				1,200.00	1,452.12	220.00	232.00				1,000.00		1,000.00
Eden		57					57				1,400.00	1,452.12	220.00	232.00				2,000.00		2,000.00
Ednam	10	163	1	4	30	1	146	42	1	255.02	720.00	1,452.12	220.00	232.00				10,000.00		10,000.00
Gainesville	40	1106	1	6	100	1	1098	142	1	1853.88	4,425.00	2,4188.49	5201.63	5201.63				25,000.00	175,000.00	175,000.00
Hakue	40	290					290				600.00	787.42	397.11	28.14				2,500.00		2,500.00
Hampton	4	161	1	4	6	1	77	20	1	222.00	1,200.00	1,771.83	397.11	28.14				2,500.00	3500	3,500.00
Hawthorne	4	196	1	4	6	1	126	30	1	402.48	1,400.00	1,771.83	397.11	28.14				2,500.00		2,500.00
High Springs	6	322	1	6	4	1	238	3	4	402.48	1,400.00	1,771.83	397.11	28.14				2,500.00		2,500.00
Island Grove	2	85	1	2	2	1	44				2,400.00	3,250.77	21.87					2,500.00		2,500.00
Lacrosse	6	63					63				2,400.00	3,250.77	21.87					2,500.00		2,500.00
Lake Butler	6	136	2	2	2	1	98	33	2	52.40	2,400.00	3,250.77	21.87					2,500.00		2,500.00
Michigan	3	64	1	3	6	1	67	2	1	18.60	1,000.00	1,316.14	25.00	279.00				2,500.00		2,500.00
Ochawilla	3	17	1	3	3	1	17	1	1	75.77	75.77	1,316.14	41.75	41.75				2,500.00		2,500.00
Orange Heights	5	93	1	3	5	1	47	3	1	18.60	75.75	1,316.14	41.75	41.75				2,500.00		2,500.00
Sardis	3	93	1	3	19	1	62	39	1	96.30	240.00	1,316.14	41.75	41.75				2,500.00		2,500.00
Waldo	3	158	1	4	4	1	189	30	1	51.05	900.00	1,174.32	143.11	143.11				4,000.00	2500	4,500.00
Total	85	3024	13	45	194	16	2577	24	392	31	3732.58	14,820.75	40,817.46	6585.27	7884.51	99	237,731.45	39,300	277,031.45	

R. N. Walker, Pastor

High Springs, Fla.

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