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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 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 union of the churches, the promotion of the true gospel, and dissemination of Bible Truth.

4. This Association shall meet annually, on the first day of which meeting it shall elect a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, all of whom shall assume office upon adjournment of the annual meeting at which they are elected. It may also elect an Associational Sunday School Superintendent, Associational B.T.U. President (Director), and an Associational Brotherhood President, or refer the matter to the Executive Committee. These officers shall assume their respective positions on January first following election.

5. Any Baptist Church newly organized may become a member of this Association by letter petitioning for membership and giving information concerning organization and history, 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. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the Pastors of the churches in the Association, the Moderator, and Clerk, also one layman or woman from each church; said member to be designated by the Pastor or church. The Executive Committee shall elect its own chairman and have the oversight of the Associational work during the interim.

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 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-third 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.

Article 2. We believe that the Scripture of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired Words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

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

Article 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.

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

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

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

Article 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.

Article 9. We believe that all saints shall be preserved in the grace and never finally fall away.

Article 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 ordinance of Christ; governed by His laws and exercising the gifts, rights and privileges invested in them in His Word; that only spiritual officers are bishops or pastors and deacons whose qualifications, claims, and duties are defined in the Epistles of Timothy and Titus.

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

Article 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.

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

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

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

Article 16. We believe that 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 work of mercy and necessity.

Article 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 the wicked endless sorrow, and 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 now 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 occupations 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 religious training of 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 world lust, and to walk circumspectly in the world that we may win the souls of men; that we will cheerfully contribute our property according as God has prospered us for the maintenance of a faithful evangelical ministry among us or the support of the poor and 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 has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Association called to order at 9:30 A. M.
2. Collection of letters.
3. Adoption of program.
4. Courtesy of Association to visitors.
5. Report of Woman's Missionary Union.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Report on Missions.
8. Annual Sermon.
9. Reports of Standing Committees.
 - (a) Children's Home.
 - (b) Sunday Schools.
 - (c) Training Unions.
 - (d) Brotherhood.
 - (e) Social Service.
 - (f) South Florida Baptist Hospital.
 - (g) Co-operative Program.
 - (h) Relief and Rehabilitation.
 - (i) Nominations.
 - (j) Resolutions.
 - (k) Obituaries.
10. Miscellaneous business.
11. Adjournment.

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORIES

GENERAL OFFICERS

Rev. Edward E. Ham, Moderator.....	High Springs
Rev. B. L. Ernest, Vice Moderator.....	Alachua
Rev. E. C. Lerch, Clerk.....	Archer
Bro. O. R. Evans, Assn. S. S. Supt.....	Gainesville
Ero. Ted Eubanks, Assn. Training Union Director.....	Gainesville
Mrs. F. W. Tyson, Assn. W.M.U. President.....	Hawthorne

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Everett C. Lerch.....	Archer
Rev. Benton Hicks.....	Waldo
Rev. L. R. Brothers.....	Nigeria Africa
Rev. W. M. Weeks.....	Gainesville
Rev. T. V. McCaul.....	Gainesville
Rev. H. E. Ridenour, Sr.....	Gainesville
Rev. B. L. Ernest.....	Alachua
Rev. D. B. Allen, Sr.....	Gainesville
Rev. M. A. Reinhardt.....	Hawthorne
Rev. Edward E. Ham.....	High Springs
Rev. H. T. Bevis.....	Gainesville
Rev. Ray Y. Walden.....	Lake Butler
Rev. L. O. Sheffield, Chaplain U. S. Army	
Rev. L. A. Shepherd.....	Raiford
Rev. R. D. Bevis.....	Bainesville
Rev. V. J. Major.....	Palatka
Rev. W. A. McMichen.....	Gainesville
Rev. S. J. Morgan.....	Gainesville
Rev. Gerald May.....	LaCrosse
Rev. Charles Davis.....	Melrose
Rev. W. A. Scott.....	Starke
Rev. J. T. Rawlings.....	Gainesville
Rev. C. B. Stallings.....	Hawthorne
Chaplain Julian H. King.....	Chaplain
Rev. L. E. Hemingway.....	Campville
Rev. E. E. Earnest.....	Gainesville
Rev. Chas. F. Smith.....	Waldo

CHURCH CLERKS

Alachua, Mrs. C. F. Stephens.....	Alachua
Archer, C. L. Moore.....	Archer
Campville, Mrs. Flora Sherouse.....	Campville
Eden, H. L. Baxley.....	Hawthorne
Eliam, C. M. Perry.....	Hawthorne

Fairbanks, Mrs. T. A. Gnann.....	Rt. 1, Box 33P, Gainesville
Grove Street, Mrs. O. R. Evans.....	424 E. Mechanic, Gainesville
First, Gainesville, W. R. Carroll.....	Gainesville
Hampton, Edward Saxon.....	Hampton
Hawthorne, W. B. Adkins.....	Hawthorne
High Springs, R. W. Justice.....	High Springs
Island Grove, C. R. Abstein.....	Island Grove
LaCrosse, O. A. Register.....	LaCrosse
Lake Butler, E. E. Shallar.....	Lake Butler
Micanopy, C. L. Robbins.....	R. F. D., Micanopy
Ochwilla, B. A. Barrington.....	Rt. 2, Hawthorne
Orange Heights, Mrs. Ida Parrish.....	Earleton
Paran, Mrs. Susie Gornto.....	Grandin
Sardis, R. B. Warren.....	Rt. 2, Lake Butler
Waldo, Mrs. Maurice Desha.....	Waldo
Windsor, T. D. Levans.....	Rt. 2, Gainesville

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Alachua, C. G. Pope.....	Alachua
Archer, Thos. E. Simmons.....	Rt. 4, Gainesville
Campville, C. E. Long.....	Campville
Eden, C. V. Dugger.....	Hawthorne
Eliam, C. P. Perry.....	Rt. 2, Hawthorne
Fairbanks, I. L. Touchton.....	Rt. 1, Gainesville
Grove St., O. R. Evans.....	Box 246, Gainesville
Gainesville First, H. H. Hill.....	Gainesville
Hampton, W. H. Hall.....	Hampton
Hawthorne, J. W. Sims.....	Hawthorne
High Springs, B. L. Faulkner.....	High Springs
Island Grove, William Thomas.....	Island Grove
LaCrosse, O. A. Wilson.....	LaCrosse
Lake Butler, A. L. Driggers.....	Lake Butler
Micanopy, Mrs. J. E. Thrasher.....	Micanopy
Ochwilla, J. L. Turner.....	Rt. 2, Hawthorne
Orange Heights, Mrs. A. L. Kahr.....	Earleton
Paran, Weldon Brantley.....	Grandin
Sardis, J. H. Cason.....	Worthington Springs
Waldo, W. H. Gunter.....	Waldo

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

Alachua, Mrs. Roger Hitchcock.....	Alachua
Archer, Elbert Hough.....	Archer
Eden, G. V. Dugger.....	Hawthorne
Eliam, Mac. Matthews.....	Melrose
Grove St., R. Coleman.....	Rt., Gainesville
Gainesville First, Marguerite Kimbrell.....	Gainesville
Hampton, W. A. Scott.....	Starke
Hawthorne, Mrs. Mildred Paulling.....	Hawthorne
High Springs, Fred G. Coats.....	High Springs
Island Grove, Mrs. C. R. Abstein.....	Island Grove
Lake Butler, Miss Nettie Mae Fowler.....	Lake Butler
Sardis, Mrs. J. H. Cason.....	Worthington Springs
Waldo, Miss Leila Seay.....	Waldo

W. M. S. PRESIDENTS

Alachua, Mrs. Opal Henderson.....	Alachua
Archer, Mrs. E. C. Lerch.....	Archer
Grove St., Mrs. P. L. Chappell.....	Rt. 3, Box 285C, Gainesville
Gainesville First, Mrs. J. E. Turlington.....	N. 9th St., Gainesville
Hampton, Mrs. Doris Hicks.....	Hampton
Hawthorne, Mrs. F. W. Tyson.....	Hawthorne
High Springs, Mrs. J. W. Hall.....	R. F. D., Ft. White
Island Grove, Mrs. C. R. Abstein.....	Island Grove
Lake Butler, Mrs. Hal Y. Maines.....	Lake Butler
Micanopy, Mrs. C. B. Emerson.....	Micanopy
Orange Heights, Mrs. Benton Hicks.....	Waldo
Waldo, Mrs. B. L. Alexander.....	Waldo

BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENTS

Grove St., W. A. Wester.....	Rt. 3, Box 285C, Gainesville
High Springs, John W. Thomas.....	R. F. D., Ft. White

LIST OF MESSENGERS

- ALACHUA—Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Pope, Mrs. Opal Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sealey, Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Strickland, Mrs. Roger Hitchcock, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams.
- ARCHER—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Moore, Mrs. Eula Cabiness, Mrs. C. E. McElroy, Mr. H. H. Simmons.
- CAMPVILLE—Mrs. C. E. Long, Mrs. Flora Sherouse.
- EDEN—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Baxley, Elenor Ruth Baxley, Johnie C. Baxley, William L. Baxley.
- ELIAM—Rev. Chas. Davis, Miss Charline Reed, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Perry, Mrs. Francis Hurst, Mr. W. L. Perry.
- FAIREANKS—Mrs. Geo. Padgett, Mrs. Reather Padgett, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Touchton.
- GROVE STREET—Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Casseles, Mrs. J. W. Lucius, Mrs. Alice Bishop, Mrs. O. L. Jackson, Sr., Mr. Clyde Dobbs, Mr. R. H. Collins, Sr., Mr. R. A. Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thomas, Mrs. Jas. Simms, Mrs. R. A. Gamble, Mrs. L. C. Robinson, Mrs. Lyman Thomas.
- GAINESVILLE FIRST—Mrs. J. W. Norman, Rev. G. W. S. Ware, Mrs. W. G. Smith, Mrs. Emma Burk, Rev. Thos. V. McCaul.
- HAMPTON—Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Wynn, Mr. Russell Williams, Mr. D. Tidwell, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Watterson.
- HAWTHORNE—Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Stallings, Mr. W. B. Adkins, Mr. G. D. Bishop, Mr. F. W. Capell, Mr. S. D. Bristow, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sims, Mrs. F. W. Tyson, Mrs. A. L. Johnson, Mrs. Mildred Paulling.
- HIGH SPRINGS—Rev. Edward E. Ham, Mr. T. D. Tucker, Mr. R. W. Justice, Mr. F. B. Duke.
- ISLAND GROVE—Mrs. T. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Abstein, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wilcox, Mrs. W. H. Hardee.
- LA CROSSE—Mr. O. A. Register.
- LAKE BUTLER—Rev. and Mrs. Ray Y. Walden.
- MICANOPY—Mr. J. L. Hannah, Mr. A. L. Moore.
- OCHWILLA—Mr. Roger Jacobson, Mr. Allen Ford.
- ORANGE HEIGHTS—Mrs. R. E. Roundtree, Mrs. Ralph Brown, Miss Minnie Griswold, Mrs. Sidney Bryan, Mrs. T. C. Rountree, Mrs. C. C. Ormond, Mrs. A. L. Kahr, Mrs. Ida Parrish.
- PARAN—Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Brantley, Mrs. Irene Hutson, Mrs. Ella Belisarrío, Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Eugene Brantley, Miss Rebecca Brantley.
- SARDIS—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Warren, Mrs. D. E. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Doke, Mrs. C. D. Newbern, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. DuBose, Mrs. Emma Scaff.
- WADO—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gutner, Mrs. Maurice DeSha, Mrs. A. L. Stevens, Mrs. Pat Oglesby, Mrs. J. M. Porter.
- WINDSOR—Mr. T. D. Levans, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Morgan, Mrs. L. P. Finklea.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
of the
90th Annual Session
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1. Song, Amazing Grace.
2. Devotional, Rev. E. E. Ham. Scripture, II Peter 1:4.
3. Welcome Address, Rev. E. C. Lerch.
4. Response, Rev. B. L. Ernest.
5. Election of clerk. L. L. Doke, O. R. Evans, and E. C. Lerch nominated. Rev. E. C. Lerch elected.
6. Reception of letters.
7. It was moved, seconded and passed that those messengers present and others who may come in later constitute the present session of this Association.
8. Moved and passed that the printed program, with necessary changes, be adopted.
9. Recognition of new pastors and visitors. Rev. C. B. Stallings, Rev. E. E. Earnest, Rev. and Mrs. S. V. Cofield of Newberry, Fla., Mrs. Logan of High Springs, Rev. James S. Day, Jr., of the Southside Baptist Church, Lakeland, Fla., and Bro. Hemingway of the New River Association.
10. Rev. James S. Day was recognized and spoke briefly in regard to the Florida Baptist Institute at Lakeland, Fla. Rev. Day explained the purpose of the Institute, which is four years old, as training those who could not go to college but were called to the ministry and needed training.
11. Mrs. Norman, past president of the Santa Fe W. M. U. Association, brought the report on W. M. U. work for the past year. The report was moved and seconded for adoption. Dr. T. V. McCaul, Rev. C. B. Stallings, and Rev. S. V. Cofield spoke to the report, after which it was adopted unanimously.
12. Mrs. Tyson, the new Associational W. M. U. president, was presented to the association.
13. Rev. E. E. Ham requested, on behalf of Bro. Holcomb, that information cards be filled out during the day in regard to Brotherhoods in the association.
14. Mrs. T. M. Johns, Mr. Holcomb, Mr. Fred T. Barnette, Rev. Dewey Mann, and Rev. Woodrow Flynn were recognized.
15. The three following committees were appointed by the moderator: Nomination—Mr. L. L. Doke, Rev. E. E. Earnest, Rev. S. J. Morgan. Resolution—Mrs. O. R. Evans, Mrs. C. B. Stallings, Mrs. Chas. Davis. Obituaries—Mrs. Norman, Mrs. Ray Y. Walden, Mrs. Lerch.

16. Dr. T. V. McCaul read a report on Christian Education, which was moved, seconded, and adopted.
17. Dr. T. V. McCaul read reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions, and presided for the hour, which was conducted as follows:
After a motion and second that the three reports be adopted as read, Dr. McCaul spoke briefly on the great challenge in mission fields both here and throughout the world.
Rev. Dewey Mann spoke briefly on State Missions, presenting the four types of mission work that are to be found in our state, and a financial resume of receipts in our State Headquarters, after which he brought a stirring message on the rural church situation in Florida.
The reports were adopted as read.
18. Bro. D. S. W. Weir was introduced as a visitor. Bro. Weir joined this Association 62 years ago.
19. Rev. Woodrow Flynn, Regional Missionary, gave a report of his work. He then brought a brief message appealing to all the churches to help the rural churches.
20. Miscellaneous Announcements.
21. Rev. Charles Davis, Pastor of the Eliam church at Melrose delivered the Annual Sermon to the Association taking as his text Mark 16: 15-20 and Matthew 28:19-20, speaking on the subject of "The Great Commission."
22. Adjourn to lunch, which was served by the ladies of the Archer church.

AFTERNOON SESSION

23. Prayer by Bro. Holcomb.
24. Devotional by Rev. L. A. Shepherd, using as his subject "Holiness."
25. Mrs. T. M. Johns spoke on the Children's Home at Arcadia, Fla. One feature of her address was the showing of architect's drawings of the new home that is to be built at Lakeland.
26. In the absence of Bro. C. R. Smith, who was detained because of illness, the Sunday School report was read by Bro. O. R. Evans. The report was unanimously adopted.
27. Bro. O. R. Evans gave the report on the Training Union. Bro. Evans spoke to his own report, which was then adopted unanimously.
28. Bro. C. A. Holcomb spoke on the Brotherhood work in the state.
29. Rev. L. A. Shepherd brought the report on Social Service. It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted as read.
Mr. Fred T. Barnett spoke to the report with a strong message on the liquor situation in Florida, after which the report was adopted.
30. Dr. G. A. Leichter spoke in regard to the South Florida Baptist Hospital.
31. Rev. E. E. Ham brought the report on the Co-operative which was adopted unanimously with resolutions.

32. Rev. C. B. Stallings brought the report on Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation. The report was adopted.
33. The report of the committee on Nominations was read and adopted.
34. The report of the committee on Resolutions was read and adopted.
35. A resolution was made by Rev. Ham that the Association give Bro. Meadows a rising vote of appreciation for service rendered as clerk during the past several years.
36. A resolution was made by Rev. Ham that a rising vote be given Rev. Walden in appreciation of his service as Moderator.
37. The treasurer's report was read and adopted.
38. A motion was made by Bro. O. R. Evans that a budget committee be elected. This was seconded by Bro. Doke and carried. It was agreed that this committee should consist of three members. Bro. O. R. Evans, Bro. Carl Moore, and Rev. E. E. Ham were elected to this committee.
39. The matter was discussed in regard to raising the pay of the clerk. A motion was made and seconded to pay the clerk \$25. Rev. Stallings recommended that the motion be amended to pay the clerk \$50. which was agreeable to all the Association. Unanimously carried.
40. Motion made and seconded to transfer the balance from the Quinn Cooper fund to the treasury, and so carried.
41. The report on Obituaries was read by Mrs. Walden, and adopted.
42. Adjournment with prayer by Rev. E. C. Lerch.

RESOLUTION

A resolution was received by the clerk from the Harmony Association recommending Rev. E. E. Earnest to the fellowship of this body.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE, TIME PLACE AND PREACHER

Moderator—E. E. Ham.
Vice Moderator—B. L. Ernest
Clerk—E. C. Lerch
Associational S. S. Supt.—O. R. Evans
Associational B T U Dir.—Ted Eubanks.

Time and Place

Thursday and Friday before the third Sunday in October, 1947.
Place—Hawthorne Baptist Church.
Preacher—C. B. Stallings.
Alternate—E. E. Earnest.

SUMMARY TABLE

Statistics of Santa Fe River Baptist Association. State of Florida, For Year Ending September 30, 1946

Moderator, Rev. E. E. Ham, High Springs, Florida
 Clerk, Rev. E. C. Lerch, Archer, Florida

Next Annual Meeting, October 16-17, 1947
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CHURCH DIRECTORIES		Baptisms & Members, etc.				Sunday Schools			Training Unions		W. M. U.		Bro-hoods		Church Property		Church Finances		Missions, Etc.		Tithe & Budget						
CHURCHES	Located in City, Town or County	PASTORS AND POST OFFICE	Baptisms	Total Membership	Non-Resident Members	Revival Meetings Held	No. of Sunday Schools	Total Enrolled	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Vacation Bible School Average Attendance	Training Union with Director	Total Number Unions and Story Hours	Total Enrolled, All Unions and Story Hours	Total Women's and Children's Organizations	Total Women's Contributions For All Missions	Number	Enrollment	Value of Church Houses and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Homes	Total Value All Church Property	Pastor's Salary	Total Local Church Expenses Including Pastor's Salary and All Other Expenses	Gifts to Co-operative Program	Total for all Missions including Co-operative Program, Specials, and Designated Gifts to Missions, Orphan's Home, etc.	How Many Members are Tithers?	Every Member Canvassed for Annual Budget?	
Alachua	T	B. L. Ernest, Alachua	7	265	105	—	1	130	—	—	Yes	4	44	2	194	—	—	22,000	3,000	25,000	2,060	3,265	445	987	—	—	
Archer	T	E. C. Lerch, Archer	1	134	23	1	1	96	145	115	Yes	1	20	1	115	—	—	4,000	—	7,000	1,820	4,384	150	220	—	10	
Campville	T	L. G. Hemingway, Starke	1	28	14	—	1	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,500	—	2,500	94	149	5	64	—	—		
Eden	—	—	0	75	25	1	1	25	—	—	Yes	1	14	—	—	—	3,000	—	3,000	363	514	—	52	—	—		
Eliam	—	Chas. Davis, Melrose	18	178	45	1	1	119	96	72	Yes	3	33	4	301	—	—	15,000	1,200	16,200	1,800	3,277	426	1,505	—	—	
Fairbanks	—	—	0	98	38	1	1	45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,000	—	2,000	520	836	—	53	—	—		
Grove St.	City	E. E. Earnest, Gainesville	29	329	80	1	1	308	89	73	Yes	8	156	6	282	—	16	25,000	—	25,000	2638	6809	712	1178	—	—	
G'ville, 1st.	City	T. V. McCaul, Gainesville	56	2238	710	—	1	927	—	—	Yes	9	167	6	2,747	—	—	175,000	25,000	200,000	5,100	28,711	8,372	13,737	—	—	
Hague	V	No Report	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Hampton	T	W. A. Scott, Starke	18	178	68	1	1	63	—	—	Yes	2	28	1	42	—	—	2,500	—	2,500	626	1,106	52	239	—	6	
Hawthorne	T	C. B. Stallings, Hawthorne	35	262	36	1	1	149	62	55	Yes	6	61	5	247	—	—	5,000	3,000	6,000	1,580	3,702	210	856	—	—	
High Springs	T	E. E. Ham, High Springs	25	359	—	1	1	300	93	88	Yes	4	69	4	1,281	—	60	22,250	2,250	24,500	2,700	10,280	1,107	3,566	—	—	
Island Grove	—	—	0	113	67	1	1	57	—	—	Yes	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,500	—	1,500	300	472	—	63	—	—	
La Crosse	T	R. A. Mav, La Crosse	0	70	37	1	1	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,500	—	2,500	404	647	—	30	—	—	
Lake Butler	T	Ray Y. Walden, Lake Butler	2	174	55	1	1	85	72	33	Yes	3	50	3	164	—	—	3,000	2,000	5,000	1,620	3,229	311	633	—	12	
Micanopy	T	J. T. Rawlings, Gainesville	0	55	—	1	1	57	84	61	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,000	—	2,000	505	1,203	82	255	—	—	
Ochawilla	—	C. B. Stallings, Hawthorne	3	21	4	1	1	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,000	3,000	244	525	290	530	—	6	—	
Orange H'ts	—	Benton Hicks, Waldo	0	60	23	1	1	60	39	37	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,500	2,500	550	685	36	99	—	3	—	
Paran	—	V. J. Major, Palatka	4	76	38	—	1	56	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,000	3,000	260	767	18	128	—	6	—	
Sardis	—	L. A. Shepherd, Raiford	0	148	52	1	1	52	—	—	Yes	4	35	—	—	—	—	2,000	2,000	690	947	100	390	—	6	—	
Waldo	—	Chas. F. Smith, Waldo	17	220	101	1	1	195	78	65	Yes	2	22	3	342	—	—	5,000	3,000	8,000	1,460	4,156	328	1,309	—	35	
Windsor	—	—	0	20	5	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,000	—	2,000	—	41	40	—	—	—	
TOTALS			216	5101	1526	17	20	2811	758	589	—	47	680	39	5,880	2	76	300,750	—	42,450	23,324	76,705	12,594	25,954	318	—	

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CHURCHES PAID IN FULL

Our records show that 132 churches have accepted quotas and paid them in full. Their gifts total \$93,311.34. Many of these churches have not only paid up in full their quotas, but are now carrying Stetson in their budgets and are making monthly payments.

OTHER CONTRIBUTING CHURCHES

378 churches have paid \$198,106.56 into the Campaign. Many of these churches have accepted definite quotas and are paying by the month, while others have made a cash offering. Included in this list of churches are a goodly number that have made definite commitments, assuring us that they will complete their quotas but will need from one to two years to do so. This indicates a sustained interest in the Stetson Million Dollar Campaign and Christian education, tied in with a spirit of cooperation which will assure victory in the end.

CHURCHES YET TO REPORT

We are waiting to hear from 330 churches that so far have not shared in the Campaign.

TOTAL FIGURES

We have not raised the \$1,000,000. We have received \$342,121.71. We have outstanding pledges amounting to \$259,000, making a total in cash and pledges of \$601,121.71.

SUGGESTION

That Stetson University be included in the budget of every church for 1947.

THE LARGER REACH

We have gone all-out for the Stetson Million Dollar Campaign. But more, we have stressed in all of our conferences, meetings, and personal interviews the importance of the larger Christian education program. In these contacts, as well as in counseling with scores of prospective students, we have observed a growing interest in this program and in all phases of our denominational work. We hope the time will come when all of our people will share in this glorious work.

REPORT OF SANTA FE RIVER W. M. U.

Brother Moderator:

Our W. M. U. work during the War was slowed down considerably. Since then it has been hard to get our attendance up at our quarterly meetings. However, from the attendance at our annual meeting a few weeks ago, it looks as if we are getting in line again.

In spite of the wartime difficulties, we have made some progress. Four new auxiliaries have been organized, and two societies reorganized. We have 479 women in 14 societies and 205 young people in 26 auxiliaries.

Your President and Young People's Leader attended the Workers' Conference in Jacksonville last November. It was conducted for the purpose of better understanding our work. Miss Mary Christian, Southwide

W. M. U. Representative, was our guest speaker. We were entertained in the homes of the Jacksonville ladies. Our traveling expenses were financed by the state W. M. U. We attended every session of the Convention in January.

Under our directed Community missions, prayer meeting attendance has greatly increased. Shut-ins were visited, definite soul-winning efforts were made, and many other visits, cards, trays and gifts of clothing were made. One circle spent many hours in teaching a small crippled boy to walk. Forty-three boxes of clothing were sent to Italy.

Below are some contributions that have been made this year. This is not at all complete, for some reports have not yet been received.

Through Cooperative Program	\$2,757.90
World Relief and Rehabilitation	1,733.46
Children's Home	318.33
Negro Baptist Theological Seminary	16.75
W. M. U. Training School	37.00
Local Charity	288.67
Miss Aguillard, missionary in Louisiana	27.00
On expenses of a girl attending a denominational school	50.00
Aid in sending girls to Ridgecrest	165.00
Weeks of prayer for Home and Foreign Missions	
Margaret Fund student	28.00
Rev. Ted York	35.00

TOTAL\$6,003.07

We had two camps for Young People at Camp O'Lena, with about 200 in attendance at both camps. We had a splendid corps of workers. Most of the pastors in the association helped. Rev. Ted York, missionary to Italians in Tampa, was a great help. We also had Mr. Oliver, state R. A. worker, who was splendid. The climax of both camps was the Recognition Service on the last night. About 35 boys and girls were led to Christ through our camp. We thank all who helped in making the camp a success. Especially do we want to thank Mrs. Charles R. Swartz for her untiring work and interest in our Young People. She has moved to St. Augustine now, but our prayers and best wishes go with her in her new field of work.

As Mrs. Tyson, the newly elected president, takes over this important work, my prayer shall be that the women of the W. M. U. of the Santa Fe River Association will give the untiring work, cooperation and inspiration that they have given during the past two years.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. W. Norman,
Associational President

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

As we all know, the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention endeavors to serve the interest of all the people of our South-

land who are in need of religious help; wherever they may be and whoever they may be. Its program of activities includes the underprivileged, the isolated, those who live on farms, in congested city areas, whatever may be their condition or race, native or foreign.

Our Home Mission Board also operates in Cuba, Costa Rica, Panama, and the Canal Zone, in addition to miscellaneous special Mission enterprises. Among the latter might be mentioned the current series of splendid evangelistic sermons which are being broadcast over many radio stations by Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Secretary of the Board.

It is generally known that many of our great churches in the Southern Baptist Convention were projected by the Home Mission Board. At the present time the Board sponsors work in 587 churches and missions and needs 327 more. There are 700 missionaries and workers employed by the Board but the situation really requires at least 389 others.

It is estimated that the Board needs more than 2 million dollars for Mission properties, and over 1 million dollars for its annual operation.

In line with many of our State Mission organizations, and our Foreign Mission Board, the Home Mission Board also owns its own building at 161 Spring Street N.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

Respectfully submitted,

Thos. V. McCaul.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The reader of this report wishes to acknowledge that it is composed of excerpts from a suggested report sent out by the office of our Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia.

During the first one hundred years of its existence, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention appointed 1347 missionaries to foreign fields, including 44 appointed at its April meeting this year. These missionaries have wrought in twenty nations. At the close of the century five and a half million Baptists were represented by five and a half hundred missionaries.

As we enter the second century we face open doors and many adversaries. Some of the favorable conditions are accelerated transportation; a more compact world; a more intimate acquaintance with the whole world; the appeal from various nations for preachers, teachers, medical missionaries, and others who can help rebuild wrecked countries; growing literacy; opportunities for giving relief; and the failure of human philosophies and religions.

Some of the adversaries are our own indifference, Roman Catholicism, Communism, Mohammedanism, inconsistent living of professed Christians in this and other lands, racial and religious tensions, national and international conflicts.

As we return to war-stricken lands we enter open doors with courage and confidence in the power of the gospel to triumph over all adversaries. We still believe that the name of Christ is the only name given under

heaven among men whereby we must be saved. Our message for the whole world is Redemption, Repentance, Regeneration, and Resurrection power in living and serving. This gospel is not only to be proclaimed everywhere, but it is to be confirmed by godly lives and compassionate hearts. The only way to meet the futile and fatuous faiths of a sinning, suffering world is not by compromising and diluting the Word committed to us, but by preaching, teaching, and exemplifying the gospel of our holy and loving God. Open doors constitute our obligation to obey the command of our Savior and Lord and, as speedily as possible, make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe all things whatsoever the Lord has commanded us.

We have a three-fold task, Relief, Reconstruction, and Reinforcement. Our most urgent task is that of ministering in the name of Jesus to needy millions around the world.

In war devastated areas there is a tremendous job of rehabilitation, providing buildings and equipment for churches, schools, hospitals, missionary homes. We must in every land reinforce our missionary program. Instead of 560 missionaries, we should have 1,000 missionaries on the field within the next twelve months. Men and money are greatly needed for this urgent task. The Foreign Mission Board joins heartily in the decision of the Miami Convention to fortify and enlarge the Cooperative Program.

We are face to face as never before with the choice—one world or none. Life and death have been set before us. The choice is ours between the annihilating power of the atomic bomb or the redemptive power of the Cross of Christ. Which shall it be?

"O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling,
To tell to all the world that God is Light;
That he who made all nations is not willing
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace,
Tiding of Jesus, redemption and release."

Thos. V. McCaul.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Whatever the writer might incorporate in this brief report would be of little value in comparison with the information, facts and inspiration which our splendid State Workers who are present will bring to us in their messages.

It seems inadvisable, also, for the writer to try to give a last word report on any phase of our State Mission work because it is ever increasing and growing from day to day and in every way, including financial receipts. We do know that our Cause has attained great success during the past nine months of this year. We know that our goals for the year of 1946 are as follows:

75,000 Tithers
 \$500,000 for the Cooperative Program
 250,000 for Outside Causes
 20,000 Baptisms
 20 New churches.

We know that we have reached our financial goals and that is a wonderful achievement. And we believe that we are well on our way in reference to the other items mentioned. We know, also, that Florida Baptists more than reached the goal of \$157,850.00 as our part of the \$3,500,000.00 for the Special Emergency Relief and Rehabilitation Appeal of Southern Baptists.

We are looking forward to a great meeting of our Florida State Baptist Convention in Tampa next month, at which time our hearts will be thrilled by the glorious reports which will be presented by all the departments of our State Mission organization.

We suggest that our pastors and members secure and read a copy of Dr. B. C. Land's splendid little book:—"Florida, A Mission Field." It is informing, challenging, and inspiring.

All of the departments of our State Mission Work are in flourishing condition under the efficient, effective, and consecrated leadership of our noble Secretary, Dr. John Maguire, and his fine associates.

We feel in our hearts that Florida Baptists are acquitting themselves in a glorious way in carrying on the work of the Kingdom at such a time as this, and we thank God and take courage.

Thos. V. McCaul.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

This Association has a Sunday School in each of its twenty-two Churches. It is impossible for your Associational Supt. to give you the complete records of each Sunday School due to the fact that Supts. of the individual Sunday Schools have failed to mail their monthly reports to your Assoc. Supt. So far as known the Grove Street Sunday School is the only School to attain the STANDARD.

Eight Sunday Schools have held Teacher Training Schools with book awards totaling 212. Eight have reported having Vacation Bible Schools with a total attendance of 657.

Teacher Training Awards		Vacation Bible Schools and Enrollment	
Alachua	10	Archer	119
Gainesville: First	59	Eliam	96
Gainesville: Grove St.	19	Gainesville: Grove Street	89
High Springs	107	High Springs	95
Hawthorne	1	Hawthorne	62
Micanopy	7	Lake Butler	72
Paran	6	Micanopy	87
Sardis	3	Orange Heights	37

At the beginning of the year teams of three were organized and in-

structed as to the 1946 Southern Baptist Sunday School Program. These teams contacted, or attempted to contact each School in the Association to present this program, having for the theme: LAUNCHING A CENTURY WITH CHRIST.

As your retiring Supt. I would ask that we as Baptists become better informed as to our possibilities in Sunday School work, and recommend that we render better co-operation between the Sunday School and the Associational Officers.

Due to an injury I received in April, I have not been able to perform the duties of Supt. that I feel is rightly expected of him. For this I am indeed sorry.

I take this opportunity to thank each one that has contributed to the effort of carrying on this great work, and pray that our progress may be greatly multiplied as Sunday Schools, to the Honor and Glory of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. Smith, Sr.

TRAINING UNION REPORT

There is always the tendency to make excuses for failure to accomplish a given task within a given period. We might try to excuse ourselves for lack of growth because of the loss of so many Young People because of the War. We might say that transportation difficulties have increased or we might say many of our Leadership have moved away. But a program of replacement can be used for the Young People that have left; correspondence can be substituted for transportation and God always has and always will provide the Leadership if we pray earnestly for it and then proceed to enlist them. After all we can do anything we want to do if we earnestly desire to proceed and accomplish it. However there are certain human limitations that have greatly hindered the Associational Training Union Work this year. I mention two: first the failure of the Association to elect a complete staff of Associational Officers for the Training Union; second the complete absence of finance with which to carry on this work.

Of the 22 Churches in the Association 16 have some form of Training Union Work. 12 have a General Organization with a total of 54 units.

Training Union Awards for the past year were:

Grove Street	97
First Gainesville	90
Lake Butler	47
High Springs	31
Hawthorne	19
Eden	14
Hague	8
Sardis	5
Alachua	1
Total	312

Organization accomplished by the aid of Associational Officers 1.
Study Courses conducted by Associational Officers 1.
Only 2 Associational Meetings were held.

It is the hope of your retiring Director that this Association will elect a full staff of Associational Training Union Officers; that the Executive Committee shall enlist those elected to serve and help keep it fully staffed; and provide sufficient funds with which to carry on this program of work that is sorely needed now more than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

O. R. Evans.

REPORT OF SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

The committee on Social Service feel that there are a number of recommendations which are clearly indicated by the social and spiritual needs of today. Since some of our findings could be offered in the form of resolutions only with extreme technical difficulty, we submit our report in the form of an outline of suggestions, to be printed in the Association minutes, if adopted.

I. THE PERFORMANCE OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Through some departments of our Churches, through the State Welfare Board, the American Red Cross, and numbers of other agencies and institutions of correction and hospitalization, many social services are being performed for humanity. Realizing that the entire social order benefits from the Christian character and influence of Christian people performing these services, we suggest:

1. that pastors and people recognize the opportunity for significant Christian service through professional and volunteer employment in all social service endeavors and institutions;
2. that whenever possible young people be instructed in such Christian opportunities as these social service vocations afford;
3. that leaders in higher education provide in their curricula suitable courses for the training of Christian specialists in social work.

II. ATTACKING SOCIAL EVILS

We suggest that Christian citizens endeavor:

1. to aid enforcement of all statutes;
2. especially to aid enforcement of the Child Labor Law and all statutes dealing with the control of alcoholic beverages;
3. to faithfully perform civic and Christian duties in issues of local option and all other issues where we use the ballot to register our convictions;
4. to acquaint ourselves with the program of ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, inasmuch as all Christian effort has an ally in this program for the salvation of people cursed by the drunk habit;
5. to seek the extension of the Churches' program of religious education, training and worship, as the permanently effective means of preventing juvenile delinquency while creating Christian character and social righteousness;

6. to utilize all appropriate character-building agencies as a part of the Churches' mission of redemption of individuals and society—(we believe it is especially illogical, unnecessary, and costly for other organizations to have Baptist boys in Scout troops and Cub packs, when Scouting is set up perfectly to fit into the Churches' religious program; and this belief applies as well to activities of girls);

III. AIDING THE SOCIAL SERVICE OF STATE AND CHURCH INSTITUTIONS

We suggest that pastors and people try earnestly:

1. to receive and help readjust all Church members and others who may be returning to our communities from institutions of correction, detention, or hospitalization, both juvenile and adult, veteran and non-veteran;
2. to support all efforts to provide true places of worship in all such institutions;
3. to cooperate with other Denominations in ultimately creating an Inter-Church Committee for counselling with the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and/or other official groups, to ascertain the social policies and needs of our institutions.

Finally we submit the attached resolution:

RESOLUTION

Whereas the State Prison at Raiford is situated in a County (Union County) within the territory of the Santa Fe River Baptist Association; and

Whereas there is a present opportunity to render a signal Christian Social Service to the Staff of Florida, to the Southern Baptist Convention, and to humanity, by the construction of an unusually adequate Church-in-Prison; and

Whereas the State Mission Board of the Florida Baptist Convention has appropriated the sum of \$750.00 as recognition and endorsement of the prison chapel project; and

Where as unlimited spiritual and social benefits may doubtless result from the building of such a chapel.

We therefore invite the members of the Churches in this Association to render material aid to the prison chapel project, and to the program of religious education, spiritual guidance, and the worship of God, being developed in the prison by the order of the Hon. Superintendent L. F. Chapman and under the direction of Chaplain Leslie A. Shepherd; the latter of whom we also instruct to make known to us the ways and means by which we may aid the prison chapel project, such aid not to reduce in any way our gifts to established missions and causes, especially those contemplated by the cooperative program.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie A. Shepherd, Chairman
Social Service Committee.

REPORT ON SOUTH FLORIDA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Building of the South Florida Baptist Hospital is no one man's job, neither is it a job of a few, but the responsibility of all, for all will be benefited regardless of creed or color.

We, as most of you know, have been waging a campaign to raise \$600,000.00 to build this hospital. To date we have in hand better than \$300,000.00 in cash and pledges, the latter being payable in one, two, and three years.

We have some 300 Baptist Churches within a radius of 100 miles of Plant City, the proposed sight. Should each of these Churches give only \$1000.00 we would readily reach the goal.

Now is the time for Baptists to really do something for themselves, and their various communities. Seventeen other states of the South have from one to five hospitals and are building more. Surely they are not wrong. No, they are just three jumps ahead of Florida Baptists.

We have been preaching and teaching, which is all well and good. Wish we were doing more, but the time has arrived for us to complete the program left us by Jesus. It is preaching, teaching, and healing, which go hand in hand. Let us awake to the task.

Christian Service knows no season, that is your hospital will be open summer and winter, day and night, even while you are asleep, rendering Christian Service.

Don Walden,
General Chairman.

REPORT ON FOREIGN RELIEF AND REHABILITATION

With the close of the Global war came the cry from a hungry world. Many nations had been overrun and left destitute.

Southern Baptist heard their cry and sensed their need.

In the S. B. C. in Miami of last May, they voted to raise \$3,500,000. for R. and R. and Florida Baptists were asked to raise of that amount \$155,400. God has a definite word which says (Pro. 19:17), "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth to the Lord and that which he hath given. Will He repay him again." We pledged this amount and were the first state of the S. B. C. to reach our goal. Now since the money has been raised to help feed and clothe and rebuild those countries devastated by war, may we unite our Prayers and efforts to send more missionaries to carry the gospel to these people knowing that Christ Jesus has said "And Lo I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

Florida raised \$245,540.00.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. Stallings.

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Brotherhood work in this Association has been weak during the past

year. Few churches have had local organizations, and only one, the First Baptist Church of High Springs, reported its organization, as requested.

A great field of service lies before the men of our churches. They can enter this field only through united effort. It is time for our pastors and laymen to awaken to the fact that God needs their best organized effort in order to carry the Gospel into all the homes and way-points of our immediate territory.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward E. Ham.

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

The Cooperative Program is the financial plan of Southern Baptists whereby each and all of the agencies of the Convention are supported, according to their need, without their having to go afield and solicit funds from the churches of the Convention. This plan is growing in favor with Southern Baptists because they have found it sane, simple, scriptural, and successful.

Conviction is growing that our capital needs, as well as operating needs should be provided for by this plan. The Southern Baptist Convention has asked for \$10,000,000.00 for current and capital needs for 1947. The needs of the State causes are correspondingly large. If these are to be met by the Cooperative Program, it will be necessary to double Cooperative Program percentages.

In order to strengthen the support given to the Cooperative Program by the churches of this association we hereby resolve the following: 1. That we reaffirm our support of Missions, i.e., the sending of the Gospel into all corners of the earth, as our first and greatest business as Baptists; 2. That we recognize the Cooperative Program as the best financial plan for financing a world program of missions and therefore, give it prayerful priority and practical consideration throughout the year; 3. That all Special Days and Seasons in the calendar of denominational activities be so presented and observed as to strengthen, rather, than to weaken the Cooperative Program; 4. That our churches adopt God's plan of "Tithes and Offerings"; 5. That our churches adopt the "Unified Budget" system of church finance; 6. That the Cooperative Program be included in the Unified Budget for at least 25% and when possible, 50%, of all undesignated receipts, and that we hold up the 50-50 division as ideal; 7. That a School of Missions and Stewardship be conducted in every church; 8. That a Stewardship Revival be conducted in every church; 9. That our churches keep accurate records and make regular financial reports, showing the number of tithers, number of contributors, and the amount received and disbursed for local and denominational causes; 10. That church treasurers send all denominational funds promptly every month to Dr. John Maguire, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, 208 Rogers Building, Jacksonville 2, Florida; 11. That we pray faithfully and fervently for all our work and workers both at home and abroad.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward E. Ham

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Resolved: that we hereby thank the host church of Archer for their cordial hospitality to the messengers and churches of the Association and that a standing vote of thanks be extended to them.

Resolved: that each messenger return to his or her respective church with more zeal in their hearts for Christian witnessing.

Resolved: that we as an Association should work through the officers of our Association in cooperating and supplementing adequate funds for the financing of their work.

Be it further resolved: that as a committee we feel that with transportation conditions improving that we should have a two day Association in 1947.

(Signed)

Mrs. C. B. Stallings
Mrs. O. R. Evans
Mrs. C. R. Davis.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance, 1945	9.54	
Receipts Minutes	107.00	
Receipts Q. Cooper	124.00	
	<u>240.54</u>	
Paid to Q. Cooper		90.00
Paid for Minutes		103.30
Clerk hire		15.00
		<u>208.32</u>
Balance on hand	32.24	
		<u>240.54</u>

(Signed)

B. J. Meadows,
Clerk and Treasurer.

REPORT OF OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Whereas God in his wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved ones, we bow in humble submission to his wisdom, and pray that we may faithfully lift high the torch that they have passed to us.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

CAMPVILLE—Mr. James Cox.

ELIAM—Deacon J. A. Bayless, Mrs. Annie Ford, Mr. Wilbur Huffman.

GROVE STREET—Mr. J. C. Exum.

GAINESVILLE FIRST—Mrs. Claude Greene, Sr., Mr. T. J. Cone, Mrs. Isaac N. Eads, Sr., Mrs. Mollie Hunter, Mr. Isaac N. Eads, Sr., Captain Kay McCallister, Mrs. Saffronia Jones, Deacon J. M. Ogilvie, Reverend John F. Gable, Mr. Carl E. Perry.

HAMPTON—Mrs. Idella Priest.

HAWTHORNE—Mr. J. W. Strange, Mrs. J. C. Baxley, Mrs. A. H. Smith, Deacon Elliott Waits, Mrs. M. J. Davis.

HIGH SPRINGS—Deacon M. Z. Thomas, Mrs. Sarah Tyre.

ISLAND GROVE—Mrs. A. M. Westphal, Mrs. William Thomas.

LAKE BUTLER—Mr. George C. Johns, Mr. John Calvin Garner, Deacon A. C. Strickland.

MICANOPY—Mr. J. A. Roberts.

ORANGE HEIGHTS—Deacon H. H. Thomas, Mr. George W. Hall.

SARDIS—Mr. Bryant Clark.

WALDO—Deacon Ransom Meade, Mrs. Geo. H. Colton.

