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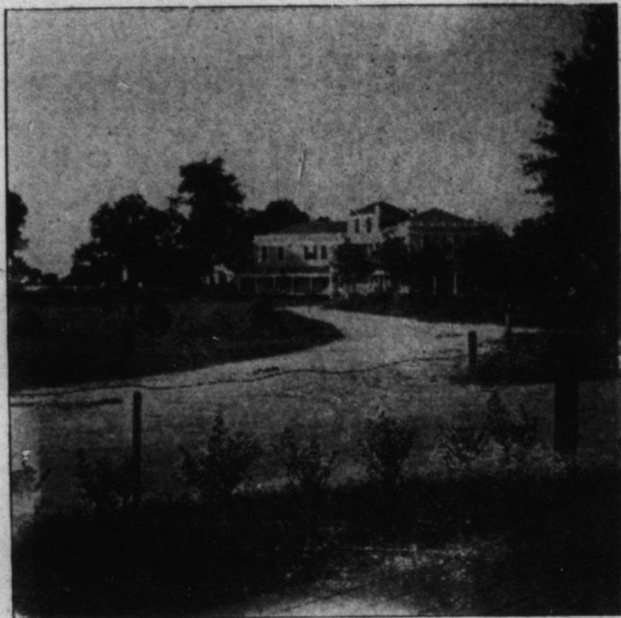
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B. H. Gray,	

Messenger to S. B. C. . . .

J. H. Tharp,	Lakeland, Fla.
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Messengers to State Convention.

John A. Wray,	Plant City, Fla.
Irvin Walden,	" "
A. J. Beck,	Bradentown, Fla.
R. H. Whitehead,	Palmetto, Fla.
H. H. Norris,	Sarasota, Fla.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Association called to order by the Moderator.
3. Read letters and enroll names of messengers.
4. Election of officers.
5. Reading of Constitution and By-Laws.
6. Call for petitionary letters.
7. Call for correspondents.
8. Invite visiting Brethren to seats.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. Reports of Committees.
11. Appointment of Correspondents.
12. Election of Messengers to State Convention.
13. Miscellaneous business.
14. Appointment of Annual Committees.
15. Adjournment.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The sessions of this body shall be opened and closed with prayer or praise to God, or both.
2. The Moderator shall preside over the deliberations of this Association, keep order, and explain and put questions, but shall not vote, except in case of a tie.
3. In discussing subjects before this body the speaker shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator, and shall not speak more than ten minutes at a time, nor more than twice on the same subject, without leave of the body, and the speaker shall carefully avoid personal reflections that are offensive.
4. It is the duty of the Clerk of this Association to keep a fair and correct record of the proceedings of this body while in session, and prepare the manuscript for the press, and have the minutes printed and otherwise put in good style, and distribute them among the churches at the earliest day practicable, and shall keep a complete file of the minutes for the use of the Association.
5. The Treasurer of this Association shall hold the moneys sent up by the churches and from other sources, keep strict account of the same, and pay out to the order of the Association or its Executive Committee, and shall make report, in writing, at each annual meeting of all moneys received and disbursed.
6. The Constitution and Rules of Order shall be read at each annual meeting, immediately after permanent organization.
7. These Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any annual meeting by a vote of a majority.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This organization shall be known as the South Florida Baptist Association.

2. It shall be composed of Baptist churches of the same faith and Gospel order.

3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot by the properly authorized messengers sent up by the churches.

4. Each church shall be entitled to two messengers and one additional messenger for every twenty-five over the first fifty.

5. This Association shall meet annually at any time and place agreed upon, by letters and messengers, in which letters should be stated the names of the messengers sent for the respective sessions and the conditions of the churches.

6. This Association shall recognize the independence of the churches, and shall not in any case exercise jurisdiction over them, yet shall have power to drop from its connection any church which it may deem corrupt in faith or practice.

7. Churches may be received into this body by petition, setting forth their faith and willingness to conform to the rules and regulations by which this Association is governed; and, upon reception the Moderator shall give to the messengers the hand of fellowship.

8. Any church shall be at liberty to discontinue its connection at any time it may deem proper, by giving notice of such intention, without breach of fellowship. But if any church shall fail to represent itself for three years in succession, it shall be dropped, unless retained for the purpose of visitation by committee or otherwise.

9. This Association may correspond with sister associations.

10. This Association may alter or amend this Constitution at any regular meeting of its members by two-thirds of the votes of the messengers present.

MINUTES.

The Forty-first Annual Session of the South Florida Association convened with the Bradentown Baptist Church on Tuesday, October 15, 1907, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The usual devotional services were conducted by the Rev. R. T. Caddin, after which the Moderator, John S. Howard, formally opened the Association.

Rev. E. Sanford, of Winter Haven, Fla., then preached the introductory sermon from 1 Cor. xvi., latter part of the nineteenth verse and all of the twentieth.

The body then adjourned till 1:30 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Upon reconvening for business the reading of letters and enrollment of messengers was taken up, and Brothers G. T. Leitner and S. G. Mullins were appointed reading clerks.

Messengers' names were enrolled as follows:

Alfia—W. M. Colding and Sister A. P. Burnett.

Bartow—G. T. Leitner, Brothers J. J. Brown, T. A. Goode, and Mrs. W. W. Willis.

Bethany—

Bethel—S. C. Sloan, S. J. Hancock.

Bloomington—N. P. Parker, Mrs. E. E. Parker.

Bradentown—J. H. Humphries, T. L. Shirley, M. G. Rushton, George W. Tyler, L. D. Simmons, J. J. Stewart, and A. J. Beck.

Cedar Hill—B. F. Carpenter, Brother Thompson.

Chicora—James A. Craney, George F. Devane.

Clearwater—L. W. Simmons.

Dover—T. H. Jaudon, J. F. Walden.

El Bethel—S. P. Phillips, W. H. Swilly
Friendship—F. A. Redd.
Fort Meade—Fred N. Varn.
Grace—Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay, Mesdames Tucker, J. W. Harris
Gregory, Misses Bangs and Lula Fennerl.
Gapway—John A. Ellerbee.
Homeland—W. T. Denham.
Hopewell—W. M. McDonald, J. B. Weeks, J. R. McDonald, J. R.
Simmons.
Kathleen—J. W. Tucker.
Knights—C. C. Wiggins and wife, Mrs. W. F. Evans.
Lakeland—R. T. Caddin.
Loughman—
Medulla—B. H. Gray.
Midway—Brother Jack Robertson.
Mitchellville—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pope, J. M. Hitch, Sisters Mary
Knight and Ruth Keen.
Mount Olive—
Mount Tabor—
Mulberry—E. J. Barber, J. Bunyan Smith, Mrs. A. E. Graham.
New Hope—D. N. Williams, W. P. Armstrong, W. C. Hayman, Sis-
ters A. E. Hayman and Miss M. E. Armstrong.
Oak Hill—J. F. Chancey.
Palm Avenue—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bolin, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ed-
dings, J. L. Hampton, W. R. Page.
Palmetto—Rev. R. H. Whitehead, M. B. Harrison, Mrs. Lillie Lamb,
W. E. Robinson.
Peace Creek—
Peru—Sister J. L. Haney.

Plant City—John A. Wray, B. W. Branch, R. W. Norwood, W. S.
Knight, Mrs. Nellie Casey.
Port Tampa City—J. E. McIntosh, J. L. Clark, Sister C. C. Kesson.
Providence—J. W. Brandon, J. G. Thomason.
Sarasota—H. H. Norris, A. A. Bates, Sister D. J. Johnson.
Seward Lake—B. E. Williams, W. A. Womble.
Six Mile Creek—J. F. Rodgers, Judson Hayman.
Sixth Avenue—J. G. Jones.
St Petersburg—First, W. L. Murrell and wife, E. W. Williams, S.
G. Mullins, Sisters Sims and Dent, Brother A. T. Mullins.
Sweetwater—
Tampa—First, Revs. C. W. Duke, C. H. Nash, T. V. Shumaker, Bros.
C. C. Burns, Frank Bentley, G. E. Mabry.
Terra Ceia—A. J. Harp.
Thonotossassa—
Turkey Creek—Irvin Walden, Mrs. E. A. Walden.
Wimauma—W. P. Wadsworth, Miss Synthia Wadsworth.
Winter Haven—W. C. Stacer, John S. Howard, E. Sanford and wife.
Upon completion of letters being read the Association elected
the following officers:
Moderator—John S. Howard; Clerk, A. T. Mullins; Treasurer,
W. S. Knight.
Motion then prevailed to omit reading of Constitution and By-
Laws.
At this juncture, Rev. A. J. Beek, pastor of the Bradentown Bap-
tist Church, was given the floor, and in a few well-chosen remarks,
assured the Association of its welcome to the homes of Bradentown.
This was responded to by Brother Shumaker, of Tampa, in a very
happy way.
The Moderator then appointed the following committees:
Finance Committee—T. A. Goode, B. W. Branch, R. W. Norwood.

Divine Service—Messengers of Bradentown Church.

Under head of Petitionary Letters, Homeland, Seward Lake, West Thonotasassa, Bloomingdale and Cedar Hill churches presented letters for admission to the Association, and the motion was carried to refer the above letters to a committee to be appointed by the Moderator. Brothers R. H. Whitehead, W. M. McDonald and J. J. Brown were appointed.

Visiting brethren were then introduced, and Rev. E. M. C. Dunklin, City Missionary of Tampa; Rev. Robertson, of Kentucky; Rev. Lambert, president of the State Anti-Saloon League, and Brother Morgan, of Alachua Association made our acquaintance.

The report on "Modern Evils That Confront Us" was read by Rev. C. W. Duke, who also spoke on same. He was followed at length by Rev. Lambert, who directed his remarks mainly to intemperance and its consequent evils.

At the conclusion of Brother Lambert's remarks motion prevailed to adjourn till 9 A. M. Wednesday.

The Committee on Divine Service reported that Rev. Leitner would preach Tuesday evening, and Rev. Duke Wednesday at 11 o'clock A. M.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Association resumed business Wednesday with a song and prayer service led by the Moderator.

Motion to suspend discussion of the report on "Modern Evils That Confront Us" to hear the report of the Committee on Petitionary Letters was carried, and the following was read by Rev. Whitehead, and adopted by the Association as read:

Your Committee on Petitionary Letters respectfully report and recommend that the Association receive into its membership of churches the following churches, who have sent petitionary letters, asking for membership in this body, all these churches being regularly organized—viz.:

Homeland Missionary Baptist Church.
Bloomingdale Missionary Baptist Church.

Seward Lake Missionary Baptist Church.

Cedar Hill Missionary Baptist Church.

And that the hand of fellowship be extended to their messengers by the Moderator.

R. H. WHITEHEAD, Chairman;
W. M. McDONALD,
J. J. BROWN, Committee.

The delegates came forward, and were given the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

On further discussion of "Modern Evils That Confront Us," Brothers Humphries, Beck, Truelove, Whitehead, Walden, Barber, Phillips, Leitner and Jaudon made able speeches on various phases of the question. The report was adopted, and read as follows:

Modern Evils That Confront Us.

The chief task encountered in preparing a report on this broad theme is one of elimination. One can select only a few of the most potent evils of the day, remembering all the while that there are a host of others that may seem to many to be quite as flagrant. By modern evils we take it is meant not so much evils that are modern in their origin, but modern in the sense that they still confront us and furnish problems for our consideration.

1. **The Class Evil.**—By this is meant the conflicts between capital and labor. The oppressions of capital have necessitated the organization of labor for protection, but the "strike," as a means of settlement, engendered hatred. It is a conflict which settles nothing but the relative power of endurance between the two contending parties, while the third and innocent party—the public—is the chief sufferer. It becomes our churches and ministers to cultivate more sympathetic relations with the laboring man, as well as with the capitalist, and to seek to point out to them the better way—viz., arbitration—of settling their differences.

2. **The Money Evil.**—Our age is decidedly materialistic, and this country is peculiarly so. We are laying all too much stress upon

the almighty dollar. We measure everything by the money standard. We want to place more emphasis upon our intellectual and spiritual assets.

3. **The Saloon Evil.**—For the past fifteen years the point of attack upon the drink evil has been gradually transferred from the drunkard to the vender of the spirits. If its a crime to use alcohol as a beverage, its likewise a crime to tempt men to drink it. The saloon is weighed in the balance and found wanting. It's a nuisance. It thrives upon the miseries of men, and for that reason it has no natural right to exist. We need to unite all our forces with those of all lovers of humanity in a supreme effort to abolish the saloon. We would add our hearty endorsement to the work of the Anti-Saloon League and of the W. C. T. U.

4. **The Divorce Evil.**—Divorce, of course, presupposes the right to remarry. The Scriptures seem to allow one ground of divorce, the laws of Florida provide nine. This is a serious menace to our civilization, which rests upon the home. We exhort our ministers to preach against the evil, to use their influence in favor of stronger legislation, and to refuse to solemnize marriages in case of parties divorced upon other than Bible ground.

5. **The Social Evil.**—Close akin to the divorce evil is the social sin. In addition to the gross violation of the very fundamentals of morality which this sin commits, it is with alarming rapidity rami-fying our entire population with the germs of the most loathsome diseases. While we must guard with zealous care the proprieties of public speech, still we need, as ministers, to denounce the social sin, and as parents to safeguard the young against its perils.

6. **The Sabbath Evil.**—The continental Sabbath is a growing American evil. While we deny the right of government to legislate a religious observance of the Sabbath, we need to remember that the necessity of rest one day in seven inheres in the nature of man, and, as Christians, we must emphasize the value of this day for worship.

CLAUDE W. DUKE,
R. H. WHITEHEAD,
T. H. JANDON.

The report on "Woman's Work" was then read by Mrs. Mellon and spoken to by Brothers Duke, Dunklin, Simmons, Jaudon Leitner, Nash, Shumaker and Norris. It was then unanimously adopted and reads as follows:

Woman's Work.

On the threshold of the twentieth anniversary of Woman's Work in the South, and at the beginning of another associational year, we feel that our work has been blessed even beyond our greatest expectations. All over our Southland the women feel that our past successes demand larger things attempted for the furtherance of our Master's kingdom.

Our apportionment for the coming year is double what is has been for the closing year, and we eagerly look forward to the work.

The Young Women's Auxiliary and Sunbeam bands organized all over the convention territory will assist us in a still greater work for our Master, and will be the means of developing and training the young people to take our places in coming days. Through the earnest efforts of our women we are enabled to present the following report:

Number of W. M. U. in South Florida Association.....	16
Number of members,	317
Amount reported for missions,.....	\$1,167.89
Local church work,.....	976.86
Value boxes to missionaries,	178.00
Total,	\$2,322.57

(Signed)

MRS. J. A. MELLON,

MRS. J. H. HUMPHRIES, Committee.

After adopting the above, Rev. S. G. Mullins read and discussed the report on the Orphanage, which was also adopted:

Report on Orphanage.

Less than four years ago the Baptist Orphanage was established

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at Arcadia. From the beginning it has been in a prosperous condition, and has proven a satisfactory enterprise to the Baptists throughout the State. There are at present about 54 children being cared for. It is desirous that no orphan child in the State shall go unclothed, uneducated and uncared for. More room in the way of a dormitory and for school purposes is much needed. We earnestly recommend that a system of giving to this home be organized in every church. There is no Christian charity that calls more loudly to the brethren and sisters of our State than the care of the orphans.

S. G. MULLINS,
C. C. BURNS,
S. J. HANCOCK, Committee.

The Association then adjourned until 1:30 o'clock P. M., in the interim listening to the doctrinal sermon by Rev. C. W. Duke from the text, Matt. xvi. 18.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reconvened promptly at the time set, and the Moderator appointed the committees to report during this session. They were as follows:

Letters and Documents—Irvin Walden, W. M. Colding, J. F. Rodgers.

Sessions—C. H. Nash and E. J. Barber.

Nominations—W. M. McDonald, R. T. Caddin, W. S. Knight.

The Committee on Petitionary Letters then made a verbal report favorable to receiving Mitchelville Church, and the delegates were given the right hand of fellowship by the Moderator.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Brother W. J. Bolin and spoken to by Brothers Bolin, Simmons, Mullins, Nash, Shumaker, Robinson. Adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools.

For highest efficiency in Sunday School work our churches must keep in mind the threefold task set them in this department of

church life. While the Sunday School is so arranged to-day that all ages and grades are provided for, yet our work is pre-eminently for the children. And it is the business of the school (1) to seek out, (2) to save, and (3) to train them.

Your committee is happy to report a growing interest in Sunday School work in the South Florida Association. This is indicated by an increased number of schools and a larger attendance in them, and a greater number of the pupils brought into the churches. These improved conditions are the results of faithful work in the individual churches. There has been no concerted action on the part of the churches for greater efficiency. We believe that large gains could be made for our churches through a series of Sunday School Institutes under the direction of our Executive Board or a special committee appointed by the Association. Hence we recommend that a committee of five, to be known as the Sunday School Institute Committee, be appointed to undertake such work for the coming year. We commend most heartily the Lesson Helps and Sunday School supplies furnished by our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., reminding you that they are equal to the best, and every order sent the Board is also a contribution to our own mission work.

(Signed)

W. J. BOLIN.

Upon the adoption of the above report, some of the brethren expressed a desire for a business session at the evening service, and after several motions, amendments and amendments to the amendments, motions finally prevailed to have business sessions after the sermon, and meet at the time previously set, i. e., 7:30 o'clock P. M.

The report on Missions was read by Rev. Norris. Spoken to by Brothers Norris, Leitner, Dunklin, Caddin, Tucker, Shumaker and McIntosh. It was adopted.

Report on Missions.

The Mission work is the chief concern of this Association, and if we fail to give it chief prominence in both letter and spirit, our coming together would be of small value.

Missions have more than doubled upon us in importance and responsibility. Therefore we should, and must, double our efforts in

this work. If we will more than double our working force and contributions in this association, we are sure to enlarge in State missions, and then our duties to Home and Foreign Missions will follow as a natural result.

Brethren and sisters, we submit this report in sorrow, because of so little having been done; and we are so able. In the name of Christ we admonish you to let us double all efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. NORRIS, Secretary.

The report of Ministers' Assurance Association was read by Rev. G. T. Leitner, and was spoken to by Brothers Leitner, Simmons and McIntosh.

Baptist Ministers' Assurance Association.

As chairman of this committee, allow me to say that it is always a labor of love to speak or to write for the Baptist Ministers' Assurance Association. For seventeen years this part of our work has been one of usefulness, as it has rendered some substantial aid in the homes and in the families of our deceased preachers. While the amount paid to the beneficiary members has been small, it has been helpful. Every Baptist preacher in the State ought to be a member of the B. M. A. A., for two reasons:

1. Because it is a charitable institution sending aid to the families of Baptists who need it. We know there is a need, when we remember that but few of our preachers are blessed with much of this world's goods.

2. Because it is one among the best paying investments in the State.

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GEORGE T. LEITNER, Chairman;
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The report of the Executive Committee was read by Brother P. S. Harlee, and spoken to by Brothers Harlee, Mullins, Nash, Caddin and Simmons. The report was received as follows, after motion to amend it, carried:

The Report of the Executive Board.

We are happy to report that we have secured the services of Brother E. M. C. Dunklin for missionary for Tampa. Also, we have received from the churches \$1,687.14, paid out as per Treasurer's report.

We recommend that all moneys sent from the churches or unions in the Association to Dr. Geiger or other officers, be reported to the Treasurer of the Association.

The Treasurer's report was read by Brother Knight and spoken to by Brothers Humphries, Mullins, Caddin, Sanford, and Leitner.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

1906.	
Nov.	14. By balance in treasury for Association work, . . . \$262 14
	15. Received by Association for Association work, . . . 159 63
	Received of W. M. S., First Church, Tampa, . . . 5 00
	Received of W. M. S., Clearwater, . . . 1 00
	18. Received of Peru, . . . 3 75
	24. Received of Providence, . . . 3 00
Dec.	1. Received of Sweetwater, . . . 1 25
	8. Received of Newhope, . . . 2 65
	Received of Newhope W. M. S., . . . 3 00
	Received of Terracea, . . . 5 00
	20. Received of Mount Tabor, . . . 3 60
	Received of Medulla, . . . 3 00
	29. Received of Union, Turkey Creek, . . . 121 19
	Received of W. M. S., Clearwater, . . . 1 00
	Received of L. W. Simmon's field, . . . 86
1907.	
Jan.	3. Received from Mount Tabor, . . . 2 50
	Received from Union Sun. coll'n, Turkey Creek, . . . 17 32
March	30. Received from Palmetto, . . . 177 78
	Received from W. M. S., Newhope, . . . 2 00
	Received from W. M. S., Clearwater, . . . 1 00
April	1. Received from Mount Olive, . . . 2 25
	Received from Michelville, . . . 4 00
	Received from Sunday collections at Palmetto, . . . 6 92
	2. Received from Providence, . . . 5 00
	29. Received from West Thonotosassa, . . . 2 00
	30. Received from Bethel, . . . 10 00
May	14. Received from Seward, . . . 4 36
June	22. Received from Muont Tabor, . . . 2 50
	29. Received from W. M. S., Clearwater, . . . 1 00
	Received from Turkey Creek, . . . 20 00
	Received from Union, El Bethel, . . . 156 71
July	1. Received from Mount Olive, . . . 2 70
	2. Received from El Bethel, . . . 18 52

	18. Received from Bloomingdale, . . . 2 50
	Received from West Thonotosassas, . . . 5 00
Sept.	28. Received from Union Bethel, . . . 141 27
Oct.	2. Received from Sunday collections, . . . 8 77

For Orphanage.

1906.	
Nov.	19. Received of Hopewell, . . . \$ 18 03
Dec.	29. Received of Union Turkey Creek, . . . 9 50
1907.	
April	29. Received of West Thonotasassa, . . . 3 00
May	7. Received of Plant City S. S. . . . 5 50
June	7. Received of Plant City S. S., . . . 5 25
July	9. Received of Plant City S. S., . . . 6 12
Aug.	1. Received of Plant City S. S., . . . 5 43
Sept.	1. Received of Plant City S. S., . . . 5 28
Oct.	6. Received of Plant City S. S., . . . 4 20
	7. Received of Plant City W. M. S., . . . 8 55

For State Missions.

1906.	
Dec.	27. Received of Mulberry, . . . \$ 10 00
1907.	
April	24. Received of West Thonotosassa, . . . 2 00
June	11. Received of Plant City, . . . 2 25
	Received of Plant City, Spalding Band, . . . 2 54
July	2. Received of Six Mile Creek, . . . 2 96
	9. Received of John A. Wray, . . . 10 00
Oct.	2. Received of Union Sunday collections, . . . 8 77

Home Missions.

1907.	
Jan.	12. Received of Hopewell, . . . \$ 65 25
	17. Received of Medulla, . . . 3 12
March	30. Received of Union, Palmetto, . . . 15 50
April	25. Received of Mulberry, . . . 5 00

	Received of Plant City,	46 37
	Received of Plant City W. M. S.,	28 25
	29. Received of West Thonotasassa,	22 80
June	29. Received of Union El Bethel,	8 55

Foreign Missions.

1907.		
Jan.	12. Received of Hopewell,	\$ 65 25
March	30. Received of Union Palmetto,	9 50
April	24. Received of Plant City,	1 00
	29. Received of Medulla,	5 00
June	29. Received of Union, El Bethel,	50

Ministerial Education.

April	29. Received of West Thonotasassa,	\$ 1 00
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Aged Ministers.

April	29. Received of West Thonotasassa,	\$ 1 00
Oct.	2. Collection for Evangelistic Tent,	\$ 26 01
	Received of Bethel for outside work,	105 29

Disbursements for Association Year 1906-1907.

Clerk fee,	\$ 25 00
Treasurer's fee,	25 00
Printing Minutes,	35 75
Expressage and postage on Minutes,	8 50
Expressage and postage on Minutes, 1905,	2 75
Telegram to Brother Dunklin,	25

To Missionaries.

H. M. King,	\$40 00
H. H. Norris,	60 00
E. Sanford,	60 00
L. W. Simmons,	15 00

T. H. Jaudon,	45 60
P. O. Miller,	45 00
O. N. Williams,	20 00

Church Building.

To Peru,	\$ 25 00
To Bloomingdale,	107 35
To Springhead,	75 00
To Fort Meade,	150 00
Orphans' Home,	70 86
State Missions,	38 52
Home Missions,	194 84
Foreign Missions,	81 25
G. T. Leitner, S. B'd, Ex.,	8 10
Ministerial Education,	16 00
Old Ministers,	1 00
Evangelistic tent,	26 01
Outside work, by Bethel,	105 29

Total receipts,	\$1,687 14
Disbursements,	1,281 47
By balance in treasury,	\$ 405 67

The report on Religious Literature was read by Brother McDonald, spoken to by Brothers McDonald, Leitner, Whitehead, Bertley, and Caddin. It was adopted.

Religious Literature.

Your Committee on Religious Literature beg leave to make the following report:

This is an age of literature, and all kinds of literature, and it is being read. What we read has a great deal to do with what we believe. And whatever we do, therefore, we ought to see to it that our children have the very best, for we want them to be the very best, and bad reading leads to bad thinking. Bad thinking leads to bad acting. Therefore we ought to scatter the very best literature all over this land of ours.

If our denomination—which we believe to be founded on the Bible—hopes to reach the point of highest usefulness, we must read good, sound Baptist literature. Our people must be urged and encouraged to take and read our denominational books and papers. First of all, read the Bible. The Master said, "The fields are white unto harvest," and if you would look out on the fields, you must read good missionary literature, such as "The Foreign Missionary Journal," and "The Home Field." These two papers will keep you posted as to the great missionary work that we are doing.

The Home and Foreign Board publish thousands of tracts for free distribution. Then let us sow good mission literature broadcast all over the land.

We would recommend the Sunday school literature published by the Home Board and the American Baptist Publication Society, and we would mention especially our denominational paper, "The Southern Witness." It is with pride that we note the improvement of this paper along the lines. It gives no uncertain sound as to our distinctive principles, and it ought to be in every Baptist home in all this great State of ours.

Then let every pastor strive to put this paper in every home. There are a great many good papers we could recommend, too numerous to be mentioned in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. McDONALD.

The Association was then led in prayer by Brother Sanford for the recovery of Brother Edwards, editor of the "Witness," who was reported sick.

The Association also joined Brother Simmons in prayer for the meeting in progress at Clearwater. Adjourned.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The Association resumed session at the conclusion of a very eloquent sermon by Brother W. J. Bolin, from 1 Cor. xiii. 12, and the report on Ministerial Education was read by Brother E. Sanford.

Report on Education.

Advancement is the order of the age. Thought moves the world. Trained minds skilled hands, are in demand every hour and everywhere. Our institutions of learning must supply this demand. But must our boys and girls be trained for stations and places of usefulness in life physically, mentally and even morally without a development of their spiritual life, and a training to do service for Jesus Christ? Surely not. Culture brings power, but power without Christianity will lead to ruin. The Christian college has a place in the educational system of our State and nation, because it is the power of life unto life. The religion of Jesus Christ does not hinder investigation for truth; it does not wish men to be hindered in research of any character, but it fosters and encourages every effort for attaining freedom and the highest liberty. Our times imperatively demand educated men and women. The most momentous concerns of human life are in the management of the church of Jesus Christ. The pew as well as the pulpit, and the pulpit as well the pew. When we remember that the leading thoughts of to-day are saturated with the most subtle heresy which must be detected and overthrown, it is easy to see the necessity of an education. Some of the great institutions of learning are the hot beds of the rankest heresy and most deadly kind, making it all the more important that we be exceeding careful in the choice of a school in which to place

our boys and girls for their mental, moral and spiritual training.

What of our educational interests in Florida? Can our institutions of learning show to us that they can do the things promised and that entitles them to demand our support?

The very large attendance and splendid enthusiasm at the called meeting of the Florida Baptist Convention at Lake City July 24th and 25th, united harmonious actions which characterized all its sessions, the most beneficial gifts toward its furnishing and endowment, now reaching the \$100,000 mark, the fine selection of men to represent the college as trustees, all this seems more than ample to answer the question proposed. Yet in addition, the selection of Dr. G. A. Nunnally to lead us in this new enterprise is the assurance of its success and hoped for achievements. But what shall we say of Lake City's gift of that splendid property? A gift in value reaching a quarter of a million dollars, thereby making it possible for this new enterprise to be established, and make for the denomination a college of a splendid character, where our youth can be educated and trained along the lines of our faith and practice and in service for Jesus Christ, our Lord. October 2d was the day designed for the opening of the college. A large number of people gathered to participate in and enjoy the exercises of that glad day. One hundred and thirty-six had enrolled before the day of opening, and at the close of the exercises twenty more names were down on the list. Twelve are students for the ministry. It is believed that two hundred names will be on the list before the close of the year. Rev. B. P. Robinson, of Arcadia, has been selected as financial agent of the college.

E. SANFORD,
P. S. HARLEE,
JOHN A. WRAY.

Spoken to by Brothers Sanford, Lietner, Bolin and adopted.
Adjourned.

Thursday Morning.

The Association opened Thursday morning in the usual order, and the report on Obituaries was read by Brother Walden. Spoken to by Brothers Whitehead and Beck.

Report on Obituaries.

We, your Committee, beg to report that from the letters sent in by the churches, the dread monster Death has invaded our ranks and taken from our midst forty of our beloved brethren and sisters. We mourn their death, but not as those who have no hope, for we expect some sweet day to meet them in the Glory Land.

We recommend that a page in our minutes be inscribed to their memory. Report adopted.

J. F. RODGERS,
IRVIN WALDEN,
W. S. KNIGHT.

Motion was then carried to have the Clerk call list of names enrolled as messengers and all be stricken off that were not in attendance.

Report on Sessions was read by Brother Nash, and spoken to by Brothers Walden and Nash, and adopted.

Report on Sessions.

Your Committee on Sessions recommend that this Association hold their next annual meeting with _____ church; that Brother A. J. Beck preach the introductory sermon, Brother S. G. Mullins alternate; that Brother W. J. Bolin preach the doctrinal sermon, subject, "What a Baptist Church Stands for in Any Given Community."

C. H. NASH,
FRED VARN,
E. J. BARBER.

On motion, selection of place was left to the Executive Board.

Report of Finance Committee.

Chicora,	\$ 6 00
Kathleen,	2 00
Lakeland,	10 00
Bradentown,	20 00
Mulberry,	1 70
Sixth Avenue,	3 50
Newhope,	3 00
Turkey Creek,	2 05
El Bethel,	3 50
Alafia,	1 50
Oak Hill,	3 00
Port Tampa,	11 00
Providence,	3 00
Thonotosassa,	4 05
Keysville,	1 55
Haskill,	2 10
Providence,	4 20
Clearwater,	9 50
Fort Meade,	5 00
St. Petersburg, First,	2 00
Bartow,	5 00
Sweetwater,	1 25
Dover,	2 55
Mount Tabor,	3 60
Bethel,	5 00
Plant City,	4 00
Bethany,	3 51
Gapway,	1 00
Bloomington,	1 29
Cedar Hill,	2 00

Terra Ceia,	4 00
Hopewell,	10 50
Knights,	10 60
Grace,	1 50
Winter Haven,	43 24
Six Mile Creek,	2 35
Palmetto,	8 00
Medulla,	2 00
West Thonotosassa,	1 00
Midway,	1 50
Peru,	3 00
Friendship,	5 50
Mount Olive,	1 35
Homeland,	1 35
Mitchelville,	2 50
Palm Avenue,	28 00
Sarasota,	5 50
Tampa First,	25 00
Wymauma,	1 50
Total,	\$284 44

Motion carried that any member of this Association, who visit any other association, be authorized to represent this Association.
The following resolution was offered by Brother Shumaker and most unanimously adopted:

Resolution of Thanks.

Resolved, That we, the delegates and members of the South Florida Association, do hereby express our hearty thanks to the people of Bradentown for their most generous hospitality in entertaining this body.

Respectfully submitted,

T. V. SHUMAKER.

Brother H. E. Partridge, of the Methodist Church, was then introduced to the body, and assured them of his pleasure in having them in the city.

By discussion, it was shown to the satisfaction of all present that more should be done relative to Sunday School work, and motion prevailed that the Moderator appoint a Sunday School Institute Committee.

Motion carried to instruct the Clerk to have 1,200 Minutes printed, and that the Association pay the Clerk and Treasurer \$35 each for their services.

The committees to report next year were now appointed by the Moderator.

Modern Evils That Confront Us—C. H. Nash, E. J. Barber and Irvin Walden.

Orphanage—E. Sanford, T. A. Goode, C. C. Burns.

Sunday Schools—J. H. Humphries, G. E. Mabry, S. J. Hancock.

Education—A. J. Beck, W. J. Bolin, J. H. Tharp.

Missions—G. T. Leitner, W. M. McDonald, J. A. Wray.

Ministers' Assurance Association—S. G. Mullins, T. H. Jaudon, and H. H. Norris.

Obituaries—R. T. Caddin, J. F. Rodgers, L. W. Simmons.

Religious Literature—C. W. Duke, J. E. McIntosh, J. A. Redd.

Committee on Woman's Work—Miss Adalee Branham, Mrs. J. S. Harris, Mrs. E. Sanford.

Sunday School Institute Committee—W. J. Bolin, Lee McDonald, J. H. Humphries, J. E. Knight, J. L. Hampton.

Motion to the effect that sufficient space be set apart in the Associational Minutes for the ladies' work was carried.

The Committee on Divine Services then reported preaching by Brother Dunklin. At the conclusion of this eloquent address motion prevailed to appoint a committee to secure reduced rates for delegates, and the Moderator appointed Brothers Bentley, C. C. Burns and Hale.

The Executive Board's report was then read by Brother Knight, and was adopted. It was as follows:

Report of Executive Board.

Your Executive Board having been re-elected for the ensuing year, desire to express our thanks to the Association for the confidence it has reposed in us. And we wish to state that we will resume

nearly all of the work of the former mission stations, and would respectfully urge a more liberal contribution upon a part of the churches, in view of the increased financial obligations upon us.

It is our intention to put a colporteur in the field by the next session of our union meeting, and have requested our chairman (Brother Harlee) to look out for a suitable man.

Respectfully submitted,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Motion was then carried to adjourn till the second Tuesday in October, 1908, at the place selected by the Executive Board. Place selected later and reported to the Secretary, Turkey Creek, Hillsborough county, Florida.

J. S. HOWARD, Mod.
A. T. MULLINS, Sec'y.

The Woman's Missionary Union.

The W. M. U. of the South Florida Association met in annual session October 15, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M., in the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Bradentown, Fla., and was called to order by the President, Mrs. M. B. Harrison.

Devotional exercises were lead by Mrs. McCampbell, of Tampa. She read 1 John iii., and gave a most helpful and spiritual talk, after which the union was lead in prayer by Miss J. L. Spalding.

The President then introduced the State Secretary, who gave an instructive and forceful address. After a brief review of last year's work Miss Spalding gave some reasons why the Union should do larger things this year—our success in the past, the interested young women and children we have to aid, the great and overwhelming need of all the fields, our own spiritual life, and the fact that the religions of the non-Christian world is not sufficient and does not satisfy the human soul.

The W. M. U. adjourned, and Miss Spalding spoke to the young women and children.

Wednesday, October 16th.

The Union was called to order by the President at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Beck, of Bradentown, conducted the devotional exercises, reading Jas. I. Mrs. Mellon, of Tampa, lead in prayer.

After a brief explanation of the chapter by Mrs. Beck, Mrs. Shirley made a special prayer.

In behalf of the women of Bradentown, Mrs. Humphrey delivered an address of welcome, which indeed made us feel "at home" and welcome. To this Mrs. Lamb, of Palmetto, responded.

Mrs. J. A. Mellon, of Tampa, was then introduced and spoke on State missions. The instruction and information given in the address were helpful to all who were privileged to hear it. The subject was then discussed by Mrs. McCampbell, Mrs. Lamb and Mrs. Harrison.

Miss Branham, of Tampa, spoke on Home Missions.

After a beautiful solo by Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. Lamb read a paper prepared by Mrs. G. T. Dickey on Woman's Missionary Training School.

Miss Callie Robinson read a paper on Young Woman's Work.

Mrs. Trueblood, a former missionary to Alaska, was then introduced, and responded with a brief but beautiful and inspiring talk.

Mrs. J. A. Mellon was then called to the chair, while the President, Mrs. Harrison, spoke on Sunbeam Work.

An intermission of ten minutes was then given and devoted to taking subscribers for the different missionary periodicals.

Reports of committees were then called for. Mrs. Lamb gave the report of the society's young Woman's Auxiliary and Sunbeams, which was on motion adopted.

The report on nominations was read by Mrs. Beck and adopted. Mrs. Harrison, of Palmetto, and Mrs. Mellon, of Tampa, were elected vice-presidents.

The Committee on Woman's Work for 1908 was Mrs. J. W. Harris, Miss Adalee Branham and Mrs. E. Sanford.

The report on resolutions, read by Mrs. McCampbell, and passed by a standing vote, was as follows:

We, the committee, beg to submit the following resolutions in behalf of the Woman's Missionary Union of South Florida Association, convening with Bradentown Church, December 15, 1907:

1. Resolved, That we as a body offer thanks and sincere appreciation to Mrs. M. B. Harrison and Mrs. J. A. Mellon, as the executive officers of this Union for their efforts and labors to advance the various interests of the work in our Union.

2. Resolved, That we express our most grateful thanks to pastor, church officials and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of their house for the purpose of holding our meetings.

3. Resolved, That we most heartily express our gratitude and thanks to the sisters and brethren of the Baptist Church, sisters and brethren of other churches, and the citizens of Bradentown for the generous hospitality and hearty welcome they have extended to us as the Woman's Missionary Union of the South Florida Association.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. S. S. McCAMPBELL,

MRS. J. W. HARRIS, Committee.

The apportionment of the Union of South Florida Association was \$667 Foreign Missions, \$625 Home Missions, and \$1,000 State Missions.

A motion was then made and carried that a letter of love and sympathy be sent Miss Mary A. Taylor in behalf of the S. F. W. M. Union. Mrs. Lamb and Miss Adalee Branham were appointed to write it.

After singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and prayer by Mrs. E. Sanford, the Union adjourned to meet at the next annual session of the South Florida Association.

ADALEE BRANHAM, Secretary.

Report of Local Church Work Done By Ladies' Aid Societies.

Bradentown,	\$ 87 20
Lakeland,	200 00
Peru,	30 00
Plant City,	98 00
Tampa, First,	80 35
Clearwater,	122 00
Palm Avenue, Tampa,	91 90
Y. W. A., Palm Avenue Church, Tampa,	10 41
Grace Church, St. Petersburg,	14 50
Y. W. A., Tampa First,	30 50
Port Tampa City,	212 00
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Total,	\$976 86
Amount raised for missions and benevolence,	*\$1,167 89
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	\$2,144 75

*See statistical table.

Sacred to the memory of

Brother L. M. Wilcox,	Bartow Church.
David H. Baker,	Bethel Church.
Sister Igomen Hatsel,	Bradentown Church.
Sister T. L. Lattimer,	Bradentown Church.
Sister R. P. Clark,	Bradentown Church.
W. M. Boatwright,	Clearwater Church.
Mary Marston,	Clearwater Church.
Mrs. G. N. Pratt,	Clearwater Church.
Brother L. A. Rawls,	Friendship Church.
Sister Bethel Evers,	Hopewell Church.
Henry A. Prine,	Kathleen Church.
Mrs. S. E. Blount,	Lakeland Church.
Mrs. Ola Park,	Lakeland Church.
J. J. Saunders,	Lakeland Church.
Sister Mary Tillis,	Loughman Church.
Brother J. U. Rich,	Mitchelville Church.
Sister Mary Wright,	Mitchelville Church.
Samuel Roberts,	Mount Olive Church.
F. B. Fussell,	Mount Olive Church.
Miss Ethel Harrison,	Oak Hill Church.
Rev. W. H. Clark,	Palm Avenue Church.
Miss Nellie Sego,	Palm Avenue Church.
James A. Anderson,	Plant City Church.
Brother David Williams,	Providence Church.
Sister Jane Pearson,	Providence Church.
Dr. J. W. Harrison,	Sarasota Church.
Sister Gracie Gillett,	Six Mile Creek Church.
Sister Dempsey,	Six Mile Creek Church.
Mack McCullough,	St. Petersburg, First Church.
Sister O. J. Butler,	St. Petersburg, First Church.
Sister Clemmie Sims,	St. Petersburg, First Church.
Rev. G. W. Roby,	Tampa, First Church.
Brother Earl McElwaine,	Tampa, First Church.
Brother Grover Bronson,	Tampa, First Church.
Brother Goon Kim,	Tampa, First Church.
Brother Eugene Rucker,	Tampa, First Church.
Elias Murray,	Thonotosassa Church.

Mollie West,	Thonotosassa Church.
Mrs. Sarah Higgins,	Winter Haven Church.
Sister Lucrecia Berryhill,	Gillette Church.
Sister Julia Moore,	Gillette Church.
Sarah Clark,	Port Tampa City Church.
Lemuel T. Clark,	Port Tampa City Church.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

E. J. Barber,	Plant City, Fla.
A. J. Beck,	Bradentown, Fla.
J. D. Blount,	Gary, Fla.
W. J. Bolin,	Tampa, Fla.
R. T. Caddin,	Lakeland, Fla.
J. E. Campbell,	Tampa, Fla.
J. K. G. Campbell,	Tampa, Fla.
C. W. Duke, <i>Wood Creek Ch.</i>	Tampa, Fla.
E. M. C. Dunklin,	Tampa, Fla.
R. J. Frier,	Kathleen, Fla.
H. C. Harris,	Turkey Creek, Fla.
J. W. Harris,	St. Petersburg, Fla.
T. H. Jaudon,	Dover, Fla.
J. W. Johnson,	Alafia, Fla.
H. A. Jordan,	Auburndale, Fla.
H. M. King,	Tampa, Fla.
N. T. King,	Tampa, Fla.
J. B. Lamb,	Parish, Fla.
G. T. Leitner,	Bartow, Fla.
W. M. McDonald,	Plant City, Fla.
J. E. McIntosh,	Port Tampa City, Fla.
B. A. McGiven,	Tampa, Fla.
H. Messer,	Sarasota, Fla.
P. O. Miller,	Palmetto, Fla.

S. G. Mullius	St. Petersburg, Fla.
H. M. Murrell	Lakeland, Fla.
C. H. Nash	Tampa, Fla.
H. H. Norris	Sarasota, Fla.
W. H. Osborne	Tampa, Fla.
J. A. Redd	Sarasota, Fla.
J. F. Reeder	Parish, Fla.
Ira Sanders	Lakeland, Fla.
E. Sanford	Winter Haven, Fla.
L. W. Simmons	Clearwater, Fla.
S. C. Sloan	Kathleen, Fla.
Jasper Sloan	Plant City, Fla.
J. P. Smith	Bradentown, Fla.
T. U. Shumaker	Tampa, Fla.
T. J. Sparkman	Lakeland, Fla.
W. C. Staer	Winter Haven, Fla.
J. H. Tharp	Lakeland, Fla.
J. W. Tucker	Kathleen, Fla.
C. Vickers	Lakeland, Fla.
Irvin Walden	Plant City, Fla.
J. F. Walden	Dover, Fla.
R. H. Whitehead	Palmetto, Fla.
A. J. Whittemore	Plant City, Fla.
O. N. Williams	Gillette, Fla.
J. A. Wray	Plant City, Fla.

Licentiate.

W. N. Aldridge	River View, Fla.
R. S. Brown	Lakeland, Fla.
James Graw	Plant City, Fla.
Harrison Griffin	Lake City, Fla.
S. W. McClelland	Lakeland, Fla.
J. W. McMullen	Lake City, Fla.
J. B. Rushing	Kathleen, Fla.
J. B. Simmons	Plant City, Fla.
Les. Walden	Plant City, Fla.

HISTORICAL.

A convention of churches convened at Shiloh, June, 1867; adjourned to meet in associate capacity December, 1867. Samuel C. Craft, Moderator.

Bethel, December 6, 1867—S. B. Todd, Moderator; S. C. Craft, clerk.
Peace Creek, October 2, 1868—J. M. Hayman, Moderator; S. C. Craft clerk.

Shiloh, October 29, 1869—S. Walden, Moderator; E. J. Hull, clerk.
Pine Pleasant, November 14, 1870—L. J. Simmons, Moderator; N. T. Jones, clerk.

Newhope, November 11, 1871—L. J. Simmons, Moderator; N. T. Jones, clerk.

Mount Pleasant, November 8, 1872—L. J. Simmons, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Bethel, October 11, 1873—S. Walden, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Shiloh, October 16, 1874—J. W. Hendry, Moderator; N. T. Jones, clerk.

Oak Grove, October 16, 1875—S. Walden, Moderator; N. T. Jones, clerk.

Thonotosassa, October 14, 1876—S. Walden, Moderator; N. T. Jones, clerk.

Shiloh, October 14, 1883—L. J. Simmons, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Clearwater, October 19, 1878—S. Walden, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Turkey Creek, October 18, 1879—S. Walden, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Bethel, October 16, 1880—S. Walden, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Oak Grove, October 15, 1881—L. J. Simmons, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Thonotosassa, October 14, 1882—L. J. Simmons, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Shiloh, October 14, 1883—L. J. Simmons, Moderator; J. M. Hayman, clerk.

Hopewell, October 19, 1884—R. N. Pylant, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Bartow, October 14, 1885—W. W. Bostwick, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Tampa, October 16, 1886—W. W. Bostwick, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Plant City, October 8, 1887—W. W. Bostwick, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Bethel, October 12, 1888—W. W. Bostwick, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Bartow, October 16, 1889—W. W. Bostwick, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Turkey Creek, October 9, 1890—T. H. Jaudon, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Tampa, October 8, 1891—T. H. Jaudon, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Lakeland, October 6, 1892—T. H. Jaudon, Moderator; E. G. Wilder, clerk.

Bethel, October 4, 1893—T. H. Jaudon, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Seffner, October 10, 1894—C. H. Nash, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Plant City, October 9, 1895—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Turkey Creek, October 7, 1896—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Bethel, October 6, 1897—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Lakeland, November 9, 1898—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Hopewell, November 8, 1899—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Thonotosassa, November 7, 1900—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Tamp First, November 6, 1901—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Bethany, November 5, 1902—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Hopewell, November 4, 1903—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

St. Petersburg First, November 16, 1904—W. M. McDonald, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Sarasota, November 15, 1905—J. S. Howard, Moderator; A. A. Lewis, clerk.

Winter Haven, November 15, 1906, J. S. Howard, Moderator; A. T. Mullins, clerk.

Bradentown, October 14, 1907—J. S. Howard, Moderator; A. T. Mullins, clerk.

GRAND SUMMARY.

Total membership last year.....	3,959
Total received by baptisms.....	361
Total received by letter.....	503
Total received by restoration.....	25
Total dismissed by letter.....	322
Total exclusions.....	94
Total died.....	40
Total present membership.....	4,618
Total number of churches.....	55

Total number of Sunday Schools, 38
 Total number of Officers and Teachers,..... 228
 Total number of Pupils enrolled,.....2,913

Financial.

Total value of church property.....\$100,725 00
 Total value of pastors' homes (church property),..... 9,500 00
 Total pastors' salaries, 14,542 47
 Total value of buildings,..... 3,219 49
 Total repairing and improving, 10,774 21
 Total incidentals, 3,141 50
 Total visiting ministers, 933 90
 Total Sunday School expenses, 1,404 71
 Total the poor, 303 48
 Total Associational missions, 670 95
 Total State missions, 873 53
 Total home missions, 1,971 97
 Total foreign missions, 1,831 99
 Total Orphanage, 622 96
 Total education, 137 78
 Total aged ministers, 132 80
 Total miscellaneous, 2,030 46

Grand total, not including church property,\$42,595 20

Contributions and Statistical Table of Woman's Missionary Union in S. F. A.

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Associational Missions	Thenor Memorial	Margaret Home	Orphanage	Aged Ministers	Mrs. Chandon	Training School	Vice President's Fund	Church Building	Boxes	Total	POST OFFICE	Number of Members	
Bartow.....	Mrs. T. A. Goode.....	\$25 00	\$38 40	\$30 00	\$.....	\$.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 104 40	Bartow.....	22
Bradentown.....	Mrs. A. J. Beck.....	20 00	15 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 50	Bradentown.....	18
Clearwater.....	Mrs. H. J. Pepper.....	8 00	4 00	8 75	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	Clearwater.....	18
Lakeland.....	Mrs. L. F. Henley.....	8 45	19 05	10 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49 20	Lakeland.....	43
New Hope.....	Mrs. W. C. Hayman.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 65	Gillette.....	10
Palm Bay.....	Mrs. M. B. Harrison.....	21 35	28 50	25 00	3 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82 00	Palmetto.....	25
Palm Avenue.....	Mrs. L. H. Hale.....	10 00	14 00	20 55	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	Tampa.....	10
Grace Church.....	Mrs. M. C. Haney.....	1 75	2 75	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 65	Tampa.....	25
Plant City.....	Mrs. J. W. Harris.....	.....	21 70	17 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 25	View.....	30
Port Tampa City.....	Mrs. M. E. Wellons.....	25 95	23 85	25 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	73 06	Port Tampa City.....	46
Seffner.....	Mrs. E. C. Kessen.....	6 50	6 24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 74	Port Tampa City.....	20
St. Petersburg 1st.....	Mrs. W. S. O'Brien.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Thonotosassa.....	.....
Terra Cella.....	Mrs. F. E. McKechnie.....	5 00	4 50	8 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 50	St. Petersburg.....	6
Winter Haven.....	Mrs. S. E. Beville.....	9 72	8 75	10 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 25	Terra Cella.....	22
Tampa 1st.....	Mrs. E. Sanford.....	9 42	10 35	125 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 07	Winter Haven.....	22
Providence.....	Mrs. B. W. Bivitt.....	54 40	110 35	125 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	471 26	Tampa.....	50
El Bethel.....	Miss Margaret Williams.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Brandon.....	.....
Six Mile Creek.....	Mrs. M. T. King.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Tampa, R. F. D. No. 2.....	.....
*Offering.....	Mrs. E. W. Bennett.....	9 60	2 15	Gary.....	16
Bradentown.....	Miss Minnie Kay.....	1 00	7 00	2 00	Bradentown.....	12
Tampa 1st.....	Miss Ethel Johnson.....	10 00	30
Palmetto.....	Miss Veta Ross.....	8
Palmetto.....	Miss Bessie Dickie.....	20
		209	17 320	15 357	11 90	10 00	13 50	21 00	2 50	10 80	10 30	5 00	18 50	178 00	1167 80			3 87

Y. W. A. and Sunbeam Bands.

*Offerings taken at meetings of W. M. U., at Turkey Creek, Palmetto, El Bethel and Bradentown.
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