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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Adcock, J. D.	Tallahassee, Fla.
Allen, J. M. C.	Holland, Fla.
Black, John G.	Carrabelle, Fla.
Blount, S. F.	Juniper, Fla.
Cox, Alexander	Carrabelle, Fla.
Clipton, R. S.	Wacissa, Fla.
Clements, J. E.	Arran, Fla.
Geiger, B. A.	Nashville, Ga.
Holland, James	Ocklocknee, Fla.
Lambert, W. R.	Ft. Worth, Fla.
Pruitt, J. B.	Tallahassee, Fla.
Pigott, R. R.	Arran, Fla.
Peddie, C. M.	Bristol, Fla.
Roberts, L. A.	Helen, Fla.
Reese, A. V.	Crawfordville, Fla.
Tucker, Rufus	Arran, Fla.
Wells, F. M.	Juniper, Fla.
Wells, C. F.	Lake City, Fla.
Ward, Moses	Barton, Ga.
Moore, E. T.	Andersonville, Ga.

MINISTERS LICENSED.

Dudder, Frank	Apalachicola, Fla.
Fitzgerald, J. T.	Havana, Fla.
Maige, W. L.	Monticello, Fla.
Whetston, J. A.	Arran, Fla.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. F. M. Wells	Juniper, Fla.
Rev. L. A. Roberts	Spring Hill, Fla.
Rev. J. D. Adcock	Tallahassee, Fla.
Mr. J. C. Brewer	Greensboro, Fla.
Rev. A. V. Reese	Crawfordville, Fla.

The following Churches are to report on the subjects assigned as following:

1. Foreign Missions—Quincy.
2. Home Missions—Tallahassee.
3. State Missions—Monticello.
4. Sunday Schools—Chaires.
5. B. Y. P. U.—Mt. Eln.
6. Aged Ministers—Corinth.
7. Prohibition—Ebenezer (Leon County).
8. Woman's Work—Lake Mystic.
9. Duty of Churches to Pastors—Greensboro.
10. Ministerial Education—Gretna.
11. Orphanage—Mt. Beasor.
12. Periodicals—Indian Springs.

PERMANENT ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Tuesday, after first Sunday in October, 1913, at 10 o'clock—Opening services and organization; applications from churches asking admission to the Association.

11 o'clock—Introductory Sermon, Announcements of Committees.

Afternoon Session, 2 o'clock—Enrollment of additional messengers and visitors; admission of new churches; election of messengers to State Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention; reports of Standing Committees.

Evening Session, 7 o'clock—Doctrinal Sermon.

Wednesday Morning Session, 9 o'clock—Reports of Standing Committees (continued); election of Executive Committee and Treasurer; selections of place for next meeting; new and unfinished business.

11 o'clock—Missionary Sermon.

Afternoon Session, 2 o'clock—Unfinished business (continued); adjournment.

MINUTES

The Seventy-First Annual Session of the Florida Baptist Association convened in the Concordia Church, on Tuesday morning at 10:00 o'clock, October 7th, 1913, and was called to order by the former Moderator, Rev. F. M. Wells, who read the 103d Psalm.

The former Clerk, A. V. Reese, called the roll of Churches, and the following Messengers were enrolled:

1. Aenon—T. J. Hartfield and J. M. Holland.
2. Antioch—C. W. Blount, W. C. Blount and R. L. Todd.
3. Arran—Miles Anderson.
4. Chaires—G. T. Reeves and Thomas Trotman.
5. Concordia—J. H. Dorsey, L. E. Butler, J. B. Perkins and D. T. Marwell.
6. Crawfordville—A. V. Reese.
7. Curtis Mills—By letter.
8. Corinth—J. D. Turner and E. C. Glover.
9. Ebenezer (L)—T. P. Barineau and N. B. Hartfield.
10. Elizabeth—
11. Ebenezer (J)—R. T. Freeman.
12. Fanlew—By letter.
13. Flat Creek—J. W. D. Ferguson, J. B. Fletcher and D. J. Fletcher.
14. Fort Braden—By letter.
15. Greensboro—E. B. Fletcher and R. A. McPherson.
16. Gretna—J. S. Blount and W. M. McKeown.
17. Havana—T. F. Edwards and P. W. Shelfer.
18. Hardaway—
19. Indian Springs—H. C. Billingsley and Emmett Hines.
20. Lake Ellen—By letter.

21. Lake Mystic—By letter.
22. Monticello—B. A. Geiger.
23. Mount Besor—C. K. Allen and E. C. Roberts.
24. Mount Elon—By letter.
25. New Prospect—
26. Olive—
27. Orange—By letter.
28. Providence—F. M. Wells and M. B. Anderson.
29. Quincy—J. E. Shelfer, T. N. Jones and R. S. Slaphey.
30. River Junction—O. F. McKeown.
31. Salem—By letter.
32. Sunny Dell—G. B. Strickland and Charles Garner.
33. Sundown—By letter.
34. St. Marks—By letter.
35. Sycamore—C. B. Potter and Theo. Hare.
36. Tallahassee—J. D. Adcock and C. F. Holton.
37. Telogia—By letter.
38. Woodville—By letter.

The permanent organization of the Association was effected by the re-election of the present Moderator and Clerk.

11:00 o'clock—Rev. E. C. Glover preached the introductory sermon.

The Moderator announced the following named Brethren to serve on Committees:

Foreign Missions—Rev. E. C. Glover, C. W. Blount and G. T. Reaves.

Home Missions—J. E. Shelfer, R. T. Todd and Thomas Footman.

State Missions—Rev. T. A. Roberts, T. E. Butler and J. B. Perkins.

Periodicals—Rev. J. D. Adcock, W. C. Blount and D. F. Maxwell.

Prohibition—Rev. J. D. Turner, Andrew Smith and R. F. Freeman.

Moman's Work—Rev. James Holland, T. P. Barineau and W. D. Ferguson.

Orphanage—Rev. E. C. Glover, G. B. Strickland and Charles Garner.

Aged Ministers—Rev. L. A. Roberts, J. B. Perkins and L. E. Butler.

B. Y. P. U.—T. N. Jones, R. A. McPherson, N. B. Hartfield and E. B. Fletcher.

Duty of Churches to Pastors—A. V. Reese, J. S. Bassitt, J. B. Fletcher, C. K. Allen, T. N. Jones, P. W. Shelfer and Curtis Roberts.

Sunday Schools—T. N. Jones, R. A. McPherson, N. B. Hartfield and E. B. Fletcher.

Ministerial Education—Rev. J. D. Adcock, T. D. Fletcher and T. L. Edwards.

Finance—E. M. Walsh, H. C. Billingsley and J. H. Dorsey.

On motion the Committee on Program was abolished and Executive Committee to select the Minister to preach the special sermon.

Adjourned to meet at 1:30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 o'clock—Devotional exercises by the Moderator.

Call for visitors and Rev. H. C. Douglass from the Middle Florida Association was recognized.

The following named brethren were nominated and elected as Messengers to State Convention: Rev. L. A. Roberts, W. C. Blount, Rev. A. V. Reese, Rev. C. E. Glover, W. A. Burns, Rev. J. D. Turner, J. E. Shelfer, Emmett Kerns, E. B. Fletcher and Rev. J. D. Adcock.

Rev. J. D. Adcock was elected Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

The report of the Treasurer was read by F. M. Wells and adopted.

F. M. Wells in account with the Florida Association.

RECEIPTS.

Oct. 31, 1912—Brought forward from last year.	\$.10
Oct. 31, 1912—Received from Finance Committee	96.84
Nov. 5, 1912—Received from Greensboro Church	5.00
Nov. 10, 1912—Received from River Junction Church for State Missions.....	6.00
Nov. 16, 1912—Received from Providence Church for Minutes fund	3.00
Jan. 16, 1913—Received from Western Union for State Missions	12.30
Jan. 19, 1913—Received from Providence Church for State Missions	3.00
Jan. 26, 1913—Received from Sunny Dell Church for Home and Foreign Missions.	4.10
Feb. 2, 1913—Received from Flat Creek Church for Home and Foreign Missions.	2.75
Feb. 9, 1913—Received from Hardaway Church for State Missions	1.50
Feb. 16, 1913—Received from Providence Church for Home and Foreign Missions.	4.00
Feb. 24, 1913—Received from Sycamore Church for State Missions	1.50
Mar. 10, 1913—Received from Hardaway Church for Orphanage	4.75
Mar. 16, 1913—Received from Providence Church for Home and Foreign Missions.	3.00
Mar. 30, 1913—Received from Western Union for Home and Foreign Missions...	10.10

Apr. 6, 1913—Received from Flat Creek Church for Home and Foreign Missions.	3.85
Apr. 9, 1913—Received from H. H. Dean for Foreign Missions	1.00
Apr. 9, 1913—Received from River Junction Church for Home and Foreign Missions	4.50
Apr. 20, 1913—Received from M. B. Anderson, for Home and Foreign Missions...	2.00
Apr. 20, 1913—Received from Providence Church for Home and Foreign Missions.	4.00
Apr. 26, 1913—Received from Mt. Elon Church for Home and Foreign Missions.	6.35
Apr. 28, 1913—Received from Sycamore Church for Home Missions	1.00
May 18, 1913—Received from Providence Church for State Missions	4.00
June 1, 1913—Received from Flat Creek Church for State Missions	4.00
June 15, 1913—Received from Providence Church for State Missions	4.50
June 29, 1913—Received from Western Union for State Missions	23.44
July 20, 1913—Received from Providence Church for State Missions	3.00
Aug. 17, 1913—Received from Providence Church for State Missions	6.00
Total	\$225.64

DISBURSEMENTS.

Oct. 31, 1912—Paid to A. V. Reese as Secretary.	\$ 20.00
Nov. 8, 1912—Paid S. B. Rogers	21.25
Nov. 18, 1912—Paid T. J. Appleyard for printing minutes	69.89

Jan. 20, 1913—Paid S. B. Rogers for State Mis-	
sions	15.30
Feb. 3, 1913—Paid to S. B. Rogers for Home and	
Foreign Missions	6.85
Feb. 17, 1913—Paid to S. B. Rogers for State,	
Home and Foreign Missions	5.50
Mar. 13, 1913—Paid S. B. Rogers for Orphanage	
and State Missions	6.25
Mar. 24, 1913—Paid to S. B. Rogers for Home and	
Foreign Missions	3.00
Apr. 1, 1913—Paid S. B. Rogers for Home and	
Foreign Missions	10.10
Apr. 25, 1913—Paid S. B. Rogers for Home and	
Foreign Missions	15.35
Apr. 27, 1913—Paid to S. B. Rogers for Home and	
Foreign Missions	6.35
May 19, 1913—Paid S. B. Rogers for State and	
Home Missions	5.00
June 11, 1913—Paid S. B. Rogers for State Mis-	
sions	4.00
July 10, 1913—Paid S. B. Rogers for State Mis-	
sions	27.94
Aug. 23, 1913—Paid to S. B. Rogers for State Mis-	
sions	9.00
Sept. 18, 1913—Paid for postage26
Total	\$225.64

F. M. WELLS,
Treasurer.

PROHIBITION.

The report on Prohibition was read by Rev. J. D. Turner, spoken to by him, and adopted.

We deem it unnecessary to enumerate the crimes that the use of intoxicating liquors leads to as they are all well known by all impartial and prayerful observers, how-

ever, we'll say that according to the figures given by the anti-saloon league year book for 1913, that in a group of 9 dry States 75.6 per cent of their children of school age are enrolled in school, but in a group of 10 wet States only 68.8 per cent, making a difference of 6.8 per cent in favor of the dry States.

The State of Maine which has been dry for many years has 83.7 per cent of her children of school age enrolled in school, while Rhode Island another eastern State is wet, but has only 66.4 enrolled. However, the lowest average enrollment of any State in the Union is Nevada a wet State, 58 per cent. 25 per cent lower than Maine, the dry State. so we see that the rum traffic is not only productive of crime, but is detrimental to the advancement and elevation of the rising generation.

However, the thing that concerns us most is the advancement that prohibition has made and is making.

It is very encouraging to note that though slowly we surely have been from time to time gaining new territory. Our greatest gains however, have been for the last few years.

A few years ago there was practically very little dry territory in the U. S. but today about 50 per cent. of the population of the U. S. are living in such territory.

About 72 per cent of the area of the U. S. has no licensed saloon.

While there has been considerable progress made in the last few years there is room for more and greater efforts.

The temperance people must wage a perpetual warfare against King Alcohol. We must bear up the banner of righteousness and never allow it to trail in the dust until this curse is banished from the land, not being satisfied with present attainments.

Let us press the battle hard, let us pray, let us work, and let us vote until King Alcohol is robbed of every vestige of power.

We would recommend that we go on record again as opposing the legal or illegal sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, or the use of them as a beverage.

We would also recommend that our preachers preach prohibition with more vigor than ever before, and that our lay members teach prohibition in their lives, in their walks, and in their conversations.

Then we can sing that good old song
Hail the day so long expected
Hail the year of full release
Zion's walls are now erected
And her watchman publish peace
Through our Shilohs wide dominion
Hear the trumpet loudly roar
Babylon is fallen, is fallen, is fallen,
Babylon is fallen to rise no more.

J. D. TURNER,
R. T. FREEMAN,
ANDREW SMITH.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

The report on B. Y. P. U. was read by T. N. Jones, spoken to by him, and adopted.

We are living in an age when men who succeed prepare themselves for life. We no longer think success is a happen so, but the results of brain and energies well and ably directed.

This is no less true of God's work. If Christians are to do God's work well they must be trained.

Veterans fight better than recruits.

The B. Y. P. U. is the church's training school.

1st. We, your Committee, recommend that every church in the Florida Association endeavor to organize a B. Y. P. U. during the ensuing year.

2nd. We urge that the older members of our churches become a member of the B. Y. P. U.

3rd. That each B. Y. P. U. adopt the Christian Culture Course, the Bible Readers Course, the B. Y. P. U. Quarterly.

Respectfully submitted,

T. N. JONES,
R. R. McPHERSON,
N. B. HARTSFIELD,
E. B. FLETCHER.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by T. N. Jones, spoken to by him, and adopted.

The Master in His great commission said, "Go ye unto all the world and preach the gospel, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have taught you." Thus we are lead to believe that preaching and teaching go together and is a part of the Master's plan.

The Sunday School is the church teaching the Bible to the young and old.

We believe the Sunday School is as much for the old as the young.

The burden of the Sunday School is on the church as a whole and should have the support of every member.

One of the propositions today in our Sunday Schools is to secure competent teachers who are willing to give the cause their very best time and thought.

We are glad to report that there has been great progress made in Sunday School work last year. One of the most encouraging things is the fact that more young men and ladies are becoming interested in the work, and that busy men find time to teach them. The school is no longer looked upon as a school for children, but a Bible school for all.

We, our Committee, recommend:

1st. That all the churches have graded schools.

2nd. That all co-operate with Brother Geo. Hyman in holding institutes.

3rd. That every school should endeavor to have a teacher training class.

T. N. JONES,
R. A. McPHERSON,
N. B. HARTSFIELD,
E. B. FLETCHER.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Education was read by J. D. Adcock, spoken to by him, and adopted.

Ministerial Education.

In this age of education, when every calling and vocation demands training for efficient service, surely the church needs trained leaders. Indeed this need has long been felt, and everywhere we hear the call for educated preachers—so, the caption of this report is:

No New Subject.

Not only so, but no thinking person longer questions that there is no more important subject claiming our attention. For, as the preacher is, in relation to the Kingdom, to a certain extent, at least, will his people be—as he thinks, plans, and directs, so will his people be inspired and encouraged to serve our glorious cause.

Does Not Make a Preacher.

Be it known, however, that nothing is farther from the mind of your committee than the oft repeated interpretation of such appeals as would encourage young men to become educated, viz: "education in place of a divine call"

—surely none of us believe one can preach except he be called of God; yet let us go on record as encouraging every God called man educate with all the means within his reach.

No Longer Excusable.

There is no more any excuse for a young preacher trying to preach without preparation. This does not mean that every young preacher shall have a finished college education; but it does mean that every man whom God calls to preach has first a call to preparation.

When God wanted a man to lead Israel He gave him 40 years training. When He wanted a man to write the majority of the N. T. and to preach the gospel in Europe and Asia Minor He called a man of the very highest training.

We recommend that all our church pray the Lord of the Harvest to send forth labours into the harvest.

2. That we give our support to our Columbia College and insist that all our young preachers have provided for them an opportunity to attend our own school.

3. That when a young man in our churches gives evidence to a call to the ministry that we recognize it as a call to our church to train and give to the Kingdom of Christ the best that is in this one whom God has called.

Respectfully,

J. DEAN ADCOCK,
T. L. EDWARDS,
J. B. FLETCHER.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The report on State Missions was read by Rev. L. A. Roberts, spoken to by Rev. J. D. Adcock and Rev. A. V. Reese, and adopted.

Florida is the flower of the United States. This is true

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not in name only, but in many other respects as well. People from all parts of our own country and almost everywhere and nation on earth are coming into Florida at an ever increasing rate. Last year there were twenty-six nationalities within our State and some places the foreign element outnumber the native.

These immigrants are bringing their strange languages and strange religions with them and these religions extend all the way from the outspoken Atheist, Buddhist and Shintuist to every form of Christian worship and many have turned from all these and are bowing at the shrine of wealth or pleasure. If we fail to christianize the children of these they will heathenize many of our children.

We need more of the Master, more men, more money. We need information, inspiration and consecration; we need to organize, energize and utilize in order to meet the needs in our own State. We beg to suggest that every Pastor in this association acquaint himself fully in regard to this subject and inform his people accordingly.

We now have upwards of 51,000 Baptists in Florida and we are increasing rapidly, yet we have hardly begun the work that is ready for us for only one in every 14 men is a Baptist. Georgia has nearly four times as many people as Florida, yet one in every nine is a Baptist.

Our State Mission Board is trying to meet our needs here at home and we as Pastors and people should give our full co-operation with this Board.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. ROBERTS,

Chairman,

M. B. ANDERSON,

L. E. BUTLER,

C. L. HOLTON,

G. B. PERKINS.

Adjournment to meet at 7:30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 o'clock—The doctrinal sermon was preached by Rev. J. D. Adcock. Text, Acts 28-22.

Mrs. H. C. Pulman, Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of Florida, was recognized as a visitor.

Adjourned to meet Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

9:00 o'clock—Devotional services by Moderator and prayer by Rev. B. A. Geiger.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Rev. James Holland, spoken to by him, and adopted.

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the following report.

The hearing of our report suggest labor or Christian effort and is assigned to our woman.

They were first at the Tomb of the Master with the perfume to anoint His body that they supposed to be there. But only found to their surprise that the Lord was not there but had risen.

It was there they received the command to go and tell my brethren He has risen from the dead.

The Lord's command was an inspiration to them and they were obedient to the Heavenly calling.

One woman is now being trained in their Missionary Union to do a great mission work in the vineyard of the Lord.

It is a great thing to assist in the financing of the missionary work in taking the gospel to the unsaved.

We would urge the brethren to co-operate with the women in this great work for the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. HOLLAND,

T. P. BARINEAU,

W. D. FERGUSON.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS.

The report on Aged Ministers was read by J. B. Perkins, spoken to by Revs. L. A. Roberts and J. D. Adcock, and adopted.

To the Florida Baptist Convention—Greeting:

We, your Committee on Aged Ministers, beg leave to submit the following report.

We find according to the last report of the association that there are about twelve aged ministers that are at present receiving some compensation from the churches.

Although the amounts given to the aged brothers for their support is of a great help to them, but we feel that with a little more effort on the part of the many churches that we could make the compensation for these old brethren more than is paid them at present, and which we are sure that all of them are in very bad need of.

We, as christian brethren, should deem it not only a duty but a very great pleasure to devote to the cause of these old soldiers of the cross who have fought so faithfully and endured the many hardships for the cause of our Savior and King.

We should ever be ready and willing to give to the dear old aged brethren and always try and make their few declining years on this earth as pleasant and comfortable as possible.

Some of these dear old brothers will not live to see the dawn of another association, they will have passed to the great beyond to reap the reward that so many have tried so hard for. So let us as christians and brothers try and show our great appreciation for these loved ones as to donate more to their support during the coming year.

Asking your support and prayers for the aged ones, we are,

Your Committee,
L. A. ROBERTS,
Chairman
L. A. ROBERTS,
J. B. PERKINS.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Report on Foreign Missions read by E. C. Glover, spoken to by J. D. Adcock, and adopted.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, submit the following report.

Foreign Mission means the world.

Our greatest aim should be to evangelize our heathen lands, as the great question is "who is my neighbor?"

It is the person we can help.

Did not heathen China become our neighbor when we sent the frigate Jamestown loaded with provisions to them. So she has become our neighbor in sending our boys and girls to teach and preach the great gospel of Jesus Christ which is the power of God unto salvation to all who believe.

Our Foreign Mission Board reports a year of great success.

During the last year 17 new missionaries were sent out and others are under appointment. This makes 285 missionaries who are assisted by 569 native workers.

The number of baptisms for this year is 4,532, which is the largest in the history of our foreign mission work.

The total contribution reported at the last Southern Baptist Convention amounted to \$543,446.00. For this year we are asked to raise \$646,500.00 for Foreign Missions. It will take all of this amount to maintain the work, pay off past obligations and make such advance

that the Board can send out a few missionaries to points where it is absolutely necessary to have re-enforcements.

We recommend that our preachers preach on this subject and take collections for this great work as often as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. GLOVER,
Wm. McKEOWN,
G. T. REAVES,
C. W. BLOUNT.

11:00 o'clock—Missionary sermon by Rev. B. A. Geiger.
Text, Mat. 25-22.

Adjourned to meet at 1:45 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The report of Duties of Churches to Pastors was read by Rev. A. V. Reese, spoken to by him, and adopted.

THE DUTIES OF CHURCHES TO THEIR PASTORS.

It has been said that every church ought to talk their Pastor up. That every church should speak kindly of its Pastor and protect his influence and his good name. All will readily agree. The injunction, "Speak evil of no man" is especially applicable to members and condemns speaking evil of a minister.

Paul's charge to Timothy was, "Against an elder, receive not accusations, but before two or three witnesses." The duty of every church to every pastor is to protect his good name.

The churches should pray for their pastors daily is also readily conceded, but that all churches should pay their pastors up promptly seems hard for churches to realize.

The Bible is supposed to be the Baptist guide and the

following are passages bearing on pastoral support: 1 Timothy 5-18, "Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn," and "The laborer is worthy of his reward." 2 Tim. 2-4, "No man that wreth entanglieth himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please Him who hath chosen him to be a soldier." Mat. 10-10, "The workman is worthy of his meat." 2 Cor. 9-13, "Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things live of the things of the temple, and they who wait at the altar are partakers with the altar."

Even so hath the Lord ordained that they who preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

We find that the Priest gave himself holy unto spiritual things and support (usually) by the people he served. The Watchman on the wall gave all his time to that work and was supported in full by the people he served. The Soldier is freed from all thought of his maintenance and is able to serve his country well. The under Shepherd stationed with the sheep is supported in full; so every one who accepts the Bible must believe in ministerial support.

Therefore, we recommend that every church in the Florida Association look well to the proper support of their pastors in order that they may do their best by their work.

That every church have a stated salary and to see that it is sufficient to meet the actual cost of living.

It is the opinion of the Committee that in view of the fact of the increased cost of living expenses that it is necessary for pastors salaries to be raised.

We further recommend that each church have some definite and effective plan of raising the pastor's salary other than through free will offerings. We would suggest as an effective plan, to have each member pledge a certain sum to be paid each week or month to its Treas-

urer and to let the free will offerings be used for missions and to pay the incidental expenses of the church.

A. V. REESE,
Chairman.
J. S. BASSETT,
E. C. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The report on Home Missions was read by J. E. Shelfer, spoken to by Rev. J. D. Adcock and Rev. A. V. Reese, and adopted.

Our Home Mission, of Atlanta, Ga., with various departments such as: Educational, Evangelistic, Enlistment, and Co-operation, Church Building, presents the glorious fact to our minds and hearts, that Baptists are doing business in a business like way.

Each department is well manned with a specialist as its director and leader. Dr. A. E. Brown has charge of the school work, which has grown until now we have 32 mission schools with about 600 students and soon we are to have an additional one located among the French speaking people of South Louisiana.

Dr. Western Bruner is in charge of the Evangelistic department which has grown from one (1) evangelist and one singer seven years ago to 27 evangelists and singers today. This agency is growing more and more to be recognized as the quickening influence among Southern Baptists.

Dr. A. C. Cree has charge of the new Department of Enlistment and Co-operation, which is being added to as each State employs a suitable man and places him in the field. As the evangelists quicken our people, this department develops and enlists. So, it has untold possibilities. Dr. L. B. Warren has charge of the Church Building and Loan Department, which has before it the task of aiding

7000 churches in erecting houses of worship. 400 of these have no house at all, while 3000 have only an excuse. In our own State are over 200 churches calling for aid from this department.

In addition to the crying needs of all these departments (either of the two, viz: church building and schools, needs more money than the entire Board receives at present to prosecute its work) we have employed near 700 missionaries who labor in all the Southern States, in Cuba, and on the Canal Zone.

Last year Southern Baptists to this Board gave \$388,000.00, besides what was contributed to church building fund. This year we are asked to raise \$439,000.00 of this amount, our association is asked for \$500.00. For so great a work your committee recommends that we resolve to give what the Board asks of us. We lay it on the hearts of the pastors and churches they represent that this is our duty and privilege.

J. E. SHELFER,
EMMETT L. HINES,
THOMAS FOOTMAN,
W. L. TODD,
Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The report of Periodicals read by Rev. J. D. Adcock, spoken to by him and Rev. B. A. Geiger and adopted.

It is claimed that we are physically what we eat, mentally what we read and otherwise assimilate, and spiritually what we think.

Jesus asked the young lawyer "How readest thou?" Well may we ask ourselves and our children, not only how, but what readest thou, as well.

Recognizing that this is a time of much reading by all people, and that they are being supplied with all sorts of

books, papers and magazines, also the tremendous power of the printed page either for good or evil. Our Boards have set themselves to the task of supplying the very best periodicals. Our Sunday School Board has, in recent years, and is continuing the publication of a great many books of an excellence unsurpassed. Our Home and Foreign Boards publish each a monthly magazine, which should be in every Baptist Home. They are the Home Field, by the Home Board, and the Journal of the Foreign Board. They are 25cts a year each in clubs of 10. We should not only subscribe for them, but read them and thereby become interested in the great work of our people at home and abroad.

But the especial object of this report is to lay upon our hearts the importance of our supporting our own State Baptist Witness. While it has increased under the present editor from 3000 to 6000 subscribers, yet we have not begun to place it where it rightly belongs—in all our homes and upon all our hearts.

We, your committee, recommend that each Messenger assembled resolve to try to place a copy of the Witness in as many homes as it is reasonably possible, where it has never been.

Resolved, further, that we pay for it if we owe it, that we read and that we encourage others to read it.

Resolved, further, that in each of our churches on the Sunday in the next associational year there be observed a special day when the claims of our State paper be laid upon the hearts of our people.

Respectfully,

J. DEAN ADCOCK,
W. C. BLOUNT,
O. F. McKEOWN.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

The report on Finance was read and adopted.
To the Florida District Baptist Convention:

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

The churches have sent by their Messengers to the Florida Baptist Convention the following amounts:

For Minutes and Clerk	\$52.00
Association	12.50
State Missions	3.00
Home Missions	6.50
Foreign Missions	
Orphanage	3.00
Aged Ministers	3.00
Ministerial Education	1.40

Total Cash	\$81.40
Tallahassee due	\$2.50

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. WALSH,
H. C. BILLINGSLEY,
J. H. DORSEY.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

The report on Obituaries was read and adopted.
To the Florida District Baptist Association:

Your Committee on Obituaries make the following report.

After examining the letters sent up from the different churches, we find that death has taken from us the following named brethren and sisters.

We, your Committee, recommend that a blank page be left in our minutes with these names inscribed.

Antioch—Sister Nancy Eubanks.
Tallahassee—Sister J. M. Durst, Sister L. J. Johnson, and Bro. B. C. Williams.

Aron—Bro. Lige Andrews.

Woodville—Bro. L. Robinson and Bro. B. Clemmons.

Quincy—Bro. Wm. Meincher, and Sister C. H. Willis.

Havana—Bro. C. E. Free.
 Greensboro—Sister Jane Kemp.
 Providence—Sister Mary Jane Richards and Sister Sarah Wells.
 Corinth—Sister S. F. Shular.
 Mount Beasor—Sister Louise Wood and Sister Marthy Winbon.
 Lake Ellen—Sister Sallie Pigott and Sister William Walker.
 Ft. Bradon—Bro. J. E. Wause, and Sister J. E. Wause.
 Respectfully submitted,
 E. M. WALSH,
 H. C. BILLINGSLEY,
 J. H. DORSEY.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The report on Orphanage was read and adopted.

The statement of James, pure religion and undefiled before God the Father, is to visit the fatherless and the widows in their afflictions. This has found expression among the Florida Baptists in the beautiful home we have established for our orphan boys and girls at Arcadia, Fla., to the credit of our brotherhood it can be said that we have done for our boys and girls.

As a result of the past 8 years work we have 8 acres of land at Arcadia, Fla., well improved, and three nice brick buildings, and a dining room with hospital rooms, a boy's building and a girl's building. There has been many improvements in the past year in the way of furnishing the dormitories with new beds, the school room with new desks, screening all the buildings and enlarging and improving the lawn. We have three rooms turned into a beautiful chapel and seated with 150 chairs. There has been added to the industrial equipment of the home a nice cannery.

It should be gratifying to every Baptist in our associa-

tion to know that there are 75 orphan boys and girls enjoying the benefits of our home. God has given us these children to train and prepare for the future and placed the burden of their support upon us. A school is maintained in the home for the benefit of the children, and they are taught things that will enable them to be self supporting when they leave the home.

The maintenance of this work requires not only our co-operation and prayers, but a systematic contribution from churches, Sunday schools, societies and individuals.

In order to meet the regular current expense we should urge our friends and brothers to remember our orphanage especially during this month, and November and December.

We, your Committee, beg leave to submit the report for your prayerful consideration.

C. E. GLOVER,
 G. B. STRICKLAND,
 CHAS. R. GARNER.

Rev. J. D. Adcock was elected member of the State Board from the Florida Association.

The present Executive Committee was re-elected.

On motion the next session will be held with Mount Besor Baptist Church, at Sopchoppy, Fla.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, that we, the Messengers and visitors of the Florida Association, extend a vote of thanks to the Concordia church and the good people for the royal manner in which they have entertained us.

The Association then adjourned to meet at Mount Besor, Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1914.

The parting hand was given while singing, "God be
With You Till We Meet Again."

F. M. WELLS,
Moderator.

A. V. REESE,
Secretary.

NUMERICAL.

NAME OF CHURCH.	PASTOR.	ADDRESS.	CLERK.	ADDRESS.	Increase this Year.			Decrease this Year.			Membership this Year.	Net Decrease.	Net Increase.	What Sundays Have Preaching
					By Baptism	By Letter.	By Restoration.	Total Increase.	By Letter.	By Expulsion.	By Death.	Total Decrease.		
Arnon	H. C. Douglas	Tallahassee, Box 207	W. E. Gray	Tallahassee	1	2	1	4	1	1	1	3	7	Third
Antioch	S. J. Revel	Hosford, R. F. D.	C. W. Blount	Wetumpka	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Second
Arran	J. E. Clements	Arran	C. R. Vause	Arran	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth
Chaires	L. A. Roberts	Helen	J. J. Engle	Chaires	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Third
Curtis Mills	Alexander Cox	Smith Creek	J. S. Trice	McIntyre	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	1st & 3rd
Concordia	C. E. Glover	Hosford	J. D. L. Maxwell	Concord	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth
Corinth	Moses Ward	Boston	J. D. Turner	Hosford	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	1st & 3rd
Ebenezer (J)	L. A. Roberts	Helen	T. Freeman	Drifton	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth
Ebenezer (L)	R. S. Clifton	Fanlew	M. Barrineau	Tallahassee	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	1st & 3rd
Fanlew	F. M. Wells	Juniper	S. Elder	Fanlew	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	First
Fort Braden	J. H. Chason	Hosford	M. N. Smith	Juniper	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	First
Gretina	M. R. Lambert	Quincy	J. C. Brewer	Holland	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	1st & 4th
Hopeful	E. T. Moore	Andersonville	T. T. White	Metcalfe	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	1st & 3rd
Indian Springs	S. J. Revel	Hosford	J. R. Miller	Hosford	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Second
Lake Ellen	James Holland	Oaklocknee	J. R. Coggins	Arran	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth
Monticello	S. J. Revel	Hosford	J. R. Coggins	Arran	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth
Mount Zion	S. J. Revel	Hosford	J. R. Coggins	Arran	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth
Orange	S. J. Revel	Hosford	J. R. Coggins	Arran	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth
Providence	S. J. Revel	Hosford	J. R. Coggins	Arran	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	10	Fourth

Quincy	W. A. Burns	Quincy	T. J. Farr	Quincy	10	11	22	4	4	4	2	8	164	14	Every 8
River Junction	F. M. Wells	Juniper	O. E. McKown	River Junction	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	6	5	Second
Salem	John G. Black	Carrabelle	J. S. Robinson	Carrabelle	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	6	5	Every 8
Sunny Dell	Sunny Dell	Quincy	John R. Smith	Quincy	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	6	5	Fourth
Sundown	J. E. Clements	Arran	J. Y. Gresham	St. Marks	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	6	5	Fourth
St. Marks	J. D. Adcock	Tallahassee	W. H. Rugeley	Tallahassee	20	20	40	60	6	6	2	12	43	2	Fourth
Tallahassee	S. J. Revel	Hosford	T. M. Newton	Tallahassee	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	6	5	Every 8
Telogia	S. J. Revel	Hosford	T. M. Newton	Telogia	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	6	5	Third
Woodyville	S. J. Revel	Hosford	T. M. Newton	Telogia	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	6	5	Third

FINANCIAL
The Following Amounts Have Been Paid This Year, and Include Amounts From All Societies in This Church.

NAME OF CHURCH.	Pastors' Salary.	For Building.	Incidental and Improving.	For Visiting Ministers.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.
Aenon	30.00		6.00						
Antioch	40.00		5.00	6.00					
Arran	75.00		8.00						
Chaires	34.52		36.75						
Concordia	281.00		161.00		1.50	1.50	1.50		
Corinth	170.00	300.00	92.00	43.00		11.75		.75	
Edinboro (J)	50.00								
Edinboro (L)	70.00		70.00						
Fanley	70.00		13.00				1.50	10.00	7.00
Flat Creek	90.00			10.35					
Fort Hudson									
Gen. E. Glo.	200.00								
Gen. Moses Wa	125.00	500.00				2.00	5.00	3.75	
Hopetown						10.00			
Havana	130.00	127.00	2.25				6.50	8.35	5.00
Indian Springs	200.00								
Lake Mystic	40.00								
Lake Ellen	15.00								
Monticello	700.00		12.50			117.00			
Mount Eian	40.00					6.35		1.40	
Mount Besor	120.00		28.00		2.00				
Orange									
Providence			16.00						
Quincy	1,035.50		1,032.15		5.00	53.70	288.16	75.62	
Salem	1,200.00		180.00						
River Junction	150.00								
Sundown									

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Sunny Dell	96.00		86.35			116.00	151.35	200.15	
St. Marks	44.45		555.00						
Tallahassee	1,200.00		2,015.77						
Telogia	48.43		129.15	18.95			6.30		
Woodville	75.00		2.00						

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The Following Amounts Have Been Paid This Year, and Include Amounts From All Societies in The Church.

NAME OF CHURCH.	Columbia College	Seminary	Educational General	Aged Ministers	Orphanage	For the Poor	Minutes and Clerk	Total	Total Value of Property
Anson							1.55	30.05	400.00
Antioch							1.50	72.50	300.00
Arran							1.00	84.00	425.00
Chaires							1.85	72.42	550.00
Concordia				1.00	1.00		2.00	458.50	500.00
Corinth					10.25		4.00	628.50	1,622.00
Edenizer (J)					1.00	4.75	7.75	52.75	250.00
Edenizer (L)							1.50	94.00	500.00
Fauler							1.50	108.50	1,000.00
Flat Creek					5.00		2.05	165.40	50.00
Pt. Braden							1.00	1.80	50.00
Greensboro							1.00	328.60	2,600.00
Gretna					15.85		1.50	500.00	600.00
Hopful					2.10		2.00	251.25	3,000.00
Indiana							4.50	242.45	3,000.00
Lake Springs							1.35	19.25	240.00
Lake Erie	2.00				8.00		1.35	74.35	2,300.00
Lake Erie				4.00			1.00	151.00	1,000.00
Monticello							1.55	15.00	1,500.00
Mount Egan							3.00	3,822.54	6,000.00
Mount Esau	30.00						2.00	1,260.00	1,900.00
Orange							5.00	155.00	250.00
Providence							1.00	100.00	400.00
Quincy	121.58	15.00		16.29	39.15		4.00	137.87	18,000.00
Salem							2.50	4,589.45	400.00
River Junction							1.00	202.80	400.00
Sundown							5.00	77.00	550.00
Sunny Dell							1.00	100.00	400.00
St. Marks							1.00	137.87	18,000.00
Taliahassee	218.00			15.06	118.72		2.50	4,589.45	400.00
Telogia							1.00	202.80	400.00
Woodville							5.00	77.00	550.00

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Church.	Superintendent.	Postoffice.	Secretaries.	Postoffice.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils Enrolled.	Number of Pupils Enrolled in Home Department.	Is Your Total Enrollment Large as Your Church Membership?	Number of Pupils in School.	Have You a Teacher Training Class?	Expenses of School.
Antioch	W. L. Todd.	Wetumpka	Reigh Todd.	Wetumpka	1	9	35					
Arran	J. E. Laws.	Arran	Miss E. Vance.	Arran	1	6	40					1.40
Concordia	L. E. Butler.	Concord	Miss Mittie Connell.	Concord	1	5	20				Yes	44.90
Corinth	J. H. Murphree.	Hosford	D. M. Johnson.	Hosford	1	8	65					
Curtis Mills.		Fanlew	Wiley Grantham.	Fanlew	1	4						
Fanlew	R. S. Clifton.	Fanlew	Miss Idelle Fletcher.	Fanlew	1	9	106				No	15.50
Fiat Creek	J. C. B. Kennedy.	Greensboro	Oscar Lott.	Greensboro	1	6	23					
Greensboro	G. W. Kennedy.	Havana	O. N. Bevell.	Havana	1	7	40					
Havana	C. M. Peddie.	Hosford	W. B. Sherman.	Hosford	1	6	60					16.87
Monticello	Frank Colson.	Monticello	Lola Strickland.	Sopchoppy	1	7	75				No	349.78
Monticello	E. C. Roberts.	Sopchoppy	Juniper R. L.	Sopchoppy	1	24	154				Yes	217.04
Monticello	D. N. Clark.	Quincy	James Love.	Quincy	1	20	235				Yes	1.00
Quincy	W. E. Shaffer.	Tallahassee	W. H. Rugeley.	Tallahassee	1	5	46					
Salem	Houst. A. Bitch.	Tallahassee	D. J. Barrineau.	Tallahassee	1	1	5					
Tallahassee	Magnus Barrineau.	Tallahassee	Mrs. L. V. Hagerman.	Tallahassee	1	11	87				Yes	
Tallahassee	L. C. McLeod.	Ebb	Miss Maud Stover.	Ebb	1							
Tallahassee	H. B. Mahoney.	Carrabelle		Carrabelle	1							

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Church.	President.	Postoffice.	Secretary.	Postoffice.	Total for All Purposes.
Corinth	Mrs. L. W. Hubbard	Hosford	Mrs. Kelley	Hosford	\$ 3.35
Chadron	Mrs. A. E. Hightower	Chadron	Mrs. Nellie Boyd.	Concord	
Concordia	Miss Edin Walsh.	Concord	Miss Aline Walsh.	Sopchoppy	
Mc. Besor	Della Allen Mills.	Sopchoppy	Clara Campbell.	Monticello	5.40
Indian Springs	Mrs. W. H. Mills.	Lloyd	Mrs. B. F. Barnes.	Quincy	19.00
Monticello	Mrs. J. F. Shuman.	Monticello	Mrs. C. W. Woodberry.	Tallahassee	108.09
Quincy	Mrs. M. A. Love.	Quincy	Mrs. C. W. Richardson.	Tallahassee	217.41
Tallahassee	Mrs. Park Trammell.	Tallahassee			
Salem	Mrs. H. B. Mahoney.	Carrabelle			

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

Church.	President.	Postoffice.	Secretary.	Postoffice.	Total for All Expenses.
Corinth	W. D. Dukes.	Hosford	Mrs. Hubbard	Hosford	\$
Greensboro	T. B. Fletcher.	Greensboro	Miss Ruby Inman.	Greensboro	
Monticello	S. B. Robertson.	Monticello	Miss Ruby Davis.	Monticello	
Quincy	D. A. Avant.	Quincy	Miss Edna Brewer.	Quincy	62.85
Tallahassee	Robert Roberts.	Tallahassee	Miss M. Johnson.	Tallahassee	22.50
Salem	Miss May McCrackton.	Carrabelle	Miss Maud Storer.	Carrabelle	

