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## STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1929-1930

### MISSIONS

State Missions—Strother A. Campbell.  
Home Missions—Dr. W. M. Vines.  
Foreign Missions—Mrs. M. A. Love.

### SOCIAL SERVICE

Children's Home—A. Pichard.  
Prohibition—Royal Calloway.

### EDUCATION

Stetson University—A. C. Camp.  
Bible School—R. D. Dodd.  
Periodicals—E. C. Roberts.  
B. Y. P. U.—Mrs. W. L. Harrell.  
W. M. U.—Mrs. J. O. Perkins.  
Stewardship—C. L. Wattenbarger.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

D. A. Avant, W. L. Maige, J. E. Shelfer, T. C. Hinson,  
W. H. Rugeley.

### LIST OF PREACHERS

E. D. Johnson, Tallahassee, Fla.  
Strother A. Campbell, Tallahassee, Fla.  
Charles A. Wattenbarger, River Junction, Fla.  
W. M. Vines, Quincy, Fla.  
H. W. Mangum, Sneads, Fla.  
P. N. Sheppard, Norman Park, Ga.  
O. N. Revell, Bristol, Fla.  
J. K. Hutchings, Monticello, Fla.  
W. E. Gray, Tallahassee, Fla.  
R. D. Dodd, Havana, Fla.  
S. K. Wilson, Scanlon, Fla.  
Joseph Connell, DeLand, Fla.  
Royal Calloway, Carrabelle, Fla.  
A. C. Camp, Havana, Fla.  
J. L. Hand, Quincy, Fla.

## CONSTITUTION OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known by the name of The Florida Baptist Association. The object of this Association shall be to conduct the work of missions, colportage, Sabbath school enterprises and other work that will tend to the spread of the Gospel.

ARTICLE 2. This Association shall be composed of white members chosen by the respective churches in its union, in the proportion of two members for each church of fifty or less, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members over fifty.

ARTICLE 3. The letters sent by the church at each session of the Association shall express their respective members in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated and dead since last session.

ARTICLE 4. Believing it to be proper on account of the diversity of opinion among men as to the import of Scripture contained in the Old and New Testaments to declare our belief and understanding thereof we therefore append our belief in twelve Articles and present them with our minutes to the Baptist denomination.

ARTICLE 5. The Association when convened shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the votes of the members present who shall hold their offices until next session of the body and until their successors are elected. The Moderator shall preside at the meeting of the Association and the Clerk shall record the proceedings and prepare them for the press.

ARTICLE 6. The Association thus organized shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage or infringe upon the internal rights of any church.

ARTICLE 7. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to this union on application by letter and delegates; and if, upon examination, found to be orthodox, shall be received by the Association and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 8. The Association shall furnish the minutes of their proceedings in proportion to the funds sent up for that purpose by the churches.

ARTICLE 9. The minutes of the Association shall be publicly read (and corrected, if necessary), and then signed by the Moderator and Clerk before adjournment.

ARTICLE 10. Any amendment or ratification of this Constitution may be made by the votes of two-thirds of the members present at any two regular successive meetings of the Association. All other matters of fellowship shall be decided by a majority of votes. In matters of fellowship the Association must be a unit.

ARTICLE 11. The Association shall have power first, to provide for the general union of the churches; second, to give the churches advice in matters of difficulty; third, to inquire into the cause of any failing to be represented at the meetings of the Association; fourth, to withdraw all connection from any church or churches in this union who shall violate the rules of this Association, or shall deviate from the orthodox principles of the revealed Word of God; fifth, to appropriate the money contributed and sent up to the



Association as specified by said churches, and when not specified it shall be apportioned to promote the best interests of the Master's cause; sixth, to adjourn to any future time and place they may deem most convenient to the churches in the union.

## RULES OF DECORUM OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. At every meeting of the Association the Moderator shall call the members to order and cause the Clerk to read the minutes of the previous Association.
2. The Moderator shall preserve order, and shall speak on any point of order with reference to the other members, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Association, when requested by any two members.
3. The Moderator shall put all questions distinctly in this form: "As many as are in favor (as the question may be) say 'Aye,'" and after the affirmative vote is taken, "As many as are of a contrary opinion say 'No.'" If doubtful which voice is in the majority, it shall be decided by rising and counting.
4. The Moderator shall appoint the committees, except in cases of appointment by ballot.
5. In all cases of ballot the Moderator may vote. In all other cases he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided, or unless his vote given to the minority will make the division equal. In that case the question shall be lost.
6. When any member is about to speak in debate he shall rise and address the Moderator.
7. If any member, while speaking or otherwise employed, transgress the rules of decorum, the Moderator shall, or any member may, call him to order.
8. When two or more members shall rise at the same time, the Moderator shall decide who is first entitled to the floor.
9. No member shall indulge in unkind remarks in debate, nor shall any member speak more than twice on the same question without leave from the Association, nor more than once until every one choosing to speak shall have done so.
10. While any member is addressing the Association, it shall be the duty of the Moderator to suppress all private discourses that may be entertained between the members, and require strict attention on the part of the members.
11. When a motion is made and seconded it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.
12. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if desired by any member of the Association.
13. After a motion is made and seconded it shall be deemed in possession of the Association, but may be withdrawn at any time before being discussed or amended.
14. When a question is under debate no motion shall be entertained unless to amend it or refer it to a committee, or for the previous question, or for adjournment.
15. A motion for adjournment shall always be in order, and decided without debate.

16. Any member may call for a division of a question when two or more distinct propositions are set forth, and when the substance will admit of division.
17. Motions and amendments may be referred to a committee at the pleasure of the Association.
18. Every resolution shall receive two statements or readings in the Association previous to its passage. The first shall be for information, and the second when the decision of the Association is to be made.
19. These rules may be changed or amended at any full meeting of the Association.
20. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer each day by the Moderator or some other member.
21. All queries shall be fairly stated in writing and approved by two-thirds of the members present before they shall be acted on.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

- Article 1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three in the Godhead—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.
- Article 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.
- Article 3. We believe in the doctrine of particular and eternal election.
- Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.
- Article 5. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is by nature, by his own free will and ability.
- Article 6. We believe that we are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.
- Article 7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.
- Article 8. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.
- Article 9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ; that nothing is baptism except immersion; that believers are the only subjects of this ordinance, and that none but baptized believers are entitled to partake of the Lord's Supper.
- Article 10. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.
- Article 11. We believe that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.
- Article 12. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances only such as are regularly called and have come under the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery.



## MINUTES OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Florida Baptist Association met in regular order at 10 o'clock A. M., Thursday, October 17th, with the Antioch Baptist Church.

Meeting called to order by E. C. Roberts, Moderator.

Devotional, led by Rev. E. D. Johnson.

Minutes of last year read and adopted.

Motion carried that the delegates present and the ones who would come in later should constitute the eighty-seventh session of the Florida Baptist Association.

Dr. W. M. Vines was elected Moderator, J. K. Hutchings, Clerk, and W. H. Rugeley, Treasurer.

Introductory sermon preached by Dr. Strother Campbell.

Association adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Association met at 1:30 o'clock.

Devotional, led by R. D. Dodd.

Report on State Missions read by W. M. Vines.

Report on Home Missions read by J. K. Hutchings.

Report on Foreign Missions read by Mrs. W. H. Rugeley.

All these reports spoken to by Dr. W. M. Vines and Mrs. W. H. Rugeley.

Report on Children's Home read by P. W. Shelfer, discussed by P. W. Shelfer, C. L. Billingsly, W. H. Rugeley, C. L. Wattenbarger and adopted.

Report on Mutual Relation of Church and Pastor, read by D. A. Avant, discussed by D. A. Avant, C. L. Wattenbarger and adopted.

Report on Prohibition read by John Scruggs, discussed by John Scruggs, W. M. Vines and adopted.

Dr. Strother Campbell was elected member of the State Board of Missions. Dr. W. M. Vines elected delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, W. L. Maige, E. C. Roberts and D. A. Avant were chosen as a committee to report on time and place of meeting for next year.

Report of Executive Committee read and adopted.

Association adjourned until Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Association met at 10 o'clock.

Devotional led by J. K. Hutchings.

Call for delegates who did not report on Thursday.

W. G. Upchurch and Mrs. Harrell were recognized.

Treasurer's report read by W. H. Rugeley and adopted.

Report on Bible schools read by R. D. Dodd. Discussed by R. D. Dodd, Willie Dean, W. H. Rugeley, Rufus Tucker and adopted.

Report on Stetson University read by C. L. Wattenbarger. Discussed by C. L. Wattenbarger, W. H. Rugeley and adopted.

Report on Literature prepared by W. M. Scruggs. Read and discussed by Rev. Royal Calloway and adopted.

Report on Stewardship read by O. N. Revells, prepared by Z. R. Camp. Discussed by W. G. Upchurch and adopted.

Association adjourned until 1 o'clock.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Association convened at 1 o'clock. Devotional by Rev. E. D. Johnson.

Report on B. Y. P. U. read by R. D. Dodd, discussed by R. D. Dodd, C. L. Wattenbarger and adopted.

Report on W. M. U. read by Mrs. W. H. Rugeley. Discussed by Mrs. Rugeley, J. K. Hutchings and adopted.

Report of Fifth Sunday Meeting read by clerk, discussed by Rev. Rufus Tucker, E. D. Johnson, W. M. Vines and adopted.

Report of Finance and Obituaries. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Committees. Adopted.

Resolution by W. H. Rugeley that the clerk of the Association be paid \$50.00 for his services and that he be paid for all postage used in correspondence for the Associational work.

Resolution of thanks offered by R. D. Dodd. Adopted.

Association adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church of Monticello, Florida, on Thursday after the second Sunday in October at 10 o'clock, eastern time, in the year of our Lord 1930.

### MESSENGERS TO ASSOCIATION

ANTIOCH—R. E. Parramore, R. L. Parramore, W. L. Todd.

ARRAN—Rev. Rufus Tucker, Rev. E. D. Johnson.

AENON—W. E. Gray, Sister W. E. Gray.

CONCORDIA—L. E. Butler, C. H. Darsey, A. C. Camp, J. B. Walsh, R. H. Faircloth.

CALVARY—Rev. Royal Calloway.

CAPITOLA—G. T. Footman, Miss Clifford Boyd.

EBENEZER (Leon)—Sister Lella Holland.

EBENEZER (Jefferson)—No delegates.

FLAT CREEK—G. W. Smith, L. J. Clark, W. F. Cowart, S. W. Clark.

GRETNA—W. M. McKeown, S. S. Bently, S. B. Timmons, C. T. Timmons.

GREENSBORO—E. B. Fletcher, J. C. Brewer, Mrs. R. L. Green, Mrs. Myrtis Howard, Mrs. J. W. Campbell.

HARDAWAY—Tilden Sheppard, Mrs. Lila Sheppard, Mrs. C. M. Parker, R. L. Bradley.

HAVANA—R. D. Dodd, P. W. Shelfer, J. E. Shelfer, W. J. Roach, Mrs. J. A. Roberson.

INDIAN SPRINGS—John Scruggs, J. R. Miller, E. L. Billingsly.

LAKE ELLEN—W. G. Durrance, D. O. Colvin, Clarke Durrance, Mrs. Roddenbury.

LITTLE SYCAMORE—J. R. Nettles, Dorothy Nettles, Mrs. E. M. Potts, Miss Bertha Walker, M. A. Stringer.

MT. BESOR—O. N. Revells, C. C. Harrell, J. M. Roberts, M. T. Kemp.

MONTICELLO—W. L. Maige, Mrs. W. L. Maige, J. K. Hutchings, Mrs. J. K. Hutchings, Mrs. Rebecca Henderson.

MT. ELAN—No messengers.

OLIVE—Mrs. Jennie Gilbert.

PROVIDENCE—Willie Dean, J. E. Suber, C. E. Blount, G. D. Fletcher.

QUINCY—Mrs. J. M. Rowan, Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Vines, Mrs. C. W. Thomas, Mrs. T. D. Woodbury, Mrs. J. C. Harris, Mrs. W. N. Faircloth, D. A. Avant, Mrs. M. A. Love, Mrs. D. C. Musgrove, Mrs. W. C. Winanc, Mrs. W. W. Massey, Mrs. W. N. Sullivan.

RIVER JUNCTION—Mrs. Walter Lamb, Mrs. R. L. Ray, Rev. C. L. Wattenbarger.

SALEM—S. C. Carmical, Mrs. James C. Storrs.

ST. MARKS—E. D. Johnson, Geo. B. Roberts.

TALLAHASSEE—Mrs. A. H. Cates, Mrs. Ida Love, E. C. Roberts, W. H. Rugeley, W. H. Cates, A. Pichard, Mrs. W. H. Rugeley, J. T. Williams, Mrs. W. B. Bryant, Rev. Strother Campbell.

WOODVILLE—No messengers.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The marked Baptist development in practically every section of the South is due more largely to the State mission programs than to any other one cause. Our State mission boards have given the impetus and organization to all our benevolent objects to which is due in a large measure whatever success has come in our denominational growth and advancement.

Time was in the South when State mission work consisted chiefly in sending evangelists into needy and neglected communities to preach the gospel, supplementing the salaries of pastors of struggling churches in strategic centers, and aiding weak congregations in erecting modest houses of worship. These features are still embodied in the average State mission program, but such a program now includes also the promotion of training in Sunday school, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U., laymen's and stewardship work, along with the promotion of the causes of Home and Foreign missions, Christian education, hospitals, orphanages and every other phase of Baptist work, both State and Southwide. In fact, our State mission offices have become our chief promotional and collecting agencies for every Baptist interest. It is easy to see how important an adequate State mission program is to the success of everything else Baptists are doing.

One who has watched the growth of Baptist work in any State has seen how the development of the churches in that State has been largely in proportion to the strength of the State mission program. Where a vigorous State mission program has been put on the churches have responded, not only to the State mission appeal, but to the appeal for Home and Foreign missions and practically every other phase of Baptist service. It is this type of development work among churches that needs particularly to be stressed at this time, when so many churches have become absorbed in their local programs that for the time being they have apparently lost sight of their obligations to the interests of the Kingdom beyond their own communities.

No other agency of the denomination is so well fitted for the prosecution of a great evangelistic and enlistment program that would reach the needy sections of the various States as are our State mission boards.

It is found that in Florida there are 100 towns and villages which have no Baptist church, there being an average of only one Baptist church to each seventy square miles of territory. In this State there are 213,406 Baptists and 315,059 members of all other churches. A total of 528,465 members of all churches, while there are 788,695 people who do not belong to any church.

In its forty-eighth annual report to the Florida Baptist Convention the State board of missions reported that Florida Baptists had given to all missionary enterprises during the year the sum of \$244,138.01. This was a splendid record when it is remembered that the State has passed through many serious financial difficulties and disasters, which brought disappointment and distress to thousands of our people.

During the past year our board assisted in the support of 74 missionary pastors, who preached the gospel at 104 different



churches and mission stations. Our State board supports one full time missionary in the territory of Lake Okeechobee, whose work has been blessed of the Lord in a wonderful way.

These missionary pastors reported 893 baptisms, 742 received into their churches by letter, and 56 by restoration. While they were working on mission fields that had to be assisted by the board, at the same time they reported \$5,447.06 collected for missions, and \$14,382.54 raised for church buildings. The board spent on this phase of our work \$18,500.18.

To our W. M. U. department, with its field workers, the board has contributed \$8,793.16 through the year, and to our Sunday school department, with its field forces, \$7,536.31, and to the B. Y. P. U. department for its work over the State, \$7,592.06. In each of these departments splendid progress has been made, for which we praise God.

The Children's Home in Arcadia has been assisted all through the year with funds from the Co-operative Program receipts, which amounted to \$6,550.80. There passed through the mission office as special gifts to the home \$3,306.62, and the superintendent reported other gifts which had been sent directly to the home and which totaled \$19,848.70. This gives a grand total of \$29,706.12 contributed by Florida Baptists to our Children's Home for the year.

To Foreign missions for the purpose of preaching the gospel unto the uttermost parts of the earth, we gave last year \$47,473.38. To the Home mission board we gave \$16,194.68, not counting the special gifts made on Baptist Honor Day, which amounted to \$16,730.02.

Florida Baptists gave to Southwide educational institutions, to make possible the training of our ministerial students and missionaries, \$10,505.79. There were special gifts made to the Louisville Seminary by friends in the State which amounted to \$5,778.90.

We were able to send the New Orleans hospital \$1,311.27, and to aged ministers, or in some cases their widows, \$5,315.38. We put into our student work at Tallahassee and Gainesville \$3,403.42.

To our laymen's work, which was instituted the latter part of the year, we gave \$1,075.48.

Our board raised to distribute for storm relief work \$3,993.65. To this amount was added \$4,000.00 which the board borrowed from the banks to assist churches that were badly torn to pieces by the hurricane of last September.

We have given to Stetson university during the year, for the purpose of increasing its endowment, \$6,550.80. We have assisted 19 ministerial and mission students at Stetson and in our training schools, from our student loan fund to the extent of \$2,620.32.

The board, in the beginning of the year, appropriated \$5,000.00 to the Baptist Witness, in order to assist the paper in reaching our people with information concerning our work. We feel that this has proven a good investment.

While we will probably not be able to raise as much mission money this year as last, at the same time we are grateful to God for His many blessings, and for the sacrificial manner in which thousands of our people have supported our work.

W. M. VINES,  
J. C. BREWER,

## REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has had a rather trying time in the past year. Vast as is the scope of its activities, pressure has been used by some to discontinue the board or merge it with another board. Some of our leaders seem to think that the usefulness of the home board is past—that it has served its purpose and is no longer needed.

The majority of Southern Baptists think otherwise. The most of us believe that the home work is just as necessary as it ever was, and perhaps more so.

If the work of the Home mission board is properly executed we serve millions of foreigners each year who come to our shores and must be evangelized by some agency. If we fail to take care of the home base we would most certainly lose interest in work in the foreign fields.

The newly elected secretary of the Home mission board has come to us with a great and worthy program. He is a big man and has made a great sacrifice with the ambition to do a great work. He has many discouragements to face, and yet there are many things that look hopeful.

Most of our people have stopped talking about Clinton Carnes. Mrs. Bottoms, of Texas, has given \$500,000.00 to the work and four million Baptists, reaching from Mexico to the District of Columbia, are gradually awakening to a consciousness of the greatness of the opportunity and the task that lies before us.

J. K. HUTCHING,  
W. E. GRAY,  
RUFUS TUCKER.

## REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, 1929

The work of the Foreign mission board has made steady advance during the past year. There have been many difficulties in the way, but through the favor of the Lord there have appeared many encouragements.

Fine progress has been made towards the reduction of the great debt which has burdened the board for so many years. The debt set upon the books January 1, 1928, amounted to \$1,145,000. By the first of May, 1929, this debt had been reduced to \$802,506.88. This is most encouraging.

The plan for reducing the debt is to apply to it 10 per cent of all receipts from the co-operative program, all special gifts made for this specific purpose, and all moneys received from the sale of properties owned by the board in foreign lands, and which are not now in use for mission purposes.

The vigor of our foreign mission work is shown by a few figures. We have in our foreign mission fields 1,392 churches; 744, or about one-half of these are self-supporting, and 960, or two-thirds of them, own their houses of worship.

There are 147,648 members of these churches, or about one-twenty-fifth as many as are enrolled in the churches here in the bounds of our Southern Baptist Convention. If we leave out of consideration the amount the Foreign mission board pays for the salaries and expenses of its foreign missionaries, these native Christians put last year more money into the support of the



native work than did the board. The Foreign mission board gave \$540,000 to develop the work amongst the missions, and the native Christians gave for the same work \$575,000.

They baptized last year 12,264 converts, or a little over 1,000 every month, or 33 every day.

These foreign churches are organized into Baptist associations as we are organized here in the homeland. Many fields have home and foreign mission boards. They have schools also. The native churches support the majority of our foreign mission schools. There were 486 schools last year with over 21,000 scholars. The Foreign mission board contributed toward the support of less than 100 of these schools. The native Christians took care of the remainder.

These native Christians have also made a substantial beginning in the developing of hospitals. One of the largest hospitals connected with our work abroad is the one supported entirely by the native Baptist Christians in Canton in our South China field.

The situation in China grows clearer. The government, which has been able to weather difficult storms recently, seems to be definitely established. Idols are being destroyed in many places, and temples are being used for schools. The anti-foreign and anti-Christian sentiments are dying out, and everywhere evidences of a new day manifest themselves.

Missionaries have returned to all of our stations, and have received a warm welcome. There are widespread and unmistakable evidences of a great revival. People are awaiting baptism in a great many places.

In a great number of the new districts in Nigeria vast multitudes are turning to Christ. The people are turning from idols and accepting Christ by the thousands. Whole towns are professing Christianity. Baptist churches are springing up in towns which have never had a visit from a foreign missionary or even an ordained native Baptist minister. The movement is growing so rapidly that we cannot take care of it. This is the greatest mass movement toward Christianity we have ever met. We baptized 4,525 in Roumania last year—the largest number of baptisms we have ever reported in any year from any field.

In spite of all the problems on the foreign fields, delicate, perplexing and difficult though they may be, we feel no discouragement. We know that the gospel will certainly triumph wherever it is preached. The only discouragement worth considering is that which arises from lack of support here in the homeland. Thank God we can take care of this source of discouragement. We certainly have the resources in wealth. The question is whether we have spiritual resources sufficiently strong to make us respond to the needs. Do we love Christ who died for us? Do we really bear in mind the great truth that He died not for us only but for all the world? God has waked up the whole world in our day. He must have had some purpose in this. Will we wake up to our privilege and duty to make known in all the world His precious saving grace?

"For the love of Christ constraineth us: because we thus judge, that one died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, that they that live should no longer live unto themselves, but unto him who for their sakes died and rose again."—II Cor. 5:14-15.

MRS. W. H. RUGELEY,  
J. E. SHELFER,  
A. L. HINSON.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BIBLE SCHOOLS

*To the Eighty-seventh Annual Conference of the Florida Baptist Association:*

The condition of the Sunday schools throughout the Florida association is by far the best that we have had in recent years. There are more pupils enrolled and a larger average attendance than ever before in the history of our association.

This condition is brought about largely through the work and efforts of the larger schools, but we must not forget the smaller schools and their whole-hearted efforts. The general indications are that the schools in the rural communities are alive to their possibilities and are putting forth every effort to maintain regular Sunday meetings of the Bible schools. Practically every school is using the standard literature prescribed by the Sunday School Board, and most of them, wherein practicable, have been graded. Quite a few of the schools have adopted the six point record system and are using it to good advantage.

The west side of the association has an active Sunday school association, well organized and functioning in perfect harmony.

Too much stress cannot be laid on the evangelical advantages of the Sunday school. Those of us privileged to work in the Bible schools should constantly stress the evangelistic side of our work. The children under our care are in the formative stage and impressions gained at this time are lasting impressions.

We desire to stress the work of the teachers in making the Bible school a power for Christ. The teacher should be consecrated, fearless and aggressive. They should always be dependable and willing to make some sacrifice in order to put the things of Christ first. Urge upon your teachers regular attendance and compliance with all the points of the six point record.

We are proud of the fact that in our association there are several schools that have reached the A-1 standard as set up by the Sunday School Board and there will be others to attain this standard in the near future.

Let all the older members lend their aid and influence in making our Bible schools larger and better and a fruitful field for recruits for the army of Christ Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CATES,  
G. W. RHODES,

MRS. SAM HENDERSON,

Committee.

## REPORT OF CHILDREN'S HOME

Our Children's Home in Arcadia has cared for an average of 175 children during the last conventional year. We learn that 36 children have left the home since the first of 1929. The places vacated by these children have been quickly filled from the applications coming into the home from children needing a place.

Those leaving the home this year have left for various reasons. Some have gone into the homes of relatives who felt that they could support them, some were half orphans who had been placed in the home on temporary contract to assist a parent in distress and were returned when the parent was able to take care of

them, but the large proportion of these children have left the home to support themselves in different ways and vocations.

One boy left for a barber's trade, one girl left a linotype operator, one boy a painter, three girls went into hospitals for training for nurses, one girl in special training for Western Union operator, one stenographer, a boy specially trained in mechanics, and several others in various positions of self-support.

We are happy to report to our association this class of work being done by our home in Arcadia for our boys and girls. Not only does the home support and care for the children, but they are giving them opportunities to develop normally into self-supporting Christian citizens.

God has richly blessed our family in health. We have had but little sickness and no deaths. Thirty-six of the children have been converted the past year and united with the First Baptist church of Arcadia.

We regret to report trying times at the home in supporting our family of boys and girls. The Convention placed the home on a definite budget and we learn the home has been operating under this budget each month. They have practiced rigid economy. For instance, they figure each meal to cost 10 cents per capita, including donations sent in and what is raised on their farm. This is small enough, but when we figure 30 cents a day and almost \$10 a month for just the meals for each child and support 175 children, you readily see the necessity of regular and large amounts of money going into the office of the home to pay the monthly expenses.

A committee of fifteen appointed by the Convention to recommend a plan for supporting our home offered the following, which was adopted:

"The committee recommends that 10 per cent of the budget receipts during the ensuing year for the unified program be given to the Children's Home; that each Sunday school be requested to contribute its offering on one Sunday in each month to the home."

If the full amount of the co-operative program objective had been paid, the home would have been able to pay all of their bills promptly. The program fell behind, however, with the home the first seven months \$5,165.34, so it can readily be seen we must depend upon the Sunday schools in the State to support the home with one Sunday's collection each month.

We therefore recommend, first, that each school in the association adopt the one Sunday's collection a month plan to help the home; second, that as many of our churches and church members as can do so, send donations of food and supplies to the home from time to time to help support our own orphan children at Arcadia.

Respectfully submitted,

P. W. SHELFER, Chairman,

W. G. DURRANCE,

J. R. MILLER.

#### REPORT ON PROHIBITION

From the days of long ago, all clear-thinking people have realized the poverty, wretchedness and crimes that resulted from the use of intoxicating liquor. Many of our ablest thinkers, greatest financiers, and wisest statesmen, as well as the ignorant, young,

and foolish, continue in its consumption, after a thorough investigation of its use, having declared that its continual and excessive use leads only to degeneration and ruin. But it was only in the latter half of the last century that any decided effort was made to outlaw its use, through the strenuous efforts of a few distinguished men and women.

An amendment to the National Constitution, making it unlawful to make, transport or sell it, which amendment was adopted by all the States except two, since which time it has been enforced in a manner by national, state and county officials.

There are many claims, and many of them proven, that many officials are ignoring, aiding and encouraging those making, carrying and selling it. Statistics tell us that the results of prohibition have exceeded even the highest expectations in financial, physical and intellectual ways, but here a great question arises: How nearly correct are these statistics? How are we to determine the amount of illicit importation, or the amount distilled in the United States and distributed by the bootlegger? There are others, a minority, we believe, who tell us that prohibition is a failure and that it is ruining and debauching the country, and should be repealed or amended. Our answer is that, not prohibition, but lack of its enforcement is our trouble.

We believed that the passage of the prohibition laws solved our troubles, and would give us a country clean morally, mentally and physically as no country had ever known. Most of us believed that our crime troubles were largely solved. However, we are still confronted with a great wave of crime; we are told by the opponents of the present law that prohibition as we have it is mostly breeding a nation of law-breakers; that it is corrupting and demoralizing our boys and girls. That it is creating a disregard for all laws. That it is corrupting city, county, state and federal law enforcement officers. That it takes the revenue that formerly went to governmental affairs and disburses it among the bootleggers. That it has passed the distribution from the bar to the business house, the filling station and the bootlegger. That the bootlegger has allied himself with the church in the cause of prohibition. That our people and officials on the whole vote dry and drink wet. That we endeavor to legislate for the other fellow, same not to apply to us personally. We as church members should ask ourselves if these assertions or any part of them be truths, and if so, what is the remedy, or what if any improvement can be made. Let us be frank and honest with ourselves and our fellow man. If we individually are not for a ruthless enforcement against all persons, ourselves and our families included, in every phase and principle, honor and humanity demand a modification to meet the test.

We know that if a majority of our people, even a majority of our church members alone, if they want a real enforcement of this law for themselves, and all people alike, will have same, and have it speedily; if not it will go from bad to worse. Let us not delude ourselves. Any law will be enforced in a democratic country when a majority of its people desire its equal enforcement for all its people, and not until then.

We feel sure it will never be repealed or amended save by the influence of the church. We are even more sure it will never be enforced save by a united church membership. We therefore submit the question, What will the church members of America do



with prohibition? We urge every right-minded, right-thinking person to be diligent in word and action for the best welfare of humanity. One has only to read the news of the day to realize the mighty waves of crimes committed in and through intoxicants, where the authorities of states, counties and cities are corrupted and defied and crime is rampant, with a small per cent of convictions if brought to courts.

The responsibility is ours. "We are our brother's keeper." We should meet this issue squarely, honestly and fairly. We your committee recommend: That every church member with an unprejudiced mind and heart inform himself or herself of the true condition of prohibition at present. That they courageously, honestly, intelligently and practically seek a real honest-to-God enforcement in a united manner of an honest temperance.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. R. SCRUGGS,

MRS. JENNIE GILBERT,

MRS. O. C. MUSGROVE,

Committee.

#### MUTUAL RELATION OF CHURCH AND PASTOR

It is needless to repeat that a church should sustain its pastor financially. It is needless also to repeat that a pastor should feed the church spiritually. This "mutual relation" being usually accepted by all as the "one thing needful," it is our custom to return to our respective homes and fall into the same ruts we have been in for many years. But it is not enough for a church to feed and clothe the pastor physically, or for a pastor to appear on the scene of action only on Sunday. The pastor and people should be in vital daily contact, both with burning hearts for lost and dying men; both seeking new methods in a modern warfare against the wiles of the devil; both realizing that we are in a battle royal; that we will win, but to win we must put our hearts, heads, hands and shoulders together, and become proficient in the use of the "sword of the Spirit"—the Word, which is God's dynamite.

When pastor and people alike awake out of our lethargy, and realize the enemy never sleeps, but is ever laying new plans to get a strangle-hold on our sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, to drag them to the bottomless pit, then we will be drawn into a mutual relationship of love, affection and co-operation which will be well pleasing unto Jesus, the captain of our host.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. AVANT,

W. J. ROACH,

MISS NELLIE DEAN.

#### REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP

Someone has said that responsibility is response to one's ability. Viewed in this light, how must be the responsibility of Southern Baptists? If the members of all Baptist churches in the South which are regarded as co-operating with the Southern Baptist Convention gave a tenth of their income to God—and surely no one who has been redeemed with the Precious Blood

of the Lord Jesus Christ can be content with doing less than that—there would be brought into the treasury of our churches three times as much money for all local church expenses as is being given at present, and ten times as much money for all missions and benevolence as has been given in recent years. What we are able to do we ought to do.

Luke, 16:14. The Unjust Steward: This parable of Jesus was meant for the disciples, that they might recognize their stewardship. It is not meant to commend dishonesty but the wise, even shrewd, employment of our wits in the use of what is entrusted to us in view of the day of reckoning. Wasting of goods is a sin, on a par with dishonesty. "Was accused that he was wasting his goods."

A day of accounting is certain. Why should people show so much sense and discernment about worldly things, and so little about spiritual? The sons of this world and the sons of light.

By the right use of money Heaven is enriched for us. People who are saved by mission offerings will greet us as friends in Heaven, makes friends by means of the mammon of unrighteousness.

It is not the amount you have, but the proportion you give. He that is faithful in little is faithful in much.

And Jesus sat over against the treasury and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury. Mark 12:41.

What a scene. The group of worshippers silently passing by and casting their gifts into the treasury, the Lord of all glory watching. His divine eyes searching the souls of the people, His divine mind understanding the motive of every heart and swiftly registering of the possession represented by each offering.

Jesus saw the woman as she brought her gift. He sees the groups in every church that do not come to the treasury at all. They claim Him as their Saviour. They look to Him for His blessings day by day. They sing hymns about Him. They pray in His name. Some day they hope to stand in His presence, redeemed by His blood. But they do not meet Him at the treasury. Surely His message to this group is: Thou shalt not appear before the Lord empty-handed.

"The Lord loveth a cheerful giver."

"Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful."

Let us reverently look into His face before we make our offering—the face that we hope one day to see more plainly as we stand in His glorious and glorified presence and "know even as also we are known."

Respectfully submitted,

Z. R. CAMP,

O. N. REVELL,

Committee.

#### REPORT ON PERIODICALS

We, your committee, submit the following report:

We, as individuals, only take an interest in those things we know about and in those things we learn about. We can ask a public school teacher, "What do you read?" and find out the kind of a teacher. The same will apply to other professions. We can



make the same apply to Baptists and soon you will know just how good a Baptist or a Christian they are.

Baptist friends, we are reading and permitting our children to read such papers, magazines and books that are harmful to us and to them. Why don't we secure the best literature to read? When our attention is called to the fact that we have a Baptist paper, we say we are not able to pay the price, and then some of us pay the subscription price but never read the paper. What is wrong? Either we, as individuals, or the paper is not what it should be. What are we to do? We suggest each church make an effort to stress the *reading of the Baptist Witness* and other good papers and magazines. How? By each church having a special program and have the members tell why they enjoy reading the *Witness* and other good papers. Leave the ministers out of this and the members tell just what and how they feel and think about the best kind of reading. Another way to arouse interest, to make the *Witness* an appealing factor to the Baptists of the State. No teacher, no doctor, no business man will read a paper that is not appealing to him, and you will never get Baptists to read papers, magazines and books that do not appeal to them. Our Baptist *Witness* has improved from year to year, but at the same time people and their minds have changed and we have to face the conditions as they exist. One way to secure an interest is to have a layman's edition. Have the men to write and discuss different topics of interest to church people. Make the *Witness* more and more a layman's paper than a preacher's paper. Second, assign the Moderator of each Association the task of securing from both men and women a report of certain activities and secure from every church at least a short report. This will stimulate ALL to have and make a better paper.

We urge that every minister, Sunday school superintendent and church member lend their efforts to make our Baptist paper the factor it should be in the life of every Baptist.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. SCRUGGS, Chairman,  
R. D. DODD,  
ROYAL CALLOWAY.

#### REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

"Where there is no vision the people perish." Surely this old proverb is applicable to our B. Y. P. U. work. Where there is no vision, on the part of the leaders of the church, of the spiritual needs of the young people of the church, or of the challenging opportunities that are wrapped up in them, the probability is that you will find no provision in that church for the spiritual development of its young people. On the other hand, wherever you find a wide-awake, active, going B. Y. P. U., you will always find someone in the thick of things who has a full realization of what the training service of the church means, both to the young people themselves, and to the church.

It takes more consecrated effort to sustain life in B. Y. P. U. work than one can well conceive of unless he has tried it. But the fruit is worth the labor. A B. Y. P. U. organization, ministering to the needs of the young people of the church, supplies the church with recruits who are intelligent, well read and loyal

to the denominational program. Check up on a B. Y. P. U. organization, in any church that provides a way for its people to give systematically, and you will find it to be almost 100 per cent in its support of the program of the church. This cannot be said for the entire church membership.

This Association should be proud of the B. Y. P. U. work which is being done within its boundaries, and should allow that price to be manifested by encouraging this work in every way possible.

In the Association we have the Associational B. Y. P. U., of which Professor C. W. Persons is president. This organization was recognized as being the most efficient in West Florida at the West Florida Assembly this year. Within the Associational B. Y. P. U. there are two federations: the Gadsden County Federation, with Reginald Rowan as president, and the Tri-County Federation, with Miss Alvan Gregory as president. The Associational organization has an annual meeting, and will meet in Havana for its next, which will be in April. The federations have a monthly meeting.

In the association are 18 senior unions, 5 intermediate unions and 9 junior unions. There were organized during the past year 2 senior unions, 1 intermediate union, 3 junior unions and 1 general organization.

A number of training schools have been held during the past year. The two largest are the Gadsden County Training School, held in Quincy, with an average attendance of 140, and the Tallahassee School, with an average attendance of 155. Other weeks of study were conducted at Capitola, Monticello, Woodville, Crawfordville, Providence, Concord, Greensboro and River Junction.

This work deserves our best thought, our sincere interest and our earnest prayers for its continued success. May we give it whole-heartedly.

R. D. DODD,  
MRS. W. L. MAIGE,  
MRS. W. N. FAIRCLOTH.

#### STETSON UNIVERSITY

When Jesus gave the Great Commission to His disciples and sent them out as His representative into the world, He announced that He would function through them in two ways—in the making of disciples and in the teaching of those who became disciples. Evangelism and Christian education, therefore, are the two great enterprises in our Lord's program for the saving of the world. The church and the Christian school are the two institutions through and by means of which these two great enterprises are carried on. The churches and the Christian schools should, therefore, co-operate very closely, since they are co-workers in the great task of taking this world for Christ.

Stetson university is one of the number of schools by means of which Southern Baptists are attempting to carry out the teaching obligation included in the Great Commission. Florida Baptists function educationally through their Sunday schools, which give elementary Christian training, and through Stetson university, which stands at the head of their system of Christian education.

Stetson university realizes its responsibility as much as the churches realize their peculiar responsibility, and Stetson is earn-

estly and faithfully trying to perform its great task. The faculty is composed of Christian men and women who have prepared themselves for their fields so that they combine competency with Christian character.

The students, also, have organized the religious influences among themselves so as to nurture the Christian life. They have such organizations as the Y. W. A., Y. W. C. A., Minister's Club, a Vesper service, besides their own Sunday school classes, and B. Y. P. U's.

The university maintains a chapel service every day which the president conducts. All those who have attended one of Dr. Hulley's chapel services agree that it is very impressive and a very real influence in the spiritual life of the entire school.

The university offers courses of study leading to the major academic degrees. There are courses for the ministry, the legal profession, law, teaching, engineering, business, music, dramatics and art. Successful Stetson graduates in various professions are to be found all over Florida. The governor and a justice of the supreme court of Florida, State senators and representatives, county judges, and many lawyers and teachers and business men who have achieved success and distinction, are numbered among the graduates of Stetson in Florida.

Stetson is striving to carry on as is expected of her. She asks Florida Baptists to make greater use of their own college. In supporting their own Baptist college they are helping themselves first; then they are enabling the college to function better; and, thirdly, they are saving the day for Christian education; for, were it not for the Christian colleges in our land today, Christian education would perish from the face of the earth.

CHAS. L. WATTENBARGER.

#### TO THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IN CONFERENCE ASSEMBLED.

Greetings: We, the executive committee of the Florida Baptist Association submit to you the following report:

During the past year members of this committee have visited, either in a body or individually, nearly all of the churches comprising this Association. This committee has held four meetings on matters pertaining to the good of the Association, and general conditions therein.

We welcome into our Association all new pastors, and new members, Brothers Campbell, Vines, Dodd and Calloway, and any others who may have entered our Association since the last meeting.

We find conditions in general among our church work to be improving. Some of the smaller country churches have shown an added interest in the Kingdom work, as evidenced by the fact that the St. Marks church has not recently been represented in our annual meetings, but is this year sending a delegation to this convention.

We regret that the St. Marks church, through some misunderstanding, was under the impression that they had been excluded from the Association. We deplore this impression, and welcome these good brethren with us.

We recommend that the West Florida Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. secretary extend his activities to cover more of the rural communities.

We also recommend that in the future all churches in the Association be strongly urged to identify themselves with this body, and send delegations to attend this conference.

The Chaires Baptist church having been abandoned, we have a request from the members of this church for help in disposing of their church property. This committee has appointed Brothers John Scruggs and E. C. Roberts as a committee to help these brethren in this matter.

We recommend that Chaires and Curtis Mill churches be dropped from this Association, since they have both been abandoned.

Practically all churches in the Association have reported to the Association this year, and we congratulate them on their good reports.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CATES,  
J. E. SHELFER,  
E. C. ROBERTS,  
JOHN SCRUGGS,  
D. A. AVANT.

#### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Minutes of the annual meeting of the Florida Baptist Association of the W. M. U., held in Monticello, October 8, 1929, 10:00 A. M.:

The meeting was called to order by our president, Mrs. W. H. Rugely, of Tallahassee, with W. M. U. song, "The Kingdom is Coming." Havana W. M. S. gave the watchword, "Holding forth the word of Life."

Devotional, led by Mrs. J. L. Burnett, Tallahassee.

Greetings, Mrs. W. L. Maige, Monticello.

Responses, Mrs. J. F. Stephens, Havana.

#### ROLL CALL

Monticello .....	43	Quincy .....	12
Tallahassee .....	16	Concord .....	7
Havana .....	15	Lamont .....	4
Visitors .....	4		

President's message.

Vocal solo by Mrs. Mayo, Quincy.

Digest of reports by Associational secretary.

Recognition of visitors, A-1 Societies and Ruby Anniversary-Victory Societies.

#### COMMITTEES APPOINTED

##### NOMINATIVE

Mrs. J. L. Burnett      Mrs. Jim Cook  
Mrs. Charlie Darsey

##### OBITUARY

Mrs. J. F. Stephens      Mrs. S. F. Register

## RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. W. M. Vines                      Mrs. C. W. Thomas

## TIME AND PLACE

Mrs. A. D. Mayo                      Mrs. J. E. Robinson  
Mrs. L. E. Butler

Inspirational address by our State secretary, Mrs. H. C. Peelman.

Recess.

Luncheon.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting opened with song and prayer.

Report from chairmen of standing committees.

Talk on Young People's Work by Mrs. W. L. Harrell, Baptist Student secretary.

Reports from committees were accepted.

Officers were elected as follows:

President—Mrs. J. O. Perkins, Tallahassee.

Vice-President—Mrs. W. H. Rugeley, Tallahassee.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Lafe Culley, Tallahassee.

## DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

No. 1—Mrs. H. K. Hutchings, Monticello.

No. 2—Mrs. S. F. Register, Tallahassee.

No. 3—Mrs. L. B. Ellinor, Havana.

No. 4—Mrs. R. M. Anderson, Apalachicola.

## CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Stewardship—Mrs. H. S. Howard, Tallahassee.

Publicity—Mrs. Karl Howard, Tallahassee.

Young People's Leader—Mrs. Ola Hughes, Monticello.

Personal Service—Mrs. C. L. Shephard, Apalachicola.

Margaret Fund—Mrs. C. W. Thomas, Quincy.

Missionary Study—Mrs. W. L. Maige, Monticello.

Training School—Mrs. C. L. Moore, Monticello.

Thank offering, \$12.28.

Treasurer's report.

It was moved and seconded that the Association give Mr. J. K. Hutchings \$10.00 for printing of minutes.

## IN MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED

Mrs. J. B. Pounds, member of Quincy Baptist church, died February, 1929.

Mrs. Henry Darsey, member of Concord Baptist church, died March 13, 1929.

They were both consecrated Christians and active members of the Woman's Missionary Society—loved and esteemed by every one.

## RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That we extend our thanks and appreciation to the Monticello W. M. S. for their genuine hospitality, and

the lovely luncheon tendered us, and to thank Mrs. Peelman and Mrs. Harrell for their wonderful and helpful talks.

The Quincy W. M. S. extended us an invitation to meet with them October 8th, 1930, which was appreciated very much.

Recognition of officers.

Consecration service.

Adjourned to meet with River Junction W. M. U. on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1930.

## REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK

As a band of Christian women we are glad to have a part in spreading the gospel, of carrying on God's work through stewardship and missions. As has been stated before, "Woman's work in its entirety is too large a subject to be comprised within a brief report."

In the study of the W. M. U. manual this year under the capable leadership of our State secretary, Mrs. H. C. Peelman, we were made to realize what an important part a wide-awake W. M. U. should play in the church program. For through the W. M. S. and its organizations, which are the Sunbeams, G. A.'s and R. A.'s, and the Y. W. A.'s, the pastor can keep in touch with every woman, boy and girl in his church, as well as the community at large. Perhaps no place of community life remains untouched by the system of W. M. U. personal service when carried out in a practical way.

It sends its women into homes of sickness, poverty and distress, into jails and other places of sorrow, where the hand of Christian ministry is needed, as well as the homes of newcomers where a word of welcome is spoken.

We are glad to find, in our annual Association report of W. M. U. work, more mission study classes than ever before. This means that our women are becoming better informed, and when they are informed they become more interested and active.

Every church should have a woman's organization, but we are sorry to report that at the present time only 50 per cent of our churches in the Florida Association have a Woman's Missionary Society. May we, therefore, at the beginning of this new associational year, be much in prayer that at the end of the year, when we again give a report of what we have done for God through the W. M. U. we shall find ourselves greater possessors than ever before of the riches of prayer, of personal service and of knowledge of missions, both at home and abroad.

MRS. L. B. ELLINOR,  
MRS. C. W. THOMAS,  
MRS. W. H. RUGELEY.



## REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1928-1929

*Receipts.*

Balance on hand October 18th, 1928.....	\$ 25.72
Received from Finance Committee October 19th, 1928.....	120.75
Total .....	\$146.47

*Disbursements.*

J. K. Hutchings, clerk .....	\$ 50.00
T. J. Appleyard, minutes .....	72.00
Postage .....	2.50
	124.50
Balance on hand October 17th, 1929.....	\$ 21.97

W. H. RUGELEY, Treasurer.

## REPORT OF THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION, EASTERN DIVISION

Report as authorized by the Union as aforesaid:

Session held with Arran Baptist church December 28, 1928:

Contributions .....	\$11.25
Collections .....	7.78
	\$19.03
Less expense.....	7.00

Total .....\$12.03

It was given to Arran Baptist church for repairs.

REV. RUFUS TUCKER, Moderator.

T. A. ROBERTS, Clerk.

Session held with Ebenezer Baptist church, Leon county, March 29, 1929:

Contributions .....	\$ 8.17
Collections .....	11.49
	\$19.66
Less expense .....	7.00

Total .....\$12.66

It was given to Arran Baptist church for repairs.

REV. RUFUS TUCKER, Moderator.

T. A. ROBERTS, Clerk.

Session held with Mt. Elan Baptist church June 28, 1929:

Contributions .....	\$10.95
Reserved for clerk's expenses.....	5.00

Total .....\$ 5.95

It was given to Brother Alexander Cox, who has had serious afflictions.

REV. RUFUS TUCKER, Moderator.

W. G. DURRANCE, Clerk Pro Tem.

Session held with Lake Ellen Baptist church, Sept. 27, 1929:

Contributions .....	\$14.30
Collections .....	10.21
	\$24.51
Less expense .....	7.00
Total .....	\$17.51

It was given to our Baptist Orphanage at Arcadia as a special gift in and through the State Board.

BRO. CURTIS ROBERTS, Moderator.

T. A. ROBERTS, Clerk.

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We have received \$118 85 for Minutes and Clerk from churches, as follows, and have turned same over to Treasurer:

Arran .....	\$ 1.00	Lake Ellen .....	\$ 5.00
Aenon .....	2.00	Mt. esor .....	2.00
Antioch .....	4.00	Monticello .....	10.00
Concordia .....	5.00	Mt. Elam .....	5.00
Calvary .....	1.00	River Junction .....	5.00
Capitola .....	1.50	Salem .....	5.00
Ebenezer (Jefferson).....	1.50	Olive .....	5.00
Ebenezer (Leon) .....	2.00	Providence .....	5.00
Flat Creek .....	3.00	Quincy .....	7.50
Gretna .....	3.00	St. Marks .....	2.00
Greensboro .....	2.00	Tallahassee .....	15.00
Hardaway .....	2.00	Woodville .....	5.00
Havana .....	5.00	W. M. U.....	10.00
Indian Springs .....	5.15		
Little Sycamore.....	1.25		\$118.85

## LIST OF DEAD

Arran—Brother J. R. Vause.

Calvary—Mrs. John Frierson.

Monticello—Brother John Cook.

Mt. Elan—Mrs. Annie Langston.

Olive—Miss Capitola Wooten.

Providence—Mrs. Sallie Sheppard, Mr. Herbert Chappell, Mrs. Dellah Edwards.

Quincy—Mr. Chas. H. Willis, Mrs. Jerry Pound.

Tallahassee—Rev. Paul A. Caldwell, Miss Ella May Scott, Mrs. W. C. Geddie, Mrs. Laura Stewart.

Woodville—Deacon W. M. Clemons, Brother J. T. Boyd.

Hardaway—Maxie Park.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY OF FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING SEPT. 30, 1929.

NAMES OF W. M. S., G. A., R. A., Y. W. A. AND SUNBEAM BAND (Please Designate Each)	NUMBER OF				NO. SUBSCRIBERS				NO. BOXES				VALUE OF BOXES				CONTRIBUTED TO			
	Members	Tithers	Study Classes	Awards	Circles	Royal Service	H. & F. F.	World	Comrades	Witness	Children's Home	Aged Ministers	Margaret Fund	Children's Home	Aged Ministers	Margaret Fund	Apportionment	Week of Prayer	Local	Other Objects
Monticello	60	16	2	1	4	32	2	3	3	35	3			\$ 15.00	\$ 13.00	\$ 3.00	\$243.45	\$ 30.00	\$ 34.00	\$ 30.25
Chattahoochee	28	10	1	1	1	10				4	1						42.50	25.35	17.00	116.70
Greensboro	11	4	1	6	1	16	3			3							50.00		20.75	
Woodville	9	1	1			11				2										
Concord	17	1	3		5	10				45	2						608.24	62.00	125.00	99.47
Tallahassee	95	4	1			7				10	1						25.00	5.00	125.00	35.00
Havana	31	1	1			8				1	1						25.00	6.05	274.69	
Calvary	18	1	1			7				1	1						28.00		13.80	
River Junction	16	6	1			8				1							791.47	101.00	141.90	180.00
Quincy	93	10	2	33	5	39	9	7	7	28	5									
Society	President										Names of Secretaries				Address					
Monticello	Mrs. W. L. Malge	Mrs. E. H. Boykin	Mrs. E. H. Howard	Mrs. M. E. Merritt	Mrs. L. E. Butler (Havana)	Mrs. W. H. Rugeley	Mrs. L. B. Ellnor	Mrs. Dyal	Mrs. J. M. Gilchrist	Mrs. C. W. Thomas										
Chattahoochee																				
Greensboro																				
Woodville																				
Concord																				
Tallahassee																				
Havana																				
Calvary																				
River Junction																				
Quincy																				

## WOMAN'S WORK OF FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y.W.A.'s	Number of G.A.'s	Number of R.A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W.M.U. Organizations	W.M.S. Members	Y.W.A.'s Members	G.A.'s Members	R.A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study (Courses)	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions and Benevolences	Total Gifts
Concordia	1	0	0	0	0	1	19	0	0	0	0	19	0	23.35	0	23.35
Calvary	1	0	0	0	0	1	18	0	0	0	0	18	10	274.00	154.10	428.10
Greensboro	1	0	0	0	0	1	14	0	0	0	0	14	6	10.00	54.38	64.38
Havana	1	0	0	0	0	1	31	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	555.00	555.00
Monticello	1	1	2	1	1	6	65	20	28	15	25	153	20	30.00	290.35	320.35
Providence	1	0	1	0	0	1	130	17	62	12	26	247	35	141.90	1,238.44	1,380.34
Quincy	1	0	0	0	0	1	41	0	20	0	0	61	25	168.87	103.05	271.92
River Junction	1	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0
Salem	1	0	0	0	0	1	95	0	0	0	30	125	0	0	842.99	842.99
Tallahassee	1	0	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0
Woodville	1	0	0	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0

## B. Y. F. U.'s OF FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Inter- mediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Inter- mediate Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Systematic Givers in all Unions
Concordia	1	1	0	1	1	N	15	0	0	0	15	2
Calvary	0	0	0	0	0	N	15	0	0	0	15	10
Capitola	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	10	0	0	10	10
Fiat Creek	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	16	0	20	36	0
Gretna	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	9	0	0	9	0
Greensboro	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	24	0	0	24	0
Havana	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	19	21	10	50	46
Laurel	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	20	0	0	20	10
Monticello	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	25	19	0	44	15
Providence	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	32	17	0	49	0
Quincy	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	37	15	29	81	12
River Junction	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	37	15	10	62	62
Salem	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	37	15	10	62	62
Tallahassee	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	37	15	10	62	62
Woodville	0	0	0	0	0	N	0	37	15	10	62	62





CHURCH PROPERTY OF FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was It Built?	Materials Used.	Persons Seated.	Number of Rooms.	Are all Departments in Sunday School Provided For?	Are all Sunday School Classes Provided For?	Value of Church House and Grounds.	Value of Mission Chapel If Any.	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value all Church Property.	Indebtedness on all Church Property.	Insurance Carried.
Arran.	Yes	1885	Wood	500	1	No	No	\$1,000.00	0	0	1,000.00	0	0
Aenon.	Yes	1885	Wood	200	1	No	No	400.00	0	0	400.00	0	0
Antioch.	Yes	1885	Wood	300	1	No	No	1,000.00	0	0	1,000.00	0	0
Concordia.	Yes	1885	Wood	300	1	No	No	1,000.00	0	0	1,000.00	0	0
Calvary.	Yes	1894	Wood	300	1	No	No	6,000.00	0	4,000.00	10,000.00	0	3,500.00
Capitola.	Yes	1926	Wood	300	1	No	No	1,200.00	0	0	1,200.00	0	0
Ebenezer.	Yes	1912	Wood	300	1	No	No	1,000.00	0	0	1,000.00	0	0
Ebenezer (Jeff.)	Yes	1900	Wood	200	1	No	No	1,500.00	0	0	1,500.00	0	0
Fiat Creek.	Yes	1912	Wood	250	4	Yes	Yes	3,600.00	0	1,500.00	3,600.00	500.00	0
Gretna.	Yes	1907	Wood	250	2	No	No	3,250.00	0	1,000.00	4,750.00	0	None
Greensboro.	Yes	1908	Wood	300	2	No	No	2,000.00	0	1,000.00	3,000.00	0	0
Hardaway.	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1	No	No	2,000.00	0	0	2,000.00	0	0
Indian Springs.	Yes	1912	Wood	300	1	No	No	1,800.00	0	0	1,800.00	0	0
Lake Ellen.	Yes	1914	Wood	300	1	No	No	4,500.00	0	0	4,500.00	0	0
Little Sycamore.	Yes	1906	Wood	300	1	No	No	23,000.00	0	3,500.00	26,500.00	1,600.00	7,800.00
Mt. Beale.	Yes	1914	Brick	300	10	Yes	Yes	3,000.00	0	0	3,000.00	0	0
Monello.	Yes	1880	Wood	100	1	No	No	1,000.00	0	0	1,000.00	0	0
Mt. Elean.	Yes	1884	Wood	250	1	No	No	2,000.00	0	0	2,000.00	0	0
Olive.	Yes	1887	Wood	400	32	Yes	Yes	75,000.00	0	18,000.00	93,000.00	31,000.00	50,000.00
Providence.	Yes	1925	Brick	800	1	No	No	2,000.00	0	3,000.00	5,000.00	0	2,000.00
Quincy.	Yes	1907	Wood	150	1	No	No	2,000.00	0	0	2,000.00	0	0
River Junction.	Yes	1900	Wood	350	3	No	No	2,500.00	0	10,000.00	12,500.00	0	1,500.00
Salem.	Yes	1915	Brick	500	14	Yes	Yes	75,000.00	20,000.00	0	95,000.00	6,000.00	27,000.00
Tallahassee.	Yes	1915	Brick	500	1	No	No	1,500.00	0	0	1,500.00	0	0
Woodville.	Yes	1915	Wood	100	1	No	No	1,500.00	0	0	1,500.00	0	0

SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, STATE OF FLORIDA, OCTOBER, 1929.

CHURCHES	Is It a Village, Town, City or Country Church?	Sunday School Enrollment										Special Information														
		Officers and Teachers.	Beginners.	3-5 Years.	Primaries.	6-8 Years.	Juniors.	9-12 Years.	Intermediates.	Young People 17-24 Years.	Adults 25 Years and Up.	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years.	Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	What Is Your Average Attendance?	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A 1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas.	Baptisms from School.	Gifts to Local Church Work.	Gifts to Missions, Orphanages, etc.	Have you a Mission Sunday School?	Enrollment of Mission Sunday School.	Did You hold a Daily Vacation Bible School?	Enrollment Daily Vacation School.	Average Attendance Daily Vacation School.
Arran.	V	5	12	8	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	31	30	No	No	0	4	None	None	No	0	0	0	0
Antioch.	C	10	5	0	0	0	0	14	20	0	0	0	0	50	80	No	Yes	0	2	6.85	32.00	0	0	0	0	0
Concordia.	C	10	20	16	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	137	50	Yes	Yes	0	0	182.47	16.74	0	0	0	0	0
Calvary.	V	7	4	9	0	0	0	0	13	19	26	0	0	114	51	Yes	No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Capitola.	V	7	4	9	0	0	0	0	13	9	0	0	0	42	43	No	No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Flat Creek.	C	7	0	5	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	30	No	No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gretna.	C	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	30	No	No	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greensboro.	V	12	13	11	12	23	21	13	23	12	6	20	143	70	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	17	188.50	30.02	0	0	0	0	0
Havana.	V	14	6	12	12	23	21	13	23	28	6	20	143	70	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	17	188.50	30.02	0	0	0	0	0
Mt. Besor.	V	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Monticello.	V	19	22	7	0	0	0	0	34	33	12	20	212	117	Yes	Yes	0	4	40.00	14.92	0	0	0	0	0	
Providence.	V	14	4	7	12	75	61	150	0	12	6	6	6	521	227	Yes	Yes	0	10	10.88	14.92	0	0	0	0	
Quincy.	C	50	48	80	13	12	70	61	150	0	0	0	0	179	115	No	Yes	28	22	418.03	10.88	0	0	0	0	
River Junction.	V	19	23	24	19	12	20	38	25	0	0	0	0	113	65	Yes	No	4	4	250.00	100.00	0	0	0	0	
Salem.	C	8	38	19	11	11	19	23	15	0	0	0	0	858	420	Yes	No	0	22	1,000.91	125.42	0	0	0	0	
Tallahassee.	V	60	80	8	8	8	12	12	12	0	0	0	0	55	25	No	No	0	4	16.00	0	0	0	0	0	
Woodville.	V	3	10	8	8	8	8	12	12	0	0	0	0	55	25	No	No	0	4	16.00	0	0	0	0	0	

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Is it in a Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted.	CHURCH CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	Days of Meeting.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												Weekly Prayer Meetings.	Revival Meetings Held During Year.	Observances of Lord's Supper During Year.	Families Keeping State Baptist Paper.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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