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DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION**Officers Of New River Association**

Rev. S. E. Sparks — Moderator, 1949 Starke, Fla.
 Rev. A. R. Greene — Moderator, 1950 Rt. 3, Gainesville, Fla.
 Rev. W. H. Edwards — Assistant Moderator Alachua, Fla.
 A. Russell Norman — Clerk Starke, Fla.
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Rev. L. D. Haines — Starke Baptist Church Starke, Fla.
 Rev. C. F. Hooker — Pine Grove Church Gainesville, Fla.
 William Silcox — Kingsley Lake Church Starke, Fla.
 Crews Wainwright — Beulah Church Green Cove Springs, Fla.
 Lacy Duke — North Pleasant Grove Church Alachua, Fla.
 Frank Norman — Watroak Church Starke, Fla.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY:

Rev. John Pierce Starke, Fla.

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President — Mrs. E. D. Tenly Starke, Fla.
 Vice President — Mrs. Lawrence McGlynn Gainesville, Fla.
 Secretary — Mrs. H. A. Lawson Starke, Fla.
 Young People's Director — Mrs. Earl Willis Alachua, Fla.
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 Community Missions Chairman — Mrs. A. R. Greene Gainesville, Fla.
 Training School Chairman — Mrs. T. B. Harding Starke, Fla.
 Margaret Fund Chairman — Mrs. H. B. Stidham Alachua, Fla.
 Missionary Study Chairman — Mrs. M. L. Conner Starke, Fla.
 Children's Home Chairman — Mrs. T. N. Norman Starke, Fla.
 Publicity Chairman — Mrs. Elmer Stokes Brooker, Fla.
 Relief Chairman — Mrs. Beulah Harrell Brooker, Fla.

Officers Of Associational Sunday School

Superintendent — Rev. Guy V. Lee Lawtey, Fla.
 Assistant Superintendent — Earl Willis Alachua, Fla.
 Secretary — Clarence Melton Starke, Fla.
 Vacation Bible School Director — O. Brookins Hampton, Fla.
 Adult Leader — Eugene Griffis Starke, Fla.
 Young People's Leader — Mrs. Gladys Carter Lawtey, Fla.
 Intermediate Leader — Mrs. M. L. Conner Starke, Fla.
 Junior Leader — Mrs. L. L. Parker Brooker, Fla.
 Primary Leader — Mrs. C. Sullivan Starke, Fla.
 Beginner's Leader — Mrs. Floy Sullivan Starke, Fla.

Officers Of Associational Baptist Training Union

Pastor Advisor — Rev. Truby Parrish	Santa Fe, Fla.
Director — Harold Griffis	Starke, Fla.
Associate Director — T. N. Norman	Starke, Fla.
Secretary — J. L. Spruce	Starke, Fla.
Adult Leader — W. E. Lawson	Starke, Fla.
Young People's Leader — Owen McRae	Starke, Fla.
Intermediate Leader — William Silcox	Starke, Fla.
Junior Leader — Mrs. O. Brookins	Hampton, Fla.
Story Hour Leader — Mrs. R. E. Jones	Starke, Fla.

Officers Of Associational Brotherhood

President — Rev. Donald Martin	Brooker, Fla.
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Committees Of Association

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chairman — Rev. Truby Parrish, Santa Fe, Fla.
Rev. C. F. Hooker, Rev. Donald Martin

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman — Rev. Truby Parrish, Santa Fe, Fla.
Truby Pinholster, J. C. Kirby

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Chairman — Rev. S. E. Sparks, Starke, Fla.
Rev. L. G. Hemingway, Tom Stewart

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Chairman — Mrs. C. F. Hooker, Rt. 5, Gainesville, Fla.
Rev. J. D. Overstreet, D. M. Cellon

Associational Representatives In State Work

Rev. W. H. Edwards, Alachua, Fla. — Trustee of Florida Baptist Institute

Calendar Of Activities

Associational Annual Meeting October 11th and 12th, 1950
Place — Antioch

Quarterly Meetings Saturday before every fifth Sunday
Place — Selected at previous meeting

Associational Messengers

ANTIOCH — Rev. and Mrs. A. R. Greene, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cellon, Mr. Tom Harris.
BEULAH — N. C. Wainwright.
BOATDRAIN — Z. Z. Griffis, Calvin Glisson, Albert Griffis, Mathal Green, Mattie Griffis.
BROOKER — Rev. and Mrs. Donald Martin, Mrs. J. W. Thomas.
CORINTH — Marcus L. Conner and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Browning.
DEDAN — Mrs. L. L. Dyal, Mrs. A. L. Crosby, Mrs. E. E. Stokes.
EVERGREEN — J. D. Overstreet, Mrs. Sybil Griffis, Mrs. C. L. Redding.
GADARA — Rev. J. E. Strickland.
GRAHAM — Represented by letter.
HEILBRONN — Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Cutshaw, J. L. Spruce, J. M. Rosier.
HOPE — A. L. Sullivan, Mrs. Delaney Dickerson.
KINGSLEY LAKE — Mrs. Delia Silcox, Mrs. Emily Silcox, Mrs. Lessie Silcox.
LAWTEY — Mr. T. J. Terry, Mrs. Fred Moore, Miss Bessie Terry, Mrs. H. B. Arwood.
NEW RIVER — R. R. Andrews, E. B. Edwards, Mrs. G. W. Andrews.
NORTH PLEASANT GROVE — Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Gallop, Mr. Earl Hill.
PINE GROVE — Mrs. C. F. Hooker, Mrs. J. D. Douglas, Mrs. C. H. Neal, Mrs. E. J. Wilson, Mrs. T. J. Strickland.
RAIFORD — Mrs. Joe Holmes, Mrs. J. M. Conner, Mrs. W. B. Bloods- worth, Mrs. Bell McCormick, Mrs. Nancy Harvey.
STARKE — Rev. and Mrs. S. E. Sparks, Rev. L. D. Haines, Mrs. A. J. Thomas, Mrs. Wesley Andrews.
WATEROAK — A. Russell Norman, Frank Norman.

CONSTITUTION OF THE NEW RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Article 1. This Association shall be known as the New River Missionary Baptist Association and shall be composed of accredited messengers who are members of constituted churches and of such others as may be invited to a seat by the consent of the body. An accredited messenger shall be one who has been duly elected by his church as a messenger or alternate. Others eligible to be invited to a seat shall be members of the constituted churches, who may be enrolled to make a number equal to the quota allowed that church. All pastors of the churches in the Association shall be enrolled as messengers but only those holding membership in constituted churches of the Association shall be eligible for office.

Article 2. Each church in this Association shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members in excess of fifty members. Any church wishing to sever its connection with this body may be allowed to do so upon an application duly made to the Association while in session, and a letter granted thereon. All members of standing committees shall be honorary members of this Association.

Article 3. Churches are expected to send with their messengers letters to the Association, containing an account of their state, particularly of the additions and diminutions of the past year, and other statistics of interest, together with full statistics of the Sunday School under their charges. The letter should show what churches are doing for the cause of Christ at home and abroad, and generally whatever relates to their own peace and prosperity; and with them each church should forward money for the printing of the minutes and also for their contributions for missions.

Article 4. Baptist churches desiring admission into this body shall petition by letter and messengers, and on giving satisfactory evidence of their being sound in their faith of the Gospel, and correct in practice, may be received by a vote of the Association; and the Moderator, in behalf of fellowship.

Article 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Associate Moderator, a Clerk-Treasurer, each of whom shall be chosen by separate ballot. These officers shall be elected at the opening session of the annual meeting.

Article 5, Section 2. There shall be an Executive Committee which shall be composed of nine members. The Moderator, the Associate Moderator, the Clerk-Treasurer of the Association being members and officers ex-officio. The other six members to be named by the nominating committee of the Association.

Article 6. We acknowledge the independence of particular churches, and that no authority or jurisdiction is to be exercised over them by this Association, and therefore we would disclaim all power of making laws for them under any pretext whatsoever, but deem it our duty to disown

any church that we may consider unworthy of our fellowship.

Article 7. This Association will be governed while in session by regular and proper rules and every motion made and seconded shall command attention of the body unless withdrawn by the mover.

Article 8. Every question asked in the letters from the churches must be based on Scriptures, and may relate to faith, practice and church discipline, but the same shall not be taken under consideration except by a majority vote of the body.

Article 9. Churches composing this Association shall be entitled to as many copies of the minutes of its proceedings as the money sent up with the letters call for, but each constituent church shall have at least one copy.

Article 10. When a church shall neglect to make a communication to the Association for at least three years it shall be considered as having withdrawn and shall be dropped by a vote from the minutes, unless two or three members of the Association request its continuance and will engage to inquire into its standing and report at the next meeting of the Association.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Association, from time to time, to suggest to the churches what they think most expedient to be done to promote the spread of the Gospel in the world, and to give the best advice possible in case of difficulty, and to inquire into the cause of failure on the part of any church to report itself by letter and messenger at the annual meeting.

Article 12. This Association, when convenient, shall appoint the time and place of next annual meeting — taking into account the convenience of the churches and the interest of the same. This constitution may be altered from time to time as experience may suggest by two-thirds vote of those present, but notice of such change shall be given at the annual session previous to the anticipated change.

BY-LAWS

1. That the Executive Committee include all of the Ministers of the Association with those named in Article 5, Section 2 of the Constitution.

PROCEEDINGS
NEW RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
BOATDRAIN BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 5TH AND 6TH, 1949

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH, 1949 — MORNING SESSION

- 9:30 — After a song, "Standing On the Promises", Rev. Truby Parrish led the devotional service using the third chapter of Philipians as a text.
- 9:40 — Welcome Address — Harold Griffis
- 9:55 — Response — Rev. J. D. Overstreet.
- 10:05 — Rev. S. E. Sparks, Moderator, declared the session in order for the transaction of business.
 The minutes of the quarterly meetings were read and approved. Rev. C. F. Hooker made a motion that only the registered messengers representing the churches be allowed to take care of the business to come before the Association. Seconded and carried. The following officers were elected for 1949-50:
- Moderator — Rev. A. R. Greene
 Vice Moderator — Rev. W. H. Edwards
 Clerk and Treasurer — A. Russell Norman
- The Moderator appointed the following committees:
- Nominating — C. F. Hooker, Donald Martin, T. S. Parrish.
 Finance — T. S. Parrish, J. T. Kirby, T. B. Pinholster.
 Obituary — S. E. Sparks, L. G. Hemingway, C. F. Hooker.
 Time and Place — L. D. Haines, C. F. Hooker, Donald Martin.
 Resolutions — D. M. Cellon, J. D. Overstreet, Mrs. C. F. Hooker.
- 10:25 — The following visitors were welcomed: T. M. Johns, E. C. Abernathy, J. E. Strickland, C. B. Emery.
- 10:30 — The church letters were read and summarized by Truby Parrish and W. H. Edwards.
 The Airpark Baptist church of Starke, Fla., presented a petition by letter and messengers asking to be admitted into the New River Association. After giving satisfactory evidence of their being sound in their faith of the Gospel and correct in practice, a motion was made that they be received into the New River Association. Motion seconded. Carried.
- 10:45 — George E. Linney, Associate Secretary of the Music-Brotherhood Department of the Florida Baptist Convention, gave a talk to the Association.
- 10:55 — Rev. Homer G. Lindsey, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, discussed the plans of the Florida Baptist Witness under its new editor, W. G. Stracener.

- 11:15 — Dr. Albert Carnett, Pastor of Woodlawn Baptist Church of Jacksonville, brought a message from Stetson University.
- 11:30 — Song, "Higher Ground".
- 11:35 — Sermon — Rev. G. E. Cutshaw.
- 12:10 — Lunch was served by the host church.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH, 1949 — AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:15 — Dr. Albert Carnett led the devotional using I Timothy 16:3 for his scripture lesson.
- 1:35 — Special song — Rev. E. C. Abernathy.
- 1:40 — T. M. Johns, Superintendent of the Florida Baptist Children's Home, reported the progress made in the new Home at Lakeland.
- 2:10 — Address, "World Missions" — Rev. E. C. Abernathy.
- 2:45 — Rev. John Pierce discussed the possibility of all churches in the Association having missionaries to come into churches at the same time. Rev. S. E. Sparks made a motion that March 27th be set as a time for the missionaries to come. Seconded by Rev. W. H. Edwards. Carried.
- 2:55 — Special song — Rev. E. C. Abernathy.
- 3:00 — Report, "Baptist Seminaries" — Rev. S. E. Sparks:

SOUTHWESTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Ft. Worth, Texas

We are grateful to God for guiding the destinies of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary through another year of encouraging progress. Happy are we, also, to acknowledge our appreciation to all who have in any way contributed to the success of the year just past, and all the years which have turned their streams of blessings into this institution.

The Seminary still maintains its high rate of young people trained for missions. There are 185 mission volunteers, 13 percent, in the present student body. The appointees for 1948 comprised 8 home missionaries and 28 foreign missionaries. The grand total of missionaries who have gone out from the Seminary through all the years of its history is 322 foreign missionaries and 142 home missionaries. Eleven foreign students and 5 children of missionaries are in our current student body.

NEW ORLEANS BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The session 1948-1949 was characterized by the largest faculty and largest student body in the Seminary's history. Harmony, spirituality, hard work, and evangelism were distinctive.

There were thirteen full-time teachers, beside part-time teaching by the President, Dean of Women, and a number of tutors. Two new teachers have been added to the staff for the current session, to take care of the growing student body. The teachers are true to the Bible, and faithful in their soul-winning.

The enrolment during the past session was 394, which is about two score more than ever before in the Seminary's history. Seventy-seven of these were graduated. Students came from twenty-three states, and four foreign countries. Of the total, 218 were college graduates, 50 others had done some college work, and 123 were without college credits. They represented 76 colleges, and 123 were G. I. students. The men numbered 276, and the women numbered 118.

SOUTHERN SEMINARY

Oldest of the three Southern Baptist seminaries, The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., first opened in Greenville, S. C., in 1859, just 14 years after the Southern Baptist Convention was constituted. On moving to Louisville, the Seminary occupied rented buildings at different locations. It was not until 1888 that it was able to occupy its own property at Fifth and Broadway. Here four buildings were erected and these housed the school until the spring of 1926, when it moved to new buildings on a spacious and beautiful new campus, its present location, at "The

Beeches", five miles from the din and dirt of its old down-town location. Southern Seminary has been owned and controlled from the beginning by the Southern Baptist Convention, through a board of trustees. Members of the faculty have been chosen with care to secure men of scholarship, consecration, teaching gifts and personality. Its Fundamental Articles require that every professor must be a member in good standing of a regular Baptist church.

Southern Seminary is open to all men who are prepared to take advantage of its facilities, and who are properly recommended by their churches. For matriculation it is required that each candidate present a certificate of license or ordination, or other evidence of explicit approval by his church of his purpose to study for the ministry.

Report was adopted by Association.

3:15 — Report, "American Bible Society" — Rev. Donald Martin:

In every missionary advance, the Bible goes forward first! This principle has been demonstrated throughout the whole course of Christian missions. It is a basic factor in all planning for an Advance Program for worldwide missions.

If the people of the world are to know Christ — the one hope of men and nations — they must have the Bible. It is the one primary source of knowledge of Him.

Today — when millions of people around the world are turning to the Bible as never before and when there is a severe shortage of missionaries in many fields — Bible distribution is more than ever a "must". The Bible is the missionary's chief tool. The Bible itself is a missionary. It can go where the human missionary cannot go, stay when he must leave, and keep on working in a man's heart.

Providing the Bible for worldwide mission work is an essential missionary task.

Every man must have the Bible in his own native tongue if the Word of God is to speak to his heart. Someone must translate it into his language, publish it and send it to him, wherever he may live.

In most countries of the world, the income of the people is so low that they cannot afford even the bare cost of the printed Scriptures. Someone must help those who can pay only a part of the cost and the many who cannot pay at all.

The American Bible Society, a missionary non-profit organization, supported by gifts, serves as that "Someone". It aids in Bible translation, publishes the Scriptures without note or comment, and distributes them, without profit and usually below cost, for use in mission work around the world.

Working in cooperation with the churches and the denominational mission boards, the Society serves every form of Southern Baptist work, at home and abroad. In 1948, Southern Baptist churches gave \$106,739 to the American Bible Society; total gifts to the Society from churches of all denominations amounted to \$922,192. Increased gifts will be required to provide for urgent needs for missionary advance throughout the world. Please send gifts to your Baptist State Headquarters office, marked "for the American Bible Society".

The report was adopted.

3:30 — Adjourn until Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6TH, 1949 — MORNING SESSION

9:45 — After a song, "Higher Ground", Rev. S. E. Sparks led the devotional service using the 23rd Psalm for his topic.

10:05 — Report, "Evangelism" — Rev. L. D. Haines:

The churches of the New River Association sponsored the Rev. E. J. Daniel's Revival last June. The huge tent was placed on the campus of the Starke school and the Revival continued through three weeks of services. A young people's service was held each night immediately preceding the regular service. Wonderful messages in song, music, films, and sermons were heard each night.

During the Revival over 150 new souls were won to Christ; many young people dedicated their lives to a service for Christ; many dedicated their homes for Christian living and family altars.

One of the greatest blessings to result from this Revival was the organization of a new Baptist Church in Starke. The building for this newly organized church was begun from the platform which was used in the tent.

This report was adopted.

10:15 — Report, "W. M. U." — Mrs. H. A. Lawson:

Number of W. M. S. organizations	12
Number of Young People's Auxiliaries	21
Number of W. M. S. members	332
Number Auxiliary Members	193
Number community missions	11
Number Covenant signing tithers	157
Number Mission Study Classes	39
Number subscriptions to "Royal Service"	124
Number subscriptions to "The Commission"	31
Number subscriptions to "The Home Mission"	27
Number subscriptions to "Baptist Witness"	246
Number Seasons of Prayer	23

Contributions

To Florida Baptist Children's Home	\$ 300.00
To Home Missions	156.73
To State Missions	158.00
To Foreign Missions	290.59
To W. M. U. Training School	23.00
To Margaret Fund	2.00
To other objects	927.04

Total contributions \$1857.36

This report was adopted.

10:20 — Report, "B. T. U." — Harold Griffis:

Number of churches	19
Number with Training Unions	12
Number of Adult Unions	12
Number of Young People's Unions	9
Number of Intermediate Unions	10
Number of Junior Unions	12
Number of Story Hour Unions	10
Training Union enrollment	739
New Unions organized	6
Training Union Study Course Awards	195
Four mass meetings were held with an average attendance of	119

B. T. U. Financial Report

New River Association gave Training Union	\$ 15.00
Money spent:	
Travel expenses	25.00
Refreshments for mass meeting	100.00
Typing expenses	5.00
Stationary	6.50

Total expense \$136.00

This report was adopted.

A motion was made that the bill presented by the Training Union be paid by the New River Association. Seconded. Carried.

10:35 — Special music — Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Hooker.

10:40 — Report of Nominating Committee — Rev. T. S. Parrish:

"The Nominating Committee presents the following names to the Association:

"Associational Sunday School Superintendent — J. L. Spruce;
 Assistant Ass'n'l. Sunday School Superintendent — D. M. Cellon;
 "Associational Training Union Director — Harold Griffis;
 "Associate Ass'n'l. Training Union Director — T. N. Norman;
 "Executive Committee: Rev. L. D. Haines, Starke; Rev. C. F. Hooker, Pine Grove; William Silcox, Kingsley Lake; Crews Wainwright, Beulah; Lacy Duke, North Pleasant Grove; Frank Norman, Watroak."

These names were accepted and the report was adopted.

10:45—Rev. Donald Martin was elected President of the Associational Brotherhood.

Marcus L. Conner was elected Music Leader.

10:50—Time and Place Committee report — Rev. L. D. Haines:

"Time — October 11th and 12th, 1950.

"Place — Antioch Baptist church.

"Preacher: October 11th, Rev. Donald Martin; alternate, Rev. Johnie Strickland. October 12th, Rev. C. F. Hooker; alternate, Rev. Guy V. Lee."

This report was adopted.

11:00—Report, "Associational Music" — Marcus L. Conner:

"Music hath charms to soothe the savage beast." "Music is the universal language of mankind."

These two quotations may seem far apart in their meanings, but let us give our interpretations. The first statement points out the fact that music can be used, and many times is used, to soothe the savage beast of sin, and cause men and women to come to know the Savior who will cleanse them of their sins. Millions of people through the centuries have been saved through soul-lifting music. Millions of others have had the way prepared for the spoken word by it. When Christian people lift their voices to God through music, their hearts are welded into a fellowship of eternal and infinite proportions.

The music program of Florida Baptists, and of Southern Baptists, is aiding scores of churches in having God-honoring and Soul-lifting music. The music training course has been broadened. Many new tracts and pamphlets on music have been published, and are available, free of charge, from our State Music-Brotherhood Department. Many schools of music have been conducted by workers from this department in every section of the state.

One of the principal objectives of our state department this coming year is to establish in each association a music committee to promote good church music in every church. Our Association is asked to elect each year an Associational Music Director through whom our state men might work. This annual meeting of the Association is the time to do this. Together with the one this Association chooses, the state director will plan a meeting of representatives of each church to discuss plans for reaching every church with help for its music program.

This report was adopted.

11:10—Song, "Draw Me Nearer".

11:15—Sermon — Rev. W. H. Edwards.

11:55—Song and offering.

12:00—Adjourn for lunch.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6TH, 1949 — AFTERNOON SESSION

1:15 —Song, "Send the Light".

1:20 —Devotional service, led by Rev. C. F. Hooker, followed by a song, "Promised Land".

2:00 —Report, "Relief and Annuity Board", Rev. S. E. Sparks:

The report from the Relief and Annuity Board shows a year of splendid achievement in service rendered, and in increased assets.

Officers of the Board are Dr. Wallace Basset, President; Dr. Walter Alexander, Executive Secretary; Dr. R. S. Jones, Associate Secretary; Mr. Orville Groner, Treasurer-Investments.

Total income for 1948 was \$3,888,740.40, with total benefits paid amounting to \$1,292,341.84. Total assets of the Board as of December 31, 1948, were \$15,094,039.60. There were 2,297 new certificates issued in all the plans of

the Board, 774 of them being in the Ministers Retirement Plan.

The Widows Supplemental Annuity Plan is now in force in all the states of the Southern Baptist Convention except Tennessee, and possibly the new states which have just come into our Convention. As of September 13, 1949, we had in Florida 132 pastors in the Widows Supplemental Plan. Florida went into the plan July 1, 1949.

There are still many pastors and lay workers who have not availed themselves of the opportunity for protection offered by the Board. Every denominational and local church worker should be enrolled in one of the Plans fostered by the Board.

This report was adopted.

2:10 —Report, "Associational Brotherhood" — Rev. Donald Martin

The Baptist Brotherhood is the fastest growing organization in Baptist life. This statement is based on statistics gathered and published by Porter Routh, statistician of the Southern Baptist Convention. On a convention-wide basis, in the past two years the number of Brotherhoods has more than doubled and the number of men enrolled is up about 125 percent.

In Florida, the work has kept pace. In the last twelve months there have been nearly one hundred new Brotherhoods set up, and the total enrollment as shown by the churches this fall is expected to be increased by about 50 percent in this one year alone.

In our own Association, we have at present time three Brotherhood organizations with approximately 64 men enrolled. This is a gain of one organization, and a gain of seven in enrollment.

This report was adopted.

2:20 —Report of Finance Committee:

Total amount given from all churches to the Association for minutes -----	\$77.10
Collection -----	20.46
Total -----	\$97.56

2:25 —Moderator A. R. Greene read Article 5, Section 2 of the Constitution and asked that this Executive Committee include all of the pastors in the Association.

A motion was made that a By-Law be added to the Constitution as follows: "That the Executive Committee include all of the Ministers of the Association with those named in Article 5, Section 2 of the Constitution." Seconded. Carried.

2:30 —Rev. S. E. Sparks reported for the Obituary Committee, giving a list of 16 names (this list is found elsewhere in these minutes) to be added to "Our Honored Dead". The report was adopted. After a two-minute silent prayer, Rev. C. F. Hooker led an oral prayer for Our Honored Dead.

2:35 —The Resolution Committee gave the following report:

We, your Committee on Resolutions, recommend:

1. That the term of office for Moderator be limited to two years.
2. That an offering be taken each day of the Associational meeting just before lunch.
3. That all churches of the New River Association cooperate in the enlargement program of the Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood, and Music Department.
4. That we change the time of the Quarterly Meeting of this Association back to Saturday before the Fifth Sunday.
5. That we give a rising vote of thanks to the Boatdrain Church for their wonderful hospitality.

The report was adopted.

2:40 —Treasurer's Report, 1948-49:

Receipts

October 6, 1948 — Amount brought forward	\$ 111.27
October 6, 1948 — Special Offering — North Pleasant Grove	29.35
October 7, 1948 — Special Offering — North Pleasant Grove	13.27
October 7, 1948 — Churches to Association — N. Pleasant Grove	72.00
December 31, 1948 — Churches to Association — Beulah	18.50
December 31, 1948 — Special Offering — Beulah	15.26
March 25, 1949 — Churches to Association — Corinth	22.00
March 25, 1949 — Special Offering — Corinth	16.46
June 24, 1949 — Churches to Association — Dedan	14.50
June 24, 1949 — Special Offering — Dedan	8.22
Total	\$ 320.83

Disbursements

November 29, 1948 — Minutes of Association	\$ 82.50
November 29, 1948 — For envelopes	.48
November 30, 1948 — Postage for Minutes	.71
December 8, 1948 — Programs at Beulah	5.25
December 13, 1948 — Postage for programs	.14
March 5, 1949 — Programs at Corinth	5.25
March 5, 1949 — For envelopes	.50
March 7, 1949 — Postage for programs	.19
March 25, 1949 — To Associational Sun. Sch. Superintendent	15.00
March 25, 1949 — To Associational B. T. U. Director	15.00
April 10, 1949 — For envelopes	.55
June 10, 1949 — Programs at Dedan	5.50
August 10, 1949 — To Antioch Building Fund	25.00
August 10, 1949 — Postage and Money Order	.70
September 15, 1949 — Programs at Boatdrain	15.00
September 15, 1949 — Postage and paper	1.31
September 30, 1949 — Salary for Clerk	50.00
Total	\$ 223.08
October 5, 1949 — Amount On Hand	\$ 97.75

A. Russell Norman,
Clerk.

2:45 —Business:

A motion was made that the following amounts be paid to the Associational workers: J. L. Spruce, \$25.00; Harold Griffis, \$25.00; M. L. Conner \$15.00; Donald Martin \$15.00. This money to be used to aid them in carrying on the enlargement program of the Association. Seconded. Carried.

After a general discussion the above motion was rescinded because of a lack of sufficient funds on hand.

A motion was made that the next Quarterly Meeting be held with Antioch Baptist church Saturday before the fifth Sunday in January, 1950. Seconded. Carried.

3:15 —The meeting adjourned to meet again with Antioch Baptist church, October 11th and 12th, 1950.

AUXILIARY MEETINGS**WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION**

The annual meeting of the W.M.U. met with the Lawtey Baptist church, October 22, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The record of the W.M.U. work in the Association has progressed in a wonderful way. During the year two workers from the State Mission Board were with the Union for a three week period in July. During that time study courses were held in eleven churches. At the Quarterly meetings three state workers, including the State W.M.U. President, Mrs. R. N. Lassiter, were speakers. Three new organizations have been organized, making a total of twelve W.M.U.'s. in the Association.

The records show:

332 W.M.S. members.
193 Auxiliary members
12 W.M.S. organizations
21 Young People's Auxiliaries
\$1,716.05 total contributions

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Workers were sent into every church of the Association to render help where needed. Several new Sunday schools were organized. Goals were set for all Sunday schools to increase their enrollment for the year.

This work was not followed up through the year. No report was given at the end of the year.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

The B.T.U. held four mass meetings during the Associational year with an average attendance of 119. One young person attended the Training Union Leadership Assembly at Ridgecrest.

A great increase has occurred in the Training Union work of the New River Association:

12 churches have Training Unions
739 is the total Associational enrollment
6 new B.T.U.'s were organized this year
195 Training Union Study Course awards were made

BROTHERHOOD CONVENTION

There is no Associational Convention of the Brotherhood, but three churches in the Association have organized Brotherhoods with a total of 64 members.

We are hoping for a greater enthusiasm toward this phase of the work during the coming year.



OUR HONORED DEAD

This page is dedicated to the memory of the following named loved ones who have answered the final call during the Associational year:

Mrs. Florence Benton	Antioch
Mr. Willie J. Goolsby	Antioch
Mrs. Hettie Hardee	Antioch
Mrs. W. M. Holder	Antioch
Mrs. Louise Hickey McCaffrey	Beulah
Mrs. Mattie Moody	Beulah
Mrs. Creasy Padgett	Dedan
Mr. Henry Carter	Evergreen
Mrs. O. B. Willis	North Pleasant Grove
Mrs. W. D. Holder	North Pleasant Grove
Mrs. E. M. Beville	Pine Grove
Mr. F. D. Holder	Pine Grove
Mrs. Ethel Biggs	Starke
Mr. L. V. Moore	Starke
Mr. D. L. Silcox	Starke
Mr. O. A. Andreu	Starke

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. W. D. Cowart, address unknown	Antioch Church
Rev. Wilbur Scott, Starke, Fla.	Heilbronn Church
Rev. P. Q. Cason, Alachua, Fla.	North Pleasant Grove Church
Rev. S. E. Sparks, Starke, Fla.	Starke Church
Rev. E. J. Daniels, Box 3428, Orlando, Fla.	Starke Church

ASSISTANT PASTERS or EDUCATIONAL DIRECTORS

Rev. Wilbur Scott, Starke, Fla.	Heilbronn Church
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MINISTERS LICENSED THIS YEAR

Barney Andrews, Rt. 2, Brooker, Fla.	Brooker Church
Albert B. Gilder, Starke, Fla.	Kingsley Lake Church

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

None	
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SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

D. M. Cellon, Rt. 3, Gainesville, Fla.	Antioch
N. C. Wainwright, Rt. 2, Green Cove Springs, Fla.	Beulah
E. Griffis, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Boatdrain
L. L. Parker, Brooker, Fla.	Brooker
J. R. Kelly, Box 402, Starke, Fla.	Corinth
E. E. Stokes, Rt. 1, Brooker, Fla.	Dedan
Cecil Crawford, Lawtey, Fla.	Evergreen
H. Sibley, Lake Geneva, Fla.	Gadara
Clarence Melton, Box 13, Starke, Fla.	Graham
W. H. Green, Rt. 1, Lawtey, Fla.	Heilbronn
Merle Packham, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Hope
E. F. Nurenberger, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Kingsley Lake
J. E. Wall, Jr., Lawtey, Fla.	Lawtey
R. R. Andrews, Lake Butler, Fla.	New River
R. F. Gallop, Alachua, Fla.	North Pleasant Grove
J. B. Hooker, Rt. 5, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
Drew Sweat, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
E. C. Mann, Jr., Box 568, Starke, Fla.	Starke

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

Mrs. Fred R. May, La Crosse, Fla.	Antioch
Harold Griffis, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Boatdrain
J. W. Thomas, Brooker, Fla.	Brooker

A. D. Norman, Rt. 2, Starke, Fla.	Corinth
Mrs. E. E. Stokes, Rt. 1, Brooker, Fla.	Dedan
Charles Redding, Raiford, Fla.	Evergreen
J. L. Spruce, Rt. 2, Starke, Fla.	Heilbronn
Mrs. Onie Mae Swindle, Starke, Fla.	Hope
Guy V. Lee, Lawtey, Fla.	Lawtey
Mrs. C. L. Boyd, Box 555, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
Mr. Warren Bloodsworth, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
Mrs. C. G. Priest, Starke, Fla.	Starke

BROTHERHOOD PRESIDENTS

E. F. Nurenberger, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Kingsley Lake
Malcolm Tompkins, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
A. L. Crosby, Jr., Starke, Fla.	Starke

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION PRESIDENTS

Mrs. Willie E. Cellon, Rt. 3, Gainesville, Fla.	Antioch
Ruby Jones, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Boatdrain
Mrs. Lydia Crosby, Brooker, Fla.	Brooker
Mrs. L. A. Crosby, Rt. 2, Starke, Fla.	Corinth
Mrs. R. R. Carlton, Rt. 1, Brooker, Fla.	Dedan
Mrs. J. L. Spruce, Rt. 2, Starke, Fla.	Heilbronn
Mrs. G. V. Lee, Lawtey, Fla.	Lawtey
Mrs. D. L. Norris, Santa Fe, Fla.	North Pleasant Grove
Mrs. Ethel Neal, Rt. 5, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
Mrs. M. E. Tompkins, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
Mrs. S. E. Sparks, Box 784, Starke, Fla.	Starke

CHURCH CLERKS

Mrs. J. F. Parrish, Rt. 3, Gainesville, Fla.	Antioch
Elma Thomas, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Beulah
Harold Griffis, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Boatdrain
Mr. J. W. Thomas, Brooker, Fla.	Brooker
Marcus L. Conner, Rt. 2, Starke, Fla.	Corinth
Mr. J. A. Williams, Rt. 1, Brooker, Fla.	Dedan
Miss Ruby Carter, Lawtey, Fla.	Evergreen
Mr. W. C. Hall, Lake Geneva, Fla.	Gadara
Mr. Clarence Melton, Box 13, Starke, Fla.	Graham
Mr. W. H. Green, Lawtey, Fla.	Heilbronn
Mr. C. Sullivan, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Hope
Mr. William Silcox, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Kingsley Lake
Miss Elizabeth Terry, Lawtey, Fla.	Lawtey
Mr. R. H. Green, Brooker, Fla.	New River
Mr. D. L. Norris, Santa Fe, Fla.	North Pleasant Grove

Mrs. L. McGlynn, Rt. 3, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
Mrs. Nancy Harvey, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
Mr. E. D. Tenly, Box 665, Starke, Fla.	Starke
Mr. Frank Norman, Starke, Fla.	Wateroak

CHURCH TREASURERS

Mr. E. T. Norris, La Crosse, Fla.	Antioch
Elma Thomas, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Beulah
Mrs. Lavonia Griffis, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Boatdrain
Mr. M. O. Harrell, Rt. 1, Brooker, Fla.	Brooker
Mrs. Ancil D. Norman, Rt. 2, Starke, Fla.	Corinth
Mrs. L. L. Dyal, Rt. 1, Brooker, Fla.	Dedan
J. P. Sullivan, Lawtey, Fla.	Evergreen
Clarence Melton, Starke, Fla.	Graham
W. C. Hall, Lake Geneva, Fla.	Gadara
E. J. Harris, Raiford, Fla.	Heilbronn
C. Sullivan, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Hope
William Silcox, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Kingsley Lake
James Browning, Lawtey, Fla.	Lawtey
R. H. Green, Brooker, Fla.	New River
A. Y. Davis, Alachua, Fla.	North Pleasant Grove
C. R. Neal, Rt. 5, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
Hugh T. Rahn, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
L. G. Powell, Starke, Fla.	Starke
Frank Norman, Starke, Fla.	Wateroak

CHOIR DIRECTORS

R. T. Hargrave, Rt. 2, Brooker, Fla.	Antioch
Elma Thomas, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Beulah
L. L. Parker, Brooker, Fla.	Brooker
Floyd R. Crosby, Starke, Fla.	Corinth
J. P. Sullivan, Lawtey, Fla.	Evergreen
Marion Hamilton, Lawtey, Fla.	Heilbronn
K. B. Swindle, Starke, Fla.	Hope
E. F. Nurenberger, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Kingsley Lake
Mrs. Mary Moore, Lawtey, Fla.	Lawtey
Earl Hill, Alachua, Fla.	North Pleasant Grove
Joe Ben Hooker, Rt. 5, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
M. E. Tompkins, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
Mrs. R. A. Green, Starke, Fla.	Starke

ORGANISTS or PIANISTS

Miss Lucy Hargrave, Rt. 2, Brooker, Fla.	Antioch
Elma Thomas, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Beulah

Miss Frances Barry Brooker, Fla.	Brooker
Mrs. J. R. Kelly, Box 402, Starke, Fla.	Corinth
Miss Jean Sullivan, Lawtey, Fla.	Evergreen
Mrs. E. J. Harris, Raiford, Fla.	Heilbronn
Mrs. Floy Sullivan, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Hope
Mrs. I. N. Breazeale, Starke, Fla.	Kingsley Lake
Mrs. J. P. Wyrick, Lawtey, Fla.	Lawtey
Irving Andrews, Lake Butler, Fla.	New River
Mrs. M. M. Phillips, Alachua, Fla.	North Pleasant Grove
Mrs. T. J. Strickland, Rt. 5, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
Miss Betty Williams, Raiford, Fla.	Raiford
Mrs. L. A. Canova, Starke, Fla.	Starke
Mrs. Jennie Maude Norman, Starke, Fla.	Wateroak

LIBRARIANS

Mary E. Shipman, Rt. 1, Starke, Fla.	Beulah
Marion Neal, Rt. 5, Gainesville, Fla.	Pine Grove
Mrs. H. L. Hough, Starke, Fla.	Starke

NEW RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Year Organized	Churches	Services	Name of Pastor and Address	Baptisms	Present Membership (Including Non-Resident)	Sunday School Enrollment (Including Mission Schools)	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Training Union & Story Hour Enrollment	W.M.U. Enrollment	Brotherhood Enrollment	Total Value Church Property (Including Pastor's Home)	Pastor's Salary (Per Year)	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Associational Missions	Total Gifts for Missions
1872	Antioch	4	A. R. Greene, Gainesville, Fla.	26	296	120	58	63	18	1	\$12000	\$ 225	\$10374	\$ 4	\$ 331
1850	Beulah		H. Mott, Brooker, Fla.	26	152	158	25	70	22	1	45000	1880	1906	9	192
1844	Boatdrain		C. C. Harris, Green Cove Springs, Fla.	27	151	107	40	70	22	1	45000	1600	2929	9	205
1900	Brooker		Donald Martin, Doaker, Fla.	27	151	93	60	60	19	1	13000	1995	5320	9	465
1895	Corinth		Wendell Martin, Doak, Fla.	15	100	64	59	61	19	1	2500	1720	1432	9	123
1882	Cedar		E. J. Willis, Alachua, Fla.	17	112	61	82	54	12	1	1500	873	2501	2	575
1874	Evergreen		J. D. Overstreet, Lawtey, Fla.	7	115	71	60	60	12	1	2000	450	930	2	108
1874	Graham		H. B. Wiggins, Hampton, Fla.	1	52	47	30	60	12	1	1200	256	631	4	118
1916	Heilbronn		John H. Sible, Graham, Fla.	4	32	30	87	68	12	1	2000	223	1062	4	18
1908	Hope		G. E. Cutsshaw, Starke, Fla.	9	175	80	107	36	12	1	12000	1800	4470	4	307
1876	Kingsley Lake		Orville Brookins, Hampton, Fla.	10	107	42	87	36	12	1	2000	360	985	1	102
1864	Lawtey		Guy V. Lee, Lawtey, Fla.	12	48	65	75	46	36	1	2000	374	561	1	100
1904	New River		Truby Parrish, Santa Fe, Fla.	11	106	122	75	46	36	8	8800	1825	4733	15	543
1833	N. Pleasant Grove		W. H. Edwards, Alachua, Fla.	8	38	22	22	60	56	1	1500	430	664	2	164
1856	Pine Grove		C. F. Hooker, Gainesville, Fla.	0	119	60	60	60	88	1	25000	1941	6240	7	534
1907	Raiford		John L. Bray, S. Jacksonville, Fla.	20	265	121	112	73	43	6	6100	2220	4155	20	1298
1904	Starke		L. D. Haines, Starke, Fla.	3	189	134	112	121	237	50	75000	4160	3510	9	283
1877	Starke		S. E. Sparks, Starke, Fla.	61	822	557	22	22	22	6	1000	460	791	6	77
1916	Wateroak		(New church—entered Ass'n. this year)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1948	Airpark (Starke)			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
				256	2949	1841	451	772	550	64	\$193900	\$25202	\$91934	\$ 87	\$8623

◆ Pastor gave his salary to building fund.

HISTORICAL RECORD NEW RIVER ASSOCIATION

Date	Moderator	Clerk	Minister for Sermon	Place of Meeting
1926	J. T. Quigley	D. W. Moore	Rev. C. A. Crosby	Hope Baptist Church
1930	J. L. Norris	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. R. E. Blanchard	Heilbronn Baptist Church
1931	J. L. Norris	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. C. A. Crosby	Pine Grove Baptist Church
1932	J. L. Norris	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. C. M. Britten	Raiford Baptist Church
1933	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. W. W. William	Pine Grove Baptist Church
1934	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. C. B. Price	Starke Baptist Church
1935	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster		Heilbronn Baptist Church
1936	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. J. Dean Adcock	Antioch Baptist Church
1937	G. E. McGauley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Pat Wimberly	Brooker Baptist Church
1938	G. E. McGauley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Charles A. Maddry	Beulah Baptist Church
1939	C. F. Hooker	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Lloyd King	Graham Baptist Church
1940	C. F. Hooker	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. W. T. Halstead	Raiford Baptist Church
1941	C. A. Crosby	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. W. S. Allen	Pine Grove Baptist Church
1942	A. E. Lightfoot	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. Thomas Hansen	Starke Baptist Church
1943	S. E. Sparks	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Dewey Mann	Antioch Baptist Church
1944	S. E. Sparks	T. B. Pinholster	Chaplain John E. Evans	Raiford Baptist Church
1945	S. E. Sparks	A. Russell Norman		Brooker Baptist Church
1946	S. E. Sparks	A. Russell Norman		Pine Grove Baptist Church
1947	S. E. Sparks	A. Russell Norman	Dr. John Maguire	Lawley Baptist Church
1948	S. E. Sparks	A. Russell Norman	Rev. Clifford Walker	North Pleasant Grove Baptist Ch
1949	S. E. Sparks	A. Russell Norman	Rev. G. E. Cutshaw	Eoatdrain Baptist Church

