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Constitution

Section 1. This Association shall be known as the Beulah Baptist Association.

Section 2. This Association shall be composed of Messengers selected by the several churches connected with the Association. Each church shall be entitled to one Messenger at large and one for every twenty-five members or majority fraction thereof.

Section 3. Any regular organized Baptist church of the same faith may become a member of this Association upon application by a petitionary letter and Messengers as above provided.

Section 4. On the second or last day of the Annual Session, the Association shall from its membership elect by a ballot a Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer whose terms of office shall begin with the adjournment of the body and extend through the next year and through the sessions of next year.

Section 5. The object of this Association shall be: First to promote unity and brotherly love among the churches; second, to promote Gospel discipline, to encourage the universal spread of the Gospel and practical religion throughout our bounds and elsewhere.

Section 6. The Moderator shall appoint at each Annual Session of the Association an Executive Committee composed of one member from each church connected with the Association. Each church is expected and is urged to recommend its members on this committee. Resident pastors, heads of the Associational Training Union, Sunday Schools, Woman's Missionary Union, and Brotherhood departments together with the elected officers of the Association shall be ex-officio members of the committee. Their duties shall be: First to inquire into destitution within our bounds; second, to make contact with the ministers of the Gospel of this Association, or other Association, by correspondence and to supply destitution with the Gospel; third, to draw from the treasury such funds as are available for missionary purposes to meet their contract and to exercise general supervision in the promotion of unity and brotherly love among the churches and the universal spread of the Gospel throughout our bounds. They shall report the results of their labors at each annual session of the association.

Section 7. The Moderator shall invite correspondents and visiting ministers and brethren to seats with the body when in session. They shall be entitled to the privilege of aiding the Association with their counsel.

Section 8. This Association shall have the right to withdraw from any church that may be in disorder when the same cannot be restored by Gospel discipline to the unity of faith in the bonds of peace.

Section 9. The Annual Meeting of this Association shall be held at such time and place as may be designated by the body; and by appointment there shall be an introductory sermon preached the first day of the session at 11 o'clock, and a collection taken up for missionary purposes on Sunday or the last day.

Section 10. This Association shall not lord it over God's heritage nor infringe upon any of the internal rights of churches, but shall act only as an advisory body.

Section 11. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by two-thirds vote of messengers. Any amendment offered shall be in writing.

Rules of Decorum

Article 1. At the first meeting of each session of the Association the Moderator shall call the Messengers to order; the letters from the churches shall be presented and the names of the Messengers enrolled. In case of the absence of the Moderator, the Vice Moderator or Clerk shall call to order.

Article 2. Each day's session of the Association shall be opened with prayer.

Article 3. The Moderator shall preserve order and decide all questions in debate, subject to an appeal of the body; and when he shall speak on any subject in discussion he shall call some member to the chair, and in case of a tie shall give the deciding vote.

Article 4. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, subject to approval by the body.

Article 5. The Clerk shall keep a careful record of the proceedings of each meeting, prepare and edit the Minutes for printing. In the absence of the Moderator and the Vice Moderator, he shall call the body together and preside until a Moderator pro tem shall be elected.

Article 6. All members wishing to speak on any subject shall rise and address the Moderator as "Brother," and shall confine themselves strictly to the subject and shall not be allowed to make an unkind allusion to any brother while speaking.

Article 7. No motion shall be debated until seconded and stated by the moderator or read by the clerk.

Article 8. When a motion is under consideration no other motion shall be entertained except to adjourn, lay on the table, to amend, indefinitely postpone, refer to committee, or call for the previous question.

Article 9. Any member voting with the majority on any question in debate may move a reconsideration at any time during the session.

Article 10. Visiting brethren of other Associations may speak on any subject, but shall not vote.

Article 11. No brother shall speak more than twice on a subject without the consent of the Association.

Article 12. These Rules of Decorum may be altered or amended at any regular session of the Association by a majority vote of the members of the body.

Articles of Faith

1. We believe in one only true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and that they are one. (See Matt. 28-29).

2. We believe that the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the inspired Word of God and the only rules of faith and practice. (2 Timothy 3:17.)

3. We believe in the election according to the foreknowledge of God through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth. (2 Thes. 3:13.)

4. We believe that the Grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, and that nothing prevents the salvation of the vilest sinner but his own voluntary rejection of that Grace. (Isa. 55:1; Rev. 22:17; Acts 17:30.)

5. We believe in the depravity of the human heart, and that the natural state of man is such that he cannot prepare himself for Divine favors without the assisting grace of God, enabling him to act according to the good pleasure of His Divine Will. (Eph. 2:6; Matt. 18:11; John 4:10; 1 Cor. 3-5-7.)

6. We believe in justification of faith, which gives peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom. 5:1-2.)

7. We believe that the Gospel of Christ is a means of grace to bring sinners to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, and therefore should be preached to all the world. (John 3:16.)

8. We believe that all those who are regenerated by the Spirit of God are made heirs of God and joint heirs with our Lord Jesus Christ and that they are kept by the power of God through faith until eternal Salvation. (Peter 1:5; Rom. 8:22; Phil. 1-6).

9. We believe that baptism is the immersion of the whole body in water; that the only proper subjects are described in preceding section, and the only proper administrators are those who have been regularly ordained by a Church of Christ, by the imposition of hands of a presbytery. (Acts 8:36; Rom. 6:4; Read Tim. and Titus.)

10. We believe that the Lord's Supper was instituted by Jesus Christ to be commemorated by His followers and that none but baptized believers have a Spiritual right to partake thereof. (Luke 22:18, 19, 20; Cor. 14:25-28).

11. We believe in the resurrection of the righteous and the wicked, and that the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life. (Acts 25:15.)

Associational Directory

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OFFICERS

REV. HUGH H. WALTERS, Lake City, Fla. Moderator
 REV. JAMES T. MASHBURN, Lake City, Fla. Vice-Moderator
 REV. FINLEY MOORE, Lake City, Fla. Clerk
 R. F. PERSONS, Ft. White, Fla. Treasurer
 ELTON McCLELLAN, Olustee, Fla. Assn. Sunday School Supt.
 JOHN INMAN, Lake City, Fla. Assn. Training Union Director
 FRED WEEKS, Lake City, Fla. Assn. Brotherhood Director

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

State, Home and Foreign Missions. REV. JAMES A. McKEITHEN
 Christian Education and Literature. BENJ. H. GROOVER
 Children's Home and Orphanage. REV. C. R. ROBERTS
 Temperance and Morals. REV. H. H. PARRISH
 Woman's Missionary Society. MRS. HUGH H. WALTERS
 Minister's Retirement Fund. REV. A. B. FRANKLIN
 Obituaries. REV. E. P. DuBOSE

Ordained Ministers

Name and Address	Church of Which a Member	Minsterial Work
Allen, T. W. Live Oak, Florida	Mt. Pleasant	Pastor
Benefield, J. B. Route 3, Lake City, Florida	Hopeful	Pastor
Davis, J. H. Olustee, Florida	Olustee	Pastor
DuBose, E. P. Ft. White, Florida	Shiloh	Pastor
Dicks, John Route 3, Lake City, Florida	Hopeful	Pastor
Freemen, Donald Lake City, Florida	Watertown	Inactive
Mashburn, James T. Lake City, Florida	Lake City First	Pastor
Moore, Finley Lake City, Florida	Lake City First	Pastor
McKeithen, James A. Lake City, Florida	Lake City South Side	Pastor
Parrish, H. H. Wellborn, Florida	Wellborn	Pastor
Rhodes, Sol M. Lake City, Florida	Watertown	Pastor
Roberts, C. R. Lake City, Florida	Lake City South Side	Pastor
Tyre, William W. Lake City, Florida	Pine Grove	Pastor
Walters, Hugh H. Lake City, Florida	Lake City First	Pastor
Wood, Joe Lee Lake City, Florida	Bethlehem	Pastor
Young, S. F. Route 4, Lake City, Florida	Lake City First	Pastor

Messengers

ATHENS: W. S. Howell; Mrs. Fannie Kirby; Wallace Kirby; E. M. Kirby; Mrs. E. M. Kirby.
 BETHLEHEM: J. S. Smith, J. E. Lampp; W. W. Hancock.
 ELIM: W. M. Hawkins; Mrs. W. M. Hawkins; Roy Wilson; Mrs. Roy Wilson; Mrs. J. Ritch; Mrs. R. F. Ritch.
 EVERGREEN: L. C. Jenkins; Grover Edenfield; D. T. Herb.
 FELLOWSHIP: W. L. Sapp; Mrs. W. L. Sapp; Burton Brannon; Mrs. Burton Brannon; J. B. Green; Mrs. J. B. Green; Riley Green; Mrs. Riley Green.
 FT. WHITE: W. M. Millegan; Russell Walker; Mrs. Perry Mobley; Mrs. J. V. Hollingsworth.
 HOPEFUL: Rev. John Dicks; Rev. J. B. Benefield; Clinton Dicks; Mrs. Shirley Markham; R. P. Dicks.
 HOPEWELL: Christine Craggs; James Burnett; Louise Waldron.
 LAKE CITY—FIRST: Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Mashburn; R. E. McCoskey; Benj. H. Groover; Earl Haltiwanger, Jr.; Mrs. Ida Feagle; Mrs. M. T. Lovette; Mrs. D. P. Folsom; Mrs. Clella Bonds; Mrs. D. N. Green; Mrs. J. F. Black; Rev. S. F. Young; Rev. Hugh H. Walters.
 LAKE CITY—SOUTH SIDE: J. B. Rouse; Mrs. J. B. Rouse; Mrs. Clarence Smith; H. W. Odum; Mrs. Weathersbee; Mrs. Bob Pitts; Mildred Norris; Mrs. H. W. Odum.
 LULU: Mrs. Beatrice Courson; Mrs. Ophelia Waldron; L. J. Waldron; Jessie Lee.
 MT. BEULAH: O. L. Carver; Mrs. O. L. Carver; L. F. Stansel; Mrs. L. F. Stansel; Denward Morgan.
 MT. CARMEL: C. J. Perkins; Mrs. G. H. Patterson; Mrs. W. E. Morrell; Mrs. Julian Fralick; Mrs. Ralph Hardee; J. C. Huchingson; Mrs. W. B. Peacock; Mrs. A. B. Franklin.
 MT. PLEASANT: Mrs. Bob Stuart; Bob Stuart; Mrs. Ralph Kennedy; E. W. Phillips; Mrs. E. W. Phillips; Mrs. J. W. Wood; Mrs. Bertha Hillhouse; Revis Hillhouse; Mrs. J. W. H. Bales; Jencil Bales.
 MT. ZION: J. E. Ogden; A. J. Revels; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Everette; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Roberts.
 NEW OAK GROVE: York L. Malphurs; Viola Vaughn; Majorie Alligood; Turner Alligood; Tommie Malphurs.
 OAK GROVE: S. E. Wilson; Mrs. S. E. Wilson; C. F. Johns; Mrs. C. F. Johns; Mrs. W. F. Williams.
 OLD PROVIDENCE: Mrs. Roger Tanner; Mrs. Ruby Clyatt; Percy Bundy; Mrs. Martha Bundy; Mrs. J. J. Ward.
 OLUSTEE: Elton McClellan; Mrs. Elton McClelland; W. T. Green; Mrs. W. T. Green; Mrs. Bertie Thompson; Rev. J. H. Davis; Mrs. L. S. Brinson; Paul Mikell.
 PHILLIPI: H. C. Pope; Mrs. H. C. Pope; N. A. Cason; Mrs. N. A. Cason; L. E. Taylor; Mrs. L. E. Taylor.
 PINE GROVE: J. L. Christie; Mrs. J. L. Christie; Mrs. Troy Williams.
 PROVIDENCE VILLAGE: J. W. O'Steen; Mrs. J. W. O'Steen; Silas Crawford; Mrs. Silas Crawford; Arley Nesmith.
 SHILOH: D. W. DuBose; Mrs. D. W. DuBose; Mrs. E. P. DuBose; L. G. Guynn; Harry Guynn.
 WATERTOWN: Mrs. Era Johnson; Mrs. F. C. Richards; Mrs. Pearl Bennett.
 WELLBORN: Rev. H. H. Parrish; Mrs. H. H. Parrish; J. A. Ogden; Mrs. J. A. Ogden; Mrs. Julia Hawkins.
 WHITE SPRINGS: Mrs. D. F. Norris; Mrs. D. N. Cone; Mrs. F. L. Barnes; Mrs. G. L. Bullard; R. E. Bullard; S. B. Beauchamp; F. L. Barnes.

Proceedings of the 68th Annual Session

of the

Beulah Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH, FT. WHITE, FLA.
October 1 and 2, 1947

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION

After opening Hymns "In the Cross" and "There is a Fountain" in which the congregation was led in singing by Bro. D. W. DuBose, the 69th Annual Session of the Beulah Baptist Association was called to order on October 1st 1947 at 10:00 A. M. by the Moderator Rev. Hugh H. Walters.

The opening devotional was conducted by Rev. James T. Mashburn, Pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lake City, using as his scripture reading the 10th verse of the 4th chapter of First Peter, at the end of which, the body was led in prayer by Dr. Gambrell of the Florida Baptist Bible Institute.

After the roll call of churches, a motion was made by the Clerk and duly adopted, that the present messengers and those later to come, would constitute the organization of the 68th Annual Meeting of the Beulah Baptist Association.

New Pastors and visitors were recognized by the Moderator and were introduced as follows:

NEW PASTORS

Rev. J. H. Davis, Pastor of Olustee Church, Olustee, Florida.

Rev. James A. McKeithen, Pastor of Lake City South Side, Lake City, Florida.

VISITORS

Dr. E. D. Solomon, Editor of Florida Baptist Witness; Rev. John W. Pearce, District Missionary; Dr. Leon M. Gambrell, President of Florida Baptist Bible Institute; Rev. Clifford Walker of State Mission Board; Rev. J. Marshall Mines; Rev. George Brown and Rev. C. H. Churchwell.

Upon motion made and duly adopted, the Program as arranged by the Program Committee was declared as the regular order of business.

OCTOBER 1, 1947

- 10:00 A. M. Devotional . . . Rev. J. T. Mashburn.
- 10:15 A. M. Recognition of messengers.
- 10:25 A. M. Welcome to new Pastors and visiting brethren.
- 10:30 A. M. Report Florida Baptist Institute, Leon M. Gambrell.
- 10:45 A. M. Associational S. School Report, Elton McClellan.
- 10:55 A. M. Associational Brotherhood Report, Russell Wade.
- 11:00 A. M. Announcement of Committees.
- 11:10 A. M. Report of Baptist Orphanage, Rev. C. R. Roberts.
- 11:30 A. M. Annual Sermon, Rev. S. F. Young.
- 12:15 A. M. Adjourn for lunch.
- 1:45 P. M. Devotional . . . Rev. J. A. McKeithen.
- 2:00 P. M. Report on Christian Education, Rev. H. H. Parrish.
- 2:20 P. M. Report on State, Home and Foreign Missions, Rev. J. T. Mashburn.
- 2:35 P. M. Report on Unified Program, Finley Moore.

- 2:40 P. M. Missionary Address, Clifford Walker.
- 3:10 P. M. Report of Executive Committee.
- 3:15 P. M. Miscellaneous Business.

OCTOBER 2, 1947

- 10:00 A. M. Devotional . . . Rev. C. R. Roberts.
 - 10:15 A. M. Report on Temperance and Morals, Rev. W. H. Gray.
 - 10:45 A. M. Report of W.M.U., Mrs. Hugh H. Walters.
 - 11:00 A. M. Report on Minister's Retirement Fund, Rev. John Dicks.
 - 11:10 A. M. Election of Officers and Miscellaneous Business.
 - 11:30 A. M. Missionary Sermon, Rev. J. A. McKeithen.
 - 12:15 A. M. Adjourn for lunch.
 - 1:45 P. M. Devotional . . . Rev. Joe Lee Wood.
 - 2:00 P. M. Report of Nomination Committee.
 - 2:10 P. M. Report of Resolution Committee.
 - 2:25 P. M. Report of Finance Committee.
 - 2:35 P. M. Report of Petitionary Committee.
 - 2:45 P. M. Report of Obituary Committee, Rev. A. B. Franklin.
- Report by Dr. Leon M. Gambrell, President of Florida Baptist Bible Institute was read and adopted.

Child of Providence

THE FLORIDA BAPTIST INSTITUTE came into existence, we believe under the direct leadership of God. Members of the committee who led in the movement to "share" knowledge with their brother preachers, did not know they were launching an institution which would minister to such a large number of people scattered so widely. This surprising growth proves it to be of God. Students are now in attendance from 8 states and they come from all sections of Florida. At this writing, eighty-one are enrolled and others are coming almost daily. As soon as buildings are completed the enrollment will jump far over the hundred mark.

All Students Christian Leaders

Most of the students at the INSTITUTE are preachers and all of them are preparing for definite Christian service. What better investment could be made than this?

Training of Baptist Leaders

We believe that if our pastors of small or large churches are to be most cooperative in the Baptist program, they must have training in distinctively Baptist institutions. Every employee, teacher and secretary and dietitian and all, at FLORIDA BAPTIST INSTITUTE, is a cooperating Baptist. The whole atmosphere of this campus is Baptist. Every instructor deeply and positively believes the great Bible fundamentals: The Bible is the divinely inspired word of God; Jesus is the virgin-born Son of God and long-looked-for Messiah; He died upon the cross and there made full atonement for sin; He was buried and arose bodily from the grave, ascended to heaven, and is coming again; The Holy Spirit, third person of the Trinity, is the Christian's Source of power, Comforter, and Guide performing the functions promised by Christ; The Church is of New Testament origin

and all its doctrines and practices must conform to New Testament teachings.

Upon motion made and duly adopted the program was amended to hear the report of Rev. John Dicks on Minister's Retirement Fund.

Upon reading the report on Minister's Retirement Fund, the same was duly adopted.

Report on Relief and Annuities

Southern Baptist as a denomination had no plans of economic protection for its Ministers against old age until the Relief and Annuity Board was organized in 1918. This board issued its first annuity certificate in July, 1919. Since that time the work of this board has grown until now more than 13,000 ministers and other persons employed by Baptist agencies hold certificates.

The plan has been enlarged so as to give annuities to all of our denominational workers who are employed by our Institutions and Mission Boards including Ministers' wives. The protection offered to these different groups of employees of our Churches and other Institutions is made possible by the cooperation of our Churches and the employees and the other Institutions that employ workers. Therefore, if the Minister is to be protected with these benefits the Church that he serves must cooperate with the Annuity Board and if they fail to cooperate they have made it impossible for their pastor to participate in the plan.

We would urge our Churches to cooperate with the plan so that all pastors may be able to have this protection when perhaps they will have no other source of income and may be entirely dependent upon others.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN DICKS
Committee

Upon motion made and duly adopted the program was amended to hear the report on Temperance and Morals. No report rendered.

Dr. Fred T. Barnett was recognized by the Moderator and spoke on the evils of liquor traffic in Florida and concluded his address with the following opinions of leading authorities.

Opinions of Leading Authorities

Sir Victor Horsley, famous English brain surgeon: "We can come to only one conclusion—that from a scientific standpoint, total abstinence must be our course, if we are to follow the plain teachings of truth."

Haven Emerson, Columbia University: "The alcohol in one bottle of beer or in one small cocktail is sufficient to cause a delay in the normal reaction of the driver of an automobile for the next two hours, which readily explains many of the tragedies of the road."

Editor Roy Smith, in Christian Advocate: "Chemically, it (alcohol) is a poison. Socially, it is a criminal. Economically, it is a wastrel. Politically, it is a corruptionist. Spiritually, it is a destroyer. Pathologically, it is a depressant, and not a stimulant, as is generally believed. Psychologically, it is a blighter of the finest and most sensitive intellectual capacities."

Evangeline Booth, Salvation Army: "Drink has drained more blood, hung more crepe, sold more homes, plunged more people into bankruptcy, armed more villains, slain more children, snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocent, blinded more eyes, twisted more limbs, dethroned more reason, wrecked more manhood, dishonored more womanhood, broken more hearts, blasted more lives, driven more to suicide, and dug more graves, than any other poisonous scourge that ever swept its death-dealing waves across the world."

The following Committees were appointed by the Moderator.

Nominating Committee: Rev. John Dicks, Chairman; Bro. R. F. Persons and Bro. N. A. Cason.

Resolution Committee: Rev. James T. Mashburn, Chairman, Rev. James A. McKeithen and Bro. O. L. Carver.

Finance Committee: Rev. Joe Lee Wood, Chairman; Bro. J. E. Ritch and Mrs. W. F. Miller.

Petitionary Committee: Rev. C. R. Roberts, Chairman; Rev. E. P. DuBose and Bro. Wallace Bailey.

The report of Baptist Orphanage at Arcadia, was read by Rev. C. R. Roberts and duly adopted.

Report on Florida Baptist Children's Home

Our Children's Home continues to put forth every effort to assist the unfortunate children of the state. It has not been able to assist more than a mere fraction of the children who have applied for help in the past year. The number of half-orphans is increasing rapidly. Divorce and desertion are wrecking thousands of homes in our state. The need for help among children who have one or both parents living has exceeded that of any year in the last fifteen. Desertion leads the field in causes of dependency and divorce is second. Desertion is a parent of divorce. It precedes a great number of divorces and is one of the chief evils of our home life today. We deplore the rapid disintegration of so many of our homes. It creates numerous problems in our church and community life and brings untold damage, suffering and hardship to thousands of innocent children.

The management of the Home tries in every way possible to help many of these children but there are more than they can possibly assist. They plan to employ a social worker within the next associational year and possibly another one will be added later. It will be the duty of those workers to investigate the cases asking help of the Home and to use every means at their command to assist those who apply for assistance.

They have started construction of the new Home in Lakeland. Three buildings are being constructed with a fourth to be started within a few weeks. Baptists of Florida own 51 acres of land in the city of Lakeland and approximately 80 acres adjoining which lies outside the city limits. They have room for pasture and truck farm and about thirty acres for a building site. The property borders the Lake Hunter Drive. The city owns the narrow strip of ground between the street and the lake but it is understood that the children can use the lake for fishing and boating.

When the dormitories are finished, we shall have one of the most modern and up-to-date institutions in the entire South, if not in the nation. Each building for intermediates and seniors will be two stories high and will house twenty children, two children in each

room. The dormitories for the juniors will accommodate twenty children, four children to a room, and the nursery will house sixteen children, four to a room. Each building will have its own dining room. They are following the cottage plan throughout.

The finances of the Institution have held up remarkably well. The gifts have been sufficient to meet all expenses for the year.

Our children attend church, Sunday School, Training Union at the First Baptist Church in Arcadia. We recognize that our efforts would have been in vain and Baptist money spent for charity only if we neglected the religious training of our children. Their health, happiness, and success in life many times depends upon their relationship to God. The greatest benefit that any child can have is the knowledge of God and an environment in which kind ideals and Christian living can develop and grow stronger through the years.

Respectfully submitted, I am,

T. M. JOHNS,

Superintendent.

The Assembly was requested by the Moderator to stand and sing "Revive us Again", after which, the annual sermon was preached by Rev. S. F. Young.

His text was taken from the 18th verse of the 29th Chapter of Proverbs, "Where there is no vision, the people perish".

After the annual sermon and after prayer by Rev. J. Marshall Mines, the Assembly adjourned for lunch.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:45 P. M., by the Moderator Rev. Hugh H. Wallace, and the Assembly, joined in singing "When the Roll is called up Yonder" and "There is power in the Blood," after which the entire assembly was led in prayer by Rev. T. W. Allen.

The afternoon devotional was conducted by Rev. J. H. Davis, Pastor of Olustee Church, and he used for his scripture reading the 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th verses of the 26th Chapter of Genesis.

Report on Christian Education by Rev. H. H. Parrish, was read and adopted.

Report on Christian Education

Since the close of the last war, Baptist schools—like other schools—are often receiving applications far in excess of what they can accommodate. This increase in attendance calls for substantial increase in financial support.

Financial support must come from a loyal, informed, constituency. Our people must know, not only the generalities concerning the organization and policies of our schools, but must know that these co-incide with the fundamental principles of our faith. Within the structure of Baptist belief is the conviction—well supported by evidence—that Baptists are the group to whom Christ was speaking when He said "This do—", and "Go Ye—". Our people will feel more responsibility towards our schools when our schools make this age (old) fact more prominent in their teaching.

We commend the tendency to show favor to young people who cannot qualify for registry in a standard college, but want instruction helpful to them in their work. A policy of this kind will, and is helping, many who can never receive a diploma.

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We must lean on our institutions of learning for much sympathetic assistance in "contending for the faith once delivered to the saints". (Jude 3).

H. H. PARRISH

Rev. J. Marshall Mines was recognized by the Moderator, and spoke on Greater Stetson and its urgent needs.

Upon motion made and duly adopted, the entire assembly stood for prayer, being led by Rev. James T. Mashburn, for the speedy recovery of Dr. W. S. Allen, former President of Stetson University. Said motion further instructed the Clerk of Beulah Baptist Association to write Dr. Allen of our sincere appreciation of his fine work and to express our deep sympathy for his present illness.

Dr. E. D. Solomon was recognized by the Moderator, and he spoke on the great opportunities for evangelism in Beulah Association.

Report on State, Home and Foreign Missions by Rev. James T. Mashburn, Pastor of Lake City First Church, read and adopted.

Report on Missions

Recognizing the possibility of wearing threadbare the topic of Missions, I shall be as brief as possible in setting forth the claims of our mission work through the loyalty and support of Florida Baptists.

I. STATE MISSIONS.

First of all a brief word about State Missions. There is the work of our Board in supporting the ministers and missionaries in our State work. We support in part or in full many preachers and pastors as they serve several churches and out-posts in our fair state. We are well aware of our work in Key West and both branches of our work in Tampa. This is neither the time nor the place to try to exhaust this great subject but, for example, let us take a glance at our work among the Indians. At this time we have three missionaries—Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Smith, and Miss Elsie Guinn. Last year there were six pastors out of more than 800 in the state of Florida—who baptized more than 100 converts. Rev. Stanley Smith was only third in the list baptizing 150 converts. This represents the greatest evangelistic movement anywhere in the United States among the Indians. It is a fearful fact that in the State of Florida there are more lost souls today—without God and without hope—than there were five years ago. Let's double our efforts.

II. HOME MISSIONS.

This has been a glorious year for Home Missions. The Home Mission Board is an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention. Its field is defined by the Convention. The Home Mission Board has as its function the evangelization of the home land as our base for winning the world. We have 703 listed in the Home Mission Board Directory. They are placed as follows:

Administrative and field force, 34; among foreigners, 76; among Spanish-speaking peoples, 187; among Indians, 96; to the deaf, 5; to the Negroes, 34; in Special Missions, 8; in Panama, 20; in Cuba, 123; in Co-operative Missions—36 in City, 47 in Rural, and 25 in General (largely Western) Missions; and 12 retired.

As we face the fact that each year America becomes more pagan, the importance of the Home Mission Board becomes more evident and strategic. Onward and Upward is the key note of Heaven, the

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watchword of the Earth. Each hilltop ascended is firm footing for higher altitudes in the higher climb.

III. FOREIGN MISSIONS.

For the next twelve months the Florists of America plan to sell four hundred million dollars worth of flowers. About seven million Southern Baptists plan to try to raise fifteen million dollars the next twelve months for Foreign Missions. Last year Southern Baptists gave a little more than five million dollars for the work of Foreign Missions. The Foreign Mission Board was organized 101 years ago. Its purpose was (and is) to direct a missionary program of evangelizing, teaching, and healing in 19 nations. We have 564 active missionaries as follows: in the Orient, 201; in Latin America, 210; in Africa, Europe and the Near East, 153.

M. T. Rankin is the Executive Secretary and working with him are the following secretaries: G. W. Sadler, Europe, Africa and the Near East; Everett Gill, Jr., for Latin America; and Baker Caithen for the Orient. The Missionary Personnel is under the competent and capable leadership of J. W. Marshall.

A bulletin recently released by the Board contains the following facts:

"Go Ye" . . . For every one who goes abroad 10,000 of us stay at home.

"Make Disciples" . . . (2,000 years ago Jesus said that) . . . For every Christian the world has three pagans.

"Of all nations" . . . There are 63 nations in the world and we serve in only 19.

"Baptizing them" . . . Baptist churches at home exceed those abroad 9 to 1.

"Teaching them" . . . We have 64 teachers at home to 1 abroad.

"To observe all things" . . . We spend \$28.00 on us and \$1.00 for Foreign Missions.

What can our churches do about it? First, we can all unite with our voices in prayer. Second, we can all go back to our churches and seek to lead them in a greater way than ever before to "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Rev. Clifford Walker of the State Mission Board was recognized by the Moderator, who delivered a fine address on the Mission Work in the State and the great plans they had for the coming year.

Report of Executive Committee was read and adopted.

Report of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the Beulah Baptist Association met early in the year and organized with Rev. H. H. Walters as chairman and Rev. Finley Moore as secretary. Meetings were held each quarter to carry out the work of the Association between the regular sessions of the Association. Business that was transacted during the year was as follows:

Produce for the Children's Home was secured and sent.

Minutes of the Associational annual Meeting were printed and distributed.

A Committee to further study the Associational Budget was appointed.

A Committee was appointed to make a study in the probability

of hiring an Associational Missionary, and was to make its report to the Annual Meeting of the Association.

A program committee for the Annual meeting was appointed.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. WALTERS, Chairman

Report of Committee for Associational Missionary was read and adopted.

We the sub-committee from the Executive Committee of the Beulah Baptist Association concerning the employment and duties of an Associational Missionary wish to submit these Suggestions:

I. The man employed to be an Ordained Baptist Minister with a thorough knowledge and interest in all our denominational activities, and to devote all his time to this end.

II. His work to consist in promoting all of our church program including Sunday School, Training Union, Vacation Bible School.

A. Teaching and promoting Study Courses in all church activities.

B. Organizing Training Unions, and Sunday Schools, W.M.U's., Brotherhoods, and Churches where they are desired.

C. To help Pastors in the capacity of a supply or in Revivals.

III. That His Compensation as agreed upon by the Association be pro-rated among the Churches, according to membership, and that the Churches be asked to provide and pay their part of same in such manner as may be agreeable to the Churches.

IV. That the Association Missionary be responsible to Executive Committee, and a submitted report to same quarterly.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. J. A. McKEITHEN, Chairman

JOE L. WOOD

H. H. PARRISH

Motion to adjourn until Thursday Morning was adopted, upon the assembly standing for prayer of dismissal, led by Rev. John Dicks.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION

The Thursday morning session was called to order by the Moderator by requesting the assembly to stand while singing "Take the name of Jesus with you" and "Jesus is all the world to me."

The morning devotional was conducted by Rev. C. H. Churchwell, a former Pastor in the Association, and he used for his Scripture reading Verses 36 to 50 inclusive of the 7th Chapter of the Gospel of Luke.

Report of the Associational Sunday School Superintendent was read and adopted.

Report of Sunday School Work

There has not been as much progress made in the Sunday Schools of the Beulah Association during the past year as I had hoped. There have been many things that have kept the Association-wide work from going forward as it should have.

First, I have not had the time to put to the work as I did the preceding year.

Second, our secretary who served so well last year has been sorely missed since she moved away. She was the one who actually put the work over by printing the notices of meetings and taking care of the routine work in connection with such a program.

Third, the co-operation has not been as it should have been. Several were asked to do specific work but there was only a small percent who accepted the tasks assigned to them.

During February a program of visitation to the Churches to present a suggested program of work for the year was attempted. I led one team of workers into six Churches. Bro. Walters led a team in visiting a like number of the Churches. I was unable to recruit any other teams for similar visits to the remaining fourteen Churches.

I face the coming year's work with brighter prospects, because I have been promised co-operation in getting out programs for meetings and any other assistance needed from several pastors of the Association. After all, our work within the Association is going to advance only as far as the leaders will lead it.

There were five Churches reporting teachers training during the year. A total of fifty-four awards was made. This record should be multiplied by ten. Then it would not be any too much done for the teachers of our Sunday Schools who need to know more about teaching methods and more about the Bible in order to do an effective job of teaching the Word of God.

There were nine Daily Vacation Bible Schools held with an attendance of around three hundred. There were several conversions reported from these schools. We failed to reach the fine record set last year when fifteen schools were held with an attendance of over eight hundred. I hope we can exceed all records in Bible Schools for the coming year. The support of every Pastor in the Association will be needed to do this. I hope we will receive it so we will be able to render a better report at the end of the year.

ELTON McCLELLAN.

The Moderator called for the report of the Associational Brotherhood Director's Report. NO REPORT.

Motion made and adopted that the report of the Brotherhood Director be not delayed for more than a day after the close of the Associational Meeting.

Rev. James T. Mashburn and Rev. C. R. Roberts, both, spoke on the value and possibilities of a Brotherhood in each Church of the Association.

Report of the Women's Missionary Society read and adopted.

Report of W. M. U. Work

I would like for us to understand the relationship of the Woman's Missionary Union work to the church. W.M.U. is not a separate work, but an auxiliary of the church placing special emphasis on all phase of missions. The W.M.U. has the same relationship to the Association, state, and Southern Baptist Convention being an auxiliary to each. As the W.M.U. watchword states we are, "Laborers together with God" . . . 1 Cor. 28:19. We are laborers together with God working with the church to lead the lost at home and around the world to find Christ as a personal Savior.

The W.M.U. watchword for 1947 is "Go ye . . . and make disciples of all nations"—Mathew 28:19. The hymn for 1947 is "Hark! the Voice of Jesus Calling". We must hear the voice of Jesus calling us into active service for Him that all nations may hear the message of the Wonderful Savior.

The W.M.U. fosters work with the Young People. The Young Woman's Auxiliary includes girls from 16 to 25 years of age. The Girl's Auxiliary includes girls 9 through 15 years and the Royal Ambassador Chapter is for boys of the same ages. The Sunbeam Band is for children 4 through 9 years. Each of these auxiliaries have their own watchword, hymns, and programs to follow. Below is a report of the work of our Young People.

Y.W.A. 1, Lake City First Church—Members.....	22
G.A. 3, Southside, Mt. Carmel, Welborn.....	20
R.A. 2, White Springs and Southside.....	37
Sunbeam Bands 3, Fort White, Southside, Fort White.....	19
Total enrollment	98

The pastor and R. A. Counselor of the White Springs Church served on the faculty at the first State R. A. camp held at Chipola Jr. College near Marianna. Two boys from White Springs, 4 from Southside, and 1 from Mt. Carmel attended this camp with him. Several Y.W.A. girls from the First Church attended Y.W.A. week at Ridgecrest.

In these auxiliaries several mission classes were held, the children are also taught to be better stewards of God. We need to do more toward giving the youth of our association more christian training.

The W.M.U. has had 4 executive committee meetings this year to plan the work for each quarter. Each W.M.S. president and Young People's Leader also all associational W.M.U. officers are members of the executive committee.

The first quarterly meeting was a methods clinic held at the First Church in January. Miss Elizabeth State Young People's Secretary and Mrs. George Davis from North Carolina were the guest speakers. Their talks were based on the book "A Guide to Community Missions" The second quarterly meeting was held with Watertown Church. Rev. H. H. Phillips brought the principle message. The third quarterly meeting was a picnic at Camp O'Leno. The following Mission books were taught:

"Helping Others to Become Christians" for the adults and young people "Carved On Our Hearts" for the intermediates, "Everywhere Preaching the Word" for Juniors., and "God is Love In Any Language," and "Visiting Around the World" for the Primary and Beginner ages. Five churches were represented with about 60 people attending.

The first week in January Schools of Missions were held in Philippi, Bethlehem, and Fort White. The 2 mission books taught were "Now is the Day" and "This is My Father's World" were taught in each of the churches each night followed by a message from one of the following missionaries: Miss Pearl Todd, Mrs. A. R. Gallimore both missionaries to China, or Miss Vena Aguiard, missionary to the French, her own people in Louisiana. Approximately 150 were enrolled in these schools, 13 subscriptions to the "Southern Baptist Home Mission Magazine," and 5 to "The Commission" were secured. The offering was \$62.92. One W.M.S. was organized at Bethlehem.

Elim and Bethlehem Churches have organized W.M.S. this year making a total of 10 churches in our association with W.M.U. work.

Several W.M.S.'s gave showers for the Children's Home this year after Mrs. Johns notified us of the needs of the home. 4,746 coupons have also been sent to the home. The goal for Beulah for furnishing

the Sr. Girl's Dormitory at the new Home was \$10.00. We sent \$17.00.

White Springs and Southside W.M.S. received recognition by the Southern Baptist W.M.U. Convention held in St. Louis, Mo. last May for attaining the goal last year of each resident woman member giving to missions.

The annual Associational W.M.U. meeting met with Bethlehem Church on Monday, Sept. 22, 1947. The theme for the day was—"His Kingdom Come From Shore to Shore". The meeting opened by singing "Come Thou Almighty King" followed by prayer. The devotional: "How Christians Can Bring About His Reign" was given by Mrs. Ralph Hardee. Business session followed. These churches answered roll call—White Springs 5, Olustee 4, Wellborn 4, Mt. Carmel 4, Southside 11, First Church 14, Bethlehem 13, and 4 visitors. The reports were given in chart form which will be found in the W.M.U. statistical table in this minute. The following goals were adopted for another year:

3 new W.M.S., 25 percent increase in Y.W.A.'s, 10 percent increase in G.A.'s, 16 percent increase in R.A.'s, 12 percent increase in Sunbeam Bands, 15 percent increase in new members in all organizations, a family altar in every home, every W.M.S. member reading the entire Bible this year, 10 percent increase in tithers and every society observing the three seasons of prayer; namely state, home, and foreign missions. Special recognition was given Bethlehem and Southside for being 100 percent in Community Missions this entire year. Every W.M.S. observed the season of prayer for Home Missions in March.

The president stated that \$4,452.25 was given to all mission causes.

The eleven o'clock message was brought by Miss Ruth Thurmand, missionary to India. She dressed in the native costume of the people of India and told of their customs, also the great need for more Christian workers there.

A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by all.

The afternoon meeting opened by singing "Jesus Saves" followed by a talk by Miss Josephine Jones, State W.M.U. Executive Secretary. Her subject being—"Be ye Doers For His Kingdom".

A stewardship play entitled "These Ought Ye to Have Done" was presented by 7 women from the First Church.

Mrs. David Sutton gave a very impressive installation service. The following officers are to serve in 1947-48:

President—Mrs. Hugh H. Walters, Vice-President—Mrs. J. A. McKeithen, Secretary—Mrs. J. F. Black, Treasurer—Mrs. W. F. Miller, Young People's Leader—Mrs. Clarence Smith, Community chairman—Mrs. Geo. Ray, Mission Study—Mrs. A. R. Wise, Stewardship—Mrs. Albert Johnson, Margaret Fund—Mrs. W. M. Joplin, Training School—Mrs. J. L. Wood, Children's Home—Mrs. R. E. McColskey.

The treasurer's report was adopted as follows:

Receipts	
Cash on hand Oct. 1, 1947.....	\$44.80
Gifts from W.M.S.'s.....	3.00
Offering at quarterly meeting in April and offerings from W.M.S.....	26.25
Offering at June quarterly meeting.....	6.30
Offering at annual meeting.....	16.80
Total.....	\$97.15

Name of Church	No. Members	No. Auxiliaries	Mission Classes	Community Missions	Tithers	Gifts to Margaret Fund	Gifts to Training School	Gifts to Children's Home	Gifts to State, Home Foreign Missions	Gifts to Camps, Programs and other objects
Athens	8		3	8	8			9.00	14.16	
Bethlehem	9					1.00		1.00	45.10	46.34
Elim							2.50			
Evergreen										
Fellowship										
Fort White	10	1	2	8	1					
Hopewell										
Lake City, First	236	1	6	90	52	15.00	15.00	85.00	1,878.61	1,700.39
Lake City, Southside	25	3	3	25	1			1.00	20.00	20.00
Lulu										
Mt. Beulah	13	1	1	13	11	1.00		28.00	19.60	136.46
Mt. Carmel										
Mt. Pleasant										
Mt. Zion										
Nur. Grove										
Oak Grove										
Old Providence										
Olustee	8		2		8	5.00		1.00	24.75	13.00
Phillippi										
Pine Grove										
Providence Village										
Shiloh										
Watertown	4		1	4	4	1.00		6.00	4.00	25.00
Wellborn	10	2		5	2	8.75	1.00	15.00	11.10	32.00
White Springs						32.75	18.50	157.00	2,063.81	1,973.19
TOTALS	346	9	20	176	93					

Disbursements

Gift to Stanley Smith.....	\$30.00
Expenses of associational President to the Leaders Conference.....	9.00
Expense of Young People's picnic.....	4.80
Gift to the Negro Seminary at Nashville, Tennessee.....	26.25
Gift to printing of minutes.....	5.00
Total	\$75.05
Balance on hand \$22.10.	

The report of the resolution given by Mrs. T. K. McClane, Sr. was adopted, also the report of Mrs. Green inviting the next meeting to Olustee Church. Announcements and discussion followed. The meeting closed with prayer.

As we close the year of 1946-47 may we not be satisfied with our increases in most of our work, but begin 1947-48 with a determination to go far beyond. 1948 being the sixtieth anniversary of W.M.U. and the fortieth anniversary of R.A. may it truly be "Our Commemoration Year". Let us work now while it is yet day, for the night cometh when no man can work.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. HUGH H. WALTERS, Assn. W.M.U. President.

Election of Officers

The Assembly then proceeded to the Election of officers for the coming year. Rev. C. R. Roberts was requested by the Moderator to act in his stead, and to proceed with the election of said officers.

Upon Nominations from the floor and by unanimous vote of the Assembly, the following named Officers were elected for the ensuing year, to-wit:

Moderator: Rev. Hugh H. Walters, Lake City, Florida.
Vice-Moderator: Rev. James T. Mashburn, Lake City, Florida.
Clerk: Rev. Finley Moore, Lake City, Florida.
Treasurer: R. F. Persons, Ft. White, Florida.

After much discussion from the floor about the continuance of the Fifth Sunday Meetings, it was decided that such meetings be continued, and by motion made and adopted, Brother C. F. Johns of Oak Grove Church be designated as the Chairman of the 5th Sunday Meetings and he, together with the host Pastor of the Church where said meetings are held should constitute the committee for such activity.

Afterwards, the Assembly stood, and was led in singing "How Firm a Foundation," by Rev. C. R. Roberts, at the conclusion of which the Missionary Sermon was preached by Rev. James A. McKeithen, Pastor of the Lake City South Side Church, using for his Scripture Reading the 126th Psalm.

At the close of the Missionary Sermon by Bro. McKeithen, the entire Assembly was led in prayer for all missionaries and workers, by Rev. James T. Mashburn, Pastor of the Lake City First Church.

A Missionary offering was taken, amounting to the sum of \$33.00. After singing "Jesus Paid it All", the Assembly adjourned for lunch.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was called to order by the Moderator, requesting the Assembly to stand while singing "Send the Light" and "Come Thou Almighty King" at the conclusion of which they were led in prayer by Brother R. E. McColskey.

The afternoon devotional was conducted by Rev. Joe Lee Wood, Pastor of the Bethlehem Church, using for his Scripture reading, Verses 1 to 5 inclusive of the 29th Chapter of Proverbs. Report of the American Bible Society read and adopted.

American Bible Society

THE WORLD MUST HAVE THE BIBLE.

1. Jesus Christ is the one hope of men and nations . . . and The Bible is the one primary source of knowledge of Christ.
2. In every missionary advance the Bible goes forward first.
3. 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.

GIVING THE BIBLE TO THE WORLD IS A MISSIONARY TASK

1. Every man must have the Bible in his own native language if the message of Christ is to speak effectively to his heart.
2. Someone must translate the Bible into his language, print it, and send it to him wherever he lives. Since most people in the world are too poor to pay the cost of books, someone must also give to help those who can pay only part of the cost and many who cannot pay at all.
3. The American Bible Society, supported by gifts, serves as that "someone". As a missionary organization, 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 throughout the world.

During 1946 the American Bible Society—

- distributed at home and abroad over 11 million volumes of Scriptures;
- sent to Japan more than one-third million Gospels and more than one-third million of the two and one-half million New Testaments requested by Japanese Christian leaders;
- shipped to Germany over 1 million Scripture volumes and 205 tons of materials for a self-help plan by which the German people and the German Bible Societies will do the actual printing of at least 1 million full Bibles.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS CAN LEAD IN PROVIDING ENOUGH BIBLES FOR WORLD NEEDS NOW!

1. Hungry-hearted multitudes, especially in liberated countries, Germany and Japan, are eager for the Word of God. But it is a race against time. Their eagerness may not last indefinitely and opposing forces are actively at work.
2. The Bible is rationed throughout the world, as it has always been rationed in mission lands, because the supply is limited by gifts available.
3. In 1946, Southern Baptists gave \$130,550 to the the American Bible Society; total church gifts were \$1,119,845. Increased gifts from Southern Baptists will help to provide enough Bibles now and will multiply their value by inspiring others to give more. Please send gifts to the Baptist state headquarters office, marked "for the American Bible Society".
4. A world-wide missionary advance, through increased Scripture distribution, waits! Waits only for needed funds!

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MCKEITHEN.

Report of Nominating Committee read and adopted.

Report of Nominating Committee

Next Annual Meeting — 1948
Place — Fort White Baptist Church
Time — October 6, 7

To preach the annual sermon.....Rev. J. T. Mashburn
Associational S. S. Superintendent.....Elton McClellan
Associational Training Union Director.....John Inman
Brotherhood Leader.....Fred Weeks

Chairman of committees to report at next session:

State, Home and Foreign Missions.....Rev. J. A. McKeithen
Christian Education and Literature.....B. H. Groover
Children's Home.....Rev. C. R. Roberts
Temperance and Morals.....Rev. H. H. Parrish
Women's Missionary Society.....Mrs. Hugh H. Walters
Minister's Retirement.....Rev. A. B. Franklin
Obituaries.....Rev. E. P. DuBose

Respectfully submitted,

REV. JOHN DICKS
R. F. PERSONS
N. A. CASON

Report of Resolution Committee read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

We, the Committee on Resolutions, wish to submit the following:

RESOLVED: First, that we authorize and instruct our clerk to write a letter to Dr. W. S. Allen expressing our sincere appreciation for his many years of untiring effort and sacrificial service in Stetson. Furthermore, may we instruct our clerk to express our deepest regrets for his recent serious illness and assure him of our united prayers for his recovery.

RESOLVED: Second, that we express our appreciation to our Moderator and all the officers of the Association for their splendid work during the past year and during this session.

RESOLVED: Third, that we express our appreciation to our state denominational leaders—Dr. E. D. Solomon, Rev. Clifford Walker, Mr. Fred T. Barnett, and Mr. T. M. Johns—for their presence and inspiring and challenging messages.

RESOLVED: Fourth, that whereas during the past two days we have greatly enjoyed the hospitality, entertainment, and fellowship of the Shiloh Baptist Church; and, whereas, the various members with their pastor have gone to untold labor and effort to make us satisfied, comfortable, and happy. May we extend to them our heartfelt gratitude for the food, entertainment and hospitality; and pray God's richest blessings on them.

RESOLVED: Fifth, that we reverently thank our Heavenly Father for His gracious blessings on our work during the past year and further dedicate ourselves to the task that lie before us in the continuing of His Great Kingdom Program.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. J. A. McKEITHEN, Chairman
O. L. CARVER

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

Report of Finance Committee

We, the undersigned, as your Finance Committee, recommend that the Churches of this Association underwrite a budget in the sum of \$500.00 for Associational expenses in the coming year.

REV. JOE LEE WOOD, Chairman.

Report of Treasurer read and adopted.

Treasurer's Report

Money on hand, Sept. 30, 1946.....	\$ 18.70
Receipts for Missions.....	56.65
Receipts for Minutes.....	214.35
Receipts from 5th Sunday.....	26.40
Receipts from Churches in Association.....	68.75
Total	\$384.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Dr. Maguire for Missions	\$ 56.65
For minutes	180.00
Mr. Finley Moore, Clerk.....	50.00
Moderator's expense	14.00
W. M. U. Press expense.....	29.60
Stationary for Association.....	12.00
Programs for Association.....	7.60
Treasurer's expense.....	5.00
Balance on hand, Sept. 30, 1947.....	30.00
Total	\$384.85

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. FLYNN MILLER.

Upon motion made and duly adopted, a rising vote of appreciation was extended to the retiring Treasurer, Mrs. Flynn Miller for her fine cooperative work in the Association.

Report of Obituary Committee

Report of the Obituary Committee read and adopted.

We the undersigned Committee move that a page in the Associational Minutes be dedicated in memory of the deceased.

Signed: A. B. FRANKLIN, Chairman.

After the reading and adoption of the Report from the Obituary Committee, the 68th Annual Session of the Beulah Baptist Association adjourned, to meet again in the coming year 1948 with the Fort White Baptist Church at Fort White, Florida, on October 6 and 7, 1948.

In Memoriam

ELIM: Clarence Stalnaker.
 EVERGREEN: Mrs. Dalton Anderson; Mrs. Norma Gause.
 FELLOWSHIP: W. B. Brannon (Deacon); Mrs. Ada Gordie.
 FT. WHITE: W. B. Hollingsworth.
 LAKE CITY FIRST: Mrs. J. L. Edwards; H. F. Lawson, Sr.; Mrs. H. E. Wingner; Mrs. J. T. Williams; Mrs. Lydia T. Hilley; Mrs. H. T. Battem; Ernest S. Gaston; F. H. Cason (Deacon); Roy Bell.
 MT. BEULAH: Mrs. J. T. Stansell.
 MT. PLEASANT: W. E. Dennard (Deacon).
 NEW OAK GROVE: Miss Callie Vaughn
 OLD PROVIDENCE: Isaiah Smith.
 PHILLIPI: Mrs. Henrietta Cason.
 PROVIDENCE VILLAGE: Mrs. Mary Bielling.
 SHILOH: Miss Donnie Colson.
 WELBORN: J. B. Hardin.
 WHITE SPRINGS: Rev. A. B. Chance.

TABLE I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Association Beulah, State of Florida
 For Year Ending September 30th, 1947
 Clerk, Finley Moore, Lake City, Florida
 Moderator, Hugh H. Walters, Lake City, Florida

CHURCHES	Location	Year	Organized	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	GAINS			LOSSES			TOTAL		SPECIAL INFORMATION						
					Baptisms	By Letter	Other Additions	By Letter	By Death	Other Losses	Present Resident Membership	Non-Resident Membership	Grand Total Present Membership	Are Weekly Prayer Meetings Held?	Number of Revival Meetings Held	Spent on Building or Remodeling Last Year	Value of Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Total Debt on Church Property
Athens	O. C.	1915	None	Lee Wood, Lake City	2	3	0	1	0	0	34	25	59	1	1	579.50	2,000.00		
Bethlehem	O. C.	1879	W. H. Gray, Live Oak, RFD	2	15	0	8	0	0	0	104	23	127	1	1	175.00	1,200.00		
Elim	O. C.	1915	Jessie Land, Mayo, Fla.	2	3	2	2	11	2	11	99	47	146	1	1	674.18	3,000.00		
Evergreen	O. C.	1886	Hugh H. Walters, Lake City	12	4	3	10	2	2	10	100	68	168	2	2	175.00	1,500.00		
Fellowship	O. V.	1889	W. E. Johnson, Citra, Fla.	4	12	3	6	1	1	6	88	23	111	1	1	327.29	2,000.00		
Ft. White	O. C.	1920	A. B. Walters, Lake City	7	4	4	3	1	1	4	90	48	138	1	1	175.00	2,500.00		
Hopewell	O. C.	1869	James W. Mashburn, Lake City	4	84	3	56	9	8	649	21	56	77	1	1	175.63	1,000.00		
Lake City, 1st	O. C.	1941	A. McKeithen, Lake City	25	38	1	44	1	1	212	10	222	1076	1	1	100.00	96,000.00	500.00	
Lake City, South Side	O. C.	1902	Finley Moore, Lake City	2	13	1	3	1	1	36	68	104	222	1	1	250.00	1,500.00		
Lulu	O. C.	1884	C. M. Ramsey, Jacksonville	6	8	2	9	1	1	70	75	145	101	1	1	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Mt. Beulah	O. C.	1886	None	17	1	2	7	1	1	54	16	70	52	1	1	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Mt. Carmel	O. C.	1884	None	8	4	0	3	2	1	25	27	52	76	1	1	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Mt. Pleasant	O. C.	1886	None	0	0	0	3	1	0	47	50	97	97	1	1	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Mt. Zion	O. C.	1884	R. W. Calhoun, Branford, Fla.	0	0	0	3	1	0	47	50	97	97	1	1	2,500.00	2,500.00		
New Oak Grove	O. C.	1884	Vernon Clyatt, Live Oak, Fla.	0	0	0	3	1	0	47	50	97	97	1	1	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Oak Grove	O. C.	1835	C. R. Roberts, Lake City	7	4	0	6	1	1	122	7	37	76	1	1	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Old Providence	O. C.	1940	J. R. Davis, Olustee Fla.	3	9	1	14	1	1	41	29	70	70	1	1	50.00	2,000.00		
Olustee	O. V.	1877	C. R. Roberts, Lake City	4	4	0	0	0	0	115	70	185	185	1	1	1,700.00	15,000.00		
Phillipi	O. V.	1946	William W. Tyre, Lake City	16	8	0	1	1	1	70	42	112	112	1	1	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Pine Grove	O. V.	1886	None	0	3	1	0	1	0	1	67	30	97	1	1	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Providence Village	O. V.	1909	Finley Moore, Lake City	3	2	0	1	0	1	2	64	30	94	1	1	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Shiloh	O. V.	1904	S. M. Rhodes, Lake City	6	2	0	10	1	0	87	42	129	129	1	1	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Watertown	O. V.	1912	H. H. Parrish, Wellborn, Fla.	0	3	0	6	1	0	67	30	97	97	1	1	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Wellborn	V. T.	1912	H. H. Parrish, Wellborn, Fla.	6	2	0	10	1	0	87	42	129	129	1	1	1,500.00	1,500.00		
White Springs	V. T.	1900	Hugh H. Walters, Lake City	13	3	0	2	1	1	58	84	142	142	1	1	2,500.00	2,500.00		

Not totaled

CHURCHES	Sunday School Supps. and Addresses	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Total Enrollment, Main School & Mission, inc. officer, teacher, pupil
Athens	Larry Kirby, Route 2, Lake City	7	5	7	7	5	9	10	12	31
Bethlehem	J. E. Lamp, Lake City	15	8	10	11	10	13	15	15	56
Elum	O. L. Page, High Springs	12	8	8	11	12	13	12	17	74
Evergreen	Layon Gaylord, Route 2, Lake City	14	15	23	18	22	19	19	12	47
Fellowship	J. B. Green, Wellborn	5	6	6	6	8	8	8	10	131
Ft. White	Russell Walker, Ft. White	10	8	12	8	14	12	12	12	35
Hopewell	O. M. Stewart, Lake City, Rt. 2	16	6	8	8	12	2	3	3	77
Lake City, First Side	James Rhoden, Jasper, Rt. 2	30	64	89	74	89	89	89	89	590
Lake City, South Side	W. L. Maxwell, Lake City	10	10	19	19	20	18	18	12	273
Lulu	Jesse Lee, Lulu	7	8	8	10	8	5	5	4	142
Mt. Beulah	Leonard Stansel, Wellborn	7	6	6	6	6	8	8	8	100
Mt. Carmel	G. H. Patterson, Lake City	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	273
Mt. Pleasant	T. W. Allen, Live Oak	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	142
New Oak Grove	No Report	5	9	10	10	15	15	15	15	100
Oak Grove	Thomas L. Malphur, R. F. D. 1, Alachua	12	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	218
Old Providence	C. F. Johns, R. F. D., Lake City	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	82
Phillipi	Roger Tanner, Lulu	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	188
Pine Grove Village	Elton McClellan, Olustee	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	100
Providence	H. C. Williams, Route 1, Lake City	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	273
Shiloh	Troy Adams, Route 1, Lake City	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	142
Watertown	I. J. Bell, Route 1, Lake City	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	100
Wellborn	Edwin P. DuBoise, Ft. White	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	53
White Springs	Russell Fournaker, Wellborn	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	35
	Gary Bullard, White Springs	10	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	30

Association, Beulah, State, Florida
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 Olustee, Florida

Cradle Roll—
 Home Ministry
 3 Years and Under

Nursery—Attending
 Sun. (3 Yrs. & Under)

Beginners 4-5

Primaries 6-8

Juniors 9-12

Intermediates 13-16

Young People 17-24

Adults 25 Years and Up

Extension Department

Gen. & Dept. Officers
 not enrolled SS classes

Number of Mission
 Sunday Schools

Enrollment of Mission
 Sunday Schools

Total Enrollment, Main
 School & Mission, inc.
 officer, teacher, pupil

Average Attendance

Enrollment
 Vacation Bible School

Average Attendance

TABLE II. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

V. B. S.

TABLE III: TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	Training Union Directors and Addresses	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions and Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Total Number General and Departmental Officers not Enrolled in Unions and Story Hours	TOTAL ENROLLMENT	Average Attendance Per Sunday	Was Youth Week Observed?	Was Christian Home Week Observed?
Athens	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	15	10	6	4	4	42	30
Bethlehem	Mrs. Myrt Lloyd, Lake City	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	12	18	18	8	8	77	47
Elum	W. M. Hawkins, O'Brien, Fla.	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Evergreen	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Fellowship	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Fort White	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Hopewell	Hubert Markham, Lake City	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Lake City, First	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Lake City, Southside	Mrs. John Inman, Lake City, Route 4	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Lulu	Clarence Smith, Lake City	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Mt. Beulah	Mrs. Ophelia Waldron, Lulu	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Mt. Carmel	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Mt. Pleasant	Mrs. G. H. Patterson, Lake City	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Mt. Zion	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
New Oak Grove	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Oak Grove	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Old Providence	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Olustee	Paul Mikell, Olustee	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Phillipi	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Pine Grove	William W. Tyre, Lake City	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Providence Village	Hila Mae Nesmith, Lake Butler	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Shiloh	George DuBoise, High Springs	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Watertown	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
Wellborn	Ronald Land, Wellborn	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No
White Springs	NONE	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	19	16	14	8	81	20	No	No

CHURCHES	Presidents of W. M. S. and Addresses	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Courses	Contributions (Local Work) Given by W. M. U.	Contributions (Missions) Given by W. M. U.
Athens	NONE														
Bethlehem	Mrs. J. L. Wood, Lake City	1	1		1	9						9			16.61
Elim	Mrs. O. L. Page, High Springs	1			1	11						11			
Evergreen	NONE														
Fellowship	NONE														
Fort White	Mrs. J. C. Christopher, Ft. White	1			1	10						10			53.60
Hopeful	NONE														
Hopewell	NONE														
Lake City, First	Mrs. L. R. Sanders, Lake City	6	1		7	200	22				7	222	76		
Lake City, Southside	Mrs. J. A. McKeithen, Lake City	1		1	4	25		10	25	15	75	33	33	76.50	28.71
Lulu	NONE														
Mt. Beulah	NONE														
Mt. Carmel	Mrs. W. E. Morrill, Rt. 4, Lake City	1		1	2	13				6		19	10	112.92	87.85
Mt. Pleasant	NONE														
Mt. Zion	NONE														
New Oak Grove	NONE														
Oak Grove	NONE														
Old Providence	NONE														
Olustee	Mrs. L. S. Brinson, Olustee	1			1	12						12		59.60	30.08
Phillippi	NONE														
Pine Grove	NONE														
Providence Village	NONE														
Shiloh	NONE														
Watertown	Mrs. S. M. Rhodes, Lake City	1			1	8						8		40.50	42.05
Wellborn	Mrs. H. H. Parrish, Wellborn	1	0	1	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	13	0	9.14	13.76
White Springs	Mrs. F. L. Barnes, White Springs	1		1	2	23				12		35	16	13.45	59.98

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Address, Lake City, Fla

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Associational President, Fred Weeks
Address, Lake City, Fla.

TABLE IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	Directors of Men's Brotherhoods and Addresses		BROTHERHOOD WORK		BROTHERHOOD										SPECIAL INFORMATION			
	Does Church Have a Brotherhood Organization?	Present Enrollment	How Many Brotherhood Meetings Were Held Last Year?	Amount Pledged to Co-Op. Program or United Budget Coming Year	Association Pledged to Coming Year	Number of Titlers In Church	Number Members Subscribing to Every Member Canvass	Total All Building and Reserve Funds on Hand At End of Year	Is State Paper in Church Budget?	Does Church Have Library?								
Athens	NONE																	
Bethlehem	NONE																	
Elim	J. E. Ritch, Jr., Fort White	14	6	10%														
Evergreen	NONE																	
Fellowship	NONE																	
Fort White	NONE																	
Hopeful	W. H. Dicks, Lake City, Route 3			24.00		1		5,309.28										
Hopewell	NONE							81.16										
Lake City, First	C. Sheppard, Lake City	97	12	6,300.00		150	225	110.00										
Lake City, Southside	NONE			10%		30		96.00										
Lulu	NONE																	
Mt. Beulah	NONE																	
Mt. Carmel	A. B. Franklin, Live Oak, R. F. D.	15	10	60.00		37		500.00										
Mt. Pleasant	NONE							21.24										
Mt. Zion	NONE			100.00		2		1,020.00										
New Oak Grove	NONE																	
Oak Grove	NONE																	
Old Providence	NONE																	
Olustee	NONE			10%		18		131.78										
Phillippi	NONE																	
Pine Grove	R. V. Johns, Lake City			60.00		5		300.00										
Providence Village	NONE																	
Shiloh	NONE																	
Watertown	NONE			10%				105.45										
Wellborn	NONE																	
White Springs	NONE																	

TABLE V. BROTHERHOOD WORK

PERMANENT RECORD: BEULAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Year Date	MODERATOR	Clerk	Place of Meeting
1879	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Rev. B. R. Mosley	Lane's Branch
1880	Rev. G. T. Leitner	Rev. B. R. Mosley	Bethlehem
1881	Hon. T. W. Getzen	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Elim
1882	Hon. T. W. Getzen	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Mt. Pleasant
1883	Hon. T. W. Getzen	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Mt. Zion
1884	Hon. T. W. Getzen	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Mt. Pisgah
1885	Hon. T. W. Getzen	W. M. Ives	Elim
1886	Hon. T. W. Getzen	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Branford
1887	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Fort White
1888	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Lake City
1889	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Mt. Pleasant
1890	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Old Providence
1891	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Elim
1892	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Lake Butler
1893	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Philippi
1894	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Mt. Beulah
1895	Hon. T. W. Getzen	E. G. Persons	Lake City
1896	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Rev. R. F. Rogers	Old Providence
1897	G. W. Clyatt	A. B. Brown	Providence, First
1898	G. W. Clyatt	C. C. Odom	Fort White
1899	Hon. T. W. Getzen	C. C. Odom	Mt. Pleasant
1900	Hon. T. W. Getzen	C. C. Odom	Lake Butler
1901	Hon. T. W. Getzen	C. C. Odom	Mt. Zion
1902	Hon. T. W. Getzen	C. C. Odom	Mt. Beulah
1903	Hon. T. W. Getzen	C. C. Odom	Elim
1904	Hon. T. W. Getzen	C. C. Odom	Lake City
1905	Hon. T. W. Getzen	C. C. Odom	Lake Butler
1906	Hon. T. W. Getzen	G. W. Alderman	Providence, First
1907	Hon. T. W. Getzen	G. W. Alderman	Fort White
1908	Hon. T. W. Getzen	Rev. J. C. DuBose	Mt. Beulah
1909	Hon. T. W. Getzen	Rev. J. C. DuBose	Watertown
1910	Rev. H. S. Thompson	Rev. J. C. DuBose	Lake City
1911	C. K. Clyatt	C. M. Ray	Wellborn
1912	Hon. M. S. Knight	C. M. Ray	Mt. Beulah
1913	Rev. C. M. Brittain	Rev. H. A. Jordan	Fort White
1914	Rev. C. M. Brattain	Rev. M. A. Wood	Providence, First
1915	Rev. C. M. Brittain	C. M. Ray	Athens
1916	Rev. C. M. Brittain	H. L. Dodd	Lake City
1917	Rev. C. M. Brittain	C. M. Ray	Philippi
1918	Rev. A. M. Bennett	C. M. Ray	Mt. Zion
1919	Rev. A. M. Bennett	C. M. Ray	Fellowship
1920	Rev. W. R. White	C. M. Ray	Elim
1921	Rev. W. R. White	C. M. Ray	Mt. Beulah
1922	Rev. W. R. White	C. M. Ray	Fort White
1923	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Fellowship
1924	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Providence Village
1925	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Mt. Beulah
1926	Rev. M. Jamerson	C. M. Ray	Lake City
1927	Rev. M. Jamerson	C. M. Ray	White Springs
1928	Rev. M. Jamerson	C. M. Ray	Providence Village
1929	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Evergreen
1930	Rev. T. W. Hall	C. M. Ray	Mt. Beulah
1931	Rev. T. W. Hall	C. M. Ray	Philippi
1932	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Mt. Zion
1933	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Elim
1934	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Mt. Beulah
1935	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Philippi
1936	Rev. W. T. Halstead	C. M. Ray	Bethlehem
1937	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Mt. Carmel
1938	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Mt. Zion
1939	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	Lake City
1940	Rev. John Dicks	C. M. Ray	New Oak Grove
1941	Rev. S. F. Young	W. A. Bailey	Old Providence
1942	Rev. S. F. Young	W. A. Bailey	Otustee
1943	Rev. S. F. Young	W. A. Bailey	Lake City South Side
1944	Rev. H. H. Walters	W. A. Bailey	Wellborn
1945	Rev. H. H. Walters	Finley Moore	Lake City, First
1946	Rev. H. H. Walters	Rev. Finley Moore	Shiloh
1947	Rev. Hugh H. Walters		

Year, 1947. Brotherhood Enrollment, 126.
 Churches, 26. Total Church Membership, 3691.
 Baptisms, 194. Total Local Gifts, \$53,177.58.
 Sunday School Enrollment, 1941. Total Gifts to Missions, \$12,566.44.
 Training Union Enrollment, 694. Total Value Church Property.
 W. M. S. Enrollment, 414. \$149,400.00.