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Walter Jernigan, Moderator

Rufus Coffey, Clerk

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DIRECTORY OF MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

BEAVER CREEK CONFERENCE

PASTORS	ADDRESS	CHURCH
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H. H. Moore, Jr.	Valley Falls	Beaver Dam
Coleman Pate	1010 Tenth St., Lancaster	Rock Hill 1st Ch.
L. C. Revis	Box 120, Union	Enoree Ch.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

B. F. Cousin	Box 602, Spartanburg
Howard Hatcher	Valley Falls
J. D. Hawkins	Box 46, Lockhart
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Roy Catoe	Rt. 1, Union

LICENSED MINISTERS

Roy King	Rt. 1, Clover
J. D. Nichols	Rt. 2, Clover

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

PASTORS	ADDRESS	CHURCH
Carroll Alexander	Box 55, Johnsonville	West Side
J. A. Hucks	Rt. 3, Conway	White Side
		Oak Grove
L. P. Brown	Rt. 4, Conway	Little Bethel
		Little Star
E. B. Hyman	Rt. 1, Gallivant Ferry	Mt. Ariel
G. C. Jones	Rt. 4, Loris	White Savannah Ch.
E. B. Edwards	Loris	Evergreen

ORDAINED MINISTERS

M. S. Todd	Rt. 3, Lake City
G. E. Todd	Lake City
W. H. Guyton	Conway
W. F. Jones	Conway
J. D. Lyrely	Johnsonville

LICENSED MINISTERS

Daniel Jordan	Conway
Otto Williams	Conway
Alford Williams	

EASTERN CONFERENCE

PASTORS	ADDRESS	CHURCH
Coy Housand	Tabor City, N. C.	Pee Dee
Malcolm Harrelson	Red Springs, N. C.	Williams Hill
Bryant Hyman	Georgetown	Happy Home
H. E. Powell	Rt. 2, Pamplico	

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Arthur Williams	Hemingway
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LICENSED MINISTERS

Reedy Graham	Rt. 2, Conway
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SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

First Quarterly Meeting

PASTORS	ADDRESS	CHURCH
J. A. Frier	1408 Elmwood, Columbia	Friendship
Clarence Lambert	104 Fleming, Darlington	South Side
Bob Rogers	Box 441, Darlington	First Church
Roy Player	346 Orange St., Darlington	Temple
Arthur Frier	104 High St., McColl	First Church
W. L. Jernigan	Rt. 3, Timmons ville	Bethany
Ed C. Gaskins	Box 603, Lancaster	First Church
Rufus Coffey	158 Queens Rd, Florence	First Church
William Morris	Rt. 3, Timmons ville	Bay Branch
Reedy Saverance	205 Kershaw St., Timmons ville	First Ch., Manning
William Kirkley	Rt. 2, Jefferson	Pine Grove
		Almeta
Foster Elliott	Box 245, Lancaster	Oates
Melvin Adams	Box 326, Lancaster	
Leonard Williams	214 S. Homestead, Florence	First Ch., Sumter

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Myrtis Carnes	Broad St., Darlington
Raymond Lowery	

LICENSED MINISTERS

James Skipper	Darlington St. Ext., Florence
Tyler Watford	Darlington

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Second Quarterly Meeting

PASTORS	ADDRESS	CHURCH
Keith Boyd	82-B George Legare Homes Charleston Heights	First Church
Fred Powers	Timmons ville	Sand Hill High Hill
L. A. Holliday M. H. Mellette	Manning Turbeville	Tabernacle Salem Camp Branch
I. J. Blackwelder O. M. Hilburn Edison Kirby	Turbeville 105 Milling, Darlington Lake City	Horse Branch Lebanon Popular Hill Black River
Julius Vause Kenneth Faison Thomas Mellette W. B. Rogers Clarence Poston	Pamplico, S. C. Rt. 2, Box 61, Manning Turbeville Rt. 1, Turbeville Johnsonville	Beulah Liberty New Town Mt. Elon Mother

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Monroe Harrell	Lake City
H. W. Richburg	Turbeville
Floyd G. Ard	Johnsonville
David Hutchinson	Pamplico
Lowell Hyman	Florence
E. P. Kirby	Cades
R. T. Moore	Turbeville
J. B. Oliver	Lake City
C. J. Parker	Hemingway

LICENSED MINISTERS

Henry Hucks	Scranton
Hugh Baker	New Zion
Jimmie Lee	Free Will Baptist Bible College 3609 Richland, Nashville
McSwain Welsh	Turbeville
Edward Miles	Mount Olive, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS OF ASSOCIATION

The 1957 State Association met at the Happy Home Free Will Baptist Church Nov. 14 at ten thirty a. m. After the opening hymn, Rev. Carroll Alexander gave the Morning Devotion. He spoke on "The Christian's Ambition" from the Scripture text, Col. 1:18.

The moderator, Rev. Walter Jernigan, called the Association to order. Rev. Otto Williams gave the welcome, and Rev. Paul Shehan responded.

The moderator's message was then delivered. (cf. Appendix I)

M.S.A. * That the chair appoint the Committee on Committees. The following were named to serve: Rev. J. B. Vause, Rev. M. H. Mellette, Rev. E. P. Kirby.

The following visitors were recognized: Rev. Paul Ketterman, Rev. J. R. Davidson, Rev. Bruce Barrow, and Rev. Burkette Raper. M.S.A. that these brethren be given a voice, seat, and all privileges except that of voting.

After a Singspiration led by Rev. Fred Powers, the following finance committee was seated: Mr. Judson Osborne, Mr. Ollie Mims and Mr. Joe Lynch. The Central and S. C. Association reported at this time. The Eastern Conference and Beaver Creek Association did not have their report ready.

After the recess period, the conference reassembled with the singing of a hymn and a partial report of the committee on committees was read and adopted. Resolutions committee: Rev. O. M. Hilburn, Chm., Rev. J. A. Hucks, Rev. A. F. Lawter. Grievance Committee: Mr. Joe Lynch, Mr. Elias Kirby, Rev. Clarence Lambert. Nominating Committee: Rev. A. F. Lawter, Rev. L. A. Holliday, Rev. J. A. Hucks.

The Morning Message was delivered by Rev. J. R. Davidson. It was a forceful and inspiring message that inspired our hearts. Speaking from Matt. 16:16, he emphasized the decree, design and destiny of the church.

The Conference recessed for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The conference reassembled with singing. Rev. Paul Ketterman led in prayer before Rev. Burkett Raper brought a devotional message from Isa. 54:1-3. Brother Raper also reported concerning the work and progress of Mt. Olive Junior College.

An offering was taken amounting to \$39.00. This was to be divided between the two schools.

The State Promotional Secretary reported. M.S.A. that this report be received. (cf Appendix II)

Note * (Motion, Seconded, and Adopted)

The committee for formulating rules and regulations to govern the Promotional Secretary's work reported. M.S.A. to table until Friday afternoon.

Rev. Bruce Barrow spoke concerning the Free Will Baptist Press and the materials available to the churches.

recommended regulations for this Fund. M.S.A. that these regulations be remommended regulations for this Fund. M.S.A. that these regulations be adopted as amended. (cf Appendix III)

Rev. J. R. Davidson spoke concerning the Free Will Baptist Bible College program, it's progress and it's plans of expansion. He emphasized how each church and individual could help support this worthy cause of Christ.

A constitutional amendment was recommended which would provide for a credentials committee to be instituted. M.S.A. that this matter lay on the table until Friday.

Rev. Hardy Richburg reported on the Children's Home. M.S.A. that this report be received. (cf. Appendix IV)

M.S.A. to send Mr. Walker Miles, who was in the hospital, a five dollar arrangement of flowers.

Some recommendations for the Children's Home were read by the Superintendent. M.S.A. that they be accepted and the special committee called for was to be appointed on Friday. (cf. Appendix V)

The State Home Mission report was given by the director, Rev. Fred Powers. M.S.A. that it be received. (cf Appendix VI)

The Director of State Superannuation, Rev. Clarence Lambert, reported. M.S.A. that the Association stand in appreciation for the hospitality of the church. The conference recessed after prayer.

THURSDAY NIGHT

The evening message was preached by Rev. Paul Shehan. Speaking from the 17th chapter of Genesis, he emphasized the significance of the Name ELSHADDI.

FRIDAY MORNING

The conference convened at the William's Hill Church Nov. 15th. Rev. Reedy Saverance led the singing before Rev. James Raper brought the morning devotion from Phil. 3:13-15, on the subject "The High Calling of God."

The minutes of Thursday's session were read and adopted.

Rev. Fred Powers was appointed to get the flowers for Brother Walker Miles.

The following were substituted on the finance committee: Mr. Arris

Powell, and Mr. Tracy Williams, in the place of Mr. Judson Osborne and Mr. Ollie Mims.

The Beaver Creek Association and the Eastern Conference reported. The following visitors were recognized: Rev. Willie B. Rogers, Mt. Elon Church, and Mr. M. L. Baxley from Red Springs, N. C.

The Children's Home Operational Committee was elected as follows: Mr. Elias Kirby, Rt. 3, Timmonsville; Mr. Laverne Hanna, Rt. 3, Lake City; Mr. C. R. Stone, Rt. 2, Pamplico; Mr. Herman Taylor, Rt. 5, Union.

Rev. James Raper reported on the State League work. M.S.A. that it be accepted. (cf. Appendix VIII)

The Sunday School report was given by Rev. Carroll Alexander. M.S.A. that it be adopted. (cf Appendix IX)

M.S.A. that minister's names be printed in the minutes along with their addresses. M.S.A. that 500 copies of minutes be printed.

Rev. Bruce Barrow reported that a display of materials available from the Press had been set up in one of the Sunday School rooms. All were invited to take some samples and especially the Bible School material available.

The conference recessed for the special Missionary service.

The service opened with the singing of a hymn and Rev. W. B. Rogers led in prayer. Rev. L. A. Holliday took charge of the service and gave a glowing report on the progress of missions in S. C. Rev. Raymond Riggs was introduced and spoke concerning our mission field and their needs. Rev. Dave Franks was present and spoke briefly of the needs of South America where he is to go. Rev. Thomas Willey was present to give a thrilling challenge of the golden opportunities in South America. He had just completed a 22,000 mile trip and was able to give an up to date, first hand eye witness report that moved our hearts to look on the fields. An offering was taken in the amount of \$46.69.

The conference recessed and enjoyed a delicious lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

A Memorial service was conducted by Rev. Pickett Kirby. After the singing of a hymn, tribute was paid to the memory of Rev. W. H. Thigpen. He was born Dec. 23, 1874 and died Sept. 3, 1957. In 1902 Brother Thigpen was ordained and served a number of churches before he retired at the age of sixty.

M.S.A. that promotional secretary rules and by-laws be taken from the table for discussion and the disposal of same. After due consideration, M.S.A. to accept it in it's entirety. (cf. Appendix X)

M.S.A. that a Credentials committee be instituted. Discussion ensued at

great length. It was decided by a majority vote that this committee be instituted. (cf Directory)

The Resolution committee reported. M.S.A. that both items be accepted. (cf Appendix XI) M.S.A. that the stand on segregation be directed to National Executive Committee for their consideration.

The Woman's Auxiliary report was given by Mrs. Reedy Saverance, State President. M.S.A. that it be received and included in the minutes. (cf. Appendix XV)

The Public Morals Committee reported. M.S.A. to receive this report. (cf. Appendix XII)

Rev. Fred Powers reported on the progress of the Church Loan Association. A special offering was taken in the amount of \$25 to purchase one certificate in this Association.

The Finance committee report was given along with the Treasurer's report and the Poston-Baggett loan fund report. M.S.A. to receive it. (cf. Appendix XIII)

The Credentials committee was selected. (cf. Directory)

A report was given by the Grievance committee. M.S.A. that it be accepted. (cf Appendix XIV)

The Nominating committee reported. M.S.A. that entire slate be accepted as recommended and amended. (cf. Directory)

The Children's Home reported some letters of correspondence from the Georgia State Association seeking information for the admittance of their children and donation of funds to the S. C. Home. M.S.A. to leave this matter in the hands of the Board of Trustees for further negotiation.

M.S.A. to give a rising vote of thanks to the churches and Eastern Conference for the cordial hospitality extended to the S. C. State Association. Appreciation for the work of the various committees and officers was expressed in like manner.

M.S.A. that quarterly meetings elect delegates to the National Association and send them to the state clerk.

The meeting adjourned after prayer at the altar for several special requests.

STATISTICAL REPORT BEAVER CREEK CONFERENCE

Membership:

Membership at the beginning of year 1274
 Total increase this year 101
 Present membership 1375

Ministers:

Ordained 28
 Licensed 5

Finances:

Total receipts for the year \$44,061.41
 Expenditures for the year:
 Children's Home \$ 863.98
 Foreign Missions 298.05
 Home Missions 48.53
 Pastors 26,644.97
 Revivals 1,558.01
 Building & Repair 11,720.01

Education 14.68
 Superannuation 34.88

Total \$41,323.23

Property:

Total number of churches 16

SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Membership:

Membership at beginning of year 3060
 Total increase this year 165
 Present membership 3225

Finances:

Balance brought forward \$ 11,561.72
 Total receipts for the year 130,246.60
 Grand total 141,808.32
 Expenditures for the year:
 Children's Home 5,196.59
 Christian Education 2,301.82
 Charity 1,336.99
 Foreign Missions 4,603.60
 Home Missions 2,106.85
 Superannuation 380.62
 Revivals 3,753.17
 Pastor's Salaries 44,343.24
 Building and repairs 39,114.47
 Convention Fees 1,486.04
 Operating Expense 14,344.83

Total \$118,968.19
 Balance 22,840.13

Property:

Number of churches:
 (20 full time, 8 half time, 3 quarter time)
 Value of churches \$421,250.00
 Number of parsonages 8
 Value of parsonages 75,000.00

Rev. Edison Kirby, Clerk
 Lake City, S. C.
 Rev. Fred Powers, Moderator
 Timmonsville, S. C.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE

Membership:

Membership at beginning of year 392
 Total increase this year 29
 Present membership 421

Ministers:

Ordained 11
 Licensed 2

APPENDICES

MODERATOR'S MESSAGE

APPENDIX I

Stewardship — I Cor. 4:2

As regenerated, born again, Christian believers we find ourselves to be stewards. Thus we read in the language of our text, "Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful." Therefore with this injunction we are reminded to be faithful with our time, with our money, and with our talents. It is from these three points that I want to briefly speak to you.

First, let's consider our time, and try to view it, as much as we can, from God's point of consideration. In Paul's letter to the church at Ephesus, chapter 5, verses 15 and 16, we read: "See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Also in I Cor., chapter 7, verses 19 and 20: "What, know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are Gods." No wonder that Jesus said, "If any man come after me and leave not Father, mother, brothers, sisters, wives, children, houses, and land for my sake, and the gospel, he is not fit to be my disciple." I wonder how many of we brethren with taking thought feel like we are making the grade today? Aren't we missing the boat somewhere, if so where? Are we really giving every flying minute due consideration, in the light of the forcible fact that we are

stewards, and it is required of us to be faithful. Should we not bow our heads in shame right now, and ask our Blessed Lord to forgive us for our lethargy, and indifference toward the ongoing of His kingdom? Then lift our heads with a new vision, and from here on to the end of the journey of our lives, recognize the fact always, that our service as stewards of the manifold Grace of God should be resolute, urgent, prompt, courteous, and willing, having been separated, dedicated and consecrated to this noble task. However let's not despair too much, for a close check of our records shows a marked increase over previous years, and we truly thank the Lord for the same.

Now shall we hasten to discuss our money, I believe we are all in agreement that the tithe is the Lords, but isn't it true that we are often asked this question, "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? in tithes and offerings." Thence we are cursed with a curse, because of this willful robbing of the Lord. Let's repent and do what the Lord says do in this matter. Listen! "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, and prove me now herewith saith the

Finances:

Balance brought forward		\$ 2,780.89
Total receipts for the year		11,308.92
Grand Total		\$14,089.81
Expenditures for the year:		
Building and repair	\$4,742.03	
Charity	369.63	
Children's Home	195.00	
Christian Education	402.10	
Missions	71.52	
Operating Expenses	1,147.61	
Pastor's Salaries	3,644.00	
Revivals	558.71	
Superannuation	12.00	
Total		\$12,208.24
Balance		3,085.78

Property:

Number of churches:	
(1 full time, 6 half time, 2 quarter time)	
Value of church property	\$67,500.00

Services:

(7 Sunday Schools, 3 Leagues, 3 Auxilliaries)

Rev. J. A. Hucks, Moderator
 Rt. 3, Conway, S. C.
 Mr. Marion C. Todd, Clerk
 Rt. 2, Johnsonville, S. C.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Membership:

Membership at beginning of year	322
Total increase for the year	78
Present membership	400

Ministers:

Ordained	8
Licensed	1

Finance:

Balance on hand at beginning of year	\$ 3,848.65
Total receipts for year	12,432.81
Total paid out	9,594.95
Balance in all treasuries	\$12,310.90

Property:

Number of churches	5
Value of church property	\$25,500.00

Rev. Hoyt Powell, Moderator
 Rt. 2, Pamplico, S. C.
 J. M. Williams, Clerk
 Rt. 2, Hemingway, S. C.

Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

So many times we have heard it said by some faithful workers that they had made a great sacrifice to make the kingdom of God grow. They meant good in what they said, but they were bad wrong, because anything we do toward the advancement of His kingdom is a sound investment, and not a sacrifice. Jesus said in Matt. 6:19-21, "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. For where your treasure is there will your heart be also. Maybe sometimes we allow ourselves to become so discouraged until we don't take the time to compare our efforts with the lad that gave his lunch to the Master, and watched Him feed "Five thousand men beside the women and children." Brother, take courage if what you have given compares favorably with the incident mentioned above you will have a pleasant surprise awaiting you when you get to glory. So if we haven't yet done it, let's fall in line with every phase of our work, and support it to the very best of our ability.

Our last point in our message to be discussed is our talents, and honored indeed is that boy or girl that has been blessed with a talent. What is your talent? Are you a good speaker? A good singer? A good teacher, or some other good piece of material in the hands of the Master. What ever your talent may be, it isn't so much what it is but what are you doing with it? Let's face facts, you would be disappointed if you were not blessed with one wouldn't you? Now that you do have one and not putting it to usury. I think there are many, and varied reasons why talents are not used. First there is the lack of faith in one's self, there is the lack of trust in God. There is the lack of proper interest. There is the lack of willingness. There is the lack of encouragement on the part of your superiors. So we might go on naming many reasons, but none of these things mentioned add one bit of significance to the subject because the talent must be used if we hope to gain anything. The scripture states it on this wise, "Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. What will He say to you, my brother, when He returns? Will this be the wording? "Take therefore the talent from him, and give unto him which hath ten talents. How disappointing it would be to us to go all the way to the end of life, and fail. The time to do something about it is now!

Now in conclusion, may the good Lord, who makes great big worlds, directs the universe, causes the lilies to grow, feeds little birds, loves mankind, and watches the sparrows fall, keep us in His love, and power as we go on in the prosecution of our task as faithful stewards of our time, money, and talents. From one end of our good state to the other may our motto be in the Language of the poet who said, "No matter how dreary or thorny the way go on, go on, go on, go on, this way all the pilgrims have gone. His praise to outpour on the beautiful shore, go on, go on."

APPENDIX II PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY REPORT

Your Promotional Secretary wishes to make the following report:

Received from Rev. Carl Shook	\$71.10
Received from 1st District Quarterly Meeting of the S. C. Conference	20.00

Total Received	\$91.10
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Expenditures:

Travel to Florence to mimeograph The Post	\$ 9.58
Postage	28.43
Bulk Mailing Fee	10.00
Supplies (Stencils, Stylus, Ink, Mailing Labels, etc.)	24.81
Bank Charge	5.50

Total Expenditures	78.32
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Balance in Bank as of today	\$12.78
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Note: This does not include \$.86 for return postage.

1.76 for staple machine, staples and string paid by

Promotional Secretary	\$2.62
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We have mailed 2,312 copies of The Post over a period of ten month. Sending it to Ministers, S. S. Superintendents, Clerks, League Directors, W. A. Presidents, S. C. State Directors, National Association Departments and Mt. Olive Jr. College President, whose names we were able to secure for a mailing list. We feel that the paper is serving a vital need in the promotion of the various phases of the State work.

With this in mind, your Promotional Secretary makes the following recommendations:

1. That the State Association send a letter of appreciation to the First Free Will Baptist Church in Florence, for the use of their Mimeograph Machine in mimeographing The Post for the past ten months.
2. The Post be increased from four pages to eight pages, so that more information can be included.
3. That a Mimeograph Machine and a Standard Typewriter be purchased for the purpose of doing the work of the Promotional office.
4. That the Clerks of each church, quarterly meetings, annual conferences, and the State Association co-operate with the Promotional Secretary, that a correct mailing list might be on file at all times.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. Reedy Saverance, Promotional Secretary

H. Reedy Saverance
205 Kershaw St.
Timmonsville, S. C.

APPENDIX III

THE POSTON — BAGGETT MEMORIAL LOAN FUND

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Loan-Fund is to assist any worthy student entering full-time Christian service.

1. The applicant must be a member in good standing in a Free Will Baptist Church within our State Association.
2. The applicant must be recommended by his local church.
3. The assistance is available to any qualified person entering our Free Will Baptist Bible College for any phase of full-time Christian service.
4. The loan shall be secured for a period of six (6) years by a Promisory Note signed by the applicant and co-signed by a person not in the immediate family who has sufficient real property of record to qualify as a surity for the payment of the principal amount of said note.
6. All loans approved shall be paid directly to the Free Will Baptist Bible College.
7. The applicant must fill out the questionnaire provided by the Board.
8. Less than a "C" average will render the applicant ineligible for further assistance.
9. These rules can be revised by the South Carolina State Association of Free Will Baptists only.

APPENDIX IV

REPORT OF CHILDREN'S HOME

We have had a wonderful year at the Home. We feel that our Lord has been at our side to own and bless. We have seventeen (17) children at the Home, which we feel our denomination as a whole can rightfully be proud of. We are proud of the new buildings. We are proud of our mission work. We are proud of our Sunday Schools; the increase in attendance and membership. But I am sure that nothing should give more joy than knowing our Lord rejoices in this fact: I was hungry and ye gave me meat, naked and ye clothed me, a stranger and ye took me in. Since this is true we have but to listen for the sweetest words spoken. Enter thou into the joy of the Lord.

Hardy Richburg
Supt. of Children's Home

APPENDIX V

PROPOSED OPERATIONS BUDGET, SCHEDULE, ETC.

For The F. W. B. Children's Home

In view of current expansion and the need for our church to ever carry on as the Lord directs in "all decency and order" we feel it time our orphanage program in South Carolina be operated on business like basis with budget for operation, workers in the field to direct the program under the supervision of the present set up.

Therefore, we propose a three-fold progressive plan for the coming year.

(1) That this association indorse and encourage the setting up of an operations committee (one man for each conference) to carry the needs of the children's home direct to the churches. And, that this committee head individual working committees in respective conferences to spearhead the movement of support for the home.

(2) That a definite goal be set up and the goals be taken with briefing and message from the home as to needs, etc., to the churches by the committee named under (1) therein. That this goal be set up on a membership basis with the amount per member to be determined through joint meeting of the operations committee with the home superintendent and the board of directors for the home.

(3) That this association urge each and every member church to cooperate to the utmost in getting this program to reach successfully the goal. That every church be urged to hang a reminder plaque in a conspicuous place, preferably under the Sunday School report roster and keep it up to date.

Now, it is further requested of this association that the above plan be enacted immediately. This phase of our work has suffered long enough from lack of united support by the churches in our state. Therefore, AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE we would propose that the association sanction this program and request the official boards of the respective conferences to name immediately the man to serve in the capacity set forth herein as an operations committee member.

As we know, fellow states have set to work programs similar to this and through direction of God and dependancy on faithful church people, the programs have been successful. There is no reason why we in South Carolina cannot do likewise.

APPENDIX VI

REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD

Another year has past and will go into history of Free Will Baptists of South Carolina, and we thank the Lord for the success of the Home Mission Program in the state. We are conscious that we have not met all the demands that have been made upon his department, yet it has been with faith and prayer that we have put forth our effort to expand the Kingdom of our Lord among the people of our state. We look toward the new year with a great ambition to achieve as our goal new church organizations and an improvement of church facilities, which we believe is essential for greater expansion of our denomination.

We urge that every minister and layman pray earnestly for this phase of our work and to give as the Lord leads that we may have sufficient funds to meet the future needs of this work.

We are happy to announce that we have aided and assisted in the organization and construction of four new churches in our state over the past associational year, namely; Converse Free Will Baptist Church, Converse, South Carolina, Bethel Free Will Baptist Church near Rock Hill, South

