

MINUTES
OF THE
Eighty-Seventh Annual Session
OF THE
Three Forks
Baptist Association

HELD WITH
ZION HILL CHURCH
WATAUGA COUNTY. N. C.
AUGUST 30 & 31, 1927.

The next session to be held at Middle Fork Church at 2 o'clock
P. M. Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August, 1928.

Elder L. A. Hurst to preach the annual sermon;
Elder R. C. Eggers, alternate.

ESTABLISHED 1887.

CIRCULATION 27,775.

Why not Become ONE of the Enthusiastic Readers of

Charity and Children?

All of the profits go into the Orphanage treasury and help care for

THE CHILDREN

Individual copy \$1.00 the year. Clubs of 10 or more
to one address for Sunday Schools, 60 cents.

A well-equipped Job Department

87th Annual Session

Three Forks Baptist Association

1927

Officers

Smith Hagaman	Moderator,	Boone, N. C.
W. Y. Perry	Clerk & Treas.,	Vilas, N. C.
R. C. Eggers	Colporteur,	Zionville, N. C.
A. J. Greene	Historian,	Vilas, N. C.

Executive Committee

G. P. Hagaman, J. H. Mast, D. D. Dougherty, W. N. Howell,
D. C. Mast, Smith Hagaman, and W. Y. Perry.

Ordained Ministers

Church	Name	Address	
Antioch	W. H. Glenn	Watauga Falls,	N. C.
Bethel	L. C. Wilson	Boone,	"
"	E. J. Farthing	Sugar Grove,	"
"	R. M. Farthing	Breda,	Alberta, Canada
Bethany	J. T. McGuire	Hackett,	N. C.
Boone	P. A. Hicks	Boone,	"
"	Roy Dotson	"	"
"	E. M. Gragg	"	"
Cove Creek	L. A. Hurst	Sherwood,	"
Cool Spring	W. C. Payne	Blowing Rock,	"
Forest Grove	W. Swift	Reese,	"
HowardsCreek	John Norris	Boone,	"
"	Edmond Greene	"	"
Middle Fork	R. H. Shores	Blowing Rock,	"
Mt Gillead	Lee Norris	Whaley,	"
Oak Grove	E. C. Hodges	Adams,	"
Profits Grove	L. A. Wilson	Boone,	"
Samson	James Bradshaw	Blowing Rock,	"
South Fork	J. M. Griggs	Todd,	"
Stony Fork	W. H. Smith	Stony Fork,	"
Willowdale	G. W. Trivett	Vilas,	"
"	A. J. Greene	"	"
Zionville	R. C. Eggers ✓	Zionville,	"

Roll of Messengers

Antioch—J. W. Ward, J. L. Glenn, and W. J. Farthing.
 Bethel—W. S. Farthing, Carl Farthing, Clyde Perry.
 Beaver Dam—J H Robinson, Lee Swift, Geo Wilson.
 Bethany—Fred Edmisten, Russell Farthing, Howard Edmisten.
 Brushy Fork—S E Anderson, Clay Greene, D S Love.
 Boone—Smith Hagaman, J A Williams, S C Eggers.
 Blowing Rock—Mrs D P Coffey, Mrs T H Coffey.
 Cove Creek—D C Mast, D F Horton, W Y Perry.
 Cool Spring—J W Pennell.
 Clarks Creek—C C Lawrence.
 Fall Creek—W B Norris, Lawrence Storie.
 Forest Grove—W E Roark, Ellis Moody, W R Johnson.
 Gap Creek—No messengers. Letter.
 Howards Creek—Ira Brown, D S Harris, L F Cottrell.
 Laurel Springs—Arthur Greene, J B Clawson, Joseph Greer.
 Middle Fork—Frank Edmisten, E F Shore, Ed Elrod.
 Meat Camp—L A Greene.
 Mt Calvary—No messengers. Letter.
 Mt Gillead—G M Laurence, T M Warren, T M Stanberry.
 Mt Lebanon—Ronda Earp.
 Oak Grove—M G Barnes, J W Hodges, J G Hodges.
 Pleasant Grove—J H Mast.
 Proffits Grove—L E Wilson, Grady Wilson, J A Winebarger.
 Rich Mountain—J M Cornell, H W McNeil, R L Ragan.
 Samson—Letter, no messengers.
 Shulls Mills—G W Robbins, J M Day.
 South Fork—Will H McGuire, J L Tatum, W F Norris.
 Stony Fork—J D Cook, W H Miller, J S Wellborn.
 Three Forks—H G Cook.
 Timbered Ridge—E B Hagaman, W L Greene.
 Union—Raleigh Greene, Henry Norris.
 Willowdale—I A Bumgarner.
 Zionville—J R Isaacs, Solomon Grogan.
 Zion Hill—E T Presnell, J R Trivett, Alvin Cannon.

PROCEEDINGS

August 30, 1927,

Peech Creek, N. C.

Three Forks Baptist Association met this day in its 87 annual session in the house of worship of Zion Hill church.

The congregation sang, How Firm a Foundation, Nearer My God, Amazing Grace and What a Friend.

Brother Braxton Craig read the 103 Psalm, after which Sweet By and Bye was sung. W. Swift then led in prayer. Bro. Craig then announced as his text: I am debtor. Rom. 1: 14. He discussed his subject 1, We owe a debt of gratitude. 2 We owe a debt of sympathy. 3, We are debtors of Christian comradeship. 4, We owe a debt of stewardship. 5, We are debtors for the hope of coming glory.

After the sermon J. A. McKaughan led in prayer.

The Association was then called to order by the Moderator, who called for the church letters that had not been sent to the clerk. On motion of W. S. Farthing the letters were referred to the clerk.

L. C. Wilson moved that L. A. Hurst be asked to cast the ballot of the association for the present officers: Smith Hagaman moderator, W. Y. Perry, clerk. The ballot was so cast.

The Moderator invited corresponding messengers and visitors to announce themselves. The following responded: Braxton Craig, representing the Orphanage; J. A. McKaughan, representing Biblical Recorder and Missions; P. C. Stringfield, in interest of Christian Education; D. A. Greene from Avery Co. association; A. A. Millsaps from Holston association, Tenn.

The Moderator appointed W. L. Greene and E. B. Hagaman as Com. on Finance.

Com. on Religious Exercises: Pastor and messengers of Zion Hill church.

Time, Place and Preacher: W. J. Farthing and J. R. Isaacs.

I. G. Greer read the report on Books and Periodicals. The report was discussed by J. A. McKaughan and I. G. Greer and adopted.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

Church folks should be the best posted of any group of people. The nature of the Baptist organization demands that members of the Baptist Church be better read than the members of any other church. They, of all people, should think independently and make up their minds for themselves.

Reading and study should be three fold. They should read the Bible in order 1, to deepen their spirituality and give them 2, con-

victions on the Baptist doctrines, as found in the New Testament. To know what the Bible says is far more important than what some one has said about it.

Your committee urges upon the church members that they make a more systematic, careful study of the Bible.

People are interested in the things they know most about. Therefore our people should read the periodicals that tell of the work of our denomination. We have many people who spend more time criticising the work of the organization than they do informing themselves.

Your committee feels like the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children should be in every Baptist home in this association. If these two papers were carefully read every week for one year, we would see a vast difference in the loyalty and intelligence of our church membership. Furthermore every Christian who is interested in the work of spreading the gospel should be a reader of Home and Foreign Fields. Our colporteur has a number of very fine books that we recommend to you.

One of the best ways to convince people of their faith is to compare what Baptists are doing and what they believe with other denominations. We therefore suggest that we should enlarge our field of reading in such a way that we may be able to make intelligent comparisons.

Finally your committee urges the parents to guard more carefully the reading matter of their children. It is our conviction that the young people would be better off if they would spend more time at home in the reading of good literature.

Chapell Wilson, I. G. Greer.

On motion adjourned to 1:30 for dinner. Benediction by L. A. Hurst.

AFTERNOON SESSION, First Day

The association reassembled at 1:30. Alas and Did My Saviour Bleed was sung. P. A. Hicks led in prayer.

The association was then called to order by the Moderator.

P. A. Hicks read the report on Christian Education. P. C. Stringfield of Mars Hill College discussed the report. Discussion was continued by L. C. Wilson. Report adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In recent years all of us, with rare exceptions, have become more proud of our State Schools of all grades and types. Primary schools, Grammar schools, High schools, Colleges, and our State University have rapidly grown in usefulness and efficiency. Also great hosts of teachers in these schools are devoted Christians who are giving a

Christian tone and influence to all our school life. In this we rejoice and hope that it may yet be even more so.

But when all this has been said there is a wide field of opportunity for our Baptist denominational schools. It is true we have but one High School left. At the same time we have 2000 boys and girls in our colleges.

In the past many of the state's leaders have come directly from our Baptist schools—lawyers, doctors, preachers, senators, congressmen, governors, judges, have received their training in these Baptist schools and colleges.

We must see to it that it shall always be this way. This shall be the leaven that shall leaven the whole lump—purify the home—the church—the State—its politics—its life.

All things worth while cost money. These schools must have money. To this end let all Baptists rally to their support in a way worthy of our colleges, and last but not least, worthy our Baptist boys and girls who are to "carry on" when we are gone.

J. A. Williams, A. Y. Howell.

The report on Sunday Schools was read and discussed by A. L. Hurst. Report adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Your committee on Sunday Schools has made a survey of our Association and find the following facts as to our progress:

1. Our schools are better graded.
2. Our enrollment has increased from year to year.
3. Our gifts have increased.
4. Our baptisms have not increased in proportion.
5. Our teachers are using more and better helps.
6. Many of our churches have provided rooms for Sunday School classes.

For the future we suggest this program:

1. That we use a better grade of music.
2. That we increase our enrollment.
3. That we use graded literature in the Beginner's and Primary Departments.
4. That we improve our teaching forces.
5. That we try to have a good library in each school.
6. That we provide Sunday school rooms as far as possible in our churches.

J. S. McBride, }
A. J. Greene, } Committee.

B. Y. P. U. report was read by Clyde R. Greene who led in the discussion which was continued by P. A. Hicks. Report adopted.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

The B.Y.P.U. is first of all an organization of and for the young people of the Baptist church. Its primary purpose is to provide training along several lines for the young church member just when they need training most. Through it the church may discover and train those of its young people who are capable of leadership. The weekly programs of the B Y. P. U. are so arranged that each and every member has an opportunity to take part in the work; thus making the training individual, and thereby it has a tendency to develop the initiative in every member.

The five cardinal points in the B. Y. P. U. work is as follows:

1. Its training and fellowship tend to increase spirituality among young Christians.
2. It trains in essential church activities.
3. It increases knowledge of the Scriptures.
4. It instructs in Baptist doctrine and history.
5. It trains in Stewardship.

These five lines of much-needed training is sufficient to commend this organization to our churches, yet only 4 or 5 of our churches have the B Y. P. U. Since the Union is the Training School or Drilling Ground where the young church member is taught to keep step with the Church in all of its activities we beg to urge that all of our churches organize at least one Union.

Clyde R. Greene, Committe.

W. S. Farthing read the report on Baptist Orphanage

Braxton Craig discussed the report, after which it was adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

While Orphanage work is not peculiar to Baptists, yet we remember with pleasure that, that great Baptist Statesman and Philanthropist, John H. Mills, began the Orphanage Work in N. C. when he founded the Masonic Orphanage at Oxford, N. C., and he was the moving spirit in establishing the first denominational orphanage in the State, the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, next to Wake Forest and Meredith Colleges, the greatest institution owned by the Baptists of North Carolina.

The Orphanage Association was organized in 1884. The first orphans were admitted in the fall of 1885.

The subject of the Orphanage was first considered by the Three Forks Association in 1886. At that time only 4 buildings had been completed and not well equipped; but from this small beginning, through the contributions and bequests of our people, have grown the two magnificent homes, the one at Thomasville, the other on the Kennedy Farm near Kinston, equipped as modern as the average

home, with an investment of approximately one million dollars and managed by able men and women of vision, for the training and uplift of unfortunate children.

In 1886 only 40 orphans were in the home, today 600 are in the two homes with 400 at home with their mothers and receiving aid from the Orphanage fund. A total of 3000 children have been admitted and partly trained and educated since the doors of the Institution were first opened for their reception.

In 1887 an aggregate of \$12.00 was contributed by the churches of this Association for its support but in the year 1926 an aggregate of \$1,186.44 was contributed by 28 churches, a greater amount than was given to any other object promoted by us and a greater number of churches paid to it than to any other object, showing that our people have become interested in this work.

While the above facts are encouraging, still the needs of the work increase as the years go by and as the scope and magnitude of the same increase. To provide for the present beneficiaries requires an expenditure of more than two hundred thousand dollars per year. A debt of fifty thousand dollars was also reported in the last annual report of the Supt., and in order to provide for all worthy applications for help, the capacity of the Orphanage should be doubled.

We recommend our churches and Sunday Schools to observe the month of November as Orphanage month and we urge every Baptist of the Three Forks Association to make his offering for that month equal to the proceeds of one day's labor or one day's income. If every Baptist in N. C. would do this the debt would be paid and the running expenses of the Homes provided for.

Respectfully submitted.

E. J. Farthing, }
W. S. Farthing, } Com.

The association adopted the report on Ministerial Relief after being read and discussed by L. A. Wilson.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

From the best information that we can get, we now have about one hundred and twenty old ministers or widows of ministers on our board that receive on an average of about \$120.00 per year, it ought to be much more. This fund ought to be increased until all these faithful servants of Christ have an adequate support in their old age. Let each pastor and church see that more liberal offerings be made for this worthy object. Resp'y submitted.

L. A. Wilson, John Norris, Committee.

P. A. Hicks read the report of the Executive Committee. A motion that discussion be deferred until tomorrow morning session.

A motion prevailed that Smith Hagaman be appointed as agent of

duties shall be as follows:

1. To employ faithful and efficient ministers to preach the gospel as held by Baptists in any section in our bounds now destitute of such preaching.
2. To assist the churches in the formation of fields where desired.
3. To assist the churches in the annual every-member canvass.
4. To arrange for the fifth Sunday meetings.
5. To present applications for pastoral aid, ministerial aid, and old ministers' relief.
6. To strive to enlist all of our churches in the Co-operative work of our denomination.
7. To suggest a budget for our association.
8. To have at least two meetings each year, one as early after the association as possible to arrange and make plans for the year's work and one before the association meets to gather reports and to survey the needs of the association so as to be able to offer any progressive measures to the association that they may deem wise.
9. To make an annual report to the association.

Respectfully submitted,

P. A. Hicks.

The report on Hospitals was adopted after being read by P. A. Hicks who discussed the same.

HOSPITAL

The Bible tells us that Jesus went about doing good and that central in His ministry was the healing of the sick. Trying to imitate our Master in this part of His work our Baptists of North Carolina have built and are maintaining our hospital at Winston-Salem. We have there a wonderful institution—wonderful in its accommodations, in its facilities for helping the sick, and in its ministry of love. There you will find the Christian Spirit dominant in every phase of hospital life.

With the meager income that we give our hospital it is doing a marvellous work. During the past year it cared for about 2000 patients, about 500 of whom were charity patients. Most of these were sent back home well and happy. These patients came from every part of the State. The number of charity patients is certainly growing and unless more aid is forthcoming from some source, many of these will have to be turned away during the year just before us.

Therefore your committee would urge upon the Baptists of this association three things:

1. Be more generous in your gifts to the Co-Operative Program. From this source the hospital receives 4 cents out of every dollar given, to pay on its indebtedness.

2. Be more liberal in the offering on Mother's Day. Mother's Day is the future hope of our hospital. Every cent raised on this occasion goes to charity. Let us stand by this day's offering, then, remembering that Jesus was referring to a ministry to the needy when He said: As often as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

3. Last but not least, that we pray earnestly for our hospital, for its Doctors, its Superintendent, its nurses, and for the patients who come to be ministered to.

Respectfully submitted,

P. A. Hicks.

Roy Dotson read the report on Temperance, discussing the same. Report adopted.

TEMPERANCE

The subject of temperance is a live subject among all classes. The wet forces are striving desperately to regain their former possessions. The dry forces should be wide awake and wise to all of the policies used by the friends of alcohol.

A strong effort is being put forth to belittle the prohibition law. Many friends and foes are saying that conditions are worse than they were before we passed the Constitutional Amendment. This is having a damaging effect upon many people. We should inform ourselves as to the results of the prohibition law and be able to answer the false charges brought up. There are three things that every person should know and always keep in mind:

- 1- That the wet and dry forces are in a battle that will long endure.
- 2- That every man is on one side or the other and is a party in that conflict.
- 3- That the center of the engagement is in your own community.

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Hagaman
Roy Dotson.

The report on State Missions was read by J. A. Williams.

L. C. Wilson read the report on Home Missions.

S. C. Eggers read the report on Foreign Missions.

STATE MISSIONS

The Baptist State convention was organized March 26, 1830 at Greenville with 14 members. The avowed purpose of this Convention has been to give the Gospel to North Carolina and then to all the world. God has been kind to us in this work and wonderfully blessed us.

In 1830 there were only 15,000 Baptists in North Carolina, white and colored, to day there are about 375,767 white Baptists alone and approximately 240,000 Negro Baptists, totaling around 600,000.

The first year the Convention met it reported \$700 for missions and education, the two objects to which it contributed. Last year, contributions to all benevolent objects, including the Orphanage, amounted to \$737,317.32.

The Board is helping to sustain, this year, 87 Missionary Pastors who are serving 147 churches. The report at our last Convention showed 118 Missionaries serving 200 churches, organizing 11 new churches, receiving by baptism 1921 and 1740 by letter and otherwise.

The W. M. U. work under the management of Mrs. W. N. Jones is progressing nicely; there are now in the State 2,443 W. M. U. organizations with a membership of 40,326.

The Sunday School Department under the leadership of E. L. Middleton, Sec., now has 2,243 Sunday schools in the State, with a membership of 323,777.

The B. Y. P. U. Department with Perry Morgan Sec., has 2,066 B. Y. P. U. organizations, with approximately 60,000 members.

The Evangelistic department has been under the leadership of Rev. J. C. Canipe who has recently resigned.

For the last 30 or 40 years the Baptist cause has been gathering momentum. Slowly, but surely, we have been laying the foundation for a great work for the Master but in order to accomplish the things we have set out to do, and to carry out the Great Commission, we must be in earnest prayer. In order that we may enlist the 250,000 church members who are not actively engaged in the Lord's work, and to evangelize the 600,000 people over 10 years old who are not Christians, and to bring about a great revival of religion all over the State we must be much in prayer.

Therefore we recommend the hearty support and co-operation to the State Mission Board and may we each realize our duty, and press forward toward the goal that lies just ahead. May God add His blessings.

Respectfully submitted.

D. J. Cottrell.

HOME MISSIONS

What is Home Missions?

This is a far-reaching and significant question that Southern Baptists are called upon to answer.

In submitting this report based upon 82 years of the work of the Southern Baptist Convention from its organization in 1845 your committee feel inclined not to deal at any great length with statistics but to impress our hearts with the fundamental principles involved in this vital question. How inspiring and encouraging are our achievements but we are humiliated when we are brought face to face with our failures.

The great question that should be answered by every church in this Association and every preacher and every individual member is do I really believe in the great cause of missions or in giving the gospel to the lost nations of earth. If so how much do I believe in it?

Home Missions is the heart and soul of every other department of the work of the S. B. C. Building up a spirit of denominational loyalty and co-operation in evangelism was the outstanding work of the Baptist of the South from 1745-1845 and is still the outstanding vital issue before Southern Baptist today. Holy pride should seize every church for the privilege of being a component part of such a powerful organization for the world's redemption. Yes loyalty is the important word. To be loyal to Jesus Christ and his cause means more than language would convey. It covers all the ground. Talk about debts and obligations if you please.

If every preacher would enlist himself and be as faithful as he should in teaching his people their duty and obligations to the cause of missions. And if the unenlisted, indifferent and unconcerned of our people throughout the the S. B. C. would enlist themselves to a loyal and enthusiastic support of this great cause a new day would dawn upon this South land and upon the world.

The South is one of the greatest racial mission fields on earth.

Out of a total population of 40,685,000, we have 10,000,000 Negroes, 95,636 Indians. Chinese and Japanese 7,180, 1,282,217 Foreign born whites. More than 650,000 Mexicans, more than 50,000 of other foreign groups, a total population of foreign groups 4,224,217

The awful influx into the U. S. is alarming. Besides the 355,825 admitted by law the urge to come to America is so great that many more are smuggled in this year. They are coming with all their false religion or no religion and wrong views of Americanism. But the most destructive element and deadly foe is that element that brings with it the spirit of Roman Catholicism. But what is the remedy and who is sufficient for these things?

The answer to this is the Baptist when they shall awake to that obligation that rests upon them as it rests upon no others.

Enlistment and enlargement should be the watchword of every man that we may get ready for this stupendous task by making strong every department of our work and especially our Baptist schools for herein lies the hope of the Baptist of the South.

And they shall all see eye to eye when the Lord shall bring again Zion.

Respectfully sub.

L. C. Wilson.

Report of Committee on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Total number of churches 1,215; Sunday schools 1819; out stations 3247; church members, 140,488; Sunday school enrollment, 76,991; missionaries, 513; native helpers, 2,744; number of hospitals, 9; physicians 18; nurses 11; native physicians and nurses, 27; total number of cases treated, 69,583; additions to churches by baptism, 12,085.

These gratifying results have been achieved in the face of trying difficulties and handicaps.

The receipts of the Board this year from the Co-operative Program were \$980,214; from designated gifts and other sources, \$653-263.93; total receipts, \$1,633,477.93. The debt has been reduced to \$748,799; not including outstanding letters of credit.

In view of the facts that these figures present, it would seem that we as Southern Baptists, should take new courage in the work of Foreign Missions and rally to the cause that will hold us in keeping with the records we have already made.

We recommend that all the pastors preach one or more mission sermons during the year and take a collection for same.

Dean Swift, S. C. Eggers, Committee.

Adjourned for dinner, the discussion of Missions to be the order afternoon. Benediction by E. A. Cox.

AFTERNOON SESSION, Second Day

Services were begun by singing How tedious and tasteless the hours When Jesus no longer I see.

The association was called to order by the Moderator.

The Treasurer read his report. Report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minutes,	\$75.18
“ Orphanage,	3.00
“ Co-op. Program,	15.17
Total,	\$95.15
Disbursements:	
To Walters Durham for Co-op. Program,	\$15.17
“ E. B. Hamrick for Orphanage,	3.00
“ Clerk for services,	7.50
“ Will H. McGuire for printing minutes & post.	57.65
“ Clerk and treasurer for postage,	.30
	\$93.62
Bal. in treasury,	\$ 1.53

Report adopted and W. Y. Perry was re-elected treasurer.

R. C. Eggers read his report as

COLPORTEUR

Books and cash reported last year,	\$60.00
Books bought this year,	33.00
Books sold this year,	32.91
Books on hand,	57.15
Cash on hand,	2.85
Total,	\$60.00

R. C. Eggers.

R. C. Eggers was re-elected as Colporteur and instructed to dispose of soiled books on hand as he thinks best.

The report on the State of the Churches was read by R. C. Eggers. Report adopted.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The Three Forks Association was organized in 1841 at Three Forks Church, with 10 churches and 5 ordained ministers and a membership of 270. At present we have 35 churches with a membership of about 4000, and 23 ordained ministers.

The minutes show the following with regard to Pastors' Salaries in our churches: pastors received in 1925, \$5,286.25, while in 1926 they received \$5,691.39. The churches received by baptism in 19-25, 199 while in 1926 we received only 153. Your committee believes that the Spiritual condition of our churches is on the decline which has been brought about mostly from lack of discipline.

Since the adoption of last year's resolutions, we hear no more of alien immersion or open communion in our churches, therefore we urge that every church in this association stand for the fundamental doctrines of the New Testament.

R. C. Eggers.

The report on Time, Place and Preacher was read by W. J. Farthing and adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We the Committee on Time and Place for the Association to meet next year beg to submit the following report:

Time, Tuesday after the fourth Sunday in August 1928. Meet at 2 o'clock and hold 2½ days. Place, Middle Fork Baptist church.

Elder L. A. Hurst to preach the introductory sermon. Elder R. C. Eggers alternate.

J. R. Isaacs, W. J. Farthing, Committee.

The discussion of Missions was begun by J. A. McKaughan, who confined his remarks to the Co-op. Program. Bro. Craig followed, discussing Missions. Reports all adopted.

Report on Pastoral Support was read by the Clerk. W. J. Farthing discussed the report. Report adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Pastoral support is a more vital question than many of us realize. The support which a pastor should receive is two-fold. First, we should give him temporal support that he may give himself wholly to preparation for the proclamation of the Word, as well as, visiting his members in their homes, as this is one of the most important duties of a pastor.

Second, he should have our sympathy and prayers, as he deserves encouragement in all the ways we can give it instead of censure.

There was a time when Three Forks Association stood second to no association in N. C. in native men of ability and preparation for preaching.

God allows things that are not appreciated and used as they should be to be removed from us and given to others who will appreciate and use them. God allowed the gospel to be taken from the Jews and given to the gentiles because of the rejection of His Son.

May not our present dearth of strong gospel preachers, in this association, be due to the fact, we did not appreciate and support the men of former days as we should. Let us take warning and support our pastors!—

G. P. Sherrill, W. Y. Perry.

Will H. McGuire read the report on Duties of Pastors to their Churches. Report adopted.

DUTIES of PASTORS

First of all, it is the pastors duty to know his people— their needs, their environments and their aspirations. And in order to do this it is necessary for him to see them in their homes and in their everyday affairs and thus discovering their needs, he is in an advantageous position to administer to them.

He should be a real shepherd, leading, directing and encouraging his flock in every good work.

He should preach the rugged gospel truth, teaching, exhorting, rebuking, without fear or favor, not shunning to declare the whole counsel of the gospel, let it strike where it may. Pleasant thinking and comfortable preaching will never awake the world from death nor stir the souls of the church members to a realization of their duties and responsibilities. He must preach to his church with conviction and the power of a compelling consecration, praying always for the dynamic power of the Holy Spirit.

The pastor should ever study and plan to have every member on his job and interested in his individual work and in the work of the

church collectively.

To be sure, the pastor should be kind and sympathetic, ever ready to speak the word of comfort to the troubled and unfortunate one, to encourage the faltering one, and to extend an uplifting influence to the fallen one; to "always abound in the work of the Lord."

He should be a teacher, keeping his people informed on the vital fundamental principles upon which the Church is founded, so they will be steadfast and grounded in the truth to that degree that they will not drift after every kind of doctrine that may be presented to them, but keep them pressing forward toward the goal, with every impediment of doubt, uncertainty and indifference laid aside.

Will H. McGuire, Com.

A motion prevailed that the Chairman of Executive Committee act as agent for this association of the State Mission Board.

A motion was carried to incorporate a report on Baptist Co-operative Program in the minutes.

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

The General Board of the Pap. State Convention at its June meeting adopted \$600,000 as the goal for North Carolina Baptists to raise in 1928 for all the objects included in the Co-operative Program except the Orphanage:

This objective is to be divided equally between State-wide and South-wide objects as follows:

State-wide Objects:— Out of each dollar given, unless otherwise designated, the objects will receive the following amounts:

State Missions 23 cents, Baptist Schools 23 cents, Baptist Hospital 4 cents. Total 50 cents.

South-wide Objects:— Foreign Missions 25 cents, Home Missions 11¼ cents, Theological Seminaries 8¼ cents, Ministers Relief 4½ cents, New Orleans Hospital 1 cent. Total 50 cents.

In cooperation with other associations of the State we recommend that this association adopt the above ratio of division of its funds and that it set as its goal for 1928 \$ _____, which is a little more than the association raised for the Co-operative Program for 1926; that this amount be apportioned upon a fair basis among all the churches of this association by the Ex. Com. or by a special committee; and that each church try to raise its objective by making an every member canvass Dec. 4-11, the Southwide date set, or at some other time as may seem best, or to raise it by some way adopted by the church.

In order to make canvass successful we recommend that thorough and prayerful preparation be made for several weeks in advance, tell the people about the objects represented in the Program.

We also recommend that a Mission Leader be elected to represent

this association in its dealing with the general State organization, and that this Mission Leader in co-operation with the Ex. Com. of the association, communicate with each local church and try to effect an organization consisting of a Mission Leader and a Mission Committee of four others at least, and to cooperate with this committee in putting on and carrying through this Program for 1928.

Lee Swift read the report on Nominations. Report adopted.

NOMINATIONS

We your Committee on Nominations recommend the following:

For Executive Committee: G. P. Hagaman, J. H. Mast, D. D. Dougherty, W. N. Howell, D. C. Mast with the Mod. and Clerk.

Member State Board of Missions: A. J. Greene.

Associational Vice Pres. Foreign Mission Board: W. Y. Perry.

Sunday School Secretary: Roy Dotson.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention: Smith Hagaman.

Delegates to Baptist State Convention: L. C. Wilson, W. S.

Farthing, P. A. Hicks.

Corresponding Messengers to Associations:

To the Ashe: L. A. Wilson, J. M. Griggs, Will H. McGuire.

To Stony Fork: L. C. Wilson, R. C. Eggers, G. W. Robbins.

To Caldwell Co.: P. A. Hicks, L. C. Wilson, W. T. Vandyke.

To Watauga: L. A. Hurst, W. S. Farthing, W. F. Reese.

To Mitchell Co.: John Norris, W. A. Braswell, E. C. Hodges.

To Avery Co.: E. J. Farthing, W. H. Glenn, W. J. Farthing.

To Brushy Mtn.: L. A. Hurst, Levi Greene, I. G. Greer.

Lee Swift, J. R. Eggers, Com.

L. C. Wilson read the report on Resolutions. Report adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That the preachers, messengers, and members of the churches shall go back to our churches, determined to put on an honest, earnest and faithful effort to raise the standard of our churches in support of the Lord's cause in all that it means.

Resolved, That the Association express our thanks to the Zion Hill church and the people of the community for the noble way in which the Association has been cared for.

Resolved, That the Association express our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their faithful services.

Resolved, That the Association express our appreciation for the presence and helpful service of our visiting brethren.

G. W. Robbins, L. C. Wilson, Com.

The Moderator read his appointments of

Committees for 1928

State Missions—P. A. Hicks, D. D. Dougherty.

Home Missions—A. J. Greene, M. J. Williams.

Foreign Missions—L. A. Hurst, W. F. Sherwood.

Christian Education—L. C. Wilson, Sam Horton.

Pastoral Support—I. G. Greer, Bert Farthing.

Duties of Pastors to Churches—W. Y. Perry, Dean Swift.

Sunday Schools—Roy Dotson, J. F. Moore.

Baptist Orphanage—R. C. Eggers, John Norris.

Books and Periodicals—W. S. Farthing, G. W. Robbins.

Resolutions—E. J. Farthing, Iredell Bumgarner.

State of Churches—Alex Wilson, L. C. Wilson.

Temperance—J. A. Williams, L. M. Farthing.

Old Ministers Relief—Chas. Mast, Smith McBride.

Woman's Work—Mrs. T. H. Coffey, Mrs. D. P. Coffey.

B. Y. P. U.—G. P. Hagaman, Clyde R. Greene.

Nominations—Wm. Farthing, John Ward.

Baptist Hospital—J. R. Isaacs, John Mast.

Order of Business—W. Y. Perry.

Report adopted.

The Finance Committee read their report. Report adopted.

FINANCE

We your Com. on Finance have received from the churches for:

Printing Minutes	\$57.07
Special Collection from Association,	9.62
Hospital,	4.00
Missions,	7.75
Orphanage,	3.50

Total, \$81.94

E. B. Hagaman, W. L. Greene.

A motion prevailed that the Clerk superintend the printing of the Minutes and allow him his usual fee of \$7.50 for his services.

A motion prevailed that the Moderator appoint a man to organize a trip to the Orphanage and Baptist Hospital of Sunday school Supts.

W. J. Farthing was appointed to organize the trip for the Supts.

A motion prevailed to adjourn to time and place.

P. A. Hicks conducted the closing exercises.

Benediction by G. W. Sabastian.

W. Y. PERRY,
Clerk.

SMITH HAGAMAN,
Moderator.

W. M. U. MINUTES

The W. M. U. of Three Forks Association met for their 14th annual session with Cove Creek Church Oct. 11, 1927.

Devotional service in charge of Mrs. J. D. Brown.

Address of welcome by Mrs. Enoch Swift. Response by Mrs. Smith Hagaman.

The Superintendent then called for reports of societies. Each society reported, and sent representatives as follows: Boone 16, Blowing Rock 10, Bethel 4, Beaver Dam 1, Cove Creek 13.

Mrs. Lee Mast delivered an address on The Value of Christian Literature. Solo by Miss Lucy Moretz.

Report on Mission Study, by Mrs. J. D. Brown. Two mission study classes in Union during year.

Next, Mrs. Smith Hagaman made a splendid talk on The Baptist Hospital Faith of Our Fathers was sung.

Mrs. Russell Hodges gave a splendid reading on The Ruby Anniversary.

The Superintendent then made her annual report, emphasizing the great need of enlistment and the recognition of our stewardship.

An open conference was conducted by Mrs. Edna R. Harriss, Corresponding Secretary of the State W. M. U.

Dr. Camel then delivered an exceptionally inspiring address.

Subject: We've a Story to Tell The Nations.

The Supt. then appointed the following committees:—

Nominating Committee—Mrs. J. R. Mast, Mrs. J. L. Qualls, Mrs. Lee Swift, Mrs. Joe Winkler, Mrs. Margaret Perry, and Miss Anna Edmisten.

Time and Place—Mrs. D. F. Coffey, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Nan Johnson and Mrs. W. W. Wilson.

Recommendations—Mrs. D. F. Horton, Mrs. J. M. Hodges.

Resolutions—Mrs. W. C. Greer, and Mrs. R. S. Swift.

Periodicals—Mrs. Smith Hagaman, Mrs. Enoch Swift.

The session adjourned for lunch. Benediction by L. C. Wilson.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a beautiful song service, Rev. L. A. Hurst conducted the afternoon devotional.

Mrs. Hurst then read an obituary of Mrs. Charlotte Williams. Mrs. John McBride also having died during the year.

Mrs. D. D. Dougherty then delivered a splendid address on Five Ascending Steps in giving: The Tithe, Proportionate Giving, Abounding Liberality, Heroic Giving, Love's Offering.

The following Junior societies then brought reports:

Cove Creek—Y. W. A.'s	Boone—Girls Auxiliaries
Boone—	Boone—Royal Ambassadors
Boone—Sunbeams	Cove Creek—Sunbeams
Blowing Rock—Sunbeams	

An inspiring address by Mrs. Edna R. Harris followed.

The Cove Creek Sunbeams gave a splendid program under the direction of their leader, Mrs. Louisa Mast.

The Supt. reminded the Union that we have been trying out quarterly meetings during the past year, and by common consent of the Union decided to continue these through the following year.

Report on recommendations was read and adopted.

Mrs. W. C. Greer read the report on Resolutions extending thanks to Cove Creek church and society for their gracious hospitality, and expressing appreciation for the encouragement and help given by the brethren present, and extending thanks to Mrs. Edna Harris for the inspiration she brought to the meeting.

The Nominating Committee made the following report:

Mrs. I. G. Greer, Supt.

Mrs. D. P. Coffey, Ast. Supt.

Mrs. W. W. Wilson, Sec.

Mrs. Sam Horton, Young Peoples Leader.

Mrs. J. D. Brown, Mission Study.

Mrs. Smith Hagaman, Personal Service Chairman.

Mrs. L. A. Hurst, Stewardship Chairman.

Report unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Time and Place reported that the next Union would meet with Boone church next year. The exact time to be set by Ex. Com.

Mrs. Selmer Fuller brought greetings from the Watauga W. M. U.

Report on Religious Periodicals.

Report adopted.

A collection was taken for a minute fund and received \$3.96.

On motion adjourned. Benediction by R. C. Eggers.

Mrs. I. G. Greer, Supt.

Mrs. W. W. Wilson, Sec.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	CLERKS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last year	Rec by Baptism	By Letters	Restorations	Lost: Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Families taking Recorder
Antioch.....c	1848 L. W. Ward, Watauga Falls	1	174	11	4	1	8	3		5	174	no	1	2	1
Bethel.....c	1851 W R Vines, Sugar Grove	NC	4	197	13	1	6	4			201	yes	1	2	5
Beaver Dam.....c	1874 Clyde B Reese, Reese	"	2	149	12	6	2	1		1	164	no	1	2	5
Bethany.....c	J L Triplett, Matney			84	1			1			84	yes	1	1	0
Brushy Fork.....c	1858 L M Trivett, Vilas	3	137				2	8			127	no	1	2	
Boone.....t	1871 G W Gragg, Boone	2,3,4	308	21	36	13		1			367	yes	1	2	109
Blowing Rock.....t	S T Icenhour, Blowing Rock	1	150	1	1	3				1	148	no	1	1	
Cove Creek.....c	1799 J S McBride, Sherwood	1&3	162	6	9	3				4	170	no	1	2	6
Cool Spring.....c	1886 R K Hartley, Blowing Rock	3	100		3	2				1	100	yes	1	2	
Clarks Creek.....c	J S Byrd, Banner Elk	4	46			5				1	41	no	1	2	
Elk Knob.....c	No report														
Fall Creek.....c	1885 T B Gryder, Heaton	2	45	9	5						59	no	2	2	
Forest Grove.....c	1889 W R Johnson, Vilas	3	147	12		2	3			1	157	no	1	2	2
Gap Creek.....c	Thos Fairchild, Deep Gap	2	83	10	3						96	no	1	2	
Howards Creekc	1882 L F Cottrell, Boone	3	115		3	6	3				102	yes	1	2	
Laurel Springs.c	1873 J B Clawson, Deep Gap	4	176		1	2	1	3		3	171	no	0	1	
Middle Fork.....c	1905 Frank Edmisten, Blowing Rock	4	91	2	2	2					93	yes	1	2	
Meat Camp.....c	1851 L A Greene, Boone	3	138			5				3	130		0	2	
Mt Calvary.....c	W H Shoemaker, Balm	2	135	6	1	2	1				139	yes	1	2	
Mt Gillead.....c	O H Trivett, Beech Creek		95	23	1						119	no	1	2	
Mt Lebanon.....c	1891 T T Danner, Valle Crucis	2	120	10	3	1					134	no	1	2	
Oak Grove.....c	J C Hodges, Adams		76		1	1					78	no	1	2	
Pleasant Grove.c	1891 J H Mast, Zionville	4	265		1	6	1			1	258	no	1	2	6
Profits Grove.c	1921 D L Greene, "	2	75	8	3					1	85	no	1	2	6

Rich Mountain.c	1905 H W McNeil, "	1	79	8		1					86	no	2	2	
Samson.....c	1873 H E Barrier, Finley	2	52			2					50	no	1	2	
Shulls Mills.....v	1888 J M Day, Shulls Mills	3	97	2	3	2	9			5	90	yes	1	2	
South Fonk.....c	1833 Will H McGuire, Brookside	2	147				7			2	138	no		1	
Stony Fork.....c	1841 J S Wellborn, Deep Gap	2	141	4	1					3	143	no	1	1	10
Three Forks.....c	1790 A J Edmisten, Boone	1	125	2	5	1	4	1		1	127	yes	1	2	3
Timbered Rdg.c	1906 W L Greene, Peoria	2	81	12	1	4				1	89	no	1	2	2
Union.....c	1875 Hazel Norris, Mabel	3	196	8	2	1				2	205	no	1	2	
Willowdale.....c	1911 I A Bumgarner, Vilas	2	115	1	1	7					110	no	0	2	2
Zionville.....v	1836 E H Wilson, Zionville	1	145	15	5	2	7	5	1	1	151	no	1	1	1
Zion Hill.....c	1886 M P Trivett, Rominger	2	101	31	4	2	2				136	no	1	2	

* c, t, or v after churches indicate location,— country, town or village.
 Figures indicate year church was constituted.

WOMAN'S WORK

CHURCHES	No. Societies	No. Y.W.A.'s	No. G. A.'s	No. R. A.'s	No. Sunbeams	Total W M U	W.M.S. Members	Y. W. A.'s Members	G. A.'s Members	R. A.'s Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members	Mission Study Course	Gifts to Local Work	Gifts to Missions &c	Total Gifts
Bethel	1	1	1	1	1	8	8	15	15	15	15	15	8	5.15	70.20	75.35
Beaver Dam	1	1	1	1	1	15	15	60	60	60	60	152	60	150.46	307.45	48.34
Boone	1	1	1	1	1	24	24	23	23	23	23	152	60	150.46	307.45	457.91
Blowing Rock	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	12	12	12	12	27	15	57.85	57.85	57.85
Cove Creek	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	25	25	25	25	70	30	50.00	75.85	125.85

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

CHURCHES	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Systematic Givers	Daily Bible Readers
Boone	1	1	1	3	30	25	28	83	50	20
Cove Creek	1	1	1	3	25	25	25	75	6	6

CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	Does your Ch own its house of worship?	When built	Material used	Persons Seated	No. Rooms	Are all Departments of S.S. provided for?	Are all classes provided for?	Value Church house and grounds	Value Pastors home	Value all Ch. Property	Debts on Ch. Property	Insurance Carried
Antioch	yes	1902	wood	300	1	no	no	1500	1500	1500		
Bethel	yes	1924	brick	350	7	yes	yes	8000	8000	8000	516.50	
Beaver Dam	yes	1924	wood	300	5	yes	yes	3500	3500	3500		
Bethany	yes		wood	250	1	no	no	600	600	600		
Brushy Fork	yes	1885	wood	500	1	no	no	2500	2500	2500		
Boone	yes	1915	brick	700	10	yes	yes	25000	5000	30000		6000
Blowing Rock	yes	1922	brick	200	7	yes	yes	17000	17000	17000		
Cove Creek	yes	1923	"	250	7	yes	yes	15000	1500	16500	1450	
Cool Spring	yes	1908	wood	300	1	yes	yes	1500	1500	1500		
Clarks Creek	yes		wood	200	1	no	no					
Elk Knob	yes					No report.						
Fall Creek	yes	1927	wood	300	1	no	no	750	750	750		
Forest Grove	yes	1907	wood	400	1	yes	yes	1200	1200	1200		
Gap Creek	yes		wood	300	1	no	no	1200	1200	1200		
Howards Creekyes	1900	wood	300	1	no	no	700	700	700			
Laurel Springs	yes	1894	wood	500	1	no	no	1500	1500	1500		
Middle Fork	yes	1903	wood	400	1	curt.	yes	1800	1800	1800		
Meat Camp	yes	1927	wood	600	5	yes	yes	5000	5000	5000		
Mt Calvary	yes		wood		1	no	no	1000	1000	1000		
Mt Gilead	yes		wood	200	1	no	no	3000	3000	3000		
Mt Lebanon	yes	1891	wood	300	1	no	no	800	800	800		
Oak Grove	yes	1922	wood	400	1	no	no	2500	2500	2500		
Pleasant Grove	yes	1891	wood	500	5	yes	yes	1500	1500	1500		
Proffits Grove	yes	1920	wood	300	1	no	no	1000	1000	1000		
Rich Mountain	yes	1905	wood		1	no	no	1000	1000	1000		
Samson	yes		wood		1	no	no	200	200	200		
Shulls Mills	yes	1888	wood	500	1	no	no	2000	2000	2000		
South Fork	yes	1900	wood	400	1	no	no	2000	2000	2000		
Stony Fork	yes	1900	wood	400	1	no	no	1000	1000	1000		
Three Forks	yes	1922	wood	500	1	yes	yes	3500	3500	3500		
Timbered Rdg	yes	1912	wood	300	1	no	no	1200	1200	1200		
Union	yes		wood	500	1	no	no	800	800	800		
Willowdale	yes	1923	wood	300	7	yes	yes	8000	8000	8000	1100	
Zionville	yes	1927	wood	300	6	yes	yes	5000	5000	5000		
Zion Hill	yes	1886	wood	500	2	yes	no	1500	1500	1500		

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SECRETARIES & P. O.	Officers and	Teachers	3-5 years	6-8 years	Juniors	9-12 years	Intermediates	13-16 years	Young People	17-24 years	Adults	25 years & up	Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is the School Graded?	Teachers holding Normal Diplomas from School	Baptisms	Gifts to Local Church work	To Missions, Orphanage &c	Have a Mission S. S.?	Daily Bible Vac'n School?	Enrollment	Average Attendance					
		Beginners	Primaries	8	11	12	12	60	22	yes	1	7	17.43	5.25	no	no	24	18												
Antioch	c L. W. Ward, Watauga Falls NC	8	3	6	8	11	12	12	60	22	yes	1	7	17.43	5.25	no	no	24	18											
Bethel	c D F Greene, Sweet Water	8	32	27	16	20	26	40	116	114	yes	13	35.00	22.54	no	yes	5	18	226.16	141.76										
Beaver Dam	c Frank Wilson, Reese	9	20	30	18	15	12	40	154	95	no	4	3	16.44	12.83	no	no													
Bethany	c Lola Edmisten, Matney	7	15	7	8	6	14		50		no			10.00		"	"													
Brushy Fork	c Gladys Mast, Lovill	7							95	60				24.40																
Boone	t R M Greene, Boone	13	26	33	39	28	60	311	510	281	yes	5	18	226.16	141.76															
Blowing Rock	t J H Winkler, Blowing Rock	10							200	150	yes			71.90	33.30															
Cove Creek	c Pearl Davis, Vilas	11	8	25	20	15	30	50	159	120	yes		5	74.02	66.50															
Cool Spring	c Virgie Rogers, Blowing Rock	5							50	35	yes			13.00	27.00															
Clarks Creek	c No figures given.																													
Elk Knob	c No letter.																													
Fall Creek	c Eliza Norris, Heaton	5	5	10	8	8	5		45	40	no			2.40																
Forest Grove	c Chas Dougherty, Vilas	9	8	13	12	15	34	18	109	65	no			30.00	30.80															
Gap Creek	c Leona Lookabill, Deep Gap	5	16			19		35	70	35	no			9.47																
Howards Creeke	c Edmond Greene, Boone	6	10			10	10	20	56	25	no			11.19																
Laurel Springs	c Joseph Greer, Rutherford	6	32		24	35		50	147	75	yes	1		10.99	4.55															
Middle Fork	c Belle Edmisten, Blowing Rock	6	8	4	5		17	40	40	34	no			17.21	19.00															
Meat Camp	c M C Brown, Boone	6	15	16			36	90	45	45	no			9.00																
Mt Calvary	c Ollie Hodges, Banner Elk	8	12	13	10		15	64	45	45	no			9.39																
Mt Gillead	c Velma Warren, Butler, Tenn.	4	6	8	18		22	54			no			14.24																
Mt Lebanon	c J C Danner, Vilas	6	20	10	14	12	9	15	8	88	80	no		20.06	19.45															
Oak Grove	c Leola Hodges, Adams	6	11	14		20	18	69	40	40	no			20.00	4.58															
Pleasant Grove	c Annie Adams, Zionville	6	30	25	30	24	20	135	75	75	no			25.80																
Proffits Grove	c Bessie Proffit, Meat Camp	6	21	18	22	13	31	111	63	63	no			32.71	9.34															
Rich Mountain	c Beach Keller, Zionville	5	10	8		8		9	40	30	no																			
Samson	c No report.																													
Shulls Mills	v Garman Garland, Shulls Mills	6	16		6		9	11	48	48	no			15.80																
South Fork	v Ralph G Greer, Todd	6							133	40	no			43.60	25.00															
Stony Fork	c J S Wellborn, Deep Gap	8	20	20	20	18		42	134	100	no			17.75	5.00															
Three Forks	c Walter Edmisten, Boone	8	12	15	20		12	67	67	65	no			25.00	112.50															
Timbered Rdg.	c Lucy Smitherman, Peoria	6	13	12	10	10	8	59	43	43	no		10	6.00	12.19															
Union	c Lillian Thomas, Mabel	9							85					18.23																
Willowdale	c Annie Tott Brinkley, Vilas	10	10	10	8	18	25	81	78	78	no	1		20.00	14.00															
Zionville	c Mary Miller, Zionville	9	17	9	21	16	29	55	161	172	135	no	12	20.00																
Zion Hill	c Viola Harman, Beech Creek	7							46	46	no			10.34	29.76															

GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS

CHURCHES	Cooperative Program	Association Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Education	Schools and Colleges
Antioch			3.00				
Bethel	123.00				22.60		
Beaver Dam			12.67	4.40	60.16		
Bethany				2.50	2.50		
Brushy Fork			10.00	5.00	6.00	1.10	
Boone	361.41		47.20	43.81	149.20		150.00
Blowing Rock				15.47	10.00		
Cove Creek	142.56					1.00	13.15
Cool Spring							
Clarks Creek							
Elk Knob							
Fall Creek							
Forest Grove	24.98						
Gap Creek							
Howards Creek							
Laurel Springs							
Middle Fork							
Meat Camp							
Mt Calvary							
Mt Gillead							
Mt Lebanon					1.45		
Oak Grove							
Pleasant Grove	11.00						
Proffits Grove			3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	
Rich Mountain							
Samson							
Shulls Mills							
South Fork							
Stony Fork							
Three Forks	77.00						
Timbered Rdg.	3.00		1.45		.85		
Union							
Willowdale	7.00						
Zionville							
Zion Hill		1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		

TOOLS

Age	0-3 years	4-6 years	7-9 years	10-12 years	13-16 years	17-24 years	25 years & up	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is the School Graded?	Teachers holding Normal Diplomas from School	Gifts to Local Church work	To Missions, Orphanage &c	Have a Mission S. Sp	Daily Bible Vac'n School?	Enrollment	Average Attendance
8	11	12	12	60	22	yes	1	7	17.43	5.25	no	no			24	18	
16	20	26	40	116	114	yes	13	35.00	22.54	no	yes						
18	15	12	40	154	95	no	4	3	16.44	12.83	no	no					
7	8	6	14	50		no			10.00								
39	28	60	311	510	281	yes	5	18	226.16	141.76							
20	15	30	50	200	150	yes			71.90	33.30							
				159	120	yes	5		74.02	66.50							
				50	35	yes			13.00	27.00							
8	8	5		45	40	no			2.40								
12	15	34	18	109	65	no			30.00	30.80							
	19		35	70	35	no			9.47								
	10	10	20	56	25	no			11.19								
24	35		50	147	75	yes	1		10.99	4.55							
4	5		17	40	34	no			17.21	19.00							
16			36	90	45	no			9.00								
13	10		15	64	45	no				9.39							
8	18		22	54		no			14.24								
14	12	9	15	8	88	no			20.06	19.45							
14		20	18	69	40	no			20.00	4.58							
25	30	24	20	135	75	no			25.80								
18	22	13	31	111	63	no			32.71	9.34							
	8		9	40	30	no											
6		9	11	48	48	no			15.80								
				133	40	no			43.60	25.00							
20	18		42	134	100	no			17.75	5.00							
15	20		12	67	65	no			25.00	112.50							
12	10	10	8	59	43	no	10		6.00	12.19							
				85					18.23								
10	8	18	25	81	78	no	1		20.00	14.00							
21	16	29	55	161	172	no	12		20.00								
				46	no				10.34	29.76							

GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & P. O.	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature SS & BYPU	To Local Poor	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	Total local Church Expenses
Antioch	J. L. Glenn, Watauga Falls, N.C.	83.12				9.85	17.43	13.50	1.65	7.40	132.95
Bethel	E.J. Farthing, Sugar Grove "	145.94		80.12	558.13	42.00	35.00	13.00	4.50	22.69	901.38
Beaver Dam	Lee Swift, Reese	133.70		34.10	24.00	16.00	29.27		4.12		241.19
Bethany	L J Michael, Matney	130.85	18.62				10.00		.75		148.47
Brushy Fork	Gordon Hodges, Sugar Grove	177.28		36.50	4.08	18.00	24.00	50.00	3.50	5.25	317.61
Boone	A Y Howell, Boone	1149.75	93.00	300.00	244.45	336.66	152.83	38.19	5.00	334.46	2650.38
Blowing Rock	Mrs J D Brown, Blowing Rock	600.00				73.25	71.90		3.00	57.35	802.50
Cove Creek	D F Horton, Vilas	800.00		87.56	1100.00	57.00	57.75		5.00	33.00	2140.31
Cool Spring		112.00	21.88	14.38		18.00	13.00	20.00	2.50		201.76
Clarks Creek		39.75							.60		40.45
Elk Knob	No report										
Fall Creek	T B Gryder, Heaton	70.90	18.00		725.00	1.00	2.80		1.00		780.30
Forest Grove	W R Johnson, Vilas	97.00		26.94			17.10	1.70	2.24	9.62	154.60
Gap Creek	Thos Fairchild, Deep Gap	89.16		23.75	37.98	9.50	6.37		1.60		168.36
Howards Creek	D W Cook, Sands	160.00		22.00		12.00	11.19		2.00		207.19
Laurel Springs	J B Clawson, Deep Gap	60.65		7.02			10.99		2.00	6.00	86.66
Middle Fork	L P Hodges, Blowing Rock	149.17		18.65		20.56	17.21		1.50	28.04	241.13
Meat Camp	W C Brown, Boone	140.00			5000.00	9.50	9.00		1.50		5749.50
Mt Calvary	E F Chapell, Balm	250.00		53.55					2.10	10.56	314.86
Mt Gillead	W L Greenwell, Beech Creek	43.30		23.00			14.24		2.00		82.54
Mt Lebanon	J C Danner, Vilas	66.90		36.50	104.33		20.06		1.30		229.83
Oak Grove	Cleve Gross, Adams	100.00		25.00		20.00	12.00	20.00	2.10		141.10
Pleasant Grove	J H Mast, Zionville	148.00	18.58	66.58	15.00	21.88	25.80	34.00	3.00		333.84
Proffits Grove	D L Greene, "	89.51		25.30		7.30	32.71	28.66	2.50	2.52	188.50
Rich Mountain	H W McNeil, "	43.72	1.75		40.00	4.00			1.80		93.77
Samson		25.00							.55		25.55
Shulls Mills	J B Reed, Shulls Mills	75.00		7.75	39.83		15.80		1.50		139.88
South Fork	W G Cook, Todd						43.10		2.00		43.10
Stony Fork	D L Wellborn, Stony Fork	101.20			90.00	15.00	15.00		2.10		223.20
Three Forks	H G Cook, Boone	232.00				35.00	25.00		2.50		294.50
Timbered Rdg	E B Hagaman, Beech Creek	45.45		26.00	10.00	2.40	10.00		1.50		95.35
Union	M L Warren, Mabel	119.84		32.85			18.23		1.05		171.97
Willowdale	D L Glenn, Vilas	124.00			360.00	34.00	20.00		2.00		540.00
Zionville	E H Wilson, Zionville	152.24		69.52	2694.31	14.10	28.00	14.15	3.80	36.11	2981.23
Zion Hill		97.52		37.00	200.80				1.50		336.82

CHURCHES ETC. 1927

	Orphanage	Aged Ministers' Relief	Foreign Relief	Total Missions Education & Benevolences	Grand Total: Local, Missions, etc.	Tithers	Local Budget	Budget for Missions Etc.	Pledges to Co-op. Program
25	5.25		.50	10.50	142.50				
	34.80			180.40	1091.78				
61	32.73	3.51	40.68	159.82	401.01				
	4.00			9.00	157.47				
22	136.55	1.00		165.87	484.88				
	335.89	6.03	27.98	1121.52	3771.90	12	3522	1000	1000
21				71.98	874.48				200
	107.36		5.25	269.32	2409.63	3			
	66.00			66.00	267.76				
					40.30				
					798.30				
				24.98	240.38				
					168.36				
	55.00	3.50		58.50	265.69				
	74.70	3.76		78.46	165.12				
	59.00			59.00	300.13				
	65.20			65.20	5214.70				
	32.68			32.68	347.24				
					82.54				
	18.00			19.45	249.28				
	115.00			115.00	256.10				
	50.97			61.97	395.81	6			
17	58.54	3.00		75.71	264.21				
00				3.00	96.77				
	1.00			1.00	26.55				
					139.88				
	25.20			25.20	68.20				
	5.00			5.00	228.30				
00	117.00			203.00	497.50				
40	12.19			29.65	125.00				
	44.50			44.50	216.47				
					21.00				
	24.95			24.95	3006.18				
75	22.01	1.00		34.76	371.58				

Directory

CHURCHES	PASTOR & P. O.	S. S. SUPT. & P. O.
Antioch	W. Swift, Reese	W. J. Farthing, Wat. Falls
Bethel	L A Hurst, Sherwood	Carl Farthing, Sugar Grove
Beaver Dam	R C Eggers, Zionville	W J Hagaman, Reese
Bethany	F C Watts, Purlear	J L Triplett, Matney
Brushy Fork	R C Eggers, Zionville	L M Trivett, Vilas
Boone	P A Hicks, Boone	W R Gragg, Boone
Blowing Rock	" "	J H Winkler, Blowing Rock
Cove Creek	L A Hurst, Sherwood	W F Sherwood, Sherwood
Cool Spring	G W Trivett, Vilas	
Clarks Creek	E C Hodges, Adams	
Elk Knob	No report	
Fall Creek	W A Pennell, Zionville	T B Gryder, Heaton
Forest Grove	L A Wilson, "	J M Johnson, Vilas
Gap Creek	E C Hodges, Adams	Thos Fairchild, Deep Gap
Howards Creek	L B Murray, State Road	
Laurel Springs	" "	Arthur Greene, Deep Gap
Middle Fork	W D Ashley, B. Rock	R C Greene, B. Rock
Meat Camp	L B Murray, State Road	M C Brown, Boone
Mt Calvary	F C Watts, Purlear	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk
Mt Gillead	E J Farthing, Sugar Grove	Smith Eggers, Beech Creek
Mt Lebanon	W D Ashley, B. Rock	S B Hayes, Vilas
Oak Grove	F C Watts, Purlear	B A Hodges, Adams
Pleasant Grove	G W Sabastian, No W'l.	E H Perry, Zionville
Profits Grove	L A Wilson, Boone	L E Wilson, "
Rich Mountain	D M Wheeler, Triplett	H W McNeil, "
Samson	J W Fox, Lenoir	
Shulls Mills	Maston Bradshaw, Globe	B F Wilcox, Shulls Mills
South Fork	No pastor	John Cox, Todd
Stony Fork	W D Ashley, B Rock	Joe J Wellborn, Stony Fork
Three Forks	F C Watts, Purlear	H G Cook, Boone
Timbered Rdg.	L C Wilson, Sugar Grove	E B Hagaman, Beech Creek
Union	E C Hodges, Adams	G C Norris, Mabel
Willowdale	L A Hurst, Sherwood	A J Greene, Vilas
Zionville	R C Eggers, Zionville	J R Isaacs, Mabel
Zion Hill	D A Greene, Butler, Tenn	M A Ward, Beech Creek

Order of Business, 1928**Meet at 2 P. M.**

- 1 Annual Sermon—L. A. Hurst.
- 2 Address of Moderator.
- 3 Organization.
- 4 Call for New Churches and Cor. Messengers.
- 5 Appointment of Committees.
- 6 Reports of Committees on:—

Books and Periodicals.

Christian Education.

MORNING SESSION, SECOND DAY

Reports of Committees, continued:

Ministerial Relief.

Sunday Schools.

Missions,— State, Home and Foreign.

AFTERNOON, SECOND DAY

Reports of Committees, continued:

B. Y. P. U.

W. M. U.

Executive Committee.

THIRD DAY, A. M.

Reports of Committees, continued:

Temperance.

Hospitals.

Orphanage.

Adjourn for sermon by some one.

THIRD DAY, P. M.

Reports of Committees, continued:

State of Churches.

Pastoral Support.

Duties of Pastors to Churches.

Digest of Letters.

Resolutions.

Nominations.

Report of, and Election of Treasurer.

Report of, and Election of Colporteur.

Time, Place, and Preacher.

Finance.

- 7 Appointment of Standing Committees.
- 8 Appoint some one to superintend printing minutes.
- 9 Miscellaneous.