

PROCEEDINGS

of the

Ninety-Seventh Annual Session

of the

Tuckaseegee Baptist
Association

held with

OLD SAVANNA BAPTIST
CHURCH

AUGUST 12, 13, 14, 1926

The next session will be held with the Tuckaseegee Baptist Church, beginning on Thursday before the Third Sunday in August.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT SESSION

State Missions and Cooperative Program.....	R. L. Randolph
Home Missions.....	Lawrence Crawford
Foreign Missions.....	Mrs. C. L. Allison
Christian Schools.....	W. C. Reed
New Testament Stewardship.....	J. D. Sitton
Biblical Recorder.....	Mrs. J. B. Ensley
Orphanage.....	R. L. Cook
W. M. U.	Mrs. W. C. Reed
B. Y. P. U.	Marion Stillwell
Hospitals.....	H. T. Hunter
Old Ministers Relief.....	A. C. Queen
Sunday Schools.....	Geo. C. Snyder
Temperance.....	Geo. W. Sutton
State of Churches.....	Ben Cook
Ministers and Pastors names, deaths, etc.....	John Hog'en

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

T. F. Deitz.....	Moderator
Hugh Monteith.....	Clerk
D. G. Bryson.....	Treasurer

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

T. F. Deitz, Chairman
 Hugh Monteith, Secretary
 Mrs. C. L. Allison

R. L. Randolph

PROCEEDINGS

Old Savannah Baptist Church, August 12, 1926.

The Association met with the Old Savannah Baptist Church this morning at 9:30 o'clock and in the absence of the moderator, R. W. Green was elected moderator pro tem., and called the Association to order. After a song service and prayer by Bro. A. W. Davis the delegates were enrolled and letters from the different churches filed with the Clerk.

The moderator, T. F. Deitz, having arrived, the following visitors were recognized: W. R. Beach, representing the Recorder. J. A. McKaughn, representing the Board of Missions. E. N. Gardner, representing the Orphanage. J. Harrison Griffin from the South Florida Association and W. L. Buchanan from the Tennessee River Association.

Bro. A. C. Queen then preached the annual sermon, using as his theme "God's requirements for salvation and Christian service." The sermon was an appeal for better Christian living.

The moderator then announced that Bro. Beach would have ten minutes in which to discuss The Biblical Recorder. After the discussion by Brother Beach the moderator announced committees as follows: Time and place—A. W. Davis, D. W. Shular and Frank Cook. Finance—J. T. Gribble and Lawrence Lovedoll.

Adjournment for dinner.

Afternoon Session

After song service and prayer by A. W. Davis, moderator then called the association to order. The report on Biblical Recorder was read by R. N. Deitz.

Report on Biblical Recorder

The Biblical Recorder was first printed by Thomas Meredith ninety-three years ago. Since then it has served as organ of the Baptist of North Carolina. It contains the best thoughts of the best thinkers among our people. It is set for the constructive effort of our people in obeying the command of the Master to carry the Gospel to all the world. It is published in the interest of our Baptist work, and at the expense of the stockholders—for the past four years the papers has been a liability. The Recorder promotes the things that shall win. It seeks to aid in bringing in the certain reign of Christ. The readers of the Recorder are its best asset, and, in North Carolina, the Kingdom's best friends.

People are largely influenced by what they read. Read the best, and the best things do, and the God of the best will reserve the best for you. Let's increase the circulation from 16,000 to 25,000.

R. N. Deitz for the Committee

The report was adopted.

The moderator then appointed the following committees:

Digest of letters: R. L. Randolph, Geo. W. Sutton and W. J. Fisher. Committee on revision of pastors names, etc. J. D. Sitton, Joe Halcombe and John Shepherd.

The committee on time and place made the following report:

That the next session of the association be held with the Tuckassegee Baptist church, beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1927, and that W. C. Reed preach the annual sermon. Report was adopted.

The Report on Orphanage was read by A. C. Queen, as follows:

Report on Orphanage

The Orphanage was established forty-one years ago and is now taking care of about one thousand children. Four hundred and seventy-five of whom are at Thomasville, one hundred and ten at Kennedy Home and three hundred and eighty mothers and children are supported by the Mother's Aid Fund.

The school now has eleven grades and had twenty-two graduates this year. Not a single death was reported at the orphanage this year. There is on the grounds a flourishing church with all of the other auxiliary organizations. The aim of the teachers and matrons is to create a home atmosphere at the institution and lead the children to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We make the following recommendations: First: That our people keep the orphanage close to their hearts and bring it in remembrance to the Throne of Grace.

Second: That each Sunday School take a monthly offering for the orphanage as well as the Thanksgiving offering of one day's labor.

Third: That clubs be formed in the Sunday Schools to take the Charity and Children.

A. C. Queen, for the Committee.

After a discussion led by Bro. Gardner, the report was adopted.

The Report on Temperance was read by Geo. W. Sutton as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Temperance—Prohibition and Enforcement

In 1789, at Litchfield, Conn., 200 farmers organized the first temperance society against liquor. The Mass. Temperance Society was formed in 1813. The American Temperance Union in 1826. The first National Temperance Convention met in Philadelphia in 1833 and

formed a National Temperance Union, with 23 State Societies and over 7,000 other societies. The Washington Temperance Society was formed in 1840 and was very successful. In 1850 The Sons Temperance Society was formed with 240,000 members. The Good Templars Society was formed in 1852 with 750,000 members. In 1873 a Society was formed known as the "Crusade" by women, the weapons used were prayer, persuasion and persistence; the work of this Crusade spread rapidly, its purpose was to close saloons. The Women's Christian Temperance Union was its successor, and from the workings of this Union local legislation was obtained prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor, and later obtained state legislation and finally national legislation, culminating in the ratification of the 18th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, carrying with it sufficient state and national laws for its enforcement.

It is now our supreme and solemn task in both Christian and Social Service and in civic affairs at present to conserve and perpetuate the benefits and blessings which have accrued to our people from National Prohibition now in force. The blessings of prohibition are many and far reaching. The enforcement has not and it is not now what it ought to be; there are many violations. Perhaps the greatest reason is found in relaxing interest and an effort on the part of local communities and states in trying to shift the enforcement of this law on to the Federal Government. It is the duty of all the various branches of the Government from the lowest to the highest to see that this law is enforced. Unfortunately, the administration of the law has been entrusted to officials, in many instances, who do not believe in the law, and thereby give aid to its violation. If there is some shortcomings or failures on the part of the National Government, the states, counties and municipalities must not shirk their responsibility. Every state, county and municipality has authority inherent in its police power and specifically reserved in the 18th Amendment to destroy the liquor traffic, and we appeal to the several states and counties to do their duty, and we appeal to the entire constituency to give their patriotic support to every branch of the Government and to demand of all officers, both Federal and State, that they keep inviolate their oath of office. The law against liquor traffic, the 18th Amendment, is here and is here to stay; it came into its own by a vast majority of the electorate of this country, and a vast majority is behind it today; and the people of the United States who believe in constitutional government, regardless of their personal views and preferences, will arouse themselves and meet the challenge of its modification and repeal in a manner no one can misunderstand.

Every battle of civic righteousness is won or lost at the polls when legislative and law-enforcement officers are elected and when the citizenship of this country exercise its highest prerogative in governmental affairs. The powers of the county, state and nation rest with the electorate. In the coming election this fall, in exercising this great solemn right guaranteed to us by the organic law of the land, let us elect men who are in favor of law and order and in sympathy with the 18th Amendment and give it a fair trial for the sake of humanity and who are unalterably committed to the enforcement of law for the protection of the peace, health and morals of the people and for the highest and best interests of the county, state and nation. We have the laws, we must have men to enforce them, it rests with the Christian forces of this country.

Geo. W. Sutton.

After an interesting discussion of the report, led by Bro. Sutton, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Digest of Church Letters reported to the Association that Wilmot church had two letters presented to the Association, and recommended that a committee be appointed to consider the letters. The moderator appointed the following committee: R. L. Randolph, J. D. Sisson, A. W. Davis, W. J. Fisher, Lawrence Lovedahl, G. W. Sutton and A. C. Queen.

Adjournment until Friday morning.

Friday Morning

After a devotional service led by R. N. Deitz, the moderator called the Association to order.

The Report on Cooperative Program was read by Bro. McKaughn as follows:

REPORT ON COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Baptist Cooperative Program

Southern Baptists and North Carolina Baptists, through the action of their Conventions, are committed to the plan of the Cooperative Program in financing all of their denominational enterprises.

According to this plan, all the money contributed by individuals and churches for the support of all the causes fostered by our denomination is to be sent to the treasurer of the Baptist State Convention, Walters Durham, Raleigh, who will divide it among the different objects according to the proportion agreed upon at our last Conventions, namely: 50% to State-wide objects and 50% to South-wide and World-wide objects.

While the Thomasville Orphanage is a vital part of the Co-oper-

ative Program, it is supported in the same way it has been from the beginning, namely: through the once-a-month offerings from the Sunday Schools and the Thanksgiving offerings once a year, which should be sent direct to the treasurer, F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville.

While we recognize the right of each individual Baptist to designate his gifts to whatever objects he may desire, and this right will be respected absolutely by Treasurer Durham, yet we would earnestly recommend that all of our people give their money undesignated. This is the fairest and most equitable way to do it. The ratio of division among the different objects has been carefully worked out by a group of our representative brethren in the light of all the needs of each object and has been accepted by our Conventions in session. Each of these different objects is looking to the Baptist denomination, and to that only, for its support as well as for its direction.

In the light of the foregoing facts, and in the light of the distressing needs of all our enterprises, we would recommend that this Association commit itself heartily to the plan of the Co-operative Program.

We would recommend further that our pastors and other leaders put on an intensive campaign of informing the people in each of our churches about all the objects included in the Program, and that they see to it that from now on, each member, out to the last individual, has an opportunity to make regular offerings to the whole Program, according to the Scriptural way, I Cor. 16:2.

We would recommend also that our Association accept \$_____ as its part of the \$600,000 goal, exclusive of the Orphanage, accepted by our State Convention as its part of the \$9,000,000 goal accepted by the Southern Baptist Convention for 1927.

We recommend further that the goal accepted by our Association be apportioned among all our churches upon as fair and equitable a basis as possible, and that the churches adopt this goal suggested or some other that they may agree upon, and then that each church make an Every-Member-Canvass Dec. 5-12, or some other time, preferably during December, and try to underwrite this objective, which is in no sense an assessment, but merely a suggested goal. To the end that the canvass may be made successfully, we would suggest that the most careful preparation be made of both canvassers and people, beginning at least two months before the canvass is made.

After an interesting discussion by Bro. McKaughn the report was adopted.

Bro. Randolph then offered a suggested amount for each church in the Association to attempt to pay during the year 1927 and the Association adopted the report presented by Bro. Randolph, which is as follows:

SUGGESTED AMOUNT FOR EACH CHURCH TO PAY IN 1927

Balsam	\$ 20.00	Lovedale	\$100.00
Balsam Grove	20.00	Mt. Pleasant	15.00
Barkers Creek	5.00	Moses Creek	10.00
Black Mountain	5.00	New Savannah	10.00
Big Ridge	5.00	Ochre Hill	10.00
Buff Creek	25.00	Qualla	35.00
Cashiers	10.00	Savannah	15.00
Catherine Chapel	10.00	Scotts Creek	300.00
Cedar	5.00	Shoal Creek	50.00
Callowhee	250.00	Sols Creek	5.00
Dicks Creek .....	.00	Speedwell	10.00
Dillsboro	50.00	Sylva	300.00
East Fork	10.00	Tuckaseegee	15.00
East Sylva	20.00	Webster	25.00
Greens Creek	15.00	Wilmot .....	.00
Hamburg	10.00	Wolf Creek	5.00
Johns Creek	20.00	Yellow Mountain	5.00
Little Savannah	5.00	Zion Hill	5.00
Locust Field	5.00		
			\$1,405.00

Adjournment for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a devotional service led by Bro. Lawrence Crawford, the moderator called the Association to order. The Clerk read the minutes of the previous day's session and the same were adopted.

The Committee appointed to investigate the Wilmot church made the following report:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE WITH REFERENCE TO CHURCH AT WILMOT SENDING TWO LETTERS

We, your committee to make investigation with reference to the church at Wilmot sending two letters, would make the following recommendations:

We recommend that the Association recognize the church at Wilmot as now organized. Our information is too limited to pass

wisely on the matter of accepting one letter and rejecting the other, and inasmuch as the church has now elected one pastor and there is apparent unity, we would urge that all concerned should now work for the glory of God and the extension of his Kingdom. We believe that when all have set their hearts to do God's will the little differences of opinion that may exist will be lost sight of.

Faithfully submitted, by committee,

R. L. Randolph, Chm.
J. L. Lovedahl
A. C. Queen
Geo. W. Sutton
W. J. Fisher.

The report was adopted.

The Association elected the following officers for next year:

T. F. Deitz, Moderator.
D. G. Bryson, Treasurer.
Hugh Monteith, Clerk.

Executive Committee: T. F. Deitz, Hugh Monteith, Mrs. C. L. Allison, D. G. Bryson, G. W. Sutton, J. B. Ensley and R. L. Randolph.

It appeared to the Association that Cashiers church belonged to another Association and that church was dropped from the roll of the Tuckaseegee Association.

The report on State Missions was read by Bro. J. T. Gribble as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The State Mission Board came to the close of the ninety-fifth year of its services with a glorious record of achievements. The year was one of transition and reaction from the 75 Million Campaign, and yet, there was but very little curtailment in the work anywhere.

The Board employs 145 Missionary Pastors who supply 259 churches; also, we employ two Corresponding Secretaries and one Office Secretary; two Enlistment Secretaries; three Evangelists; ten white and one negro workers, besides maintaining three schools for preachers.

All the employees and departments mentioned above cost the Board last year in salaries \$60,000.00 more than was collected thru the various departments for this purpose, while the departments and churches thus represented contributed to all denominational objects the sum of \$291,826.31. May we say here that this sum represents the least part of the results of the labors of these churches and departments. Thru the influence and efforts of the Missionary

Pastors and the Evangelists, there were 5830 conversions; 3980 baptisms and 2913 additions to the churches.

No where in all history is there to be found an institution which pays such stupendous dividends of its kind as does our State Mission Board. From a financial standpoint alone, which is the smallest feature of its work, we find that it shows a dividend of 460 per cent on the amount invested. This does not take into consideration the value of the 5830 souls that have been saved, neither does it consider the worth of the 6693 members added to our churches and their influence in the various departments of our denomination. Brethren, it seems that we fail to get the vision of what our State Mission Board means to our denomination here in North Carolina. We need to study the various departments of our Board and consider the results. They are marvelous when considered in the light of the fact that two-thirds of our churches in this state are unenlisted, and in a great many instances, hostile to the work of the Board. May the day speedily come when the Baptists of North Carolina will be so filled with the Love of Christ and His Kingdom that they will forget these little peevish things that are hindering the progress of the work so much at this time, and unite themselves in one solid band to promote the Cause of Christ here in the world and to establish His Kingdom among men.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Gribble,

For the Committee.

The Report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. D. G. Bryson as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has closed the eighty-first year of its great service as a clearing house of Southern Baptists for the dissemination of the gospel in the most destitute parts of the earth. These eighty-one years have been filled with perplexing problems, hard work and often with discouragements. But there has been an almost unbroken progress in evangelistic achievements and expansion of the Kingdom of Christ. The last year was the best year in all the years of the Board's history and work.

The following facts should be carefully stored up by pastors and messengers of this Association, and taken back to the whole membership of their churches.

1. Things Accomplished Last Year.

13,269 persons were baptised on our foreign fields during the last Southern Baptist Convention year, a gain of 1,135 over the

previous year. The total membership is now 140,488. This membership is organized into 1,215 churches, 557 of which are self-supporting. These churches contributed last year \$444,258, or nearly \$4.00 per member.

We have on these fields 1,818 Sunday Schools with 76,991 scholars, and 568 women societies with 13,649 members. There are also 574 young peoples societies with a membership of 13,868. Of schools of all grades, including kindergarten up to theological seminaries, we had 920 with a total student body of 36,893 before the Board's finances made it necessary to discontinue many of these schools. It is found that more than 50% of the baptisms reported for the year was among these students in our Christian schools on the foreign fields.

The medical work of the Board for the year consisted of 214,910 treatments administered to 69,583 patients.

2. Facts to be Remembered in the Financial Condition of the Board.

The Board started the year 1925-26 with a heavy debt and loud calls from its missionaries for reenforcement and relief. During the year the Board received from the Co-operative Program \$1,071,834.16; in designated gifts \$240,613.05; and in total gifts to the Christmas Love Offering \$811,344.11. The debt was substantially reduced, but there was left an indebtedness of \$727,000. The women of the South have undertaken to contribute as a Christmas offering about Christmas time \$300,000 toward the further reduction of this debt.

The Board has for more than three years denied the missionaries all equipment, such as residences, church buildings, schools and hospital buildings, etc., and has for some time discontinued appointment of missionaries, altho there has been sad depletion of the missionary staff by death and resignations.

Respectfully submitted,

D. G. Bryson,

For Committee.

After interesting discussions the reports were adopted.

The moderator then appointed the committees to prepare reports for next session of the Association. The names of these committees will be found on the first page of this minute.

Dr. H. T. Hunter then gave a very interesting oral report on Christian Stewardship.

The Committee on Obituaries and Changes then rendered a report showing that during the past year two ministers and twenty-three lay members of the Association had gone to their Heavenly Reward. The Committee also reported that there were thirty ordained ministers in the Association.

The moderator then asked that a collection be taken for the minute fund. This was done and the Association adjourned to meet Saturday morning.

Saturday Morning

After a devotional service led by Bro. A. C. Bryson the Association was called to order by the moderator.

Bro. J. B. Ensley then read the report on Christian Education which report follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

By J. B. Ensley

Education is the act of drawing out or developing the faculties, the training of human beings for the functions for which they were created. Education means the imparting or gaining of knowledge of every kind, evil as well as good; but specifically signifies all that broadens a man's mind, disciplines his temper, develops his taste, corrects his habits.

A Christian is one who believes in the religion of Christ. One who believes in the truth of the christian religion and studies to follow the example and obey the precepts of Christ. We take christian education to be the training of both mind and heart that one may realize the object of his creation and sanction his conduct so as to harmonize with the Creator's plans and teachings. Upon christian education depends the hope of the church, the sanctity of the home, the stability of our civilization, the safety of our government and the ultimate victory of christianity.

We take it that the primary object in calling for this report is to ascertain what has been and what is now being done in the way of christian education within the limits of the Tuckaseegee Association; therefore we shall confine ourselves mainly to same.

In the year of 1898 the Baptist Home Mission Board, directed largely by the christian statesmanship, of Asheville, N. N. decided largely by the christian statesmanship, of Asheville, N. C., decided to establish one of their chain of mountain schools in the territory embraced in the Tuckaseegee Association which at that time included the counties of Jackson and Macon. The Tennessee River Association endorsed and assisted in this educational project and a result Sylva Collegiate Institute was established.

With an humble beginning, not even owning a home in which to begin school, arrangements were made whereby the use of the old free school building was secured temporarily or until a school building could be erected. It has steadily grown in both number of students and property until it now has an enrollment of about two

hundred twenty-five students with school property worth from ninety to one hundred thousand dollars.

The promoters of this institution saw the great and growing demand for a school of this kind where the youth of this mountain country could be fortified to combat the ever growing and insidious influences of the time. The growth of the school has not been phenomenal, but safe, sound and steady. It has been fortunate in securing the services of good teachers, teachers who were qualified in both heart and mind, who have broad views, the right conception of christian duties and have been governed accordingly.

The influence of this school has radiated in every direction having trained boys and girls who are successfully meeting the problems of life in many vocations and professions, including ministers of the Gospel, teachers, lawyers, bookkeepers, accountants, traveling salesmen, merchants and farmers.

The student body receives religious training with their other studies. Character building is stressed and it can be truthfully said that the record of the school during its entire twenty-eight years of existence has been exemplary.

To any and all and especially to the Baptist of the Tuckaseegee Association: Is not this school worthy of support? It is yours. What will you do with it? Let us stand by it loyally and assist it in accomplishing the object for which it was created and what it is destined to be—A GREAT INTELLECTUAL, MORAL AND SPIRITUAL UPLIFT TO THE MOUNTAIN PEOPLE.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. ENSLEY, for the Committee.

The report was adopted.

Mrs. W. C. Reed announced that the W. M. U. Societies of the Association had raised one hundred and fifty dollars toward placing an economics department in Sylva Collegiate Institute and that only one hundred dollars more was needed to buy the equipment. The members of the association present subscribed and paid the additional amount necessary.

Adjournment for dinner.

After a devotional service led by Bro. A. C. Queen the moderator called the association to order.

The association was held at the same church fifty seven years ago and the following present now were present at that association: R. N. Deitz, Mrs. Lillie Shook, Mrs. Duff Cowan and Elmira Buchanan.

Bro. R. L. Randolph was elected as delegate to Baptist State Convention.

Bro. T. F. Deitz was elected as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The association then elected the following as Trustees of Sylva Collegiate Institute for three years: T. C. Bryson, Geo. W. Sutton, A. J. Dills, R. N. Deitz and Hugh Monteith.

The report on Hospitals was read by Bro. R. L. Cook as follows:

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

The Hospital at Winston-Salem is the youngest child in the Baptist family of North Carolina. Too long as a denomination have we neglected this phase of our Savior's ministry. The rapid growth of the hospital has demonstrated the fact that it already has a large place in the affection of North Carolina Baptists.

During the last year there was about 1,800 patients over 400 of which were charity patients who came from every part of the State. These cases cost the hospital around \$20,000.00 annually. The number of charity patients is increasing every year and it now appears that we will have to care for at least five hundred of these cases this year or turn them away to die. The question is, "Which will we send away?"

Up to the first of July we had collected about \$1,200.00 from all mother's day collections and to care for the patients it will take a united effort on the part of Baptists of the State. It is time for us to wake up and hear this appeal. The record last year demonstrates the ability and equipment we have in caring for the sick, yet they cannot come because the offerings have not been sufficient to care for them all. What shall we do with these patients who cry for help from all parts of the state? We plead for your prayers and offerings both in sending pay patients and contributions to help the poor. The women have undertaken to raise money to build a nurses home, which is greatly needed and which will give more room to care for the charity patients.

Come to our aid in this time of distress and sickness and we will bless you in the days to come with lives of service.

R. L. COOK, for the Committee.

Report was adopted.

The report on W. M. U. work was then read by Mrs. T. C. Bryson as follows:

To the Tuckaseegee Association we beg leave to make the following report: There is now organized in the Tuckaseegee Association F. W. M. S. in the following churches, to-wit: Buff Creek church, Scotts Creek, Sylva, Lovedale, Webster, Cullowhee, Shoal Creek. Also 1 Y. W. A. at Culowhee, 1 G. A. Sylva, 1 G. A. Scotts Creek, 1 R. A. Scotts Creek, 1 Sunbeam Sylva, with a membership of 141 in W. M. S. and 67 in the young peoples society. We have given to the annual program since last August \$384.75 and for local expen-

ses not including the pastor salary, \$289.00. The Lord has greatly blessed our every effort in the last year and we recommend that every Baptist church in the Tuckaseegee Association organize a W. M. S. in their church.

Mrs. T. C. Bryson.

The report was adopted.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by the moderator as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

With the increased cost of living it is becoming more and more difficult for the aged preachers who have spent their lives preaching the Gospel on limited incomes to provide themselves with the bare necessities of life in old age.

But for the small amount of aid given them by the Relief Board many of them would actually suffer. Raising the Nine Million Dollars in distributive cash next year will make it possible for the Board to make old age a little more comfortable for the twelve hundred old ministers. We insist that the pastors keep this before their churches as we are all growing old and the small sum paid by the Board to Old Ministers is only \$12.00 average.

T. F. Deitz, for the Committee.

The report was adopted.

The reports on Sunday Schools and E. Y. F. U. were read by Bro. W. C. Reed as follows:

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

We believe that interest in Sunday School work has grown during the past year, but there is yet much to be done. The Associational letters report twenty-four Sunday Schools. Twenty of these give their enrollment which amounts to 2251 persons. The churches in which these Sunday Schools meet have a membership of 2699 persons.

Of the 2251 pupils enrolled in the Sunday Schools, there are probably 563, or 25%, who are not members of the church. This leaves a total of 1011 of our church members, or 37½%, who are not members of the Sunday Schools.

According to the letters there are only six graded Sunday schools in the Association, and only one of these is reported as standard.

Your committee recommends that every pastor and Sunday School superintendent make a special effort during the coming year to enlist these unenlisted church members in the Sunday School work. We further recommend that each officer in the church

strive to enlist in the Sunday School every boy and girl in its bounds. Again, we recommend that the leaders of each Sunday School strive to place their school on a graded basis.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Reed, Chairman.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

There are five Senior, two Junior, and one Intermediate Baptist Young Peoples Unions reported in the Tuckaseegee Association

Since there is no other organization in the church that gives young people efficient training for service in Kingdom work, we your committee recommend that there be special efforts made to organize and develop a B. Y. P. U. in every Baptist church in the Association. We further recommend that the entire church cooperate in financing the B. Y. P. U.

Since we believe that there is great need for the young people to get together and discuss their problems, we recommend that this Association appoint a committee to formulate plans, prepare a program, and call an Associational meeting of the B. Y. P. U. in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Reed, Chairman.

The reports were adopted.

The moderator appointed W. C. Reed, G. C. Snyder and R. L. Randolph as a committee to organize an associational B. Y. P. U. in an effort to have a B. Y. P. U. in every church in the Association.

The Association then gave a rising vote of thanks to the people of the Old Savannah community who had so generously entertained the delegates and visitors to the Association.

The Committee on Sunday service announced that the moderator would preach at the church at eleven o'clock on Sunday morning.

There being no further business the Association adjourned to meet with the Tuckaseegee Baptist church on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1927.

T. F. Deitz, Moderator

Hugh Monteith, Clerk.

DELEGATES PRESENT

Name	Church	Post Office
A. C. Bryson	Balsam	Balsam
Alice Cook	Balsam Grove	Rich Mountain
Frank Cook	Balsam Grove	Rich Mountain
Charlie Parris	Buff Creek	Sylva, Route 1
Bazle Hooper	Cathern's Chapel	Cowarts

T. D. Hooper	Cathern's Chapel	Cowarts
W. H. Hooper	Cathern's Chapel	Cowarts
T. F. Middleton	Cedar	Tuckaseegee
R. L. Randolph	Cullowhee	Cullowhee
Mrs. R. L. Randolph	Cullowhee	Cullowhee
Robert Beck	Dillsboro	Dillsboro
J. H. Shepherd	East Sylva	Sylva
A. C. Queen	East Sylva	Webster
J. D. Sitton	East Sylva	Sylva
Mrs. J. H. Shepherd	East Sylva	Sylva
Lettie C. Shook	East Sylva	Sylva
Mrs. Pherby Beasley	East Sylva	Sylva
Miss Daisy Abernethy	East Sylva	Sylva
R. O. Vance	East Sylva	Sylva
J. C. Reed	Greens Creek	Greens Creek
Gracie Trantham	Greens Creek	Greens Creek
Arch MacMahan	Greens Creek	Greens Creek
J. E. Buchanan	Greens Creek	Greens Creek
G. R. Hall	Greens Creek	Greens Creek
W. R. Brown	Johns Creek	Cowarts
J. L. Lovedahl	Johns Creek	Cowarts
R. L. Pangle	Locust Field	Dillsboro
T. C. McMahan	Locust Field	Dillsboro
Mrs. J. D. Parker	Lovedale	Sylva
J. D. Parker	Lovedale	Sylva
W. L. Painter	Lovedale	Sylva
Lucious Mills	Moses Creek	East LaPorte
L. E. Hooper	Moses Creek	East LaPorte
R. G. Buchannan	New Savannah	Gay
L. G. Hoyle	Ochre Hill	Sylva, Route 1
L. C. Sutton	Ochre Hill	Willits
Berry Blanton	Ochre Hill	Sylva
Jack Hall	Old Savannah	Greens Creek
Mrs. S. N. Buchannan	Savannah	Greens Creek
Elvie Buchannan	Savannah	Greens Creek
Hattie Hall	Savannah	Greens Creek
Peggy Brooks	Savannah	Greens Creek
S. M. Brooks	Savannah	Greens Creek
Mrs. L. C. Estes	Savannah	Greens Creek
Mitchell Sutton	Savannah	Greens Creek
W. T. Brooks	Savannah	Greens Creek
T. F. Buchannan	Savannah	Greens Creek
S. N. Buchannan	Savannah	Greens Creek
T. C. Bryson	Scotts Creek	Sylva
Mrs. T. C. Bryson	Scotts Creek	Sylva

J. P. Reed.....	Scotts Creek.....	Beta
G. C. Snyder.....	Scotts Creek.....	Beta
Mrs. W. J. Fisher.....	Scotts Creek.....	Sylva, Route 1
T. J. Fisher.....	Scotts Creek.....	Sylva, Route 1
W. J. Fisher.....	Scotts Creek.....	Sylva, Route 1
D. G. Bryson.....	Scotts Creek.....	Beta
T. F. Deitz.....	Scotts Creek.....	Beta
W. C. Reed.....	Shoal Creek.....	Whittier
D. M. Shuler.....	Shoal Creek.....	Whittier, Rt. 2
James A. Howel.....	Shoal Creek.....	Whittier
J. C. Masongale.....	Sols Creek.....	Argura
Mrs. W. A. Norman.....	Speedwell.....	Speedwell
W. A. Hooper.....	Speedwell.....	Speedwell
J. B. Ensley.....	Sylva.....	Sylva
Mrs. C. L. Allison.....	Sylva.....	Sylva
Sadie Luck.....	Sylva.....	Sylva
G. W. Sutton.....	Sylva.....	Sylva
J. T. Gribble.....	Sylva.....	Sylva
J. I. Cope.....	Zion Hill.....	Gay

SUMMARY OF CHURCH WORK

Church	MEMBERSHIP			FINANCES			Total
	Additions	Losses	P. Mem	Miss.	Local		
Balsam	15	6	125	35.17	70.25	106.40	
Balsam Cove	8		126		60.83	60.83	
Barkers Creek	27	7	200	45.00	85.00	135.00	
Big Ridge	6	3	37		53.16	53.16	
Black Mountain		7	23	4.00	42.07	46.07	
Buff Creek	2	2	136	24.50	530.35	554.85	
Cullowhee	15	15	173	168.50	2799.83	2968.33	
Dillsboro	2	5	122	74.00	530.35	604.35	
East Sylva	32	3	101	16.00	447.34	463.35	
Greens Creek	20	3	106	16.00	127.01	143.01	
Hamburg	6	5	109		185.55	185.55	
Johns Creek	13	4	134		149.75	149.75	
Lovedale	25		96	107.62	533.00	140.62	
Locust Field		2	135	10.00	40.46	50.46	
Moses Creek	14	2	51	6.05	155.22	161.27	
Mount Pleasant	20		127	15.00	137.96	152.96	
Ochre Hill	15	3	178	30.00	310.14	340.14	
Qualla			22	21.67	36.73	58.40	
Savannah	23		180	15.25	259.20	274.45	
Scotts Creek	36	10	353	332.15	1418.37	1750.52	
Sols Creek	1	1	80		51.25	51.25	

Speedwell	15	3	114	9.25	155.00	164.25
Sylva	33	9	.....	1400.53	4745.32	6145.85
Tuckaseegee		3	.....	.....	92.00	92.00
Webster	26	8	143	127.12	567.30	694.42
Wolf Creek	6	38	96	.....	100.00	100.00
Yellow Mountain	2	7	128	.....	83.17	83.17

CHURCH OFFICIALS

Church	Pastor	Address	Clerk	S. S. Supt.
B. R. Watson, T. D. Watson, Bryson, O. J. Beck, O. J. Beck				
B. Grove, B. R. Cook, Rich Mtn., F. A. Cook, John Wood				
B. Creek, Geo. C. Snyder, Beta, R. L. Sutton, Clarence Jones				
Big Ridge, W. W. Parker, Cowarts, Sam Fisher, Sam Fisher				
B. Mtn., L. H. Crawford, Tuck., W. T. Rogers, Gale Hoyle				
Buff Creek, J. S. Stanberry, Bush., Jessie Allman, W. H. Cogdill				
Cullowhee, W. F. West, Cullo., E. H. Stillwell, E. H. Stillwell				
Dillsboro, T. F. Deitz, Beta, Mrs. F. I. Watson, F. I. Watson				
East Sylva, R. O. Vance, Sylva, F. C. Cardon, D. H. Dillard				
G. Creek, R. N. Detiz, G. Creek, J. C. Reed, Ortie Trantham				
Hamburg, F. Bumgardner, Glenville, W. A. Henson, H. Bryson				
Johns Creek, A. C. Queen, Webster, J. C. Brown, Jon. Brown				
Lovedale, R. L. Cook, Sylva, Frank Brown, B. M. Brown				
Locust Field, R. W. Green, Greens Creek, L. L. Pangle				
Moses Creek, M. A. Norman, Addie, L. E. Hooper, J. Prince				
Mount Pleas., L. H. Crawford, Tuck., Julia Crawford, S. Beck				
Ochre Hill, L. H. Crawford, Tuck., J. R. Blanton, L. C. Sutton				
Qualla			R. D. Hyatt, R. L. Hyatt	
Savannah, Han Cook, Cowarts, Tom Buchanan, M. Sutton				
Scotts Creek, T. F. Deitz, Beta, Mrs. Geo. Snyder, D. G. Bryson				
Sols Creek, Ben Cook, Rich Mtn., M. C. Queen, M. C. Queen				
Speedwell, B. F. West			W. W. Bryson	
Sylva, W. R. Yokley, Sylva, J. R. Jones, J. T. Gribble				
Tuckaseegee, A. C. Queen, Webster, S. M. Parker				
Webster, A. W. Davis, Webster, R. B. Cowan, W. C. Cagle				
Wolf Creek, Ben Cook, Rich Mtn., J. C. Wood, J. M. Bowman				
Yellow Mtn., Floyd Dindy, Highl., J. M. Miller, J. H. Miller				

MINUTES TUCKASEEGEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1925

Met with Hamburg Baptist church on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1925.

Devotional services were conducted by Frank Bumgardner, after which the moderator, T. F. Deitz called the association to order. Delegates were then enrolled and visitors recognized by the moderator and extended the courtesies of the floor. Thirty-three delegates were present. The following were recognized as visitors: Brethren Nicholson, McCall, Gardner, Randolph, Madry, Upchurch, Lewis, Royall Brown, Huggins and Stringfield.

Report on order of business was read by the moderator and adopted by the association.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Brother West, and adopted by the association.

Report on Home Missions was read by R. L. Cook and adopted by the association. Report on State Missions to be read later. After a very interesting discussion of the mission reports, led by Dr. Madry, the association adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session

1:30 P. M. After a song service and prayer by Brother Gardner, representing the Orphanage the association was called to order by the moderator. The report on Periodicals was called for. Mr. T. C. Bryson, who was to read the report was absent and the report was read by Brother Upchurch, who attended the association representing the Biblical Recorder. After an interesting discussion by Brother Upchurch and Bro. R. L. Cook, the report was adopted.

The report on Orphanage was called for Bro. Z. V. Watson who was to read the report was absent and the report was read by Brother Gardner who was representing The Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. After some very interesting discussions of the Orphanage, its work and needs, the report was adopted.

The reports on Hospitals and Temperance were called for and it was found that no reports were ready. These reports were passed over for the present.

A resolution was then offered to divide the association into two districts by Brother West and seconded by Brother Queen. After a short discussion the resolution was adopted.

On motion the association adjourned to meet at 9:30 Friday morning.

Friday Morning

At 9:30 o'clock after a devotional period led by the moderator

the Association was called to order and the minutes of the previous day read by the clerk and adopted by the association.

Visitors were then welcomed by the moderator.

The report on Christian Education was made by Geo. W. Sutton and read by Bro. J. C. Hough as was the report on Sylva Collegiate Institute read by Bro. Hough. After able discussions on these reports by Bro. Hough, Bro. Stringfield of Mars Hill, and Bro. Fred Boren of Knoxville, the reports were adopted.

The report on Pastorial Support was read by Bro. J. T. Gribble, and after an able discussion by Brother Gribble and other members of the association the report was adopted.

On motion association adjourned for dinner.

At 1:30 P. M. After a song service and prayer by Brother Queen moderator called to association to order.

On motion of A. C. Queen, seconded by J. F. Franks, T. F. Deitz was elected moderator for another year.

On motion the constitution was waved and Hugh Montieth was elected clerk for next year.

On motion J. T. Gribble was elected Treasurer and T. C. Bryson Historian for another year.

The report on Christian Stewardship was read by Bro. R. L. Cook and after an able discussion by Brother Cook and Brother Fred Brown the report was adopted.

No report having been prepared on W. M. U. and B. Y. P. U. these reports were passed over for the present.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by Bro. J. C. Hough and adopted by the association.

Report on Digest of Church Letters was read and discussed by Bro. T. F. West.

Report on Obituaries and Changes was read by Geo. C. Snyder and adopted.

Report on Finance was read by D. G. Bryson and adopted by the association.

Treasurer's report was made by J. T. Gribble and adopted.

Report on Time and Place was read and adopted. The association to meet on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1926, at the Old Savannah church.

Motion to have the minimum amount of minutes printed was read and adopted.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention were appointed by the moderator as follows: D. G. Bryson.

Delegates to the State Convention were appointed as follows: W. F. West and Frank Bumgardner.

The following were elected as Trustees of Sylva Collegiate Institute: M. D. Cowan, D. G. Bryson, F. A. Brown and W. H. Smith. Resolutions of thanks to the people of Glenville for their courteous treatment of delegates and visitors to the association were adopted.

Motion was made by Bro. West and adopted by the association that the association set for its quota of the 1926 program the sum of \$1500.00 plus 10% making a total of \$1650.00.

On motion the association adjourned to meet with the Old Savannah Baptist church on Thursday before the third Sunday in August, 1926

T. F. Deitz, Moderator.

D. G. Bryson, Clerk Pro-tem.

Woman's Missionary Union

Annual meeting of the Women's Missionary Union of the Tuckaseegee Association with the Buff Creek Missionary Society July 7, 1926.

The Women's Missionary Union of the Tuckaseegee Association met with the Buff Creek Society at Addie on July 7, 1926. "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," was used as the opening hymn followed by prayer by Mrs. L. J. Henson. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Weston Reid and Mrs. C. L. Allison led the next prayer. During the morning session the following program was carried out:

1. Address of welcome, Mrs. Robert Fisher.

2. Response, Mrs. L. J. Henson.

3. Roll call: Number present:

Shoal Creek, 5

Scott's Creek, 14.

Sylva, 12.

Lovedale, 1.

Buff Creek, 3.

Webster, 0.

Culowhee, 3.

4. Report of officers.

Mission Study, Mrs. Weston Reid.

5. Personal Services, Mrs. H. T. Hunter.

These societies doing personal service.

6. Associational, Supt. Mrs. T. C. Bryson.

The union consists of seven societies two Y. W. A.s, 1 G. A. and 1 R. A. Three new societies organized since first of the year as follows: R. A. and G. A. at Scott's Creek and G. A. at Sylva.

Financial report:

First quarter, \$103.80.

Second quarter, \$104.36.

7. First Aids to a Missionary Society, Mrs. C. L. Allison.

These are (a) Royal Service, (b) Home and Foreign Field, (c) Biblical Recorder and (d) World's Comrade. These furnish material for programs.

8. Why a W. M. U. in the Church, Mrs. Edna Harris.

Thoughts from address.

(a) The W. M. U. is (1) the missionary training school for the young people (2) it is the effort and desire to continue the work Jesus left us to do.

(b) Why a W. M. U.? That women may unite to witness to what Jesus has done for them and may have a part in Christ's

work. That women may pray together for the lost, and awaken interest in the Biblical way of giving. Jesus gave all. What do we give?

9. Personal Service Discussion, Mrs. H. T. Hunter.

Jesus is the great leader of personal service which is Christ-like living in one's own community.

10. Solo—My Task, Miss Louise Parker.

11. Reports, weeks of prayer and programs.

12. Committees appointed:

Nominating committee, Mrs. E. P. Stillwell, Mrs. H. T. Hunter, Mrs. E. L. Wilson, Mrs. Robert Fisher.
Time and place, Mrs. Geo. Snyder, Mrs. Dills, Mrs. B. Howell.
Resolutions, Mrs. C. L. Allison, Mrs. Weston Reid, Mrs. Grindstaff.

Offering, \$9.38.

The union voted to take individual lunches to all future meetings of the W. M. U.

Lunch.

The afternoon devotional was conducted by Mrs. Brown of the Lovedale society, and Mrs. Randolph of Cullowhee led the prayer. The minutes of the last annual and quarterly meetings were read and approved.

Discussion of W. M. U. Specials, Mrs. Randolph.

1. Sunday School Board Bible Fund—Santa Claus of the S. B. C. children. North Carolina asked for \$800.

2. Margaret Fund—Fund now used for education of missionaries.

3. State Expense Fund.

4. Blanch Barrus Fund—for nurses' home in Winston-Salem.

5. Training School.

Report of Junior Society Leader, Mrs. Jno. B. Ensley.

Four organizations are as follows: Sylva, Girls' Auxiliary—newly organized—Sunbeams, Report.

Six members contributed to cooperative program 1925, \$10.50	
Christmas Fund	1.12
Sunday School Board	1.54
Hospital	1.00
Total	\$14 16

Beta, Girls' Auxiliary, newly organized; Royal Ambassadors, newly organized.

Demonstration program by Sylva G. A.s, Mrs. C. W. Filson, leader.

(a) Hymn—We've a Story to Tell to the Nations.

(b) G. A. Aim, Norma Painter.

G. A. Goal, Lucile Hensley.

G. A. Star Ideals, Zola Hensley.

(c) Devotional, Margaret Brown. Matt. 27:27-32.

(d) Prayer for all G. A.s, Evelyn Sherrill.

(e) Like Cinderella, Kate Allison.

(f) Chance, Virginia Deitz.

(g) The Big Change, Willa Mae Dills.

(h) Showers of Blessings, Elizabeth Sherrill.

(i) And Books to Read, Evelyn Sherrill.

(j) African Stories, Phyllis McCulley, Allie Wilson, Margaret Wilson.

(k) Solo, Since Jesus Came into My Heart, Lillian Sutton.

(l) The Little Brown Girl and I, Edith Hensley.

(m) The Hour Strikes, Evelyn Riddley.

(n) Prayer, Mrs. Harris.

Mission Study Discussion, Mrs. Edna Harris. Why? For information about our work, our missionaries and their sacrifices.

Report of committees:

Nominating committee, Supt. Mrs. T. C. Bryson; Ass't. Supt. Mrs. Jno. B. Ensley; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. E. P. Stillwell; Junior Supt., Mrs. C. W. Tilson; Mission S. Leader, Mrs. W. Reid; Personal Service Chor., Mrs. H. T. Hunter.

Time and Place: Left open until quarterly meeting at Cullowhee in October.

Resolutions:

We the Committee on Resolutions do submit the following:

1. We wish to express our appreciation to Mrs. Harris for her presence with us and for the splendid service she has rendered us.

2. We wish to express our appreciation to Mrs. Bryson for the loyal way in which she undertook the work of superintendent upon the resignation of our former superintendent.

3. We wish to ask for a vote of thanks to the Buff Creek Society for the lovely way in which they have entertained us.

4. We also wish to thank Miss Louise Parker for the beautiful solo rendered as a part of Mrs. Hunter's program on Personal Service.

5. We wish to thank the G. A.s of Sylva for the splendid program which they gave us.

These reports were adopted.

Mrs. Weston Reid told the union of the pressing need for a Domestic Science Department for Sylva Collegiate Institute, and asked if the union would undertake this task. The cost was estimated to be \$250. The discussion was led by Mrs. C. L. Allison and

Mrs. Harris. The union voted to equip this department. Mrs. Reid was appointed chairman, she to report what had been undertaken and accomplished to the brethren at the association in August and enlist their sympathy and aid if necessary.

Adjournment.

MRS. T. C. BRYSON, Supt.
MRS. E. P. STILLWELL, Sec.

