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STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1928-1929

MISSIONS

State Missions—Bunyan Stephens. Home Missions—J. K. Hutchings. Foreign Missions—Mrs. W. H. Rugeley.

SOCIAL SERVICE

Children's Home—Perry Shelfer.

Mutual Relation Church and Pastor—D. A. Avant.

Prohibition—J. A. Scruggs.

EDUCATION

Stetson University—E. L. Wattenbager. Bible School—W. H. Cates. Periodicals—J. E. Dupree. B. Y. P. U.—H. W. Mangum. W. M. U.—Mrs. O. G. Kendrick. Stewardship—A. R. Camp.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. H. Cates, J. E. Shelfer, D. A. Avant, J. A. Scruggs, E. C. Roberts. R Syc 87 Noward

CONSTITUTION OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known by the name of The Florida Baptist Association. The object of this Association shall be to conduct the work of missions, colportage, Sabbath school enterprises and other work that will tend to the spread of the Gospel.

ABTICLE 2. This Association shall be composed of white members chosen by the respective churches in its union, in the proportion of two members for each church of fifty or less, and one additional delegate for every twenty-five members over fifty.

ARTICLE 3. The letters sent by the church at each session of the Association shall express their respective members in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated and dead since last session.

ARTICLE 4. Believing it to be proper on account of the diversity of opinion among men as to the import of Scripture contained in the Old and New Testaments to declare our belief and understanding thereof we therefore append our belief in twelve Articles and present them with our minutes to the Baptist denomination.

ARTICLE 5. The Association when convened shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the votes of the members present who shall hold their offices until next session of the body and until their successors are elected. The Moderator shall preside at the meeting of the Association and the Clerk shall record the proceedings and prepare them for the press.

ABTICLE 6. The Association thus organized shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage or infringe upon the internal rights of any church.

ARTICLE 7. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to this union on application by letter and delegates; and if, upon examination, found to be orthodox, shall be received by the Association and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 8. The Association shall furnish the minutes of their proceedings in proportion to the funds sent up for that purpose by the churches.

ARTICLE 9. The minutes of the Association shall be publicly read (and corrected, if necessary), and then signed by the Moderator and Clerk before adjournment.

ARTICLE 10. Any amendment or ratification of this Constitution may be made by the votes of two-thirds of the members present at any two regular successive meetings of the Association. All other matters of fellowship shall be decided by a majority of votes. In matters of fellowship the Association must be a unit.

ARTICLE 11. The Association shall have power first, to provide for the general union of the churches; second, to give the churches advice in matters of difficulty; third, to inquire into the cause of any failing to be represented at the meetings of the Association; fourth, to withdraw all connection from any church or churches in this union who shall violate the rules of this Association, or shall deviate from the orthodox principles of the revealed Word of God; fifth, to appropriate the money contributed and sent up to the

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Association as specified by said churches, and when not specified it shall be apportioned to promote the best interests of the Master's cause; sixth, to adjourn to any future time and place they may deem most convenient to the churches in the union.

RULES OF DECORUM OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

- At every meeting of the Association the Moderator shall call the members to order and cause the Clerk to read the minutes of the previous Association.
- The Moderator shall preserve order, and shall speak on any point of order with reference to the other members, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Association, when requested by any two members.
- 3. The Moderator shall put all questions distinctly in this form: "As many as are in favor (as the question may be) say 'Aye'," and after the affirmative vote is taken, "As many as are of a contrary opinion say 'No'." If doubtful which voice is in the majority, it shall be decided by rising and counting.
- The Moderator shall appoint the committees, except in cases of appointment by ballot.
- 5. In all cases of ballot the Moderator may vote. In all other tases he shall not vote unless the Association be equally divided, or unless his vote given to the minority will make the division equal. In that case the question shall be lost.
- When any member is about to speak in debate he shall rise and address the Moderator.
- If any member, while speaking or otherwise employed, transgress the rules of decorum, the Moderator shall, or any member may, call him to order.
- 8. When two or more members shall rise at the same time, the Moderator shall decide who is first entitled to the floor.
- 9. No member shall indulge in unkind remarks in debate, nor shall any member speak more than twice on the same question without leave from the Association, nor more than once until every one choosing to speak shall have done so.
- 10. While any member is addressing the Association, it shall be the duty of the Moderator to suppress all private discourses that may be entertained between the members, and require strict attention on the part of the members.
- 11. When a motion is made and seconded it shall be stated by the Moderator before debate.
- Every motion shall be reduced to writing if desired by any member of the Association.
- 13. After a motion is made and seconded it shall be deemed in possession of the Association, but may be withdrawn at any time before being discussed or amended.
- 14. When a question is under debate no motion shall be entertained unless to amend it or refer it to a committee, or for the previous question, or for adjournment.
- 15. A motion for adjournment shall always be in order, and decided without debate.

- 16. Any member may call for a division of a question when two or more distinct propositions are set forth, and when the substance will admit of division.
- 17. Motions and amendments may be referred to a committee at the pleasure of the Association.
- 18. Every resolution shall receive two statements or readings in the Association previous to its passage. The first shall be for information, and the second when the decision of the Association is to be made.
- 19. These rules may be changed or amended at any full meeting of the Association.
- 20. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer each day by the Moderator or some other member.
- 21. All queries shall be fairly stated in writing and approbated by two-thirds of the members present before they shall be acted on.

ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSO-CIATION

- Article 1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three in the Godhead—the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.
- Article 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.
- Article 3. We believe in the doctrine of particular and eternal election.
- Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.
- Article 5. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is by nature, by his own free will and ability.
- Article 6. We believe that we are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.
- Article 7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.
- Article 8. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.
- Article 9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ; that nothing is baptism except immersion; that believers are the only subjects of this ordinance, and that none but baptized believers are entitled to partake of the Lord's Supper.
- Article 10. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.
- Article 11. We believe that the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.
- Article 12. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances only such as are regularly called and have come under the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery.

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MINUTES OF THE FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Florida Baptist Association met in regular order at 10 o'clock A. M., October 18, 1928, with the Providence Baptist Church.

Opened with prayer by Brother Mangum, of Havana.

Scripture lesson read by J. K. Hutchings.

A finance committee was then appointed to take care of church letters, composed of the following: H. W. Mangum, W. H. Rugeley and P. W. Shelfer.

On motion, messengers then enrolled and the ones who would come in later constituted the eighty-sixth session of the Florida Baptist Association.

E. C. Roberts, of Tallahassee, was elected Moderator; J. K. Hutchings, of Monticello, Clerk, and W. H. Rugeley, Tallahassee, Treasurer.

Letter granted to Sundown church.

Visitors recognized: Rev. J. P. Craft, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. C. M. Brittain, Jacksonville, Fla.

Introductory sermon preached by J. P. Craft, Atlanta. Association adjourned until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Association met promptly at 2 o'clock. Opened with prayer by Dr. Stephens.

Committees appointed by Moderator to report later in the session. Roll call of the churches was then taken with the request that all messengers stand as the roll was called.

Report on Foreign Missions, Mrs. M. A. Love.

Report on State Missions, W. L. Maige. Report on Home Missions, W. H. Rugeley.

Report on Woman's Work, Mrs. J. L. Burnett.

All these reports spoken to by Dr. C. M. Brittain. Obituary Committee appointed to write special resolu-

tions on the death of Brother Wells and Brother Blount, deceased ministers of Providence Baptist church. Special page in the minutes was given for this purpose.

Association adjourned until 9:30 Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Called to order at 9:30. Prayer by J. E. Dupree.

Special Obituary Committee announced by Moderator, as follows: W. D. Richards, A. E. Brown and J. S. Chason.

Report on Prohibition read by Brother Willie Dean. Discussed by Willie Dean, J. E. Dupree, W. H. Rugeley, Grady Avant, and adopted.

Report on Baptist Children's Home. Prepared by W. M. Scruggs. Read by J. K. Hutchings. Discussed by J. E. Dupree, J. K. Hutchings, and adopted.

Motion made by J. K. Hutchings that every church in the Association be asked to send a contribution to the Orphans' Home before Thanksgiving Day of this year. Motion carried and the following committee appointed to look after the contributions: J. M. Rowan, D. A. Avant, J. E. Dupree, J. K. Hutchings, Bunyan Stephens, John Scruggs.

Dr. Bunyan Stephens preached at 11 o'clock on "The Challenge of the Impossible."

Adjourned until 1 o'clock.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by H. W. Mangum.

Report on Bible Schools, read by D. A. Avant.

Report on B. Y. P. U., Miss Susie Dean.

Report on Periodicals, John Scruggs.

Report on Stewardship, J. R. Miller.

Reports discussed by D. A. Avant, W. D. Richards, H. W. Mangum, John Scruggs, J. E. Dupree, E. C. Roberts, and adopted.

Reports on Fifth Sunday Meetings, Obituaries and Report of Treasurer read by W. H. Rugeley and adopted.

The following delegates and officers elected:

J. E. Dupree, Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. Bunyan Stephens elected member of State Board of Missions.

Resolution of thanks to the Providence church for their kind hospitality were heartily passed.

Antioch church, in Gadsden county, asked for the Association for next year. Their invitation accepted.

Association adjourned to meet with Antioch church, Thursday after Second Sunday in October, at 10 o'clock, 1929.

MESSENGERS TO ASSOCIATION

ARRAN-No messengers.

AENON-J. H. Fountain, W. E. Gray.

ANTIOCH—Ralph Parramore, Fannie Blount, Ozela Blount, Robert Parramore.

CRAWFORDVILLE—S. B. Forbs, Mrs. A. L. Porter, Mrs. F. Langston.

CAPITOLA—G. T. Footman, Miss Helen Footman, Miss Clifford Boyd.

CONCORDIA-A. C. Camp, C. H. Dorsey.

EBENEZER (Leon)-L. G. Roberts, Miss Jewell Roberts.

EBENEZER (Jefferson)-No messengers.

FLAT CREEK-E. J. Carver, W. F. Carver.

GREENSBORO-E. B. Fletcher, W. D. Furgerson, T. B. Fletcher, J. C. Brewer.

Gretna-C. T. Timmons, Mrs. S. S. Bently, Miss Susie Mc-Keown.

HARDAWAY-No messengers.

HAVANA-J. E. Shelfer, P. H. Walsh, P. W. Shelfer.

Indian Springs-J. R. Miller, J. A. Scrugzs.

LAKE ELLEN-Rufus Tucker, Mrs. A. M. Tulley.

LITTLE SYCAMORE—J. R. Nettles, C. B. Potter, L. M. Smith, Mrs. J. R. Nutt.

Mt. ELON-No messengers.

MONTICELLO—D. H. Mays, J. K. Hutchings, Mrs. J. K. Hutchings, W. M. Scruggs, Mrs. S. C. Walker, Mr. S. C. Walker, Mrs. Charlie Moore, Mrs. Sam Henderson, Miss Ivey Connell.

Mt. Besor-No messengers.

OLIVE-C. S. Hatchett, E. J. Wooten, C. C. Chapman, Mrs. Janie Gilbert.

Providence—W. H. Dean, A. J. Chester, J. E. Suber, G. W. Edwards.

QUINCY—Mrs., M. A. Love, Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Goddard, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thomas, Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Massey, Mrs. W. W. Johnson.

RIVER JUNCTION—Rev. C. L. Wattenbager, Mr. E. H. Boykin, Mrs. E. H. Boykin, J. M. Rowan, Mrs. J. M. Rowan, Mrs. Walter Lamb.

SALEM-No messengers.

Tallahassee—Bunyan, Stephens, W. H. Rugeley, Mrs. W. H. Rugeley, E. C. Roberts, Mrs. W. B. Bryan, Mrs. W. F. Strickland, Mrs. Myra Johnson, Mrs. J. L. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cates.

Woodville-G. W. Rhodes, Blanche Cogswell, J. B. Chason.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS TO THE FLORIDA ASSOCIA-TION, OCTOBER 18, 1928.

Notwithstanding that we have had a year of unusual conditions financially, conditions that forced retrenchment in all lines of mission work, and that seriously affected local conditions in certain sections of the state, still we have much to rejoice over when we sum up the blessed results that have attended our efforts under the grace of our loving Father.

During the last ten years our State Mission work has shown a steady growth. During that period of time we have employed 793 missionary workers, who reported 10,866 baptisms, and our books show that we have expended in that same period for the evangelization of Florida and the strengthening our our churches, the magnificent sum of \$566,584.39. As this represents on an average of 25 per cent of our total income or receipts, it can readily be seen that Florida Baptists have not been unmindful of our Master's Kingdom. As a matter of fact and interest, during the ten-year period our people have given for all missions through our Board \$2,520,257.69. However, we cannot live on our past laurels. It is a sad fact that mission receipts have steadily declined the past two years, and we as loyal Baptists should weigh conditions carefully and prayerfully and diagnose the case seriously to determine the true cause of this decline, and endeavor to recover the ground we have lost. This is surely to our minds a matter for serious study, both as individuals and churches. We cannot afford to go backwards in any of our mission work.

A serious situation has been created in our State Mission work by the devastation wrought by the recent storm. Many of our churches not yet having overcome the last storm, and now with this more recent one, many of our churches are without houses of worship, or have church houses very much damaged by the storm, and with conditions as they are, they can not only not help the Board as heretofore, but must call upon the Board for assistance themselves. Let us bear in mind that if these churches are rebuilt Florida Baptists must furnish the money, and then do it.

From our last report to the State Convention we have some interesting facts concerning our State Mission work:

Our Board assisted in the support of 90 missionary pastors, who labored at 11 different points. These missionary pastors reported 1,585 baptisms, 1,311 received by letter, and 161 by restoration. They were working on mission fields but reported \$7,656.98 collected for missions and \$32,722.50 raised for church buildings. The Board spent on this work only \$25,490.03.

Through the Student Loan Fund the Board assisted 22 students in our seminaries and training schools, who are preparing definitely for mission or ministerial work.

The Board assisted Stetson in the amount of \$8,621.39 in raising its endowment. We are glad to note that our people are more and more sending their boys and girls to Stetson, our Baptist College

The Board assisted the Baptist Witness in the amount of \$5,000 in order to improve the paper and keep the work before our people, which has proven a good investment. The Board contributed to the W. M. U. Department \$8,482.10; to the Sunday School Depart-

ment, \$7,994.13; to the B. Y. P. U. Department, \$8,078.11. We thank God for the splendid work done by these departments. The Children's Home received directly from the Board \$20,691.34, and there passed through the Mission office as special or designated gifts, \$4,477.78, and Superintendent Trice reported other gifts which totaled \$11,450.74, making a grand total contributed to the Children's Home at Arcadia, \$36,619.86.

We thank God for what we have been able to accomplish, and we are not unmindful of His loving care, but at the same time we are sad to note the decline in receipts this year, and trust our people will give themselves to prayer, asking for the leadership of the Holy Spirit, to the end that we may not rob God in withholding our tithes and offerings. We beg our people to support more liberally the co-operative program, from which State Missions gets its income.

Jesus says, "Give, and it shall be given unto you: good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."—Luke, 6:38.

Respectfully submitted,
W. L. MAIGE, Chairman,
MRS. W. F. STRICKLAND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS

Many of our Baptist people are not aware of the various lines of religious work that our Home Mission Board is promoting. The Home Board received last year a total income of \$750,000,00, which seems quite a large sum of money, but when you stop to consider what it costs to carry on its many lines of activity in religious work throughout our Southern Convention territory, you begin to realize that while salvation is free, religion is a very expensive matter. The Home Mission Board is carrying on Foreign Missions in Cuba, Mexico and Panama, in addition to such lines of work in this country as Mountain Schools. Evangelistic work in our Baptist churches throughout the South. Its missionary work among the Indians and negroes and various foreign peoples in the South, such as Italians, Spaniards, Mexicans and other nations. Its work among the soldiers and sailors in our cities. Its schools and good-will centers, and work among the deaf mutes in various places.

The Home Board is also conducting a hospital and sanitarium at El Paso, Texas, which is doing a great work for our sick and afflicted. It also has charge of Church Building Loan Fund. which now has \$926,000.00 loaned to various churches throughout the South. When we consider all these various lines of work, and all of them are worthy fields of endeavor, we begin to see how much money it takes and how it is that the Home Board has had such a struggle to get along with a diminishing income every year for the past several years. We do not doubt but that its income for the present year will be less than it received for the past year. Brethren, the trouble is not with out Foreign and Home Mission Boards that they are struggling with a load of debt and trying to carry on their work and make plans for future needs in the face of a diminishing income year after year. How much longer are we Baptist people going to continue to give less and less to our Mission Boards every year and expect them to function in a way that we could take pride in their accomplishments? Brethren and

sisters, let us see if we cannot turn the tide in Florida, and especially in our Florida Association, and by next May 1st make this a banner year for our mission work. We need the prayers of all our people, but we also need their work and financial assistance, as faith without works is vain and will accomplish nothing. In closing, let us earnestly beg all our brethren and sisters to withhold any criticism of our boards until we can get more light on our present troubles and be in better position to judge who is to blame, if anyone.

W. H. RUGELEY, MRS. J. K. HUTCHINGS, D. H. MAYS,

Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS, 1928

The outstanding event in the history of the Foreign Mission Board during the last year was the death of Dr. James Franklin Love, its devoted corresponding secretary. He passed to his reward on May 3, 1928. He gave fourteen years to the service of the Board. Through his prolific pen and public addresses he sounded in the ears of Southern Baptists a clarion call to worldwide evangelization. By his wise counsel in conference on the fields in the Orient, South America, Europe and the Near East, he brought reassurance and renewed devotion to the missionaries. His zeal for the spread of the gospel was so unflagging that he pressed on without stint of time and physical strength until he lay exhausted and prone in death. We are bereft over the loss of our beloved brother and mighty leader. Indeed "there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel." Dr. T. B. Ray is acting executive secretary until the Foreign Mission Board elects a successor to Dr. Love.

THE DEBT

The Board has been long depressed by debt, but during the last year substantial progress has been made towards reducing this great encumbrance. The debt on January 1, 1928, was \$1,145,729.00. By May 1st it was reduced to \$1,065,791.18. This shows a reduction during the period mentioned of \$79,938.56. The Board has a definite plan for the reduction of the debt, which is as follows:

1. Ten per cent will be taken monthly from the receipts of the

co-operative program and applied to the debt.

Certain properties at home and in foreign lands belonging to the Board which cannot now be developed for the work of the Board will be sold.

3. Special gifts by friends for the reduction of the debt. Already substantial sums have been received for this purpose. The appropriations for the present year have been made at such a low figure that the debt will not be further increased.

Thus it appears that the Board has developed a plan which will ultimately free it from debt, but this plan does not allow anything for advancing in mission work, unless we increase our gifts.

THE MISSIONARY PERSONNEL

The time has come for us to consider seriously what is taking place in the personnel of our missionary force. In May, 1925, we had 544 missionaries, our peak number. Since that date 72 have resigned and six have died. During this period we have appointed 28 new missionaries, 23 of whom were appointed three years ago.

This makes a net loss of 50 missionaries in three years, thus reducing our number to 494 at the present time.

There are 176 missionaries now at home on furlough. Provision is in hand for the return of 38 of these. About 40 are detained on account of sickness. About 20 have arrived at home recently and are not due to return yet. There remain 50 who could and would be returned to their fields but for the lack of funds.

CERTAIN PHASES OF THE WORK ABROAD

A very large portion of whatever discouragement we may feel in our work arises out of conditions here at home and not in far fields. It is the benumbing effect of worldliness upon our people. The material is so much with us that it has largely shut out the spiritual. Out there, despite the difficulties, where the spirit of gospel reigns, there is always hope and victory.

ENCOURAGING PHASES OF THE WORK ABROAD

From all lands come inspiring news of gospel triumphs.

A year ago the situation in China was chaotic and ominous. While the situation has not cleared altogether, reports from various sections of China indicate that opposition to Christian work is diminishing and anti-foreign and anti-Christian sentiments have abated wonderfully. One of the most cheering things is that the native Christians have stood the grilling test well and have been true in a most gratifying way. In many, many cases the Chinese pastors have displayed heroic and effective leadership. The churches on the average have demonstrated their faithfulness and have shown remarkable ability to take care of themselves. Many missionaries have returned to interior stations. The Board has twenty-eight main stations where missionaries reside. Missionaries have returned and are living in twenty-four of these.

One of the most heartening things of the year occurred in Roumania. On February 1, 1928, the Roumanian government granted Baptists full liberty of teaching, and treatment on equal footing with all Roumanian citizens. The infamous persecution of our brethren in Roumania has been one of the great scandals of modern times. The shame of it spread throughout the world. The widely flung Baptist brotherhood was aroused, and in turn it made its indignation felt. The signatures of protesting Baptists poured in from all corners of the earth. It was unnecessary to count the number of signatures that reached the office of our Baptist Commissioner for Europe. The number may be imagined by the fact that if the sheets of foolscap paper on which these signatures were written were placed end on end, they would stretch a mile and a quarter.

Our Mission in Africa has grown remarkably during the last few years. It now ranks third in the number of members of our churches. Last year it stood third in the number of baptisms. The two phases of the situation that command our interest especially are: The great movement toward Christianity bordering on the nature of a mass movement in certain sections of the country, and the inspiring way in which our native Baptist churches are putting forth efforts to evangelize their own people. We have seldom faced opportunities of greater promise of widespread response to the gospel, nor have we seen in any of our native churches a finer, more zealous, more effective missionary spirit than that shown by the great churches.

We would call attention to the tremendous evangelizing opportunity presented in the Latin-American lands to the south of us. The remarkable ripeness of these fields is illustrated by the marvelous response to the messages of Dr. John R. Sampey, who has made two preaching tours in Brazil. In spite of the fact that he had to speak through an interpreter, very large numbers accepted Christ as their Saviour. That a revival is on in Brazil is manifested further by the fact that 2,925 baptisms were reported in that country last year.

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The Latins not only respond to the gospel readily, but they support it well. The Church Building Loan Board in our South Brazil Mission has helped 33 churches erect their buildings, and is now aiding 53 more. Our Board has never spent \$50,000.00 to better advantage than when it gave this sum to the South Brazil Church Building Loan Board. There are \$1 churches in the State of Rio, 72 of which are self-supporting.

THE STORY IN FIGURES

There are connected with our work abroad 1,275 churches, 675 of which (more than half) are self-supporting, and 959 of which own their own houses of worship. Their grand total of membership reaches 146,072. They gave last year an average of \$3.30 per member.

That the constituency is much larger than the membership is shown by several facts. There are more than twice as many outstations (2,861) as there are churches. In these, multitudes hear the gospel. There were in our 1,538 Sunday schools, 75,118 scholars, and in our 587 regular schools there were 26,244 students. Our missionary physicians treated 48,464 patients. These great numbers who are brought into contact with the gospel through the means here described, constitute a vast and sympathetic audience to the evangel of our gospel message.

There were 12,542 baptisms last year. Undoubtedly the number actually baptized was larger than this, but on account of disturbed conditions in several fields it was not possible to gather full reports. Even so, the number reported baptized was 457 more than the number reported the previous year.

For all these evidences of Divine blessing upon our work, we thank God and take courage.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. MEADE A. LOVE,

MRS. MYRA A. JOHNSON.

C. T. TIMMONS.

REPORT ON BIBLE SCHOOLS

The Sunday school is the largest organization in the church. This being true, it should be a mighty factor in carrying out the church program. In fact it is the church at work for Christ. The Sunday school finds people where they are, and puts them in touch with the Bible, the Church and Christ. It brings them into an intimate relation with the Bible, which is the power of God unto salvation. John Bright, an English statesman, speaking of the influence of the Sunday school, said: "There is no field of labor which has yielded a greater harvest to our national character than the great institution of the Sunday school." Ballyntine, speaking for Scotland, said: "Scotland owes a large measure of its moral and religious strength to the existence of the Sunday school." Dr. Trumbull said: "America has been practi-

cally saved to Christianity and the religion of the Bible by the Sunday school." A United States Circuit Judge in Chicago some time ago said: "I have been on the circuit court bench for eighteen years. During that time four thousand boys under twenty-one years of age have appeared before me as criminals, and only four of these boys were members of a Sunday school

During the past ten years the South, and especially Southern Baptists, have made great strides in Sunday school work. According to Dr. E. P. Alldredge, our enrollment has increased during that period from 1,826,167 to 2,724,367, a net gain of 49.1 per cent. This sounds very good until we pause a moment and see the multiplied thousands of people we are not reaching. There are thirty million white people in the South, and less than ten million of them are enrolled in any Sunday school. This leaves twenty million "possibilities" right at our door. Of this twenty million unenrolled, 2,300,000 are members of Baptist churches. During the past five years the Sunday school enrollment of our Association has increased from 1,917 members in 1922 to 2,587 in 1927, a net gain of 34.8 per cent. We do not know the population of this territory, but we do know that the membership of the churches, as reported a year ago, was 3,640. The Sunday school enrollment then is 1.053 less than the church membership of our Association. Our average attendance in Sunday school last year was 1,317, or 2,323 less than the church membership. It can easily be estimated that one-third of the people in Sunday school are not members of the church. If this is true we have only 878 of our church members in Sunday school every Sunday. To put it another way, 2,762 of our 3,640 church members do not attend Sunday school regularly. In addition there are literally thousands of unchurched men and women, boys and girls under the domes of the churches of this Association who are not in Sunday school.

It is apparent to your committee that our pastors and Christian workers need vision. We need consecrated and trained leadership. A consecrated life with a vision and a passion for lost souls will become a "trained worker" by study and application of the methods and standards set up by our Sunday School Board. If these methods are adopted then a religious census will immediately be taken by each church in our Association. Following this, our State Sunday School Secretary will be invited to put on an enlargement campaign, and this will be followed by a Teacher Training class, and a class in Sunday School Administration. As a result of this each church will have a live and efficient Sunday school. New life will ebb and flow in the church and community. New and commodious houses of worship will be erected. New missionaries will go out from us to the distant fields, white unto harvest. New joy will be found in the religion of our Christ, not so much because of the increased numbers we will report at the next meeting of the Association, but because souls will be born into the Kingdom in great numbers. Not only will we rejoice and be glad, but the angels in Heaven rejoice over every sinner that repenteth. All this because of vision and dedicated lives. God grant that it may be true, beginning before the close of the year A. D. 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. AVANT. J. R. NETTLER. L. J. CLARK.

REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON THE FLORIDA BAP-TIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Your committee presents the following report for your consideration and adoption:

We are bound by a religious obligation to properly feed, clothe and rear these children who have become ours through the home we have established at Arcadia.

Let us stop and study a moment what the word "Orphan"

By good authority we find that when a child has lost one or both parents they are termed orphans. Now let us go back and see who first thought of caring for children without parents. We find that provision was made by the citizens at Thebes, Athens, and Rome to properly care for these children.

Now with the meaning and a knowledge of the beginning of a home to care for the orphans we may go into the question of our

This home is supported partly by our State convention, and partly by direct or special aid from churches and individuals.

We find we have one hundred eighty children, nine buildings, on eighty acres of land, all furnished and equipped to provide the comforts of home life, with schooling and training to give the children an opportunity for self-support. A good work-a good cause—can Christian Baptists not give to such a cause? Many do not. We are not doing our full duty.

What does it cost a month to support the home? It costs \$3,000,00 a month for supplies, salaries for workers and teachers, to pay the current expenses of the home.

Is the home being supported? No. They are behind about \$10,000.00 Why behind? Because you, I and other Baptists are not doing our duty as Christians.

Fellow workers, with this information, let us ask each church in this Association and every Baptist in these churches to approve the following recommendations:

1. Give-How much? Till it hurts-to support our Children's Home.

2. When to give? Monthly.

3. To pray. Heretofore we have been called on to pray and then give. From reports we had better give and then pray that the gifts may be used properly.

4. Every church send a box of provisions to the Home each

5. Take the Baptist Witness and see what the Superintendent is doing at the Home.

Respectfully submitted.

W. M. SCRUGGS, Chairman. MRS. CHAS. MOORE.

REPORT ON PROHIBITION

From the days of long ago all clear-thinking people have realized the poverty, wretchedness and crimes that resulted from the use of intoxicating liquor. The authorities of Soviet Russia, after a thorough investigation of its use, declare that its continual use leads only to degeneration and ruin. But it was only in the latter half of the last century that any decided effort was made to outlaw its use, through the strenuous efforts of a few distinguished men and women.

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An amendment to the National Constitution, making it unlawful to make, transport or sell it, which amendment was adopted by all the states except two, since which time it has been enforced in a manner by national, state and county officials.

There are many claims, and many proved, that many officials are ignoring if not aiding and encouraging those making, carrying and selling it. Statistics tell us that the results of prohibition have exceeded even the highest expectations in financial, physical and intellectual ways, but there are others, a minority, we believe, who tell us that prohibition is a failure and that it is ruining and debauching the country and should be repealed or amended. Our answer is that, not prohibition, but the lack of it, is our trouble. From the earliest times there has been laws against murder, stealing and other things; none of them have stopped the things aimed at, yet no one wants any of them repealed or amended.

Satan is not dead, and no battle against sin is won so long as he is permitted to use his power. It seems as if a crisis is at hand, and that the next few months will reveal facts that will have a far-reaching influence on the whole world. And we urge every right-minded, right-thinking person to be diligent in word and action for the best welfare of humanity. One has only to read the news of the day to realize the mighty wave of crimes committed in and through intoxicants, where the authorities of states, counties and cities are defied and crime is rampant, with a small per cent of convictions if brought to courts.

> W. H. CATES. C. E. BLOUNT. W. H. DEAN, Chairman.

THE MUTUAL RELATION OF CHURCH AND PASTOR

The relation of church and pastor should be one of great intimacy. The pastor's life is like an open book before his people, therefore it should be a life above reproach. The pastor should be a man of great activity—a never-tiring servant of the Master. He should also be a good leader. In this age leadership of efficiency is very essential. No one can better lead the people than their pastor. The pastor should also be a good business manager, for the eyes of all the people are upon him, ready to criticise any mistake—and to kill his influence for good and to hinder the work in drawing all people to hear the gospel by him. The pastor should keep in very close touch with each member of his church and know them any and everywhere, and deal kindly and lovingly with them all, so as to lead them to see the greater visions of the needs and opportunities of the Kingdom of our Master, and inspire them to undertake great things for Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Now we come to the relation of the church to the pastor. This can be easily and correctly answered in one word-"C-O-O-P-E-R-A-T-I-O-N." Surely every church must co-operate with its pastor, for without co-operation there can be no progress for the upbuilding of the church and community. Each individual church member should confide in their pastor, and pray with him for the ongoing and upbuilding of God's Kingdom-and showing at all times that they are backing him in his work to lead the lost to know our Christ, whom to know is life everlasting, and the greatest privilege and joy of this life.

Respectfully submitted.

J. E. SHELFER, L. G. ROBERTS.

J. M. ROWAN.

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP TO THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION

Christian stewardship is a principle on which daily life must be organized. In everything we are to be faithful to our sacred trusts. As stewards we manage for others—we hold in trust that which has been placed in our care—to keep it from waste, to use it and improve it, realizing that the time will come when we must give an accounting. This is plainly taught in the parable of the pounds and the parable of the talents.

God has entrusted us with talents-individual character determines individual spiritual gifts or talents, if you choose to so call them. These should be studied, trained and cultivated, not for selfish ambition, but to use for the upbuilding of the Kingdom

of Christ.

When we think of the unused talents in our churches, it is appalling. What if we could unlock the magazine of spiritual power sealed up in napkined talents of idle Chrustians today? We could answer the calls of the nations of the world who are crying unto us for the gospel. Surely, as Christians we must recognize our stewardship of the gospel that has been committed

What shall we say of our stewardship itself? Of the time wasted by Christians on vain recreations, pleasures and the things of this world? Our time is not our own to do as we please with. Do we realize that one-seventh of our time, at least, belongs to

God, to be kept holy unto the Lord?

There is a stewardship of opportunity. Opportunity means importunity, as though God were beseeching us by every open door, to open our hearts, our heads and our purses, that we may meet the crisis of missions that is upon us. We are the richest nation in the world, and a large per cent of the wealth of our nation is in the hands of Baptists; then why are our boards so heavily burdened with debt at this time? The answer is apparent-let us search our hearts and see if we have been faithful.

Our money is ours only in trust-it belongs to God just as we do-it is so much of ourselves which we can send to the uttermost parts of the earth. Money is stored human power that we should use in such a way that our giving will be in accord with the importance of the work and according to God's plan.

If we as Christians would give as the Lord prospers us, it would mean a freedom and joy in service that would enrich our lives, making us eminently useful in the Kingdom of Christ. It would mean a richer spiritual life and fellowship with God in

serving and giving.

As God fills us with His goodness and grace, we should give forth blessings to others, thereby becoming channels of blessings, bringing life, joy and refreshment along the way until at last we shall have a home with God, and receive His welcome plaudit, "well done, thou faithful steward; enter into the joy of thy Lord.' Respectfully submitted.

J. R. MILLER, MRS. W. W. MASSEY.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Among the many soul blessings of the present century, with its many and varied evil influences, are our Christian periodicals. with broad fields for service in carrying Christian truths and facts into the homes and minds of our people.

We urge that our denominational periodicals have the most careful study, advice and direction bestowed upon them of our wisest, noblest and ablest teachers in order that they may the more fully and ably serve the great purpose for which they have been promoted and fostered. In order that they may be really sought by the homes of our people and treasured as jewels of shining luster and incalculable wealth.

We further urge our people everywhere to give them the moral and financial support which they deserve.

JOHN A. SCRUGGS, J. C. BREWER, E. B. FLETCHER, Committee.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

There are five services of the Baptist church: Preaching Service—Preach the Gospel. Sunday School—Teach the Bible. Prayer Meeting—To unite in prayer.

The Woman's Missionary Union-To study and promote Missions.

The B. Y. P. U.-To train young Christians for service.

When we think of our church services in this way, we realize how important it is, if we are to be strong Christians, to take part in all these services.

B. Y. P. U. song, "Loyalty to Christ." Scripture, 2 Timothy, 2:15, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth." Mottoes: "All Baptist Young People Utilized," "We Study That We May Serve." Aim: "Training in Church Membership."

A B. Y. P. U. is a Baptist church at work, doing for its young Christians what the seminary does for young preachers. The dominant idea is training—learning by doing, practicing in order to become efficient workers in all lines of church work. In the heart of every truly converted person is a desire to serve in some way his Lord and Saviour. The B. Y. P. U. offers a place congenial and inviting to begin this service. It gives training in the "what" and "how" of service. It encourages each one to make a beginning, however simple. None should be willing to be ignorant of the history, teachings and activities of the church they have joined. The B. Y. P. U. gives instructions in these things. It stands for the doctrine that the highest type of Christian service is as a church member, in the line of church activities.

The B. Y. P. U. discovers and develops workers, who are talented in different works, such as speaking, planning, singing the gospel, teaching, hospitality, carrying sunshine, soul-winners and even preachers. Each young Christian should be developed in all phases of proper church life and the B. Y. P. U. in many ways helps to do this. The B. Y. P. U. spirit is that of unselfishness. More than any other church service the B. Y. P. U. "lives to die," therefore it trains up workers for other lines of church work.

Study courses are held yearly or oftener in A-1 B. Y. P. U.'s. Some of the books studied are: Plan of Salvation, People Called Baptists, The Books of the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress, Training in Church Membership, Baptists Working Together, and Training in Baptist Spirit.

The final test of the B. Y. P. U. is the trained young Christians it furnishes to the general activities of the church and the spirit

that is in them as they take their places with those upon whom the responsibilities have fallen. They are not only intelligent, but trained, not only in knowledge, but in ideal and practical Christian service.

We, your committee, most earnestly request that every member of every church in our Florida Association take a greater interest in B. Y. P. U. work and lend to the young Christians every possible assistance in their great training service for our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

1 Timothy 4:14: "Neglect not the gift that is in thee."
1 Timothy 4:12: "Let no man despise thy youth."

Respectfully submitted, SUSIE DEAN, Cha

SUSIE DEAN, Chairman, MRS. J. H. CAMPBELL, MISS SUSIE McKEOWN, Committee

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Minutes of annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Florida Association, which met with Havana at the Baptist church, September 19th, 1928:

The meeting was called to order by our President, Mrs. W. H. Rugeley, Tallahassee, with W. M. U. song, "The Kingdom Is Coming."

Devotional, led by Mrs. J. E. Dupree, Greensboro. Response, by Mrs. A. J. Worthy, Havana.

ROLL CALL

Tallahassee, 24; Quincy, 15; Monticello, 12; Havana, 10; Greensboro, 3; Flat Creek, 2; Providence, 4.
Recognition of visitors.
Appointment of Committees.
President's message.
Digest of reports by Association Secretary, Mrs. L. B. Ellinor.
Inspirational address, Mrs. M. A. Love.
Recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song.
Devotional, led by Mrs. Tharpe, Tallahassee.
Reports from District Superintendents.
Reports from Committees accepted.

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

President—Mrs. W. H. Rugeley, Tallahassee. Vice-President—Mrs. Chas. Moore, Monticello. Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. L. B. Ellinor, Havana.

CHAIRMEN

Personal Service—Mrs. C. L. Shepard, Apalachicola. Stewardship—Mrs. J. E. Dupree, Greensboro. Margaret Fund—Mrs. Lonnie Clark, Flat Creek. Publicity—Mrs. C. W. Howard, Tallahassee. Mission Study—Mrs. G. C. Tharpe Tallahassee. Young People's Leader—Mrs. Ola Hughes, Monticello.

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DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

Quincy—Mrs. E. H. Boykin, River Junction, Tallahassee—Mrs. O. G. Kendrick, Tallahassee. Monticello—Mrs. Jim Cook, Monticello. Apalachicola—Mrs. R. M. Anderson, Apalachicola. Recognition of Officers. Charge to Officers by Mrs. M. A. Love, Quincy. Reports of Chairmen.

Report of District Superintendents.

Report Time and Place Committee: That we accept Monticello's invitation to meet with them Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1929.

Resolution Committee: Resolved, That we express our thanks and appreciation to the Havana Baptist church for the kind and

generous hospitality shown us during our meeting.

Almost the entire time was given to business. We had a wonderful meeting—enlarging our plans for the coming year. There were several "Round Table" talks which were very interesting and helpful to us. The Hope Chest plan suggested by our President was readily adopted by the societies. We will continue having the Hostess Society serve lunch at our annual meeting as it seemed to be the wish of each society. Moved and seconded that the Association pay balance due on Margaret Fund contribution, which was \$1.25. The chairman of the Obituary Committee read a very touching and fitting report on those of our number who had been called from their labors during the past year.

No other business, the Association adjourned until Tuesday

after the first Sunday in October, 1929.

Consecration service.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK

Woman's work in its entirety is too large a subject to be comprised within a brief report, but since such work as we know it in our churches and associations centers largely in the W. M. U., it may well be considered from this angle.

To employ the words of the Manual, "It is gratifying to recall the large and ofttimes initial part played by women in the apostolic missionary enterprise and of their invaluable services when Carey and Judson went out to the foreign fields. Viewed from the leveling distance of a century, the organization of missionary societies by Luther Rice rivals the rapidity of the motion picture film which might well be employed to portray the dramatic story."

Woman's work as concerns the W. M. U. may be likened to a stream, arising in the foothills of Christian activity and flowing down through the years, ever widening as it gathers into itself

tributaries from many sources.

Most important of all these is the tributary of prayer. How often within churches large and small are gathered groups of women who have met for a season of prayer! And how often, as a result of this silent and powerful influence, conditions have been changed on the foreign fields and burdens have been lifted in the home land.

Another worth-while tributary is that of Personal Service, which in itself has become a river of influence. Perhaps no phase of community life remains untouched by the system of W. M. U. personal service when carried out in ideals. It sends its women into hospitals, jails, homes of sickness, scenes of poverty and everywhere that the hand of Christian ministry is needed.

And second in importance to none save Prayer is the influence of Mission Study in our organizations. When informed, women become interested; when interested, they become active; when active they are dynamos of power.

Several years ago it was found that a total of 16,964 organizations existed. The same year the Southern Baptist Convention reported 4,200 mission study classes. An up-to-date count would show a considerable increase both in organizations and mission study classes, but the discrepancy between the number of the one

and the other has been and is still far too great.

When another year has rolled by and Woman's Work has again taken stock of itself, may our W. M. U. women find themselves greater possessors than ever before of the riches of Prayer, of Personal Service and of knowledge of missions, both at home and abroad.

MRS. J. L. BURNETT, MRS. J. M. ROWAN, MISS SUSIE McKEOWN.

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1928

Balance on hand October 13, 1927 Received from Finance Committee October 14	\$ 20.12 . 129.60
Total	\$149.72
Disbursements.	
J. K. Hutchings, Clerk\$50.00	
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Postage 2.00	124.00
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REPORT OF FIFTH SUNDAY MEETINGS, EAST DIVISION	ERN
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REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We have received \$120.75 for Minutes and Clerk from churches as follows, and have turned same over to Treasurer:

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Providence 1	0.00
Indian Springs	4.00
Quincy	7.50
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Flat Creek	3.00
Monticello 1	0.00
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Greensboro	3.00	
Woodville		
Concordia	5.00	
Capitola	2.00	
River Junction	5.00	
Arran	3.00	
W. M. U	10.00	
Salem	5.00	
Olive	8.00	
Mt. Elon	1.00	
Havana	5.00	

H. W. MANGUM, W. H. RUGELEY, P. W. SHELFER, Committee. IN MEMORY OF OUR BELOVED BROTHERS REV. F. M. WELLS AND

REV. S. F. BLOUNT

Rev. F. M. Wells was born March 20, 1845, and died October 2, 1928, at the age of 83 years, 6 months and 13 days. Rev. F. M. Wells was called as pastor of Providence Baptist church in 1890, and was a good and faithful pastor for twenty-seven years, and was one of the best pastors that Providence church has ever had. He attended the Florida Association thirty-five years in succession and was Moderator of the Florida Association fifteen years in succession. He was loved and respected by all who knew him.

Rev. S. F. Blount was born December 5, 1852, and died April 13, 1928, at the age of 75 years, 4 months and 8 days.

Rev. S. F. Blount was an active minister of the gospel for twenty-five years, but had to give up his appointment on account of his health.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. RICHARDS,
A. E. BOWEN,
J. S. CHASON,
Committee.

LIST OF DEAD

"God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform," so He in His wise providence has seen fit to remove from our midst the following beloved brethren and sisters:

Antioch-Mrs. Betty Todd.

Concordia—Mrs. Jim Kemp, Mrs. C. R. Laing, Mrs. Maggie McTyre.

Flat Creek-Mrs. Emma Smith.

Lake Ellen-Mrs. C. P. Allen.

Mt. Elon-Mr. Newton Kyle.

Monticello-Mrs. Alfred Duncan, Mrs. J. M. Hamrick.

Olive-Mr. Isom S. Sheffield, Mrs. John Anderson, Mr. Zack Rainey.

Providence—Rev. S. F. Blount, Mr. D. H. Sheppard, Mr. Homer Bowen, Miss Agnes Fletcher, Rev. F. M. Wells.

Quincy-Mr. Sam Hargrove, Mr. Ward Chester.

Salem—Mr. J. T. Robinson, Mr. Artie Richards, Mrs. E. Richards, Mrs. A. Pyles, Mrs. Julia Niles.

Tallahassee—Deacon W. M. Cates, Deacon R. M. Sealey, F. C. Lambert, Geo. Hale, Mrs. J. C. Compton.

W. H. RUGELEY, REV. H. W. MANGUM, P. W. SHELFER, Committee.

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or Design	Schools and Colleges.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	00	0	0	0	0	00
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	Gifts to the Co- operative Program.	\$ 20.37	***************************************	35.00	27.00		2.00	42.26	15.18	10.10	748.64	10.85	52.40	703.92	250.00	33.21	1,806.33
-1	CHURCHES	Arran	Capitola	Concordia	Flat Creek	Greensboro	Gretna	Havana	Indian Springs	Mt. Elon	Monticello	Mt. Besor	Providence	Oulney	River Junction	Salem	Tallahassee

* Note: This column to be used to set down gifts on "Conquest Campaign," or "Debt-Paying Campaign," in any of the other columns, or left blank if there are no such gifts.

GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

				FOR	R SUPPOR	r of 1.00	SUPPORT OF LOCAL CHURCH	ICH WORK	X.		
СНИКСИЕВ	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary.	Other Salarles.	Ministerial Help and Supply.	Building and Repairs.	Incidentals.	Litterature for Sun- day School and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association.	Other Objects.	Total for Support Local Church Work,
Arran Aenon Antioch Crawfordville	John B. Laws, Arran, Fla. W. E. Gray, Tallahassee, Fla Mr. L. Parramore, Quincy, Fla. Mrs. H. L. Roper, Crawfordville, Fla.	\$ 175.25 53.15 240.00 120.00	61.00	33.80	4.72°	8.00		6.30	2.00 4.00	0000	*
	Frank D. Smith, Capitola, Fla. A. L. Vickers, Concord Fla.	600.00	25.00	43.40	97.00	20.00	40.00	0	10.00	0	
Ebenezer (Leon) Ebenezer (Jeff.) Flat Creek	A. N. Slocumb, Nash, Fla. M. A. Smith, River Junction, Fla. E. B. Fletcher, Greensboro, Fla.	38.00 250.00 600.00	50.00	80.00	55.53	24.00	55.00	000	3.00	48.	-
Gretna Hardaway Havana Indian Springs	H. L. McKeown, Quincy, Fla. M. Parker, Hardaway, Fla. J. T. Stephens, Havana, Fla. J. R. Miller, Llord, Fla.	300.00 240.00 1,500.00	0000	170.00	29.00 192.00	311.28	12.00 135.80	30.00	8.088	65.0	64
	No Treasurer J. R. Nettles, Greensboro, Fla E. J. Langston, Smith Creek, Fla. D. H. Mays, Monitcello, Fla. M. O. Strickland, Sopeboppy, Fla.	200.00 120.00 1,800.00 100.00	0000	75.00 44.00 504.20 105.00	47.40 164.00	60.00 10.00 464.96 7.00	253.82	19.0000	10.00	1,436.21	263.00 206.75 272.00 410.00
Olive Providence Quincy	Quincy, Fla.		240.00	100.00	174.19	34.30	348.06	00 10	2.50	2,735.0	-100
River Junction. Salem Tallahassee Woodville	J. O. Boggett, River Junction, Fla. Martie Milge, Carrabelle, Fla. J. T. Williams, Tallahassee, Fla. Mrs. Joe Wright, Woodville, Fla.	00000	1,279.50	303.28 112.30 25.00	80.00 698.57	37.37 806.39 0	1,186.53	168.00	10.00	38.62 243.14 0	1,487.87 8,430.98 350.00

CHURCH PROPERTY OF PLORIDA BAPFIST ASSOCIATION

Insurance Carrled.	77,800.00 20,000.00 21,800.00 21,800.00
Indebtedness on all Church Property.	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
Total Value all Church	\$80.00 1.200.00 1.200.00 1.200.00 1.000.00 1.000.00 2.000.00 1.000.00
Value of Pastor's	1.500.00 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Value of Mission Chapel if Any.	20,000000000000000000000000000000000000
Value of Church House and Grounds.	\$ 500.00 1,500.00 1,0
Are all Sunday School Classes Provided For?	NNXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Are all Departments in Sunday School Provided For?	NXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Number of Rooms.	
Persons Seated.	20000000000000000000000000000000000000
Materials Used,	Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood Wood
When was it Built?	1883 1926 1926 1920 1900 1912 1914 1897 1900 1900 1900 1900
Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes
CHURCH CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES	John B. Laws, Arran Fla. R. Gray, Tallabasee, Fla. R. I. Parramore, Quincy Fla. Mrs. H. I. Parker, Crawfoodville, Fla. Mison W. Boyd, Capitola, Fla. M. Borsey, Amsterdam, Ga. M. Salceumb, Nash, Fla. J. Clark, Greensboro, Fla. J. Clark, Greensboro, Fla. M. C. Stringer, Greensboro, Fla. M. C. Stringer, Greensboro, Fla. M. G. Stringer, Greensboro, Fla. M. G. Stringer, Greensboro, Fla. M. G. Stringer, Greensboro, Ela. M. G. Stringer, Greensboro, Fla. M. G. Stringer, Greensboro, Fla. M. G. Strickand, Sopchoppy, Fla. M. M. Gringer, Greensboro, Fla. M. G. Britcher, Quincy, Fla. M. G. Britcher, Quincy, Fla. M. J. Davis, Jr., Quincy, Fla. M. J. Burnett, Tallabasee, Fla. M. B. Wer, M. Weller, Woodelle, Fla. M. J. Burnett, Tallabasee, Fla. M. J. W. P. W. P. Woodelle, Fla.
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nent	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years.	0	0	000	00000	100000	
	Home Department.	0	0	000	00000	100000	
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	What is Your Average Attendance?	25	30	382	13 825	12019	45854 401 401 401 401 401
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Special Information	Gifts to Local Church Work.	12.84	0	12.52 40.00 0	50.00 322.80	100.00	266.37 75.99 1,043.06
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	Have you a Mission Sunday School?	No	0	SSS SSS	00000	00000	
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		PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES	Rev. Paul A. C.	O. N. Revell, Bristol, Fla	A. C. Camp, Havana, Fla 2nd Paul A. Caldwell, Tallahassee, Fla 2nd Knight Wilson, Lanthidge, Fla 3rd	No Pastor I E Dubree Greensboro, Fla	No Pastor Chas Wattenhager River	Henry W. Mangum, Havana, Fla F. E. T. Dawson, Donaldsonville, Ga 2	J. E. Dupree, Gre	D. N. Revell, Bristol, Fla.	P. N. Sheppard, Norman Park, Ga.	No Pastor C. L. Wattenbager, River Jct. Fla.	Bunyan Stephens, Tallahassee, Fla. Fu
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CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

