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State of Florida

1937

(67th Session)

Held With the

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Kissimmee, Florida October 19, 20, 1987



Next Session to Be Held With FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Winter Garden, Florida

October 18, 19, 1938

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In Memoriam

"And being dead, yet speaketh."

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(Place of Meeting-Winter Park)

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

will meet with the
WINTER GARDEN CHURCH, OCTOBER 18th-19th, 1938
Rev. W. R. Clarke to preach Introductory Sermon.
(Rev. E. Lee Smith, Alternate)

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OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS IN ASSOCIATION

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PLYMOUTH—M. J. Bouterse, Jr.

ST. CLOUD—F. P. Stoddard, W. P. Richardson, F. K. Ringsmuth, A. B.

WINTER PARK-Preston Sellers, T. H. Vaughn, Stephen Witt, MINISTERS ORDAINED BY CHURCHES DURING YEAR

COLLEGE PARK-John F. Brantley, Pastor Baptist Church, Bushnell,

NORTH PARK-W. R. Clarke, Pastor North Park Church, Orlando, Fla. PLYMOUTH-M. J. Bouterse, Jr., Student Baptist Seminary, Philadel-

ENROLLMENT

The following is a complete list of all who enrolled, both Messengers and Visitors; APOPKA-Max Preston, Irwin L. Ellis, Mrs. G. A. Bryant, Mrs. Lucy Wolfe, T. J.

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Bible, L. H. Thomes, I. M. Shiver, Mrs. I. M. Shiver, J. A. Trovillion, Mrs. J. A.

RECISTERED, but Church not indicated; also Visitors Rev. C. M. Brittain, D. D., and wife, Jn-k-onville; W. W. Willian, Jacksonville; Mrs. L. C. Verigan, Lake Jem; David M. Gardner, First Baptist Church, St. Petersburg; Ira T. Taber, Henderson, Ky.; G. P. Wisenfeiter, Henderson, Ky.; W. S. Allen and wife, Stetson University, DeLand; C. H. Coshy, 66th Street Church, Hirmingham, Ala.; Mrs. T. M. Johns, Arcadia; Fannie Grace, Arcadia; W. L. Hambrick and wife, Clermont, Fla.; Rev. and Mrs. S. R. Jordan and Samnel, Jr., Canal Point, Fla.; Rev. Geo. W. Griffin. Washington, D. C.; Rev. A. M. Hyers, Sheiljorne, N. Y.; Lois Boston, Gotha, Fln.; Mrs. H. Beck; Mrs. M. Irwin, Orlando; M. W. Irwin, Orlando; Mrs. Mayme Knight. Mrs. James White, Lorraine White, Walter White, Mrs. G. S. Herringdine, Johnnie Willis, Nancy New, Nancy New ther daughter), Wyolene Hickman and Louise Feryuson, all of Orlando; Mrs. G. B. Spears, Orlando; Rev. J. Dean Adeock, D. D., and wife, Fifth Avenue Church, St. Petersburg, Fla.; S. E. Lewis, Clermont, TOTAL REGISTERED, 312.

PROCEEDINGS

The Wekiwa Baptist Association of Florida held its Sixty-seventh Annual Meeting with the First Baptist Church of Kissimmee, opening on Tuesday morning, October 19th, 1937, at ten o'clock. Rev. W. E. Murphey, a pioneer pastor of the state, and for many years leading the flock at Taft, was in charge of the opening devotional, reading from the 3rd chapter of Philippians and calling on Rev. W. L. Hambrick of Clermont

Promptly at 10:30, Moderator Pro Tem. Rev. J. S. Bookhardt, called the Association to or er and explained that upon the departure of both the Moderator and Vice-Moderator from the Association he had been asked by the Executive Committee to act in the capacity of Moderator until the hody as a whole might elect the new officers of its choosing at

A motion prevailed that all persons present, knowing themselves duly elected as messengers to the Association, should constitute the body of the Association, after which nominations were called for by the chair for a Moderator for the ensuing year. Pastor Murphey nominated J. S. Bookbardt for this office, Rev. T. S. Hubert, D. D., seconded the nomination, and there being no further nominations, Brother Bookhardt was unanimously elected by show of hands. Rev. E. Lee Smith placed in nomination for Vice-Moderator Rev. W. R. Clarke of the North Park Church, it was duly seconded, and there being no further nominations the Clerk was instructed, and did cast the unanimous vote of the Association for Brother Clarke, who was declared elected to that office. Dr. Hubert nominated for Clerk-Treasurer Rev. P. Monroe Smock who was also chosen without

Moderator Bookhardt asked that all visitors be recognized, and at this time the new pastor at Pine Castle, Rev. O. G. Hall, the new pastor at St. Cloud, Rev. J. W. Pearce, the supply pastor of the First Church, Orlando, Rev. V. T. Crawford, and former pastor of Winter Garden, Rev. S. E. Lewis, were presented and welcomed. Later Rev. C. H. Cosby of Birmingham, Dr. and Mrs. Adcock of St. Petersburg, and Rev. C. W.

Griffin of Washington, D. C., were given hearty greetings.

A motion prevailed that the Provisional program as printed be adopted as the official schedule of all matters during the sessions.

Church letters were presented, roll of messengers called, Mayor A. F. Crosby of the entertaining city spoke a hearty welcome, and Rev. W. R. Clarke made a fitting response. Mr. Griffin announced briefly a plan to make Umatilla a Winter Assembly mecca and asked the support of

the Association in such an undertaking.

The first report of the session was then called for, and Max Preston of Apopka read the report on "Baptist Literature" as prepared by Prof. Hinton Davis. The remainder of the time allotted for the report was given to Dr. Adcock who spoke enthusiastically of the importance the Baptist Witness plays in the life of Florida Baptists and urged a more general use of it in the Baptist homes of the Association. After words of endorsement by Brother Hambrick the report was adopted and is printed elsewhere in these minutes.

The hour having arrived for the introductory sermon by Rev. J. S. Bookhardt, without undue ceremony the preacher announced his text from Jude 3 and 4. The theme was: "Earnestly Contending for the Faith." Brother Bookhardt laid a scriptural foundation for a present day message by referring to the forces in the world which are ever opposing God. It started in the garden of Eden when the servent despoiled Paradise by attempting to break confidence in the word of God. Followed the flood, the invasion of Jerusalem. the captivity in Babylon, and on down to the present days with the Negro rolling dice, and the Society leader awarding a silver cup. The W. P. A. worker buying a Bolito ticket for a few pennies, and the Magistrate playing poker in a club-house with the sky as the limit. In God's eyes there is no difference. The Church should stand against all forms of questionable amusements and indulgences which are incompatible with a Christian's life and influence. He searched every heart as he closed, asking every follower of our Lord to: "come out from among them, and be separated from the werld." Rev. Clarke offered prayer, announcements were made, Pastor Daniels gave the prayer of blessing and all adjourned for the noon-day lunch.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Rev. O. G. Hall in charge of devotional, "Faith of Our Fathers" was sung, Brother Lewis nrayed, and Pastor Hall read the scripture lesson. The report on "The Baptist Brotherhood" was read and discussed ably by Mr. L. H. Thames, an enthusiastic worker in this body at Winter Park. Rev. S. B. Jordan of Canal Point was heartily welcomed and discussed the report. A further word was spoken by Rev. Hyers of the Chenango (N. Y.) Association. This report was adontedd. Mrs. T. M. Johns of the Florida Bantist Children's Home was asked to tell of her work and held the breathless attention of the body as she pleaded for moral and financial support to properly and adequately provide for the needs of the helpless orphans under the care of her and her husband at Arcadia. A special motion prevailed to send assurances of loyalty and support back with her from the Baptists of Wekiwa Association. At this time Rev. E. J. Daniels gave a ringing message on the duty of Churches and Pastors in settling pastorates. Five plans were suggested: Using Politics, Pulls, Pedigrees, Prices, and Prayer. The first four were vigorously condemned and the last one was shown to be the New Testament way. By special vote the address was ordered sent to the Witness for nublication. The address was approved from the floor by Deacon E. H. Gore, Rev. J. F. Morgan, Pastor Hall of Pine Castle, Miss Bryant of Apopka, Dr. Trovillion, Pastor Clarke and Dr. Hubert.

The "Social Service" report was presented by Dr. Hubert. It was discussed by Brethren Murphey, Hall, Daniels, Hurley of Winter Garden, and the Moderator and unanimously adopted. Deacon E. H. Gore, for the Delaney Street Church, presented the report on Ministerial Relief, the Clerk read the report on "Hospitals" prepared by Rev. W. M. Bou-

terse and each report was adopted as read. After announcements the session adjourned until the evening hour.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION

Rev. W. R. Clarke led a short devotion. The Kissimmee Choir rendered two beautiful anthems, C. L. Durrance, Jr., read a report on the B. T. U. and his father presented a report on Christian Education, and after both were adopted the two addresses scheduled for the evening were given. President Allen of Stetson gave a talk on Christian Education, and told of the work at DeLand. 781 students now enrolled, 60 faculty members, 29 different states represented, also Cuba and South America. Expenses for a year range from \$484 to \$520 which includes board, room, and tuition. Following Dr. Allen's address, Dr. J. Dean Adcock was listened to with rapt attention as he preached a powerful, soul-stirring sermon on the Great Commission. Two words describe this sermon: it came red-hot from Dr. Adcock's great heart, and it was backed by the supreme authority of Jesus Christ. After announcements the session stood adjourned with closing prayer by Pastor Smock,

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Pastor J. W. Pearce of St. Cloud led a brief devotion. Dr. Brittain and wife were recognized. Pastor Bookhardt read the S. S. report. It was discussed by Rev. M. J. Bouterse, Pastor Clarke, Dr. E. Lee Smith, and Mrs. Shune and adopted. In the absence of Mrs. Talton her report was read by Mrs. Garnett. The report was discussed by Brethren Weil and Girouard and unanimously adopted. The report on Missions was presented by Rev. Fayette Hall of Miller Memorial Church. After it was read, the body enjoyed to the full two duets sung by Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Bouterse. Dr. Brittain was then given the remaining time of the morning for an address on Missions in General. As usual, he was greatly enjoyed. He is a tavorite with Wekiwa Baptists, and started his work as pastor of the great Kissimmee Church. Even a resume is impossible. The breathless interest reached a climax as he told of his own son, Milner and wife, now in the thick of the danger zone in China, and paused to say he declined an offer of special aid for his son, as every herald of the Cross there must stand or fall alike. After announcements and prayer by Dr. Hubert the session adjourned until the afternoon hour. The Mission report was adopted.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON (CLOSING) SESSION

Drs. Willian and Gardner were recognized, and Brother Nixon presented the new pastor of Winter Park Church, Rev. Loys Frink, to the Association. The Moderator expressed cordial greetings to these brethren. Rev. M. J. Bouterse led the devotions. Dr. Hubert spoke of the illness of Dr. W. C. Golden and his inability to be present. Pastor Smock was asked to offer special prayer in his behalf. Dr. W. W. Willian was then introduced and gave an address on our S. S. and B. T. U. work. Rev. J. W. Pearce reported on the Children's Home, Rev. W. R. Clarke read a report on the Hundred Thousand Club, Rev. E. J. Daniels presented the Co-Operative Plan report, Rev. E. Lee Smith reported on the State of Religion, the Committee reported on Nominations, Rev. Murphey reported on Resolutions, and after all of these reports were briefly discussed, each was approved as presented.

The hour for closing being now on, Moderator Bookhardt announced any miscellaneous matters might be presented. Brother Daniels suggested a mid-year meeting for the Wekiwa Baptists, and after some discussion the Moderator was authorized to appoint a committee of three to work out a plan. This committee to be named later. Rev. Clarke spoke of the Associational S. S. work and W. L. Evans of the North Park

Church was elected to serve as Superintendent. Dr. Hubert spoke gracious words as host of the gathering, Moderator Bookhardt thanked all for their sweet co-operation, and on motion the Association stood aljourned to meet October 18th-19th, 1938, with the Church at Winter Garden.

A Memorial service was conducted by Rev. P. Monroe Smock, of the College Park Church, in memory of the 48 deaths reported from the churches for the year. Each name was called, "Shall We Gather at the River" was sung, and after a brief address the boly stood and repeated in unison the 23rd Psalm: "Tho' I walk through a valley shadowed by death I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me." It is this which makes our religion a worth-while, every-day possession.

FLORIDA BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Arcadia, Florida

A number of improvements have been made at the Home during the past year. The school building on the campus has been released by the County Board of Education and is now use! for offices, Library and the print shop. The increased space for the print shop together with a speed press has acided much to the efficiency of the printing department. The Library means a great deal to the children. It affords them good reading and is excellent for the students who are doing high school work. They are soliciting books that they may have a good collection for instruction and research.

It is the intention of the Board of Trusties to increase the number of children in the next two years. The vacant dormitory on the campus was opened in November of last year. Every cormitory on the campus is now occupied by the children of our brethren. It is the hope of the management that the rooms over the offices in the administration building will be converted into a derinatory for the senior boys. If this is done, it will increase the capacity of the Institution to 220. There are now 167 on the roll at our Home.

If they are to increase the number of children in the Home to meet the needs of our own boys and girls who are constantly applying to them, they must have a closer co-operation of the Churches in the State. There are a number of Church organizations who do not make regular offerings to the care of our children. If one half of such organizations could be depended on for a contribution each menth to this splendid work, they would be able to take care of all the children our buildings will a commodate. The only thing that is needed is emough money to equip the building and provide for the increased number after they are a cepted.

It is very important that attention be given to the dependent children of our brethren. It is difficult to say what contribution dependency makes to crime but that a contribution is made, in many instances is undeniable. It is much better to give something to protect the child when he is young, than to wait until he is committed to a penal institution and then be forced to spend more money in the form of taxes for his keep than would be necessary, were he placed in a Home as a child. We, your Committee, therefore, urge that every Church and Sunday School wherever possible make a regular offering to our Home in Arcadia, to assist our children.

JNO. W. PEARCE, For St. Cloud Church,

SOCIAL SERVICE AND TEMPERANCE

Christianity is committed to Social Service. That man's religion is vain who lives for himself alone. In vain we boast ecstatic experiences and sublimated sentiments and all else you please, if we are not mindful of others. If the Roman of old could say, "I am a man and nothing that concerns man is of indifference to me," how much more earnestly will it be said by one in whom lives again the spirit of the Master who "went about doing good" and gave His life for others.

This is the Social Service of the redeemed. It was seen in Jerusalem from the Day of Pentecost, had a large place in the far flung labors of the Apostle Paul, and carried on through the centuries to our own times when Howard gave himself to the relief of forgotten and inhumanly treated prisoners, and Shaftsbury gave himself to the poor and perishing of London, and Booth and his wife gave themselves to the slums of the worll, and John B. Gough and Miss Frances Willard and others gave themselves to the battle on rum, and the Christian people of Florida smote slot machines into smithereens.

The parentage of Social Service is Religion,—the Christian Religion. Its home is the bosom of the Church. What is not of this lineage and family is masquerade,—something to be feared in disguise,—and I will say plainly old materialism in modern dress and speaking English instead of Greek.

The soul of all improvement is the improvement of the soul. Regeneration rather than reformation. Revivals of religion have done more to improve social and political conditions than cunningly devised organizations with brass bands. The ladder that God lets down from Heaven is a safer and surer way to higher things than all the clever staircases that men can build.

The redeemed have clearer vision than others. The motives that move them are stronger than those of mere humanity. They are the best citizens. They have no fellowship with enemies of public welfare. With might and main, they protest war, and booze, and gambling in all its forms, quick and easy divorce, road houses, nudism, filth in books and pictures, stupracious dances, and all else that defiles the body which is the temple of the Holy Ghost.

As to Temperance specially, we have good news to tell. Repeal fast is running its evil course to its end. A people disappointed, not to use a stronger term, are going to strike Old Booze a harder blow than it did when it laid it on the shelf of Prohibition. Lovers of Temperance expected this failure of Repeal which has come, thank God! earlier than they thought.

Above all, the redeemed unite in prayer that God make them, in life and testimony, strong and faithful in the Gospel of Christ which is the power of God unto salvation from every evil thing and unto all that will spread good and blessing wherever man is found.

> T. S. HUBERT, For Kissimmee Church.

RESOLUTIONS

- (1) Resolved, That this body is greatly indebted to the pastor and friends in Kissimmee and members of this Church for the excellent provisions they have made for the entertainment and comfort of this Association during these meetings.
- (2) Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the Mayor for the cordial welcome given this Association.

Respectfully your committee.

W. E. MURPHEY.

REPORT ON HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

If there is a group of Christians that the Hundred Thousand Club should make a strong appeal to, it is those people called Baptists. We, Baptists, make much of the claim that one of our fundamental principles is, that "the Bible is the sufficient, final and authoritative rule of faith and practice."

The plain teaching of God's word is, "owe no man anything." Regardless of whether we are responsible for our denominational debt or not, the fact is these debts exist. We are further assured this is an honorable debt. Our denomination, and of far greater importance our Lord, bears the reproach of the world when we break faith, by not recognizing an obligation.

"When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it." God holds his children accountable on the basis of our ability. He knows who is able and who is not. Are we each sure of his approval in our case?

We must also look at this problem of our denominational debts from another angle, as taught in God's word. The reason why God does not approve debt is plainly shown, "the borrower is servant to the lender." Thus we see through our conduct our relationship is shifted and God's servant becomes the servant of the money lender. In other words, just so long as we, Baptists, unnecessarily continue to pay interest, to the lender, we deny God the service of that necessary part of us. The terrific drain for interest charges has greatly reduced the effectiveness of the various branches of our denominational work, created in Kingdom interests.

At the Southern Baptist Convention in 1933 a plan to successfully and quickly pay off all of the debts upon the Convention agencies was launched. This plan, known as the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, assures us that one hundred cents of every dollar paid into the Club will be used for payment on the principal of the debts. Only one hundred thousand members at \$1.00 per month was needed and in five years the debts would all be paid off. We had the further assurance, from the heads of all denominational Boards, that there would be no new debts created. You ask, has it worked? Our answer is a seeming contradiction—Yes and No.

The plan has most certainly worked when it was worked! The Club has failed to meet its five year objective simply because pastors and people did not lend their wholehearted support.

Our people must be informed before they become actively interested, otherwise only passive (pass it on to some one else) interest will exist. That the plan is justified has been proven. With perhaps some 50,000 members, having at one time or another contributed, a total of \$724,-145.45 has been received and distributed proportionately upon the debts up to August 31, 1937. The startling fact is that this interest saving alone would be sufficient to pay the salaries of 51 foreign missionaries.

Complete information and supplies may be had without cost by writing J. E. Dillard, Director of Promotion, Southern Baptist Convention, 161 Eighth Ave. North, Nashville, Tenn.

W. R. CLARKE, Chairman.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Our Lord gave us a command to do missionary work when He saft to the disciples in Matt. 28:19, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." We Baptists are striving to obey that command by carrying on a great missionary enterprise. This is being done systematically and efficiently through three Missionary Boards: (1) State Mission Board, (2) Home Mission Board, and (3) Foreign Mission Board. All the money that is sent in from our local churches for the purpose of missions goes to the upkeep and work that is done through these three Missionary Boards. Our State Mission Board is composed of representatives selected by each Association over the State. Our Home and Foreign Mission Boards are composed of those who are selected by the Southern Baptist Convention.

STATE MISSIONS

Our State Mission Board is absolutely necessary if we are to save this beautiful State of ours from the hands of those who would exploit our wonderful resources for selfish and ungodly purposes. It is also necessary if we are going to send the Gospel to destitute regions of our State.

Last year Florida Baptists made a splendid advance in their mission gifts. The last report made showed that our State gave to all causes \$173,123.55, of this amount \$100,000 was given to the Co-Operative Program, enabling us to reach our goal for the year. The goal for 1937 is \$115,000. Let us all do our part with our prayers and gifts that we may achieve this goal.

HOME MISSIONS

Our Home Mission Board is sending the Gospel to the Indians, the foreigners, the Negroes, the underprivileged, in the cities and the congested industrial sections, in Cuba and in Panama. In all of its departments of work including the field force, the Sanatorium, the rescue missions, the goodwill centers, and the schools, the Board has 327 missionities working in 850 mission stations. During the past Convention year the Board has placed 35 new missionaries in the field.

Last year's work in the Home Mission Board has been a year of progress. Missionaries opened 39 new stations in the South, bringing the total number of churches to 640. During the year 2,137 were baptized and 3,683 confessed Christ as their Saviour. Also 3 new churches were opened in Cuba.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board now have work in sixteen different foreign countries with 415 active missionaries in service. Last year the Board received from various sources a grand total of \$1,040,574.57 and for the first time in several years the total income went beyond the million mark.

In spite of the fact that gifts have increased a long look into the future has prevented the Board from sending out new missionaries or enlarging. This they cannot do until the regular systematic gifts through the Co-Operative Program increase.

FAYETTE, L. HALL, Chairman, Miller Memorial Baptist Church, Orlando, Florida.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

In reviewing the work of the Baptist Training Union for the past year we find definite progress has been made along many lines. Although it has been difficult to maintain a complete training union in every church, we find that there is some form of training for young people in every church. It has been our desire to have a complete training union in every church. Last quarter there were twenty-three unions which reported to the State headquarters. This year we have endeavored to get every union to report to the Association and to the State headquarters. At the present time we have 47 unions.

Another aim of importance for this year was increasing the number of study course awards for the Association. Every church was urged to



have a training school, and we have been delighted with the reports from training schools in some of the churches. So far there have been nearly 300 study course awards given to members of this Association this year. Thus we see that B. T. U. members are becoming cognizant of the need for training if they are to be efficient church members.

Since the general theme of B. T. U. work has been the closer cooperation of the local B. T. U. with the Association of Churches, the Associational B. T. U. has tried to co-operate with the Wekiwa Association of Churches in their program. We want you to feel that we are not a separate unit but are a unit working in co-operation with the churches as a whole.

We have tried to carry out the main purposes of the Associational

B. T. U., which are:

1. To create the training union spirit.

- To establish training union work in churches which do not have it at present.
 - 3. To bring training union workers in contact with other workers.
 - 4. To plan and conduct training schools and enlargement campaigns.
 - 5. To emphasize efficiency in every church.
 - 6. To aid the work of the State Training Union secretary.
- 7. To keep the general denominational program and meetings before the churches.

Respectfully submitted, CHARLES L. DURRANCE, JR.

REPORT ON LITERATURE

"Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."
We recognize the power of God's Word in the lives of men. In it we have, from Genesis to Revelation, the plan of salvation gloriously revealed.

Surely, if God could produce through men from all walks of life, The Bible, then he could—and does—inspire men today to write of Him.

We Southern Baptists have set apart certain men among us who are called of God to write, to eait or to publish good literature. The Baptist literature consisting of tracts, quarterlies and other periodicals, is for several reasons the best that can be found dealing with, and teaching the Christ. Some of the best and most uplifting books published today are written by our Christian leaders for us and distributed from our Baptist headquarters to and through the Baptist book stores. All these publications reveal Christ and a true and undefiled doctrine. This important and successful way of spreading God's Kingdom on earth is made possible because of our prayers and our money. Let us continue to pray, to give ourselves, and to pay into God's treasury according to His planthe tithe, and not less according to some of our weak and foolish plans. Then one of the blessings mentioned by Malachi would be a complete and widespread circulation and distribution of our Baptist literature, meeting a deep and urgent need of building up our churches and enriching the lives of its members.

May we "search the Scriptures," and the interpretation thereof in our literature. And may we hide His word and the truths thereof on our hearts "that we might not sin against Him."

Respectfully submitted, HINTON DAVIS, Apopka Baptist Church,

BROTHERHOOD REPORT

The Lord evidently intended that men should have a large place in the work of His Kingdom. This is indicated by the fact that He entrusted the official and ordained leadership of His first churches to men. The pastors and deacons in the beginning were all men.

Organization

The plan of organization for the Southwide Brotherhood provides for an Executive Committee, composed of zealous laymen and elected by the Southern Baptist Convention. This committee is expected to outline the general policy of the Brotherhood and direct its activities. J. T. Henderson, General Secretary, and Lawson H. Cooke, Associate Secretary, were elected by this committee.

The Brotherhood also provides for an organization very similar to the above in every State, and another on very much the same plan for

all the Associations of the South.

The fundamental and most vital organization is the local Brotherhood in each church. It is intended to do for the men in the churches a work very similar to that accomplished by the W. M. S. among the women.

The Brotherhood Headquarters at Knoxville, Tennessee, is prepared to furnish literature that will be helpful in the organization of these different Brotherhoods.

Purpose

The prime object of the Brotherhood is the enlistment of men in all the enterprises of Christ's Kingdom. It is a systematic effort on the part of intelligent and consecrated laymen to bring the great mass of laymen face to face with their religious obligation. It is an appeal to laymen from the standpoint of laymen.

As a means of quickening the religious interest of laymen, thereby leading them to larger activity and more generous support, the Brotherhood seeks to deepen their spirituality, enlarge their information and give them training in service. It would use the organizations already mentioned to accomplish this end.

The Brotherhood stresses the preaching of the Gospel at home and abroad, the Bible doctrine of Stewardship—religion in business, business in religion, and the bringing of the tithe into the storehouse every first

day of the week by every member of the church.

Programs

The Brotherhood publishes an Annual of twelve programs for Brotherhoods that meet once a month, and a Quarterly of thirteen programs, four times a year, for those that meet every week. Every Brotherhood should use these programs. Both the Annual and the Quarterly sell at 10c a copy.

Respectfully submitted.

L. H. THAMES, Winter Park.

REPORT OF W. M. U. FOR WEKIWA ASSOCIATION FOR YEAR ENDING OCT. 8th, 1937

"Behold, I have set before thee an open door" (Rev. 3:8). As we come to review our work for the year just closing, our hearts are full of gratitude to our Heavenly Father for all He has led us to do in His name. We are grateful that in spite of failure along some lines and glorious success along some others, we have before us—"the open door." What has been done, has been because we were guided, "Not by might, nor by power but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

In every one of our societies we have loyally observed our Weeks of Special Prayer for Foreign, Home, and State Missions.

We have fallen short of our Enlistment program, and here is a very

crucial aim which we must not neglect. We are in need of reinforcements-every woman in every church should be allied with our Missionary program. We have lost 20 this year, reporting only 544 women.

In our Study we are so glad to report 14 additional Study classes with

13 additional awards. As we study, we give.

In our Personal Service Work we have made advances; more of our societies and individuals are talking with the unsaved-half of our societies reporting this aim. Let each one of our members feel a special impelling to win those right around us to Christ.

We are thankful and gratified to report a gain of 132 additional Tithers. Our Special Offerings have increased by \$175. And with gratitude in our hearts we rejoice to note our offering for the Co-Operative Pro-

gram is \$2,398.15, an increase of \$1,037.73.

Our sixth aim-Missionary Education of Our Young People-I want particularly to stress because here is a "door wide open"; because of many "buts" we are not entering in. Our Young People, our largest asset, our greatest responsibility, also our best opportunity of service in the years ahead. We are not enlisting them as we should,

So few of our churches or societies have more than one auxiliary. Only two-First Orlando and North Park-have full graded unions (auxiliaries for every age). We have from our Association this year only 378 of our bright young people. And of this number only 40 are R. A.'s. Forty fine boys! What have we a right to expect in the future?

We want proudly to report 41 of our nurses from the Orange General Hospital are enlisted in our Grace McBride Y. W. A. Each nurse in this organization says: "I have learned to think more of others." "It has meant so much to me," "I am reading my Bible daily." Our hearts are full of joy as we enter this open coot.

We are grateful for these and their loyal leaders. But we want you to pray earnestly with us that we may all tegether do more to enlist and encourage the young people of our Association to become "Laborers to-

gether with God" in this missionary work in the coming year.

Our W. M. U. is making preparation to celebrate our Jubilee Yearour 50th annversary-next year, 1938. Our plan for this is, by an earnest, real and deep self-searching with prayer, to find out just how much of us is Christian? how much is self-sacrificing? how much is willing to be made meet for the Master's use?

When we have found out where we stand, let us "look unto Jesus" and "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

MRS. W. G. TALTON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

In our Master's great commission to His disciples, the command to teach was especially emphasized and, the church that would be obedient to Him should be most alert in this extremely important matter.

Bible teaching is most vitally linked to the evangelization of the race, and our churches should consider it not merely as a duty, but as a blessed opportunity of bringing His Gospel to the lost, as a means of winning them to Jesus; and to those truly saved, as a means of enriching their experience and enlarging their vision and usefulness in the Master's

It is gratifying to report that our churches are making some prog-

ress in Gospel teaching, but are we satisfied with what is being done? The South-wide report shows 22,707 Sunday Schools within the bounds of the Convention, with an enrollment of 3,173,350 pupils; this shows a

net gain of 1,383,364 in 20 years.

The 1936 report shows a gain of 321 Sunday Schools over the previous year. In spite of this gain in schools, gains in enrollment have dropped in the last three years, from an average gain of 77,000 to 34,000, and in 1936 the drop was down to 15,898.

We note further that such gains as have come to us, in recent years, have been almost entirely from rural and small town churches. In a report from 298 large schools only 129 showed gain, and that so small that it will not offset the loss sustained by 144 schools where losses were reported.

Why this loss? Surely it is not the will or fault of the One who

spake and taught as never man spake or taught.

Too much worldly amusements and not sufficient co-operation by parents, I fear.

In Florida there are 790 churches with 133,201 members. There are 714 Sunday Schools (18 of these new in 1937), with a total enrollment of 102,308,-85 churches have no schools. Up until September 253 Sunday Schools have had training courses and many have had workers attend our Assemblies 42 churches held Vacation Bible Schools, from which 88 conversions have been reported. In 1936 Wekiwa Association reported 21 Sunday Schools with a total enrollment of 3,891. This seems far too low when compared to church membership. 205 baptisms were reported (these largely from the Sunday Schools).

Brethren, these facts challenge us. Consider them, and before God, let us prayerfully lay them upon the hearts of our people, and in the Name of Him who sent us, not be longer unconcerned but do this great task in a way that will be well pleasing to Him. Then will our joy be multiplied, our cups run over. For our commission is "To Go Teach All Nations.' Respectfully submitted.

J. S. BOOKHARDT, Chairman.

REPORT ON THE CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Co-Operative Program is a unified budget through which Southern Baptists seek to support all of their denominational family. It is the local church budget principle applied to our co-operative church work. If it is wise to adopt a church budget that supports each item sponsored by the church according to its merits, it is also wise to adopt a budget on the same basis for the work supported by our churches co-operatively.

The Co-Operative Program commends itself for the following rea-

1. It is comprehensive: It provides for Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Orphanages, Hospitals, Ministerial Relief, and Ministerial Education. If these objects should be supported by Southern Baptists, then a program that gives to each its share is commendable.

2. It is co-operative: It enables all of our members of all of our churches to work together through all of our agencies in doing all of our work. It enables the smallest church with the smallest contribution to

share in all of our work.

3. It is fair: The money is divided among the State agencies according to their needs as determined by the State Conventions. The part that goes to South-wide causes is divided according to their relative needs as determined by the Southern Baptist Convention itself.

4. It is economical: It is much cheaper for one central office to rep-

resent, collect, and disburse funds for all of our different causes, than for each to have a special representative to appear before the churches

and make their individual appeals.

For these reasons the Co-Operative Program commends itself as being our best plan to care for all of our work. Yet it must ever be remembered that it must always remain a CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM; and never become a COERCIVE PROGRAM. No denominational body has a right to adopt programs that have to do with methods of work, and force these upon churches who see otherwise. The present trend in some quarters towards making the Co-Operative Program a test of church fellowship is Unscriptural, Unchristlike, Unprincipled, and fraught with great danger. It must be discouraged. Co-operation cannot be forced; it must be solicited. Let us, therefore, seek to enlist all of our churches and members in the support of the Co-Operative Program by pointing out its superior advantages over other methods, rather than by disfellowshipping them for disagreeing with us.

Respectfully submitted,

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, Winter Garden, Florida, By Pastor E. J. Daniels.

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Year's Work

During the year ended March 31, 1937, the Hospital served 8,685 patients, giving them 47,992 days of service. There were 242 free patients who were given 2,901 days of service; and 746 who were given 8,957 days of part free service. This free service cost the Hospital \$49,743.79, besides the value of professional services of the doctors.

Receipts from the Co-Operative Program were \$19,684.39, and \$3,879.89 from the Hundred Thousand Club, or a total from the denomination of \$23,564.28. From other sources we received individual gifts and legacies. The total cash income was \$399,219.50. We paid all operating expenses, including the cost of free work; built and paid for an Educational building costing \$15,349.72; paid \$17,343.01 interest; \$72,000.00 on bonds; and have \$8,030.00 on deposit with the trustee for bonds which will mature June 15, 1937. The net worth of the properties increased \$54,077.55 during the year.

More detailed information will be found in the Auditor's report.

A Hospital Missionary

The New Orleans Baptist Association has employed the Rev. J. W. Dickens, D. D., as Hospital missionary for the city; and he is doing a fine work among the patients. Brother Dickens is well fitted by nature, temperament, training, and experience for the work he has undertaken, and we are grateful for his labors.

Co-Operative

The Hospital continues to give free service to missionaries of the Foreign, Home, and State Boards and to the Rescue Mission and to other similar institutions of the city. A letter from President W. W. Hamilton of the Baptist Institute expresses his deep sense of gratitude for our care of students and others of that institution.

W. M. BOUTERSE.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

The work of The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Dallas, Texas, should find a large place in the thought and concern of every Baptist in the South. They should make it a matter of prayer, of study and of co-operative effort.

The Care of Our Aged and Infirm Preachers and Widows

First, the Board continually faces the great task laid upon it by the Southern Baptist Convention and by the various States of providing food, clothing and shelter for thousands of ministers who have grown old in the service of Christ, and for the widows of those who have gone to their Heavenly hame. The outstretched hams of these needy ones should make air appeal to the generosity of the people of our churches and one that should find quick and practical response, "Who would begrudge a few embers to keep the frosts of winter from chilling the weary frames of these veterans of the Cross?"

Record of Benefits Paid

The Relief and Annuity Board has already paid to aged ministers and widows over Three Millions of dollars in benefits, but vastly more needs to be done and the Board is limited in what it can do only by the churches. Let them co-operate.

Respectfully submitted, E. H. GORE, Chairman Board of Deacons, DeLaney Street Baptist Church.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

At no other time in history has the proper work of the teacher and the function of education been so much in dispute as we see it today. Democracy demands that the coming generation be made intelligent, but left free to choose.

If education is four-fol —and it is—the development of the physical, mental, moral, and spiritual in man, we cannot be justified in developing the physical, mental, and moral and neglecting the spiritual. This train-

ing in spiritual we call Christian education.

Our religious training and experience should begin in the home. It is OUR responsibility first to see that our children are reared in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. If the Church, the school, and the community give aid, we are fortunate and grateful, nevertheless these agencies cannot and should not be depended upon to assume full responsibility for the religious training of our children. Let it begin in the home and let us as fathers and mothers teach by example as well as by precept.

In conclusion, let me say that we are not unmindful of the splendid progress and development of our own Christian college, John B. Stetson University, under the fine leadership and direction of Dr. W. S. Allen. We point with interest and pride to the fine work being done there and ecommend it to our people as an institution endowed with Christian principles and integrity and established for training in high ideals and greater spiritual living.

C. L. DURRANCE, For First Baptist Church, Orlando, Florida,

STATE OF RELIGION

Definition. It is a system of faith and worship.

We see in Hebrews (11th chapter) the wonderful work of faith by great men.

In the book of James (chapter 1, verse 27) we see what pure religion

is, it is helping the needy.

In First Corinthians (chapter 13) we have a history and deportment and the working of pure religion: it is visiting, praying and helping the

In Matthew (chapter 25) we have a promise of rewards for true service rendered to the needy ones. Without faith it is impossible to please God. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen (Hebrews, chapter 11, verse 1).

In our religious devotions remember we are worshiping God. He

wants us to worship Him in spirit and in truth.

Christianity is ideal, mystical, philosophical, supernatural, but it is likewise real, practical, and natural. It is Christ's plan that religion shall be co-extensive with one's life, and that where life goes there religion shall go. This wisdom is spiritual and is thus described: "The wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy."

> Respectfully. E. LEE SMITH, Chairman,

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We wish to report and recommend:

(1) That the next meeting of the Association be with the Winter Garden Church, on October 18-19, 1938.

(2) That Rev. W. R. Clarke be the preacher of the introductory sermon, with Rev. E. Lee Smith as alternate.

(3) That Rev. T. S. Hubert, D. D., represent the Association as member of the State Board.

(4) That J. A. Trovillion, Wade Stephenson, Hon. A. W. Hurley, N. R. Bryan, William Appling, and Don Mott, together with all pastors in the Association, represent same at the coming State Convention.

(5) That Rev. J. S. Bookhardt act as the Associational Messenger to

the Southern Baptist Convention.

Respectfully submitted, P. M. SMOCK, Chairman.

ANNUAL MEETING OF WEKIWA WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Annual Meeting of the Wekiwa Woman's Missionery Union was held in Winter Garden on Friday, October 8th, with Mrs. W. G. Talton of Apopka, presiding.

The theme of the day, "Trophies for the King," was carried out in a

very effective way.

Opening hymn, "O, Worship the King," was sung, after which Mrs. L. H. Thames of Winter Park led an inspiring devotional, followed by Mrs. Baggett of Winter Park leading in prayer,

Mrs. E. J. Daniels of Winter Garden welcomed the women in a gracious manner which was responded to by Mrs. C. T. O'Rorke of Orlando.

Miss Jones of Winter Garden sang.

Trophies won in our Association were shown in the report of the Secretary-Treasurer. The Treasurer's report was as follows:

Receipts

Balance on hand Oct. 1, General Fund	\$ 4.86
Balance on hand for Store and Student in Brazil	90.00
Collected for Mrs. Truett's tea	7.78
Collected for Grace McBride Y. W. A.	5.00
Collected for Associational dues	22.30
Collected for Divisional dues	. 15.00
Collected for Store (Arcadia)	1.00
Collected for Student (Brazil)	21.00
Collected for Training School Scholarship	60.95
Collected for Library Fund	6.00
Total Offering	34.99
Total Receipts	\$207.85
Disbursements	
Paid for Associational dues	\$ 15.00
Paid for Divisional dues	15.00
Paid for Student in Brazil	45.00
Paid for Mrs. Truett's tea	9.75
Paid for Grace McBride Y. W. A.	5.00
Paid for Store (Arcadia)	8.00
Paid for Officers' expenses	8 77
Paid for Silvers Children's Home	5.00
Paid for Current expenses	25.42
Paid for Programs	2.50
Total Disbursements	\$138.44
Balance in General Fund	\$ 2.46
Balance in Library Fund	6.00
Balance in Scholarship Fund	60.95
Total Balance	\$ 69.41

Visiting pastors, State workers and missionaries were recognized. Superintendents of Districts one and two, Mesdames C. S. Rowe and C. L. Allen, gave their annual reports.

Precious Trophies for His Crown:

Our Young People's report was given by Mrs. O. E. McGuire of

Apopka. She reported 27 auxiliaries in the Association at the close of

Mrs. O'Rorke gave the report on the Grace McBride Y. W. A., followed by Miss Warmick, a student nurse, who told what this auxiliary had meant to her and other nurses at the Orange General Hospital. Miss Susan Adams, State Young People's Director, spoke to this report in a very pleasing manner.

Mrs. Fred Coward of Winter Park had charge of the Memorial hour which included "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," sung by Mrs. C. L. Dur-

rance of Orlando.

Miss Louise Smith, State Secretary-Treasurer, gave the plans for the Golden Jubilee of the W. M. U. to be celebrated in 1938.

Mrs. Talton gave her annual report as President of the Association.

The offering of \$10.47 was taken.

Miss Grace Wells, Missionary to China, was the inspirational speaker of the day. Dr. Murphey of Taft offered the closing prayer.

Afternoon Session

The W. M. U. hymn for the year, "Christ for the World We Sing," was sung, after which Mrs. A. C. Chapman of Kissimmee led the devotional on "Trophies of Love." Mrs. Talton led in prayers

Trophies of Service consisted of the reports of the following chairmen: Mesdames Stirk, Bible, Stevens, Bur ick, Harmon, and Aiken.

Mrs. C. P. Cutts gave her report as Librarian, and Mrs. J. A. Stinson's report on Publicity was read.

Mrs. Harmon reported the new Margaret Fund student is Cecil Moore (whose parents are missionaries in Chile), and that he has entered his freshman year at Stetson.

Mrs. Coward made her report on the Hundred Thousand Club, reporting paid up members. This report was spoken to by Rev. W. R. Clarke,

pastor of North Park Church.

Mrs. O'Rorke reported \$30.25 had been sent to the Foreign Mission

Board for the Winston Stamps Memorial Kindergarten.

Mrs. Jack Smith, chairman of Registration Committee, reported 140

Mrs. W. C. Golden read the report of the Resolution Committee.

Mrs. Chas. Morey's report as chairman of the Committee on Time and Place was as follows:

January meeting to be held at St. Cloud. April meeting, to be held at North Park, July meeting to be held at Delaney Street.

October meeting to be held at Winter Park. Motion made and carried that action on amen ment to the Constitution and By-Laws be deferred until after next Executive Board meeting.

Motion made that action be deferred on Constitution and By-Laws to be discussed at Board meeting. Motion carried,

Report of Nominating Committee was given by the chairman, Mrs. C. S. Rowe. Motion made and carried that report of Nominating Committee be accepted.

Motion made and carried that Officers be elected as recommended by Nominating Committee. Miss Louise Smith cast the unanimous vote of the Association for the following:

President-Mrs. W. J. Garnett, Orlando,

First Vice-President-Mrs. W. C. Golden, Orlando, Second Vice-President-Miss Sue Chapman, Plymouth. Secretary-Treasurer-Mrs. C. L. Durrance, Orlando,

District Superintendents-

District 1-Mrs. Hoke Richardson, Apopka.

District 2-Mrs. H. J. Rogers, Orlando, District 3-Mrs. B. B. Prescott, Pine Castle.

Chairmen of Committees-

Stewardship-Mrs. R. L. Stirk, Orlando, Personal Service-Mrs. I. E. Bible, Winter Park. Mission Study-Mrs. Ethel Belle Stevens, Orlando.

Margaret Fund-Mrs. W. B. Harmon, Apopka. Training School-Mrs. Nat Moses, Narcoossee.

Librarian-Mrs. Warren Bell, Orlando.

White Cross-Mrs. Clara Burdick, St. Cloud.

Kindergarten-Mrs. W. H. Bixby, Orlando; Mrs. C. T. O'Rorke, Orlando.

Publicity-Mrs. L. L. Taylor, Jr., Orlando.

Hundred Thousand Club-Mrs. Fred Coward, Winter Park.

Children's Home Representative-Mrs. J. A. Stinson, Orlando. Pianist-Mrs. Harry Coxall, Orlando.

Golden Jubilee-Mrs. W. G. Talton, Apopka.

Members-at-large-Mrs. J. S. Bookharat, Orlando; Mrs. Leroy Davis, Orlando.

Young People's Director-Miss Sue Chapman. Superintendents of Young People's Work-

District 1-Mrs. Jack Smith, Winter Garden.

District 2-Mrs. Chas. Morey, Orlando.

District 3-Mrs. Walter Reed, Pine Castle.

Motion made and carried that Association send messages to Mesdames Bixby and Stinson as they were unable to attend meeting.

Mrs. J. S. Bookhardt installed the new officers. "To the Work" was sung, followed by the closing prayer,

OLA B. GARNETT, Secretary.

1937 TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES	
From Apopka	\$ 10.00	Kissimmee, for food, etc.	\$ 60.75
Beulah		300 Provisional Programs	3,50
Barton Lake	2.00	300 Minute Books	65.00
College Park	8.00	Clerk's Salary	35.00
Delaney Street		Telegrams, Phone calls,	
First (Orlando)	30.00	Postage, Express, etc.	5.00
Kissimmee		Dr. Brittain (Flood	
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Pine Castle	9.00		
Plymouth	4.00		
St. Cloud	10.00		
Taft	3.00		
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Respectfully submitted, P. M. SMOCK, Treasurer.

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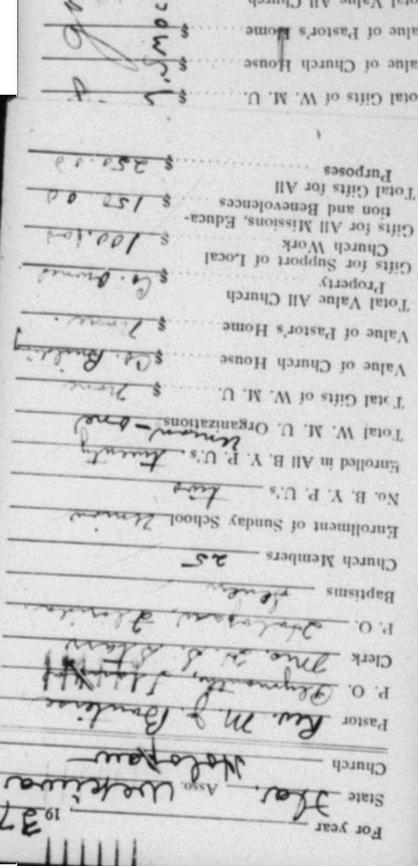
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