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DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Officers	of	New	River	Association
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Cincers of New River Association
Rev. C. B. Stallings, Moderator Brooker, Florida Rev. J. T. James, Asst. Moderator
Rev. C. B. Stallings, Moderator, Brooker Church
Rev. M. J. Eiland, Brooklyn Church Box 72, Keystone Heights, Florida
Rev. T. S. Parrish, Dedan Church
regional missionary
Rev. Marvin V. Stedham
Officers of Associational Woman's Auxiliary
President, Mrs. Emma Lamoreaux

NEW	RIVER	BAPTIST	ASSOCIATION
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Officers of Associational Sunday School General Superintendent, Rev. J. T. James Raiford, Florida Superintendent of Training, Jack Siemer......Starke, Florida Superintendent of Enlargement and Evangelism, Rev Marvin Faile . . Hampton, Florida

Vacation Bible School Superintendent, Rev. L. D. Haines Starke, Florida Group Leader No. 1, Rev. Malcolm Galbraith Starke, Florida

Group Leader No. 2 (to be selected)

DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENTS

Extension, Mrs. Doris Gaskins

(All other Superintendents to be selected.)

Officers of Associational Training Union

(All other B. T. U. Officers to be selected.)

Officers of Associational Brotherhood

President, W. H. Williams	 	Raiford Florida
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Pastor's Advisory Board:		

Rev. M. J. Galbraith Starke, Florida

Officers of Associational Music Department

General Director, Jimmy V. Crosby 812 Cypress St., Starke, Florida
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Starke, Florida
Director Training Activities, T. N. Norman
S. Sidrke, Florida
Director Congregational Activities, E. J. Harris Raiford Florida
Director Choir Activities, Mrs. J. T. James Box 225, Raiford, Florida
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Publicity and Promotion, Marcus Conner
Destar Addison D. J. D. LL.
Pastor Advisor, Rev. L. D. Haines

Committees of Association

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chairman — Rev. H. H. Mott, Brooker, Florida Rev. Orville Brookins, Rev. L. L. Parker

COMMITTEE FOR TIME AND PLACE

Chairman — Mrs. Emma Lamoreaux, Box 62, Lake Geneva, Florida Bro. D. R. Redding, Rev. M. J. Galbraith

OBITUARY COMMITTEE

Chairman — Rev. J. T. James, Raiford, Florida Rev. T. S. Parrish, Rev. Lacy Conway, Rev. J. E. Lingerfelt

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Chairman - Rev. S. F. Beard, Rt. 2, Box 105, Starke, Florida Rev. L. D. Haines, Bro. M. O. Harrell

COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS AND LETTERS

Chairman - Rev. H. H. Mott, Brooker, Florida Rev. J. E. Lingerfelt, Rev. M. J. Galbraith

Calendar of Activities

ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

Brooker Baptist Church — October 9, 1957 Heilbron Baptist Church — October 10, 1957

PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

Time — Monday night after first Sunday — Monthly Place - Starke, First

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Time — Monday night after first Sunday — Monthly Place - Starke, First Church

ASSOCIATIONAL MASS MEETING

Time — Thursday night after Executive Board Meeting — Monthly Place — Alphabetical Order of Churches

Theme — Sunday School, Training Union and Brotherhood. One meeting for each every quarter.

ASSOCIATIONAL WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

January 18th — Bayless Highway Church April 19th - Airpark Church July 10th - Beulah Church October 20th - Raiford Church

MESSENGERS TO ASSOCIATION

BAYLESS HIGHWAY - Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Norman, Mrs. Beulah Kelly

BEULAH — Mrs. Emma Baldree, Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Wainwright

BOATDRAIN — Gene Griffis, Mr. and Mrs. Zenus Griffis

BROOKER — Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Stallings, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hodge, Mrs. Zulene Harrell, Mrs. Lucille Hazen, Mrs. Mattie Barry

BROOKLYN — Rev. and Mrs. M. J. Eiland, Mrs. Ervin Triest

DEDAN — L. C. Padgett, Gene Crosby

EVERGREEN — Mrs. Doris Gaskins, Mrs. Lillie Morgan, Mrs. Daisy Pringle, Mrs. Lizzie Rosier, Cecil Crawford

GADARA - Mrs. R. C. Baldree, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Austin

GRAHAM — Mr. and Mrs. Harley Starling, Mrs. Maude Surrency

HAMPTON — Mrs. Nora Layfield, Mrs. Mamie Meade, Mrs. Cad Watterson, Mrs. Lester Slade, Miss Maggie Johnson

HEILBRON — Rev. S. F. Beard, Mrs. Mary Johns, Mrs. Martha Green, E. C. Johns, J. M. Rosier

HOPE — Rev. and Mrs. Merle Packham, Mrs. J. D. Griffis, Mrs. J. A. Gnann

KINGSLEY LAKE — Mrs. Opal Bradley, Mrs. R. L. Smith, Mrs. E. M. Norton

LAWTEY - Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hilliard, Mrs. Fred Moore, Mrs. Troy Bennett

NEW RIVER — Rev. L. L. Parker, R. H. Green, Mrs. Lucille Green, Mrs. Rosa Pinholster

RAIFORD — Rev. J. T. James, Mrs. S. A. Bryant, Mrs. J. M. Conner, Mrs. W. W. Carter, Mrs. W. B. Bloodsworth

STARKE, AIRPARK — Rev. and Mrs. L. G. Hemingway, Mrs. J. W. Barden, Mrs. Farris
Conway

STARKE, FIRST — Rev. L. D. Haines, A. Russell Norman

CONSTITUTION OF THE NEW RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME

This Association shall be known as the New River Missionary Baptist Association and shall be composed of accredited messengers who are members of constituted churches. An accredited messenger shall be one who has been duly elected by his church as a messenger or alternate. All pastors of the churches in the Association shall be enrolled as messengers but only those holding membership in constituted churches of the Association shall be eligible for office.

ARTICLE II - MESSENGERS

Each church in this Association shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members in excess of fifty members. All Churches are expected to send with their messengers letters to the Association containing an account of their state on regular form used by the State Convention and the Association with all questions answered and remarks where necessary. These letters should be forwarded to the Clerk two weeks in advance of the annual meeting when possible. The churches proportionate amount to the Association Budget should accompany the Annual Letter whenever possible. The Associational Year shall be from October 1st to September 30th.

ARTICLE III - CHURCHES

Section 1. Baptist churches desiring admission into this body shall notify the Executive Committee at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting of the Association and shall petition by letter and messengers to the Association. On giving satisfactory evidence of their being sound in faith and the Gospel, and correct in practice, and in harmony with the work of the Association, may be received by a vote of the Association at the annual meeting and the Moderator be authorized to extend the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the Association.

Section 2. The Association acknowledges the independence of the individual churches and that no authority or jurisdiction is to be exercised over them by this Association and therefore disclaims all power of making laws for them under any pretext whatsoever, but deems it it's duty to exclude any church that may be considered unworthy of fellowship. No church shall be excluded however without a thorough investigation by the Executive Committee and vote of the Association at the Annual Meeting.

Section 3. When a church shall neglect to make a communication to the Association for at least two years, it shall be considered as having withdrawn and shall be dropped by vote from the minutes unless the Executive Committee recommends its continuance for one year. Any church wishing to sever its connection with this body may be allowed to do so upon an application duly made to the Association while in session, and a letter granted thereon.

ARTICLE IV - REGULATIONS

The Association shall hold its sessions annually at such time and place as the Association may elect and while in session will be governed by Roberts Rules of Order. The Executive Committee, however, shall be authorized to make such changes in either time or place of meeting as may be found to be expedient.

ARTICLE V - DUTIES of OFFICERS

- Section 1. The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice Moderator and Clerk-Treasurer, each of whom shall be chosen by seperate ballot. These officers shall be elected at the opening session of the Annual Meeting and take office at the close of the meeting. The Moderator and Vice-Moderator cannot serve more than two years in succession.
- Section 2. Duties of the Officers: (a) The Moderator shall preside over all meetings of the Association throughout the year. He shall also act as Chairman of the Executive Committee. During the year he shall seek to promote the harmony of the individual churches and moderate with unbiased leadership whenever invited. In general, his duties will be those of any President of an Assembly. Prior to the Association meeting he shall appoint the Committee on Committees, the Budget Committee and any other committee on authority of the Executive Committee, that shall expedite the work of the Association.
- (b) The Vice-Moderator's duties will be those ascribed to him by the Moderator and to serve in the capacity of the Moderator during his absence from any meeting or at any time requested. If during the term of service the Moderator should move from the Association or his service to the Association be lost, the Vice-Moderator shall assume the place of Moderator.
- (c) The Clerk-Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of all Association meetings including a seperate record of the Executive Committee. It shall be his duty to prepare and distribute the minutes of the Annual Meeting, to keep a file of the minutes yearly and to co-operate both with the State Convention and the Moderator and churches. He shall also receive all funds from the churches and from any meetings, or any other source, and disburse same according to the budget, andor, by direction of the Executive Committee. He shall also keep a report of all funds received and disbursed and report to the Executive Committee at each meeting and to the Annual Meeting of the Association. A complete record of his term of office at the close of the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES of COMMITTEES

Section 1. (a) The Committee on Committees shall appoint a Nominations Committee, a Time, Place and Preacher Committee and a Resolutions Committee and these to report at the Annual Association Meeting. (b) The Nominations Committee shall nominate the Sunday School Superintendent; the Training Union Director; President of Woman's Missionary Union; President of Brotherhood; Director of Music; Superintendent of Evangelism. (c) The Time, Place and Preacher Committee shall nominate the time and place for the next Annual Meeting and the Preachers to bring the Annual Sermons and their alternates. (d) The Resolutions Committee shall receive all resolu-

tions to be brought to the Annual Meeting and shall bring as a recommendation any resolutions to be acted on at the meeting and all other resolutions shall be brought for consideration. (e) The Program Committee shall be composed of the Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer, Pastor of the host churches and any others advisible to assist in preparing the program. (f) The Budget Committee shall prepare the budget of the Association including all expenditures of all departments of the work and recommended apportionment to each church and submit same to the Association at its Annual Meeting for approval.

Section 2. The Executive Committee: The Executive Committee of the Association shall be composed of: (a) The officers of the Association, (b) All Pastors of churches members of the Association, (c) Heads of all departments elected by the Association and, (d) All ordained Ministers whose membership is in churches of the Association and it shall conduct all business of the Association between Annual Meetings. The Committee shall organize itself into special committees at any time it is necessary to expedite the work of the Association and is authorized to fill all vacancies which may occur during the Associational year. The Committee shall meet monthly and a quorum for business shall be eight members.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote provided that notice of such change shall have been given to the Executive Committee not later than the last Executive Committee meeting previous to the Association meeting and that notice of such change be given to the Association on the first day of such meeting.

PROCEEDINGS NEW RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

October 9th and 10th, 1956

BAYLESS HIGHWAY BAPTIST CHURCH TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9th, 1956 — MORNING SESSION

- 9:20 Devotional Rev. M. J. Galbraith, Phil. 2:12 Song —
- 9:30 Rev. C. B. Stallings, Moderator, declared the session in order for the transaction of business. A motion was made that the messengers of the various churches be seated to carry on the business of the Association. Seconded and carried. The program was presented by Rev. S. F. Beard. The program was accepted. Rev. Beard made a motion that the business of the Constitution Committee be taken care of at this time and the election of officers be moved to the business session at 10:15. Seconded by Rev. L. D. Haines. Carried.
- 9:45 Rev. L. D. Haines presented the new Constitution that was written by the committee. A motion was made by Rev. Haines that the Constitution be accepted. Seconded by Rev. Beard. The new Constitution was accepted by a vote of the Association.
- 10:05 The following visitors were welcomed: Rev M. V. Stedham, Rev. Harold Davidson, Bro. S. O. Bean, Rev. E. S. Anderson, Rev. Kenneth Hansen and Rev. E. C. Harvey. Two new pastors were introduced, Rev. Saunders of Beulah church and Rev. M. Eiland, Brooklyn church.

The roll call showed that 17 churches were represented. Rev. L. G. Hemingway, retired minister of the New River Association, has attended 28 meetings in the last 27 years.

Brooklyn Baptist Church of Keystone Heights presented a letter asking admittance to New River Association.

10:15 — The following Officers were elected for 1956-57:

Moderator — Rev. C. B. Stallings Assistant Moderator — Rev. J. T. James Clerk-Treasurer — A. Russell Norman

Rev. L. D. Haines, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the following committees:

Time, Place, Preacher — Mrs. Emma Lamoreaux, Rev. M. J. Galbraith, Mr. D. R. Redding

Digest of Letters — Rev. H. H. Mott, Rev J. E. Lingerfelt, Rev. M. J. Galbraith Resolutions — Rev. S. F. Beard, Rev. L. D. Haines, Mr. M. O. Harrell Nominations — Rev. H. H. Mott, Rev. O. Brookins, Rev. L. L. Parker

Obituary — Rev. J. T. James, Rev. T. S. Parrish, Rev Lacy Conway, Rev. J. E. Lingerfelt

The committees were accepted.

10:25 — Song — "Blessed Assurance"

- 10:30 Rev. Harold Davidson discussed the plans and progress of the Florida Baptist Witness. He reported that 8 churches of the New River Association have the Witness included in their budget. 318 copies of the Witness come into the Association.
- 10:50 S. O. Bean gave a report of the Florida Baptist Foundation.
- 11:05 Rev. E. S. Anderson discussed the Florida Baptist Children's Home.
- 11:20 Offering Song "I Walk With the King"
- 11:30 Associational Sermon Rev. M. E. Faile
- 12:00 Adjourn for lunch

TUESDAY, OCTOBER, 9th, 1956 — AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:20 Devotional Songs Scripture — I Cor. 13 — Rev. T. S. Parrish Prayer — Rev. M. V. Stedham
- 1:30 The message on Cooperative program was brought by Rev. Kenneth Hansen.
- 1:55 Report on Stetson University.
- 2:10 Song "Higher Ground"
- 2:12 Business Rev. Mott, chairman of the Committee on Petitionary Letters, presented the letter from Brooklyn Baptist Church asking to be admitted to the New River Association. Bro. Mott made a motion that the Association accept the Church. Seconded by Bro. Brookins. Carried.
- 2:15 Report Woman's Missionary Union Mrs. Emma Lamoreaux
 11 W.M.U. Organizations
 22 Young People's Auxiliaries
 300 W.M.S. Members
 4 Quarterlies

\$720.00 Lottie Moon Offering \$47.39 Annie Armstrong Offering

Speakers at Rallies: Rev. Marvin Faile, Pastor at Hampton; Bro.Armond Ball, R. A. State Secretary; Samuel Ho, Foreign Student at Stetson; Mrs. W. B. Thirlwell, State Worker.

The report was adopted.

2:30 - Song - "Saved, Saved, Saved"

- 2:35 Report on Missions Rev. M. V. Stedham
 District Six is composed of 3 Associations operating in 7 counties. New River
 Association has 18 churches with a total membership of 3,213.
- 3:15 Adjourn

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9th, 1956 - EVENING SESSION

7:30 — Devotional — Scripture, John 8:32 — Rev. O. Brookins Songs — "Jesus Saves" and "O, For A Thousand Tongues" 7:45 — Report — Sunday School — Rev. J. T. James

17 Churches reporting Sunday Schools

2068 Sunday School Enrollment

121 Baptisms

8 Vacation Bible Schools

7 Churches earning 105 S. S. Awards

We have had regular monthly meetings of our Associational Organization with a good attendance in these meetings. In addition to these meetings we had a V.B.S. Clinic with 22 present and promoted January Bible Study Week.

Your committee makes the following recommendations:

- That we maintain a complete Associational Sunday School Organization
 with regular meetings as scheduled. That we urge all our churches to encourage their Sunday School leadership to attend and share their work and
 experience so as to help improve our total work.
- 2. That our churches consider these goals of 20% increase in Sunday School enrollment. A Vacation Bible School in every church and mission. At least two or more Sunday School training courses. The observance of Bible Study Week in January. A standard school in every church.
- That our Sunday Schools cooperate with all the special days as promoted by the Florida Baptist Convention.
 The report was adopted.
- 7:55 Report Evangelism Rev. H. H. Mott

18 churches reporting

16 churches with 124 baptisms

2 churches with no baptisms

146 additions by letter

17 Revival meetings

3 churches reporting no revivals

This report was adopted.

8:10 — Song and Offering

8:15 — Special Address — Rev. T. J. Powers — John 3:16

9:00 — Adjourn — Prayer, Rev. Merle Packham

EVERGREEN BAPTIST CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER, 10th, 1956 - MORNING SESSION

- 9:30 Devotional Song "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone" Scripture — Psalm 100, Rev. J. E. Lingerfelt Prayer — Rev. S. F. Beard
- 9:45 Roll Call of Churches. All churches of the Association were represented.
- 9:50 Report Music Mrs. J. T. James
 The Church Music Department is organized to offer suggestions to our churches and to help them to help themselves. W. G. Stroup, our State Music Secretary, so aptly states, "Good singing can make good preaching even better."

To help our churches "praise the Lord in song" we promote Hymn Sings, Festivals on Associational and State levels, Schools of Music in Association and local churches, Leadership School, Harmony Bay Youth Music Camp and attendance at the Church Music Conference at Ridgecrest, N. C.

During the past year we had one local School of Music at Kingsley Lake, using a Summer Worker, and one Associational School of Music at Starke, First, with our State Music Secretary. We have had 3 Hymn Sings, one in October, one in April and one in July, plus the Carol Sing before Christmas.

Our Associational Festival, with judges giving the rating, was held in January. We had 2 churches participating and are expecting at least 6 churches to participate this year when the Festival is held January 20th at Brooker. This report was adopted.

10:05 — Report — Training Union — W. E. Lawson

1955 — 17 Churches — 11 Training Unions — 799 Enrollment

1956 — 18 Churches — 14 Training Unions — 821 Enrollment

Four Associational meetings were held this year.

89% of churches in Florida have Training Unions. The purpose of Training Union is to train members to do better work in church, to help the Christian find his place in the church and also to train soul winners. The report was adopted.

10:30 — Report — Brotherhood — Rev. Lacy Conway

18 Churches in Association

5 Churches reporting Brotherhoods

130 Members

4 Associational meetings

The report was adopted.

10:40 — Report — Baptist Bible Institute — Frank Forest

Baptist Bible Institute of Graceville and Lakeland, Florida, opened the 1956 session with indications of its best year. The property at Graceville consists of 160 acre campus, 15 buildings. We have 2 endowment building projects, a Hatchery and a Poultry Research project. Total Baptist Bible Institute assets now exceed \$300,000.00, at Graceville.

Sincere appreciation is expressed to those churches that make possible this vital ministry by supporting the Institute through designated gifts. Baptist Bible Institute is dedicated to preparing men for the ministry who cannot attend college or seminary.

The report was adopted.

- 10:50 Report American Bible Society Rev. Lacy Conway
- 11:00 Rev. R. C. Crosby read the report for the Budget Committee. Rev. L. D. Haines made a motion that the report be tabled until after lunch. Seconded by Rev. S. F. Beard. Carried.
- 11:25 Song "I Gave My Life For Thee" Offering
- 11:30 Doctrinal Sermon Rev. John T. James
- 12:00 Adjourn Prayer, Rev. C. F. Padgett

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10th, 1956 - AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:15 Devotional Song "Throw Out the Life Line" Scripture - Romans 5, Rev. L. L. Parker
- 1:30 Report Education Rev. S. F. Beard

Part of the Church Covenant is as follows: — "We do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ. We engage to - - - religiously educate our children." These are the words every Baptist should know, taken from the Church Covenant.

We maintain 5 Seminaries in our Convention: Golden Gate, Berkley 4, Cal.; New Orleans, New Orleans 22, La.; Southeastern Inc., Wake Forrest, N. C.; Southern, Louisville 6, Ky.; Southwestern, Fort Worth, Texas.

These schools enrolled 4,755 last year and the enrollment will probably be much more this year.

Florida Baptists support only one University, Stetson University, Deland, Fla. and the Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla.

Baptist Bible Institute meets a great need in our State. Young men called of God but do not have High School training can go to this school and prepare themselves for better service. This school has done and is doing a fine work and deserves the prayers and interests of us all. Many of the W.M.U.'s of Florida are contributing to a fund to build a Women's building at B. B. I.

Stetson University enrollment for the Fall of 1955 was 1329 regular students excluding students enrolled in law and night classes. Dr. O. L. Walker, head of the Department of Bible, tells me that there were 150 ministerial students in the University last year. There were 20 students in the field of religious education. The amount given to the University through the Cooperative program was \$120,000.00.

The aims and ideals of the University are to provide Christian Education for all of its students. An education which includes Christian ideals and seeks to prepare students in all walks of life for Christian service — that is, Christian Lawyers, Christian Doctors, Christian Businessmen, Christian Teachers and so forth. The University seeks to aid in the building of Christian society.

This report was adopted

1:45 — Report — Executive Board — Rev. C. B. Stallings

The Executive Board of the New River Baptist Association met twelve times during the year.

Recommended the purchase of 500 letterheads and 500 envelopes for the Associational officers.

Recommended that a School of Music be held in the Association.

Recommends that we not try to have an Associational library

Recommends that we plan for a Brotherhood Clinic in 1957.

Recommends that we continue Mass Meetings each month emphasizing a different phaze of our work, Sunday School, Training Union and Brotherhood. Recommends that speakers for the Mass Meetings from outside the Association be paid \$10.00. The report was adopted.

1:50 — The Nominating Committee presented the following names to the Association:

W. M. U. President — Mrs. Emma Lamoreaux

S. S. Superintendent — Rev. John T. James

B. T. U. Director - Rev. L. L. Parker

Brotherhood President - W. H. Williams

Music Director — Jimmy Crosby

They were unanimously elected.

1:55 — Treasurer's report, 1955 - 1956 — A. Russell Norman

RECEIPTS

Amount Brought Forward, October 1, 1955	\$174.71
Offering at Starke, October 5	
Offering at Lawtey, October 6	
buyless Highway Church, October 6	05.00
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bodiardin Church, October 6	15.00
Dedan Church, October 6	10.00
Evergreen Church, October 6	0.50
Gadara Church, October 6	00.00
Hampton Church, October 6	10.00
Helloron Church, October 6	04.00
Hope Church, October 6	10.00
Ningsley Lake Church, October 6	00.00
Lawtey Church, October 6	20.00
New River Church, October 6	25.00
Starke, Airpark Church, October 6	7.00
Starke, First Church, October 6	15.00
Heilbron Mass Meeting, November 17	. 100.00
Brooker, "M" Night, December 9	17.25
Raiford Mass Meeting, January 5, 1956	22.01
Starke Music Meeting, January 20	. 16.86
Hope Mass Meeting, February 9	9.27
Airpark Brotherhood Clinic February 13	12.39
Airpark Brotherhood Clinic, February 13.	10.31
Kingsley Lake Mass Meeting, March 8	12.50
Lawtey Mass Meeting, April 5	10.64
Bayless Highway Sing, April 15.	9.16
New River Mass Meeting, May 10	7.37
Starke Mass Meeting, June 7 (Cash \$43.71, Graham checks \$8.00).	. 51.71
Airpark Mass Meeting, July 5	. 10.37
Bayless Highway Mass Meeting, August 9	. 8.55
Raiford Church, August 10	. 50.00
Beulah Mass Meeting, September 6	8.94

DISBURSEMENTS

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For Minutes, Starke Printcrafters, October 14, 1955	
Postage, Rev. Edgar Wilkinson, November 12.	3.00
Cards, Postage, Envelopes, November 26.	10.98
Handbooks, W. E. Lawson, November 26	3.50
Supplies for S. S., Rev. J. T. James, December 14	5.81
Clerk's Salary, December 21	100.00
For Minutes, Starke Printcrafters, December 27	100.00
Speaker for Mass Meeting, January 5, 1956	10.00
Supplies for S. S., Rev. James, January 5	9.15
Moderator's Salary, January 10	40.00
Rev. Marvin Stedham, February 7	70.00
Speaker for Brotherhood Clinic, February 13	10.00
Letterheads and Envelopes, Starke Printcrafters, February 94	12.75
Speaker for S. S. Meeting, February 29	10.00
Golden Rule Printing, Rev. Edgar Wilkinson, March 12	15.40
Stamps, W. E. Lawson, March 12	1.00
Baptist Book Store, Film, April 6	8.85
Music Judges, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stroup, April 6	
Music Judge, Miss Louise Stern, April 30	10.00
Postage, Rev. Edgar Wilkinson, May 6	5.00
Convention Funds, Rev. Stedham, May 8	3.00
Speaker, Mass Meeting, May 15	35.70
Speaker, Mass Meeting, May 15	10.00
Billy Graham Mass Meeting, Jnne 7 (Cash \$43.71, Checks \$8.00)	51.71
Postage, Rev. Edgar Wilkinson, June 8	3.00
Expenses of Sunday School, Rev. J. T. James, August 20	4.59
Speaker, Mass Meeting, September 6	10.00
For Programs, Starke Printcrafters, September 18	20.00
Total	663 44
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Balance, October 1, 1956	148.83
This report was adopted.	

2:10 — Report — Budget Committee — Rev. R. Clark Crosby BUDGET FOR THE NEW RIVER ASSOCIATION

Printing Minutes	00.00
Clerk	00.00
Moderator	40.00
Moderator and Clerk Expense to State Meeting	15.00
Printing Programs	20.00
Postage and Stationary	20.00
Mission Committee 6th District	00.00
Miscellaneous	05.00
Total	00.00

APPORTIONMENTS TO CHURCHES

Bayless Highway . 25.00	Gadara 20.00	Lawtey	20.00
Beulah 20.00	Graham 15.00	New River	
Boatdrain 15.00	Hampton 50.00	Raiford	40.00
Brooker 30.00	Heilbron 20.00	Starke, Airpark	15.00
Dedan 20.00	Hope 25.00	Starke, First	125.00
Evergreen 20.00	Kingsley Lake 25.00	Est'd. Offerings	
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This budget was adopted.

\$600.00

- 2:20 Song "How Firm A Foundation"
- 2 95 Report Resolutions Committee Rev. S. F. Beard Be it resolved that:
 - (1) We express our deepest appreciation to the host churches, Bayless Highway and Evergreen, and their pastors the Reverends Malcom Galbraith and J. E. Lingerfelt and to their fine people for the splendid way in which they entertained us during the 84th session of the New River Association.
 - (2) We thank the officers of the Association who served us so faithfully during the past year and during this session, and the Program Committee for the excellent program for this session. We pray that God's blessing be upon those who serve and lead us during the new Associational year.
 - (3) That each of us heed the advice given us at these sessions and go back to our churches with a plea for their continued increase in the support of World Missions through our Southern Baptist Cooperative Program.
 - (4) That we seek to cooperate closer with our State Officers in making their work as easy as possible as they endeavor to serve us.
 - (5) That pastors be urged to assist the women of our W.M.U.'s in the dissemination of missionary information to the total membership of our churches.
 - (6) That the pastors of our churches be urged to so arrange their church work so they can attend the Executive Committee meetings monthly and that they, themselves, attend the various Associational meetings throughout the year and that they urge the members of their respective churches to do so.

The report was adopted.

9:45 — Report — Time, Place and Preacher Committee — Mrs. Emma Lamoreaux

October 9, 1957 — Wednesday — Brooker Church Associational Sermon — Rev. S. F. Beard Alternate — Rev. Orville Brookins

October 10, 1957 — Thursday — Heilbron Church Doctrinal Sermon — Rev. M. J. Galbraith Alternate — Rev. H. H. Mott

This report was adopted except that the dates for the Associational meeting will be subject to change by the Executive Board.

2:55 — Installation Service — Rev. L. D. Haines

The following officers were installed for 1956 — 1957

Moderator — Rev. C. B. Stallings

Associate Moderator — Rev. J. T. James

Clerk-Treasurer — A. Russell Norman

The Association gave a rising vote of thanks to the officers for their untiring efforts on behalf of the work of the Association.

3:00 — Report — Obituary Committee — Rev. J. T. James

Twenty-one of our number have been taken from our midst during the past year. We humbly bow to the will and wise providence of God and remember those now departed with love and appreciation for their consecrated lives, sweet fellowship, inspiring testimony and good works. We recommend a page in our minutes be dedicated to them and this Association stand in silent prayer in memory of these Our Honored Dead.

Prayer - Rev. Marvin E. Failè.

The report was adopted.

3:05 - Adjourn - Prayer, Rev. S. E. Sparks.

AUXILIARY MEETINGS

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

"Laborers together with God."

18 Churches in Association

11 W.M.U. Organizations

300 Members

4 Quarterly Rallies

22 Young People's Auxiliaries

Watchword — 1956 - 57 — "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." — Hab. 2:14

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Our Association reports:

17 Sunday Schools

2068 Sunday School enrollment

8 Vacation Bible Schools

671 Vacation Bible School enrollment

121 Baptisms

7 Churches earning 105 awards

Promoted V.B.S. Clinic and January Bible Study

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

New River Association:

18 Churches

14 Training Unions

821 Enrolled

This is an increase of 2 churches but shows a loss of 66 members.

BROTHERHOOD CONVENTION

The Associational Brotherhood held 4 regular meetings during the year. There are 5 churches in the Association with Brotherhoods with 130 men enrolled. This shows a decrease in the number of organizations but it also shows an increase of 28 in membership.

CHURCH MUSIC DEPARTMENT

- 1 Local School of Music at Kingsley Lake Church
- 1 Associational School of Music at Starke, First Church with State Music Secretary, W. G. Stroup.
- 3 Hymn Sings
- 1 Carol Sing at Christmas
- 1 Associational Festival, 2 churches participating
- 1 State Festival in our area.

In MEMORIUM

OUR HONORED DEAD

Mr. M. J. Batten, Deacon Beulah
Mr. Kenny Thomas Beulah
Mr. Clarence Sullivan Boatdrain
Miss Lubedia Pinholster Brooker
Mrs. A. J. Compeau Brooker
Mr. Shelly Fowler Brooker
Mr. Pete Dyal Hampton
Mr. W. T. Crosby, Deacon Heilbron
Mr. Ike Norman Heilbron
Mrs. Blaine Teston Lawtey
Mr. Tyson Sapp Raiford
Mrs. Amy Ritch Raiford
Mr. Johnnie Johns Raiford
Mr. William S. Parker Starke, Airpark
Mrs. Martha Wilkerson Starke, Airpark
Mr. W. D. Hodge Starke, First
Mrs. F. O. Peterson Starke, First
Mrs. A. C. Durden Starke, First
Mr. W. B. Mundy, Jr Starke, First
Mr. Pearson P. Woods Starke, First
Mrs. Arlen Gay Starke, First
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CHURCH DIRECTORIES

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Rev. L. G. Hemingway, Starke, Florida
ASSISTANT PASTORS or EDUCATIONAL DIRECTORS (None)
MINISTERS LICENSED THIS YEAR
Cecil Crawford, Lawtey, Florida . Evergreen Louie Prevatt, Waldo, Florida . Hampton Pat Bowers, Starke, Florida . Hampton Harold Ward, Waldo, Florida . Hampton Donald A. Brandeis, Box 538, Carrabelle, Florida . Lawtey
MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR
L. L. Parker, Brooker, Florida
STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY
Pat Bowers, Columbia Bible College, S. C
SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS
Bobby Crosby, Rt. 2, Box 174B, Starke, Florida Bayless Highway C. L. Hickey, Rt. 2, Green Cove Springs, Florida Beulah Eugene Griffis, Rt. 1, Starke, Florida Boatdrain Wilson Green, Brooker, Florida Brooklyn A. I. Mann, Rt. 1, Brooker, Florida Brooklyn A. I. Mann, Rt. 1, Brooker, Florida Dedam C. E. Crawford, Rt. 1, Box 111, Lawtey, Florida Evergreen W. R. Thomas, Lake Geneva, Florida Gadara Mrs. J. H. Surrency, Graham, Florida Graham Don E. Hill, Hampton, Florida Hampton Warren Johns, Rt. 1, Box 114, Lawtey, Florida Heilbron William E. Dampier, Box 88, Starke, Florida Hope O. F. Siemer, Sr., Rt. 1, Box 424, Starke, Florida Kingsley Lake Truman Norman, Lawtey, Florida Lawtey Glen Tomlinson, Brooker, Florida New River Drew C. Sweat, Raiford, Florida Starke, First
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Mrs. J. R. Kelly, Starke, Florida

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HISTORICAL RECORD NEW RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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Year	Moderator	Clerk	Minister for Sermon	Place of Meeting
1906	L. W. Kickliter	F. L. Colson	Rev. A. C. Odom	New River
1907	L. W. Kickliter	F. L. Colson	Rev. A. J. Pinholser	Mt. Sinai
1910	J. E. Black	J. C. Poppell	Rev. J. G. Bartlebaugh	Evergreen
1912	L. W. Kickliter	J. C. Poppell	Rev. J. E. Black	China Grove
1913	W. Kickliter	J. C. Poppell	Rev. L. W. Kickliter	Corinth
1917	L. W. Kickliter	J. C. Poppell	Rev. A. B. Cannady	Starke
1918	L. W. Kickliter			China Grove
1920	L. W. Kickliter	D. W. Moore	Rev. E. D. Boyer	Corinth
1921	L. W. Kickliter	D. W. Moore	Rev. C. A. Crosby	Lawtev
1926	J. T. Quigley	D. W. Moore	Rev. C. A. Crosby	Hope
1927		D. W. Moore	Rev. J. L. Norris	Corinth
1928	J. L. Norris	D. W. Moore	Dr. W. A. Hobson	Wateroak
1929	J. L. Norris	D. W. Moore	Rev. G. P. Raymond	Ward City
1930	J. L. Norris	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. R. E. Blanchard	Heilbron
1931	J. L. Norris	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. C. A. Crosby	Pine Grove
1932	J. L. Norris	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. C. M. Britten	Raiford
1933	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. W. W. Williams	Pine Grove
1934	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. C. B. Price	Starke
1935	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster		Heilbron
1936	J. T. Quigley	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. J. Dean Adcock	Antioch
1937	G. E. McGauley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Pat Wimberly	Brooker
1938	G. E. McGauley	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Chas. A. Maddry	Beulah
1939	C. F. Hooker	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Lloyd King	Graham
1940	C. F. Hooker	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. W. T. Halstead	Raiford
1941	C. A. Crosby	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. W. S. Allen	Pine Grove
1942	A. E. Lightfoot	T. B. Pinholster	Dr. Thomas Hanson	Starke
1943	S. E. Sparks	T. B. Pinholster		Antioch
1944	S. E. Sparks	T. B. Pinholster	Rev. Dewey Mann	Raiford
1945	S. E. Sparks	A. R. Norman	Chaplain John E. Evans	Brooker
1946	S. E. Sparks	A. R. Norman		Pine Grove
1947	S. E. Sparks	A. R. Norman	Dr. John Maguire	Lawtey
1948	S. E. Sparks	A. R. Norman	Rev. Clifford Walker	N. Pleasant Grove
1949	S. E. Sparks	A. R. Norman	Rev. G. E. Cutshaw	Boatdrain
1950	A. R. Green	A. R. Norman	Rev. J. E. Strickland	Antioch
1951	C. F. Hooker	A. R. Norman	Rev. L. D. Haines	Bayless Highway
1952	C. F. Hooker	A. R. Norman	Rev. J. E. Strickland	Airpark
1953	S. E. Sparks	A. R. Norman	Rev. L. D. Haines	Raiford
1954	S. E. Sparks	A. R. Norman	Rev. C. C. Harris	Hampton-Brooker
1955	L. D. Haines	A. R. Norman	Rev. C. B. Stallings	Starke 1st-Lawtey
1956	C. B. Stallings	A. R. Norman	Rev. M. E. Faile	Bayless Highway- Evergreen

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