

MINUTES
OF THE
CONCORD
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
BOONEVILLE, ARK.

FORTY NINTH YEAR
1919

Minutes
OF THE
Forty-Ninth Annual Session
OF THE
Concord Baptist Association
HELD WITH
First Baptist Church
Booneville, Ark.

September 27-28-29, 1919.

OFFICERS

Moderator	Clerk	Treasurer
W. J. HINSLEY	W. A. BOOKER,	C. F. SPILLERS,
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Member of State Board.....**W. J. Hinsley.**
Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention.....**B. V. Ferguson**

Next Session will convene on Saturday before the Fourth Sunday in Sept.
1920, at 10 a. m., with Charleston Baptist Church, Charleston, Ark.

Preacher of Introductory Sermon—O. M. Stallings; alternate, H. E. Marsh.

Committees 1920 Session:

Order of Business—E. B. Brown, O. M. Stallings, B. V. Ferguson.

Prohibition—W. B. Taylor.

Associational Missions—O. M. Stallings.

Sunday School—P. B. Langley.

State Missions—E. A. Spiller.

Home Missions—J. W. Comer.

Foreign Missions—H. E. Marsh.

Orphan's Home—P. C. Mays.

Religious Literature—Roy Bryant.

Christian Education—C. F. Spillers.

Ministerial Education—W. A. Booker.

Ministerial Support—G. A. Bryant.

Obituaries—H. L. Bean.

Nomination—B. V. Ferguson.

Finance—Dan Bryan.

Woman's Work—Mrs. E. B. Brown.

B. Y. P. U.—F. W. Webb.

Old Ministers Relief—Homer Davis.

Table of Ordained Ministers

G. C. MeTee	Fort Smith	J. L. Burt	Charleston
W. J. Hinsley	Booneville	P. C. Mays	Charleston
J. N. Pennington	Booneville	R. E. Walden	Charleston
W. B. Taylor	Booneville	E. A. Spiller	Charleston
P. B. Langley	Booneville	B. V. Ferguson	Fort Smith
J. W. Comer	Booneville	H. E. Marsh	Fort Smith
G. W. Parks	Booneville	Will Davis	Fort Smith
Nathan Keller	Branch	Perry F. Webb	Fort Smith
H. M. Wells	Ratcliff	D. M. Bryant	Booneville
E. B. Brown	Fort Smith	Geo. A. Williams	Greenwood
K. Buckner	Fort Smith	E. F. White	Greenwood
John F. Johnston	Fort Smith	J. C. Williamson	Greenwood
L. L. Lusk	Fort Smith	J. F. Brewer	Lavaca
H. L. Been	Greenwood	M. H. Graham	Lavaca
H. A. Maples	South Fort Smith	S. W. Williams	Charleston
Van Moore	Huntington, R1	Karl McClendon	Ft. Worth, Tex.
E. B. Harlin	Spiro, Okla.	O. M. Stallings	Greenwood
Mallie Graham	Lavaca	G. R. Stephens	Huntington, R2
C. E. Goatcher	Hackett City	H. A. O'Neal	Ratcliff

Licentiates

Aaron Scott.....	Fort Smith	L. F. Woods.....	Charleston
J. T. Caughley.....	Fayetteville	Harrison Springer.....	Booneville, R
Joe Odon.....	Fort Smith, R3	Z. B. Dooley.....	Lavaca
Floyd Odom.....	Fort Smith	Alvin Stem.....	Lavaca
Lloyd Odon.....	Fort Smith	Charlie Main.....	Fort Smith
Derosa Kent.....	Lavaca	Earnest Hogan.....	Bunyen

Rules of Decorum

1. The Association shall open and close with prayer.
2. The introductory sermon shall be preached by a minister chosen by ballot at the preceding association. In case of absence or failure, the sermon to be preached by an alternate chosen at the same time and in the same way. Some brother shall also be chosen to deliver a temperance address.
3. A committee of arrangements, consisting of five members, besides the moderator and clerk, who shall be ex-officio members, shall be appointed by the moderator to arrange and report the order of business.
4. Visiting brethren who are in good standing may be invited to seats but not to vote.
5. A member not satisfied with any decision of the moderator may make an appeal to the association on the same day, but at no other time.
6. But one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise, address the moderator, and upon obtaining leave, shall proceed.
7. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject or use words of personal reflection, and then by the moderator.
8. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the association by yea and nays or otherwise.
9. A member wishing to retire shall obtain permission from the moderator.
10. No member shall speak more than twice on one subject without permission from the moderator.
11. The appellation of "brother" shall be used in the association by the members in their addresses one to the other. Titles that are unknown to the Scripture, such as "Reverend," "Parson," and the like, shall not be employed nor appear upon the minutes.
12. The names of the members shall be called as often as the association may direct.
13. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided he appoints another to his seat during the time, but shall not vote on any question unless the association is equally divided.
14. Any person violating these rules may be reproved by the moderator at discretion, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

15. These rules may be amended or altered at any regular meeting of this association by a majority vote of the members present.

Constitution.

Article I. This Association shall be known as the Concord Association.

Article II. It shall be composed of Messengers from Baptist churches known to be in good standing. Each church with fifty members or less shall be entitled to three messengers. Each additional fifty shall entitle the church to one additional messenger.

Article III. The officers shall be Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual session and shall continue in office until their successors are chosen.

Article IV. Section 1. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over the body according to parliamentary usage.

Section 2. The Clerk shall keep a correct record of the proceedings, attend to the publication and distribution of the minutes, keep a regular file of the printed minutes of the body and deliver the same to his successor in office.

Section 3. The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the Association, or its Executive Committee, and render account of the same to the annual session of this body.

Article V. The object of the Association shall be to promote fellowship among the churches; to secure unanimity of faith; to encourage concert in operation, and especially to cultivate the piety of the churches; and to aid in this last object, several minutes of each session shall be spent in devotional exercises.

Article VI. Section 1. This Association shall in no case interfere with the internal regulations of the churches, but will act as advisory counsel whenever it shall be necessary.

Section 2. It, however, claims authority over its own members, the Messengers from the churches, and will withdraw from and disown all churches that depart from the principles of this compact by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice.

Article VII. Newly organized churches, or churches dismissed from other Associations may be admitted into this body upon application, by letter and Messenger at our annual meeting, and subscribing by our Messengers to the abstract of principles herewith published.

Article VIII. Churches may be dismissed from the Association, upon application at the annual meeting for the purpose of joining other Association, but any church departing from us without being regularly dismissed, shall be regarded as disorderly.

Article IX. Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee, consisting of the officers of the body with five members chosen by the Association at each annual meeting. The duty of the committee shall be to superintend the missionary operations of the Association, and represent it in all matters requiring their attention when the Association is not in session.

Three members of said committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Upon appointment, said committee shall come together and arrange their meeting and take such other steps as may be to the best interests of the cause of Christ.

Section 2. The regular committees of this Association shall be as follows: Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Associational Missions, Sunday School Missions, Educational, Ministerial Support, Prohibition, Religious Literature, Digest of Letters, Nominations, Queries, Finance, Order of Business, Womans Work, Orphan's Home and Obituaries.

Article X. It shall be the privilege of the Association, through its executive committee, in addition to the power already granted, to conduct missionary operations within its limits, and for this purpose to choose a missionary or missionaries as means may allow, and designate the field of labor and pay them monthly through its Treasurer out of any funds in its hands, except the money sent for publishing the minutes of every annual meeting.

Article XI. The annual meeting of Association shall embrace the Lord's Day, and shall begin at 10 o'clock a. m. on Saturday before the fourth Lord's Day in September. The introductory sermon shall be preached at 11 a. m. on the same day. On each succeeding day the Association shall adjourn at 11 o'clock for preaching.

Article XII. This Constitution may be altered or amended, except as to Article VI, Section 1, at any regular meeting of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the members who are in attendance.

Amendments to Constitution

1. No person shall serve as Moderator of this body more than two terms in succession. Adopted 1882.

2. The Constitution shall be published annually in the minutes of the Association. Adopted 1893.

3. Missionary sermon is placed in the hands of the committee on Divine service. Adopted 1894.

4. Each church is expected to send to each annual meeting of the Association, by the hands of its messengers, a sum of money to be used for printing minutes. Adopted 1895.

5. All moneys collected by the Association during its several sessions shall be under the control of this Association.

6. The introductory sermon shall be preached at 11 o'clock on the first day of the annual session. Adopted 1910.

7. It shall be composed of messengers from Baptist churches known to be in good standing. Each church with fifty members or less shall be entitled to three messengers; and all ordained ministers belonging to said churches are messengers without election. Each additional fifty members shall entitle the church to one additional messenger. Adopted 1905.

8. That there be appointed a committee on B. Y. P. U. work. Adopted 1914.

9. The preaching services on Monday at 11 o'clock be dispensed with. Adopted 1914.

Articles of Faith

1. We believe there is one and only one true and living God, Jehovah, and that in unity of the God-head there are three persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the words of God, constituting the only all-sufficient standard of Faith, Doctrine, Discipline and Practice.

3. We believe that election is the sovereign exercises of the eternal love by which God has, according to His infinite wisdom, chosen His people in Christ before the word was, and has predestined them unto the adoption of the children through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth, and doth keep them by His power through faith unto salvation.

4. We believe that man was created holy, but by wilful violation of the law of his Maker, he fell into a state of sinfulness and brought death upon his race, who being by natural descent in the unholy image of Adam, are children of wrath by nature, and without natural or spiritual power to live a holy life or attain to a happy state.

5. We believe that sinners are saved by grace through faith in Jesus Christ and in no other way.

6. We believe that in order to be saved sinners must be regenerated or born again, that regeneration is affected by the power of the Holy Spirit, in conection with divine truth and the conditions thereof are repentance and faith, the evidence thereof love to the brethren.

7. We believe that such only are believers as endure unto the end in holiness of life, and are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

8. We believe the scriptures teach that repentance and faith are sacred duties and also inseparable graces wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God.

9. A Christian church is a congregation of immersed believers who meet stately and have covenanted together to maintain the ordinances of Christ, discharge the duties and enjoy the privileges of the New Testament appertaining to the church of Jesus Christ.

10. The only and proper offices of Christian churches are bishops (or pastors) and deacons.

11. Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit by a regularly ordained Baptist minister in good order.

12. The Lord's Supper is a positive and commemorative ordinance of Jesus Christ, to be observed in the church as such in remembrance of Christ and to show forth his death until He comes.

13. The first day of the week is the Lord's Day, and should be observed as a day of rest from common labor and all worldly business and de-

voted to religious duties.

14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and in a general judgement, and that the felicity of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

**Constitution and By-Laws of the Woman's Missionary Union
Auxiliary to the Concord Association**

Article I.—Name. This organization shall be known as the Woman's Missionary Union auxiliary to the Concord Baptist Association.

Article II.—Object. The three-fold object of the Woman's Missionary Union shall be:

1. To distribute Missionary information and stimulate effort through the local societies.

2. To secure the earnest, sympathetic co-operation of women and young people in collecting and raising money for missions.

3. To encourage organized and definite Personal Service.

Article III.—Officers. Section 1. The officers shall be the Superintendent, First Vice Superintendent, Second Vice Superintendent and a Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the officers of the Union and the President of each society or her substitute.

Section 3. The Superintendent and Vice Superintendents shall be the Program Committee.

Article IV.—Annual Meeting. The annual meeting for the election of officers, transaction of business, and the rendering of the annual program shall be held each year at such time and place as may be determined at the previous annual meeting or by the Executive Committee.

Article V.—Representatives at the Annual Meeting. The officers of the W. M. U. and delegates duly elected by the local societies shall be entitled to vote. Each society shall be entitled to five delegates and one additional for each organization fostered by the local society.

Article VI.—Conduct of Meetings. Every session of the W. M. U. shall be opened and closed with devotional services.

Article VII.—Amendments. The Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third majority vote, at any annual meeting, a month's previous notice having been sent through the Secretary to each local society.

BY-LAWS

Article I.—Superintendent. The Superintendent shall preside at the annual meeting of the W. M. U. and at all meetings of the Executive Committee; shall appoint all Committees not otherwise provided for. She may, through the Secretary, call special meetings of the Executive Committee, when in her judgement needful or at the request of five members of the Committee. It shall be her duty to keep in close touch with all societies by letter, or otherwise and do all in her power to promote the work of the kingdom in the Association. All reports shall be sent to her from the so-

cieties and she shall report quarterly and annually to the State Secretary of the W. M. U. In her absence the First Vice Superintendent shall preside in her place.

Article II—First Vice Superintendent. The First Vice Superintendent shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the Superintendent; shall be expected to attend the annual meetings of this body. It shall be her specific duty to do the field work and enlistment work of the Association.

Article III—Second Vice Superintendent. The Second Vice Superintendent shall preside at all meetings in the absence of the Superintendent and First Vice Superintendent. She shall be expected to attend the annual meeting of this body. She shall be Superintendent of the Young People's work in this Association.

Article IV—Secretary-Treasurer. The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive all funds paid into the Association for expenses; shall keep accurate records of the annual and special meetings of the W. M. U. and Executive Committee. She shall perform the other duties usual to her office.

Article V—Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee, composed of five members shall be elected from the floor at the beginning of each annual meeting. Only one member of this Committee shall be allowed from any society.

Article VI—Amendments. The By-Laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds majority vote at the annual meeting, one month's previous notice having been sent through the Secretary to the local societies.

Messengers

Barber—J. R. Boydson, H. W. Boss.

Bethlehem—J. T. Horn, I. N. Arledge.

Bloomer—Henry Walker, Claude Jetton.

Booneville—W. J. Hinsley, J. N. Pennginton, W. B. Taylor, P. B. Langley, J. W. Comer, G. W. Parks, Ed Westmoreland, W. P. Cantrell, G. A. Bryant, O. A. Skinner, Otto Cantrell, Dr. B. Criner, Mesdames Dean Bryant, M. Edwards, E. O. Barton, and Miss Lottie Davis.

Branch—J. B. Branch, W. O. Mayfield, Murrilla Mayfield.

Burnville—W. C. Redding, T. L. Palmer.

Calvary—E. B. Brown, W. A. Booker, Mesdames W. F. Webb, E. B. Brown, Sarah J. Lindley.

Cavanaugh—A. M. Brothers, R. L. Johnson, Fred Albertson, K. Buckner, Mesdames Millie Johnson, Mollie Capperton, Florence Browden.

Charleston—E. A. Spiller, C. F. Spiller, L. J. Burt, P. C. Mays, R. E. Walden, Mesdames Dora Bryant, Clintia Hunter.

Corinth—J. L. Callahan, O. J. Kincannon, Mesdames J. L. Callahan, O. J. Kincannon.

Excelsior—S. W. Hamlin, J. B. Basinger.

First, Fort Smith—B. V. Ferguson, H. E. Marsh, Mesdames E. Vann, B. W. Webb, B. V. Ferguson, Misses Edith Ayers, Evelyn McGlachlen, Marjorie Reynolds, Dollie Clark, Virginia Booker.

Glendale—L. H. Perry, J. H. Ray, Roy Bryant, W. L. Yarbrough.
Greenwood—O. M. Stallings, Mesdames O. M. Stallings, M. E. Fuller, Geo. Melton, W. A. Hartsfield.
Lexington Avenue—John McClendon, Mrs. W. D. Strong.
Marietta—Herbert McClellan, Everet Roose, Fred Raney, S. A. Williams, Mrs. S. A. Williams.
Moore's Rock—R. L. Honeyman, Homer Pearcy.
Oak Bend—W. S. Stephens, L. D. Terry, J. C. Chancey.
Oak Bower—D. A. Clawson, Wm. Southard, J. D. Measles.
Oak Grove—Homer Davis, Earl Rambo, W. H. Cross, W. A. Rambo, W. Lee Been, H. L. Been, Miss Cora Rowe.
Pleasant Valley—J. E. Andrews, B. F. Austin.
Prairie View—Olan Brotherton, Mrs. J. Aldridge.
Ratcliff—W. W. Pyle, W. E. Terry, Anna Terry.
Roseville—Leve Webb, Ernest Stewart, M. E. Gattis.
South Fort Smith—Joe Odom, L. E. Pettigrew, Mrs. L. M. Phillips.
Union Grove No. 1—J. A. Franks.
Union Grove No. 2—Arthur Evart, Mrs. Shirley Moore.
Vesta—H. W. Boone, Lucy Craft, Dora Monroe.

Proceedings

Booneville, Arkansas, September 27, 1919.

The forty-ninth session of Concord Baptist Association of Arkansas, held with the First Baptist Church at Booneville, Sept. 27, 28, and 29, was called to order at 10 a. m., Saturday by Moderator W. J. Hinsley, of Booneville.

After song service the body was led in prayer by P. C. Mays.

E. B. Brown was appointed clerk pro tem as H. L. Waters having removed from the bounds of the Association.

Devotional exercises were conducted by E. A. Spiller.

Motion prevailed adopting the order of business as read by Chairman B. V. Ferguson, and the Association proceeded to organize.

By order of the body, clerk pro tem cast the vote of the Association for W. J. Hinsley, of Booneville, as Moderator, and W. A. Booker, of Fort Smith, as Clerk. Ballot was taken for Treasurer, resulting in the election of C. F. Spiller, of Charleston. Moderator filled vacancies on Committee Chairmen by new appointments.

E. B. Brown, pastor Calvary Church, Fort Smith, delivered the introductory sermon at the 11 o'clock hour.

Saturday Afternoon Session.

Association called to order by the Moderator at 2 o'clock. Upon call for visiting messengers, E. Rawlins, of Van Buren, in Clear Creek Associa-

tion responded in a happy manner; J. R. Barnett and J. L. Sykes, of Buckner were recognized.

The following volunteer messengers were instructed to convey greetings to neighboring Associations:

Dardanelle: J. W. Comer, W. J. Hinsley.

Buckner: W. B. Taylor, W. J. Hinsley, C. F. Spiller, J. N. Pennington.

Clear Creek: W. A. Booker, J. W. Comer, W. J. Hinsley, O. M. Stallings, C. F. Spiller, M. Pyle.

No petitionary letters were presented.

Committee on committees, E. A. Spiller, H. E. Marsh, J. N. Pennington reported as follows:

Christian Education—P. B. Langley, Claudie Jetton, H. W. Boss.

Foreign Missions—Ed Westmoreland, J. E. Anderson, J. T. Horn.

Religious Literature—W. A. Booker, W. W. Pyle, I. N. Arledge.

Obituaries—C. A. Skinner, Everett Rouse, John Ray.

Orphan's Home—C. F. Spiller, Herbert McClellan, Dr. B. Criner.

Nominations—G. A. Bryant, Nath. Keller, Joe Odom.

Home Missions—Nath. Keller, W. C. Redding, R. L. Johnson.

Women's Work—Mrs. O. M. Stallings, Miss Dora Bryan, Mrs. Mattie Edwards.

B. Y. P. U.—O. M. Stallings, Miss Lottie Davis, Mrs. Frank Webb.

Associational Missions—E. A. Spiller, H. E. Marsh, Nath. Keller.

Prohibition—P. C. Mays, W. A. Hartsfield, J. A. Branch.

Sunday School—E. A. Spiller, W. A. Mayfield, L. E. Pettigrew.

Ministerial Support—H. L. Been, S. W. Williams, B. F. Austin.

Ministerial Relief—E. B. Brown, Ed. Westmoreland, B. V. Ferguson.

Statistical Report—Ed Westmoreland, P. B. Langley, Dr. B. Criner.

Saturday Afternoon Session

REPORTS

Ministerial Support

The report on Ministerial Support was read by the Chairman and after discussion by H. L. Been, J. W. Comer, S. W. Williams, O. M. Stallings, B. V. Ferguson, P. C. Mays, C. F. Spiller and P. B. Langley, was adopted as follows:

In this day of great times and opportunities and we find that our pastors are not sufficiently supported as to give them time to prepare for this great task. We recommend that a stronger effort than ever before be made to relieve this condition. We also recommend that the pastors of our rural churches bear as much of the burden as possible so as to relieve the present conditions.

H. L. Been,
B. F. Austin,
S. W. Williams.

Orphan's Home

Report on Orphan's Home was read and adopted as follows:

The Orphan's Home at Monticello has been in operation 23 years and has been a decided blessing to more than 1000 orphans. This work of mercy occupies a place in the hearts of the people. Its mission, based on God's word is to relieve the unfortunate homeless children, save them to the State and bring them into the Kingdom.

Wise and efficient management of the Homes characterize last year's operations, and your Committee entreat and invite Baptists throughout the confines of the Association to support by prayer and contributions the homes at Monticello and Texarkana.

C. F. Spiller,
Dr. B. Criner,
Herbert McClellan.

Prohibition.

P. C. Mays, chairman of committee on Prohibition, read and discussed the report, which was adopted:

Your committee on Prohibition begs leave to report as follows:

The Great Monster Alcohol has become so infeeblled by constant and persistent blows that we have only to battle with the remnant in the form of boot-legging and moonshining, but we have another evil, viz: Tobacco, that is making enroads on our bodies and health to an alarming degree. The Red Cross in our world war put forth unparralled efforts in devotion and service to care for the healing of the body and then poisoned the body at the same time by giving them cigarettes, a recognized enemy to both mind and body. The conditions during the war period has so blunted our sensibilities that we have ceased to clamor for the enforcement of the law and the merchants and others *sell cigarette papers to boys and others in violation of the law.* We therefore recommend that all of our churches become interested in the prohibition of tobacco and other narcotics. The doctors claim that a great per centage of their patients are suffering from what is known as Tobacco Hearts. and we cannot be faithful to our boys and girls without giving this alarm.

P. C. Mays,
W. A. Hartsfield,
J. A. Branch.

Saturday Evening Session

Devotional services were conducted by O. M. Stallings, at 7:15 o'clock.

State Missions

After the reading of report on State Missions by the chairman, same was discussed at length by J. W. Comer and A. H. Autry. Brother Autry made a strong appeal in behalf of the 75 Milliom Drive, and the report

was adopted:

The following facts show something of Arkansas' needs and progress along State mission lines: White population, 1,320,300. Whites above 10 years of age, 920,445. Whites holding church membership in some denomination, 369,297. Whites over 10 years of age out of church relationship, 551,747. Total out of church membership over 10 years of age including negroes, 790,176. Our white Baptists number fully 128,000. Churches in State, over 1,600. Fully 400 of these have no houses of worship and 1,000 others, according to the values placed on the houses by the churches themselves, have houses with only an average value of \$500.00 each. There are two county seats without Baptist churches and three without Baptist church buildings.

Two counties have only one Baptist house of worship each. Our membership, by counties, ranges from 14 per thousand of the population in Newton county, up to 283 per thousand in Grant. Many communities are without Baptist preaching or church organizations. Perhaps 300 of our weaker churches are without pastors, or Sunday Schools, prayer meetings or other helpful organizations. Then think of the thousands of souls to be reached with the gospel as well as the errors that need to be met in nearly every part of the State.

A thoughtful consideration of these things and the realization of the meaning of the Savior's commission and commands to his churches, and a recalling of his challenge, "If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments," will certainly give to us all a deep conscientiousness of the tremendous responsibilities that are ours as his servants and commissioned ambassadors.

More than this growth of Baptists in Arkansas, in comparison with other denominations, during the past 25 years, shows that the people of this State are open to the gospel as preached by us as to no other "name or order". With the ears and hearts of the people thus opened to us before this awful war; and the Baptist day of opportunity, so enlarged by the war, our greatest day of opportunity is here. We must seize it.

Last year showed the following work done by our State Board: Association Missionaries helped, 21; Missionaries and other workers employed, 194; sermons and addresses, 15,224; Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.'s organized, 136; churches organized, 16; conversions in State, 2,253; soldiers making professions, about 10,000; baptisms from Mission work, 2,337; total additions from Mission work, 3,779; raised for State Missions, \$56,626.45. The work this year is laid out on a basis of more than \$90,000 and more than 125 missionaries have been employed during the present year. This includes Association Missionaries, District Missionaries, Enrollment men, Sunday School, B. Y. P. U. and W. M. U. workers. The labors of these workers have been greatly blessed this year.

In the 75 Million Campaign \$140,000 per year is apportioned for State and Association Missions, all to be raised by Arkansas Baptists themselves. This amount and more is needed. There is not a county in the

State, but what needs a strong, religious, hustling sound missionary for full time the year round. In caring for these needs there should be the most hearty and considerate co-operation between the Associations and the State Convention, so that the work may be the more thoroughly and economically done.

Your committee would recommend that the churches of this Association support heartily this great work and that our Association Executive Board co-operate in all needed ways in order that all Baptist money expended and men employed may count for the most in the service of our Lord. Doing our best for the 75 Million Campaign will help solve the financial problems of this work as of all others. For information about the work write E. P. Alldredge, General Secretary, 405 Donaghey Bldg., Little Rock, Ark.

J. W. Comer,
H. E. Marsh,
H. F. O'Neal.

Home Missions.

The report on Home Missions was read and ably discussed by the Chairman of the committee, Nath Keller, and same adopted as follows:

The Home Mission Board has classified its work as to territory, work in the Southern States, Cuba and in the Canal Zone.

As to departments: Co-operative missions, evangelism, mountain schools; work among the foreigners, Indians, negroes; church extension, publicity, war work, and sanitorium. In all the departments of the Home Board there are 1706 workers. There were 220,155 sermons and addresses, 39,965 baptisms, 50,881 conversions. There were 39 mountain schools maintained. The Home Board is located at Atlanta, Ga., Dr. B. D. Gray is corresponding secretary and E. P. Alldredge is State member from Arkansas. Because of the stupendous claims of the war upon the people the Home Board has labored under great anxiety lest the work should suffer from these claims. But as Dr. Gray expressed it, "We have met with great difficulties in the work, but in a gracious manner God has opened up the way oftentimes when it seemed that it was shut tight against us.

The receipts of the Home Board this year have been far ahead of any previous year. But the demands upon the Board have likewise increased. Therefore we recommend that the churches increase their gifts to the Home Board this year.

Nath Keller
W. C. Redding,
R. L. Johnson.

Saturday night's session closed after W. J. Hinsley, P. B. Langley, P. C. Mays, and Dr. C. E. Dickens, President of Ouachita College, made spirited arguments against the Union of Churches.

Sunday Morning Session

At 9:30 a. m. Sunday the Sunday School classes at First Baptist Church assembled for making records, during which time A. H. Autrey gave an interesting blackboard talk to the messengers and visitors in the church auditorium.

At 10 a. m. the Association was opened by song service conducted by E. M. Bartlett.

Sunday Schools

Chairman E. A. Spiller read the report on Sunday Schools and after short discussion the time allotted was given to J. B. Moseley, State B. Y. P. U. and S. S. Secretary, who made a most interesting appeal to the body for more loyal support to these great causes.

The report was adopted as follows:

The great need of the Sunday School is seen from its results. It is the most effective method of teaching God's word we have. It is also the main feeder for our churches as is seen from the statistical reports of the churches.

In concord Association there are 17 churches reporting Sunday Schools with 194 baptisms. There are 3 churches reporting no Sunday Schools with 5 baptisms. The churches with Sunday Schools made an increase by baptism of 6.7 per cent. Those churches with no Sunday Schools made an increase of 2.6 per cent.

We recommend:

1. That as far as possible every church maintain a Baptist Sunday School.
2. That all our pastors, superintendents, and teachers take the Sunday School Normal Course prescribed by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.
3. That when possible we grade our Sunday Schools.
4. That we strive to have a teaching institute conducted within the reach of every Sunday School this coming year.

E. A. Spiller,
L. E. Pettigrew,
W. A. Mayfield.

At 11 o'clock Sunday morning, Dr. Charles E. Dickens, President of Ouachita College at Arkadelphia, addressed the Association, his theme being, "The Greatest Hour in all the History of the World." This address was a feature of the great Association and when Dr. Dickens closed his remarks the entire body gathered around him and an old time love feast followed.

Sunday Afternoon Session

B. Y. P. U.

The B. Y. P. U. report was read and discussed by Chairman O. M.

Stallings, and was adopted at 2 o'clock p. m. as follows:

A careful study of all kingdom matters proves well the prime importance of training our young people for efficient church and christian service. The mission of the B. Y. P. U. is to do this very thing. Training is the emphatic word in connection of both the Junior and Senior Union. Here it is that we develop workers, draw out a proper leadership, and "call out the Called".

There were 10 Unions reported last association, six of which had been organized during that year. The "Flu" epidemic which came this year at the institute season together with the fact that we had no missionary from February till June prevented the further organizing of Unions. However, these we already had have been encouraged and strengthened. So we are glad to report that of the six new organizations reported last year five are living and doing good work. This goes to prove that "we labor not in vain in the Lord" in this good cause.

It is the purpose of our good missionary, Bro. P. B. Langley, to resume this sort of work at the close of the "75 Million Campaign". So we urge this item upon the hearts of the messengers that they may bear the tidings hereof back to the churches. It is also hoped that the churches will heartily co-operate with our missionary in the matter. Remember, too, that more than one-fourth of our churches in this association have these organizations, and half of these are in the country churches. This fact says for us to push ahead until all the churches in country, town and city are enlisted in B. Y. P. U. business. If we follow Moseley, our State man and Langley, our missionary, they will lead us "over the top."

O. M. Stallings,

Lotis Davis.

Christian Education

At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Christian Education was the order and after the reading of the report, it was ably discussed by P. B. Langley, C. E. Dickens, H. G. Thomasson, A. H. Autrey and P. C. Mays. Dr. Dickens and Mr. Thomasson, because of their connection with Christian Schools and their knowledge of the subject were especially interesting. The report was adopted as follows:

One of the most outstanding facts of our day is the increased interest in Christian Education. The great war has taught us the imperative necessity of the right kind of education. A great authority on German Education has declared that if there had been a score of Christian Colleges in Germany the war would not have occurred.

The perpetuity of Christian civilization, the spread of Christianity, the leadership of our denomination and the welfare of our own boys and girls demand that increased emphasis be placed on Christian Education. This is the only type of education that makes for efficiency plus Character.

Our Southern Baptists are awake to the gravity of the situation.

We have schools and colleges scattered through the South. These have done and are still doing a great and grand work, but they have been handicapped for lack of funds and system. Several years ago the Southern Baptist Convention established an Education Commission, which has done good work along the line of enlightenment and enlistment.

At the Convention last May a great forward step was taken. A campaign was launched to raise 75 Million Dollars in five years. Christian Education is to receive 20 Million of this amount. Every dollar of it is needed, and every Baptist should do his dead level best to make the campaign a glorious success. The reports, in our Association and State, are most encouraging. At the same meeting of the Convention an Education Board was established and located in Birmingham, Ala. The headquarters of this Board are in the South Side Baptist Church, Birmingham. Dr. J. E. Dillard is acting Corresponding Secretary.

The Board maintains an office, which is a clearing house on Baptist Education. Here is gathered the literature from all the Schools, reports of all similar boards and commissions, questionnaires, revealing the exact status of institutions of learning and such an assemblage of materials as enables one to become conversant with conditions in the educational world.

The Board will make surveys of the educational conditions existing in the various states, the need of various schools, whether more schools are needed, whether certain courses of studies should be added or dropped, whether schools should attempt junior or senior college work and in general will help to standardize, co-ordinate and correlate our schools.

The Board will consider and make recommendations on such problems as how to improve rural schools, how to relate State and Denominational schools: the relation to be sustained between academies, colleges, universities and seminaries; how to relate our schools more closely to the churches, etc.

The Board will assist the various states in their educational campaign for funds and students; provide or prepare a suitable educational literature; will conduct a perennial campaign for students; will seek to enlist students of promise in special Christian service; will establish a Teacher's Bureau; solicit funds for education and in general use every legitimate means to increase the interest of our people in Christian Education.

Our State is co-operating with the Education Board in its work, and our schools in this state will be greatly helped by the success of the great campaign, which is now under way.

We view with a degree of alarm the shortage of preachers and other efficient leaders in our Churches. The greatest need of today is trained leaders in every department of our Church life. Our colleges and schools are turning out trained leaders in every walk of life, giving special attention to our preachers and other religious leaders.

Therefore, we recommend that each Baptist in the Concord Association contribute liberally of their means to the 75 Million Campaign, that we may be able to have more and better equipped schools. We further recommend that every loyal Baptist encourage the young people of their respective communities to attend our Baptist Schools.

P. B. Langley,
Claude Jetton,
H. W. Boss.

Sunday Night Session

At 7:45 Sunday night, Scripture quotation service was conducted by W. J. Hinsley, the messengers responded liberally and the meeting was very spiritual and uplifting.

At 8 o'clock, B. V. Ferguson of Fort Smith filled the pulpit. His scripture was found in 8th chapter of Second Corinthians and his subject was, "The Baptists Conquering Hosts." The house was crowded with messengers and visitors and Dr. Ferguson's discourse was well received and the Baptists were greatly stimulated in the Seventy-Five Million Drive.

Monday Morning Session

Foreign Missions

After short song service and devotional exercises which characterized each opening session, the report on Foreign Missions was read by Ed Westmoreland, who discussed it. The following brethren entered into the discussion: J. W. Comer, P. B. Langley, P. C. Mays, C. F. Spiller, H. L. Been and W. A. Booker. By resolution the time was extended and the report was further discussed by A. H. Autrey and W. J. Hinsley. The report was adopted as follows:

We, your committee, beg leave to submit this our report on Foreign Missions.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in its last report says:

Never in the 74 years of this convention's history has the Foreign Mission Board offered a report of its work for a year which was more eventful than that which has just closed. The public mind has rarely, if ever, been more distracted, the work of the churches more interrupted, the demands upon the benevolent more numerous or insistent than during the Convention year 1918-19. That our people have under the conditions responded so nobly to the religious needs of those whom they have never seen and the report of your Foreign Mission Board shows a clean balance sheet is an encouraging sign of a growing conscience among Southern Baptists for Foreign Missions.

Many of our Southern States have contributed more than \$100,000 for Foreign Missions last year. Some of the visible results on the mis-

sion fields are 5,635 baptisms, 41 churches constituted, \$173,372 contributed by the Native Christians. Some of the churches have become self-supporting.

The events of the year have placed new emphasis upon Foreign Missions and made a larger programme for us imperative. Many countries are now calling on us to send them the Gospel as taught by the Missionary Baptist. This nation has in the eyes of all the world assumed large responsibilities for the welfare of other nations. We as Baptists have learned that we must not live unto ourselves only. France, England, all the countries of Europe, Russia and others are now mission fields for us and we must take the land or fall short of the Great Commission as given by our Savior. Foreign Missions plans and figures of last year do not give the measure of our duty this year. We must have many more Missionaries in the field. Through the high cost of living it will take more to support them than ever before.

We would recommend that every church in the association put on the budget plan, organize for the 75 Million Campaign, be men and quit piddling with the Lord's business.

That every preacher in the association prepare special sermons on Foreign Missions and then preach them. That each member contribute till it hurts to the 75 Million Campaign and let their contributions go through the regular channel as planned by the State Board.

Ed Westmoreland,
J. T. Horne,
J. E. Andrews.

Association Missions, etc.

The report on Associational Missions was read and discussed by E. A. Spiller. Missionary O. M. Stallings read his report covering a period extending from Sept. 11, 1918 to Feb. 11, 1919, at which time he resigned to accept the pastorate of the Greenwood Church.

P. B. Langley, Associational Missionary, read his report covering his four months term of office.

In the absence of Treasurer, D. W. Bryan, the treasurer's annual report was read by C. F. Spiller.

Discussions of the work in Concord Association, was discussed by E. A. Spiller, P. C. Mays, H. E. Marsh, W. J. Hinsley, B. V. Ferguson and others, it being necessary to extend the time for this important subject. The reports of the Committee, the Missionaries and Treasurer were adopted:

Association Missions

We your committee on Associational Missions submit the following report:

All New Testament churches are Missionary, both in theory and

practice. Jesus Christ's program included missions when he said, "Ye are witnesses of me in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

In order to maintain our work in the distant fields we must build up a strong base of supplies at Home. Associational Missions is the first link in uniting our efforts to evangelize the world. With well planned and well manned Associational forces we have the quickest access to the churches and destitution of our Association.

We find from the reports of the Missionaries that splendid work has been done considering the amount of time labored by missionaries on the field.

We recommend:

1. That more intensive Associational Mission work be done, even to the supplementing of the salaries of the pastors of the weaker churches, provided said weaker churches show a disposition to carry their end of the work.

2. That the number of missionaries employed be left with the Associational Board, determined by the amount of finances designated for said work.

3. That a committee of three be appointed to manage a Bible Institute of at least one week's duration. Time and place be left to said committee. That the State Board be asked to furnish books for said school.

E. A. Spiller,

H. E. Marsh,

Nath Keller.

O. M. Stalling's Missionary Report

To the Executive Committee of the Concord Association, Greetings:

We, your Missionary for the time beginning Sept. 11, 1918 and ending Feb. 11, 1919, report as follows:

Time put in, 5 months; miles traveled, about 750; sermons preached, 31; addresses delivered, 17; funerals preached, 2; religious visits, 31; institutes conducted, 3; diplomas awarded, 5; Bible school attended, 1; board meetings attended, 1; song books sold, 400; other books sold, 5; religious literature distributed, 11,500 pages; associations visited, 1; cards and letters written for the field, 100; received by letter, 2; received by baptism, 1; Financial Table: Associational Missions, \$26.00; Baptist Advance, \$20.25; other preachers, \$20.00; State Missions, \$224.75; Total, \$291.00; expense of travel, \$36.36.

NOTE: Because of "Flu" epidemic, one month was reported blank, except that 10,000 pages of literature was sent out.

O. M. Stallings. Missionary.

P. B. Langley's Missionary Report

Brethren of Concord Association:

As your Missionary, I beg leave to submit the following report:

I have been laboring as your Missionary since June 1st, or about four months. The following is an itemized report of my labor:

Sermons preached, 79; other addresses, 17; number miles traveled, 1,927; visited in homes, 102; prayed in homes, 5; number conversions, 36; number baptisms, 31; received by letter, 6; total additions, 37; assisted in securing pastors, 1; books sold and given away, 42; subscriptions for the Advance, 70.

In addition to this, I have visited 17 churches in the interest of the 75 Million Campaign and made three trips to Little Rock in the interest of same. While the 75 Million Campaign has hindered our Evangelistic campaign for the summer, we feel that we have layed a foundation that will mean an enlarged program for years to come.

The following amount has been collected: Associational Missions, \$98.11. Traveling expenses, paid by the Association, \$31.80.

Through the months we have tried to follow the instructions of the Associational Mission Board. We have labored every day, except four, at which time we were sick and under the treatment of the doctor.

P B. Langley, Missionary.

Report of D. W. Brayan, Treasurer

September 26, 1919.

RECEIPTS

1918—

Sept. 24—To amount from 1917 balance.....	\$ 40.84
Sept. 24—To amount from Finance Committee.....	674.95
Nov 25—To amount from Mrs. Ed Williams.....	5.00
Dec. 4—To amount from Glendale church.....	3.00

1919—

Jan. 14—To amount from Calvary church, Fort Smith.....	20.00
Feb. 13—To amount note to American State Bank.....	110.00
Feb. 13—To amount from Lexington ave. church, Fort Smith.....	30.00
July 7—To amount note to American State Bank.....	200.00
Aug. 4—To amount note to American State Bank.....	200.00
Sept. 23—To amount First Baptist Church, Fort Smith.....	150.00
Sept. 23—To amount First Baptist church, Fort Smith, minutes.....	5.00
To amount collected by Missionary during August.....	43.16
Sept. 25—To amount Charleston church.....	70.00
Sept. 25—To amount Charleston church, minutes.....	3.00

\$1554.95

EXPENDITURES

1918—

Sept. 24—By amount paid Rev. B. V. Ferguson.....	\$ 5.53
Oct. 4—By amount note and interest American State Bank.....	213.64
Oct. 4—By amount , Rev. J. S. Rogers.....	63.08
Oct. 4—By amount paid Texarkana Orphan's Home.....	13.57
Oct. 4—By amount paid O. M. Stallings, postage.....	1.21
Oct. 21—By amount paid H. L. Waters, minutes.....	68.10
Oct. 21—By amount paid H. L. Waters, expenses.....	1.15
Oct. 31—By amount paid O. M. Stallings, salary and expenses.....	121.00
Nov. 11—By amount paid O. M. Stallings, salary.....	112.50
Dec. 30—By amount paid O. M. Stallings, part salary.....	29.50

1919—

Jan. 14—By amount paid O. M. Stallings, salary and expenses.....	123.25
Feb. 1—By amount paid O. M. Stallings, salary and expenses.....	109.66
June 10—By amount paid Miss Howerton, salary.....	65.00
June —By amount paid Miss Howerton, expenses.....	8.62
July 7—By amount paid Miss Howerton, salary.....	65.00
July 7—By amount paid Miss Howerton, expenses.....	13.07
July 14—By amount paid P. B. Langley, salary and expenses.....	91.98
Aug. 4—By amount paid P. B. Langley, salary and expenses.....	99.67
Aug. 29—By amount paid postage on church letters.....	.40
Aug. 30—By amount paid P. B. Langley, salary and expenses.....	94.19
Sept. 26—By balance on hand.....	254.83

\$1554.95

Due Bank, \$510.00; interest, \$12.00.....\$522.00

Cash on hand.....254.83

Due\$267.17

Also September salary of the Missionary.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. Bryan, Treasurer.

Finance Report

The following report of the Finance Committee was adopted:

Comes your committee on finance and reports as follows:

Balance on hand as shown by report of D. W. Bryan, Treasurer

as of Sept. 26th, 1919.....\$254.83

Note and interest due Bank same date.....\$522.00

Deficit as shown by Treasurer Bryan with note paid.....\$267.17

September salary of Missionary not yet being paid.

Amounts received from following:

Church	Ass'n Mis.	Min.	Orphan.	Min.Ed
Oak Grove, by Homer Davis	\$10 66	\$2 00		
Vesta, by H. W. Boone	10 00			
Prairie View by O. H. Brotherton	50 00	2 50		
Moore's Rock, by R. L. Honeyman		2 00		
Oak Bower, by J. D. Measles	50 00	2 00		
Oak Bower, by W. M. U. Mrs. Measles	5 00			
Greenwood, by R. L. Been	85 00	5 00		
Roseville, by P. C. Mays	7 50	1 00		
Calvary, by W. A. Booker		3 00		
Calvary, by Mrs. W. F. Webb, W. M. U.		1 00		
Lexington Avenue, by W. A. Booker	5 00	7 50		
Excelsior, by J. B. Basinger		2 50	8 00	
Barber, by Henry Boss	25 00	1 00		
Corinth, by J. L. Callahan	3 00	85	2 00	
Union Grove No. 1, by J. A. Franks	5 00	1 05		
Union Grove No. 2, by Arthur Evertts		2 00		
Union Grove No. 2, by J. D. Moore	25 00			
W. M. U., by Mrs. Sue Stewart	5 00			
Oak Bend, by G. F. Staton		1 25		
Cavanaugh, by W. J. Hinsley	15 00	2 50		
Pleasant Valley, by J. E. Andrews	2 00	1 00		
Burnsville, by T. L. Palmer		1 50		5 00
Ratcliff, by W. E. Terry	10 00	1 65		
Bethlehem, by J. T. Horne		1 50		
Glendale, by N. L. Bryant	37 00	2 00		
Booneville, by O. A. Skinner	85 00	3 00		
South Fort Smith, by L. E. Pettigrew	32 18	2 00		
Bloomer, by Claud Jetton		1 00		
Marietta, by Herbert McClellan		50		
Branch, by W. A. Mayfield	26 00	3 00		
First, Fort Smith, by B. V. Ferguson		5 00		
Charleston, by W. M. U. Mrs. Hunter		1 00		
TOTAL	\$493 34	\$60 30	\$10 00	\$5 00
Total Associational Missions received				\$493 34
Total Minutes received				60 30
Total Orphanage received				10 00
Total Ministerial Education received				5 00
Grand Total				\$567 64

Keith Edwards,
Chas. X. Williams,
Homer Davis,

Nominations

The regular order of business was suspended and report of Nominations was adopted as follows:

We,, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to make our report.

We recommend that the next session of the Association be held with the Church at Charleston.

That Bro. O. M. Stallings preach the Introductory sermon, Bro. H. E. Marsh, alternate.

And Bro. B. V. Ferguson, delegate to Southern Baptist Convention.

Executive Board—Bros. O. M. Stallings, A. M. Brothers, D. W. Bryan, B. V. Ferguson, J. A. Harp.

J. Odom,
Nath Keller,
G. A. Bryant.

Ministerial Relief

Chairman E. B. Brown read the report on Ministerial Relief after its discussion was adopted as follows:

Ministerial relief should be looked upon in the light of a duty and not charity. We find ample proof that New Testament churches cared for those of their membership who could no longer provide for themselves. The men who preached the unsearchable riches of Christ and ministered unto people in spiritual things were highly esteemed by New Testament churches. Jewish and Gentile churches took offerings for their needs.

The Government appropriates funds to pension dependent soldiers, and a number of large corporations are doing the same for their disabled employes. We have long neglected these dependent soldiers of the cross. No state has made adequate provision for the needs of this work, and until recent months we had no plan for Ministerial Relief. Now we are taking up the consideration of this long neglected work and making provision for this needy phase of our work. We are coming to realize that "Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn" was written for the sake of God's servants of every age.

Obituaries

The Obituary committee made its report which was adopted:

We find that in the wisdom of our Heavenly Father he has seen best to call from our fellowship the following brethren and sisters:

Moore's Rock—Fred Stafford, Annie Thomas.

Roseville—Nezzie Webb.

Lavaca—Geo. Graham, Mossie Pierce, Myrtle Lockridge.

Prairie View—Bub. Arwood.

Calvary—Mrs. McKinney, Earnest Springer.

Charleston—J. H. Albertson, Mike Flynn.

Marietta—Olen Williams.

Lexington Avenue—Hershey Dyer.

Glendale—Lizzie Lewis, Ell Lewis.

South Fort Smith—Mrs. Lady B. Pettigrew.

First Fort Smith—Keith Dyer, Walter A. Deason, James C. Carson, Mrs. Maude Black, Mrs. Mamie Collier, Mrs. Elizabeth Grober, Mrs. Ione Cleveland, Mrs. H. B. Carmichael, Mrs. Kathleen Grace, Mrs. Chas. Boswell.

Booneville—Hugh Strange, Mrs. Hugh Strange, Lester Carolon, Fred McCormack, James Edwards, Miss Robbin Bailey, Miss Bessie Bailey, Mrs. Louise Adams

Bloomer—Mary P. West Pearl Boyd, Bro. Arthur Carson.

Greenwood—Geo. W. Melton, Gertrude Williams.

Vesta—Geo. Redding.

Union Grove No. 2—Flora Osborn, Annie White.

Corinth—One.

O. A. Skinner,

J. H. Ray.

Women's Work

In the absence of chairman Mrs. O. M. Stallings, Mrs. W. F. Webb of Fort Smith read the report on Women's Work, and after discussing the report, the same was adopted as follows:

The committee on Woman's Work begs leave to submit the follow report:

The Concord W. M. U. Auxiliary to the Concord Association is composed of seventeen Women's Societies, two Young Women's Auxiliaries, one Girl's Auxiliary, and seven Sunbeam Bands, a gain of eight organizations.

The total contributions this year are \$7,918, a gain of \$3,568 over that of last year.

During the past year in these seventeen Women's Societies there have been held thirteen Mission Study classes. The regular organized Bible study has been conducted in many societies. The Personal Service report shows a marked increase over last year. In fact, these two departments have so grown that it was absolutely necessary to have a Personal Service Superintendent and a Mission and Bible Study Superintendent.

Our great task is still enlistment and development. To meet this need the W. M. U. has divided the association into four districts with Fort Smith, Greenwood, Booneville and Charleston as centers. In each of the centers is to be a Key Woman whose duty is to enlist women and children and to plan and carry out district rallies.

We recommend:

1. That the pastors give their support and encouragement to all the departments of the Woman's Work and especially to the four Key Women.

2. That the Associational Board request the State Board to send a Woman Missionary on the field when it is deemed necessary to reach, organize and enlist women and children of Concord Association.

Mrs. B. W. Webb,

Mrs. W. F. Webb.

In connection with the Women's Work a resolution was adopted endorsing the splendid and effective work of Miss Ora May Howerton of Indiana, who spent about three months in the Association resigning to enter the State Field for the Seventy-five Million Campaign. She effected a number of organizations among the young people and quickened the interest in Mission work generally.

Executive Board

The report of the Executive Board was read and adopted:

We, your Associational Board, submit the following report of proceedings for the year of 1918-1919:

On September 23rd, Bro. O. M. Stallings was re-elected as Missionary for the ensuing year, at a salary of \$1350 per year, and traveling expenses. Brother Stallings accepted and served till Feb. 11, at which time he resigned to take the pastorate of the Greenwood Baptist Church. The Board then met and elected Bro. H. E. Marsh to succeed O. M. Stallings. Brother Marsh declined the offer. At this same meeting Miss Ora Mae Howerton was elected to do work among the young people and the women at a salary of \$65.00 per month and traveling expenses. She accepted and began her work on June 1st, and continued till August 1st, at which time she resigned to enter the state work in behalf of the "75 Million Campaign."

At a subsequent meeting Brother P. B. Langley was elected at a salary of \$1400 per year who accepted and came afield June 1, and labored on until the Association which met at Booneville Sept .27th, 1919.

W. J. Hinsley, Chairman,

Nathan Keller,

Jim Harp,

B. V. Ferguson,

J. F. Johnston.

Religious Literature

The following report of Religious Literature was adopted after being discussed by W. A. Booker, P. B. Langley, A. H. Autry, H. E. Marsh, B. V. Ferguson and J. T. Horn:

Never was there a time in our history when information should have been distributed as there is today. In the face of our Seventy-Five Million Campaign our people should be thoroughly informed concerning every phase of this great movement. A lack of information means a lack

of interest, we therefore recommend the present campaign on Baptist Literature to our Churches. The campaign includes the Baptist Advance, Home and Foreign Field and Royal Service. We recommend that our pastors make an investigation of not only the subscribers but also readers of these publications.

W. A. Booker,
W. W. Pyle,
I. N. Arledge.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

During the Association the following matters were discussed and disposed of:

Religious History

Whereas our brethren who were pioneers in Arkansas have almost all gone to their reward and that there is much valuable history that should be known and preserved. Be It Resolved,

That this association appoint a committee to gather history from those who are still living that is authentic.

P. C. Mays.

The committee on Religious History in Concord Association was appointed by the Moderator as follows: P. C. Mays, O. M. Stallings, H. L. Been.

Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary of the Women's Mission Union with headquarters at Little Rock, after meeting the women of the W. M. U. was presented to the Association and made an appeal for hearty support of the Women's Work.

Branch Church Relief

W. A. Mayfield presented the matter of Branch church loss of building by fire and requested that the messengers secure donations from their home churches when they return to help this struggling organization.

Bethlehem Church

Pastor P. C. Comer gave an interesting review of the struggles of Bethlehem church at Fort Smith and was referred to the State Board for relief.

South Fort Smith Church

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Whereas, the Baptist Church of South Fort Smith has appealed to the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for a gift of \$500.00 to help pay a debt of \$1200 bearing 8 percent interest. We, the messengers of Concord Association assembled in regular annual session at Booneville, Ark., do hereby endorse the action of this church and join

them in making this appeal.

Moderator W. J. Hinsley made a thrilling address of farewell to the Association after which the following resolution offered by Clerk W. A. Booker which was unanimously adopted and the Association adjourned.

Resolution of Thanks

We heartily appreciate the privilege we have enjoyed at Booneville and therefore, Be It Resolved, That this Association extend to the members of the Church, their good pastor and all those who so generously entertained us, a vote of thanks.

W. J. HINSLEY, Moderator,
W. A. BOOKER, Clerk.

Proceeding of Woman's Missionary Union

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Concord Association met with the First Church, Booneville, Saturday, September 27th, 1919.

The following program was rendered:

Morning Session

1. Opening Hymn, "Jesus Calls Us O'r the Tumult."
2. Devotional—Miss Ora May Howerton.
3. Hymn, "I Love To Tell The Story."
4. Welcome Address—Mrs. R. A. Sadler, Booneville W. M. S.
5. Response—Mrs. W. D. Strong, Lexington Avenue, W. M. S.
6. Superintendent's Address—Mrs. B. V. Ferguson, First Ft. Smith, W.M.S.
7. Business Session:
 - (1) Reading of Minutes.
 - (2) Division of Association into Districts.
 - (3) Election of Nominating Committee.
 - (4) Miscellaneous.
8. Announcements.
9. Prayer.

Afternoon Session

1. Opening Hymn, "Work For the Night Is Coming."
2. Prayer.
3. Business Session—Continued:
 - (1) Financial Reports from Societies by representatives.
 - (2) Personal Service Reports.
 - (3) Standard of Excellence Reports by representatives.
 - (4) Mission Study Reports.
4. "The Value of Definite and Outlined Course of Bible Study"—Mrs. E. B. Brown, Calvary W. M. S.
5. Young People's Hour:

- (1) Report of Societies.
- (2) Report of Young People's Superintendent.
- (3) "The Master Cometh and Calleth for Thee," Miss Evelyn McLaughlin.
- (4) Sunbeam Demonstration—Boonville Sunbeams.
- (5) Open Discussion of Young People's Work.
6. Final Business session:
 - (1) Report of Committee on Resolutions.
 - (2) Report of Committee on Enrollment.
 - (3) Report of Committee on Nomination.
7. "Millions for the Master" in our Great 75 Million Drive as it relates to:
 - (1) Concord Association—Miss Ora May Howerton.
 - (2) Christian Education as Seen at the Training School—Miss Della Clarke.
 - (3) Home Missions—Mrs. J. G. Jackson.
 - (4) Foreign Missions as Seen in Brazil—Miss Edith Ayers.
8. Closing Hymn, "When Millions Come Pouring In."
9. Closing Prayer.

Business Session:

In order to enlist, organize and develop the women of the Association it was unanimously voted to divide the Association into four districts with Charleston, Greenwood, Booneville, and Fort Smith as centers. In each center is to be a Key Woman whose business it is to visit churches, organize societies, plan rallies and other helpful meetings.

It was decided to have a Personal Service Superintendent, and a Mission and Bible Study Superintendent.

Officers elected for the year: Superintendent, Mrs. B. V. Ferguson; First-Vice Supt., Mrs. O. M. Stallings; Second-Vice Supt., Mrs. E. B. Brown; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Wm. Frank Webb; Mrs. B. W. Webb appointed Personal Service Supt.; Mrs. W. D. Strong appointed Mission and Bible Study Supt.

A vote of thanks was given the Booneville Society.

The W. M. U. voted to hold the next meeting at Charleston on Friday before the Concord Associational meeting.

Messengers enrolled, 34; Visitors registered, 39 Total, 73.

Financial Report

Bethlehem, \$156.00; Booneville, \$283.05; Branch, \$5.00; Calvary, \$573.42; First Church, Fort Smith, \$5818.82; Greenwood, \$177.17; Glendale, \$1.00; Lexington Ave., Fort Smith, \$331.93; Charleston, \$89.35; South Fort Smith, \$41.16; Oak Bower, \$94.91; Oak Grove, \$10.50; Prairie View, \$42.00; Union Grove, \$33.67; Total, \$7657.98. Young People's Organizations, \$275.61; Grand Total, \$7933.59.

Mrs. B. V. Ferguson, Supt.
Mrs. W. F. Webb, Sec.-Treas.

STATISTICS OF CONCORD BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Name of Church	Church							Sun. Schools		Property Values		Expenditures										Home Missions	Foreign Missions
	Membership Last Year	Baptisms	Increase by Letter	Restored	Decrease by Letter	Expelled	Drop List *	Present Membership	Baptisms	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Parsonage	Church	Pastor's Salary	Visiting Ministers	Sunday School	Building and Repairs	Other Expenses	Incidentals	Clerk and Minutes	Total Expenditures		
Barber	57				2			55	4	36				75 00	11 25	18 00			1 50	1 00	106 75	5 75	5 75
Bethlehem	40		1		2	14		25	4	37		3000				10 00	23 00		24 50	1 50	59 00		
Bloomer	127	11	8		1		3	142	4	40				100 00		8 00	4 00		30 00	1 00	143 00		
Booneville	440	20	38		40		50	400	12	25	330	1500	15000	1200 00	149 00	151 23	338 97	150 00	310 85	3 00	5303 65	48 70	43 70
Branch	112	2	2		11	1		104	1	5	80	1200		322 90	39 00	14 00			133 63	4 00	513 52	5 00	5 05
Burnville	24	1	4		3			26				500		50 00	19 50					1 50	71 00		
Calvary, Ft. Smith	228	9	11		19	4	26	197	7	12	180	7000		800 00	145 00	75 08	1089 40	420 38	121 03	4 00	2054 89	162 50	162 50
Cavanaugh	49	18	11		4			73	6	5	60	1000		79 70	38 00		282 26		6 10	2 50	408 56		
Charleston	127	13	15		8	2		143	13	8	100			750 00		60 00			25 00	4 00	839 00	71 00	71 00
Corinth	39				2		1	36						28 00						85	28 85		
Excelsior	44	6	14		2			62	4	4	50	1000		150 00	120 00		45 00	25 00		2 50	342 50	54 40	97 60
First, Ft. Smith	819	17	81	1	40	8	160	700	10	46	716	5000	125000	2400 00		481 55	11753 72		3272 17	5 00	17912 44	670 92	650 14
Glendale	157	6	2		7	2		154	6	5		1000		125 00	45 00		24 00		20 00	2 00	216 00	25 00	25 00
Greenwood	278	26	20		23		58	236	12	14	150	1000	12000	1283 75	144 00	45 00	63 21	5 00	243 61	5 00	1789 57	108 00	108 00
Lexington, Ft. Smith	255	39	41	2	30	1		305	23	27	279		12000	1635 00	150 00	198 29	640 50		436 49	7 50	3067 78	63 72	65 12
Marietta	85	4	2		2			88						100 00	35 00				10 00	50	145 50		
Moore's Rock	99	13	2	7	5			108		7	70			100 00	26 11	100 00				2 00	228 11	4 00	
Oak Bend	43							24				600	600	29 00						1 25	30 25		
Oak Bower	202	4	4		2		3	205	4	7	125	1500		200 00	52 75	73 03	25 13		32 15	2 00	395 06	88 05	37 95
Oak Grove	185		5		8			81		5	50	1000		187 75	41 67		16 00		27 00	4 00	276 42		
Pleasant Valley	65	4			1			67	1	6	75	400		120 00		36 00	17 00		3 00	3 00	179 00	4 85	
Prairie View	125	3	2		8	2		119	2	9	49	1200		237 00		124 25		60 00	1 00	4 00	426 25		26 00
Ratcliff	55		1					56		6	50	1200		200 00		19 98			16 00	1 65	237 63	12 00	7 00
Roseville	65		1		4			61						60 00						1 00	61 00		
South Ft. Smith	45	14	18		6			70	8	7	87	5500		175 00		40 58	172 92			2 00	300 50	22 68	22 67
Union Grove No. 1	48	1	4		3			50	1	4	40									2 15	2 15		
Union Grove No. 2	80	1	7		2			84		5	65	1500		319 00	41 50	36 00				2 00	398 50		
Vesta	51	3	3		1			55	2	4	45	900		100 00		7 75			5 00		112 75		
TOTAL	3944	215	297	10	241	34	294	453726	112	223	2714	9300	191300	10827 10	1057 78	1583 74	1443 11	635 38	4719 02	70 90	36329 63	1346 57	1327 48

* Church Drop List—All non-resident members out of touch with the Church were placed on Drop List. This revision covers a p

Benevolences

State Missions	Associational Missions	Other Objects	Orphanages	Colleges and Schools	Ministerial Education	Total Benevolences	Grand Total
	25 00					36 50	143 25
							59 00
20 00						20 00	163 00
434 42	85 00	1 84	14 95	251 20	7 36	887 19	6190 84
50 00	26 00		8 00			94 05	607 57
8 57					5 00	13 57	84 57
250 00	31 00	126 66	46 38		15 00	794 04	3448 93
15 42	15 00					30 42	438 98
90 00	70 00		10 00			312 00	1151 00
	3 00		2 00			5 00	33 85
		75 00	6 00			233 00	575 50
800 91	180 00	679 37	382 32	228 00	150 00	3741 66	21654 10
25 00	40 00		15 00			130 00	346 00
175 43	85 00	12 24	46 14	123 75		658 52	2448 13
251 38	100 00	40 50	104 93	78 22	11 72	715 59	3783 37
							145 50
			1 60			5 60	233 71
							30 25
15 00	50 00	10 00	145 45	10 00	5 00	361 45	746 51
15 95	10 66		19 85			46 46	322 88
13 60	19 05					37 50	216 50
38 00	50 00		5 00			119 00	545 25
16 00	10 00		7 39			52 39	290 02
	7 50					7 50	68 50
	37 18					82 53	473 03
3 21						3 21	5 36
58 00			10 00		10 00	78 00	476 50
	10 00					10 00	122 75
2282 89	844 39	945 71	825 01	691 27	204 08	8475 22	44804 85

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CONCORD ASSOCIATION DIRECTORY

Name of Church	Pastor and Address	Clerk and Address	Sunday School Superintendents	B. Y. P. U. Presidents	W. M. U. Presidents
Barber	Huston Grayson, Boneville	H. A. Boss, Barber	H. W. Boss		
Bethlehem	J. W. Comer, Booneville	J. T. Horn, Ft. Smith	J. F. Horn		
Bloomer	S. M. Williams, Charleston	Claudie Jetton, Lavaca	Joseph Harriman		
Booneville	W. J. Hinsley, Booneville	Dr. B. Criner, Booneville	J. O. Kincannon	Fannie Bryant	Mrs. J. O. Kincannon
Branch	Nathan Keller, Branch	C. H. Thompson, Charleston	W. A. Mayfield		Mrs. Clara Keller
Burnville	Van Moore, Huntington	Mrs. B. Williams, Greenw'd			
Calvary, Ft. Smith	E. B. Brown, Fort Smith	W. F. Webb, Ft. Smith	W. A. Booker	Maggie Campbell	Mrs. Ed Roberts
Cavanaugh	E. B. Harlin, Spiro, Okla.	H. L. Carter, Ft. Smith	J. Prescott		Nettie Johnson
Charleston	E. A. Spiller, Charleston	W. R. Brotherton, Charlest'n	D. W. Bryan	Thos. Robertson	Mrs. A. G. Graham
Corinth	J. W. Comer, Booneville	H. A. Erp	H. A. Erp		
Excelsior	G. R. Stephens, Huntington	A. Lawrence, Greenwood	Ernest Pogue	Mit Hamlin	
First, Ft. Smith	B. V. Ferguson, Ft. Smith	John Ayers, Ft. Smith	John Ayers	Evelyn McGlaughlin	Mrs. B. V. Ferguson
Glendale	W. J. Hinsley, Booneville	L. H. Perry, Booneville	J. A. Harp	J. A. Harp	Mrs. Will May
Greenwood	O. M. Stallings, Greenwood	Mattie Stinson, Greenwood	R. A. Rowe	Mrs. C. W. Hall	Mrs. O. M. Stallings
Lexington, Ft. Smith	J. F. Johnston, Ft. Smith	S. B. Dyer, Ft. Smith	C. C. Chambers	Hazel Guerin	Mrs. W. D. Strong
Marietta		I. Crossland, Charleston			Winnie McClellan
Moore's Rock	M. Graham, Lavaca	R. L. Harryman, Lavaca	E. E. Thomas		
Oak Bend	H. A. O'Neal, Ratcliff	G. F. Staton, Meg			
Oak Bower	J. F. Brewer, Lavaca	Wm. Southard, Lavaca	H. C. Renfrow	D. B. Dooley	Ermer Dooley
Oak Grove	Nathan Keller, Branch	Earl Rambo, Greenwood	W. Lee Been		Mrs. Mollie Been
Pleasant Valley	D. M. Bryant, Booneville	O. B. Logan, Booneville	J. E. Andrews		
Prairie View	E. A. Spiller, Charleston	L. Powel, Charleston	Voyt Hill	Voyt Hill	Lonnie Wood
Ratcliff	Nathan Keller, Branch	W. E. Terry, Ratcliff	R. F. Crow		
Roseville	J. W. Comer, Booneville	Ernest Stewart, Paris			
South Ft. Smith	H. E. Marsh, Ft. Smith	J. Millsbaugh, So. Ft. Smith	L. E. Pettigrew	Robt. Millsbaugh	Bulah Hill
Union Grove No. 1	M. P. Henry, Magazine	J. A. Franks, Booneville	A. Y. Jenkins		
Union Grove No. 2	C. E. Goatcher, Hackett	J. M. Stewart, Greenwood	Doye Davis		Susie Stewart
Vesta	S. W. Williams, Charleston	T. T. Staton, Charleston	H. W. Boon		