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6. CHRISTIAN SOCIAL ACTION: Revs. G. D. Hammontree, Harold E. Spradling, and W. Martin Ladd.
7. CONFERENCE RELATIONS: Revs. A. J. Rowden, M. W. Smeltzer, and C. H. Crandall.
8. DELINQUENCIES: Revs. G. W. Emerson, Alice Selby, E. D. Auchard.
9. FINANCE: Revs. C. H. Crandall, M. W. Smeltzer, F. C. Wilson, and F. P. Henry.
10. LETTERS AND DOCUMENTS: Rev. Artz S. Lick, Theodore Mitchell, and George Green.
11. WORSHIP: Rev Artz S. Lick, J. A. Alleshouse, Mrs. Laban Rexroad, and Mrs. E. G. Keithley.
12. MEMORIALS: Rev. Edward D. Auchard, Forrest Smith, and Samuel McClellan.
13. QUARTERLY CONFERENCE RECORDS: Revs. C. H. Crandall, G. D. Hammontree, and J. A. Kintigh.
14. RESOLUTIONS: Rev. M. W. Smeltzer, Bonnie Jackson, Elmer Dever.
15. STATISTICS: F. P. Henry, Joyce Baughman, Zatha Outhouse.
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Giving year of birth, license, and ordination

## ACTIVE ITINERANT ELDERS

Auchard, Edward D.	1920	1939	1945	Raymore, Missouri
Courtney, Floyd L.	1905	1940	1941	411 S. Adams, Nevada, Mo.
Crandall, Claude H.	1901	1930	1931	511 E. Ninth St. Trenton, Mo.
Emerson, Glen W.			1905	Roanoke, Louisiana
Hammontree, Gerald D.	1903	1937	1941	Brashear, Missouri
Lick, Artz S.	1910	1934	1938	4004 Harrison St., Kansas City, Mo.
Porter, Bertha M.	1901	1934	1936	Livonia, Missouri
Roe, Lyle B.	1910	1928	1933	1500 E. 58th Kan. City, Mo.
Rowden, A. J.	1906	1945	1947	Jennings, Louisiana
Selby, Alice	1906	1929	1935	Rt. 2, Bigelow, Arkansas
Smeltzer, Monroe W.				Rt. 6, Fulton, Missouri
Spradling, Harold E.	1910	1946	1948	Rte. 1, New Cambria, Mo.
Wetherell, Omar				Barnetts Creek, Kentucky

## SUPERANNUATED ELDERS

Eveland, John F.	1874	1923	1927	Brookfield, Missouri
Melville, Charles J.	1873	1899	1910	Trenton, Missouri
Rushton, Edgar E.	1887	1933	1939	Downing, Missouri
Schod, C. H.				Bigelow, Missouri
Torrey, Mrs. Edna				Great Bend, Kansas

## LOCAL ELDERS

James, Roy E.				Rt. 2, Piggott, Arkansas
Pike, Mrs. Chas.	1886	1919	1922	3229 Norton St., Kansas City, Mo.
Purvis, LeRoy E.				213 W. 14th, St., Fulton, Mo.
Tietje, William F.				Roanoke, Louisiana

## PROBATIONERS

Garlock, Marvin				York College, York, Nebr.
Herrick, Marvin				Bonebrake Sem. Dayton, Ohio
Herbert, J. C.				Corydon, Iowa
Hershey, Galen				Bonebrake Sem. Dayton, Ohio
Martin, Joseph				York College, York, Nebr.
Tupper, Robert				Lissie, Texas

## EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

Wilson, F. C.				Collins, Missouri
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ANNUAL CONFERENCE LAY DELEGATES

Name of Church	Name of Delegate	Address
Adrian	Elmer Dever,	Adrian, Mo.
Barker	Elmer Weilbrenner	Bloomfield, Iowa
Brashear	Mrs. Wm. Mahaffey,	Brashear, Mo.
Brookfield	Forrest Smith	Brookfield, Mo.
Bethel	*Miss Gay Shoemaker	Clinton, Mo.
Centerview	*Walter Kern	Rich Hill, Mo.
Collins	Mrs. F. C. Wilson	Collins, Mo.
Crescent Hill	Mrs. Laban Rexroad	Adrian, Mo.
Eagleville, Otterbein and White Oak	*Mrs. Ruth Turner	Eagleville, Mo.
Fulton Circuit	*Raymond D. Hamilton	Fulton, Mo.
Grandview	Dean Merrifield	Breckenridge, Mo.
Hatfield Circuit	Samuel McClellan	Hatfield, Mo.
Jennings, Louisiana	*Walter C. Peters	Jennings, Louisiana
Livonia	*Mrs. Irving Taylor	Livonia, Mo.
Mt. Hermon	Joyce Baughman	Unionville, Mo.
Mt. Tabor	*George Heinline	Braymer, Mo.
Mt. Zion	Bonnie Jackson	Bynumville, Mo.
Nevada	Mrs. E. G. Keithley	Nevada, Mo.
Spickard, Mt. Olive, Otterbein	*Mrs. Robert Penrod	Princeton, Mo.
Pleasant Grove	*Mrs. Emerson Bailey	Browning, Mo.
Raymore	J. A. Kintigh	Raymore, Mo.
Roanoke	*Mrs. Rex Carter	Roanoke, La.
Shiloh	*Mrs. Myrtle Huiatt	Oregon, Mo.
South Eagle	Don Sensintaffar	Brookfield, Mo.
Statton Memorial	W. Martin Ladd	Kansas City, Mo.
Telescope	Theodore Mitchell	Kansas City, Mo.
Trenton	Mrs. J. A. Alleshouse	Trenton, Mo.
Wye, Arkansas	Austin Harmon	Bigelow, Arkansas

NOTE—The asterisk (\*) after a name denotes absence of delegate from Conference Session.



## CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

## COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, 8 p.m.

The opening session of the Ninety-first Conference of Missouri was a Holy Communion service. The address was given by Bishop V. O. Weidler, entitled, "The Cup of Blessing."

Wednesday, 9 a.m.

The Conference opened by a song service led by Rev. Lawrence Kurth, with Mrs. Leslie Sensintaffar as pianist. The devotions were led by Rev. E. D. Auchard. The morning message was given by Bishop Weidler, based on Phil. 1:11.

The Conference bar was set as being the front 4 rows of pews. Formal opening of the Conference was declared by the Bishop.

The recording secretary was re-elected.

Visitors were introduced. Those introduced were, Rev's. Lawrence Kurth, J. Arthur Eveland, and Dr's. J. H. Ness. B. H. Cain, and Paul T. Rutman. The Conference voted advisory relations.

Standing committees were appointed.

Letters and documents were referred to proper committees by Rev. Artz S. Lick.

"The Life Story of Bishop A. B. Statton" newly-published book, was introduced by Dr. Ness.

Brother Francis P. Henry was elected as Conference Statistician.

Advisory relations were voted to Rev. Artz S. Lick. He brought greetings.

Dr. B. H. Cain was introduced to the Conference to speak on the subject of the Otterbein Home. He mentioned a number of fine recent achievements of the Home, among them was a gift of 1100 laying hens and a modern designed chicken house, by one of the leading citizens of the State of Indiana, Mr. Hobart Creighton. He also presented a number of the needs of the Home. He brought greetings of the Home and all of its 270 members. Reports from the conference revealed that South Eagle Church reached a goal of \$2.91 per member. The total needs of the Home approximate \$200,000 per annum.

Adjournment. Benediction was given by Mr. Theo. Mitchell.

Wednesday, 2 p.m.

The Conference was led in a hymn fest by the chorister. Devotions were given by Rev. G. D. Hammontree. A solo was given by Mrs. A. J. Rowden.

Dr. Crandall delivered documents on Minister's training to Committee on Documents for proper reference.

Superintendent C. H. Crandall presented his 15th consecutive annual report. It was adopted by a vote of the conference (See Report No. 1)

The following names were referred to the Committee on Ministerial Training: Robert Tupper, Harold Spradling, Joseph Martin. The name of Artz S. Lick was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The report of the Women's Society of World Service was given by Mrs. Lloyd Curts. It was adopted. (Report No. 23)

Dr. E. E. Erfmyer, Superintendent of Kansas City District of Kansas Conference (Ev.) was introduced to the Conference. He brought greetings. Advisory relations were granted.

The report on Foreign Missions was given by Rev. Artz S. Lick. Dr. B. H. Cain spoke in response to the report, as representative of the Board of Missions. The report and the address both gave fine emphasis to the program of our great Church through the Kingdom Advance Program and in other ways. Report was adopted. (Report No. 12)

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Widdoes were introduced to the conference and were granted advisory relations. They brought greetings. Dr. Widdoes spoke of the work in the Philippines, the devastating effects of the War on our Churches, but also of the great spirit of the people there to rebuild.

Adjournment. Benediction given by J. F. Eveland.

Wednesday 8 p.m.

The Conference was favored by an anthem given by Telescope Memorial Church choir, entitled, "The Glory of the Cross", by Hadler. This was followed by a formal welcome to the Conference by Pastor Host, Rev. Artz S. Lick. Response was given by Dr. C. H. Crandall.

The evening address was given by Dr. B. H. Cain representing the Department of Town and Country Church. He spoke on the theme of "The Rural Church of Today," stressing the contribution that the country church has made to civilization and to the city church. He also presented the major needs of the church in the country.

The benediction was given by Rev. Harold Spradling.

Thursday, 9 a.m.

The morning devotions were brought to the Conference by Rev. W. M. Smeltzer, based on the Scripture in Luke 11:1-13, and using the theme of Prayer. A season of volunteer prayers was enjoyed by all present.

Miscellaneous business items were discussed.

The report on Home Missions was presented by Rev. Lyle B. Roe. It was adopted. (Report No. 11)

Dr. Walter E. Bachman, President of York College, was introduced to the Conference, and voted advisory relationship.

Mr. Paul T. Rutman, representative of our Publishing Interests of both Houses, was introduced to the conference. He spoke on the work of the

Publishing Houses in producing and distributing good literature for our people and for our Church program. Mr. Rutman stated that the circulation of the Telescope-Messenger approximates 45,000 at the present time. A check for \$400, out of the profits of the Publishing Interests, was presented to the Conference which goes to our Preacher's Aid Fund. Dr. Crandall spoke words of appreciation for the fine amount. The report was adopted.

The report on Christian Education was given by Rev. F. L. Courtney. (Report No. 9)

A report on Bonebrake Seminary was given by Rev. Edward D. Auchard. (Report No. 19)

The report on York College was given by Rev. G. D. Hammontree. (Report No. 18)

President Walter E. Bachman spoke to the three reports, emphasizing the place York College plays in our program of Christian Education. His message was an earnest plea for higher training and preparation of our youth for Christian living and Christian service everywhere. A four-fold program for the College was presented: first, the need for 400 students preparing for places of Christian leadership; second, the need for balancing the budget of the College; new buildings completed, an equity program to secure the standing of the College for the future; and a full accreditation in the North Central Association of Colleges in America. The report on Christian Education was adopted and special thanks extended to President Bachman for his fine address.

Adjournment. Benediction was given by Dr. S. B. Williams.

Thursday 1:30 p.m.

The devotional period was led by Rev. Harold Spradling. Prayer was given by Rev. Robert Tupper. A duet was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Don Sensintaffer.

It was voted to refer the name of Paul E. Thompson to the Committee on Memorials.

The name of Marvin Garlock was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations. Also the names of Rev's. Robert Tupper and Harold Spradling. The names of Rev. C. W. Pike and Rev. Artz S. Lick also was referred to the Committee.

The Conference Roll was called.

The name of Mr. Wm. F. Tietje, local preacher, with residence at Roanoke, La., was presented to the Conference by Dr. G. W. Emerson. It was voted that the secretary send greetings to Brother Tietje.

The report of the Commission on Evangelism was presented by Rev. Artz S. Lick. It was a splendid report of the evangelistic program of our Church. It was approved and adopted by the Conference (Report No. 10)

The report on Kingdom Advance was given by Dr. S. B. Williams. He stated that one-half of our \$2,000,000 goal was to have been raised by

last Easter (1948), and that the last half is to be provided for by Easter of 1949, and all is to be in cash by July 31 of 1949. The report was adopted by an enthusiastic vote of the Conference. Dr. Williams was greeted and granted advisory relations to the Conference.

The report on Stewardship was submitted by Dr. G. W. Emerson. The report received commendation by the Bishop and was adopted by the conference. (Report No. 20)

Rev. W. D. Gilbert, pastor of Mersington Heights Church (Ev.) was introduced to the Conference and given advisory relations. He brought greetings.

The report on Preacher's Pension was given by Rev. A. J. Rowden. Dr. J. H. Ness, newly-elected associate secretary to the General Secretary of the Pension System was introduced to speak in support of the Pension System. The report and the address were referred to the Resolutions Committee (Report No. 14)

It was voted that the Secretary send the sympathies of the Conference to Paul Moffatt, Concordia, Kansas, in the passing of his mother, Mrs. Esther Moffatt.

Adjournment. Benediction given by Rev. C. J. Melville.

Thursday, 8 p.m.

The evening worship service was in charge of Pastor Artz S. Lick. Special music was given by the Telescope Memorial Church quartet. Prayer was given by Dr. A. V. Howland, pastor of Roeland Park Church.

The evening address was given by Dr. Ness. It was a great Gospel message and was well received by an enthusiastic audience.

Pictures of our Wye, Arkansas Church were shown by Revs. Austin Harmon and Alice Selby.

Benediction was given by Rev. Lawrence Kurth.

Friday, 9 a.m.

The morning devotions were given by Rev. J. F. Eveland. The theme of "Love" was emphasized.

A testimonial period followed.

The Wednesday Journal was read by the Secretary.

Rev. Lauran Wetherell of Lincoln, Nebraska was presented to the Conference and granted advisory relations.

Dr. A. V. Howland was introduced to the conference and granted advisory relations.

The report on Otterbein Home was given by Mrs. Lyle B. Roe. It was supported by a fine speech by Mrs. Don Sensintaffar. The report was adopted. (Report No. 13)

A memorial service was held to the memory of the many fine laymen of our Conference who have been called to rest during the past year.

A special memorial was held in memory of Rev. Paul E. Thompson, who was deceased during the year. Prayer was given by Rev. Roe. Scripture reading and words of tribute were given by Dr. Crandall. Worthy praise was made of the noble life and service of Brother Thompson.

Mrs. W. S. Luper, matron of our York College Girls Dormitory, was introduced and spoke to the conference on the work and the needs of the new dormitory. The estimated cost of furnishing each of the forty-five rooms is \$235. Each room will accomodate two girls while in Christian training. The call goes out to any who can, and will, send the necessary amount, or a less amount, (or more) to the College for this most worthy need.

The speech was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

It was voted that Missouri Conference furnish \$1,000, to pay for one of the rooms. Dr. Emerson volunteered to give \$100.00. Bishop Weidler followed with another \$100 pledge. A committee was appointed to raise the remainder of the total amount. It was voted to have the bronze plaque of dedication of the room to read thus, "In memory of, Rev. Paul E. Thompson, Missouri Conference."

The report on the Board of Ministerial Training was submitted by Rev. E. D. Auchard. It was adopted. (Report No. 15)

The Treasurer's report given by Brother F. C. Wilson was adopted, subject to the audit. (Report No. 2)

Report of Committee on Nominations was given by Rev. Auchard. Dr. Crandall and Bishop Weidler nominated Rev. Artz S. Lick as executive secretary of the Conference Board of Evangelism. The report was adopted. (Report No. 6)

Adjournment. Benediction given by Rev. L. E. Wetherell.

Friday, 1:30 p.m.

Afternoon devotions were given by Rev. Lawrence Kurth, pastor of Shiloh Church.

The minister's wives were introduced to the Conference by Mrs. C. H. Crandall. They form the Auxiliary Committee of York College and Bonebrake Seminary.

Bishop Ira D. Warner, of the Pacific Area was introduced to the Conference by Bishop Weidler. He spoke to the subject of Missions. He presented the great needs of modern society in its secularized and demoralizing decay. He also presented the answer to this dire need of our peoples of the world. "That answer," he said, "is God's Son, Jesus Christ. He, and He alone, can meet the emergency of the needs of this hour and day in which we live."

The congregation arose and sang the hymn "Jesus Saves."

By request the name of Rev. E. E. Rushton was voted to be placed on the Supernumerary Elder's list on the Conference Roll.

Report of Conference Relations was presented by Rev. A. J. Rowden. It was adopted. (Report No. 7)

Revs. Glenn Weinert and R. C. Russell were introduced and advisory relations were granted them.

Election of officers of the Conference was held.

Auditors' report was given by Mr. F. P. Henry. It was adopted. (Report No. 3)

Report on Conference Council of Administration was presented by Mr. L. M. Curts. It was adopted. (Report No. 4)

Report of Board of Missions was given by Rev. Roe, and was adopted. (Report No. 5)

Report of Committee on Quarterly Conference Records was given by Rev. Hammontree and adopted. (Report No. 21)

Report of Board of Trustees was given by Mr. L. M. Curts and was adopted. (Report No. 25)

Report on Preacher's Aid, given by Rev. Courtney, was adopted. (Report No. 17)

The recommendation, made by Dr. Crandall, that the money derived from the sale of the parsonage of Siloh Church be made available to the Shiloh Church for improvements on the Church building. It was adopted by a vote of the Conference.

Statistician's report, given by F. P. Henry, was adopted. (Report 26)

Dr. G. W. Emerson, on behalf of the Roanoke Church, made invitation to the Conference to entertain the next annual session. Appreciation was extended to Dr. Emerson and the Church for this.

The tellers report was given. All nominees were reported elected.

It was voted to approve the Conference Journal without reading.

Goals and Quotas for 1948-1949 was given.

It was voted to print the Conference Minutes.

It was voted to adjourn officially from the Conference on Monday morning at 9 o'clock a.m.

It was voted to adjourn. Benediction given by Rev. Glenn Weinert.

Friday, 6 p.m.

The Conference Banquet was held in the basement of the host Church, and served by the ladies of that Church. Dr. S. B. Williams brought a Gospel message.

Friday, 8 p.m.

The evening worship service featured the work of Missions in our Church, stressing the Kingdom Advance Program. Bishop Ira D. Warner showed some colored slides of his recent trip to Africa and of our work there. An appeal was made in behalf of the K. A. P. Fund which resulted in a total of \$718.25 in cash and pledges, which amounts were referred to the local church budgets which were concerned.

## FIRST MEN'S CONGRESS, MISSOURI CONFERENCE

Saturday, 9 a.m.

The opening session of the one-day Men's Congress was called to order by the Conference Brotherhood President, L. M. Curts. A song service was led by Dr. Maynard Curts, with Dr. George Curts as pianist.

Devotions were led by W. Martin Ladd of the Statton Memorial Church.

Greetings and words of welcome were given by John T. Atkisson, local Brotherhood President. Response was given by Don Sensintaffar.

Special music was given by the Telescope Memorial Male Quartet, comprised by L. M. Curts, George Curts, Maynard Curts, and Lawrence Funk. They sang the hymn, "Quit You, Like Men."

Greetings and statement of purpose of meeting were given by L. M. Curts..

Dr. W. R. Montgomery, National Director of Brotherhood Work in our denomination, was introduced and spoke to the Congress on this great phase of Kingdom Service. He stated that the potential man-power of our denomination is 300,000 men. Brotherhood work, to really work, must work down in the local church among the men. Its program and purpose are of most worthy objectives, thus;

- (1) To organize all the men of the Church in Christian fellowship and service.
- (2) To promote study of the Bible.
- (3) To enlist men in winning others to Christ and to the Church.
- (4) To stimulate interest in civic righteousness, and to encourage participation in community betterment, and in National and international welfare.

His appeal for the men to respond to the call of Christ and His Kingdom was tremendous and urgent.

Bishop Weidler brought enthusiastic and stirring words of additional support to the appeal of the morning, stressing the fact, that, as God's stewards we need to take the talents which we have and multiply them by many-fold for God.

Benediction given by Brother Dean Merrifield.

Saturday, 1:30 p.m.

Devotions were given by Brother Forrest Smith of Brookfield.

An address was given by Dr. J. H. Ness on Brotherhood Program. He stressed the important fact that Jesus Christ is RELEVANT in the life of today. He is as real in the world today as He was of yesterday. The world's needs today are not material, but spiritual. Men today need Christ. He is our peace, our love, our understanding, our eternal salvation. Our organization as a Brotherhood is not organization per se, but men standing together heart and shoulder with Christ in a great program of seeking and saving the lost.

Election of officers was held.

Business items were given consideration in which a conference operating deficit of \$115, was raised in a spontaneous response by those present.

Under the direction of Mrs. Fred Guilford, a special anthem was given by the Junior choir of Telescope Memorial Church. They sang, "That's Why I Love Him So."

A discussion period was led by Dr. Montgomery. He pointed out many fine techniques by which the men of our churches can really take hold of the program of the local church and carry on to success the cause of Christ. The local Brotherhoods can, and need to, become spearheads in promoting the Christian Faith. He indicated the need for every Brotherhood to secure the booklet, "Brotherhood Manual," and use it as a guide, emphasizing the work of the four Committees namely: fellowship, Christian training, devotional life, and Christian service.

Dr. Crandall spoke words of appreciation and of commendation of the work and loyalty of Mr. L. M. Curts, retiring president of the Conference Brotherhood.

Dr. Emerson made motion, seconded by Brother Cummings, that all present stand in pledge of loyalty to the new President, Brother Willard L. Lutes. The entire gathering of over 50 men stood in response.

On motion it was voted that Mr. L. M. Curts be Editor-in-Chief of the Conference Brotherhood Messenger.

Benediction given by Brother Walter Long, of Mt. Zion.

Saturday, 8 p.m.

The evening worship service was under the direction of Willard L. Lutes as chairman and Maynard Curts as chorister. Scripture was read by Herman Porter, followed by prayer given by Bonnie Jackson. Special music was given by male quartets from both the Telescope Memorial and the Mersington Heights Churches. A trumpet solo was given by Malcolm Easterday, accompanied by Mrs. Easterday.

Dr. W. R. Montgomery was presented to address the evening assembly. He brought a glorious challenge to all present to listen to the voice of God calling us to His witness and to His service. God is eternally searching for men after His own heart to go out and to do His will among the peoples of the earth. God sent Jesus to call us one by one. Will men hear Him today, and listen to Him, and obey Him? God has called men in the days of the Old Testament Abraham, Moses, David, and the Prophets. God called men in Jesus' day, such men as Saul of Tarsus, Peter and all other of the disciples. God has called men in the days since Jesus' day on earth. He is calling men from among us today to become those of His own heart, and who need to catch step with Christ in the earnest attempt to go out and seek and win men to the redeemed life. God is calling men to go "On the March" in doing His will and His work.

Mr. Lutes, in behalf of the entire congregation, expressed thanks and appreciation to Dr. Montgomery for his splendid messages of the day and for his fine fellowship and counsel in Brotherhood work.



Report of Committee on Resolutions was given by Rev. M. W. Smeltzer. It was adopted. Dr Crandall gave the benediction.

Sunday, 11 a.m.

The worship service was under the direction of the pastor Rev. Lick. The Scripture lesson and the morning prayer were given by Dr. Crandall. An Episcopal offering was received for the work of the Kingdom. Special music was given by Dr. George Curts, in a solo, and an anthem by the choir, entitled "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked." by O'Hara.

The morning sermon was given by Bishop Weidler who spoke on the theme of "An Ambassador in Chains". It was a most challenging and inspiring message to all present as we continue in the Ways of Christ doing His work.

The Secretary presented Harold E. Spradling to the Bishop for Ordination. Bishop Weidler and Superintendent Crandall gave Brother Spradling the sacrament of Holy Ordination.

Bishop Weidler read the Stationing Committees Report. (See report 26) Benediction given by Bishop Weidler.

Sunday, 7:30 p.m.

Sermon given by Dr. G. W. Emerson, former pastor of the church.

## REPORT OF STATIONING COMMITTEE

(Report No. 26)

Adrian	Willard Lutes, Supply
Barker	Marvin Garlock Supply
Brashear	G. D. Hammontree
Brookfield	To be Supplied
Collins and Bethel	F. C. Wilson, Supply
Centerview	David Stephenson, Supply
Eagleville Circuit	Bertha M. Porter
Fulton Circuit	M. W. Smeltzer
Grandview and Mt. Tabor	H. S. Rinehart, Supply
Hatfield Circuit	Bertha M. Porter
Jennings, Louisiana	A. J. Rowden
Kansas City, First	Artz S. Lick
Kansas City, Statton Memorial	Lyle B. Roe
Mt. Hermon and Livonia	J. C. Herbert, Supply
Mt. Zion	Harold Spradling
Nevada	Floyd L. Courtney
Raymore	Edward Auchard
Roanoke, Louisiana	G. W. Emerson
Spickard Otterbein	J. H. Nall, Supply
Shiloh, Mound City	Lawrence Kurth
South Eagle	J. F. Eveland, Supply
Trenton	Claude H. Crandall
Painview	Harold Spradling
Pleasant Grove	H. S. Rinehart, Supply
Wye, Arkansas	Alice Selby

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

Omar Wetherell \_\_\_\_\_ Missionary to Barnettts Creek, Ky.

DISTRICT LEADERS

Brashear District \_\_\_\_\_ Gerald Hammontree  
 Nevada District \_\_\_\_\_ F. L. Courtney  
 Kansas City District \_\_\_\_\_ Lyle B. Roe  
 Trenton District \_\_\_\_\_ Claude H. Crandall  
 Jennings and Roanoke La. \_\_\_\_\_ G. W. Emerson

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

(Report No. 1)

Bishop V. O. Weidler, Members and Friends of the 91st Annual Session of the Missouri Conference of the Evangelical United Bretheren Church: Greetings:

I am submitting this report to you with a back ground of 15 years in the capacity of the Superintendent of Missouri Conference. Of these 15 years 8 of them have been served as a pastoral-superintendent.

These fifteen years have spoken some very definite things and left some very marked impressions. A survey of the record of these 15 years will, if carefully studied, reveal that the conference has rounded out some hard, well earned victories. Even though small in size yet as a conference we have made a fine contribution to the work of the Kingdom. Sometimes in the grip of some big achievement we are apt to overlook the steady plodding along of the children of God.

Whatever may be said of Missouri Conference, with all of her problems, it can be definitely stated that as a conference we have not given up. The going at times has been extremely difficult but in the extreme we have always found God able.

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

It is imperative that we look at the major problem we are facing. The problem of pastoral leadership. The problem imposed upon us due to the fact of pulpits without preachers are tremendous. Likewise it is dangerous to our work. Some of our churches are in desperate circumstances due to the fact that we have been unable to supply leadership. The churches are there and the people are there but there is no shepherd. Just one thing will happen. The sheep will scatter and in the ultimate we will lose these churches.

The fact that these churches have been without leadership is evidenced by the lag in benevolence giving the Kingdom Advance Program and other interests of the church. If we are ever to come through with all of these programs it must be done through pastoral leadership. The churches we have are a part of our heritage. They are too valuable to surrender. The only answer is for men to consecrate their lives to the shepherding of these sheep. I am fully aware of some of the arguments that are advanced as to why we do not have men for them. But frankly I think we must face

the fact that in far too many instances these churches are not given the attention in our programs that they should have. We cannot longer take for granted that they will be there when we want to raise money or launch some program. If we want our folk to do something for these Kingdom interests we in turn are going to need to do something about the fact that they are without a shepherd. This is far more critical, I am sure, than we are aware of.

Just recently I was approached by one of our churches that has a fine field of service. They put it up to me in this fashion. If the conference cannot provide us a man then we should line up some place that can. That, I know, is a very extreme position but it points to a fact that we must face.

During the year we were required to make some adjustments in pastors. They have worked out very satisfactory.

We suffered the loss of another fine soldier of the cross in the death of Rev. Paul E. Thompson.

Some of our best rural fields have been without pastors throughout the entire year.

As a Superintendent I have followed every lead to try and find men, I have encouraged and sought out young men for the ministry and urged them to get into school.

### EVANGELISM

Some of our churches have been on the alert and are carrying out a constant program of Evangelism. Needless to say the churches without pastors have done very little through this channel. The revision of church rolls has kept the membership at a mark less than the 5000. I have encouraged proper and correct revision of rolls but have asked that it be conservation rather than drastic. The fact that names are removed from rolls on a wholesale basis is dangerous. No names should be removed until the disciplinary steps have been taken. During the past 15 years 2782 people have been received into the fellowship of the churches of our conference.

February 10-14, 1949 are very important dates in the program of our Conference. This is the time attention will be given to Evangelistic rallies. All of our churches should place these dates on the calendar of the local church. The place of meeting for these rallies are as follows: Kansas City, Nevada, St. Joseph and Brookfield. Bishop Praetorius and Dr. Montgomery are to share in these rallies.

### FINANCES

This year some of the churches will not have their benevolence budget in full. Most of the churches have responded nobly to the call. However, some of them, I think due to lack of leadership, have not come through. Under pressure of many local problems the Kingdom Advance Program has not met with the success that we had hoped for. Some more definite support will need be given to the College of York.

## QUARTERLY CONFERENCE RECORDS

Some of our churches were not able to get proper record books and report blanks for the Quarterly Conference records. I understand that the Publishing house can supply them now and all churches should take immediate steps to securing these record books so as to start the new conference year in good form.

## CHURCH PROPERTY

Some of our congregations have made extensive repairs to church buildings and parsonages. As a whole the property over the conference is in good repair.

The church at Wye Arkansas is not complete yet. We had hoped it could be dedicated before conference time but that has not been possible. They are engaged in a program now to finish the building. The securing of finances for the project has been difficult.

We have suffered some real losses in property this year. The parsonage at Adrian, Missouri was destroyed by fire. This loss involves the church there with the necessity of making provision for a home for a pastor. It will not be easy.

The Board of Trustees of the local churches should certainly make a survey of the amount of insurance on the property. If they do not have adequate coverage they should see to it that it is done without further delay. The cost of building now is terrific.

## THE MISSION PROJECTS

Our project at Nevada was making good progress under the leadership of Rev. Paul E. Thompson. His death was a real blow to our work. A parsonage has been purchased and other forward steps taken. As a conference we must stand back of this project and see it through.

The Statton church has had a good year. Their records will speak to that point. Their plan for the next year is to carry out a program for the building of the parsonage.

Trenton church has made a steady growth. It has not been exciting but steady. The church has been brought to a more stable basis and the congregation has carried on. We have met difficulty in the church debt but have no doubt but that will be solved. It will not be easy but that fact makes it challenging.

Mt. Zion project has made some advances. At the last Quarterly the parsonage project was presented and some steps were taken to the building up of a parsonage fund. I understand that this is being done.

## PERSONAL WORD

At the conference held in Trenton last year it was voted that we study the possibilities of going back to a full time Superintendent. I am sure that we are all agreed that must be the ultimate program of the conference. However, I have faced this problem with utter frankness and I must confess that under the present prevailing picture I do not know how

it could be done. The amount that we would need to carry out such a program would total no less than an additional amount of \$4,000.00 to provide house, travel and salary. With the Kingdom Advance Program, the emergency we will face as a conference in the matter of the York college building program and other general interests I question if we can do it. That is do it now. There has been another factor that has influenced my thinking in the matter. That is the adjustment of the conference boundaries. When these permanent boundaries are set then, I think, will be the logical time to purchase a home for a Superintendent and work out a full program. I know there are folk who differ with me on this approach but these are my frank convictions based on a fact. The fact of raising the money to carry out a full time program now. The Pastoral-Superintendency is not satisfactory to a Superintendent. But rather than place the projects of our conference and these other interests in danger we should not jump at conclusions.

I still believe Missouri Conference has a very bright future. Men on our fields of labor will change a picture that sometimes has been very discouraging and demoralizing. But if pastors and laymen will demonstrate a real love and loyalty for our church in Missouri we will come through with a real victory.

The churches as a whole have been very patient and considerate of the fact that we have been under a pastoral-Superintendency. I want to thank them for such consideration. The Bishop and other leaders of the church have shared with us in our problems. The Council of Administration has done their work well. Let me thank all of you for this fine spirit.

"Let us not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not".

God Bless you all.

Respectfully, submitted,

C. H. CRANDALL,

Superintendent of the Conference

I should like to refer the names of Robert Tupper, Harold Spradling and Joseph Martin to the Conference Board of Ministerial Training and the name of Artz S. Lick to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The following items of business are referred to the respective boards for consideration:

1. The matter of using the parsonage funds held by the Shiloh church for making repairs to church building is referred to the Board of Missions.
2. The matter of the sale of the parsonage at Collins, Missouri is referred to the Conference Board of Trustees.
3. The matter of the parsonage for the Mt. Zion church is referred to the Conference Board of Missions.
4. The improvement program, which involves a basement, for the Livonia Church is referred to the Board of Missions.
5. The parsonage situation at Adrian, Missouri is also referred to the Conference Board of Missions for consideration.

C. H. Crandall

## TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

(Report No. 2)

Balance of funds on hand as of October 1, 1947.

Benevolences .....	\$ 539.77
Conference Advance .....	230.00
Oil Funds .....	207.68
Preachers Aid .....	1,102.13

2,079.58

## RECEIPTS:

Benevolences from churches .....	4,736.10
Oil Funds .....	476.06
Christmas offering Otterbein Home .....	2,041.77
Special Gifts .....	151.55
Preachers Aid .....	733.91
Ministerial Pension from churches .....	103.40
Conference Advancement funds .....	116.00
Board of Mission funds .....	32.73
Kingdom Advance funds .....	2,178.17
Mission Board for Pastors salaries .....	3,960.00

14,529.69

Total ..... 16,609.27

## DISBURSEMENTS:

Pastors salaries .....	5,974.25
Conference paid 3% on Pastors salary .....	176.16
Quota from benevolences to General Church .....	1,778.60
Roanoke parsonage, Appropriation on Building .....	250.00
St. Louis Church, Approp. on debt and Interest .....	284.16
Wye, Church, approp. on new church .....	300.00
Conference minutes 1947 .....	157.75
Conference Expenses .....	183.40
American Bible Society (Special Gifts) .....	15.00
Kingdom Advance .....	2,178.17
Preacher's Aid, Appropriations .....	770.00
Otterbein Home, Christmas Offerings .....	2,026.77
Salary, F. C. Wilson, Treasurer .....	50.00
Salary, Lyle B. Roe, Recording Secretary .....	40.00
Salary F. P. Henry, Statistical Secretary .....	40.00
York College, Special Gifts .....	88.00
Children's Day, Special Gifts .....	28.21
Special Gift to Conference Pianist .....	12.34

Total Disbursements ..... 14,456.80

Balance on hand ..... \$2,152.47

Apportioned as follows:

Benevolences	\$ 41.69
Conference Advancement	346.00
Preachers Aid	1,066.04
Oil Funds	683.74
Otterbein Home	15.00
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	\$ 2,152.47

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. Wilson,  
Treasurer Missouri Conference

### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

(Report No. 3)

The Auditing Committee has examined the books and records of Conference Treasurer, F. C. Wilson. All money has been accounted for and the records have been accurately and neatly kept.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. M. Curts  
Francis P. Henry

### REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

(Report No. 4)

At the call of Superintendent Crandall the Council of Administration of Missouri Conference of the Evangelical United Brethren Church met in the parlors of the Telescope Church at 10:00 a.m., July 2, 1948. Those present: Bishop V. O. Weidler, Dr. C. H. Crandall, Rev. F. L. Courtney, F. C. Wilson, L. M. Curts.

The meeting was opened by prayer by Rev. Artz S. Lick. Bishop Weidler commented on the work on the Southwest Area and stated in particular that Missouri Conference was up 100% on benevolences at the end of the fiscal year.

Dr. Crandall reported a lack of pastoral leadership, which led to an extended discussion of conference policy.

On motion, advisory relations were voted to Rev. Artz S. Lick, Rev. Edward D. Auchard, Dr. Stanley B. Williams.

The treasurer's report. Discussion of conference finances.

On motion it was voted to pay \$250.00 due the Department of Church Erection on the Roanoke debt.

The Trenton project was discussed and the following financial program with Trenton was approved:

The present indebtedness of the church is \$6,400.00 balance on the first mortgage indebtedness held by a Kansas City firm. Interest is now paid to date on this mortgage. Dr. Crandall stated that the actual indebtedness was \$7,000.00 but that the church now had on hand \$600.00 in cash which would be applied on this debt soon, thus reducing it to \$6,400.00. There is also an \$8,000.00 debt to the Board of Missions of the E. U. B. Church. Dr. Crandall stated it as their plan to raise \$2,000.00 on this debt between now and the meeting of the Missouri Annual Conference, the same to be used (a) to pay all interest up in full and (b) to apply the balance on the principal.

If interest in arrears has been calculated properly this should reduce the entire debt to about \$13,000.00 (principal) and Dr. Crandall stated it as his purpose to request to refinance this \$13,000.00 debt with the Board of Missions, borrowing \$5,000.00 more than owed at present, and stated that it would be the plan of the church to retire this \$13,000.00 debt at the rate of \$1,000.00 per year, plus interest.

The matter of conference apportionments was referred to Bishop Weidler, Dr. Crandall and Dr. Williams.

It was voted to pay the expenses of the members of the Council for this meeting.

L. M. Curts, Secretary

As per announcement of the conference program the Council of Administration met in the parlors of Telescope Church, Kansas City, Missouri, at 3 p.m. September 21, 1948. Those present: Bishop Weidler, Dr. Crandall, Rev. F. L. Courtney, F. C. Wilson, L. M. Curts.

The meeting was opened by prayer by Dr. Cain.

On motion Dr. S. B. Williams, Dr. B. H. Cain, Rev. Edward D. Auchard, Rev. A. J. Rowden, Mr. J. A. Kintigh, Mr. Kiethly, Mr. Randall were voted advisory relations.

The minutes of July 2, 1948 were read and approved.

The minutes of the Conference Board of Missions was read. The St. Louis project and the Nevada parsonage project were discussed but no action was taken.

Following a statement by F. C. Wilson the possibility of the sale of the Collins parsonage was referred on motion to the Conference Board of Trustees.

Adjourned to meet after the evening service.

Convened at 9:40 p.m.

Discussion of the possibility of the Raymore Church joining a Federation, No action was taken.

Re-convened at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday the 22nd. No actions were taken.

L. M. Curts, Secretary



## REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS

(Report No. 5)

The Board of Missions met at Telescope Memorial Church in Kansas City, Missouri, on Tuesday, September 21, at 10:30 p.m. Dr. Crandall presiding.

The Nevada Parsonage Project was discussed as to debt-reduction, lowering the interest rates,, etc.

It was voted that the Board request a survey Committee from Dayton to come to Nevada to make a study of the needs of the local church.

Mission appropriations to the Mission Churches of the Conference were fixed and approved. The following are the amounts recommended:

## APPROPRIATIONS:

Mt. Zion .....	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 1,800.00
Statton Memorial .....	1,510.00		1,140.00	2,650.00
Trenton .....	964.00	300.00	660.00	1,924.00
Nevada .....	920	600.00	980.00	2,500.00
Wye, Arkansas .....	600.00	200.00	400.00	1,200.00
Superintendent .....		300.00	600.00	
For office and travel .....		520.00		
		\$ 2,160.00	\$ 3,960.00	

## GRANTS:

Trenton, On interest ..... 300.00

Nevada: Board of Missions requests \$1,000.00 grant from Church Extension and \$500.00 from Conference. Also asks that Commission be appointed to visit this field to work out long term program of improvement and debt liquidation. Present debt. Church \$2,000.00 due in one year, drawing 6% interest annually. Parsonage \$4,500.00, interest about 8%, payments of \$55.00 per month.

St. Louis: Board of Missions desires to recind previous action recommending liquidation, but to state that they have no money to develop project and ask for advise from Denominational Board of Missions in future plans for this project, as per resolution adopted by Missouri Conference in 1947.

Lyle B. Roe, Secretary

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

(Report No. 6)

The committee recommends the following candidates for their respective offices:

Board of Christian Education: G. D. Hammontree fill the unexpired term of Rev. Paul Thompson.

Judicial Committee: Artz S. Lick.

Council Board of Administration: G. D. Hammontree to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Paul Thompson.

Board of Missions: Harold Spradling to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Paul Thompson.

Commission on Evangelism: Artz S. Lick to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Paul Thompson. Also elect three laymen: Willard Lutes, Ralph Randall, John Atkisson.

Board of Ministerial Training: Artz S. Lick to fill the unexpired term of Rev. Paul Thompson.

By Committee  
A. J. Rowden  
G. D. Hammontree  
Austin Harmon

## REPORT ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS

(Report No. 7)

We, your committee on Conference Relations, beg to submit the following report:

That the transfer from the Nebraska Conference for Rev. Artz S. Lick be accepted and that his name be placed in the regular Itinerant Roll.

That Rev. Robert Tupper and Rev. Harold E. Spradling be accepted as candidates for Ordination. This recommendation made in that they have completed the Disciplinary steps leading to this ordination.

That the name of Joseph Martin be placed on the roll of Regular Probationers.

That Rev. Mrs. Eva Pike be received in this Conference by transfer from the Oklahoma Conference.

That Marvin Herrick and Marvin Garlock were examined by Dr. Bachman of York College and received satisfactory grades.

Respectfully submitted,  
A. J. Rowden  
C. H. Crandall  
M. W. Smeltzer

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(Report No. 8)

We, your committee on Finance beg to submit the following recommendations:

First that all Benevolence apportionments to the local churches be kept at the same figure as last year.

Second that all of our churches launch their program to complete the Kingdom Advance Program as outlined in the schedule by the General Church.

Third that the Annual Conference Budget be increased to the amount of \$1700.00 to make provision for the York College Living Endowment Fund, and that in order to meet this amount that each church place in their local budget an amount equal to 1/3 of their Benevolence budget quota.

It is further recommended that this amount be sent to the Conference Treasurer who will in turn send on to the College.

This recommendation is made with the understanding that this 1/3 will not count on the Conference Benevolence Budget quota but that it will be in addition to the regular budget quota.

Committee on Finance  
Francis P. Henry  
F. C. Wilson

#### GOALS AND QUOTAS FOR 1948-1949

York College—One-third of local Church benevolence budget raised by every local church, known as Living Endowment.

Benevolence—(Set by Conference Council of Administration) Each Church quota the same as last year.

Preacher's Pension—3 per cent of what local church pays minister.

Preacher's Aid—2 per cent of minister's total salary.

Kingdom Advance—165 per cent of local church benevolence budget.

Goal of Evangelism—75,000 people to be won to Christ per annum, or, one new convert for every 10 members in our local churches.

Ministerial Supply—Each pastor to be earnestly on the alert seeking young men for the ministry and help them into program of training.

#### CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD OFFICERS

1948-1949

President	Willard L. Lutes
Vice-President	Forest Smith
Secretary	Don Sensintaffar
Treasurer	James Crawford

Note: By motion it was voted that the President of the Conference Brotherhood organization should be the Brotherhood representative on the Conference Council of Administration

C. B. Cummings, Secretary Pro tem

## REPORT OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(Report No. 9)

We acknowledge with grateful appreciation the word of greeting from the General Board of Christian Education. We sincerely appreciate the fine support and cooperation we are receiving from the General Board. We earnestly request the pastors of our churches to use every help that our General Board has to offer in carrying on in the local church a satisfactory program of leadership education, adult and brotherhood work, young peoples' work, children's work, and last but not least, the work of the Sunday School.

This has indeed been a busy year in the field of Christian Education, with the activities in our conference plus the first General Christian Education and Youth Fellowship Convention held at Syracuse, Indiana. However, it has been a most profitable year. The Convention brought to us the fact that one of the most important jobs the church has is Christian Education. To properly promote this program will take a great deal of time and energy on the part of each pastor as well as conference officers. Many wonderful recommendations came out of the planning—training and administrative conference. These will be brought to our attention at a very early date.

A great deal of emphasis was placed upon the "Strengthen the Sunday School" program. It was felt that this program will be the answer to many of the needs of the local churches. Let us not delay as pastors and churches in using this important program in our churches. This should by all means be launched by all the churches of our conference this year. Packets are in the hands of most of the pastors. Others may be secured from the Conference Director.

Our Summer camp, while in some respects one of the most outstanding yet held, was one of the most poorly attended in the history of our Summer camp program; this in spite of the fact that we had spent much

time and money in finding a camp grounds that would give us the needed facilities. This must be changed. If our camp program is to produce the much needed leadership that we expect then each of the pastors must realize that he has a personal obligation in this program. In our camp this year, only seven churches out of thirty-three had representation.

To carry on the enlarged program of the board this year, we will need a larger budget. Some plans should be laid immediately so that the board can bring into its treasury additional funds to take care of the enlarged program.

The conference board has met and partially set up the program for the summer camp next year. Let each pastor and each church resolve now to have their young people in camp, that they might receive the teaching and inspiration that will lead them back to the local church to worship and work, and then through the guidance of the church, on to our own denominational school, thereby assuring ourselves of adequate Christian leaders in each of our churches in the days to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Floyd L. Courtney, Conference Director

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

(Report No. 10)

Evangelism is the task of the whole church. Every department, Conference Local Church, Minister and Lay Member of the Evangelical United Brethren Church is responsible for its promotion and accomplishment.

The need of Evangelism is obvious. The fields are white unto the harvest. "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; And they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars forever and ever."

What a high privilege—"To turn many to righteousness", and what a reward, "Shall shine as the stars forever." The Evangelistic Program of the Evangelical United Brethren Church, launched at the General Conference is well under way. The Book of Discipline provides in Article 1874, "There shall be a Commission on Evangelism in the Annual Conference to be known as the Conference Commission on Evangelism, for the purpose of planning, promoting and directing the work of Evangelism throughout the Conference. Its duties are well defined, and the work of the Commission outlined in Articles 1875-1883.

The Evangelical United Brethren Church, according to the last Year-book has 705,102 members upon this continent, and another 57,211 members scattered elsewhere in the world. These 762,313 members have a definite responsibility for a part of the unsaved and unchurched millions in our world. The General Commission on Evangelism has set as our goal for Christ and the Church, 75,000 for each year of the quadrennium, as our responsibility in making Christ known to the world. When we carry this figure down to the local church, it means only one person won to Christ to every ten members. Surely this should be only the minimum goal. We should far exceed, because the need is great!

As a part of this great Evangelistic advance the General Commission on Evangelism is sponsoring the holding of 160 One-Night Evangelistic Rallies throughout our Denomination. These Rallies are not Conference Rallies and each church of the E. U. B. Fellowship is to go to the nearest Rally, and Conference bounds are not to be the main factor to be considered. The plan is for the General Commission to provide teams, consisting of two speakers, members of the General Commission on Evangelism, along with the Conference Secretaries of Evangelism and Conference Superintendents of the Annual Conferences concerned, who will conduct the Rallies at the places to be indicated.

The dates for the One-Night Laymen Evangelistic Rallies for Missouri, according to the latest release from the General Commission, is February 10-14. The places are Kansas City, St. Joseph, Nevada, and Brookfield. The exact order has not yet been worked out. You will however be notified in plenty of time. Every Church is to go "ALL OUT" on these Evangelistic Rallies, and the local Church Commission on Evangelism can aid very effectively in the promotion of these Rallies. The speakers and leaders from the General Commission for our state are Bishop E. W. Praetorius and Dr. Montgomery. Bishop Praetorius is one of the greatest Biblical Expository preachers of our Church, and of course we are all acquainted with Dr. Montgomery.

The following commitments are to be urged in these Rallies:

- A. To the Evangelistic Program of the local Church as directed by the Pastor and local Commission on Evangelism.
- B. To Personal Evangelism.
- C. To a deeper passion for souls, and enlistments made in Daily Prayer Covenants.
- D. To the securing of new recruits for the Ministry and for Missionary work.
- E. To secure conversions and reclamations.

In this connection it should be noted that the Churches of Louisiana are to co-operate with the Rally that is to be held at Jennings, which according to the latest report, is October 25th.

There is the planning also the holding of great Areal Meetings for 1949, and each Conference is asked to give serious consideration at this session to its promotion and attendance.

The following recommendations are submitted to the Annual Conference:

1. There shall be in each local Church a local Commission on Evangelism, which shall study their duties as outlined in the Book of Discipline, and faithfully promote the same.
2. The Annual Conference shall make adequate provision for the financing and promotion of the work of the Conference Commission.
3. The Conference Commission shall channel down to the local Church, the Dominational Program of the Church. The Commission should hold Rallies, provide a plan of mutual assistance to pastors in Evangelistic work, distribute literature, and give specific guidance on Evangelism during the Lenten season, and other special periods of the year.
4. Every Annual Conference is asked to fix their own goals for persons to be won for Christ and the Church, in harmony with the Denominational goal of 75,000 persons to be won to Christ and the Church. Therefore, the Conference Commission recommends that we accept as our goal for the Conference, based upon the last Yearbook of the Church a goal of 427 members received upon confession of Faith.

We received last year 156 members upon confession of Faith.

The following literature is available. Some is free, all is very reasonable priced. "I need You To Win 75,000 To Christ and The Church.", "Evangelism in the Local Church", "Evangelism in the Annual Conference" "Lay and Ministers Covenant Cards," and many others.

May the Lord give us a great passion to reach the great number outside the Church. More than one-half the people of America are outside the Church. May our whole program be undergirded by prayer and consecration.

Respectfully submitted,

Conference Commission on Evangelism

## HOME MISSIONS

(Report No. 11)

The program of The Evangelical United Brethren Church is one which includes both the work abroad in other lands as well as work in our homeland. When Christ commissioned the disciples to go into all the world and preach the Gospel he meant to preach it at home as well as elsewhere. Truly America is a fertile field for the sowing and cultivation of the Gospel. With all of the delinquent parents and children, the increasing of the breakdown among families, the spread of liquor influence among all ages of our people, the high-powered advertising program of sensuality and sin on the bill-boards, in our magazines, and on the screen, with all these conditions, and more, the church can see clearly that we as God's people need to do something about it to help create a more wholesome society in which posterity may live and develop the abundant life.

We are told that approximately half of the youth of our land are at the present time receiving no religious training. Are we as Christ's witnesses going to remain indifferent to all the responsibilities which are ours in this generation? The answer is "NO" for we have a program which is known as The Kingdom Advance Program which is designed to find its way into various portions of the earth to do Christ's work. This is only a supplement to the general program of our church. We are already expanding the work among our Spanish-American peoples of New Mexico and Florida. A great program is also being done among our Kentucky friends in the Red Bird Mission. A full budget in each local church of our conference and a full realization of our Kingdom Advance Program of \$2 000,000 will carry our work among the 100 new-church projects, and all the other work on to a victorious conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lyle B. Roe

## FOREIGN MISSIONS

(Report No. 12)

To the Bishop and Members of the Missouri Conference:

The cause of Missions lies dear to the heart of every real Christian. The Divine Commission as given by the Master must constantly be re-emphasized. The Evangelical United Brethren Church both in history and present day purpose is Missionary minded. The Kingdom Advance Program of our Church is evidence of the world-minded work of the Evangelical United Brethren Church. Three words—Kingdom - Advance - Program, reveal our plan to promote "The Light that shines in the Darkness."

The Kingdom of God is the FAITH of every Christian. "Thy Kingdom Come," is our prayer. Every subject of the King exults in the joy, "That the Kingdoms of this world shall become the Kingdom of our Lord."

We, who are Kingdom people know that the life of our Lord grows in us as we allow the Spirit of His Kingdom to work through us. For Jesus, serving was intimately a part of proclaiming. "Heal the sick, raise the dead, cast out demons" was a part of the same Command which He gave His Disciples, when He said, "And as you go, preach, saying the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

Amid the changes and distress of Nations that have been shattered, we who are Christians are to be benefactors in "A Kingdom that cannot be shaken."

The challenge to ADVANCE is the Hope of the Church. The Christian fellowship has a strange seed-bed for growth. Sacrifice, Self-Denial, Humility, Compassion, these glorified through the Cross of Him who lived them, have always combined to make opportunity out of Compassion.

This unquenchable spirit of courage and vision, this refusal to accept defeat, this "Bounce Back" of Christian vitality is not dead. We are sounding it again! Out of the ashes, rubble and loss of war, we are only aiming at Reconstruction, but we are leading on to ADVANCE. Our only backward look is to help the fallen. The soul and call of the Church is to go forward. We have infinite resources of power. Looking "Unto Jesus" demands ADVANCE. His Spirit opens our eyes, "To see the fields white unto the harvest." He not only gives us meat to eat that the world cannot know, but He compells us to do something about the parts of the world, where men have no meat, either Flesh or Spirit. His onward push is the HOPE of the world. We must push on, or we will be pushed under. World forces are crowding — Christ's way is calling.

The program of Kingdom Advance is primarily an action of LOVE. Christian Love is Faith and Hope in action.

One of the ways in which the Evangelical United Brethren Church helps you to serve Christ is to provide a PROGRAM through which you can share His Spirit with the world. In addition to the regular organization, The Kingdom Advance is an opportunity for you to help meet world needs NOW. It is a channel through which you can bring Christ's Spirit to bear upon needs in the Kingdom "For such a time as this."

We are always face to face with the great commandment of Jesus, not only to Love God with "All one's heart and soul and strength and mind," "But to love your neighbor as yourself." The supremacy of God demands an action toward your neighbor, and in LOVE that means food for his hunger, clothing for his rags, a healer for his sickness, and a Saviour for his lost condition. The plan is to give relief to the needy; to rebuild the broken places of the Church; and to advance the frontiers of The Gospel in loving our neighbors.

The Kingdom Advance Program proposes to raise \$2,000,000 for relief, Reconstruction and Advance. The Board of Missions is the promoting Body through its program and channels. The K.A.P. is not a campaign for money alone. While we need a minimum of \$2,000,000, that alone will not give the spiritual lift that the world needs. The Church must plan to advance on a much larger scale than has characterized her work the past quarter of a century. It is well to remind ourselves that we are supposed to have attained now three-fourth of the goal. By Easter of 1949 the K. A. P. is to be brought to a glorious climax.

The Committee recommends:

1. That the Conference give its hearty support and encouragement to K. A. P.



2. That we avail ourselves of every bit of help proffered on the raising of the minimum goal, which is approximately one and one-third times the benevolence quota.
3. That each pastor and delegate give himself wholly to the realizing of victory in the raising of funds for K. A. P. in the Missouri Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

Artz S. Lick

### REPORT ON OTTERBEIN HOME

(Report No. 13)

The Otterbein Home, located in Lebanon, Ohio, is our home for our boys and girls and for our aged people. It is supported and maintained by our own people in our local churches. It was my privilege to visit the Home as representative of Missouri Conference last May.

Many fine things could be said concerning the achievements of the Home. There are now 270 persons dependent upon the Home for livelihood. They are being clothed and fed, and trained in the Christian way of life. The boys and girls are being schooled through High School. Daily devotions and worship is provided for the entire Home family.

While visiting the Boy's Dormitory, a party was given eighteen of the boys of junior age wherein a representative of the Nebraska Conference and I shared in the fun. After a number of games were played, each boy was given a new one-dollar bill in a souvenir bill-fold, along with a candy bar each. This brought great delight to the entire group. The treats were furnished by Brookfield and South Eagle and two Churches in Nebraska.

The approximate operating budget of the Home is \$200,000 per annum. This is a real challenge. Our people have responded in a noble way. The Home is looking to us for continued support.

We wish to make the following recommendations:

- a. That every church organize her people right after Conference in an effort to raise at least the minimum goal of one-dollar per member, to be raised by Christmas.
- b. That we each one pray for the Superintendent and all the leaders of the Home.
- c. That we also express our sincere appreciation to Dr. B. H. Cain for his splendid address given on the work of the Home.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Lyle B. Roe

### PREACHERS PENSIONS REPORT

(Report No. 14)

The ministerial Pension Plan is definitely a fixed program of our united church. Our church has rallied in a heroic manner to this urgent need of an adequate pension for our aged ministers. To insure success

of this great plan, it is imperative that each church responds with an amount equal to the 3 per cent of their local pastor's salary. All newly ordained ministers are required to apply for the plan and to pay an amount equal to 2 per cent of their salary to the general pension board. The ministry of the church is in the process of giving. The minister gives himself, his life for the spreading the "good news." We believe the church will rally behind this great cause.

Humbly submitted,

A. J. Rowden

### REPORT OF BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING (Report No. 15)

The Board of Ministerial Training recommends:

1. That Joseph Martin be referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for Probationer's license.
2. That Marvin Garlock and Marvin Herrick, Galen Hershey, J. C. Herbert and Joseph Martin be referred to Conference Relations Committee for classification.
3. That Dr. C. H. Crandall sign the agreement with Bonebrake Seminary relative to scholarship funds.
4. That Harold E. Spradling and Robert Tupper be referred to the Committee on Conference Relations as recommended for Elder's Orders.

Edward D. Auchard, Secretary

### REPORT ON SOCIAL ACTION (Report No. 16)

The last command of our Lord and Savior, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," is certainly a real challenge to the church today, when the social order of the world has sunk to such low levels.

With drunkenness and divorce and all forms of social evil on the upward trend, surely the church is faced with a tremendous responsibility in its effort to Christianize every area of human life.

When we face the fact that two-thirds of all the people in the world today are undernourished; that one-half or approximately 1,115,000,000 are on the verge of starvation and that multiplied millions are homeless; then add to this picture the untold thousands who are still being held in forced labor camps of certain countries, then we begin to realize the need of Christian Social Action.

We recommend that each local church carry an educational program for the purpose of Christianizing the economic and social life of the community, the nation and the world.

G. D. Hammontree  
Harold E. Spradling  
W. Martin Ladd

## REPORT ON PREACHER'S AID

(Report No. 17)

We, your committee on Preacher's Aid, recommend the following:

1. That the note for \$100.00 held by the Preacher's Aid Committee, covering the loan to Rev. Paul E. Thompson, be cancelled and same mailed to Mrs. Thompson.
2. That the following appropriations be made:
 

a. Rev. C. J. Melville .....	\$50.00 annually
c. Rev. C. H. Schod .....	50.00 annually
c. Rev. E. E. Rushton .....	144.00 annually
d. Rev. J. F. Eveland .....	144.00 annually
e. Rev. M. W. Smeltzer .....	144.00 annually
f. Mrs. Edna Torrey .....	50.00 annually
g. Mrs. C. D. Phend .....	50.00 annually
h. Mrs. A. F. Powell .....	50.00 annually

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Respectfully submitted,

 C. H. Crandall  
 F. L. Courtney  
 F. C. Wilson  
 Lyle B. Roe

## YORK COLLEGE

(Report No. 18)

The world is constantly calling for trained leaders in every profession. Leaders who have met not only the highest educational standards, but who have also met the highest standards of Christian character.

York College is our school for our own young people, and we should recognize the value of the Christian influence they receive at York, which is not found in State supported institutions of learning.

Some fine and much needed improvements are being made at York College to care for a greater enrollment. This program of advance should challenge every Church in Missouri Conference.

Respectfully submitted

G. D. Hammontree

Bonebrake Seminary

(Report No. 19)

One of the crying needs of contemporary Protestantism is for an adequate supply of earnest, evangelistic, and well trained ministers of Christ. We recall with gratitude and humility the courage, consecration, vision and achievements of many Evangelical and United Brethren ministers who, without formal training laid worthy foundations for our churches, and led many souls to the Lord. But the new day in which we live makes new and greater demands on the Church's ministry.

Every Christian minister should be familiar with the cultural heritage of Western civilization and of the American Republic. Only a dynamic religion can nourish the roots of our culture.

Every minister, as a shepherd of souls, must know both the nature and needs of human person. He must also understand the society in which souls come to maturity on earth.

Especially should ministers be equipped to proclaim God's Word. The Biblical Revelation and its historic theological interpretation must be a throbbing, thrilling reality to the preacher. He must be able effectively to communicate the passion of his soul to others.

It is to achieve these ends that theological seminaries are established and maintained. The one theological school of the United Brethren Church was Bonebrake. Bonebrake with the two evangelical schools for theological training, must supply the trained leadership of our larger communion.

We rejoice in the improved and enlarged library at Bonebrake, which provides new tools for scholarly research. We also anticipate the future enlargement of the Seminary's plant to meet the needs of a growing Church. To the Seminary, its faculty and students, we pledge our prayers.

Edward D. Auchard

## STEWARDSHIP

(Report No. 20)

Steward: A person entrusted with management of estates or affairs not his own: hence, one who manages or disburses for another or others.

Stewardship: The office or duties of a steward: hence, the duty of dispensing as an accountable person. (Dictionary)

Article 65 in our Church discipline reads: The stewards shall promote the practice of Christian stewardship, systematic and proportional giving with emphasis on tithing, among the members and friends of the Church. They shall endeavor to secure payments by those, on their respective lists, who have overdue pledges, and contributions from those who have not made pledges, and remit the same to the Financial Secretary. Thus are defined the duties of our local stewards in the home churches. In article 278 we have: Every member of the Church should study the principles of Christian stewardship, and dedicate himself, his time, his talent and his substance to God and the advancement of his Kingdom.

Here are some strong commands or urges given to us by the law making body of our denomination. They found these on Malachi 3, 8-12 which reads thus: Will a man rob God? yet ye rob me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with the curse; for ye rob me, even this whole nation. Bring ye the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house, and prove me now herewith, saith Jehova of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground: neither shall your vine cast its fruit before the time in the field, saith Jehovah of hosts. And all nations shall call you happy; for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith Jehovah of hosts. They also use I Cor. 16:2 which reads, Upon the first day of the week let each one of you lay by him in store, as he may prosper, that no collections be made when I come

A tithe paid weekly would seem to be the ideal as suggested in these quotations; and it might be hard for any one to suggest a better rule, if we were just to have one small order for all.

Stewardship is a trust, a responsibility, and a privilege. A true Christian should desire to be within the will of God in the matter of paying as much as in any other relationship with the Father. God seems in his word to desire the tithe as a foundation for Christian paying. God knows best what is for our good, and so it is always to our advantage to co-operate with Him. In passage from the wise man we find the reason why many are careless in this and other religious matters: the verse is: Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil. Eccl. 8-11.

Note in the above word from the Church discipline the word proportional is in evidence. The rich should give a larger percent than the poor. Some men have grown wealthy giving larger and larger shares. Methinks there be many poor E. U. B. men who are poor because they never learned to co-operate with God to secure the wealth they might have controlled. God could not trust them much because He saw they failed in serving Him in small things. Jesus knew the business of Peter better than Peter did, and could tell him where to cast the net and get it full. Many a man has never been willing to let God tell him where to cast.

I have never known a true tither who practiced through the years who did not prosper, or who was sorry. In Oklahoma \$500 was placed in a bank and it was offered to any man who would tithe for one year and did not prosper or was sorry for trying this plan of God in business life. It was reported that many tried it expecting to be able at end of the year to claim the five hundred dollars; but they did prosper and confessed they were glad to have made the test.

Honor Jehovah with they substance,  
And with the first fruits of all thine increase:  
So shall thy barnes be filled with plenty,  
And the vats shall overflow with new wine."

Proverbs 3, 9 and 10.

G. W. Emerson

## REPORT COMMITTEE ON QUARTERLY CONFERENCE RECORDS (Report No. 21)

We your committee on Quarterly Records beg to submit the following report:

Due to the fact that many of the churches were unable to secure proper Quarterly Conference record books from the Publishing house it has been impossible to make a complete report to the conference concerning these records.

Several of the churches have secured these record books and on examination of their records we beg to report that we have found them in good shape.

It is imperative that each church get these record books and that proper report blanks be secured.

The conference Superintendent has secured a supply of the "Quarterly Report of Local Churches" and they are available. These report blanks will be given to each pastor before leaving the conference.

The pastors successor record, which was used under the former United Brethren Church should also be kept in this Quarterly Conference record book. It is our understanding that these report blanks have been properly punched so as to fit in this book and that they are also available from the Publishing house.

All churches should be clear in the matter that they are to bring this record book to the Annual Conference for examination.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Quarterly Conference Records

Rev. G. D. Hammontree

J. A. Kintigh

Rev. C. H. Crandall

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

(Report No. 22)

We are grateful to our Heavenly Father for the fellowship and blessings we as Christian workers have enjoyed during this 91st session of this Conference.

We appreciate the fine Christian spirit of our Bishop V. O. Weidler, for his counsel and efficient leadership throughout these sessions.

We are conscious of the strenuous duties of our Superintendent, Dr. C. H. Crandall, and thank him for his untiring labors.

We have appreciated and enjoyed the fellowship of Bishop Ira D. Warner of California, Dr. W. E. Bachman, President of York College, Dr's. B. H. Cain, J. H. Ness, and W. E. Montgomery of Dayton, Ohio, also Mrs. Luper, Matron of Hulitt Hall, York College and thank them for their inspiring messages.

We are very grateful to the members and friends of the local church, with their pastor, Rev. Artz S. Lick for the royal way in which they entertained us as their guests, during our stay in this city.

Resolved: That we pastors, laymen and lay-women on returning to our various homes and fields of labor determine by the grace of God and the help of our Lord, press forward in the Kingdom service looking unto Him Who said, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

Respectfully submitted,

M. W. Smeltzer

## WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF WORLD SERVICE

(Report No. 23)

In behalf of the women and girls of Missouri Branch I bring greetings. Since the financial year of this Society does not coincide with the Conference year, numerical reports are a bit misleading. For this reason totals for the year ending April 5, 1948 will be given, with goals set for the new year. Total membership at that time was 360, in 16 societies, with a total raised for all purposes of \$1772. Total Evangel subscriptions is 342.

Goals set for the new year: financial goal, \$1850; a net gain of 25 members; 30 new subscriptions to World Evangel; and at least one new society. In addition to these goals the following was recommended: use of denominational booklet, "Christian Service"; Stewardship and Study Classes; observance of special days, in particular, days of Prayer. The full cooperation of all pastors and their wives is earnestly solicited.

Attendance at the Regional meeting to be held in Kansas City, this November 16 and 17, is urged upon each local society. At least one representative from each society is the goal.

Complications were inevitable, with the union recently effected, but we feel that much has been accomplished. With faith and prayer, much study and patience, we press on for an understanding of our larger opportunities and responsibilities in our Master's service.

Respectively submitted,  
Mrs. L. M. Curts

## MINISTER'S WIVES AUXILIARY

(Report No. 24)

The Minister's Wives Association of Missouri Conference met in the Telescope Memorial Church on Friday, September 24, with Mrs. Artz S. Lick and Mrs. Lloyd M. Curts acting hostesses. Mrs. A. J. Rowden presided in a business session wherein the following officers were elected:

President	_____	Mrs. Artz S. Lick
Vice-President	_____	Mrs. G. D. Hammontree
Secretary	_____	Mrs. Lyle Roe
Treasurer	_____	Mrs. G. W. Emerson

It was agreed that each one should have a parsonage friend during the year and send special seasonal greetings, etc. Each drew a name to adopt as the special friend.

Mrs. W. S. Luper, matron of York College Girl's Dormitory, brought greetings and talked briefly about the new Girl's Dormitory now in process of being built.

The Auxiliary voted to adopt the project of furnishing one of the rooms in the new dormitory at a cost of \$200.00

Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

Mrs. Lyle B. Roe, Secretary

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Report No. 25)

The Board of Trustees of Missouri Conference Evangelical United Brethren Church met in the parlors of the Telescope Memorial Church, Kansas City, Missouri, September 24, 1948. Those present: Dr. C. H. Crandall, Rev. M. W. Smeltzer, Rev. G. D. Hammontree and L. M. Curts. By vote this board authorized the signing of the deed which is now held by the conference board of trustees transferring the title of the parsonage at Collins to the local board of trustees of the Collins Church. It was further agreed to sell the parsonage and retain the funds for local building.

L.M.Curts, Secretary



NAME OF CHARGE	NAME OF CHURCH	NAME OF PASTOR	Members Reported Close of Year	Confession of Faith	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership	Change of Boundary	Total Gain	Death	Certificate of Transfer	Certificate of Membership	Withdrawal with Certificate	Withdrawal Without Certificate	Expulsion	Change of Boundary
Adrian	Adrian	Adrian	138												
Crescent Hill	Crescent Hill	Crescent Hill	145					2	7	6	11				
Barker	Barker	Barker	198			1	2	1	4	4					
Brashear	Brashear	Brashear	199	5				5	1	1			2		
Brookfield	Brookfield	C. D. Hammonree	610	12	6	8		26	2	2	11		6		
Bethel	Bethel	F. L. Courtney	58												
Collins	Collins	F. C. Wilson	29						1		2				
Centerville	Centerville	F. C. Wilson	56												
Eagleview	Eagleview	John McClements	115	10		1		11	1						
Fulton Circuit	White Oak	John McClements	132												
Fulton Circuit	Fulton U. B.	M. W. Snelizer	72	3		1		4	1			4			
Grandview	Fulton Fairview	M. W. Snelizer	43											3	
Grandview	Grandview	Kenneth G. Kelley	91	17		5		22	1		5	3			
Hatfield Circuit	Mt. Labor	Kenneth G. Kelley	47								2				
Hatfield Circuit	Arington	John McClements	18												
Hatfield Circuit	Hatfield	John McClements	29												
Jennings, La.	Weaver Chapel	John McClements	86												
Kansas City	Jennings, La.	A. J. Rowden	201	9	3			12	1	4		5			
Livona	Telescope	Artz S. Lick	252	5	12	5		22	4	3	5				
Livona	Statton Memorial	Lyle B. Roe	150	5	2	3		10	1	12	12				
Livona	Livona	Bertha Porter	75	3	1			4		1					
Mt. Zion	Mt. Herman	Mt. Zion	121	8				8			2				
Nevada	Nevada	Harold Spradling	134	6	3	5		14		2	2		3		
Raymore	Raymore	Paul E. Thompson	106	4	5			9	5	2	3		10		
Roanoke, La.	Roanoke, La.	Edward D. Auchard	116	5	2			7		6	7		2		
Shiloh	Shiloh	G. W. Emerson	123						5						
South Eagle	South Eagle	Lawrence R. Kurth	154							6	7	3	1		
Spickard	Mt. Olive	F. L. Courtney	121	3		3		6	1	2	2				
Trenton	Trenton	C. H. Crandall	96												
Plainview	Plainview	C. H. Crandall	148	5	1			6		3	2				
Pleasant Grove	Pleasant Grove	Kenneth G. Kelley	30												
Wye, Ark.	Wye, Ark.	Alice Selby	55	11		6		17				1			
St. Louis	St. Louis	Alice Selby	82	8				8					7		
TOTALS	TOTALS	TOTALS	4207	119	37	39		195	44	40	78	3	58		

## MEMBERSHIP

## ATTENDANCE

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

NAME OF CHURCH	Total Loss		Net Gain	Net Loss	Present Membership	Non Resident Members	Members Under 18 Years of Age	Conversions		Baptisms Adults	Baptisms Children	Sundays			Number of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Nursery	Beginners	Primary	Junior	Total	Young People's Division	Adult Division	Home Department	Total Sunday School Enroll.	Average Attendance
								Sunday Morning Worship Service	Sunday Evening Worship Service			Mid-Week Worship Service														
2	24	22	116	50	8		35	15	10	1	16		5	10	9	24	21	40		101	35					
Adrian	8	7	138	125	2			50	12	1	10	6		1	10		3	8	10	18	13	40		81	35	
Crescent Hill	4	1	139	125	1			6	50					1	10		6	12	12	16	36	6	35	50	87	100
Barker	10		9	190	187	1		8	40	19	1	20		1	20		15	8	18	41	38	94		193	100	
Brashear	21	5	615	179	24	8		145	76	20	1	16		1	16		6	8	2	16	12	118	9	286	163	
Brookfield	2		2	56	10	2		20	18				1	6		6	6	6	8	2	16	12		44	18	
Bethel	1		1	28				15					1	8		6	6	6	18	8		8		42	20	
Collins				56																						
Centerview				125									1	16		5	5	10	20	15	25		76	30		
Otterbein	1	10		133				30					1	8				8	9	17	22	25		72	37	
White Oak	5		1	71	33	1	3	38	33				1	6				5	4	9		5		20	10	
Fulton U. B.	2		2	46	23			13	18				1	12	4	3	3	6	16	10	27		65	35		
Fulton Fairview	8	14		105	37	8	17	35	60				1	5				10	5	7		12		27	12	
Grandview	3		3	44	15	1		20	20				1	8												
Mt. Tabor				18				10					1	10	3	3	4	10	20	10				40	24	
Arrington				29				17					1	10												
Hatfield				89		22	9	4	5	75	46	15	1	12		5	9	8		32	18	52	5	114	66	
Weaver Chapel	10	2		208	86		9	4	8	105	40		1	16	14	15	18	12	59	53	100	10	238	105		
Jennings, La.	12	10		262	30	10	6	4	6	55	20	18	1	10	10	9	16	11	46	14	46	4	120	60		
Telescope	25		15	135	21		5	9	6	30	15		1	18					57				75	41		
Stanton Memorial	1	3		78				4	4				1	15		5		5	10	15	10		50			
Livona	2	6		127			9	10	2				1	15		5		5	10	15	10		50			
Mt. Herman	5	9		143	42	9	6	6	2	64	59	18	1	17	7	11		11	29	23	34		103	58		
Mt. Zion	20		11	95	21	2	4	1	2	35	23	10	1	11				22	7	22	7		62	38		
Nevada	15		8	108	51	2	5	3		39	34		1	10				6	10	30		56	37			
Raymore	5		5	118	34	10	2		2	68	34	10	1	18		13	13	7	41	18	19	8	104	64		
Roanoke, La.	21		21	133	41			49	24				1	10		8								79	29	
Shiloh	5	1		122	46	2	3	3	2	45			1	7			8		16	14	39		104	64		
South Eagle				96																				55	50	
Mt. Olive				156																						
Otterbein	5	1		149	54	1	5	8	1	71	80	19	1	14	9	12	18	9	48	24	35		121	71		
Trenton				30																						
Plainview	1	16		71	19	3	11	7	6	30	70		1	12	3	2	4	4	13	10	26		61	35		
Pleasant Grove	7	1		83	8	5	8		4	30	30	10	1	5										62	31	
wye, Ark.				15																						
St. Louis																										
DISTRICT TOTALS	223	79	107	4179	1084	109	126	83	59	1178	821	161	28	318	74	138	160	157	770	439	871	36	2434	1254		

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

### NUMBER OF YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

## CORRELATED PLAN

### UNIFORM PLAN

Miss. Org. S. S. Dept.

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## S. S. Dept.

NAME OF CHURCH

NAME OF CHURCH	UNIFORM PLAN							C. E. Leagues				CORRELATED PLAN				S. S. Dept.								
	Number Added to Church from S. S.	Enrolled in Vacation Church Schools	Enrolled in Week-Day Ch. Schools	Enrolled in Leadership Ed. Courses	No. of Catechetical and/or Pastors Cl.	Enrollment of Catechetical and/or Pastors Cl.	No. Adult C. E. Leagues	Enrollment Adult C. E. Leagues	C. E. Leagues			CORRELATED PLAN												
									Intermediate	Senior	Young People	Total	Intermediate	Senior	Young People		Total							
Adrian		15																						
Grant Hill																								
Baker																								
Brasher																								
Brookfield	2	20		10	1																			
Rebel																								
Collins																								
Centerview																								
Otterbein	11	4																						
White Oak																								
White C. B.																								
Fulton C. B.																								
Fulton Fairview																								
Grandview	19						1	25																
Mt. Tabor																								
Arrington																								
Hartfield																								
Weaver Chapel																								
Jennings, Ia.	5	45		15																				
Telescop	7	50	12	9																				
Station Memorial	1	34	4	10	1	10																		
Livona	8																							
Mt. German	4	30																						
Mt. Zion	10	45																						
Nevada				10	1	14	1	25																
Raymore	8	15																						
Keenoke, Ia.		34		11																				
Shiloh Eagle																								
South																								
Mt. Olive																								
Otterbein																								
Princeton	1				2																			
Plainview																								
Pleasant Grove	11						1	30																
Wye, Ark.	7	23																						
St. Louis																								
DISTRICT TOTALS	84	315	16	65	5	24	3	80	2	3	2	7	3	4	1	8	2	1	1	4	5	5	3	13

# ENROLLMENT OF YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

## UNIFORM PLAN

## CORRELATED PLAN

## ORGANIZATION

NAME OF CHURCH	UNIFORM PLAN			CORRELATED PLAN						Total	S. S. Dept.	Number of Junior Leagues	Enrollment of Junior Leagues	Number of Brotherhoods	Participating Mem. in Brotherhoods	No. of Women's Soc. of World Service	Mem. of Women's Soc. of World Service	No. of Christian Service Guilds	Mem. of Christian Service Guilds	No. Using Coop. Plan of Miss. Ed. for Children				
	C. E. Leagues			Miss. Org.			S. S. Dept.																	
	Intermediate	Young People	Total	Intermediate	Young People	Total	Intermediate	Senior	Young People															
Adrian		46	46																					
Crescent Hill																								
Barker																								
Brashear																								
Brookfield		16	14		30	6	7		13															
Bethel																								
Collins																								
Centerview																								
Otterbein		1	1		12	12																		
White Oak																								
Fulton U. B.			8	10	10	28																		
Fulton Fairview																								
Grandview																								
Mt. Tabor																								
Arrington																								
Hatfield																								
Weaver Chapel																								
Jennings, La.	5	13	5	23																				
Telescope																								
Stanton Memorial			9		9	8			14	22	15	23	15	53										
Livona	3	10	3	16																				
Mt. Herman																								
Mt. Zion																								
Nevada																								
Raymore																								
Roanoke, La	18																							
Shiloh																								
South Eagle																								
Mt. Olive																								
Otterbein																								
Trenton																								
Plainview																								
Pleasant Grove																								
Wye, Ark.																								
St. Louis																								
DISTRICT TOTALS	8	41	55	104	36	48	25	109	23	21	14	58	36	45	44	125	3	43	7	104	14	315	1	14

# ORGANIZATION

# LITERATURE

NAME OF CHURCH	Enrollment in Coop. Plan	No. of Mission Bands	Enrollment in Mission Bands	No. of Little Herald Depts.	Enrollment in Little Herald Depts.	Number of Ladies' Aid Soc.	Members in Ladies' Aid Soc.	No. Attending U.B. Colleges	No. Attending Other Colleges	Telescope-Messenger		Builders		The World Evangel	The Bible Teacher	Children's Worker	Children's Stories	Boys and Girls	Friends	Our Home	Home Bible Studies	Adult Bible Studies	Youth Bible Studies	Inter. Bible Studies	Junior Bible Studies	Prim. Bible Studies	Today's Bible Study
5																											
Adrian						1	12	1			14		4	3			15	1		48	15	14	10	10			
Crescent Hill						1	19				20	13	5	2	10		15			24	10	10	6				
Barker										3	27	16	9				15			35	6	6	12				
Brashear						1	15		3		70		9							130		18	18				
Brookfield						1	36	2		4	36	42	20	6	42		32		6	94	30	34	26	52			
Bethel						1	20			3			3	1			12			20	11	5	4	6			
Collins									1	5		5	1				7			14	8						
Centerview																											
Otterbein						1	12		1		6		4					2		48					5		
White Oak																											
Fulton U. B.										5	18	4	2	1						20	18	10	12	10	6		
Fulton Fairview										1										10	12	10	6				
Grandview						1	21		1	4			5		8					30	10	8			10		
Mt. Tabor																				24	10	12	6				
Arington																											
Hatfield						1	12		4	3		1		2						24			12				
Weaver Chapel						1					42	14															
Jennings, La.						1	19		4	12	25	14	3							45					15		
Telescope						1	12	1	5	40	25	41	14	5	32	15	20		10	100					30		
Stanton Memorial				1	2	1	15		6	20	20	24	3	6	15	10	8	20		50		10			15		
Livona									2		5						5										
Mt. Herman																											
Mt. Zion																											
Nevada									3	6		12	4	2		14	10	15	15	15	15	10	10				
Raymore						1	14		10	14	8	4	1		15		6		45	18	12	16	10		15		
Roanoke						1	25	1	1	9	26	8	3						22	10	10	8					
Shiloh						1	24		3	14	17	20	6	4	8	6	15	1	32	15	10	10					
South Eagle						1	34	2	3	10	25	27	7						50	15	6	6	30				
Mt. Olive						1	18			5	25	12	8	3	10	12	7	27	45		12	25	10				
Otterbein																											
Trenton						1	18	3		7	1	15	6	6					24	10	20	15	16				
Plainview																											
Pleasant Grove																			24	16			16	10			
Wye, Ark.																			1	15	8						
St. Louis																											
DISTRICT TOTALS	1	2	18	326	10	37	192	364	277	128	43	154	62	190	67	17	101	217	125	197	216	208					

## LITERATURE

## FINANCES

NAME OF CHURCH	Intermediate Bible Lessons	Junior Bible Lessons	Primary Bible Lessons	Beginners' Bible Lessons	Missions and Benev. Budget Apport.	Paid on Missions and Benev. Budget Ap.	Women's Society of World Service and Aux. Contributions	Youth Fellowship World Ser. Contrib.	Misc. Missions	Homes and Orphanages	Gen. Board of Pensions Apport.	Misc. Denominational Benevolence	Misc. Non-Denominational Benevolence	Total Missions and Benev. Contributions (Not in Budget App.)	Total for Missions and Benevolence	Minister's Cash Sal. from Local Church	Value of Parsonage Rent	From Appropriation	Total Support of Minister	Other Current Exp. Inc. Maintenance	Sunday School Exp. (Not in other items)
Adrian				7	150	150				32				32	182	462	240		702		112
Crescent Hill					108	108									108	352			352	280	45
Barber				12	168	167			7	80	16			260	428	764	150		814		68
Brashar					252	272	26		240	325	60			677	1119	2000	300		2800	550	287
Brookfield					372	372	187			264	57			1049	1742	240			1982	1621	477
Bethel					96	96				60	5			80	176	160			160	31	
Collins					96	96				40				40	136	120	180		300	14	
Centerville					60	15								6	21						
Otterbein		5	5		144	150								150	675				675		
White Oak					96	96				20	11			145	353	60			413	18	83
Fulton U. B.					48	48				13	3			21	69	72			72	5	10
Fulton Fairview					132	132			18	24	9			51	133	31			310	30	109
Grandview			8		96	96								91					91	10	16
Mt. Tabor					12	12									12						
Arrington		12	12													480	180		660	41	43
Hatfield					96	96									96						
Weaver Chapel					252	260	109			219	72			546	806	2400	540		2940	220	115
Jennings, La.					600	600	218		654	160	78			2240	2840	2600	600		3200	4648	715
Telescope					228	223	102			30	44			1105	1450	360	1200		3010	1067	146
Station Memorial	12	16	10		96	70		5	248	23	8			284	354	250			250	65	146
Livona					96	96									96						
Mt. Herman					180	111	55	14	25	23	36			216	327	1200	120	480	1800	261	85
Mt. Zion					160	150	2			86				94	244	870	360	1079	2309	534	144
Nevada					244	264	87		32	54	54			281	545	1800	240		2040	254	109
Raymore, La.	10	6	15	12	150	150	187	3	131	112	63	256	190	942	1092	2100	300		2400	250	276
Shiloh					228	228				96	11			113	341	366			366	102	81
South Eagle					192	198	49		49	343	28			483	681	825			825	293	163
Mt. Olive																					
Otterbein					108					36	30			506	710	904	360	1020	2284	2072	163
Trenton					204	204	52														
Plainview					24					4	5			21	69	340			340	12	27
Pleasant Grove					48	48								28	59	600	120	600	1320		60
Wye, Ark.	4	8	5	8	36	31			14	14											
St. Louis					60																
DISTRICT TOTALS	14	38	61	61	4914	4546	1291	22	1452	2100	597	2048	1243	8693	13239	23286	4350	4379	32015	12333	3480

# LITERATURE

# FINANCES

NAME OF CHURCH	Vacation and Week-Day School Exp.	Youth Fellowship Expenditures	Brotherhood Expenditures	Women's Societies of Aux. Expenditures	Ladies Aid Society Expenditures	Paid on New Buildings	Paid on Improvements	Paid into Reserve Fd. and/or Trust Fds.	Paid on Indebtedness	Paid on Interest	Total Local Expenditures	Increase in Indebtedness	Decrease in Reserve and/or Trust Fds.	Total Deductions	Net Total for Local Expenses	Total for All Purposes	Average per Mem. for Missions and Benev.	Average per Mem. for All Purposes
Adrian	14			14	101		85				1000				1000	1182	2	10
Crescent Hill	10				182		200				1202				1202	1395	1	7
Barter				154	356		212				3858				3858	4377	2	8
Brackley		270	28	76	170		313				4937				4937	5886	2	16
Bethel											191				191	367	2	16
Collins							314				675				314	460	5	16
Conterview																21	1	7
Otterbein																		
White Oak																		
Pulton U. B.	17						89				620				620	765	2	11
Pulton Fairview		36			393		170				1048				1048	1331	1	12
Grandview											117				117	213	2	5
Mc. Labor											5				5	17	1	1
Arrington		5			5						754				754	754		26
Hatfield																		
Weaver Chapel																		
Jennings, La.	35	60	15	30	35		175	53			3878				3878	4484	4	22
Telescope	104	29	135	126	288		8497				12742				12742	15582	11	59
Station Memorial	30		56		175		256	863	269		4542				4542	5647	8	42
Livona		13									730				730	1084	5	10
Mt. Herman																96		
Mt. Zion	7	13		7			309				2002				2002	2829	2	16
Nevada		12		26	444		185			60	2635				2635	2879	3	30
Raymore	20			41	18		160				2642				2642	3187	5	30
Roanoke, La.	17	12			7		1207				4169				4169	5261	9	44
Shiloh				211			1112				1872				1872	2213	3	16
South Eagle			25	22	78						1406				1406	2087	6	17
Mt. Olive																		
Otterbein																		
Trenton		15	35	55	118		260		600	358	4940				4940	5650	4	38
Plainview																		
Pleasant Grove											379				379	448	1	6
Wye, Ark.	10										790				790	849	1	10
St. Louis																		
TOTALS	247	482	294	762	1935	444	8356	916	869	418	58172				58172	72411	3.17	17.33

# PROPERTY

NAME OF CHURCH	No. of Churches	No. of Parsonages	Value of Churches	Value of Parsonages	Value of Other Congregational Property	Total Value of Congregational Property	Indebtedness on Churches	Indebtedness on Parsonages	Indebtedness on Other Congregational Property	Restricted Funds in Reserve or Trust Funds
Adrian	1	1	8000			8000				
Crescent Hill	1	1	5000			5000				
Parier	1	1	2500	1000		3500				
Brasher	1	1	7000	4000		11000				
Brookfield	1	2	27500	8000		35500				
Bethel	1	1	2500			2500				
Collins	1	1								
Centerville	1	1	3000	2000		5000				2275
Otterbein	1	1	1500			1500				
White Oak	1	1	1200	400		1600				
Fulton U. B.	1	1	900			900				
Fulton Fairview	1	1	1200			1200				
Grandview	1	1								
Mt. Tabor	1	1								
Arrington	1	1	1500	1000		2500				
Hatfield	1	1	1000			1000				
Weaver Chapel	1	1	15000	5000		20000				
Jennings, La.	1	1	50000	12000		62000				100
Telescope	1	1	40000		2500	42500				
Station Memorial	1	1	2000			2000				
Livona	1	1	1000	800		1800				
Mt. Herman	1	1	10000	6900		16900				
Nevada	1	1	10000	3500		13500		6456		
Raymore	1	1	5500	3500		9000				
Roanoke, La.	1	1	7000	6000		13000				
Shiloh	1	1	5000			5000				
South Eagle	1	1	5500			5500				
Mt. Olive	1	1								
Otterbein	1	1	65000			65000	14400			
Trenton	1	1								
Plainview	1	1	1200			1200				
Pleasant Grove	1	1	18000	2000		20000	300			
Wye, Ark.	1	1								
St. Louis	1	1								
Loft										
TOTAL	33	15	298000	52600	2400	353100	14700	6456		2375